

# 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 Life Long 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
Hospital Visitors	Staff & Euch. Ministers	424-3212
Intercessory Prayer	Ann Vigrass	428-7217
Knights of Columbus	Dick Haughwout	429-8598
Marriage Formation	Bob/Liz Scarpa	795-1160
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
Rite of Ch. Init. Adults	Deacon John Harrington	424-3212
	Sister Ann Byrnes	424-3212
Rosary Ministry	Marian/Chuck Kapischke	424-2053
Small Christian Comm.	Ann Marie/Bob Lento	424-4759
Spiritual Direction	Deacon John Harrington	424-3212
Spiritual Retreats	John Galati	428-7073
	Denise Radziwill	424-0494
St. Vincent de Paul	Frank Nicoletti	424-3212
Stewardship	Sheila Tartamosa	424-3212
Youth Ministry	Stan Thompson	424-1120

### Worship

Altar Servers	Deacon John Harrington	424-3212
Church Environment	Ann Vigrass	428-7217
	Antonina Nicdao	751-6320
Ch. Art Environment	Joyce DeMichele	424-4008
Eucharistic Ministers	Dolores Kreal	988-0271
Lectors	Pat Lachnicht	424-5636
Linen Committee	Ann Vigrass	428-7217
Sacristans	Tom Petrilli	751-1367
	Greta Tyrrell	428-2412
Ushers	Frank Krenslak	309-1999
Music Ministry	Roger Pisani, Director	609-488-0020
	Dolores Kreal	988-0271
	Len Kolojechick	346-4078
	June Garafano, Youth Singers	229-7461

### Social Development

Bridge Groups	Joyce DeMichele	424-4008
	Barbara Cerquitella	795-7323
Career Ministry	Al Shaffer	609-417-6770
	June Garafano	229-7461
Funsters (over 50 club)	Bob Lento	344-7454
Parish Festival	Committee	424-3212
Women's Club	Eileen Withers	751-6838

### 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 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 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.

### CATHOLIC GRADE SCHOOL

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

Principal: Mrs. Helen Persing

### ST. THOMAS MORE NOVENA AND FEAST DAY:

On the feast day of St. Thomas More (Friday, June 22) there will be a Prayer Service in the Chapel at 7:30 p.m.

On June 14 we will begin a nine day Novena Prayer to St. Thomas More which will be prayed at the morning Masses.

We hope many of our parishioners will pray the Novena and join us to celebrate **our Parish Feast Day on June 22.**

Refreshments to follow provided by our St. Thomas More Women's Club.



Parish Altar Servers gathered on Tuesday, May 15 for a meeting with Sister Ann and Deacon John. Following the meeting all enjoyed a Pizza Party in the St. Thomas More Hall. We are grateful to our Altar Servers for their contributions to our parish family.

### FATHER'S DAY CARDS/REMEMBRANCES

Ten 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.

### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

May 27, 2012

**\$6,847.50 - 181 Envelopes**

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

## THE PATH of ONE MAN'S LIFE

I am often asked the question "Father, how did you ever become a priest?" Well, it is not easy to reconstruct the past because there is always the temptation to read into the past something which was not there. Yet, I think it is fair to say that my childhood and early life experiences, with the grace of God, had a great impact on my choice to become a priest.

I grew up very close to nature and to God on a mixed farm in Ireland. There cows, sheep, pigs, horses and hens were raised. Milking the cows each morning before going to school and feeding the sheep each afternoon were done with the regularity of a paperboy doing his route in the neighborhood in this country.

The frequent trips on the tractor with my dad as he drove through the farm or went to the local market were always prefaced with a very deliberate sign of the cross on the forehead, which was a reminder that I lived and moved and had my being in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

My mom's commitment to the First Friday devotion of Mass and Holy Communion in hail, rain and snow was a concrete visible sign of her commitment and fidelity to the great gift of the Eucharist. Both my parents seemed to integrate prayer into the daily life of the family. The family Rosary was a part of the daily regime. Sunday worship was never missed. May Crownings and Corpus Christi Processions as well as Altar Server outings were annual events for me.

My neighbors next door were exceptional people. Our families were very close emotionally and geographically. There were three of them in a small thatched cabin. A widowed mother in her seventies along with her son and daughter who were in their fifties. They lived very simply on very little. They were an enmeshed family, but they seemed to cope very well. They were extremely nurturing and supportive of my siblings and me.

They had an old, well-used Bible from which they would read about the life of Christ. They would talk about the kind of person He was; the stories He told; the way He treated people. They were very familiar with the Gospel stories and with the life of Jesus. They seemed very content and very happy to manage a small farm, read the Bible and say two Rosaries daily. The morning Rosary was for world peace and the long Rosary in the evening was for the family. They were special and I always felt special and unique in their home.

My childhood experiences and programming helped me realize very early in life that there was a God and that I had one life to live and one journey to walk. I wanted that journey and walk to be the best possible. This early conditioning also enhanced for me the priestly lifestyle, so that the apparent dramatic decision to enter the seminary was the outgrowth of a whole series of childhood experiences, happenings and events at home, on the farm and in the wider Christian Community.

