

June 28-29, 2025
Saints Peter and Paul



St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

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

8:30 am Wednesday and Friday

Reconciliation: 8:00 am- 9:00am (Except for First Saturday at St. Mary) & 3:30-4 pm Saturdays and upon request at reasonable time.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR OFFERING

June 21-22, 2025 Collection

Envelopes	\$	4,313.00
Loose	\$	1,508.00
Subtotal	\$	5,821.00
School Fund	\$	217.00
Centennial Campaign	\$	200.00
Other	\$	75.00
G.I.F.T.	\$	470.00
Subtotal	\$	962.00
Grand Total	\$	6,783.00

St. Thomas Church May Tithe

May Tithe Income – \$59,530.00

10% Monthly Tithe Given to Diocese - \$5,953.00

This Week in Our Parish

Catholic Heart Workcamp – June 29 - July 5

Mon., June 30, First Martyrs of the Holy

Roman Church

Tuesday, July 1, St Junipero Serra

8:00 am Rosary

8:30 am Mass at St. Mary's

Wednesday, July 2, Weekday

8:30 am Mass (Int. Joseph Bierman)

9:00 am Rosary Group

Thursday, July 3, St. Thomas, Apostle

8:00 am Rosary

8:30 am Mass at St. Mary's

Friday, July 4, Weekday; Independence Day

Office Closed for the Holiday

8:30 am Mass (Int. For the Parish)

Adoration following Mass until Noon

Saturday, July 5, St. Anthony Zaccaria;

St. Elizabeth of Portugal; First Saturday

7:15 am Adoration & Confessions with Mass at

8:30 am at St. Mary's

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm Reconciliation

4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas (Int. For the Parish)

Sunday, July 6, 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am Mass at St. Thomas

(Int. Melvin & Inis Kistner)

8:30 am Mass at St. Mary's

10:00 am Mass at St. Thomas (Int. Petronilla Volk)

10:30 am Communion Service at Villas

This Week's Scripture Readings:

Mon.: Gn 18:16-33	Mt 8:18-22
Tues.: Gn 19:15-29	Mt 8:23-27
Weds.: Gn 21:5,8-20a	Mt 8:28-34
Th.: Eph 2:19-22	Jn 20:24-29
Fri.: Gn 23:1-4,19; 24:1-8,62-67	Mt 9:9-13
Sat.: Gn 27:1-5,15-29	Mt 9:14-17
Sun.: Is 66:10-14c Gal 6:14-18 Lk 10:1-12,17-20	

OPPORTUNITIES FOR RECONCILIATION

Regularly: 8:00-9:00 am Saturdays at St. Thomas (Except for First Saturday at St. Mary's); 3:30-4:00 pm Saturdays at St. Thomas **OR** by appointment

St. Thomas Pre-baptismal Class 2025 Schedule.

October 5 at 8:45 am or by appointment if needed. Classes will be held in the choir area. Contact 618-783-8741 to register or schedule an appointment.

**St. Thomas the Apostle,
 pray for us!**

St. Thomas Parish Ministry Schedule

Saturday, July 5 @ 4:30 pm

Lector: Luke Zuber

EM: Ramon Kocher, Lori TeVault, Linda Hemrich,
Kimberly Ochs

Servers: Carissa Barthelme & Brooke Farley

Gift Bearers: Todd Ochs Family

Musicians: Nichole Mulvey & Kaitlyn Ochs

Greeters/Ushers: Chris Rauch

Sunday, July 6 @ 7:00 am

Lector: Lucy Bierman

EM: Jill/Lily Bierman, Allison Weber, Jamie Shamhart

Servers: Brady Francis & Kinsley Kerner

Gift Bearers: Craig Shamhart Family

Musicians: Five for the One

Greeters/Ushers: Chris Bierman

Sunday, July 6 @ 10:00 am

Lector: Renee Gier

EM: Julie, Aleah, Kylie Higgs, Lisa Geier

Servers: Jack Weber & Pete Weber

Gift Bearers: Justin Probst Family

Musicians: Patsy Leffler & Anne Kuhl

Greeters/Ushers: Jacob Jahraus

Catholic Heart Work Camp

Be sure to keep our campers in your prayers this week as they head to Bowling Green, KY. We know they will do many good works by being the hands of Christ. We look forward to hearing about their experiences when they return! Thanks for supporting all those attending the work camp in Bowling Green, KY; June 29-July 5!

