

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
Holyday: 6:45 & 9:00 am & 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
Sheila Tartamosa, Pastoral Associate for Parish Administration

DIRECTORY

Pastoral Leadership

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

Christian Life/Education

Bereavement Sheila Mohan 795-6137
Friday Adoration Marian/Chuck Kapischke 424-2053
Hospital Visitors Staff & Euch. Ministers 424-3212
Intercessory Prayer Ann Vigrass 428-7217
Knights of Columbus Dick Haughwout 429-8598
Marriage Formation Bob/Liz Scarpa 795-1160
Parish Rel. Ed. Prog. Pat Maggart 429-6948
Pastoral Counselor Claire Spence 428-8325
Prayer Shawls Sheila Mohan 795-6137
Respect Life Al Mac Elrath 779-7130
Rite of Ch. Init. Adults Deacon John Harrington 424-3212
Sister Ann Byrnes 424-3212

Rosary Ministry

Small Christian Comm. Ann Marie/Bob Lento 424-4759
Spiritual Direction Deacon John Harrington 424-3212
Spiritual Retreats John Galati 428-7073
Denise Radziwill 424-0494

St. Vincent de Paul

Stewardship Frank Nicoletti 424-3212
Sheila Tartamosa 424-3212
Youth Ministry Stan Thompson 424-1120

Worship

Altar Servers
Church Environment

Ch. Art Environment
Eucharistic Ministers
Lectors
Linen Committee
Sacristans

Ushers

Music Ministry

Social Development

Career Ministry

Funsters (over 50 club)
Parish Festival
Women's Club

Administration

House of Charity
Parish Finance Council
Parish Pastoral Council

Deacon John Harrington 424-3212
Ann Vigrass 428-7217
Antonina Nicdao 751-6320
Joyce DeMichele 424-4008
Dolores Kreal 988-0271
Pat Lachnicht 424-5636
Ann Vigrass 428-7217
Tom Petrilli 751-1367
Greta Tyrrell 428-2412
Frank Krenslak 309-1999
Roger Pisani, Director 609-702-7858
Dolores Kreal 988-0271
Len Kolojejchick 346-4078
June Garafano, Youth Singers 229-7461

Joyce DeMichele 424-4008
Barbara Cerquitella 795-7323
Al Shaffer 609-417-6770
June Garafano 229-7461
Bob Lento 424-4759
Committee 424-3212
Eileen Withers 751-6838

Sheila Tartamosa 424-3212
Robert Crawford 424-3212
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

ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH MISSION:

"A Spirituality for Relationships"

Father Simeon Gallagher, OFM Cap will direct a parish mission on:

Sunday, January 29 7:30 p.m.

Monday, January 30 7:30 p.m.

Father will speak after the 9 a.m. daily Mass on January 30, 31 and February 1, 2012.

Father will speak at all the Masses the weekend of January 28/29 as he invites parishioners to attend the Mission.

Mark your calendars. We look forward to sharing this opportunity for spiritual renewal with you.

Sister Ann Byrnes

Training Session for SCC Facilitators:

Small Christian Community Facilitators will have a training session with Sister Honora Nolty, OP on Saturday, January 28. Sister Honora ministers at Renew International and works primarily with small groups in parishes. The gathering will be held in the St. Thomas More Hall from 10 AM to 12 Noon. Sister will review the facilitators' Advent experiences and demonstrate the key elements of facilitating a small group. For more information contact Sister Ann at 424-3212 ext. 104.



WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

All married couples are invited to attend the 11:30 AM Mass on Sunday, February 12. At this liturgy the couples will be blessed and renew their marriage vows. World Marriage Day is a wonderful opportunity to focus on the sacredness of the Sacrament of Matrimony. Refreshments will be available for everyone after the Liturgy.

Mark your calendar and make every effort to attend!!!

Last week's collection

January 15, 2012

\$9,287.50

252 Envelopes

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

FIRST RECONCILIATION - 2012

The Sacrament of Reconciliation was received for the first time on Saturday, January 21, by 25 of our Saint Thomas More parish children.

