

Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



**St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church**

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**Annulment Advocate:** Debbie Matson

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 7:55 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**

Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Collection

Envelopes	\$	6,480.00
Loose	\$	147.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,627.00</b>
Building Fund	\$	275.00
School Fund	\$	360.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>635.00</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,262.00</b>

**St. Thomas Church July Tithe**

July Tithe Income – \$28,400.00

10% Monthly Tithe Given to Diocese - \$2,840.00

**Victim Assistance Contact Information:**

Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting & Investigation

Call 217-321-1155.

**This Week in Our Parish**

**Monday, Sept. 19, St. Januarius**

**No Mass – Fr. Pawel on vacation Sept. 12-25**

**Tuesday, Sept. 20, Sts. Andrew Kim & Companions**

7 pm Catholicism Inquiry Session resched. to Sept. 27

7 pm Fr. Dean @ Priest Convocation Corporate Mtg  
at St. Jerome Church, Troy, Illinois

**Weds., Sept. 21, St. Matthew**

**No School – Teacher's Institute**

**7:30 am MP w Adoration - Benediction at 7:55 am**

**8:30 am** Mass (Joe & Brad Bergbower+)

**9:00 am** Rosary Group

**9:30 am** – Cleaning Church – Thank you!!

**2:00 pm** Mass at Newton Care Center (Flo Barker)

**5:30 pm** Youth Choir

**7:00 pm** Catholicism Inquiry Session at St. Mary's

**Thursday, Sept. 22, Weekday**

Fr. Dean at St. Mary's

**Friday, Sept. 23, St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)**

**7:30 am MP w Adoration - Benediction at 7:55 am**

**8:30 am** ALL SCHOOL Mass (Vera Hall+)

**11:00 am** Mass at the Villas of Holly Brook

**Saturday, Sept. 24, Weekday**

**4:30 pm** Mass @ St. Thomas (For the Parish)

**Sunday, Sept. 25, 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**8:30 am** Mass at St. Mary's (For Parish)

**10:00 am** Mass at St. Thomas (Diocesan Dec. Priests)

**10:30 am** Communion Service at Villas

**St. Thomas Parish Ministry Schedule**

**Saturday, September 24 @ 4:30 pm**

Lectors: Beth Ochs; Mike Hartrich

E.M.: Matt/Amanda Baltzell, Denisse Ochs,

Emma Rauch,

Servers: Allie Hermann & Jackson Baltzell

Gift Bearers: Gerald Ochs

Musicians: Tammy Page & Elise Wright

Greeters/Ushers: Steve Rubsam

**Sunday, September 25 @ 7:00 a.m.**

Lectors: Sara Bergbower; Caroline Frohning

EM: Helen/Leo Weber, Paul Bierman, Gery Ochs

Servers: Tyler Spiker & Curtis Weber

Gift Bearers: Becky Shamhart Family

Musicians: Vicki Mullen & Lucy Bierman

Greeters/Ushers: Randy Hemrich/Nick Hemrich

**Sunday, September 25 @ 10:00 am**

Lectors: Elley Bennett; Sue Sparks

EM: Tony Sparks, Dee Bower, Marissa Bower,  
Dennis Weber

Servers: Drew Iffert & Beau Bennett

Gift Bearers: Brian Bierman Family

Musicians: Vicki Mullen & Debbie Matson

Greeters/Ushers: Doug Iffert

### **ASSISTANCE NEEDED**

#### **10:30 am Sunday Communion Service at the Villas of Holly Brook**

Thanks for the volunteers who have signed up for the month of September to bring the Villas of Holly Brook Residents Holy Communion on Sundays. If you are willing to help, contact the parish offices or the priests.

**PSR Registration Time:** Parents please pick up a registration form (in foyer/entranceway of each parish church) and fill it out to register your child/ren for our parish school of religion classes. Classes will begin on **September 28<sup>th</sup>** at St Mary's Parish Center. Adults will be provided an opportunity for formation and hospitality during the hour of classes. Please watch the bulletin for future details.

**St. Thomas CYO... Because Sundays Are Not Enough!** Jenny, Lori and Linda welcome all High School Freshman – Seniors to our CYO session on **Sept. 28 at 6:30 pm** in the St. Thomas Parish Center. Bring your ideas for games/activities at the Picnic!!

**The Family Life Center** would like to thank St. Thomas Parish for their continued support, especially with the opening of the Newton Family Life Center. This year **St. Thomas raised \$1,249.72 for the Baby Bottle Project.** Your generosity is greatly appreciated as clients have already started taking advantage of the services provided by the Newton Family Life Center. **THANK YOU!**

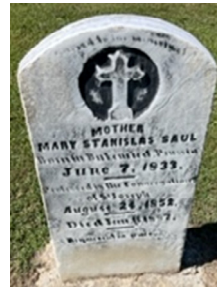


**St. Thomas Pictorial Directory Sign-ups have started!** A sign-up sheet from Sign-up Genius has been emailed to our parishioners and spaces are filling up quickly. Call the parish office if you cannot sign up online. Jennifer with Jafa Photo will be handling our photo sessions. Families will have the option to purchase a jump drive for \$35.00 that includes their entire photo shoot. You will receive a free directory if you have a picture taken for the directory. Jennifer recommends intergenerational photo shoots for families that would like to include grandparents, etc. so that grandparents do not have to purchase a separate jump drive; their photos would be included on the family's jump drive. Just be sure when scheduling an intergenerational photo or a photo with 5+ members that you schedule 2 sessions! Smile 😊

