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Mass Schedule

Daily: 7:00 a.m. Tuesday-Thursday - 8:30 a.m. Friday

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 a.m.

Holy days: Will be Announced

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 4:30-5:00 p.m. - Anytime by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration First weekend of month Phone (217) 593-6685, (217) 773-3233 E-mail: stthomascp@gmail.com

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Sunday Mass 10:00 a.m. Holy Day: Will be Announced

First Friday Adoration of the Eucharist 12.00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

First Friday Mass 6:00 p.m. with

Reconciliation prior 5:00 - 5:45 p.m.

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 6:00 p.m.

Website: www.stthomascp.org https://stthomascp.formed.org

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, October 30 - 7:00 a.m.

Romans 8:12-17; Luke 13:10-17

Communion Service

Tuesday, October 31 - 7:00 a.m.

Romans 8:18-25; Luke 13:18-21

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

<u>Tuesday, October 31 – 5:30 p.m.</u> AT ST. THOMAS

Eugene Steinkamp (By Barb Steinkamp)

<u>Tuesday, October 31 - 7:00 p.m.</u> <u>AT HOLY FAMILY</u>

Melvin & Eleanor McClelland and JoAnne McClelland Harris (By John & Linda Colgan)

<u>Wednesday, November 1 – 7:00 a.m.</u> <u>AT HOLY FAMILY</u>

Solemnity of All Saints Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12a

Parishioners of Holy Family and St. Thomas

Wednesday, November 1 - 8:30 a.m. AT HOLY FAMILY (School Mass)

Joe Ray (By Mary Markert)

<u>Wednesday, November 1 – 5:30 p.m.</u> <u>AT HOLY FAMILY</u>

Ramona Lehne (By Catherine Black)

<u>Wednesday, November 1 – 7:00 p.m.</u> <u>AT ST. THOMAS</u>

Fr. Aaron's Intentions

Thursday, November 2 – 7:00 a.m.

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed Wisdom 3:1-9; Romans 5:5-11; John 6:37-40

Paul Mueller (By Martha Fluckey)

St. Thomas - 5:30 p.m.

For All the Faithful Departed

Friday, November 3 - 8:30 a.m.

St. Martin de Porres, Religious Romans 9:1-5; Luke 14:1-6

Bill O'Sullivan (By John & Carolyn Ormond)

FIRST FRIDAY - ST. THOMAS - 6:00 p.m.

Martha Koetters (By Carl & Marcia Taylor)

Saturday, November 4 - 5:30 p.m.

St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop Romans 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Luke 14:1, 7-11

Bob & Sylva Dixon and Julie Link (By Cheryl Dillard)

Sunday, November 5 - 8:00 a.m.

Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10; 1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13; Matthew 23:1-12

Parishioners of Holy Family and St. Thomas

St. Thomas - 10:00 a.m.

Don Sharow (By Pat Sharow)

HOLY FAMILY TITHE TO THE LORD:

October 21-22, 2023

Holy Family: \$5,162.00 School Support: \$290.00 Sister Parish: \$35.00 Debt Reduction: \$1,000.00 World Mission: \$255.00 Cemetery: \$100.00

Holy Family weekly budgeted amount: \$6,500

ST. THOMAS TITHE TO THE LORD:

October 22, 2023

St. Thomas: \$2,122.00 World Mission: \$150.00

St. Thomas weekly budgeted amount: \$2.635

UPCOMING EVENTS

❖ Legion of Mary meets each Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. in the convent. All are invited to pray the rosary with us and learn more about the Legion. "With Mary's help we guide, console and enlighten others."

