

April 2nd-3rd, 2022
Fifth Sunday of Lent



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

Eucharistic Adoration 7-8 am w/Morning Prayer 7:30 am

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

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St. Thomas Disciples' Stewardship of Treasure

March 26th-27th, 2022 Collection

Envelopes	\$	5,913.00
Loose	\$	727.00
Subtotal	\$	6,640.00
Catholic Charities	\$	20.00
CRS	\$	553.00
Building Collection	\$	59.00
School Fund	\$	250.00
Subtotal	\$	882.00
Grand Total	\$	7,522.00

St. Thomas Church February Tithe

February Tithe Income – \$42,928.00

10% Monthly Tithe Given to Diocese - \$4,293.00

This Week in Our Parish

Monday, April 4, St. Isidore

6:00 pm Lenten Evening Mass (St. Mary's)

Tuesday, April 5, St. Vincent Ferrer

7:30 am Prayer, Rosary @ 8 & Mass 8:30 (St. Mary's)

Wednesday, April 6, Lenten Weekday

7– 8:00 am Eucharistic Holy Hour w 7:30 am MP

8:30 am Class Mass (Barb Rauch+)

9:15 am Rosary Group

5:30 pm Youth Choir

6:00 pm School Board

6:30 pm St. Mary's Stations of the Cross and PSR

6:30 pm St. Thomas CYO

7:00 pm St. Thomas CYO presents the Living Stations

Thursday, April 7, St. John Baptist de la Salle

7:30 am Prayer, Rosary @ 8 & Mass 8:30 (St. Mary's)

7:00 pm St. Thomas Pastoral Council

Friday, April 8, Lenten Weekday

7– 8:00 am Eucharistic Holy Hour w 7:30 am MP

8:30 am All-School Mass (Brenda Kocher+)

2:30 pm St. Thomas School Stations of the Cross

4:30 pm Family Life Center KC Hall Fish Fry

Saturday, April 9, Lenten Weekday

8:00 – 9:00 am Sacrament of Penance (Confessions)

9:30 am Order of Christian Initiation (Rectory)

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

Sunday, April 10, Palm Sunday

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

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

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



**St. Thomas CYO
Presents
the Living Stations.**

You are invited share them
7 pm Wednesday, April 6
at St. Thomas Church.

Thanks to our CYO youth for taking the time to present this very powerful prayer as we continue on our Lenten journey towards Easter.

St. Thomas Lent/Easter Décor. If you would like to contribute to our annual decor fund in memory of a deceased loved one, please put your name(s) & contribution in an envelope marked "décor." We will publish a list of names to use as a prayer sheet during this Easter Season. **Please have all names submitted to the Parish Office by noon on April 11th.**

Just a reminder...Funeral dishes from last week can be picked up in the front entrance of the parish center. Please stop by to pick up your dish(es) at your first opportunity. Thank you!

St. Thomas Parish Ministry Schedule
Saturday, April 9 @ 4:30 pm

Lectors: Nichole Mulvey; Karen Buerster; Beth Ochs;
Mike Hartrich

E.M.: Matt/Amanda Baltzell; Gerald/Denisse Ochs

Servers: Carson & Carter Barthelme

Gift Bearers: Russell Brewer Family

Musicians: Tammy Page & Mallory Bolander

Greeters/Ushers: Steve Rubsam

Sunday, April 10 @ 7:00 a.m.

Lectors: Sara Bergbower; Karen Winn; Jill Bierman,
Becky Shamhart

EM: Helen Weber, Leo Weber, Dena Rauch,
Amy Hartrich

Servers: Brenly Francis & Curtis Weber

Gift Bearers: Brandon Francis Family

Musicians: John Johnson & Katie Shamhart

Greeters/Ushers: Brian Brummer

Sunday, April 10 @ 10:00 am

Lectors: Tracey Bower, Logan Weber, John Bower,
Brian Bierman

EM: Dee Bower, Matt Bower, Marge Horton,
Gery Ochs

Servers: Kassie Pitcher & Joslyn Pitcher

Gift Bearers: Bob Bower Family

Musicians: Patsy Leffler & Debbie Matson

Greeters/Ushers: Doug Iffert

BRUNCH at St. Mary's Parish Center: Ste. Marie.

Sunday, April 3rd, Serving 8 am – Noon.

Come and enjoy breakfast. Hope to see you there!!



St. Thomas CYO Presents:
Second Annual Egg the Yard

CYO is excited to announce this year's Egg the Yard event. Families who sign up will have 25 religious/toy themed filled eggs scattered on their own lawn, or a friend's lawn, for a fun Easter surprise. If a family would rather scatter the eggs on their own, please let us know and eggs can be packaged and readied for pick-up or delivery. Serving Jasper County only.

Delivery will take place on the late evening of Saturday 4/16. Just tell us the address, and we will scatter the eggs on the lawn for you. Again, if you prefer to scatter them yourself, we can just deliver the filled eggs as well.