My childhood experiences affected my life choices and even though much of my time now is spent doing the same kind of work as other professionals like counseling, comforting, helping, teaching, budgeting and managing-there is one big difference. I do it all for someone. That Someone is Jesus. God's grace was quietly, and in a hidden way, flowing throughout my decisions and movements.

*"When you have abandoned all things that hamper the human heart.  
And no human hope allures you, and you have forgotten yourself.  
And when you have sought Him alone and have been together with Christ from morning till night.  
And when you have had Him alone as guide for your heart.  
And wherever it pleased Him to lead you - looking ever upwards.  
And when in everything you are in Him and for Him, then you can tell yourself: **I am a priest.**  
Saint Jakob Gopp*

Blessings,

Monsignor Morgan, Pastor

# Congratulations!

## Class of 2012

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Thomas Angelucci  
Allison Armendinger  
Julia Benedetto  
Claire Boylan  
Mary Gray  
Sophia Gross

Jacob Lee  
Michael Markiewicz  
Claire McFadden  
Andrew Murphy  
Sarah Pierce  
Joshua Pol

Phillip Roncace  
Taryn Rumell  
Jon Simmons  
Isabella Valentino  
Luke Venturini  
Jack Winsett

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Ryan Anderson  
Matthew Armendinger  
Nicholas Brown  
Jared Burmood  
Michael Ciccotta  
Savanna Dautle  
Michael De Groot

Matthew DiArenzo  
Ashley Ferrante  
Nathan Hengy  
April Horton  
Jennifer Horton  
Anna Kenny  
Jacques Liautaud  
James McFadden

Nina Morice  
Mika Murphy  
Diana Orichowskyj  
Nina Parsons  
Karl Samuels  
Michael Simmons  
Cara Stein

### High School

Aaron Campbell  
Lily Campbell  
Courtney Capella  
Spencer Chorney  
Natalie DeLuca  
Alexa DiPiero

Matthew Dotsey  
Dalton Eggles  
Brittany Laine  
Justin Monastra  
Aoite O'Reardon  
Maureen Quay

Daniel Rodriguez  
Audriana Rossano  
Matthew Schanne  
Stanley Thompson  
James Ulrich

### College

Jonathan Baeckstrom – Notre Dame University, BA  
Jennifer Mitchell – Holy Family University, Magna Cum Laude, BA in Elementary  
& Special Needs and Minor in Psychology  
Nicole Rossi – University of Delaware, BA in Criminal Justice  
& BA in Art History  
Wayne Stainrook – Rutgers University  
Michael White – Fordham University, BS in Math &  
Economics

### Master's Degree

Valerie Rossi – Seton Hall University, Public Administration

**God  
Bless  
Our  
Graduates**



**Mass Intentions**  
FOR THE WEEK 

**SATURDAY - JUNE 2**

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish  
4:30 pm Vincent Giordano, Jr. r/b Angelo & Carol Ariani

**SUNDAY - JUNE 3**

8:30 am Almeda Culhane r/b Jerry & Pat Lachnicht  
10:00 am Pearl Amabile r/b St. Thomas More Women's Club  
Edward Yatsko r/b John & Sheila Mohan  
11:30 am Kathleen Frain r/b Jack Boesch

**MONDAY - JUNE 4**

6:45 am Young-Ja Hong r/b HeyJa Hong  
9:00 am Julianita Perez r/b Perez Family

**TUESDAY - JUNE 5**

6:45 am Benny Barker r/b Michael Curtis  
9:00 am Emily Ryszkiewicz r/b Marcia Zimpfer

**WEDNESDAY - JUNE 6**

6:45 am Benny Barker r/b Michael Curtis  
9:00 am Hedwig Kishkunas r/b Chuck & Marian Kapischke

**THURSDAY - JUNE 7**

6:45 am John McFeeley r/b Dom Sacca  
9:00 am Robert Middleton r/b Sheila Moore

**FRIDAY - JUNE 8**

6:45 am Bart Regazzi r/b Michael Curtis  
9:00 am Robert Middleton r/b Annette & Stan Thompson

**SATURDAY - JUNE 9**

9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish  
4:30 pm Richard Kolecki r/b Kolecki Family

**SUNDAY - JUNE 10**

8:30 am Emily Ryszkiewicz r/b John & Sheila Mohan  
10:00 am Ernesto Cusia r/b John & Sheila Mohan  
Matthew Maggi r/b Argentina Family  
Richard Smith r/b his Family  
Chester Szymczak r/b Dudley & Mary Lou Thomas  
11:30 am Walter Reign r/b Claire & Dick Spence

**Invitation to a Journey Called RCIA:**

Please call Sister Ann, 424-3212 - ext. 104, or Deacon John, 424-3212 ext. - 103, to receive more information about the RCIA classes.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**THE DECEASED...** Margaret MacElrath, wife of Al MacElrath.

