



Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

210 R63 Hwy-Indianola, IA 50125

Weekend Mass Saturday 4:30 pm, 8:00 am & 10:15 am Sundays

Sunday 8:00 am at Immaculate Conception-St Mary's

Tuesday- 6:00 pm mass

Daily Mass: WEDNESDAY-Friday 8:00 am

1st Tuesday of the Month at Good Samaritan Nursing Home 9:30 am

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ROSARY: Please join us in praying the rosary every Tuesday evening starting at 6:30pm in the church as we pray for peace, families and your special intentions. Also Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings the rosary is prayed at 7:40am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation will be by appointment ONLY at this time. Please call the office to schedule an appointment.

Liturgy of Baptism: Parents are requested to call the Parish Office to arrange for pre-baptism sessions and must be registered with the church, one sponsor must be Catholic.

Liturgy of Marriage: Call at least 6 months in advance to make arrangements. Pre-Marriage Program is required.

Prayer Chain: Our parish has a prayer chain for special intentions. Requests can be for anyone in need.

Prayer requests call Kris Gross 210-0169, Jackie Ward 515-250-7385 or Debbie McDaniel 240-2029

Care of the Sick & Shut-ins: Call to request the Sacrament of the Sick, the Eucharist or to be placed on the Prayer Chain.

Newcomers/Addresses: Register in person; call the Office for Appointment.

Change of Address: Notify the office when you change your address.

FEBRUARY 28

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

26: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Ps 116:10, 15-19

Rom 8:31b-34 Mk 9:2-10

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception

8:00 a.m. Public Mass Immaculate-Linda Croat

8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Richard Salosberry

10:15 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Carol VanAernam

12 Noon Public Mass at St Thomas-Bill Thomas

5:00p.m. No Mass at Simpson College until further notice

MARCH 1

LENTEN WEEKDAY

230: Dn 9:4b-10 Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13 Lk 6:36-38

NO 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas

4:30 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

6:30 p.m. Rosary & Confession at Immaculate Conception

7:00 p.m. Public Mass Immaculate-Linda Croat

MARCH 2

LENTEN WEEKDAY

231: Is 1:10, 16-20 Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23 Mt 23:1-12

6:00 p.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Richard Salosberry

MARCH 3

LENTEN WEEKDAY

232: Jer 18:18-20 Ps 31:5-6, 14-16 Mt 20:17-28

8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Kayden Daniels

MARCH 4

LENTEN WEEKDAY

233: Jer 17:5-10 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 16:19-31

8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Beverly Krier

MARCH 5

LENTEN WEEKDAY

234: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Ps 105:16-21

Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Richard Salosberry

MARCH 6

LENTEN WEEKDAY

235: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Ps 103:1-4, 9-12 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

3:30 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Reconciliation at St. Thomas

4:30 p.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Beverly Krier

MARCH 7

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

29: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17 Ps 19:8-11 1Cor 1:22 25

Jn 2:13-25 or for Year A (28): Ex 17:3-7 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9

Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception

8:00 a.m. Public Mass Immaculate-Linda Croat

8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Jim Jauron & Family

10:15 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Sonnie Brommel

12 Noon Public Mass at St Thomas-Bill Thomas

5:00p.m. No Mass at Simpson College until further notice

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. Closed for lunch Monday-Friday (12 p.m.- 1 p.m.)
Parish Office: 961-3026/ Fax: 961-3458 Rectory Phone 962-2063 Website: stthomasindianola.com
Facebook: St. Thomas Church, Indianola IA

PASTORS REPORT

Dear Parishioners:

Last week, the diocese made some adjustments in regards to the regathering guidelines. Here are the updated guidelines:

1. Parishes are now permitted to have up to three servers assist at Mass. This assumes that other mitigation practices (such as mask use and social distancing) are being followed.
2. Parishes are now permitted to conduct collections via pole basket (again assuming proper mitigation practices).
3. Parishes must clean and disinfect worship spaces, and other parish facilities minimally once a week, and after any confirmed positive COVID test.
4. In regards to music, parishes are permitted to have small scholas up to 4 people. This will begin on Palm Sunday. However, no permission is given to have a choir.
5. Parishes will be allowed to have up to 100 people for social gatherings.

I would like to take this time to implement these new guidelines this weekend, with the exception of number 4 (unless we have some members of the same household singing). Mask requirements will still be in place unless one is in the role of giving a presentation, singing, or as a lector during Mass and only for the particular times when is singing or speaking. All other times, one needs to be masked up, which includes myself. I hope this helps. I am grateful for all of your cooperation in these efforts and I can trust that the members of St. Thomas Aquinas and Immaculate Conception will use common sense in following the guidelines. Blessings and peace!