Oct. 3, 2022 – 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
Oct. 4-6; 1:00 pm – 8:00 pm  
Nov. 26-27; 9:00 am - 9:00 pm

**September & October Church Cleaning Crews**  
joining together to clean on September 21<sup>st</sup> @ 9:30 am.

### **St. Thomas School News**



**Mother Mary Stanislaus (Christina) Saul Memorial Collection.** Thanks to Madonna & Gene Schackmann for cleaning the tombstone so the lettering can be read. A small tombstone will be added to acknowledge her as the foundress of St. Thomas School.

The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet are sending a picture of this saintly woman.

**We have collected \$365.00 so far for the restoration of Mother Mary Stanislaus Saul's tombstone!**

**The Soup Supper has been moved to November 13<sup>th</sup>.** This is not a typo 😊 This date change is the result of trying to put a few months in between our school's biggest fundraisers, Soup Supper and Trivia Night. We hope this will make it easier for all those who are involved, volunteer, attend and make donations to each event. Each and every fundraiser is important, and we thank all of you for the time that you give to ensure each one's success!!

### **St. Thomas Gigantic Garage Sale**

**September 29<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am - 6:00 pm**

**September 30<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am - 6:00 pm**

**October 1<sup>st</sup> 8:00 am - 11:00 am**

Specials announced during the sale!!

**Acceptable donations:** Gently used clothing (SEASONAL), house wares, home decor items, shoes, toys, books, bedding & curtains, purses, belts, backpacks and **furniture with prior approval.**

**CANNOT accept:** Undergarments, girls/ladies swimwear, motor oils, lawn & garden chemicals, paint, spray paint, lawn & garden tools, **any outdated electronics (TV's computer monitors, printers) or reference book sets**

**Drop donations off Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 am - 6:00 pm  
and Sept. 27<sup>st</sup>, 8:00 am – 6:00 pm**

All proceeds go to St Thomas School



### **St. Thomas School Dates to Remember Go Saints!**

**Sept. 20** – Cross Country, here @ 4:30 pm

**Sept. 21** – No School – Teacher's Institute

**Garage Sale Set-up and Sale starts next week!**

## St. Thomas & St. Mary Parishes

### Interested in Communion of the Catholic Church?

Instructional Formation sessions for those who are interested through baptism and/or reception into full communion will be set according to schedule/situation of those interested. Letters were set out this week inviting family members to become full sacramental members of the Church. The meeting scheduled for Tuesday September 20 at St. Thomas will be postponed to **7 pm September 21 at St. Mary's**, due to our pastor, Fr. Dean, being required to attend the Parish Corporation Meeting at the Priests' Convocation in Troy, IL and Fr. Paul being in Poland visiting family. Another meeting is scheduled for 7 pm September 27 at St. Thomas. If you or someone you know is interested, call the parish offices to provide name and contact information.

**PSR SESSIONS** will again be held at St. Mary's Parish Center, **beginning September 28 with Opening of the PSR School Year Mass at 6 pm. Registration forms due: Thursday, September 21.**

At present we have only 11 families registered with students as such:

The forms are available in both parish churches and offices. K-3, 1<sup>st</sup>-1; 2<sup>nd</sup>-2; 3<sup>rd</sup>-2; 4<sup>th</sup>-2; 5<sup>th</sup>-2; 7<sup>th</sup>-1 8<sup>th</sup>-3; & high school-2.

Note: We are in **need of teachers** for grades: **K, 1 & 4.**

**The next pre-baptismal class will be held Sunday, November 6 at 8:45 am** at St. Thomas Church. To register, please call the St. Thomas or St. Mary's parish office. Call the parish office or parish priest to schedule the baptism after all necessary paperwork is filed. **Baptisms are scheduled during Mass** so that the child/person can be welcomed into the Church, the family of God.

**Please pray for the Sick**, especially Theo Will, Susan Goldstein, Gavin Leachman, Mike Hall, Matilda Hemrich, George Roth, Gary Griffith, Mary Bergbower, Karen Shamhart, Diane Bunton, Geneva Barber, Greg Dennis, Amber Wakefield, Seth Weber; those in healthcare facilities & those in our Book of Requests.

### Life Chain 2022 - Respect Life Sunday - Oct. 2

For Jasper County to be held in Newton

**2:00 PM - Prayer Service** on courthouse square.

**Life Chain immediately following** until 3:00 PM.

We will stand on the sidewalks along Routes 33 and 130 as a prayerful, peaceful, and legal witness for Life. Please feel free to bring your own signs and show your support for LIFE. For further information call Diann Ruholl 217-663-2056.

