

# 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: 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 Faith Formation  
Sister Bozena, LSIC, Religious Education Coordinator  
Julie Linn, Music Ministry  
Kathleen Witts, Youth Coordinator  
Pat Cannon, Parish Secretary • Marylee Garber, 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  
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Parish Rel. Ed. Prog. Sister Bozena 424-3212  
Prayer Shawls Sheila Mohan 795-6137  
Respect Life Al Mac Elrath 779-7130  
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Spiritual Retreats John Galati 428-7073  
Denise Radziwill 424-0494  
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### *Worship*

Altar Servers Sister Ann Byrnes 424-3212  
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Antonina Nicdao 751-6320  
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Linen Committee Ann Vigrass 428-7217  
Sacristans Dom Sacca  
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### *Ushers*

### *Social Development*

Bridge Groups Joyce DeMichele 424-4008  
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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

## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY, MAY 31, 2015

### 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.

### 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 Bob Scarpa

### 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.

High School Youth Group Tuesday 7:15—8:15 pm

### 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

St. John Paul II Regional School - (856) 783-3088

Principal: Mrs. Helen Persing

### “The Wisdom Years—A Spirituality of Aging”

Wednesdays June 3 and June 10

7:00PM Parish Hall



In these presentations, we will be reflecting on the value and meaning of our later years as God's gift to us. Foundational to our discussion will be our faith in God and the wealth of living that each of us has accumulated over the years. We will take into

account the challenges of our later years with regard to physical diminishment and loss.

#### **Presenter: Sister Mary Anne Nolan, RSM**

The presentation will be led by Sister Mary Anne Nolan, RSM. A Sister of Mercy for over fifty years, Sister has ministered to the spiritual needs of adults for more than twenty years. A spiritual director and professor at Gwynedd Mercy University, Sister is presently Co-Director of Mercy Spiritual Ministries, a mobile ministry engaging individuals and groups in prayer, reflection and ongoing spiritual development.

**Call the Parish Office to Register: 856-424-3212**

### Parish Collection for May 24, 2015

**\$ 6957.50 was given and 168 envelopes were used.**

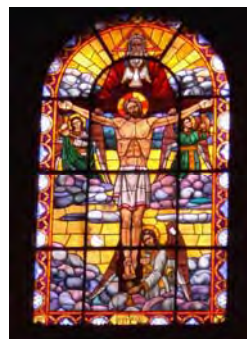
**Online giving: \$542. 00 from 8 families.**

As always, thank you for your generosity to our parish.

### FATHER'S DAY CARDS



Masses will be celebrated, in June, in the St. Thomas More chapel in honor of our fathers and grandfathers (living & deceased). Please return a Father's Day envelope that was sent along with your weekly collection envelopes if you'd like him remembered. Extra envelopes and Father's Day cards are available in the gathering space. All returned envelopes will be placed on the altar in June.



### Feast of the Holy Trinity— Stewards Heirs with Christ

*“The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ... Romans 8: 16-17a*

If we are heirs to the kingdom of God, shouldn't we work to build up His kingdom? Shouldn't we be good **Stewards** of our inheritance, using our time, talent and treasure to care

for the Church that God has left to us? Our Church is a treasured heirloom from God. Do we treat it that way?.

# All are Invited

ST THOMAS MORE PARISH MOVIE NIGHT

And

*A FAREWELL TO FR. GEORGE*

**Saturday, JUNE 6, 2015 AT 6:30 PM**

This will be Father George's last weekend before he returns to GHANA

ALL ARE WELCOME TO GATHER WITH US  
TO WISH FR. GEORGE FAREWELL  
WITH FELLOWSHIP AND A MOVIE

## **RESTLESS HEART – THE CONFESSIONS OF ST AUGUSTINE**



“We hope that many who watch this inspiring human drama will allow themselves to be found by the truth and in return also find love,” Pope Benedict XVI

MAN DOESN'T FIND THE TRUTH. MAN MUST LET THE TRUTH FIND HIM.

