

# 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  
Deacon Michael Scott  
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

## DIRECTORY

### *Pastoral Leadership*

Parish Trustees  
John Mohan 424-3212  
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**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.

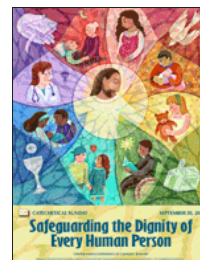
**BULLETIN DEADLINE**

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

**Planning Ahead**



**St. Thomas More Parish Picnic  
Catechetical Sunday**  
“Safeguarding the dignity of every human person”  
September 20, 2015  
12:30—3:30 pm



Hunger does not take a vacation!  
Please remember those less fortunate when you are grocery shopping. The **St. Vincent de Paul Society** accepts food donations at any time during the month.



**Parish Collection for July 12, 2015**  
\$6,999.00 was given and 159 envelopes were used.  
Online giving was \$ 1,267 from 10 families.

As always, thank you for your generosity.

**Natural Family Planning Week,  
July 19th—25th**

Natural Family Planning is endorsed by physicians as safe and effective....try Natural Family Planning.....it works.



The flowers at the Blessed Mother statue are placed there in loving memory of Fran Boesch by her husband, Jack.



**16th Sunday in Ordinary Time— Stewards Hear the Lord**



“...come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.”  
Mark 6:31b

Stewards listen to the Lord. Most of the time, He speaks in soft whispers. Open your heart and hear the Lord. Take time in silence every day and ask God what it is he wants you to do. Consider making a retreat this year.

## Papal Itinerary- September 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>



### Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>

#### **Morning:**

**Atlantic Aviation: Private Arrival**

**The Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul:**

Mass celebrating the Archdiocese of Philadelphia

#### **Afternoon:**

**Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary:**

Greeting of the Holy Father by the seminarians

**Independence Hall:** (Outdoor; overlooking Independence Mall) “We Hold These Truths...”

Address by Pope Francis (Expected themes: Religious Liberty and Immigration)

**The Benjamin Franklin Parkway:** Evening: The Festival of Families

### Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>

#### **Morning:**

**Saint Martin’s Chapel at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary:**

**Address to Cardinals & Bishops attending World Meeting of Families – Philadelphia 2015**

**Curran- Fromhold Correctional Facility:** Visit with Prisoners and select Families

#### **Afternoon:**

**The Benjamin Franklin Parkway:** The Papal Mass (Projected: 4:00 pm EST)

#### **Evening:**

**A Celebration of World Meeting of Families – Philadelphia 2015** Supporters and Volunteers

**Atlantic Aviation:** Official Departure Ceremony

#### **Statement from Archbishop Chaput:**

“Pope Francis’ plans for his visit to Philadelphia seamlessly integrate powerful public moments with more intimate gatherings that are deeply grace filled,” said Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O. F. M., Cap. “It is an itinerary that says, ‘I walk with you – and so does the Lord.’ It says, ‘Embrace your faith and embrace one another as children of God.’ It says, ‘God forgives.’ And it says, ‘Come together in celebration.’ The Holy Father’s planned itinerary is a true gift to all of us in Philadelphia regardless of faith tradition. I am confident we will leave a positive and lasting impression upon Pope Francis.”

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE for JULY 25/26, 2015**

<b>Mass Time</b>	<b>Presider</b>	<b>Music</b>	<b>Extraordinary Minister</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Altar Server</b>
4:30 p.m.	Father Johnson	Dolores Len	G. Tyrrell, I. Rellosa, D. Kreal	J. Mohan	L. & Z. Smith
8:30 am	Msgr. Graham	Rob Rich	B. Lento, B. Massey, Sr. Rosaria	J. Vecchiola	A. Rzepski
10:00 am	Father Johnson	Becca Julie	P. Rossi, E. Beckman D. Staton	F. Eggles	G. & M. Gray
11:30 am	Father Johnson	Becca Julie	B. Haughwout, L. Levin A. Thompson	D. Haughwout	K. & K. Johnson

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

**PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Registration to our Religious Education Program for 2015/2016 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 you have not registered your child/children , please do so as soon as possible as that will help us to prepare and plan for next year with sufficient books, teachers and classrooms. Please kindly complete a Registration Form and return to the Parish Office along with the appropriate registration fee. Registration forms are available in the gathering space or on our web site under Religious Education at

[stthomasmore.org](http://stthomasmore.org).

In addition to the child's involvement in a catechism program, it is important that religious education is supplemented also in the summer time by a strong family Christian life that is marked by weekly Mass attendance, prayer and faith sharing even as we travel and relax during these summer months. Have a blessed and wonderful Summer!

If you have any questions regarding this or any matter, please give me a call at the parish office at 424-3212 ext. 106 or my cell phone at 874-6096.

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



**An invitation:** If you attend the Masses that you arrange for, please make yourself known to the ushers, so that you may be part of the Offertory Gifts procession.

***STM YOUTH***

***Service: work done for others;***  
***friendly help***



***Do you need Service Hours this year?***

Please email Katie and let her know! The STM Youth Group will have 2-5 Service Opportunities a Month. You do not have to attend everyone. You can come as your schedule allows.

**The next opportunity for service is:**

**August 12, 2:45-6pm-- Cathedral Kitchen Service Afternoon!** The High School Youth Group and Parents are welcome to go to the Cathedral Kitchen with the Women's Club on Wednesday. Please call Katie or check your email!

