



December 6, 2020 2nd Sunday of Advent

St. Thomas More Catholic Church
1200 N. Indiana Street Mooresville, IN 46158

Parish Office Phone 317-831-4142
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Website www.stm-church.org

Office Hours

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

Mass Schedule

Saturday Anticipation: 5:30 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am, 10:45 am
Wednesday and Friday: 9:30 am
Holy Hour: Wed., Fri. 8:30 am
Holy Days: Call the office

Reconciliation

Thursday 7:15-8:15 pm

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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*

St. Ann Catholic Church

6350 S, Mooresville Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46221

Parish Office Phone 317-821-2909
Emergency Phone 317-839-4255
Website www.st-ann-rcindy.org

Office Hours

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am-2:00 pm

Mass Schedule

Saturday Anticipation: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am
Tuesday and Thursday: 9:30 am
Holy Hour: Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 am
Holy Days: anticipation 6:30 pm other TBD
Reconciliation
Saturday 3:00-3:45 pm

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Parish Mission Statement

We, the parish family of St. Ann Catholic Church of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, exist to love God and one another, to grow in our personal relationships and in our Lord, and to strengthen our community through prayer and worship.

As Christians, we are committed to reaching out to those in need in the larger southwestern Marion County area; and to demonstrate our concerns for the broader universal church and the Archdiocese of Indianapolis in terms of sanctity of life, social justice, peace and love.

Steeped in the traditional faith and Catholic heritage of our founding members, we pledge our individual talents to harmoniously work in Christ's image for the growth and betterment of our community.

We accept the challenge of active stewardship of both our parish programs and property with time, talent and sacrificial giving and we pledge to preserve this legacy for future generations.



December 6, 2020 Second Sunday in Advent

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Last weekend we blessed the Advent wreath and lit the first Advent candle. The Advent wreath and candles have rich meaning; I feel it is important for us to understand and reflect on them.

The wreath itself, which is made of various evergreens, signifies continuous life. The circle of the wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God, the immortality of the soul, and the everlasting life we find in Christ. The laurel signifies victory over persecution and suffering. The pine, holly and yew signify immortality and the cedar signifies strength and healing. The pine cones that decorate the wreath symbolize life and resurrection. The wreath as a whole is meant to remind us of both the immortality of our souls and God's promise of everlasting life to us through Christ.

The four candles represent the 4 Sundays of Advent, and one candle is lit each Sunday. Three of the candles are purple because the color violet is a liturgical color that signifies a time of prayer, penance and sacrifice. The first candle (purple) signifies Hope. It's sometimes called the 'Prophecy candle' in remembrance of the prophets, especially Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Christ. The second candle represents Faith. It's also called the 'Bethlehem candle' as a reminder of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem. The third candle is pink and symbolizes Joy. It's also called the 'Shepherd candle' and is pink because rose is a liturgical color for joy. The third Sunday of Advent is Gaudete Sunday and is meant to remind us of the joy that the world experienced at the birth of Jesus and joy that the faithful have reached the midpoint of Advent.

On the fourth week, we light the final purple candle to mark the final week of prayer and penance as we wait for the birth of our Savior. This candle is also called 'Angel's candle' symbolizing Peace. It reminds us of the message of the angels: "Peace on earth, Goodwill toward men."

Please try to have a wreath in each of your homes and rejoice in it with expectant joy of Christ in our families.

May the virtues of Faith, Hope, Joy, Peace and Love be yours. Let us cleanse our hearts through repentance and receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation.

Blessings in Christ,

Fr. Francis J. Kalapurackal

Pastor of St. Ann & St. Thomas More Churches

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 7

9:30 am The Barkley Family
(STM)

Tuesday, December 8

8:30 am: Religious vocations (STM)

noon: Bob Crocker (STA)

6:30 pm: Christina Winn (STM)

Wednesday, December 9

9:30 am: Angie Dufour (STM)

Thursday, December 10

9:30 am: Zita McKay (STA)

Friday, December 11

9:30 am Larry DuCharme (STM)

Saturday, December 12

4:00 pm: Rose Slocum (STA)

5:30 pm: Amanda Vickers (STM)

Sunday, December 13

7:30 am: Heim, Mayer & Rihm

Families (STM)

9:00 am: Parishioners of STA

(STA)

10:45 am: Parishioners of STM

Would you like to have a Mass offered at St. Ann for someone special?

Whether it's to say "thank you," or for an anniversary, graduation, wedding, Baptism, or in memoriam, call the office at 317-821-2909. Suggested donation per Mass intention is \$10

We extend our deepest sympathy to Fred Cipriani and his family on the death of his daughter Kim Cipriani. Please keep them in

Rest in Peace

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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

First-time parents must attend the Baptismal Preparation Class. Please call the parish office.

Sacrament of Holy Orders

Those considering the Priesthood or a Religious Vocation, contact Fr. Francis or the Archdiocesan Vocation Office at 317-236-1490.

