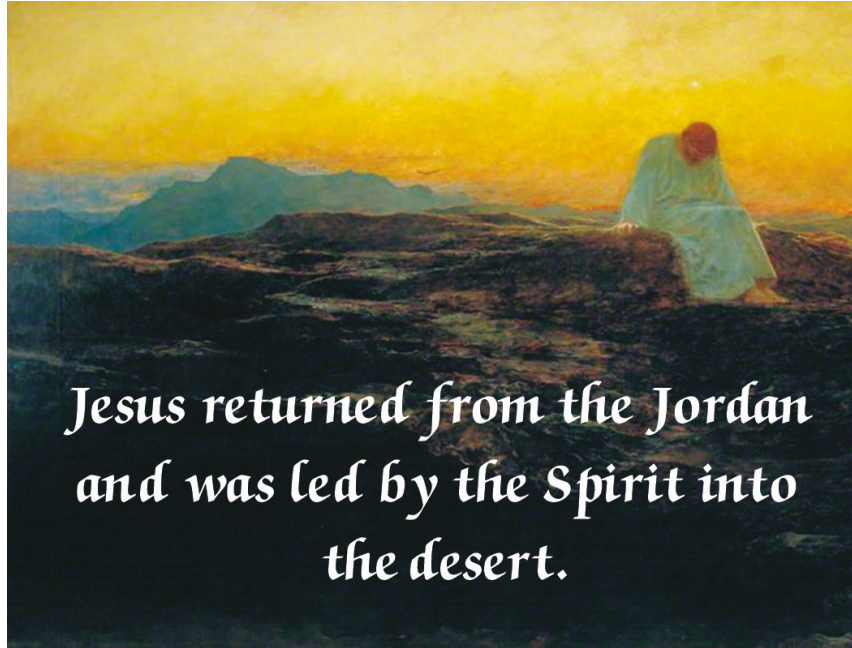


Saint Thomas More

Catholic Church



March 10, 2019

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

Thursdays – 4:30 PM • Saturdays - 8:15 AM

DEVOTION

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

ROSARY

Daily - 7:00 AM

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

March 10, 2019

First Sunday of Lent

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St. Martha's	Lane Klees	939-5059
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Ushers	Steve Tiarks	344-9289

The diocese is committed to helping victims/survivors of sexual abuse and to protecting children and vulnerable adults. Volunteers who supervise other volunteers who work with minors and vulnerable adults are **required to report** any suspected abuse by others they supervise. Contact: Roberta Smith, Victims Assistance Coordinator (509) 353-0442 Office Phone or (509) 998-8340 Cell. You may also go to the Diocesan website.
<http://www.dioceseofspokane.org/safe-environment>.



CHURCH SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Go to our parish website to fill out the proper paperwork. After we receive your information, you will be contacted to schedule an appointment.

Marriage: To schedule an appointment for marriage preparation, please contact a parish priest at least four months in advance of your desired wedding date.
Anointing of the Sick: Call the Parish Office to request a priest. If the call is after hours, you will be prompted on how to proceed.

Monday

- 11: Shawl Ministry, 1:00 PM
Light Weigh, 5:00 PM

Tuesday

- 12: Rosary Makers, 1:00 PM

Wednesday

- 13: Catholic Scripture Study, 9 AM & 6:30 PM
Game Day, Noon
Parish Council Mtg., 7:00 PM

Thursday

- 14: School Mass, 8:45 AM
Catholic Scripture Study, 1 PM
Taize Prayer, 6:30 PM
Lenten Faith Formation, 7:00 PM

Friday

- 15: Stations of the Cross, 6:30 PM

Saturday

- 16: Mass at 4:30 PM

Sunday

- 17: Masses at 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM

If you have questions about any of these events, call the Office.



Journey through Lent with FORMED

Into the Desert

A Lenten Study on Prayer



Participate in the Into the Desert Video Study

Follow Jesus into the desert this Lent and discover intimacy with God in this 6-week video-based study with daily meditations in the participant's guide.



Watch a Daily Lenten Reflection Video

Set yourself up for a transformative 40 days with Lenten reflection videos from Dr. Tim Gray. It takes less than 5 minutes a day!



Relive the Most Important Week in History

Join us for the first ever FORMED-wide book club as read and discuss Pope Emeritus Benedict's masterpiece, *Jesus of Nazareth: Holy Week*.



Make Your Screen Time Spiritual

Watch programs that will strengthen your love for Jesus.

- ▶ The Shroud of Turin
- ▶ The Silent Witness
- ▶ Convinced
- ▶ Prayer: A Surge of the Heart



Pray the Stations of the Cross

This beautiful meditation on the Stations of the Cross from Saint Alphonsus Liguori is accompanied by the chanting of *Stabat Mater*, a traditional Catholic hymn.



