

THERE IS NEED OF ONLY ONE THING

July 20, 2025

National Ice Cream Day



When you get the urge for a snack on a hot, humid summer night, what's the first thing that comes to your mind? That's right....Ice Cream! Therefore, it's only fitting that ice cream be given it's own special day. On this day, I hope you enjoy an ice cream cone, a sundae, or a milk shake. Set the diet aside and splurge a little...have one of each!

In 1984, President Ronald Reagan proclaimed July as National Ice Cream Month. He also established National Ice Cream Day as the third Sunday in the month.

Ice Cream is nutritious. A little heavy on the sugar and calories, ice cream is otherwise good for you. Its base ingredient is milk, which is loaded with healthy vitamins and minerals.

Did you know? Charles E. Minches of St. Louis, Missouri is credited with inventing the ice cream cone. On July 23, 1904 at the World's Fair in St. Louis, he filled a pastry cone with two scoops of ice cream to make the first ice cream cone. There is some controversy over this claim. Italo Marchiony of New York City filed a patent for the ice cream cone months before the fair opened. And, he was selling lemon ice in cones as early as 1896.

On the lighter side.....

"I just cleared out some space in the freezer" sounds more productive than "I just polished off another pint of ice cream!"



JOIN US FOR THE
**MUSIC MINISTRY
BAKE SALE**
after all masses on August 2nd & 3rd
in the Fr. Prus Hall



St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

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TO DONATE





This N That by Deacon Skip

The activity at the Wayne Road bridge continues. Every morning about 6:30 a small army of workers arrives and stays at it until about 6 in the evening. From what I can see, the crew is about to add another 3 to 4 feet to the concrete wall on the south side. They have also started back filling behind the wall with very fine gravel. I have no idea what it all means. I think it spells progress.

In the past week, a couple of different people have approached me and asked if it is appropriate to applaud the singers during the weekend Masses. According to liturgists, the answer is no. The Mass is devoted to the worship of God. Our job is to keep quiet until we are called on to respond. It is very appropriate to compliment a singer after Mass. Singing in front of a group is not an easy job.

I am beginning to suspect that there is some sort of hidden sensor in my computer and in my TV that sends out a signal to the world that I am on either. Like clockwork, shortly after I start on either, I can expect a call from unassigned, unidentified, and unknown.

Don't forget the food pantry, don't forget SVDP. With the government reduction to social help programs, the demand on private charities is increasing.



A Program to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages

Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking about it make it worse?

RETRouvaille CAN HELP!!

The Retrouvaille Program consists of a weekend experience combined with a series of twelve follow up (or Post) sessions over the course of six weeks. It provides the tools to help put your marriage in order again. The main emphasis of the program is on communication in marriage between husband and wife. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way.

There is an alternative to divorce!

This could be the best gift you ever give yourself, your spouse, your children, your family and your friends!!

Please pass this information on to anyone who you suspect might be a hurting couple

The next Retrouvaille program begins Friday, August 15th, in Farmington Hills, Michigan.

For confidential information or to register call 800-470-2230
OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE: HelpOurMarriage.org

Scripture Readings for the Week of July 20, 2025

Sunday, July 20, 2025

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5; Col 1:24-28;
Lk 10:38-42

Monday, July 21, 2025

Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday, July 22, 2025

Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene

Sgs 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9;
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Wednesday, July 23, 2025

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28;
Mt 13:1-9

Thursday, July 24, 2025

Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56;
Mt 13:10-17

Friday, July 25, 2025

Feast of Saint James, Apostle

2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6;
Mt 20:20-28

Saturday, July 26, 2025

Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Mt 13:24-30

Sunday, July 27, 2025

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8; Col 2:12-14;
Lk 11:1-13

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 ravioli, spaghetti & meatballs, beef stew, chili, box mix potatoes, spaghetti sauce, pancake mix, syrup, grape or strawberry jelly, and brown paper grocery bags.

