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Daily Mass: Mon. - Fri. 9:00 AM in the Chapel

First Saturdays: 9:00 AM in the Chapel

Sat. 4:30 PM

Sun. 8:30 and 11:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel

Mon.—Fri. 9:30 AM—12 Noon



Rite of Reconciliation Saturday

3:00—4:00 PM

In the Chapel

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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

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, call 424-3212

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades One through Eight - Sunday 9:30 AM—10:45 AM

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

New members are welcome in our community of faith. Please call, 424-3212, or come to the parish

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please submit hardcopy and/or e-mail by 2 p.m. Monday.

CATHOLIC GRADE SCHOOL

St. John Paul II Regional School - (856) 783-3088
Principal: Mrs. Helen Persing



Loving Father,

We come before You with a gentle prayer for the nurturing of new relationships within our community. May You grant us the patience to cultivate friendships that are built on trust and mutual respect. Help us to foster an environment where open communication and empathy flourish, allowing us to connect on a deeper level with one another. Bless our interactions with understanding and kindness, so that we may grow together in love and unity.

GRATITUDE

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The collection for Sunday, September 8, 2024

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STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship Lifestyle

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." MARK 8:34

Living a Stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for my own life, but for the lives of others as well. We realize that our gifts are not intended for ourselves, rather they are meant to be shared with others. "Taking up my cross" means doing things when someone else needs me and not when it's convenient for me.

From the Pastor's Desk

Welcoming Our New *Coadjutor* Bishop

Dear Parishioners,

In a few hours I will be leaving to participate in the *Mass of Welcome* for **Bishop Joseph A. Williams** at *St. Agnes Church* in Blackwood, NJ. Bishop Williams is being prepared to be the ninth Bishop of Camden, serving the *Diocese of Camden* as its *Ordinary* (its leader or head). Initially, he is named as *coadjutor* bishop, assisting Bishop Sullivan until he steps down in March, 2025.

I can remember the rector of my seminary telling me a long time ago that I would most likely see at least five different bishops as *Ordinary* of my diocese during my lifetime. Well, he was certainly right!

Bishop George H. Guilfoyle was the first bishop that I actually met. He presided at a ceremony dedicating the new *St. Ann's School* in Wildwood, where I attended and served as an altar boy. I remember the bishop blessing the *cornerstone* of the school while I stood nearby as an altar boy during the ceremony. Many years later, Bishop Guilfoyle would be the bishop ordaining me a priest to serve our diocese!

Although he was not the head of our diocese, I was friendly with **Bishop James L. Schad**, the only *auxiliary bishop* that Camden ever had. I would act as the *master of ceremonies* for some of the bishop's Confirmation assignments, often driving him to and from the various churches. During those drives, we had the opportunity to talk about many things and I am grateful for the many insights that the bishop shared with me. May he rest in peace!

Bishop James T. McHugh, Bishop Nicholas A. DiMarzio, Bishop Joseph A. Galante and Bishop Dennis J. Sullivan all succeeded *Bishop Guilfoyle*, making *Bishop Williams* the 6th bishop that I will have had as my *Ordinary*.

Bishop Williams comes to us from the *Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis*, where he served as an auxiliary bishop. According to his biography in the ***Catholic Star Herald***:

Born May 2, 1974, to Dr. Gary and Mary MacDonald Williams, Bishop Williams is the third of nine children. He grew up in Stillwater, where he attended Saint Croix Catholic School and Stillwater High School. His brother, Father Peter Williams, ordained in 2004, is a priest of the Archdiocese, and is Pastor of Saint Ambrose in Woodbury, Minnesota.

Bishop Williams holds a B.A. in biology from the University of Minnesota, Morris, graduating *summa cum laude* in 1996. He studied philosophy and pre-theology at Franciscan University of Steubenville, Ohio, from 1996-1998 and attended The St. Paul Seminary School of Divinity in St. Paul from 1998-2002, where he earned a Master of Divinity degree. He was ordained a priest at age 28.

I take this time to welcome Bishop Williams to our diocese and to thank Bishop Sullivan for his years of service to the diocese.

Our prayers are with you Bishop Williams as you begin your time here with us. At every Mass, when we pray for **Joseph, our coadjutor bishop**, know that you have our prayerful and loving support! May God grant you good health and the necessary graces to be our spiritual shepherd.

