

# TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> – Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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## 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 member of either parish,  
please call the particular parish office.

### MASS SCHEDULE

	St. Thomas	St. Mary
Saturday:	5:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.
Sunday:	7:30 & 9:00 a.m.	
Tuesday *	5:30 p.m.	8:30 a.m.
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	
Thursday		8:30 a.m.
Friday	8:30 a.m.	
Holy Days	As scheduled in the bulletin.	

### PENANCE/RECONCILIATION

Saturday	8:00 a.m.	3:15 p.m.
Tuesdays *	5:00 p.m.	7:30 a.m.

\*prior to Mass when it is scheduled that day.

Or as scheduled by request.



### Stewardship of Time:

Please pray for Ed Dohm, Karen

Shamhart, Michael Lustig, Joyce Ochs, Janet Green, Jessica Spiker, Higgins Family, John W. Bergbower, Anita Bergbower, Lori (Hahn) Kocher, Theresa Hartrich, Glen Schafer, Leroy Schackmann, Amanda Huber, Steve Huber, Judy Wagner, Laura Songer, Tammy Zuber, Lora Short, Mrs. Scott (Laura) Ghasht, Josy Hart, Residents in Health Care Facilities, and those in Parishes' Book of Intentions.

**Please note: Pre-baptism instructions** will be held in pews by the choir. The next session will be 10:15 a.m. Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at St. Thomas Church.

### Next Week's Scripture Readings:

Monday:	Col 1:24-2:3	Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday:	Col 2:6-15	Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday:	Col 3:1-11	Lk 6:20-26
Thursday:	Col 3:12-17	Lk 6:27-38
Friday:	1 Tm 1:1-2,12-14	Lk 6:39-42
Saturday:	Nm 21:4b-9	Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17
Sunday:	Ex 32:7-11,13-14	1 Tim 1:12-17 Lk 15:1-32

**Preparation for Sacraments of Baptism** (pre-Jordan session required) and **Marriage** (6-month preparation) scheduled through parish offices with priest or deacon.

For **Anointing of the Sick** before surgery or in severe illness call priest **217-494-6326** or in the danger of death for the last rites with apostolic pardon, call priest

## St. Thomas Parish News

The Mass Time will continue presently at 9:00 a.m. on Sundays with exceptions for Harvest Picnic & Soup Supper (10:00 a.m.). Masses will be coordinated regarding appeals, music, baptisms and bulletin announcements so that 7:30 a.m. Mass is concluded providing half hour before start of 9 am Mass.

### Stewardship of Time

#### Ministries for Next Weekend's Masses

**Lectors:** 5:30 p.m. Karen Buerster  
 7:30 a.m. Karen Winn/Lori TeVault  
 9:00 a.m. Kevin Parker

**Gift Bearers:** 5:30 p.m. Todd & Beth Ochs  
 7:30 a.m. Brian Brummer Family  
 9:00 a.m. Garrett Finn Family

#### Eucharistic Ministers:

5:30 p.m. Brad Ochs, Kaitlyn Ochs, Ramon Kocher, Gerald Ochs, Marilyn Schafer, Madison Phillips.  
 7:30 a.m. Leo Weber, Helen Weber, Paul Bierman, Mary Frichtl, Brenda Phillips, Pam Kerner  
 9:00 a.m. Renee Gier, Dennis Weber, Sara Mette, Jason Bierman, Nikki Earnest, Gery Ochs  
 10:30 a.m. Newton Care Center: Linda Mertens  
 10:30 a.m. Villas: Joe & Mary Jane Bierman

#### Musicians/Cantors:

5:30 p.m. Tammy Page/Ellen Einhorn  
 7:30 a.m. Patsy Leffler/Laney Jo Hemrich  
 9:00 a.m. Patsy Leffler/Jeff Finley

#### Servers:

5:30 p.m. Wade Ochs  
 Seth Ochs  
 7:30 a.m. Wes Bierman  
 Gus Bierman  
 9:00 a.m. Drew Earnest  
 Carson Brewer

#### Ushers:

Brad Ochs  
 Ben/Chris Bierman  
 Jacob Jahraus



### “Step Forward in Faith Together” Campaign

**THANKS to ALL CONTRIBUTORS who funded This Church!**

GRAND TOTAL PLEDGES COLLECTED \$3,511,046.49

➔ BALANCE to be PAID \$00.00

### This Week in our Parish & School

+ behind name in Mass intention is for deceased

#### *Monday, September 9, St. Peter Claver*

4:00 p.m. Cross Country @ St. Anthony  
 4:30 p.m. Baseball, here  
 6:30 pm. Angels Meeting

#### *Tuesday, September 10, Weekday*

*Fr. Dean: Presbyteral Council & Bishop's Mtg.*  
 4:30 p.m. Softball, here  
 5:00 p.m. Rosary  
 5:30 p.m. Communion Service

