



At the Council of Priests meeting held recently on September 9th, the topic of the shooting at a Minnesota Catholic school was surfaced. One of the Council members asked about security concerns for our parishes and schools. Certainly this is an issue that is being discussed across our nation at this time. One possibility I would offer for your consideration is a movement that was begun in Phoenix, Arizona called **The Porters of St. Joseph.** In essence, it is a

voluntary security team for your parish and/or Catholic school. It does not focus on weapons, and I believe that only current or retired law enforcement members are encouraged to have weapons. However, as volunteer Catholic men, the Porters of St. Joseph provide a layer of security that is built upon caution, attentiveness, and best practices for basic security. If this possibility interests you, then you may wish to learn more by visiting their website:

https://portersofstjoseph.org/diocese-of-phoenix

May God bless you abundantly,

+Edward J. Weisenburger



WHO IS **ARCHBISHOP WEISENBURGER**? Edward Joseph Weisenburger was born in Alton, Illinois, on December 23, 1960.

On December 19, 1987, he was ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Oklahoma City. He served in several parish and administrative roles in Oklahoma City, including as an on-site chaplain for rescue workers in the weeks following the April 19, 1995 bombing of the Murrah Federal Building in

Oklahoma City.

On February 6, 2012, Pope Benedict XVI appointed then-Monsignor Weisenburger as the eleventh Bishop of Salina, Kansas. He was ordained and installed on May 1, 2012. On October 3, 2017, Weisenburger was appointed Bishop of Tucson by His Holiness, Pope Francis. He was installed as the seventh Bishop of Tucson on November 29, 2017. Bishop Weisenburger was appointed the tenth Bishop and sixth Archbishop of Detroit by His Holiness, Pope Francis, on February 11, 2025. Archbishop-designate Weisenburger was installed on March 18, 2025.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE:

A scammer telephoned Grandma and told her, "I have all your passwords!" Grandma grabbed a pen and paper and said, "Thank you so much for calling! What are they?"

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This N That by Deacon Skip

As I sit here writing, the SNAP Benefit program is about to expire. This will have an impact on our parish, not only to families, but to seniors who need supplemental help. This will potentially place a high demand on our food pantry.

I am reluctant to ask our consistent donors to give more. We have some very generous people in the parish. I am calling on those people who do not donate to the pantry, if they can, to consider donating. Our food pantry publishes a grocery list in the weekly bulletin. I am calling on those who can, to donate something from the list. No one is expected to donate the entire list. A couple of cans of something could go a long way. It does not have to be a top of the line product. Store brand and sale brand items are very acceptable. This is not a question of giving more. This is a question of more people giving.

There will also be a demand on our Saint Vincent DePaul Chapter. There is a high possibility that families and seniors will have to forgo paying housing bills in order to eat. There is a monthly envelope dedicated to SVDP plus a donation box on the wall in the gathering area. Please consider helping.

Eucharistic ministers and those considering becoming a Eucharistic Minister. There is a training session after all Masses this weekend.

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, corn, carrots, Potatoes, dry spaghetti, bags plain rice, oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup,

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 November 9, 2025

Sunday, November 9, 2025 Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Monday, November 10, 2025 Memorial of Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10; Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday, November 11, 2025 Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop Wis 2:23-3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday, November 12, 2025 Memorial of Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19

Thursday, November 13, 2025 Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin Wis 7:22b-8:1; Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25

Friday, November 14, 2025

Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday, November 15, 2025Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43;
Lk 18:1-8

Sunday, November 16, 2025 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

Knights of Columbus Council #4513 will honor <u>all veterans</u> on Sunday, November 16 after the 11:00am Mass in the Father Prus Hall with cake and coffee. Please plan to attend if you are a veteran.

Nappy birthday Marine Corps!

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 12:00 pm | St. Mary, Wayne St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, Westland (followed by Eucharistic Adoration) | | | |
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| 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 (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



Sponsored by the 50+ Club

Please join Us on Tuesday, December 9th for our Christmas Luncheon,
Catered by Szegedi's again this year.
Along with the luncheon, we will have singing,
games and prizes,
Doors open at 11:30 a.m. Luncheon will be
Served at 12:30 p.m.

Please call Pat Clancy at **734-776-3539** and Reserve your place by Sunday, November 30th

Only \$20.00 per person in Advance! Merry Christmas!



FESTIVAL NEWS!!!

What an extraordinary event! We are thrilled to announce the



resounding success of our recent festival, and we extend our deepest gratitude to everyone who participated, volunteered, and attended. It was truly a great festival, made possible by your enthusiasm and support!

The collective return for all our dedicated efforts and the incredible generosity of our community is an astounding \$114,837. This remarkable figure is a testament to what we can achieve together, and we are so proud of the spirit and commitment shown by each and every one of you. Your contributions make a huge impact, and we eagerly look forward to an even greater festival next year!

