

October 12, 2025

Your faith has saved you



Wow! I was speechless and my breath was taken away. The celebration of my 40th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood was certainly far more than I ever expected or imagined it would be.

Thanks to everyone who came. Perhaps you helped to decorate. Perhaps you shared a kind word or a memory. Perhaps you gave me a gift. Each and everyone had a special part in the festivities. My heart is filled with joy and gratitude. A big "Thank You" to one and all who shared in the celebration.

We prayed together at the 11:00 Mass and then enjoyed an Ice Cream Social in the Father Prus Hall.

As the time goes on and passes quickly, let's keep each other in our prayers.

On the Lighter Side.....

Two Catholic nuns who were also nurses were delivering supplies to a rural hospital. Their car ran out of gas, but, fortunately, they were not too far from a gas station. They walked to the station only to find that they had to bring their own gas can. So, the nuns walked back to their car to get the only thing available they could carry gas in: two bedpans. Later, when they were pouring the gas from the bedpans through a funnel into the gas tank, two atheists driving by were amazed at what they were seeing and stopped to watch. As the nuns got into their car, one atheist said to the other, "If that car starts, I'm joining the Catholic Church!"

Priest Convocation this week.

No Mass.

**There will be a Communion Service on Tuesday,
Wednesday and Friday at the usual times.**

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This N That by Deacon Skip

I think I have happy news about the Wayne Road Bridge. The bridge is completely paved; there are guard rails in place on both sides of the road; there are protective fences up along the pedestrian walkways. On the south side, the approach to the bridge is completely paved; there is one small section left to pave on the north side approach. By the time this bulletin goes to print, it will be complete. A crew has gone through and fixed the grassy areas where equipment messed up things. There is grass seed and straw covering in place. I'm not a civil engineer, not even close, but I think we are at the wait for the cement to cure stage.

I am putting out another call for Eucharistic Ministers. We are trying to build our ranks, especially because we are under a directive to restart distributing wine at Advent. This call is not just for distributing wine; this call is for anyone thinking of becoming a Eucharistic Minister. We will put together a practice/training session in early to mid-November. This is an excellent way to serve the parish while not being burdened by serving the parish. Catch me, Father Larry, or Dan Lobb after Mass if you are interested.

In the same vein, we have room for more lectors. Our ranks are thinning out. Lectoring is quite simply a great job. Everyone who lectors enjoys it quite a bit. If you are interested, see any of us three after Mass.

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

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 fruit, mixed vegetables, carrots, potatoes, diced tomatoes, tuna, dry spaghetti, oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, toothpaste, toilet paper, and paper towels.

If you would like to receive items from the pantry, please call (734) 425-9771.

Scripture Readings for the Week of October 12, 2025

Sunday, October 12, 2025

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13;
Lk 17:11-19

Monday, October 13, 2025

Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

**Memorial of Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and
Doctor of the Church**

Rom 2:1-11; Ps 62:2, 6-7, 9; Lk 11:42-46

Thursday, October 16, 2025

Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab, Lk 11:47-54

Friday, October 17, 2025

**Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and
Martyr**

Rom 4:1-8 Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7

Saturday, October 18, 2025

Feast of Saint Luke, Evangelist

2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9

Sunday, October 19, 2025

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 2 Tm 3:14-4:2;
Lk 18:1-8



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Spaghetti Dinner - \$ 13.00

Saturday October 25th

**In the St. Thomas the Apostle Activities
Building**

4:30 – 7:00 pm or Dinners Sold Out

Dinner includes

A Plate of Spaghetti With Your choice of:

- Regular Spaghetti Noodles
- Meat Sauce
- Salad & Dressings
- Dinner Roll & butter
- Coffee, tea or milk
- A Dessert

Not Included but, available for purchase, cans of Pop \$1

!! Carry Outs Available !!

CHILDREN Under 4 – Free!

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
		St. Mary Cause of Our Joy, Westland
	11:30 am	St. Mary, Wayne
	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

Parish Nurse News Vaccination Clinic – October 11th and October 12th after all the Masses

St. Thomas the Apostle will be holding a vaccination clinic after all the masses the weekend of October 11th and 12th in the Fr. Prus Hall. The following vaccines will be available:

- Flu
- COVID

Please bring your ID and insurance card with you. I look forward to seeing you there. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 734-564-2803.

Jeanne –
St. Thomas the Apostle, Parish Nurse



CRAFT SHOW

Get ready for our 1st Annual Parish Craft Sale on Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 10 AM to 3 PM in the Activities Center.

Mercy In Action—2025

St. Richard 50+ Club:

Once again, beginning in September and continuing until the end of October we are collecting socks for the Homeless. Each week we will update the Family how the count is doing. Please use Bins found in the entrances to your church. God Bless and Thank You for your donations.



We missed you all at the festival! It is with heavy heart (after almost 20 years) that my Mom and I have decided to step-down from being the co-chairs of the Jewelry Booth.

We have had a great time! With a grateful heart, we thank all the volunteers who were true gems throughout the years...many hands made the work light. Our booth was successful from all these shiny jewels of our parish!

We had so much fun with all of you before and during the festival. Thank you also to the wonderful people who donated and shopped for their treasures at the jewelry booth.

