

May 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Pentecost Sunday



**St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church**

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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.

**St. Thomas School Office:**

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**St. Thomas Disciples' Stewardship of Treasure**

May 20<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 Collection

Envelopes	\$	5,514.00
Loose	\$	429.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,943.00</b>
Special Collections	\$	653.00
Building Fund	\$	70.00
School Fund	\$	780.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,503.00</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,446.00</b>

**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, May 29, Blessed Virgin Mary,**

**Mother of the Church/Memorial Day**

**8:30 am** Mass at Mt. Calvary Cemetery/Dedication  
of monument to Sr. Mary Stanislaus Saul, CJS  
(Int. All Deceased Parishioners)

**Tuesday, May 30, Weekday**

**7:30 am MP/Adoration; 7:55 am Benediction**

**8:30 am** Mass (Bud & Gertrude Probst+)

**Weds., May 31, Visitation of the Bl. Virgin Mary**

**7:30 am** Adoration w MP until 8 am Benediction

**8:30 am** Mass (Kenny Koebele+)

**9:00 am** Rosary Group

**Thursday, June 1, St. Justin**

**8:30 am** Mass at St. Mary's

**Friday, June 2, Sts Marcellinus & Peter**

**7:30 am** MP w Adoration - Benediction at **8:00 am**

**8:30 am** Mass (Dec. Members of Rohr Family+)

**During the Day:** Pastoral Communion Visits

**Saturday, June 3, St. Charles Lwanga**

**Confessions will not be available here today due to:**

**11 am Confirmation/First Communion Mass in Spfd.**

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

**Recognition of Fully Initiated at Mass**

**Sunday, June 4, The Most Holy Trinity**

**Recognition of Fully Initiated at both Mass**

**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

**St. Thomas School Family Agreement.** Father Dean and Father Paul are scheduling opportunities to meet with each school family to sign the **Family School Parish Agreement** that is signed each year. You only need to meet with one priest. **Please call the church (618-783-8741) to set schedule a time to meet.** This is an opportunity discuss any questions you might have regarding your commitment.

**Steve Nelson will be here Tuesday morning May 30** to change some microphones and adjust issues with the new sound system. If you have questions or comments please give to parish office so these can be addressed.

**Welcome Jeffrey Finley and Kelsie Songer to the St. Thomas School Board.** Thanks to all those who currently serve!! The Board meets at 6:00 p.m. on the 1st Wednesday of the month during school year.

**St. Thomas Parish is excited to offer FORMED** to parishioners, a resource for Catholic Christian movies, books, resources, 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.

### St. Thomas Parish Ministry Schedule:

**Saturday, June 3 @ 4:30 pm**

Lectors: Beth Ochs; Emma Rauch  
E.M.: Glenda Spiker, Denisse Ochs, Erica Johnson,  
Lori TeVault

Servers: Jackson Baltzell & Brooke Farley  
Gift Bearers: Russell Brewer Family  
Musicians: Nichole Mulvey & Kaitlyn Ochs  
Greeters/Ushers: Ken Buerster

**Sunday, June 4 @ 7:00 am**

Lectors: Katie Shamhart; Becky Shamhart  
EM: Sheryl Brummer, Nicholas Shamhart, Amy  
Hartrich, Brenda Phillips

Servers: Madilyn Brummer & Caleb Kistner  
Gift Bearers: Brian Brummer Family  
Musicians: Five For the One  
Greeters/Ushers: Ben Bierman

**Sunday, June 4 @ 10:00 am**

Lectors: Renee Gier; Ryan Probst  
EM: Brad & Annie Ochs, Jason Bierman,  
Nikki Earnest

Servers: Oliver & Wyatt Ochs  
Gift Bearers: Jason Bierman Family  
Musicians: Vicki Mullen & Anne Kuhl  
Greeters/Ushers: Doug Iffert

## 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.

### PASTOR-Elect and Pastor Emeritus

**Fr. Paul** is now known as **Pastor Elect** as he has been appointed by Bishop Paprocki to succeed Fr. Dean as Pastor, when Fr. Dean becomes Pastor Emeritus July 1, 2023. Pastor Emeritus is not retirement but change in priestly responsibilities. The Pastor Emeritus relinquishes his canonical duties of pastor of particular parish(es); but he remains an active priest, offering Mass & prayer of the Church (Liturgy of the Hours); & Sacraments of Penance and Anointing of the Sick upon request, whether in his residential chapel or filling in for a priest anywhere in the Diocese due to priest's vacation, retreat or illness. Please keep Fr. Paul and Fr. Dean in your prayers as well as they make their transitions into new roles over the next **five** weeks.



**Please pray for the Sick**, especially, Mack McCrillis, Delorse Johnson, Mike Lustig, Cleve Bradley, Shirley Woodard, Rhonda Wilson, Suzi Ochs, Dick Worland, Doug Frichtl, Randy Hatten, Lynn Schafer, Vicky Yager, Rodney Hatten, Matilda Hemrich, George Roth, Gary Griffith, Mary Bergbower, Geneva Barber, Seth Weber; and those in healthcare facilities & in our Book of Requests.

