

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday
6:00 p.m.

Sunday
8:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
6:00 p.m.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday
5:15 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday and Sunday
5:00 - 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

STUDENT HOLY HOUR

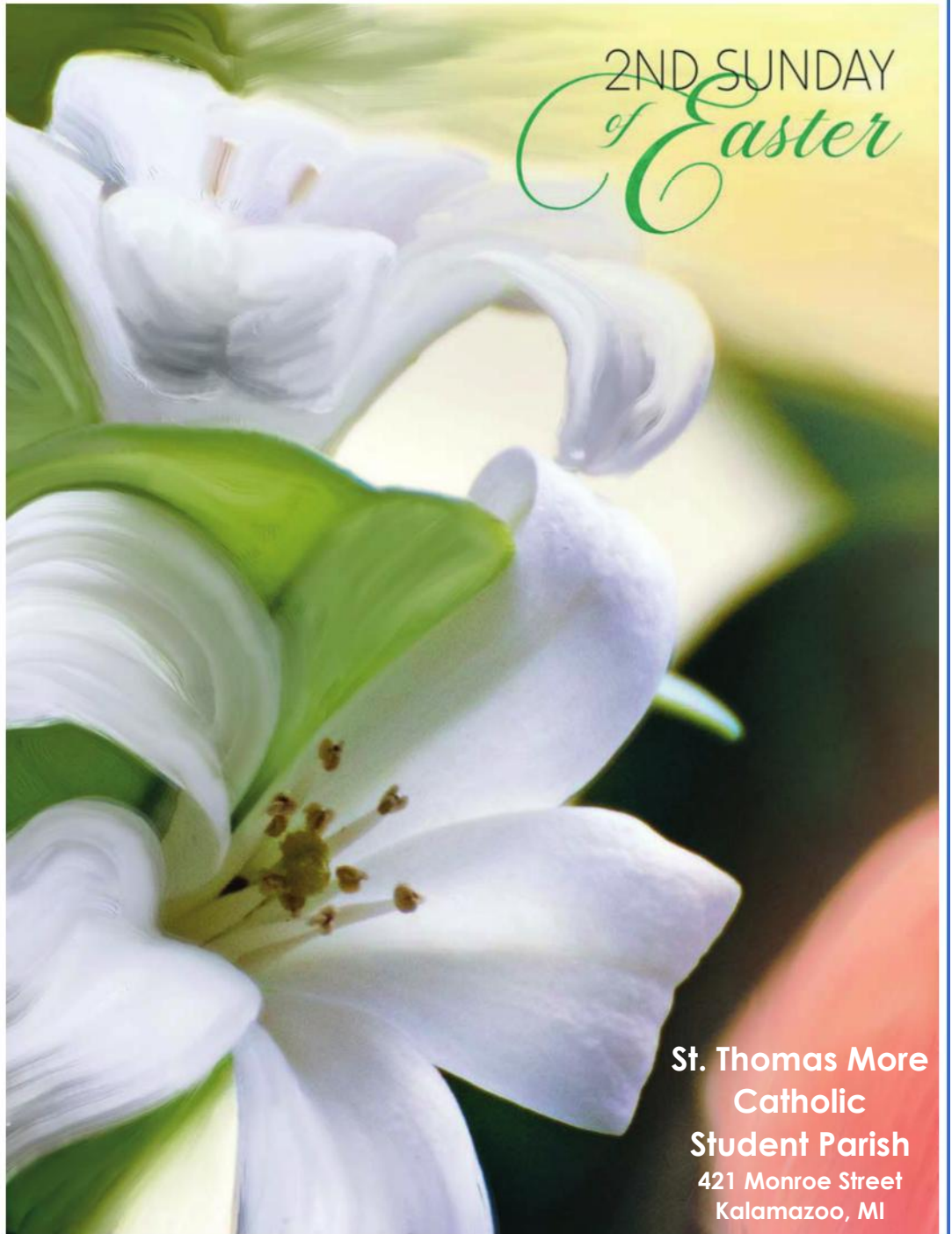
Thursday
6:00-7:00 p.m.

HOLY HOUR

Friday
8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of St. Thomas More Parish, gifted and led by the Holy Spirit, are called to build up the kingdom of God among the college communities of Kalamazoo. Diverse, yet one, we are called to be the Body of Christ, to praise and worship our Heavenly Father, to proclaim God's Word, to love and serve others, especially the poor and neglected. We welcome all into our parish family who wish to share in this mission.



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9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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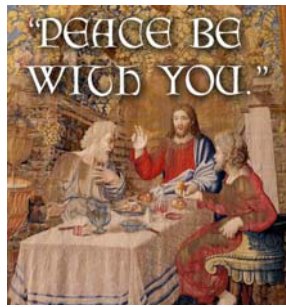
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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,
He is Risen! He is Risen, indeed!