The acclaimed epic film on St. Augustine of Hippo filmed in Europe, uses a historic backdrop to tell the true story of one of the Church's most beloved and well-known Saints. Its message of sin, conversion, redemption is as timely today as it was in the 5th century of Augustine. It is the story of a gifted man who pursues fame and fortune without a moral compass - and the dramatic changes that occur in his soul when challenging events lead him to see the light of truth. It also chronicles the collapse of the Roman world and how Augustine laid the intellectual foundations of what became Europe. With Augustine, the stories of two other great saints, Monica and Ambrose, are also portrayed.

Contact Marianne Gorin 856.346.1811

Joe Centonze 856.986.7990

[Joecent4@gmail.com](mailto:Joecent4@gmail.com)

**Snacks welcomed**

## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE for JUNE 6/7, 2015

Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 p.m.	Father	Choir/Mena Julie	I. Rellosa, T. Petrone	J. Cepeda	R. & C. Cepeda
8:30 am	Father	Sr. Pepita Rich	J. Singson R. Vander Weilen	P. Lachnicht	A. & A. Cammissa
10:00 am	Father	Celine Julie	M. Huynh, J. Mazzagatti J. Galati	L. Galati	J. & P. Wachman
11:30 am	Father	Celine Julie	J. Kuchler, M. Garber, M. Gorin	J. Arnold	E., W., & K. Quay

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

### PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

During the month of May, the offertory gifts will be brought forward by our First Communicants.

**Parish Religious Education Program registration forms for the 2015-2016 school year were mailed to the homes of all current students. Please complete and return them with appropriate fee as soon as possible, but no later than June 30th.** Additional forms for first grade students and students who will be new to the program are available in the Gathering Space.

*Sr. Bozena, PCL, 424-3212 ext. 106*

### Invitation to a Journey Called RCIA:

Do you want to know more about the Catholic Faith? This invitation is open to those who are not baptized as well as those who are baptized in a Christian faith and wish to enter full communion with the Catholic Church. Perhaps you were baptized Catholic but never received First Eucharist or Confirmation. The RCIA process would prepare you for these sacraments.

Please call Sister Ann, 424-3212 - ext. 104, to receive more

**Women's Club Board Meeting Wednesday, June 3, 2015  
1:30 pm**

**ST. THOMAS MORE PRAYER CHAIN:** Do you have a special intention for which you are praying? Have others share your need. All requests are kept confidential. Contact the parish office, 424-3212.



### STM YOUTH

Looking for all Graduates! Please email Katie where you (or your child) are graduating from and your future plans. We would like to recognize and pray for you throughout June!



#### LOOKING FOR SERVICE HOURS?

Will you need Service hours next year?

**Planning Meeting Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> following the 10am mass.**

Help Katie Plan Service Activities and other Events for the 2015-2016 year.

Parents and Teens **ENCOURAGED** to attend!

Snacks and Beverages will be served!

Please RSVP to Katie



Questions about Youth Group please email or call Katie [youthgroup@stthomasmorenj.org](mailto:youthgroup@stthomasmorenj.org) or 856-305-2914



Each Sunday Mass, the gifts are presented at Offertory Time. These include the Bread and the Wine. We encourage parishioners to volunteer for the presentation. This is especially appropriate when a family is attending

Mass offered for a loved one, or when someone is celebrating a special occasion. If you would like to do this, simply speak to one of the Ushers before Mass begins.



