

St. Thomas More Church

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Eucharistic Celebrations
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 am
Weekdays:
Monday-Friday: 6:45 and 9:00 am
Saturday: 9:00 am
Holyday Vigil: 7:00 pm
Holyday: 6:45 & 9:00 am & 7:00 pm



Rite of Reconciliation
Saturdays: 3:30-4:00 pm
or any time by appointment

Reverend Phillip M. Johnson, Priest-in-charge
Reverend Daniel Joyce, S.J., Weekend Assistant
Sister Ann Byrnes, RSM, Pastoral Associate for Life Long Faith Formation
Sister Katherine Pociecha, LSIC, Coordinator of Christian Education
Roger Pisani, Pastoral Associate for Music & Liturgy
Pat Cannon, Parish Secretary • Norma Matos, Parish Secretary
Sheila Tartamosa, Pastoral Associate for Parish Administration

DIRECTORY

Pastoral Leadership

Parish Trustees	Gary Gadren	424-3212
	Pat Lachnicht	424-3212

Christian Life/Education

Bereavement	Staff	424-3212
Hospital Visitors	Staff & Euch. Ministers	424-3212
Intercessory Prayer	Ann Vigrass	428-7217
Knights of Columbus	Dick Spence	428-8325
Marriage Formation	Bob/Liz Scarpa	795-1160
Parish Rel. Ed. Prog.	Parish Office	424-3212
Prayer Shawls	Sheila Mohan	795-6137
Respect Life	Al Mac Elrath	779-7130
Rite of Ch. Init. Adults	Sister Ann Byrnes	424-3212
Rosary Ministry	Marian Kapischke	424-2053
Small Christian Comm.	Ann Marie/Bob Lento	344-7454
Spiritual Retreats	John Galati	428-7073
	Denise Radziwill	424-0494
St. Vincent de Paul	Frank Nicoletti	424-3212
Stewardship	Sheila Tartamosa	424-3212
Youth Ministry	Stan Thompson	424-1120

Worship

Altar Servers	Sister Ann Byrnes	424-3212
Church Environment	Ann Vigrass	428-7217
	Antonina Nicdao	751-6320
Ch. Art Environment	Joyce DeMichele	424-4008
Eucharistic Ministers	Dolores Kreal	988-0271
Lectors	Pat Lachnicht	424-5636
Linen Committee	Ann Vigrass	428-7217
Sacristans	Dom Sacca	
	Tom Petrilli	751-1367
	Greta Tyrrell	428-2412
	Frank Krenslak	309-1999
Ushers	Roger Pisani, Director	609-488-0020
Music Ministry	Dolores Kreal	988-0271
	Len Kolojejchick	346-4078
	June Garafano, Youth Singers	229-7461

Social Development Bridge Groups

	Joyce DeMichele	424-4008
	Barbara Cerquitella	795-7323
	June Garafano	229-7461
	Lin Lyon	795-4396
	Committee	424-3212
	Barbara Cerquitella	795-7323
	Lorraine Kennedy	489-0031

Administration

House of Charity	Sheila Tartamosa	424-3212
Parish Finance Council	Robert Crawford	424-3212
Parish Pastoral Council	Marie Enny	751-8893

PARISH MISSION & VISION STATEMENTS

Mission (*Purpose*)

Through the Sacrament of Baptism, we the Catholic Community of St. Thomas More respond to our call to holiness.

Vision (*Goals*)

Empowered by Baptism, inspired by the Holy Spirit, and formed by the Word of God and the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist, we live out our Mission by working together:

- To structure prayerful, vibrant, participatory, Sunday worship experiences.
- To provide Life Long Faith formation for all age levels.
- To care for the young, the old, the sick, the hurting and the needy, both inside and outside our parish.
- To promote faith sharing, prayer, support, learning and listening to one another as a model for nourishing and sustaining our faith community.
- To welcome back, with hospitality, those who have left our faith community.

VISITATION AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the parish office, 424-3212, if a family member is seriously ill or facing/recovering from surgery and would like to see a priest or receive the Anointing of the Sick. Holy Communion is also available to those who are homebound on an ongoing basis.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please make arrangements for Baptism in advance through the parish office. Parents and godparents are required to attend a preparatory session.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to marry will attend a marriage preparation program called Living in Love. Call office for appointment.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process of formation for full initiation into the Catholic Church. It is open to those never Baptized; those baptized in another faith; and Catholics who have not received First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

For more information, please contact Sister Ann Byrnes, RSM, Pastoral Associate, 424-3212 ext. 104 or Deacon John Harrington, Moderator, at 424-3212 ext. 103.

