



Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

210 S Wesley STREET- Indianola, IA 50125
Weekend Mass Saturday 4:30 pm, 8:00 am, 10:15 am,
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
Simpson Masses start September

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Perpetual Adoration Wednesday from 9am to 9pm
And Friday mornings from 9:00am to noon.

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.

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 240-0299

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.

Bulletin Announcements: Information must be in by 4PM on Tuesday to Leasa Garrett-lcs3garr@yahoo.com

Sunday, March 26

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

34: Ez 37:12-14 Ps 130:1-8 Rom 8:8-11
Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—Dianne Funk
10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the people
5:00 pm Mass at Simpson College

Monday, March 27

LENTEN WEEKDAY

251: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62
Ps 23:1-6 Jn 8:1-11
No 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday, March 28

LENTEN WEEKDAY

252: Nm 21:4-9 Ps 102:2-3, 16-21 Jn 8:21-30
6:00 pm Mass at St Thomas—Shelby McCasland
6:30 pm Rosary at St. Thomas

Wednesday, March 29

LENTEN WEEKDAY

253: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 (Ps) Dn 3:52-56 Jn 8:31-42
8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Bev Elbert &
Gary & Vivian Elbert

Thursday, March 30

LENTEN WEEKDAY

254: Gn 17:3-9 Ps 105:4-9 Jn 8:51-59
8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Charles Hanneman

Friday, March 31

LENTEN WEEKDAY

255: Jer 20:10-13 Ps 18:2-7 Jn 10:31-42
8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—for Blessings on Mary Miller

Saturday, April 1

LENTEN WEEKDAY

256: Ez 37:21-28 (Ps) Jer 31:10-13 Jn 11:45-56
3:30 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas—Janie Garrett

Sunday, April 2

PALM SUNDAY

37: Mt 21:1-11 (procession) 38: Is 50:4-7 Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20,
23-24 Phil 2:6-11 Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54
8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—Claire Wiedmaier
10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the people
5:00 pm Mass at Simpson College

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: 515-961-3026 Website: stthomasindianola.com Facebook: **St. Thomas Church, Indianola IA**

For Emergencies contact the office 515-961-3026 when prompted push #7

Father Adam's Five

for March 24-March 30:

1. Please turn in your Gallup Survey after Masses this weekend, or fill them out before Monday. Thanks for participating! <https://survey.gallup.com/stthomasaquinas2023>
2. We are still working on Easter Sunday Mass times, but Holy Thursday is 7:00 p.m., Good Friday is 7:00 p.m., and Holy Saturday is 8:00 p.m.
3. Last KofC fish fry is March 31.
4. The STAT CHICKEN DINNER is on April 24. If you want to order your ticket online and still have it count for one of our teens, just enter the name of the teen when asked about who recommended the dinner to you. <https://tinyurl.com/STAT-CHICKEN> If you just want to help the STAT kids out with a tax-deductible gift, please click: <https://tinyurl.com/STAT-23>
5. I will not ask for gift cards, money transfers, or bequests via text messages or e-mail or any other digital means. If you receive a message that looks like it came from me but is asking you for money, please let the office know and DO NOT RESPOND.

FASTING/ABSTINENCE GUIDELINES:

Fasting (ages 18-59) on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday means 1 full meal, two smaller meals not totaling a full meal.

Abstinence (Ages 14+) means not eating meat on Ash Wednesday and Fridays of Lent.

Let's Bloom Together at *Coffee with Jesus*

Ladies of St. Thomas Aquinas & Fellow Christian Women Friends

What: Faith, Fellowship, & Fun

When: Saturday, April 1st, 2023

Time: 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Where: St. Thomas Multi-purpose Room

Bring a friend.

Coffee, juice & breakfast treats provided.

Please bring your rosary, bible and fun filled spirit!

Look forward to seeing you Saturday morning,

**The CWJ Crew, Angie, Carol, Kathy, Kim,
Kristi & Susan**



Installation Service



Congratulations Father Adam!

Prayer List

For all those in need.

Duffy Metz, Winston Sayre

Doug Andreasen, Ed Leinen, Jean Veasman,

Mike Metz, Patrick Shandley,

& 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.

Dates to Note

Keep watch for the times

Sunday, April 2nd **Palm Sunday**

Thursday, April 6th **Holy Thursday**

7:00PM at St Thomas

Needed 12 individuals to sign up to have their feet washed. Contact the office.

Women, please wear ankle length dresses or pants if you wish to get your feet washed.

Friday, April 7th **Good Friday Service.**

7:00PM at St Thomas

Saturday, April 8th **Holy Saturday at 8:00PM**

Sunday, April 9th **Easter Sunday.**

Saturday, April 15th **Sacrament of Confirmation** with Bishop Joensen

At the 4:30PM parish Mass

Sunday, April 30th **First Holy Communion**
Mass during 10:15AM parish Mass.

Attention High School Seniors:



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 www.stthomasindianola.parishesonline.com.

Applications are to be emailed to vandy.omeara@gmail.com or mailed to Pat O'Meara, 201 North J Street, Indianola, IA. 50125.

Applications must be received at the correct email or mailing address by April 1, 2023.

The STARS College Scholarship

Any student wishing to submit an application must email them to Kate Lerseth at kate.lerseth@simpson.edu no later than 3:30 p.m., Friday, March 31st to be considered. The application is on the Church website.

From our STAT Mission Group

Thank you so much for your support with our M&M drive. If you have not had the chance to return your container the box is in the gathering space.



Thelma's Chicken Dinner Fundraiser

As in past years, our big fundraiser is a carry out dinner. This year the dinner is from Thelma's catering. If you would like to continue to support our teens and enjoy a delicious meal here's your chance!

\$10.00 per ticket

Drive thru meal on Monday April 24th

St Thomas Aquinas Church, North parking lot

Pick up between 4:30-6:30

You can purchase tickets at the Church or at the fish fries on all the Friday's in lent, or Online.

Thanks so much for the support past and present.



March 31st, is the last Fish Fry

5:30pm—7:00pm ~ Dine in or carry out

Adults: \$13.00 Children 6-12yrs: \$6.00

Children 5yrs & under: Free

Fun Family Event – Sat. April 1.



Come learn about all the ways to care for and protect God's creation at the **Indianola Sustainability Fair** at the **Blake Fieldhouse from 10 am – 2 pm on Sat. April 1.** St. Thomas Aquinas' Creation Care Team will have a booth there.

The event is free and includes activities for children, such as worm jars, with peat soil and worm food donated by Central Iowa Organic Fertilizer, as well as exhibits by Blank Park Zoo, Warren County Conservation and SOAR bald eagle.

Adults can get information on electric cars, Trees Forever, the Rain Campaign, vegetable gardening and sustainable products.

The Outside Scoop and Magoo's Pizza food trucks will also be there.

As Saint John Paul said, "The earth will not continue to offer its harvest, except with faithful stewardship. We cannot say we love the land and then take steps to destroy it for use by future generations." Learn to live sustainably.

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