



*“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, 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

**Fr. Francis Joseph** Administrator  
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 KPhillips@stm-church.org

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### Parish Mission Statement

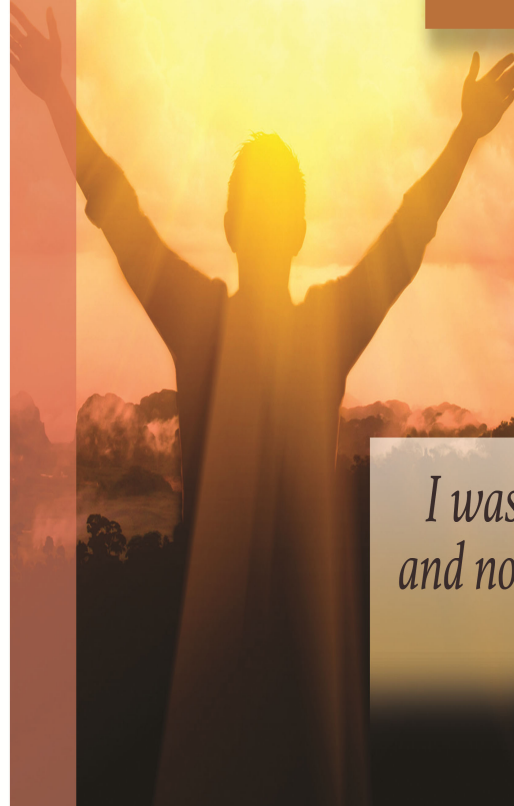
We, the parishioners of St. Thomas More Catholic Church, Mooresville, IN, as members of the Body of Christ, and inspired by our patron saint commit ourselves...

- 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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF

Lent

MARCH 26, 2017



*I was blind  
and now I see.*

*John 9:25*

## Laetare Sunday (4th Sunday of Lent)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The fourth Sunday of Lent is known as 'Laetare' Sunday, expressing the Church's joy in anticipation of the Resurrection of Our Lord. The liturgy this weekend reminds us that it is God who gives proper vision in body and soul and instructs us that we should be constantly on our guard against spiritual blindness. St. Paul reminded us that we are called to be children of the light producing every kind of goodness, righteousness and truth. Those who accept their own blindness in faith and cry for God's help will be given a clear vision by the touch of God's mercy. It is a day to examine the path we walked during the last days and weeks; how far have I walked sincerely on the paths of fasting, almsgiving and prayer? Fasting, in addition to giving up some foods and drinks, we are called to abstain from condemnation of others—in fact to fast from any kind of conversations about others that are inappropriate: this includes language that does not build up, language that does not do any good to your neighbors. It is a time to fast from anger, jealousy, prejudices or indifference. Almsgiving not only includes offering material support to the needy, but also giving to another something good of ourselves; it could even be a gentle look, gentle word, a small action of kindness to anyone in need. Prayer should emerge from a heart that is pure in love and should lead us to a conversation with God that leads us to streams of living water, a cry that opens our blindness and the cry for our brethren who are as good as dead, that God in His mercy give a new life by sharing in the power of His resurrection.

May this Easter bring us new life by dying to our sins and rising with Him to new life.

May God Bless You.

Sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Fr. Francis Joseph Kalapurackal

Administrator

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Simply click on the "Donate Online" button on our **Home Page** to get started. This will take you to our **Donate Page**. Once you have read everything over and are ready to proceed, click on the **Click to Donate Online** button. Follow the onscreen instructions to set up your account.

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- Improves financial forecasting
- Smooths out cash flow for the parish
- Seasonal slump is avoided
- Has a positive impact on the environment
- It's just like making any other online merchant purchase

## LENTEN SCHEDULE

Stations of the Cross, Fridays, March 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

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

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. If you'd like to lead a station please sign up in the social hall. Please bring a cross with you.

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**

Please sign up in the Social Hall for the Holy Week ministries.



## 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.**

We want to thank Larry Janeczek for being St. Joseph and Myron Cassidy for being St. Patrick for the Faith Formation kids today. A special thanks to Mary

Vickers for the wonderful Shamrocks she crocheted that were given to the kids by St Patrick. It is such a blessing that they took their time to help teach our kids about these Saints. You know it takes a whole parish to raise faith filled kids. Thanks again!!

Signed the Faith Formation Commission.



*We extend our deepest sympathy to Karen Marlett and her family on the death of her mother, Leona Marlett. Please keep them in prayer.*

## APPLEFEST 2016 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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|----------------|-------------|
| TOTAL REVENUE  | \$42,965.62 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | \$18,526.25 |
| TOTAL PROFIT   | \$24,439.37 |

Huge Thanks to all who volunteered, helped and participated in any way to make Applefest 2016 a wonderful and successful festival!!

