

St. Thomas More Church

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Eucharistic Celebrations
 Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm
 Sunday: 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 am
 Weekdays:
 Monday-Friday: 6:45 and 9:00 am
 Saturday: 9:00 am
 Holyday Vigil: 7:30 pm
 Holyday: 6:45 & 9:00 am & 7:30 pm



Rite of Reconciliation
 Saturdays: 3:30-4:00 pm
 or any time by appointment

Reverend Phillip M. Johnson, Priest-in-charge
 Reverend Daniel Joyce, S.J., Weekend Assistant
 Sister Ann Byrnes, RSM, Pastoral Associate for Life Long Faith Formation
 Deacon John Harrington
 Roger Pisani, Pastoral Associate for Music & Liturgy
 Pat Cannon, Parish Secretary • Norma Matos, Parish Secretary
 Sheila Tartamosa, Pastoral Associate for Parish Administration

DIRECTORY

Pastoral Leadership

Parish Trustees	Gary Gadren	424-3212
	Pat Lachnicht	424-3212

Christian Life/Education

Bereavement	Staff	424-3212
Hospital Visitors	Staff & Euch. Ministers	424-3212
Intercessory Prayer	Ann Vigrass	428-7217
Knights of Columbus	Dick Spence	428-8325
Marriage Formation	Bob/Liz Scarpa	795-1160
Parish Rel. Ed. Prog.	Pat Maggart	429-6948
Prayer Shawls	Sheila Mohan	795-6137
Respect Life	Al Mac Elrath	779-7130
Rite of Ch. Init. Adults	Deacon John Harrington	424-3212
	Sister Ann Byrnes	424-3212
Rosary Ministry	Marian/Chuck Kapischke	424-2053
Small Christian Comm.	Ann Marie/Bob Lento	344-7454
Spiritual Direction	Deacon John Harrington	424-3212
Spiritual Retreats	John Galati	428-7073
	Denise Radziwill	424-0494
St. Vincent de Paul	Frank Nicoletti	424-3212
Stewardship	Sheila Tartamosa	424-3212
Youth Ministry	Stan Thompson	424-1120

Worship

Altar Servers	Deacon John Harrington	424-3212
Church Environment	Ann Vigrass	428-7217
	Antonina Nicdao	751-6320
Ch. Art Environment	Joyce DeMichele	424-4008
Eucharistic Ministers	Dolores Kreal	988-0271
Lectors	Pat Lachnicht	424-5636
Linen Committee	Ann Vigrass	428-7217
Sacristans	Dom Sacca	
	Tom Petrilli	751-1367
	Greta Tyrrell	428-2412
	Frank Krenslak	309-1999
Ushers	Roger Pisani, Director	609-488-0020
Music Ministry	Dolores Kreal	988-0271
	Len Kolojejchick	346-4078
	June Garafano, Youth Singers	229-7461

Social Development Bridge Groups

Career Ministry Funsters (over 50 club) Parish Festival Women's Club

Administration House of Charity Parish Finance Council Parish Pastoral Council

Joyce DeMichele	424-4008
Barbara Cerquitella	795-7323
June Garafano	229-7461
Lin Lyon	795-4396
Committee	424-3212
Barbara Cerquitella	795-7323
Lorraine Kennedy	489-0031

Sheila Tartamosa	424-3212
Robert Crawford	424-3212
Marie Enny	751-8893

PARISH MISSION & VISION STATEMENTS

Mission (*Purpose*)

Through the Sacrament of Baptism, we the Catholic Community of St. Thomas More respond to our call to holiness.

Vision (*Goals*)

Empowered by Baptism, inspired by the Holy Spirit, and formed by the Word of God and the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist, we live out our Mission by working together:

- To structure prayerful, vibrant, participatory, Sunday worship experiences.
- To provide Life Long Faith formation for all age levels.
- To care for the young, the old, the sick, the hurting and the needy, both inside and outside our parish.
- To promote faith sharing, prayer, support, learning and listening to one another as a model for nourishing and sustaining our faith community.
- To welcome back, with hospitality, those who have left our faith community.

