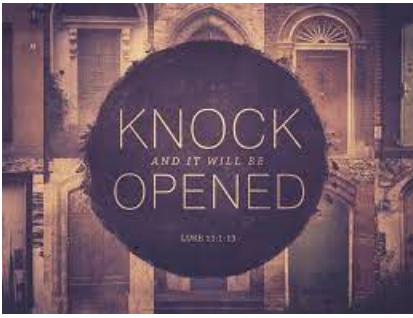


July 23th– July 24th, 2022
 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

404 W. Jourdan, Tel: 618-783-8741
 Newton, Illinois 62448 Fax: 618-783-8742
 E-mail: stthomaschurch@psbnewton.com
 Website: www.stthomasnewton.net
 Emergency Number: 217-494-6326

Pastor: Fr. R. Dean Probst (email: dprobst@dio.org)
Parochial Vicar Fr. Pawel Luczak
 (email: rvpl.stthomas@gmail.com)

Deacon emeritus: Rev. Mr. Larry Miller
Office Manager: Linda M. Hemrich
PSR Coordinator: Pete Pasero

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 7:15-8:15 am

w/Morning Prayer 7:30 am Benediction 8:15 am

Reconciliation: 8:00 - 9:00 am Saturdays and request.

St. Thomas School Office:

St. Thomas School Principal: Jill Bierman

School Secretary: Lori Smith

306 W. Jourdan, PO Box 26 Tel: 618-783-3517
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St. Thomas Disciples' Stewardship of Treasure

July 16-17, 2022 Collection

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| Envelopes | \$ | 5,914.00 |
| Loose | \$ | 703.00 |
| Subtotal | \$ | 6,617.00 |
| G.I.F.T. | \$ | 100.00 |
| School Fund | \$ | 10.00 |
| Subtotal | \$ | 110.00 |
| Grand Total | \$ | 6,727.00 |

St. Thomas Church June Tithe

June Tithe Income – \$37,071.00

10% Monthly Tithe Given to Diocese - \$3,707.00

Victim Assistance Contact Information:

Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting & Investigation
 Call 217-321-1155.

This Week in Our Parish

Linda out of the office this week.

*Denisse Ochs and Alice Addis will be available
 9 am -Noon & 1-4 pm Monday-Friday in the office.
 Monday, July 25, St. James*

5:30 pm Evening Prayer

6:00 pm Mass at St. Mary's

Tuesday, July 26, Sts. Joachim & Anne,

7:15 am Adoration 8:00 am Rosary at St. Mary's

8:30 am Mass at St Mary's, Ste. Marie.

5:30 pm Evening Prayer at St. Thomas

6:00 pm Mass (Living/Deceased Grandparents)

Wednesday, July 27, Weekday

7:15-8:15 am Adoration w 7:30 am Morning Prayer

8:30 am Mass (Jerry Hargis+)

9:15 am Rosary Group

6:00 pm Mass at St. Mary's

Thursday, July 28, Weekday

7:15 am Adoration 8:00 am Rosary-St. Mary's

8:30 am Mass at St. Mary's, Ste. Marie

Noon Mass (Special Intention)

Friday, July 29, St. Martha

7:15-8:15 am Adoration w 7:30 am Morning Prayer

8:30 am Mass (Alex & Lorene Kessler+)

Saturday, July 30, St. Peter Chrysologus

4:30 pm Mass @ St. Thomas (Intention of Priest)

Sunday, July 31, 18th 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 (Intention of Priest)

St. Thomas Parish Ministry Schedule

Saturday, July 30 @ 4:30 pm

Lectors: Mike Hartrich; Beth Ochs

E.M.: Glenda Spiker, Wanda Kocher, Alice Addis

Servers: Hayden Mulvey & Raylie Wall

Gift Bearers: Russell Brewer Family

Musicians: Debbie Matson

Greeters/Ushers: Brad Ochs

Sunday, July 31 @ 7:00 a.m.