Give Your Commute to Jesus

Listen to Lighthouse Talks that will draw you into Lent.

- ▶ My Beloved Son
- ▶ Love — Sacrifice — Trust
- ▶ The Fourth Cup
- ▶ The Passion of Christ
- ▶ Three Days That Changed the World
- ▶ Glimpses Along the Way of the Cross

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TIME Talent Treasure

Stewardship

	Budget YTD	Received
YTD		
Income	\$461,088.00	\$481,072.00
Needed Weekly:	\$12,808.00	
Received 03/03:	\$11,764.00	
Mailed in:	\$1,850.00	
Auto Withdrawal:	\$815.00	
Total Received:	\$14,429.00	

Do you give to God from your "first fruits", the best that you have to offer, or do you give from what is leftover? Second, do you recognize that everything you have has been given to you by God? Ask God for a grateful and generous heart, every day, in all circumstances.

Attention Ministers of the Altar

The current serving schedule ends on Palm Sunday.

We will be posting a separate sign up sheet in the back of the church for serving opportunities during Holy Week and Easter weekend.

The new serving schedule will run from April 27 through September 28.

Please send us any vacation or scheduling conflicts you might have during this time. In addition, please let us know your Mass time preferences and anyone you would like to serve with. Remember, if there is someone you would like to serve with, you must both have the same Mass time and serving preferences. In addition, if you would like to be removed from the serving, either permanently or temporarily, please let us know. We can mark you as inactive in the data base, and you won't be assigned.

Please call (466-3811) or email the Parish Office: receptionist@thomasmorespokane.org with your serving needs by April 1.

Thank you as always for all that you do to help your Parish!

Called to *Serve*

"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).



USHERS/GREETERS FOR MARCH

Sat. 4:30 P.M.	Ken LaGrandeur & Jim Chatfield
Sun. 7:30 A.M.	Irene Kershinar & Kristy Masteller
9:00 A.M.	Dan Loewen & Casey Zollinger
11:00 A.M.	John Hoffman & Sons
7:00 P.M.	Ward Family

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS & LECTORS NEXT WEEKEND:

Saturday, March 16:

4:30 PM Sacristan: Chris Banks
Sue Trautman, Ernie Greco, Joan & Dick Pelkie, Linda Bacon
Lector: Mary McGoldrick

Sunday, March 17:

7:30 AM Sacristan: Jack Louie
Bob & Karen Wormell, Patricia Moller, Suzanne Abbott, Dennis & Beatie Wolf, Leslie Stachecki
Lector: Joy Gilbert
9:00 AM Sacristan: Greg Riddle
Jayson Grainger, Luke Machtolf, Fran McDonald, Dan Byrne, Chad & Cindy Anderson, Barb Gould
Lector: Kelsey Machtolf
11:00 AM Sacristan: Greg Riddle
Gary Myers, Ann Hart, Marie Smith, Barb & Brian Beatty, Trish & Dean Dunn
Lector: Children's Mass
7:00 PM Sacristan: Chaundra Ward
Bradley Ward
Lector: Ron Wasson

Altar Servers for Next Weekend:

Saturday, March 16

4:30 PM Reagan, Evangeline, & Jack Louie

Sunday, March 17:

7:30 AM Claire Perkins & Keng Ziong
9:00 AM Jimmy Grainger, Wyatt Machtolf, Maggie Frana
11:00 AM Kate & Luke Schmidt, Isaac Teo
7:00 PM Taylor & Carter Tabino





Join us!
Register online or in the Parish Office.
Kindergarten through 5th Grade meet on Sundays from 10:05 AM to 10:55 AM.

Confirmation & First Communion

Sacramental Prep Class Dates:
6:30 PM

March 27, April 24

May 11 is Confirmation and First Communion with the Bishop.

Northside Catholic Youth Ministry

Serving all students in grades 6-12

All nights are held at Assumption Parish, 3624 Indian Trail Road.

September 2018 - April 2019

Tuesday Nights 6:30-8:30pm

High School - Meets below the parish office north of the church. Shad Galloway @ 251-1793

Middle School (Edge) - Meets in the Assumption Gym. Rich Hansen @ 217-7945

March 12: Desert Wanderer

March 19: A New Hope

High School Youth Group

If you are in 9-12th grade please join our group!

Please contact Athena Gaunt if you would like to join the high school youth group.

athenagaunt@gmail.com
or 360-927-2001

Attention all 7th and 8th Graders
Join us to learn more about Gonzaga Prep

Tuesday, March 12

6:00-7:00 PM

Murphy Library

Our Administration will present on:

Jesuit Education

Our college prep environment

The Mission of Gonzaga Prep

Admission Process for 8th Graders

Fair Share Tuition

Contact Corrina at ckelsey@gprep.com or 483-8511.