VISITATION AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the parish office, 424-3212, if a family member is seriously ill or facing/recovering from surgery and would like to see a priest or receive the Anointing of the Sick. Holy Communion is also available to those who are homebound on an ongoing basis.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please make arrangements for Baptism in advance through the parish office. Parents and godparents are required to attend a preparatory session.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to marry will attend a marriage preparation program called Living in Love. Call office for appointment.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process of formation for full initiation into the Catholic Church. It is open to those never Baptized; those baptized in another faith; and Catholics who have not received First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

For more information, please contact Sister Ann Byrnes, RSM, Pastoral Associate, 424-3212 ext. 104 or Deacon John Harrington, Moderator, at 424-3212 ext. 103.

RCIA Team: John Mohan and Irene Rellosa

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Children's Liturgy of the Word – Sunday, during 10 a.m. Mass
Grades one thru four: Tuesday, 4:15 - 5:30 p.m.
Grades five thru eight: Tuesday, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

New members are welcome in our community of faith. Please call, 424-3212, or come to the parish office to register.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please submit hardcopy and/or e-mail by 4 p.m. Monday.

CATHOLIC GRADE SCHOOL

John Paul II Regional School - (856) 783-3088
Principal: Mrs. Helen Persing



New Ministry Assignment for Deacon John Harrington

Deacon John, having faithfully served the Parish of St. Thomas More for eight years, has been reassigned to the Parish of St. Gabriel the Archangel, in Carneys Point. For some time, Deacon John has felt that it was time to seek a ministry closer to his home in Salem County, so that he can better attend to the needs of his family. We will certainly miss him and his ministry of visiting the sick, preparing and assisting in leading the Liturgy, preaching the Word, baptizing, and sharing in the life of our small Christian communities. However, we are happy with him and with his wife, Nancy, that he may continue his diaconal service closer to home.

This Sunday, July 7, following the 11:30 Mass, there will be a reception in the St. Thomas More Room, where we can give thanks for his ministry among us and say a prayerful farewell.

God Bless

Ongoing Devotions... (In Chapel)

Novena of the Miraculous Medal

Tuesdays after 9 a.m. Mass

Rosary

Tuesday mornings after the Novena

Wednesdays after 9 a.m. Mass

Saturdays after 9 a.m. Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

Fridays, 9:30 a.m. until 12 Noon

**SAVE THE DATE
Mark Your Calendar
1st Annual**

**Saint Thomas More Parish
Harvest Festival**

**Sunday, October 20, 2013
3-8 PM**

**New and Exciting Fundraiser and Social
Gathering with Dinner, Dancing and Music
provided by D. J. John Negro.**

*Watch this space over the
Summer for more information.*



Worshipping God with the Mind

Summer Reading for the Mind, Heart, and Spirit

Fr. Phillip Johnson

Catholic culture is a literate culture. Catholics understand that faith seeks an ever deeper understanding. The great Christian philosophers, theologians, poets, and novelists may help to steep our intellect and imagination in the mysteries of the Faith. For some of us, summer vacations will bring time for reading. Along with the recent best seller, why not feed your faith on the thoughts of one or two well-tested Christian authors, perhaps one from the following varied list? Two of the ten authors are not Roman Catholics, but I promise they will do you no harm. Three are converts, as you might expect from me. All of them should be available through on-line book sellers. None on the following list are “academic”.

On Current Issues and Controversies of the Day . . .

***Bio Ethics: A Primer for Christians*, by Gilbert Meilaender.** The author has the gift of explaining complex issues clearly and with beautiful prose. In 117 pages he helps us understand what is at stake, morally speaking, in the pressing bio-ethical questions of the day.

***The Truth of Catholicism: Inside the Essential teachings and Controversies of the Church Today*, by George Weigel.** A political philosopher, journalist, and sometime t.v. commentator, Weigel clarifies and defends basic theological and moral Catholic teachings. Among his other works is the massive *Witness to Hope: The Biography of Pope John Paul II*.

