



*“Pray for me as I will for thee
that we may merrily meet in heaven.”*



St. Thomas More Catholic Church

1200 N. Indiana Street Mooresville, IN 46158

Parish Office Phone	317-831-4142
Emergency Phone	317-374-3477
Adoration Chapel	317-834-4251
Parish Fax	317-834-2947
Website	www.stm-church.org

Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm

Mass Schedule

Saturday Anticipation 5:00pm
 Sunday: 8:00am, 10:45am, 7:00pm
 Tuesday thru Friday 8:30am
 Holy Days: 8:30 am, 6:30 pm

Reconciliation

Tuesday-Friday: 8:15-8:30am
 Saturday: 4:30-5:00pm Sunday: 7:30-8:00am,
 Sunday: 10:15-10:45am, 6:30-7:00pm

Adoration Chapel

Call 834-4251 to see if chapel is open

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Parish Mission Statement

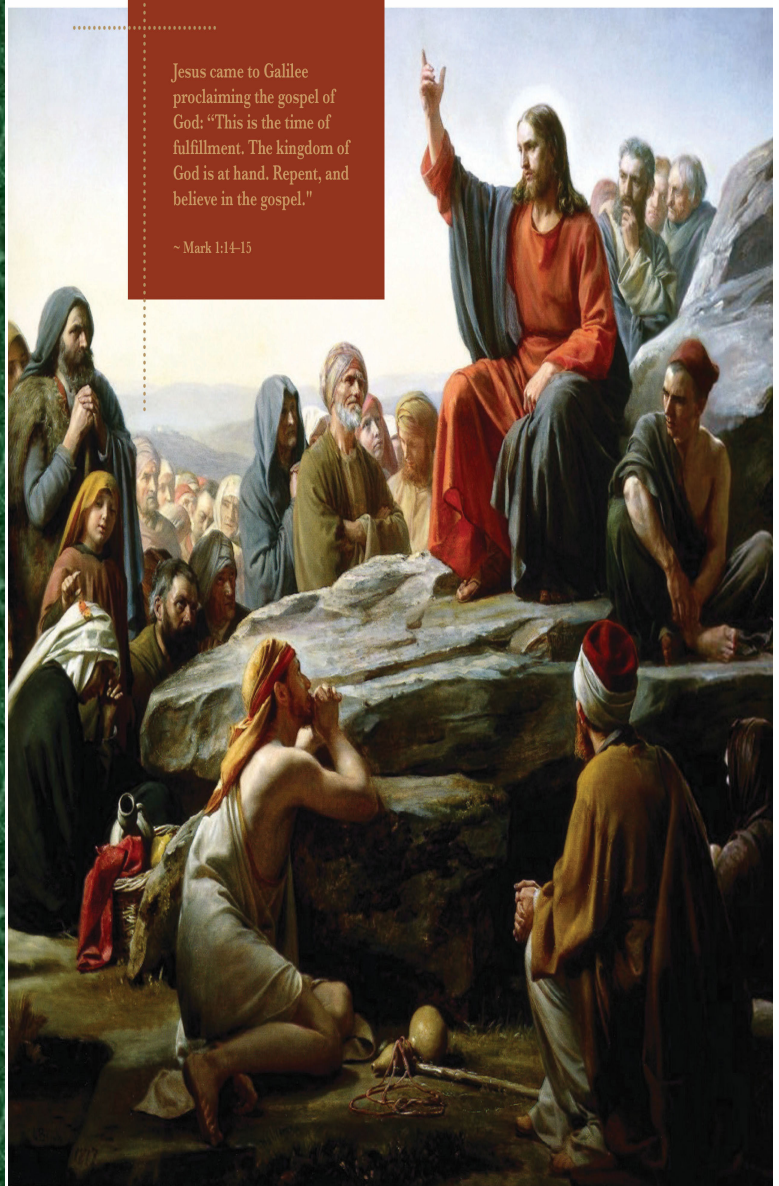
We, the parishioners of St. Thomas More Catholic Church, Mooresville, IN, as members of the Body of Christ, and inspired by our patron saint commit ourselves...

