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 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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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, NOVEMBER 17, 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

Second Collection next weekend “National Needs”

This newly consolidated collection encompasses several needs: **Catholic Missions among Black and Native Americans; Catholic Home Missions; Catholic Communication; Catholic University of America; Archdiocese for the Military Services.** Many needs are being collected for. Please keep this in mind when considering your contribution.

Looking Ahead

3 PM Sunday, December 8th in the Church



The Festival of Lessons and Carols is a service of Scripture and Song that dates to the late 19th century. Come, enjoy and be inspired by Area Choirs singing musical pieces proclaiming Christ's coming! Five area Choirs will be performing Mark your Calendar!!

The Offertory Collection for Sunday, November 10, 2019 was \$8,086.22 from 160 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: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Stewardship Model

“...Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us.” 2nd Thessalonians 3:9

Most people who live a grateful and generous lifestyle don't go around bragging about it. But through their actions and words, others do take notice. They notice

because of the joy and peace that results and other people desire this in their own life. Know that the way you live your **Stewardship** may be the only interaction others have with our Catholic faith.

GRATITUDE
TURNS WHAT
WE HAVE
INTO
ENOUGH.



Advent Small Christian Communities



Facilitators and Meeting Times

Deacon Bob & Liz Scarpa
Monday Evening—7:00PM

Pat Beaney
Tuesday Morning—9:30AM

Shirley Kane/Chris Betson-Smith
Wednesday Morning-9:30AM

Mena Kramer
Wednesday Evening-7:00PM

Bob & Ann Marie Lento
Thursday Afternoon-2:00PM

Jean Ho Chinese Speaking SCC
Saturday Afternoon—3:00PM

Sister Ann
Monday Evening—7:00PM

Lois Udicious/Gail Bizzoso
Tuesday Afternoon—1:00 PM

Marylee Garber-Benedict's Place
Wednesday 12 Noon

Marianne Gorin/Marian Kapischke
Thursday Morning—10 AM

Kathy Glover
Thursday Evening-7:00PM

Call Sister Ann (424-3212) for more information or to sign-up!

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, NOVEMBER 17, 2019

MINISTRY SCHEDULE for NOV. 23/24

	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 PM	Father Jim	Jerry Joe	P. & N. Kirincic J. Welsh	D. Miller	L. & Z. Smith
8:30 AM	Father Jim	Andy Julie	B. Massey B. Lento	M. Maggart	E. Shim C. Oatway
10:00 AM	Father Jim	Cristina/Choir Julie	T. Librojo E. Beckman M. Huynh	K. Friend	Z. Carmody L. Hutchinson A. Librojo
11:30 AM	Father King	Cristina Julie	B. Haughwout M. Garber H. Protzman	R. Ciccotta	R. & R. Sharma K. Mackey

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



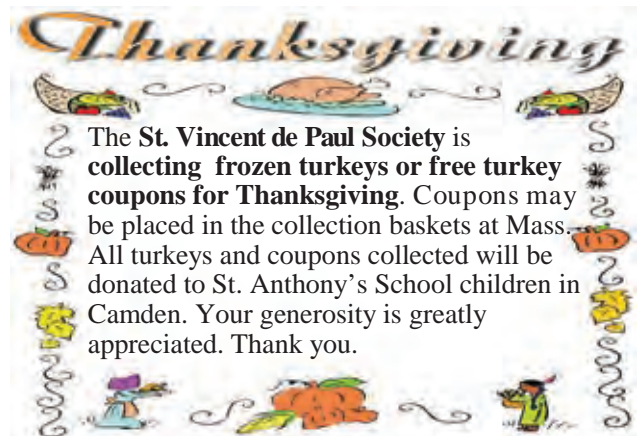
SESSIONS COMING UP: Nov. 19, 26; Dec. 3, 10, and 17 – Christmas Program, at 7:00 pm in the Church. Intergenerational activity. Light refreshments will be offered afterward in the parish hall. Classes are substituted by the program and all children grades 1-8 are expected to be there. Also, the immediate and extended families are invited and all parishioners as well. It is a moment of reflection and prayer, while experiencing the true meaning of Christmas. It will also be much fun because wherever children are there is joy and fun to be had.

In this era of “Post Truth”, it is difficult for parents to educate children in the beauty of “TRUTH”, and its importance in living a Christ-like life. The Scripture readings today invite us to be people who are transformed by truth so much so that we can say to our children, “You know how one must imitate us”. (St. Paul to Thessalonians) Jesus’ words push us a bit further, warning us that HE is the truth to follow and, & “See that you not be deceived, for many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he,’ and ‘The time has come.’ Do not follow them!” (Luke 21). For real now, there is no post truth era; there is only the Truth of God that he has given to us in Holy Scripture, and here is where we find it. We need to look for it, welcome it in our heart, possess it in our being and preach about it with our lives.



This weekend after all Masses the Women’s Club will be selling handmade Scrubbies for \$3.00 apiece. An item every household needs! Great gift item!! We will have **handmade dish cloths** at \$3.00 apiece, also.

Thank you for your support of this fundraiser.



The St. Vincent de Paul Society is collecting frozen turkeys or free turkey coupons for Thanksgiving. Coupons may be placed in the collection baskets at Mass. All turkeys and coupons collected will be donated to St. Anthony’s School children in Camden. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Calling All Sandwich Makers!