***The Thrill of the Chaste: Finding Fulfillment While Keeping Your Clothes On*, by Dawn Eden.** Growing up in a secular Jewish home, following a career as a rock music critic with a NYC newspaper, finding herself adrift in the culture of permissive self-expression, the author found her way to the Catholic Faith. She tells her story with striking candor. A couple of years ago, I recruited her to speak to young adults in our diocese, in a Theology on Tap session.

Three Modern Classics

***Orthodoxy*, by G. K. Chesterton.** Probably the most famous book of one of the most famous of the modern British “literary converts”. This short, sparkling work is hard to describe. A man of genius tells us how he came to discover that the Christian Catholic Faith is true. It's the sort of book many people read once a year.

***The Screwtape Letters: Letters from A Senior To a Junior Devil*, by C. S. Lewis.** Lewis, the Oxford and Cambridge professor whose works are still read by millions, said this book was his hardest of all to write, because he had to think morally backwards. It is a brilliant, scary, sometimes funny exposé of the strategies of the hell.

***The Four Cardinal Virtues*, by Josef Pieper.** The author has been called the “German C. S. Lewis” because he had the gift of being both profound and “popular” at the same time. This is his treatment of Aristotle's four “cardinal” or foundational virtues: prudence, justice, fortitude and temperance. Catholic theology would later adopt Aristotle's list and Christianize it (adding the theological virtues of faith, hope, and love). As a Catholic philosopher, Pieper shows us the relevance of these fundamental moral “habits” for life in our world today.

And One Novel . . .

***The Keys of the Kingdom*, by A. J. Cronin.** The moving story of a Scottish Missionary – his trials, sacrifices, and joys – a sort of spiritual adventure story.

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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ministry Schedule for July 13, and 14, 2013

Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 p.m.	Father Johnson	D Kreal R Pisani	D Kreal, I Relloso P Rossi, G Tyrrell	B Scarpa	J/P/S Wachman
8:30 a.m.	Father Joyce	S Caccavale R Pisani	Sr. Bozena, A Pajic Sr. Rosaria, B Scarpa	P Lachnicht	J Pol, A Rzepski B Scarpa
10:00 a.m.	Father Joyce	M Kramer R Pisani	K Glover, N/P Kirincic J Mazzagatti	N Albone	A/T Rumell
11:30 a.m.	Father Johnson	C Pisani R Pisani	M Garber, B/AM Lento D Staton	J Arnold	A/K/M Quay

NEXT WEEKEND:

The **Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa** will be taken up, next weekend, at all Masses. Please be as generous as possible.



PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for our 2013-2014 Religious Education Program concluded on June 30. Reminder letters and registration forms have been mailed to the homes of those students who have not re-registered to date. Registration of first grade students, as well as students who are new to our parish, will continue throughout the summer. If your child has not been registered, please do so immediately. Registration forms are available in the gathering space.

Call the Parish Office for more information, 424-3212

What is the Women's Club?

The Women's Club is an organization open to ALL women of the parish—all women are invited to become members and share your ideas! Join us. We meet monthly, 7:30 p.m. normally on the 4th Wednesday of the month in the St. Thomas More Hall, September through May.

Check the bulletin for updates.

Our goal is to promote fellowship, enjoy educational, social, and spiritual activities and aid in our community.

Contact Barbara Cerquitella, 795-7323 or
Lorraine Kennedy, 489-0031- Co-Presidents

Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage!

The Retrouvaille Marriage Program (weekend & 6 sessions) offers help for struggling marriages — next program is **Aug. 9-11** at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register for the upcoming weekend visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly



CCHS Class of 1963 - 50 Year Reunion

The first class to graduate from Camden Catholic's Cherry Hill location is celebrating their 50th reunion on Saturday, October 19, from 6-11 p.m. at the Wyndham Hotel in Mt. Laurel. For tickets or to provide your updated contact information, visit www.cchsclassof1963.com, call Jim Bigley at 816-6907, Janet Sereno Lewis at 840-5959 or email cchs63reunion@gmail.com.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Stewards Ask For No Return

“Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals...” Luke 10:4

The story of Jesus sending out the disciples reminds us that, as Christ's disciples, we should not be overly concerned about material goods, possessions and money. We are called to willingly share our gifts and expect nothing in return.