This second Sunday of Easter is about belief and trust. It's a good reminder for us that one person we can trust in Jesus. The opposite of trust is fear. In the second reading today, we hear, "Do not be afraid." Jesus is telling us to trust Him. He is the master over life and death.

In the Gospel today, Jesus greets his disciples. He says, "Peace be with you." A person wrapped up in fear, anxiety and worry will have a real struggle to understand and know peace. Before we know peace we have to know who we can trust. We can trust Jesus.

I hope you all have a safe and blessed Easter season!
Take care!
Peace,

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

BAPTISM —

Parents and godparents are expected to participate in a class before the celebration of this sacrament.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION —

Couples planning to marry within the next year need to attend a marriage prep meeting.

For more information or to register for either class call the parish office 269-381-8917 or email sttoms@sttomskazoo.org

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 23 — Saturday within the Octave of Easter

6:00 p.m. †Jim Deegan by Karen Klott

SUNDAY, APRIL 24 — Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

8:30 a.m. People of the parish

10:30 a.m. †Dick Wisser brother of Jane Runza

6:00 p.m. Students & professors preparing for exams

MONDAY, APRIL 25 — St. Mark

5:15 p.m. People of Ukraine

TUESDAY, APRIL 26

5:15 p.m. Men and women serving in the military

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

5:15 p.m. †Deceased WMU Students

THURSDAY, APRIL 28 — St. Peter Chanel, St. Louis Grignon de Montfort

5:15 p.m. †Monique Y. Coyne by Tom Coyne

FRIDAY, APRIL 29 — St. Catherine of Siena

7:30 p.m. †Frank J. Tucker by the Thomas J. Sullivan family

SATURDAY, APRIL 30 — St. Pius V

6:00 p.m. †Mark Cook husband of Mary Cook

SUNDAY, MAY 1 — Third Sunday of Easter

8:30 a.m. People of the parish

10:30 a.m. †Jan & †Maria Josephine van den Hombergh by family

6:00 p.m. College Graduates

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Reading for the week of, April 24, 2022

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| Sunday | Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31 |
| Monday | 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20 |
| Tuesday | Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15 |
| Wednesday | Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 3:16-21 |
| Thursday | Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 & 9, 17-18, 19-20; Jn 3:31-36 |
| Friday | Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15 |
| Saturday | Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21 |
| Sunday | Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14 |

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

DIocese of Kalamazoo

WE WILL CONDUCT THE BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL IN OUR PARISH OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS.

All of our diocesan programs and ministries serve people in ways that we as a parish alone could never do. Please prayerfully consider what you as an individual and as a family can pledge to support the educational, pastoral and religious programs and services offered by our diocese. Our parish goal is 100% participation and with your gift we can do it. Remember, no gift is too large or too small.

HERE AT ST. TOM'S

REACH, STRETCH, RELAX HAS RETURNED

Join us for group chair exercise class that targets balance, flexibility, range of movement and breathing. The class meets every Wednesday 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the Cougar Room. This class is appropriate for "every body". Contact Matt Barretta at 343-7857 or 548-6837 for more information.

YOGA IS BACK ON THURSDAY'S

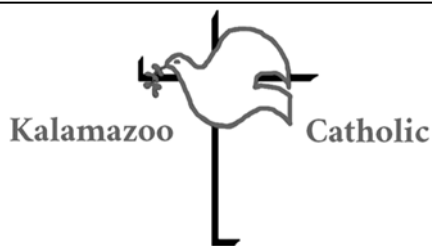
Experience the benefits of yoga. Reduce stress, improve awareness, posture, strength, balance and flexibility. Uniting body, mind and spirit with instructor Gena Pezzoli, every Thursday 10:00-11:00 a.m. in the Cougar Room. Bring a yoga mat if you have one. Suggested donation of \$5-\$10.

COFFEE & DONUTS — VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Beginning Sunday, May 1 after 10:30 a.m. Mass we will offer coffee and donuts. We are in need of assistance with donut pick-up, set-up and clean-up. Call Narcia at the parish office, 381-8917 x261 or email narcia@sttomskazoo.org for more details.

THE ST. TOM'S YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Is back in session on Tuesday, April 26! Join us at St. Thomas More on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm as we discuss "Learning to Pray: A Guide for Everyone" by Fr. James Martin. This group is open to all young adults (young professionals, single, married, parents) in the greater Kalamazoo area who seek to grow their faith through prayer, study, service, fellowship, and community. Email sttomsyoungadults@gmail.com for more information or visit the St. Tom's website. See you there!



COLLEGE STUDENT MINISTRY
at St. Thomas More Catholic Student Parish

BACCALAUREATE

Are you graduating this semester? We are honoring our graduates with a baccalaureate Mass and reception for you and your family and friends on Friday, April 29th at 7:30 PM. If you are interested in attending, please email lisa@sttomskazoo.org with your name, photo, degree/program, and number of guests no later than April 25.



