

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

Eucharistic Adoration
 9:30 am—12noon
 Fridays in the Chapel

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**Please submit all items for the
 bulletin by 2:00 pm Monday.**

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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, OCTOBER 6, 2019

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Children's Liturgy of the Word – Sunday, during 10 a.m. Mass

Grades one thru four: Tuesday, 4:30 - 5:45PM

Grades five thru eight: Tuesday, 6:30– 8:00 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

**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land with Fr. King
January 4th—14th, 2020**

This trip includes time in Tel Aviv, Cana, Mt. Tabor, Nazareth, Galilee, River Jordan, Jericho, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Mt. of Olives, Mt. Zion, Via Dolorosa, Bethany, Old Town Jerusalem, Temple Mount and Wailing Wall, Ein Kerem, and Emmaus. Mass will be celebrated each day.

This active program covers a good amount of ground each day. You need to be able to walk for 60 minutes straight and on uneven surfaces. Some stairs will be included.

For more information see the brochures in the Gathering Space or online at

selectinternationaltours.com.



Volunteers are needed for the St. Thomas More Linen Committee. Please call Ann at 856-428-7217 for more information.

The Offertory Collection for Sunday, Sept. 29, 2019 was \$7,126.00. from 154 givers. We thank you for your generosity.



“... if My people, who are called by My Name, are sorry for what they have done, if they pray and obey me and stop their evil ways, I will heal their land.” 2nd Chronicles 7: 14

**Stewardship Corner: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Stewardship Power**

“For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control.” 2nd Timothy 1:7

SELF-CONTROL
GREEK: EQKRATEIA
1. THE VIRTUE OF ONE WHO MASTERS HIS DESIRES AND PASSIONS
2. RESTRAINT EXERCISED OVER ONE'S OWN IMPULSES, EMOTIONS, OR DESIRES



Many of us compartmentalize our faith, we bring it out only when we attend Mass or when we attend a parish event. ***Being a good Steward requires discipline and striving to***

put God first in every thing, all the time. The next time you are at a neighborhood party, at work or out shopping, would your actions signal to others that you are a good and faithful servant of our Lord?

*What is the Catholic
"Consistent Ethic of Life"?*

Father Dan Joyce, SJ

Tuesdays October 15th & 22nd 2019
7:00 PM –St. Thomas More Parish Hall
Springdale Road, Cherry Hill

Catholic Social Teaching stands for and promotes a consistent ethic of life. This means the Church is concerned with all those social issues and circumstances that affect human beings and their quality of life.

Father Joyce will present this topic in two sessions:

Session One: *"A Consistent Ethic of Life: Church Teaching and Individual Moral Decision-making"*

Session Two: *"Should the Government Decide My Life and Death Medical Choices for Me?: A Catholic Perspective"*



Father Daniel Joyce, SJ
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St. Thomas More Parish & Office of Life & Justice Ministries
Office of Faith & Family Life

To Register: Call St. Thomas More Parish Office 856-424-3212

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, OCTOBER 6, 2019

MINISTRY SCHEDULE for October 12/13

| | Presider | Music | Extraordinary Minister | Lector | Altar Server |
|----------|--------------|------------------|--|--------------|--|
| 4:30 PM | Father Jim | Carmen Joe | J. Welsh R. Crawford T. Petrone | J. Cepeda | L & Z. Smith |
| 8:30 AM | Father Odien | Ken Julie | J. & L. Duffy | K. Friend | C. Oatway K. Johnson |
| 10:00 AM | Father Jim | Mena/Choir Julie | J. Galati M. Huynh T. Librojo | L. Galati | L. Hutchinson A. Schwartz A. Librojo |
| 11:30 AM | Father Jim | Cristina Julie | B. Haughwout M. Garber A. Thompson | D. Haughwout | K. Mackey M. & L. Mueller |

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



Grades 1,2,3,4 meet on Tuesday, 4:30 to 5:45.
Grades 5,6,7,8 meet at 6:30 to 8:00.
SESSIONS COMING UP: October 8, 15, 22, 29.
General Parents Meeting: Sunday October 6, 11:00 am in the parish hall.

