

Saint Thomas More

Catholic Church



April 16, 2017

Liturgy Schedule

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 7:00 PM

DAILY MASSES: 7:30 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Friday – noon • Saturday - 8:15 AM

DEVOTION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday - 12:01 AM through Saturday 4:00 PM

ROSARY

Daily - 7:00 AM • Friday evening - 7:00 PM

Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Bulletin items are due to the Parish Office by Monday at 4:00 PM. Please email your items to:
receptionist@thomasmorespokane.org.

ST. THOMAS MORE

Website: www.thomasmorespokane.org

April 16, 2017

Easter Sunday

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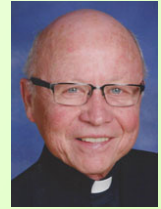
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A Message from Our Pastor:



Christ is risen! Let us rejoice and be glad! As we celebrate this day with family gatherings, Easter brunch, and Easter eggs, let us find personal joy in knowing the Lord Jesus has conquered death and by his Resurrection has given us a share in divine life.

At times it is easy to overlook and take for granted some of the most significant events in our personal lives. Today we renewed our baptismal promises realizing once again how God has adopted us as his own sons and daughters. We share in the very life of God himself.

We also committed ourselves to seek to overcome sin in our lives and to live more deeply the Christian life to which God has called us.

In all of this, God does not leave us on our own but stands by our side as we seek to carry out his will.

I encourage you to take some time this week to think about what God has done for us—not only by His cross and resurrection, but what he does for us day after day. Consider the many blessings you have received, the personal family you share in as well as the Church family that makes possible the maintaining of our faith and helps us to live out our baptismal commitment.

These and other blessings in our lives are God's gift to us. So let us rejoice and be glad for the Lord has shown his face to us and made possible the wonderful life that finds fulfillment in God himself.

Happy Easter!

Msgr. Pearson

Hearing assistance is available
during liturgies at FM 89.1

TIME Talent Treasure

Income	Budget—YTD	Received—YTD
Envelopes & Plates	\$477,321.00	\$479,463.00
Needed Weekly:	\$12,239.00	
Received 04/09:	\$10,975.00	
Mailed in:	\$1,370.00	
Auto Withdrawal:	0.00	
Total Received:	\$12,345.00	

What's Happening

Monday

17: Easter Monday: No School and Parish Office closed
Divine Mercy Novena, 3:00 PM

Tuesday

18: Rosary Makers, 1:00 PM
Divine Mercy Novena, 3:00 PM

Wednesday

19: Catholic Scripture Study, 9 AM & 6:30 PM
School Mass, 9:00 AM
Game Day, Noon
Divine Mercy Novena, 3:00 PM

Thursday

20: Class Pictures at school
Divine Mercy Novena, 3:00 PM

Friday

21: Divine Mercy Novena, 3:00 PM

Saturday

22: Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree Conference
Divine Mercy Novena, 3:00 PM

Sunday

23: Divine Mercy Sunday
Masses at 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM
Prayer Service 2:00-4:00 PM

If you have any questions about any of the above activities, call the Parish Office at 466-3811.



USHERS/GREETERS FOR APRIL

Saturday 4:30 P.M. Kenneth La Grandeur & Jim Chatfield

Sunday 7:30 A.M. Claude & Cecelia Frank

9:00 A.M. Casey Zollinger & Dan Loewen

11:00 A.M. John Hoffman & Sons

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS & LECTORS FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

Saturday, April 22:

4:30 PM Sacristan: Chris Banks
Linda Bacon, Linda Carper, Joan & Dick Pelkie,
Mary Bolka, Helen & Bob Durgan
Lector: Mary McGoldrick

Sunday, April 23:

7:30 AM Sacristan: Jack Louie
Bob & Karen Wormell, Joyce Becker, Kathy
Ossello, Pat Moller, Suzanne Abbott, John
Sharkey
Lector: Leslie Stachecki
9:00 AM Sacristan: Greg Riddle
Matthew & Erin Kloes, Art Schmidt, Wendy &
Dennis Gunnels, Dan Byrne, Pat Wood
Lector: Doreen DeMorro
11:00 AM Sacristan: Greg Riddle
Karen Kraft, Michelle Proctor, Kay Doyle, Grant
Becherini, Brian & Barb Beatty, Patti Doyle
Lector: Roger Devaney
7:00 PM Sacristan: Chaundra Ward
Megan Smith, Tommy Malone
Lector: Robert Schmitt