Thank you to Sister Angela Pia, Pat Kirincic and Pat Maggart who assisted the children in their preparation for this beautiful sacrament. Also, thank you to Julius Cepeda, Dawn Alexander and Nina Parsons for their participation in the penance service.

Those children who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time were:

**Nathan Acito
Isabel Andino
William Alexander
Diego Andino
Meredith Bailey
Frankie Benedetto
Jaclyn Burmood
Anna Cammisa
Ryan Cepeda
Carina DiLullo
Kelsie Johnson
Chase Lennon**



**Alex Parsons
Nina Parsons
Jazmen Preziosa
Olivia Reganata
Natalie Ronan
Joseph Rosselli
Joshua Thomas
Meghna Thomas
Megan Wheeler
Catherine Williams
Angelina Witting
Alex Zimba**

Following the celebration of the Sacrament, a reception was held in the Saint Thomas More Parish Hall under the coordination of Dawn Alexander. Those contributing to the reception were:

**Brad & Dawn Alexander
Christopher & Christine Benedetto
Eric & Lalaine Johnson
William & Bridget Lennon**

**George & Rossana Parsons
Stephen & Lisa Preziosa
Timothy & Jeanine Ronan
Nisha & Raju Thomas**

**Michael & Dana Wheeler
Matthew & Michelle Williams
Christopher & Julia Witting
Michael & Terri Zimba**

Many thanks to Roger Pisani, Len Kolojejchick, Savanna Dautle and Madison Dautle for adding such spirit and life to our celebration by leading us in song and to all parents and guests who made this day so special for our children.

Please keep these children in your prayers as they prepare to receive First Eucharist on May 5th.

St. Thomas More Catechists:

Maureen Chorney	Grade 1	Antoinette Del Campo-O'Brien	Grade 5
Joanne Wachman	Grade 1	Jackie Pierce	Grade 5
Pat Kirincic	Grade 2	Jeane Stein	Grade 6
Sister Angela Pia	Grade 2	Janice Quay	Grade 6
Sister Bozena	Grade 3	Fran Egges	Grade 7
Pat Baeckstrom	Grade 3	Scott Campbell	Grade 7
Shirley Kane	Grade 4	Sister Dianna	Grade 8
Sister Elizabeth	Grade 4	Beth Markiewicz	Grade 8

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ministry Schedule for January 28 and 29, 2012

Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 p.m.	Father Maher	C Malatino R/C Pisanl	E Beckman, J DeMichele J Kenney, D Staton	Sister Barbara	L Smith R Nicklous
8:30 a.m.	Father Joyce	C Pisanl R Pisanl	B Massey, J/S Mohan P Rossi	M Maggart	A/J Zleba
10:00 a.m.	Father Joyce	R Pisanl, D Kreal A Rivero	G Gadren, K Glover J Mazzagatti, B Scarpa	K McFadden	A/I Cammlisa C or J McFadden
11:30 a.m.	Father Maher	M Kramer L Kolojechick	J/L Duffy M Garber, S Kane	J Arnold	C Arnold R Seminara

Women's Club News

- **General Meeting:** GAME DAY & Soup, Wed., January 25 at 12 Noon - DON'T FORGET YOUR SOUP MUG!

Eileen Withers, President - 751-6838

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION


The fourth Confirmation II class will be held this Sunday, January 22, at 11 a.m. in the St. Thomas More Parish Hall. All eighth grade students are expected to attend the 10:00 Mass prior to class.

