

GOD BLESS *America*

July 6, 2025



Last weekend, I wrote in the bulletin that this weekend I would have some exciting news for you.

As you know, July 3 is the feast of St. Thomas the Apostle, our parish patron saint.

The good news is that we are going to have a relic of St. Thomas in the church for the month of July. It is a 1st class relic. It is a sliver of one of his bones. Blessed Sacrament Cathedral in Detroit recently acquired this relic and they asked if we would like to display it here at St. Thomas. I said: "Yes! Of course!" They are letting us have it for display the entire month of July. How lucky and blessed we are. The relic will be displayed in front of the altar for veneration and prayer. Holy cards of St. Thomas will be available as well. They have been touched to the relic, making them a 3rd class relic. May these be special days for all of us. May St. Thomas the Apostle bless us, our families and our parish abundantly!

Relics generally are divided into three categories:

FIRST CLASS: Includes matter that was part of the saint's body, including bones, fragments of skin and hair, or drops of blood.

SECOND CLASS: Materials that were in close contact with the saint during the saint's life, including possessions such as clothing or personal items.

THIRD CLASS: Items such as holy cards that have touched a first- or second-class relic.



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This N That by Deacon Skip

A number of people have asked me if I have kept up with my walking. I have been out walking, but I have had to cut back. The heat index has been very difficult to maneuver around. The big advantage to walking this time of year is not being able to walk around in shorts; the big advantage is the amount of daylight. Usually I can get out earlier and later. The heat index threw a rope around that.

Despite the heat index issues I was able to walk down to the Wayne Rd Bridge after quitting time. One evening, out of curiosity I crossed an old bridge that runs parallel to Wayne Road to check on what was going behind the wooden wall on the north side of the project. A concrete wall had been poured.

I went back a few evenings later and saw that the wooden wall had been removed on the north side, exposing the concrete wall. A wooden wall is now in place on the south side. I would guess that the next activity will be pouring a concrete wall on the south side. There is progress, but I don't know if the project is on schedule.

Not many people know that there is an old bridge that crosses Tonquish Creek and runs parallel and out of site to the Wayne Road Bridge. The bridge is very narrow and not accessible to car traffic. I doubt that a car would fit on it. It probably dates back to a time when people in the community needed a way to cross the creek to reach the metropolis of Wayne.

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

Ministries Center/SVDP (734) 425-9771



The pantry needs help with our ongoing service to the community. We are most in need of cans of soup, tuna, beef stew, chili, carrots, box mix potatoes, mixed fruit, apple sauce, dish soap, laundry soap, and brown paper grocery bags.

Pantry Volunteers needed! If you are available Thursday mornings from 10am-12pm, and are able to lift and pack items into grocery bags, please call Beverly at (313) 406-6642 with your name and callback number. Thanks! (If you would like to receive items from the pantry, please call (734) 425-9771.)

Scripture Readings for the Week of July 6, 2025

Sunday, July 6, 2025

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 66: 10-14c; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20;
Gal 6: 14-18; Lk 10: 1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

Monday, July 7, 2025

Gn 28: 10-22a; Ps 91: 1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday, July 8, 2025

Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and 15;
Mt 9: 32-38

Wednesday, July 9, 2025

Gn 41: 55-57; 42: 5-7a, 17-24a; Ps 33: 2-3, 10-11,
18-19, Mt 10:1-7

Thursday, July 10, 2025

Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-17, 18-19,
20-21; Mt 10:7-15

Friday, July 11, 2025

Memorial of Saint Benedict, Abbot

Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40;
Mt 10: 16-23

Saturday, July 12, 2025

Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7;
Mt 10:24-33

Sunday, July 13, 2025

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 or
Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37

Light up
YOUR MARRIAGE

APPLY AT WWME.ORG

Aug. 1-3 Petoskey - Augustine Center
 Oct. 3-5 Petoskey - Augustine Center
 Nov. 21-23 Detroit - St. Paul of the Cross
 Jan. 16-18, 2026 St. William - Walled Lake
 Jan. 30-Feb. 1, 2026 Grand Rapids -
 Country Inn & Suites

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

Monday	9:00 am	St. Mary, Wayne
	12:00 pm	St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, Westland (followed by Eucharistic Adoration)
Tuesday	9:00 am	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
	9:00 am	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	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
	9:00 am	St. Mary, Wayne
Saturday	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
Sunday	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
	11:30 am	St. Mary Cause of Our Joy, Westland
	2:00 pm	St. Mary, Wayne (SPANISH)

Confessions (also by appointment)

Tuesday		St. Richard, Westland (after 9 am Mass)
Saturday	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

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM



On Sunday,
June 29, 2025
we welcomed

Carter Joseph Swann

into the St. Thomas the Apostle
Church by the Sacrament of
Holy Baptism.

