

# Third Sunday of Lent

The LORD secures justice and the rights of all the oppressed.

— Psalm 103:6

24 March 2019

## Saint Thomas More Parish

Rev. Father Nicholas Schumm, Pastor  
Rev. Father Eugene Casserly, Priest in residence  
Rev. Monsignor John Cassidy, Pastor Emeritus  
Lois Hicks, Parish Assistant, Office Manager  
Robin Whipple, Receptionist  
Susan Henderson, parish organist  
Claudia Hill, part-time office assistant  
Betty Jo Tanner, part-time data assistant  
Kevin McCall, missionary

### Finance Council

Mort O'Sullivan, *chairperson*  
Anne Bode  
Joe Buehler  
Jim Mathis

### Parish Pastoral Council

Michael Juhas, *chairperson*  
Michael Barrett  
Barbara Bibb  
Ann Bode, *finance council representative*  
Karen Buelow  
Casey Etheridge  
Brenna Gintyrapp  
Molly Henley, *secretary*  
Tony Howard  
Patrick Kinnell  
Penny Locke  
Kevin McCall  
Nelson Ortiz  
Delia Stierwalt  
Alan Tschirgi

### Other Parish Groups and Ministries

Sacred Liturgy - Father Nicholas Schumm  
Ushers - Charlie Dickin  
Religious Education - Paige Sanchez  
Youth Group - Sarah Manning  
RCIA - Father Nicholas Schumm  
Ladies Altar Society, CCW - Heidi Nees  
Knights of Columbus - Alan Tschirgi  
Bereavement - Charlene Grant  
Outreach - Lynn VanNatter  
HOPE Ministry - Nelson Ortiz  
Burse Club - Joyce Edgar  
Book Club - Mary Williams  
Prayer Chain - Walter Marsh



### MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY – March 23rd- 4:00 PM  
**KATHRYN SIELA** †  
Req. by: Joe Buehler

SUNDAY – March 24th - 8:00 AM  
**JUDY ALTENBAUGH** †  
Req. by: Jane C. Pearson

SUNDAY - March 24th - 10:00 AM  
**PRO POPULO (PARISHIONERS)**

MONDAY – March 25th - 6:40 AM  
**MARY HOUNSELL** †  
Req. by: Mary Williams

TUESDAY – March 26th – 6:40 AM  
**ROBERT FLEECE** †  
Req. by: Joe Buehler

WEDNESDAY - March 27th – 6:40 AM  
**LOIS HICKS - BIRTHDAY (living)**  
Req. by: Father Nicholas Schumm

THURSDAY– March 28th - 6:40 AM  
**SICK & HOMEBOUND**  
Req. by: STM Ladies Altar Society, CCW

FRIDAY– March 29th – 6:40 AM  
**JANET McCLUSKEY ACEVEDO** †  
Req. by: Mary Reedy Callahan

SATURDAY – March 30th – 4:00 AM  
**JANET ACEVEDO** †  
Req. by: Susan Soule

**WE WELCOME YOU**  
**To Saint Thomas More Parish!**

**DAWN YARBOROUGH**

New to the parish?  
There are Parish Registration forms in the vestibule, please fill a form out and give it to an usher/greeter, place it in the offertory collection, or stop by the parish

## **Parish Events:**

### **STM Ladies Altar Society, CCW**

Next Meeting will be Sunday, **April 14th** after 8 AM. Mass in the Parish Hall. They usually meet on the second Sunday. All women of the parish are welcome. For more info call Heidi Nees at (850) 384-6742.

### **Knights of Columbus**

#### **Father Keating Council #15836**

Next business meeting will be on Tuesday, **April 9th**, at 6:00 PM in Parish Hall. For more info call Grand Knight Alan Tschirgi at (850) 458-2361.

**Book Club Meeting** – The next meeting will be on Tuesday, **April 2nd** at 9:30 AM in the Parish Office and Activities Center. The book for March is **“The Girl with Seven Names”** by Hyeonseo Lee. All are welcome to attend book club.

**Weekly Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal** will be said here at Saint Thomas More Parish every **Wednesday morning** at 7:00 AM following the 6:40 AM Daily Mass.

