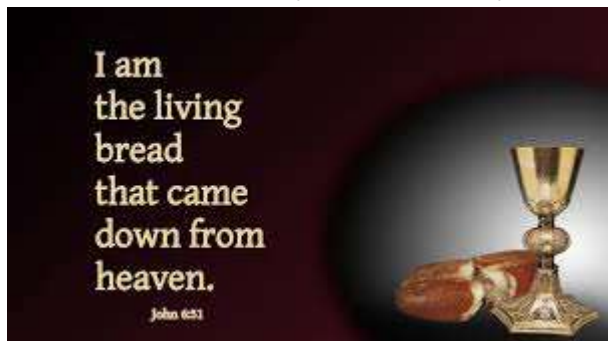


August 10-11, 2024

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

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Pastor: Fr. Paul Luczak

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Office Manager: Linda M. Hemrich

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

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

St. Thomas School Office:

St. Thomas School Principal: Jill Bierman

School Secretary: Lori Smith

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St. Thomas Disciples' Stewardship of Treasure

August 3-4, 2024 Collection

Envelopes	\$	7,879.00
Loose	\$	457.00
Subtotal	\$	8,336.00
School Fund	\$	1,645.00
Assumption	\$	20.00
Building Fund	\$	460.00
Subtotal	\$	2,125.00
Grand Total	\$	10,461.00

St. Thomas Church June Tithe

June Tithe Income – \$50,181.00

10% Monthly Tithe Given to Diocese - \$5,018.00

This Week in Our Parish

Mon., Aug. 12, St. Jane Frances de Chantal
St. Thomas School Buddy Night/Parent Meetings

Tuesday, Aug. 13, Sts. Pontian & Hippolytus

8:00 am – Rosary at St. Mary's

8:30 am – Mass at St. Mary's

Wednesday, Aug. 14, St. Maximilian Kolbe
First Day of School

8:30 am No Mass

9:00 am Rosary Group

5:30 pm Vigil Mass Holy Day at St. Thomas

(Int.: Oliver Emmerich)

Thurs., Aug. 15, Assumption of the Bl. Virgin Mary
Holy Day of Obligation

8:00 am – Rosary at St. Mary's

8:30 am – All-School Mass at St. Thomas

(Int.: Estelle Kennedy)

5:15– 5:45 pm Lay Ministers review at St. Thomas

6:00 pm Mass at St. Mary's

Friday, Aug. 16, St. Stephen of Hungary

7:30 am – 8:15 am Adoration

8:30 am Mass (Evelyn Hankins)

Saturday, Aug. 17, Weekday

8:00 am – 9:00 am Reconciliation

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm Reconciliation

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

Sunday, August 18, 20th Ordinary Sunday

7:00 am Mass at St. Thomas (Ralph/Rosalie Miller)

8:30 am Mass at St. Mary's

10:00 am Mass at St. Thomas (Therese Bruemmer)

10:30 am Communion Service at Villas

This Week's Scripture Readings:

Mon.: Ez 1:2-5,24-28c

Mt 17:22-27

Tues.: Ez 2:8-3:4

Mt 18:1-5,10,12-14

Weds.: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22

Mt 18:15-20

Th.: Rv 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab

1Cor 15:20-27

Lk 1:39-56

Fri.: Ez 16:1-15,60,63

Mt 19:3-12

Sat.: Ez 18:1-10,13b,30-32

Mt 19:13-15

Sun.: Prv 9:1-6

Eph 5:15-20

Jn 6:51-58

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

Pre-baptismal 2024 Class Schedule.

Oct. 6 at 8:45am or by appointment if needed. Classes are in the choir area at St. Thomas. Call 618-783-8741 to register/schedule an appointment.

OCIA(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) If you or someone you know is interested in entering into the sacramental life of the Church, please call 618-783-8741(St Thomas) **or** 618-455-3155(St. Mary).

St. Thomas Parish Ministry Schedule:

Saturday, August 17 @ 4:30 pm

Lector: Lynn Wilson
EM: Matt/Amanda Baltzell, Gerald Ochs, Alice Addis
Servers: Jackson Baltzell & Eli Ochs
Gift Bearers: Kimberly Ochs Family
Musicians: Five For the One
Greeters/Ushers: Brad Ochs

Sunday, August 18 @ 7:00 am

Lector: Sarah Hemrich
EM: Sheryl/Allison Brummer, Brenda Phillips, Becky Shamhart
Servers: Madilyn Brummer & Bailey Meinhart
Gift Bearers: Seth Woods Family
Musicians: Vicki Mullen & Lyndsey Spiker
Greeters/Ushers: Chris Bierman

Sunday, August 18 @ 10:00 am

Lector: Ginger Robins
EM: Julie/Kylie Higgs, Charlie/Jan Schackmann
Servers:
Gift Bearers: Justin Probst Family
Musicians: Patsy Leffler & Jeff Finley
Greeters/Ushers: Bob Bower

Welcome Back St. Thomas School Teachers/Staff!