Altar Servers for Next Weekend:

Saturday, April 22:

4:30 PM Riveria, Alexandre, & Michael Parlange

Sunday, April 24:

7:30 AM Abigail Blunt & Keng Xiong
9:00 AM Nathan & Katelyn Doan, Makenna Tabino
11:00 AM Jack Penders, Isaac & Aaron Teo
7:00 PM Madona Dean & Jacob Smith



Youth News

Children's Liturgy of the Word will not meet on April 2, 9, and 16 due to Spring Break and Easter. We will see you on April 23 and 30 with a special book to take home. May crowning will be May 7 at the 9:00 AM Mass.



Attention Ministers of the Altar:

You should have all received an email or something in the mail with the new schedule which begins next week and runs through June 4.

Please let the office know if you have not received this. Thank you to everyone who helped serve during Holy Week and Easter! We appreciate you and all that you do!

Welcome!

There's an old saying that goes, "Once a Catholic, always a Catholic." Maybe you have been away from the Church for a little while or for quite some time, but now you feel a tug at your heart calling you back to the Catholic Church. Listen to that tug. It's your Heavenly Father reaching his arms out to you, the Holy Spirit whispering in your ear, hoping to draw you home.

We hope you accept this as your invitation to rediscover the truth, wonder, and mystery of the Catholic faith. As your brothers and sisters in our worldwide Catholic family, we want you back. We've missed you and our Church is not the same without you.

Regardless of why you left or got out of the habit of going to Mass, you can always come home and return to the practice of the sacraments and the fullness of relationship with Jesus Christ and the Church he founded. We are Catholic. Welcome home.

If you have questions about returning to your faith, contact one of our priests. Their numbers are listed in the bulletin.



Congratulations and Blessings to the following who were Baptized or made a Profession of Faith this weekend:

Baptized:

Tayleigh Brown
Sophia Du Val
Laura Holt-Fletes
Jeffery James
Seton James
Landon Morris
Mia Sebesta

Profession of Faith in the Catholic Church:

David Fenn
Kelley Fenn
Kristin Fenn-Morris
Tiffany Fisher
Pam Lyseng
Peter Mickelson
Catherine Roginski





Knight's Corner

Knight of the Month

Officer's Meeting: First Tuesday of the Month

General Meeting: Third Tuesday of the month

6:00 PM, Dinner

6:30 PM, Meeting

Dinner for April: hamburgers

Mark Your Calendars!

Get your team together!

Knights of Columbus

Golf Tournament

June 3

Wandermere Golf Course

Watch the bulletins for more details!



Planning a Wedding?

To schedule an appointment for marriage preparation, please contact a parish priest at least six months in advance of setting a date.



Attention Parishioners:

Sorry...But your priests do not have access to the list of Catholics at any of our hospitals. Federal guidelines known as HIPAA prohibit access...so the only way we know that you are hospitalized is if you let us know. Please call the parish office and leave the information when you are entering any of the hospitals for treatment.

Thank you to all of our loyal parishioners and businesses who have advertised on the back of our bulletin this year.

Because of their generosity, we have been able to have our bulletin printed for FREE and in COLOR! Please take the time to look over the list of businesses on the back of the bulletin and thank them for their support to our Parish by supporting their business. Also, if you would like to advertise your company or business, please call Sheila Miller at 1-800-616-4138.



No Coffee and Donuts this Weekend!
Happy Easter!

Have you checked out our new website? It is awesome! Find out the latest news and happenings at St. Thomas More.
www.thomasmorespokane.org

The Knights of Columbus will be having a Vocations Breakfast on Sunday, April 30 after all of the Sunday Masses!



Time with the Bishop

Many of you may have heard Bishop Daly and the Vicars on Catholic Radio (AM 970) as part of a new edition of Time with the Bishop. Rather than an interview format Bishop and the three vicars, Fr. Darrin Connall, Fr. Brian Mee, and Fr. Pat Kerst, speak about issues of importance to us as Catholics in a spirit of joy and humor. If you are interested in listening to the show in podcast format, it may be found at www.dioceseofspokane.org/radio or <https://dioceseofspokane.podbean.com/>



Please note:
The Parish Office and the School will be closed on Easter Monday.

