

St. Thomas More Catholic Student Parish

421 Monroe Street
Kalamazoo, Michigan

Holy Week Schedule

MONDAY, APRIL 3

Mass 5:15 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 4

Chrism Mass 6:00 p.m.
at St. Augustine Cathedral
(No Mass at St. Tom's)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5

Mass 5:15 p.m.
Reconciliation 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 6

Mass of the Lord's Supper
6:00 p.m.
Adoration following Mass
Until 11:00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7

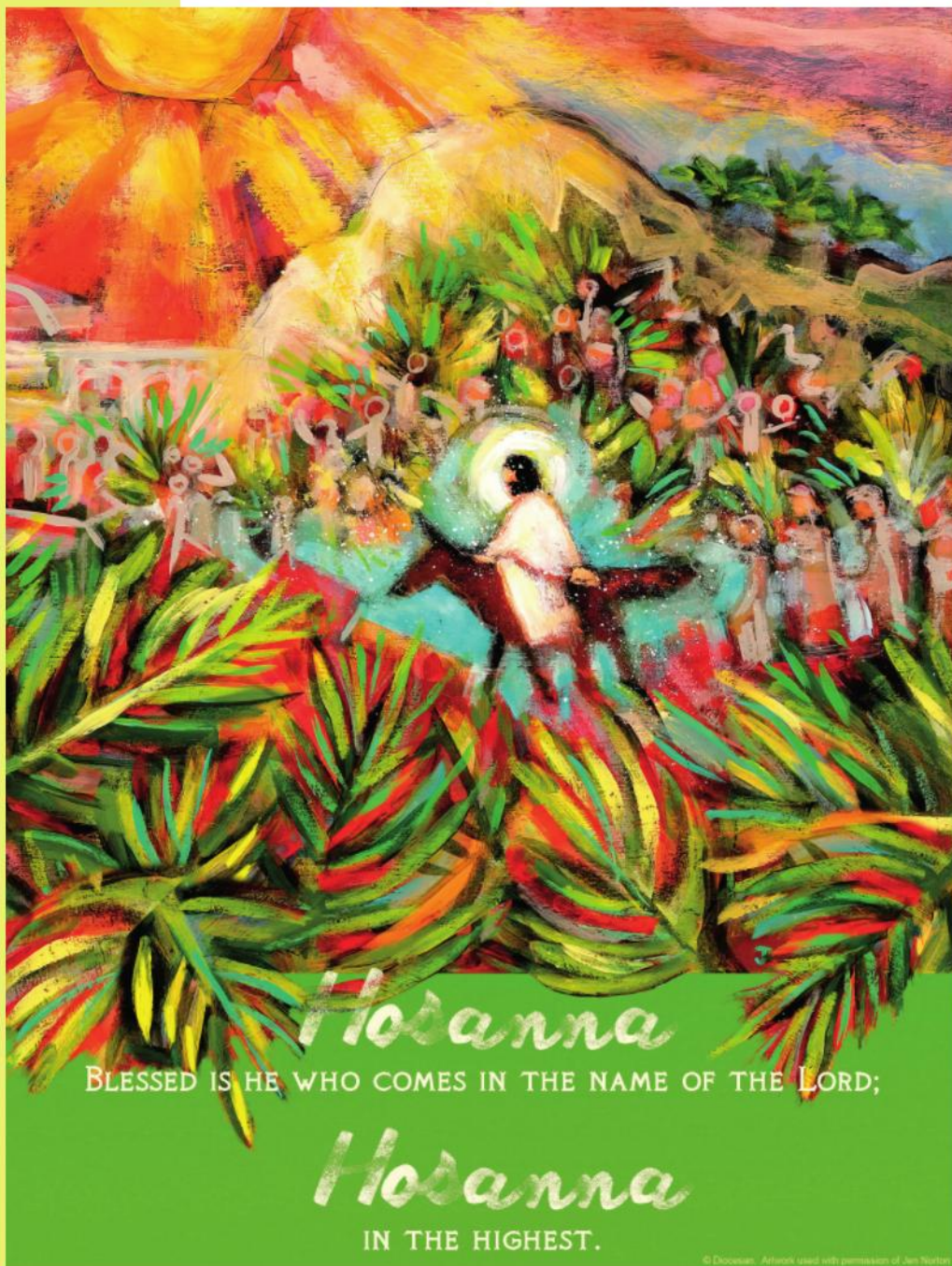
Reconciliation
12:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Stations of the Cross
2:00 p.m.
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
5:15 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 8

Easter Vigil begins at 9:00 p.m.
(No 6:00 p.m. Mass)

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 9

Mass 8:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.
and 6:00 p.m.