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 - Friday - 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 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 † Boyd Tenhouse † Janice Leverton † Margo Pool † Gary Shields † Abby Schuhardt † Jim Steinkamp † Heather Poppy † Stanley Harms † Sheila Thompson † J. J. Gronewold † John Norkus † Marilyn Wort † Carolyn Kassing † Kimberly McKinny † Bryce Shank † Elaine Parkin & family † Sheila Roberts † Marilyn Clark † Jim Heaton † Vera Marie Rolf † Christine Colgan Moore † Maddy Perry † Dwayne Koch † Susie Parker Campbell † Debra Parker Baker † Jeanette Shields † Connie Johnson †

Tom Langan † Oakley Ham † Rick Flatt †
Elizabeth "Libby" Tichy † Jeff Kozak †
Carol Likes † Janice Hendricks †
Kendall Atteberry † Mark Ebbing †
Eleanor Logsdon † Lane Wiese †
Carolyn DeWitt † Jim Duvendack †
Leeann DeJaynes † Irene Norkus †
Boone Holden † Sean Fink † Elijah Craig †
Kathy Cramblitt † Steve and Bonnie Sorrells †
Katie Dunbar † Alan Bowen †
Dylan Hendricks † Bud Bordenkircher †

ST. THOMAS LITURGICAL ROLES

November 5, 2023 - 10:00 a.m.

Sacristan: Jim Clausius

Greeters: Jerry & Margie Herkert

Lector: Denise Taylor

Gift Bearers: Jerry & Margie Herkert

Eucharistic Minister: Cathy Wagner **Collection Counters:** Robin Coggeshall **Ushers:** John Brady, Denny Campbell

From the Pastor's Desk

Today the Church celebrates the Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time. Our readings for today remind us that we are to love the Lord with our whole heart and our neighbor as ourselves. By thus fulfilling these two great commandments, we hope to become models of faith and imitators of the Lord who gave Himself totally for our sakes.

-LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK:

-Wednesday, November 1 – Solemnity of All Saints, Holy Day of Obligation. Elevated to a Solemnity, this is one of the highest celebrations in the Church. We celebrate those who have gone before us who now enjoy the glory of Eternal Life with the Father in Heaven. May their holiness of life always be an example to us and may we always be reminded that they now share in what our ultimate end is. We ask the intercession of all the Saints.

The Solemnity of All Saints is a Holy Day of Obligation where one is obligated to participate in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. It is seriously sinful to disregard completely the obligation to participate in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on this day and on Sundays and all other Holy Days of Obligation.

I will be celebrating Masses at both parishes that day and a Vigil Mass on Tuesday evening at both parishes. The Mass schedule for each parish is as follows:

-Holy Family: 7:00 p.m. Vigil Mass on Tuesday, October 31; 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 1. Students, teachers, and staff from St. Mary School will join us for the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Everyone, of course, is welcome to that Mass.

-St. Thomas: 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass on Tuesday, October 31; 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 1 (PSR will attend this Mass).

-Thursday, November 2 – The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day). Rooted in ancient Christian Tradition, St. Odilo of Cluny established a memorial of all the faithful departed in 988. It was accepted in Rome in the 13th century. All Souls Day is also significant but sadly has become dismissed by many as just another day. While it is always appropriate and necessary to pray for the dead, All Souls Day sets aside a day especially for this. Again, we remember those who have gone before us and we pray for the eternal redemption of their souls.

We will have our usual weekly Mass schedule for all Souls Day at both parishes, Holy Family - 7:00 a.m.; St. Thomas - 5:30 p.m.

-Friday, November 3 – Optional memorial of St. Martin de Porres, Religious. St. Martin de Porres was born in Lima, Peru of a Spanish father and a black slave mother. A lay brother of the Order of Preachers, he humbly ministered to the poor and the sick, especially African slaves. He was a close friend of St. Rose of Lima and devoted to the Holy Eucharist. He is the patron saint of social justice and of people of mixed races. St. Martin de Porres, Pray for us!

-Saturday, November 4 – Obligatory Memorial of St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop. Charles Borromeo was a Cardinal and Secretary of State at age twenty-two for his uncle, Pope Pius IV. He implemented reforms of the Council of Trent in his diocese of Milan and was considered a model pastor by many bishops including St. Francis de Sales. He held five provincial councils and eleven diocesan synods. He is the founder of seminaries and the patron of catechists and of catechumens. He died on November 3, 1584 at the age of forty-six. St. Charles Borromeo, Pray for us!

