

# St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

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

September 15, 2024

FREE Entertainment & Parking



## St. Thomas the Apostle Parish FAMILY FESTIVAL

([www.thomastheapostle.org](http://www.thomastheapostle.org))

September 13, 14, & 15th 2024

**GRAND PRIZE DRAWING \$5,000**

**Carnival Rides For All Ages**

50/50 Drawings All Weekend + Lottery Pull Tickets



FRIDAY Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 - 11:00 PM

*The Annual Festival Kick Off*  
**Blessing and National Anthem**  
**4:45 PM (In front of Church)**



Music in the Main Tent  
**DJ Paul Anthony**  
(5:00 PM - 7:00 PM)



**FiftyAmpFuse®**  
(7:00 PM - 11:00 PM)

Indoor Sit Down Dining Featuring  
**Homemade Spaghetti Dinner**  
(5:00 PM - Until Sold Out)

SATURDAY Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> NOON - 11:00 PM

*Custom Car Show*  
**All Afternoon Starting at Noon**  
*Trophies Awarded at 3:00 PM*



**Power Play Detroit**  
(1:00 PM - 5:00 PM)

**The Phoenix Theory**



(7:00 PM - 11:00 PM)

Indoor Sit Down Dining Featuring  
**Pork Chop Dinner (By Bill's Catering)**  
(4:00 PM - Until Sold Out)

SUNDAY Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> NOON - 7:00 PM

**POLKA MASS 11:00 AM**  
*Inside the Main Tent*

Music in the Main Tent 12:30 - 3 pm



*Polish Alliance Dancers 1:45 - 2:15 pm.*



(4:00 PM - 7:00 PM)

Indoor Sit Down Dining Featuring  
**Polish Food Dinners (By Bill's Catering)**  
(NOON - Until Sold Out)

**Vegas Style Games/Texas Hold'em**

**\$2.00 Donation Entry Fee**

Fri. 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM Sat. 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM

**Bingo**

Fri. 5-10 PM Sat. 1-10 PM Sun. 1-7 PM

**OUTDOOR FOOD BOOTHS**

**Garden City JET'S PIZZA,**

Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Childdogs, Polish Sausage,  
Italian Sausage, Fries, Chili Fries, Cheese Sticks,  
Slushies, Hand Dipped Ice Cream,

**BEER, WINE & LIQUOR DRINKS**



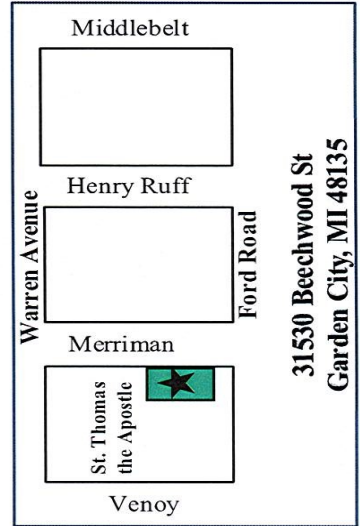
**1 PM Detroit Lions Watch Party**  
Big Screen Inside Activities Center

**& Outdoor Bar**  
**CRAFT SHOW**  
**Jewelry Booth**

**Around The Town Raffle Baskets**  
**Bake Sale**

**Bottle of Cheer Booth**

**National Guard Vehicle on Display**





## This N That by Deacon Skip

It feels strange to be printing this sort of article in the middle of the Festival, but very shortly the word will go out they we are beginning to take donations for the garage sale. Here is our CAN NOT USE list. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Large household appliances-frig, stoves, washer, dryer, freezer,

Furniture larger than an end table, night stand, or book case

Infant Carriers

Computers or TVs older than 3 years old

Books

LPs and VHS Tapes

Clothes-not even Armani, Dior, or YSL

When the heat and humidity broke, I made the walk to the "unbridge." There is little to report other than the steel facing has been removed from the south side of the bridge to be. There was no other sign of progress.

Don't forget SVDP; don't forget the food pantry.

### Ministries Center/SVDP (734) 425-9771



Here are the current items needed for the pantry: soup, canned potatoes, spaghetti sauce, rice-a-roni, pancake mix, syrup, cake mix, shampoo. Any and all donations are always appreciated!

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.



We will begin accepting donations for our Fall Garage Sale which takes place on October 3, 4 and 5 beginning September 17th through September 29th. No books, magazines or clothing items please.

