

Saint Thomas More Catholic Church

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We exist for one reason: to come to know and be formed by the Word of God and the Message of Jesus. When we gather in prayer and worship, in service and community, we assemble as disciples and friends with the Lord in our midst. Rooted in our Roman Catholic tradition, we are proud of our parish heritage and hopeful for our future.

The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ- June 11, 2023

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Parish Office Hours

Wednesday - Thursday
8:30 am - 3:30 pm

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday Evening: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 11:00 am and 7:00 pm [No 7 pm Mass from the weekend before Memorial Day through the weekend of Labor Day, or on holiday weekends]

Daily Mass: Monday through Friday at 8:15 am

Holy Days: Vigil 7:00 pm; Holy Day 8:15 am and 12:10 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance)

Saturday: 3:30 pm or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Every First Friday of the Month following the 8:15 am Mass, concluding with Benediction at Noon

Additional Sacraments

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office or submit the Baptism Request Form at: <https://stmnj.org/baptism-request-form> for more information. Arrangements should be made at least 8 weeks in advance of the desired date.

Funeral Rites: Please contact Father Tom for more information and to make arrangements.

Marriage: Please call the Parish Office or submit the Marriage Request Form at <https://stmnj.org/marriage-request-form> for more information. Arrangements should be made at least one year in advance of the desired date.

Join the St. Thomas More Family

New parishioners can register at any time! Please complete the new parishioner form at <https://stmnj.org/membership-information> or call the Parish Office at 973-267-5330. We'd love to welcome you!!



Blast from the Past(or)

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June 11, 2023

'For My Flesh is true food and My Blood is true drink...'

I know a family who practices what they call, 'clean eating,' I am not sure what this means entirely, but it seems to involve organic, 'plant-based' foods. Or something. Caffeine, sugar and processed foods are anathema in their household. Kudos to them, I guess. Personally, I prefer my diet, as it is much more fun and keeps the makers of Lipitor in business. I like my pretzels with extra salt, and when I go to Queens for a Mets game, I always stop at Shake Shack. I mean, c'mon, it's Shake Shack, people. Once, a friend brought me a box of chocolate covered bacon. I wept at this great achievement of humanity. Recently I read on the internet, that treasure trove of information, about a young lady who enjoys a treat of a Dairy Queen Blizzard sandwiched between two McDonald's hash browns. God Bless America. So, as a 'clean eater,' I am obviously a big fail. Although I do enjoy the occasional plate of asparagus, drowning in butter and garlic. Goodness, where is this going? Oh, that's right. The real Food and the real Drink that is the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. This is the Source and Summit of Christianity. Jesus in the Eucharist is The Gift offered to a culture that is starving for this Communion. To paraphrase Flannery O'Connor, God is feeding us, but we have no appetite. Ours is a culture suffering from what a noted Catholic commentator calls, 'metaphysical boredom.' This boredom has sadly quashed awe for the Eucharist among so many. But this Corpus Christi is a public reminder that 'to live is Christ,' and that our sustenance each Sabbath is nothing short of His Real Presence. This is food Personified: *whoever eats My Flesh and drinks My Blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For My Flesh is real food and My Blood is real drink* (Jn 6:54-55). Well, there it is. While we should all be more careful with our diets than I am with mine (your body is a temple!), the Meal that undergirds proper diet is that which gives life. Of all people, it is Christians who must proclaim that you are what you eat. From the Sequence of Corpus Christi, *When the Sacrament is broken, doubt not, but believe 'tis spoken, that each sever'd outward token doth the very whole contain...*

God Bless you!!!!!!



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Weekly Collection for 5/27-28:

\$4,146.38



June 12 - Blessed Jolenta of Poland

Michael Kane

June 13 - Saint Anthony of Padua

Duncan Sinclair

June 14 - Saint Albert Chmielowski

Kay Brewer

June 15 - Saint Marguerite d'Youville

Mary Tyne

June 16- Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Bill and Alma McAllister

June 17 - Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Lawrence Bobbin

June 18 - Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 am: Maria Woodruff

Anthony Gervasio

Louis Rich

11 am: Dennis Delomba

Eduardo Parico

Michelle C. Healy



Prayers for the Sick

Please join us in praying for all who are ill in our community, and in a particular way, for Joan Allen, Chris Auger, Phil Barrett, Brendan Briscoe, Ron Brodeur, Fred Donikowski, Barbara Kline, Gina Lazaro, Ray Meyers, Elizabeth Napoli, John O'Neil, Bethann and Bob Panzer, Bobby Polidore, Christopher Popp, Eileen Scheibner, Gloria Souchuk and Flynn Sullivan. May God bring them and their families His healing, comfort and peace. If you would like to have your name or that of a loved one included in (or removed from) the request for healing prayers in our weekly bulletin, please send an email to info@stmnj.org or call the Parish Office.



