

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*The Lord is near
to all who call upon Him.*

—Psalm 145—



September 24, 2023

Saint Thomas More Parish

Rev. Father Nicholas Schumm, Pastor
Bill Janis, KM KCHS, Office Manager
Michele Gousy, Office Manager
Michele Kenaga, Director of Faith Formation
Madeline Miller, Director of Sacred Music
James White, Maintenance

Finance Council

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

Parish Pastoral Council

Heidi Nees, *chairperson*
Gene Church
Norm Gousy
Dr. Gerry Goyins
Chris Moore
David Olson
Delia Stierwalt
Joe Trechter
Jack Williams
Michael Witt

Other Parish Groups and Ministries

Sacred Liturgy - Father Nicholas Schumm
RCIA - Father Nicholas Schumm
Faith Formation - Michele Kenaga
Sacred Music - Madeline Miller
Ladies Altar Society, CCW-Lynn VanNatter
Knights of Columbus - Alex Bui
Outreach - Lynn VanNatter
Burse Club - Joyce Edgar
Ushers - Charlie Dickin

URGENT SACRAMENTAL CARE



To request urgent care, please text
or leave a detailed voicemail at the
following number: (850) 266-5996.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

4:00 PM - MARY WILLIAMS †
Req. by: Mary Reedy Callahan

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

8:00 AM - RAY AVERILL (LIVING)
Req. by: Joyce Clopton

10:00 AM - PRO POPULO

7:00 PM - GENNY MANWARING †
Req. by: Joyce Clopton

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 - 7:30 AM
MARIA TUYEN †

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 - 7:30 AM
PAT WATSON (LIVING)
Req. by: Bruce & Hue Watson

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 - 7:30 AM
MONSIGNOR JOHN CASSIDY †

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 - 7:30 AM
JAMES T. DENNY †
Req. by: Bruce & Hue Watson

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 - 7:30 AM
ANGELA MARIA & ANN (NINA) ROSASCO †
Req. by: Mary Rosasco

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 - 4:00 PM
CARLA BURKE †
Req. by: Susan Soule

PARISH NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY ITEMS

Parish Events:

Parish Pastoral Council: The next meeting will be on **October 12, 2023** the Parish Hall. Dinner will be provided at 5:45 PM; the meeting will begin at 6:00 PM.

Ladies Altar Society, CCW: The next Ladies Altar Society meeting will be on **Sunday, October 8th at 9:00 AM** in the Parish Hall. All women of the parish are invited to join and attend Ladies Altar Society.

Knights of Columbus Father Keating Council #15836:

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, October 10th** in the Parish Hall after the 6:00 PM Mass. For more info about the Knights of Columbus, please call Alex Bui at (850) 261-1099 or alexanderbui@cox.net

Weekly Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal and Litany to Saint Joseph: 8:00 AM on **Wednesdays** following the 7:30 AM Daily Mass

Traditional Latin Masses:

Every Tuesday at 6:00 PM (Low Mass)
Every Second & Fourth Sunday at 8:00 AM (Sung Mass)
No Tuesday TLM on September 26 and October 3
No Sunday TLM on October 8

Catholic Moms: Moms of all ages are invited to join for fellowship and breakfast with other moms (children are welcome!). For more information, please email Olga Witt at stm_momsgroup@fastmail.com. **Next Moms Night Out will be on Sunday, September 24th.**

Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration:

Fridays: following the 7:30 AM Mass until Noon with Benediction;
Sundays: starting at 6:15 PM before 7:00 PM Mass;
First Wednesday of each month: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

First Saturday: Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM on First Saturdays in honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and her request at Fatima in 1917. The Holy Rosary will also be recited at 3:30 PM on First Saturdays.

