

Mass Times

Tuesday and Friday 8:30 am in Church

Saturday 4:30 pm in Church

Sunday 9:00 am and 11:00 am in Church

Confessions will be heard every Saturday at 3:30 pm in Church

Sunday

in

Ordinary

Time

"If you pull
up the weeds
you might
uproot the wheat
along with them."

Matthew 13:29

Social distancing is going to play a big part this summer, making it quite different from every other summer we have ever known when the only social distancing taking place was when someone was just too close on a hot day. The need for masks and a little space can't predicate our love of ice cream on a hot day—or any day of the year.

Dish or cone? That's all we need to know. National Ice Cream Day on the 3rd Sunday in July offers up every flavor on the menu to honor the day! The

holiday also lands in the middle of National Ice Cream Month.

Thousands of years ago, people in the Persian Empire put snow in a bowl, poured concentrated grape juice over it, and ate it for a treat. Their trick? They placed snow in underground chambers known as yakchal where the temperatures kept the snow from melting. The Persians also hiked to the mountain tops by their summer capital to gather snowfall.

The Chinese, under the Tang Dynasty around 697 AD, took to freezing dairy with salt and ice. However, the results aren't exactly the ice cream we enjoy today. Frozen treats and beverages later, culinary folks point to Naples, Italy as the birthplace of the first ice cream. They give credit to Antonio Latini. He was born 1642 and created a milk-based sorbet.

In the United States, the Quaker colonists earn the nod for bringing their ice recipes over with them. They opened the first ice cream shops, including shops in New York and other cities during the colonial era.

U.S. Ice Cream Facts

- Ben Franklin, George Washington, and Thomas Jefferson enjoyed ice cream.
- 1813 First Lady Dolley Madison served ice cream at the Inaugural Ball.
- 1832 African American confectioner, Augustus Jackson, created multiple ice cream recipes as well as a superior technique to manufacture ice cream.
- 1843 Philadelphian, Nancy Johnson, received the first U.S. patent for a small-scale hand-cranked ice cream freezer.
- 1920 Harry Burt puts the first ice cream trucks on the streets.

The first mention of ice cream in the United States derives from a letter written in Maryland in 1744 by Governor William Bladen's guest. Then, the New York Gazette. Since then, ice cream has exploded onto the dessert scene with the creation of home machines, as well as the emergence of ice cream vans, ice cream floats, sundaes and well-known brands like "Ben and Jerry's" and "Haagen-Dazs" that we still consume to this day. The effect of ice cream on society is so great, that the brain of an ice cream lover has been linked to that of an addict. When the brain wants ice cream, it reacts like a passionate fanatic.

In 1984, President Ronald Reagan proclaimed July as National Ice Cream Month and established National Ice Cream Day as the third Sunday in July.

A few other dates you may want to mark on your calendar are:

August 1: National Ice Cream Sandwich Day
June 7: National Chocolate Ice Cream Day
February 2: National Ice Cream for Breakfast Day

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This N That by Deacon Skip

I have not spent a lot of time speaking of my walking exploits lately. There's good reason. I haven't had any. Whenever one of the lead stories on the morning news is a discussion of the difference between heat stroke and heat exhaustion and how to tell which one I have, I always take the position that perhaps that day is not the one to push my limit. I've made it out very early and toward sunset, so I have not been idle, but those trips have been short. I have discovered a potential new route and am eager to give it a try, but it will have to be more habitable before I venture out.

I had to run something over to Steve's this past week. I am happy to report that Bella dog at least acted pleased to see me. I'm told she is basically back to her old self. Since she is my age in human years, I don't know if that is good or bad.

I don't know how everyone else feels, but I find the resurgence in Covid-19 cases disappointing, frustrating, and a bit scary. I'm not sure what my priority is for the three. It seems that at a time when it looked like we might be approaching a new normal, we are going backwards. I do not want to see a return of the days when our hospital ICU's were filled to capacity and the Army Corp of Engineers had to erect field hospitals in exhibition halls. This comes at a time when we have to plan for the orderly return of our kids to school. In my case, this means 4 grand-kids and a forty something son who teaches elementary school.

I know some people make light of Covid-19 and sincerely believe the situation is overblown. The victims can tell stories of how real the sickness is and as a deacon I can attest to performing internment ceremonies for a number of victims. I can assure you their families did not take much pride in knowing their loved ones were now part of the daily news statistics. The responsibility rests on us. No government official or medical practitioner can do it for us. Please observe the social distancing protocolmaintain the distance and wear a mask when and where designated.