RCIA Team: John Mohan and Irene Rellosa

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Children's Liturgy of the Word – Sunday, during 10 a.m. Mass
Grades one thru four: Tuesday, 4:15 - 5:30 p.m.
Grades five thru eight: Tuesday, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

New members are welcome in our community of faith. Please call, 424-3212, or come to the parish office to register.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please submit hardcopy and/or e-mail by 4 p.m. Monday.

CATHOLIC GRADE SCHOOL

John Paul II Regional School - (856) 783-3088
Principal: Mrs. Helen Persing

**1st Annual
Saint Thomas More Parish
Harvest Festival**



**Sunday, October
20, 2013**

Indian Spring Country Club, Marlton

3-4 pm Cocktails (cash bar)

4-8 pm Dinner, Dancing and Drawing

New and Exciting Fundraiser and Social Gathering with Dinner, Dancing, Fellowship and Music provided by D. J. John Negro.

This will be the only Parish Fundraiser for the year. Please plan to participate.

Tickets will go on Sale after all Masses.

Raffle Ticket \$100.00 each

1st Prize \$10,000.00 or 25%

2nd Prize \$ 6,000.00 or 15%

3rd Prize \$ 2,000.00 or 5%

4th Prize \$ 2,000.00 or 5%

Dinner Ticket \$30.00 per person

Includes Buffet Dinner, Music, Dancing & Prizes

Proceeds will be used for Emergency Medical Equipment, Campus Buildings, Grounds Repair & Maintenance

ATTENTION: Anyone who would like to help make sandwiches for the Cathedral Kitchen is welcome...



Date: Wednesday, August 21

Time: after 9:00 Mass

Where: St. Thomas More Hall

See you then, thank you!

Marianne Wilkins, Coordinator - 428-4924

Little Servant Sisters of the Immaculate Conception

GARDEN FESTIVAL

Sat., September 7 (9 am to 6 pm)

Donations of gently used Clothing & clean Household Goods requested and accepted now through August 31, 2013.

For more info call Rosemarie Grabowski, 235-1521.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

August 11, 2013

\$7,968.50 - 186 Envelopes

May the Lord bless you for your generosity to your parish.



SAINT THOMAS MORE PARISH PICNIC

ALL ARE INVITED

Catechetical Sunday

September 15, 2013

12:30 – 3:00 PM



A Time for Fellowship, Food and Fun! A Time to Connect after the Summer!

A Time to Welcome Back our Catechists and Students! A Time to Launch our Religious Education Year!

Music! Entertainment for All! Children's Games and Crafts!

Pig Roast, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Beverages and More!

Bring a Favorite Dessert to Share

IMPORTANT — Volunteers are needed for Set-Up on Saturday, 9/14/13 at 10:00 AM
Volunteers are needed to help clean-up after the picnic.
Many hands make light work. Please consider volunteering an hour of your time.

Call Gary Gadren , 856-428-6830

Going to STOCKTON, Rowan or Rutgers?

Stockton College

Catholic Campus Ministry

235 Pomona Road, Pomona, NJ 08240

Fr. Tom Kiely, Chaplain

Sunday Mass— 6 pm AND ALSO on campus
at 7:45 pm in TRLC, Large Meeting Room

Daily Mass at 12:45 p.m. on campus in TRLC,
Meeting Room 1 (Mon. & Thurs.)

Opening Events

See table at Freshmen orientation

Newman Club— Wednesday's at 8 pm
(Homemade dinner at 7 pm)

Contact Information:

Idark@camdendiocese.org or 609-707-1067

Facebook: Stockton Catholic Campus Ministry
(Newman Club)

Rowan University

Catholic Campus Ministry (Newman House)

1 Redmond Ave., Glassboro, NJ 08028

Sunday Mass — 7 p.m.

Mon.-Thurs. — 12:30 pm

Opening Events - All are welcome!

