

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: 3:30-4:00 pm
or any time by appointment

Reverend Phillip M. Johnson, Priest-in-charge
Sister Ann Byrnes, RSM, Pastoral Associate for Life Long Faiths Formation
Sister Bozena, LSIC, Religious Education Coordinator
Julie Linn, Music Ministry
Kathleen Witts, Youth Coordinator
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 Bozena 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 Katie Witts 424-3212

Worship

Altar Servers Sister Ann Byrnes 424-3212
Pat Maggart 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
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
Career Ministry Committee 424-3212
Funsters (over 50 club) Barbara Cerquitella 795-7323
Parish Festival Women's Club 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

SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SIGN-UPS THIS WEEKEND

We invite you to participate this Advent Season. This Advent we will have 13 small communities meeting Monday thru Saturday (morning, afternoon and evening). Check the following page or poster in the gathering space with facilitators, days and times listed. If you are interested please call Sr. Ann (424-3212).

PARISH RETREAT DAY

"Living a Life of Faith" - Saturday, November 15 - 9 am-12 Noon in our Parish Chapel. Presenter Fr. Romano will speak about the precious Gift of Faith. Father will explore with us how faith was evidenced in the lives of several Saints. "Faith is believing God is present when everybody else is absent." ALL ARE INVITED! Please call the Parish Office, 424-3212, to register for this Retreat.



We extend a sincere **Thank You** to the Wilkins family for donating the funds to have the lights reflect on the Stations of the Cross in the Chapel. This donation was In Loving Memory of their husband/father Tom Wilkins.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Letters from our pastor, Father Johnson, have been mailed to all parishioners. Please use the special envelope, included with letter, to indicate your new contribution amount and enclose it in this envelope. In succeeding weeks place that amount on your regular Sunday envelope for your new giving amount. You may also use this special envelope to note any special circumstances.

St. Thomas More Parish Increased Offering/Stewardship of Treasure Appeal is being well received and to date 30 people have responded to the letter representing a combined weekly increase of \$160.13.

PARISH COLLECTION

November 2, 2014

\$8,578.00 - 175 Envelopes Online Giving: \$310.00

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

Advent Small Christian Communities



Helping each other go deeper into the mystery of the human person and the mystery of God.

Facilitators and Meeting Times

Sister Ann
Monday Evening – 7:00

Bob & Ann Marie Lento
Monday Evening – 7:00

Pat Lachnicht/Pat Beaney
Tuesday Morning – 9:30

Lois Udicious/Gail Bizzoso
Tuesday Afternoon – 1:15

Claire Spence/Shirley Kane
Wednesday Morning – 9:30

Marylee Garber – Benedict's Place
Wednesday Morning – 11:30

Sister Bozena
Wednesday Evening – 6:30

Bob & Elizabeth Scarpa
Wednesday Evening – 7:00

Mena Kramer
Wednesday Evening – 7:00

Marianne Gorin/Marian Kapischke
Thursday Morning – 10:00

Gaye Pino
Thursday Evening – 6:30

Kathy Glover
Thursday Evening – 7:00

Jean Ho
Saturday Evening – 6:00

Call Sister Ann at 424-3212 to join a group or for more information.

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

Ministry Schedule for November 15, and 16, 2014

Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 p.m.	Father Johnson	Choir/M. Kramer J. Linn	J. Galati N. & P. Kirincic	L. Galati	C. Cepeda B. Scarpa
8:30 a.m.	Father Johnson	J. Garafano B. Casey	J. & L. Duffy Sr. Rosaria	D. Miller	J. Pol B. Scarpa
10:00 a.m.	Father Rossi	R. Allen J. Linn	E. Beckman, G. Gadren J. Mazzagatti	K. McFadden	R. Caton C. & J. McFadden
11:30 a.m.	Father Rossi	R. Allen J. Linn	M. Ciccotta, M. Gorlin A. Thompson	R. Ciccotta	A. Cammisa A. & I. Witting

The Ministry Schedule can be found at the St. Thomas More website: <http://stthomasmorenj.org/>.

Women's Club News

Accessory Warehouse on Wed., Nov. 12, 2-7 pm will give 20% of all sales to the Women's Club if you mention St. Thomas More!

Bake Sale: Please donate a **HOMEBAKED** baked good, for more info call Marianne, 428-4924.

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



**GOOD NEWS!
'APPLE PIES
& MORE'**



Bake Sale scheduled for Nov. 22/23
Frozen pies, to be "Home Baked" by you, will be available to pre-order (available by advance order only). ORDER FORMS AVAILABLE IN THE GATHERING SPACE.

