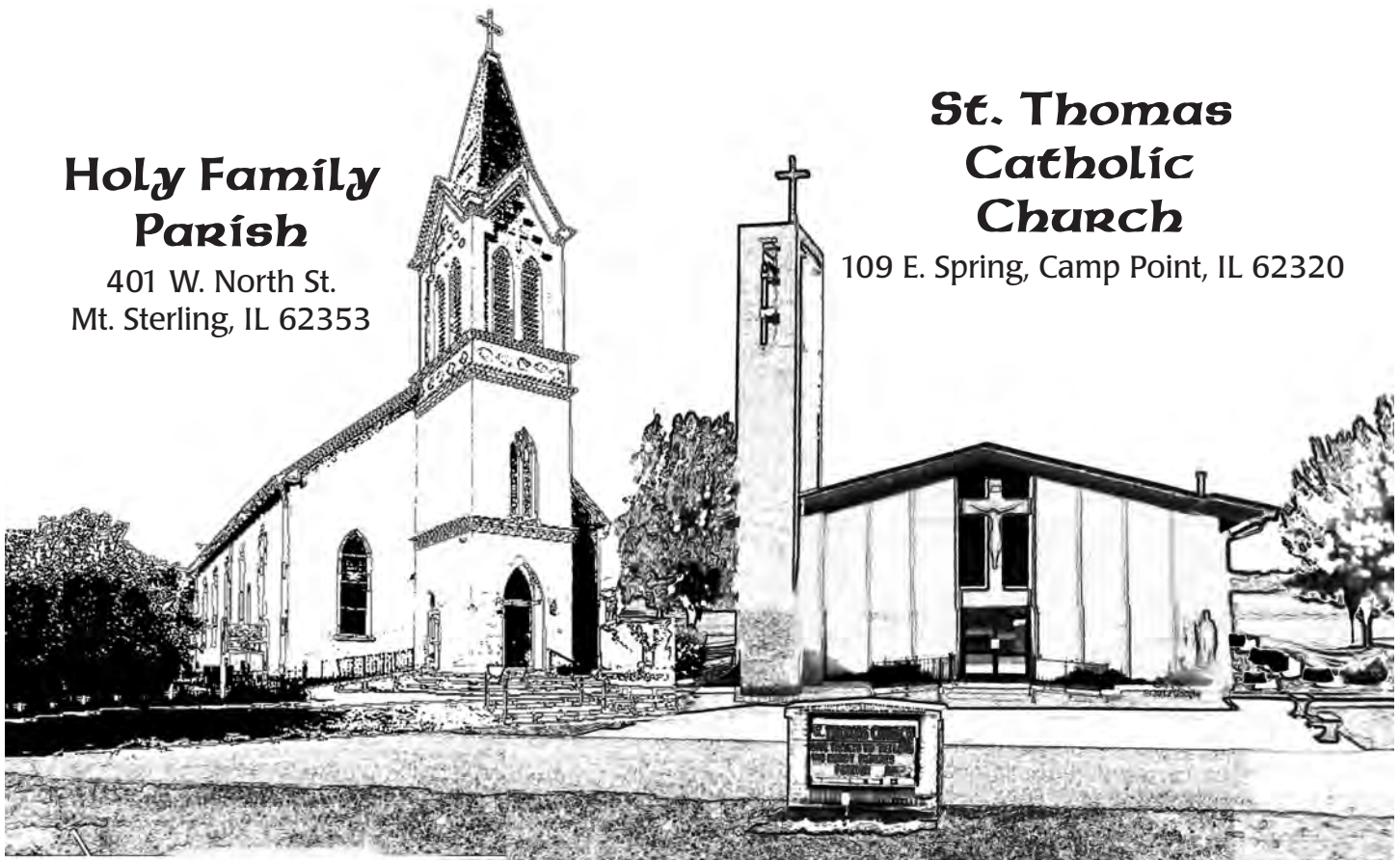


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Mass Schedule

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

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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, June 2 – 7:00 a.m.

Sts. Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs
Acts of the Apostles 19:1-8; John 16:29-33

Communion Service

Tuesday, June 3 – 7:00 a.m.

St. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs
Acts of the Apostles 20:17-27; John 17:1-11a

Communion Service

Wednesday, June 4 – 7:00 a.m.

Acts of the Apostles 20:28-38; John 17:11b-19

Communion Service

Thursday, June 5 – 7:00 a.m.

St. Boniface, Bishop & Martyr
Acts of the Apostles 22:30; 23:6-11; John 17:20-26

Communion Service

AT ST. THOMAS – 5:30 p.m.

NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

Friday, June 6 – 8:30 a.m.

St. Norbert, Bishop
Acts of the Apostles 25:13b-21; John 21:15-19

Communion Service

FIRST FRIDAY - ST. THOMAS – 6:00 p.m.

