

# 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: 7:30 pm



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

Reverend Monsignor Thomas J. Morgan, Pastor  
Reverend George Donkor Tang, In Residence  
Reverend Daniel Joyce, S.J., Weekend Assistant  
Sister Ann Byrnes, RSM, Pastoral Associate for Life Long Faith Formation  
Deacon John Harrington  
Pat Maggart, Parish Catechetical Leader  
Roger Pisani, Pastoral Associate for Music & Liturgy  
Pat Cannon, Parish Secretary • Norma Matos, Parish Secretary

## DIRECTORY

Pastoral Leadership			Worship		
Parish Trustees	Gary Gadren	424-3212	Altar Servers	Deacon John Harrington	424-3212
	Pat Lachnicht	424-3212	Church Environment	Ann Vigrass	428-7217
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## 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 office if you or a family member will be admitted to the hospital. Anointing of the sick is available for those who are confined to home for a period of time. For emergencies, please call the parish office any time.

## BAPTISM

Arrangements for Baptism can be made in advance by calling the parish office. Parents and godparents are required to attend a class in preparation for this Sacrament.

## MARRIAGE

Couples planning to marry must attend a marriage preparation program called Living in Love. One-year notification of the marriage date is recommended.

## RCIA

*The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* is a process of instruction for full initiation into the Catholic Church. It is open to those never Baptized; those baptized in another faith; and Catholics who have not completed their Sacraments. 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.

## Introducing the Revised Roman Missal

### “The Confiteor”

Corinna Laughlin and D. Todd Williamson

At the very beginning of the liturgy, we prepare ourselves “to celebrate the sacred mysteries” by recalling our sinfulness, and asking the Lord for mercy. This part of the Mass is called the Penitential Act, which takes one of three forms. The first form is most commonly known as the Confiteor (the Latin word for “I confess,” the first words of the prayer). The Confiteor is a communal statement in which we acknowledge our brokenness not only to God, but to the community, which is wounded by our sins. The revised English translation of the texts of the Mass brings some changes to this familiar prayer. We will say, **“through my fault, through my fault, / through my most grievous fault,”** which faithfully translates the Latin text. The repetition is a poetic device, not unlike the litanies we pray at other points in the Mass (Kyrie, Lamb of God). These words are accompanied by the ritual gesture of striking the breast, an ancient sign of repentance. The emphasis is not on the magnitude of our sins, but on our personal responsibility for the evil that we do, and the good we fail to do. **Through the Penitential Act, we recognize our weakness, and look with hope to the God who wants nothing more than to make us whole.**

Preparing Your Parish for the Revised Roman Missal:  
Homilies and Reproducibles for Faith Formation

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## RCIA Classes Begin

Tuesday, October 4 will be the first class for those wishing to learn more about the Catholic Faith. These classes are for 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. If you were baptized but never received First Eucharist or Confirmation these classes will prepare you to receive these sacraments. Please call Sister Ann, 424-3212 - ext. 104, or Deacon John, 424-3212 - ext. 103, to receive more information about the RCIA classes.

Last week's collection - September 18, 2011

\$10,381.00 — 273 Envelopes

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

**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SEPTEMBER 25, 2011**



**SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 24**

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish  
 4:30 pm Mary Palzer r/b Frank & Frances Krenslak

**SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 25**

8:30 am Charlie Kelton r/b John & Sheila Mohan  
 10:00 am Dominic Panna r/b DeSabato Family  
 William Grady r/b the Scharff Family  
 Ralph Stilley r/b Tom & Jeanne Flynn  
 11:30 am Deceased Members of St. Vincent de Paul  
 Society r/b St. Vincent de Paul Society

**MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 26**

6:45 am Ralph Stilley r/b Sheila Moore  
 9:00 am Richard Smith r/b Joe & Jane Kenney

**TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 27**

6:45 am William Hanak r/b Michael Curtis  
 9:00 am George Erickson r/b Family

**WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 28**

6:45 am Rev. Brendan Sullivan r/b Michael Curtis  
 9:00 am Ruben Padre, M.D. r/b Pat & David Hill

**THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 29**

6:45 am John Beltrani r/b the McGeady Family  
 9:00 am Anna Byrnes r/b the Byrnes Family  
 Marie Phipps r/b Greta Tyrrell

**FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 30**

6:45 am Rev. Thomas Burke r/b Michael Curtis  
 9:00 am Roberto Aseremo r/b Tomas & Marie  
 Manalo