Lectors: Katie Shamhart; Jamie Shamhart

EM: Jill, Eliza, Lily Bierman, Nicholas Shamhart

Servers: Michael Shamhart & Alani Bergbower

Gift Bearers: Mark & Janet Vahling

Musicians: Jeff Finley & Laney Hemrich

Greeters/Ushers: Chris Bierman

Sunday, July 31 @ 10:00 am

Lectors: Mitch Mammoser; Pat Mammoser

EM: Sara Mette, Kristine Probst, Becky Parker,

Jenny Bierman

Servers: Adria & Alivia Bierman

Gift Bearers: Jason Bierman Family

Musicians: Patsy Leffler

Greeters/Ushers:

Thank You to the New Funeral Dinner Managers: Alice Addis and Marlene Harris!! We want to thank Alice and Marlene for volunteering to be the Funeral Dinner Managers for St. Thomas. This is such a wonderful service that we provide for our families. Thanks to all of our volunteers who help with this ministry that supports our families when they need it most! **A special thanks to Sue Dickerson** for her many years of service and for making sure the funeral dinners ran smoothly throughout the years!!

Congratulations to Linda Mertens for being selected to represent St. Thomas Parish at the Women of Distinction Award Celebration in Springfield, July 23. Fr. Dean will accompany Linda as she is recognized and receives her certificate from the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. Thank you, Linda, for your compassion and care for all those who you tend at Newton Care Center. We appreciate all that you do and your willingness to always do more 😊

Gratitude and Appreciation to Rita Kocher for her dutiful 31 years of service to St. Thomas parish on the Finance Council, serving as its chairperson for many, many years. She has been a wonderful example of volunteering her professional expertise to support the welfare of the parish. She submitted her request to retire from the position at the recent Finance Council meeting. Teresa Volk, CPA, has graciously accepted the role of chairperson. Karen Buerster has also accepted appointment to the Finance Council.

**St. Thomas School Presents
Our 10th Annual DUCK RACE 2022
Sunday, August 14th**

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

Free swimming following until noon

Ducks can be purchased for \$5.00 at:

St. Thomas School or Church, Peoples State Bank,
Medicine Shoppe

Ducks will be sold after each St. Thomas Mass!!

1st place duck: \$600.00

2nd place duck: \$250.00

3rd place duck: \$100.00

BRING A LAWNCHAIR & A FRIEND!

DOOR PRIZES! (MUST BE PRESENT)

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFITS

ST. THOMAS SCHOOL

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

****Choose the right number and be the LUCKY DUCK to win a special BLUE Duck and a \$25 gift certificate to a local business.****

Congratulations to the Villas of Holly Brook Newton as it was Named A Best Assisted Living Community by U.S. News & World Report. Our parishes and community are very fortunate to have this facility in our area. We currently have 17 parishioners who reside at Holly Brook. Thanks to our parish volunteers who visit the Villas regularly providing Communion Services and opportunities to pray the Rosary. **A Communion Service will be offered at the Villas at 10:30 am each Sunday beginning August 7.** A sign-up sheet for the ministry will be available in the foyer of the Church and/or call the parish office to volunteer a particular Sunday of the month.

St. Thomas Pictorial Directory plans are underway! ***Please contact the parish office if you would be interested in helping create and develop our directory.*** Jennifer with Jafa Photo will be handling our photo sessions, and we look forward to working with her. We are not quite ready for sign-ups but dates have been set, so start thinking about which dates and times will work best for you and your family.

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

The Family of Jarrett Zumbahlen would like to pass along that we have appreciated everyone's thoughts and prayers. We would also like to thank everyone involved in the beautiful funeral Mass and music, and extend a thank you to all the ladies of the parish for the delicious desserts. Your kindness and thoughtfulness during this time has meant so very much to our family.

Did you know Sister Stanislaus (Christina) Saul, the foundress of our parish school of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Newton in 1884, is buried in our Mount Cavalry Cemetery. Mother Stanislaus Saul died at the St. Thomas Convent of typhoid fever, a bacterial infection spread by contaminated food or water.

As her tombstone is hard to decipher and as a memorial to the foundress of our wonderful parish school, the Pastoral Council recommended **creating a memorial plaque acknowledging her contribution to our parish school.** If you are interested in making a donation for this fund, simply write Mother Stanislaus Memorial Fund on the envelope you use for your donation.

