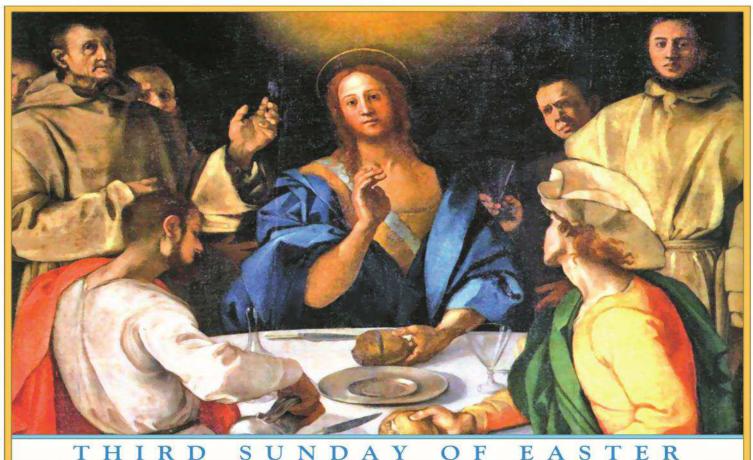


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While He was with them at table, He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized Him, but He vanished from their sight.

Luke 24:30-31



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Reading I: Acts of the Apostles 2:14,22-33
Reading II: 1 Peter 1:17-21
Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

Today's Gospel recounts how the two disciples on the road to Emmaus had come to know Christ in the breaking of the bread. When Jesus sat down with them to eat, the stranger took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to the disciples. These familiar actions unmistakably brought to mind the Eucharist. Upon recognition Jesus vanished, emphasizing that no longer would he be visible in this glorified body, but in the sacraments. Christ is encountered through the meal and in the Scriptures. Thus the age-old pattern in Christian worship of word and sacrament is illustrated here as the means by which the risen Christ is made known to us. At first Jesus is a stranger to the two disciples; they don't recognize him. Their awareness of who he is comes later. In what ways have you grown to gradually recognize the presence of Christ in people or events in your life?



Monday, May 5 2014

7:00am Dec Mem Adam & Elizabeth Weinstein Family/

Jack & Margaret Weinstein

8:00am Bob Lapke/Jalayne Lapke

Tuesday, May 6, 2014

7:00am Lonnie Helton 5th Anniv/Karen Helton

8:00am Robert Flaherty

9:00am Michael G Whalen/Payton & Quinton Green

Wednesday, May 7, 2014

7:00am Frank J Cooper/Jack & Margaret Weinstein

8:00am Ed Ambrosch/Betty Ghighi

Thursday, May 8, 2014

7:00am Larry Dunn/Michael Hayes

8:00am William Vonk 39th Anniv/Bernadean May &

Family

9:00am Toni Marie Siegle/Harriet Ottenweller

Friday, May 9, 2014

7:00am Janet Cusack/Barbara Schlink 8:00am Fran Patton/Corinne Biersdorf

Saturday, May 10, 2014

8:00am Bernadine Lucas/Vic & Kathy Rashid 5:00pm Dan O'Brien/The Lynall Family

Sunday, May 11, 2014

6:30am Teresa Caho/Family 8:00am For the People

9:30am T Joseph Varkey/The Joseph Family

11:00am Rita Dixon/Billy & Diane Dixon

5:00pm Joe & Lucille Scurry/Kim Batton Johnson



ST VINCENT DE PAUL, FOOD PANTRY AND CHRIST CHILD COLLECTIONS will be at all Masses this weekend.

WOMEN'S GUILD PLANT SALE in the old gym continues: Saturday, May 3 until 6:00 pm, and Sunday, May 4 from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm.

FIRST EUCHARIST Our second graders will be receiving their First Eucharist this weekend. Please keep them in your prayers as they receive this sacrament.

WOMEN'S GUILD POTLUCK Monday, May 5 at 6:30 pm in the lower level of the church.