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.;
Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
Friday, April 7
PARISH OFFICE AND CHURCH CLOSED
Monday, April 10

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Week of April 2, 2023

Sunday	Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66
Monday	Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday	Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 & 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday	Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 & 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday	Chrism Mass: Is 61: 1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21 Evening Mass: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 5-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday	Is 52:13-53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42
Saturday	Gn 1:1-2:2 or Gn 1:1, 26-31a; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22; Gn 22:1-18 or Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Ex 14:15-15:1; Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18; Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Rom 6:3-11; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mt 28:1-10
Sunday	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or Lk 24:13-35

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 1 — Lenten Weekday	6:00 p.m. †Fr. John Grathwohl by Roth Family
SUNDAY, APRIL 2 — Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	8:30 a.m. †Harry Martin by Deidre Smith 10:30 a.m. †Kurtis Chaivre by family 6:00 p.m. In honor of Joan Boyd's 93rd birthday by family
MONDAY, APRIL 3 — Monday of Holy Week	5:15 p.m. Sick and shut-ins of our parish family
TUESDAY, APRIL 4 — Tuesday of Holy Week	No Mass at St. Tom's (Chrism Mass 6:00 p.m. at St. Augustine's)
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5 — Wednesday of Holy Week	5:15 p.m. †Tim Krone by Jane Krone
THURSDAY, APRIL 6 — Holy Thursday	6:00 p.m. Pope Francis
FRIDAY, APRIL 7 — Good Friday	5:15 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
SATURDAY, APRIL 8 — Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil	9:00 p.m. †Phil Carey by Bob & Ann Campbell
SUNDAY, APRIL 9 — Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord	8:30 a.m. †Ellen Faurot by Jim & Barbara Gilbert 10:30 a.m. †Jan & Maria Josephine van den Hombergh 6:00 p.m. People of the Parish
MONDAY, APRIL 10 — Monday within the Octave of Easter	CHURCH CLOSED / No Mass

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

RCIA — A Journey of Faith

Please pray for our RCIA candidates as they enter Holy Week for their last week of spiritual preparation ahead of the Great Easter Vigil.

They are:



► Isabel Campbell ► Tom Beam
► Dana Hammond ► Clare Hastings ► Alex Nam

CHRISM MASS AT ST. AUGUSTINE CATHEDRAL

On Tuesday, April 4 at 6:00, the diocese will celebrate its annual Chrism Mass, when all the oils that are used for baptism, confirmation, anointing of catechumens, and anointing of the sick are blessed.

FATHER PAUL'S POST

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We have arrived at Palm Sunday! You can say that Jesus' "Hour" had come. This is now the time that Jesus will make his final public affirmation of His claims as the Son of God. By doing this, it would lead to Calvary. It would also lead to his Ascension and the establishment of His Kingdom on earth.

Love or Fear. Bishop Fulton Sheen in his book, *The Life of Christ*, points out that when Jesus acknowledged the praise from the crowds, there were only two courses for the city: to confess Jesus as Lord, like Peter, or else crucify him.

Bishop Sheen also states that either the crowds would claim Jesus as their king, or cling to Caesar being their only sovereign king. The religious leaders would deny Jesus his rightful claim. They chose fear instead of God's love.

There are many special liturgies and celebrations occurring this week here at St. Tom's and at St. Augustine's cathedral. I hope you are able to attend some of these events in person or via livestream. It's an opportunity to walk with Christ and witness his being hailed as a king on Palm Sunday, the last supper with his disciples, his passion and crucifixion on Good Friday; and finally his glorious triumph over death at the Easter Vigil! May God bless all of you!

Sincerely, FR. Paul



Painting by Chinese American artist
Dr He Qi



COLLEGE STUDENT MINISTRY

at St. Thomas More
Catholic Student Parish

BACCALAUREATE

Are you graduating this semester or over the summer?

We would like to honor our (almost) graduates by hosting a baccalaureate Mass and reception for you and your family and friends on Friday, April 28 at 7:30 PM.



If you are interested, please email lisa@sttomskazoo.org with your name, photo, degree/program, and number of guests by or before Monday, April 24.

Please also indicate if you would like to have a role in the Mass—reading, sharing your St. Tom's experience, music ministry, or something else.

Dress code: You can wear your cap and gown/dress up or whatever you would typically wear to Mass.

SUNDAY SUPPERS

Free homemade meals for college students served around 7:00 PM in the Social Hall following the 6:00 PM Sunday Mass! Entrée, drink, desserts, and more. There will be no supper on April 9th since it is Easter Sunday.



MORE AT MIDWEEK

takes place on Wednesday nights from 7-9 PM. We will have praise and worship, a reflection on scripture, and intercessory prayer. At 8 we will have pizza as we have a movie night, where we will be watching The Chosen.



STUDENT HOLY HOUR

There will be no Holy Hour at 6 PM on Thursday, April 6th due to Holy Thursday. At 6 there will be the Mass of the Lord's Supper, with adoration available after.

SUNDAY SHUTTLE

Are you a college student who would like a ride to a Sunday Mass? If so, please contact Lisa at lisa@sttomskazoo.org to ride the Sunday Shuttle or be paired with another student driving into Mass.



FINAL SECOND FRIDAY MASS

will be at Kanley Chapel on WMU's campus (across from Sangren Hall), April 14th at 12:10 PM with Fr. Paul. Come celebrate Easter with us between classes or on lunch!