- To grow in understanding and living God's word and sacraments as defenders of the Catholic faith
- To be responsible stewards of God's gifts/blessings and grow in generosity of those gifts
- To serve those in need and reflect God's mercy in all our efforts

FEBRUARY 18, 2018 | FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus came to Galilee
 proclaiming the gospel of
 God: "This is the time of
 fulfillment. The kingdom of
 God is at hand. Repent, and
 believe in the gospel."

~ Mark 1:14-15



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40 Days in the Desert

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We all know that with Ash Wednesday we have entered the beautiful season of Lent, a time of grace and conversion. Prophet Joel 2:12-18 reminds us of the spirit of this season: “Even now, says the Lord, re-
turn to me with your whole heart, with fasting, weeping and mourning; rend your hearts, not your garments, and return to the Lord, your God.” The three pillars of this season are: Fasting, Praying and Almsgiving. So it’s a time to Return to the Lord from our ways to God’s ways. The images of Peter weeping bitterly after his triple denial of the Master, Zacchaeus who was moved and transformed by the mercy of Jesus, the sinful woman at Simon the Pharisee’s house, the Samaritan woman, and Paul who fell from the horse and heard the voice of the Lord are helpful to meditate on conversion. The Lord’s invitation through Prophet Isaiah 1:18 “Come now, let us set things right; says the Lord: though your sins be like scarlet, they may become white as snow, though they be red like crimson, they may become white as wool”. The Ashes signify that we are sinners and the cross signifies that we have a savior who died for us on the cross to save us from eternal death. It reminds us of the importance of bodily sacrifice to invite God’s special intervention and blessings upon us (refer Ex 17:8-16). The bodily sacrifice of Moses bears blessings upon the whole nation of Israel against the formidable Amalekites. Fasting is one of the bodily sacrifices that Lent calls us to in our fight against evil. Please understand the power of fasting while reading Mark 9:16-29. When the disciples asked Jesus why they couldn’t cast out the demon from the boy who was possessed, Jesus’ answer was “this kind can only come out through prayer”. (The original translation reads) “this kind can only come out through prayer and fasting”. Almsgiving is another area besides prayer and fasting that needs to be focused on during this season. Our sacrifice should support the needy; by foregoing one of our meals/part of it should benefit another who is ‘hungry’, who cannot afford a meal, or support an orphan or a widow who cannot support themselves. Like last year, whatever sacrifices we make during this Lent will go to a needy mission center or an orphanage. May God bless you and help you walk through these days of purification with grace and mercy. Have a blessed Lent.

Sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Fr. Francis J. Kalapurackal

Adminstrator

New Ministry! Praying for Vocations

Fewer men and women are answering God’s call to be priests, deacons, and religious (monks and nuns). Since 1965, the total number of priests in the U.S. has dropped by 36%. This trend can only be reversed through God’s grace. We must renew our efforts to pray for His grace to be poured out on a new generation of young men and women who will have the courage to answer His call.



We are starting a new ministry to encourage prayer for vocations. Each weekend, we’d like a parishioner to take home a Travelling Vocations Cross prayer kit and commit to daily prayer for a week. At the end of the week, simply bring the kit back to Mass for the next person to take home. The kit contains a small wood cross to set on your table as a reminder, prayer guides, and informational booklets and books about vocations.

A sign-up sheet is in the Social Hall, or contact John Griffin at 317-831-4210.

You can visit www.heargodscall.com for additional information and resources about vocations and discerning a call.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 19

9:00 am-No Mass

Tuesday, February 20

8:30 am- Valeria Licuanan

Wednesday, February 21

8:30 am-Fr. Mark Gottemoeller

Thursday, February 22

8:30 am-Josephine Miotke

Friday, February 23

8:30 am-Robert Vickers

Saturday, February 24

5:00 pm-Lauretta Kurek

Sunday, February 25

8:00 am-John Ruplinger Family

10:45 am-Faith Formation Catechists & Students

7:00 pm- Parishioners of St. Thomas More

Ministries for February 24 & 25, 2018

Ushers

5:00 pm-Louise Ash

8:00 am-Fred & Diane Cipriani

10:45 am-Amy Griffin

7:00 pm-Sue & Mark Willison

Lectors

5:00 pm-Yvonne Tom

8:00 am-Myron Cassidy

10:45 am-Bonnie Kenney

7:00 pm-Brian Bomaster

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 pm-Larry & Carolyn Clements