Fr. Ed Namiotka, Pastor

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

Ministry Schedule September 21/22

	Clergy	Music	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 PM	Fr. Coronado	Florence	R. Javier	C. Betson Smith	
8:30 AM	Fr. Norris	Julie	B. Massey	T. Smith	T. Johnson A. Bresani
11:00 AM	Fr. Norris	Erin/Choir/Julie	J. Galati	L. Galati	T. Johnson J. Hayden

Catechetical Sunday

THEME: "Lord, when did we see you hungry?"
Matthew 25:37

We honor our catechists and assistants.

The U.S. Bishops have designated today as Catechetical Sunday to honor all those who share in the evangelizing and teaching mission of the Church.

At St. Thomas More Parish, we are so grateful for the dedicated ministry of these persons who have accepted the call to catechize our youth and children in our Faith Formation Process.

We acknowledge, with gratitude:

Sr. Maria Liber, LSIC, Marianne Wilkins, Judy Galati, Angela McNeill, Kathleen Kraemer, Ryan Witts, Katie Witts, Jose Andino, Erika Andino, Jennifer Flynn, Nick Bresani, Sara Bresani.

Our theme reflects our call to missionary discipleship. As St John Paul II reminded us: The universal call to holiness is closely linked to the universal call to mission. Every member of the faithful is called to holiness and to mission. We are called to be eucharist by word and action to our brothers and sisters in Christ. Our times cry out for this kind of holiness, one inflamed by the ardent determination to bring as many of our brothers and sisters as possible to Christ.

A CATECHIST'S PRAYER

Loving Father, pour forth your Holy Spirit upon me that I may be a good catechist of your Word, your Son, Jesus Christ.

Render my mind and heart so open, receptive and responsive to your Holy Spirit that, like Mary, I might become a living instrument of your Word to others. Help me to be a faithful witness to Gospel life so that your Church may become ever more alive.

Let the fire of your love so enkindle my heart that I may be an instrument of drawing others to love of you in the Church of your Son.

I ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Breakfast

Please join us for our next in-person meeting that provides a great opportunity to cultivate connections within the Catholic Business community.

\$10 for members, \$25 for non-members.

FRIDAY
SEPTEMBER 20, 2024
BREAKFAST: 8:00 AM
MASS: 9:00 AM

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DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Sunday, November 3, 2024
3:00 PM Church of the Holy Family Sewell, NJ

For Milestone Wedding Anniversary couples celebrating **25, 50, 60, 70** or more years in the year 2024.

Light Reception will follow in the Aquin Parish Hall. **REGISTRATION is required.**

Call the Parish Office 856-424-3212 to register

DEADLINE to register is October 18, 2024

MASS Intentions

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

4:30 PM Pat Beaney r/b Bob & Ann Marie Lento

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

8:30 AM Pat Beaney r/b Dave & Lin Lyon

11:00 AM Richard Spence r/b Bill & Ann Vigrass

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

9:00 AM People of the Parish

9:30—Noon Adoration in the Chapel

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

9:00 AM Bienvenido Cobin, Sr.
r/b Grace Cobin & children

9:30—Noon Adoration in the Chapel

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

9:00 AM Pat Beaney r/b Patricia Shelfer

9:30—Noon Adoration in the Chapel

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 19

9:00 AM Pat Beaney r/b Marie Flowers

9:30—Noon Adoration in the Chapel.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

9:00 AM Living and deceased members
of Morgan family in Ireland

9:30—Noon Adoration in the Chapel.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

4:30 PM Catherine Namiotka
r/b Blaise & Jeanne Cona

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

8:30 AM Catherine Namiotka
r/b Joanne Wachman

11:00 AM Fr. Phillip Johnson r/b family

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions For SEPTEMBER For The Cry Of The Earth

Let us pray that each of us listens with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.



Spanish Ministry
Prayer Group
St. Thomas More Parish
Friday: Sept. 20
at 10:00 A.M.