-INVEST IN KIDS ACT – Last week at each weekend Mass I read the letter signed by the six Bishops of Illinois concerning the Illinois Invest in Kids Act. This letter as well as additional information regarding this program and other topics can also be found on the Catholic Conference of Illinois website (ilcatholic.org). I encourage and ask each one of you to contact your State Representatives and ask them to vote to continue this program. If you need contact information for your representatives, you can find that on the Catholic Conference of Illinois website as well.

-SYNOD – The Synod on Synodality in Rome convened on Wednesday, October 4 and is scheduled to end this Sunday, October 29. Please continue to keep the Synod in your prayers.

-FOOD COLLECTION – The food collection at Holy Family for the local food pantry continues. We will collect different kinds of food each week. This week, the food item is cereal. Next week we will be collecting soup. If you would like to contribute, please place your food items in the tubs in church. Any questions or if you'd like to help, please contact Marilyn Veith.

-MONTH OF OCTOBER - Although only a few days remain in the month, a reminder that October is both Respect Life Month and the Month of the Holy Rosary. Please continue to pray for the protection of and respect for all human life in all stages from conception until natural death, not just in October but every day. I also encourage you to pray the Rosary each day (not just in October) and especially with your family. Praying the Holy Rosary is also a great way to pray for the protection of and respect for all human life.

-ROSARY SIGN-UP – I encourage you to consider signing up to lead the Praying of the Holy Rosary before Mass on one or more Sundays at St. Thomas. The sign-up sheet is hanging in the back of St. Thomas Church.

-NOVEMBER – During the month of November, we are called in a special way to remember and pray for all those who have died. I encourage each of us to do just that. We pray for the souls of all the faithful departed that, through the mercy of God, they may rest in peace. November is also an excellent time to visit the cemetery and pray for the dead. These are excellent habits for all of us.

Last week there was an insert in the bulletins at St. Thomas concerning the month of November as the month of the Holy Souls. The insert included prayers and some good information. I am hoping to have these available at Holy Family as well.

-HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION – As noted above, Wednesday, November 1 is the Solemnity of All Saints, a Holy Day of Obligation. We are required (obligated) to participate in the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on that day or at a Vigil Mass the evening before celebrating the Solemnity.

The Mass schedule for the Solemnity of All Saints Day is:

-Holy Family: 7:00 p.m. Vigil Mass on Tuesday, October 31; 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 1.

-St. Thomas: 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass on Tuesday, October 31; 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 1.

I want to stress again that it is seriously sinful to disregard completely the obligation to participate in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on this day and on Sundays and all other Holy Days of Obligation.

-POPE'S INTENTION – The Holy Father's Intention for November is for the Pope himself. We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him with the help of the Holy Spirit.

-FIRST FRIDAY – Friday, November 3 is First Friday. We will be having our First Friday Devotion at St. Thomas with Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from Noon until 5:45 p.m., Benediction at 5:45 p.m., and Mass at 6:00 p.m. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 5:00 – 5:45 p.m. I encourage everyone to spend some time in prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament and to join us for the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. I also encourage folks to regularly receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

-NOCTURNAL ADORATION – Saturday, November 4 is First Saturday. Nocturnal Adoration goes through the night at Holy Family and runs through 7:45 a.m. Sunday morning. Benediction is at 7:45 a.m. followed by the regularly scheduled 8:00 a.m. Mass. Please be aware of the time change for this coming weekend...Adoration will begin technically at 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 4 and will get back on schedule into the night when the time formally changes. We change the Nocturnal Adoration clock before we begin.

-DONUT SUNDAY – Sunday, November 5 is the first Sunday of the month which means "Donut Sunday" at St. Thomas. Head on over to the parish hall after Mass to visit and enjoy coffee and donuts!

