

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: 3:15-4:00 pm
or any time by appointment

Reverend Phillip M. Johnson, Priest-in-charge
Sister Ann Byrnes, RSM, Pastoral Associate for Life Long Faith Formation
Sister Katherine Pociеча, LSIC, Religious Education Coordinator
Julie Linn, Music Ministry
Pat Cannon, Parish Secretary • Norma Matos, Parish Secretary
Sheila Tartamosa, Pastoral Associate for Parish Administration

DIRECTORY

Pastoral Leadership

Parish Trustees
John Mohan 424-3212
Greta Tyrrell 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. Sister Katherine Pociеча 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 Stan Thompson 424-3212
Stewardship Sheila Tartamosa 424-3212
Youth Ministry Stan Thompson 424-1120

Worship

Altar Servers Sister Ann Byrnes 424-3212
Pat Maggart 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
Pat Maggart 424-3212
Greta Tyrrell 428-2412
Frank Krenslak 309-1999

Ushers

Social Development

Bridge Groups Joyce DeMichele 424-4008
Barbara Cerquitella 795-7323
June Garafano 229-7461
Lin Lyon 795-4396
Career Ministry Committee 424-3212
Funsters (over 50 club) Barbara Cerquitella 795-7323
Parish Festival Women's Club 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.

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

Mission Co-op Collection

Next weekend, August 23/24, we welcome **Bridget** who will be speaking at all the Masses on behalf of the **Franciscan Mission Service—Helping Lay Catholics Answer the Call to Mission.**

Since their founding, in 1990, they have sent more than 110 men and women to 19 countries on long-term mission. These missionaries live a simple life in solidarity with their partners: the economically poor and oppressed in Africa, Latin America, North America and the Caribbean.

As always your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Saint Thomas More is pleased to introduce “Enhancing Stewardship through Electronic Funds Transfer”. We have partnered with Parish Giving to offer this program to all of our parishioners.

It’s Simple! It’s Secure! It’s Convenient!

To get started log on to:

<http://www.stthomasmorenj.org/>

and click on the Parish Giving Logo and follow the easy registration steps.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Stewards Respond to Call

*“For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable.”
Romans 11:29*

God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good Stewards by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone.

PARISH COLLECTION

August 10, 2014

\$6,847.50 - 161 Envelopes

Online Giving: \$90.00

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

Remember that summer offers a parish no break from its bills. We count on your continued support.

Enjoy your **Summer Vacation**

A **FREE Ministry** is offered to **Traveling Catholics** - for nationwide Mass times and locations go to: **www.masstimes.org**.

PARISH PICNIC MEETING - Thursday, August 21 - 7 pm
All past committee members and new members are invited to attend.
Meeting will be held in the St. Thomas More Hall.



SAINT THOMAS MORE PARISH PICNIC

All Are Invited

Catechetical Sunday

September 21, 2014

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, 9/20/14 at 10:00 AM.
Volunteers are needed to help clean-up after picnic. Many hands make light work. Please consider volunteering an hour of your time. *Call Gary Gadren at 856-428-6830 to volunteer.*

Going to STOCKTON, Rowan or Rutgers? Here is the Mass schedule for your convenience.

Stockton College

Catholic Campus Ministry

235 Pomona Road, Pomona, NJ 08240

Fr. James King, Chaplain

Sunday Mass— 6 pm (Homemade dinner available after Mass)

Daily Mass on campus on Mon. & Thurs. in Room F-201 at 12:45 pm

Rowan University

Catholic Campus Ministry (Newman House)

1 Redmond Ave., Glassboro, NJ 08028

Sunday Mass — 7 pm

Mon.-Wed. 12:30 pm, **Thurs.** 7 pm on campus (TBA)

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

Rutgers University — CAMDEN

Sunday Mass — 5 pm Campus Center, Main Room

Daily Mass — 12 Noon, Cathedral of Immaculate

Conception, corner of market & Broadway

(215) 582-1666

Opening Events:

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

Contact Information:

ldark@camdendiocese.org or 609-707-1067

Facebook: Stockton Catholic Campus Ministry
(Newman Club)

Opening Events:

August 30...Open House 2 pm at Newman House

August 31...First Mass and Bar-b-q... 7 pm at Newman House

Contact information; www.rowanccm.com,
apolo@camdendiocese.org or 856-881-3474

Facebook: Rowan University Catholic
Campus Ministry

Rutgers University — NEW BRUNSWICK

Sunday Masses — **12 Noon**, Busch Ctr., Rm. 120
6 pm, Cook Campus, G.H. Cook Rm. and
Livingston Ctr., Rm. 202

8 pm, St. Peter's, 94 Somerset St.