Scripture Readings for the Week of July 19, 2020

Sunday, July 19, 2020 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 or Mt 13:24-30

Monday, July 20, 2020 Saint Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr

Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday, July 21, 2020 Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8; Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday, July 22, 2020 Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15 and 17; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday, July 23, 2020 Saint Bridget, Religious

Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11; Mt 13:10-17

Friday, July 24, 2020 Saint Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest

Jer 3:14-17; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Mt 13:18-23

Saturday, July 25, 2020 Feast of Saint James, Apostle

2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Mt 20:20-28

Sunday, July 26, 2020 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 or Mt 13:44-46

Bulletin Editor

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Bulletin article deadline is Monday before the issue date by 12:00 p.m. During holidays articles must be submitted two Mondays before issue. All articles and submissions are subject to approval and editing.

2020 Festival News

Hello to everyone at the awesome St Thomas the Apostle Parish! Our worlds have been completely turned upside down in the past few months and unfortunately this year's festival must be cancelled. Everyone's safety is the #1 priority, especially the safety of our dedicated volunteers and awesome chair people; with the size of our crowds we have at our festival, "social distancing" would be impossible.

We thank you all for the work that has been already done prior to this decision being made. All of our vendors have already been notified of this decision and they all fully understand.

Everyone understands the tremendous financial boost the festival is for our parish and we are working on several projects that can help us to generate some income for the parish. One of those will be to still conduct the main raffle. Tickets will soon be available for sale. We ask that you do your best to sell as many tickets as possible, as those ticket sales are always one of the best sources of income from the festival. We will keep you posted on details regarding other activities in the near future.

With the guidance and understanding of our wonderful pastor, Fr. Larry, our AWESOME parish will overcome these difficult times and continue the tradition of our festival next year.

Jill Kolpacke Tom Pociask

Please be advised that there is another email scam circulating. This time the scammers are sending emails that appear to come from Archbishop Vigneron. Please do NOT respond to this request for money from the Archbishop.



We are no longer collecting bottles and cans for the pantry.

Thank you for all of your support!

Ministries Center (734) 425-9771



The Ministries Building will be open EVERY Thursday from 10am-1pm to drop off donations for the pantry. Cash or check offerings for the pantry should be clearly marked as such. Please enter using the side doors facing the

parking lot across from the Parish Office Building. At this time, we are in great need of items to help the hungry in our community. We are in need of Kleenex and cereal. Additional items needed are spaghetti noodles, mustard and ketchup, Bush's baked beans, jam/jelly, peanut butter, hamburger helper, Rice-A-Roni, instant potatoes, and SMALL bottles of laundry soap and dish soap. It is very important that you donate the SMALL bottles and not the large ones because the items are weighed with the food and the large bottles are very heavy, therefore people are unable to take food items they might need. Many of these items can be purchased at your local Dollar Store. These times are only for dropping off donations. Anyone wanting to receive items from the pantry needs to call to schedule an appointment at (734) 425-9771.

First Saturday Memorial Association 2020-2021

The St. Thomas the Apostle First Saturday Memorial Association is a special offering made by the parishioners celebrated on the first Saturday of every month at the 4:30 PM Mass throughout the year.

These intentions will be published weekly in our bulletin. New membership will begin July 2020 and run through June 2021. Cost is \$75.00 for the year.

Please fill out the information below and return it in an envelope with <u>your payment</u> through the collection basket, mail or dropped it off at the Parish Center. Thank you!

NAME	
ADDRESS	_
PHONE	
INTENTION:	

Please PRINT clearly ONLY ONE LINE PER INTENTION.

