

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
Sister Ann Byrnes, RSM, Pastoral Associate for Life Long Faiths Formation
Sister Bozena, LSIC, Religious Education Coordinator
Julie Linn, Music Ministry
Kathleen Witts, Youth Coordinator
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
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Prayer Shawls Sheila Mohan 795-6137
Respect Life Al Mac Elrath 779-7130
Rite of Ch. Init. Adults Sister Ann Byrnes 424-3212
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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 Katie Witts 424-3212

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

USHERS' MEETING

A meeting of ALL ushers will be held this Thursday, October 9 at 6 p.m. in the St. Thomas More Hall. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

Parishioners who would like to join this vital ministry to our parish are also welcome.

Frank Krenslak, Coordinator

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

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

NEXT SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2014

REMINDER for those already signed up for the Pilgrimage: Please meet in the St. Thomas More parking lot. Bus will leave at 7 a.m. Lunch can be purchased at the Shrine cafeteria (but is often crowded), you may want to bring your own lunch. We will be stopping for a quick bite during our return for approx. 30-40 minutes. Bus fee of \$20.00 is due this week (if you have not yet paid).

7:00 am Departure from St. Thomas More

11:00 am Concert in Upper Church

12 Noon Lunch Cafeteria

1:30 pm Procession of Parishes/Rosary

3:00 pm Mass (Bishop Sullivan)

4:30 pm Departure from National Shrine

5:30 pm Stop for Dinner

8:00 pm Arrive at St. Thomas More

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Stewardship Lifestyle

"The stone the builders rejected has become the corner stone..."

MATTHEW 21:42B

Jesus was the corner stone and He was rejected by the religious and political leaders of his day, as well as ordinary citizens. Living a **Stewardship** lifestyle may cause you to be "rejected" by others in today's society. For example, saying grace before a meal in a restaurant may attract some strange looks from some. But to others it is a sign that God is alive and well!

PARISH COLLECTION

September 28, 2014

\$7,421.50 - 203 Envelopes Online Giving: \$90.00

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



SAINT THOMAS MORE PARISH EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Upcoming Dates:

Oct. 7 - 7 pm

STM Youth Group gathering for 9-12th graders in our Parish Hall

Oct. 15 - 7 pm

Parish Council Meeting in our Parish Hall

Oct. 18

Workshop for SCC Facilitators in our Parish Hall

10 am-12 noon

Oct. 19

Harvest Festival Dinner & Raffle Drawing

Begins at 3 pm

(see details below)

Oct. 25/26

FALL Clothing Drive for Children's Home



Oct. 29 - 7 pm

Liturgy Meeting



Nov. 6 - 6:30 pm

SCC Covered Dish Dinner at St. Mary's Parish Hall

Nov. 8

Spirit Day - Volunteers needed, bring your rakes!

9:30 am-12 noon

Nov. 15

Parish Retreat Day in our Parish Chapel

9 am-12 noon

Nov. 22/23

Women's Club Apple Pies & More



Nov. 24 - 7 pm

Thanksgiving Taize Prayer in our Parish Chapel

Week of Nov. 24

Small Christian Communities Begin



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

(Must be 21 and over to attend or buy raffle ticket)

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)

MENU: Hors d'oeuvres-Assorted Cheeses, Crackers & Fruit Salad-Clubhouse Salad with Chef's Italian Balsamic Dressing
Entrée-Stuffed Shells, Chicken Italiano, Tenderloin Filet Tips w/peppers & mushrooms, Broiled Salmon in tomato artichoke spinach sauce, Fresh Vegetable & Potatoes, Rolls & Butter Dessert-Celebration Cake, Cookies and Seasonal Fruit, & Coffee and Tea

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 for the year. Please plan to participate.

DON'T MISS OUT! WHY NOT SHARE A RAFFLE TICKET WITH A FRIEND

NAME: _____ Address: _____ Phone # _____

Number of Raffle Tickets @ \$100.00 _____ Number of Dinner Tickets @ \$35.00 _____

Amount enclosed \$ _____

TICKETS ON SALE AFTER ALL MASSES

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ministry Schedule for October 11, and 12, 2014

Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 p.m.	Father Fritz	D. Kreal B. Casey	N. & P. Kirlincic D. Kreal	J. Mohan	I. Fulton, J. Pol B. Scarpa
8:30 a.m.	Father Johnson	R. Kapschke L. Kolojchick	Sr. Rosaria, B. Lento R. Vanderwielen	J. Vecchlola	R. Caton B. Scarpa
10:00 a.m.	Father Johnson	Choir/C. Rivera J. Linn	J. Galati, K. Glover M. Huynh	L. Galati	N. Brown A. Cammsa
11:30 a.m.	Father Johnson	C. Capriotti B. Casey	M. Garber, L. Levin K. Wislocky	K. Wislocky	K., M., & W. Quay

The Ministry Schedule can be found at the St. Thomas More website: <http://stthomasmorenj.org/>.