Principal: Jill Bierman **Secretary:** Lori Smith
Mntc: Matt Parker **Cooks:** Lisa Lewis & Elaine Braun

Teachers

Kindergarten: Alicia Tarr & Michelle Stone
First: Kathy Pitcher **Second:** Kim Zuber
Third: Tami Hetzer **Fourth:** Jamie Shamhart
Fifth: Kristie Finley **Sixth:** Brittany Schreifels
Seventh: Janet Vahling **Eighth:** David Stork
Aides: Lisa Geier, Tina Bower, Joyce Hartrich, Jessica Beals
Art/Music: Ariel Boehl

Have a blessed school year!



Congratulations, Tucker Bierman, the son of Marcus & Courtney (Will) Bierman who was recently baptized on August 4th at the 10:00 am Mass at St. Thomas. Godparents are Jason

Bierman & Megan Will. May God continue the good work begun in him!

Eucharistic Minister and Lector Review. Fr. Pawel would like to meet with ALL Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors to review procedures and go over any changes that he would like to make. Please plan on attending if you have not yet had the opportunity:

Thursday, August 15th at 5:15 pm at St. Thomas

St. Thomas Annual Harvest Picnic Raffle Tickets Available This Weekend!

This weekend St. Thomas Pastoral Council members will be handing out our Annual Harvest Picnic Raffle Tickets after each Mass. Be sure to stop and see a Pastoral Council member to get your tickets!! See you on October 13th! More information coming soon!

A new parish software is coming. The Diocese will be sunsetting its use of Acceptiva as the online payment processor for parishes, **effective September 1.** St. Thomas Parish currently receives online offertory gifts via the Diocesan Acceptiva account and is taking the first steps in transitioning to the new diocesan wide online processor, PushPay, to ensure our parishioners can maintain their online offertory. The new giving link is on our website, www.stthomasnewton.net.

Give it a try!

A Special Thank You. I want to thanks each and every one who sent me a card for my 93rd birthday or brought one to me. Thank you for thinking of me! I'm still getting cards in the mail, but they don't seem belated as I enjoy them just as much! Thank you all!

- Mary Evelyn Dhom

Newton Family Life Center

Will You Be A Table Host for our Banquet?

As The Family Life Center prepares for their upcoming fundraising banquet held September 12th at the Keller Convention Center; they would love to invite you to gather 7 other like-minded community members to join you for an evening of celebration, dinner, reflection, and redemption! This banquet supports the efforts of our Effingham and Newton locations.

NOTE: St. Thomas would like to host a table if we have parishioners interested. Please call 618-783-8741 to reserve your seat.

Dear Lord,

As our students begin a new school year,
We pray that you will keep them in your care.

Send your Spirit to open their minds
to all that is true and beautiful and good.

Help them to see the gifts and talents

You have given them and to use them well.

Help them to grow in knowledge and wisdom.

Help them to be kind to others
and lead others to be kind to them.

Give their teachers patience and understanding.

Open their young hearts to your presence
and enfold them in your peace and protection.

Hold them in the palm of your hand
and bring them home safely at day's end. Amen.

St. Thomas & St. Mary Parishes

WELCOME you and invite you to join our Church families by calling the parish offices of St. Thomas the Apostle, Newton, and St. Mary of the Assumption, Sainte Marie.



Please pray for the Sick:

Mary Probst, Arthur Rauch, Grant Wagy, Wyatt Young, Carson Drew French, Randy Ochs, Jessica Andruch, Cathy Dasenbrock, Matt Zumbahlen, Ava Torma, Fonda Fear, Naomi Shedlebower, Sam Nelson, Brian Baker, Whitney Benefiel, Mary Bergbower, Mack McCrillis, Delorse Johnson, Mike Lustig, Rhonda Wilson, Dick Worland, Susie Ochs, Ted Ochs, Geneva Barber; and those in healthcare facilities & in our Book of Requests.

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day of Obligation Mass Schedule

Vigil: Wednesday, August 14, 2024

No 8:30 am Mass at St. Thomas

5:30 pm Vigil Mass at St. Thomas -

(Please use Ministry Scheduler Pro or contact the St. Thomas Parish Office to sign up for lay ministries. Thank you!)

Holy Day, Thursday, August 15, 2024

8:30 am All-School Mass at St. Thomas

6:00 pm Mass at St. Mary's

FORMED/Amen App. St. Thomas' FREE gift to you. Experience the Catholic Faith on Demand.