Mass Intentions/Mass Cards

If you would like to request a Mass to be said for a loved one, please complete our online Mass request form at <https://stmnj.org/request-a-mass-card>, click on the link on our home page or call the Parish Office. To make sure your request is received in a timely manner, please do not place requests in the collection. In your request, please let us know if you would like us to mail the card directly to the recipient or leave it for you to pick it up (or if you do not want a card). If you do not want a card mailed directly to the recipient but would like one with a blank envelope, it will be left for you to pick up in the parish vestibule. Our Mass intentions are finalized two weeks in advance, so please understand we unfortunately may not always be able to accommodate last-minute requests.



Usher and Greeter Ministry

We would like to try again to restart the usher and greeter ministry here at St. Thomas More, but to make that happen, we need your help! It's a great and easy way to serve your parish and also get to know other members of the community with a minimal time commitment. The job is easy, just coming to your usual Mass and helping people find seats, directing people during Holy Communion, and taking up and depositing the collection in the safe. Please contact Tina in the Parish Office (tjurgaitis@stmnj.org) if you're interested, and someone will contact you with more information. Thank you!



Scripture Study Group

Video Presentations of the Parables of Jesus

All are invited to dramatic recreations of seven parables found in the New Testament, each introduced and placed in its historical and cultural setting. In these videos you will see the Bible come alive, understand the customs and culture behind the parables, and feel the impact of Jesus' message. The seventh parable:

The Lost Son (Lk 15:5-10)

is presented by the STM Scripture Study Group at 3:00 pm on Wednesday, June 14th in the church.



Food and Fellowship for Single Parishioners

You are invited to join fellow single parishioners for their monthly gathering on Friday, June 23rd at 12:30 pm at Piattino Bistro, 88 East Main Street in Mendham (inside King's Plaza). Our gathering is a no-host luncheon. Contact Monika Mangan at 973-451-1499 for more information and/or to RSVP.



"The Paul Street Journal" Podcast

Learn about Catholic social teaching on economics and how to make financial decisions with the heart of the Church. This show is produced at St. Paul Inside the Walls, the Center for Catholic Evangelization of the Diocese of Paterson, and hosted by Brian Honsberger, Executive Director, and Freddy Garcia, Associate Coordinator of Evangelization and Campus Minister. You can listen to this podcast on any podcast platform and also watch it on YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/@stpaulinsidethewalls>.

Ministry Schedule

Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers

All Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers should have received a Flocknote link via email earlier this month to sign up to serve at June Masses. Please email Tina at tjurgaitis@stmnj.org or call the Parish Office if you encounter any issues with the sign-ups so Flocknote can troubleshoot and resolve them as quickly as possible. Ministers can click on the links in the Flocknote at any time during the month to confirm at which Mass(es) they have registered to serve, which Masses are still available and also to make any changes. We're always happy to welcome new members, so if you'd like to join either of these vital ministries, please reach out to the Parish Office. Thank you!



Vocation Day of Discernment - Saturday, July 1

Come and join us for our First Saturday Day of Discernment on July 1 at 10 am at St. Paul Inside the Walls. The day includes Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Praying of the Rosary, Social Time and Lunch. All young men discerning the priesthood are most welcome. Please contact the Vocations Office or Rev. Edward Rama, Vocation Director, at 973-777-8818, Ext 715 or vocations@patersondiocese.org for more information or if you would like to participate.

RETREAT FOR YOUNG MEN

Join us for a free 1-day retreat to help young men of high school age consider their vocation and path in life. Sports & games. Mass with Bishop Sweeney. Three meals provided, incl. a BBQ lunch by the Knights of Columbus.

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