



*“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

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| 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, **5:00pm**
 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, 4:30-5:00pm

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

Third Sunday of
Advent
 December 16, 2018

I am baptizing you with water,
 but one mightier than I is coming.
 I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals.
 Luke 3:16

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Gaudete Sunday! Rejoice in the Lord!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The third Sunday of Advent is also called Gaudete Sunday, a Sunday to rejoice. Rejoice in the Lord always: again I say rejoice. Indeed the Lord is near. We are almost there; Christmas is near. The prophecy of Isaiah gives us the reason to rejoice: "They will see the glory of the Lord, the splendor of our God." "Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense he comes to save you." All the readings this weekend assert the theme of rejoicing. We will be beginning our Christmas novena this weekend. On weekdays we will have the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every day and benediction before Mass when we will be praying the novena. I urge all who can to please join us for the novena and Mass every day. Our Advent penance service will be held on Monday the 17th at 7:00 pm. This is a golden opportunity for you all to prepare for Christmas. May this Christmas bring life-changing experiences touched by the immense love of the Savior.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Francis J. Kalapurackal

Administrator STM

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

MON. DEC. 17- ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE, 7:00 PM

MON. DEC. 24-DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS

MON. DEC. 24-5:00 PM, CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE MASS-MUSIC 4:30 PM

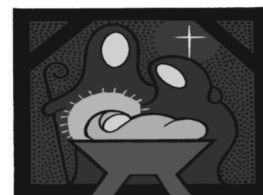
MON. DEC. 24-10:00 PM, MASS-MUSIC 9:15 PM

TUES. DEC. 25-8:30 AM, CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

MON. DEC. 31-HOLY DAY MASS, 6:30 PM,

MON. DEC. 31-ADORATION 6:00 PM,

TUES. JAN. 1-HOLY DAY MASS, 8:30 AM



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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 17

8:30 am-Carmelites

Tuesday, December 18

8:30 am-deceased of Davidson & Weihler families

Wednesday, December 19

8:30 am-Rhonda Csikos

Thursday, December 20

8:30 am-Barkley family

Friday, December 21

8:30 am-Brugh & Bennett families

Saturday, December 22

5:00 pm-Paul Jarvis

Sunday, December 23

8:00 am- Parishioners of St. Thomas More

10:45 am-Kobylarz family

5:00 pm- Brian Laurenz

Ministry Schedule for Dec. 22 & 23, 2018

Ushers

5:00 pm-Louise Ash, Dan Roy

8:00 am-Volunteers

10:45 am-Amy Griffin

5:00 pm- Volunteers

Lectors

5:00 pm-Jerry Weber

8:00 am-Cathy Brockus

10:45 am-Paul Gall

5:00 pm-Jan Musters

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 pm-Larry Clements, Richard T.

8:00 am-Volunteers

10:45 am-Denise Kraemer, John Griffin,

Alicia Garcia-Paul, Theresa Gomez

5:00 pm-Volunteers

Altar Servers

5:00 pm-Volunteers

8:00 am-Parker & Makenna, Mary Reed

10:45 am-Saniyah Turner, Valerie Voi,

Jo Denney

5:00 pm-Volunteers

Things to look forward to in

January:

Prayer Shawl Prayer Group

Can recycling

Mom's Day Out

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-12-Sunday, 9:15 am-10:30 am

High School, Confirmation-Sunday 9:15-10:30 am

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, 4:30-5:00 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: Rosanne Roth, Tom Ryan

Adoration Chapel: Closing information 317-834-4251

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

Applefest: 831-4142

Bible Study: 831-4142

Faith Formation Commission: Mary Leonard-Bohney, 317-440-5976

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

Knights of Columbus: Larry Janeczek, 919-4156

Liturgy: Myron Cassidy, 317-258-6889

Parish Nurse: Cathy Gray, 831-9991

Parish Council: Karen Houk, 317-626-0560

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, 317-946-7218

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

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| ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH COLLECTIONS As of December 9, 2018 | | |
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| | Actual | |
| Saturday 5:00 | 1,765.00 | |
| Sunday 8:00 AM | 695.48 | |
| Sunday 10:45 | 1,146.00 | |
| Sunday 5:00 PM | 785.00 | |
| Other (mail in) | 568.00 | |
| Other (Holy | 611.50 | |
| Electronic Giving | 3,361.65 | |
| Total | 8,932.63 | |
| As of 11/30/2018 | YTD Budget | YTD Actual |
| Weekend Collec- | 122,452.80 | 105,263.37 |
| Electronic Giving | 39,433.90 | 50,874.49 |
| Total | 161,886.70 | 156,137.86 |
| Other Collections | | Actual |
| Disaster Aid: | 0.00 | |
| St. Vincent de- | 82.00 | |
| Misc. Archdio- | 459.76 | |
| Criterion | 0.00 | |
| Capital Maint. | 103.65 | |
| FIF Campaign | 10,489.32 | |
| Total | 11,134.73 | |
| Savings Accounts | 10/31/2018 | 11/30/2018 |
| FIF Campaign | 1,258.58 | 30,533.44 |
| Capital Maint. | 35,686.16 | 36,750.48 |
| ADLF FIF | 479,242.56 | 479,821.57 |
| ADLF Capital | 100,259.15 | 100,384.85 |