## Mass Intentions

Monday, March 27

8:30 am—No Mass

Tuesday, March 28

8:30 am—Connie Giovanoni

Wednesday, March 29

8:30 am—Phillip & Samantha Romano

Thursday, March 30

8:30 am—Mike Shea

Friday, March 31

11:00 am at St. John, In-Josephine Gottemoeller

Saturday, April 1

5:00 pm—Rebecca Giovanoni

Sunday, April 2

8:00 am—Heim, Mayer & Rihm Families

10:45 am—Jim O'Connor

7:00 pm—Parishioners of St. Thomas More



## Ministry schedule for April 1 & 2, 2017

### Ushers

5:00 pm—Knights of Columbus

8:00 am—Bill & Carol Keller

10:45 am—Frank Zeman, Louie Sater

7:00 pm—Volunteers

### Lectors

5:00 pm—Knights of Columbus

8:00 am—Mari Vickers

10:45 am—Mary Leonard-Bohney

7:00 pm—Brian Bomaster

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 pm—Knights of Columbus

8:00 am—Dana Noel, Rosanne Roth

10:45 am—Paul Gall, Pat Bowen, Tony Voi,

Jim & Renay Muskat

7:00 pm—Sharon Gerigs

### Altar Servers

5:00 pm—Volunteers

8:00 am—Gehrig Rihm, Riley Lesh, Mary Reed,

Jacob Mattingly

10:45 am—Levi Muskat, Annabell Stephens

7:00 pm—Volunteers

***If you'd like to have a Mass offered for a loved one, please call the office 317-831-4142***

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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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS WITH SERIOUS ILLNESS** : Carolina Trishler  
Mary Ann Brinkmann Loretta Darnell Wilma Hunt Zenta Drzakowski  
Pat Tooley Sandra Hall Ed Kurek Nancy Lasiter Herb Hill Tricia Allen  
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  
Jean Booth Dave Laughlin George Spuhler

**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  
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

**Financial Report thru**

**March 19, 2017 Collection by Mass**

|                                   | <b>Budget</b>         | <b>Actual</b>         |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Saturday 5:00 PM                  |                       | 1,864.25              |
| Sunday 8:00 AM                    |                       | 1,593.00              |
| Sunday 10:45 AM                   |                       | 1,786.00              |
| Sunday 7:00 PM                    |                       | 627.85                |
| Other                             |                       | 347.00                |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> collection (SVDP) |                       |                       |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>6,361.00</b>       | <b>6,218.10</b>       |
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|                                   | <b>YTD Budget</b>     | <b>YTD Actual</b>     |
| <b>As of 02/28/17</b>             |                       |                       |
| <b>Sunday Collections</b>         | 207,159.00            | 218,827.31            |
| <b>Electronic Giving</b>          | 26,000.00             | 45,440.67             |
| <b>Total</b>                      | 233,159.00            | 264,267.98            |
|                                   |                       |                       |
| <b>Savings Balance</b>            | <b>as of 01/31/17</b> | <b>as of 02/28/17</b> |
| <b>Building Fund</b>              | 128,231.87            | 129,520.87            |
| <b>ADLF</b>                       | 20,299.86             | 20,299.86             |



## ARCHDIOCESE OF INDIANAPOLIS

The Church in Central and Southern Indiana

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

You may recall that last year Cardinal Tobin as our Archbishop asked us to support the growing needs of the Church in Africa through an annual collection taken on Palm Sunday. This year our Archdiocese will be taking up the collection for the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa on April 9<sup>th</sup> to support our brothers and sisters living there. The population of the Catholic faithful is growing rapidly, but unfortunately, numerous dioceses cannot provide for the many pastoral needs of those they serve. With your support of the collection, you are fostering the faith for this expanding Church.

For example, Catholic education is important not only to help children grow in knowledge and understanding but also to help them grow spiritually. In Zimbabwe, little funding exists to support strong Catholic schools and parishes. With your support of the SFCA, schools have received funding to provide religious education for children. With your help, children have developed spiritually and grown in their Catholic identity.

The Church in Africa needs your help to ensure that all the faithful have access to resources to help them grow in faith. Please be generous to this collection in our parishes. Thank you and God bless.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Reverend Monsignor William F. Stumpf  
Archdiocesan Administrator  
Archdiocese of Indianapolis

**ENVELOPES FOR THIS COLLECTION ARE IN OUR PACKET SO PLEASE PLACE IN REGULAR COLLECTION BASKET PLEASE.**



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**Contact: Fr. Francis J. Kalapurackal 317-831-4142**

**Last day to sign up-June 30, 2017 \$400.00 registration fee due, June 30**

**Final Payment due July 30, 2017**

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- \*\* 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

**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 317-834-2719 OR EMAIL BIRCHLERRON@YAHOO.COM**

**Coming May 5 & 6**  
**Faith Formation Garage Sale**  
**You may leave items in the gym after Easter.**  
**Watch for more information!**

**K OF C FISH FRY**  
**FRIDAYS,**  
**MARCH 24, 31**  
**5:00-7:00 PM**  
**APRIL 7**  
**5:00-6:00 PM**



**Cookbook Committee will be meeting at 3:30 p.m. in the Social Hall on Saturday, April 1st.**

**LENT PENANCE SERVICE**  
**APRIL 7, 7:00 PM**

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