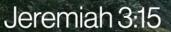


September 22, 2024





WOW! OUTSTANDING! AWESOME! There are no words to adequately describe this year's festival. Many people were praying, the rosary went on the bush, and our prayers were answered. Not only did we have perfect weather for the weekend, the days for set-up and clean-up were ideal. The shoulder to shoulder crowds were great to see. It was perfect and a good time was had by all!

A festival does not just happen. It takes a lot of time and hard work to make it successful. A special thanks to Jill Kolpacke and Tom Posciask, the chair persons. A special thanks to the countless volunteers who made it happen. A special thanks to the sponsors and donors. Please support their businesses. We at St. Thomas the Apostle are very grateful and God will reward you.

Believe it or not, we have started planning for Festival 2025 — our 56th! Have a restful week.

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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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Please remember to bring back your festival yard sign wires.

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This N That by Deacon Skip

Now that we are past the Festival, it is time to focus on the Garage Sale. We welcome your donations, but, please, no clothes. The drop off area is the covered porch area on the Merriman side of the gym. (No clothes)

I was one of a crew who worked on the set-up for the Festival. (No clothes) I was quite surprised at the amount of French Fries we ordered. (No clothes) We loaded dozens of boxes of fries that weighed well over 20 pounds each. (No clothes)

I was not able to make the trip to Merriman to check on the "unbridge." (No clothes) I'll do my best to get down there this week. (No clothes)

The Wildwood road work is basically done, and the street is already open. (no clothes) I was pleasantly surprised at how fast the work went. (No clothes) The contractor did the job in weeks. (No clothes) I had guessed we would be down for months. (No clothes)

Don't forget SVDP; don't forget the food pantry. And before I forget, don't forget that we can't take clothes in the Garage Sale.

Ministries Center/SVdP (734) 425-9771



Here are the current items needed for the pantry: soup, canned potatoes, spaghetti sauce, rice-aroni, 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.

Scripture Readings for the Week of September 22, 2024

Sunday, September 22, 2024 Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary TimeWis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6 and 8; Jas 3:16-4:3;

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

Monday, September 23, 2024 Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest Prv 3:27-34; Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday, September 25, 2024

Prv 30:5-9; Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163; Lk 9:1-6

Thursday, September 26, 2024
Memorial of Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

Feet 1:2-11: Ps 90:3-4 5-6 12-13 14 and 17he:

Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc; Lk 9:7-9

Friday, September 27, 2024

Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4; Lk 9:18-22

Saturday, September 28, 2024

Memorial of Saints Lawrence Ruiz and

Companions, Martyrs, and Wenceslaus, Martyr

Eccl 11:9 —12:8; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17; Lk 9:43b-45

> Sunday, September 29, 2024 Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48



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

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Monday	9:00 am 12:00 pm	St. Mary, Wayne St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, Westland (followed by Eucharistic Adoration)			
Tuesday	9:00 am 9:00 am	St. Thomas the Apostle. Garden City St. Richard, Westland			
Wednesday 12:00 pm		St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City			
Thursday	9:00 am	St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, Westland			
Friday	9:00 am 9:00 am	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City St. Mary, Wayne			
Saturday	4:00 pm 4:00 pm 5:30 pm	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City St. Mary, Wayne St. Mary Cause of Our Joy, Westland			
Sunday	8:30 am 9:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 11:30 am 2:00 pm	St. Mary, Wayne St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City St. Mary Cause of Our Joy, Westland St. Richard, Westland St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City St. Mary Cause of Our Joy, Westland St. Mary, Wayne St. Mary, Wayne St. Mary, Wayne (SPANISH)			
Confessions (also by appointment)					
Tuesday		St. Richard, Westland (after 9 am Mass)			
Saturday	3:00 pm 3:00 pm 6:30 pm	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City St. Mary, Wayne 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

Join Widowed Friends, a peer support group

Tues. Sept. 24, AM. – Morning Movies and Lunch, Phoenix Theater at Laurel Park 17310 N. Laurel Park Dr. Livonia. After

movie, Lunch at The Grand Tavern Livonia, 37714 Six Mile Rd. Call Peggy to RSVP and she will let you know the movies available 734-744-5580.

Wed. Sept.25, 10:00 AM. – Breakfast at the Livonia Town Grill 29041 W. Seven Mile, Livonia (E. of Middlebelt) Please call Host Gerry 734-259-5024.

Mon. Sept. 30, 1:00 PM. "Sequence Tournament" at Corewell Commons 21300 Archwood Circle, Farmington Hills. Cost \$3, bring your snacks and drinks. Call Host Marsha 313-425-3549.

Tues. Oct. 1, 10:00 AM – "First Tuesday of the Month Club Breakfast" Senate Coney Island & Restaurant, 34359 Plymouth Rd., Livonia. RSVP Tom, 586-216-1454.



Music notes

There are many opportunities to lend your talents and gifts in worship and song here at St. Thomas the Apostle Church. Try on a group, you never know, it just might fit! Those who sing pray twice.

