

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 Faith Formation
Sister Bozena, LSIC, Religious Education Coordinator
Julie Linn, Music Ministry
Kathleen Witts, Youth Coordinator
Pat Cannon, Parish Secretary • Marylee Garber, 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 David Galloway 770-1270
Marriage Formation Bob/Liz Scarpa 795-1160
Parish Rel. Ed. Prog. Sister Bozena 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 Katie Witts 305-2914

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 581-4206
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 Bob Scarpa

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.

High School Youth Group Tuesday 7:15—8:15 pm

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

Options for Women Pregnancy Center

Baby Bottle Drive



Thank you for supporting this life affirming ministry. **Please return your bottles at the entryways of the church today.**

If you have forgotten to bring them today, late bottles may be returned on future Sundays



and placed in the receptacles or returned to the church office during the week. They may also be delivered to the center at 1500 N. Kings Highway, Suite 110 Cherry Hill (corner of Kings Highway & Ormond Ave.)

Please return your bottles empty or full as they are costly for Options to replace.

Thank you.

Electronic giving

Saint Thomas More Parish is pleased to take part in **“Enhancing Stewardship through Electronic Funds Transfer”**. To get started, log on to:

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

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

Collection amounts for February 1, 2015

\$10,040.50

218 envelopes were used

Online giving \$307

As always, thank you for your continuing generosity to your parish.



Those Oldies but Goodies....Have you ever wanted to hear your musical vinyl memories again? Using the latest in computerized sonic filters and musical transferral equipment, Bob Sorrentino can **transfer vinyl to CDs for a basic rate of \$5 per album or \$1 per single (5 song minimum).**

For more information, call 856-261-6692 or email BOBSORRENTINO@AOL.COM;

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Stewards Pray Always

“Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place where he prayed...He told them, ‘Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.’” Mark 1: 35-38



In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of Stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes— healing the sick and preaching. Yet, Jesus also makes time to be alone in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find the strength to do what God wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God.

Society of Jesus

Sisters of Mercy

Dominicans

Benedictines

Augustinians

Sisters of St. Joseph

Little Servant Sisters of
The Immaculate Conception


WAKE UP THE WORLD!
— 2015 Year of Consecrated Life —

Franciscan Missionary
Sisters of the Infant Jesus

What a wonderful gift and invitation we have been given by Pope Francis who has named 2015 the **“Year of Consecrated Life”**. Pope Francis reminds all religious that they are to **“Wake up the world! “Be witnesses of a different way of doing things, of acting, of living! It is possible to live differently in the world”, he says.** While addressing his remarks specifically to members of religious communities this call reminds us all that together in our varied vocations we are indeed to proclaim the Gospel of Joy through our lives.

**Lenten Small Christian Communities begin the week of February 16th
Sign up Today!**

THE YOUTH SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY!



Are you in 7th-12th grade?
Are you looking to do a little more for lent this year?
Try out the Small Christian Community for YOUTH!
Thursdays @ 7 at St. Thomas More
Call the office or email Katie
youthgroup@stthomasmorenj.org

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MINISTRY SCHEDULE for FEBRUARY 14/15, 2015

Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 p.m.	Father Johnson	Mena Betty	I. Rellosa, T. Petrone D. Kreal		I. & C. Fulton B. Scarpa
8:30 am	Father Johnson	Rob Len	B. Lento, Sr. Rosaria R. Vanderwellen	M. Maggart	A. & A. Cammissa B. Scarpa
10:00 am	Father Johnson	Choir/Celine Julie	J. & L. Duffy J. Galati	L. Galati	N. Samson, J. Pol N. Brown
11:30 am	Father Yetman	Celine Julie	J. Kuchler, M. Garber, M. Gorin	J. Arnold	M., W.& K. Quay

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

February 18th is Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday schedule:

- 6:45 am Mass
- 9:00 am Mass
- 4:30 pm Service
- 7:00 pm Service



PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Next Sunday, February 15th, at 10:00 am children who will be receiving First Eucharist this year and their families will celebrate an Enrollment Mass. Following this Mass, a **mandatory meeting for both parent and child** will take place in the Saint Thomas More Parish Hall from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm. At least one parent and their child are expected to attend.