FREE Ministry to Traveling Catholics
Going on vacation? Need to find a church?
For nationwide Mass times and locations:
Go to: www.masstimes.org



**Mass Intentions
for the Week**

SATURDAY - JULY 6

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
4:30 pm Michael & Regina Young r/b Mom

SUNDAY - JULY 7

8:30 am Mary Flacco r/b Orlando & Sarah Rivera
10:00 am Joseph LaRosa r/b his wife, Helen & Family
William McColgan r/b Dudley & Mary Lou Thomas
Rose & Patrick McMenamin and Gloria DeTato r/b Jerry & Jeannine McMenamin
11:30 am Kathleen Frain r/b Jack Boesch

MONDAY - JULY 8

6:45 am John & Mary Valavi r/b Pottackal Family
9:00 am Loretta Cirillo r/b Teresa Gill Cirillo

TUESDAY - JULY 9

6:45 am Roseann Donahue r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Stanley Sobieski r/b Rossi Family

WEDNESDAY - JULY 10

6:45 am Roseann Donahue r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Loretta Cirillo r/b Jim & Pat Beaney

THURSDAY - JULY 11

6:45 am People of the Parish
9:00 am Loretta Cirillo r/b Fitzpatrick Family
Dolores Pearse r/b husband, Robert Pearse

FRIDAY - JULY 12

6:45 am People of the Parish
9:00 am Loretta Cirillo r/b Louis & Anna Mae Archarali

SATURDAY - JULY 13

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
4:30 pm William Carl Canfield r/b Mitchell Family

SUNDAY - JULY 14

8:30 am Brian Deutsch r/b Bailey/Kenny Families
10:00 am Bob Boylan r/b Kolecki Family
William McColgan r/b Cecilia Marino
11:30 am Joe Turiano r/b Kay & Family

Invitation to a Journey Called RCIA:

Please call Sister Ann, 424-3212 - ext. 104, to receive more information about the RCIA classes.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

THE DECEASED... SSgt Michael Del Campo, Sr. brother of parishioner Antoinette Del Campo-O'Brien.

THE SICK...

Don Kreal
Maria Storms
Phyllis Schadt
Ron Massey
Olga Mignone
Frank Colbert
Mary Cowan
Shirley Birch
Jean Colbert
Dorothy Brink
Pat Barton
Leila Lore
Ed Rivero
Pat Beaney
YunYun Shen
Virginia Foley
Fran Swider
Rose Hession
Danny Perla
Anna Bedrick
Pat Brink
Ginny Fritz
Mary DeVito

Claire Boylan
Naomi Willingmyre
George Sweeten
John B. Kennedy
Michael Kapischke
Betty O'Donnell
Marie Mazzagatti
Stanley Kochanek
Pauline Rosberg
Joseph Console
Geraldyn Coticone
Jerry McMenamin
Pasquale DiFronzo
Dorothy Wolenter
Mary Branciforte
Virginia Gormley
Angelo DiGiacomo
Wayne Mauri, Sr.
Francesca Capra
Chuck Kapischke
Deacon Jim Smith
Gary Scarpa



Alfred DiFrank
Chris Kolodzey
Marie DiFrank
Ethan Killeen
Carlos Santiago
Betty Brennan
Barbara Salpas
Michael Suralik
Bill O'Donnell
Teddy Shaffer
Bill Botensten
Chase Lupica
Paul Charette
Frank Cappetta
Harry Gindele
Helen Kane
Eleanor Regan

THOSE IN THE ARMED SERVICES...