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



**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**SATURDAY—JULY 18**

**9:00 am Living & deceased members of the parish**

**4:30 pm Dr. Camille DiLullo**  
r/b Marie Fitzpatrick Flowers

**SUNDAY—JULY 19**

**8:30 am Pat & Jerry Lachnicht**  
r/b Mary Lou & Harry Horlacher

**10:00 am Joe & Marie Mazzagatti** r/b Joe & Debbie  
**1st Anniversary Fr. Patrick Lavin**  
**Gregoria Herco** r/b Tess & Albert Librojo

**11:30 am Maria Thomas** r/b Teri Bones

**MONDAY—JULY 20**

**6:45 am special intentions of Piotr Nowicki**  
r/b a friend

**9:00 am Frances Pisera** r/b Gould family

**TUESDAY—JULY 21**

**6:45 am COMMUNION SERVICE**

**9:00 am Frank Cappetta** r/b Bill & Ann Vigrass

**WEDNESDAY - JULY 22**

**6:45 COMMUNION SERVICE**

**9:00 am Gregoria Herco** r/b Bec & Dave Milsen

**THURSDAY—JULY 23**

**6:45 am John Connolly** r/b McGeady family

**9:00 am Claire Boylan** r/b Dick & Claire Spence  
**Joan Hartman** r/b Bill & Ann Vigrass

**FRIDAY—JULY 24**

**6:45 am John A. Vivone** r/b Dr. John Vivone

**9:00 am Frank Cappetta** r/b Eleanor Hughes

**SATURDAY—JULY 25**

**9:00 am Living & deceased members of the parish**

**4:30 pm Antonio Del Vecchio** r/b family

**SUNDAY—JULY 26**

**8:30 am Henry & Emily Ryszkiewicz** r/b family

**10:00am M/M Joseph Mazzagatti** r/b Gullo family  
**Helen Lamarca**  
r/b Dudley & Mary Lou Thomas

**Danny & Vinny DeCarlo**  
r/b loving family

**11:30 am David McDonnell, Sr.**  
r/b John & Sheila Mohan

**Papal Intentions for the month of July:**

That political responsibility may be lived at all levels as a high form of charity.



Going on vacation? Need to find a church?

For nationwide Mass times and locations: Go to: [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org)

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**



**THE SICK...**

Pat Beaney	Jim Beaney, Jr.	Anna Bedrick
Francesca Capra	Frank Cappetta	Pat Brink
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 Gadren	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
Ron Massey	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	Samuel Stafford	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, and Lt. Col. Louis J. Papa.

**World Meeting of Families –History of the World Meeting of Families**

WMOF was conceived by Saint Pope John Paul II in 1992 to look at strengthening the sacred bonds of the family unit across the globe. The first WMOF took place in Rome in 1994, the International year of the family.

Every three years since 1994, families from all over the world are invited by the Holy Father to attend this global gathering. At the conference, families share their thoughts, dialogue and prayers, working together to grow as individuals and family units. Families can participate in discussion groups on the Christian family's role in the church and society, led by many distinguished speakers.

**Past WMOF Locations:**

1994 Rome, Italy	1997 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
2000 Rome, Italy	2003 Manila, Philippines
2006 Valencia, Spain	2009 Mexico City, Mexico
2012 Milan, Italy	2015 Philadelphia, PA, U. S. A.

**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)**

## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JULY 19, 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 people connect their faith with everyday life experiences.

#### Excerpt from the Gospel for the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 26, 2015 - John 6:1-15

[A large crowd came to listen to Jesus. Jesus asks Philip where they can get food to feed the people. Even 200 days' wages worth of food would not be enough, Philip tells Jesus. A young boy has a few fish and a few loaves of bread. More than 5000 people must be fed.] "Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted." [Jesus then tells the Apostles to gather the leftovers.] "So they collected them, and filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat..." When the people saw the sign he had done, they said, "This is truly the Prophet, the one who is to come into the world."

#### Commentary:

An astonishing sign! Who is this man? A miracle worker? A prophet? A king? Yes—but more. The superabundance of food Jesus provides from so little is a sign of the fullness of life Jesus has to offer. We turn to Jesus not just for bread to eat but for life itself.

#### 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:** Our society is phony in its attitude toward handicapped children. We sponsor the Special Olympics, and cheer on the Down's Syndrome competitors, speaking of the joy and inspiration they bring us, but when we hear a woman is carrying a special needs baby, society says, "Kill it before it is born." Oh, God, help us to change and choose life.



Al Mac Elrath, Respect Life Coordinator - 779-7130

**The Parish rejoices with the families of Dylan Frank Dolch and Lucciana Quilino Famador,** each of whom were recently received into the Church, through the waters of Baptism.



#### 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 for more information.**

CARS: Charitable Auto Resources for Services— A program of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Camden.



Help Catholic Charities to help the needy in our Diocese by donating your old vehicle to our CARS Program. **Any type of vehicle is accepted: running or non-running:** cars, vans, trucks, boats, mobile homes, golf carts, motorcycles, etc. **Free towing of your vehicle from wherever it is located. An IRS 2015 tax deduction form will be provided. To donate your vehicle, please call toll free: 1-877-586-9227 and please state you are donating your vehicle to Catholic Charities, Diocese of Camden. Or you can donate your used vehicle online at: [www.catholiccharitiescamden.org](http://www.catholiccharitiescamden.org).** All proceeds go directly to providing services to needy individuals and families in our Diocese. Thank you.



The parish welcomes the following newly registered members:

**John & Betty Dunner  
Patricia Lavala**

**Theresa M. Showack.**  
We are glad you are here!