Worship Schedule		July 25 & 26, 2020	
MINISTERS	SAT 4:30 PM	SUN 9:00 AM	SUN 11:00 AM
CELEBRANT	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI
ALTAR SERVERS	JERRY KOWALCZYK	DENNIS KARCZYNSKI	JOEY MCKISSICK
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	CANDY HENRY CAROL STEC FRANK TOFIL	GAIL COZZAGLIO DEBBIE FULAN DAN LOBB	DENICE BIELSKI EVIE BURGESS MISSY TAYLOR
LECTORS	DEB SMITT	DAN LOBB	ANN STACHERSKI
SACRISTAN	KATHY GENAW	GAIL COZZAGLIO	TEREZE AULA
MASS INTENTIONS	ARTHUR & ANN KAPANKE +ELIZABETH VARTY ANDERSON	+JUDI SEVERIN	IN THANKSGIVING FOR FAVOR RECEIVED +ANN KAPANKE

Weekdau Masses

July 20-July 24, 2020

Monday, July 20, 2020

+BERNARD A. FOX

Tuesday, July 21

8:30 am....CHURCH

FOR PEACE +DORIS O'LEARY

Thursday, July 23

LISA HILL

Friday, July 24

+CAROLINE BUDNICK

Weekend Collection July 11 & 12, 2020

Envelope contributions: \$4,339.00 Loose contributions: 295.25

Total Sunday Offertory	\$4,634.25
Budgeted per week	\$10,404.00
Below the budgeted amount	\$-5,769.75
Total # of envelopes	120
Average envelope contribution	\$38.62
SPECIAL COLLECTION	•

 Easter
 \$ 5.00

 Flowers
 \$ 5.00

 Utility
 \$237.00

TOTAL \$ 247.00

Thank you for your support and may God bless you! Please remember St. Thomas the Apostle when writing your will.

Acts of Spiritual Communion

It has long been a Catholic understanding that when circumstances prevent one from receiving Holy Communion, it is possible to make an Act of Spiritual Communion which is a source of grace. Spiritual Communion means uniting one's self in prayer with Christ's sacrifice and worshipping him in his Body and Blood. The most common reason for making an Act of Spiritual Communion is when a person cannot attend Mass. Acts of Spiritual Communion increase our desire to receive sacramental Communion and help us avoid the sins that would make us unable to receive Holy Communion worthily.

A prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,

Come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there

And unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen.

ARE YOU REGISTERED AT ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE?

If you have been looking for a new parish we would appreciate you considering
St. Thomas the Apostle as your parish.

Stop by the Parish Center and fill out a registration form or download one from our website www.thomastheapostle.org. You can stop by the office, or put it in the collection basket at Mass. Young adults over 18 should be registered on their own registration form.

Please Pray For...

Ainsworth, Karen Ainsworth, Ron Akwaegbu, Kingsley Ejike Altizer, Brynn Arsenault, Cathy Arsenault, Fran Asini, Eloho Asini, Margaret Baraardi, Carl Bargardi, Frances Bartlett, Carol Boyak, Carolyn Bufalini, Rose Burdis, Cathy Burke, Larry Burrell, Fred

Burris, Nikita

Burris Family

Chicila, Pam

Cunningham, John Daughtery, Jeff DeGrande, Colleen DeGrande, Sam DiVitto, Rita Esson, Pat Farr, Viola Gau, Sandy Gorsuch, Eric Hamm, Jo Hayes, Jacqueline

Farr, Viola
Gau, Sandy
Gorsuch, Eric
Hamm, Jo
Hayes, Jacqueline
Henry, Bernadine
Herlihy, Patrick
Hrlic, Betty
Irwin, Mary
Jones, Marie
Kietur, Deanna
Kleczynski, Richard
Koslosky, Alphonse
Kusluski, Walter

Levoir, Lorraine Luther, Brian Malish, Rosemary Malone, Della Marchand, Susan Mathison, Bonnie Mathison, Jackie Mayfield, Sally McGrath, Jim Merritt, Dan Miklousich, Lena Mirabitur, Timmy Mocadlo, Audrey Mocadlo, Jim, Sr. Mocadlo, Jimmy Murray, Colleen Nantz, Janice

Needham, Jim

Parker, Sharon

Newman, Theresa

Niemczewski, Gordon

Persondek, Cristin Pietszak, Carol Pryce, Mary Ann Radford, Magdalen (Maggie) Rawlings, Therese Robertson, Michael Rodgers, Hiedi Romanowski, Ronald Saenz, Carlos Sanregret, Anna Shankin, JoAnne Skorupa, Peter Stacherski, Ann Staudacher, Jason Sulkowski, Karen Summet, Fred Szura, Samantha Tetreau, Audrey Thomas, Michael

Pastula, Shirley

Tomasi, Jack Vaughn, Kelly Woodward, Todd Wysocki, Ken Zonca, Barbara Ziolkowski, Norm

Pray for the First Saturday Memorial Association from July 2020-June 30, 2021

Deceased members of the Ajlouny & Blaty families Loving memory of Aunt Loretta Brandt