Join us as we Pray the Rosary, Lectio Divina, and reflect on themes of faith.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: *THE*

SICK... Kristina Acevedo, Caroline Bancheri, Jim Beaney, Jim Beaney, Jr., Joe Centonze, Grace Cobin, Joseph Console, Marie Corcoran, Mary Cowan, Catherine Diana, Linda Di Giulio, Fr. George Donfurtang, Elizabeth Garber, Eileen Gerie, Eileen Goodwin, Marjorie Graham, Marion Kapischke, Michael Kapischke, John B. Kennedy, John Lane, Bob Lento, Marie Manalo, Kelly Moore, Carter Oakley, Tina Petrone, Dom Sacca, Carlos Santiago, Teddy Shaffer, Grace Sklencar, Joe Sklencar, Claire Spence, Stacia Strack, Michael Suralik, Pat Suralik, Ed Targonski, Sr., Ann Vigrass, Joanne Wachman, Sarah Warner, Mason Roberson, Baby Finley.



PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED

SERVICES... Sgt. Jordan Beckman, Captain Patrick J. Bones, USMC, Major Anthony R. Cosentino, USAF, TSgt. John P.

DeYoung, Sam Houston, USN Special Forces, Lt. Nicholas G. Iannuzzi, SSgt. Kris Knaup, Capt. Jennifer LaSalce, US Army, Capt. Christopher Mawn, Lt. Jacqueline A. McCabe, PFC Sonny Morrison, Lt. Col. Louis J. Papa, Sisi Tyrrell, USMC, Sgt. Nicole Williams, and *all those serving our country.*

An invitation to men of the parish from the Cherry Hill Council 6173 Knights of Columbus: If you want more information or to join us, you can do so today at www.kofc.org/joinus with this QR code include "Council 6173" when asked and use the promo code: **BLESSEDDMCGIVNEY** to join for free.



Eucharistic Revival quotes from Pope Francis

"Jesus' gesture at the Last Supper is the ultimate thanksgiving to the Father for his love, for his mercy. "Thanksgiving" in Greek is expressed as 'eucharist'. And that is why the Sacrament is called the Eucharist: it is the supreme thanksgiving to the Father who so loved us that he gave us his Son out of love. This is why the term Eucharist includes the whole of that act, which is the act of God and humanity together, the act of Jesus Christ true God and true Man." —February 5, 2014



TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

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-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sept. 22, 2024- Mark 9:30-37

They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. Then Jesus sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."

Commentary:

Jesus teaches the power of "powerlessness." The Apostles still don't "get it." They struggle with each other for position and power. Jesus answers with a symbolic action that is stronger than words. He embraces a child, a symbol of powerlessness. He directs the Apostles not to build up a power structure but to embrace powerlessness. In the same way, the power of the Christian community will be in powerlessness.

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: "For a Christian to speak or act publicly in a pro-choice manner is a scandal to the Gospel and name of Jesus Christ."— Fr. Frank Pavone, Director, Priests for Life



St. Vincent de Paul Society members will be at the doors of the Church this weekend Sept. 14/15 accepting your donations for those in need.

Thank you for your generosity.

SAVE the DATE: 5th Annual 5K Walk to Benefit Joseph's House. Oct. 5th 9:00 AM Cooper River Park. More details on ways to participate to follow.



TREX Recycling Plastic Challenge - We did it!

St. Thomas More collected over 1,000 pounds of thin-film plastic in a little over 4 months. We have responded to the Church's call for the care for creation and we will also receive a beautiful bench. As we get information about the bench, we will pass that along.

We will continue to collect plastic and recycle it, so please keep bringing it in. We have a possible next step. We'll let you know.

We would love to have some more parishioners join our plastic recycling team. You would only be helping about once a month. If you're interested in finding out more, call the office or send an email to us at

stmfaithandjustice@gmail.com

Diocese of Camden Marian Pilgrimage Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC Saturday, October 26, 2024

7:00/7:15 AM	Bus Departs Holy Eucharist Parking Lot 344 Kresson Road, Cherry Hill
9:30—11:30 AM	Arrive at the Basilica,. Confession, Explore the Shrine, Prayer time
11:00 AM	Official Welcome. Concert of Sacred Music
Noon	Lunch on your own . Suggest bring lunch as cafeteria is very busy.
1:30 PM	Procession of Parishes with Banner. Rosary and Crowning of the BVM.
3:00 PM	Mass with Bishop Sullivan in the Great Upper Church. Departure following Mass
7:30 PM	Bus arrives at Holy Eucharist parking lot

Cost per person \$35.00 Space is limited

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