At the age of 16, Christina Elisabetha Saul entered the Congregation of Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet near St. Louis, Missouri on February 2, 1850. She adopted the religious name of Sister Mary Stanislaus and professed vows on August 24, 1852. At the age of 23, she was appointed Mother Superior and from then on led pioneering "advance teams" of sisters to found 10 schools and orphanages which she administered in four states.

St. Thomas & St. Mary Parishes

WELCOMES...

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

If you would like to become a participating member of either parish, please call the particular parish office.

WELCOME Seminarian CHARLIE DELANO back to our parishes for the remainder of the summer!

We will **welcome** recently ordained **Father Paul Lesupati** to celebrate Masses of Thanksgiving on August 13/14. He comes to offer Mass of Thanksgiving for our support of his vocation during his summer service to our parishes as a seminarian. He is the parochial vicar at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield, IL. It surely will be a busy weekend here on August 13/14. **Father Paul Lesupati will have the 4:30 pm Mass Saturday, August 13 at St. Thomas and then the 8:30 am Mass Sunday at St. Mary's.** On that weekend our parochial vicar, Father Pawel Luczak, will be filling in at Taylorville, Kincaid and Stonington parishes for Fr. Piotr Kosk, another seminarian who served in our parishes.

NOTE: On Saturday August 13, the Family Life Center and Silk Purse will have food and music to thank their supporters (See Notice). On Sunday, **August 14, St. Thomas School** will celebrate the beginning of a new school year with the 10 am Mass and **its annual Duck Race, swimming and family picnic** at Peterson Park.

This Week's Scripture Readings:

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| Monday: | 2 Cor 4:7-15 | Mt 20:20-28 |
| Tues.: | Jer 14:17-22 | Mt 13:36-43 |
| Weds.: | Jer 15:10,16-21 | Mt 13:44-46 |
| Thursday: | Jer 18:1-6 | Mt 13:47-53 |
| Friday: | Jer 26:1-9 | Jn 11:19-27 |
| Saturday: | Jer 26:11-16, 24 | Mt 14:1-12 |
| Sunday: | Eccl 1:2,2:21-23 Col 3:1-5,9-11 Lk 12:13-21 | |

Please pray for the Sick, especially Matilda Hemrich, George Roth, Gary Griffith, Mary Bergbower, Karen Shamhart, Flo Barker, Diane Bunton, Geneva Barber, Greg Dennis, Amber Wakefield, , Seth Weber; those in healthcare facilities & those in our Book of Requests.

For **Anointing of the Sick** before surgery or in severe illness, or in danger of death for the **last rites and apostolic pardon**, call Fr. Dean Probst **217-494-6326**

Scheduling a Baptism at St. Thomas or St. Mary's:

After all required baptismal papers have been turned into the particular parish, **call the parish office to schedule the baptism.** A baptism will be scheduled only when all necessary paperwork is filed.

A Godparent-Sponsor must be a participating Catholic. If two Godparents, one must be male and the other be female. A non-Catholic cannot be a sponsor but can serve as a Christian witness but everyone present is a witness. Baptisms are scheduled during Mass so that the child/person can be welcomed into the Church, the family of God.

The next pre-baptismal class will be held Sunday, August 7 at 8:45 am at St. Thomas Church. To register, please call the St. Thomas parish office.
The next Class will be on November 6 at 8:45 am.

MUSIC! – DANCING! – FOOD! – DOOR PRIZE!

Supporters of the Newton Family Life Center and Silk Purse invite you to an ALL AGES event to say **THANK YOU** for all your support and ask for your help again. We are so close to our financial goal and with your help on this evening we will be able to fully fund our new Newton ministry!

Date: Saturday, August 13th

Where: West End Reception Hall - Newton

Time: Food at 5pm and Music at 7pm

Cost: Free will donation at the door

Must be 21 to purchase alcohol from the bar

Jasper County's very own **SOCO 'a little southern comfort'** will be the evening's entertainment and CZ's Fried Green Tomato food truck will be onsite. Drawing for to win a new 50" LED 4k Smart Fire TV will be held at 9 pm along with a 50/50 drawing. You must be present to win. Thanks for your help in this adventure.



Eucharistic Revival – a mission for you and your family begins NOW - You are invited to join

Catholics in our diocese by participating in nationwide movement to grow into a deeper understanding and devotion of the holy Eucharist. Visit www.dio.org to learn more about this mission.

The Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (SDCCW) are inviting all women of the diocese to their 93rd annual convention on Wednesday Sept. 28 at Immaculate Conception Parish in Mattoon (1920 Richmond Ave.) from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The theme is "Women of the Bible". The cost is \$50 which covers two meals. Make checks payable to SDCCW Jody Secondino-Crandell, 12872 N. 1900th St., Paris, IL 61944.



July 23-24, 2022
Seventeenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

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)

Parochial Vicar Fr. Pawel Luczak
 (email: rvpl.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

Reconciliation: 5:30 pm Mondays (Confessions)

Mondays: 6:00 pm Holy Mass

Tuesday and Thursdays:

7:15 am – 8:15 am Eucharistic Adoration

7:30 Morning Prayer-8 am Rosary-8:30 am Holy Mass

Confessions also 8 - 9 am & 3:30 – 4 pm Saturdays

at St. Thomas Church, Newton

This Week in our Parish

Monday, July 25th, St James

5:30 p.m. – Confessions (Reconciliation)

6:00 p.m. – Mass (Int: Henry & Julia Look+)

Tuesday, July 26th, Sts Joachim and Anne

7:15 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. – Eucharistic Adoration

7:30 am – Morning Prayer 8:00 a.m. – Rosary

8:30 a.m. – Mass: (Int: Dave & Betty Zwilling+)

7:00 p.m. – PASTORAL COUNCIL

Wednesday, July 27th, Weekday

5:30 pm – Evening Prayer

6:00 pm – Mass (Special Intention)

Thursday, July 28th, Weekday

7:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. – Eucharistic Adoration

7:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer - 8:00 a.m. - Rosary

8:30 a.m. – Mass: (Int: Mildred Schmidt+)

Friday, July 29th, St Martha

Saturday, July 30th, St Peter Chrysologus

Sunday, July 31st, 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. – Mass: (For the Parish)

Victim Assistance Contact Information

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WELCOME Seminarian CHARLIE DELANO!

He will be staying in the Rectory during his visit.

Ministers for 8:30 am – July 31, 2022

Ushers: Roger Hemrich, George Semple, Alex Kaufmann

Servers: Avery Ochs/Ashtyn Ochs

Lectors: Claire Griffith/Ethan Zwilling

Gift Bearers: Dan & Beth Hartrich

Euch. Min.: Janet Hartrich, Lisa Ochs, Elfrieda Kaufmann

St Mary's Disciples' Stewardship of Treasure

Collection for the week of July 17, 2022

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| Envelopes | \$ 1095.00 |
| Loose | 94.00 |
| Sub Total | \$ 1189.00 |
| Haiti | 125.00 |
| Total | \$ 1314.00 |

St Mary's Church June Tithe

June Tithe Income - \$1,1189.00

10% Monthly tithe Given to Diocese - \$1,119.00

Labor Day Weekend Picnic Reminder

Be sure your calendars are marked for the Picnic,
Sunday, September 4th, 3 pm – 7 pm: Ste Marie
 Style Chicken; local band SOCO-a little southern
 comfort; games, raffle, bingo and more.

**Those Raffle tickets which weren't picked up in
 Church, have been mailed to them.**

Many Thanks to Jane Ochs who has taken care of
 the cemetery records for many years. She has done an
 awesome job. The cemetery and records were
 inspected by the state this past week and it easily
 passed due to her diligence with record-keeping.
 Thanks also to the committee who keeps everything
 going great for the parish! NOTE: Denisse Ochs as
 Parish Office Manager will take care of the St. Mary
 Cemetery records.

Many Thanks to Richard Ochs for his long service to
 the parish as a former trustee and then as an ex-officio
 member of the Parish Finance and Pastoral Councils.
 He recently resigned from these Councils.

Also, many Thanks to Maynard Kaufmann, who
 continues on the Finance Council as the Farm-land
 Manager, and on the Pastoral Council ex officio,
 in his duties as the Parish Custodian.

July 31st – Bluegrass in the Bend Ice Cream Social,

Ice cream starting at 3 pm (free will donation)

Bluegrass music by Flat Mountain from 3-5pm.

Porkburgers, chips and drinks will be for sale.

Rain or Shine, please bring you lawn chair!!