

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: 7:00 pm
Holyday: 6:45 & 9:00 am & 7:00 pm



Rite of Reconciliation
Saturdays: 3:00-4:00 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
Sister Katherine Pociecha, LSIC, Religious Education Coordinator
Julie Linn, Music Ministry
Pat Cannon, Parish Secretary • Norma Matos, Parish Secretary
Sheila Tartamosa, Pastoral Associate for Parish Administration

DIRECTORY

Pastoral Leadership

Parish Trustees	John Mohan	424-3212
	Greta Tyrrell	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.	Sister Katherine Pociecha	424-3212
Prayer Shawls	Sheila Mohan	795-6137
Respect Life	Al Mac Elrath	779-7130
Rite of Ch. Init. Adults	Sister Ann Byrnes	424-3212
Rosary Ministry	Marian Kapischke	424-2053
Small Christian Comm.	Ann Marie/Bob Lento	344-7454
Spiritual Retreats	John Galati	428-7073
	Denise Radziwill	424-0494
St. Vincent de Paul	Stan Thompson	424-3212
Stewardship	Sheila Tartamosa	424-3212
Youth Ministry	Stan Thompson	424-1120

Worship

Altar Servers	Sister Ann Byrnes	424-3212
	Pat Maggart	424-3212
	Ann Vigrass	428-7217
	Antonina Nicdao	751-6320
	Joyce DeMichele	424-4008
	Dolores Kreal	988-0271
	Pat Lachnicht	424-5636
	Ann Vigrass	428-7217
	Dom Sacca	
	Pat Maggart	424-3212
	Greta Tyrrell	428-2412
	Frank Krenslak	309-1999

Social Development

Bridge Groups	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

Administration

House of Charity	Sheila Tartamosa	424-3212
Parish Finance Council	Robert Crawford	424-3212
Parish Pastoral Council	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.

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

Fr. Daniel Joyce, S. J.

As we say our farewell today to Fr. Joyce, we give thanks for his years of priestly service at our Sunday Masses. We will surely miss his gifts as a preacher (with his lyrics for the week), the spiritual guidance offered to many, and his faithful assistance in the sacramental ministry. May God continue to bless his work at St. Joseph University, ever strengthening his vocation as a priest in the Society of Jesus. We promise him our prayers, and we give thanks to God that, year by year, many young people will have the benefit of his teaching and spiritual guidance.

Fr. Phillip Johnson

Confession on Saturdays
During LENT here at St. Thomas More:
April 5 and 12
9:30 - 10:00 AM and 3:15 - 4:00 PM

REGIONAL PENITENTIAL SERVICE

(with private confession)

Monday, April 7, 7 p.m.
at Church of St. Mary
Springdale Rd., Cherry Hill

Large number of Confessors present



The Stations of the Cross are being held on Friday evenings during Lent at 7 p.m. in the Chapel.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Stewardship Hearts

“Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart.” 1Samuel 16:7b

How often do we invest our time, talent and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we as **Stewards** used our time, talents and treasure here on earth.

PARISH COLLECTION

March 23, 2014

\$8,487.50 - 226 Envelopes

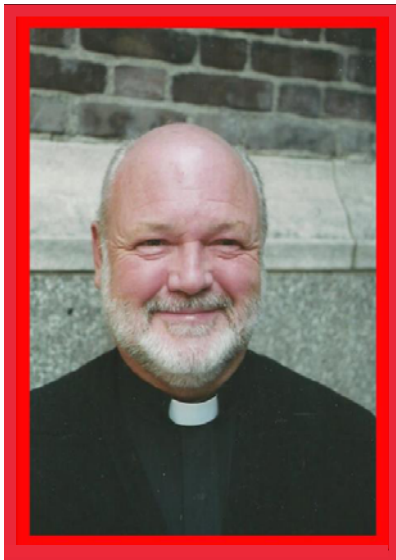
May the Lord bless you for your generosity to your parish.

