

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: 3:15-4:00 pm
or any time by appointment

Reverend Phillip M. Johnson, Priest-in-charge
Sister Ann Byrnes, RSM, Pastoral Associate for Life Long Faith Formation
Sister Katherine Pociеча, 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 Pociеча 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

Ushers

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

Mark your Calendar

Saint Thomas More Parish Picnic
September 21, 2014



PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for our 2014-2015 Religious Education Program continues throughout the summer for first grade students, as well as students who are new to our parish and those who have not reregistered to date.

If your child has not been registered, *please do so immediately*. Books and supplies need to be ordered and classrooms assigned.

Registration forms are available in the gathering space or on our web site under *Religious Education at stthomasmorenj.org*.

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

Saint Thomas More is pleased to introduce "Enhancing Stewardship through Electronic Funds Transfer".

To get started log on to:
<http://www.stthomasmorenj.org/>
and click on the Parish Giving Logo and follow the easy registration steps.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Stewards Return Gifts

"Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?"
Romans 11:35

St. Paul reminds us of a central fact of *Stewardship*. We cannot give the Lord anything, because God already owns it all. God made everything. All that we can do is return a portion of God's many gifts back to Him. Sincere gratitude for our gifts opens our hearts to joyful generosity!

PARISH COLLECTION

August 17, 2014

\$9,109.50 - 190 Envelopes

Online Giving: \$215.00

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

**2nd Annual
Saint Thomas More Parish
Harvest Festival and Raffle Drawing**



Sunday, October 19, 2014

Indian Spring Country Club

Marlton, NJ

3-4 PM cocktails (cash bar)

4-8 PM Dinner, Dancing and Raffle Drawing

Exciting Social Gathering with Dinner,

Dancing, Fellowship and Music

provided by D. J. John Negro

Dinner Ticket \$35.00 per person

Includes Buffet Dinner, Music, Dancing

Raffle Ticket \$100.00 each

Chance to WIN!

1st Prize \$10,000.00 or 25%

2nd Prize \$ 6,000.00 or 15%

3rd Prize \$ 2,000.00 or 5%

4th Prize \$ 2,000.00 or 5%

Proceeds will be used for

Tables and Chairs for Religious Education Classrooms

Upgrade Church Sound System

Campus Buildings & Grounds Repair & Maintenance

This will be the only Parish Fundraiser for the year.

Please plan to participate.

Tickets on Sale after all Masses.

NAME: _____ Address: _____ Phone # _____

Number of Raffle Tickets @ \$100.00 _____ Number of Dinner Tickets @ \$35.00 _____

Amount enclosed \$ _____

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ministry Schedule for August 30, and 31, 2014

Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 p.m.	Monsignor Graham	C. Rivera B. Casey	J. & S. Mohan I. Rellosa	T. Andraka	D. Ha B. Scarpa
8:30 a.m.	Father Johnson	Sr. Pepita J. Linn	A. Del Campo-O'Brien Sr. Bozena, R. Vanderwiegen	J. Vecchlola	A. & J. Zieba B. Scarpa
10:00 a.m.	Father Smith	M. Kramer J. Linn	K. Glover, M. Huynh M. Santiago	V. Marchesani	M. & N. Ronan N. Samson
11:30 a.m.	Father Johnson	C. Capriotti B. Casey	M. Garber, B. Haughwout H. Protzman	J. Arnold	G. & M. Gray S. Russo

Mission Co-op Collection This Weekend

We welcome Bridget who will be speaking at all the Masses on behalf of the *Franciscan Mission Service - Helping Lay Catholics Answer the Call to Mission*. Since their founding, in 1990, they have sent more than 110 men and women to 19 countries on long-term mission. These missionaries live a simple life in solidarity with their partners: the economically poor and oppressed in Africa, Latin America, North America and the Caribbean.

As always your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Women's Club News

Board Meeting: Tuesday., Sept. 2, 1:30 p.m.

Please note date and time change.

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



*Diocesan Pilgrimage to the
National Shrine
of the Immaculate Conception
Washington, DC
Saturday, October 11, 2014
Theme: To honor the Virgin Mary
as Our Lady, Undoer of Knots*

Tentative Schedule

- 7:00 am Departure from St. Thomas More
- 11:00 am Concert in Upper Church
- 12 Noon Lunch Cafeteria
- 1:30 pm Procession of parishes/Rosary
- 3:00 pm Mass (Bishop Sullivan)
- 4:30 pm Departure from National Shrine
- 5:30 pm Stop for Dinner
- 8:00 pm Arrive at St. Thomas More

Bus is Restroom equipped/Video capable

\$20 Fee from each participant to defray bus cost

**MUST REGISTER at the Parish Office -
856-424-3212 - by Monday, September 8th.**

Going to STOCKTON, Rowan or Rutgers? Here is the Mass schedule for your convenience.