Sponsored by the St. Thomas More Women's Club

STMyouth

Sr. - High School students Jr. - 5th through 8th grades
If you are in 5th-12th grade (or a parent): Please email your name, grade and phone number to youthgroup@stthomasmorenj.org to be added to our Youth Group email list!

Upcoming Events:

Sun., Nov. 9 - Youth Mass & Social with Cherry Hill Parishes at the retreat house on Kresson Rd

Tues., Nov. 11 - Sr. High Gathering

Tues., Nov. 18 - Sr. High Game Night

Sun., Nov. 23 - Youth Gathering following the 10 am Mass, *Help with Food Collection*

Any questions or ideas for the Youth Group email (youthgroup@stthomasmorenj.org), text or call *Katie Witts, YG Coordinator, at 305-2914.*

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The second Confirmation I preparatory class for all eighth grade students will be held next Sunday, November 16, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the St. Thomas More Hall. All eighth grade students are expected to attend.

Liturgy of the Word for Children - This program is offered at the 10:00 Mass. All children ages 3 through first grade are welcome. No registration is needed.

Sr. Bozena Tyborowska, 424-3212 - ext. 106



HELP WANTED FOR APPLE PIE MAKING

WHEN: Friday, November 21
after the 9:00 Mass

If you peel apples, you qualify to help!

Call Marianne Wilkins, Coordinator - 428-4924

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

We are meeting this Thursday, November 13, after the 9 a.m. Mass in the St. Thomas More Hall.

Sheila Mohan, Chair



Come Dine for Dollars - Tues., Nov. 11

In support of the Knights of Columbus
4-8 pm (Reservation Requested, please mention this fundraiser) at La Terrazza Ristorante, 354-1888 - **BRING AD for each Table**
When you do, La Terrazza will donate 20% of the bill to the Knights of Columbus

EXTRA ADS available in the gathering space.



Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 8

- 9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
Anonymous and Forgotten Deceased
4:30 pm Mary T. DiPaul r/b daughter, Mary Ellen
Carrozza

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 9

- 8:30 am Brian Deutsch r/b the Kenny & Bailey
Families
10:00 am Paul Kelly r/b D'Adamo Family
Dudley Cannon r/b STM Women's Club
Judy Ellis-Taylor r/b Marian Stewart
Juan & Rosa Irizarry r/b Santiago Family
11:30 am Joe & Kay Turiano r/b Family

MONDAY - NOVEMBER 10

- 6:45 am All Souls
9:00 am Robert Pearse r/b Fred & Tina Petrone

TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 11

- 6:45 am Bob Kimbly r/b the McGeady Family
9:00 am Alfred Buonanno r/b Bobby & Carol Malone

WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 12

- 6:45 am Recovery & Conversion of George Foster
r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am George Erickson r/b Wislocky Family

THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 13

- 6:45 am John Coleman r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am All Souls
Claire Mazzochette r/b Gregory Wolfe

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 14

- 6:45 am John Coleman r/b Michael Curtis
9:00 am Genevieve Uroda r/b St. Thomas More
Book Club

SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 15

- 9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
Geri Rice r/b Lynn Marion
4:30 pm Deceased Members of St. Thomas More
Parish r/b St. Vincent de Paul Society

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 16

- 8:30 am Paul Kelly r/b Lorraine Wiatr
10:00 am Marion White r/b Wislocky Family
Dudley Cannon r/b Dudley & Mary Lou
Thomas
Elizabeth Philion r/b M/M Robert Luther
11:30 am Joe & Kay Turiano r/b Jim & Pat Beaney

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

NOVEMBER - That all who suffer loneliness may experience the closeness of God and the support of others.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: **THE SICK...**

Maria Storms	Betty O'Donnell	
Helen Kane	John B. Kennedy	
Phyllis Schadt	Michael Kapischke	
Ron Massey	Pauline Rosberg	
Mary Cowan	Stanley Kochanek	
Claire Boylan	Jerry McMenamin	
Frank Colbert	Joseph Console	
Don Kreal	Geralyn Coticone	
Jean Colbert	George Sweeten	
Pat Barton	Pasquale DiFronzo	
Leila Lore	Angelo DiGiacomo	
Ed Rivero	Wayne Mauri, Sr.	
Pat Beaney	Francesca Capra	
YunYun Shen	Deacon Jim Smith	
Rose Hession	Margaret Crawford	
Sue Hagan	Mary Ellen Lepre	Carlos Santiago
Anna Bedrick	Nicholas DiPaolo	Barbara Salpas
Pat Brink	Marian Kapischke	Michael Suralik
Julia Lepre	Donna Gould	Bill O'Donnell
Ann Vigrass	Martha Whiting	Frank Sines
Ted Uhlman	Thomas Houston	Teddy Shaffer
Rick Linn		Ethan Killeen
		Bill Botensten
		Chase Lupica
		Frank Cappetta
		Harry Gindele
		Eleanor Regan
		Pat Suralik
		Bryan Dietrich
		Vince DeMasi
		GeorgeGadren
		Elva Clark

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.

