



This weekend we celebrate the 1st Holy Communion of our second graders at the 11:00 Mass. I know they are very happy and excited. May they stay close to Jesus everyday of their lives. God bless them all.

As you may know, there are several companies that produce paschal candles every year. They all have a variety to pick from. The size, colors and designs may vary but they all have a cross, the year and the alpha

and omega symbols on it.

The candle will be lighted at every baptism and funeral during the entire year to come. After Easter, it stands near the baptismal font. The candle is fashioned from beeswax and marked with the numerals of the current calendar year. Five grains of incense are set into it in the sign of a cross, symbolizing the five wounds of Christ. It stands tall, burning with new fire that was blessed in the darkness of the night at the Easter Vigil.

This year, I chose a new design that came out for 2022. Referred to as the "Prince of Peace Paschal Candle", it celebrates the glorious message of peace Jesus imparted to his disciples. Striking shades of burgundy, forest green and gold highlight intricate detailing while the commanding image of a triumphant Jesus Christ reminds us of his eternal promise of heavenly peace. It is finished with a hand-dipped layer of translucent beeswax, giving the design a beautiful sheen and added durability.

All paschal candles are beautiful but this year's design is truly stunning! Please fell free to look at it. If you have any questions, please ask. I will be happy to help you. Such a beautiful and important object of our faith should be seen and understood. May it continue to inspire all of us in the coming year.

Next weekend is CSA Weekend! Our Catholic Services Appeal funds more than 170 ministries, programs, and services that ensure we Fuel the Mission to witness Christ as His disciples. You will soon receive information that Archbishop Vigneron asks you to review as you prayerfully consider your pledge to the 2022 CSA. You may now pledge your gift to our parish's CSA campaign online, using your debit or credit card, at GiveCSA.org. If you need information or have questions about the Catholic Services Appeal, please call the parish office or Archdiocese Donor Services at (313) 596-7400.

SCAN TO DONATE



Mass Times

Tuesday and Friday 8:30 am

Wednesday 12 noon

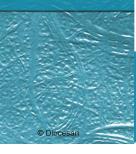
> Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 9:00 am and 11:00 am

Confessions will be heard every Saturday at 3:30 pm

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This N That by Deacon Skip

I experienced one of my greater accomplishments this past weekend. I completely solved the Sunday New York Times crossword puzzle. I think the score is somewhere around me:1, the NY times 240. I am slightly suspicious that they felt sorry for me and put together a grade school version in disguise. I should probably keep quiet. If they find out, the next six version will be in Sanskrit.

During the week, I walked outside to the front of my house. I was looking over the flower beds to get a feel for how much work it would take to bring them back to being presentable, when I saw an actual bee land on a hyacinth. I will take that as a harbinger of spring.

Adding to my list of accomplishments, I washed my bathtub. Its hard to believe that two years have come and gone. I am always amazed at the level of dirt I clean up/I don't remember doing anything that would make me that dirty. On the other hand, I'm the only one here, and I know the dirt did not drop out of the sky, so I must have been doing something. Maybe, it was from working all those crossword puzzles.

Don't forget the food pantry.



May is the Month of Mary

There Will Be
Recitation of the
Rosary

Every Wednesday in May Following the 12 Noon Mass



Scripture Readings for the Week of May 1, 2022

Sunday, May 1, 2022 Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

Monday, May 2, 2022 Memorial of Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday, May 3, 2022
Feast of Saints Philip and James, Apostles
1Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Jn 14:6-14

Wednesday, May 4, 2022 Third Wednesday of Easter

Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday, May 5, 2022 Third Thursday of Easter

Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday, May 6, 2022 Third Friday of Easter

Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday, May 7, 2022 Third Saturday of Easter

Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Jn 6:60-69

Sunday, May 8, 2022 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rev 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30



GRIEF SUPPORT

"We can't go back and change the beginning, but we can start from where we are and change the ending." - C.S. Lewis

When you suffer a loss it can be helpful to find others who have walked the journey that offer spiritual support, love, care, compassion, and comfort. Please join us for coffee and fellowship as we support one another in overcoming loss on Wednesday, May 4 at 1:00pm in the Parish Office Building. ALL ARE WELCOME!

