



*“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

THIRD SUNDAY

OF Advent

As the earth brings forth its plants,
and a garden makes its growth spring up,
so will the Lord God make justice and praise
spring up before all the nations.

Isaiah 61:11



DECEMBER 17, 2017

December 17, 2017 Third Sunday of Advent

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

“I rejoice heartily in the Lord, in my God is the joy of my soul; for he has clothed me with a robe of salvation and wrapped me in a mantle of justice, like a bridegroom adorned with a diadem, like a bride bedecked with her jewels” (Is 61:10). St. Paul reminds us of Three things: Pray unceasingly, rejoice always, and give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus. (1 Thes 5:18). What a wonderful time for us to raise our hearts and minds to God in Thanksgiving for the wondrous gift of Jesus to us. For St. Thomas More, more than ever, it’s a time of thanksgiving to the Lord for the success of our Forward in Faith Campaign. It was truly a result of our St. Thomas More parish family. Some made great sacrifice in terms of Time, Talent and Treasure, while some played a role of Time or talent or treasure. I want to THANK you All for your unstinted support of this campaign. My special thanks to Tom Ryan, who was the Captain in the cockpit who worked tirelessly and left no stone unturned coordinating the entire campaign, from its very inception to the conclusion. Along with Tom, John Griffin, our former chair of Parish Council, and Brian Disney, the former chair of Stewardship Commission did a fantastic job in walking with Tom and me, with their faithful support throughout the life of the campaign. The overall vice chair Rosanne Roth, coordinators Brian Disney, Pete Majeski and Richard Hoying, the various committee chairs, Carolyn Clements, Norma Bangel, Jan Russell, John Griffin, Elizabeth Craig, who played a very important role in their respective committees, along with all the 80 or more volunteers who generously gave their time and talent to the campaign. Our office staff, Kathy, Maureen, Yenly and Stacie, have been great, along with our volunteers Judi Weihler, Carolyn Clements and Connie Tomaszewski. May the Lord Bless you all!

In a week from now we will be celebrating the most real and tangible sign of God’s love—the birth of Jesus. “God so loved the world that He sent his Son into the world so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life” (Jn 3:16). May this Christmas be truly a celebration of His love in our own lives. Let everyone we meet know His love through us. I also take this opportunity to say a Big Thank you for being great friends, brothers and sisters in my priestly journey at St. Thomas More. I want to Thank You also for the wishes, card, gifts, smiles, but above all for you prayers and love.

Merry Merry Christmas and a prosperous peaceful New Year 2018.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Francis Joseph Kalapurackal

Administrator

We extend our deepest sympathy to Eric Sipe and his family on the death of his father, Donald. Please keep them in prayer.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 18

8:30 am—No Mass

Tuesday, December 19

8:30 am— Laura Jasinski

Wednesday, December 20

8:30 am—Donald Sipe

Thursday, December 21

8:30 am—Judd Haynes

Friday, December 22

8:30 am—Paul Jarvis

Saturday, December 23

5:00 pm—Y Tran

Sunday, December 24

8:00 am— Elspeth Sarah Donnelly

10:45 am—Sick of St. Thomas More

5:00 pm—Philip Romano

10:00 pm—Parishioners of St. Thomas More

Monday-Dec. 25

9:00 am—Deceased of Martin Weber Family

Ministries for December 23 & 24, 2017

Ushers

5:00 pm—Louise Ash

8:00 am—Fred & Diane Cipriani

10:45 am—Amy Griffin

Lectors

5:00 pm—Carol Ammann

8:00 am—Mickey Kinder

10:45 am—Bonnie Kenney

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 pm—Carolyn Clements, Rose Draper