**STM Building & Maintenance Update
November 28, 2018**

Since our last update, you may have noticed the Tabernacle has been moved and the project completed. We have had an electrical contractor repair the parking lot light in the north lot. Due to this we have decided to get estimates to replace the lights inside and around the outside of the building with LED lights. LED lights last approximately 8 to 10 times longer and with the lower power usage, usually pay for themselves in approximately three years, along with not having the cost of a bucket truck for replacing bulbs in the parking lot lights or scaffold for the gym lights, nearly as often. So as of this date, we have had four electrical contractors come out to give us estimates. We have broken this down into seven different jobs, so that we have the work performed as money becomes available. At this time, we have not received any of the estimates back.

Onto other things. Beginning the week of Thanksgiving, demolition of the old house on County Line Rd, is under way, along with soil testing for a new septic system for the new rectory. We are waiting for the final approval of drawings for the new rectory from the Archdiocese.

Also, since our last update, we have replaced the brine tank for the water softener that serves the office; the old one was cracked. We have replaced the ceiling pads in the library. Both of these jobs were completed by committee members. We called out IPL to repair the street light at the entrance off County Line Rd, by the Rosary Garden.

There is a new Maintenance Repair form that we are putting together, that can be picked up and dropped off at the office, for any problems that you, the parishioner see.

Snow Skiing has been changed to Jan 4

The West Deanery is planning a ski trip to perfect North Slopes in Lawrenceburg on Jan 4


The itinerary is as follows:

7:30am Meet at STM and load bus
9:30am Arrive at Perfect North/ get gear
10:00am Hit the slopes
6pm Our 8 hour pass has expired
6:30pm Stop for fast food dinner
8:30pm Arrive back at STM

Cost: \$65
Bring: Money for supper and sack lunch and any snacks

Children under high school age must be accompanied by an adult.

Please contact Marianne asap if you wish to go. A google doc will come out soon.

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|  | <p align="center">Campaign Results through 11/30/18</p> | |
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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, Good Shepherd Room

Wed. 6:30 pm-Bible Study, 6:30 pm Social Hall

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.-4:00 pm, St. Vincent de Paul

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

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

3rd Sat. -6:30 pm-Euchre, Social Hall



KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST

Once again, the Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster contest.

You do not have to be an artist to win. Content can be as important as the picture.

Contest entrants compete in one of three age groups-ages 5-7, 8-10. And 11-14. Each local, district, regional or jurisdictional competition may have up to 3 winning entries-a first and second place winner in each age group. Rules:

Each poster should be the original work (including concept, layout, slogan and any visual images) of a single person. If pastels, chalk or charcoal are used, the poster must be laminated or covered with clear plastic.

Paper will be provided in the social hall

Deadline: December 23

Judging: Slogan-30points Visuals-30 points

Overall Impact-40 points

CONFIRMATION

Are you over 18 years of age and never been confirmed??

We are beginning our Adult confirmation classes on Wed Dec 19 and will run them until Easter. Adult Confirmation will be June 2. Please contact Marianne Hawkins at 317-831-4142 or mhawkins@stm-church.org for more details.

MARCH FOR LIFE

January 22, 2019 marks the 46th anniversary of the legalization of abortion through the Roe vs Wade decision. Every year, people gather on the Washington DC Mall to march down Constitution Ave to the Capitol Building. This year, St. Thomas More youth and chaperones will be part of the half million marchers!!!

We will travel by bus the evening of January 17 and return January 20th Cost is \$200/Person
The Christmas Cookie/Candy Sale (Dec 7,8,9) proceeds will go toward helping defray the cost. Deadline to sign up is Dec 14. This is a first come/first serve so please notify immediately before we fill up.

Nativity Exhibition December 15 & 16

Bring in your Nativity Scene to display for all to see. Fr Francis will bless them all and judge the most beautiful, spiritual scene. 1st & 2nd Prizes awarded.

Vocations Ministry

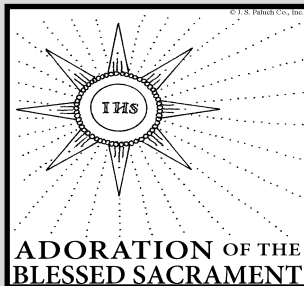
Each weekend, we'd like a parishioner to take home a Traveling Vocations Cross prayer kit and commit to daily prayer for a week. At the end of the week, simply bring the kit back to Mass for the next person to take home. The kit contains a small wood cross to set on your table as a reminder, prayer guides, and informational booklets and books about vocations. This week George & Patty Poteet will take the basket. A sign-up sheet is in the Social Hall, or contact John Griffin at 317-831-4210. Visit www.heargodscall.com for additional information and resources about vocations and discerning a call.