There will be **NO Parish Religious Education Program classes this coming Tuesday, February 17th**. However, all students from both the afternoon and evening classes are expected to attend the children's **Ash Wednesday service on February 18th at 4:30 pm in the church**. Ashes will be distributed. Parents are invited to attend with their children.

The Diocese of Camden launches the **Second Annual faithFULL Food Drive, Sunday, March 1**. We will be participating in the *faithFULL Food Drive* with parishes and schools across the Diocese of Camden. Our goal is to help our neighbors in need. Donations may include canned goods and other non-perishable food items. Thank you in advance for your generosity to others.

This year, your generous donations here will be delivered to the Cherry Hill Food and Outreach Council. Bags listing items needed will be available after all Masses on the weekend of February 22nd. We ask that you fill the bag and return it to church on March 1st.

Trying Again!

The **SCC Facilitators Training Workshop** has been rescheduled for **7pm, Thursday, February 12, 2015** in the **St. Thomas More Hall**.

Sr. Donna Ciangio will speak about the elements of SCC and share the flourishing of SCC in different parts of the world. Sister is the chairperson of the North American Forum for SCC and has presented on this topic throughout the US and internationally. All facilitators are encouraged to attend! **Contact Sr. Ann (424-3213) if you have any questions.**



Stations of the Cross will be held at **7pm on Friday evenings in Lent beginning February 20, 2015**. All are encouraged to attend.

A church of small groups



Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY—FEBRUARY 7

9:00 am Living & deceased members of the parish
4:30 pm Alfred Buonanno r/b Marchese family

SUNDAY—FEBRUARY 8

8:30 am Deborah Schofield r/b Chris, Chrissy & Jake Alexander
10:00am Lino Gomes r/b Joyce & Dick DeMichele
Julia Bembenek r/b Kolecki family
11:30 am John Stevenson r/b Kolecki family

MONDAY—FEBRUARY 9

6:45 am Eleanor Murphy r/b Colon family
9:00 am Jim Boncorsi r/b Kathy Glover

TUESDAY—FEBRUARY 10

6:45 am Jerry Lachnicht r/b Dom & Marie Sacca
9:00 am Maryann Bartolozzi r/b Ann & Bill Vigrass

WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 11

6:45 am Jerry Lachnicht r/b Marie Flowers
9:00 am Intentions of Zoe Hassel r/b Arnold & Mena Kramer

THURSDAY—FEBRUARY 12

6:45 am Jerry Lachnicht r/b Diane Slotkin & family
9:00 am Intentions of Anne Moore r/b Arnold & Mena Kramer
Lino Gomes r/b Tobin family

FRIDAY—FEBRUARY 13

6:45 am Jerry Lachnicht r/b Pat & Paul Schneider
9:00 am Anna Bruno r/b Bruno family

SATURDAY—FEBRUARY 14

9:00 am Living & deceased members of the parish
4:30 pm intentions of the family of Nicholas Di Paolo r/b AJ & Carol Ariani

SUNDAY—FEBRUARY 15

8:30 am Lino Gomes r/b Barbara & Charles Cerquitella
10:00 am David Thomas r/b Dudley & Mary Lou Thomas
Maryann Bartolozzi r/b Dudley & Mary Lou Thomas
Intentions of Leona— r/b Cindy & family
11:30 am John Bantivoglio r/b children

Intentions of the Holy Father for the month of February, 2015— That prisoners, especially the young, may be able to rebuild lives of dignity.

Parish Council Meeting - Wednesday, February 11th, 7pm in St. Thomas More Hall.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: THE SICK...

Maria Storms	Betty O'Donnell	
Helen Kane	John B. Kennedy	
Phyllis Schadt	Michael Kapischke	
Ron Massey	Pauline Rosberg	
Mary Cowan	StanleyKochanek	
Marie Manalo	Carlos Santiago	
Claire Boylan	Jerry McMenamin	
Frank Colbert	Joseph Console	
Don Kreal	Geralyn Coticone	
Jean Colbert	George Sweeten	
Pat Barton	Pasquale DiFronzo	
Leila Lore	Angelo DiGiacomo	
Ed Rivero	Wayne Mauri, Sr.	
Pat Beaney	Francesca Capra	
YunYun Shen	Deacon Jim Smith	
Rose Hession	Margaret Crawford	
Sue Hagan	Mary Ellen Lepre	
Anna Bedrick	Pat Suralik	
Pat Brink	Marian Kapischke	
Julia Lepre	Donna Gould	
Ann Vigrass	Martha Whiting	
Ted Uhlman	Thomas Houston	
Rick Linn	infant Santino Fiorelli	
	Mena Ravena	
	Barbara Salpas	
	Michael Suralik	
	Bill O'Donnell	
	Frank Sines	
	Teddy Shaffer	
	Ethan Killen	
	Bill Botensten	
	Chase Lupica	
	Frank Cappelletta	
	Harry Gindele	
	Eleanor Regan	
	Elva Clark	
	Bryan Dietrich	
	Vince DeMasi	
	GeorgeGadren	