Happy Transfiguration Sunday!
Fr. Chris



Ministry Schedule

Please call someone to replace you if you aren't available to serve

4:30 p.m. Mass March 6th:

Lector: Lanny Ward

Eucharistic Ministers: Lanny Ward & John Shandley

Ushers: Carol Proctor & Derry Butler

Cleaning Vessels: Lanny Ward & John Shandley

8:00 a.m. Mass March 7th:

Lector: Mark Kollasch

Eucharistic: Cathy Krapfl & Joseph DeWall

Ushers: Terry & Cathy Krapfl

Cleaning Vessels: Cathy Krapfl & Joseph DeWall

10:15 a.m. Mass March 7th:

Lector: Ed Tormey

Eucharistic Ministers: Jana & Alex Lynch

Ushers: Dave & Judy Hutton

Cleaning Vessels: Jana & Alex Lynch

Please remember: at least 2 Eucharistic Ministers need to stay after Mass to help clean the Sacred Vessels.

Please Note: That you are strongly encouraged to wear a face masks social distance and use hand sanitizer before entering and exiting the church.

Linens: Judy Kirby

Prayerfully consider continuing your weekly Tithes ,Building Fund & monthly Capital Campaign Pledge as expenses will continue to come in.

You may drop your envelope off in the Secured Box on the wall under the Office sign, place it in the mail or there will be a basket in the back of the Church for you to place your Offerings in as well.

Prayer List

For all those in need.

Doug Andreason, Ed Leinen, Jean Veasman,

Aaron Babinski, Mike Metz, Patrick Shandley

James Rector, Dianne Funk & for the Souls in Purgatory

Please contact Jackie Ward at jjward71@gmail.com or 515-250-7385,

Kris Gross at 210-0169 or Debbie McDaniel at 240-2029 to put someone on the Prayer Chain. They will notify the rest of the group to start immediate prayers for you or your loved one in need.

We would like to offer a prayer shawl to parishioners who are ill or in need of comfort.

The shawls were prayed over when created. Please make your request through one of the prayer chain leaders.

Please contact Leasa Garrett (961-3026) to add a name to the list published in the bulletin.

Names will remain on the list for a month unless you indicate otherwise.

Gathering Table Extension

Monday, March 1, is Gathering Table Extension night COVID-19 has impacted the economics of families in our area and due to an increased demand, the Gathering Table has added a second meal each month. STARS have offered to lead this effort the first Monday of the month. **In addition to food, we need 6-8 servers from 5-6:30 p.m. Meals are delivered to the car while wearing masks** (and gloves if desired). The third Monday of the month is still Gathering table and food and servers are needed as well. Thank you to everyone that has already signed-up.

Religious Ed and Good Shepherd reminder :

If you have not already done so, please pick up your Child's at home packet at the north side of the Building. Thank you.

WATCH Retreat

If you signed up for the WATCH retreat please remember to pick up your packed weekly.



Knights of Columbus Scholarship Information:

The St. Thomas Aquinas Knights of Columbus Council is offering higher learning scholarships to graduating high school seniors and undergraduate students. For scholarship information, go to the Church website at <https://stthomasindianola.com> (under the Knights of Columbus button) or contact Martin Konrad at 961-0329. Applications must be received at the correct email or mailing address by April 5, 2021.

We currently have need for adorers at the following times. If you are interested in signing up for one of these hours please contact Anitta at 515-344-7850 or via email at spennani1976@outlook.com



Sunday: 6pm
Monday: Midnight and 1 am
Tuesday: Midnight, 1, 2, 3, 9 am and Noon
Wednesday: Midnight, 1, 2, and 11 am
Thursday: 3 pm
Friday: Each hour from Midnight to 6 am, 8, 9 am and at Noon

Thank you for your prayerful consideration.



2021 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

The Annual Diocesan Appeal will be conducted next weekend at Mass. Each year, Bishop Joensen and Father Chris ask each member of our parish family to make a commitment to support the work of our Diocesan programs and ministries that provide services that no one parish could provide on its own. We need everyone's participation in order to reach our goal. Our parish goal is **\$62,681** and 100% participation. Remember that the money our parish raises above our goal stays right here at St. Thomas Aquinas. Please experience the joy of giving and join us as we work to carry out our mission of serving the people of God in southwest Iowa.



Indianola KC Lenten Fish Fries

Time: Serving from **5:30 to 7:00 PM**

Dates: **March 5, 12, 19, and 26**

Drive-up **Carry-out** Service only

\$10 per meal

We will be serving **Fried Fish with French Fries, Coleslaw and a dinner roll.**

Watch the bulletin for more information.

Backpacks 4 Hunger Collection Continues

Don't forget that we are collecting donations for Backpacks 4 Hunger during the month of February. You can drop off your check in the collection box at church (made out to St. Thomas Aquinas), put it in the collection basket or mail it in (St. Thomas Aquinas, 210 S Wesley St., Indianola, Iowa 50125). Please be sure to enter on the check description line and on the envelope that the donation is for Backpacks 4 Hunger.



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