

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			Worship		
Parish Trustees	Gary Gadren	424-3212	Altar Servers	Deacon John Harrington	424-3212
	Pat Lachnicht	424-3212	Church Environment	Ann Vigrass	428-7217
Christian Life/Education			Ch. Art Environment	Antonina Nicdao	751-6320
Bereavement	Sheila Mohan	795-6137	Eucharistic Ministers	Joyce DeMichele	424-4008
Friday Adoration	Marian/Chuck Kapischke	424-2053	Lectors	Dolores Kreal	988-0271
Hospital Visitors	Staff & Euch. Ministers	424-3212	Linen Committee	Pat Lachnicht	424-5636
Intercessory Prayer	Ann Vigrass	428-7217	Sacristans	Ann Vigrass	428-7217
Knights of Columbus	Dick Haughwout	429-8598	Ushers	Tom Petrilli	751-1367
Marriage Formation	Bob/Liz Scarpa	795-1160	Music Ministry	Greta Tyrrell	428-2412
Parish Rel. Ed. Prog.	Pat Maggart	429-6948		Frank Krenslak	309-1999
Pastoral Counselor	Claire Spence	428-8325		Roger Pisani, Director	609-702-7858
Prayer Shawls	Sheila Mohan	795-6137		Dolores Kreal	988-0271
Respect Life	Al Mac Elrath	779-7130		Len Kolojechick	346-4078
Rite of Ch. Init. Adults	Deacon John Harrington	424-3212		June Garafano, Youth Singers	229-7461
	Sister Ann Byrnes	424-3212	Social Development		
	Marian/Chuck Kapischke	424-2053	Bridge Groups	Joyce DeMichele	424-4008
Rosary Ministry	Ann Marie/Bob Lento	424-4759		Barbara Cerquitella	795-7323
Small Christian Comm.	Deacon John Harrington	424-3212	Career Ministry	Al Shaffer	609-417-6770
Spiritual Direction	John Galati	428-7073	Funsters (over 50 club)	June Garafano	229-7461
Spiritual Retreats	Denise Radziwill	424-0494	Parish Festival	Bob Lento	424-4759
	Frank Nicoletti	424-3212	Women's Club	Committee	424-3212
St. Vincent de Paul	Sheila Tartamosa	424-3212		Eileen Withers	751-6838
Stewardship	Stan Thompson	424-1120	Administration		
Youth Ministry			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 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
2012 LENTEN SCHEDULE**

Ash Wednesday - February 22

6:45 a.m. Mass 9 a.m. Mass
4:30 & 7:30 p.m. Prayer Service

Daily Mass

6:45 and 9 a.m. in the 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 Imagery Meditation

Thursday mornings after 9 a.m. Mass in Chapel

Eucharistic Adoration

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

Stations of the Cross

Friday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel

St. Thomas More Small Christian Communities

Groups meet for 6 weeks of Lent
beginning week of February 20

HOUSE of CHARITY

February 25/26

Rite of Sending

February 26, 11:30 a.m.

Intergenerational Friday Lenten FISH FRY

March 9, 5-7:30 p.m. in Hall

**Intergenerational St. Joseph Feast Day &
Father George's 25th Anniversary Celebration**

March 18 after the 10:00 a.m. Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday, March 26 at 7:30 p.m.

Regional Penance Service at Holy Eucharist

Lenten Regulations: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fast and Abstinence from meat. There is a limit of one full meal on these days for all between the ages of 18 and

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:
THE DECEASED... Filomena Rose.**

Last week's collection

February 12, 2012

\$9,182.50

226 Envelopes

May the Lord bless you for your generosity to your parish.
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HOUSE of CHARITY

Bishop's Annual Appeal Stirring the Waters of Grace

*Comforting those in Need
Providing for those who Serve
Sanctifying those who Seek*

The House of Charity-Bishop's Annual Appeal is an opportunity for us to make a big difference in the lives of others.

You do this when you live a good life. You do this when you share your financial assets, your gifts and your talents.

