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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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The Most Holy Trinity—June 15, 2025

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.



O, Most Holy Trinity, Undivided Unity Deepen my relationship with you. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Dwell in me. Bring me more deeply in your Mystery. Help me pour your love out into a world so in need of welcoming that love. Amen.



The Collection for June 8, 2025

Sunday	\$2964.00
E-Giving	\$2304.00
Total	\$5268.00

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.

OCIA

The Order 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 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

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STEWARDSHIP CORNER

The Most Holy Trinity **Stewards Pray**

"But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth..." (JOHN 16:13)

It has been said that the best gift we can give someone is to teach them how to pray. If you don't talk and more importantly, listen, to God every day, how else will you know what He is calling you to do? Just as you talk to family and friends every day, get in the habit of talking with God every day. Develop a **Stewardship** daily prayer routine. Keep your prayers simple and sincere. This is best done in silence, when you can hear God's response.



From the Pastor's Desk

An Eternal Exchange of Love

Dear Parishioners,

On this **Trinity Sunday**, I share some reflections on the **Holy Trinity**—a most profound mystery of our faith.

First, we should realize that Jesus opened up for us the inner life of God. He revealed that God was a Trinity of Persons. Recall, the Jewish people are strict monotheists—**Hear O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone!** (Dt. 6: 4)—and they held on to this belief despite being surrounded, invaded and conquered by various polytheistic cultures (e.g., Rome). However, Jesus began to teach his disciples God is Father—*His* Father—and this must have caused significant concern for those around Him. He equated Himself with God, His Father: **The Father and I are one.** (Jn. 10:30) *What exactly does He mean?* He also promised to send the Holy Spirit to His disciples once He was gone: **But I tell you the truth, it is better for you that I go. For if I do not go, the Advocate will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you** (Jn. 16: 7). There is no natural way that we could figure out on our own that God was a Trinity of Persons without Jesus revealing this mystery to us.

Next, we are told that **God is love** (1 Jn. 4:8) Therefore, the experience of **love** itself seems to indicate that there should be a *lover* and a *beloved*. Within the Trinity, the Father loves the Son from all eternity and the Son loves the Father from all eternity. The *love* between the two is also a Person: the Holy Spirit.

God's very being is love. By sending his only Son and the Spirit of Love in the fullness of time, God has revealed his innermost secret: God himself is an eternal exchange of love, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and he has destined us to share in that exchange. (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, [CCC](#) # 221)

I contend that things in this world reflect and model for us certain eternal truths—albeit *imperfectly*—and help us to understand some mysteries of our faith better. Take the example of a **family**. A husband loves his wife and the wife loves her husband. Their love for each other can be manifest in a child who is the result of their love for each other. In essence, there is a type of a Trinitarian love involved here: the love between husband, wife and child. Again, the example is not perfect as God is *uncreated*, but it does shed some light on an otherwise complicated topic.

Another example from our life experience helps us with our understanding the Trinity. Take **H₂O** which can appear in nature as water, steam or ice. All three have the same chemical composition but can appear in different forms depending on temperature. This helps us to see how something can be *three* and *one* at the very same time. Our belief in the Holy Trinity teaches that there are Three Divine Persons in the One True God.

Every time you make the *Sign of the Cross*, think about how we acknowledge our belief in the Holy Trinity. By God's immense love for us, we are invited to share in the life of the Trinity and to dwell one day within that **eternal exchange of love**.

The whole idea can indeed be mind-boggling.

Fr. Ed Namiocka, Pastor

The Most Holy Trinity—June 15, 2025

Ministry Schedule June 21/22

Mass Time	Clergy Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 PM	Fr. Namiotka	Celine/Choir	G. Tyrrell	J. Bland Campbell	Please fill in if you are at this Mass
8:30 AM	Fr. Coronado	Becca/Julie	Sr. Clare	S. Oatway	Please fill in if you are at this Mass
11:00 AM	Fr. Namiotka	Becca/Julie	J. Flynn	L. Flynn	M & N Flynn

St. Thomas More Feast Day FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

Beginning Thursday night (6/19/25) with a 7 PM Mass in *St. Thomas More Church*, we will offer the opportunity for prayer and adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament around the clock, commonly known as the **Forty Hours Devotion**.

We will have two Masses on Friday (6/20/25) at 9 AM and 7 PM and conclude on Saturday evening (6/21/25) at the 4:30 PM Vigil Mass for *Corpus Christi* with a Eucharistic Procession at the conclusion of Mass.

Fr. Joseph Szolack, pastor of *Our Lady of Hope Parish* in Blackwood, will be the guest preacher.

All Masses and Eucharistic Adoration will be in the **church**, not the chapel.

You are invited to come to Mass and to spend some time during these days—*June 19th to June 21st*—with our Eucharistic Lord.

Please sign up after Mass today on the forms in the Gathering space so that all the time slots are filled! We would like to have at least TWO people for each time slot.

Religious Freedom Week begins June 22

Theme: Witnesses to Hope

We celebrate the feast day of Sts. Thomas More and John Fisher.



With sincere appreciation to all those who helped Coordinate and plan the Ministry Fair Luncheon. Gratitude to those who set up, cleaned up and the wonderful ladies who prepared the delicious food and those who donated baked goods. We are thankful for all the Ministry leaders for taking the time to talk to the participants and explain their specific ministry. If you would like more information on the ministries or did not have a chance sign up, call the parish office.



This weekend June 14/15 is our **Society of St. Vincent de Paul collection weekend**.

We ask that you bring some of the below non-perishable food items to restock our pantry. These items support the food insecure in our area.
THANK YOU!

