

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

Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. Morgan, Pastor
Rev. George Donkor Tang, In Residence
Rev. Daniel Joyce, S.J., Weekend Assistant
Sr. Ann Byrnes, RSM, Pastoral Associate
Deacon John Harrington

Pat Maggart, Coordinator of Religious Education
Pat Cannon, Parish Secretary • Norma Matos, Parish Secretary

DIRECTORY

Pastoral Leadership

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

Christian Life/Education

Bereavement Sheila Mohan 795-6137
Friday Adoration Marian/Chuck Kapischke 424-2053
Hospital Visitors Staff & Euch. Ministers 424-3212
Intercessory Prayer Ann Vigrass 428-7217
Knights of Columbus Dick Haughwout 429-8598
Marriage Formation Bob/Liz Scarpa 795-1160
Parish Rel. Ed. Prog. Pat Maggart 429-6948
Pastoral Counselor Claire Spence 428-8325
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Rite of Ch. Dnit. Adults Deacon John Harrington 424-3212
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Rosary Ministry Marian/Chuck Kapischke 424-2053
Small Christian Comm. Ann Marie/Bob Lento 424-4759
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Worship

Altar Servers Deacon John Harrington 424-3212
Church Environment Ann Vigrass 428-7217
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Joyce DeMichele 424-4008
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Committee 424-3212
Eileen Withers 751-6838

Administration House of Charity

Sheila Tartamosa 424-3212

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 office if you or a family member will be admitted to the hospital. Anointing of the sick is available for those who are confined to home for a period of time. For emergencies, please call the parish office any time.

BAPTISM

Arrangements for Baptism can be made in advance by calling the parish office. Parents and godparents are required to attend a class in preparation for this Sacrament.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to marry must attend a marriage preparation program offered by the diocese. One-year notification of the marriage date is recommended.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process of instruction for full initiation into the Catholic Church. It is open to those never Baptized; those baptized in another faith; and Catholics who have not completed their Sacraments. For more information please contact Sister Ann Byrnes, Pastoral Associate, 424-3212 ext. 104 or Deacon John Harrington, Moderator, at 424-3212 ext. 103.

RCIA Team: John Mohan and Jim Vecchiola

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.

ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH

2011 LENTEN SCHEDULE

Intergenerational Pancake Supper

Tuesday, March 8, 5-7 p.m.

ASH WEDNESDAY - March 9

6:45 a.m. Mass 9 a.m. Mass
4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Prayer Service

Daily Mass

6:45 and 9 a.m. in the Chapel

Novena of the Miraculous Medal

Tuesday after 9 a.m. Mass

Rosary

Tuesday mornings after the Novena
Wednesdays after 9 a.m. Mass
Saturdays after 9 a.m. Mass

St. Thomas More Guided Imagery Meditation

Thursday mornings after 9 a.m. Mass in Chapel

Eucharistic Adoration

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

Stations of the Cross

Friday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel

Living Stations - Tues., April 5, 7 p.m.

Intergenerational Friday Lenten FISH FRY

April 1, 6-8:30 p.m.

St. Thomas More Small Christian Communities

Groups meet for Six Weeks of Lent
beginning week of March 7

HOUSE of CHARITY

March 12/13

Rite of Sending

March 13, 10 a.m.

Mass for Newly Baptized

March 20, 11:30 a.m.

Intergenerational St. Joseph Feast Day Celebration

March 20 after the 11:30 a.m. Mass

St. Thomas More Parish MISSION

Father Dennis O'Donnell

"Put on the Attitude of Christ"

Sunday through Tuesday, March 27-29
Mission Mass – 9 a.m. daily on Monday and Tuesday
Sunday thru Tuesday Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.

Diocesan Pilgrimage Day - March 28

Progressive Dinner

April 10, 5:30-9:30 p.m.

Lenten Regulations: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fast and Abstinence from meat. There is a limit of one full meal on these days for all between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive.



HOUSE of CHARITY

Bishop's Annual Appeal

Changing Hearts

The House of Charity-Bishop's Annual Appeal is an opportunity for us to make a big difference in the lives of others.

You do this when you live a good life. You do this when you share your financial assets, your gifts and your talents.

Your sacrificial gift to the House of Charity Appeal brings a brighter tomorrow for countless others in their time of need.