FESTIVAL AD BOOK



The festival ad book committee will be in the gathering area of the church the following weekends, **July 12 & 13, 2025 and July 19 & 20, 2025**, taking patron ads for the FESTIVAL AD BOOK. The ads are still \$5.00 a line. Business ads can be taken at this time.

For the new members of the parish, a patron ad is placing your family's name, a memorial, or any message you might like on one line in the ad book, one line has 55 spaces.

Please stop by any table after all the masses on these two Sundays and we will be happy to help you.

Thank you and God Bless You.

Matt Franckowiak 734-261-8573

ALL AROUND THE TOWN BASKETS!

Excitement is mounting as our festival will be here before we know it!! Once again, The All Around the Town Basket booth would appreciate donations of gifts to raffle off. All donations are greatly appreciated, but if you're not sure what to buy, here's a wish list of items we are hoping for this year:

- iPad
- Luggage Set
- Cooler
- Gas Grill
- Bikes
- Portable Generator
- Power Tools
- Vacuum
- Kitchen Appliances

Scratch off lottery tickets and gift cards to restaurants and stores are always a big hit. Cash donations come in handy too! Items can be dropped off at the Parish Center. Thank you for your continued support.



NEEDED!



Festival time is fast approaching and we would love your help to make the GAME TENT and SUCKER PULL even more successful. We would appreciate any donations of **NEW games, toys, dolls, and stuffed animals**. This is a great opportunity to pick up those clearance items as summer winds down! If you have a large quantity of donations, we would gladly come and pick them up.

The more donations we can get, the less we need to buy. You can drop them off at the Parish Center or call Kathy at 734-776-2739.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Festival Game Tent team

Worship Schedule		July 12 & 13, 2025	
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	STEPHANIE GALDES	DAVID GERSTENBRAND ANDREW GERSTENBRAND CHUKWUMA NDUKWE
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	CORDELIA CHUKWUDI CANDY HENRY FRANK TOFIL	TEDDY LUTHER GLORY MCGAHAN JOAN PALMER	EVIE BURGESS SALLIE QUINN MISSY TAYLOR
LECTORS	JEANNE PYONK	NANCY DRYJA	MIKE WELDON
SACRISTAN	BOB PROKOP	CECILIA NESBITT	LAURIE EICHSTEDT
MASS INTENTIONS	+ MURIEL & DEBORAH FERRELL + LUIGI & ROSINA CANDUCCI + LLOYD WOROSZ + TED & STELLA LAZORKA + THOMAS & JOHN LAZORKA + BEN & JULIA KOTLARZ + MARY PEPERA	+ LUIGI & ROSINA CANDUCCI	+ WERNER BENZINGER + EDWARD THOMAS COLE + WALTER PIENKOWSKI + RICHARD & ROSE KNAPP + RICHARD JR. & MARK KNAPP

Offertory collection is reported quarterly.

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.

Bulletin Editor

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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
July 7-11, 2025

Tuesday, July 8

9:00 am.....CHURCH
+ JOHN & SOPHIE CHOJNACKI

Wednesday, July 9

12:00 PM.....CHURCH
+ LUIGI & ROSINA CANDUCCI

Friday, July 11

9:00 am.....CHURCH
+ LUIGI & ROSINA CANDUCCI



Please Pray For...