-TURKEY DINNER – Just a reminder that the Holy Family Turkey Dinner is next Sunday, November 5. It will be served drive-thru only at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Mt. Sterling from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Make your plans now to come and get your delicious meals to enjoy and don't forget to get your name in for the raffle. There are some great prizes to be had. Thank you to everyone for all your hard work and your support of the Turkey Dinner.

If you have raffle tickets and/or donations for the Turkey Dinner, you can drop them in the box in the back of Holy Family Church. There are also sheets of raffle tickets there if you need more.

Letters for the Turkey Dinner went out by U.S. Mail to all Holy Family Parishioners. If you did not receive one, please let me know so that we can make sure we have addresses up to date.

-DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME - A reminder that Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 5. At 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, clocks are set back one hour. If you arrive an hour early for Mass, wonderful...spend an extra hour in prayer!

-VOCATION AWARENESS – Sunday, November 5 marks the beginning of National Vocation Awareness Week. Please pray for and do all you can for good and holy vocations. Please continue to join folks across the Diocese to pray one Hail Mary at 4:40 each day that our Diocese may have 40 seminarians. I ask you to also pray for those who are in formation for the Priesthood, Diaconate, or Religious Life.

While this week is dedicated in particular to Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Religious Life, we keep in prayer all vocations that they be holy and fruitful and that folks respond generously to God's call in their lives. Be mindful too of where vocations arise from...that is the family.

The family is so very important in our world, in our society, in the Church and that is why there are such grave attacks against the family. May we do all we can to protect families and family life.

If you or someone you know may be considering a vocation to the Priesthood, Permanent Diaconate, or Religious Life, I encourage you to reach out to me.

-ANDREW DINNER – Each Deanery of the Diocese tries to plan an Andrew Dinner every other year. An Andrew Dinner is for men whom God may be calling to the Priesthood. It is an opportunity to meet together with our Bishop and clergy of the Deanery for dinner and prayer and to talk about Vocation. It does not commit anyone to anything. Men in high school on up are invited. It is not just for high school or college students but any man who might be called to the Priesthood. Attending the Andrew Dinner is one way for a man to open his heart to know and follow God's Will.

The Quincy Deanery is planning an Andrew Dinner on Monday, November 27. Location still to be determined. Though it is a little way off, if you know a man who might be called to the Priesthood or if you are a man reading this that has considered the Priesthood, please let me know. I would like to invite those men to join me at the Andrew Dinner.

-DEER CLASSIC – Brown County Deer Classic is now just a couple weeks away, set for Saturday, November 11. More information on the website at bcdeerclassic.com. Tickets are now available for purchase either online or in person at Kassing Lumber in Mt. Sterling. Online auction will be up soon. This event directly helps support St. Mary School. Thank you for your continued support!

The Vigil Mass that evening at Holy Family will be at 4:00 p.m.

-CCW – All ladies of the parishes, mark your calendar for the next Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women, Wednesday, November 15 at St. Francis Solanus in Quincy. I encourage all women of the parishes to go if at all possible; it's always a nice day. More information including sign-up sheets will be coming. Any questions, contact Claudia Coggeshall or myself.

-ATTACKS - Attacks against life, against the Church, against families, against Truth, and against God Himself continue as they have for centuries. Unfortunately, we can see it in many places. We really must remain fervent in our prayer against these attacks, make them known to others, and offer sacrifice and reparation for these grave offenses and attacks.

May God give each of us the grace to know the Truth in all things and to recognize the deceit of evil. Offering support for evils such as the murder of children (called abortion), euthanasia, or population control, among others, is a grave offense and blasphemy against God. Centering our lives on ourselves and rationalizing our own sinfulness or pretending it doesn't exist is also a great risk to one's Eternal Salvation.

God is loving and merciful, yes, but God is also just and calls us to following Him and His commands completely so that we might enjoy Eternal Life, Happiness, and Peace with Him for all Eternity.

Through our own sacrifice and reparation for sin, may God have mercy on our souls!