Stockton College

Catholic Campus Ministry (Fr. James King, Chaplain)
235 Pomona Road, Pomona, NJ 08240

Sunday Mass: 6 pm (Homemade dinner available after Mass)

Mon. & Thurs.: 12:45 pm on campus in Room F-201

Facebook: Stockton Catholic Campus Ministry

Rowan University

Catholic Campus Ministry (Newman House)

1 Redmond Ave., Glassboro, NJ 08028

Sunday Mass: 7 pm

Mon.-Wed.: 12:30 pm, **Thurs.:** 7 pm on campus (TBA)

Contact info: www.rowanccm.com or 856-881-3474

Fr. Robert Sinatra, Chaplain

St. Bridget's University Parish

125 Church St., Glassboro, NJ 08028

Sat.: 4:30 pm & **Sun.:** 8:30 & 10:30 am & 1 pm (Spanish)

Monday-Friday: 8 am & **Saturday:** 9 am

Rutgers University — CAMDEN

Sunday Mass: 5 pm Campus Center, Main Room

Daily Mass: 12 Noon, Cathedral of Immaculate

Conception, corner of Market & Broadway

Fr. Mike McCue OSFS, Campus Minister

Contact info: mccue1959@gmail.com

Rutgers University — NEW BRUNSWICK

Sunday Masses: 12 Noon, Busch Ctr., Rm. 120

6 pm, Cook Campus, G.H. Cook Rm.

8 pm, St. Peter's, 94 Somerset St.

Livingston Ctr., Rm. 202

Daily Mass (M-F): 12:15 pm, Cath. Ctr. Chapel

www.catholic-center.rutgers.edu



Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY - AUGUST 23

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
Dudley Cannon r/b Margaret Kane
4:30 pm Josephine Shicatanano r/b daughter, Marie
Glaviano

SUNDAY - AUGUST 24

8:30 am Benjamin William Smith r/b Kathy Reganata
10:00 am Father William Hart r/b Gary Gadren
Mary J. Festa r/b Wachman Family
Virginia Gormley r/b Henry & Kathy Glover
Dudley Cannon r/b Tara Kane
11:30 am Lauren Kuchler r/b Joseph Kuchler

MONDAY - AUGUST 25

6:45 am Ronald Farrell r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Nelson Matos r/b Marianne Wilkins

TUESDAY - AUGUST 26

6:45 am Guido, Angela & Emma Camillotti r/b
The Franciscan Sisters
9:00 am Ruben Padre, MD r/b David & Pat
Garde-Hill

WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 27

6:45 am Cesarius Szawlewicz r/b McGeady Family
9:00 am Dudley Cannon r/b Charles & Barbara
Cerquitella

THURSDAY - AUGUST 28

6:45 am Ronald Farrell r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Dudley Cannon r/b Joanne & Donald
Murphy
David Rule r/b MarianKapischke

FRIDAY - AUGUST 29

6:45 am Stephen L. Bonino r/b Bob & Elizabeth Scarpa
9:00 am Dudley Cannon r/b Sheila Moore

SATURDAY - AUGUST 30

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
4:30 pm Bob Boylan & Dr. S. Cucinotta r/b the
Pottackal Family

SUNDAY - AUGUST 31

8:30 am Elizabeth Wilson r/b DeMasi Family
10:00 am Father Bill Hart r/b Jack Boesch
Irene A. Rimdzius r/b the Reganata Family
Louis Scharff r/b Jack & Sharon Weinberg
11:30 am Alfred Buonanno r/b Aunt Eva & Uncle Pete

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

August - That refugees, forced by violence to abandon their homes, may find a generous welcome and the protection of their rights.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

THE SICK...

