

## 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)  
<https://stthomascp.formed.org>

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

- Monday, 1/26 -**  
**7:00 a.m.** Raymond & Marie Koch Family  
 (By Joan Zurita) (HF)
- Tuesday, 1/27 -**  
**7:00 a.m.** Donna Stephenson (By Marilyn  
 & Pat Veith) (HF)  
**8:15 a.m.** School Mass (HF)
- Wednesday, 1/28 -**  
**7:00 a.m.** Daniel B. Quinn (By Mary Eloise  
 Meyer) (HF)  
**8:15 a.m.** School Mass (HF)
- Thursday, 1/29 -**  
**7:00 a.m.** Don & Anna Mae Obert (By Alan  
 & Rhonda Koch) (HF)  
**8:15 a.m.** School Mass (HF)  
**5:30 p.m.** Fr. Aaron's Intentions (ST)
- Friday, 1/30 -**  
**8:15 a.m.** Maurice Ormond (By Tom &  
 Nancy Schneider) (HF)
- Saturday, 1/31 -**  
**8:00 a.m.** Fr. Aaron's Intentions (HF)  
**5:30 p.m.** Thomas L. Tracy (By Mike &  
 Gina Welbourne) (HF)
- Sunday, 2/1 -**  
**8:00 a.m.** Mary Kleinlein (By Cheryl  
 Dillard) (HF)  
**10:00 a.m.** Parishioners of Holy Family &  
 St. Thomas (ST)

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 † Greg Jones † Sharon Wiese †  
 Raymond Lehne † Linda Lehne † LeeAnn DeJaynes †  
 Georgia Champagne † Abram Kelle † Pauline Seals †  
 Lloyd White † Betty Parker † Dan Ray †

## ST. THOMAS LITURGICAL ROLES

### *February 1 - 10:00 a.m.*

**Sacristan:** Denise Taylor  
**Greeters:** Justin & Chelsea Reed  
 Family  
**Lector:** David Leezer  
**Servers:** Tess Obert,  
 Addalyn Llewelyn  
 Tod Perry Family  
**Gift Bearers:** Elizabeth Likes,  
 Theresa Bockhold  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Greg & Elizabeth Likes  
**Collection Counters:** John Brady,  
 Denny Campbell

## YMCA COMMUNITY BAND & CHOIR

The YMCA Community Band and Choir groups will resume rehearsals in February. All ability levels are welcome, but participants must be at least 14 years of age. Participation is free. If you would like to join the band, but no longer have an instrument, please come to rehearsal to see if an instrument can be found for you.

The Choir will begin practice February 2. They rehearse at 7:00 p.m. on Monday evenings. The band rehearses at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday evenings and will begin February 5. Both groups rehearse in the BCHS music room. The next performance of both groups will be April 19 at 2:00 p.m. The band is led by Wyatt Gard, BCHS band director. The choir is led by Karen Dickhut.

The band and choir program is funded through the MSCC YMCA Annual Campaign.



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## Upcoming Area Events

-Sunday, February 8 - Pancake & Sausage Breakfast;  
 St. Edward Parish, Mendon; 7:30 a.m. - Noon.

-Friday, February 20 - St. Mary School Fish Fry;  
 Served drive thru at the Mt. Sterling Knights of  
 Columbus Hall.

-Tuesday – Wednesday, February 24-25 – SDCCW Lenten Retreat; Springfield, IL; More information at <https://dio.org/event/springfield-diocesan-council-of-catholic-women-lenten-retreat/>.

-Saturday, February 28 – Trivia Night; St. Brigid, Liberty; Meal at 4:00 p.m., Trivia begins at 6:30 p.m.; More information, contact Jeanne (217)-653-3962.

-Saturday, March 7 – Quincy Holy Family Fest, EQUIP 2026; more information at <https://www.quincyholfamilyfest.com/>.

-Monday, March 9 – Deacon Dennis Holbrook speaking on “The Sign of the Cross;” St. Thomas Parish Hall, Camp Point; 6:30 p.m.

-Thursday, March 19 – 2026 Diocesan Mass for Life; 10:00 a.m.; Illinois State Fairgrounds, Exposition Building; more information and registration at <https://dio.org/prolife/mass/>.

-Sunday, March 22 – Lenten Day of Recollection; Springfield, IL; More information at <https://dio.org/event/lenten-day-of-recollection-he-loved-them-to-the-end-preparing-for-holy-week-and-easter/>.

-Wednesday, March 25 – Quincy Council of Catholic Women Spring Meeting; St. Thomas, Camp Point.

### **From the Pastor’s Desk**

Today the Church celebrates the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the readings for today, the prophet Isaiah declares that the people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. God has restored their joy and smashed the rod of their taskmaster. St. Paul urges the Christian community at Corinth not to fall into factions but to be united in the same mind and in the same purpose. In the Gospel, Jesus calls His first disciples who respond to His invitation and follow Him.

We have seen a great light, Jesus, the Messiah, who heals us of our sin and who is our unity and peace. Jesus calls His first disciples by name, and their response is immediate and total. They leave everything behind and accept His invitation. We, too, have been called to follow Christ in intentional and faithful discipleship. Today let us ponder that call and renew our response.

-SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD – In his moto proprio of September 30, 2019, Pope Francis declared that “the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study, and dissemination of the Word of God. This Sunday of the Word of God, a day devoted to the Bible, should not be seen as a yearly event but rather a year-long event, for we urgently need to grow in our knowledge and love of the Scriptures and of the Risen Lord, who continues to speak His Word and to break bread in the community of believers.”

-SACRAMENTS – Congratulations to those Third Graders who received the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion Confirmation on Saturday at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield. This is always a beautiful celebration. Please continue to keep them and their Sponsors in your prayers.

A reminder that we are celebrating this locally at both parishes. At Holy Family, we are celebrating that same evening (Saturday, January 24) at the 5:30 p.m. Mass followed by a reception in the School Cafeteria. At St. Thomas, we are celebrating at the 10:00 a.m. Mass (Sunday, January 25) followed by a reception in the parish hall. Students will be invested with the Brown Scapular at the end of each of those Masses.

-CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK – We celebrate Catholic Schools Week this week, beginning today, Sunday, January 25 running through Saturday, January 31. The theme for Catholic Schools Week is “United in Faith and Community.” We are blessed to have St. Mary School in Mt. Sterling.

We, of course, will be celebrating all week long...On Monday we will celebrate Community; on Tuesday we will celebrate Students; on Wednesday we will celebrate the Nation; on Thursday we will celebrate Vocations; on Friday we will celebrate Faculty, Staff, and Volunteers; and on Saturday we will celebrate our Parish.

The 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday evening, January 31, will be dedicated to Catholic Schools Week and as we draw the week to a close, we will be hosting a “Soup”er celebration with the Saints and future saints in the School Cafeteria. Please plan to join us. Everyone is invited and encouraged to come.

-LOOKING AHEAD – Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent is Wednesday, February 18. The anticipated Mass schedule for both parishes is:

Holy Family – 7:00 a.m.; 8:15 a.m.; 5:30 p.m.

St. Thomas – Noon; 7:00 p.m.

-LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK:

-Monday, January 26 – Obligatory Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops.

-Tuesday, January 27 – Optional memorial of St. Angela Merici, Virgin.

-Wednesday, January 28 – Obligatory Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church.

-Saturday, January 31 – Obligatory Memorial of St. John Bosco, Priest.

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

Fr. Aaron

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