

Holy Family Parish

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St. Thomas Catholic Church

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Principal: Melissa Obert

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

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Parish Secretary: Pat Sharow

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CHWC Director: Karen Janssen – (217) 242-5283

D.R.E: Laura Evans – (217) 316-1734

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, May 12 – 7:00 a.m.

St. Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr
Acts of the Apostles 11:1-18; John 10:1-10

Communion Service

Tuesday, May 13 – 7:00 a.m.

Our Lady of Fatima
Acts of the Apostles 11:19-26; John 10:22-30

Jennifer Volk
(By Maureen Norvell)

Wednesday, May 14 – 7:00 a.m.

St. Matthias, Apostle
Acts of the Apostles 1:15-17, 20-26; John 15:9-17

Joe Ray
(By John & Rosemary Holler)

Thursday, May 15 – 7:00 a.m.

St. Isidore
Acts of the Apostles 13:13-25; John 13:16-20

Charles Koch
(By Jim & Doris Duvendack)

AT ST. THOMAS – 5:30 p.m.

Father Aaron's Intentions

Friday, May 16 – 8:30 a.m.

Acts of the Apostles 13:26-33; John 14:1-6

Jerome Powers
(By Rick & Cindy Kunkel)

Saturday, May 17 – 8:00 a.m.

Acts of the Apostles 13:44-52; John 14:7-14

Father Aaron's Intentions

Holy Family – 5:30 p.m.

Dick & Lucy Drake
(By Rosemary Holler)

Sunday, May 18 – 8:00 a.m.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52; Revelation 7:9, 14b-17;
John 10:27-30

Jason Volk
(By Netty Wear)

St. Thomas – 10:00 a.m.

Parishioners of Holy Family & St. Thomas

HOLY FAMILY TITHE TO THE LORD:

May 3-4, 2025

Holy Family: \$4,798.70

School Support: \$900.00

Cemetery: \$100.00

Debt reduction: \$50.00

Holy Family weekly budgeted amount: \$6,500

ST. THOMAS TITHE TO THE LORD:

May 4, 2025

St. Thomas: \$2,542.00

Easter: \$20.00

Holy Land – Good Friday: \$20.00

Candles: \$22.00

Parish Improvement: \$520.00

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.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Jeff Kozak † Jim Duvendack † Marilyn Clark †
Sheila Thompson † Logan Wilson †
Isabella Wilson † Calvin Schenk †
Dylan Hendricks † Mary Gregory †
Misha Follis Allen † Leona Dunn †
Marsha Wagner † Brandan Volk †

ST. THOMAS

CARENET PREGNANCY CENTER of Quincy is holding their Baby Bottle Blitz starting Mother's Day, May 11 until Father's Day, June 15.

There are baby bottles at the back of church to put your extra change in and bring the bottles back on Father's Day, June 15.

Thank You to everyone who attended St. Thomas' Mother/Daughter Banquet April 29. We have received many positive comments regarding the dinner. Also, thank you, to the men of St. Thomas who assisted with the meal and Becky Barlow for her entertainment.

ST. THOMAS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Save the Date – July 10-12

Point kids to Jesus, a faithful friend we can always trust. Take kids on the ultimate Alaskan adventure where the northern lights shine over majestic mountains, racing rivers, and sparkling glaciers. As the kids trek the tundra, they'll discover how easy it is to lose sight of what's true in our wild world today. Guiding them towards Jesus, True North VBS reveals that He is a faithful friend we can always trust. He's our True North.

At St. Thomas VBS, we will have a fun-filled Thursday and Friday evening and Saturday all day. Children entering preschool - 5th grade are welcome to attend VBS. Children entering 6th - 12th grade are welcome as Crew Leaders. Adults are welcome to volunteer. Please contact Alicia Schmidt at 217-257-3210 ASAP if you'd like to volunteer. Registration is coming soon! Save the date for July 10-12.



St. Thomas VBS T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST **Help us design our 2025 VBS Shirt**



Things to know:

- Open to preschoolers to seniors in HS
- Design must include a drawing related to our theme of TRUE NORTH - Trusting Jesus in a Wild World
- The following information must be included on the T-shirt
 - St. Thomas
 - True North - Trusting Jesus in a Wild World
 - 2025
- Only use black ink or black marker on white 8.5" x 11" paper
- Include your name and contact number on the BACK of the drawing
- Art will be judged by St. Thomas parishioners

- Due May 25 to Alicia Schmidt
- Contact Alicia, 217-257-3210, with any questions

From the Pastor's Desk

-MISSIONARY APPEAL – For our Mission Appeal this year, both parishes will be hosting a Religious Sister next weekend, May 17 and 18. She is from the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Usambara.

The Sisters of Our Lady of Usambara are a growing congregation of over 600 African nuns, whose work is caring for the needs of the poorest and most deprived people in the north eastern of Tanzania. Their ministries include teaching religious education to people, providing services to the poor and the sick and educating young people in schools and colleges. Additionally, they provide food and shelter to the poor, as well as run orphanages for the helpless.

We are hosting our Missionary Appeal much earlier this year than we normally do due to scheduling with the Religious Sister who is coming. Sister will speak at the end of each Mass next weekend. As we have done in the past, envelopes will be available in the pews for you to make a contribution to the Religious Order and the work of the Sisters if you choose to. Please try and use only these envelopes for contributions so we make sure your contribution gets to the appropriate place. If you write a check, make the check payable to the parish. We collect all contributions and forward them to the Diocese who in turn gets them to the appropriate place.

I ask that you graciously and warmly welcome Sister as you've always done with our visitors for the Missionary Appeal. I'd also ask that you prayerfully consider how you can support the work of the Sisters.

-HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY – This Sunday we celebrate Mother's Day, but the Church recognizes the irreplaceable role and importance of mothers every single day. Mary, of course, is the greatest of all mothers...the Mother of God and the Mother of each one of us. Happy Mother's Day to all mothers. Thank you for faithfully living your role as a mother.

-DAY OF PRAY – Today, Sunday, May 11 is designated as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. I urge you to continue to pray for good and holy vocations to the Priesthood, Religious Life, Permanent Diaconate, and Sacramental Marriage. Pray also for those discerning these vocations, those in formation for these vocations, and those who are living these vocations.

-Fr. Aaron

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