

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
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	609-488-0020
	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
Al Shaffer	609-417-6770
June Garafano	229-7461
Bob Lento	344-7454
Committee	424-3212
Eileen Withers	751-6838

Career Ministry

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

Administration

House of Charity	Sheila Tartamosa	424-3212
Parish Finance Council	Robert Crawford	424-3212
Parish Pastoral Council	Marie Enny	751-8893

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

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

Invitation to a Journey Called RCIA:

Please call Sister Ann, 424-3212 - ext. 104, or Deacon John, 424-3212 ext. - 103, to receive more information about the RCIA classes.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

We are meeting on Thursday, June 14, after the 9 a.m. Mass in the St. Thomas More Hall.

Sheila Mohan, Chair

The Golf Outing again was a huge success! Thanks goes to the dedicated and zealous work done by our team along with the support of many sponsors, golfers and parishioners. What a wonderful event and this continues to be a great community builder for our parish.

THANK YOU!

Angelo Ariani, Co-chair

Carol Ariani

Michael & Helen Hawksley

Bill & Rosalie Maida

Jerry & Jeannine McMenamin

Tom Pajic, Co-chair

Arleen Pajic

Dick & Claire Spence

Joe & Chris Torello

ST. THOMAS MORE NOVENA AND FEAST DAY:

On the feast day of St. Thomas More (Friday, June 22) there will be a Prayer Service in the Chapel at 7:30 p.m.

On June 14 we will begin a nine day Novena Prayer to St. Thomas More which will be prayed at the morning Masses.

We hope many of our parishioners will pray the Novena and join us to celebrate **our Parish Feast Day on June 22.**

Refreshments to follow provided by our St. Thomas More Women's Club.



'FUNSTER NEWS'



Funster Meeting: Tues., June 19 at 1 p.m. in the St. Thomas More Hall. **Purpose:** To discuss dates & costs for the Broadway Show "Nice Work If You Can Get It" with Matthew Broderick, a trip to the new Barnes Museum along with Christmas trip ideas. **All welcome to give input.**

Bob Lento, 344-7454

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

June 3, 2012

\$10,861.75

262 Envelopes

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

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK 

SATURDAY - JUNE 9

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
4:30 pm Richard Kolecki r/b Kolecki Family

SUNDAY - JUNE 10

8:30 am Emily Ryszkiewicz r/b John & Sheila Mohan
10:00 am Ernesto Cusia r/b John & Sheila Mohan
Matthew Maggi r/b Argentina Family
Richard Smith r/b his family
Chester Szymczak r/b Dudley & Mary Lou Thomas
11:30 am Walter Reign r/b Claire & Dick Spence

MONDAY - JUNE 11

6:45 am Special Intention of Monsignor Russell Rock/50 yr. Anniversary in the priesthood r/b Sr. Anna & Sr. Bernadette
9:00 am Charles Baldwin r/b Bob & Ann Marie Lento

TUESDAY - JUNE 12

6:45 am Bart Regazzi r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Robert Middleton r/b Paul Charette & Fa.

WEDNESDAY - JUNE 13

6:45 am Bart Regazzi r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Hank Seppanen r/b Ron & Gail Bizzoso

THURSDAY - JUNE 14

6:45 am Special Intention of Fr. Jack Connor/50 yr. Anniversary in priesthood r/b Sr. Anna & Sr. Bernadette
9:00 am Jim McHale r/b Ann & Bill Vigrass
Robert Middleton r/b Carol Koelsch
Anna Bizzoso r/b Marilyn Derivaux

FRIDAY - JUNE 15

6:45 am John & Joan Fineran r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Arthur Kovera r/b Chuck & Marian Kapischke

SATURDAY - JUNE 16

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
4:30 pm Jim McHale r/b Mr. John Roman

SUNDAY - JUNE 17

8:30 am Jerome A. Lachnicht & James P. Culhane r/b Jerry & Pat Lachnicht
10:00 am Jim Bones r/b Teri & Family
Richard Kolecki r/b Kolecki Family
Deceased Members of St. Thomas More Parish r/b St. Vincent de Paul Society
11:30 am Joe Turiano r/b Kay & Family


PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:
THE DECEASED... Frances Procacci and Sister Peter Marie, sister of Tina Petrone.