In Loving Memory of Walter and Mary Burdis

Memory of Sgt. Bryan Burgess

Deceased and live members of the Butka & Wojtkowiak family In loving memory of Mary Zarzycki

Larry, Bruce

Loving memory of Coach Dave Cain

In loving memory of Gorny & Kushnir family

Loving memory of Jessie & Chester Gugala

In memory of Madeline, Frank & Michael Mangold

In Loving Memory of John R. Mondro

In Loving Memory of Jerry Moynahan

Angel Dr. Dominic J. Noonan

Angel Danny P. Pepera

My loving wife of 66 years, Mary J. Pepera

In loving memory of Joseph Potter

Deceased members of Pattock & Stuecken families

In loving memory of Kathy Rodgers

In loving memory of Edward and Helen Romanowski

Deceased members of Szuba-Balawajder family In loving memory of Jerome Tesarz Deceased members of the Ulivi & Preville family In loving memory of William E. Wilson

Pray for those Serving in the Military

Ainsworth, Amber Angelovic, Adrian Ardinger, Stephanie Becker, Justin Brozek, Timothy Canfield, Chaz Cinka, Jonathan Comment, Scott DiCicco, Bill Ellsworth, Justin Gentilia, Anthony Griglio, Matthew Laichalk, Robert Logan, Sean Patrick Masiarak, Luke

McCarville, William E.

Ainsworth, Raymond Angelovic, George Baumgardner, AJ Bregand, David Campbell, Mary Chokr, Jamel Coatsworth, Michael Dempsey, Joseph Dwyer, Tyler Fisher,Bob Goudeseune, Russell Kashou, Christopher Logan, Jonathon

Logan, Jeff

McHale, Sgt. Shawn

McGahan, Wade

Miller, Maj. David C.
Moody, Samantha
Nguyen, Staff Sgt. Truonq
Pastula, Michael Thomas
Porcaro, Jeff
Rosa, Brian J.
Rousseau, Philip
Smith, David
Spiczka, Cathy
Sparrow, Justin
Squires, Derek
Steenburg, Patrick
Tesarz, Ian Michael
Webb, Brian
Witt, Christopher

McGaw, Douglas

Mondoux, Ian
Murray, Daniel
Ohannesian, Brandon
Persondek, Michael
Preba, Danny
Rosa, Douglas J.
Sheko, Destiny
Smitt, David
Spiczka, Greg
Spohr, Raymond
Szerszen, Michael
Waldo, Michael
Wiertella, Jonathan
Yount, Alex

Meadows, Erin



Missy Taylor Director of Religious Formation & Coordinator of Youth Ministry

RELIGIOUS FORMATION 2020-2021 REGISTRATION

We will now be accepting registrations for the upcoming Religious Formation year. Forms will be mailed to our existing families who had students enrolled in the program this year. The forms are also available on our website, and in the Gathering Space of the Church. I can always send them by email to those interested as well. Our date to return is Monday, September 28th at 6:00pm. Although we completed the year in a strong online program, we hope to resume our "normal" style of learning. Please remember it is NEVER too late to sign children up for this program. We have catch-up classes for those who have not had previous catechesis. We look at each case on an individual basis. Please call me if you have any questions or concerns.

WE HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US!!!



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2020!!



Madilyn Roy was also a member of the final graduating class of St. Raphael School in 2016. She attended Cabrini Catholic High School. She made the Honor Roll all four years of high school at Cabrini. She was the recipient of the Knights of Columbus Scholarship for the year 2018-2019. Madilyn was a member of the Welcoming Committee, a member of the Glee Club and Choir. She played JV Volleyball, JV and Varsity Basketball, and Varsity Tennis. Madilyn was named Co-Captain for the 2020 Tennis season. Madilyn will be attending Grand Valley State University majoring in Environmental Sciences, and Business Management.



IF YOU ARE A GRADUATE OF 2020, we would love to hear from you! Please let your parish family honor you for your accomplishments. Please send me a photo of you (either a senior photo or one in cap and gown) along with information as to what school you graduated from, any honors you received along the way, and future plans. I will spotlight a new araduate each week in the bulletin and post all araduates to our social media pages as I receive them and leave them up on our pages

throughout the summer. Congratulations on your accomplishments and may God bless you and watch over you as you enter into this new phase of your journey!

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