8:00 am-Judi Weihler

10:45 am-John Griffin, Alicia Garcia-Paul, Theresa Gomez

7:00 pm-Vern Willison, Sharon Gerigs

Altar Servers

5:00 pm-Volunteers

8:00 am-Riley Lesh, Gehrig Rihm

10:45 am-Kate Disney

7:00 pm-Volunteers

SACRAMENT AND COMMITTEE INFORMATION

Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples should contact the office at least six months in advance to allow for Marriage Preparation Program and meeting with Priest.

Sacrament of Baptism

Infant baptisms are celebrated the 3rd Sunday. Parents must attend the Baptismal Preparation Class. Call office during pregnancy. 831-4142.

Sacrament of Holy Orders

Those considering the Priesthood or a Religious Vocation, Contact Fr. Francis or the Archdiocesan Vocation Office-236-1490

Religious Education

Pre K-during 10:45 am mass,
Grades K-8-Sunday, 9:00 am-10:30 am
High School, Confirmation-Sunday 5:15-7:00 pm
Call 831-4142

Pastoral Care

Annulments, Marriage Preparation, Faith Formation, Questions and Concerns, Emergencies: Contact Fr. Francis

New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish family! Please contact the office for registration forms and information. 831-4142

Reconciliation

Tues.-Fri. 8:15-8:30 am, Saturday 4:30-5:00 pm
Sun. 7:30-8:00 am, 10:15-10:45 am, 6:30-7:00 pm or by appointment

Sacrament of the Sick

In an emergency, contact the Parish Office any time. The hospitalized, those confined to home, and nursing home residents should contact the Parish Office to receive the Eucharist and/ or Anointing. 831-4142.

Interested in the Faith

Inquiry sessions as part of the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Call 831-4142

ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMITTEES

Administrative/Finance: Tom Ryan

Adoration Chapel: Closing information 317-834-4251

Peggy Weber 317-695-9807, Kristina Birchler, 797-7060,

Applefest: 831-4142

Bible Study: 831-4142

Faith Formation Commission: Mary Leonard-Bohney, 317-443-4791

HOPE (Beggars for the Poor): Cheryl Hildenbrand, 996-4635

Knights of Columbus: Larry Janeczek, 919-4156

Liturgy: Mary Bednarek, 697-5117

Parish Nurse: Cathy Gray, 831-9991

Parish Council: Deb Dotson, 317-517-7327

Project Rachel: 236-1569, 800-382-9836 Abortion Healing

Respect for Life Committee: 831-4142

RCIA: 831-4142

St. Thomas More Free Clinic: 831-1697

St. Vincent de Paul: Joan Maxfield, 946-7218

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry: 831-4142

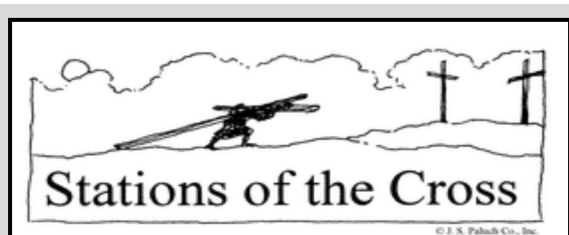
Stewardship: 831-4142

Technology Committee: 831-4142

Vocation Promotion: 831-4142

Welcoming Committee: 831-4142

Women of STM (Women's Club): Kristy Ralston, 765-623-7746



FRIDAYS OF LENT 7:00 PM

Please support our advertisers. Thanks to them we receive the bulletins free of charge. This week's advertiser is: CARPET COUNTRY