Lt. Col. Allison Agar, Lt. Cdr. Richard P. Byrnes, Jr., Pvt. 1st Class Mario Centofanti, Lt. Anthony R. Cosentino, Capt. Anthony T. DeMarco, Sr. Airman John P. DeYoung, Lt. Nicholas G. Iannuzzi, PFC Sonny Morrison, Major Ryan Orfe, Lt. Col. Louis J. Papa, SSgt Arturo Rivero, Jr., Lt. Col. Karl Rohr, SPC Giselle M. Torres and Sgt. Michael Willingmyre.

**BLESSED EDMUND PRESCHOOL
Under direction of Little Servant Sisters**

1000 Cropwell Rd., Cherry Hill
3 & 4 yr old Programs Full & Half Day
Certified Educators Before & After Care
For more info or registration call 424-3063.

Franciscan Missionary Sisters of the Infant Jesus

Kresson Road, Cherry Hill
The **Mother Mary Joseph Center of Hospitality** is a Franciscan House of Prayer and offers accommodations for: Retreats (individual or group), Day, Evening & Weekend programs for spiritual & personal growth, Spirituality & Development Days, Desert Day Experiences, Hermitage Experiences and more.
Contact information: (856) 428-8834 or mmjhospitality@yahoo.com.

Small Christian Community Faith Sharing

Please note that we put the following week's Gospel passage in this space so you can prepare all week for proclamation of the Gospel the following Sunday. Faith Sharing helps ordinary people connect their faith with everyday life experiences.

Excerpt from the Gospel for the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 14, 2013 - Luke 10:25-37

(Jesus tells the story of the Good Samaritan in response to the scholar of the law who was testing Jesus. The scholar asked Jesus "who is my neighbor?" The man who fell victim to robbers in the story of the Good Samaritan is passed over by a priest and by a Levite, both of whom crossed to the opposite side of the road when they saw the beaten man.) "But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight. He poured oil and wine over the victim's wounds and bandaged them. Then he lifted him up on his own animal, took him to an inn, and cared for him... 'Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers' victim,' asks Jesus. The scholar answered, 'The one who treated him with mercy.' Jesus said, 'Go and do likewise.'"

Commentary:

Jesus does not need to answer the question of the "scholar" since the man already knows the answer. The issue is not knowing but doing, as Jesus instructs him "do this and you will live." Similarly, as the lawyer knew the law, we know this very familiar parable. The issue for us is not knowing the parable; rather, it is the hard work of extending mercy not just to the neighbor we know but to any person in need.

Questions for Reflection and Sharing:

1. What is God saying to me in this Gospel passage?
2. What word or phrase in this Gospel speaks to me?
3. What word or phrase in the Reflection resonates with me?

House of Charity-Bishop's Annual Appeal
Filling the Darkness with LIGHT

Thanks to your generosity we have gone over our parish goal of \$110,000.00. If you haven't yet pledged and would like to please pick up a Pledge card which is available in the gathering space — please mail in or drop off at the parish office.



How long does an abortion take? From a few minutes to a few days; however the memory of the abortion lasts a lifetime. Pray for all who have had an abortion.

Stephenson County, IL - Right to Life

Al Mac Elrath, Respect Life Coordinator - 779-7130

LITTLE SERVANT SISTERS GARDEN FESTIVAL

Donations of gently used Clothing & clean Household Goods requested & accepted now through August 31, 2013. Mrs. Grabowski, 235-1521

WELCOME! We're glad you're here.

New Parishioner Registration

(Please drop this form in the collection basket. The Parish office will contact you for further information.)

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Camp Firefly 2013 — August 24/25 - An overnight camp for children ages 7-14 who have experienced a death of a close loved one presented by *The Hospice of Moorestown VNA*. Activities are designed to ease grief while combined with traditional camp experiences. Call the Camp Firefly specialist at 856-552-1300 to register.

The Hospice of Moorestown also offers **free** bereavement support groups for both children and adults. Pre-registration is required. Please call 856-552-1300 ext. 2507.

GREETINGS from the **Catholic Star Herald** newspaper. Check out the newest offering from the CSH team at <http://www.remembering-when.com/catholicstarherald/lifemoment.shtml>

Honor a loved one or celebrate a special moment (sacrament, graduation, anniversary, etc.).