Parish Breakfasts: These families or groups of the parish volunteer to bring treats to share in the Parish Hall after the 8:00 and 10:00 AM Masses on the following Sundays:

- 1st Sunday of the Month: Knights of Columbus
- 2nd Sunday of the Month: Ladies Altar Society
- 3rd Sunday of the Month: Salamida Family
- 4th Sunday of the Month: Van Natter and Church Families
- 5th Sunday of the Month: Parish Council

VICTIM'S ASSISTANCE

The Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee is committed to healing the hurting hearts of sexual abuse survivors and established Victim's Assistance Coordinators to help those who have been sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or other church personnel. Louis M Makarowski, PhD, PA is the Coordinator for Pensacola. His phone number is (850) 477-7181.

CONFESSION AND MASS SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday at 7:30 AM

SATURDAY

Confessions heard from 3:00-3:45 PM
Mass at 4:00 PM

SUNDAY

Mass at 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM
Confessions heard from 6:15 - 6:45 PM
Mass at 7:00 PM

TUESDAY EVENING

Confessions heard from 5:15 - 5:45 PM
Traditional Latin Mass at 6:00 PM (Low Mass)
NO Confessions or TLM on September 26 and October 3

TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

2nd & 4th Sundays at 8:00 AM (Sung Mass)
Every Tuesday evening at 6:00 PM (Low Mass)
NO TLM on Tuesday September 26
NO TLM on Tuesday, October 3
NO TLM on Sunday, October 8

FIRST SATURDAY MASS

Mass at 9:00 AM the First Saturday of every month

CATHOLIC MOMS NEW BABY MEAL TRAIN MINISTRY

The Catholic Moms Group would like to reach out and support those parishioners who are new parents with a meal train, helping out during those first busy weeks

with a baby. If you'd like to help the Moms Group and participate in Newborn Meal Trains, please reach out to Olga Witt at stm_momsgroup@fastmail.com. All are welcome to participate!!



Please, pray for our sick parishioners:

Please call the Parish Office at 850-456-2543 to add a parishioner to the list.

Gavin Andrews
Ray Averill
Richard Beecher
Rusty Bizzell
Tommy Bosso
Nedda Brazwell
Rusty Budde
Anna Christco
Johnnie Clopton
Dot Davis
Joyce DeVore



Beth Gutermuth
Richard Hahner
Regina Kaufman
Paul O'Donnell
Nelson Ortiz
Dan Owczarczak
Damion Rampersaud
Babe Rohan
Mary Turchi
Theresa Westcott
Jinann Wey

If someone is in need of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Office at 850-456-2543. If there is no answer, leave a message with name and number. For an emergency outside office hours, call the emergency line at (850) 266-5996 and leave a detailed voicemail message.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION OF THE LORD

FIRST WEDNESDAY ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

October's First Wednesday Adoration and Benediction will take place on:

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4th at 6:00 PM.



*God dwells in our midst,
in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar.*

—Saint Maximilian Kolbe—

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM EVERY FRIDAY

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament has been extended on Fridays following the 7:30 AM Mass from 8:00 AM until 12:00 PM. All are encouraged and invited to come adore the Lord on Fridays. **Heidi Nees will keep a schedule of adorers who are able to commit to a regularly scheduled hour. There must be at least two people committed for each hour, so the Sacrament is never left alone. If you would like to commit to a regular hour or two on the schedule, please contact Heidi through the Parish Office at 850-456-2543.**

Saint Thomas More Parish's focus during our Friday Eucharistic Adoration is for the needs and intentions of the Parish, including Father Nicholas, all of our parishioners, their families, our sick and homebound, our deceased parishioners, everyone who lives and works within our parish's geographical boundary, and for vocations to the priesthood and religious life to come from Saint Thomas More Parish.

FIRST COMMUNION REGISTRATION

Classes and preparation for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will begin on Sunday, October 8th. If your child is (or will be) at least 7 years old by May 2024 seeking to receive First Reconciliation and Holy Communion this year, please email Michele Kenaga at faithformation@stm.ptdiocese.org.

