

# 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

Reverend Monsignor Thomas J. Morgan, Pastor  
Reverend George Donkor Tang, In Residence  
Reverend Daniel Joyce, S.J., Weekend Assistant  
Sister Ann Byrnes, RSM, Pastoral Associate for Lifelong Faith Formation  
Deacon John Harrington  
Pat Maggart, Parish Catechetical Leader  
Roger Pisani, Pastoral Associate for Music & Liturgy  
Pat Cannon, Parish Secretary • Norma Matos, Parish Secretary  
Sheila Tartamosa, Pastoral Associate for Parish Administration

## 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  
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Intercessory Prayer Ann Vigrass 428-7217  
Knights of Columbus Dick Haughwout 429-8598  
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Parish Rel. Ed. Prog. Pat Maggart 429-6948  
Pastoral Counselor Claire Spence 428-8325  
Prayer Shawls Sheila Mohan 795-6137  
Respect Life Al Mac Elrath 779-7130  
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Sister Ann Byrnes 424-3212  
Rosary Ministry Marian/Chuck Kapischke 424-2053  
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Youth Ministry Stan Thompson 424-1120

### Worship

Altar Servers Deacon John Harrington 424-3212  
Church Environment Ann Vigrass 428-7217  
Antonina Nicdao 751-6320  
Joyce DeMichele 424-4008  
Ch. Art Environment Dolores Kreal 988-0271  
Eucharistic Ministers Pat Lachnicht 424-5636  
Lectors Ann Vigrass 428-7217  
Linen Committee Tom Petrilli 751-1367  
Sacristans Greta Tyrrell 428-2412  
Ushers Frank Krenslak 309-1999  
Music Ministry Roger Pisani, Director 609-702-7858  
Dolores Kreal 988-0271  
Len Kolojejchick 346-4078  
June Garafano, Youth Singers 229-7461

### Social Development

Bridge Groups Joyce DeMichele 424-4008  
Barbara Cerquitella 795-7323  
Al Shaffer 609-417-6770  
Career Ministry June Garafano 229-7461  
Bob Lento 424-4759  
Funsters (over 50 club) Committee 424-3212  
Parish Festival Eileen Withers 751-6838  
Women's Club

### Administration

House of Charity Sheila Tartamosa 424-3212  
Parish Finance Council Robert Crawford 424-3212  
Parish Pastoral Council Marie Enny 751-8893

**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 called Living in Love. 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. Contact Sister Ann Byrnes, RSM, Pastoral Associate, 424-3212 ext. 104 or Deacon John Harrington, Moderator, at 424-3212 ext. 103.

RCIA Team: John Mohan and Irene Rellosa

**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.



**SATURDAY - DECEMBER 17**

- 9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish  
4:30 pm Jim Bones r/b Teri & daughter, Mary

**SUNDAY - DECEMBER 18**

- 8:30 am Anselmo Dunge, Sr. r/b John & Sheila Mohan  
10:00 am John & Agnes Walsh r/b the Walsh Family  
Nicholas Pino r/b Carol Koelsch  
Thomas J. Cairns r/b Connie Cairns  
Betty A. Phillips r/b Patricia Phillips  
11:30 am Deceased Members of St. Thomas More Parish r/b St. Vincent de Paul Society

**MONDAY - DECEMBER 19**

- 6:45 am Mrs. Emery r/b Elsie Roxas  
9:00 am Ralph Stilley r/b Kim Wislocky

**TUESDAY - DECEMBER 20**

- 6:45 am Special Intentions for People of the Parish  
9:00 am Tom Cairns r/b John & Sheila Mohan

**WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 21**

- 6:45 am Special Intentions for People of the Parish  
9:00 am Lillian Ianuzzi r/b Joan Radula

**THURSDAY - DECEMBER 22**

- 6:45 am Special Intentions for People of the Parish  
9:00 am Jacob Einstein  
Virginia Risse r/b Family

**FRIDAY - DECEMBER 23**

- 6:45 am Special Intentions for People of the Parish  
9:00 am Bienvenido Cobin r/b Cobin Family

**SATURDAY - DECEMBER 24, Vigil of Christmas**

- 4:00 pm Special Intentions of Joyce Family  
6:00 pm Thomas J. Cairns r/b daughter, Tracey Eng

**SUNDAY - DECEMBER 25, The Nativity of the Lord**

- 12:00 Morgan Family r/b Erickson Family  
midnight  
10:00 am D'Ippolito Family r/b Radziwill Family  
Joseph Zielinski r/b Cindy & Family  
All Deceased Zielinski Family r/b Cindy & Family  
Richard Kolecki r/b Family  
Karen Marie Browning r/b Mom  
11:30 am Special Intentions of People of the Parish

Last week's collection

December 11, 2011

\$9,299.50

260 Envelopes

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

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## CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE - 2011