### 8:30 am Mass, Memorial Day, Monday May 29 in Mount Cavalry Cemetery

Mark your calendars and bring your chairs to share in Mass on Memorial Day. The new monument regarding our parish St. Thomas School foundress, Sr. Mary Stanislaus Saul, CJS will be dedicated. Thanks to Madonna & Gene Schackmann and Judy McClure.

### SAVE THE DATE:

**10:30 a.m. Sunday, June 25, Outdoor Mass** and Picnic Lunch with Games at 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 will be e-mailed in the near future!**

Youth: Be sure to bring your water guns!!!

**You're invited to a Farewell Open House June 25<sup>th</sup> for Fr. Dean** as we celebrate his new designation as Pastor Emeritus on July 1<sup>st</sup>! **Mass** (his last Sunday Mass as Pastor) will be at **10:30 am June 25<sup>th</sup>** in Sam Parr Park, (White Oak Shelter). See above. **The 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.

### This Week's Scripture Readings:

<b>Monday:</b>	<b>Gn 3:9-15,20</b>	<b>Jn 19:25-34</b>	
<b>Tues.:</b>	<b>Sir 35:1-12</b>	<b>Mk 10:28-31</b>	
<b>Weds.:</b>	<b>Zeph 3:14-18a</b>	<b>Lk 1:39-56</b>	
<b>Thurs.:</b>	<b>Sir 42:15-25</b>	<b>Mk 10:46-52</b>	
<b>Fri.:</b>	<b>Sir 44:1,9-13</b>	<b>Mk 11:11-26</b>	
<b>Sat.:</b>	<b>Sir 51:12cd-20</b>	<b>Mk 11:27-33</b>	
<b>Sun.:</b>	<b>Ex 34:4b-6,8-9</b>	<b>2Cor 13:11-13</b>	<b>Jn 3:16-18</b>

**St. Thomas Mt. Calvary and St. Peters' Cemeteries** have updated their price lists effective immediately. Contact the St. Thomas Parish Office at 618-783-8741.

**Congratulations to Seminarians Jayke White and Alex McCullough**, along with **Daniel McGrath** on their **Diaconate Ordinations 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 26, 2023**, in the **Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Springfield, IL**. Note: Jayke and Alex had served in our parishes during the summers. **Please keep** these three in prayer as they are ordained to the transitional Diaconate and serve the Diocese. We are honored to share in their journey to the priesthood!

**Confirmation/First Holy Communion** administered by Bishop Paprocki at the Cathedral in Springfield, IL is scheduled for **11 am Mass, Saturday, June 3, 2023**. Youth from St. Thomas Parish/School and St. Mary's will be joining *Confirmandi* from our Diocesan parishes of Camp Point, Grantfolk, Greenville, Mt. Sterling, Pierron, Robinson, Shumway, & Tuscola. They will be recognized in their home parishes:

**St. Thomas, Saturday 4:30 pm Mass, June 3:**

Emily Beals	Megan Farley
Melah Goebel	Lillian Green
Hudson Miller	Brantley Ochs
Kinsley Ochs	Karlee Pitcher

**St. Thomas, Sunday 7:00 am Mass, June 4:**

Emma Hartrich	Elizabeth Brummer
Lucas Frohning	

**St. Mary's, Sunday 8:30 am Mass, June 4:**

Tatiana Alblinger	Kinsey Barber
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**St. Thomas, Sunday 10:00 am Mass, June 4:**

Micah Finley	Evan Frichtl
Deagan Ginder	Electa Meyer
Ella Probst	Norah Simpson
Jillian Volk	Gauge Weber

**St. Thomas, Sunday 10:00 am Mass, June 11**

Eli Benson

**Bailey Kistner** of Holy Cross Church, Wendelin who attends our St. Thomas School will be Confirmed and receive Holy Communion with some of her classmates.

**NOTE:** The Mass will be streamlined from the Cathedral via [dio.org/Mass](http://dio.org/Mass) of Confirmation.

**Two weeks later, on June 17, 2023**, Bishop Paprocki will administer Confirmation and First Reception of Holy Communion to other *Confirmandi* from St. Mary's Parish and St. Thomas Parish, along with youth from Diocesan parishes in Altamont, Beardstown, Bethalto, Dieterich, Hillsboro and Virginia.

These include:

**Saturday, June 17:**

Hudson Benefiel	Reed Kistner
Luke Bower	Max Ochs
Patrick Bower	Wade Schackmann
Blake Gier	Maura Weber
Nichole Hopson	Henry Zumbahlen

**NOTE: FUTURE CLASS OF CONFIRMANDI**

Those participating Catholic families with a child going into 2<sup>nd</sup> grade during the school year 2023-2024: Mark your calendars for **Dec. 7, 2024**, which is the date set for future Confirmation/First Communion.