**Mass Intentions for the Week**

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



**SATURDAY—MAY 30**

**9:00 am Living & deceased members of the parish**  
**4:30 pm Jerry Lachnicht**  
 r/b Vince & Emilia Marchesani

**SUNDAY—MAY 31**

**8:30 am Jerry Lachnicht** r/b Annette Thompson & family  
**10:00am Robert Emmitt Sweeney**  
 r/b Sheila & John Mohan  
**Bill Ellinger** r/b wife, Lynn  
**Msgr. Joseph Stoerlein** r/b Carol Koelsch  
**11:30 am Walt Polishenski** r/b Joseph J. Kuchler

**MONDAY—JUNE 1**

**6:45 am intentions of Justine Vassell**  
 r/b Christina Castillo  
**9:00 am Sr. Peter Marie Buttacavoli**  
 r/b Fred & Tina Pierce

**TUESDAY—JUNE 2**

**6:45 am Joseph Rorke** r/b Gary Gadren  
**9:00 am Jerry Lachnicht**  
 r/b Tuesday Morning SCC

**WEDNESDAY - JUNE 3**

**6:45 intentions of Sr. M. Aurelia Jackiewicz,**  
 LSIC r/b Franciscan Sisters  
**9:00 am intentions of Robert Kapischke**  
 r/b Marian Kapischke

**THURSDAY—JUNE 4**

**6:45 am Max Johnson** r/b Franciscan Sisters  
**9:00 am Leona Novak** r/b Marian Kapischke  
**Grace F. Tammera** r/b Gould family  
**Intentions of Deacon Bob Scarpa**  
 r/b friends

**FRIDAY—JUNE 5**

**6:45 am intentions of Sr. Philomena Nowicki,**  
 LSIC r/b Franciscan Sisters  
**9:00 am intentions of Donna Rule**  
 r/b Marian Kapischke

**SATURDAY—JUNE 6**

**9:00 am Living & deceased members of the parish**  
**4:30 pm Joseph & Elizabeth Kahriger**  
 r/b Tom & Sheila Kahriger

**SUNDAY—JUNE 7**

**8:30 am Almeda Culhane** r/b Lachnicht family  
**10:00 am Jerry Lachnicht** r/b Pat Shelfer  
**John Nicklous** r/b Nicklous family  
**George Czuzak, Jr.** r/b Neale family  
 r/b Mary Lou & Dudley Thomas  
**11:30 am Kay Frain** r/b Jack Boesch

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:  
 Ray Flavion



Pat Beaney	Anna Bedrick	Pat Brink
Maria Bruga	Francesca Capra	Frank Cappetta
Elva Clark	Frank Colbert	Sean Colbert
Joseph Console	Marie Corcoran	Geralyn Coticone
Mary Cowan	Margaret Crawford	Vince DeMasi
Bryan Dietrich	Pasquale DiFronzo	Angelo Di Giacomo
Santino Fiorelli	George Gadre	Harry Gindele
Sue Hagan	Thomas Houston	Helen Kane
Michael Kapischke	John Kehr	John B. Kennedy
Peggy Kiefner	Stan Kochanek	Don Kreal
Julia Lepre	Mary Ellen Lepre	Leila Lore
Chase Lupica	Joan Maguire	Marie Manalo
Wayne Mauri, Sr.	Jerry McMenamin	Nick Mitidieri
Mena Ravena	Ed Rivero	Pauline Rosberg
Barbara Salpas	Carlos Santiago	Yun Yun Shen
Teddy Shaffer	Frank Sines	Maria Storms
Michael Suralik	Pat Suralik	George Sweeten
Ted Uhlman	Ann Vigrass	



**THOSE IN THE ARMED SERVICES...**

SSgt Samuel Brough, Lt. Anthony R. Cosentino,  
 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.

**World Meeting of Families -Saints for the Family**



Mary, Undoer of Knots, has drawn global adoration and devotion, especially in the time of Pope Francis' election. As the Mother of God, Mary is known as the ultimate mother and leader of family. Mary Undoer of Knots is revered for her love and devotion to her son Jesus. She is known for her ability to "undo" the knots, the

challenges, in our lives. Her love and compassion for us as the children of God shows us just how much she is the mother of the Holy Family and our Mother.