First Friday Adoration at St. Thomas

July 4, 2025

You are invited to join St. Thomas for 8:30 am Mass followed by Adoration until Noon unless concluded earlier. We have placed a sign-up sheet in the gathering space. This will ensure that the Blessed Sacrament is never left alone during Eucharistic Adoration.

The remaining Fridays of the month Adoration will be held from 7:30 am – 8:15 am.

The St. Thomas G.I.F.T. (Giving in Faith Together)

Collection is here! This important annual collection for our parish will help cover the cost of Altar and Ministry supplies that include hosts, wine and candles that we use at every Mass. *The total collected so far is \$4,520.00!* Thanks for your support!

It's Official! St. Thomas School has finalized the purchase of the Pizza Man property. There are no plans for the property at this time. Thank you to all those involved throughout the process. The Finance Council would especially like to thank the John Frohning Estate for remembering St. Thomas School. A portion of the funds from the John Frohning Estate made purchasing this property possible without it being a financial strain on the parish. We are grateful for his insight. May we all follow his example and consider how we can be good stewards of our faith and resources now and in the future.

ST. THOMAS CHURCH CELEBRATING 15 YEARS!

All parishioners are invited to attend Sunday brunch in the parish center on **July 20th after the 10:00 am Mass** celebrating our church building's 15th anniversary! Sausage, scrambled eggs and hash brown casserole will be served along with sweets provided by our Angels group. Free will donations will be accepted that morning to offset the cost and can also be dropped off any time in the collection basket or at the parish office. Eighth graders wanting service hours can sign up to work the brunch in the back of church.

Centennial Campaign Update:

Campaign Goal: \$88,473.00 over 3 years

Collected to date: \$3,266.10

Thank you to those who are already contributing! If you would like to contribute, please visit the church website, click on the online giving link, select the Centennial Campaign Fund and make a donation. For your convenience you can also contribute using the Building Fund envelope. Funds collected in the Building Fund envelope will go towards the Centennial Campaign goal, too. Together we can achieve great things for the benefit of both our parish and the Diocese!

St. Thomas School Registration:

All St. Thomas School Families
please mark your calendars.

July 22nd – 8:00 am – 1:00 pm

July 23rd – 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm

See you soon!

The St. Thomas Parish Center will be closed for cleaning and waxing floors **June 16 - July 19**. Thank you for your cooperation!



The Kids' Bulletin is now available in the St. Thomas Gathering Space. Be sure to pick one up for each of your kiddos!! Lots of great activities, stories and opportunities to share! We think your kids are going to love it, and we love to see the smiles that it puts on their faces!

St. Thomas & St. Mary Parishes

WELCOME you and INVITE you.



Please pray for the Sick:

Jim Beauchamp, Naomi Shedlebower, Mark Miller, Belinda Kubicki, Carson French, Matilda Hemrich, Brenda Zuber, John Probst, Donna Boehl, Carol Schafer,

Jim and Norma Kocher, Randy Ochs, Jessica Andruch, Whitney Benefiel, Delorse Johnson, Ted/Susie Ochs; those in healthcare facilities/Book of Requests.

Part II: Last Sunday we celebrated Corpus Christi, which honored the real presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. For us Catholics, Mass is not the typical social gathering. It is a holy and sacred encounter with God. This is especially true during the Liturgy of the Eucharist. In that sacred moment of the Mass, Heaven touches Earth. Every word and gesture, and silence have deep meaning. We gather together in Communion to receive His true presence, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity, so that He may dwell within us; to strengthen and unite us with Him and with each other as one holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. But be present during the entire Mass with your heart prepared and spirit ready. Make every genuflect, bow and sign of the cross as reverent as you would if Jesus were standing before you, because He is not just present when you receive Him in the hand or on the tongue. He is always present before you in the Tabernacle. While in the church after Mass, be mindful of those around who may still be in the pew, trying to pray to God. That sacred encounter with Him doesn't just stop after Mass has ended. So, whether it's before, during or after Mass, we remain reverent for He is always with us. Christ is Lord. We are in His house and He is always home.

THANK YOU to all who helped make the **51st Day of Prayer for Life** in our deanery a wonderful day dedicated to reparation for sins against life, and prayers of hope in restoring respect for all human life! Special thanks to our host, St. Francis Church, and to opening Mass presider, Fr. Dennis Koopman, OFM, and closing Mass presider, Father Michal Rosa, along with concelebrants Father John Titus, Father Joe Carlos, OFM, Father James Flach, Father Michael Berndt and Father Seth Brown. We also thank all prayer leaders and musicians at holy hours, musicians at both Masses - Sacred Heart Church musicians and Regina Villafuerte, sacristans, seminarians, servers, Fourth Degree KC Honor Guards, lectors, CCW, volunteers and all who came to pray. Please remember to continue to pray that the dignity and sacredness of ALL human life be upheld in our nation and world!