**CATHOLIC HEART WORKCAMPERS**

The following are signed on for the Catholic Heart Workcamp July 9-14, 2023, in Huntingburg, Indiana: Youth: Jackson Baltzell, Lucy Bierman, Nick Bierman, Cameron Davis, Alex Gier, Kylie Higgs, Alayna Ochs, Ashtyn Ochs, Kelby Ochs, Mallory Ochs, Wade Ochs, Wyatt Ochs, Mary Scheidemantel, Adam Weber, & Elias Weber; Adults: Jason Bierman, Jill Bierman, Rose Gangloff, Ted Weber and Fr. Dean Probst.

**Sacred Heart Parish is hosting Totus Tuus this summer, June 12-16, for grades PreK through high school.**

The program for grades 1-6 is 9:00 am to 2:30 pm daily. The program for grades 7-12 is 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm daily. The cost is \$25 per child or \$50 for families of two or more. Children in the daytime session must bring a sack lunch. Totus Tuus is a form of Vacation Bible School, but so much more. A trained team of leaders travels to a different parish each week during the summer to promote the Catholic faith. Registration forms are available in the vestibules of both St. Thomas's and St. Mary's Churches.

**The BABY BOTTLE PROJECT is here!!**

Please be sure to stop in the gathering spaces of our parish churches to pick up a Baby Bottle. Please be generous and fill with your spare change and then return on Father's Day. All proceeds benefit the Family Life Center in Newton. Thanks!

**Tours of the Teutopolis Monastery Museum** will be available on Sunday, June 04, 2023. The Museum, located behind St. Francis Church in Teutopolis, IL, is housed on the second floor in the former Franciscan Novitiate building. An elevator is available for visitors. A collection of articles used by the early pioneers of the area and the Franciscan Friars can be viewed. Admission fee is \$5.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children. The Museum is open on the first Sunday of the months April thru November from 12:30 to 4:00 p.m., except holidays. For more information go to the parish website: [www.stfrancischurch.com](http://www.stfrancischurch.com) or to the town website at [www.Teutopolis.com](http://www.Teutopolis.com) and click on "Our Community"; or call (217) 961-6404 ext. 236.

**A PRAYER in Gratitude for all of America's veterans and their families.**

Bless the families of our fallen troops, and fill their homes and their lives with Your strength and peace. In union with people of goodwill of every nation, embolden us to answer the call to work for peace and justice, and thus, seek an end to violence and conflict around the globe



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**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. (Not June 3!)**

**Rosary:** 8:00 am Tuesday and Thursday

**Penance:** 7:45 am - 8:15 am First Saturday of Month  
and as scheduled by request. (NOT June 3 due to  
**Confirmation/First Communion in Springfield, IL)**

**This Week in our Parish**

**Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, The Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's Cemetery

**Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, Weekday**

8:00 a.m. – Rosary

8:30 a.m. – Mass: (Int: Henry & Julia Look+)

**Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, Visitation of B.V. Mary**

**Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, St Justin**

8:00 a.m. – Rosary

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

**Friday, June 2, Weekday**

First Friday Pastoral Communion Visits

**Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, St Charles Lwanga, & martyrs**  
**NO FIRST SATURDAY MASS --4:30 pm StThomas**

**Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, The Most Holy Trinity**

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

Recognition of Fully Initiated Youth into Church

9:30 a.m. – Breakfast for Graduates in Parish Hall

**Welcome: Austin Brian Perisho.** Bishop Paprocki, decreed that he, having completed instructions, may be Baptized, Confirmed and receive Holy Communion on Pentecost Sunday at St. Mary's Church, May 28, 2023.

**MEMORIAL DAY MASS at the CEMETERY**

The Annual Mass at St. Mary's Cemetery on Memorial Day will be held **8:30 a.m. Monday, May 29.** Please bring lawn chairs. In case of inclement weather, the Mass will be held in St. Mary's Church.

**Minsters for 8:30 a.m. – June 4, 2023**

**Usher:** Marvin Zwilling, Norbert Ochs, Ethan Griffith

**Servers:** Brianna Zwilling/Chase Kistner

**Lectors:** Nancy Ochs/ Ethan Zwilling

**Gift Bearers:** Tony & Martha Strutner

**E.M.'s:** Lora Semple, Norman Boehl, Elaine Zwilling

**ST. MARY PARISH GRADUATES**

The Parish Family Life Committee would like to honor all graduates from St Mary's with a

**Graduates' breakfast on June 4<sup>th</sup>,** after 8:30 am Mass in the parish center. If you are an eighth grade, high school, Jr College, college or any other graduate, you and your family are invited to breakfast.

**Please RSVP by May 28<sup>th</sup>** either by calling 618-455-3155, (parish office)

Or Lora Semple at 618-783-9256 and let us know how many will be attending. Thank you and we look forward to celebrating this milestone in your life.

**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 May 21, 2023**

Envelopes	\$ 928.00
Loose	121.00
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>\$ 1049.00</b>
Ascension	80.00
Haiti	125.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1254.00</b>

**St Mary's Church April Tithe**

**March Tithe Income – \$9461.00**

**10% Monthly Tithe Given to Diocese - \$946.00**

**Bend Community Club Annual Book & Bake Sale**

Serving Lemon and Strawberry Shake ups

May 27th at 104 E South St, Ste. Marie  
and on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Farmer's Market.

Also serving biscuits/gravy; hotdogs & chips!!