### This Week's Scripture Readings:

<b>Monday:</b>	<b>Prv 3:27-34</b>	<b>Lk 8:16-18</b>
<b>Tues.:</b>	<b>Prv 21:1-6,10-13</b>	<b>Lk 8:19-21</b>
<b>Weds.:</b>	<b>Eph 4:1-7,11-13</b>	<b>Mt 9:9-13</b>
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>Eccl 1:2-11</b>	<b>Lk 9:7-9</b>
<b>Friday:</b>	<b>Eccl 3:1-11</b>	<b>Lk 9:18-22</b>
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>Eccl 11:9-12:8</b>	<b>Lk 9:43b-45</b>
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>Am 6:1a,4-7</b>	
	<b>1Tm 6:11-16</b>	<b>Lk 16:19-31</b>

### KC September News:

**Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive** will be the weekend of September 16th-18th at the Football Game Friday night and Masses that weekend.

**4th Degree Meeting** Tuesday, September 27th at 6:00 p.m. @ the KC Hall

**September Stag** Tuesday, September 27th at 7:00 p.m. @ the KC Hall



### St. Thomas Annual Harvest Picnic

Sunday, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>

4:00 pm – 8:00 pm

**GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE:**

**John Deere 1025R Loader Tractor**  
with attachment Mower Deck or Tiller  
or **\$10,000 cash**

**1st Prize: \$1,000; 2nd Prize: \$500**

**KC Style Chicken Dinner,**  
**Basket Stand, Games for the kids** sponsored by  
**CYO, Quilt Raffle**

**A Little Southern Comfort SOCO**  
playing 4:00 pm-7:00 pm,

### St. Thomas Picnic Basket Stand - Baskets Wanted!

Value of baskets is a minimum of \$25.00. You are welcome to drop off your basket in the church's meeting room next to the church office.

**Game Prizes Wanted!** CYO is asking for donations of individual chip bags, candy and drinks for the games that they are providing for the picnic. Thanks for supporting our youth and the picnic. Items can be dropped off at the church. CYO members will be asked to provide 2 dozen cookies that are packaged 2 cookies per zip lock baggie. THANKS!

**Raffle Tickets are available in the Church foyer.**  
**10% of proceeds will benefit the**

**Family Life Center – Newton**  
**Limitless – Newton**



**Ice Cream and Soda will be for sale.**  
**BYOB**

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**This Week in our Parish**

**Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, St Janarius**

**Tuesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, St Andrew**

8:00 a.m. – Rosary

8:30 a.m. – Mass: (Int: Barbara (Wagner) Ochs+)

**Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, St Matthew**

**Picnic Meeting – 6:30 pm – Parish Center**

**7:00 pm Inquire about Catholicism – Instructions**

**Meet in St. Mary's Church.**

**Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, Weekday**

8:00 a.m. - Rosary

8:30 a.m. – Mass: (Int: Eugene & Maxine Hartrich+)

**Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, St Pius**

**Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, Weekday**

**September 25th, 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**Picnic Follow-up meeting** will be held on  
September 21, 2022, in the Parish Center at 6:30 pm.

**Thank you! Thank you!** To Aaron Ochs, Becca Ochs and Elaine Zwilling for taking charge of the Picnic. To Amy Frohning, Sherrie Hemrich, Rhonda Keller & Diann Lybarger for taking care of dinner, Kate Kaufmann for getting the baskets, Matt, Lora & Kelby Ochs for the donation of a hog, and Hartrich Meats for the processing and donations! To all the stand managers, workers and behind the scenes people, setting up and cleaning up. Your hard work is very much appreciated.

**“Two are better than one because they have a good reward for their labor” – Ecclesiastes 4:9**

Thank you all for making the 185<sup>th</sup> Annual Picnic a success!!

**Ministers for 8:30 am – September 25, 2022**

**Ushers:** Paul Kaufmann, Jacob Kaufmann,  
Marvin Zwilling

**Servers:** Charlee Hartrich/Brianna Zwilling

**Lectors:** Claire Griffith/Becca Ochs

**Gift Bearers:** Ron & Nancy Zwilling

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Janet Hartrich, Lisa Ochs,  
Elaine Zwilling

**St Mary's Disciples' Stewardship of Treasure**

**Collection for the week of September 11, 2022**

Envelopes	\$ 905.00
Loose	171.00
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>\$ 1076.00</b>
Capitol Improvement	25.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1101.00</b>

**St Mary's Church July Tithe**

July Tithe Income - \$9375.00

10% Monthly tithe Given to Diocese - \$938.00

**Parish School of Religion, Teachers are needed for kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade. Please notify Marie Wagner 618-754-3388, if you would be willing to help.**

PSR, will begin on **Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup>** with Mass at **6:00 pm** that evening. Classes will follow from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm, there will be a hospitality session for adults.

The PSR is for students of both St Mary's and St Thomas parishes; that is, those who are not attending a Catholic Grade School. Number of families/students registered are listed on page 3.

**Deadline for registration is September 22, 2022**

Please fill out the registration form, which is available at the entrances of each parish church. Drop the registration form and the fee in the collection basket or turn in at either parish office.