

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	Marian/Chuck Kapischke	424-2053
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	Frank Nicoletti	424-3212
Stewardship	Sheila Tartamosa	424-3212
Youth Ministry	Stan Thompson	424-1120

Worship

Altar Servers	Deacon John Harrington	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	Tom Petrilli	751-1367
	Greta Tyrrell	428-2412
Ushers	Frank Krenslak	309-1999
Music Ministry	Roger Pisani, Director	609-702-7858
	Dolores Kreal	988-0271
	Len Kolojechick	346-4078
	June Garafano, Youth Singers	229-7461

Social Development

Bridge Groups	Joyce DeMichele	424-4008
	Barbara Cerquitella	795-7323
Career Ministry	Al Shaffer	609-417-6770
	June Garafano	229-7461
Funsters (over 50 club)	Bob Lento	344-7454
Parish Festival	Committee	424-3212
Women's Club	Eileen Withers	751-6838

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 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



Pictured in the center above is the newest member of our parish community, William Mitchell, after the celebration of the Easter Vigil with the RCIA Team (left to right: John Mohan, Sister Ann Byrnes, Deacon John Harrington, and Irene Rellosa).

Saint Thomas More Catholic Church
2012 GOLF OUTING
Monday, June 4th
at Indian Spring Country Club, Marlton
ALL LADIES AND MEN
ARE INVITED

Golf Outing: \$125
Includes Green Fee, Cart, Door Prize & Dinner
Shotgun start at 12 Noon
If golf is not your interest join us for a lovely dinner.
Dinner only: \$55

For both Golfers & Guests: **Cash bar 5 pm, Dinner 6 pm**

MENU: *Hors d'oeuvres:* Cheese, Potato Chips & Pretzels *Salad:* Garden Salad w/Balsamic Vinaigrette Dressing *Entrée:* Tenderloin Filet Mignon Tips w/ mushrooms & pepper in Au Jus—Broiled Salmon in Dijon Mustard Sauce—Chicken & Broccoli DeMarco over Penne Pasta, Fresh Vegetable & Roasted Potatoes, Rolls & Butter & Assorted Desserts

Tickets are now being sold after all Masses.
AJ Ariani (983-5761) & Tom Pajic (795-7520), Co-Chairs

EASTER SUNDAY COLLECTION

April 8, 2012

\$24,622.00

404 Envelopes

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

HEARTFELT GRATITUDE

We deeply appreciate your generous Easter donation to St. Thomas More Parish. Your overwhelming generosity is a great witness of your commitment to the mission of St. Thomas More Parish. As you know, we would not be able to meet our parish obligations without your continued support.

We extend a special thanks to all who gave so generously of their time and talents to make our Holy Week and Easter celebrations so spiritually rewarding and spiritually meaningful.

We welcome William Mitchell to our Catholic Faith Community. We are thankful for the dedication of our RCIA Team, Deacon John Harrington, Sister Ann Byrnes, John Mohan and Irene Rellosa, for sharing their knowledge and insights of the Catholic faith.

Our Communion call shut-ins truly appreciated the Easter plants that were delivered to them during Holy Week by Elaine Beckman, Kathy Glover, Marianne Gorin, Pat Kirincic, John and Sheila Mohan, Sheila Moore, Antoinette Del Campo-O'Brien, Irene Rellosa, Bob Scarpa and Greta Tyrrell. We thank them for their kind efforts.

A special thanks to Joyce and Dick DeMichele, Ann and Bill Vigrass, Pat and Jerry Lachnicht and Ray and Gloria Desrochers for the wonderful work they did decorating the Church and environment. We thank those who provided the beautiful Easter flowers.

We extend our gratitude to Ann and Bill Vigrass and Dags Nicdao for cleaning the Church on a weekly basis and to all the women who clean and iron the Altar Linens.

For those who sang and provided the musical accompaniment under the direction of Roger and Carol Pisani, Dolores Kreal, Len Kolojechick and June Garafano at all the Holy Week Services and Liturgies we extend our gratitude.

A heartfelt thank you is extended to the ushers and all those who served at the Altar; Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist and Lectors. Your service to the priest, deacon, and to all present for the Mass is a service that only you can give.

I am reminded of St. Paul's words to the Church at Corinth "I give thanks to my God always on your account for the grace of God bestowed on you in Christ Jesus." (1Cor 1:4)

Your prayerful generosity allows your parish to enhance the lives of hundreds of families in St. Thomas More Parish. Through your support we promote spiritual growth and human dignity. Your generosity is another reminder that you believe our ultimate destiny, meaning and purpose in this life and in the next life is to find God.

Your goodness helps our parish realize its mission of spreading the Good News that God loves us; that Jesus is our brother; that God is always with us; even in our most difficult moments.