#### *Wednesday, September 11, Weekday*

8:30 a.m. Classes 3-5 Mass (*Int.:* Betty Marshall+)  
 4:30 p.m. Baseball @ Cumberland  
 5:30 p.m. Youth Choir Practice Begins  
 6:30 p.m. CYO

#### *Thursday, Sept. 12, The Most Holy Name of Mary*

4:30 p.m. Baseball, here  
 6:30 p.m. Finance Council Meeting

#### *Friday, September 13, St. John Chrysostom*

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation  
 8:30 a.m. All-School Mass  
 (*Int.:* Val & Florence+ Mertens)  
 10:30 a.m. Newton Care Center Mass  
 4:30 p.m. Baseball @ Altamont Lutheran

#### *Saturday, September 14, Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

8:00 a.m. Reconciliation  
 9:00 a.m. Cross Country @ Shelbyville  
 Fall Festival Parade – Marching Saints  
 5:30 pm Mass (In: Gloria Ochs+ & Henry Kocher+)

#### *Sunday, September 15, 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30 a.m. Mass (*Int.:* For the Parish+)  
 9:00 a.m. Mass (*Int.:* Ralph & Mae Blank+)  
 10:15 a.m. Communion Service (Newton Care Center)  
 10:30 a.m. Communion Service (Villa of Holly Brook)

### **Disciples' Stewardship of Treasure**

Collection August 31<sup>st</sup> – September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019

Envelopes (181)	\$7,210.00
Loose	\$398.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$7,608.00</b>

Annual School Fund(4)	\$267.00
Building Fund	\$545.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$812.00</b>

**Grand Total \$8,420.00**

**THANKS to all who support the mission and operations of the Church and School.**

**St. Thomas PSR Update.** Families participating in online catechesis will meet 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month, beginning with Mass, followed by formal discussion together. The dates are: October 9; November 13; December 11; January 8; February 12; March 11; April 1; and May 13.

Families participating in Traditional PSR classes will be attending St. Mary's PSR which begins on Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> with 6:30 p.m. Mass.

Thank you, St. Mary's!

**St. Thomas Church Cleaning.** The Cleaning Crews for August/September will be cleaning the church on Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 4:30 pm. Those reporting for duty include: Joe & Mary Jane Bierman, Cindy Frohning, JoAnn Bergbower, Linda Harvey, Lindsey & Julie French, Lindsay Vogt, Julie Higgs, Laura/Dennis Weber, Roger & Carol Bass, Patsy Leffler, Ruth Kerner, Terri Brewer, Florent & Judy Ochs, Charlie & Marilyn Schafer, Jim & Ginger Robins, Suzy Lawler, Mike & Teresa Hartrich, and Tony & Sue Sparks. Thanks so much!!

### **St. Thomas Picnic News.**

**St. Thomas Annual Harvest Picnic Sunday, Oct. 13.**  
Masses to be at: 7:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.



**RAFFLE GRAND PRIZE:**  
**\$10,000 cash or John Deere 1025R Loader Tractor**  
with attachment Mower Deck or Tiller  
**1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$1,000; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$500**

### **St. Thomas Picnic Basket Stand - Baskets Wanted!**

Value of baskets is a minimum of \$40.00—\$50.00. You are welcome to drop off your basket in the church's meeting room located next to the church office.

**REMINDERS!** Please continue to sell those tickets for the drawing and sign up to work a shift.

**Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive.** Support the Nationwide Tootsie Roll Drive taking place Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>. The Newton Knights of Columbus will be collecting your spare change in exchange for their infamous tootsie rolls at the NCHS Eagle Football game on Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> and then after each Mass on the 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup>. All proceeds benefit the developmentally challenged.

**St. Thomas Youth Choir Practice** will start Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. in church. All are welcome and encouraged to join!

## **ST. THOMAS AND ST. MARY PARISHES**

### **Notes from Fr. Dean**

#### **Thanks**

to Hartrich Meats for providing the dinner for Effingham Deanery Clergy gathering. Thanks to Linda Hemrich for setting up the tableware, and to Sue Dickerson and Pam Bierman for serving/cleanup.

**Mission Trip.** I met with Sarah Hemrich & the CYO at St. Thomas Sept. 4. They agreed to apply to attend the Catholic Heart Workcamp June 14-19, 2020, in Louisville, KY. This camp is open to those entering the 9<sup>th</sup> grade in the Fall of 2020.

Sarah Hemrich will have Registration forms (\$75 deposit of total individual cost of \$415) for CYO and provide them at the St. Thomas Masses this weekend.

The Elevate Camps include Worship/Band; Nightly Keynote Speaker; Liturgy of the Hours which are not included in the Next Level or Initial workcamp.