FORMED KIDS' KORNER

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Beckoning

A modern-day teen inserts herself into biblical stories, imagining herself to be the daughter of the centurion who crucifies Christ. In ancient Jerusalem, she finds friendship and danger while exploring whether Jesus is beckoning her to follow him.

More Kids' Content



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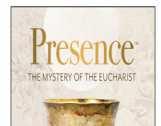
Presence

Episode 1: God Is With Us

What's So Special about the Eucharist?

Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of the Christian life. Explore the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist with the first episode of FORMED's most popular series.

Watch on formed.org



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"I wish the whole world could watch this!"

—Rachel Q., Lafayette, LA



Are you thinking of becoming a Catholic?

R.C.I.A.

Are you or someone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Contact Al or Sharon Pry at 466-5951.



Knights' Corner

Knight of the Month

General Meeting: Third Tuesday of the month

It's Not Too Early!
Get your Team Together
Start Warming Up...

STM Knights of Columbus
Annual Golf Tournament &
Social
June 1, 2019
Wandermere Golf Course
Sign ups will begin soon.



Knights of Columbus
Lenten Fish Fry(s)
Fridays, March 15 & 29
5:00 PM
Free Will Offering



Coffee and Donuts

Join your fellow parishioners for coffee and donuts in the PACC following Mass today. Thank you to our Youth Group Families for hosting this weekend.



volunteer

do good, feel good

The Altar Society ladies are in need of a few volunteers to help with washing and ironing the Altar linens. The time commitment is minimal, and they are very shorthanded, so please consider helping with this ministry. Call Terri Hahn at 487-0432 if you can help.



Prayer Shawl Ministry Monday, March 11 1:00 PM, Conf. RM 1

Do you enjoy knitting or crocheting? You are invited to join our group.

We make blankets and shawls for those in need of comfort and warmth in our parish and/or surrounding community. If you have questions or need a shawl, call Lynn at 570-6829.

40 Days for Life March 6 through April 14

Outside Planned Parenthood

This is an opportunity for Catholics to come together with a loving and respectful attitude to pray from 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM daily for the children, parents, workers, and the heart of our city. You are invited to join in this Lenten offering. Visit 40daysforlife.com



- ♦ **Lenten Retreat: Journeying with Jesus on the Way to Jerusalem**, Fr. Oliva, 3/20
- ♦ **Marian Devotion: Walking with Mary towards Her Son**, Fr. Maher, 3/22, 6 PM
- ♦ **Attaining Interior Freedom and Peace in the School of the Holy Spirit**, Fr. Philippe, 3/29, 6:00 PM
- ♦ **Lenten Silent Day of Prayer: Love Told in the Grave: The Meaning of Holy Saturday**, Dr. Lyra Pistick, 4/10
- ♦ **Holy Week Retreats, To Die with Him is to Live with Him**, Fr. Cleveland
Women: April 15-17
Men: April 18-20

To register for any of these events, call the IHRC at 448-1224 or go to www.ihrc.net

Other Happenings

- ♦ **St. Francis of Assisi Women's Club Spring Card Party and Luncheon**, 3/20, Noon til 3, \$8 per person, Call Gina at 328-4818.
- ♦ **Catholic Daughters Annual Spring Tea and Fashion Show**, April 13, 10 AM to 2 PM, STM PACC, \$25, call Kathy at 466-3392.
- ♦ **St. Aloysius Gonzaga Altar Society Card Party**, 4/23, 12:30 PM, \$5, call Lucy at 489-0676.



One of our parishioners has lost her rosary beads. It is emerald green and made by her father. If you find it, please bring it to Parish Office.



Thank you to all who made our 40th Annual Italian Dinner and Auction a great success and blessing to our school and especially for our students. Thank you for all the support we have received from the parish in donation of items, in helping to set up and serve, and in the clean up! The school is truly blessed with your generosity!

