

June 24-25, 2023

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

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Pastor: Fr. R. Dean Probst (email/text): dprobst@dio.org

Pastor Elect Fr. Paul Luczak

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Deacon emeritus: Rev. Mr. Larry Miller

Office Manager: Linda M. Hemrich

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Office Hours: 7:30 -11:30 am & 1:00- 4:00 p.m. M-F

Masses: 4:30 pm Saturday; 7 & 10.00 am Sunday

8:30 am Wednesday and Friday

Eucharistic Adoration 7:30-8:00 am

w/Morning Prayer 7:30 am and Benediction 8:00 am

Reconciliation: 8:00 - 9:00 am and 3:30-4 pm Saturdays
and upon request at reasonable time.

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St. Thomas Disciples' Stewardship of Treasure

June 17-18, 2023 Collection

Envelopes	\$	5,130.00
Loose	\$	406.00
Subtotal	\$	5,536.00
G.I.F.T.	\$	1,890.00
Building Fund	\$	100.00
School Fund	\$	755.00
Subtotal	\$	2,745.00
Grand Total	\$	8,281.00

St. Thomas Church March Tithe

March Tithe Income – \$43,724.00

10% Monthly Tithe Given to Diocese - \$4,372.00

This Week in Our Parish

Monday, June 26, Weekday

5:30 pm Mass (Int: Leonard & Coletta Ochs)

Tuesday, June 27, St. Cyril of Alexandria

8:30 am Mass at St. Mary's

Wednesday, June 28, St. Irenaeus

7:30 am Adoration w MP until 8 am Benediction

8:30 am Mass (Int: Barb & Ned Hoppin –Wedd. Anv.)

9:00 am Rosary Group

Thursday, June 29, Sts. Peter and Paul

8:30 am Mass at St. Thomas (Int: Judy Wagner)

8:30 am Mass at St. Mary's

Fri., June 30, 1st Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

7:30 am MP w Adoration - Benediction at **8:15 am**

8:30 am Mass (Int: Brad Ghast+)

Sat., July 1, St. Junipero Serra/1st Sat. of the Month

Pastorate of Fr. Pawel (Paul) Luczak

7:45 am – 8:15 am Confessions at St. Mary's

8:30 am Mass at St. Mary's

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm Confessions

4:30 pm Mass (Int: For the Parish)

Sunday, July 2, 13th Sunday in Ord. Time

7:00 am Mass at St. Thomas (for the Parish)

10:00 am Mass at St. Thomas (for the Parish)

10:30 am Communion Service at Villas

REMEMBER: THIS SUNDAY JUNE 25,

MASS is at 10:30 a.m

SAM PARR STATE PARK. (White Oak Shelter)

The Parish will provide pork burgers, chips and water for lunch. You bring cookies, cupcakes or brownies and lawn chairs. Bring your own cooler for soda or other drinks. **A sign-up link has been e-mailed.**

Youth: Bring your water guns!!!

St. Thomas School Family Agreements.

Please call the parish office this week to set up an appointment with Father Paul. The priest is to meet with each school family to discuss and sign the **Family School Parish Agreement. Please call the church (618-783-8741) for day or evening meeting.**

St. Thomas Calling Tree for Funeral Dinners.

Please contact the parish office at 618-783-8741 if you would like to be added to the calling tree. All are welcome to participate and your help would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Happy Birthday, Dolores Ritz! Dolores will celebrate her 90th birthday on July 10th. A card shower is being held to help her celebrate. Please send cards to Dolores Ritz, P. O. Box 131, Newton, IL 62448.