**THE SICK...**

Don Kreal Helen Copperthwaite  
Maria Storms Bob & Claire Boylan  
Owen Smith Andrea Buonincontro  
Mary Flacco Naomi Willingmyre  
Ron Massey George Sweeten  
Olga Mignone Frank Cappetta  
Frank Colbert Anna McMullen  
Mary Cowan Michael Kapischke  
Yolanda Burke Betty O'Donnell  
Jean Colbert Marie Mazzagatti  
Dorothy Brink Stanley Kochanek  
Pat Barton Pauline Rosberg  
Leila Lore Joseph Console  
Chase Lupica Geralyn Coticone  
Pat Beaney Jerry McMenamin  
YunYun Shen Chuck Kapischke  
Ed McKenna Pasquale DiFronzo  
Virginia Foley Dorothy Wolenter  
Fran Swider Mary Branciforte  
Rose Hession Shirley Birch  
Teddy Shaffer Al MacElrath



Earl Cargen  
Leona Novak  
Danny Perla  
Joanne James  
Alfred DiFrank  
JoAnn Gadren  
Gloria Daniels  
Denise Daniels  
Chris Kolodzey  
Marie DiFrank  
Ethan Killeen  
Carlos Santiago  
Betty Brennan  
Sharon Bushelli  
Sally Callaghan  
Michael Suralik  
Sister Peter Marie

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



Lt. Col. Allison Agar, Lance Corporal Sean Bilson, Lt. Cdr. Richard P. Byrnes, Jr., Pvt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Mario Centofanti, Staff Sergeant Anthony R. Cosentino, Capt. Anthony T. DeMarco, Sr. Airman John P. DeYoung, Lt. Nicholas G. Iannuzzi, PFC Sonny Morrison, Major Ryan Orfe, Lt. Col. Louis J. Papa, SSgt Arturo Rivero, Jr., Lt. Col. Karl Rohr, SPC Giselle M. Torres and Cpl. Michael Willingmyre.

**PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Parish Religious Education Program registration forms for the 2012-2013 school year have been mailed to the homes of all current students. Please complete and return with appropriate fee as soon as possible. Additional forms for first grade students and for students who will be new to the program are available in the gathering space.

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

**CHILDREN'S HOME CLOTHING DRIVE**

NEXT WEEKEND, JUNE 9/10

Gary Gadren, Sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul Society

**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 10, 2012 - 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?

**Ministry Schedule for June 9, and 10, 2012**

<b>Mass Time</b>	<b>Presider</b>	<b>Music</b>	<b>Extraordinary Minister</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Altar Server</b>
<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Father Maher</b>	<b>C Pisanl R Pisanl</b>	<b>J Galatl, D Kreal B Massey, J Mohan</b>	<b>J Mohan</b>	<b>J/P/S Wachman</b>
<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Father Joyce</b>	<b>C Pisanl R Pisanl</b>	<b>J/L Duffy, Sr. Dianna A Del Campo-O'Brien</b>	<b>J Vecchlola</b>	<b>J Fabriclus, H Rosenblatt E Thompson</b>
<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Father Joyce</b>	<b>Adult Choir, D Kreal R Pisanl</b>	<b>B/AM Lento D/ML Thomas</b>	<b>B Scarpa</b>	<b>K Johnson I Witting, M Ronan</b>
<b>11:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Father Maher</b>	<b>C Malatino L Kolojechick</b>	<b>M Gorln, M Santiago D/C Spence</b>	<b>S Kane</b>	<b>M/N Brown L Smith</b>

**Catholicism**

Adult Formation Program

**Come,** join us for a DVD series hosted by Fr. Robert Barron to learn about the Catholic Faith. We will learn what Catholics believe and why, while being immersed in the art, architecture, beliefs, and practices of the Catholic tradition.

We will have 10 lessons beginning with a 50 to 60 minute DVD video followed by group breakout sessions with a facilitator. The facilitators will be Deacon John, Sister Ann, and Bob Scarpa.

**Dates:** June 9th through August 18th

**Time:** Saturdays; 5:45 p.m. to 7 p.m.

**Location:** St. Thomas More Hall

**Cost:** \$10 for book Catholicism: A Journey to the Heart of the Faith (list price: \$27.99)

*Bob Scarpa, Facilitator*

**THANK YOU** to all who made sandwiches and utensil packages for the Cathedral Kitchen on Wed., May 16. It is amazing how quickly you finished making 360 sandwiches & 400+ utensil packages. Mark your calendar: Next gathering is Wed., Aug. 22 after 9:00 Mass in the St. Thomas More Hall. Thanks again!!!

*Marianne Wilkins, Coordinator*

**'FUNSTER NEWS'**



**Funster Meeting:** Tues., June 19 at 1 p.m. in the St. Thomas More Hall. **Purpose:** To discuss dates & costs for the Broadway Show "Nice Work If You Can Get It" with Matthew Broderick, a trip to the new Barnes Museum along with Christmas trip ideas. **All welcome to give input.**

Bob Lento, 344-7454. Pg. 6 - 632