Your sacrificial gift to the House of Charity Appeal is putting your faith into action by helping to fund programs and services sponsored by Bishop Galante.

Your sacrificial gift to the House of Charity Appeal helps the Diocese to provide Social and Community Services to Saint John of God/Archbishop Damiano School. You bring comfort and self-worth to struggling clients, patients and students.

Your sacrificial gift supports Faith Formation through lay leadership training, ethnic and deaf ministry, marriage preparation and spiritual direction.

Your sacrificial gift supports Youth and Young Adult Ministries to help our young people on the road to service for God and their Church.

Your sacrificial gift supports Vocations and training for young men and women who are discerning the possibility of God's call to the priesthood or religious life.

Your sacrificial gift provides Compassionate Outreach for the countless people who are seeking kindness, compassion, life direction and holiness.

The In-Pew solicitation for the House of Charity-Bishop's Annual Appeal 2011 is March 12/13.

Our 2011 House of Charity Parish goal at Saint Thomas More is \$110,000.00.
The 2011 goal for the Diocese of Camden is \$7.25 million.

Your generous sacrificial gift is very much needed at this time of great local and global uncertainty.

Our prayer is that with God's help and your generous sacrificial gift we will make and exceed our parish goal.

Blessings,

Monsignor Morgan

NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ministry Schedule for March 12 and 13, 2011

Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 p.m.	Monsignor Morgan	C Plsanl R Plsanl	J Andraka, R Crawford E Klelnz, N Pro	T Andraka	M Dautle A Rumell
8:30 a.m.	Monsignor Morgan	G Nacarelli L Kolojechclck	A Del Campo-O'Brien, J Neff Sr. Dianna, A Pajlc	J Schrank	E Barbera H Rosenblatt
10:00 a.m.	Father Joyce	C Malatino E Zerone	P Hengy, M Santiago D/ML Thomas	D Mayfield	D Ha L Kane
11:30 a.m.	Father Joyce	D Kreal B Casey	T Conway, S Kane B/AM Lento, D Staton	D Haughwout	R Semlnara J Zleba



REMINDER:

Daylight Saving Time begins next weekend, March 12/13. Turn clocks **FORWARD**, one hour, late Saturday evening.

Women's Club News

- **General Meeting:** Wed., March 23, 7:30 p.m. – Lenten Speaker: Joan Sandell
- **Women's Day of Reflection:** 'Awakening the Spirit Within' **SAVE THE DATE: Thurs., May 12**

Eileen Withers, President - 751-6838

YOUTH GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sr. – High School students Jr. – 6th through 8th grades

Upcoming Event(s):

- **Youth gathering**, Mon. (3/7) at St. Mary's Parish Hall (Rm. 102), 6:30-8 p.m. Welcoming atmosphere for teens to hangout. Open to 7-12 graders.
- **March 12 (NEXT Saturday morning) - Ronald McDonald House Breakfast:** The Youth Group along with the Women's Club & St. Vincent de Paul Society will make and serve breakfast for families of children receiving medical care. We will gather in the St. Thomas More Hall at 8:15, return by noon. See flyers in gathering space for more info. **Don't just give up something for Lent; DO something good for Lent!** (Check out our webpage at <http://stthomasmorenj.org/>, click on *Youth Ministry*.)

Stan Thompson, YG Coordinator - 424-1120

SAVE THE DATE - April 1

St. Thomas More's 1st Annual
Intergenerational Fish Fry



PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The sixth Confirmation I class will be held this Sunday, March 6, at 11 a.m. in the St. Thomas More Parish Hall. All seventh grade students are expected to attend the 10:00 Mass prior to class.

A Confirmation session for both eighth grade students AND their parents will be held next Sunday, March 13, at 11 a.m. in the St. Thomas More Hall. Sponsors are welcome to attend as well. All families should participate in the 10:00 Mass followed by the session at 11:00.

On Tuesday, March 8, the Parish Pancake Supper will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Different from last year, Parish Religious Education Program classes will be held at the usual times. Your family can participate in the Pancake Supper either after the afternoon classes at 5:30 or before the evening classes begin at 7:00.

All students from both afternoon and evening classes are invited to attend the Children's Ash Wednesday Service on March 9 at 4:30 p.m. in the Church. Ashes will be distributed. Parents are urged to attend with their children.