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

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
		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



The Solanus Casey Center

News & Events July 2025

Solanus Casey Guild Reflection - Month of July 2025
Solanus Casey Novena - Begins Tuesday, July 22, 2025
Anointing of the Sick - Saturday, July 19, 2025
Final Young Adult Meetup - Sunday, July 20, 2025
Gift Shop Discount - Enter code SOLFEAST during the Novena
Capuchin Golf Classic - Saturday, September 27, 2025

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 26 & 27, 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	JULIE GALDES	MICHELLE KORIE JOSEPH KORIE 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	GEORGETTE KATTULA	VICTORIA APOLZAN
SACRISTAN	BOB PROKOP	ROSE CONYER	LAURIE EICHSTEDT
MASS INTENTIONS	+ ALL THE POOR SUFFERING SOULS IN PURGATORY + LEONCIO LOPEZ	+ LEONCIO LOPEZ	+ BILLY GERALD BROWN + BEN & JULIA KOTLARZ

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 21-25, 2025

Tuesday, July 22

9:00 am.....CHURCH

+ ROSE PIEKNIK
 + PEARL DRYJA
 + HANS DAVID LOPEZ
 + LEONCIO LOPEZ

Wednesday, July 23

12:00 PM.....CHURCH

+ HANS DAVID LOPEZ
 + LEONCIO LOPEZ

Friday, July 25

9:00 am.....CHURCH

+ ARNIE PIANCZYK
 + TONY SZAREK
 + LEONCIO LOPEZ



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
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
Feiler, Alex Horne
Fichtner, Leanne
Fornasiero, Joseph
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
Pastula, Shirley
Prosser, Cindy
Roffi, Herman

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

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 Robert S. Hoffman
In Loving Memory of Eugene Josphe Hynek
My Wife Joanne Who I Love and Miss Very Much
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 Paddock & 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
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



HAPPY INTERNATIONAL ICE CREAM DAY!!!

*"I am something that's frozen;
In a bowl, you use a spoon;
On a cone, you give a lick;
Many flavors you can pick;*

What am I?"...Well, I scream, you scream, we all scream, ICE CREAM!

Fun Facts About Ice Cream

- **JULY is the busiest ice cream production month. Anybody wanna guess why?**
- **A cow gives enough milk to make 2 gallons of ice cream every day. Talk about 'Udderly' amazing.**
- **The average American licks, slurps, and gobbles approximately 22 pounds of frozen desserts (most of which is ice cream).**

We are looking for Faith Formation families to help us out in this year's ICE CREAM BOOTH at the FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL on September 12-14. Please check out the SignUp Genius link and pick a slot!!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094BACAE2BAA8-57502569-festival>

Festival Boutique Needs Hand-Crafted Items!

This year, the ladies of the Rosary Altar Sodality will be hosting our FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL Boutique. Although there is great creative talent among our ladies, **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** If you knit, crochet, make jewelry, diamond dot art, wreaths, paintings, floral arrangements, dog sweaters, baskets or any other creative craft, we are asking if you'd be so kind to please donate one of your creations for our boutique. Crafts can be dropped off in the large basket in the Gathering Space of the church or at the parish office. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

Immaculate Conception Council 4513 Catholic High School Scholarship Program

Knights of Columbus Council 4513 has established a scholarship fund for those St. Thomas the Apostle parish members enrolled in a Catholic high school. To apply, students must first complete an application. These can be found in the Gathering Space at church, in the Parish Office, or one can be requested at gk4513@mikofc.org.

The second part requires the student to compose a 250 to 500 word essay explaining why a Catholic High School education is important to a person of faith in the world today. It can either be handwritten (must be legible) or completed on a computer. Essays must be submitted to the parish office no later than August 10th.

The final part will be an interview with standardized questions later in August. You will be contacted to schedule that interview.



Jesus visited Lazarus' sisters, Mary and Martha. Mary sat

with Jesus and listened to him teach, while Martha cooked and served Jesus. Martha was jealous that Mary got to spend time listening, so she complained to Jesus! What was Jesus' answer? How can you spend time with Jesus?



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