Financial Report thru		
February 11, 2018 Collection by Mass		
	Budget	Actual
Saturday 5:00 PM		1,334.00
Sunday 8:00 AM		411.00
Sunday 10:45 AM		1,162.00
Sunday 7:00 PM		555.00
Other		208.00
St. Vincent de Paul		.00
Misc. Archdiocese		25.00
Capital Main. Fund		175.00
FIF Campaign		2,385.50
Total	6,211.50	6,080.50
	YTD Budget	YTD Actual
As of 1/31/2018		
Sunday Collections	192,558.00	179,426.12
Electronic Giving	37,919.00	59,042.40
Total	230,477.00	238,468.52
Savings Balance	as of 12/31/17	as of 01/31/17
Capital Maintenance Fund	142,973.26	143,974.95
ADLF	204,501.90	204,588.46

	
Updated as of 1/31/18	
Amount Pledged	Amount Collected
\$ 936,522	
Campaign Goal	
\$ 900,000	
800,000	
700,000	
600,000	
500,000	
400,000	
300,000	241,273.62
200,000	
100,000	
0	\$0

COOKBOOKS

Do you enjoy the delicious meatless soups available at the K of C Fish Fries? Did you know that many of those soup recipes are also available in the St. Thomas More Jubilee Cookbook? Cookbooks will be available for sale (just \$10 each) during the Friday Fish Fries during Lent, and they are also available at the parish office. Questions? Call Mary Bednarek at 317-697-5117 or mbednarek@yahoo.com

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.

Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.

Fast from anger and be filled with patience.

Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.

Fast from worries and have trust in God.

Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.

Fast from pressures and be prayerful.

Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy.

Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.

Fast from grudges and be reconciled.

Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

K OF C FISH FRY

FRIDAYS OF LENT 5:00 PM-7:00 PM

K OF C BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, FEB. 18 AFTER 8 AM MASS

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings will be here at St. Thomas More Catholic Church Monday, April 16. Ultrasound screenings to identify risk factors for Cardiovascular disease include; **Carotid Artery** (plaque buildup-a leading cause of stroke), **Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm** (an enlargement or weak area in the main blood vessel that carries blood from the heart to the rest of the body), **Peripheral Arterial Disease** (hardening of the arteries in the legs), a **Heart Rhythm Screening** (an EKG to detect Atrial Fibrillation-irregular heart-beat) and an **Osteoporosis Risk Assessment** for men and women. Being proactive about your health by knowing your risks helps you and your doctor address problems early. **Register online TODAY at www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle and receive your "Community Circle" discount and your Preferred Appointment!**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DAILY

8:30 am Mass-Tues.-Fri.

Reconciliation-Tues.-Fri. 8:15 am

WEEKLY

Wed. 11:30 am, Rosary, Meadow Lakes

Wed. 12:30 pm-Rosary, Meadow Lakes Asst. Living

Wed. 6:30 pm-RCIA,

Sat. 5:00 pm-Mass, Reconciliation, 4:30 pm

Sun. Masses-8:00 am, 10:45 am, 7:00 pm

Reconciliation 7:30 am, 10:15 am, 6:30 pm

MONTHLY

2nd Tues.-6:00 pm, Women of STM, Social Hall

2nd Thurs.-6:00 pm, Faith Formation Commission

3rd Sun.- Baptisms

3rd Tues.-7:00 pm, St. Vincent de Paul

3rd Wed.-6:30 pm, Pastoral Council, Library

3rd Thurs.-6:00 pm, Liturgy Committee

PLEASE NOTE Do you or someone you know need a ride to church or for important errands? Please note our new ministry with a list of volunteer drivers and their contact information below. Others wishing to volunteer to drive, please call the office to have their names added. Here is the list;

Fred Cipriani 317-831-5253

Larry Janeczek 317-919-4156

Jerry Weber 317-697-4914

Rich Weihler 319-383-9723

Thank You!