Call Mary Krempasky to register at (734)927-7680.

Ministries Center/SVdP (734) 425-9771



Current food pantry needs include: cans of potatoes, partry diced tomatoes, mixed vegetables; oatmeal; shampoo; toothpaste; and dish soap.

The food pantry is open every Thursday from 10am-12pm in the Ministries Building. If you would like to receive items from the pantry, please call (734) 425-9771.

Thank-You Fish Fry Volunteers!

Our "World Famous Fish Fry" is over for 2022 but we had a great time!

I can't thank the volunteers enough for all the help and support you have given us again this year! We even got 2 new fish cutters, Rick Dobson and



Ron Chambo! Thank you guys and I already signed you up for next year!

Every Friday during our dinner service we would look around the room and be amazed at all the volunteers working and smiling while doing it! Our guests have come to us and commented on what a great atmosphere and so many friendly people we have here; that's the best advertisement we could ask for!

A special thanks for Fr. Larry for reminding everyone at mass to volunteer or come and enjoy a fish dinner. He also so graciously visited our guests at the Fish Fry and welcomed several guests from other parishes. In case you didn't notice, Fr. Larry has become an expert in Bake Sale packaging and set up. I guess the dishwashing position will have to go to someone else!

God Bless all of you!



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Mission Statement

We, as St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Parish, recognize that we are the Body of Christ. Our purpose is to honor God and grow as one in Jesus Christ. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we strive to serve others through Christian Service, Prayer and Worship, Education and Evangelization. We keep within our hearts and minds the statement of faith and conviction of our patron St. Thomas the Apostle, "My Lord and my God."

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Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight......John Galdes

Worship Schedule		May 7 & 8, 2022	
MINISTERS	SAT 4:30PM	SUN 9:00 AM	SUN 11:00 AM
CELEBRANT	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI
ALTAR SERVERS	CATIE KELLY	KENNEDY FEE	ASHLEY ASCENCIO
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	CORDELIA CHUKWUDI CANDY HENRY DEBBIE SMITT	TEDDY LUTHER GLORY MCGAHAN JOAN PALMER	EVIE BURGESS DAVID MESZAROS MISSY TAYLOR
LECTORS	FRANK TOFIL	GEORGETTE KATTULA	VICTORIA A.
SACRISTAN	CAROL STEC	MARGARITA LOPEZ	SALLIE QUINN
MASS INTENTIONS	+ MARION STANDARD + ANNE WILSON +ALL DECEASED WOMEN USHERS + KATHERINE LARABEL + JOHN E. LARABEL + LORAINE SNYDER + HELEN OLKOWSKI + ARTHUR & ANN KAPANKE + JOANNE SHANKIN MOTHER MARIO MADUKA ON HER 50TH BIRTHDAY + ANGEL DOMINIC NOONAN + MARY IRWIN + CAROLINE BUDNICK + DONNA NOWAK	+ ROSEMARY PAWLAK + IRENE DEWICKI + MARILYN LELEK + PEG WEEG CHARLES, CHRISTA, THOMAS AND FAITH +RICHARD CYBULSKI	+KRZYSZTOF DYLEGOWSKI BERNICE KARWAN

Weekly Collection April 18-April 24, 2022		
Envelope contributions:	\$	7,005.00
Loose contributions:	\$	601.30
Online Giving	\$	610.00
Total Weekly Offertory	\$	8,216.30
Budgeted per week	\$	10,404.00
Above/Below the budgeted amount	\$	2,187.70
Total # of envelopes		251
Average envelope contribution	\$	27.90
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS		
Easter	\$	672.00
Utility		149.00
Flowers	\$ \$ \$	27.00
Catholic Charities	\$	20.00
Total Special Collections	\$	868.00

TOTAL CONTRIBUTONS COLLECTED \$9,084.30

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

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Bulletin article deadline is Monday before the issue date by 8:00 a.m. During holidays articles must be submitted two Mondays before issue. All articles and submissions are subject to approval and editing. Weekday Masses May 2—May 6, 2022

<u>Tuesday, May 3</u>

8:30 am.....CHURCH

PARISHIONERS OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

Wednesday, May 4
12:00 pm.....CHURCH
ALL FIRST RESPONDERS

Friday, May 6 8:30 am..... CHURCH ALL NURSES

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...