"Put His Will in Your Will!" Clause for Christian Will

I give, devise, and bequeath to St. Thomas More Catholic Parish-Spokane, a Washington non-profit corporation (description of gift).

NEWS and HAPPENINGS FROM AROUND TOWN

Immaculate Heart Retreat Center:

Days of Prayer:

- **Mary and Her Fatima Message: Celebrating 100 Years**, Fr. St. Hilaire, 5/17
- **True Growth in Prayer, 3 Stages of the Interior Life**, Fr. Nicks, 7/12

Coffee and Contemplation

4/19: "Crossing the Threshold with SoulCollage" Where is God Inviting you to Grow? 9 AM, Heather Berndt.

Call 448-1224 to register at IHRC

ST. VINCENT de PAUL JANUARY-MARCH 2017

The Winter months were busy as many people were in need of rent and utility assistance. During this quarter, 29 families, facing possible evictions, received rental help totaling \$6463. The power remained on for 9 families, totaling \$1295. Miscellaneous help (gas, transportation) of \$838 was given to 5 families. Vincentians made approximately 40 food deliveries each month. Donations for January were \$5712, including the monthly collection of \$2162. The February collection was \$1465 and March was \$1737. Thank you to our parishioners for your generosity. We would not be able to provide all of this help without your continued support.

PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for those who are ill in our Parish and for those who are dying or who have died. Never doubt the power of prayer! If you would like to add someone to our prayer chain, call Mary at 466-0531 or Pat at 466-3163.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Week of April 17:

Mon.	7:30 A.M.	
Tue.	7:30 A.M.	Claire Biel
Wed.	7:30 A.M.	
Thur.	7:30 A.M.	
Fri.	7:30 A.M.	
Sat.	7:30 A.M.	
	4:30 P.M.	
Sun.	7:30 A.M.	
	9:00 A.M.	Our Parishioners
	11:00 A.M.	
	7:00 P.M.	

ADORATION

We need substitutes for all hours. Substitutes are invaluable to our ministry to keep Perpetual Adoration running 24-hours a day. Please call and add your name to the list for a time convenient for your schedule. You will be a blessing to others and at the same time, you will be blessed abundantly. Spending time in prayer would be a great activity for you this Lent.

We are in need of the following permanent hours:

Mondays 1:30 AM to 3:00 AM

Tuesdays 11:00 PM to Midnight

Thursdays 2:00 AM to 3:00 AM;

3:00 AM to 4:00 AM; 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Saturdays: Noon to 1:00 PM

Call Sue Millersmith at 467-0671 if you can help.

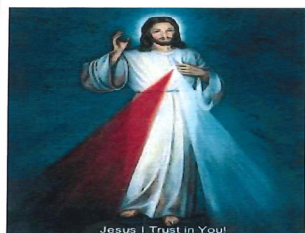


Family Holy Hour, Tuesdays, 7:00 PM, STM Chapel

You are invited to join us in praying for ourselves, our families, or friends. We pray the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and Eucharistic songs before the Blessed Sacrament for all prayer petitions people have requested in our prayer petition book, the parish prayer chains, or those that are placed in the Tuesday night prayer petition basket.

Go out and invite others to come and experience God's love and mercy!

The Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday and Novena



St. Thomas More Catholic Church
505 W. St. Thomas More Way, Spokane

Jesus asks: "I desire that during these nine days of the **Novena**, you bring souls to the fount of My Mercy... to receive whatever graces they need in the hardships of life, that they may draw strength from Me... and I will bring them into the house of My Father." "For the **Feast of Mercy**, go throughout the whole world and bring souls (back to Me) to the spring of My Mercy. I shall heal and strengthen them." Diary of St. Faustina



"Now is the time for Mercy", said St. Pope John Paul II.

Jesus desires that we practice the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy always and everywhere.