Jim Stout
(By Marilyn Stout & Michele VanSickle)

Saturday, June 7 – 8:00 a.m.

Acts of the Apostles 28:16-20, 30-31; John 21:20-25

Father Aaron's Intentions

Holy Family – 5:30 p.m.

Jim McKeown
(By Tammy)

Sunday, June 8 – 8:00 a.m.

Pentecost Sunday
Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11;
1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23

Parishioners of Holy Family & St. Thomas

St. Thomas – 10:00 a.m.

Fritzi Harper
(By Robin & Claudia Coggeshall)

HOLY FAMILY TITHE TO THE LORD:

May 24-25, 2025

Holy Family: \$3,754.00

School Support: \$95.00

Sister Parish: \$65.00

Cemetery: \$1,765.00

Catholic Communications: \$100.00

Retired Diocesan Priests: \$985.00

Holy Family weekly budgeted amount: \$6,500

ST. THOMAS TITHE TO THE LORD:

May 25, 2025

St. Thomas: \$3,163.09

Parish Improvement: \$25.00

Retired Diocesan Priests: \$230.00

Candles: \$25.00

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 †
Tricia Grenier †

ST. THOMAS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



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.

Vacation Bible School at St. Thomas will be held the July 10-12. On July 10 and July 11, VBS will be from 5:30-7:30. We will serve the participants dinner at 5:30. On July 12, VBS will be from 9:00-4:00. Lunch and snacks will be provided.

Register at:

<https://forms.gle/PCJw88F7zQDBEXRWA>

or go to St. Thomas's Facebook page to get further information.

Please direct questions or concerns to Alicia Schmidt, 217-257-3210 or a_ordner@hotmail.com.

We can't wait to have so much fun teaching the kids that Jesus is their unmovable, unshakable friend forever!

From the Pastor's Desk

In most Dioceses in the United States, the Ascension of the Lord into Heaven is celebrated today. For many of us "old timers," we are used to "Ascension Thursday" though again, in many Dioceses, the Solemnity is transferred to this Sunday. The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord commemorates the fortieth day after the Resurrection when Jesus ascended body and soul into Heaven and took His seat at the right hand of His Father.

Though every aspect of Christ's life is shrouded in mysteries which will only be fully understood by the faithful when they stand before Him and behold the Beatific Vision, today we especially ponder this beautiful and profound mystery of our faith. As we celebrate the Ascension, try to prayerfully meditate upon the perfect unity of Jesus' human and divine natures. Ponder further the truth that because the Son of God is both God and man, and He beholds His Father and the Holy Spirit as both God and man, He invites each of us to begin to share in that glorious vision. Only after we fully die in and with Him and rise to new life in and with Him will we be able to know Him clearly and share in His glorious resurrected and ascended life. Until that moment comes, it's

important to ponder that which is incomprehensible. We must know that we do not know, believe what is beyond belief, hope in that which is more than we can understand. God is a mystery; the Ascension is a mystery—but they are mysteries that must be penetrated by prayer. Do so today as we commemorate this holy culmination of the earthly life and mission of Christ.

-RETREAT - I will be away on retreat this week. I leave Sunday afternoon and return Friday afternoon. In the event of an emergency, please call the rectory phone and press the emergency button. Though I will have limited access to messages, I will be able to check them from time to time and will return messages as soon as possible. For non-emergencies, I will return messages as soon as I can.

Because I will be away, there will be Communion Services Monday through Friday at Holy Family at the regular scheduled times for Masses.

There will be no Exposition or Mass on Thursday afternoon/evening at St. Thomas.

Friday is First Friday. I will be back for Confessions and Mass at St. Thomas in the evening but there will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during the day. I will try to expose the Blessed Sacrament before I start Confessions at 5:00 p.m.

In Her Wisdom, the Church Canonically requires Priests to make a 5-day retreat each year. The retreat is not just some "time away" or "time to myself" or "time to relax." It is a time of intentional Spiritual renewal which, by requiring it each year, the Church recognizes its importance for Her priests. I ask for your prayers for me and for the other priests who will be on this retreat.

-SACRED HEART OF JESUS - The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Sacred Heart of Jesus is a profound and enduring symbol within the Catholic Church, representing the immense love and mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ. Devotion to the Sacred Heart is a special form of devotion to Jesus—the focus being His Heart, which exemplifies our Lord's redemptive suffering for the whole world. I hope to include additional information in the June bulletins to help explore the history, significance, and devotion associated with the Sacred Heart of Jesus and to discover the great benefit of paying homage to the Love of Jesus represented by His Heart of flesh.

-FIRST FRIDAY - June 6 - Confessions at 5:00 p.m., Mass at 6:00 p.m. at St. Thomas. There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during the day but of course feel free to make a visit to the Church anytime to pray.

-NOCTURNAL ADORATION - Saturday, June 7 beginning at 10:00 p.m. and going through the night until 7:45 a.m.

-Fr. Aaron

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