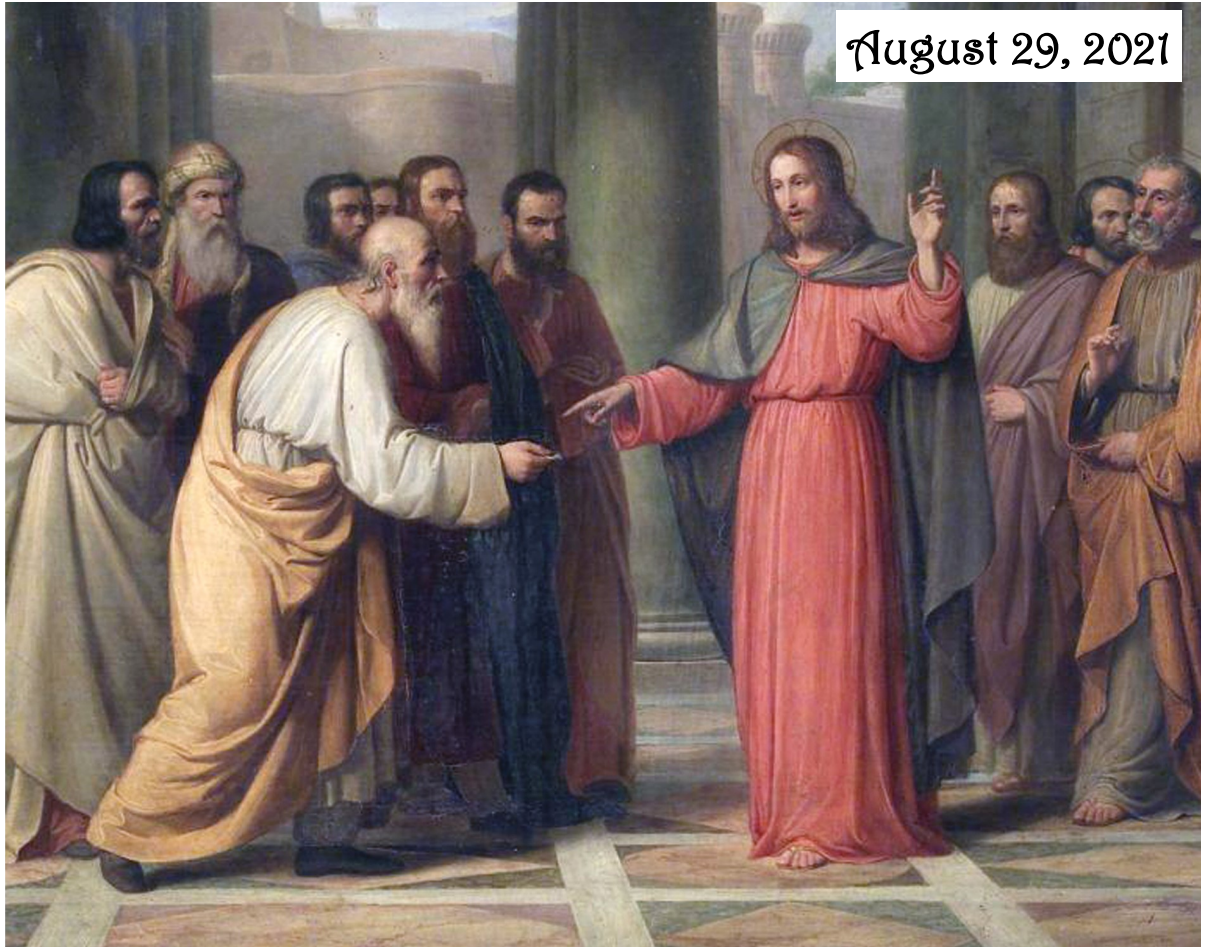


22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"You disregard God's commandment
but cling to human tradition."

Mk 7:8

August 29, 2021



Good news! Back by popular demand! What started out as an experiment turned out to be a huge success. On Wednesday, September 8, I will resume having the 12:00 noon Mass in church. It is the feast day of our Blessed Mother's birthday. What a great day to resume a beautiful tradition! Hope to see you there. Bring a friend.

Just a reminder, we are continuing another great tradition. The festival will officially begin with the Children's Bike Parade at 5:00 pm on Friday, September 17. This is a fun way to begin the festival and there are prizes to be awarded so get creative and let's all have a great time. Just 19 days until the fun begins!

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

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

31530 Beechwood Garden City MI 48135
(734) 427-1533 Thomastheapostle.org



This N That by Deacon Skip

I finally made it down into a portion of the woods. I walked down to the trail head on Central City Parkway across from the fire station and took the trail through the nature preserve along the creek. There is a point where I could jump off, walk through an apartment complex and work my way home. It was not terribly bad in the woods, except for a couple of spots where the mosquitoes were a nuisance.