Daily Mass (M-F) — 12:15 pm, Cath. Ctr. Chapel
www.catholic-center.rutgers.edu

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ministry Schedule for August 23, and 24, 2014

Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 p.m.	Monsignor Graham	C. Malatino J. Linn	D. Kreal, T. Petrone G. Tyrrell	J. Mohan	J. & P. Wachman B. Scarpa
8:30 a.m.	Father Johnson	R. Kapschke J. Linn	J. & L. Duffy J Kenney	M. Maggart	O. Reganata B. Scarpa
10:00 a.m.	Father Johnson	R. Allen J. Linn	E. Beckman, G. Gadren D. Staton	K. McFadden	C. & J. McFadden
11:30 a.m.	Father Johnson	D. Kreal B. Casey	M. Gorin, L. Levin K. Wislocky	K. Wislocky	S. Russo A. & I. Witting

Invitation to a Journey Called RCIA:

Do you want to know more about the Catholic Faith? This invitation is open to those who are not baptized as well as those who are baptized in a Christian faith and wish to enter full communion with the Catholic Church. Perhaps you were baptized Catholic but never received First Eucharist or Confirmation. The RCIA process would prepare you for these sacraments.

Please call Sister Ann, 424-3212 - ext. 104, to receive more information about the RCIA classes.



***Women in the
New Testament***

September 22 – November 3

Time: Mondays after 9 AM Mass

Place: Parish Hall

**To Register: Call Sister Ann
(424-3212) by September 3**



***Diocesan Pilgrimage to the
National Shrine
of the Immaculate Conception
Washington, DC***

Saturday, October 11, 2014

***Theme: To honor the Virgin Mary
as Our Lady, Undoer of Knots***

Bus is Restroom equipped/Video capable
\$20 Fee from each participant to defray bus cost

**MUST REGISTER at the Parish Office -
856-424-3212 - by Monday, September 8th.**

Mark your Calendar

**Saint Thomas More Parish Picnic
September 21, 2014**



PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

ATTENTION First Graders & New Parishioners
Registration for our 2014-2015 Religious Education Program continues throughout the summer for first grade students, as well as students who are new to our parish and those who have not reregistered to date.

If your child has not been registered, please do so immediately. Books and supplies need to be ordered and classrooms assigned.

Registration forms are available in the gathering space or on our web site under *Religious Education* at stthomasmorenj.org.

Sr. Katherine Pociecha, REC, 424-3212 - ext. 106



ATTENTION PARISHIONERS:

All are welcome to help make sandwiches for the Cathedral Kitchen...

Date: Wednesday, August 20

Time: after 9:00 Mass

Where: St. Thomas More Hall

See you then, *thank you!*

Marianne Wilkins, Coordinator - 428-4924



Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY - AUGUST 16

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
Kathleen Haughwout r/b Haughwout Family
4:30 pm Geraldina Del Vecchio r/b Bruno Family

SUNDAY - AUGUST 17

8:30 am Jim Bones r/b Teri & Family
10:00 am Deceased Members of St. Thomas More
Parish r/b St. Vincent de Paul Society
Joseph & Alice Pottackal r/b Family
Fr. William Hart r/b Ted & Kay Uhlman
11:30 am Joe & Kay Turiano r/b Family

MONDAY - AUGUST 18

6:45 am Dr. Stanley Zalesi r/b Zaleski Family
9:00 am Dudley Cannon r/b Bob & Ann Marie
Lento

TUESDAY - AUGUST 19

6:45 am Dr. Stanley Zaleski r/b Zaleski Family
9:00 am Dudley Cannon r/b Mary Lou & Harry
Horlacher

WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 20

6:45 am Ronald Farrell r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Dudley Cannon r/b Marian Kapischke

THURSDAY - AUGUST 21

6:45 am Emil Ralbuski r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Dudley Cannon r/b Joanne & Donald
Murphy
Claire Capone r/b Marian Kapischke

FRIDAY - AUGUST 22

6:45 am Matilda Sacca r/b the Levin Family
9:00 am James Walsh r/b Jim & Lorraine Irwin

SATURDAY - AUGUST 23

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

SUNDAY - AUGUST 24

8:30 am Benjamin William Smith r/b Kathy Reganata
10:00 am Father William Hart r/b Gary Gadren
Mary J. Festa r/b Wachman Family
Virginia Gormley r/b Henry & Kathy Glover
Dudley Cannon r/b Tara Kane
11:30 am Lauren Kuchler r/b Joseph Kuchler

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

August - That refugees, forced by violence to abandon their homes, may find a generous welcome and the protection of their rights.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

THE DECEASED...Helen Dombrowski.

THE SICK...