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE Monday, May 5 at 7:00 pm in the parish office meeting room.

CENTERING PRAYER GROUP Monday, May 5 at 7:00 pm.

ROSARY FOR PEACE Tuesday, May 6 at 10:00 am in the chapel.

BIBLE STUDY Tuesday, May 6 at 1:00 pm in the parish office meeting room.

BIBLE STUDY Wednesday, May 7 at 8:45 am.

CCD Wednesday, May 7 at 6:15 pm in the school.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP Thursday, May 8 at 7:00 pm.

GARAGE SALE SETUP Saturday, May 10 at noon through Wednesday, May 14 in the old gym. The Sale will be May 15, 16 and 17.

Please remember St. Thomas Church in your will.

ST. THOMAS FOOD PANTRY

Following is the suggested list of food items:

Spaghetti Spaghetti Sauce Rice
Canned Fruit Pancake Mix Syrup
Dry Beans Cereal Tuna
Soup Crackers Jelly

Beef Stew Canned Vegetables

Peanut Butter Mac & Cheese Instant Potatoes

We greatly appreciate your generosity..

At this time we our greatest needs are: pancake mix syrup spaghetti sauce spaghetti



Our gospel reading today begins: "On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews..." What does that have to do with our St. Vincent de Paul Society ministry? All of us who have called on those in need, especially calling on single mothers with small children, could recount many of our encounters by paraphrasing today's reading with a similar beginning: "On about any afternoon or evening of the week, many doors are locked, where the poor reside, for fear of their environment."

We may visit and say, "peace be with you," and help them solve some immediate financial situation, but when we leave many are still confronted with the reality that their small children are not safe unattended outside on the sidewalk or in an empty lot nearby. They are often literally trapped inside their own homes.

We take so much for granted. The next time you walk around the block, think about and say a prayer for the St Vincent de Paul Society work and for those we serve who hesitate to walk around their block.

This weekend we will be taking our monthly collection to assist in the work of the St Vincent de Paul Society as we help our brothers and sisters in Christ with their basic needs. Thank you for your generosity.

Our Sympathy

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED THIS

WEEK: Marilyn Roedell; John Schermer; Marilyn Wood; Henry Wenzel, uncle of Bob Wenzel; Mary Beth Mengis; Mercedes Paulson, mother of Dr. Kevin Paulson

Could you spare a little time?

Can you help one Friday afternoon a month from 3:15 to 4:30 pm to move the residents at Heartland Health Center to the room for Mass. Call Betty Arnold at 692-4592.

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	4/20/14	Fiscal YTD			
Collections needed	\$ 25,154	\$ 1,056,468			
Sunday Collections	\$ 20,370	\$ 873,394			
Electronic Collections	\$ 3,313	\$ 126,716			
Total Collected	\$ 23,683	\$ 1,000,110			
Overage (Shortage)	\$ 1,471)	\$ (56,358)			
Easter Collection	\$ 17,599				

We appreciate your generosity.



2014 SPRING GARAGE SALE May 15-17, 2014

Merchandise in good condition will be needed. Volunteers will be needed in the days prior to the sale, to set up and organize—Mark your calendars!! Detailed information on the garage sale will be published in future bulletins.

Reminder: The Garage Sale has been **moved to May 15-17.** Call Carey or Ed at 693-0019 with questions.



Peoria Notre Dame Volleyball Camps for students grade 3-9 will be in June. Visit www.pndvolleyball. weebly.com for more information.

Peoria Notre Dame Girls Basketball Camp will be at PND in June. Contact Ron Carrothers at racmac@mchsi.com for more information.

Pray for the Cure will be held on Thursday, May 8 at :30 pm at Salem Lutheran Church, 1700 War Memorial Drive. The purpose of the event is to enhance the spiritual well being of breast cancer survivors in the process of recovery and healing.