I tried that a second time behind the Lutheran High Schools on Cowan. There are paths that lead to the trail through the nature preserve. I had to turn back because of the bugs despite a fairly liberal dose of Cutter spray. I'm not sure what made the difference. It might be because the area behind the high schools is fairly low and boggy.

I've been keeping up with my walking although its been heavily concentrated in the subdivisions south of me. I have journeyed a couple of times on to Hines Drive. I've managed to see deer. A woodchuck walked right up to me one morning and looked me over. I must not have met his criterion because he scampered into the woods. I did see one the biggest turtles I've ever seen in my life down on Hines Drive. It was not a snapping turtle, so I'm guessing it was a box turtle.

Walking has been a challenge of sorts in the hot weather. I've reached the stage in life where I sweat just because I can. I've inherited that from my father My weekly laundry has increased measurably.

I've been having some regular discussions with Rob, our maintenance supervisor, about what to do with the central courtyard in the parish center. Leaving it as a garden does not seem to be a viable option, and it may be easier to turn it back to its former self-lawn. If we come to that conclusion, stay tuned. We will put together an opportunity to give an orphan rose bush a home.

Don't forget the food pantry.

Scripture Readings for the Week of August 29, 2021

Sunday, August 29, 2021 **Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5; Jas 1:17-18,
21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Monday, August 30, 2021

1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5,
11-12, 13; Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday, August 31, 2021

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;
Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday, September 1, 2021

Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10, 11; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday, September 2, 2021

Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6;
Lk 5:1-11

Friday, September 3, 2021

Memorial of Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5;
Lk 5:33-39

Saturday, September 4, 2021

Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8;
Lk 6:1-5

Sunday, September 5, 2021

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10;
Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37



MEN'S RETREAT

Men, sign up for our annual parish weekend retreat at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center. With the surroundings, spacious grounds, provocative talks, you'll return refreshed, perhaps with a whole new outlook. The retreat theme this year is "Bouncing Back: Living in Hope."

For information, or to register, call John Krause at 734-765-7161 or Jeff Gorman at 760-390-6573, the Retreat Center at 313-535-9563 or go to www.stpaulretreat.org to make a reservation.

Have you been thinking of God lately? Friday evening October 1 to Sunday noon October 3



Do Us a Favor...

For all of you that donated items for our Festival, sold your tickets, or volunteered to help, raise your hand high, drop it back behind you and give yourself a pat on the back!! We want to give all of you a pat on the back for going above and beyond to make this year's Festival the best one yet!

Ministries Center
(734) 425-9771



Current food pantry needs include: canned tuna; cans of beef stew; brown paper grocery bags; shampoo; laundry soap; shaving cream and razors. Thank you for your continued support.

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

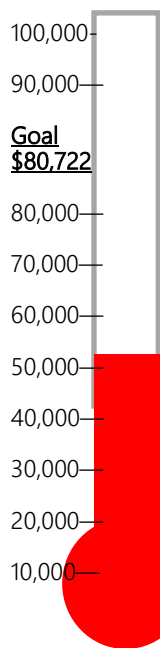


GARAGE SALE **October 14th, 15th and 16th**

Our parish garage sale will take place October 14th, 15th and 16th.

We will start taking items for the garage sale starting September 21st after we clean up from the festival.

CSA DONATIONS



CSA Donations are being accepted through the mail, collection basket, or dropping off at the parish office.

250 pledges totaling **\$57,178.00** payments totaling **\$51,076.75 as of August 23, 2021**

St. Thomas the Apostle CSA Goal is **\$80,722.00.**

Your participation is necessary to make this a success.

Thank you and **God bless you!**



WANTED... Festival Volunteers!

Thank you to everyone that signed up last week for our parish Festival! **Feel free to stop in again this weekend to see the available areas for your friend or family member!**

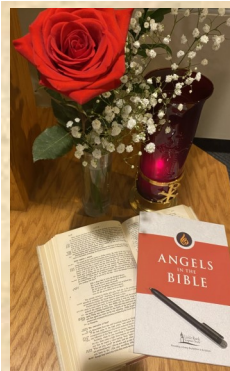
Raffle tickets are available after all masses if you need extra to buy or sell. See us in the Fr. Prus Hall.

We are in need of NEW toys for boys and girls for our Sucker Pull Game in the Game Tent. Please drop off your donations at church or the parish office. Thank you!

It takes many, many people to run this Festival but we sure have a good time doing it!

PLEASE JOIN US!!