Don Kreal
Maria Storms
Phyllis Schadt
Ron Massey
Helen Kane
Claire Boylan
Frank Colbert
Mary Cowan
Jean Colbert
Pat Barton
Leila Lore
Ed Rivero
Pat Beaney
YunYun Shen
Rose Hession
Sue Hagan
Anna Bedrick
Pat Brink
Julia Lepre
Ann Vigrass
George Gadren
George Sweeten
John B. Kennedy
Michael Kapischke
Chris Kolodzey
Betty O'Donnell
Henry Bourgeois
Stanley Kochanek
Pauline Rosberg
Joseph Console
Geraldyn Coticone
Jerry McMenamin
Pasquale DiFronzo
Angelo DiGiacomo
Wayne Mauri, Sr.
Francesca Capra
Deacon Jim Smith
Margaret Crawford
Mary Ellen Lepre
Nicholas DiPaolo
Marian Kapischke
Robert Pearse



Frank Sines
Ethan Killeen
Carlos Santiago
Barbara Salpas
Michael Suralik
Bill O'Donnell
Teddy Shaffer
Bill Botensten
Chase Lupica
Frank Cappetta
Harry Gindele
Eleanor Regan
Pat Suralik
Bryan Dietrich
Vince DeMasi
Ted Uhlman
Vincent Cugina

THOSE IN THE ARMED SERVICES...



SSgt Samuel Brough, Lt. Anthony R. Cosentino, Capt. Anthony T. DeMarco, SSgt John P. DeYoung, Lt. Nicholas G. Iannuzzi, PFC Sonny Morrison, 1Lt. Col. Ryan Orfe, Lt. Col. Louis J. Papa, and Lt. Col. Karl Rohr.

**2nd Annual
Saint Thomas More Parish**

**Harvest Festival and Raffle Drawing
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2014**

Indian Spring Country Club, Marlton, NJ

3-4 pm Cocktails (cash bar)

4-8 pm Dinner, Dancing and Raffle Drawing

**Exciting Social Gathering with Dinner, Dancing,
Fellowship & Music Provided by D.J. John Negro**

Dinner Ticket \$35.00 per person

Includes Buffet Dinner, Music & Dancing

Raffle Ticket \$100.00 each

Chance to WIN!

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%

Proceeds will be used for

Tables and Chairs for Religious Education Classrooms

Upgrade Church Sound System

Campus Buildings & Grounds Repair & Maintenance

This will be the only Parish Fundraiser.

TICKETS ON SALE AFTER ALL MASSES

Small Christian Community Faith Sharing

Excerpt from the Gospel for the Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 24, 2014 - Matt. 16:13-20

Jesus said to his disciples, "but who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus said to him in reply, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this **rock** I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it..."

Commentary:

The Children can be solidly built only on the person of Jesus. The Church can stand firmly only by faith in Jesus. The Church is a community of disciples which acknowledges that Jesus is "the Christ (Messiah), the Son of the living God." Peter's recognition of Jesus is a revelation from God. Thus, the Church comes into being through divine revelation. The builder of the Church is Jesus himself and the Church is his: "I will build my church" (16:18). The Church is unintelligible apart from the revelation of God and the work of Jesus. These divine origins account for the Church's ability to withstand the power of the netherworld and death (16:18).

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?



PROJECT RACHEL

Post Abortion Healing - Are you experiencing feelings of sadness, guilt, anxiety?

Healing is possible - Help is available

Call toll-free, 866-472-2435, for confidential reconciliation & healing with a trained priest, confidential counseling with a licensed counselor/social worker and support groups.

Al Mac Elrath, Respect Life Coordinator - 779-7130

St. Thomas More Music Ministry

If you think that the Lord may be calling you to share your musical gifts with your parish family, please contact Julie Linn: jlinn@typescast.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.

Firefighter/Emergency Medical Technician **Cherry Hill Fire District # 13 - 1100 Marlkrass Rd.**

Applications for this position are being accepted (ages 21-35). Interested candidates should follow the process outlined on the CHFD website: www.cherryhillfire.org - OR obtain application in person from Central Command: 10 am-3 pm, Mon., Wed., or Fri. during August.

Submit application by 4 pm on August 29, 2014.

Little Servant Sisters of the Immaculate Conception
1000 Cropwell Rd., Cherry Hill

GARDEN FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 6 (10 am to 6 pm)

Bus Service - Parking; Cherry Hill East & Beck Middle School

**Donations requested (Clean items -
No Computers, Bedding & Big Furniture)**

3 o'clock Divine Mercy Devotions in the Chapel

Please contact: Rosemarie Grabowski, 235-1521, or
Little Servant Sisters, 424-1962.

Diocese of Camden - Office of Child & Youth Protection

To attend one of the Child Assault Prevention (CAP) classes, please call the CAP registration line in the Office of Child and Youth Protection, (856) 583-6165 or email Diane.Diggons@camdendiocese.org to register.

CAP Phase 1 - for new volunteers & employees

Tues., Sept. 2 - 7 pm, Catholic Community of the Holy Spirit
Mullica Hill

Tues., Sept. 9 - 7 pm, St. Clare of Assisi, Swedesboro
Parish Hall

CAP Phase 2 - Bullying Prevention

Thurs., Sept. 18 - 7 pm, Incarnation, Mantua, Kernan Center

CAP Phase 3 - Cyber Empowerment

Mon., Sept. 29 - 7 pm, Incarnation, Mantua, Kernan Center

Please register *at least 5 days before* the session you would like to attend.

The CAP schedule, location phone numbers and directions may be found on the diocesan website at www.camdendiocese.org.