Canned vegetables—Pasta—Pasta Sauce—Peanut Butter—Jelly—Canned Fruit—Soups—Canned Tuna—Cereal.



SATURDAY, June 14

4:30 PM Bill Kane and Rudy Peins
r/b Shirley Kane

SUNDAY, June 15

8:30 AM Father's Day Intentions

11:00 AM Father's Day Intentions

MONDAY, June 16

9:00 AM People of the Parish

9:30—Noon Adoration in the Chapel

TUESDAY, June 17

9:00 AM Living and Deceased Members of the
Morgan Family

9:30—Noon Adoration in the Chapel

WEDNESDAY, June 18

9:00 AM Roberto Rose Frank
r/b Linda and Bob Frank

9:30—Noon Adoration in the Chapel

THURSDAY, June 19

9:00 AM Leonard and Mary Jane Barber
r/b Linda and Bob Frank

9:30—Noon Adoration in the Chapel

7:00 PM People of Parish
40 Hours Devotion begins in CHURCH

FRIDAY, June 20

9:00 AM Joe Sklencar
r/b Charlotte Centonze

7:00 PM People of the Parish

SATURDAY, June 21

4:30 PM Joe Sklencar r/b Nancy Tagland
Conclusion of 40 Hours

SUNDAY, June 22

8:30 AM Intentions of Greta Tyrrell r/b Clara Lee

11:00 AM Joseph Sklencar r/b Greta Tyrrell

Prayer Intention for June—For migrants fleeing their homes. We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find Welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

Spanish Ministry Prayer Group

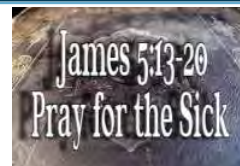
Meeting Dates June 20, 27

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, Joe Centonze, Grace Cobin, Joseph Console, Mary Cowan, Catherine Diana, Linda Di Giulio, Fr. George Donfurtang, Elizabeth Garber, Eileen Gerie, Marjorie Graham, Marion Kapischke, Michael Kapischke, John B. Kennedy, Bob Lento, Marie Manalo, Kelly Moore, Carter Oakley, Tina Petrone, Dom Sacca, Carlos Santiago, Teddy Shaffer, Grace Sklencar, Claire Spence, Stacia Strack, Michael Suralik, Pat Suralik, Ed Targonski, Sr., Ann Vigrass, Joanne Wachman, Sarah Warner, Baby Finley, Arlene Pajic, Cecilia Sim, Barbara Cremean, Mark DeYoung, Felician Lopez, Jon Lisitski, Eileen Demcsak.



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, PFC Timothy Kenny, US Army and Brendan Marcy, Ens., USCG and *all those serving our country.*

Please Note—We have Mass intentions available in the coming weeks.

A Mass intention may be requested for a Mass for: a deceased loved one; a living person who is sick or suffering; a living person who is celebrating a birthday, anniversary or other special moment in their life; in thanksgiving to God.

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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.

Excerpt from the Gospel for The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, June 22, 2025 - Luke 9:11b-17

(Jesus asks the apostles to give the people on the hillside something to eat. There are more than 5,000 people present to listen to Jesus. The apostles complain that they only have five loaves and two fish. Jesus tells the apostles to have the people sit down. Then... "Jesus took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets.")

Commentary:

Maybe the most perfect meal of all is the one in which no one goes home hungry. That's a meal yet to be celebrated on this planet, since a large portion of the human race goes to bed without having eaten at all. It is no exaggeration to say that it is the responsibility of those who enjoy the privilege of the Eucharist to make our best and most earnest contribution to the problem of world hunger. Every dollar we spend to eliminate hunger honors the example of Jesus, who fed the multitude in front of him simply because they were hungry. His words on that occasion - "Give them some food yourselves" - ring down through the centuries with an urgency and authority that we cannot ignore. Jesus also said, "What you do for the least of my sisters and brothers, you do for me." Dare we deny bread to the One who set the table that supplies us with everlasting life? And if we wonder how much we are obliged to give, the answer is plainly given. All must eat until they are satisfied, and then our offering can be deemed enough.

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?

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AFTERNOON 1:00 MOVIE **Monday, June 16**

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Wish Man

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[Frank Shankwitz](#), an Arizona motorcycle cop with a troubled past, survives a near-fatal accident during a high-speed pursuit. As part of Frank's rehabilitation, police chief Sgt. Eddie

Newman asks him to spend time with a terminally ill little boy, Michael, whose dying wish is to be a Highway Patrol motorcycle officer. To Michael, Frank is a hero and an unlikely friendship is born. The boy inspires Frank to follow a new path, which leads to the creation of the [Make-A-Wish Foundation](#). Movie epilogue states that over 450,000 wishes have been granted since the beginning of the charity.

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The administration has terminated all but two of Catholic Relief Services' (CRS) McGovern-Dole Food for Education school feeding programs—cutting off daily meals for nearly 800,000 children in 11 countries beginning in July. For many, this was their only meal of the day. Without these meals, children will be forced to learn on empty stomachs, putting their health and futures at risk. Your voice is urgently needed so we can continue to work for a world where no child goes hungry.

<https://www.votervoice.net/USCCB/>

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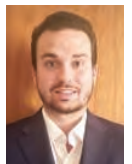
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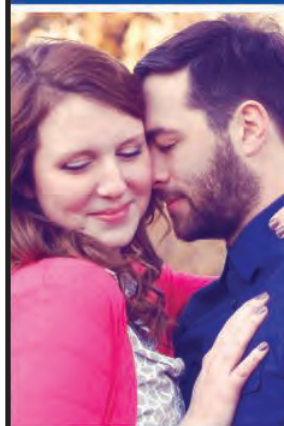


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