We'd also like to congratulate the winners of the big raffle....

1st Prize—Joyce Pappas

2nd Prize—Nanette Zymant

3rd Prize—Joann Frankowick

4th Prize—Pat Davis

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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."

| Worship Schedule | | November 15 & 16, 2025 | | |
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| 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 | JULIE GALDES | CHUKWUMA NDUKWE STEPHLIN IMEBUOGU DAVIS IMEBUOGU | |
| EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST | CORDELIA CHUKWUDI CANDY HENRY FRANK TOFIL | TEDDY LUTHER GLORY MCGAHAN GAIL NABOZNY | EVIE BURGESS SALLIE QUINN MISSY TAYLOR | |
| LECTORS | JEANNE PYONK | GEORGETTE KATTULA | MIKE WELDON | |
| SACRISTAN | CAROL STEC | ANN MYLES | SALLIE QUINN | |
| MASS INTENTIONS | + REGINA BRADLEY + BEN & JULIA KOTLARZ + ROSE PIEKNIK + LLOYD WOROSZ | + ROSE PIEKNIK + MADELINE & LEONARD OLSZEWSKI | + JOHN & AGNES HETTLE + DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE MOLESKI FAMILY | |

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.

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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 November 10-14, 2025

Tuesday, November 11
9:00 am.....CHURCH
+ DENNIS PATTOCK

Wednesday, November 12
12:00 PM.....CHURCH

+ ELEANOR ULFIG + MARLENE KOTRYS + JIM DALY + JOHN SUTHERLAND

Friday, November 14
9:00 am.....CHURCH
+ ROSA SEVILLA-ZANABRIA

+ ADAM & CAROLINE DRYJA

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

Cislo, Dan

Cole. Jean

Chop, Nancy Grabel

Cole, Regina 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 Dzendzel, Mary Ann 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 LeVoir, Lorraine LeVoir, Sherry Lobb, Cindy Lobb, Jeri Lowe, Jonathan Malish, Rosemary Murawski, Veronica O'Connell, Evan

Oliverio, Jr., Robert Paczas, Karen Pastula, Shirley Prosser, Cindy Ruby, Nancy Sanak, Francene Sanregret, John Smith, Mary Smitt, Deb Smith, Patricia Soine, Dianna Stites, Keith
Sutherland, Eleanor
Tennent, Joan
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 & Blaty 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 Jospeh 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 & Marciniec 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 Mirabitur
In Loving Memory of Reynold Mirabitur 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 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
Kapelanski, Isaac
Kashou, Christopher
Laichalk, Robert
Logan, Jonathon
Logan, Sean Patrick
Logan, Jeff
Lowe, Jonathan
Masiarak, Luke

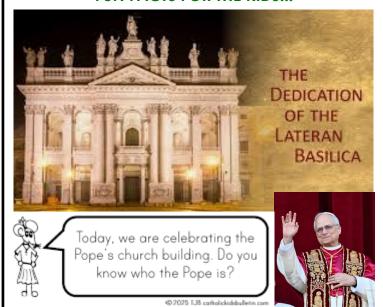
McHale, Sgt. Shawn
McCarville, William E.
McGahan, Wade
McGaw, Douglas
Meadows, Erin
Moody, Samantha
Murray, Daniel
Nguyen, Staff Sgt. Truonq
Ohannesian, Brandon
Pastula, Michael Thomas
Porcaro, Jeff
Preba, Danny

Pastula, Michael T 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

FAITH FORMATION

Prayer partners are needed!! This weekend, our Confirmation candidates are celebrating their ENROLLMENT MASS, entering into the process of preparation for receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit. They need the support of their parish family to help guide them throughout this journey. Displayed in the Gathering Space, you will find colorful information cards that contain the names and some information about each one of our students. Please consider taking one of these cards and praying for these young people as they ready themselves for this final phase of initiation into our faith. There is great power in our prayers!!

FUN FACTS FOR THE KIDS!!!



HOLIDAY GREENS SALE!

NOW ON SALE! Fresh wreaths and beautiful centerpieces for your holiday decorating needs. These products are fresh, and handmade with all Michigan-grown products. To order, either complete the attached form or grab an order form from the Gathering Space and return to church or the parish office no later than **November 30**, **2025** with payment by cash or check to "St. Thomas the Apostle." Your products will be ready for



pick up at the Parish Center Garage on Sunday December 7th from 9am-1pm.

If you are planning to use your wreath at the cemetery, do not forget the stand. You will have

to purchase your required tag at the cemetery itself. If you have any questions, please call Missy. This is a parishioner owned and operated company. Proceeds benefit youth events and programs within our parish. Thank you kindly for your support!

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| Item | Price | Qty | Amount Due |
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| Wreath | \$20 | | |
| Easel Stand | \$5 | | |
| Centerpiece | \$25 | | |
| | | | |
| Totals | | | |

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