**SATURDAY - OCTOBER 1**

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish  
 4:30 pm Betty Powell r/b Buzz & Loretta Cirillo

**SUNDAY - OCTOBER 2**

8:30 am John Gray r/b Mike & Pat Maggart  
 10:00 am Richard Burke r/b Family  
 Jack Slivinski, Jr. r/b Chris & Lisa Mele  
 Angela & Iole Scotto r/b Agatha Scotto  
 11:30 am Kathleen Frain r/b Jack Boesch

*For those who have registered for  
**Scripture Study:***

**'Women in the Old Testament'** begins on  
 September 26 at 9:30 a.m. in the St. Thomas  
 More Hall. If you have any questions please  
 call Sister Ann, 424-3212 ext. 104.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:  
 THE SICK...**

Denise Daniels  
 George Sweeten  
 Chris Kolodzey  
 Maria Storms  
 Frank Cappetta  
 Leona Novak  
 Ron Massey  
 Olga Mignone  
 Frank Colbert  
 Mary Cowan  
 Yolanda Burke  
 Jean Colbert  
 Dorothy Brink  
 Catherine Zee  
 Pat Barton  
 Ethan Killeen  
 James Louzon  
 Grayson Caruso

Helen Copperthwaite  
 Bob & Claire Boylan  
 Naomi Willingmyre  
 Andrea Buonincontro  
 Margaret MacElrath  
 Joseph Console  
 Michael Kapischke  
 Betty O'Donnell  
 Marie Mazzagatti  
 Stanley Kochanek  
 Pauline Rosberg  
 William Mitchell  
 Geralyn Coticone  
 Jerry McMenamin  
 Carlos Santiago  
 Joe Pottackal, Sr.  
 Pasquale DiFronzo  
 Chuck Kapischke



Owen Smith  
 Danny Perla  
 Anna McMullen  
 Don Kreal  
 Joanne James  
 JoAnn Gadren  
 Gloria Daniels  
 Mary Flacco  
 Alfred DiFrank  
 Ed Rivero  
 Marie DiFrank  
 Avery Caruso  
 Chase Lupica

**THOSE IN THE ARMED SERVICES...**



Lt. Col. Allison Agar, Lt. Col. Carl Agar,  
 Lance Corporal Sean Bilson, Lt. Cdr. Richard  
 P. Byrnes, Jr., Pvt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Mario Centofanti,  
 Sr. Airman Alyssa Cosentino, Staff Sergeant  
 Anthony R. Cosentino, Capt. Anthony T. De-  
 Marco, Sr. Airman John P. DeYoung, Lt. Nicholas G. Ian-  
 nuzzi, PFC Sonny Morrison, Major Ryan Orfe, Lt. Col. Lou-  
 is J. Papa, SSgt Arturo Rivero, Jr., Lt. Col. Karl Rohr, USN  
 SR Lindsay M. Shaffer, Major James P. Tobin, SPC Giselle  
 M. Torres and Cpl. Michael Willingmyre.

**NEW Altar Servers NEEDED**

**The ministry of Altar Server is a privileged and important one of our parish community. Each year we invite students in grades 4 thru 8 to consider this ministry. Sister Ann and Deacon John will meet with those interested beginning Tuesday, October 4 at 4 p.m. (Grade 4 students) and 6:30 p.m. (Grade 5-8 students). Please call Sister Ann at 424-3212 (ext. 104) if you need further information.**



**BLESSING of PETS**

**Next Sunday, October 2, after the 11:30 Mass, please bring pets to the bell tower grass plot by 12:30.**



## Saint Thomas More Women's Club

It has been more than 20 years since the Saint Thomas More Parish Women's Club began its journey on the path of promoting their own spiritual health and holiness as well as feeding the spirituality of the whole faith community.

The women in this club began their new journey together. It was the beginning of a long and happy journey of praying, socializing and supporting one another. They bonded and they grew as a strong force for goodness and solidarity in our parish.

Right at the founding of this group the transformation began. It began for the founding members. It began for their spouses. It began for their children. It began for their countless friends.

These ladies had a passion to promote a sense of belonging and a sense of connectivity with each other. They had a commitment to nurture the community life of our wider parish. They strive to help us along the path of life.

For the past two decades, this community of women has gone through some intense spiritual lessons and experiences in mind and soul. They have shared in each other's joys. They have tasted one another's losses. They have rejoiced in one another's celebrations.

These women have become great and trusted teachers to one another. They teach each other about caring for the self and caring for the family. They collectively care for the soul. They listen to one another's sage voices of compassion and sage voices of wisdom.

