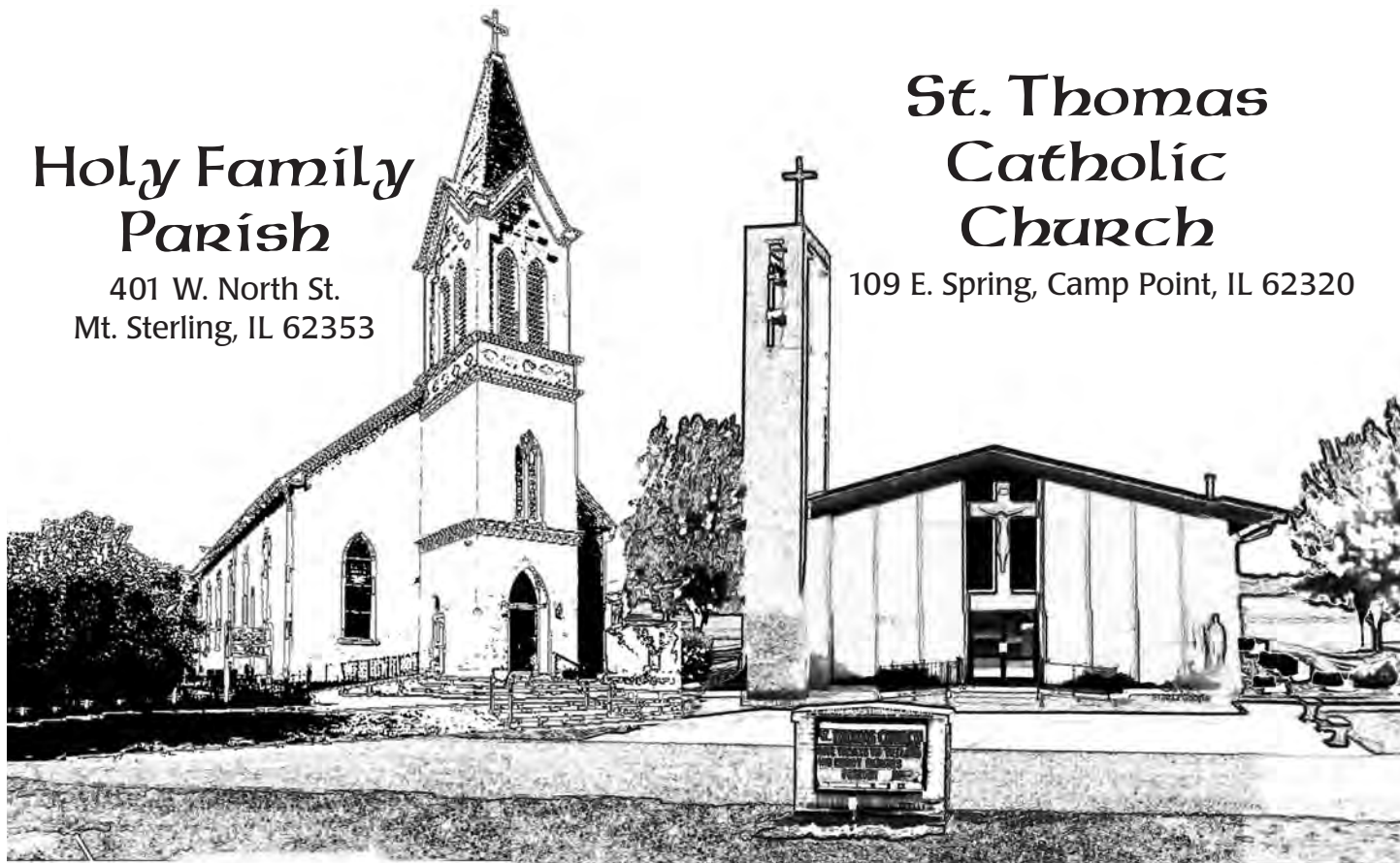


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Daily: 7:00 a.m. (Tues.-Thurs.)