We will be meeting at **9:30 AM November 20th in the Parish Hall.** All are welcome to attend and help “feed the hungry”.



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.**

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, NOVEMBER 17, 2019



Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16

9:00am Living & Deceased members of the Parish
4:30 pm Connie Portella & Olga V. Mignone
 r/b Donald Mignone

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

8:30 am John Mohan r/b Desrochers family
10:00 am Jim Bones r/b Teri Stanley Klaybol
 r/b Kathy & Henry Glover
 Jean Cristiano
 r/b Colleen & Don Hudson & family
11:30 am Jean & Nicholas Pino r/b family

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

6:45 am Intentions of Sr. Jerilyn Einstein
 r/b Franciscan Sisters
9:00 am Daniel Keating r/b Bill & Ann Vigrass

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

6:45 am Intentions of Sr. Angela Pia Camillotti
 r/b Franciscan Sisters
9:00 am Happy Birthday, Jose Ibay r/b family

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

6:45 am Anne C. McGeady r/b McGeady family
9:00 am Janet Lisitski r/b SCC friends

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21

6:45 am Intentions of Jimmy Quaranto
 r/b Mary von Lintig
9:00 am Brian Bones r/b Teri

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

6:45 am Intentions of Sr. Maristella Laistro
 r/b Franciscan Sisters
9:00 am Daniel Keating r/b Sheila Moore

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

9:00 am living & deceased members of the parish
4:30 pm Anne Krenslak
 r/b Frank & Frances Krenslak

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

8:30 am Angelo Giarletta r/b Marie Flowers
10:00 am John Walsh r/b Walsh family
 Lillian Iannuzzi & Sadie Fisher
 r/b Beckman family
 Jean Cristiano r/b Wachman family
11:30 am Gayle Beaney Clower r/b family

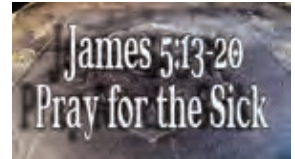
Please pray for the repose of the soul of:
 Duane Cooper



Papal Intentions for the Month of November: That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerges in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

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, SN Christian Mele, PFC Sonny Morrison, Lt. Col. Louis J. Papa, Lt. Col. James P. Tobin

A D V E N T SCHEDULE



Advent Lessons and Carols

Sunday, December 8
 3:00 PM

St. Thomas More Church

Confessions throughout Advent

Saturdays 3:30-4:00 PM

Regional Penitential Service

Monday, December 9 7:00 PM

Christ Our Light Parish

Large number of Confessors present

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Christmas Eve

4:00 PM and 6:00 PM

Christmas Day

10:00 AM and 11:30 AM

NEW YEAR'S MASSES

Mary Mother of God

December 31 4:30 PM

January 1 10:00 AM and 11:30 AM

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.

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King, November 24, 2019 - Luke 23:35-43


One of the criminals hanging with Jesus reviled him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us." The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply, "Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly...but this man has done nothing criminal." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Commentary:

This man, traditionally called the good thief, was a violent trouble-maker, more like a bad terrorist. He got caught engaged in acts against the occupying forces of the Empire. We don't know if he regretted his crimes, but we do know that he regarded Jesus as an innocent man. Even more, he showed a faith greater than the disciples when he asked to be remembered in the kingdom that was coming. The sign above Jesus' head said he was a king. This man alone seemed to believe it. For this extraordinary faith, Jesus promised him Paradise on the spot. "Today" is the language of immediacy that Luke's gospel particularly favors. For Luke's readers, this implies that "Paradise Now" is a possibility for anyone who can make the same fearless profession of faith. If Paradise is available now, why wait?

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:
If child abuse became legal, would it be right? Of course not!
Abortion is the ultimate child abuse.

Catholic Charities Vehicle Donation Program and Tax Deduction 2019

Please donate your unused vehicle to the Catholic Charities (Diocese of Camden) Charitable Auto Resources for Services (CARS) vehicle donation program. The CARS program accepts any type of vehicle, running or not, including cars, vans, SUVs, trucks, boats, mobile homes, motorcycles, golf carts, scooters, etc.

Free towing and an IRS tax deduction form will be provided for your donation. Call 1-877-586-9227 and mention that you are donating your vehicle to Catholic Charities, Diocese of Camden. All proceeds from the CARS program benefit needy individuals and families in parishes throughout the 6 counties of South Jersey.

Thank you for your donation.



Are you or a loved one considering a Church annulment? Do you have a prior marriage that needs to be annulled? Do you want to be able to receive Holy Communion with your child or grandchild, but live in an irregular marriage? If you were married outside the Catholic Church, would you want your marriage to become a sacrament?

If the answer is "Yes" to any of these questions, please consider attending a workshop that will focus on helping you begin the annulment process and address any questions or concerns you may have about the annulment process.

The Tribunal staff will be presenting a workshop:
Monday, December 2, 2019
7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
St. Andrew the Apostle Parish Center
27 Kresson – Gibbsboro Road Gibbsboro, NJ 08026

Staff is available to assist anyone in both English and Spanish, and will bring all the necessary forms to assist you.



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#WHATSMYNAME

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