August 31...Freshmen Move-in Day

Open House at Newman (1 Redmond Ave.) 2 pm

September 1...First Mass 7 pm at Newman House followed by "Ice Cream Sunday" Social

September 4...First CCM Club Meeting 7 pm
(Home cooked dinner at 6 pm)

St. Bridget's University Parish

125 Church Street, Glassboro, NJ 08028

Saturday — 4:30 pm

Sunday — 8:30 & 10:30 am and 1 pm (Spanish)

Monday-Friday — 8 am

Saturday — 9 am

Ann Polo, Director

Fr. Robert Sinatra, Chaplain

Fr. Matthew Weber, Pastor

Contact information: www.rowanccm.com,

apolo@camdendiocese.org or 856-881-2554

Rutgers University — Camden

Sunday Mass — 6 pm Campus Center, Main Room

303 Cooper Street, Camden, NJ 08102

Daily Mass — 12 Noon, Cathedral of Immaculate Conception
642 Market Street, Camden (3 blocks from campus)

Catholic Campus Ministry

Fr. Mike McCue, OSFS, Campus Minister

Contact information: mccue1959@gmail.com or
(215) 582-1666

Rutgers University — New Brunswick

Sunday Masses

12 Noon, Busch Student Ctr., Rm. 120ABC

8 pm — St. Peter's Church, 94 Somerset St., (CAC)

9 pm — Cook Campus Ctr., G.H. Cook Room

10 pm — Livingston Student Ctr., Rm. 202ABC

Daily Mass (Mon.-Fri.) —12:15 pm Catholic Ctr. Chapel
in the Catholic Center

Catholic Center, 84 Somerset Street

Opening Activities:

Sept. 2, Luau, 6 pm at Catholic Center

Sept. 5, 6 pm Pizza on the plaza, Livingston

Sept. 6 at dusk: Googa Mooga

Sept. 7, Tailgate (2 hrs. prior to game time)

Sept. 10, First Spirit Nite

Visit us at: www.catholic-center.rutgers.edu

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ministry Schedule for August 24, and 25, 2013

Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 p.m.	Father Johnson	M Kramer R Pisani	I Rellosa, P Rossi B Scarpa, G Tyrrell	T Andraka	D Ha B Scarpa
8:30 a.m.	Father Johnson	R Kapischke R Pisani	A Del Campo-O'Brien J Kenney, Sr. Rosaria B Scarpa	M Maggart	A Rzepski B Scarpa
10:00 a.m.	Father Joyce	S Caccavale R Pisani	G Gadren, J Galati K Glover, M Santiago	V Marchesani	G/M Gray J Pol
11:30 a.m.	Father Joyce	D Kreal R Pisani	M Garber, M Gorin J Mazzagatti, A Thompson	J Arnold	M/T Dautle E Thompson

Women's Club News

- **Board Meeting:** Tues., August 27, 12:30 p.m.

*Barbara Cerquitella, 795-7323 &
Lorraine Kennedy, 489-0031, Co-Presidents*

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for our 2013-2014 Religious Education Program concluded on June 30. Reminder letters and registration forms have been mailed to the homes of those students who have not re-registered to date. Registration of first grade students, as well as students who are new to our parish, will continue throughout the summer. If your child has not been registered, please do so immediately. Registration forms are available in the gathering space or on-line at <http://stthomasmorenj.org/>.

Sr. Katherine Pociеча, CCE - 424-3212 ext. 106

'FUNSTER NEWS'



Funster Trips are open to **all** Parishioners & Friends

Air/Land Trips for 2014:

- **April 6-10, 2014**—2 nights in Charleston & 3 nights in Savannah. Book by Oct. 1.
- **May 23-June 1, 2014**—Portugal with a visit to Fatima. Book by Nov. 1.
- **July 11-19, 2014**—Trains of the Colorado Rockies with 4 different train experiences on Georgetown Loop, Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge, Royal Gorge and Pike Peak Cog Railway. Book by Jan. 1.

Limited number of seats on all trips. Book early for best rates & availability. **Call Lin, 795-4396, for more information and detailed itineraries.** Bus trip info for 2014 will be available this fall.

Next Meeting: Wed., Sept. 4 at 1 pm. All those going on Maine Train Trip are requested to

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Stewards Lifestyle

“Do you think I have come to establish peace on Earth? No, I tell you, but rather division.”