Women's Club News

General Meeting: Wed., October 22, 7:30 p.m.

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

STM youth

Sr. - High School students Jr. - 5th through 8th grades

The fall is filled with Faith, Friends and Fun!
Come try it out!

5-8th--Junior YG is designed to enhance the formal Religious Education.

9-12th--Senior YG gives you the opportunity to continue to learn your faith and LIVE your faith through Service, Social and Spiritual Activities. Senior Youth will meet two Tuesday evenings a month at 7 pm.

Upcoming Events:

10-7 9-12th grade Gathering in the Hall, 7 pm

10-12 Youth Gathering following 10 AM Mass

10-17 Hayride & Campfire at Springdale Farms at 7:30 pm. Cost: \$13 per person
PERMISSION FORMS AND MONEY MUST BE RETURNED BY TUESDAY, OCT. 14

10-25 Service Activity and 4:30 Mass

If you would like more information or have any questions or ideas for the Youth Group email (youthgroup@stthomasmorenj.org), text or call **Katie Witts, YG Coordinator**, at 856-305-2914.

For Our FAITHFUL VOLUNTEERS

Cherry Hill Food and Outreach Council thanks you and invites you to a light supper on FRI., OCTOBER 24 - 6-8 p.m. at St. Andrew's United Methodist Church, 327 Marlton Pike, Cherry Hill, 08002. Please RSVP by calling Elaine Beckman, 428-8431.

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

An enrollment of all seventh grade candidates into the Confirmation preparation program will be held this Sunday, Oct. 5, during the 10:00 Mass.

Following the Enrollment Mass, all seventh grade students and their parents are invited to take part in the first Confirmation I class which will be held in the St. Thomas More Hall.

Liturgy of the Word for Children - This program is offered at the 10:00 Mass. All children ages 3 through first grade are welcome. No registration is needed.

Sr. Bozena Tyborowska, 424-3212 - ext. 106

You are Invited

Holy Name of Camden Ministries is having a "Reaching Out to Those in Need Award" dinner on Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at the Tavistock Country Club in Haddonfield, NJ from 6-9 pm.

Parishioners Joe and Jane Kenney, we well as the late Gene and Tish Principato, will be honored for their years of faithful service to this ministry.

Tickets are \$100.00 per person. Please call 856-365-1001.

SCC Facilitators' Meeting

All Small Christian Community Facilitators are asked to attend our first semester training session on Saturday, October 18, 10 a.m.-12 noon in the St. Thomas More Hall.

Sister Donna Ciangio, OP will be the presenter.

We look forward to seeing you on the 18th. Any questions call Sister Ann at 424-3212.



Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 4

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
4:30 pm Arnold Clark r/b Marianne Wilkins & Family

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 5

8:30 am James DeMarco r/b Vincent & Beverly DeMasi
10:00 am Father Hart r/b Henry & Kathy Glover
Olga V. Mignone r/b William & Donald Mignone
Mary Holloway r/b Chip & Linda Dombrowski
11:30 am Kay Frain r/b Jack Boesch

MONDAY - OCTOBER 6

6:45 am Edith Slattery r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Chuck Kapischke r/b Marian Kapischke

TUESDAY - OCTOBER 7

6:45 am Rev. James Smith r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Michael Mahon r/b his Family

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 8

6:45 am Edith Slattery r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Dudley Cannon r/b Lynn Family

THURSDAY - OCTOBER 9

6:45 am Dorothy Wolenter r/b Dom & Marie Sacca
9:00 am Sue Marie Buttacavoli r/b Fred & Tina Petrone
Special Intention of Robert Kapische r/b Marian Kapischke
Paul Bickel r/b Ann & Bill Vigrass

FRIDAY - OCTOBER 10

6:45 am Edith Slattery r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Mary Cinefra r/b Lorraine & Frank Cianfrani

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 11

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
4:30 pm Mary DeVito r/b Ron & Angela Panna

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 12

8:30 am Father William Hart r/b Teri Bones
10:00 am Juan & Rosa Irizarry r/b Marta Santiago & Family
Alma York r/b Bob Sorrentino
Richard Heine r/b Charles Walsh
11:30 am Joe & Kay Turiano r/b Family

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

October - That the Lord may grant peace to those parts of the world most battered by war and violence.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: **THE DECEASED... Monica Maggi.**

THE SICK...