Pat Maggart, CRE, 424-3212 - ext. 106

SECOND COLLECTION: ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9: Your generous support will help Aid the Church in Central & Eastern Europe.

ALL ARE INVITED! Sunday, March 13 - 1:00
African/Ghanaian Mass - Fr. George, Celebrant

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK 

SATURDAY - MARCH 5

9:00 am Special Intention of Mother General
Beata Chwistek r/b Sr. Mary Nowicka
Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
4:30 pm Erna Dzelzkalns r/b Amy Osborn

SUNDAY - MARCH 6

8:30 am Gerardina Del Vecchio r/b Bruno Family
10:00 am Richard Burke r/b Family
Rodrigo C. Garde, MD r/b Pat Garde-Hill
& David Hill
Lucille Brassard r/b Ray & Gloria Desrochers
11:30 am Kathleen Frain r/b Jack Boesch

MONDAY - MARCH 7

6:45 am Solomon and Kojo r/b Jim & Pat Beaney
9:00 am Madge DeMasi & Buster Wilson r/b
Beverly & Vincent DeMasi

TUESDAY - MARCH 8

6:45 am Mary Menna r/b Jim & Pat Beaney
9:00 am Maureen Sweeney r/b John & Sheila Mohan

ASH WEDNESDAY - MARCH 9

6:45 am Special Intention of Sr. Dorothy Chongo
9:00 am George Erickson r/b Family
4:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service
7:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service

THURSDAY - MARCH 10

6:45 am Dorothy Marshall Cleere r/b daughter, Sr.
Mary Ann Marshall
9:00 am Daniel Buckley r/b Bill & Ann Vigrass
Nicholas Branciforte r/b Sheila Moore
Teddy Varga r/b Greta Tyrrell
Special Intention of Mother Provincial
Jadwiga r/b Sr. Mary Nowicka

FRIDAY - MARCH 11

6:45 am Special Intention of Dennis, B'day Blessings
9:00 am Alice Charette r/b the Charette Family

SATURDAY - MARCH 12

9:00 am Francis Fry r/b Phyllis
Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
4:30 pm Alex Meloni r/b Joan Marini & Family

SUNDAY - MARCH 13

8:30 am Tony Mancini & Special Intentions for
Family r/b Mopsy Silvestro
10:00 am Karen Marie Bowning r/b Mom
Phyllis Groblewski r/b Phyllis Kolecki
Mary Menna r/b Dudley & MaryLou Thomas
Carmen Console, Sr. r/b Nancy Tagland & Fa.
Rose & Bud King r/b Nancy Tagland & Fa.
11:30 am Joe Turiano r/b Kay & Family

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:


THE SICK...

Devon Sheehan	Helen Copperthwaite
Denise Daniels	Bob & Claire Boylan
George Sweeten	Andrea Buonincontro
Maria Storms	Frank Cappetta
Leona Novak	Joseph Console
Ruth Suita	Michael Kapischke
Ron Massey	Betty O'Donnell
Marie Cain	Marie Mazzagatti
Frank Colbert	Stanley Kochanek
Mary Cowan	Pauline Rosberg
Yolanda Burke	William Mitchell
Jean Colbert	Geralyn Coticone
Mary Flacco	Jerry McMenamin
Mary Beuhler	Chris Kolodzey
Charlie Kelton	Marie DiFrank
Carlos Santiago	Joe Pottackal, Sr.
Ralph Stilley	Theresa Carrozza
Robert Geisel	Pasquale DiFronzo
Chase Lupica	Philomena DiFronzo



Harry Watson
Danny Perla
Anna McMullen
Olga Mignone
Joanne James
JoAnn Gadren
Gloria Daniels
Dorothy Brink
Alfred DiFrank
Don Kreal
Ed Rivero
Marie Read
Catherine Zee

THOSE IN THE ARMED SERVICES...

 Lt. Col. Allison Agar, Lt. Col. Carl Agar, Lance Corporal Sean Bilson, Lt. Cdr. Richard P. Byrnes, Jr., Pvt. 1st Class Mario Centofanti, Sr. Airman Alyssa Cosentino, Staff Sergeant Anthony R. Cosentino, Capt. Anthony T. DeMarco, A1C John P. DeYoung, Lt. Nicholas G. Iannuzzi, CDR Katherine (Tobin) McCabe, PFC Sonny Morrison, Major Ryan Orfe, Major Louis J. Papa, SSgt Arturo Rivero, Jr., Lt. Col. Karl Rohr, SPC Giselle M. Torres and Cpl. Michael Willingmyre.