Don Kreal
Maria Storms
Phyllis Schadt
Ron Massey
Helen Kane
Claire Boylan
Frank Colbert
Mary Cowan
Jean Colbert
Pat Barton
Leila Lore
Ed Rivero
Pat Beaney
YunYun Shen
Rose Hession
Sue Hagan
Anna Bedrick
Pat Brink
Julia Lepre
Ann Vigrass
George Gadren

George Sweeten
John B. Kennedy
Michael Kapischke
Chris Kolodzey
Betty O'Donnell
Henry Bourgeois
Stanley Kochanek
Pauline Rosberg
Joseph Console
Geraldyn Coticone
Jerry McMenamin
Pasquale DiFronzo
Angelo DiGiacomo
Wayne Mauri, Sr.
Francesca Capra
Deacon Jim Smith
Margaret Crawford
Mary Ellen Lepre
Nicholas DiPaolo
Marian Kapischke
Robert Pearse



Frank Sines
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
Bryan Dietrich
Vince DeMasi
Ted Uhlman
Donna Gould

THOSE IN THE ARMED SERVICES...



SSgt Samuel Brough, Lt. Anthony R. Cosentino, Capt. Anthony T. DeMarco, SSgt John P. DeYoung, Lt. Nicholas G. Iannuzzi, PFC Sonny Morrison, 1Lt. Col. Ryan Orfe, Lt. Col. Louis J. Papa, and Lt. Col. Karl Rohr.



SAINT THOMAS MORE PARISH PICNIC

ALL ARE INVITED

Catechetical Sunday

September 21, 2014

12:30 - 3:00 PM

A Time for Fellowship, Food and Fun!
A Time to Connect after the Summer!
A Time to Welcome Back our Catechists and Students!
A Time to Launch our Religious Education Year!
Music! Entertainment for All! Children's Games and Crafts!
Pig Roast, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Beverages and More!

Bring a Favorite Dessert to Share

IMPORTANT — Volunteers are needed for Set-Up on Saturday, 9/20/14 at 10:00 AM. Volunteers are also needed to help clean-up after the picnic.

Many hands make light work. Please consider volunteering an hour of your time.

Call Gary Gadren at 856-428-6830 to volunteer.

Small Christian Community Faith Sharing

Excerpt from the Gospel for the Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 31, 2014 - Matt. 16:21-27

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life? For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct."

Commentary:

In this gospel, Jesus offers a prophecy of what awaits him - He will "suffer," "be killed," and "be raised." Jesus makes it clear that he is not a powerful military and political leader. In fact, Jesus would be rejected by powerful people in both religious and political circles. To further emphasize his message, Jesus continues with the demand of discipleship - selfless love, even if it leads to death, because through the cross comes the glory of resurrection. The reading ends with a bright promise of what lies ahead for those who take Jesus seriously.

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?



God's love does not differentiate between the newly conceived human infant still in his or her mother's womb and the child or young person, or the adult and the elderly person. God does not distinguish between them because he sees an impression of his own image and likeness (Gn 1:26) in each one.

Pope Benedict XVI, Address to the 12th General Assembly of the Pontifical Academy for Life, 2-27-2006

Al Mac Elrath, Respect Life Coordinator - 779-7130

"Stump the Priest"

Are there questions about the Catholic Faith you always wanted to ask?

Come to this session and see if you can stump **Father Johnson** with your wonderings. All are invited!

Wednesday, September 17, 2014 - 7 PM
in the St. Thomas More Parish Hall

Catholic Church of Saint Mary

30th Annual Golf Outing - Sun., Sept. 14, 2014

Indian Spring Country Club

12 Noon Shotgun start

Golfers: \$125 - Dinner only cost: \$30

For more information call Jack at 424-4423.

'FUNSTER NEWS'



Funster Trips are open to all Parishioners & Friends
NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, September 4 at 1 p.m. in the St. Thomas More Hall. All those going on Finger Lakes trip are requested to attend. **Our Christmas in Washington trip is full!** If you are still interested call to be put on a waiting list. Please come to this meeting as this is where you have the first opportunity to sign up and hear about future trips. We will be discussing ideas and listening to suggestions for 2015 air/land packages. We've also begun signups for our spring bus trip to see "Kinky Boots"-the 2013 Tony award musical at the Forrest Theater. I'm only holding 30 spaces & 10 people have already signed up.
Call Lin Lyon, 795-4396, for more information.

Little Servant Sisters of the Immaculate Conception
1000 Cropwell Rd., Cherry Hill

GARDEN FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 6 (10 am to 6 pm)

Bus Service - Parking; Cherry Hill East & Beck Middle School

Donations requested (Clean items - No Computers, Bedding & Big Furniture)

Please contact: Rosemarie Grabowski, 235-1521, or Little Servant Sisters, 424-1962.