Maria Storms	Betty O'Donnell	
Helen Kane	John B. Kennedy	
Phyllis Schadt	Michael Kapischke	
Ron Massey	Chris Kolodzey	
Mary Cowan	Pauline Rosberg	
Claire Boylan	Henry Bourgeois	
Frank Colbert	Stanley Kochanek	
Don Kreal	Jerry McMenamin	
Jean Colbert	Joseph Console	
Pat Barton	Geralyn Coticone	
Leila Lore	George Sweeten	
Ed Rivero	Pasquale DiFronzo	
Pat Beaney	Angelo DiGiacomo	
YunYun Shen	Wayne Mauri, Sr.	
Rose Hession	Francesca Capra	Ethan Killeen
Sue Hagan	Deacon Jim Smith	Carlos Santiago
Anna Bedrick	Margaret Crawford	Barbara Salpas
Pat Brink	Mary Ellen Lepre	Michael Suralik
Julia Lepre	Nicholas DiPaolo	Bill O'Donnell
Ann Vigrass	Marian Kapischke	Frank Sines
Ted Uhlman	Donna Gould	Teddy Shaffer
		Bill Botensten
		Chase Lupica
		Frank Cappetta
		Harry Gindele
		Eleanor Regan
		Pat Suralik
		Bryan Dietrich
		Vince DeMasi
		George Gadren
		Elva Clark

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.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

We are meeting this Thursday,
October 9, after the 9 a.m.
Mass in the St. Thomas More Hall.



Sheila Mohan, Chair

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHERRY HILL COUNCIL 6173

Honors our patrons this Columbus Day with two Masses held for our *Deceased Brother Knights*.

Widows, family, friends and our fellow knights are invited to join us on Monday, October 13 either at:

6:45 a.m. at Saint Thomas More Church or

8:00 a.m. at The Church of Saint Mary

Those attending the Mass at Saint Mary are invited to remain with us afterwards for a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration.



Married 1 year? Married 40 years?
Fall in love all over again!

Experience a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Next weekend dates are Oct. 17-19 and Dec. 5-7. Call 609-742-4035 for information or email applications@wwme-southjersey.org. Website is: wwme-southjersey.org.

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-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Oct. 12, 2014 - Matt. 22:1-14

Today's gospel is a parable. "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. He dispatched his servants twice to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come." A third invitation was sent to whomever they found. The servants brought in everyone they could find - the good and the bad. "But when the king came in to meet the guests, he saw a man there not dressed in a wedding garment. The king said to him, 'My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment? But he was reduced to silence.'" Afterwards he was cast into the darkness.

Commentary:

In Scripture, meals are always occasions of sharing life, memories and intimacy. This meal is different, though. This meal, rather banquet, is by invitation of the king! For now, it is the Eucharist. Later, it's "eternal life." Refusing to come at the king's behest seems incongruous, yet, as in the parable, some say - no. No matter who we are or how we are, we are invited, the good and the bad. ALL are invited, but then...one comes but without a wedding garment! Who would ever turn a *friend* away for not wearing the proper garment? The king who is focused on **Gospel attire** would have to turn his friend away. Unless we clothe ourselves, or at least try to be loving, peaceable, humble, patient, good and kind, I simply won't fit in, I won't belong - by my own choice! We are invited to share in the heavenly banquet both now and for all eternity. How do I respond?

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?

SAINT JOHN PAUL II REGIONAL SCHOOL

Join us for fall events:

Oct. 16, 10-11 a.m.—Fall Story Hour & Craft for ages 2-5 RSVP by 10/13 to Christine, 783-3088

Oct. 18, 7 p.m.-12 midnight—Back to School to Family Beef & Beer, \$25 per person (dinner, dessert, beer, music), Call Wendy at 267-266-3333

Oct. 23, 6-7:30 p.m.—Fall Open House

Nov. 29, Annual Alumni 5K Run/Walk—Race begins at 9 a.m., For fees and more details call 783-3088 or visit www.jp2rs.org



It is not only the deaths, through abortion, of our children that we mourn today. We do not just grieve for the loss of all the talents, all the abilities and all the unique gifts these children would have brought to society. We cannot but also wonder about everything that we have lost as a people by the destruction of our children."

*Cardinal Justin Rigali, Homily for Pro-Life Mass
Al Mac Elrath, Respect Life Coordinator - 779-7130*

House of Charity

Employee Giving Campaign

Employee Giving/United Way campaigns give us an opportunity to direct our donations to the charities that best represents our beliefs and social concerns. Please see the poster in the gathering space for a form.

If you donate through Payroll Deduction designate the House of Charity in the Donor Choice Section. ASK TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED - This allows the House of Charity to receive the gift information. The only way the parish will receive credit is if the donor designates: "**House of Charity**".

**FALL CLOTHING DRIVE for Children's Home
MARK YOUR CALENDAR - OCTOBER 25/26**

Sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul Society

**16th Annual WHITE MASS
Healthcare Workers & St. Luke's Awards**

Sun., Oct. 19, 1 pm in the Chapel of Our Lady of Lourdes Med. Ctr., 1600 Haddon Ave., Camden. Keynote speaker: Rev. Terry Odien – Topic: "Spiritual Issues in End of Life Care". Honorees are: *Joseph W. Devine, Reverend James J. Durkin, and David Haggerty L.C.S.W.* To attend call Katherine Boyer, 342-4150.