Luke 12:51

Living a *Stewardship* lifestyle means stepping out of our comfort zone when needed. Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves, stay in the middle of the road. In today's world we are called to be informed and take a stance for life, marriage and religious liberty.

**1st Annual Bike Ride
The Children's Home**

Saturday, September 7

To register or for more information:

Kids@chbc.org
609-267-1550 ext. 138
www.childrens-home.org



**BLESSED EDMUND PRESCHOOL
Under direction of Little Servant Sisters**

1000 Cropwell Rd., Cherry Hill
3 & 4 yr old Programs Full & Half Day
Certified Educators Before & After Care
For more info or registration call 424-3063.



**Mass Intentions
for the Week**

SATURDAY - AUGUST 17

9:00 am Jim Bones r/b Teri & Family
Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
4:30 pm Alice Pottackal r/b Family

SUNDAY - AUGUST 18

8:30 am Deceased Members of St. Thomas More
Parish r/b St. Vincent de Paul Society
10:00 am Chuck Kapischke r/b Dick & Claire
Spence
Florence Purifico r/b Ron & Angela Panna
Jane Walcott r/b Gary Gadren
11:30 am Joe Turiano r/b Kay & Family

MONDAY - AUGUST 19

6:45 am Angela Emma Guido Camillotti r/b
Franciscan Sisters of the Infant Jesus
9:00 am Louis Casa r/b Bob & Ann Marie Lento

TUESDAY - AUGUST 20

6:45 am Theodore Romak r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Richard Byrnes r/b Max Gessman

WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 21

6:45 am Louis Casa r/b Jerry & Pat Lachnicht
9:00 am Ralph Stillely r/b his wife, Marjorie

THURSDAY - AUGUST 22

6:45 am Theodore Romak r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Cora Colantonio r/b Anthony Midili

FRIDAY - AUGUST 23

6:45 am Theodore Romak r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Helen & Charles Nova r/b Cindy Z

SATURDAY - AUGUST 24

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
4:30 pm Josephine Shicatano r/b daughter, Marie
Glaviano

SUNDAY - AUGUST 25

8:30 am Brian Deutsch r/b Bailey/Kenny Families
10:00 am Nelson Matos r/b his sister, Norma
Loretta Cirillo r/b Amelia & Ed Rivero
Giliane & Jacques Liautaud r/b Family
11:30 am Marie Cammarasana r/b Joe
Cammarasana

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

THE SICK...

Don Kreal
Maria Storms
Phyllis Schadt
Ron Massey
Olga Mignone
Frank Colbert
Claire Boylan
Naomi Willingmyre
George Sweeten
John B. Kennedy
Michael Kapischke
Betty O'Donnell
Alfred DiFrank



Mary Cowan
Shirley Birch
Jean Colbert
Pat Barton
Leila Lore
Ed Rivero
Pat Beaney
YunYun Shen
Virginia Foley
Fran Swider
Rose Hession
Danny Perla
Anna Bedrick
Pat Brink
Ginny Fritz
Gary Scarpa
Marie Mazzagatti
Stanley Kochanek
Pauline Rosberg
Joseph Console
Geraldyn Coticone
Jerry McMenamin
Pasquale DiFronzo
Dorothy Wolenter
Mary Branciforte
Virginia Gormley
Angelo DiGiacomo
Wayne Mauri, Sr.
Francesca Capra
Harry Gindele
Deacon Jim Smith
Mary DeVito
Chris Kolodzey
Ethan Killeen
Carlos Santiago
Betty Brennan
Barbara Salpas
Michael Suralik
Bill O'Donnell
Teddy Shaffer
Bill Botensten
Chase Lupica
Paul Charette
Frank Cappetta
Helen Kane
Eleanor Regan
Sue Hagan

THOSE IN THE ARMED SERVICES...



Lt. Col. Allison Agar, Lt. Cdr. Richard P. Byrnes, Jr., Pvt. 1st Class Mario Centofanti, Lt. Anthony R. Cosentino, Capt. Anthony T. DeMarco, Sr. Airman John P. DeYoung, Lt. Nicholas G. Iannuzzi, PFC Sonny Morrison, Major Ryan Orfe, Lt. Col. Louis J. Papa, SSgt Arturo Rivero, Jr., Lt. Col. Karl Rohr, SPC Giselle M. Torres and Sgt. Michael Willingmyre.

