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From the Pastor

There is a Holy Day of Obligation this week as we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Please make plans to attend Mass Tuesday evening or Wednesday.

As we announced last week, the parish website, stthomaspeoria.org, has been updated with a more current appearance, but also with more accurate and helpful information. Thanks to those who caught a few corrections. The website, as well as the parish app, are useful tools to communicate with you and keep you informed of activities at St. Thomas. Your feedback is welcome as we continue to improve these resources.

Additional photos of parish activities would be a helpful addition to our parish website. If you have some good photos to share, please let us know. We can make use of some additional photos to personalize the parish website.

Next week, we look forward to welcoming the children back to St. Thomas School. We have been busy over the summer and now look forward to a very good year ahead. Please also see the notes about CCD which will begin after Labor Day (September 5), and RCIA which will start in mid-September (September 19). We look forward to a new year of growing in our faith, for our children and for adults alike.

-Msgr. Gray

Our Sympathy

Please pray for those who have died this week

William Grawey brother of Terry Grawey

Sponsor of the Week



Readings for the Week of August 12, 2018

Sunday Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 19:4-8; Ephesians 4:30-5:2; John 6:41-51

Monday Sts. Pontian and Hippolytus

Ezekiel 1:2-5,24-28c; Matthew 17:22-27

Tuesday St. Maximillian Kolbe

Ezekiel 2:8-3:4; Matthew 18:1-5,10,12-14

Wednesday The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a,10ab; 1 Corinthians 15:20-27

Luke 1:39-56

Thursday St. Stephen of Hungary

Ezekiel 12:1-12; Matthew 18:21-19:1

Friday Ezekiel 16:1-15,60,63; Matthew 19:3-12

Saturday Ezekiel 18:1-10,13b,30-32

Sunday Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Proverbs 9:1-6; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58

Mass Schedule

Monday, August 13, 2018

7:00 a.m. Dr James N Kenny, Sr/Angela Kenny

8:00 a.m. Joe Giltner/Family

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

7:00 a.m. Anthony Gray/The Nelson Family

8:00 a.m. Homer Jacquin/Family

5:30 p.m. Benefactors of the Franciscan Sisters of St. John the

Baptist

Wednesday, August 15, 2018-Feast of the Assumption

7:00 a.m. Mary Adlington/Marlene Isenhart

8:00 a.m. John Ambrosch/Family

12:15 p.m. For the People

5:30 p.m. Anna Merkle/Mike & Theresa Haughney

Thursday, August 16, 2018

7:00 a.m. Tom Jacquin/Family 8:00 a.m. Cecilia LaHood/Family

Friday, August 17, 2018

7:00 a.m. Agnes Ottensmeyer/Anita Nelson

8:00 a.m. Our Lady of Knock/LAOH

Saturday, August 18, 2018

8:00 a.m. Alice Goodwin/Kathy Clary

5:00 p.m. Anthony Arnold/Walter & Mary Arnold

Sunday, August 19, 2018

7:00 a.m. Giles Keithley/Family 9:00 a.m. Jay Streid/Family 11:00 a.m. For the People

5:00 p.m. Edith Thompson/Pete & Kathryn Martin

Server Schedule

Please check in the sacristy when you arrive to see if servers are needed. Saturday, August 11

5:00 p.m. Ava Fontana, Jenna Horst, Rachel Horst

Sunday, August 12

7:00 a.m. Shawn Slevin

9:00 a.m. Dillon Bare, Lucy Byrkit, Christian Pag-Ong, Holden Tyre

11:00 a.m. Louis Jockisch, Ellie King

5:00 p.m. Nate Hallam, Jake Robenstein, Tyler Robenstein

Weekdays, August 13-18

8:00 a.m. Quinn Doubleday, Nadia LaFond

Saturday, August 18

5:00 p.m. Ava Fontana, Jackson Lewallen, Abby Rusk

Sunday, August 19

7:00 a.m. Maggie Guingrich, Michael Guingrich

9:00 a.m. Ryan Bender, Christina Tockes, Keira Tockes, Danny Ward

11:00 a.m. Brady Socha, Gus Temple, Chloe Wombacher 5:00 p.m. Luke Bender, Jackson Campbell, Isabelle Girard,

Nate Hallam

Weekdays, August 20-25 8:00 am Olivia Atkins, Connor Messmer

This Week in our Parish

CENTERING PRAYER Monday, August 13 at 8:30 am in the cry room in the church

SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCH Monday, August 13 at noon at the 50's Diner in Metro Center

ROSARY Tuesday, August 14 at 10:00 am in the chapel

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY Tuesday, August 14 at 7:00 pm in the lower level of the church