Alaska, Shirley
Batherson, Barbara
Baumgardner, Patty
Berger, Ron
Block, Karen
Boyak, Carolyn
Bringold, Bonnie
Burgess, Evie
Burke-Misencar, Jennifer
Burke, Larry
Burris, Nikita and Family
Calley, Julie
Carpenter, Mike
Cepko Family
Chop, Nancy Grabel
D'Angelo, Rebecca
Dacus, Shirley

Daugherty, Kenny
Decaminada, Mona
DeGrande, Colleen
Dempsey, Sgt Joseph
Dempsey, Michele
Dewey, Thomas
Dial, Philip
Durkin Jr., Gerald Lee
Duval, Chuck
Eichstedt, Laurie
Feiler, Alex Horne
Fichtner, Leanne
Fornasiero, Joseph
Gozowsky, David
Hagen, Jennifer
Harte, John
Hubbard, Carl
Jachym, Patricia
Kapanke, Dolores

Kathan, Joann
Kathan, Thomas
Kotrys, Marlene
LeVair, Lorraine
LeVair, Sherry
Lobb, Cindy
Lobb, Jeri
Lowe, Jonathan
Malish, Rosemary
Murawski, Veronica
O'Connell, Evan
Pastula, Shirley
Prosser, Cindy
Roffi, Herman
Sanak, Francene
Sanregret, John
Smith, Mary
Smitt, Deb
Smith, Patricia

Soine, Dianna
Sommariva, Bob
Stites, Keith
Sutherland, Eleanor
Tsaprazis, Pete
Turcotte, Joshua
Walker, Ian

Whitfield, Cathy
Wielechowski, Kenneth
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 2025-June 30, 2026

Deceased Members of Ajlouny & Batty Families
Living & Deceased Members of Barnes & Digregio Families
Deceased & live members of the Batherson Family
In Memory of Bruce Birmingham
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
Deceased Members of Cielma and Niwa Families
In Loving Memory of Tommy Cockrum
Deceased Members of the Darnell Family
Living & Deceased Members of Dooley & Firestone Families
Living & Deceased Members of Duncan & Williams Families
Living & Deceased Members of Gizowski & Sorel Families
Loving Memory of Gorny and Kushnir Families
In Memory of Donald Grant
Loving Memory of Jessie & Chester Gugala
In Loving Memory of Robert S. Hoffman
My Wife Joanne Who I Love and Miss Very Much
Deceased Members of the Kattula Family
Living & Deceased Members of Keiller & Marciniak Families
Living & Deceased Members of Kwilos & Stecker Families

Deceased Members of LaMar and Dryja Families
The Malish and Porembiak Families
In Loving Memory of Margaret Mirabatur
In Loving Memory of Reynold Mirabatur Sr.
In Loving Memory of Audrey Mocadlo
Loving Memory of Jerry Moynahan
Living & Deceased Members of Mroz & Rutkowski Families
Angel Dr. Dominic J. Noonan
In Loving Memory of Ben and Phyllis Ornatowski
Deceased members of Pattock & Stuecken families
Angel Danny P. Pepera
My loving wife of 66 years, Mary J. Pepera
For the Prouty Family
Living & Deceased Members of Rand & Vasquez Families
In loving memory of Frances J. Read
In Memory of Richard and Eleanore Reed
Memory of Kathy Rodgers
In Loving Memory of Mark Roy
In Loving Memory of Thomas and Barbara Stempniak
Deceased Members of the Sturm & Preba Families
Deceased Members of the Szuba & Balawajder Families
Martin A. Tofil
In Loving Memory of Edwin L. Wendrick

Pray for those Serving in the Military

Ainsworth, Sgt. Raymond
Angelovic, Adrian
Angelovic, George
Arndinger, 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
Kapelanski, Isaac
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
Smith, Sgt. Leven
Smitt, David
Spiczka, Cathy
Spiczka, Greg
Sparrow, Justin
Spohr, Raymond
Squires, Zachary
Szerszen, Michael
Waldo, Michael
Waldon, Nathan
Webb, Brian
Wiertella, Jonathan
Witt, Christopher



Missy Taylor

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

AND A GREAT TIME WAS HAD BY ALL!!!

What a BLAST everyone had at our FAMILY FEUD event that was hosted by the Rosary Altar Sodality! With 84 people in attendance on what might have been one of the HOTTEST June days on record, we had some great food, fun and fellowship. Our overall winners were TEAM TWO, the "Terrible Twos." One of the lucky winners won \$100 on the INSTANT LOTTERY tickets they received as their prize. We had several other happy winners that night; giving away a 50-50 prize, a final HEADS OR TAILS winner, and the LOTTERY TREE raffle where the lucky ticket scratcher won \$110!! A great big THANK YOU to all the ladies of the RAS who donated desserts and everyone who had a hand in making it a great night! We'll be doing it again in the fall, hope to see you then!!



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