Akwaegbu, Kingsley Ejike Altizer, Brynn Armstrong, Sean Arsenault, Cathy Arsenault, Fran Asini, Eloho Asini, Margaret Bargardi, Carl Bargardi, Frances Bartlett, Carol Baumgardner, Patty Bedard, Judy Boyak, Carolyn Burke, Larry Burris, Nikita **Burris Family** Campanella, Cindy Carbajal-Christopher, June Carol and Ronnie Cepko Family Chambo, Herbert

Chicila, Pam Christopoulos, Ellen, Jim Cowart, Diane

Cozzaglio, Gail Daughtery, Jeff DeGrande, Colleen DeGrande, Sam Dzendzel, Mary Ann

Esson, Pat Farr, Viola Fox, Ronnie Gau, Sandy Grant, Donald Greener, Rosie Hagedon, Gail Hagedon, Marie Hamm, Jo Hayes, Jacqueline Heaman, Bill Henry, Bernadine

Herlihy, Patrick

Hrlic, Charlene

Humphrey, Dawn

Hrlic, Charles

Jones, Marie Kapanke, Dolores Kathan, Joann Kathan, Tom Kietur, Deanna Koslosky, Alphonse

Kusluski, Walter Larry, Bruce Levoir, Lorraine Lowe, Jonathon Ludtke, Linda Luther, Brian Lynn, William Maddix, Erin

Malek, Thomas Malish, Rosemary Malone, Della Mals, Claudia Marchand, Susan Marsh, Bob Mathison, Bonnie Mathison, Jackie

Mayfield, Sally

McGrath, Jim

Maddix, Erin Merritt, Dan Miklousich, Lena Mirabitur, Timmy Needham, Jim Newman, Theresa Niemczewski, Gordon & Carol Nizich, Jeff

O'Brien, Mike O'Connell, Evan O'Halloran, Alice Palucki, Rachel Pardo, Charel Parker, Sharon Pastula, Shirley Perreira, Dennis Persondek, Cristina Pietszak, Carol Plonka, Christine Pryce, Mary Ann Radford, Magdalen (Maggie) Rawlings, Therese Robertson, Michael

Rockman, Annette

Rodgers, Hiedi Romanowski, Ronald Saenz, Carlos Sanregret, Anna Schmidt, Joseph Serafini, Loretta Smitt, Deb Sokol, Dennis J. Stacherski, Ann Standard, Gene Staudacher, Jason Summet, Fred Sutherland, Ellie Szura, Samantha Tetreau, Audrey Thomas, Michael Tomasi, Jack Vaughn, Kelly Wood, Virginia Wysocki, Ken Zonca, Barbara Ziolkowski, Norm

Pray for the First Saturday Memorial Association from July 2021-June 30, 2022

Deceased members of the Ajlouny & Blaty families

In Loving Memory of Charles Batherson Loving Memory of Thomas Bencic Loving Memory of Aunt Loretta Brandt Loving Memory of Sgt. Bryan Burgess

In Loving Memory of Walter and Mary Burdis

Deceased and Live Members of Butka & Wojtkowiak Families

Loving Memory of Coach Dave Cain In Loving Memory of Barbara Czarnik In Loving Memory of Virginia Czuj In Loving Memory of Stanley David Czuj

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Loving Memory of Robert E. Derda

In Loving Memory of Henry and Joan Dudek In Loving Memory of Gorny & Kusnir Families Loving Memory of Jessie & Chester Gugala