Sincerely,
Tina Aquilina and Mary Krempasky



Dear Church Family:

For those who have experienced a loss, the holidays can be a very emotional time of year. That's exactly why the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home is honored to host its Annual "Holiday Memorial Service" complete with military honors.

The door of invitation is open to you, your family and friends. Please join us....

GRIFFIN
FUNERAL HOME presents...

Hope For the Holidays

JOIN US FOR
A CANDLELIGHT SERVICE
HONORING YOUR LOVED ONE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2025

~7:00 P.M. – 8:30 P.M.~
CANTON, MICHIGAN 48187

PLEASE CLICK ON THE QR CODE OR CALL 734-981-1700 TO REGISTER

Worship Schedule		October 18 & 19 , 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	JERRY KOWALCZYK	JOHN GALDES	CHUKWUMA NDUKWE STEPHLIN IMEBUOGU DAVIS IMEBUOGU
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	JEANNE PYONK FRANK TOFIL VIKKI WOROSZ	TEDDY LUTHER GLORY MCGAHAN JOAN PALMER	EVIE BURGESS SALLIE QUINN MISSY TAYLOR
LECTORS	CORDELIA CHUKWUDI	TRACY CONYER	VICTORIA ALPOLZAN
SACRISTAN	CAROL STEC	ANN MYLES	SALLIW QUINN
MASS INTENTIONS	+ JUNE CARBAJAL-CHRISTOPHER + MARY "MICKEY" BARLEY + EDWARD EGAN JR. + LORETTA BRANDT + CHESTER GUGALA + LLOYD WOROSZ + ANGELS DOMINIC NOONAN, DANNY PEPERA, DAVE CAIN + ROSE PIEKNIK	+ DENNIS PATTOCK YERI LOPEZ PALACIOS + CLAUDIA MALS + ROSE PIEKNIK	+ DOLORES SULKOWSKI + JOAN LUX + CARLO & EZIO BENEDETTINI + MARCIE & DAVID FRACASSA + MARY FRANCES SMITH + RICHARD SZUBA

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
October 13-17, 2025

**No weekday Masses this week
due to Priest Convocation.**



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.

Please Pray For...

Alaska, Shirley
Batherson, Barbara
Baumgardner, Patty
Berger, Ron
Block, Karen
Boyak, Carolyn
Bringold, Bonnie
Burgess, Evie
Burke, Larry
Burris, Nikita and Family
Calley, Julie
Carpenter, Mike
Cepko Family
Chop, Nancy Grabel
Cislo, Dan
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
Eves, Debbie
Feiler, Alex Horne
Fichtner, Leanne
Filak, Julianna
Fornasiero, Joseph
Gentilia, Judy
Gozowsky, David

Hagen, Jenifer
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
Oliverio, Jr., Robert
Paczas, Karen

Pastula, Shirley
Prosser, Cindy
Sanak, Francene
Sanregret, John
Smith, Mary
Smitt, Deb
Smith, Patricia
Soine, Dianna
Stites, Keith
Sutherland, Eleanor

Tennent, Joan
Tierney, Frank
Tsaprazis, Pete
Turcotte, Joshua
Walker, Ian
Whitfield, James
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 & Bly 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 & Sovel Families
Loving Memory of Gorny and Kushnir Families
In Memory of Donald Grant
Loving Memory of Jessie & Chester Gugala
In Loving Memory of Bob and Ann Hoelscher
In Loving Memory of Robert S. Hoffman
In Loving Memory of Eugene Joseph Hynek
My Wife Joanne Who I Love and Miss Very Much
Kapanke-Omilian Family
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 Mirabitor
In Loving Memory of Reynold Mirabitor 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 Edward and Helen Romanowski
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
Artinger, 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

SAVE YOUR CANS AND BOTTLES



We are excited to share that our Confirmation class will once again be heading to Our Lady of the Fields in Brighton for an overnight retreat! The cost of the trip exceeds what the families contribute toward this very worthwhile trip for our students. With that said, our students will be doing some fundraising to offset the cost of the retreat. Please bring your bags of CLEAN and RINSED cans and bottles to the trailer located between the two school buildings by the first weekend of November. Our students and families will take them to the recycling centers to redeem. If you don't have any cans or bottles but would like to contribute to the cause, you can also do that during the weekly collection in an envelope labeled "CONFIRMATION RETREAT." Thank you for your continued support of our young people and the programs we bring to them as we walk this journey of faith together. MAY GOD BLESS YOU!!

ROSARY ALTAR SODALITY NEWS

What a wonderful turnout we had to welcome in the month of October, celebrating the Holy Rosary and our Blessed Mother! The ladies of the Rosary Altar Sodality kicked off their season with our first Corporate Sodality Sunday Mass offering beautiful fall flowers to our Queen Mother, followed by our first meeting where we enjoyed prayer, food, and fellowship. It is never too late to check us out. Come and see what our program is all about. We would love to have you join us! Our next Sodality Sunday is Sunday, December 7th followed by our Christmas Party/Dinner on Tuesday, December 9th at 6pm. Please call me for more information!

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Maintenance

Rob Walker

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