They have enabled one another to leave self-pity behind and to travel to the sacred place of the heart. And from one another they have heard the truth time and time again that lives in their souls and in their hearts.

They have joyfully taught one another with an intuitive touch and knowledge that comes from their souls. Their souls have been speaking to one another for one fifth of a century.

Their leadership roles and deeds of volunteerism are birthed in their souls. They continue to impact one another and indeed all of us. They are part of every aspect of parish life. They invest in the whole endeavor to deepen our connections with God and enhance our parish facilities and parish grounds.

They know how to have so much fun and so much laughter. Their reflections on God in their lives have deepened the journey. They trust in the presence of God. They trust in waiting even when it feels like absolutely nothing is happening.

Their reflections on the miracles in their lives have always brought a deepening and a hoping that can only be found in their small faith sharing moments. They continue to faith share over coffee and cake. They continue to unravel God in their lives.

They continue to nurture one another with their memories and their life experiences. They continue to deliver a message of joy and hope to so many. They continue to be a lamp for our feet.

All of these ladies who are registered members of the Saint Thomas More Women's Club exemplify the mission and vision of our parish. Their great spirit continues to touch and to heal all of us who are members of this wider and larger faith community of Saint Thomas More Parish.

With deep respect and gratitude,  
*Monsignor Morgan*

## Saint Thomas More Women's Club Membership

Gladys Angelucci	Elva Clark	Doris Hellmund	Anne Marie Lento	Antonina Dags Nicdao	Nancy Tagland
Pat Baeckstrom	Jane Cooke	Pat Hengy	Eleanor Leyrer	Susan Noonan	Mary Lou Thomas
Patricia Beaney	Lillian Creedon	Helen Hu	Janet Lisitski	Marge Papa	Annette Thompson
Elaine Beckman	Gloria Vito-Daniels	Marsha Jander	Benita Lore	C. Tina Petrone	Ann Tobin
Gail Bizzoso	Bev DeMasi	Shirley Kane	Norma Lore	Joan Radula	Kay Turiano
Teri Bones	Joyce DeMichele	Marian Kapischke	Joan Lukens	Mena Ravena	Greta Tyrrell
Pat Brink	Gloria Desrochers	Lorraine Kennedy	Roxann Finn Luther	Barbara Redmond	Lois Udicious
Regina Broadbelt	Liz DeYoung	Jane Kenney	Lin Lyon	Amy Reibstein	Kay Uhlman
Fil Bruno	Clare DiGiacomo	Pat Kirincic	Pat Maggart	Carole Reno	Elizabeth Valusek
Marie Budroe	Linda Dombrowski	Eileen Kleinz	Joan Maguire	Kathryn Reno	Linda Van Name
Pat Cannon	Frances Egges	Audrey Klika	Ruth Maras	Florence Richey	Ann Vigrass
Rosemary Canuso	Lynn Ellinger	Carol Koelsch	Emilia Marchesani	Amelia Rivero	Laura Wielzorek
Mary Ellen Carozza	Carolyn Erickson	Phyllis Kolecki	Cecilia Marino	Dee Risse	Marianne Wilkins
Lorraine Caruso	Dawn Marie Fichera	Janet Kolodzey	Anile Martinez	Elsie Roxas	Eileen Withers
Lynn Casa	Donna Del Gardner	Dolores Kreal	Norma Matos	Phyllis Schadt	Dorothy Wolenter
Barbara Cerquitella	Florianna Gilden	Gerri Kurlej	Lisa Mele	Claire Spence	Lola Zbikowski
Kathy Chesbro	Eliana Gomes	Fran LaCasse	Joanne Mitchell	Anne Soldo	
Loretta Cirillo	Anne Gehring	Pat Lachnicht	Sheila Mohan	Patricia Suralik	
	Helen Hawksley	Mildred Leber	Sheila Moore	Ann Sullivan	

### Women's Club News

- **Board Meeting: Wed., October 12, 7:30 p.m.**  
*Eileen Withers, President - 751-6838*

### **YOUTH GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Sr. - High School students    Jr. - 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades

**Thanks to the Youth of the Parish who helped  
with the set up for the Parish Festival!**

UPCOMING EVENT(S):

- **NEXT SUNDAY MORNING - Youth Group Annual CAR WASH:** Funds raised will support YG programs. All Youth Group volunteers please arrive at rectory at 9:30 a.m. **Parishioners can have their cars washed while attending the 10:00 Mass.**
- **Cherry Hill Regional Youth Mass:** The 4 parishes in Cherry Hill (St. Thomas More, St. Mary's, Holy Eucharist & Christ our Light) will be co-sponsoring a once a month Youth Mass. The first is **Oct. 2, 7 p.m.,** at Holy Eucharist on Kresson Rd. The Mass is open to Jr. & Sr. youth and their families & friends.