Your sacrificial gift to the House of Charity Appeal brings a brighter tomorrow for countless others in their time of need.

Your sacrificial gift to the House of Charity Appeal is putting your faith into action by helping to fund programs and services sponsored by Bishop Galante.

Your sacrificial gift to the House of Charity Appeal helps the Diocese to provide Social and Community Services to Saint John of God/Archbishop Damiano School. You bring comfort and self-worth to struggling clients, patients and students.

Your sacrificial gift supports Faith Formation through lay leadership training, ethnic and deaf ministry, marriage preparation and spiritual direction.

Your sacrificial gift supports Youth and Young Adult Ministries to help our young people on the road to service for God and their Church.

Your sacrificial gift supports Vocations and training for young men and women who are discerning the possibility of God's call to the priesthood or religious life.

Your sacrificial gift provides Compassionate Outreach for the countless people who are seeking kindness, compassion, life direction and holiness.

The In-Pew solicitation for the House of Charity-Bishop's Annual Appeal 2012 is February 25/26.

Our 2012 House of Charity Parish goal at Saint Thomas More is \$110,000.00.
The 2012 goal for the Diocese of Camden is \$7.25 million.

Your generous sacrificial gift is very much needed at this time of great local and global uncertainty.

Our prayer is that with God's help and your generous sacrificial gift we will make and exceed our parish goal.

Blessings,
Monsignor Morgan

St. Thomas More Parish Small Christian Communities

Small Christian Communities help ordinary people connect faith with everyday life experiences. This is accomplished through prayer, sharing, listening, learning, mutual support and service. Ordinary parishioners gather weekly to sit in God's presence and share, from their hearts, how God is acting in their lives in the light of the Gospel. The following parishioners will be participating in small Christian communities during this Lenten Season:

Monday Scripture Study

Sister Ann (facilitator)
Elaine Beckman
Gail Bizzoso
Marie Budroe
Grace Coen
Maryann DeAngelis
Margie Dell
Gloria Desrochers
Clare DiGiacomo
Laura Frati
Marylee Garber
Steve Jander
Pauline Kelton
Joe & Jane Kenney
Pat Kirincic
Mildred Leber
Doris Margraf
Mary Mermer
Kathleen Nevins
Jean Reinert
Bob Scarpa
Gary Scarpa
Kate Sheerin
Nancy Svitak
Dudley Thomas
Greta Tyrrell
Lois Udicious
Kay Uhlman
Mary Vangala
Marianne Wilkins
Cindy Zielinski

Monday Afternoon

St. Mary Village
Norma Matos (facilitator)
Annie Agnes
Shirley Birch
Mary Branciforte
Grace Cobin
Mary Dolente
Eileen Hunter
Joanne James
Ann Marie Skowron

Monday Afternoon

Lois Udicious (facilitator)
Gail Bizzoso (facilitator)
Rosemary Canuso
Beverly DeMasi
Phyllis Kolecki
Anne Gehring

Monday Afternoon (cont.)

Claire Mazzochette
Joanne Mitchell
Joanie Pryor
Mary Lou Thomas
Joanne Wachman

Monday Evening

Sister Ann (facilitator)
Irma Bland
Jenifer Bland-Campbell
Bob & Jude Brennan
Dudley & Pat Cannon
Marguerite Dwyer
Pat Hengy
Nick & Pat Kirincic
Bob & Peg Mele
Fred & Tina Petrone
Diane Pien
Eduardo & Amelia Rivero
Bob & Elizabeth Scarpa
Reddy & Mary Vangala
Dennis Zannoni

Monday Evening

Bob Lento (facilitator)
Ann Marie Lento (facilitator)
Patricia Betts
Dave & Lisa Brady
Lynn Casa
Dick & Joyce DeMichele
Joe & Jane Kenney
Dave & Lin Lyon
Cindy Zielinski