THE SICK...

Don Kreal	Helen Copperthwaite	
Maria Storms	Bob & Claire Boylan	
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	
Dorothy Brink	Stanley Kochanek	
Pat Barton	Pauline Rosberg	
Leila Lore	Joseph Console	
Chase Lupica	Geralyn Coticone	
Pat Beaney	Jerry McMenamin	
YunYun Shen	Chuck Kapischke	
Ed McKenna	Pasquale DiFronzo	
Virginia Foley	Dorothy Wolenter	
Fran Swider	Al Mac Elrath	
Rose Hession	Teddy Shaffer	
Shirley Birch	Virginia Gormley	

Leona Novak
Danny Perla
Joanne James
Alfred DiFrank
JoAnn Gadren
Gloria Daniels
Denise Daniels
Chris Kolodzey
Marie DiFrank
Ethan Killeen
Carlos Santiago
Betty Brennan
Sharon Bushelli
Sally Callaghan
Michael Suralik
Earl Cargen

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, SPC Giselle M. Torres and Cpl. Michael Willingmyre.

MARKET DAY IS COMING
TO ST. THOMAS MORE!

In lieu of selling the Entertainment Books, to raise money for the children's Communion clothes at Holy Name Cathedral in Camden, the St. Thomas More Women's Club will be having a summer Market Day frozen foods sale in July. Order forms will be available in the gathering space the weekends of June 16/17 & June 23/24. Please send your order forms with check (made payable to Market Day) to Marianne Wilkins, 1936 Cardinal Lake Dr., Cherry Hill, NJ 08003 by JULY 8th.

Any questions call Marianne at 428-4924.
Clare DiGiacomo & Marianne Wilkins, Coordinators

FAREWELL WITH GRATITUDE

These recent weeks I have been thinking in a dream-like way over my forty-seven years as a priest. I have been thinking over my nine years as pastor of Saint Thomas More Parish.

Time and time again, God's ceaseless movement and presence have struck me in my life. God's movement and involvement are very mysterious. God in a very hidden and in a very quiet way has been guiding me. Now, my only response to God's grace and goodness in my life is one of "gratitude."

Time and time again, I have viewed with deep gratitude the great privilege of ministering with you and working with an array of very impressive Christian people. Our parish is distinguished by its most valuable resource, which are its wonderful parishioners.

Time and time again, you come to worship our God at a church that was built by you. You send your children and grandchildren to our Religious Education Program. They come to learn to have a greater sense of God, a greater sense of prayer, a greater sense of morality, a greater sense of their own self-dignity and their own self-worth. Our catechists supplement what you parents, grandparents and caretakers do in your homes.

Time and time again, I see you as a beacon of hope and life for the wider borough of Cherry Hill, NJ. You have the power to bring good news. You have the power to make a difference. You have the power to feed the hungry and the homeless. You have the power to up our awareness of social justice for all.

Time and time again, I am reminded that you have the power to protect the rights of the unborn. You have the power to protect our religious liberties. You have the power to protect our rights of conscience. You have the power to resist any unconstitutional laws that limit our God given freedoms and constitutional rights.

Time and time again, I have viewed with deep gratitude your great and deep awareness of your call to holiness. You are keenly aware that all of us, women and men of all walks of life, are called to holiness. You strive for holiness in your ordinary work of raising a family or living the single life or living in the retirement years.

Your holiness and spirituality are centered around reading the Sacred Scriptures; faith sharing in small Christian communities; faith sharing in your homes; faith sharing in all kinds of settings. You make a linkage between the Word of God and the rest of your life.

Time and time again, I have viewed with deep gratitude your great devotion to the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Your fidelity to Sunday worship is a great personal, family and parish blessing. Your beautiful church and daily chapel are a sanctuary of blessings.

Your great devotion to personal prayer and frequent use of the Sacrament of Reconciliation is truly uplifting and inspiring to me. You allow yourselves to be fashioned by God and shaped by God.

Your interior life with God is your anchor and strength in times of suffering; in times of uncertainty; in times of cancer; in times of heart disease or some other disease or disappointment.