St. Thomas Parish Ministry Schedule:

Saturday, July 1 @ 4:30 pm

Lectors: Mark Hartrich

E.M.: Denisse Ochs, Emma Rauch, Kimberly Ochs,
Glenda Spiker

Servers: Allie & Brooks Hermann

Gift Bearers: Matt Baltzell Family

Musicians: Nichole Mulvey & Kaitlyn Ochs

Greeters/Ushers: Vic Klingler

Sunday, July 2 @ 7:00 am

Lectors: Nikki Bierman; Lily Bierman

EM: Sheryl Brummer, Jamie/Nicholas Shamhart,
Amy Hartrich

Servers: Alani Bergbower & Nathan Bierman

Gift Bearers: Doug & Jan Long Family

Musicians: Five For the One

Greeters/Ushers: Mark Vahling

Sunday, July 2 @ 10:00 am

Lectors: Renee Gier; Kristine Probst

EM: Jason/Jenny Bierman, Dee Bower, Ginger Robins

Servers: Carlee Finn; Alaina Urfer

Gift Bearers: Mike Gier Family

Musicians: Patsy Leffler & Anne Kuhl

Greeters/Ushers: Jacob Jahraus

St. Thomas & St. Mary Parishes

WELCOME You and invites you to join our
Church families by calling the parish office.

The parishes of St. Thomas the Apostle, Newton,
and St. Mary of the Assumption, Sainte Marie.



Please pray for the Sick:

Keith Long, Doug Frichtl, Gary Griffith, Mary Bergbower, Mack McCrillis, Delorse Johnson, Mike Lustig, Cleve Bradley, Rhonda Wilson, Shirley Woodard, Dick Worland, Suzi Ochs, Randy Hatten, Lynn Schafer, Rodney Hatten, George Roth, Geneva Barber, Seth Weber; and those in healthcare facilities & in our Book of Requests.

Rest in Peace: Judy Wagner

This Week's Scripture Readings:

Monday:	Gn 12:1-9	Mt 7:1-5	
Tues.:	Gn 13:2,5-18	Mt 7:6,12-14	
Weds.:	Gn 15:1-12,17-18	Mt 7:15-20	
Th.:	Acts 12:1-11	2Tm 4:6-8,17-18	Mt 16:13-19
Fri.:	Gn 17:1,9-10,15-22	Mt 8:1-4	
Sat.:	Gn 18:1-15	Mt 8:5-17	
Sun.:	2Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a	Rom 6:3-4,8-11	Mt 10:37-42

Congratulations, Sue Dickerson, who will be recognized this Saturday June 24th at a Mass at the Cathedral for being selected as the Woman of Distinction for St. Thomas Parish. This award is presented by the Springfield in Illinois Council of Catholic Women (SDCCW). Sue was the chairperson of the Funeral Luncheon Committee for many years, continues as the leader of Rosary and Communion Services at the Villa of Holly Brook each Friday; she is a Eucharistic Minister and Lector among many other parish ministries as member of the Angels Group.

Sue will be accompanied by her daughters, Fr. Dean and Linda Mertens (last year's recipient).

Congratulations!

St. Thomas School Distinguished Graduate Award:

Congratulations, **Kim Zuber**, for receiving this award. Thank you for your service to our school and parish.

St. Thomas Parish Exceptional Service Award:

The recipient of this award this year is **Luke Zuber!** Congratulations, Luke!! All that you do is greatly appreciated and does not go unnoticed.

G.I.F.T. (Giving in Faith Together) collection is here and so far the total collected is **\$5,620.00**. This important annual collection for our parish will help with the repair of the Church lighting system of \$10,000 insurance deductible. Thanks for your support.

FORMED is a free Catholic resource of movies, books, & programs sponsored by St. Thomas Parish. Please sign on and begin enjoying good Christian movies, books, etc.

To gain access to the content:

Go to <http://signup.formed.org/>

Enter 62448 (St. Thomas' parish zip code)

Enter your name and your email address.

The Pictorial Directory is HERE! Directories can be picked up at the parish offices in the upcoming weeks. Your directory is free if you had your picture taken. If you did not have your picture taken and would still like a directory or would like an extra copy the cost is \$35. A special thanks to Jennifer Hecht and JA-FA Photo.

Baby Bottle Project. Please return the remainder of baby bottles by June 26 as we will give our donation to the Newton Family Life Center by June 30. Thank you for putting your spare change to good use!!

