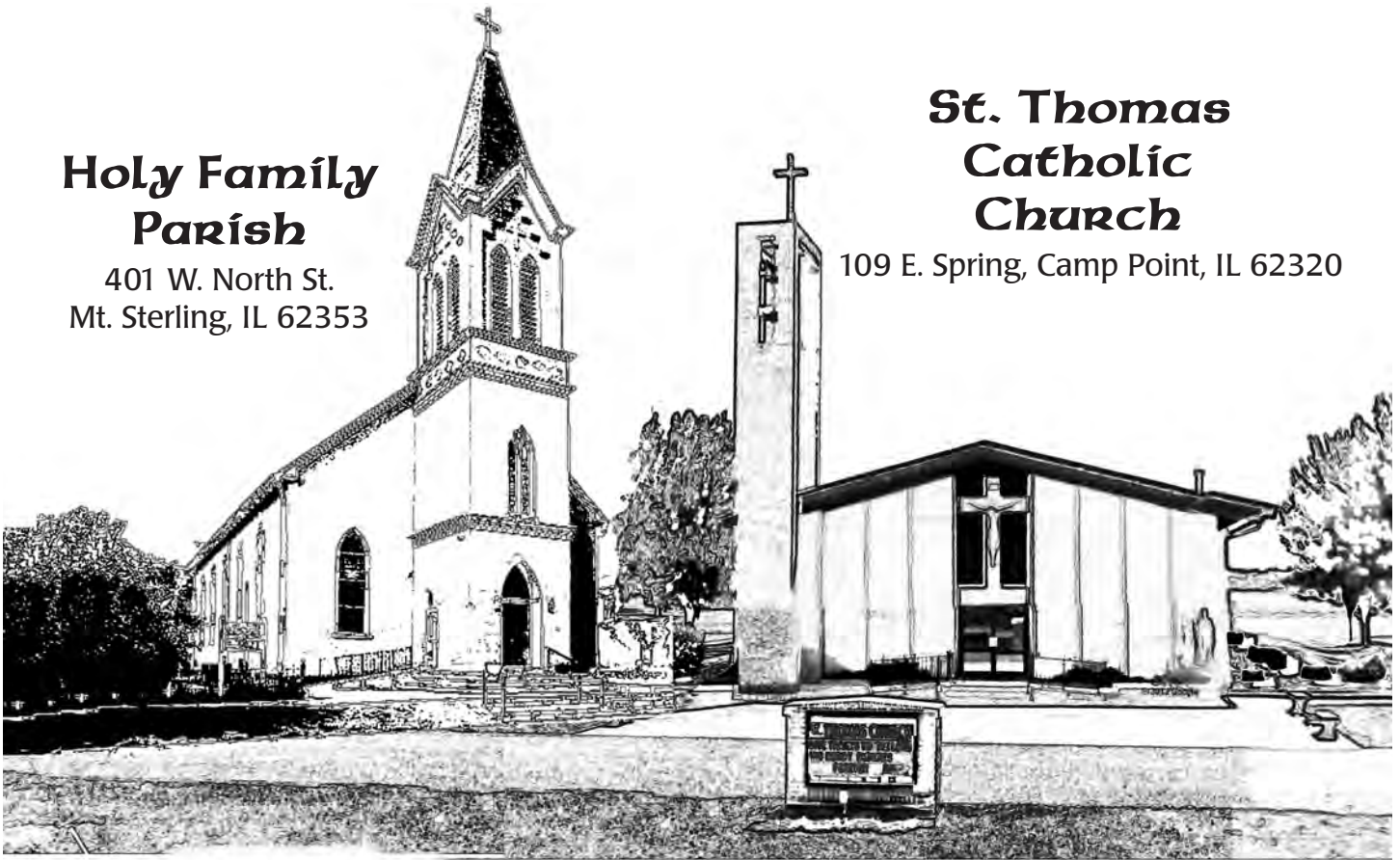


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## St. Thomas Catholic Church

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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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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](http://www.stthomascp.org)

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## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

### Monday, May 26 – 7:00 a.m.

St. Philip Neri, Priest  
Acts of the Apostles 16:11-15; John 15:26-16:4a

James J. Wort  
(By Legion of Mary)

### AT ST. THOMAS – 8:30 a.m.

Gay Gunn  
(By Jerry & Margie Herkert)