Your interior life with God can likewise enable you to experience laughter, triumph, hope, pleasure, love and happiness with your family and the rest of the world. It enables you to live gracefully and gratefully.

Time and time again, I have viewed with deep gratitude your extraordinary ownership of our parish. You have willingly and sacrificially shared your time, talent and treasure with our parish. Your ownership of our parish give this generation and the next generation life and food for future years.

You have enabled our parish to upgrade and refurbish our sacred spaces for worship, prayer and evangelization. These buildings and total parish campus will continue to stand as great symbols of our commitment and devotion to our parish mission.

These refurbished buildings will continue to be channels for the divine spiritual energy that all of us hunger for. Our church, our chapel, our classrooms and parish hall are enabling us to transmit the message of Jesus Christ. These sacred environments breathe life into our emerging souls.

Your sacrificial giving and fundraisers have enabled the parish to pay off the total renovation and landscaping expenses of over 2 million dollars over these nine years. You build on the foundation that we have been given. Your overseeing God will reward and bless you a thousand times over.

I am deeply grateful that I have so much. For more than nine years, I have felt supported and surrounded by marvelous parishioners. I know too that I have the love of the Lord Jesus Christ. The Scriptures tell us His perfect love casts our fears.

I am deeply grateful that I have the hope of eternal life. Daily at the Altar, I give thanks to God for you. Daily I profess that God is good and His mercy endures forever. Daily I give praise and ask for you.

Daily I profess the belief that God will lead me home. Not too soon, I dare to hope. Please pray for me as I do for you.

In gratitude to you and to Almighty God,
Monsignor Morgan

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 Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, June 17, 2012 - Mark 4:26-34

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. When the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle because the harvest has come. He also said, 'The kingdom of God is like a mustard seed, which when sown upon the ground is the smallest of all seeds on the earth; yet when it grows becomes the greatest of all shrubs'. With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it.

Commentary:

Today's parable speaks about the seed growing on its own. It has the power. The planted does not know how or notice the growth beneath the soil. He can be anxious or fret, but it is not his power that makes the seed grow. The parable of the mustard seed speaks about the very small beginnings of God's Kingdom. God's Kingdom grows from those who heed his words. Those who are willing to follow the Lord and listen to his teachings will come to understand the truth of the Kingdom.

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?



We are living in a "culture of death" where the pre-born, elderly, and infirmed are seen as disposable. It's difficult to understand, but that's what is happening in America. Please try and work to end abortion and euthanasia.

*Presented by Stephenson County Right to Life
Al Mac Elrath, Respect Life Coordinator - 779-7130*

Saint Thomas More Saint Vincent de Paul Society: Together we can help those who are hungry, malnourished and starving. The Society will be accepting your donations of food and funds to purchase food *next weekend* after all Masses. *Frank Nicoletti, President*

FATHER'S DAY CARDS/REMEMBRANCES

Ten Masses will be celebrated, in June, in the St. Thomas More chapel in honor of our fathers and grandfathers (living and deceased). Please return a Father's Day envelope that was sent along with your weekly collection envelopes if you'd like him remembered. Extra envelopes and Father's Day cards are available in the gathering space. All returned envelopes will be placed on the altar in June.

CHILDREN'S HOME CLOTHING DRIVE

THIS WEEKEND, JUNE 9/10

Gary Gadren, Sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul Society

Ministry Schedule for June 16, and 17, 2012

Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 p.m.	Father Maher	C Plsani R Plsani	E Beckman, E Kleinz S Mohan, G Tyrrell	J Mohan	E/K Quay M Ronan
8:30 a.m.	Monsignor Morgan	R Plsani E Zerone	J. Kenney, B Massey A Pajlc, T Petrone	P Lachnicht	A Rzepski A/J Zieba
10:00 a.m.	Monsignor Morgan	D Kreal R Plsani	G Gadren, K Glover D Gould, B Scarpa	L Dombrowski	A/I Cammisa I Witting
11:30 a.m.	Father Maher	M Kramer R Plsani	M Garber, M Gorln P Rossl, D Staton	R Ciccotta	M/T Ciccotta E Thompson