Tuesday Morning

Pat Beaney (facilitator)
Pat Lachnicht (facilitator)
Gail Bizzoso
Lorraine Caruso
Paul Charette
Janet Duber-Houston
Dolores Kreal
Mildred Leber
Pat Maggart
Joan Maguire
Sheila Moore
Dags Nicdao
Irene Relloso
Elizabeth Valusek
Ann Vigrass
Mary Ward
Eileen Withers

Tuesday Afternoon

Beth Markiewicz (facilitator)
Barbara Bene
Kathleen Lawler
Andrea Michel
Sue Pedrick
Wil Rivera

Tuesday Afternoon

Monsignor Morgan
Sister Ann
Deacon John Harrington
Pat Maggart
Pat Cannon
Norma Matos
Sheila Tartamosa

Tuesday Evening

Mary Pankow (facilitator)
Debbie Boylan
Bob & Jude Brennan
Elizabeth Scarpa
Ken & Kim Wislocky

Wednesday Morning

Claire Spence (facilitator)
Shirley Kane (facilitator)
Jaime Aquilino
Lorene Boylan
Kathy Chesbro
Gloria Desrochers
Linda Dombrowski
Marylee Garber
Helen Hawksley
Peggy Houston
Mary Mermer
Denise Radziwill
Marta Santiago
Susan Schrank
Sally Schweitzer
Dolly Staton
Mary Vangala

Wednesday Evening

Mena Kramer (facilitator)
Marie Budroe
Liz DeYoung
John & Marie Enny
Marianne Gorin
Mimi Hadi
Pauline Kelton
Arnold Kramer
Vince Marchesani
Thomas Moore

Wednesday Evening (cont.)

Francis & Mary Palma
Kathy Richter
Joe Torello

Thursday Morning

Marianne Gorin (facilitator)
Marian Kapischke (facilitator)
Carol Ann Brennan
Marie Budroe
Gina Canello
Christina Castillo
Father George
Pauline Kelton
Lynn Manuel
Vince & Emilia Marchesani
Gary Scarpa
Greta Tyrrell
Mary Vangala

Thursday Evening

Deacon John (facilitator)
Ray Chiusano
David & Elaine Lim
John Mohan
Sister Bozena
Sister Philomena
Joseph Smith
Dick Spence

Thursday Evening

Kathy Glover (facilitator)
Elaine Beckman
Fran Eggles
Carolyn Erickson
Gary Gadren
Floriann Gilden
Donna Gould
Theresa Gregorio
Jon & Janet Lisitski
Roseann Luther
Sheila Tartamosa
Marianne Wilkins

Thursday Evening

Gaye Pino (facilitator)
David Galloway (facilitator)
Gladys Angelucci
Patricia French
Jeannie Lacovera
Anne Mangano
Brian McMahon
Bill Schroeder
Lori Willcox

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - FEBRUARY 19, 2012



SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 18

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

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 19

8:30 am Deceased Members of St. Thomas More Parish r/b St. Vincent de Paul Society
10:00 am Emily Ryszkiewicz r/b Mark & Liz DeYoung
Dorothy Baldyga r/b M/M Bill Schetter
11:30 am Evelyn Geria r/b Dick & Claire Spence

MONDAY - FEBRUARY 20

6:45 am Special Intentions of People of the Parish
9:00 am Charlotte W. Kochanek r/b Stan & Maureen Kochanek

TUESDAY - FEBRUARY 21

6:45 am Special Intention & Recovery of Ruby Herman r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Sister Helen Therese Gestautas r/b Chuck & Marian Kapischke

ASH WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 22

6:45 am Special Intention & Recovery of Ruby Herman r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Joseph Zielinski r/b Cindy & Family
4:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service
7:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service

THURSDAY - FEBRUARY 23

6:45 am William Discher r/b Dom & Marie Sacca
9:00 am Emily Ryszkiewicz r/b Bob & Ann Marie Lento

FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 24

6:45 am Special Intention & Recovery of Ruby Herman r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Special Intentions of the Beaney Family r/b Mark & Liz DeYoung

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 25

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
4:30 pm Joe D'Souza r/b Kathryn Eclar & Family

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 26

8:30 am Elizabeth Wilson r/b M/M Charles Cerquitella
10:00 am Elizabeth Wilson r/b Mary Lou & Dudley Thomas
Linda M. Krupa r/b Ed & Amelia Rivero
11:30 am Pilar Castillo r/b Angel Nocito

SECOND COLLECTION: ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21: Your generous support will help Aid the Church in Central & Eastern Europe.