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/89335085/4QjzW0gK



PASSION PLAY CAST

Quinn Heiser

Gena Pezzoli

Haila Jiddou

Rose Chaivre

Lilli Alverado

Joseph Chaivre

Nick Behnke

Alexis Chaivre

Berry Nguy

Bella Chaivre

Erin May

Gabriella Sippel

Wyatt Cupp

Allison Frank

Music composed and performed by Cameron Hachigian

Narrated by Nadine Deak



TOILET PAPER MINISTRY
Toilet paper donations for those in need.

THE BACK DOOR OF THE OFFICE GARAGE IS OPEN
MON-THURS 9:00 AM-3:00 PM; FRI. 9:00AM-1:00PM
OR BRING TO CHURCH WHEN YOU COME TO MASS

FOAM RECYCLING CONTINUES

Foam accepted at the parish garage only. Either inside the garage or in the large brown bin outside the door.

HERE AT ST. TOM'S

REACH, STRETCH, RELAX

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

Experience the benefits of yoga every Tuesday & Thursday, 10:00-11:00 am in the Cougar Room. Reduce stress, improve awareness, posture, strength, balance and flexibility. Uniting body, mind and spirit with instructor Gena Pezzoli. Bring a yoga mat if you have one. Suggested donation of \$10 to help our Feminine Care Product Ministry.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR — Grades 1-6

Rehearsals on Thursdays at 6:00 pm., in the Bronco Room if you have a child in grades 1-6 who would be interested in joining our new Children's Choir, contact Michael Zutis at zututriot@gmail.com

AREA NEWS

**COME WORK IN ST. MONICA'S
AFTER-SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM!**

St. Monica Catholic School is looking to hire several responsible individuals to work in their after-school care program, Kids' Klub, for this year and next. **Kids' Klub employees are needed every day of the week during the school year, Monday – Friday, from 3 until 5:30 PM to help supervise students on school grounds.** We can work around your schedule! **Requirements:** Interested candidates must be at least 16 years of age. Proof of VIRTUS-training/fingerprinting/background checks and medical clearance, which includes recent TB test results, required upon point of hire (we will guide you through it!) as well as some online, paid training. If interested, please contact Administrative Assistant Clare Zemlick at czemlick@stmonickazoo.org with your resume and availability. *Thank you!!*

The **Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service (CBAR)** has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for investigation. To make a report, visit ReportBishopAbuse.org or phone (800) 276-1562. When a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential.

**2023-2024
SCHOOL YEAR****WHY CHOOSE THE
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OF
GREATER KALAMAZOO?****1****FAITH**

God is at the center of all we do. Our teachers have a solid faith formation and serve their students as role models of our Catholic faith.

2**KNOWLEDGE**

We strive to set your children up for future success and we know that requires a rigorous curriculum and high academic standards. Our students regularly meet and exceed local and national test scores and thrive in our well-balanced school environments.

3**SERVICE**

Our students put their faith and knowledge into action through service to others. Through a variety of service projects and servant leadership opportunities, we instill in them one of the principles of our faith - to serve others before ourselves.

**ENROLLMENT OPENS
MONDAY, MARCH 6TH!**

St. Monica Catholic School:
Preschool-8th grade
530 W Kilgore Rd, Kalamazoo, MI 49008

St. Augustine Cathedral School:
Preschool-8th grade
600 W Michigan Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Hackett Catholic Prep:
9th-12th grade
1000 W. Kilgore Road, Kalamazoo, MI 49008

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
of Greater Kalamazoo**MASS COORDINATORS NEEDED AT ALL
EASTER SUNDAY MASSES.**

Please email narcia@sttomskazoo.org or call her at the parish office 269-381-8917 ext. 261

Your assistance will be greatly appreciated!!!

**LOOKING FOR THE HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE ...
CHECK THE COVER OF THIS BULLETIN****RICE BOWLS**

It is now time to bring in your Lenten Rice Bowls. You may put them in the basket in the narthex. Thank you for your concern for the less fortunate through your Rice Bowl donations.



**POPE FRANCIS HAS ASKED
OUR PARISH TO SUPPORT THE
PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION,
WHICH HELPS CHRISTIANS IN THE HOLY LAND.**



Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The pandemic hit particularly hard the Christians in the Holy Land. Most of them depend on pilgrimages to work. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is also necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land where the Church was born. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday

MARCH 2023 SUNDAY COLLECTION

Target for March	55,000.00
3/5	8,351.90
3/12	5,577.00
3/19	7,371.12
3/26	5,373.69
Electronic gifts for March 2023	30,254.14
Total gifts to date for March 2023	56,927.85

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.

BLOOD DRIVE

Hope springs
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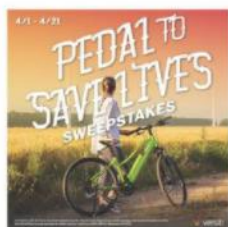
DONATE
BLOOD

**Tuesday
April**

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11:00 AM – 5:00 PM

**Helpful tip:
Make sure to eat a healthy
meal and drink plenty of
water before donating.**



ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PARISH BLOOD DRIVE!

**LOCATION:
Social Hall**

**BLOOD FACT:
-The #1 reason blood donors say they give blood is
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