This fundraiser will directly support the activities and mission trip of the St. Thomas CYO. Please call the parish office at 618-783-8741 to have a yard "egged."

25 Religious/Toy Themed Filled Eggs = \$25.00

St. Thomas & St. Mary Parishes
WELCOME...

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.

This Week's Scripture Readings:

Monday: Dn 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62 Jn 8:12-20
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9 Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20,91-92,95 Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9 Jn 8:51-59
Friday: Jer 20:10-13 Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28 Jn 11:45-56
Sun.: Lk 19:28-40 Is 50:4-7 Phil 2:6-11
Lk 22:14-23:56

Please pray for the Sick, especially Karen Shamhart, Flo Barker, Pat Mammoser, Doug Mammoser, Steve Mammoser, Mike Gibson, Dave Geltz, Jessica Spiker, Diane Bunton, Amber Wakefield, Adrienne Roberts, Geneva Barber, Roger Leohr, Greg Dennis, Sharon Ghast, Don Ochs, Seth Weber; those in healthcare facilities and those in our Book of Requests. **Rest in Peace:** Bruce Fisher, Ginger Robins' brother-in-law

Anointing of the Sick is a Sacrament in which we pray for the Healing Spirit of Christ to be upon the person who is serious ill or undergoing surgery. **The Last Rites with Apostolic Pardon are prayers** commending the person to our Lord at nearness of death & offering the Apostolic Pardon for forgiveness of all sins and temporal suffering due to sin.

To receive either of these opportunities, please call
Fr. Dean Probst 217-494-6326.

Holy Week and Easter Mass Schedule
Holy Thursday, April 14, 2022

St. Mary's @ 5:00 pm

St. Thomas @ 7:00 pm

Good Friday, April 15, 2022

St. Mary's @ 3:00 pm

St. Thomas @ 7:00 pm

Easter Vigil; Holy Saturday, April 16, 2022

St. Thomas @ 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 17, 2022

St. Thomas @ 7:00 am

St. Mary's @ 8:30 am

St. Thomas @ 10:00 am

The St. Thomas and St. Mary Holy Week Lay

Pease take some time to see how you can take part in Holy Week and experience the Holy Triduum.

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

Please call or text **Fr. Dean 217-494-6326** to schedule a baptism after returning filled-out Baptismal form and Godparent-Sponsor affidavit forms to the parish office. A Godparent-Sponsor must be a participating Catholic. A non-Catholic can serve as a Christian witness but everyone present is a witness. Baptisms are normally scheduled during Mass so that the child/person can be welcomed into the Church, the family of God.

The next Pre-Jordan Baptismal Class is scheduled for 8:45 am Sunday, May 1, 2022 at St. Thomas Church.

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting an Exemplification (1st-3rd Degree Initiation) on Sunday, April 3rd at the Effingham Event Center formerly known as the KC Hall. This initiation will take place at 1:00 pm lasting only about 35 minutes. Check-in will be from 12:15 – 12:30. All 18 year-old and older males who are practicing Catholics are welcome to participate. Please plan on sticking around for the Diocesan Meeting that will take place at 2:00 pm. State officers will be in attendance as well as an insurance representative. Don't miss out on this opportunity to become a part of an organization that supports our Catholic faith both locally and nationally!

Diocesan Listening Sessions!

Thanks to the parishioners from both St. Thomas and St. Mary's parishes that attended the session. The participants viewed a presentation from Bishop Paprocki, participated in small group discussions that answered specific questions regarding how we see Discipleship happening in our local communities and challenges moving forward. The locations for the sessions were held in the 5 deaneries of Edwardsville, Jerseyville, Mattoon with additional site of Effingham, Springfield represented by Chatham and Decatur, and Quincy.

The beneficial discussions were a great opportunity to learn about all of the positive things happening throughout our Diocese as well as learn about the similar challenges in all our parishes.

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

The Diocese of Springfield in Illinois is joining other organizations in this national movement which highlights the importance of protecting children from abuse. The Diocese invited parishioners and staff to help raise awareness to prevent child abuse by wearing blue on Friday, April 1st. Thank you to all those that helped recognize that every child deserves a safe and happy childhood.

CATHOLIC HEART WORKCAMP REGISTREES

The Official registration forms need to be submitted.

Please come **7 pm Monday, April 4 to St. Mary's Parish Center**

to fill out the required forms, regarding personal data, the emergency phone contacts, and desired work opportunity. Insurance cards are needed as well as signature of parent for anyone under 18.

THE CHRISM MASS in which Bishop Paprocki will consecrate the Sacred Chrism and Bless the Oil of Catechumens and the Oil of the Infirm will be held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 12, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield, IL. These oils are then brought to the various parishes and religious communities for use in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Anointing of the Sick. During the Masses of the Lord's Last Supper on Holy Thursday, the Oils are presented to the parishes to be placed in the Ambry.