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m.

Holy days: 8:30 a.m. (during school year), 5:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 4:00-5:00 p.m.

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First weekend of month

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First Friday Mass 6:00 p.m. also Reconciliation after Mass

Ladies Bible Study Wednesday 9:30 a.m.

PSR classes Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

Men & Women's Society Meeting 1st Thursday 7:00 p.m.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting – 2nd Thursday 7:00 p.m.

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, June 7 – 7:00 a.m.

2 Corinthians 1:1-7; Matthew 5:1-12

Communion Service

Tuesday, June 8 – 7:00 a.m.

2 Corinthians 1:18-22; Matthew 5:13-16

Communion Service

Wednesday, June 9 – 7:00 a.m.

St. Ephrem, Deacon & Doctor of the Church
2 Corinthians 3:4-11; Matthew 5:17-19

Robert & Betty Koch

(By Mike, Alan, Glen, Diane & Families)

Thursday, June 10 – 7:00 a.m.

2 Corinthians 3:15-4:1, 3-6; Matthew 5:20-26

Millie Geisler

(By Tom & Nancy Schneider)

Friday, June 11 – 7:00 a.m.

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Hosea 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Ephesians 3:8-12, 14-19;
John 19:31-37

Joe & Sheryl Geisler

(By the Geisler Family)

Saturday, June 12 – 5:30 p.m.

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
2 Corinthians 5:14-21; Luke 2:41-51

Parishioners of Holy Family & St. Thomas

Sunday, June 13 – 8:00 a.m.

Ezekiel 17:22-24; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10; Mark 4:26-34

Terry Dillard

(By Cheryl Dillard)

St. Thomas – 10:00 a.m.

Faye Greenwell

(By the St. Thomas Choir)

HOLY FAMILY TITHE TO THE LORD:

May 29-30, 2021

Holy Family: \$2,802.00

School Support: \$205.00

Retired Diocesan Priests: \$60.00

Holy Family weekly budgeted amount: \$6,500

ST. THOMAS TITHE TO THE LORD:

May 30, 2021

St. Thomas: \$2,310.00

Sister Parish: \$50.00

Retired Diocesan Priests: \$60.00

St. Thomas weekly budgeted amount: \$3,000

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please contact Tammy at (217) 773-2825 or tmckeown@smseagle.org with any information you wish to have placed in the bulletin. I will need any information by Monday at 2:00 p.m. for insertion into the next weekend's bulletin.

OFFICE HOURS

School Office hours will be Monday - Tuesday - 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Our phone number is (217) 773-2825.

The rectory phone number is: (217) 773-3233.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep the following in your prayers:

All Caregivers † The shut-ins of our parish and community † Matthew Bishop † For the safety of all of our military † For a Special Intention † Gay Gunn † Don & Marie Hendren † Jolene Lawson † Sharon Johnson † Gavin McDaniel † Boyd Tenhouse † Donna Reische † Janice Leverton † Jack Pool † Gary Shields † Carroll Hedden † Bonnie Meats † Abby Schuhardt † Jack Cannon † Kim Koch † Betty (Koch) Atteberry † Jim Steinkamp † Jenny Fox † Carrie Haskins † Heather Poppy † Stanley Harms † Pat Boylen † Michelle Baucom-Keller † Myles Keller † Maisy Keller † Carol Eickelschulte †

Kimberly Kestner & Baby † Sheila Thompson
† Suzanne Forsythe † J. J. Gronewold †
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Marilyn Wort † Carolyn Kassing † Cal Noelke
† Joe Ray † Arika Pipkin † Maryann Yeakel †
Kimberly McKinny † Marilyn Kerr †
Bryce Shank † Elaine Parkin & family †
Liz Bohannan & Baby Jack †
Dawn Stoecker † Rick Parker † Barb Kuhn †
Andy Ray † Derry Schnelle †
Mary Klingele Ahmed †