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

YOUTH GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sr. - High School students Jr. - 6th through 8th grades

Upcoming Event(s):

- Youth Groups around the country have transformed Super Bowl weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving.  **February 4 & 5 will be Saint Thomas More Youth Group's 10th year of conducting the Souper Bowl of Caring Project.** 100% of the funds raised will go to our Society of St. Vincent de Paul to help those with food related needs in our community.
- February 25 - Serving breakfast at the SJ Ronald McDonald House

Stan Thompson, YG Coordinator - 424-1120

THE PARISH REJOICES...

with the family of Casey Clare Fitzpatrick who was received into the Church through the waters of Baptism and **William Connor Fitzpatrick** who received the Body and Blood of Jesus, for the first time, in the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist on Sat., January 14.



LAST YEAR'S PALM



We invite you to place your palm in the basket in the gathering space next Sunday, January 29.

The palm will be burned for use on Ash Wednesday.

Ongoing Devotions... (In Chapel)

Novena of the Miraculous Medal

Tuesdays after 9 a.m. Mass

Rosary

Tuesday mornings after the Novena

Wednesdays after 9 a.m. Mass

Saturdays after 9 a.m. Mass

St. Thomas More Guided Meditation

Thursdays after 9 a.m. Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

Fridays, 9:30 a.m. until 12 Noon

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Stewardship Call

"Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."

(Mark 1:17b)

Jesus' call to "Come after me" is a call to all Christians. Jesus asks us all to help Him in His work. By being good *Stewards*, we, too, can help bring others closer to God.



SATURDAY - JANUARY 21

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
 4:30 pm Emma Duval r/b Tom Kahriger

SUNDAY - JANUARY 22

8:30 am Ralph Stilley r/b Jerry & Pat Lachnicht
 10:00 am Thomas J. Cairns r/b daughter, Chris Cairns
 Ruth Luther r/b Mrs. Mary Finn
 11:30 am Lillian Iannuzzi r/b Beckman Family

MONDAY - JANUARY 23

6:45 am Martin Keane r/b Sheila Moore
 9:00 am Sarah Trainor r/b Chuck & Marian Kapischke

TUESDAY - JANUARY 24

6:45 am Recovery of Brother Alberic O'Connor, OCSO r/b Michael Curtis
 9:00 am Nelson Matos r/b Ann & Bill Vigrass

WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 25

6:45 am Recovery of Brother Alberic O'Connor, OCSO r/b Michael Curtis
 9:00 am Gerald Morrow r/b Dick & Claire Spence

THURSDAY - JANUARY 26

6:45 am Special Intentions of People of the Parish
 9:00 am Lillian Reader r/b Lillian Creedon
 Birthday Intentions for Marie Budroe r/b Marianne Gorin

FRIDAY - JANUARY 27

6:45 am Special Intentions of People of the Parish
 9:00 am In Thanksgiving, in response for a special intention r/b Mena & Arnold Kramer

SATURDAY - JANUARY 28

9:00 am Special Intention of Ines/Birthday Blessings Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
 4:30 pm Frank Shicatano r/b daughter, Marie Glaviano

SUNDAY - JANUARY 29


8:30 am Ralph Stilley r/b Charlene Walsh
 10:00 am Thomas J. Cairns r/b daughter, Tracey Eng
 Feliza Recio r/b Sandra
 Francisco Padolina r/b John & Letty Duffy
 11:30 am Evelyn Geria r/b Dick & Claire Spence


PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:
THE DECEASED... Emily Ryszkiewicz, mother of Gerri Kurlej.

THE SICK...

Denise Daniels	Helen Copperthwaite		
George Sweeten	Bob & Claire Boylan		
Chris Kolodzey	Naomi Willingmyre		
Maria Storms	Joseph Console		
Mae Rose	Frank Cappetta		Owen Smith
Ron Massey	Margaret MacElrath		Leona Novak
Olga Mignone	Andrea Buonincontro		Danny Perla
Frank Colbert	Michael Kapischke		Anna McMullen
Mary Cowan	Betty O'Donnell		Don Kreal
Yolanda Burke	Marie Mazzagatti		Joanne James
Jean Colbert	Stanley Kochanek	JoAnn Gadren	
Dorothy Brink	Pauline Rosberg	Gloria Daniels	
Catherine Zee	Alfred DiFrank	Mary Flacco	
Pat Barton	Geralyn Coticone	Ed Rivero	
Ethan Killeen	Jerry McMenamin	Marie DiFrank	
James Louzon	Joe Pottackal, Sr.	Avery Caruso	
Grayson Caruso	Chuck Kapischke	Leila Lore	
Chase Lupica	Pasquale DiFronzo	Betty Brennan	
Carlos Santiago	Fr. Joseph Aboagye-Tawiah		
Sharon Bushelli	Yun Yun Shen	Jim McHale	
Pat Beaney	Sally Callaghan		