Adult Faith Formation Offerings

- **Anointing of the Sick**
Saturday, September 21
Parish Chapel - 9 am Mass
- **Paul's Letter to the Corinthians**
Mondays after the 9 am Mass
September 23-November 4
- **Invitation to a Journey called RCIA**
Tuesday Evenings - 7 pm
Beginning October 1
Call Sister Ann at 424-3212 to register.

CCHS Class of 1963 - 50 Year Reunion

Saturday, October 19, from 6-11 p.m. at the Wyndham Hotel in Mt. Laurel. For tickets or to provide your updated contact information, visit www.cchsclassof1963.com, call Jim Bigley at 816-6907, or email cchs63reunion@gmail.com.



The flowers at the Blessed Virgin Mary statue have been placed there, this weekend, in loving memory of Fran Boesch, requested by her husband, Jack.

Small Christian Community Faith Sharing

Please note that we put the following week's Gospel passage in this space so you can prepare all week for proclamation of the Gospel the following Sunday. Faith Sharing helps ordinary people connect their faith with everyday life experiences.

Excerpt from the Gospel for the Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 25, 2013 - Luke 13:22-30

Someone asked Jesus, "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" He answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough. After the master of the house has arisen and locked the door, then will you stand outside knocking and saying, 'Lord, open the door for us.' He will say to you in reply, 'I do not know where you are from.' And you will say, 'We ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets.' Then he will say to you, 'I do not know where you are from. Depart from me, all you evildoers!'... And people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God. For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

Commentary:

To assure our eternal salvation, many of us like religious systems that are clean and simple: Ten Commandments to obey. Sacraments to receive. Rules to follow. Authorities to trust. However, when asked about the most important commandment, Jesus talks about love, which is notoriously hard to pin down. When you ask Jesus to take a stand – God or Caesar? – He says it depends on the situation. Here, someone asks Jesus to elaborate on the salvation issue. Jesus simply says to choose the hard way. If you have to ask, do more. Live out the image of God in you, and God will recognize you when it's your turn to knock on the door.

Questions for Reflection and Sharing:

1. What is God saying to me in this Gospel passage?
2. What word or phrase in this Gospel speaks to me?
3. What word or phrase in the Reflection resonates with me?

House of Charity-Bishop's Annual Appeal
Filling the Darkness with LIGHT



Thank you to those who have already pledged. If you made a pledge to the House of Charity campaign, for your convenience, monthly reminders are mailed from the House of Charity Office to help you monitor your pledge balance.

For the benefit of those in need, please make every effort to fulfill your obligation.

To make a pledge please pick up a Pledge card which is available in the gathering space – please mail in or drop off at the parish office.

Magnificat Day: *A unique gathering for liturgical prayer and music, inspirational talks, reflection, and much more!*

Saturday, November 9, 2013

Pennsylvania Convention Center Keynote Speakers:
Fr. Robert Barron **Fr. Peter John Cameron, OP**
 Author: Catholicism series Editor: Magnificat
 Transportation and Registration provided by Parish.
 Call the Parish Office to Register; 424-3212.

DEADLINE REGISTRATION IS OCTOBER 9, 2013.

All parish ministers are encouraged to attend especially catechists, SCC facilitators, liturgical ministers, etc..



Why should we speak out for the unborn? Because the babies have no legal rights and they can't fight back. Like slavery abortion, too, must end. Get involved in pro-life today.

Stephenson County, IL Right to Life
Al Mac Elrath, Respect Life Coordinator - 779-

Learn the Church's teaching about the right to life, and find out what you can do to defend it. Watch new episodes of "Defending Life" airing on EWTN every Wednesday at 2:30 a.m. and Thursday at 11 p.m., Eastern Time. More info: www.DefendingLife.tv.

FOR SINGLE CATHOLICS

Join hundreds of single Catholics of all ages at the 12th National Catholic Singles Conference, September 27-29, 2013, held at the DoubleTree Hotel Philadelphia-Valley Forge in King of Prussia, PA. The weekend includes talks by dynamic international speakers, music, social events, Mass with Bishop Fitzgerald and more. (Limited partial scholarships are available for those in financial need.) Space is limited so register soon! For more information and to register call 830-714-4677 or visit www.NationalCatholicSingles.com.