**Prayer**

Dearest Holy Mother, Most Holy Mary, You undo the knots that suffocate your children, extend Your merciful hands to me. I entrust to You today this knot and all the negative consequences that it provokes in my life. I give You this knot that torments me and makes me unhappy and so impedes me from uniting myself to You and Your Son Jesus, my Savior. I run to You, Mary, Undoer of Knots because I trust You and I know that You never despise a sinning child who comes to ask you for help. I believe that You can undo this knot because Jesus grants You everything. I believe that You want to undo this knot because you are my Mother. I believe that You will do this because you love me with eternal love. Thank you, Dear Mother. Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me. Amen.

**World Meeting of Families- Philadelphia 2015**

For more information on activities concerning the World Meeting of Families, check out the link on the St. Thomas More webpage: [stthomamorenj.org](http://stthomamorenj.org)

## MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY– MAY 31, 2015

### 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 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, June 7, 2015 - Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and give it to his disciples, saying, "Take it; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and they all drank from it. "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many," he said to them. "Truly I tell you, I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

#### Commentary:

"If you have received worthily," St. Augustine preached, "you become what you have received." In sharing the body of Christ, we become the body of Christ. If we partake of the one bread and cup, then we must be willing to become Eucharist for others — to make the love of Christ real for all.

At our own parish table, we come to the Eucharist to celebrate our identity as his disciples and to seek the sustaining grace to live the hard demands of such discipleship. We make our parish family's table the Lord's own table, a place of reconciliation and compassion.

#### 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?

**Pro-Life Corner:** "We cannot diminish the value of one category of human life—the unborn—without diminishing the value of all human life...there is no cause more important." Promote the culture of life; our future depends on it. *Ronald Reagan*

*Al Mac Elrath, Respect Life Coordinator - 779-7130*

#### **To St. Thomas More Parishioners from Karen A. Talarico, Executive Director, Cathedral Kitchen:**

"I am writing to thank you for delivering 849 sandwiches and 9 boxes of utensil packets to the Cathedral Kitchen on both April 29th and May 20th, on behalf of St. Thomas More Church. I have also sent a letter to Joseph and Grace Sklencar who provided the monetary donation to St. Thomas More to make all of this possible. Thank you again for your generous gift — it is with the help of volunteers such as the parishioners of St. Thomas More that we are able to feed all who come to our door."

Sincerely,  
Karen A. Talarico

\*\*On receipt of this letter we were curious as to how many sandwiches have been made since the beginning in February, 2011: at an **average of 350 sandwiches** made per session, **4 sessions a year for 4 years** and the **849 sandwiches made so far this year**, we are looking at a total of **6,449**

**people fed** with our sandwiches. Thanks to all of you who helped in any way over the years and this includes the **St. Vincent de Paul Society** and **Women's Club**, as well as the **Sandwich Makers**, for your generous assistance.\*\*



#### **Welcome!**

St. Thomas More Parish welcomes the following new members:

**Carol Ann Brennan,  
Rose Carroll,  
John & Stacey, and Rocco Carfagna.**

#### **HOUSE OF CHARITY**

Sincere thanks to all who made a gift or pledge to our House of Charity Appeal. Our 2015 parish goal is \$112,200.00.

Pledge cards can still be found at the doors of the Church. Completed cards can be mailed or dropped off at the parish office.

*We are so grateful for your support.  
May the Lord bless you for your generosity.*

#### **St. John Paul II Regional School students:**

**Experience an academic, spiritual, and social learning environment**

**Critical and logical thinking within a classical model**

**Grow in faith rooted in Christian values**

**Excel in the classroom and beyond**

**Full Day PK-K \* Extended Day Program \***

**Tuition Assistance Program**

**Payment Plans**

**Contact Christine Willard, Advancement Director to visit or for more information at**

**856-783-3088 or [cwillard@jp2rs.org](mailto:cwillard@jp2rs.org).**