8:00 am—Judi Weihler

10:45 am—Denise Kraemer, John Griffin,

Alicia Garcia-Paul, Theresa Gomez

Altar Servers

5:00 pm—Volunteers

8:00 am—Riley Lesh

10:45 am—

If you minister the 1st weekend of the month,
you're scheduled for Dec. 30 & 31

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St. Thomas More K of C

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

Financial Report thru		
December 3, 2017 Collection by Mass		
	Budget	Actual
Saturday 5:00 PM		2,100.00
Sunday 8:00 AM		1,603.00
Sunday 10:45 AM		2,848.20
Sunday 7:00 PM		568.00
Other		278.00
St Vincent De Paul		.00
Misc. Archdiocese		8.00
Capital Main. Fund		.00
FIF Campaign		17,015.00
Total	6,211.50	24,420.20
	YTD Budget	YTD Actual
As of 10/31/2017		
Sunday Collections	111,808.00	94,769.59
Electronic Giving	21,668.00	34,718.52
Total	133,476.00	129,488.11
Savings Balance	as of 09/31/17	as of 10/31/17
Capital Maintenance Fund	138,678.29	140,119.26
ADLF	23,616.93	23,626.93

PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS WITH SERIOUS ILLNESS : Carolina Trishler Mary Ann Brinkmann Loretta Darnell Wilma Hunt Todd Rexing Steve Callis Sandra Hall Herb Hill Tricia Allen Marge Mudon Ken & Martha Fetsch Bill O'Neal Terry Saucerman Hershel Knight Toni Grieser Frank Cramer George Mountain Larry Clements Don Wewe Irmgard Fischer Chris Binhack Gene Bednarek Conception Magtoto Larry Schubert Julie Parada Mae Elliott Denice Corbin Zenta Drzakowski John Seubert Kim Carlisle, Joanne Weaver

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CHRONICALLY ILL PARISHIONERS
Helen Stuller Clara Taylor Caitlyn Brown Rebecca Early Deborah Sater Barry Catt Steve Keever Josh & Nicole Baldonado Debbie Wells Frank Hall Michael Gibbons Dottie Black Matthew Gregg Jim Musters Jennifer Reed Frances O'Connor Nancy McKinney Mike Mattingly Carl Jones Marjorie Wagoner Peg Palmer Dominic Bednarek Chris Somers Dave Minardo Melvin Hall George Pate Joan McKillip Judy Helton Kellen Campbell Kathryn Sappington Nancy Sutton Connie Tomaszewski Brittany Howard Larch family Kathy Webb Randy Scott Kim Wright Barbara Baldouf Kenny Rose Kim McCleary Joann Jones Amanda Grace Stephens Stephanie Evans Pat Bowen Kimberly Cipriana Mark Runkel Marsha Denning Dave Laughlin George Spuhler Ruth Padgett Letha Caldwell

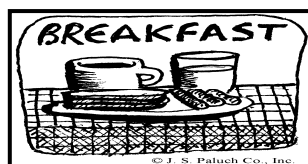
PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK FAMILY & FRIENDS Steven Callies Jr. tephanie Light Julie Fulkerson Kim Recker Margaret Anderson Rosemary Antonelli Fran Kempa Madeline Baar Marybeth Bowling Debbie Baker Diane Ball Ronald Barr Abby Baugh Traci Baugh Ralph Kirton Joseph Beber Elaine Osborne Donna Becktel Kyle Askey Mike Boyd Ryan Long Nick Bell Patrick Bell Mike Bennett Marguerite Klain Richard, Brian & Eric Classen Rev. James Bennett Donna Blackman John Murphy Paul Casey Kathy Brown Joe Leonard Jim Martin Betty Young Kevin Bryan Allan Bryant Colleen Sutton Marcia Byrnes Bob Jacobs Bonnie Criswell Russell Chastain Margie Collins Linda Cap Dorothy Cottrell Jay Creed Willie Sutton Doug Debruhl Chadwick Walter Ken & Josie Corse Don Davis Jeannie Douglas Don & Barb Drewenski Ruby Farley Olivia Rees Matt & Joan McKillip Connie Fernedz Scott Frye Linnie Shellberg Marianne Arka Helena Rudolf Rebecca Kolp Jim Gibbs Nicole Gibson Glenda Graber Sydnie Dobrowolski Anthony Grannan Curtis Grannan Donald Grannan Michael Grannan Tina Grannan Laura Leis Dymple Green Margaret Edwards Vernon Green Jim Martin Dorothy Grady Jerome Balvo Mary Gunnell Jeanine Mowery Sharla Hackney Dorothy Hardin Dennis Hedinger Katelyn Gehl Cameron Holt Rita Holt Robbie Gonzales Kelli White Rita Klumper Jim Hutchinson Bailee Dunnigan Tom Johnson Vincent, Erica & Chad Graves Jerome Hickerson Tom Johnson Al Grannon Brandon Winegar Judy Kerr Mike Sandley Laura Pierce Tracy McCardle Ronald Gall Rosemary Kinman Shirley Lambert Michael & Andrea Stockman Ann Kendall Jose Ojeda Geraldine Liffick Mary Lindop Betty Lollar Frank Cardinali Mike Wierzbicke Connie Weber Leo Mays Ernest Montgomery Irma Marion Mary Ann Berlin Bill Martin Shirley Martin Jeanne Mathews