Saint Thomas More Parish Mission

'Is it time to Give God a Second Thought?'

Monday thru Wednesday

March 31, April 1 and 2



Presenter: Father John Collins, CSP

A native of New York City, Paulist Father John Collins devotes his full-time energies to evangelization and mission work.

Over the past decade Fr. Collins has conducted more than three hundred missions and preached over 30 retreats for priests and religious.

Dates: Monday thru Wednesday, March 31, April 1-2

Time: Morning—after the 9:00 AM Mass
Evening—7:30 PM

Morning and Evening Sessions are the Same
Choose the Session that best fits your schedule

Place: Parish Chapel

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Ministry Schedule for April 5, and 6, 2014

Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 p.m.	Father Johnson	C Malatino J Linn	T Petrone, I Rellosa Sr. Zophla	J Cepeda	C Cepeda, D Ha B Scarpa
8:30 a.m.	Father Johnson	J Garafano B Casey	Sr. Bozena, R Vanderwlelen A Del Campo-O'Brien	J Vecchlola	A/J Zleba B Scarpa
10:00 a.m.	Father Johnson	Choir/S Caccavale J Linn	D/L Lyon M Santiago	V Marchesani	M/N Ronan N Samson
11:30 a.m.	Father Odien	M Kramer J Linn	M Garber, B Haughwout L Levin	J Arnold	R Caton G Gray

Women's Club News

Board Meeting: Wed., April 2, 2 p.m.

*Barbara Cerquitella, 795-7323 &
Lorraine Kennedy, 489-0031, Co-Presidents*

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

During the **Parish Mission** this coming week, the children from grades 1 to 4 are asked to come to class on Tuesday, April 1 to **Make-Up** the time lost because of snow days. They will have a regular religious class at the usual time from 4:15 to 5:30 p.m.

However, there will be **NO** Parish Religious Education Program classes this coming Tuesday, April 1 for students in the evening classes (grades 5-8).

The Stations of the Cross will be held on Tuesday, April 8, at 4:15 for students in grades 1-4 and again at 7 p.m. for students in grades 5-8 of our Religious Education Program. Parents are welcome to attend.

Sr. Katherine Pociecha, REC, 424-3212 - ext. 106

'FUNSTER NEWS'



Funster Trips are open to **all** Parishioners & Friends

Our next meeting will be this **Tuesday, April 1** at 1 p.m. in the St. Thomas More Room. All those going on Charleston/Savannah trip and City Mansions and Country Estates bus trip are requested to attend.

Be first to hear about and sign up for **new** fall trips.

All payments for June 1 trip to the Dupont Theater are due at this time.

Lin Lyon, 795-4396

A **Knights of Columbus Cherry Hill Council** member will be available after all Masses next weekend, April 5/6, for any parishioner that is interested in membership.



Chip Dombrowski

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Theology on Tap is a speaker & discussion series (TOPIC: *From Undocumented Immigrant to Beloved Priest*) for women & men, 20s & 30s, married or single. No cost to attend - Participants are welcome to purchase food and beverages.

Next meeting: Tues., April 8, 7-9 p.m., Dubliner Irish Pub & Grill in Galloway, NJ

For more info go to gregory.coogan@camdendiocese.org

House of Charity Celebrating 50 Years - 1964-2014 "Unearthing the Treasure"

Thank you to those who have already pledged. We are still striving to reach our 2014 parish goal of \$112,200.00. Pledge cards are available in the gathering space — please mail in or drop off at the parish office.

Easter Flower donation envelopes are included in your weekly envelope packet (*there are extra envelopes in the gathering space*). Your Easter Flower offering will be used for altar flowers, lilies for the shut-ins and church decorations.

Your envelope can be put in the collection basket, mailed or dropped off at the parish office. Please indicate, on the envelope, if you wish to have your donation made in memory of a loved one. Your generosity will help to enhance our Easter liturgies.





Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY - MARCH 29

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
4:30 pm Loretta Cirillo r/b Carmel Rapetti

SUNDAY - MARCH 30

8:30 am C. Thomas Maniaci r/b The Hudson Family
10:00 am Tom Wilkins r/b Hu Family
Angela & Iola Scotto r/b sister and aunt,
Agatha Scotto
Arturo Rivero, Jr. r/b Don & Dolores Kreal
11:30 am Kay Turiano r/b Bill & Mary Ellen Carrozza

MONDAY - MARCH 31

6:45 am People of the Parish
9:00 am Patrick Johnston r/b John & Sheila Mohan

TUESDAY - APRIL 1

6:45 am Matilda Sacca r/b Jack Walsh
9:00 am James Mitchell r/b Bill & Ann Vigrass

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 2

6:45 am People of the Parish
9:00 am Joe Mike Peterson r/b Bob & Ann Marie Lento

THURSDAY - APRIL 3

6:45 am People of the Parish
9:00 am Patrick McNulty r/b Bob & Ann Marie Lento
Special Intentions of Bill & Ann Vigrass
r/b Pat Shelfer
Patrick McNulty r/b Ron & Gail Bizzoso

FRIDAY - APRIL 4

6:45 am Matilda Sacca r/b Franciscan Sisters of the Infant Jesus
9:00 am Anthony Bruno r/b Betty Cotilla

SATURDAY - APRIL 5

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

SUNDAY - APRIL 6

8:30 am Living & Deceased Members of the Moore Family r/b Sheila Moore
10:00 am Virginia Foley r/b Jim & Sheila Santarpio
Kay Turiano r/b St. Thomas More Women's Club
Diane Sullivan r/b Hu Family
Sharon Bushelli r/b husband, Scott
11:30 am Kay Frain r/b Jack Boesch

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

March - That all cultures may respect the rights and dignity of women.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

THE SICK...

Don Kreal	George Sweeten	
Maria Storms	John B. Kennedy	
Phyllis Schadt	Michael Kapischke	
Ron Massey	Chris Kolodzey	
Helen Kane	Betty O'Donnell	
Claire Boylan	Henry Bourgeois	
Frank Colbert	Stanley Kochanek	
Mary Cowan	Pauline Rosberg	
Jean Colbert	Joseph Console	
Pat Barton	Geralyn Coticone	
Leila Lore	Jerry McMenamin	
Ed Rivero	Pasquale DiFronzo	
Pat Beaney	Dorothy Wolenter	
YunYun Shen	Virginia Gormley	
Rose Hession	Angelo DiGiacomo	
Danny Perla	Wayne Mauri, Sr.	
Anna Bedrick	Francesca Capra	
Pat Brink	Deacon Jim Smith	
Ginny Fritz	Margaret Crawford	
Sue Hagan	Pauline Montes	
	Ethan Killeen	
	Carlos Santiago	
	Barbara Salpas	
	Michael Suralik	
	Bill O'Donnell	
	Teddy Shaffer	
	Bill Botensten	
	Chase Lupica	
	Frank Cappetta	
	Harry Gindele	
	Eleanor Regan	
	Pat Suralik	
	Msgr. Budney	
	Bryan Dietrich	
	Julia Lepre	

THOSE IN THE ARMED SERVICES...



Lt. Col. Allison Agar, SSgt Samuel Brough, Pvt. 1st Class Mario Centofanti, Lt. Anthony R. Cosentino, Capt. Anthony T. DeMarco, SSgt John P. DeYoung, Lt. Nicholas G. Iannuzzi, PFC Sonny Morrison, Major Ryan Orfe, Lt. Col. Louis J. Papa, Lt. Col. Karl Rohr, Air Force Major James P. Tobin, SPC Giselle M. Torres and Sgt. Michael Willingmyre.