*Stan Thompson, YG Coordinator - 424-1120*

### **PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**An enrollment of all seventh grade candidates into the Confirmation preparation program will be held on Sunday, October 9, during the 10:00 Mass.**

**The first Confirmation I class for all seventh grade students and their parents will be held from 11:00 to 12:30 in the St. Thomas More Hall immediately following the Enrollment Mass.**

*Liturgy of the Word for Children* is a celebration of the Sunday readings in a setting and in a language more appropriate to their understanding. This program is offered at the 10:00 Mass. All children ages four through first grade are welcome. No registration is needed. This special program **begins this Sunday, September 25.**

*Pat Maggart, PCL, 424-3212 - ext. 106*

### **Principled Ministry with Brother Loughlan Sofield**

All involved in parish ministry will benefit from this interactive program designed to help us become more solid, effective ministers.

**Saturday, October 8: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. Thomas More Parish, Cherry Hill**

Schedule: 9 a.m.-Mass in Chapel, 9:30 a.m.-Program begins, 1 p.m.-Closing

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**To register, send this form to the address below or visit the St. Thomas More Office. Please contact Roger Pisani (not the parish) for any additional information you may require. Phone: 609-702-7858 or E-mail: [ilftrek@aol.com](mailto:ilftrek@aol.com)**

Principle Ministry  
(STM Parishioner)

**All registrations are due by  
September 26th.**

**Send to:    Principled Ministry c/o St. Thomas More Parish  
1439 Springdale Road  
Cherry Hill, NJ 08003**

***This session limited to 100 participants!***

### 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 the 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-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Oct. 2, 2011 - Matt. 21:33-43**

"The landowner sent his son to the tenants of his vineyard, thinking, 'They will respect my son.' But the tenants said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.' They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes? They answered him, 'He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper times.'"

**Commentary:**

In this parable of the vineyard, each element of the story has another meaning. The property owner represents God. The first group of slaves represents the prophets. They were sent by God to the people before the exile. The second group represents the prophets sent after the exile. Neither group had any good effect upon the people. Rather they were beaten, killed and stoned. When the owner sent his son (Jesus), they dragged him outside the vineyard (Jerusalem) and killed him also. The listeners to the parable were led to judge the tenants (themselves). Because Jesus had been rejected by the religious authorities, the Kingdom would now be given also to the Gentiles.

**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?

**'FUNSTER NEWS'**



**FUNSTERS' next trip:** to the **Tomasello Winery, Sunday, Dec. 4** (holiday concert & dinner). Bus leaves St. Thomas More at 1 p.m. and returns by 6 p.m. Bus, dinner, wine & show: \$95 due by Oct. 8. Make check payable to St. Thomas More Funsters & mail to Bob Lento, 7 Merryton St., Voorhees, NJ 08043. Any questions please call Bob, 344-7454 (note new address & phone #). **NEXT FUNSTER MEETING:** Sept. 28, 1:00 in Hall for those going to Billy Elliot in NYC on Oct. 5. If you have any interest or input in Mackinac Island, Lancaster, PA, Northern National Park or Winter 2012 Tournament of Roses Parade, you are welcome to attend this meeting.



With hearts so transformed, we can become living witnesses to the meaning of Jesus' mission:

*I came so that all might have **life**, and have it to the full!*

**NEXT WEEKEND on  
RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY:**

**Respect Life Collection is the primary source of funding for Right to Life activities and initiatives. Please support this collection.**



### Ministry Schedule for October 1, and 2, 2011

Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 p.m.	Father George	M Kramer R Plsani	J Andraka, R Crawford T Petrone, N Pro	Sr. Barbara	P/S Wachman
8:30 a.m.	Father George	C Plsani R Plsani	J/L Duffy, J Kenney S Moore	J Vecchlola	H Rosenblatt A Rzepski
10:00 a.m.	Father Joyce	G Nacarelli R Plsani	G Gadren, D Gould D/L Lyon	V Marchesani	Ma/Me Quay
11:30 a.m.	Father Joyce	R Plsani E Zerone	M Garber, S Kane B Massey, D Spence	R Clcottta	M/T Clcottta