### **Parish Breakfasts**

**First Sunday:** K of C Pancake Breakfast

**Second Sunday:** STM Ladies Altar Society, CCW

**Third Sunday:** Molly Henley

**Fourth Sunday:** Salamida Family

**Fifth Sunday (Occasional):** Parish Council

### **Traditional Latin Masses:**

**Every Third Sunday, March 17th CANCELLED HAS BEEN CHANGED TO MARCH 31ST 12:30PM**

**Every First Tuesday, April 2nd at 6 PM**

**Every Friday**, Eucharistic Adoration 7 - 8 AM.

**First Friday**, Mass at 6:40AM with Eucharistic Holy Hour 7 - 8 PM unless otherwise noted.

**First Love Adoration on April 5th**, (there will not be one held in March) with praise and prayer from 6-8 PM with reception following in Parish Hall. This is held the first Friday of every month unless otherwise noted.

**First Saturday**, The Holy Rosary will be recited at 3:30 PM in the church in honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and her request at Fatima in 1917.



**Friday, March 29th**- Stations of the Cross 12 Noon

**Sunday, March 31st** - “Bring a Friend to Church Sunday” and enjoy Parish Council breakfast after Mass.

**Sunday, March 31st** - Traditional Latin Mass 12:30 PM - March 17th was cancelled due to Confirmation.

**Tuesday, April 2nd** - Traditional Latin Mass 6 PM

**Friday, April 5th** - Stations of the Cross 12 Noon

**Friday, April 5th** - First Friday Love Adoration with praise and prayer from 6-8 PM with reception following in Parish Hall.

**Friday, April 12th** - Stations of the Cross 12 Noon

**Friday, April 19th** - Stations of the Cross 12 Noon

**Friday, April 19th** - **GOOD FRIDAY** - 6 PM Liturgy  
No 6:40 AM Mass

The month of March  
is dedicated to the  
**SAINT JOSEPH**



## **NEW EMERGENCY PHONE LINE**

Attention parishioners of Saint Thomas More Parish! Our priests have a new phone line for Sacramental emergencies only **(850) 266-5996**.



## **Diocesan Second Collections**

Catholic Relief Services - March 30th & 31st

Seminarian Collection - April 18th

Shrines of the Holy Land Collection - April 19th

Catholic Home Mission Appeal - April 27th & 28th

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10;  
Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9;  
Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20;  
Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17;  
Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21;  
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Alternate readings (Year A):  
1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6;  
Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Lent; First Scrutiny

Monday: Annunciation of the Lord

Friday: Abstinence from meat

### A MARRIAGE FULLY ALIVE IN CHRIST

The 2019 Diocesan Marriage Retreat, April 26th to April 28th, is a weekend for married couples to spend quality time with one another and the Lord Jesus. Couples have their own private cabin for two nights in the gorgeous setting of Topsail Hill State Park. Talks, Mass, adoration, confession, small group discussion and one-on-one time together will move couples towards a deeper recognition of the centrality of Christ in their marriage. Access to the park's 30-A beaches as well as hiking and biking trails will allow couples to reconnect and relax in the great outdoors. For more information and to register online go to [ptdiocese.org/marriageenrichment](http://ptdiocese.org/marriageenrichment) or call 850-435-3553.



### CHRISM MASS

Bishop William Wack, CSC will celebrate the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart on Tuesday, April 16th at 10:00 AM. Everyone is cordially invited to attend this Mass, in which we celebrate the gift of priesthood among us and bless the oils used in the sacraments and rituals throughout the year.

### Please, pray for our sick parishioners:

Bill Alexander

Betty Appelberg

Richard Beecher

Barbara Bibb

Rusty Blzell

Needa Brazwell

Rusty Budde

Anna Christco

Susan Henderson

Regina Kaufman



Alicia Kelson

Helen Manley

Genny Manwaring

John McKeon

Phyllis Nearn

Dan Owczarczak

Sherry Peacock

Jane Pearson

Babe Rohan

Bob Russo

If someone needs the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish office at 850-456-2543. If there is no answer, please leave a message with name and phone number and the priest will call you back.