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Tuesday, August 14 at 5:30 pm; Wednesday, August 15 at 7:00 am, 8:00 am, 12:15 pm and 5:30 pm

MEN'S CLUB Thursday, August 16 at 6:30 pm in the lower level of church

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP Thursday, August 16 at 7:00 pm in the old church basement

ST THOMAS SCHOOL MEET AND GREET Sunday, August 19, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Weekly Collection

	August 5,2018	Fiscal YTD
Collections needed	\$20,500	\$123,000
Sunday Collections	\$16,750	\$75,410
Electronic Collections	\$6,017	\$21,102
	\$22,767	·
Over/(Short)	\$2,267	\$(26,488)

Thank you for your generosity

CCD Registration



Registration for families new to the parish or registered parishioners registering their children for CCD classes, Grades 1-8 for the first time is currently underway

Classes are held on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:00 p.m. and begin on September 5, 2018.

Call Angie Robenstein at 645-1364 for further information and registration material. Registering no later than August 27th would be appreciated.

Baptism at St. Thomas

To have your child baptized at St. Thomas, parents are required to attend a baptism class baptism of their first before the child. Godparents are also encouraged to attend. Parents are not required to repeat the before baptizing their other children. Baptism classes will be scheduled in conjunction with the individual families. Please call the parish office to set an appointment for baptism class.

Baptisms may bе celebrated at Sunday Mass. Children may be baptized at the last Sunday of the month at the 11 AM Mass. However, parents may also freely request that their child be baptized privately at a convenient time. Contact the parish office to schedule a private baptism with one of our priests or deacons.



Friday, August 17 PND Athletic Fields and Upper Parking Lot. Scrimmages 5:15 pm 5:30 pm Food will be served 5:00-10:00 pm Beer Tent

Raffle prizes of \$3,000, \$1,500 and \$500 Tickets \$10 or 3/\$25 Winners drawn at Homecoming Game



Bread of Life Readings



Over the past two weeks, we have considered the importance of coming to Sunday Mass, as well as the benefit of making time even for Daily Masses during the week. This week, we consider Holy Days of Obligation. While we are used to the routines of coming to Mass on the weekend, there are a handful of days for which participation at Mass is also required for all Catholics.

In the United States, the Holy Days of Obligation are Mary, Mother of God on January 1, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on August 15, All Saints on November 1, Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary on December 8, and the Nativity of Our Lord (Christmas) on December 25. In some places, the Ascension of Our Lord is observed on Ascension Thursday. In the State of Illinois/Province of Chicago, the Ascension is transferred to Sunday.

Some Holy Days of Obligation are dispensed when they fall on a Monday or a Saturday because of the close proximity to Sunday. In the United States, note that December 8 and December 25 are not dispensed on Mondays and Saturdays. In fact, later this year, we will observe the Holy Day for the Immaculate Conception on Saturday, December 8.

These Holy Days remind us of some of the most important mysteries of our Faith. By taking time out of our busy week to celebrate these Holy Days, we allow the Lord to consecrate our time, by raising our minds in prayer from worldly to spiritual realities. Participating in the Eucharist nourishes us on these special days as we are fed by the Word of God and the Body of Christ.

Take time to celebrate these days, since we have these feast days to remind us of the great blessings that God has given us. As we might all remember to celebrate the birthday or anniversary of an important loved one, we remember these Holy Days as important moments in the lives of our spiritual family. In these sacred celebrations, we rejoice with Our Lord and the Blessed Mother.

In our parish, we also observe special solemnities on the Feast of St. Thomas (July 3) and the Anniversary of the Dedication of our Parish Church (October 6). These are not Holy Days of Obligation, but they are special moments for us as a local parish community. You may have your own feast days to celebrate if you were named after a saint, or if you have a special devotion to a particular saint. Let us all use these feast days to remind us of our calling to holiness and our destiny to join with all the angels and saints in Heaven.

Job Openings

After school **Maintenance** Worker Monday-Friday two to three hours a day helping with school cleanup. High School students age 16+ are invited to apply.

If interested please contact Maureen Bentley, Principal 685-2533 maureenbentley@stthomas-school.net

Musicians are needed to help cover our Masses. If you play piano or organ please consider approaching Msgr. Gray or Ann Horst.

Scheduling Meetings and Events

As planning has begun for the coming year, please remember that all parish and school meetings and events need to be scheduled in advance and on the calendars prior to the day of a meeting or activity.

For school activities, sports and group meetings in the school building and old gym please contact Cheryl Reese in the school office for approval and scheduling (685-2533).

For parish activities and events in the church, including use of the space downstairs after Masses (sign-ups and selling items), please contact Terri Moon in the parish office prior to the day of your activity for approval and scheduling. (688-3446)

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

St. Thomas Food Pantry

Gardeners, Please bring your extra produce to the pantry. Our clients are so grateful for fresh vegetables and fruits.