Jill Kolpacke (jillkolpacke@gmail.com)
Tom Pociask (thomas.pociask@mahle.us.com)



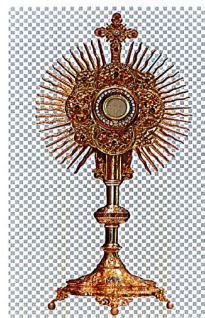
Women's Bible Study starts Wednesday, September 22nd at 6:30 pm. We will be studying Angels in the Bible!

All women of the parish are welcome!

Please contact us if you have any questions.

Sharen Lewandowski (734) 751-0219
Sallie Quinn (734) 812-3953
Tereze Aula (313) 267-7979

First Friday, September 3rd



Eucharistic Adoration and **Rosary**

following the 8:30 a.m. Mass

There will be a one-hour Eucharistic Adoration along with the recitation of the Rosary

Friday, September 3rd, following the 8:30 a.m. Mass

| Worship Schedule | | September 4 & 5, 2021 | |
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| 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 | MACKENZIE JORDAN | JULIE GALDES | JOEY MCKISSICK |
| EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST | CANDY HENRY BOB PAUL DEBBIE SMITT | GLORY MCGAHAN JOAN PALMER PATRICIA RYAN | DENICE BIELSKI EVIE BURGESS MISSY TAYLOR |
| LECTORS | FRANK TOFIL | GEORGETTE KATTULA | STEVE KOVALESKI |
| SACRISTAN | CAROL STEC | ANN MYLES | SALLIE QUINN |
| MASS INTENTIONS | +RICK STANTON +SANDRA RASCHE | +BEN ORNATOWSKI +KRZYSZTOF DYLEGOWSKI +DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE DARNELL FAMILY NIKITA BURRIS | +DOLORES SULKOWSKI |

Week of August 16– 22, 2021
Collection

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| Envelope contributions: | \$ 7,838.00 |
| Loose contributions: | \$ 717.01 |
| Total Sunday Offertory | \$ 8,555.01 |
| Budgeted per week | \$ 10,404.00 |
| Above/Below the budgeted amount | \$ 1,848.99 |
| Total # of envelopes | 270 |
| Average envelope contribution | \$ 31.69 |
| SPECIAL COLLECTIONS | |
| Utility | \$ 70.00 |
| Holy Day | \$ 296.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 366.00 |

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

Weekday Masses
August 30–September 3, 2021

Tuesday, August 31
8:30 am.....**CHURCH**
+ENRICO & IDA CANINI
MARGARET BOYAK

Friday, September 3
8:30 am.....**CHURCH**
+EVELYN LANDRUM

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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.

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
Boyak, Carolyn
Burke, Larry
Burrell, Fred
Burris, Nikita
Burris Family
Carol and Ronnie
Chicila, Pam
Christopoulos, Ellen, Jim
Coward, Diane

Cunningham, John
Daughtery, Jeff
DeGrande, Colleen
DeGrande, Sam
DiVitto, Rita
Dzendzel, Mary Ann
Esson, Pat
Farr, Viola
Galdes, Julie
Gau, Sandy
Grant, Donald
Hamm, Jo
Hayes, Jacqueline
Henry, Bernadine
Herlihy, Patrick
Hrlac, Charlene
Hrlac, Charles
Humphrey, Dawn
Irwin, Mary
Jones, Marie
Kathan, Joann
Kietur, Deanna

Koslosky, Alphonse
Kusluski, Walter
Larry, Bruce
Levoir, Lorraine
Luther, Brian
Lynn, William
Maddix, Erin
Malek, Thomas
Malish, Rosemary
Malone, Della
Marchand, Susan
Marsh, Bob
Mathison, Bonnie
Mathison, Jackie
Mayfield, Sally
McGrath, Jim
Maddix, Erin
Merritt, Dan
Miklousich, Lena
Mirabatur, Timmy
Mondoux, Andre & Del
Murray, Colleen

Nantz, Janice
Needham, Jim
Newman, Theresa
Niemczewski, Gordon
and Carol
Nizich, Jeff
O'Halloran, Alice
Palucki, Rachel
Pardo, Charel
Parker, Sharon
Pastula, Shirley
Perreira, Dennis
Persondek, Cristina
Pietszak, Carol
Pryce, Mary Ann
Radford, Magdalen
(Maggie)
Rawlings, Therese
Robertson, Michael
Rodgers, Hiedi
Romanowski, Ronald
Saenz, Carlos

Sanregret, Anna
Schmidt, Joseph
Serafini, Loretta
Shankin, JoAnne
Skorupa, Peter
Smitt, Deb
Sokol, Dennis J.
Stacherski, Ann
Staudacher, Jason
Summet, Fred
Szura, Samantha
Tetreau, Audrey
Thomas, Michael
Tomasi, Jack
Vaughn, Kelly
Wood, Virginia
Woodward, Todd
Wysocki, Ken
Zonca, Barbara
Mike Z.
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
Special Intention DAK
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. Mirabatur Sr.