### 44th ANNUAL WOMEN'S CONVENTION

Calling all members of the PTDCCW & All Catholic Women! The Pensacola-Tallahassee Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is holding its **44th Annual Convention: Grace upon Grace**, Saturday, April 6th at Saint Louis Church in Tallahassee. Join us for a day comprised of testimonies of grace in action, Mass & Lunch with Bishop William A. Wack, a presentation on the *La Florida Martyrs* and much more! Doors open at 8 AM. Registration is required - early registration before March 15th is \$30, after March 15th \$35 - closes March 29th. For ALL information, go to [www.ptdccw.org](http://www.ptdccw.org). Join us for a spiritually uplifting & memorable day! POC Mary Sauvageau 850-651-1459, President PTDCCW.



### CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL 2019

**Total Pledge Goal: \$37,440.18**

**Pledge Paid to Date: \$35,853.65**

**Number of Families Pledged: 86\*\***

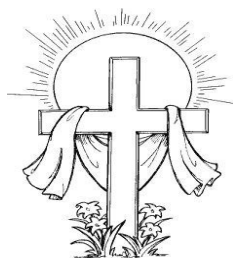
**Number of Parish Families: 290**

**\*\*To be considered an active parishioner one must be registered, participate regularly in Mass, give to offertory and participate in Catholic Sharing Appeal.**

# Saint Thomas More Parish News & Noteworthy Items

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

- **Palm Sunday Weekend**—regular schedule
- **Holy Monday—Holy Wednesday** - 6:40 AM Daily Mass at Saint Thomas More
- **Holy Tuesday - Chrism Mass** at Cathedral of Sacred Heart 10 AM
- **Holy Thursday** - Holy Mass of the Lord's Supper at 6:00 PM (No 6:40 AM Mass)
- **Good Friday** - Liturgy of the Passion of our Lord at 6:00 PM (No 6:40 AM Mass)
- **Holy Saturday** - Paschal Vigil Mass at 8:00 PM (No 3:00 PM Confessions or 4:00 PM Mass)
- **Easter Sunday** - Holy Mass of the Resurrection at 8:00 AM and at 10:00AM.



## PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL



For the times we fear  
Sharing our pro-life convictions:  
May the Lord strengthen our faith  
And grant us courage to follow him;  
We pray to the Lord.

God's love does not differentiate between the newly conceived infant still in his or her mother's womb and the child or young person, or the adult and the elderly person. God does not distinguish between them because he sees an impression of his own image and likeness in each one. Life is the first good received from God and is fundamental to all others; to guarantee the right to life for all and in an equal manner for all is the duty upon which the future of humanity depends. The effectiveness of our commitment to peace depends on our understanding of human life. If we want peace, let us defend life!

Pope Benedict XVI

## "BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH SUNDAY"

The weekend of March 30 & 31 Parish Council would like to encourage all parishioners to bring a friend to Mass. After Mass, please join us in the Parish Hall for food and fellowship. This will be a great way to invite our neighbors and friends to join our parish family.



## SILENT AUCTION FOR W.E.A.C.—MAY 4TH

What in the world is W.E.A.C.? Warrington Emergency Aid Center is an outreach program Saint Thomas More has been supporting for 4 years. W.E.A.C.'s stated purpose is to give food and clothing to individuals or families who have a need in our community!

This unique organization operates on donations of food, clothing, and personal items as well as wanting to feed and assist those in need.

The Center is open 9 AM to 1 PM, five days a week. Our church is holding another silent auction on May 4th benefiting W.E.A.C. Last year, the money raised for W.E.A.C. was paramount in keeping the doors open, paying staff and paying for needed maintenance. Our church is its largest contributor.

We are looking forward to the same amount of support we received last year. Let's help make this silent auction another major success!



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Regular weekly Religious Education classes will start on Sunday, September 9th. Classes take place from 8:50 - 9:50 AM in the Parish office behind the church.**

**The schedule is as follows:**

**Sundays in March: 24, 31**

**Sundays in April: 7, 14, 28 No class on 21st (Easter)**

**Sundays in May: 5**

**Sunday May 19th is First Communion**