THOSE IN THE ARMED SERVICES...

 Lt. Col. Allison Agar, Lance Corporal Sean Bilson, Lt. Cdr. Richard P. Byrnes, Jr., Pvt. 1st Class Mario Centofanti, Sr. Airman Alyssa Cosentino, Staff Sergeant 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, USN SR Lindsay Schaffer, Major James P. Tobin, SPC Giselle M. Torres and Cpl. Michael Willingmyre.



We cannot simultaneously commit ourselves to human rights and progress while eliminating or marginalizing the weakest among us. Nor can we practice the Gospel of life only as a private piety. American Catholics must live it vigorously and publicly, as a matter of national leadership and witness, or we will not live it at all.

Priests for Life-Political Responsibility
Al Mac Elrath, Respect Life Coordinator - 779-7130

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 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 29, 2012 - Mark 1:21-28

Then they came to the Capernaum, and on the Sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are - the Holy One of God. Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!" The unclean spirit convulsed him and with a loud cry came out of him. All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him." His fame spread everywhere throughout the whole region of Galilee.

Commentary:

The most important question Mark's Gospel asks is "Who is Jesus?" Jesus taught with authority. Jesus' presence changed situations. Jesus' actions matched his words. The scribes were another story. They knew well the Hebrew Scriptures. They were learned men. However, their words were empty because their actions did not match their words. They did not live what they preached. For us, it is important to live what we preach. Then our teaching will be in accord with God's Will.

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'



LANCASTER TRIP: Tour of Amish Countryside, Tuesday, March 27. Package includes guided tour, 4 course luncheon at an Amish Family home, Strasburg Railroad Ride & Famers Market—taxes, meal gratuity & bus trip all included for \$120 per person (due by Feb. 4).

PASADENA, CA TRIP - DEC. 29, 2012-JAN. 2, 2013: New Year's getaway, includes 4 nights in Long Beach, CA, on beach, airfare, breakfast & dinner, daily transfers. Pre-parade concert of bands & upfront close look at floats, Gala New Year's Eve Party and reserved seats for parade along with optional excursions. Trip is \$1,999.00 per person. Deposit of \$250 due by March 1st—refundable up to Dec. 1st. For more details call Bob, 344-7454. Final Payment due Oct. 1st.

Send check for Lancaster made payable to St. Thomas More Funsters & mail to Bob Lento, 7 Merryton St., Voorhees, NJ 08043.

Checks for New Year's Getaway are made out to Collette Travel—address in future bulletins.

AN INVITATION

The Little Servant Sisters of the Immaculate Conception Cordially invite young women, ages 16-35, to
A Lenten Retreat
on Saturday, February 25, 2012, 9:30 am - 4 pm
For more information please call or email:
Sister Bozena Tyborowska; 424-1962,
bozena73@yahoo.com

PILGRIMAGE to Medjugorje Bosnia-Hercegovina

Date: April 25-May 4 (avg. temp. is 55 degrees)
Price: \$1507, all inclusive (flight leaves from Philadelphia, hotel, 3 meals daily, guide, all taxes & gratuities). For information/reading materials on Mejugorje go to mej.com.
For pilgrimage information call Denise Radziwill, 424-0494.

Office of Family Life-Diocese of Camden

Courage: The Catholic support group for men and women with same-sex attraction.

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www.couragerc.org or (856) 365-1570.