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Jerry Lachnicht.




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.

“Messages from the Heart” Annual Women’s Event at St. Andrew the Apostle, Thursday, February 26th from 9:15am—2:15 pm. Registration and continental breakfast begins at 9:15. Keynote speaker, Sandy Queen. Session 1: “Humor: Don’t Leave Home Without It.” Session 2: “The Wit and Wisdom of Woman.” Session 3 takes place after lunch: Joan Sandell presents “Scripture Comes Alive.” Cost \$27 before 2/16 and after \$35. Registration required. Snow date: 3/5/15. For more information call Angela 856-651-0544.

Welcome to our parishioners who have registered in the past few weeks:

	Andrew Segrave-Primus & Kyleigh Nevins, William, Renee & William Candelori, Joseph & Mary Ann O'Donoghue, David, Carolyn, Patrick, Matthew & Michael Weinstein, James Jacobsen & Lauren Cartier, Bernadette Johns
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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, February 8, 2015

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 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 15, 2015- Mark 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and, kneeling down, begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean... The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter... People kept coming to Jesus from everywhere.

Reflection:

In this gospel the healing hand of Jesus stretches out to an outcast of society - a leper. The leper, having been healed, is compelled "to publicize the whole matter." Both the actions of Jesus and the leper inform our discipleship: like Jesus, we reach out even to outcasts; like the leper, we proclaim the good news.

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?



Each child is sent into this world by God with a unique message to deliver, a new song to sing, a personal act of love to bestow. Abortion destroys God's plan for that child to affect the world.

Al Mac Elrath, Respect Life Coordinator - 779-7130

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

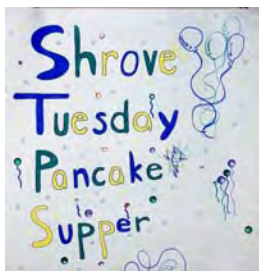
February 17th 5 - 7 pm

\$4 for Adults, \$2.50 Ages 6-12,
\$1 Ages 1-5

COME JOIN THE FUN!
Price includes: Pancakes,
sausage, applesauce,
beverage, dessert & music

Tickets on sale after ALL
Masses

Sponsored by St. Thomas More Women's Club



7—9 pm Tuesday, Feb. 10th

Dubb Linn Square 482 E. Evesham Rd.
Cherry Hill

Topic: "I'm Single and I Know It!"

...Why are so many of us single? Come
join fellow young adults and delve into

the meaning of living the single vocation in relation to
God's plan for us.

Guest speaker is Carolina Soares

For more information: call 856-583-6122 or email
gregory.coogan@camdendiocese.org

STM YOUTH

JOIN THE YOUTH SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY!

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STM YOUTH Upcoming Events

All Students 5th-12th grade are welcome to attend!

Feb 8 5pm-7pm Family Bowling Outing Playdrome

Bring Friends! ALL are welcome!!!

Feb 14 8:15 -11:30 Ronald McDonald House Breakfast

**Tuesday High School Youth Group 7:15-8:15, meet in the
Chapel**

Get STM Youth Alerts either by email or phone....sign up
at <https://www.remind.com/join/stmyo>

Are you on Facebook? Please like STM YOUTH
<https://www.facebook.com/stmyouthnj>

Please email/call if you would like to attend any of the
activities above.

Katie Witts, youthgroup@stthomasmorenj.org
856-305-2914

Thank You to all who donated to help the Youth Tackle
Hunger for the Souper Bowl of Caring. We raised almost
\$1100 and had 8 bags of food. Your generosity will help the
Society of St. Vincent DePaul help families in the
community of Cherry Hill and surrounding area!