Following is a suggested list of food items:

Dry Pasta Rice Box Potatoes Pancake Mix Syrup Canned Tomatoes Canned Fruit Tuna Beef Stew

Crackers
Jelly
Peanut Butter
Can Veggies
Cereal
Meal Helpers
Mac & Cheese
Soup
Tomato Sauce

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When coming to our school, you will now be greeted at the new service window in the school office. This is just one of the improvements made this summer to enhance our security.

Pray With the Pope for His Intentions



August 2018 ~ The Treasure of Families

That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

-Pope Francis

Each year, the Holy Father asks us to pray for a specific intention every month. The Holy Father has entrusted these intentions in a particular way to the Apostleship of Prayer, an organization working to encourage Christians to respond to the Pope, and to deepen their daily prayer. You will find more information about the Apostleship of Prayer at http://popesprayerusa.net/.

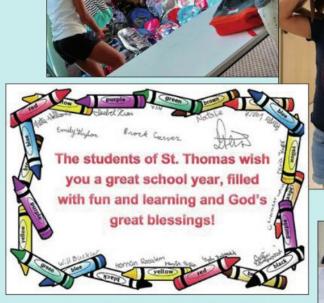
Here at St. Thomas, we will include these intentions during each month, so we can unite as the Universal Church, in prayer.

Backpack Giveaway 2018

A <u>huge Thank YOU</u> to all of you who helped with the backpack distribution – donating filled backpacks, or supplies, or money, or toothbrushes – volunteering; both adults and 8th graders, to play games, educate parents, give out backpacks, shop, "pack the packs", register the families, take pictures... the list goes on and on.

—The Social Justice Committee









Diocesan Children's Choir

Are you looking for a place where your child can sing with other children their age? Please consider joining the Diocese of Peoria Chapter of Pueri Cantores. Pueri Cantores is an international music organization for children of the Catholic Church grades 4-12.

We also have established a preparatory choir, The Little Cherubs, for children K-3. Both choirs will have opportunities to sing at the Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception for special Masses. Children in Pueri Cantores will have the opportunity to represent the Diocese at the Chicago festival in February.

Please email st.marychildrenchoir@gmail.com and join us for an informational meeting on August 9th at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall at Sacred Heart Church.

Cursillo Day of Reflection

Peoria Area Cursillo is sponsoring a Day of Reflection on Saturday, August 25, 2018 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Spalding Pastoral Center, 419 NE Madison Street, Peoria.

Fr. Vincent Giacabazi, S.J., raised in Peoria, will present a Day of Reflection "A Closer Walk with Christ." Fr. Giacabazi has been a retreat master at the White House in St. Louis and in Louisiana.

This is a Diocese-wide event for Cursillo and guests are welcome. You can register by calling the Cursillo office at 309-676-5587 or cursillopeoria@gmail.com. Cost for the day is \$15, which covers the cost of lunch.

Parish Registration Complete the form below and drop in the collection basket or mail to the parish office OR Register on our website at stthomaspeoria.org. Under "About" open the "New Parishioner Registration," complete and submit the form. Last Name First Name(s) Email Address City ZIP Phone New Parishioner _____ Change of Address _____

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Get your groove on at the 60's themed private screening movie event on September 22nd In honor of the 50th anniversary of Humanae Vitae and the upcoming canonization of Pope Paul VI

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Alana was a talented secular musician who gave up her entire music career for life, family and love. She was donor conceived and shares how through desperation to know her father, she discovers the treasures of Humanae Vitae, Theology of the Body and the riches of true freedom through a dramatic conversion.

The documentary closely examines the history of the parallel developments of the Pill and Natural Family Planning by telling the little-known story of the founding doctors. 90 minutes run time

We can jam with Alana afterwards and you can browse the outa sight information presented by OSF Women's Health and FertilityCare, Baby Boot Camp, OSF Centers for Breath Health and childbirth education.

So be there or be square! Spread the word, bring a date, amp up your flower power and contact me for your reservations!

marshak36@gmail.com 309-370-2122 www.sexualrevolutionmovie.com

Peace out, Marsha Kampfl, Coordinator

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Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism class is held for all parents before the baptism of their child. Please contact the parish office to schedule the class.

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 4:00-4:45pm and 6:00-6:30 p.m.

How to Submit Bulletin Information

To submit information for the bulletin, please email to parishoffice@stthomas-church.net with subject "Bulletin". Submissions are due by Friday noon one full week prior. Send images or logos as attachments. Submissions may be edited for content and length.



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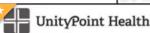


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