

## 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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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, 9/22-

7:00 a.m. Communion Service (HF)

Tuesday, 9/23 -

7:00 a.m. Marion Elbus (By Mark Elbus) (HF)

8:15 a.m. NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE (HF)

Wednesday, 9/24 -

7:00 a.m. H. Ray Gregory (By Legion of Mary) (HF)

8:15 a.m. School Mass (HF)

Thursday, 9/25 -

7:00 a.m. Fr. Aaron's Intentions (HF)

8:15 a.m. School Mass (HF)

5:30 p.m. Judy Walton (By Robin & Claudia Coggeshall) (ST)

Friday, 9/26-

8:15 a.m. Mattie French (By Carl & Nancy Mitchell) (HF)

Saturday, 9/27 -

8:00 a.m. Fr. Aaron's Intentions (HF)

5:30 p.m. Mick & Lucille Rang (By Karl & Barb Groesch) (HF)

Sunday, 9/28 -

8:00 a.m. Leon Urven (By Legion of Mary) (HF)

10:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Family & St. Thomas (ST)

### HOLY FAMILY TITHE TO THE LORD:

September 13-14, 2025

Holy Family: \$5,006.00

School Support: \$95.00

Sister Parish: \$200.00

Cemetery: \$20.00

Church in Africa: \$25.00

Holy Family weekly budgeted amount: \$6,500

### ST. THOMAS TITHE TO THE LORD:

September 14, 2025

St. Thomas: \$2,138.00

Tithe/ACSA: \$10.00

Sister Parish: \$120.00

Candles: \$11.00

St. Thomas weekly budgeted amount: \$2,635

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- ❖ **Legion of Mary** meets each Tuesday at 4:00 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 †  
Brandan Volk † Tricia Grenier † Mike Babb †  
Karl Groesch † Rachel Saxer † Dyson Ham †  
Greg Jones † Eileen King † Sharon Wiese †  
Raymond Lehne † Linda Lehne †

## HOLY FAMILY BOSCO KIDS

Happy Fall to all. Bosco Kids (the Holy Family PSR program) will start in the next few weeks. This religious education program is for children in grades 1-6 who are attending public school. Just a reminder that our students receive the sacraments of Reconciliation in second grade and Confirmation and First Holy Communion in third grade. It is best to start their formal religious education in first grade.

For anyone interested in joining the Catholic church or learning more about the Catholic religion, the OCIA program (Order of Catholic Initiation for Adults, formerly RCIA) will start in late September.

Please contact Ann O'Sullivan (217-257-2516 or [aosullivan2031@mail.com](mailto:aosullivan2031@mail.com)) for more information on these programs.

## ST. THOMAS LITURGICAL ROLES

September 28 - 10:00 a.m.

Sacristan:	Dawn Peters
Greeters:	Jacob & Alicia Schmidt Family
Lector:	Kim Gronewold
Servers:	Alex Mock, Grace Mock

**Gift Bearers:** Justin & Emily Obert Family  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Laura Evans, Jim Clausius, Clara Schmidt  
**Collection Counters:** Jerel & Bobbi Mock  
**Ushers:** Curtis Cramsey, Andrew Llewelyn

**ST. MARY SCHOOL CROPS FOR KIDS'**  
**FUNDRAISER**

St. Mary School Crops for Kids will be held on Saturday, October 4, 2025. Please contact Jon Boylen at (217) 257-5276 with any questions. Lunch will be provided as in year's past.

**From the Pastor's Desk**

Today the Church celebrates the Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the First Reading, the prophet Amos warns those who take advantage of others that the Lord will remember their actions. In the Second Reading, St. Paul asks that people pray for everyone, including rulers and those in authority, for God wishes all to be saved. In the Gospel, Jesus teaches that just as one must be prudent and trustworthy managing worldly affairs, so one must be, and even more so, in service to God.

No servant can serve two masters. That is what the Lord tells us. Today's readings invite us to reflect on our relationship with money and wealth in light of our faith in God. Mindful that the pursuit of wealth can lead us into dishonesty, the Lord invites us to be prudent in our affairs and mindful that ultimately, it is our relationship with God that must be our top priority.

**-LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK:**

-Tuesday, September 23 - Obligatory Memorial of St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Priest.

-Friday, September 26 - Memorial of Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs.

-Saturday, September 27 - Obligatory Memorial of St. Vincent de Paul, Priest.

-AREA WIDE MASS - Tuesday, September 23, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. in the Quincy Notre Dame gym. St. Mary staff and students, grades 2-8 will be going. You are welcome to join us for the Mass with Bishop Paprocki.

-PASTORAL VISIT - Bishop Paprocki is scheduled to celebrate Masses at the parishes next weekend, September 27 & 28. We look forward to having Bishop Paprocki here with us.

As of this writing I'm not sure if Bishop will go to the prison to celebrate Mass on Saturday evening or not. If he does, he will simply greet folks after both Masses at Holy Family. If he does not, then we will try to have a light reception in the school cafeteria after the Saturday evening Mass. He will greet folks after the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

At St. Thomas, we will plan to have a light reception in the parish hall after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Parishioners from both parishes are certainly welcome to join us.

-ANDREW DINNER - Sunday, September 28 at St. Rose in Quincy. The Andrew Dinner is a simple/low key gathering for single men, juniors in high school and older, where we will pray, share a meal, and have conversations about Priesthood and how best to discern what vocation God is calling you to. If you would like to attend, sign up at <https://forms.gle/TbvXG6959K4fM77f6> or email Fr. Zach Samples at [zsamples@dio.org](mailto:zsamples@dio.org).

If you have any questions, please let me know. I'd love to take men from our parishes as my guests. This commits a man to nothing, it is just an opportunity to be with Bishop, a few Priests of the Diocese, and other men who seek to follow God's Will in their life.

-CHRISTMAS CARDS - As I've done the past few years, I've ordered in some beautiful, solidly Catholic Christmas cards to make available to you. They arrived just before I left for the Priest Convocation last week. If they are not already, I will try to have them out very soon in the back of each church. I will have envelopes available as well marked "Christmas Cards" if you'd like to make a contribution toward them...you can use those envelopes and simply place it in the regular collection.

**-UPCOMING EVENTS:**

-Wednesday, October 1 - SDCCW Annual Convention; St. Paul, Highland, IL; More information in the back of each Church.

-Sunday, October 5 - St. Mary School Hog Roast; K of C Hall, Mt. Sterling.

-Sunday, October 5 - Life Chain; 2:30 p.m.; Broadway Street in Quincy between 14<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> Streets.

-Tuesday, October 7 - Respect Life Dinner; Holiday Inn, Quincy; 5:30 p.m.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support. You remain in my prayers each day. May you have a most blessed week.

-Fr. Aaron

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