## Scripture Readings for the Week of September 15, 2024

**Sunday, September 15, 2024**

**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18;  
Mk 8:27-35

**Monday, September 16, 2024**

**Memorial of Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian,  
Bishop, Martyrs**

1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17;  
Lk 7:1-10

**Tuesday, September 17, 2024**

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5;  
Lk 7:11-17

**Wednesday, September 18, 2024**

1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22;  
Lk 7:31-35

**Thursday, September 19, 2024**

**Memorial of Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr**

1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28; Lk 7:36-50

**Friday, September 20, 2024**

**Memorial of Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest,  
and Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions,  
Martyrs**

1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b and 15;  
Lk 8:1-3

**Saturday, September 21, 2024**

**Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist**

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Mt 9:9-13

**Sunday, September 22, 2024**

**Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6 and 8; Jas 3:16-4:3;  
Mk 9:30-37

## St Thomas

### MUSIC GROUPS SEPT 26 2024

Children's Choir	4:30pm	
Adult Choir	6:30pm	
Cantors Instrumentalist Instrumental Ensemble		
Resurrection Choir		
For more Information: 734 427-1533 PShafer@ ThomasTheApostle.org		

COMING  
SOON

JOIN  
NOW



# Nankin Family of Parishes



## Mass Schedule

**St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy (734) 425-4421**  
8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland

**St. Mary, Wayne (734) 721-8745**  
34530 Michigan Avenue, Wayne

**St. Richard (734) 729-2240**  
35851 Cherry Hill Road, Westland

**St. Thomas the Apostle (734) 427-1533**  
31530 Beechwood Street, Garden City

<b>Monday</b>	9:00 am	St. Mary, Wayne
	12:00 pm	St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, Westland (followed by Eucharistic Adoration)
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00 am	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
	9:00 am	St. Richard, Westland
<b>Wednesday</b>	12:00 pm	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
<b>Thursday</b>	9:00 am	St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, Westland
<b>Friday</b>	9:00 am	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
	9:00 am	St. Mary, Wayne
<b>Saturday</b>	4:00 pm	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
	4:00 pm	St. Mary, Wayne
	5:30 pm	St. Mary Cause of Our Joy, Westland
<b>Sunday</b>	8:30 am	St. Mary, Wayne
	9:00 am	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
		St. Mary Cause of Our Joy, Westland
	10:00 am	St. Richard, Westland
	11:00 am	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
		St. Mary Cause of Our Joy, Westland
	11:30 am	St. Mary, Wayne
	2:00 pm	St. Mary, Wayne (SPANISH)

### Confessions (also by appointment)

<b>Tuesday</b>		St. Richard, Westland (after 9 am Mass)
<b>Saturday</b>	3:00 pm	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
	3:00 pm	St. Mary, Wayne
	6:30 pm	St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, Westland

### Perpetual Help Devotion

Every Tuesday after 9:00 AM Mass

### Eucharistic Adoration (one hour)

First Friday of Each Month after 9:00 AM Mass



## Parish Staff & Services

### Pastor

Rev. Lawrence Zurawski  
frlarry@thomastheapostle.org

### Deacon

Rev. Mr. Leon Rodgers

### Administrative Office

(734) 427-1533

**Secretary/Bulletin Editor...**Sandy Mulcahy

**Parish Bookkeeper...**Lisa Gregoria

**Admin. Assistant...**Kathy Zarzycki-Main

### Religious Formation

### Youth Ministry Office

(734)-425-5550

**Director.....**Missy Taylor

### Christian Service/Food Pantry/St. Vincent de Paul

(734) 425-9771

### Music Ministry

(734) 427-1533

**Music Minister.....**Paul Shafer

### Maintenance

Rob Walker

### MINISTRIES AT MASS

For scheduling or training call:

### Altar Servers

Missy Taylor ..... (734) 425-5550

### Extraordinary Ministers of

### Holy Communion

Dan Lobb(734)578-2374 or gandalf480@aol.com

### Lectors

Dan Lobb(734)578-2374 or gandalf480@aol.com

### Sacristans

Bob Prokop .....(734) 756-5767

### Ushers

John Krause.....(734) 425-9771

### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

### Alhambra

John Krause (734) 425-9771

Frank Tofil

### Knights of Columbus #4513

Grand Knight..... John Galdes

### Rosary Altar Sodality

President..... Missy Taylor

(734) 425-5550

Worship Schedule		September 21 & 22, 2024	
MINISTERS	SAT 4:00 PM	SUN 9:00 AM	SUN 11:00 AM
CELEBRANT	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI
ALTAR SERVERS	ISABELLA POWELL	JOHN GALDES	ADAEZE ENWERE CHIAMAKA ENWERE DAVID GERSTENBRAND
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	CORDELIA CHUKWUDI CANDY HENRY FRANK TOFIL	TEDDY LUTHER GLORY MCGAHAN JOAN PALMER	EVIE BURGESS SALLIE QUINN MISSY TAYLOR
LECTORS	LINDA LUTKE	GEORGETTE KATTULA	MIKE WELDON
SACRISTAN	BOB PROKOP	MARGARITA LOPEZ	LAURIE EICHSTEDT
MASS INTENTIONS	+ RICHARD HALL + RON STEMPIEN + DOLLY SABOL + JOE RICHARD ORTIZ	+ ANTHONY & ROSEMARY PAWLAK + MARILYN LELEK	+ ROBERT DEMPSEY + MIKE DESCAVISH + ROSE KNAPP + RICHARD KNAPP JR. + MARK KNAPP