All children preparing to receive First Communion in May 2024 must register and attend the Religious Education classes this school year, even if they attend a Catholic school. Classes are held on several scheduled Sundays during the school year in the Parish Office at 11 Broadmoor from 8:50 - 9:45 AM.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

The next RCIA sessions will be on:

Wednesday, September 20 at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall.

Wednesday, October 11 at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall.

Wednesday, October 25 at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall.



RCIA is open to all those seeking Baptism and to those who are already baptized Christians seeking Reception into the Catholic Church. It is also open to Catholics desiring to deepen their faith and learn more about the Church.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

All are welcome to attend the Adult Faith Formation Bible studies from Ascension Press on Sunday and/or Monday evenings beginning in September.

Sunday evenings at 5:00 PM

The Book of Exodus

(This study ends in time to attend the 7:00 PM Mass)

Monday evenings at 6:00 PM

Jesus, the Way, the Truth, and the Life

Each session lasts about 90 minutes. Workbooks are available to buy, but you do not have to purchase a workbook to attend and learn with us! We are very early into the studies, so all are welcome to join us!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN

October classes for 1st-5th graders at 8:50 - 9:45 AM in the Parish Office at 11 Broadmoor:

October 8

October 22

All children of the parish are welcome. Students who are preparing for First Communion are required to attend most classes. Please reach out to Michele Kenaga for more information to register your child for Religious Education or Sacramental Preparation:
faithformation@stm.ptdiocese.org



Scripture Readings For the Week of September 24, 2023

Sunday, September 24—25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a;
Mt 20:1-16a

Monday, September 25

Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday, September 26

Memorial of Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday, September 27

Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

Ezr 9:5-9; Tobit 13:2, 13-4, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6

Thursday, September 28

Memorial of Saint Wencelaus, Martyr and Saint Lawrence Ruiz, and Companions, Martyrs

Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Lk 9:7-9

Friday, September 29

Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5;
Jn 1:47-51

Saturday, September 30

Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45



THANK YOU!!

Thank you to all those who helped make our Oktoberfest II a smashing success! This event was a great way for parish families and neighborhood community to come together for an evening of music, fellowship, and fun. Thank you to everyone who gave their time and hard work to ensure this Oktoberfest was such a great evening for all!

—SAINT JEROME—

One of the Four Great Latin Doctors of the Church Feast Day: September 30

Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ

The scars of others should teach us caution.

The friendship that can cease has never been real.

Haste is of the devil.

*When we pray, we speak to God.
But when we read, God speaks to us.*

Saint Jerome - Pray for Us!

GET WELL SOON!

As we head into the Fall and into the flu season, please keep in mind the following guidelines if you're not feeling well:



****If you're running a fever, vomiting, feeling very unwell, have a severe cough or other symptoms of flu, COVID, or other contagious illnesses, please stay home in order to heal and rest and also to avoid spreading illness among parishioners.****

In order to best avoid illness this season, wash your hands frequently and avoid touching your face when out in public in order to keep yourself as healthy as possible.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend for married couples who value their relationship and desire a richer, fuller life together.

Attend a Marriage Encounter Weekend and learn the tools needed to keep your marriage strong.

Sign up today to attend an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on:



3-5 November in Titusville, FL
16-18 February in Tallahassee, FL
5-8 May in Winter Park, FL

For more info, visit wwme.org or Applications@FLCN-wwme.org. Or contact Walt & Viv Paskowski at waltviv.wwme@gmail.com if you have any questions.

UPCOMING LATIN MASS CANCELLATIONS



The Traditional Latin Mass will be cancelled on these days:

Tuesday, September 26 at 6:00 PM
(No Confessions heard at 5:15 PM or TLM at 6:00 PM)

Tuesday, October 3 at 6:00 PM
(No Confessions heard at 5:15 PM or TLM at 6:00 PM)

Sunday, October 8 at 8:00 AM
(8:00 AM Mass will be Novus Ordo)

The regularly scheduled Traditional Latin Masses will resume on Tuesday, October 10.