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus teach about faith and service to God. The context is a continuing dialogue between Jesus and His followers about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Jesus has just finished an instruction on sin and forgiveness. There are two related teachings that Jesus offers to His disciples when they cry out for an increase in faith. The first is the familiar reminder that faith, even just a little, will enable the followers of Jesus to do wondrous things. But this uplifting and inspiring teaching is quickly followed by the second teaching, a caution about knowing one's place in God's plans. The disciples of Jesus are to understand themselves as servants to God and His plans. Even when God works wonders through us, our mustard seed-sized faith, we must not seek praise. Our participation in God's plans is God's grace to us—nothing more, nothing less.



When we are graced enough to cooperate with God, the work we do is nothing more than our obligation to God as faithful stewards. And yet, our faith enables us to believe that what we have offered is service to God, as His stewards, can be made to produce a hundredfold.

What one thing can you do, to make a positive difference in the life of someone else?

Join the Sisters of Mercy as Advocates for Social Justice

Inspired by the Gospel and by the example of our founder, Catherine McAuley, the Sisters of Mercy work passionately to reduce poverty, violence and racism as well as the widespread denial of human rights, the degradation of Earth, the continued oppression of women, the abuse of children, the mistreatment of immigrants and the lack of solidarity among people and nations. We connect our efforts on a global scale with Mercy International Association and Mercy Global Action at the United Nations. If you want to work with the Sisters of Mercy and receive their Action Alerts please send a message to Sister Ann at: annbyrne46@aol.com. The Sisters of Mercy Justice Team make it easy to contact your Legislators on issues of Catholic Social Justice. They also share a variety of resources that enable you to "Stand Up For Justice."

Knights of Columbus
Cherry Hill Council
6173 50th Anniversary
Celebration 11:30 am
Mass Sunday,
November 10th,
followed by 1:00 PM Dinner at
Woodcrest Country Club. Details
and registration information to follow.



Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

9:00am Living & Deceased members of the Parish
4:30 pm Harold Willeman
 r/b Pat & Nick Kirincic

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

8:30 am John Mohan r/b Paul & Lorraine Rossi
10:00 am John Mohan r/b Joyce & Dick De Michele
 Jean Cristiano r/b STM Women's Club
 Angelo Giarletta
 r/b Ralph & Lois Udicious
11:30 am Helen Bantivoglio r/b children

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7

6:45 am Mary Pilipchuk r/b Franciscan Sisters
9:00 am Angelo Giarletti r/b Fred & Tina Petrone

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8

6:45 am Licia Hanf
 r/b Helen Carland Wujick & family
9:00 am Angelo Giarletti
 r/b Marian Kapischke

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

6:45 am Kyle Haughwout r/b family
9:00 am Sue Marie Buttacavoli
 r/b Tina & Fred Petrone

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10

6:45 am intentions of Fr. Jim Dabrowski
 r/b Fr. Phillip & Janet Johnson
9:00 am Gayle Beaney Clower r/b Sheila Moore

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

6:45 am Joan Evans r/b Bill & Yvonne Turner
9:00 am Angelo Giarletti r/b Greta Tyrrell


SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

9:00 am living & deceased members of the parish
4:30 pm John Mohan r/b Kay Uhlman

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

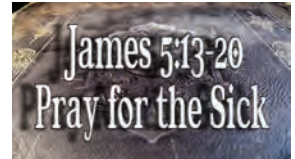
8:30 am James Whelan r/b Pat & Paul Daly
10:00 am John Mohan r/b Toni & Joe Andraka
 Jean Cristiano r/b Ralph & Lois Udicious
 Pia St. Marie
 r/b St. Vincent de Paul Society
11:30 am Bishop Joseph Galante
 r/b Mary Bones

Please pray for the repose of the soul of :
Daniel Keating
 (Sheila Tartamosa's brother)



Papal Intentions for the Month of October: That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: THE SICK... Kristina Acevedo, Jim



Beaney, Jr., Pat Beaney, Ray Chuisano, Elva Clark, Joseph Console, Marie Corcoran, Geralyn Coticone, John Coticone, Mary Cowan, Margaret Crawford, Catherine Diana, Angelo DiGiacomo, Chuck Goodwin, Thomas Handler, Dick Haughwout, Helen Kane, Michael Kapischke, John B. Kennedy, Ron Kramer, Don Kreal, Marie Manalo, John Minot, Arleen Pajic, Tom Pajic, Fred Petrone, Tina Petrone, Joseph Ryan, Frank Sabatino, Carlos Santiago, Yun-Yun Shen, Teddy Shaffer, Frank Sines, Claire Spence, Dick Spence, Michael Suralik, Pat Suralik, Jim Tobin, Linda Van Name, Ann Vigrass, Kathryn Wolfe



PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED SERVICES... 2nd Lieutenant Patrick J. Bones, USMC, Captain Anthony R. Cosentino, SSgt John P. DeYoung, Lily Hutchinson, USN, Petty Officer 3rd class; Lt. Nicholas G. Iannuzzi, 1st Lt. Christopher M. Mawn, PFC Sonny Morrison, Lt. Col. Louis J. Papa, Lt. Col. James P. Tobin

Camden Diocese Catholic Renewal Weekend
Wildwood Convention Center
Wildwood, New Jersey
October 11 – 13, 2019



To register and see the full schedule of events visit our website:
www.CamdenDioceseCatholicRenewal.org or call 609-652-7729

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is celebrated each **Friday from 9:30 am—12noon.** All are invited to come "spend some time with your Lord."



Man-Up South Jersey Men's Spirituality Conference
November 9, 2019
Paul VI Conference Center
 For more information: manupsouthjersey.com

Liturgy of the Word for Children
 This program is offered at the **10:00 am Mass.** All children ages 4 through first grade are welcome. No registration is necessary.

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, OCTOBER 6, 2019

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 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 13, 2019 - Luke 17:11-19

As Jesus continued his journey to Jerusalem, he traveled through Samaria and Galilee. As he was entering a village, ten lepers met him. They stood at a distance from him and raised their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!" And when Jesus saw them, he said, "Go show yourselves to the priests." As they were going they were cleansed. And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. He was a Samaritan. Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Then Jesus said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

Commentary:

The ten lepers exemplify aspects of our relationship with God: acknowledgement of need ("Have pity on us"), obedience ("Go...as they were going"), and reception of divine mercy ("they were cleansed"). The Samaritan leper demonstrates another aspect of this relationship: only when he returns to glorify God and thank Jesus, does Jesus reveal that he has, in fact, been saved. For us, as for the Samaritan leper, salvation is revealed and experienced in worship and thanksgiving.

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 Commentary resonates with me?



Pro-Life Corner: They came for the Jews and I did nothing. They came for the pre-born and I did nothing. Now they are coming for the elderly and the infirm. Join the fight to defend all life!

While you still can.

Faith in Action Team: Protect the Unborn Postcard Campaign: Next weekend our parish will be signing three postcards to our 3 Representatives (our one NJ State Senator and two Assembly Members) to ask them to **support legislation which would ban abortion past 20 weeks (5 months)**. Babies at this stage can survive outside the womb and thrive if given proper care.

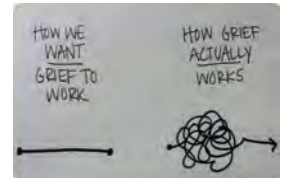
Public Square Rosary Crusade
11:45 AM October 12, 2019
Corner of United States Ave.
& Rte. 561

For more information, contact Josie at 856-784-0401.



Next weekend, **October 12/13th**, members of the **Knights of Columbus** will be at the exits after each Mass collecting to benefit local pregnancy centers—First Way and Options. **Please be sure to come purchase a "Rose For Life."**

St. Thomas More Consolation Ministry
"Journeying Through Grief" Guided by Kenneth C. Haugh's series: A Time to Grieve; Experiencing Grief; Finding Hope and Healing; and Rebuilding and Remembering.



Come listen, share and heal—Saturday, October 12th, 19th, 26th & Nov. 9th 2:30—3:30pm in the Hall.

Contact: Ann Marie Lento: 856-344-7454 or Marian Kapischke: 856-424-2053

"Perhaps the most important truth I have learned is that healing in grief is heart-based, not head-based." Alan Wolfelt *Understanding your grief.*



Cherry Hill Food Pantry (1465 Brace Road) Needs Volunteers!

The dates for St. Thomas More Parish Volunteers are:
Tuesday, October 8th: 5:30—7:30 PM 10 people needed
Thursday, October 10th: 10:30 AM—1:30 PM 12 people needed
Tuesday, October 15th: 5:30—

7:30 PM 10 people needed
Thursday October 17th: 10:30 AM—1:30 PM 12 people needed
Call Elaine: 856-428-8431. Let her know you can help.



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