Rehearsals! Rehearsals! Rehearsals!

Thursday, September 26

Adult Choir-The adult choir is open to 9th grade students - adults with a desire to sing and help lead the assembly in sung prayer. Rehearsals are **Thursdays**, 6:30-8:30pm, once a month on **Saturdays** at 3:00pm, and a half hour before liturgies scheduled. The adult choir rotates and sings at one mass per weekend, and special liturgies throughout the year through Pentecost. Please let us know if you want to join.

<u>Children's Choir</u>- is open to all 2nd-8th grade students. Rehearsals are after school **Thursdays**, 4:30-5:30pm in the Father Prus Hall and sing on Christmas Eve, Easter Sunday and as scheduled. During the year, choristers learn singing techniques, music theory, singing techniques, hand chimes, as well as information about the church year. Children's choir is scheduled to sing October through Easter. As part of most rehearsals, students have 20 minutes each of hand chimes, singing, and group piano lesson in the keyboard lab connected to the Activities Center as part of the experience.

Choir with keyboard lab **4:30pm-5:30pm**. Please call or email to sign up, there is a minimum number of students needed to have this group.

Other opportunities

<u>Cantors</u>-The Cantor program is for soloists who can take direction and are able to help lead the assembly and encourage active participation in sung prayer. This ministry is not a performance. Rehearsals are as scheduled.

<u>Instrumentalists</u>- Any instrumentalist with a desire to participate in worship, please contact the music office. Rehearsals are as scheduled.

<u>Instrumental Ensemble</u>- A group of instrumentalists that lend their talents to worship every couple of months. Rehearsals are as scheduled.

<u>Resurrection Choir</u>-This chorus is open to all parishioners who wish to sing for funeral or memorial liturgies for those buried from the St. Thomas community. Rehearsals are one half hour before the liturgy begins. Please call and add your name to the list.

If you have any questions, or would like more information, please call the **Parish Office: 734 427-1533**

Paul Shafer, Music Minister PShafer@ThomastheApostle.org

Widowed

Friends

Worship Schedule		September 28 & 29, 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	JERRY KOWALCZYK	JULIE GALDES	ESMERELLA YUCHASZ JULIA HEDRICK NOAH HEDRICK	
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	CANDY HENRY FRANK TOFIL VIKKI WOROSZ	DAN LOBB TEDDY LUTHER GLORY MCGAHAN	DENISE BIELSKI JOHN SANREGRET JOE SMITH	
LECTORS	CORDELIA CHUKWUDI	NANCY DRYJA	VICTORIA A.	
SACRISTAN	CAROL STEC	GLORY MCGAHAN	SALLIE QUINN	
MASS INTENTIONS	+ MURIEL & DEBORAH FERRELL + YOLANDA KERTESZ + GERRY SOLARZ + ALISON CANTWELL + SAM DEGRANDE +DOLORES BRIGHT	+ LEO & HELEN GRIWICKI	PARISHIONERS OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE	

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.

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 23-27, 2024

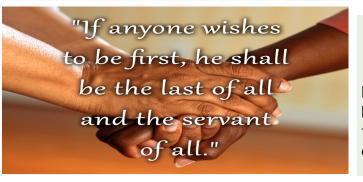
Tuesday, September 24 9:00 am.....CHURCH

PARISHIONERS OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

Wednesday, September 25
12:00 pm.....CHURCH
DOLLY (DOLORES) DOWD

Friday, September 27 9:00 am.....CHURCH

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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.

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 Carbajal-Christopher, June Harte, John Carpenter, Mike Cepko Family Chop, Nancy Grabel Cockrum, Tommy D'Angelo, Rebecca Daugherty, Kenny Decaminada, Mona

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

Lobb, Cindy 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 Tagaart, Denise Tsaprazis, Pete Turcotte, Joshua

Wildauer, Mark Zarzycki, Stanley



In Loving Memory for Reynold Mirabitur Sr.

Prayer list requests can be made only with the knowledge

and permission of the person being added. Please do not 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 Ailouny & 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 Lovina 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 Robert & Ann Hoelscher 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

LeVoir, Sherry

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 & Balawaider 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 Julien, Nick Kashou, Christopher Laichalk, Robert

Logan, Jonathon Logan, Sean Patrick Loaan, 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, Grea Sparrow, Justin Spohr, Raymond Sauires, Zachary Szerszen, Michael Waldo, Michael Webb, Brian Wiertella, Jonathan Witt, Christopher

The Malish and Porembiak Families



Missy Taylor

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

RELIGIOUS FORMATION



Religious Formation classes begin **TOMORROW** with our FAMILY MASS Monday, September 23rd at 6:00pm. Returning families: if you

have not yet registered your child/children, please bring those forms with you to the FAMILY MASS. <u>NEW families</u>: 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!

ATTENTION MIDDLE SCHOOLERS IN GRADES 6-8
SAVE THE DATE—OCTOBER 11





Hayride Corn Maze Bonfire Cider & Donuts



S'mores Pop & snacks



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