Faith Formation/Youth Ministry Upcoming Events

Dec 16 High School Rock Climbing

ADORATION CHAPEL

All are welcome to stop in and sit at the feet of Jesus. The following hours are open: Monday 4-5 pm; Tuesday 3-4 pm; Wednesday 12-1pm; Thursday 2-3 am, 3-4am, 1-2 pm, 4-5 pm; Friday 3-4 am, 8-9 am; Saturday 3-4 am, 4-5 am, 10-11 am, and the hour before or after 5:00 pm mass. If you can help with any of these hours, please call Kristina at 317-797-7060, Peggy at 317-695-9807, Maureen at 317-490-2383 or call the office 317-831-4142. Thank you & God Bless. Please call 317-834-4251 to see if chapel is open before you come in in bad weather.



CHAPEL WILL BE CLOSED FROM 4 PM CHRISTMAS EVE TO 9 PM CHRISTMAS DAY

PLEASE NOTE: IF THERE IS A WEATHER ADVISORY WE WILL CLOSE THE CHAPEL. PLEASE CALL 317-834-4251 TO VERIFY WHETHER IT'S CLOSED OR OPEN. WE WILL NOT CALL EVERYONE.



Council 7431 Saint Thomas More Knights of Columbus is an organization of Catholic men dedicated to promoting Families, Concepts of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism all while supporting the church. If you're 18 or older and want to know more about the Knights, contact Larry at 317-919-4156. You may also join online at: KofC.org/joinus

Primary activity schedule:

- ** Ministry at 1st Sat. 5 pm Mass**
- ** Business Mtg. 2nd Mon. 7 pm Library**
- ** Breakfast, 3rd Sun. after 8 am Mass**
- ** Social Mtg. 4th Mon. 7 pm, Social Hall**
- ** Lead Rosary, 5th Sun. prior to 10:45 am mass**

BUILD YOUR OWN PRAYER SPACE

Dec. 30 (the Feast of the Holy Family) Fr. Francis will lead us in a prayer of consecration to the Holy Family and passing out prayer cards for us to pray as family. Jan. 5, 6 we'd like each commission to set up a sample prayer table in the social hall to give families ideas what they can do at home. We'll have religious articles for donation (crosses, pictures, icons, etc.) if families need them.

Please keep our seriously ill Parishioners and immediate family in prayer:

Theresa Jarvis, Mary Wacker, Peggy Palmer, Martha Kalapurackal, Karen Pikosz, Ruth Griffin, Brian Cassidy, Helena Rudolf, Ken & Martha Fetsch, Frank Cardinali, Marvin Stidham, Kim Cipriani, Shawn Collier, Danny McDaniel, Nancy Lydick, Brian Laurenz Father, we come to you through your Son, Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit. We place before you all the prayer requests given to our parish family. We have complete trust and confidence that you have heard our prayer. Thank You Lord. Amen

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: Thank You!

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|-----------------|---------------|
| Larry Janeczek | 317-919-4156 |
| Jerry Weber | 317-697-4914 |
| Rich Weihler | 319-383-9723 |
| Michael Tessmer | 317- 777-2052 |
| Richard Hoying | 317-752-7230 |

St. Thomas More Free Clinic, 1125 North Indiana, PO Box 935
Mooresville, IN 46158, Clinic Phone: 317.831.1697

St. Thomas More Free Clinic, located across from St. Thomas More Church, provides medical, dental, and vision care, for both acute and chronic medical conditions. Individuals must have no Medicare, Medicaid, or private insurance, meet specific income criteria (such as a level of income for a family of four at \$50,200), and show proof of Morgan County residency.

Call 317.831.1697 with questions or to schedule an appointment on the first or third Saturday of each month between 8:00 am - 1:00 pm. Patients receive a medical exam from a Nurse Practitioner or Physician, lab tests, radiology tests, and medications as necessary, all at no charge.

Volunteers are always welcome and appreciated. Specific positions include:

- ✦ Physicians
- ✦ Nurse practitioners
- ✦ Registered Nurses/Student Nurses
- ✦ Licensed Clinical Social Worker
- ✦ Dietitian and/or Nutrition specialist

People with office administrative skills, fund raising and/or marketing skills, and organizational skills with supplies & materials

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not thank you enough! What a
generous parish we have! Thank
you for your support and kind-
ness!**



St Thomas More GIVING TREE is up in the Social Hall with Family Gift Ornaments and envelopes to use for financial donations (for groceries we buy each family) on the tree. Color of and letter on ornament represents an individual family. When you take an ornament, **PLEASE make sure that you SIGN YOUR NAME AND CONTACT number on the sheet of paper that is of the same color and letter (A, B, C etc.) of your ornament.** I use this only to contact you if any change regarding the gift. The ornament will need to be attached to the gift so we know who it will be given to. **Suggestion, take a picture of your ornament on your phone so you have the info when at the store or if you lose the tag.** There is a flyer on the table with more detailed info about the Giving tree program and suggestions about buying gifts. MORE ornaments added over the next few weekends as I contact more families. **Gifts due back no later than Dec 16th.** If you want to buy for an entire family or have **ANY** questions, contact Cindy Fears 317-679-4029

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