OPEN ADORATION

CHAPEL HOURS:

Tues. 3-4 pm,

Wed. noon-1, 2-3 pm

Thurs. 2-3 am; 3-4 am; 4-5

am; 3-4 pm (until April); 4-5 pm

Friday: 3-4 am; 11am- Noon

If you can help, please call PEGGY 317-

695-9807 or KRISTINA 317-834-2719

Please call 317-834-4251 to see if chapel

is open before you come in in bad

weather. Call 317-834-4251



Knights of Columbus is an organization of Catholic men dedicated to promoting Families, Concepts of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. If



you're 18 or older and want to know more about the Knights, contact Dave at 831-1935. Here is activity schedule:

**** Business Mtg. 2nd Mon. 7 pm Library**

**** Social Mtg 4th Mon. 7 pm, Social Hall**

**** Breakfast, 3rd Sun. after**

8 am Mass, Oct-May

**** Ministry at 1st Sat. 5 pm Mass**

Women of all ages: Mark your calendars for March 10, 2018; The Marian Center of Indianapolis and the Archdiocese of Indianapolis are hosting the **13th Annual Indiana Catholic Women's Conference**, which will be held in the 500 Ballroom of the Indiana Convention Center! Please check out www.indianacatholicwomen.com to register, get a mail-in registration form or find out more about the great line-up of National and International speakers, as well as all the events the day offers. You may also call 317-888-0873 for more information. Group, student and early registration pricing are available. **Beth Brock 765-243-1018** is coordinating for St. Thomas More. She'll arrange car-pool, rides, etc. & seats together.

E6 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

2/24/18 8 AM-3 PM East Central High School St. Leon, In

SPEAKERS: Fr. Larry Richards, Dr. Ray Guarendi,

Archbishop Charles C. Thompson, Fr. Jonathan Meyer

Early registration \$45.00, at door \$50.00

Register online at

www.E6CATHOLICMENSCONFERENCE.COM

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Use promo code KofC35 to get tickets for \$35.00

Questions? Contact Kyle Clephane 317-601-5799 or

Clephane2007@yahoo.com

Registration includes: Inspiring talks by renowned speakers
Interactive Q & A with Fr. Larry and Dr. Ray (moderated by Fr. Meyer)

Mass & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
(Confession available throughout the day)

Free Book & Rosary

Lunch, Coffee & Refreshments

Free close parking & comfortable seating

Lent.

a season of spiritual preparation



**VISIT OUR
LENDING
LIBRARY in the
Breezeway
to pick up a
Lenten
Reflection Book
for your family!**

STM PreK– 12th Grade Faith Formation answer God’s Call to serve

The Youth of St. Thomas More are actively involved in their faith through, prayer, thanksgiving, almsgiving, serving in various ways during Mass and for one young man making the choice to become Catholic.



**Stop by the exits of the church to
pick up a small card with direc-
tions on how to Sign up for an
amazing and life changing
On-Line Retreat!**

Do something
life-changing.

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Dynamic Catholic

Sun. Feb. 18 (Presidents’ Day School Break)