Our prayers and sympathy go out to the family of Elinor Davis who passed away on May 30, 2021. May God keep you in His care! Eternal Rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

ST. THOMAS

St. Thomas Vacation Bible School - Planning is underway for VBS to be held August 2 -6. I am in a unique situation of needing multiple teachers and helpers this year. Please prayerfully consider helping either in a classroom, the kitchen or decorating. All help is needed, all ages. Our young children look forward to this week all year long and it's so rewarding, seeing the smiles on their faces. Please consider joining us. Please call or text, Kailyn Mast at 217-617-0282.

St. Thomas will be having their Ministry Sign Up starting May 16 after both Masses in the back of church. Please review the lists to make sure we have your phone number and email address correct. Cross out your name if you are no longer interested in the ministry your name is under. Add your name, phone number and email address under ministries you would like to sign up for. If you have questions, contact Claudia 217-593-7285.

St. Thomas – 4th of July at the Park - It's back again! The 4th of July celebration at Bailey Park is back and St. Thomas will once again be serving homemade ice cream, pie and brownies! It might seem far away, but we have to start planning now. The first thing that we ask is for you to save your ice cream containers. (We'll also need them for our Ice Cream Social in August.) You can leave them in the cloak room at the back of church. Mark your calendars. Thanks a lot!

ST. THOMAS LITURGICAL ROLES

June 13, 2021 - 10:00 a.m.

Sacristan: Gary Mast

Lector: Tod Perry

Ushers: Brent Obert, Tony Obert

From the Pastor's Desk

Today, the Church in the United States celebrates the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. The Eucharist is the greatest gift that Jesus has left us and is the center of Christian living. Without it, there is a very real danger of Christian communities and our own faith collapsing. And that is why even in the midst of persecution, the Church continues to celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Yet it's possible that the centrality of the Holy Eucharist in Christian living can become trivialized or worse, even lost. On this Solemnity of Corpus Christi, I urge each of us to take a serious and honest look at our own lives as Christians and our own emphasis that we place on the Holy Eucharist in our lives. If there is something lacking, if the Holy Eucharist isn't the center of your life, begin this very day, this very moment, to change that.

The Church describes the Holy Eucharist as the source and summit of our faith. Jesus is made truly present to us in the Holy Eucharist and indeed, He is the source of our faith. And our faith is ultimately about sharing in Jesus' Paschal

Mystery, here and now, so that we may all one day share in Eternal Life with the Father in Heaven.

The Eucharist is not just a commemoration of what happened some 2000 years ago. It is a celebration of what makes us what we are today, a celebration of a Living Body of which we are part of. In the Holy Eucharist, it IS NOT a wafer of bread and a sip of wine that we consume. No, not at all. We truly receive Jesus...Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity, nourishing us and reminding us that God is always present in our lives. The Lord gives us this through the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. How beautiful and moving that is.

Each time we prepare to receive the Body and Blood of Christ made truly present to us in the Holy Eucharist through the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, we proclaim, "Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof. But only say the Word and my soul shall be healed." As we reflect on that and the gift that God has given us, we should receive the Holy Eucharist with fear and trembling, knowing, that we are proclaiming Christ's Death and Resurrection until He comes again in glory...fear and trembling not in the sense of being afraid or scared but fear and trembling from our great reverence for whom we are receiving.

In the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, we join the saints and angels in worship of the One who has loved us without condition and without ceasing. In the appearance of bread and wine, again, in appearance ONLY, Christ gives us the greatest of all gifts, Himself, and meets our most basic needs; to be loved and to be nourished. In the Holy Eucharist, we taste the very presence and mercy of Christ. May our lives be ever reflective of this great reality.

