



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



St. Thomas More Catholic Church

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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

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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

FIRST SUNDAY OF

Lent

MARCH 5, 2017

Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil.

Matthew 4:1

1st Sunday of Lent

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Pope Francis calls each one of us to recall Lent as a time of new beginnings and to move a step forward to the heights of holiness to celebrate Christ's victory over death. This season calls us to conversion and invites us to walk the path of perfection. All of us are called to be holy (1Thes. 4:7) and be perfect as our heavenly Father is perfect (Mt 5:48), Be holy as I am holy (1Pet 1:16, Lev 20:26). These forty days of our journey through Lent are an opportune time to change our old ways by accepting the three-fold challenge of Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving. If we had been a good Catholic, let us try to be a better one; if I had been a 'Sunday Catholic' I'll try to be a more faithful one; if I had not been bringing my family together in prayer, I'll try to pray together as a family; if I had been in a habit of gossiping and backbiting, I'll make it a point to speak at least five good things about those persons; if I had been making the sacrament of reconciliation twice a year or once a year, I'll make it a point to approach this sacrament once a month; or if I had not been generous to respond to the needs of the Church or another sister or brother in need, I'll respond with generosity to the needs of the Lazarus around us. I earnestly desire that every family member in our parish of all ages make a sacrifice of your own choice and contribute in terms of prayer, fasting and almsgiving to a mission which only you and your heavenly Father know. These sacrifices you make as a parish family will not only go a long way in bringing about a spiritual renewal but also help our younger generation to open their hearts towards the needs of our neighbors.

I take this opportunity to Thank you all for your unstinted support to the parish in terms of Time, Talent and Treasure. You received the tax statement to be given to the government (IRS) but "Tax deduction" before God is beyond what you can see. We have been given permission by the archdiocese to go ahead with the feasibility study on our Capital Campaign projects which we have been planning for the past one year. And the selection committee who worked overtime and in detail have selected a firm called 'Covenant Group' from Louisville, Ky. We pray that the Lord guide the directions of our parish, heal the wounded, and gather the scattered. May God in His merciful Love gather us under His wings! God bless you and keep you from every evil.

Sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Fr. Francis Joseph 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

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY We Need Your Photos!

We are looking for church related photos to include in the up coming 2017 parish directory, especially photos from the 60's, 70's, 80's and 90's.

Photos we are looking for include:

- **Photos from when the church was under construction in 1967**
- **Early days of the church including events and charter members**
- **Past Applefest photos, especially the first few**
- **Photos of past events (international dinner, pet mass, march for life, etc.)**
- **Photos of Cardinal Tobin's visit to St. Thomas More in 2016**
- **Youth activities (bible school, first communion, confirmation, etc.)**
- **Photos of past priests, especially the ones from the 60's through the 90's.**

There are several ways to get your photos to us:

- **Email to davidrbex@hotmail.com or info@stm-church.org**
- **Upload using file sharing service like Dropbox**
- **Give to Maureen Shea, Peggy Weber or David Bex**
- **Save to a CD or flash drive and leave at parish office**
- **Lend us from a photo album to scan and return**

All physical photos, CDs, flash drives will be returned undamaged. Please include your name and contact information with all submitted materials so they can be safely returned. If possible, also include a description of the photos and note the people in them.

Thank you. David Bex

February 6, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Soon our diocese will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe (CCEE). This collection provides vital funding for our brothers and sisters living in countries that were once under communist rule. Restoring the Church, in both its structures and its spiritual life, has been difficult, but with your support we can help build a brighter future for this region.

In Estonia, religious observance is rare and very little funding is available to assist youth in learning about Christianity or the Catholic faith. Last year, the Collection for CCEE provided support to a summer camp program for youth. About 30 middle-school aged boys attended the camp where they not only learned about the Catholic faith but also had opportunities to attend Mass and even receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Once they are in high school, boys who have previously attended are excited to return as staff members to lead and help the new group of campers grow in their faith. With your support the faith is able to flourish in this younger generation.

Your donations make a difference for those still struggling in the aftermath of communist rule. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection this year, or if you can increase your contribution.

Thank you for your help to restore the Church and build the future in Central and Eastern Europe.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

**Reverend Monsignor William F. Stumpf
Archdiocesan Administrator
Archdiocese of Indianapolis**

Please place your envelope for this collection in the first collection basket. The envelope is dated March 12.

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 6

8:30 am—No Mass

Tuesday, March 7

8:30 am—Frank Hribar

Wednesday, March 8

8:30 am—Mike Shea

Thursday, March 9

8:30 am— Anthony Ebert

Friday, March 10

8:30 am—Mike Shea

Saturday, March 11

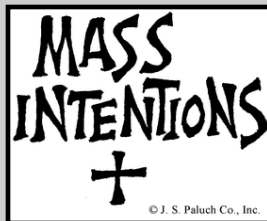
5:00 pm—Peggy Russell

Sunday, March 10

8:00 am—Frank Hribar

10:45 am— Don Allen & Deceased K of C

7:00 pm— Parishioners of St. Thomas More



Ministry schedule for March 11 & 12, 2017

Ushers

5:00 pm—Sally Yates, Judy Wilson

8:00 am— Rita Reeves, Henry Gregory

10:45 am—Cortnie & Shauna Query, Steve Egenolf

7:00 pm—Sue & Mark Willison

Lectors

5:00 pm—Kathy Mayo

8:00 am—Myron Cassidy

10:45 am—Jim Muskat

7:00 pm—Martha Swanson

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 pm—Carl & Judy Lentz, Connie Giovanoni

8:00 am—Tina Cassidy, Mary Ann Feldmann

10:45 am—Jerry & Peggy Weber,

Jeanna Blackburn

7:00 pm—Volunteers

Altar Servers

5:00 pm—Volunteers

8:00 am—Gehrig Rihm, Riley Lesh

10:45 am—Travis & Sally Blackburn, Jillian Donis

7:00 pm—Volunteers

*We extend our
deepest sympathy
to Charlene Crites
and her family on
the death of her
husband, Ed.*

Please keep them in prayer.



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 George Spuhler Herb Hill
Ken & Martha Fetsch Bill O'Neal Terry Saucerman Hershel Knight
Toni Grieser Tabitha Gregory Frank Cramer George Mountain
Ed Crites Don Wewe Irmgard Fischer Chris Binhack Gene Bednarek
Conception Magtoto Lowell Schubert George Pate

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 Olivine 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 & 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 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

February 26, 2017 Collection by Mass

	Budget	Actual
Saturday 5:00 PM		1,491.23
Sunday 8:00 AM		1,586.90
Sunday 10:45 AM		1,570.11
Sunday 7:00 PM		382.00
Other		670.00
2 nd collection (SVDP)		
Total	6,361.00	5,700.24
	YTD Budget	YTD Actual
As of 01/31/17		
Sunday Collections	183,483.00	195,006.39
Electronic Giving	22,750.00	39,978.72
Total	206,233.00	234,985.11
Savings Balance	as of 12/31/16	as of 01/31/17
Building Fund	125,296.87	128,231.87
ADLF	20,299.86	20,299.86

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MARCH 10, 17, 24
APRIL 1, 8
5:00-7:00 PM**



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

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

Rev. Michael Keucher, MDIV, MA

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**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/>**

**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

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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.

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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