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DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday thru 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.

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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.

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

SCRIPTURE READINGS Week of April 9, 2023

Sunday Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;

1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

MondayActs 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9; Jn 3:1-8TuesdayActs 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Jn: 3:7b-15\WednesdayActs 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 3:16-21ThursdayActs 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 and 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 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11;

1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE —Whose sins you forgive, are forgiven" means the grudges we carry only make us miserable. The Kingdom of God begins in your home where children learn the paths to peace promised in today's gospel through merciful and forgiving demonstrated by their parents.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 15 — Saturday within the Octave of Easter

6:00 p.m. **†** Joan Roth by Roth Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 16 — Second Sunday of Easter / Divine Mercy Sunday

8:30 a.m. People of the parish

10:30 a.m. †Jim Bosco by Sharon Bosco 6:00 p.m. †Greg Pezzoli by Mom & Dad

MONDAY, APRIL 17

5:15 p.m. **†** Arline Johnson

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

5:15 p.m. Jane Krone (living)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19

5:15 p.m. Philip Schmitt (living) by Anna Schmitt

THURSDAY, APRIL 20

5:15 p.m. Vocations

FRIDAY, APRIL 21 — St. Anselm

5:15 p.m. Sick and shut-ins of our parish family

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

6:00 p.m. † Jim Greene by Ann & Bob Campbell

SUNDAY, APRIL 23 — Third Sunday of Easter

8:30 a.m. **†**Bill Homola

10:30 a.m. People of the parish 6:00 p.m. † Ann Hayes Wild









COLLEGE STUDENT MINISTRY

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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.

CARE PACKAGES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR WMU AND KVCC STUDENTS NEXT WEEKEND IN PREPARATION FOR FINALS WEEK!

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. The last suppers for the semester will be April 16 & 23.

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 and do Soul Core!

STUDENT HOLY HOUR

Eucharistic adoration and confession is in the Worship Space at St. Tom'son Thursdays 6-7 PM. Life is rarely quiet, but it's quiet here. Listen to Jesus speak to your heart.

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.

SOCIALS

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FOAM RECYCLING CONTINUES

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

RACE MATTERS

Building Our Beloved Community Our April Race Matters offering is an immersion experience – an opportunity to step out of our comfort zones and into the community. We will learn how the Congregation of Saint Joseph is addressing racism and working to convert hearts and minds to build a more beloved community through witnessing. The first event--a

conversation--will educate and inform us to participate in the second event – a community event witnessing against racism -- the next day. Join us for one or both events.

STANDING IN SOLIDARITY: WHY WE WITNESS Thursday, April 27, 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm in the Cougar Room

Guest speakers Sisters Mary Ellen Gondeck and Kit Kaiser began witnessing on Friday afternoons with other members of the Congregation of Saint Joseph on June 6, 2020 as a response to the killing of George Floyd. They will share how and why they are called to witness and how it can help grow the beloved community. After the conversation, you can make signs for witnessing on Friday, April 28. Additional signs will be available on Friday as well.

STANDING IN SOLIDARITY: WITNESS WITH OUR COMMUNITY Friday, April 28, 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm, Gull Road and Nazareth Road

Ready to take action? We will gather in front of the historic entrance to Nazareth College on Gull Road and witness as a community. We will stand with signs expressing our solidarity against racism. Even if you don't have a sign, you are welcome to join us. Dress for the weather and bring a chair if you need one. This is a family-friendly event. At the end of the hour, we will briefly process the experience.

To register, email: sttomssjm@gmail.com.

Please note: Registration is *not* required but helps us know how many cookies to bake and how many posters to bring. All are welcome.

AREA HAPPENINGS

THE HACKETT BAND BOOSTERS

are eagerly planning our annual Jazz Night- an evening of fun and music, with the proceeds going to support our music program. This event takes place May 6 from 7-10 p.m. at Hackett's cafeteria.

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https://hackettband.ludus.com

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 zutzutriot@gmail.com

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.



TO ALL WHO HELPED DURING HOLY WEEK

Liturgical ministers, decorating, food prep, various set-ups, photography and more.
WE APPRECIATE YOUR ASSISTANCE!

Also a special thanks to our staff who go above and beyond year round — but especially during Holy Week!

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.

APRIL 2023 SUNDAY COLLECTION

Target for March 55,000.00
4/2 11,651.45
4/9 Easter 16,179.74
4/16

4/23

4/30

Electronic gifts for April 2023 11,786.00

Total gifts to date for April 2023 39,617.19



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