As we look at our readings for today, we recall that sacrifice in the Old Testament often consisted of animals placed on makeshift altars as a burnt

offering to God. In the first reading, Moses sprinkles the blood of the covenant on God's chosen people. Jesus uses the same exact term to refer to the cup that He shared with His disciples in today's Gospel. This verbal connection in Scripture is a sign of the fulfillment of the messianic prophecy.

When Jesus offered Himself as Body and Blood, He honored the old covenant under Moses while becoming the mediator of a new covenant. By this Blood, He has obtained for us eternal redemption, and has cleansed our consciences from dead works to worship the living God.

Jesus' presence in Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity in the Eucharist is also a promise, a promise that He will be with us until the end of days. He wishes to remain with us and in us, helping us to seek Him, to see Him, and serve Him by how we love, honor, serve, and forgive one another.

The Solemnity of Corpus Christi (the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ), was established by Pope Urban IV in the year 1264. He established this celebration in response to a reported Eucharistic miracle in the Italian village of Orvieto. It is reported that the Eucharistic host bled when being offered in the hands of a doubting priest, Father Peter of Prague. This was, in essence, a manifestation of a miraculous presence in the hands of one who doubted the Real Presence.

Sadly, this is a doubt that is all too common today as well. Many Catholics have not been catechized well with regard to the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, and those outside of the Catholic Church believe the Holy Eucharist to be only Christ's symbolic presence, or at least that He is not substantially present.

In proclaiming the Year of the Eucharist in 2004, Saint John Paul II said: "The Holy Eucharist contains the entire spiritual treasure of the Church, Christ Himself." He went on to encourage every

Catholic to “rekindle this Eucharistic amazement.”

We can only hope and pray that the true presence of Christ in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the altar will strengthen the faith of believers, remove doubts from the minds of skeptics, and serve as a reminder to all of us that the Eucharist is a miracle. Every Eucharist is a miracle. When we share in the miracle of the Eucharist, we share in Jesus' miraculous love for us and for all sinners.

And now just a few notes:

-LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK:

Wednesday, June 9 - memorial of St. Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church. St. Ephrem was a Syrian theologian and poet who authored biblical commentaries and composed hymns still used today by the Syriac Liturgy. St. Ephrem was known as the “Harp of the Spirit.” He died in 373.

Friday, June 11 - Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday, June 12 - Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

-WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - Friday, June 11 is also designated as the World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests. I ask you to keep all priests and bishops in your prayers each and every day and on this day in particular to offer additional prayer for the sanctification of priests.

-PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION - On Saturday, June 12, Bishop Paprocki will ordain one young man to the Priesthood, Reverend Mr. Christopher Trummer. Ordination will be at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield at 10:00am. What a joyous occasion for the Church and for our Diocese. Please pray for Deacon Trummer and for all those who will be ordained this year.

-DAILY PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS - I want to encourage you to join folks

around the Diocese at 4:40 each day in praying one Hail Mary for our Diocese to have 40 seminarians. This was begun some time ago and I hope that you will join us in this.

-SACRED HEART - June is traditionally known as the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. I encourage each of you to spend some time in devotion to the Sacred Heart during June especially. At the end of my column here, I will include the Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus that you might consider offering.

Thank you for your continued prayers for me, one another, our parishes and school, and the Universal Church. Please know of my continued prayers for you each day.

-Fr. Aaron

Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

In 1899 Pope Leo XIII approved this Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus for public use. This litany is actually a synthesis of several other litanies dating back to the 17th century. Fr. Croiset composed a litany in 1691 from which seventeen invocations were used by Venerable Anne Madeleine Remuzat when she composed her litany in 1718 at Marseille. She joined an additional ten invocations to those of Fr. Croiset for a total of twenty-seven invocations. Six more invocations written by Sister Madeleine Joly of Dijon in 1686 were added by the Sacred Congregation for Rites when it was approved for public use in 1899. This marks a total of thirty-three invocations, one for each year of life of our Lord Jesus Christ. A partial indulgence is attached to this litany.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, hear us.

Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father of Heaven, have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit, have mercy on us.
Holy Trinity, One God, have mercy
on us.

Heart of Jesus, Son of the Eternal
Father, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, formed by the Holy
Spirit in the womb of Virgin Mother's, have
mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, substantially united to
the Word of God, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, of infinite majesty,
have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, Sacred Temple of God,
have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, Tabernacle of the Most
High, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, House of God and Gate
of Heaven, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, burning furnace of
charity, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, abode of justice and
love, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, full of goodness and
love, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, abyss of all virtues,
have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, most worthy of all
praise, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, King and center of all
hearts, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, in whom are all the
treasures of wisdom and knowledge, have
mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, in whom dwells the
fullness of divinity, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, in whom the Father was
well pleased, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, of whose fullness we
have all received, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, desire of the everlasting
hills, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, patient and most
merciful, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, enriching all who
invoke Thee, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, fountain of life and
holiness, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, propitiation for our
sins, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, loaded down with
opprobrium, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, bruised for our
offenses, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, obedient to death, have
mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, pierced with a lance,
have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, source of all
consolation, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, our life and
resurrection, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, our peace and
reconciliation, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, victim for our sins,
have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, salvation of those who
trust in Thee, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, hope of those who die
in Thee, have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, delight of all the Saints,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins
of the world, spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins
of the world, graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins
of the world, have mercy on us, O Lord.

V. Jesus, meek and humble of Heart,

R. Make our hearts like to Thine.

Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God,
look upon the Heart of Thy most beloved
Son and upon the praises and satisfaction
which He offers Thee in the name of
sinners; and to those who implore Thy
mercy, in Thy great goodness, grant
forgiveness in the name of the same Jesus
Christ, Thy Son, who livest and reignest
with Thee forever and ever. Amen.

Bulletin Short for
Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and
Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)
- 06 June 2021

Take. Eat. Drink. Oh, some of us still
long to gather with the Church on Sunday
to do Eucharist, to give thanks. Some of
us still yearn to come to Mass and share in

Communion. We long to both eat and drink the Lord Jesus Christ. This holy dining tells us who and whose we are. Soon, pray.

- If I can come to the church on Sunday, for what do I give thanks?
- How can I help those who still cannot come because of Covid 19 mitigations?
- If I cannot come to the church on Sunday, how will I still choose to give thanks?

Bosco Kids Updates

Thanks to all the parents, students and teachers for a very productive and great year for Bosco Kids. We are starting to plan for next year's activities for Bosco Kids and other religious education programs for the parish.

Bosco Kids will start with registration and orientation on Wednesday 9/1 at 6:15. We need a couple more teachers in this program.

We are planning to start a Youth Group Program for our high school students. We are very excited to start this and are looking for adults and teens to help us get this organized. We'll plan a meeting in June to start the planning.

RCIA will start in September for anyone interested in getting more information about joining the Catholic Church next year.

Please contact Ann O'Sullivan, PSR Coordinator, at 217-257-2516 or aosullivan2031@gmail.com if you have questions about or are interested in helping out or joining any of these programs.

NEW TEACHERS



Our new **2nd Grade** teacher is **Dawn Kessler**. We are so excited to have her join the St. Mary School family. She applied for the \$1000 One Class at a Time Grant from KHQA and won literacy materials for SMS. Congratulations Dawn!



Our new **Pre-K** teacher is **Danielle Buss Dietrich**. Dani is a St. Mary School alumni and we are blessed to have her join our SMS family. Congratulations Dani!

The Salve Regina

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary! Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Amen

Prayer to the Sacred Heart

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, filled with Infinite Love; broken by our ingratitude and pierced by our sins; yet loving us still; accept the consecration we make to Thee of all that we are and all that we have.

Take every faculty of our souls and bodies, only day by day draw us nearer and nearer to Thy Sacred Heart; and there as we shall hear the lesson, teach us Thy Holy Way ~

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