



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



St. Thomas More Catholic Church

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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, 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

MARCH 19
2017

THIRD SUNDAY
OF
Lent

A WOMAN OF SAMARIA
CAME TO DRAW WATER.
JESUS SAID TO HER,
“GIVE ME A DRINK.”
- JOHN 4:7

3rd Sunday of Lent

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

God as a father, when leading the people of Israel through the desert, provided for their needs. They were protected from the scorching heat of the sun, He fed with the finest manna, and this weekend liturgy reminds us of providing water to the thirsty Israelites. Moses, as the leader of Yahweh's people, struck the rock with his staff. The Israelites grumbled against Moses and Yahweh while they were in the desert. They forgot the promise of Yahweh and the covenantal terms; their eyes were fixed on the sufferings they had to endure in the desert. Their focus was neither on the promised land nor on Yahweh as their father. When we miss our focus of Christian discipleship, sufferings and crosses are too much to bear. St. Paul says, I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is yet to be revealed to us (Rom 8:18). Blessed Mother could stand beneath the cross of Jesus in absolute silence and surrender because she knew the life of Jesus would never end at the cross or the tomb. No disciple of Jesus can escape the cross; no redemption without the crosses of one's life. Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me (Lk 9:23). Crosses are an inevitable part of Christian discipleship but how we approach crosses is very important to each of us. St. Paul says, "Do everything without grumbling or arguing" (Phil 2:14). When we carry our crosses with our eyes fixed on Jesus and His promises, there is no reason to grumble or argue. Let not the merits of our sufferings be lost by our grumbings or arguing against God. They are opportunities/ ways the Lord is preparing to receive us into His kingdom. May our Lenten journey continue to help us embrace the crosses of our lives and stay focused on the kingdom of God promised by Jesus. Stay focused on the times of our Lenten observance: prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

God Bless You All.

Sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Fr. Francis J. Kalapurackal
Administrator

Coming Soon – Online Electronic Donations

We will roll out Online Electronic Donations on our website in the near future www.stm-church.org. You can take a peek right now. On the Home page Click on Donate Online. You can click on Watch Promo Slide Show to see an overview of the program. And, as long as you are on the Donate page take the opportunity to sign up the April 1st 5K Walk/Run.

Why Donate Electronically?

- Puts you in direct control of the amount and frequency of your contribution.
 - Provides a convenience for you offering ACH, Credit, and Debit cards
 - You can change it 24/7 whenever you want.
 - Saves church staff time from counting cash. Adds greater office security
 - Smooths out cash flow for parish
 - Seasonal slump is avoided
 - improves financial forecasting
- Has positive impact on environment

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Stations of the Cross, Fridays, March 10, 17, 24, 31, 7:00 pm
Stations of the Cross, Friday, April 7, 6:00 pm before Penance Service

Lenten Penance Service, April 7, 7:00 pm

Wed., April 12, Mass, 6:00 pm

Wed., April 12, Seder Meal, 6:30 pm

Holy Thursday, April 13, Mass of the Lord's Supper, 6:30 pm

Good Friday, April 14, Outdoor Stations, 2:00 pm

Good Friday Service of the Passion of the Lord, 3:00 pm

Holy Saturday, April 15, Easter Vigil, 8:30 pm

Easter Sunday, April 16, Easter Sunday, Masses 8:00 am, 10:45 am

NO 7:00 PM MASS EASTER SUNDAY

Trip to the Shrine of Christ's Passion, St. John, Indiana, Friday, March 31, 7:30 am



Pope Francis' Words

Do you want to fast this Lent?

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 trust in God.

Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.

Fast from pressures and be prayerful.

Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.

Fast from grudges and be reconciled.

Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.



CHURCHES IN MISSION

**ST. THOMAS MORE VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO STAFF
OUR PANTRY OBLIGATION ON THE 3RD FRIDAY OF THE
MONTH FROM 8:45 AM TO NOON.**

**WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS ON THURSDAY
EVENINGS FROM 6:00 PM-8:00 PM**

**CALL RON BIRCHLER AT 731-834-2719 OR EMAIL
BIRCHLERRON@YAHOO.COM**

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 20

8:30 am—No Mass

Tuesday, March 21

8:30 am—Josephine Gottemoeller

Wednesday, March 22

8:30 am—Mike Shea

Thursday, March 23

8:30 am—Ed & Dorothy Wrinn

Friday, March 24

8:30 am—Phillip Romano

Saturday, March 25

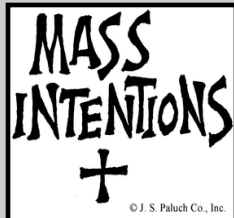
5:00 pm—Judd Haynes

Sunday, March 26

8:00 am—Mike Shea

10:45 am—Dave Allen & Deceased K of C

7:00 pm—Parishioners of St. Thomas More



Ministry schedule for March 25 & 26, 2017

Ushers

5:00 pm—Louise Ash

8:00 am—Fred & Diane Cipriani

10:45 am—Volunteers

7:00 pm—Volunteers

Lectors

5:00 pm—John Griffin

8:00 am—Christa Cassidy

10:45 am—Paul Gall

7:00 pm—Dan Brock

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 pm—Larry & Carolyn Clements, Rose Draper