Thank you for your continued support for me, one another, our parishes and school, and the Universal Church. Please be assured of my continued prayers for you each day. May you have a most blessed week.

-Fr. Aaron

HOLY FAMILY BOSCO KIDS AND RCIA

Bosco Kids - Bosco Kids meets on Wednesday nights from 6:15 -7:30.

Linda Howard is teaching 3rd grade and Hannah Howard is teaching 2nd grade. The class schedule may vary each week

Ann O'Sulivan and Kriss Johnson are teaching 4th-6th grades on Monday nights from 6-7 p.m.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

RCIA - RCIA classes are for those interested in learning more about the Catholic religion and/or coming into the Catholic Church.

Please let me or Father Aaron know if you are interested in attending these classes or have any questions about the Catholic Faith.

Blessings to you all this week.

HOLY FAMILY YOUTH GROUP

Next Meetings:

October 29- Fall Party- Hayrack ride, bonfire and fun! Event will be held at Kent and Leigh Ann's House. More details as we get closer.

November 5- Service at Holy Family Turkey Dinner.

CASS SCHUYLER AREA HOSPICE

Cass Schuyler Area Hospice Volunteers are doing our annual wreath fundraiser. There is a pamphlet on the bulletin board in back of church. Money is to be turned in with the orders (other arrangements can be made). The wreaths will be delivered between November 19-22. Please call Karla Ormond by October 21 at 217-257-3835 or Karen Yingling at 812-459-2022.

HOLY FAMILY TURKEY DINNER

Turkey time again! November 5 is the Annual Turkey Dinner. This will be a drive thru event from 11-1. Meals are \$10. Turkey donations (\$35) can be dropped in the box as you come into church. Letters will be going out with all the details, workers list, and raffle tickets. Extra copies will be available on the table in the back. Let us come together as a Catholic family to support our Church and School. Bless you.

BIRTHRIGHT TRIVIA NIGHT & SILENT AUCTION 2023

We are excited to announce that we will be having our 14th annual trivia night and silent auction on Saturday, November 4 at the QU Health and Fitness Center! Doors open and auction begins at 5:00 p.m.; trivia begins at 6:45 p.m. sharp. Registration is \$125 for teams of up to 8 people. Please visit www.birthrightquincyil.org or our Facebook page for more details and registration, or you may call the Birthright office at 217-224-1277 if you have any questions. This is our largest fundraiser which helps us continue to serve the needs of mothers and babies right here in our community. We hope you will join us!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

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3 Nights-3 Topics

NOVEMBER 8TH

Eucharistic Miracles
Did you know there are
miracles that back up the true
presence of the Eucharist? Fr.
Robert Spitzer tell us about
the incredible science behind
them.

NOVEMBER 29TH

Why Go To Mass? Fr. John Riley and Chris Stefanick discuss the roots of Mass and its profound implications for us today.

DECEMBER 6TH

Why Would A Loving God Allow Such Suffering? Discuss Catholic philosophy and theology to help us understand this question as well as free will!







JOIN US FROM 6:30-745 AS WE WATCH A VIDEO AND DISCUSS THIS POPULAR TOPICS!

Meet at St Thomas Church Hall for this FREE event! Contact Laura Evans with any questions. 217-316-1734 or levans@adams.net

How to Pray the Chaplet of the Holy Souls

After making the sign of the cross while holding the crucifix of the Rosary, say the Apostles' Creed.

On the first large bead, pray the **Our Father**.

Pray **three Hail Marys** on the following **three beads**.

At the next **large bead**, pray the **Glory Be**.

On the large beads before each decade pray the following prayer:

O Holy Souls

draw the fire of God's love into my soul, to reveal Jesus Crucified in me here on earth, rather than hereafter in Purgatory.

Then on the small beads pray this prayer:

Crucified Lord Jesus,

have mercy on the souls in Purgatory.

At the conclusion of the chaplet, pray **3 Glory Be** prayers.