Catholic Womens' League

Annual Luncheon will be Tuesday, May 13, Spalding Pastoral Center. Social begins at 11:00 am, lunch at 12:00 noon. Reservations needed by Tuesday, May 6. Send reservation: Mary Jo Callahan, 4729 N. Bigelow.

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MONDAY, MAY 5-6:30 P.M.

If you last name begins with:

A-H Bring a Dessert

I — O Bring a Vegetable or Salad

P-Z Bring a Main Dish

Remember to bring a friend!

All Women of the Parish

are invited!



Deacon Kyle Lucas would like to thank the St. Thomas parish family for all the prayers and support over the past 6 years. On May 24, 2014 Deacon Lucas will be ordained to the priesthood at

St. Mary's Cathedral at 10:30am. On Sunday, May 25, 2014.

Fr. Kyle will be celebrating his 1st Mass at 2:30 pm at St. Thomas Church. The parish family is invited to attend his Mass.



Planning to Run the Steamboat Race?

St. Thomas is gathering names to form a team. There is a special rate for teams. Let us know if you are interested. Contact Jim Corkery at 363-8107.



Sponsor a Student Program



Make a Difference in a Student's Future

In recent years St. Thomas Parish has seen an increase in the number of families who need some financial assistance to send their children to Catholic Schools. The rising costs of providing a quality Catholic education to our students—pre-school through grade 12—is increasing to a level that many families simply cannot afford. When most of us attended Catholic school, there were many dedicated sisters, brothers and priests who received minimal or no pay for their efforts. Today we have lay men and women to whom we pay competitive salaries.

To that end, we are establishing a program that allows you to contribute to the financial need of a student. Both the recipient and donor will remain anonymous.

Full details of the program will be available in brochures on the tables in the Gathering Space of the church.

For additional information, call Julie Streid at 688-3446.

2014 SPRING GARAGE SALE -- Work Schedule

SALE DATES May 15,16,17 Thurs., Fri, & Sat. HAULING OF LARGE ITEMS
Call Tim Ryon at 689-1796
to make an appointment

INFORMATION Call Carey French at 693-0019 [May 12 - 14 688-0280 at Old Gym]

All help is appreciated & many volunteers, each working a few hours, will accomplish a great deal. We especially need people who can work during the day, people with electrical / mechanical / computer skills, and strong, healthy people to help with physical work.

Bake Sale items that can be frozen, can be dropped off May 12th thru 14th. All baked goods should be delivered by noon, Friday the 16th.

We can no longer accept televisions.

Please drop off donations <u>as early in the week as possible</u>, so we have time to process them.

Computers — by noon, <u>Tuesday</u> the 13th.

All other merchandise — <u>by noon</u>, Wednesday the 14th.

Date	7 AM	8 AM	9 AM	10AM	11 AM	Noon	1 PM	2 PM	3 PM	4 PM	5 PM	6 PM	7 PM	8 PM
5-10	Set up gym													
5-11	Donations accepted noon to 5PM						M							
5-12*	Organize - donations accepted 8AM to 8 PM							Organize & haul						
5-13*	Organize - donations accepted 8AM to 8 PM [Computers in by noon] Organize & haul													
5-14*	Organize donations accepted until noon						Organize & haul							
5-15*	Sale opens 9AM Sale til 5PM													
5-16*	Sale opens 9AM							Sale til 7PM						
5-17*	Sale op	Sale opens 8AM Sale til 1 PM Take down & clean up												
5-18							Take d	own &	clean up					

^{*} Lunch is served to workers at midday.

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First Communion

St. Thomas School

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Baptism class is held for all parents before the baptism of their child. Please contact Sr. Rachel to schedule the class. Next Baptisms: May 25 at 11:00 am Mass.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 4:00-4:45 pm & 7:00-8:00 pm or by appointment with a priest Confessions are held in the confessionals in the daily Mass Chapel

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