8:00 am—Judi Weihler

10:45 am—Alicia Garcia-Paul, Theresa Gomez

7:00 pm—Sharon Gehrigs

Altar Servers

5:00 pm—Volunteers

8:00 am—Gehrig Rihm, Riley Lesh,

10:45 am—Frankie Gomez, Kate Disney,

Jillian Donis

7:00 pm—Volunteers

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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

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

Parish Pre-school

Please call the Parish Office for information at 831-4142

Religious Education

Pre K, Kindergarten—during 10:45 am mass,
Grades 1-8, H.S.—Sunday, 9:15 am-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, 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: Peggy Weber, 695-9807, Kristina Birchler, 797-7060

Applefest: 831-4142

Bereavement Committee: 831-4142

Bible Study: 831-4142

Christ Renews His Parish: 831-4142

CYO Sports: 831-4142

Faith Formation Commission: Jan Russell, 742-5035

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

Knights of Columbus: Kevin O'Farrell, 443-3454

Liturgy: Mary Bednarek, 697-5117

Parish Life: 831-4142

Parish Nurse: Cathy Gray, 831-9991

Parish Council: John Griffin, 831-4210

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

Respect for Life Committee: 831-4142

RCIA: 831-4142

Returning Home: 831-4142

St. Thomas More Free Clinic: 831-1697

St. Thomas More Social Hall: 834-4251

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's Club: Carolyn Clements, 831-4142

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DAILY

8:30 am Mass-Tues.-Fri.

Reconciliation-Tues.-Fri. 8:15 am

WEEKLY

Wed., 6:00 pm, RCIA, Good Shepherd Room

Wed. 11:30 am, Rosary, Meadow Lakes

Wed. 2:15 pm-Rosary, Meadow Lakes Asst. Living

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

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

2nd Fri.-Women of STM, after 8:30 am Mass

3rd Sun.- Baptisms

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

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

3rd Thurs. -Liturgy Committee, 6:30 pm

Due to early transmission of the Bulletin,
Updated Financial Information is not avail-
able. Please pardon the inconvenience.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF CHRIST'S PASSION, ST. JOHN, IN.

**MARCH 31, meet at church
at 7:15 am. We'll celebrate
Mass at 11:00 and stations
of the Cross at 11:30. We'll
be back in time for Fish Fry
and Stations of the Cross at
St. Thomas More.
Sign up in the Social Hall.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS WITH SERIOUS ILLNESS : Carolina Trishler
Mary Ann Brinkmann Loretta Darnell Wilma Hunt Zenta Drzakowski
Pat Tooley Sandra Hall Ed Kurek George Spuhler Herb Hill
Ken & Martha Fetsch Bill O'Neal Terry Saucerman Hershel Knight
Toni Grieser Tabitha Gregory Frank Cramer George Mountain
Don Wewe Irmgard Fischer Chris Binhack Gene Bednarek Conception
Magtoto Lowell Schubert George Pate Julie Parada Mae Elliott

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CHRONICALLY ILL PARISHIONERS

Helen Stuller Clara Taylor Caitlyn Brown Todd Rexing
Barry Catt Steve Keever Debbie Wells Frank Hall
Michael Gibbons Dottie Black Matthew Gregg Jim Musters
Jennifer Reed Frances O'Connor Nancy McKinney Mike Mattingly
Hank Wolff Carl Jones Laura Jasinski Marjorie Wagoner
Peg Palmer Dominic Bednarek Chris Somers Dave Minardo
Joan McKillip Judy Helton Kellen Campbell Kathryn Sappington Melvin
Hall Nancy Sutton Connie Tomaczewski Brittany Howard
Kathy Webb Randy Scott Kim Wright Barbara Baldouf
Kim McCleary Joann Jones Amanda Grace Stephens Stephanie
Evans Pat Bowen Kimberly Cipriana Mark Runkel Cathy Hofmann

PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK FAMILY & FRIENDS

Stephanie Light
Julie Fulkerson Kim Recker Margaret Anderson Rosemary Antonelli
Fran Kempa Madeline Baar Marybeth Bowling Tony Ilich
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 Pat Elward Jeannie Douglas Don Drewenski
Barb Drewenski Ruby Farley Olivia Rees Matt & Joan McKillip
Connie Feredz Scott Frye Linnie Shellberg
Marianne Artka Kathy Birchler Helena Rudolf
Earl Gaston Rebecca Kolp Jim Gibbs Nicole Gibson
Glenda Graber 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
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
Rita Kluemper 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 Tom Mays
Theresa Simmons Kevin Grannan Kevin & Laureen 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 Sherrow Amy Stone 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

**Mission 27 Resale Store
132 Leota St. Indy**

We hope to see all of you at our new Mission 27 Resale Store (in the Distribution Center Bldg). Thanks to our generous community for all the donations we receive, we are able to offer great prices on gently used and sometimes new merchandise. Where else can you purchase children's clothing for \$1.49? Men and ladies' jeans for \$6.99? An upholstered sofa for \$125.00? It's just like shopping at Macy's only cheaper. Revenue generated from the store will be used to purchase more nutritional food for the SVdP Food Pantry and to expand our Changing Lives Forever Program. The store is open Mon-Fri 9 am-6 pm, Sat. 9 am-5 pm. Bring in this bulletin announcement and receive 27% off your entire purchase! Questions? Contact: Mark White 317-741-4675 mark.white@svdpindy.org



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**INDIANA CATHOLIC WOMEN'S
CONFERENCE**

MARCH 25, 2017 (8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

**Marriott Hotel Downtown Indianapolis (350
W. Maryland St.)**

**Rev. James Blount, S.O.L.T. (Int'l Speaker,
Exorcist, Healer)**

**Rev. Ronan Murphy (Marian Priest, Int'l
Speaker)**

**Dr. Carrie Gress, PHD (Wife, Mother, Author,
Speaker)**

Rev. Michael Keucher, MDIV, MA

Learn more at

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Hosted by the Marian Center of Indianapolis and
the Archdiocese of Indianapolis **Questions?**
**Contact STM parishioner Beth Brock at
765-243-1018**

**Coming
Events**
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**Hooray! It's a Jubilee 5K Walk/Run
April 1 at Pioneer Park**

**Event benefits Churches in Mission and is
sponsored by STM**

**Registration now open on our website-
<http://www.stm-church.org/>**

**DEADLINE TO REGISTER-MARCH 25
20 volunteers also needed- if interested
contact Lauri Griffin
317-834-0620**

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

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Project Rachel Retreat: March 31-April 1, 2017 and July 28-July 30, 2017

"There is no grief like the grief that does not speak." Henry Longfellow. The grief over an abortion experience is often so deep that it seems to be silent. Women and men may bear this burden for years thinking that there is no hope of forgiveness or peace. A Project Rachel Retreats will be held **March 31-April 1, 2017**, and **July 28-July 30, 2017**, in the greater Indianapolis area. This retreat is a safe place to renew and rebuild hearts broken from abortion. It offers a confidential environment where individuals can begin the process of healing. For more information and to register e-mail projectrachel@archindy.org or call (317) 452-0054.

**K OF C FISH FRY
FRIDAYS,
MARCH 24
APRIL 1, 8
5:00-7:00 PM**



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Race for Vocations

Please join us as we kick off the Race for Vocations! Our prayer is to continue to raise awareness for vocations by bringing the sacred to the secular. The Race for Vocations takes place within the One America Festival Mini Marathon and 5K and is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Indianapolis and the Diocese of Lafayette in Indiana.

The Race for Vocations welcomes people of all ages to run/walk in the mini or 5k to both promote and pray for vocations to the priesthood, consecrated life, sacred married life and sacred single life. Hundreds of participants pray while they train, attend the Mass for Vocations the Friday night before the race and then run/walk in the mini or 5K. Participants wear vocations runner-shirts that create a greater awareness of Catholic vocations. The race began in 2008 and since then literally thousands of prayers have been offered and hundreds of runners have participated. Please join the Archdiocese of Indianapolis and the Diocese of Lafayette this year as we Race for Vocations by, "competing well, finishing the race and keeping the faith." II Timothy 4:7! The Race for Vocations is on Saturday, May 6 2017. Register for the Race for Vocations at <http://raceforvocations.org/>.

**CHECK OUT OUR PARISH WEBSITE www.stm-church.org ON FACEBOOK?
GO TO <https://www.facebook.com/stthomasmorecatholicchurch/>**

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