A Message from Fr. Pawel

Greetings from Poland! I am enjoying a blessed time with my family, and I am grateful for the opportunity to reconnect with them after 2 and a half years. Everything is going well, and I am keeping all parishioners in my prayers. Soon I'll be traveling to Rome so please pray for my safe trip.



↑ Fr. Pawel with his family and nephew →



Please welcome Fr. Tomy this weekend to our parishes. He will be keeping an eye on you while I am away. As he begins his ministry at St. Thomas and St. Mary, let us open our hearts and offer him support, prayers and friendship. That said I must admit - I am starting to miss our parishes and all of you more and more each day.

I look forward to being back as soon as possible. Until that time may God bless you all.

Fr. Pawel



Corpus Christi Procession

Trending on FORMED



Solanus Casey: Priest, Porter, Prophet

This extraordinary film explores the heroic life of a remarkable, modern-day mystic, Father Solanus Casey, who was relegated to doing little more than being a simple doorman in his monastery.

Saint Anthony: Miracle Worker of Padua

This is the first major feature length drama on the life of St. Anthony of Padua, the beloved miracle worker and one of the most popular saints in Christian history.

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St. Mary of the Assumption

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

Masses: 8:30 am Sunday

First Saturday of the Month

**7:30 am – 8:15 am Eucharistic Adoration
 & Reconciliation**

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Reconciliation: As Scheduled by request

This Week in our Parish

Monday, June 30th, Weekday

4-7:00 p.m. Visitation Donna Boehl in Church

Tuesday, July 1st, St Junipero Serra

8:00 a.m. – Rosary

8:30 a.m. – No Mass

10:00 a.m. Funeral Mass for Donna Boehl

Wednesday, July 2nd, Weekday

Thursday, July 3rd, St Thomas

8:00 a.m. – Rosary

8:30 a.m. – Mass (Int: Joe Zuber+)

Home Visits with Fr Tomy

Friday, July 4th, Weekday

Saturday, July 5th, St Anthony Zaccaria

7:15 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. Adoration & Reconciliation

8:30 a.m. – Mass (For the Parish)

Sunday, July 6th, 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. – Mass (Int: Gary Griffith+)

Rest In Peace – We pray for the repose of the soul Madonna Boehl, may the perpetual light shine upon her. Please keep her family in your prayers at this difficult time.

St Mary's Disciples' Stewardship of Treasures

Collection for the week of June 22, 2025

Envelopes	\$	918.00
Loose		<u>325.00</u>
Sub Total	\$	1,263.00
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Total	\$	1,283.00

St Mary's Church Tithe

May Tithe Income \$7,946.00

10% Tithe to Springfield - \$795.00

Kid' Bulletin – Something new has come to St Mary's! Every weekend we will have a bulletin available at the church entrances for the kids. They are an interactive bulletin, so be sure and pick one up for the kid's!!

Ministers for 8:30 a.m. – July 6th, 2025

Ushers: Paul Kaufmann, Nicholas Zwilling, George Semple

Servers: Henry Zumbahlen/Daniel Uebinger

Lectors: Mike Hartrich/Becca Ochs

Gift Bearers: Dan & Beth Hartrich Family

E Ms: Janet Hartrich, Lora Semple, Amy Frohning

Card Shower – Freda Keller will be celebrating her 90th birthday on July 5th. Her family invites you to send her a card for her birthday.

Cards may be sent to Freda Keller
 17614 E 200th Ave
 West Liberty, IL 62475

Happy Birthday Freda!!

2025 Pre Labor Day Picnic

2025 Picnic prep is underway! As we gear up for our annual picnic, several stands are seeking donations to ensure everything runs smoothly.

Donations requested:

Baskets for the basket stand (minimum \$50 value) If you would like to donate a themed basket, gift certificate, or other items for the basket stand, please contact Becca at 618-554-4999 or the parish office.

Glassware – clean glassware for the dime pitch. Glasses can be dropped off on the front porch of the parish office or call Elaine at 618-843-0800 for pickup. Please no mugs or plastic cups.

Please let us know by August 10th if you would be able to contribute. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support!



7/12/2025- Cork & Pork – 4:00 p.m.

7/27/25 – Bluegrass in the Bend 3pm – 5pm