Advocate Training: Training for those interested in representing the Tribunal in preparing marriage nullity cases as Advocates will be held Saturday, July 15, 2023, 9:30 am-3:00 pm. There will be no cost for the training but please pre-register by July 10th by contacting cbranyan@dio.org or 217-321-1117. Lunch will be provided.

TRANSITION WEEK!

Fr. "Paul" Pawel Luczak is preparing for his installation as Pastor of St. Thomas, Newton, and St. Mary of the Assumption, Sainte Marie. He becomes the pastor of both parishes next Saturday, July 1. The Mass schedule will revert to that of one priest during the week and he will have the full weekend schedule beginning July 1st/2nd.

Fr. R. Dean Probst will conclude his ministry as pastor July 1, moving to his new residence at 602 N. Fourth Street, Effingham, IL, 62401. He will be on call per se from pastors in the Diocese to fill in on occasion as needed. His only Parochial Vicar, Fr. Paul will be in charge of these two beloved parishes and any requests regarding ministry must come from him.

You're invited to a Farewell Open House June 25th for Fr. Dean as we celebrate his new designation as Pastor Emeritus beginning July 1st!

The 10:30 am Mass (his last Sunday Mass as Pastor) will be in Sam Parr Park, (White Oak Shelter). See aforementioned note on Mass at Sam Parr Park.

The Farewell Open House Reception will be held in St. Thomas Parish Center **2:00 pm - 4:00 pm** with comments beginning at 2:15 pm. Light refreshments will be available with Homewood Grill providing ice-cream. Enjoy cards, games, etc. **Please feel free to bring your cards and games!**



Thank you, Fr. Dean! Our parishes would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all the hours you have given to St. Thomas's and St. Mary's parishes. Thank you for the time you have given to our parish

families and to St. Thomas School. We are thankful for the 42 years that you have dedicated to the Diocese of Springfield. Your dedication to the priesthood and your flock is unwavering and an example to be

followed. Thank you again for your faithful service and friendship. May you continue to fill your life with His joy and be sustained by His grace!



Congratulations to all of the award winners at the Jasper County Fair this past week. Lots of hard work, time and patience goes into all of those farm animals, but all of you make it look easy☺ See you next year!!

St. Thomas School Presents Our 11th Annual DUCK RACE 2022 Sunday, August 20th

11:00 a.m. at the Newton Aquatic Center

Free swimming following until noon for those who had a duck in the race.

1st place duck: \$600.00

2nd place duck: \$250.00

3rd place duck: \$100.00

Only 500 ducks will be sold!

DOOR PRIZES! (MUST BE PRESENT)

NOTE: LUCKY BLUE DUCK--\$25 gift certificate

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFITS

ST. THOMAS SCHOOL

For more info call St. Thomas School @ 618-783-3517

Ducks can be purchased for \$5.00 after each Mass starting July 1st – August 6th. Ducks can also be purchased at St. Thomas School and Church, Peoples State Bank and the Medicine Shoppe.

TOTUS TUUS
Totally Yours



St. Aloysius Church, Bishop Creek
Totus Tuus is a daily week-long Catholic program for youth that is dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith. Learn about your faith and have fun!

Potluck Kickoff June 25th 5:30pm
Everyone Welcome! Sign up in the back church.

Age 5 through Grade 6
June 26 - 30 8:45am to 2:30pm
Bring a sack lunch & water bottle.
Mass 11:15am daily - Everyone Welcome
Friday: Cheese pizza provided followed by water games.

Grades 7-12
June 25-29 6:30pm - 8:15pm

Registration Forms
In the Parish Office, back of both churches, or stisidore.weconnect.com under the PSR tab. Registration appreciated by June 19th but walk-ins also welcome. If you'd like to help or have questions call 217-536-2806.

Sunday, July 16th – St. Michael Annual Church Picnic, Sigel, IL – starts at 11:00 A.M.