Kapanke-Omilian Families

Deceased Members of the Kattula Family Loving Memory of Ronald R. Kendra

Deceased members of the Krempasky & Norris family

In Memory of Reynold J. Mirabitur Sr. In Loving Memory of Audrey Mocadlo

In Memory of Jerry Moynahan

Deceased members of the Musolino & Wilson Families

Angel Dr. Dominic J. Noonan

Deceased members of Pattock & Stuecken families In loving memory of Anthony and Rosemary Pawlak

Angel Danny P. Pepera

My loving wife of 66 years, Mary J. Pepera

In Loving Memory of Joseph Potter

In Memory of Richard and Eleanore Reed

Kathy Rodgers

In Memory of Bill and Mae Rose

Deceased Members of the Szuba & Balawajder Family

Deceased Members of the Ulivi & Preville Family Loving Memory of Sherwood & Carolyn Webber

In Loving Memory of Anne Wilson Loving Memory of William E. Wilson

Pray for those Serving in the Military

Ainsworth, Sgt. Amber Ainsworth, Sgt. Raymond Angelovic, Adrian Angelovic, George Ardinger, Stephanie Baumgardner, AJ Becker, Justin Bregand, David Brozek, Timothy Campbell, Mary Canfield, Chaz Chokr, Jamel Cinka, Jonathan Coatsworth, Michael Comment, Scott

DiCicco, Bill Dwyer, Tyler Ellsworth, Justin Fisher, Bob Gentilia, Anthony Kashou, Christopher Laichalk, Robert Logan, Jonathon Logan, Sean Patrick

Logan, Jeff Lowe, Jonathon Masiarak, Luke McHale, Sgt. Shawn McCarville, William E. McGahan, Wade

McGaw, Douglas Meadows, Erin Moody, Samantha Murray, Daniel

Nguyen, Staff Sgt. Truong Ohannesian, Brandon Pastula, Michael Thomas Persondek, Michael Porcaro, Jeff Preba, Danny Rosa, Brian J. Rosa, Doualas J. Rousseau, Philip Sheko, Destiny

Smith, David

Smitt, David Spiczka, Cathy Spiczka, Greg Sparrow, Justin Spohr, Raymond Sauires, Zachary Szerszen, Michael Tesarz, Ian Michael Waldo, Michael Webb, Brian Wiertella, Jonathan Witt, Christopher



Missy Taylor

Pirector of Religious Formation

Coordinator of Youth Ministry

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

What a glorious time of year! As we begin the month of May, we honor our Heavenly Mother Mary and celebrate the sacraments that our young people have been working on ALL YEAR! Congratulations to our First Communicants receiving for the first time today and to our oldest students who will receive the gifts that the Holy Spirit brings to them in Confirmation later this week! We will also honor Mary with our May Crowning and Living Rosary on Monday at 6pm in the Church. We hope you can join us!

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Congratulations to Kennedy Fee and Catie Kelly who received the Timothy Award at St. Edith Parish last Sunday. The awards are given to teens from parishes in our area whose efforts in leadership, Christian service, and commitment to their families, parishes and schools, and civic communities have stood out. Both of these young ladies do so much in our parish and in their own families and communities that we are beyond proud of them. Please help me in congratulating them when you see them...most likely serving at the altar! **KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK GIRLS!!**



Monday, May 2

6:00PM Religious Formation

MAY CROWNING/LIVING ROSARY in Church

Maria Cit

Thursday, May 5

6:30PM Confirmation Rehearsal in Church

<u>Friday, May 6</u>

6:30PM Confirmation w/ Bishop Hanchon



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE ROSARY ALTAR SODALITY PRESENTS

Fashion Show 2022

Thursday, May 19 Sts. Peter & Paul Banquet Hall 750 N. Beech Daly, Dearborn Heights Doors open 5:30pm – Dinner 6:30pm



TICKETS \$30—NOW ON SALE AFTER ALL MASSES!!!

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