Scott Mason Steve Speck Linda Massie Nicole Baldonado Tom Mays Theresa Simmons Kevin Grannan Kevin & Lauren Wysocki Genny Larkin Diane Downey Ardith Mauck George McMannis Logan McPeak Kendra Springs Bret Neylon Michelle Scott Lisa Zabst Freida Terrell Jennifer Eaton Glenda Norris Becky Oaldon Belinda Shelton Phyllis O' Neal Rebecca Orloff Diane Plotz Joseph Palmer Sr. Megan Patterson Lisa Caldwell Elmer Price Sue Miller Crissy Quinn James Ragsdale Ruth Ramey Mona Mendieta Annie Blair Matthew Reynolds Tiffany Rhew Shirley Richmond Shelia Robert Kathy Sell Michelle Chasteen Jennifer Robins Darla Sanders Barbara Schmidtke Rose Schroedle Reed & Mendenhall families Carol Schulteis Noni Schumaker John Bauer Doris & Earl Sharp Alexis Sharrow Amy Stone Betty Callies Kathy Birchler Lucy Ann Muniz Judy Siner Oycie Henderson Kelsey Smith Raymond Fitzpatrick Ron Smith Rhonda Stagner Lee Stigger Janet McDevitt Robert Svendsen Becky Thomas Sherry Thompson Jim Lanning Bob Turner Amy Unger Vanessa Unterreiner Jinnie Vonder Wal Kelly Moon Linda Cap Kathy Webb Robert Richey Thomas Wellspring Rudy Gagliardi Larry White Anna Whited Donna Witt Jim Witt Mike Witt Mike Witt II Leopold & Yoli Guerra John Leonard Randy Scott Jill Riley David & Karla Miller Gary Paulson Elena Brugh

PLEASE NOTE!
Beginning in January, the names of sick family and friends will be in the book of intentions in the back of church rather than in the bulletin. The column in the bulletin will only have the names of currently ill parishioners. This list will be updated monthly. Thank you.

2ND COLLECTION DEC. 30 & 31 FOR OUR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

K of C Breakfast Sunday, Dec. 17 after 8:00 am Mass



Are you stumped for Stocking Stuffer ideas? Have you run out of Christmas Cookie recipes? The St. Thomas More Jubilee Cookbook (just \$10 each) might be the answer to your last-minute holiday shopping needs. Cookbooks will be available after Masses this weekend and also at the parish office during the week. Questions? Call Mrs. Santa Bednarek at 317-697-5117 or mmbednarek@yahoo.com

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

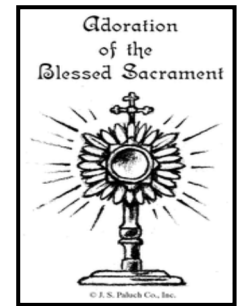
2nd Tues.-6:00 pm, Women of STM, Social Hall
2nd Thurs.-6:00 pm, Faith Formation Commission
3rd Sun.- Baptisms
3rd Tues.-7:00 pm, St. Vincent de Paul
3rd Wed.-6:30 pm, Pastoral Council, Library
3rd Thurs.-6:00 pm, Liturgy Committee

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:
MONDAY 6-7 AM**
If you can help, please call PEGGY 317-695-9807 or KRISTINA 317-834-2719



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

PLEASE NOTE THESE DATES!