Thank you to Kelsey Machtolf & Mandi Hurd for being such great chairs and giving hundreds of hours to the success of this massive undertaking. Thank you to the many sub-committee chairs – Procurement: Marie Pence; Bar: Agatha & Alex Springer; Class Projects: Bridget Meredith; Decorations: Sara McNellis & Caralee Palmer; Raffle: Caleb & Mercedes Nokes; Reservations: Siri Herzog; Silent Presentation: Jenny Louie AND there are countless others who helped them and made this all happen. Thank you to our fantastic chefs from Ferraro's for the amazing dinner & the many people who helped them. Thank you to Steve Nokes for again helping in preparation and developing of the salad and the dressing from scratch. Thank you to Jennifer Siira and her amazing registration and check out workers – they were problem solving all night long. Thank you to our parishioners and friends who generously volunteered their time to serve our delicious meal. Thank you to the Whitworth and Washington State University students from their respective Catholic ministries that came to give "manpower". Thank you to Jim & Carie Voelker, Suzy Schilleriff, & Jennifer Onzay for helping out with the Gym check at the last moment because our main workers got the flu! Thank you to our auctioneer, Stu Lee and his lovely wife Kelli. Thank you to all our benefactors and supporters. We truly are blessed with a great community spirit—led by the Holy Spirit—for all our gifts come from above.





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 March 11:

Mon.	7:30 A.M.	
Tue.	7:30 A.M.	Betty Siria
Wed.	7:30 A.M.	Janet Kosch
	8:45 A.M.	
	7:00 P.M.	
Thur.	7:30 A.M.	
Fri.	7:30 A.M.	
Sat.	7:30 A.M.	
	4:30 P.M.	Bob Durgan
Sun.	7:30 A.M.	
	9:00 A.M.	Terry Miller
	11:00 A.M.	STM Parishioners
	7:00 P.M.	

ADORATION

Lent is a great time to stop by our Adoration chapel to find peace...St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta has stated, "The fruit of silence is Prayer, the fruit of prayer is Faith, the fruit of faith is Love,...the fruit of love is Service, the fruit of service is Peace." St. Padre Pio's words, "Confide your needs to Him, along with those of others." The following time slots need volunteers: Call Sue at 467-0611 if you can help.

Mondays: 4:00 AM to 5:00 AM
Tuesdays: 1:00 AM until 2:00 AM, 4:00 AM to 5:00 AM
Wednesdays: 4:00 AM to 5:00 AM
Thursdays: 4:00 AM to 5:00 AM

Family Holy Hour

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.

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

You are invited to join us in praying for ourselves, our families, or friends.

2019-2020 School Registration begins March 12!

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 St. Thomas More Catholic School teachers are not only devoted to the academic excellence of your child but more importantly, we work with you as a family to develop the closest possible relationship with God.

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 have a strong program of teaching coding and robotics beginning in Kindergarten and growing throughout the grades. We have a vegetable garden and a greenhouse to grow food that is used for our St. Vincent de Paul ministry and for Catholic Charities programs to help those in need. Our greenhouse program is beginning a new program in teaching the children about aquaponics – the harvesting of fish and growing of food in a closed environment through the entire year – this program will teach students about self-sufficiency and best practices for using God's resources for the good of others. This program works with students to learn real-world problem solving skills.

We have classes in Art, Music, and Physical Education. We have programs that teach Spanish as a foreign language and outdoor education programs that combine hands-on learning about our environment as well as teaching and learning about cooperative learning and leadership skills.

Learn more about St. Thomas More Catholic School by viewing several videos of current and past programs and activities at www.gostm.org

Lenten Rules For Fast and Abstinence

Fasting is required for those between the ages of 18 to 59 on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. A proper fast means only one full meal a day with other meals limited. Abstinence from meat is required for everyone 14 and older on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays in Lent and Good Friday.



Lenten Penance Services:

April 9, 9:00 AM
April 11, 7:00 PM

Looking for ways to reflect during Lent?

Spend some time with Jesus...

This Lent we are offering a few different ways to have a daily reflection to prepare our hearts for Jesus' sacrifice.

There will be materials you can pick up in the vestibule. We will have children's, teen, family and adult devotionals. Please take what is applicable to your family.

You can also get a daily email or text from us to ponder for a few moments. Obviously the email will have a bit more "meat" in it, but the text is a great way to spend just a few moments with the Lord anytime during the day.

If you would like to receive a text and/or email, call the Parish Office to get placed on the list.

Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays during Lent at 6:30 PM in the Adoration Chapel. Walk the path with our Lord through his passion and death and come once again to know of his love for you.



Taize Prayer

Thursdays in the Chapel:
March 14, 21, 28, & April 4
6:30 PM

Followed by:

Lenten Study Series

7:00 PM in the PACC
March 14, 21, 28, & April 4
Topic for March 14: "It's Not Your Grandparent's Lent"

LENTEN REFLECTIONS

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Journey through Lent with Dr. Tim Gray. Set yourself up for a transformative 40 days with Formed Lenten Reflections. Get daily videos from esteemed scripture expert Dr.

Tim Gray delivered right to your inbox.

Don't miss a day of growing closer to our Lord. Go to:

<https://formed.org/promo/lent-registration>
Code: 6HR79H