**Deadline for forms/registration deposit is  
September 15, 2019!**

Louisville has consistently closed on the first days of open registration, so if interested, plan now or miss the opportunity to go next year.

### **40 Day Prayer Campaign for Life - Sept. 25 – Nov. 3**

Our parishes will soon be participating in the "40 Day Prayer Campaign for Life". We will be joining people of faith across our nation to pray, fast, and serve to end abortion and to fight physician-assisted suicide. There will be opportunities to sign-up for service hours at the Silk Purse Thrift Store in Effingham as well as for individual prayer hours.

**St. Thomas:** Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>  
Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>

**St. Mary's:** Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>

## **AREA & DIOCESAN NEWS**

### **RUMMAGE SALE:**

Sacred Heart CCW Rummage Sale will be held at the Effingham Event Center on Wednesday, September 11 & Thursday, September 12, from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, and Friday September 13<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am to noon (\$4.00 bag day)

### **Effingham Deanery Catholic Charities: Spaghetti Dinner:**

September 15: 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
at the Effingham Events Center.

# St. Mary's Parish News

## Sacraments:

**Masses:** 4:00 p.m. Saturday (Vigil of Sunday)  
8:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday

**Reconciliation:** 3:15 p.m. Saturday or by request

**The Pastoral Council** meets this Wednesday, Sept. 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. If you have any items for the agenda, please contact Becca Ochs, Chairperson or any member of the Pastoral Council.

David Ochs, Lora Ochs, Lora Semple

Tim Keller, Angie Kocher, Maria Zumbahlen

Fr. Dean Probst, Maynard Kaufmann, Richard Ochs

## Ministers for Sept. 14, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

**Ushers:** George Kirts, Randy Reis,  
Tony Strutner

**Servers:** Brooke Johnson, Ethan Griffith

**Lector:** Becca Ochs

**Gift Bearers:** Gordon & Judy Millsap

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Jeanne Johnson,  
Amy Frohning, Richard Ochs

**PSR UPDATE:** Thanks to all who have volunteered their time and talent for the youth of our parish. PSR will begin on September 25<sup>th</sup>, with mass at 6:30pm. Registration forms are available at the entrances of the church. They may be returned to the office on Tuesday-Thursday from 8am – 3pm., or you may put them in an envelope marked PSR & drop it in the collection.

**Catholic Heart Work Camp:** Is some adult willing to take charge? Deadline for registration to attend with St. Thomas CYO is Sept. 15!

**FAMILY LIFE:** Thanks to all who participated in the family life raffle for September. The Family Life committee provided 2 dinner tickets for each mass. The winner where Martha Strutner- Saturday and Allison White – Sunday.

**NEW RESIDENCE:** Don & Betty Ochs are both staying at the Newton Care Center. If you happen to stop by, I am sure they would appreciate visitors.

**REMINDER:** Anyone who has receipts to be paid, or money to be turned in for the picnic, please do so by September 18<sup>th</sup>, so that we can get a report ready for all parishioners. THANK YOU!!

## This Week in our Parish

**Monday, September 9th, St Peter Claver**

Monday Nite Dance

**Tuesday, September 10th, Weekday**

Fr Dean in Springfield: Bishop's Vicars Mtg  
& Presbyteral Council

8:00 a.m. – Rosary

8:30 a.m. – Communion Service

**Wednesday, September 11th, Weekday**

7:00 p.m. – Pastoral Council

**Thursday, September 12th, Most Holy Name of Mary**

8:00 a.m. – Rosary

8:30 a.m. – Mass (Int: Bill Schwartz+)

**Friday, September 13th, St John Chrysostom**

10:30 a.m. – Mass at Villas of Holly Brook

**Saturday, Sept. 14th, Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

3:15 p.m. - Reconciliation

4:00 p.m. – Mass (Int: Carole Helregel+)

**September 15th, 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## Stewardship as Measurement of Our Discipleship

Collection for weekend of September 1, 2019

Envelopes \$ 1,829.00

Loose \$ 384.00

**Sub Total \$ 2,213.00**

Haiti \$ 5.00

Assumption \$ 5.00

Capitol Improvement \$ 97.00

**Grand Total \$ 2,320.00**

**THANK YOU:** A big thanks to all those who helped in any way to make the Annual Pre-Labor Day picnic happen. It takes many people and many hours to put the picnic together!!

## First Thursday Communion Visitations:

Fr. Dean enjoyed visiting Ramona Ochs, Kathy Helregel, Linda & Sam Zuber, Judy Wagner & Marie Spitzer. Are there others that should be on my list? If so, call parish office or Fr. Dean at 217-494-6326. Mass/Visitation is offered at 10:30 a.m. Mass with Newton Care Residents on Second Friday of the month and with the Residents at the Villa of Holly Brook on the third Friday of the month. Hospital visits are done upon notification by family.