Come join us for a terrific home-cooked chicken & ham dinner in the air-conditioned school gym from 11:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. Come visit with family, friends, and neighbors. Check out the Bargain Barn for great deals and the Country Store for fresh produce and home baked goods. Win a cake at the Cake Walk! Plenty of refreshments and Games for all ages! FACE will be performing from 4:00 – 5:00 P.M. under the shade trees. Many great prizes in the raffle. Hope to see you all in Sigel on the 16th of July.

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St. Mary of the Assumption Church

112 W. Embarras Street, P.O. Box 68
Ste. Marie, Illinois 62459 Tel: 618-455-3155

E-mail: stmaryschurch@psbnewton.com

Website: www.stmariechurch.org

Parish Emergency Number: 217-494-6326

Pastor: Fr. R. Dean Probst (email: dprobst@dio.org)

Pastor Elect: Fr. Paul Luczak
(email/text: revpl.stthomas@gmail.com)

Deacon emeritus: Rev. Mr. Larry Miller

Office Manager: Denisse Ochs

PSR Coordinator: Marie Wagner

Tribunal Annulment Advocate: Debbie Matson

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 3 p.m. Tues-Wed.-Thurs.

Masses: 8:30 am Sunday

and 8:30 am Tuesday and Thursday

8:30 am First Saturday of the Month.

Rosary: 8:00 am Tuesday and Thursday

Penance: 7:45 am - 8:15 am First Saturday of Month
and as scheduled by request.

This Week in our Parish

Monday, June 26th, Weekday

**BLOOD DRIVE 2-6PM @ AMERICAN LEGION
SAINTE MARIE**

Tuesday, June 27th, St Cyril of Alexandria

8:00 a.m. – Rosary

8:30 a.m. – Mass: (Int: Richard Hunzinger+)

Wednesday, June 28th, St Irenaeus

Thursday, June 29th, Sts Peter & Paul

8:00 a.m. – Rosary

8:30 p.m. – Mass (Int: Marion Bahl+)

Friday, June 30th, Weekday

Saturday, July 1st, St Junipero

8:30 a.m. – Mass (Int: Lelia Rennier+)

Sunday, June 25th, 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. – Mass: (Int: For the Parish+)



Congratulations!!
Reed Kistner,
Max Ochs,
Wade Schackmann
Henry Zumbahlen.

They received the
Sacrament of Confirmation and their First Holy
Communion of Saturday, June 17th at the Cathedral in
Springfield. Our prayers are with them!!

Rest in Peace: May God grant Judy Wagner eternal
happiness, saying to her “Come share your Master’s
joy. Please keep her and her family in prayers.

Wanted – Do you sing or play the piano? The
musicians at St Mary’s need more people to share their
time and talents at Sunday mass. Anyone interested
could try it out with a current musician. Please contact
Sarah Boehl at 618-562-8745.

St Mary’s Disciples’ Stewardship of Treasure
Collection for the week of June 18, 2023

Envelopes	\$ 1758.00
Loose	194.00
Sub Total	\$ 1952.00
Haiti	125.00
TOTAL	\$2077.00

St Mary’s Church May Tithe

May Tithe Income – \$10793.00

10% Monthly Tithe Given to Diocese - \$1079.00

Ministers for 8:30 a.m. – July 2, 2023

Ushers: Jacob Kaufmann, Ethan Matson,
Tony Strutner

Servers: Daniel Uebinger./Oliver Ochs

Lectors: Ethan Zwilling/Beth Hartrich

Gift Bearers: Dan & Beth Hartrich Family

Eucharistic Ministers: Norman Boehl, Lora Semple,
Elaine Zwilling

Blood Drive sponsored by St Mary’s Church will be
held on **Monday, June 26th** at the **American Legion
Hall in Sainte Marie**. Donations will be collected
between 2 – 6 pm. Please give the gift of Life!

3rd Faltemier Reunion will be held Sunday, July 2,
2023 at the St Mary’s Catholic Church Parish Center,
Sainte Marie. The Faltemier family would like to
invite previous and present Sainte Marie residents to
come and visit from 2:00 – 5:00 pm. The Faltemier
family will be serving homemade pie and ice cream
during that time.