### CHRISTMAS MASSES

Saturday, December 24, 2011 (Christmas Eve)  
4:00 PM and 6:00 PM

Sunday, December 25, 2011 (Christmas Day)  
12:00 Midnight  
10:00 AM and 11:30 AM

### NEW YEAR'S MASSES

Mary, Mother of God  
Saturday, December 31, 2011  
(Vigil) 4:30 PM  
Sunday, January 1, 2012  
8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 11:30 AM

*May the peace and love of the Lord be with you and your loved ones this Christmas Day and throughout the New Year.*

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Catechists  
Children's Liturgy of the Word  
Church Environment  
Extraordinary Ministers  
of the Eucharist  
Fish Fry Committee  
Funsters Group  
Golf Committee  
Hospitality Committee  
Knights of Columbus  
Lectors  
Lifelong Faith Formation  
Liturgy Committee  
Meditation Group  
Men's Association

Movie Night Committee  
Music Ministry  
Adult Choir  
Youth Singers  
Pancake Supper Group  
Parish Festival Committee  
Prayer Chain Ministry  
Prayer Shawl Ministry  
Raffle Committee  
RCIA  
Religious Education  
Respect Life Committee  
Rosary Ministry  
Sacristans  
Saint Vincent de Paul Society  
Scripture Study Group  
Small Christian Communities  
Stewardship Ministry  
Sunday Collection Counters  
Ushers  
Women's Book Club  
Women's Club Members  
Youth Group

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - DECEMBER 18, 2011

### Ministry Schedule for December 24 and 25, 2011

Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
Vigil of Christmas 4:00 p.m.	Father Joyce	Children's Choir J Garafano, E Zerone	R Crawford, P Hengy E Kleinz, T Petrone P Rossi, G Tyrrell	M Maggart	J/P/S Wachman
6:00 a.m.	Father Joyce	C/R Plsani R Kaplschke, A Rivero	E Beckman, J DeMichele B Massey, D Staton, B Scarpa	P Lachnlicht	J Cole R Nicklous
Christmas Day 12:00 Midnight	Monsignor Morgan	Adult Choir C/R Plsani	A Del Campo-O'Brien Sr. Dianna J/S Mohan, M Santiago	D Miller	Volunteers Needed
10:00 a.m.	Father George	D Kreal R Plsani	G Gadren, K Glover, D Gould J Mazzagattl, N Pro, I Rellosa	S Thompson	D Ha E Thompson
11:30 a.m.	Monsignor Morgan	Ensemble C/R Plsani	M Garber, S Kane N/P Kirlincic, D/C Spence	D Haughwout	E/K/W Quay

### YOUTH GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sr. - High School students    Jr. - 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades

Over 30 Jr. & Sr. Youth Group members, 11 adult chaperones, 10 cars and mini-vans full of toys, snacks and games; you put them all together and you get the Youth Group's 8th Annual Christmas Party for the children of Immaculate Conception in Camden. Our Youth Group played games, made crafts and spent time with the 1st & 2nd graders. Santa visited and each child left with 2 new toys.

The Youth Group would like to thank our parents and other adult chaperons for helping us and our Religious Ed Students (and Parents) for their generous donations.

It was a great morning for the children of Immaculate Conception and a rewarding experience for us.

*Stanley Thompson - Sr. YG Co-President  
Sam Wachman - Sr. YG Co-President*



### PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The third class for Confirmation II candidates will be held this Sun., Dec. 18, at 11 a.m. in the St. Thomas More Parish Hall. All eighth grade students are expected to attend the 10 a.m. Mass prior to class.

The Confirmation Class Candidates and their families are lighting the Advent Wreath during our weekend Liturgies.

There will be NO Religious Education classes on Tuesday, December 20 and Tuesday, December 27 in celebration of the Christmas holy days. Classes resume on Tuesday, January 3.

**ANY PARISHIONER WISHING TO DONATE SOCKS OR MITTENS PLEASE DO SO BY HANGING THEM DIRECTLY ON THE MITTEN TREE IN THE GATHERING SPACE. Thank You!**

*Pat Maggart, PCL, 424-3212 - ext. 106*

### St. Thomas More MOVIE NIGHT

**Saturday, December 31**

**6:30 PM - Food & Fellowship**

Reservation requested to order food; meatballs, sausage & peppers & pulled pork sandwiches will be provided. Donations will be accepted, kindly bring a Side Dish or Dessert to share.

*Sign up this weekend after Mass.*

**7:15 PM - MOVIE**

*The Ultimate Gift*

**Life is how you live it...not how you spend it.**

Committee: Marianne Gorin, Joe Centonze, Bob Lento, Gary Scarpa, Greta Tyrrell & Cindy Zielinski

Contact Marianne with any questions at 346-1811 or email Joe Centonze at joecent4@gmail.com.