May the Resurrected Jesus bless you and your family in countless ways for the many gifts that you give so freely. We bless you and thank you for the unique gift of yourselves that you bring to St. Thomas More Parish.

May you be surrounded by His peace and His grace. May you be close to Him always through the Eucharist. This is His greatest gift of love given to help us on our spiritual path of life.

*Blessings,
Monsignor Thomas J. Morgan,
Pastor*

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - APRIL 15, 2012

Ministry Schedule for April 21, and 22, 2012					
Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 p.m.	Monsignor Morgan	D Kreal R Pisanl	R Crawford, E Beckman J DeMichele, P Hengy	D Miller	J/P/S Wachman
8:30 a.m.	Father Maher	M Kramer R Pisanl	A Del Campo-O'Brien Sr Dianna, J/L Duffy	J Vecchiola	E Barbera J Fabrilclus
10:00 a.m.	Monsignor Morgan	R Pisanl A Rivero	D Gould, D/L Lyon S Mohan	J Mohan	J Cole, K Johnson I Witting
11:30 a.m.	Monsignor Morgan	R/C Pisanl	M Gorlin, S Kane M Santiago, D Spence	C Spence	M/N Brown E Thompson

Women's Club News

- **General Meeting** – Wed., April 25, Please Note: **1:00 p.m.** Daytime Meeting
- **Women's Day of Reflection** – *Awakening the Spirit Within*: Thurs., May 10, 9 am-1:45 pm. Call Clare for more information: 428-9251.

Eileen Withers, President - 751-6838

**St. Thomas More
TWELFTH ANNUAL PARISH-WIDE**

PROGRESSIVE DINNER 

LAST CHANCE—DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS FUN EVENING, JUST A FEW SEATS AVAILABLE.

St. Thomas More Parish's *always popular* Progressive Dinner will take place next Sunday, April 22, 2012 at Caffè Aldo Lamberti, Cherry Hill, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Price remains at \$48 per person which includes hot & cold butlered hors d'oeuvres, salad, choice of entrée, dessert, soft drinks, coffee or tea. Red & white wines throughout the evening provided by the Women's Club.

For reservations (seating limited) and menu selections, please call Mary Lou Thomas, 856-429-1379 or Barbara Cerquitella, 795-7323.

THE PARISH REJOICES...

with the families of *Nicholas John Matarese, Briac Svitak, Mia Violet Masino, Cecelia Daisy Masino* and *Amelia Grace Royster* all of whom were received into the Church through the waters of Baptism.



PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Individual five-minute meetings with either Monsignor Morgan, Deacon John, Sister Ann Byrnes or Pat Maggart will be held this Sunday, April 15, following the 11:30 Mass for all First Communicants and their parents.

The final Confirmation II class will be held next Sunday, April 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.

Parish Religious Education Program registration forms for the 2012-2013 school year have been mailed to the homes of all current students. Please complete and return with appropriate fee as soon as possible, but no later than May 31. *Additional forms for first grade students and for students who will be new to the program are available in the gathering space.*

During the months of April and May the offertory gifts will be brought forward by our First Communicants.

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

EASTER EGG HUNT THANK YOU



to Kris Bailey, and her helpers. The children really had a fun time hunting for **600** Easter eggs.

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK 

SATURDAY - APRIL 14

9:00 am Santo & Francesca Bravata r/b Corso Family
Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
4:30 pm Millie & Vince Giordano r/b Angelo & Carol Ariani

SUNDAY - APRIL 15

8:30 am Emily Ryszkiewicz r/b Randy & Pat LeBlanc
10:00 am Deceased Members of St. Thomas More Parish r/b St. Vincent de Paul Society
John Podobinski r/b the Pryor Family
11:30 pm Joe Turiano r/b Kay & Family

MONDAY - APRIL 16

6:45 am Special Intentions of People of the Parish
9:00 am Joseph Kapischke, Sr. r/b Chuck & Marian Kapischke

TUESDAY - APRIL 17

6:45 am Special Intentions of People of the Parish
9:00 am Jim Bones r/b Teri & Family

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 18

6:45 am Special Intentions of People of the Parish
9:00 am Jimmy Testa r/b Gould Family

THURSDAY - APRIL 19

6:45 am Special Intentions of People of the Parish
9:00 am Raymond White r/b Ken & Kim Paul Orr r/b Ron & Gail Bizzoso

FRIDAY - APRIL 20

6:45 am Special Intentions of People of the Parish
9:00 am Emily Ryszkiewicz r/b the Hu Family

SATURDAY - APRIL 21

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
4:30 pm William Copperthwaite r/b Terri & Paul Kelly