*Offertory collection is reported monthly.*

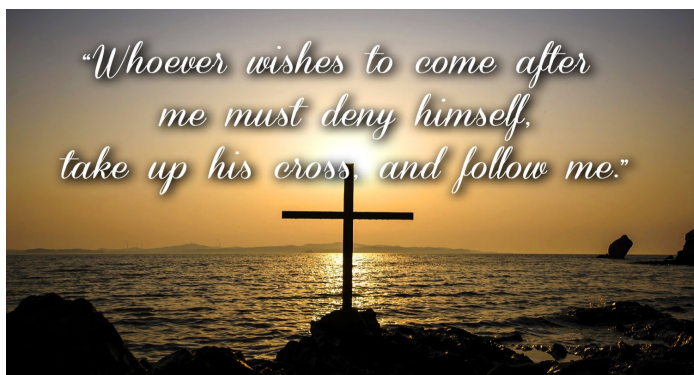
Thank you for your support and may God bless you!

Please remember St. Thomas the Apostle when writing your will.

#### 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](http://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.



*Weekday Masses*  
*September 16-20, 2024*

**Tuesday, September 17**  
**9:00 am.....CHURCH**  
+ EUGENE FRANCKOWIAK

**Wednesday, September 18**  
**12:00 pm.....CHURCH**  
+ THOMAS WALIGORA

**Friday, September 20**  
**9:00 am.....CHURCH**  
PARISHIONERS OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

**Bulletin Editor**

**[Sandy.Mulcahy@thomastheapostle.org](mailto:Sandy.Mulcahy@thomastheapostle.org)**

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.

## Please Pray For...

Alaska, Shirley  
Batherson, Barbara  
Baumgardner, Patty  
Benninger, Chuck  
Block, Karen  
Bringold, Bonnie  
Brunelle, Nola  
Burke-Misenar, Jennifer  
Burke, Larry  
Burris, Nikita and Family  
Cabajal-Christopher, June  
Carpenter, Mike  
Cepko Family  
Chop, Nancy Grabel  
Cockrum, Tommy  
D'Angelo, Rebecca  
Daugherty, Kenny  
Decaminada, Mona

DeGrande, Colleen  
Dempsey, Sgt Joseph  
Dempsey, Michele  
Dewey, Thomas  
Durkin Jr., Gerald Lee  
Eichstedt, Laurie  
Feiler, Alex Horne  
Fichtner, Leanne  
Fornasiero, Joseph  
Gozowsky, David  
Hagen, Jennifer  
Hamblin, Angelina  
Harte, John  
Hubbard, Carl  
Kapanke, Dolores  
Kathan, Joann  
Kathan, Thomas  
Keesee, Cheryl  
Kinnelly, Kathy  
LeVoir, Lorraine

LeVoir, Sherry  
Lobb, Cindy  
Lobb, Jeri  
Lowe, Jonathan  
McDonald, Margaret  
Malish, Rosemary  
O'Connell, Evan  
Paczas, Karen  
Pastula, Shirley  
Prosser, Cindy  
Sanak, Francene  
Sanregret, John  
Smitt, Deb  
Soine, Dianna  
Stempniak, Barbara  
Stewart, Joan  
Stites, Keith  
Sutherland, Eleanor  
Taggart, Denise  
Tsaprazis, Pete

Turcotte, Joshua  
Wildauer, Mark  
Zarzycki, Stanley



Prayer list requests can be made only with the knowledge and permission of the person

being added. Please do not add anybody without their permission. To add, keep a person on the prayer list, or to remove a name, please call the parish office at (734) 427-1533. Thank you!