We are in the final stages of preparing our **PARISH Pictorial DIRECTORY** for publication.

The Directory will include a Roster (name, address, phone number) of all our parish families. If you do **not** want to have your phone number included in this roster, please call (856-424-3212) or email the parish office (sthomasmore@comcast.net).

If your family was not able to be photographed, you can provide us with a family photo along with a fee of \$10.00 to be included in the Directory. You will then receive a copy of the parish pictorial directory.

Office of Vocations presents
iRace4Vocations
Sunday, April 27 at Rowan Univ.



**Outdoor Mass with Bishop Sullivan - 1 p.m.
Race Starts at 3 p.m.**

Free Will donations accepted.

Please call the parish office to register, 424-3212. Registration ends 4-16-2014.

For more info go to www.camdenpriest.org.

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 Fifth Sunday of Lent, April 6, 2014 - John 11:1-45

Martha said to Jesus "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask of God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise." Martha said to him, "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" Martha said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."

Commentary:

Martha of Bethany stood in the road, defenseless. Her brother had died. Lazarus was the man of the house, the one who represented his sisters to the world. Without him, their future was very uncertain. In her grief, she realized she had nothing left to lose by telling the truth. Even if the truth was dangerous. So she finally said out loud the idea she had been forming in her mind and heart for quite a while. Jesus, her teacher, friend, and houseguest, was the one the world was waiting for. It might be heresy to say it, but she would confess him as Messiah-Christ and Son of God. And once she said it out loud, her confession of faith gave Jesus the freedom to act on her behalf, to bring new life from death. Jesus will do the same for anyone who repeats Martha's brave words.

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?



Lord, please help America awake to the immorality and unconstitutionality of abortion and the duty and power of the government not to promote it but to abolish it.. Pro-Life Corner
Al Mac Elrath, Respect Life Coordinator - 779-7130

Diocese of Camden OFFICE OF CHILD & YOUTH PROTECTION

CAP Phase 1

- Thurs., April 3, 7 p.m. - Holy Eucharist Parish, Cherry Hill

CAP Phase 2 – Bullying Prevention

- Thurs., April 10, 7 p.m. - Holy Eucharist Parish, Cherry Hill

CAP Phase 3 – Cyber Empowerment

- Wed., April 30, 3 p.m. - Our Lady of Mercy Academy, Newfield

To attend one of the Child Assault Prevention (CAP) classes, please call the CAP registration line, 583-6165. Please register at least 5 days before session.

**Experience the Touch of God Healing Mass
at St. John Neumann Church, Mt. Laurel
Celebrant, Rev. Jon Thomas
Friday, April 4, 7 p.m.**

There will be a holy hour preceding the Healing Mass.
For more info call Raul, 778-0232, or Greg, 424-6091.

South Jersey Catholic Medical Association **Retreat Day**

Saturday, May 3, at Christ the King Parish, 200 Windsor Ave., Haddonfield

Mass at 5 p.m. Presentation and light dinner will be in the church hall from 6-9 p.m.

Topic: "Physician Saints in the 20th Century, Responding to the Spirit"

St. Giuseppe Moscati, presented by Dr. Ciervo

St. Gianna Beretta Molla, presented by Dr. Hong

Registration for the retreat should be sent to South Jersey Catholic Medical Assoc., 1845 Haddon Ave., Camden, NJ 08103. Cost: \$15 in advance, \$20 on day of retreat. Join the association and the membership fee of \$30 will include the cost of the retreat. No fee for Assoc. members. For more info call 342-4125 or email Katherine.boyer@camdendiocese.org.

St. Mary's Travel Club will be running a trip in October 2014. We depart on October 23 for a **River Cruise** on the Seine River through northern France (begins & ends in Paris, stopping in small towns, historic cities & seaports). We have cabins available to us at a rate discounted from the retail price for a limited time.

For more info call Barbara Dollarton (424-2739).Pg. 6 - 632