Religious Education

STM: Grades K to 12-Sunday, 9:15 am-10:30 am
High School, Confirmation-Sunday 9:15 am-10:30 am
Call 317-831-4142

STA: Grades Pre-K to 12-Sunday, 10:00 am-11:15 am
High School, Confirmation-Sunday, 10:30 am-11:45 am
Call 317-821-2909

Pastoral Care

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

New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish families! Please contact the office for registration forms and information.. STM: 317-831-4142 STA: 317-821-2909 or go online to our webpages for registration information.

Reconciliation

See the bulletin cover page.

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.

Interested in the Faith

Inquiry sessions as part of the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Call Parish Office

STM 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: Peggy Weber, 317-831-4142
Bible Study: Marianne Hawkins, 317-831-4142
Faith Formation Commission: Pete Majeski, 317-697-2145,
Knights of Columbus: Ron Cacciotti, 317-727-0005
Liturgy: Larry Janeczek, 317-919-4156
Parish Council: Karen Houk, 317-626-0560
Project Rachel: 317-236-1569, 800-382-9836 Abortion Healing
RCIA: Marianne, Deacon Joe, 317-831-4142
Respect for Life Committee: Mari Vickers, 317-831-4142
St. Thomas More Free Clinic: 317-831-1697
St. Vincent de Paul: Joan Maxfield, 317-946-7218
Stewardship: Janet DeRoche, 260-433-7278
Technology Committee: 317-831-4142
Vocation Promotion: John Griffin, 317-554-7388
Welcoming Committee: Janet Deroche, 260-433-7278
Women of STM (Women's Club): Kristy Ralston, 765-623-7746
Angie Dufour, 317-730-6590

I wish to thank everyone for their prayers and love during my recent illness. I am blessed beyond measure to be part of this great family!



God bless you! Maureen

Confessions During Advent

During Advent confessions will be heard on Wednesday and Friday from 8:45—9:15 am and Thursday evenings from 7:15—8:15 pm at St. Thomas More And Tuesday and Thursday from 8:45-9:15 am Saturday from 3:00-3:45 pm at St. Ann

Exception: No confession Dec. 8

\$\$\$ FINANCIAL NEWS \$\$\$

Saint Ann-Your Gifts Make a Difference

November 29, 2020

Collection	\$ 3217.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 165.00
New Ministries	\$ 20.00
Capital Maintenance	\$ 70.00
Total Weekly Collection	\$ 3472.00
Fiscal YTD (shortfall)	\$ (12,161.00)
Giving Tree	\$ 180.00
Seeds of Hope	\$ 10.00
St. Vin. de Paul	\$ 320.00



50/50 REPORT

Saint Ann -
11/29/2020

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To be eligible to win, place your envelope containing \$1.00, with name & registered number in one of the 50/50 boxes located by the entrances. All empty envelopes will be void.

Saint Ann License - # 002377

100 Hour Advent Bible Challenge For combined St. Ann and St. Thomas More Parishes.

Beginning Dec 7 at 3pm going through Dec 11, 7pm, St. Ann/St. Thomas More will be reading the entire bible in 100 hours. We need 48 people to read the bible for a half an hour at the same time every day during this Monday-Friday adventure.

Even if you don't want to read, you can get on to listen. For those participating, more information will be sent out. Just follow the link below or go to the STM Website to sign up and press enter to save. We look forward to this Advent Challenge.

WE CAN DO IT!!!!!!

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/13b5JLcBJEsyn4IPVDzhez_RwOKhqKC6QIMiGwmkDJ68/edit?usp=sharing



St Ann & St. Thomas More Upcoming Advent News

***100 hours reading the bible (see attached article)**

***Advent Conversation Jar** with several questions can be a great way for family members to talk about Advent, especially if there are middle- or high-school children in the family. Ideas for questions include:

- ✦ Where did I see God today in my family, at school, in the community?
- ✦ What did I do today to be Christ to someone?
- ✦ Was there anything that happened to me that I would like to talk about?
- ✦ How can I make tomorrow better than today?

What am I most thankful for in this present moment?

Scripture quotes can be added as appropriate with some simple sharing around the table.

Regardless of what tradition your family engages in, it is important to set aside regular time during the Advent season as a family to talk about Advent.

***Advent Daily Meditations:**

Rejoice with St. Joseph (\$5)

***Advent Wreaths (\$10)**

***Advent Wreath Candles (\$5)**

St. Thomas More Giving Tree—Christmas 2020



Virtual Giving this Year!

Donate Online via our website. Go Online: www.stm-church.org and click on Donate Online on the Home Page; then click on Click Here to Donate Online from the Donate page.

Enter your log in information. Scroll down to Giving Tree and enter your donation. Other ways to donate:

Put cash, check, or WalMart Gift Card in envelope and put in collection box, drop off at the office or mail to: 1200 N. Indiana Street.

Mooreville, IN 46158.