In Loving Memory of Audrey Mocado
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

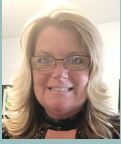
Pray for those Serving in the Military

Ainsworth, 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

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

Meadows, Erin
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



Missy Taylor

Director of Religious Formation & Coordinator of Youth Ministry

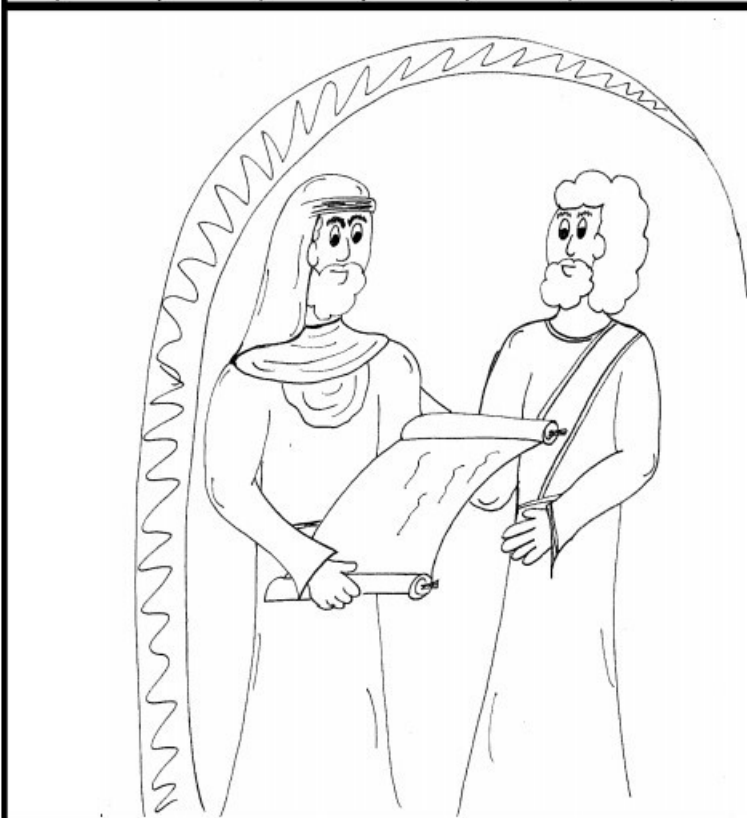
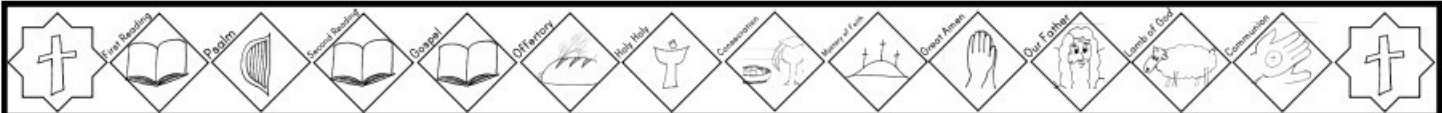
As our adults take a Biblical Walk with our Blessed Mother, we have a family adventure that all can participate in!! Courtesy of Holy Heroes, here's the information:

WHEN? Beginning September 5th and going for 33 days to end on October 7th, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary! We'll provide everything you need, every day, to inspire and instruct your family in the prayers of consecration.

HOW? Just sign up with your email using the link provided below. That's all you need to do! We'll send daily emails with everything you need to keep you on track.

We hope you will join us in our Marian Consecration. We believe that it is by drawing close to Jesus through Mary that we can best face our present vocation and prepare ourselves for our final home in Heaven!

<https://holymheroes.com/pages/marian-consecration>



Follow the alphabet to connect the heart to Jesus!



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| Q | D | S | W | Z | J | W | O |
| N | E | F | M | H | J | V | O |
| F | R | G | W | S | G | U | T |
| B | H | H | J | M | U | J | S |
| T | G | I | B | G | P | Q | R |
| X | S | J | K | L | O | G | H |
| J | U | M | K | M | N | I | P |
| V | G | T | F | D | Y | S | A |



The Pharisees asked Jesus why the disciples didn't follow the old church rules about washing their hands. Jesus told them that people become unclean because of dirtiness in their hearts, not on their hands. People should try to keep their hearts close to Jesus.