SUNDAY - APRIL 22

8:30 am Special Intention r/b John & Sheila Mohan
10:00 am Jim McHale r/b Dick & Mary Bond
Anthony Ricca r/b the Wachman Family
11:30 pm Helen Radzik r/b Anna Soldo

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:
THE DECEASED... Mary McCarthy and Robert Middleton, father of Eileen Withers.
THE SICK...**

Don Kreal	Helen Copperthwaite	
Ed Rivero	Bob & Claire Boylan	
Maria Storms	Tracey Alexander Bruni	
Owen Smith	Andrea Buonincontro	
Mary Flacco	Naomi Willingmyre	
Ron Massey	George Sweeten	
Olga Mignone	Frank Cappetta	
Frank Colbert	Anna McMullen	
Mary Cowan	Michael Kapischke	
Yolanda Burke	Betty O'Donnell	
Jean Colbert	Marie Mazzagatti	Leona Novak
Dorothy Brink	Stanley Kochanek	Danny Perla
Catherine Zee	Pauline Rosberg	Joanne James
Pat Barton	Joseph Console	Alfred DiFrank
James Louzon	Geralyn Coticone	JoAnn Gadren
Leila Lore	Jerry McMenamin	Gloria Daniels
Chase Lupica	Chuck Kapischke	Denise Daniels
Sharon Bushelli	Pasquale DiFronzo	Chris Kolodzey
Yun Yun Shen	Dorothy Wolenter	Marie DiFrank
Ed McKenna	Fr. Joseph Aboagye-Tawiah	Ethan Killeen
Virginia Foley	Mary Branciforte	Avery Caruso
Fran Swider	Sister Peter Marie	Carlos Santiago
Rose Hession	Al & Marge Mac Elrath	Betty Brennan
		Pat Beaney
		Sally Callaghan
		Michael Suralik
		Grayson Caruso
		Shirley Birch

THOSE IN THE ARMED SERVICES...

 Lt. Col. Allison Agar, Lance Corporal Sean Bilson, Lt. Cdr. Richard P. Byrnes, Jr., Pvt. 1st Class Mario Centofanti, 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.

Stewardship Reflection

Stewards Give Back

"The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own..." (Acts 4:32a)

Stewardship calls us to recognize, just as the early Christians did, that none of our possessions is our own. All that we have — our health, our education, our skills, our talents, and our livelihood — are gifts from God. The natural reaction when someone gives you a gift is to want to give something back. What do you give back to God?

LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING:

This Tuesday, APRIL 17
7:30 p.m. in the Chapel

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 Third Sunday of Easter, April 22, 2012 - Luke 24:35-48

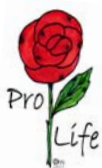
"...Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have." And as he said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While they were still incredulous for joy and were amazed, he asked them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of baked fish; he took it and ate it in front of them.

Commentary:

In today's Gospel Jesus appears among the disciples. Even though they have heard that he appeared to Simon and to the disciples on the road to Emmaus, they think he is a ghost. At Jesus' invitation to touch him, to look at his wounds, they are filled with joy, but they do not completely believe. Only his eating in their presence convinces them that he is indeed the risen Lord. As he had done on the road, he opens their minds to the Scriptures. After he has done this, he sends them to share the Good News with others.

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?



Adopting a consistent ethic of life, the Catholic Church promotes a broad spectrum of issues...Catholic public officials are obliged to address each of these issues as they seek to build consistent policies which promote respect for the human person at all stages of life. But being 'right' in such matters can never excuse a wrong choice regarding direct attacks on innocent human life. Indeed, the failure to protect and defend life in its most vulnerable stages renders suspect any claims to the 'rightness' of positions in other matters affecting the poorest and least powerful of the human community.

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

St. Thomas More Prayer Chain:



Do you have a special intention for which you are praying? Have others share your need by calling the Prayer Line. All requests are kept confidential. Contact the parish office, 424-3212.

COURAGE - The Catholic Support Group for Men and Women with Same-sex Attraction. For more information call Camden Diocese at 365-1570 or go to www.couragerc.org. CONFIDENTIALITY ASSURED



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Council 6173

St. Thomas More Church

Membership Drive after all Masses

April 28 & 29

Please stop by the table in the gathering space and meet a member. For more information please call Dick Haughwout, Grand Knight, at 429-8598.

Presentation of the Gifts - At each Sabbath Mass, the gifts; Bread and Wine and the Sunday offerings, are presented at Offertory Time. This is not reserved to any particular few. We encourage parishioners to volunteer. This is especially appropriate when a family is attending a Mass offered for a loved one, or when celebrating a birthday or anniversary. If you would like to do this, simply speak to one of the ushers before Mass begins.

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.