### Tuesday, May 27 – 7:00 a.m.

St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop  
Acts of the Apostles 16:22-34; John 16:5-11

Dwight Armstrong  
(By Cathy Black)

### Wednesday, May 28 – 7:00 a.m.

Acts of the Apostles 17:15, 22-18:1; John 16:12-15

Janet Yakle

### Thursday, May 29 – 7:00 a.m.

Acts of the Apostles 18:1-8; John 16:16-20

Warren & Maescine Bice  
(By Cathy Black)

### AT ST. THOMAS – 5:30 p.m.

Father Aaron's Intentions

### Friday, May 30 – 8:30 a.m.

Acts of the Apostles 18:9-18; John 16:20-23

Floyd "Scotty" Blentlinger  
(By John & Carolyn Ormond)

### Saturday, May 31 – 8:00 a.m.

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Zephaniah 3:14-18a; Luke 1:39-56

Father Aaron's Intentions

### Holy Family – 5:30 p.m.

Parishioners of Holy Family & St. Thomas

### Sunday, June 1 – 8:00 a.m.

The Ascension of the Lord  
Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11;  
Ephesians 1:17-23; Luke 24:46-53

Donna Stephenson  
(By Patty Koch)

### St. Thomas – 10:00 a.m.

Carol Likes  
(By Barbara Carlson)

## HOLY FAMILY TITHE TO THE LORD:

May 17-18, 2025

Holy Family: \$4,729.00

School Support: \$95.00

Sister Parish: \$20.00

Cemetery: \$400.00

Catholic Communications: \$285.00

Holy Family weekly budgeted amount: \$6,500

## ST. THOMAS TITHE TO THE LORD:

May 18, 2025

St. Thomas: \$1,996.00

Communications Media: \$145.00

Easter: \$182.00

Parish Improvement: \$55.00

St. Teresa: \$25.00

Retired Diocesan Priests: \$50.00

Candles: \$27.00

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](mailto: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 †

Tricia Grenier †

## **ST. THOMAS**

**Pastoral Council minutes May 8, 2025** - Claudia Coggeshall, Justin Reed, Fr. Aaron, Janice Brady, Pat Sharow.

Working on removing Fr. Steve and Deacon Mike's name from the church sign. Coat rack has been mounted on the wall in sacristy. All bathrooms in hall painted. The possibility of installing a camera to view the West church parking lot was discussed and it was determined the cost of its upkeep outweighed its merits. Cleaning the stainless-steel appliances in the hall was discussed. Fire extinguishers need updated inspection. Both South side back doors are not working properly, this will be fixed. Mission Appeal for the weekend of May 17 & 18. Notified of new priests' appointments for our area. Sacred Heart Mass Friday June 27.

DRE- 2 students received the Sacrament of Reconciliation and 4 received Confirmation and First Communion. Information for the new year will go out at the end of July/beginning of August. Looking at Parish wide Study for summer. VBS July 10, 11, 12.

Men and Women- Looking at different ideas for Ice Cream Social and July 4.

Date of next August meeting to be determined.

## **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 25th to Alicia Schmidt
- Contact Alicia, 217-257-3210, with any questions

## **From the Pastor's Desk**

### **FROM THE SAINTS**

- God to St. Catherine of Siena in the book, Dialogue of St. Catherine of Siena: "Very pleasing to Me, dearest daughter, is the willing desire to bear every pain and fatigue, even unto death, for the salvation of souls, for the more the soul endures, the more she shows that she loves Me; loving Me she comes to know more of My truth, and the more she knows, the more pain and intolerable grief she feels at the offenses committed against me."

-St. Teresa of Avila: "In this life our lot is not to enjoy God, but to do His holy Will."

### **SPIRITUAL INSIGHTS**

-From the book Rooting Out Hidden Faults by Fr. James F. McElhone, C.S.C.: "Most persons have temptations to anger. There is hardly anyone who does not at times become peevish, irritable, or impatient; and these are the beginning of more serious faults. Now we all know the harm and very serious results of anger. There is no example that makes clearer its ruinous effects than the Crucifixion of Our Lord...We have also seen how anger has brought families into discord and even permanent separation. We have read how nations have been led to war. The surprising fact is that though each and every one has had brought to his attention the fruits of anger—the sufferings, the discord, the unhappiness—still there is much that could be sought by most persons in regard to meekness and something of meekness that could be sought by everybody."

-Fr. Aaron



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