CHRISTMAS NOVENA, DAILY 15 MINUTES BEFORE MASS

**ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19 7:00 PM
DECEMBER 23, 24 & 25 SCHEDULE**

**SAT. DEC 23 5:00 PM MASS
SUN. DEC. 24 8:00 AM, 10:45 AM MASSES
SUN. DEC. 24 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MASS--MUSIC AT 4:30, MASS AT 5:00 PM
SUN. DEC. 24 LATE MASS 10:00 PM—MUSIC AT 9:00 PM
MON. DEC. 25 CHRISTMAS DAY MASS 9:00 AM**


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

Faith Formation Calendar

Sun. Dec. 17
K-8 Faith Formation 9:00 am - 10:30 am
PK Faith Formation 10:45 am - 11:45am
Catechist Christmas Lunch 12:00-1:00pm
9th-12th Youth Ministry 5:15pm-7:00pm
Wed. Dec. 20
RCIA & Advent Bible Study 6:30pm - 8:30pm
Sun. Dec. 24
K-8 Faith Formation No Class
PK Faith Formation No Class
PK Family Brunch No Class
9th-12th Youth Ministry No Class
Wed. Dec. 27
RCIA & Advent Bible Study No Class



Youth Ministry
9th-12th Grade
Sun. Dec. 17
9th-12th Youth Ministry
 5:15pm-7:00pm
Please join us for dinner, fellowship, formation and fun!
 Thank you to everyone who donated to our Book Sale.
 We are still are in need of funds to pay for the NCYC Pilgrimage Teen Weekend any amount is appreciated.

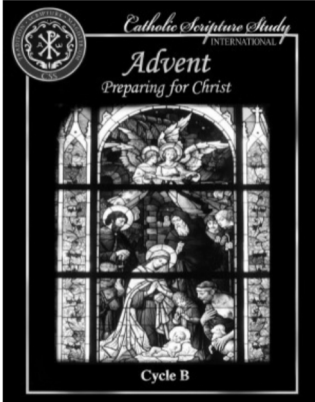
Please visit us on Instagram for photos of this amazing event! @STM-YG

We are Called
 Saturday, January 13
 9:00am– 4:00pm



In the past couple of years we have had the privilege to answer our Baptismal Call to serve STM and grow in relationship with our Lord with the direction of Fr. Francis. We have grown in faith and fellowship through Weekly Mass, Adoration, Prayer, Bible Study, The Jubilee, Connected In Spirit, Forward in Faith Campaign, Parish Mission: Regaining the Virtue of Faith, Applefest, Knights of Columbus, Woman of STM, Holy Spirit Groups, Clinic, New Evangelization Ministry, RCIA, Adult Faith Formation, St. Vincent De-Paul, Commissions, Committees and many more opportunities. We are now being Called to explore how to continue to live out our Baptismal Call in a new way!

We are Called
Are you wondering ...
 How do I talk to my children about God?
 How do I invite my grown children back to church?
 How do I become more confident in my relationship with God?
 How do I describe my journey with Jesus?
 How do other people feel so comfortable talking about the bible?
 How do I learn to pray more often or pray in new ways?
 I am worried about my neighbors, friends and family... “I wish they start coming to church and understand that God loves them!”

Join Us on Saturday, January 13
9:00am– 4:00pm
 We invite all adults of STM More to a day of fun, fellowship and formation.
 Will you Answer His Call?



Wed. Dec. 20
Advent Bible Study 6:30pm - 8:30pm

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