**MORE AT MIDWEEK HAS CONCLUDED FOR THE YEAR
WE WILL SEE YOU IN THE FALL!**

STUDENT HOLY HOUR:

Our final Student Holy Hour for the year is on Thursday, April 28 from 6:00-7:00 PM. Join us in the worship space for an hour of quiet prayer with our Lord. Confession is usually available.

SUNDAY SUPPERS:

Our final Sunday Supper for the year is on April 24. Sunday Supper is a free, homemade meal for college students and young adults in the Social Hall following the 6:00 pm Mass each week.

SURVEY:

Are you a student who will be in Kalamazoo during May, June, July, or August and are interested in doing something with local Catholics? We want to know what you want to see from Kalamazoo Catholic at St. Tom's. Please fill out this short survey: <https://forms.gle/KDnPSsCSEXj8PBJS8>

SOCIALS:

Follow us on Instagram @KalamazooCatholic or sign up for our weekly email or GroupMe to get info on new events first. Email lisa@sttomskazoo.org to subscribe to our weekly email. Our GroupMe texting group can be found here: https://groupme.com/join_group/52988324/7Hj5LRfh

RIDES TO MASS NEEDED!

Our Sunday Shuttle service will conclude for the year at the end of April, but we have international students and upper-classmen who are here in Kalamazoo for the summer and still need a way to get to Mass from their off-campus apartments. Would you be willing to provide a ride to Mass on a regular basis May through August? Depending on the need and interested volunteers this could look like some combination of the following:

- Driving one student in your personal vehicle
- Driving many students using the St. Tom's van
- Be on a schedule rotating the driving with other volunteers
- Being "on call" for a particular student or weekend
- Driving one student for the whole season.

Please email lisa@sttomskazoo.org or call the office if you would like to help out.

FINALS WEEK CARE PACKAGES

This weekend we are offering care packages after all Masses to help our WMU and KVCC students end the semester strong.

The back door of the office garage is unlocked 9:00 -1:00 Monday - Friday for drop-off of toilet paper, WMU Invisible Need items, & foam You may also place them in the large brown bin in back of the office garage.

All donations (except foam) may be brought to the church on the weekend and placed in the designated carts/bins

THE HACKETT CATHOLIC PREP EARTH CLUB Invites all community members to recycle their unwanted electronic items at an Electronics Recycling Event. **Items can be dropped off at Hackett Catholic Prep on Thursday, April 28, 2022 from 11:00am – 4:00pm.** Student volunteers will meet you in front of the school at 1000 W Kilgore Road. Accepted items include: computers, laptops, monitors, TVs, telephones, cameras, DVD players, cords/cables, printers, toner cartridges, cell phones, refrigerators, air conditioners, appliances, and any other electronic items or items with a cord. All items are free to recycle with the exception of monitors (\$10 per monitor) televisions (\$20 per TV) and any items containing Freon (\$10 per item). Hard drives are wiped to Department of Defense specifications or shredded.

HACKETT CATHOLIC PREP INVITES YOU TO THE SHAMROCK CELEBRATION ON FRIDAY, APRIL 29! Hosted in the Radisson Plaza Hotel's Kalamazoo Room, the evening includes dinner, drinks, dancing, raffles and games, and silent and live auctions. The Shamrock Celebration is Hackett's biggest annual fundraiser and our opportunity to celebrate with alumni, school families, and friends. We would love to have you join us! For more information and to purchase tickets, visit hackett22.givesmart.com.

Starting May 7th St. Vincent dePaul Thrift Store WILL BE OPEN ON SATURDAYS from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. This will allow people who work during the week to both shop and make donations at a more convenient time. We will continue to be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 am to 2 pm. Income earned from the sale of merchandise in the Thrift Store goes toward helping people in our community who need temporary help to pay for rent and utilities. Proceeds also help families pay funeral expenses for their deceased loved ones. You support these efforts when you make donations and when you purchase items from the store.

SISTERS PAM AND SUE SEND THEIR GREETINGS! The Sisters of St. Joseph are currently inviting lay individuals, women and men, single and couples, to live with them in their licensed assisted living center at 2929 Nazareth Rd. Assisted living apartments are available now. Email [Mikayla MacRitchie mmacritchie@csjinitiatives.org](mailto:mmacritchie@csjinitiatives.org) at call 269-492-9371 for more information or a tour of the facility,

APRIL 2022 SUNDAY COLLECTION

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| Target for April | 50,769.24 |
| 4/3 | 8,533.00 |
| 4/10 | 11,644.00 |
| 4/17 (Easter) | 16,925.86 |
| 4/24 | |
| Electronic gifts for April 2022 | 20,952.67 |
| Total gifts to date for April 2022 | 58,055.53 |

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