Step #1 – Pick up your FORMED sign up for FREE card in the St. Thomas Church gathering space.

Step #2 – Take out your phone, scan the bar code or visit signup.formed.org then enter 62448.

Step #3 – Open your gift to experience thousands of enriching Catholic movies, programs, audio, and books instantly on FORMED. Don't miss out on the Novenas, Daily Rosary Meditations, Stories for Sleep and so much more on the Amen App.

You are also invited to scan the QR codes on the banners in church.

Congratulations to the Silk Purse in Newton for their expansion!! Thanks to all of our parishioners that donate, volunteer and support the Silk Purse and Family Life Center. We are very fortunate to have the services they provide right here in our community. Be sure to check out the information included in this bulletin about reserving a seat at their upcoming banquet.

Congratulations

Taylor Smith – Sister Mary Grace
on your recent Initiation into the Novitiate.



Congratulations to all of the Sisters!

Initiation into the Novitiate:

Bridget May – Sister Mary Solanus

Kristen Leaderstorf – Sister Mary Emmanuel

Taylor Smith – Sister Mary Grace

First Profession of Vows:

Sister M. Magdalena Robinson, FSGM

Sister Mary Kolbe McMullin, FSGM

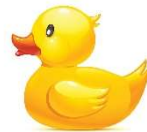
Final Profession of Vows:

Sister M. Veritas Wilks, FSGM

Sister M. Philomena Cagandahan, FSGM

Sister Mary Joseph Kneemiller, FSGM

Please keep all the Sisters in your prayers.



St. Thomas School Presents Our 12th Annual DUCK RACE 2024

Sunday, August 18th

**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.**

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St. Mary of the Assumption Church

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Website: www.stmariechurch.org

Pastor: Fr. Paul Luczak

(email/text: revpl.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

First Saturday of the Month

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

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Reconciliation: As Scheduled by request and
Available at St. Thomas Church 8-9 am Saturday

This Week in our Parish

Monday, August 12th, St Jane Frances de Chantal

Tuesday, August 13th, Sts Pontian & Hippolytus

8:00 a.m. – Rosary

8:30 a.m. – Mass (Int: Fr Meehling+)

Wednesday, August 14th, St Maximilian Kolbe

**Thursday, August 15th, The Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**

6:00 p.m. – Mass (Int: For the Parish+)

Friday, August 16th, St Stephen

Saturday, August 17th, Weekday

Sunday, August 18th, 20th Sunday in Ord. Time

8:30 a.m. – Mass (Int: Don & Patricia Love+)

Ministers for 8:30 a.m. – August 18, 2024

Ushers: Nicholas Zwilling, John Uebinger, Roger Hemrich

Servers: Max Ochs/Blake Frohning

Lectors: Beth Hartrich/ Ron Zwilling

Gift Bearers: Kevin & Teresa Ochs

Eucharistic Ministers: Rose Gangloff, Lisa Ochs,
Ben Ochs

The Family Life committee invite you to join us in celebrating our **Feast Day, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, on August 15th** after 6:00p.m. Mass. Light refreshments and all are welcome!

**St Mary's Disciples' Stewardship of Treasures
Collection for the week of August 4, 2024**

Envelopes \$ 2185.39

Loose 177.00

Total \$ 2362.39

St Mary's Church Tithe

June Tithe Income - \$9,980.00

10% Monthly Tithe Given to Diocese - \$955.00

Mark your calendars! September 1, 2024

187th Annual Pre-Labor Day

St Mary's Church Picnic

Our parish picnic is coming up and this year we are seeking donations of **themed baskets** valued at \$50 or more. Adult and kids themed baskets are welcome!! If you would like to donate a basket, please contact -

Becca Ochs – 618-554-4999 or

Becca.ochs@gmail.com.

Dime Toss – It is time to go thru those glasses for the dime toss. Clean items may be brought to the Parish Office or left on the front porch of the rectory.

Raffle Tickets – Extra tickets are available at the back of church. Tickets sell - **\$5.00 each or \$20.00 for a book of 5 tickets**. Sold tickets can be put in an envelope marked raffle tickets and dropped in the collection.

Cake Stand & Desserts – We are asking that each family provide **2 desserts** for the dinner.

We are also asking for donations of cakes, cupcakes, pies, sweet rolls, tea rings, cookies, brownies, etc, to be used at the cake stand. Boxes for angel food cakes and 9x13 pans w/lids are available to be used for the cake stand in the back of church. Mark what is in the container. **Please no refrigerated desserts.**

Workers List are available on the back table in church.

Thank you for your donations!!

More updates coming soon!!