K-8 Faith Formation No Class

PK Faith Formation No Class

Vocations Bags Introduced to Parish

**Confirmation Candidates Turn in Binders to Resource Room next to printer*

Sun. Feb 25

K-8 Faith Formation 9:00 am - 10:30 am

1st Communion Parent Meeting 9:15 -10:15 Good Shepherd Rm- Fr. Francis

PK Faith Formation 10:45 am - 11:45am

9th-12th Youth Ministry 5:15pm-7:00pm

Missions talk with Sr. Loretta



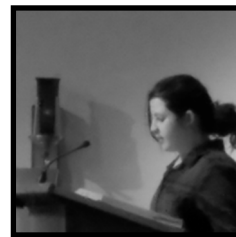
Sun. March 4

**K-8 Faith Formation 9:00 am - 10:30 am
(9:15 2nd-4th Grade Reconciliation)**

PK Faith Formation 10:45 am - 11:45am

Holy Family PreK Brunch 12:00-1:00pm

9th-12th Youth Ministry 5:15pm-7:00pm



Sun. Mar 11

**K-8 Faith Formation 9:00 am - 10:30 am
(9:15 5th-6th Grade Reconciliation)**

PK Faith Formation 10:45 am - 11:45am

9th-12th Youth Ministry 5:15pm-7:00pm



Sun. Mar 18

**K-8 Faith Formation 9:00 am - 10:30 am
(9:15 7th-8th Grade Reconciliation)**

PK Faith Formation 10:45 am - 11:45am

9th-12th Youth Ministry 5:15pm-7:00pm

Sun. Mar 25 Palm Sunday

K-8 Faith Formation 9:00 am - 10:30 am

PK Faith Formation 10:45 am - 11:45am

9th-12th Youth Ministry No Class: See you at 10:45 Mass

***10:45 Children’s Participation Mass**

If you have any questions regarding anything mentioned on this page, please contact Stacie Hocker, DRE

shocker@stm-church.org

Faith Formation PK– 8th Grade St. Thomas More offers Religious Education for all ages so that

everyone has an opportunity to learn more about their faith and how to live the Sacramental Life.

St. Thomas More offers Faith Formation classes on Sunday mornings:

9:00 am - 10:30 am for school age children in grades K-8th.

10:45 am - 11:45 am for Pre-K

St. Thomas More Financial Report as of December 31, 2017

Balance Sheet

Assets	
Cash	
Checking Account	\$172,044.45
Capital Maintenance Fund	142,973.26
FIF Campaign	18,990.35
Youth Ministry	3,334.37
Charity Gaming Account	32,149.21
Petty Cash - ST	<u>200.00</u>
Total Cash	\$369,691.64
ADLF FIF Deposits	204,501.90
Prepaid Expenses	150.00
Total Assets	<u>\$574,343.54</u>
Liabilities	
\$12,693.01	
Fund Principal	
Revenue over (under) Expenses	\$333,298.01
Excess Cash Received	<u>228,352.52</u>
Total Fund Principal and Excess Cash Received	\$561,650.53
Total Liabilities & Fund Principal	<u>\$574,343.54</u>

Analysis of Revenues & Expenses

Description	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Budget Remaining
Revenues			
Sunday and Holyday Collections	\$213,817.15	\$207,864.00	-\$5,953.15
Donations and Contributions	19,079.85	8,795.00	-10,284.85
Tuition	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fees	3,329.00	4,500.00	1,171.00
Fundraising	31,408.40	34,850.00	3,441.60
Charity Gaming	10,452.24	11,000.00	547.76
Interest and Investment Income	4,624.73	3,430.00	-1,194.73
Other Income	2,987.04	5,252.00	2,264.96
Restricted Income (FIF & Capital Maintenance)	<u>207,806.81</u>	<u>10,002.00</u>	<u>-197,804.81</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$493,505.22</u>	<u>\$285,693.00</u>	<u>-\$207,812.22</u>
Expenses			
Salary Expense	\$57,863.84	\$59,138.48	\$1,274.64
Benefit Expense	8,459.84	6,839.94	-1,619.90
Training and Education - Staff	1,870.00	1,349.98	-520.02
Assessments	52,111.92	52,742.04	630.12
Other Collection Expense	6,949.69	5,825.00	-1,124.69
Interest/Operating Expense	816.66	1,000.02	183.36
Donations Given	1,535.00	2,424.98	889.98
Administrative Expense	15,856.56	17,825.02	1,968.46
Fundraising & Other Expense	34,963.79	18,485.02	-16,478.77
Utility Expense	12,365.06	15,500.32	3,135.26
Property/Facility Expense	16,400.97	16,815.04	414.07
Spiritual Life Expense	2,228.76	3,195.98	967.22
Program and Instructional Exp	<u>4,812.99</u>	<u>7,685.00</u>	<u>2,872.01</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$216,235.08</u>	<u>\$208,826.82</u>	<u>-\$7,408.26</u>
Net Total	<u>\$277,270.14</u>	<u>\$76,866.18</u>	<u>-\$200,403.96</u>
Other Expenses	48,917.62	62,999.98	14,082.36
Net Operating Total	<u>\$228,352.52</u>	<u>\$13,866.20</u>	<u>-\$214,486.32</u>

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February 18, 2018

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