To all the lucky winners of the Saint Thomas More Parish 2011 Fundraiser

Donald Sullivan  
\$10,000.00  
Ticket #221

Marilyn Koski  
\$3,000.00  
Ticket # 119

Patricia Lachnicht  
\$2,000.00  
Ticket #096

Kathryn DeHoratiis  
Lenox Vase and Gift Certificate  
Donated by Gaye Pino

June Garafano  
Vase and Potpourri  
Donated by Gaye Pino

Jack Boesch  
Lenox Vase and Gift Certificate  
Donated by Gaye Pino

Saint Thomas More Women's Club  
Gift Certificate  
Donated by Indian Spring Country Club

Mildred Leber  
Gift Certificate  
Donated by Fleming's Prime Steakhouse

Jerry McMEnamin  
Christmas House  
Donated by Claire Deghan

Arnold Kramer  
Lighted Church  
Donated by Claire Deghan

Dick Haughwout, Mark and Liz DeYoung, Dolores Macri  
Bottles of Wine/Champagne  
Donated by Dick and Claire Spence

Saint Thomas More Parish profoundly thanks all who participated in our 2011 Fundraiser Raffle. Your participation made the 2011 Annual Fundraiser Raffle an overwhelming success.

Special **THANK YOU** to our Sponsors:

Outback Steakhouse, 901 Route 73 South, Marlton, NJ      John and Deb Hollibaugh, Manager

The food was tasty, the food was nicely presented and the service was efficient and friendly.

Classic cake donated two trays of cookies

Wine Warehouse Beer and Wine

A.J. and Carol Ariani donated the beautiful Poinsettia centerpieces, table covers, paper goods and snacks

Kathleen and Frank Cappetta donated the cheese

Jerry and Jeannine McMEnamin donated the bread, butter and coffee

Chris and Joe Torello donated the soda and water

Dick and Clair Spence donated the sheet cake

The committee members were extra faithful, enthusiastic and supportive in their efforts to make the 2011 Fundraiser Raffle beneficial and supportive of the goals of Saint Thomas More Parish.

Angelo and Carol Ariani

Tom and Arleen Pajic

Jerry and Jeannine McMEnamin

Henry and Kathy Glover

Bill and Rosalie Maida

Joe and Chris Torello

Myra Nicoletti

Dick and Claire Spence

Blessings,

Monsignor Thomas J. Morgan

**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 of The Nativity of the Lord, December 25, 2011 - Luke 2:1-14**


And Joseph too went up to Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there, the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields... The angel of the Lord appeared to them and said, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. A Savior is born for you, who is Christ and Lord. And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

**Commentary:**

Luke records the birth of the child with tender simplicity and stresses the theme of poverty all through his Gospel. The people have reason to be joyful because in David's city a savior is born; he is the Messiah and Lord. The song of the angels, "Glory to God in the Highest" is the response. God has sent the Prince of Peace with the fullness of shalom (peace and blessings) to all. All are the objects of God's gracious love.

**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?



**EXTRA USHERS** are needed to help during Christmas Masses. If you can volunteer to help during the Christmas Masses please call Frank Krenslak at 309-1999. Indicate at which Mass you can assist – Christmas Eve: 4 or 6 p.m. or 12 Midnight.





**CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING ENVELOPES** are included in your December contribution envelope package. Envelopes may be put in the collection basket. As always, thank you for your support.



**YOUTH SINGERS Wanted**

Grade, Middle and High School children of the parish who are interested in joining the Youth Singers for our 4:00 Christmas Eve Mass, please contact June Garafano at 856-229-7461. The song selections are the Christmas Carols that you all know and love!

The flowers at the Blessed Virgin Mary Statue have been placed there, this weekend, in loving memory of Fran Boesch, requested by her husband, Jack.

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

Denise Daniels	Helen Copperthwaite	
George Sweeten	Bob & Claire Boylan	
Chris Kolodzey	Naomi Willingmyre	
Maria Storms	Joseph Console	
Mae Rose	Frank Cappetta	Owen Smith
Ron Massey	Margaret MacElrath	Leona Novak
Olga Mignone	Andrea Buonincontro	Danny Perla
Frank Colbert	Michael Kapischke	Anna McMullen
Mary Cowan	Betty O'Donnell	Don Kreal
Yolanda Burke	Marie Mazzagatti	Joanne James
Jean Colbert	Stanley Kochanek	JoAnn Gadren
Dorothy Brink	Pauline Rosberg	Gloria Daniels
Catherine Zee	Alfred DiFrank	Mary Flacco
Pat Barton	Geralyn Coticone	Ed Rivero
Ethan Killeen	Jerry McMenamin	Marie DiFrank
James Louzon	Joe Pottackal, Sr.	Avery Caruso
Grayson Caruso	Chuck Kapischke	Leila Lore
Chase Lupica	Pasquale DiFronzo	Betty Brennan
Carlos Santiago	Fr. Joseph Aboagyie-Tawiah	
Sharon Bushelli	Yun Yun Shen	Jim McHale
Pat Beaney		

**ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS**  
If you are able to serve at Midnight Mass please call the parish office at 424-3212 to let us know.