St. Thomas More St. Vincent de Paul Society:

In today's Gospel Jesus challenges us to "stay awake" by taking time to seriously look at ourselves, the priorities of our lives, and how we are growing spiritually.

Ask yourself, "What would Jesus Christ do?" and then give your gift (food or funds to purchase food) next weekend after all Masses to the Society so that together we can help those suffering to celebrate Thanksgiving. Thank you.

Stan Thompson, President

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS:

All are welcome to help make sandwiches for the Cathedral Kitchen...

Date: Wednesday, November 19

Time: after 9:00 Mass

Where: St. Thomas More Hall

See you then, *thank you!*

Marianne Wilkins, Coordinator - 428-4924



Holy Eucharist Parish Craft Fair: Sat., Nov. 15

From Our Bishop

I share with you a few lines from Bishop Sullivan's recent letter to me. - Fr. Johnson

I write to express my gratitude to you for arranging at your parish the collection to benefit the Hospitaller Brothers of Saint John of God. I did not hesitate to suggest to you the collection after I was briefed by the superior of the community, Brother Thomas Osorio, O.H., concerning the suffering and devastation caused by the Ebola virus to their personnel and to their medical facilities in Liberia and Sierra Leone.

In the name of the good and generous people of our diocese, on October 9th I presented to the provincial, Brother Killian Keaney, O.H., a check for \$102,424.80. Since October 9th we have received an additional \$29,548.20, which increases our total contribution to \$131,973.00. This money will be used to assist the continued presence of the Saint John of God Community in West Africa despite the life threatening situation they continue to face.

I would ask that you relay my gratitude and that of the Brothers of Saint John of God to your people. May the good Lord bless each of your parishioners who contributed to this collection. Their generosity will be repaid by the Lord many times over.



Hurting from Abortion? The Camden Diocese is offering a *confidential retreat* weekend for men and women (Nov. 21-23). Call Margarita at 691-2299.
Al Mac Elrath, Respect Life Coordinator - 779-7130



NEEDED: FROZEN TURKEYS or HAMS

St. Thomas More's *St. Vincent de Paul Society* will distribute them to less fortunate families before Thanksgiving. Please drop off at church by Nov. 22/23.
Gary Gadren, Coordinator

Men & Women Volunteers NEEDED

Where: Cherry Hill Food Pantry
When: Tuesday, November 25
9:30 am - 1 pm & 5 - 7:30 pm



Please call Elaine Beckman at 856-428-8431.

Paul VI High School OPEN HOUSE: Thurs., Nov. 13 - 6:30 pm - Middle school students and families are invited; visit www.pvihs.org/Admissions.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Theology on Tap is a speaker and discussion series for Catholic young adults in their 20s & 30s, married & single. TOPIC: Covenantal Love & Marriage, Guest Presenter: Fr. Robert Sinatra — FREE EVENT! Participants are welcome to purchase food & beverages. Next meeting: Tuesday, Nov. 11 at 7 p.m. at Tir Na Nog, 482 E. Evesham Rd., Cherry Hill. Call 583-6122 for more info.

Small Christian Community Faith Sharing

Excerpt from the Gospel for Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Nov. 16, 2014 - Matt. 25:14-30

"A man going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them...after a long time the master came back and settled accounts with them...Well done, my good and faithful servant...come, share your master's joy...for to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich...but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away..."

Commentary:

Being entrusted with responsibility is a great honor and privilege and with that comes responsibility. What are the possessions the master has entrusted to you? I offer for your consideration: love, respect, honor and dignity, service, cultivating relationships and developing the skills and talents that are part of who you are. So where do I live out these responsibilities? In my family life as a loving parent, child or sibling, when I care about my friends and coworkers, or as I do my job earnestly and honestly, when I give the benefit of the doubt to those who cross my path negatively, when I support life—in people, the environment and for all of God's creatures and creation. WOW! Are you smiling at God's generosity and trust and delighting in who you have become for God? Listen carefully and you just might hear in your heart of hearts: "Well done, my good and faithful servant!"

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?