## Pray for the First Saturday Memorial Association from July 2024-June 30, 2025

Deceased Members of Ajlouny & Blaty Families  
Deceased & Live Members of The Batherson Family  
Loving Memory of Thomas Bencic  
Loving Memory of Aunt Loretta Brandt  
Deceased and Live Members of Butka & Wojtkowiak families  
In Loving Memory of Walter & Mary Burdis  
Loving Memory of Sgt. Bryan K. Burgess  
Loving Memory of Coach Dave Cain  
Loving Memory of Gorny & Kushnir Families  
In Memory of Donald Grant  
Loving Memory of Jessie & Chester Gugala  
In Loving Memory of My Wife Joanne Whom I Will Always Miss  
Kapanke-Omilian Family  
Deceased Members of the Kattula Family  
Deceased Members of LaMar and Dryja Families  
The Malish and Porembiak Families  
In Loving Memory for Reynold Mirabitor Sr.

In Loving Memory of Audrey Mocadlo  
Loving Memory of Jerry Moynahan  
Angel Dr. Dominic J. Noonan  
In Loving Memory of Ben and Phyllis Ornatowski  
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  
Prouty Family  
In loving memory of Frances J. Read  
In Memory of Richard and Eleanore Reed  
Memory of Kathy Rodgers  
In Loving Memory of Thomas Stempniak  
Deceased Members of the Sturm & Preba Families  
Deceased Members of the Szuba & Balawajder Families  
In Loving Memory of Edwin L. Wendrick

## Pray for those Serving in the Military

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

DiCicco, Bill  
Dwyer, Tyler  
Ellsworth, Justin  
Fisher, Bob  
Gentilia, Anthony  
Hunter, Cassidy  
Kashou, Christopher  
Laichalk, Robert  
Logan, Jonathon  
Logan, Sean Patrick  
Logan, Jeff  
Lowe, Jonathan  
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  
Porcaro, Jeff  
Preba, Danny  
Rosa, Brian J.  
Rosa, Douglas J.  
Rousseau, Philip  
Sheko, Destiny

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





Missy Taylor

Director of Religious Formation / Coordinator of Youth and Young Adult Ministry



## **RELIGIOUS FORMATION**

Religious Formation classes begin **NEXT WEEK** with our FAMILY MASS Monday, September 23rd at 6:00pm. Returning families: if you have not yet registered your child/children, please call to make an appointment!! NEW families: We are happy to work with ALL families regardless of your faith journey experience. It is NEVER too late to catch up. Classes meet each Monday evening from 6-7:30pm. Special classes for HIGH SCHOOL students and young adults seeking CONFIRMATION are available. We also offer scholarships and financial assistance, so please do not let financial hardship deter you. The greatest gift we can give our children is to help them foster a relationship with Jesus and grow in a life rooted in faith. Please call with any questions. I'd love to walk this faith journey with you!

## **CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**



Children's Liturgy of the Word will begin on Sunday, September 30th at the 11am Mass. Each week, children from ages 4-8 are encouraged to join us to hear the scripture in terms that they can understand. Children will be led to the Father Prus Hall after the opening blessing and introduced to the readings and gospel using projects and creativity while helping them learn about the Catholic faith. It's a great introduction to the message of the mass for our youngest disciples! "Let the children come to me, for the kingdom of Heaven belongs to them." - Matthew 19:14 **AT THIS TIME WE ARE IN NEED OF ADULTS TO LEAD THIS WONDERFUL GROUP.** The commitment is only once a month and could be less if more join us to lead. Please pray on it and contact me if you'd like to join us!

## **IMPORTANT UPDATES**

### **FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT**

**We are continuing the efforts begun in June of 2023, when the Archdiocese of Detroit implemented new changes to the Office for Child and Youth Protection for our Safe Environment compliance. WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?**

If you are an adult volunteer at St. Thomas the Apostle, (examples of volunteers: Lectors, Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Children's Liturgy of the Word, K of C, Festival, Garage Sale, Fish Fry, etc.) and you haven't taken Protecting God's Children, you will need to register for this course. This course is offered in person OR if you're computer savvy, you can do it online in the comfort of your own home. You can register directly on the VIRTUS website at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) for either in-person at an area church or take the course online.

**If you HAVE taken Protecting God's Children PRIOR to 2020**, you need recertification and that module is done online. If it's been a while since you logged in and you can't remember your login id or password, you will need to go on the VIRTUS website and choose "I need login help" then choose either "Password Reset" or "Username Recovery" and follow the steps. Once you have gained access, it will prompt you as to the training course that you will need. **For those needing recertification** you should be taking: "Protecting God's Children Awareness Session 4.0 & Vulnerable Adults 2.0 Combined." Please note, this course is lengthy (approx. 90 minutes) but you can pause, save, and resume your position in the training if you cannot complete it in one sitting. Individuals in this category will receive certificates showing completion of the module. I understand that this seems like an inconvenience, but our goal is to insure that our young people have a safe haven in our parish. The more eyes and ears out there protecting them, the better. If you have any questions, you can contact me and I'll help walk you through the process.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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