**Questions? call, or text:
Cindy Fears 317-679-4029**

**Holy Day Mass Schedule
and Other Events
December 2020—January 1, 2021**

St. Ann

St. Thomas More

Immaculate Conception

Tues., December 8 noon 8:30 am and 6:30 pm

Nativity of Our Lord—Christmas

Thurs., December 24	3:30 pm	5:00 pm
Thurs., December 24	8:00 pm	10:00 pm
Fri., December 25	9:00 am	7:30 am

Mary, Holy Mother of God

Thurs., December 31			5:30 pm
Adoration 3:30 pm	Mass	4:00 pm	
Fri., January 1			9:30 am (<i>combined</i>)

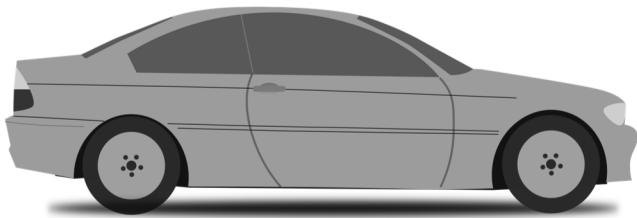
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NEED A RIDE?

If anyone needs a ride to church or for an important errand, see our volunteer drivers below. Preferred Mass time is listed. God bless!

Larry Janeczek	317-919-4156	on call
Jerry Weber	317-697-4914	on call
Rich Weihler	319-383-9723	Sat 5:30, 10:45
Mike Tessmer	317- 777-2052	
	10:45 am	
Richard Hoying	317-752-7230	7:30 am
Dan Brock	765-243-1017	Sat 5:30 pm



Please keep our seriously ill parishioners and immediate family in prayer: Theresa Jarvis, Peggy Palmer, Don Drewenski, Ken Fetsch, Marvin Stidham, Kim Cipriani, Shawn Collier, Brian Laurenz, Norman Rexing, Jameson Dolan, Frances Mead, Eileen Edge, George Callies, Marie Baldwin, Larry Schubert, Carol Pikosz, Mary & Gene Bednarek, Judy Haynes, Alice Comstock, Irmgard Fischer, Ron Gall, Carole Grindstaff, Jim Wade, Susie Rexing, Barbara Besso, Jessica Kyle, Ken Brockus, Rosemary Albright, Brian Wesolowski, David Bruner, Arline Jervis, Gloria Lamourex, Nancy James, Carl Miller, Chris Griffin, Jim & Jan Musters, Yvonne Tom, Phyllis Seger, Francis O'Connor, Raju Mathew, Kevin O'Farrell, Neil Wagner, Jim Griffin, Londyn Logsdon, Kayla Carlisle

WINTER IS COMING! As much as we are enjoying the leaves turning color, our thoughts at St. Vincent de Paul are turning toward our homeless neighbors. We currently find ourselves completely out of men's clothing ... warm coats, parkas, jeans, hoodies, sweatshirts, sweaters, hats and gloves (gently used), winter boots ... socks and underwear (new) ... to get them prepared to withstand the winter season. And then there's blankets, sleeping bags and shower curtains (gently used) to protect them from the wet ground.

It's so easy to donate these items to SVdP: 1) drop them off at our Distribution Center dock, 1201 E. Maryland Street or 2) drop them off at one of over 30 SVdP blue boxes across the city. To find a box near you click here <http://www.svdpindy.org/i-want-to-help/find-a-clothing-bin/>.

PLEASE MARK YOUR BAGS "FOR THE HOMELESS." For you parents of high schoolers, did we mention we now have boxes at Bishop Chatard, Brebeuf, Cardinal Ritter, Cathedral, Guerin, and Roncalli?

Our homeless neighbors need our help more than ever. There are over 1,500 homeless in our community and we need to do everything in our power to keep them warm and safe in the months ahead. Questions? Linda Clodfelter ldac1117@gmail.com. Thank you so much.

"Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to do likewise." ~ Luke 3:10-11



ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH COLLECTIONS As of November 29, 2020		
	Actual	
Saturday 5:30 PM	517.00	
Sunday 7:30 AM	565.00	
Sunday 10:45 AM	320.00	
Other (mail in)	445.00	
Electronic Giving	2,864.62	
Total Sunday Collections	4,711.62	
	YTD Budget	YTD Actual
As of 10/31/2020		
Weekend Collections	113,333.32	120,832.66
Other Collections		
	Actual	
Other-Giving Tree	1,320.00	
St. Vincent de-Paul	52.35	
Misc. Archdiocese	316.00	
Misc. Covid	400.00	
Capital Maint. Fund	60.00	
FIF Campaign	2,020.39	
Total	4,168.74	
Other Parish Funds		
	9/30/2020	10/31/2020
FIF Campaign Fund	514,425.22	534,236.57
Capital Maintenance Fund	138,937.26	139,879.35
General Fund	175,031.08	175,105.21



CAMPAIGN RESULTS THROUGH 10/31/20

AMOUNT PLEDGED
\$940,202.00

Amount Received
\$850,819.71

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