We pray that:

The leaders of our country will honor our constitutional rights.

The leaders of our country will honor our Religious liberties.

The leaders of our country will honor our Freedom of conscience.

The leaders of our country will honor our Catholic Christian values.

The leaders of our country will understand that marriage involves at least one male and at least one female person. This is God's definition of marriage that has prevailed for thousands of years in both highly civilized and primitive cultures.

Monsignor Morgan

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The fifth Confirmation II class will be held next Sunday, February 26, 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.

On Tuesday, February 21, the Parish Pancake Supper will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Parish Religious Education Program classes will be held at the usual times. Your family can participate in the Pancake Supper either after the afternoon classes at 5:30 or before the evening classes begin at 7:00.

All students from both afternoon and evening classes are invited to attend the Children's Ash Wednesday Service on February 22 at 4:30 p.m. in the Church. Ashes will be distributed. Parents are urged to attend with their children.

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

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper



February 21, 5-7 p.m.
\$4.00 for Adults,
\$2.50 Ages 6-12,
\$1.00 Ages 5 & under



Price includes: Pancakes, sausage, applesauce, beverages, dessert & music.

COME JOIN THE FUN!

Sponsored by the St. Thomas More Women's Club

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 First Sunday of Lent, February 25, 2012 - Mark 1:12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him. After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

Commentary:

On this first Sunday of Lent, we hear Mark's version of Jesus being tempted in the desert. Jesus begins with this confrontation with evil. The rest of his life and work will continue this great battle: casting out demons, healing, struggling for the truth against corrupt leaders and even the blindness of his own disciples. Through it all, he proclaims the good news that the time of God's reign is now. God's truth and love is stronger than distortion and injustice. Believe the good news and it can change your life.

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?

YOUTH GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Upcoming Event(s):

- **THIS SUNDAY**, Feb. 19 - Cherry Hill Regional YG Mass at Holy Eucharist, Kresson Rd., at 7 p.m.
- **SJ Ronald McDonald House Breakfast** — NEXT Saturday, Feb. 25 — The Youth Group along with Women's Club & Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be making & serving breakfast for families of children receiving medical care. We meet in the St. Thomas More Hall at 8:15 a.m., leave at 8:30 a.m. & return by noon. See flyers in the gathering space for more info.

Join us for this very rewarding event!

Stan Thompson, YG Coordinator - 424-1120

Women's Club News

• **Pancake Supper:** **THIS TUESDAY**, February 21, 5-7 p.m.

• **SJ Ronald McDonald House Breakfast:**

February 25 — Casseroles and breakfast breads accepted Saturday, put in the refrigerator or bring before 8 AM Saturday. Thank you!

• **No General Meeting in February**

Eileen Withers, President - 751-6838



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.

Ministry Schedule for February 25 and 26, 2012

Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 p.m.	Father Maher	C Pisanl R Pisanl	R Crawford, J DeMichele P Rossl, I Rellosa	Sr Barbara	Ma/Me/W Quay
8:30 a.m.	Father Romano	R Pisanl L Kolojechick	M Gorln, J/S Mohan S Moore	P Lachnicht	A/J Zieba
10:00 a.m.	Father Joyce	Youth Singers J Garafano, R Pisanl	K Glover, P Hengy D/ML Thomas	S Thompson	A/I Cammlisa E Thompson
11:30 a.m.	Father Joyce	C Pisanl R Pisanl	M Garber, B/AM Lento D Staton	J Arnold	J Arnold, J Pol R Seminara