At the Mass of Chrism, the clergy of the Diocese are invited to renew their ordination promises.

You are most welcome to attend the Mass and carpooling is available. Call 217-494-6326 if interested.

LAST CHANCE!

Attention Family Life Center Supporters

Just a reminder...the Family Life Center auction is LIVE now! Here is the link to their auction! Please BID AWAY!! Auction ends 4/3/2022.

<https://schmidauktion.hibid.com/catalog/355640/life-center-online-fund-raising-auction/>

KC Hall is hosting a Fish Fry for the Family Life Center on 4/8/22 from 4:15 - 7:00 pm or until the fish is consumed. 8-10 volunteers will be needed to help assist at the fish fry. Baked goods are also requested.

There will also be a 50/50 drawing and a raffle for a \$250 Hartrich Meats gift certificate at the conclusion of the fish fry Friday, April 8, at the KC Hall. \$5 raffle tickets for the Hartrich's gift certificate are available at each parish and will be sold at the St. Mary's Brunch, Ste. Marie this weekend.

If you are unable to attend these activities and still want to support the mission, you can donate here:

<https://secure.fundeasy.com/ministrysync/event/?e=22521>. Please continue to pray for our mission and spread the word.

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Masses: 8:30 am SUNDAY,

Tuesday and Thursdays:

7:15 am – 8:15 am Eucharistic Adoration

7:30 am Morning Prayer 8:00 am – Rosary

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Reconciliation: As scheduled by request and
available 8 – 9 a.m. Saturdays at St. Thomas

This Week in our Parish

Monday, April 4th, St Isidore

6:00 p.m. – Mass (Int: Deceased Priest of Diocese+)

Blessing of the Seeds for Planting

Tuesday, April 5th, St Vincent Ferrer

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

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

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

7:00 p.m. – Finance Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 6th, Lenten Weekday

6:15 p.m. – Stations of the Cross & PSR

Thursday, April 7th, St John Baptist de la Salle

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

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

8:30 a.m.-Mass (Int: Orville Schmidt+)

9:30 a.m. – Noon: Pastoral Visits

Friday, April 8th, Lenten Weekday

Saturday, April 9th, Lenten Weekday

Sunday, April 10th, Palm Sunday

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

LIVING STATIONS will be presented by the youth
of St. Mary's parish on Wednesday, April 13th at 7 pm.
Come witness the Palm Sunday Passion of our Lord
proclaimed at Sunday Mass. All ages are welcome!!

HOLY WEEK SERVICES: There are sign-up sheets
in the back of church for Holy Week Services on Holy
Thursday and Good Friday. Please check and see how
you can take part in Holy Week.

BRUNCH: Come and enjoy breakfast this **Sunday,**
April 3rd, serving from 8 am – Noon.
Hope to see you there!!

Ministers for 8:30 a.m. – April 10, 2022

Ushers: Paul Kaufmann, Marvin Zwilling

Servers: Avery Ochs/Chase Kistner

Lectors: Ethan Zwilling/Beth Hartrich

Ron Zwilling/Becca Ochs

Gift Bearers: Roger & Sherrie Hemrich

Eucharistic Minister: Richard Ochs

Finance Council Meeting -Tuesday, April 5th at 7 pm

Members are – Richard Ochs, Maynard Kaufmann,
Bruce Boehl, Kate Kaufmann, Aaron Ochs.

BLOOD DRIVE: St Mary's will be hosting a Red
Cross blood drive on Monday, April 11th from
1:30 pm – 5:30 p.m., you can register online at
redcrossblood.org.

St Mary's Disciples' Stewardship of Treasure

Collection for the week of March 27, 2022

Envelopes	\$ 2569.00
Loose	189.00
Sub Total	\$ 2758.00
Catholic Relief	130.00
Catholic Charities	50.00
Haiti	65.00
Total	\$ 3003.00

St Mary's Church February Tithe

February Tithe Income - \$5,767.00

10% Monthly Tithe to Diocese - \$577.00

EASTER DÉCOR: If you would like to donate to the
Décor fund in memory of your loved ones, please put
in the collection basket by **April 10th** so their names
can be listed in the Easter bulletin.

THANKS SO MUCH: To Mike & Renee Gier,
Tony & Allison Weber, Jacob & Kate Pruemer,
Derek & Kasey Iffert and Kelly & Jennifer Hinterscher
for being on the team for the Pre-Cana session held on
March 12th. We appreciate you so much!!

Congratulations to the Quincy Notre Dame (QND)
Lady Raiders who won the IHSA state basketball
championship on March 5th. QND's Abbey Schrecke
scored 35 points, breaking the state championship
record for points in a title game. She is the daughter of
the former Linda Schmidt, and the granddaughter of
Florence Schmidt, member of St. Mary's Parish in
Ste. Marie.