The Catholic Partnership Schools of Camden are thankful to the St. Thomas More parishioners who contributed 2 saxophones and clarinets, 1 each: flute, trombone, violin, mandolin, keyboard and drum set. Some asked if they could still contribute, others asked if music stands or sheet music would be helpful. Answer is "YES". Please contact Chris Baeckstrom, cbaeckstrom@yahoo.com or 424-7816. If you dropped off an instrument and didn't fill out a form contact Chris for a form.

**St. Thomas More
TENTH ANNUAL PARISH-WIDE
PROGRESSIVE
DINNER** 

**Sunday, April 10 5:30-9:30 p.m.
at Caffé Aldo Lamberti, Rt. 70, Cherry Hill**

Cost is \$48 per person

To make a reservation, call: Mary Lou Thomas,
429-1379 or Barbara Cerquitella, 795-7323

Small Christian Community Faith Sharing

(For use in homes as well as in small groups)

Please note that we put the following week's Gospel passage in this space so you can prepare all week for the 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 First Sunday of Lent, March 13, 2011 - Matthew 4:1-11

At that time, Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry. The tempter approached and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread." Jesus said, in reply, "It is written: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God." (Jesus is tempted two more times but does not give in to the temptations.) Finally, Jesus said to the devil, "Get away, Satan! It is written: The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve." Then the devil left Jesus and, behold, angels came and ministered to him.

Commentary:

The tempter shows up at our houses regularly. His pitch is pretty benign at first: "Wouldn't you prefer a new sofa to this lumpy old thing? How about a wider-screen TV?" Covetousness stirs. Of course, we'd like those things. So we keep listening to this fellow who certainly has our best interests at heart. His next words might seem just a shade more dangerous: "Don't you think your family should be treating you better? They don't seem to appreciate everything you do for them." We feel the rush of resentment and indignation. Of course, the tempter is right. We deserve more than we're getting from the people in our lives. Finally, he lays his hand on the most sensitive area of our hearts, the hidden wound we've carried since childhood. It could be vanity or insecurity, pride or self-righteousness. This wound is different in each of us, but the tempter knows its precise dimensions. "I could feed this need in you, if you'd let me move in as a permanent guest," he says. If we haven't thrown him out yet, this is our last chance to do it.

Questions for Reflection and Sharing:

1. Share something from the reading or the commentary that spoke to you.
2. When has the tempter last showed up at your house, what was the pitch, and HOW DID YOU RESPOND?
3. Jesus' temptations are very clear. How do you identify temptations in your life when they are less obvious?
4. What most easily gets you "off track" from being the person you are called to be? How do you get back "on track"?

Retreat Weekend
at St. Joseph in the Hill, Malvern, PA
March 18-20

ALL MEN ARE INVITED.

John Galati (207-1111), Mike Maggart (429-6948), Dick Haughwout (429-8598) and Gary Gadren (428-6830) invite you to join them. Please call one of the men above for more info.



There will be a sweet table to celebrate the intergenerational St. Joseph's Day on Sunday, March 20, after the 11:30 Mass in the St. Thomas More Hall. If you would like to donate a "goodie" in his honor, please contact Eleanor Perrotto, 428-7824.

It's the wearing of the red for this day.

Sponsored by the St. Thomas More Women's Club



Prayer Shawl Ministry

We are meeting this Thursday, March 10, after the 9 a.m. Mass in the St. Thomas More Hall.

Sheila Mohan, Chair

THANK YOU to the Women's Club for supplying the money to make more than 300 sandwiches and more than 300 utensil packages for the Cathedral Kitchen. AND thank you to the women of the parish who used their time and talents to make the sandwiches and utensil packages. *Hopefully this ministry will continue!*
Marianne Wilkins, Coordinator

OPTIONS for Women PREGNANCY CENTER

Invites you to a Fundraising Banquet on Tues., March 22 at The Mansion, Voorhees. RSVP to Denise Radziwill at 424-0494 or dmradz@comcast.net by March 15.

Last week's collection: February 27, 2011
\$9,424.50 - 257 Envelopes

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