SCHEDULE

Daily Novena & Chaplet: Easter Monday April 17, 2017 to Saturday April 22, 2017

- 3:00 pm:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – Fr. David Kruse
- 3:10 pm:** Divine Mercy Daily Novena Prayer, Chaplet, and Praises
- 3:35 pm:** Silent Meditation and Adoration
- 3:50 pm:** Benediction Prayers

Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday: April 23rd, 2017 – Starts at 2:00 p.m.

- 2:00 pm:** Scriptural Rosary
- 2:20 pm:** "The Merciful Love of the Father: It Changes Everything" – Fr. David Kruse
- 3:00 pm:** HOUR OF MERCY before the Blessed Sacrament
 - Chaplet (Sung)
- 4:00 pm:** Blessing of articles, Benediction and Veneration of St. Faustina relic.
- 4:30 pm:** Cake & Refreshments to follow in the Parish Activity Center

Confession

You do not have to go to confession on Divine Mercy Sunday itself. We know from her *Diary* that St. Faustina made her confession for Mercy Sunday on the day before. (*Diary 1072*). Jesus promised "the complete forgiveness of sins and punishment". On June 13, 2002, Pope John Paul issued a decree on indulgences for Divine Mercy Sunday: A plenary indulgence granted to those who would: 1. Go to a sacramental confession "about 20 days before or after" Divine Mercy Sunday. 2. Receive Eucharistic Communion (*in the state of grace*) on Mercy Sunday. 3. Prayer for the intentions of the Pontiff. 4. Take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy Sunday. 5. Trust in His mercy: "Jesus I Trust in You". www.vatican.va

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (509)466-0220



St. Thomas More Catholic School is one of the preeminent PK-8 Schools in Spokane, WA. Our students are empowered and encouraged to reach their full potential as unique creations of a Loving God.

Why a Catholic School?

Parents choose Catholic schools for their children because of high academic standards, values-added education, and a safe school environment. At Catholic schools, these are tangible, visible realities forged from tradition, intellect, wisdom, and the passionate commitment of the teachers.

Why St. Thomas More?

Catholic Identity – Our Mission is “To Know, Love, and Serve God” in all we say, do, and pray.

Academic Excellence – We take pride that we teach students to “learn how to learn”.

Community – Caring for one another, for each other’s families, and appreciating the unique gifts and talents that each student and their family brings to St. Thomas More is our way of living out the teachings of the Gospels.

Service – St. Thomas More Catholic School believes strongly that the words of the gospel are meant to be learned, studied, and PUT INTO ACTION!



C+STEM – Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, with a Catholic component

A C+STEM program provides a focus for students to show appreciation, care, and reverence for God’s creation. This program begins with a fully installed and equipped science lab and a spiraling curriculum. We are developing a three-year plan which over time will see: the addition of an outdoor vegetable garden and a solar-powered greenhouse to grow food that will be used for our St. Vincent de Paul ministry and for Catholic Charities; robotic and bio-med experiences; real-world problem solving inventions that our students will discern and create.

Art & Music Classes

Comprehensive programs in art and music for students in Kindergarten through Sixth Grade.

Spanish Curriculum

An integrated K-8 program designed to fulfill the first year foreign language requirement for high school.

Open Enrollment

If it is your desire to send your child to St. Thomas More Catholic School, we are willing to work with you to help you make it possible for your child(ren) to attend. We are committed to helping all families send their children to St. Thomas More Catholic School, regardless of financial ability.

Call or visit our website – www.thomasmorespokane.org – to make an appointment to visit and tour the school and our programs.

“Catholic Schools, which always strive to join their work of education with the proclamation of the Gospel, are a most valuable resource.”
-Pope Francis

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SENDING YOUR CHILD TO ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL NEXT YEAR, OR IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT OUR SCHOOL, CONTACT DEACON DOUG BANKS AT 466-3811, EXT. 315.

**school
registration**

Preschool Registration Now Open



Monday-Friday Program
1/2 day and Full day options
with before and after school care available

Contact Jennifer Siira at 466-3811 x201

Or visit our website at
www.school.thomasmorespokane.org



Student staff ratio of
6:1

Staff Retention is an
average of 4+ years;
Lead Teachers 7+

STEM classes and
laboratory experience

Lead Teacher has a
Masters degree in
Education