

**ST. THOMAS MORE
CATHOLIC
STUDENT PARISH**

421 Monroe Street
Kalamazoo, Michigan

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday
6:00 p.m.

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

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Week of May 15

No Mass Monday - Thursday

Friday, May 19
Mass at 5:15 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday and Sunday
5:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
No Reconciliation May 17

HOLY HOUR

Friday 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.
No Holy Hour May 19

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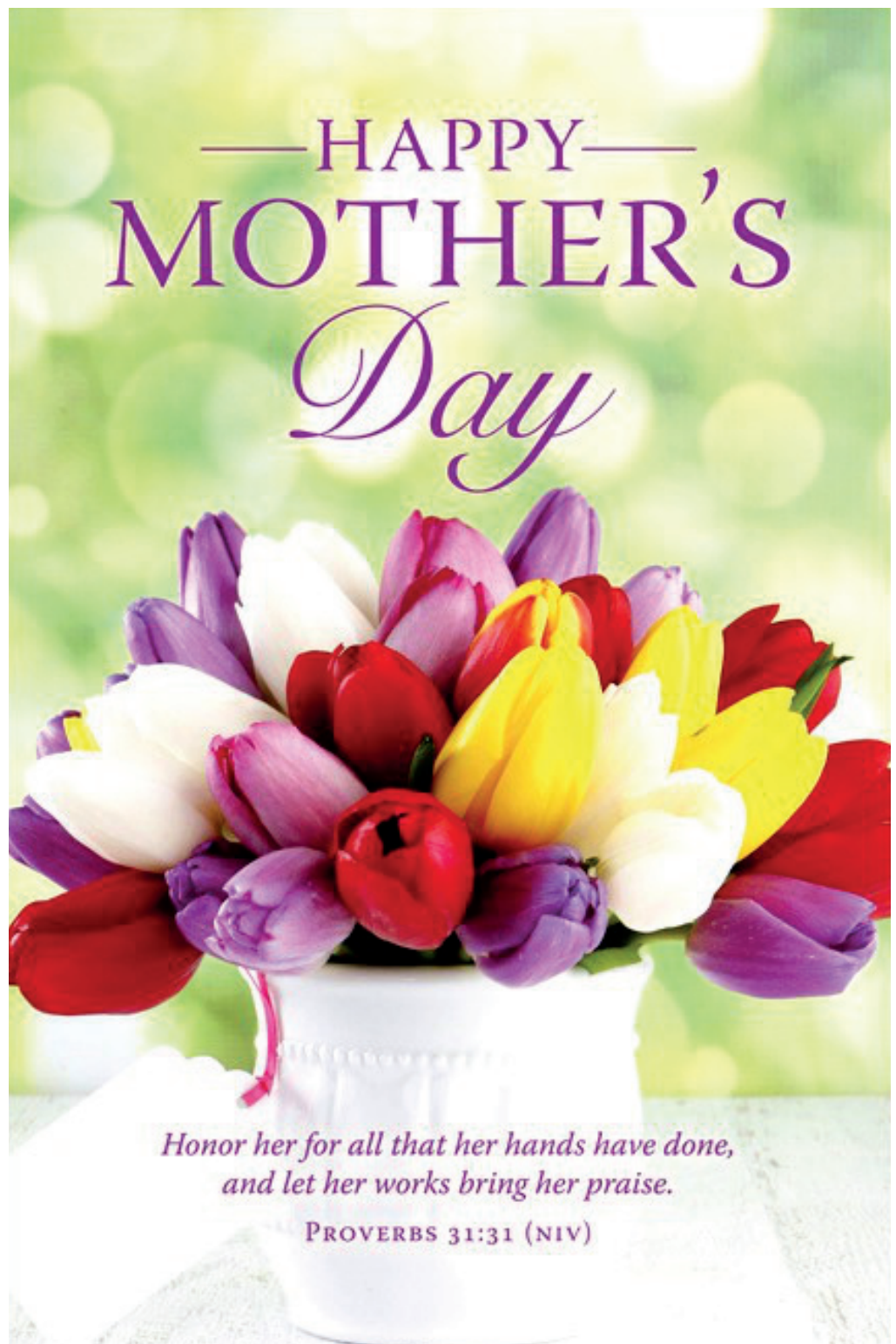
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Monday - Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
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*Honor her for all that her hands have done,
and let her works bring her praise.*

PROVERBS 31:31 (NIV)

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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 May 14, 2023

Sunday	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; 1Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21
Monday	Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Jn 15:26—16:4
Tuesday	Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday	Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday	Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 16:16-20
Friday	Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday	Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MAY 13 — Our Lady of Fatima 6:00 p.m. † Jim Greene by Bob & Ann Campbell
SUNDAY, MAY 14 — Sixth Sunday of Easter 8:30 a.m. † Ann Hayes Wild by Barb and Vic Ceru 10:30 a.m. People of the parish 6:00 p.m. Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunts & Guardians
MONDAY, MAY 15 — St. Isidore No Mass
TUESDAY, MAY 16 No Mass
WEDNESDAY, MAY 17 No Mass
THURSDAY, MAY 18 — The Ascension of the Lord No Mass
FRIDAY, MAY 19 5:15 p.m. Sick and shut-ins of our parish family
SATURDAY, MAY 20 — St. Bernardine of Siena 6:00 p.m. People of the parish
SUNDAY, MAY 21 — Seventh Sunday of Easter 8:30 a.m. † Tony Romano by Elsie Romano 10:30 a.m. † Edwin Kretsch by Tammy Boneburg 6:00 p.m. People of Maria Madre de los Pobres.

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

FATHER PAUL'S POST

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

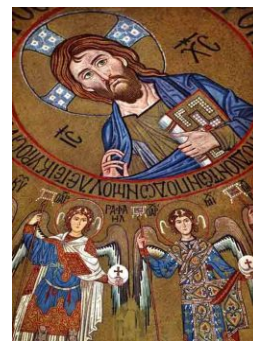
In today's very short Gospel, the word love is used five times! The setting is at the Last Supper. Jesus is preparing to leave His Apostles. He asks for their continued love even though He would no longer be visible to them.

Jesus is letting them know that He is not deserting them; he won't leave them orphans. The Holy Spirit will be with them. It is through the Holy Spirit that they will know that the love Jesus speaks of is a love that is conditioned. Not on God's part, for God always love us. It is conditioned on our part. If we say that we love God but fail to do our best to keep His commandments, we are distancing ourselves from God and from the true love for God. This is the love that leads us all to a peace and joy that we will never know in this world. And this love will be forever!

Next week (May 14-19) I will be at the Priests Retreat. There will be no daily Mass Monday through Thursday or Wednesday reconciliation. Please keep me and all of the priests of our Diocese in your prayers.

Have a blessed week!

Sincerely, *FR. Paul*



Register to donate at our blood drive on Thurs., June 8
[Versiti Blood Center of Michigan - Donor Portal](#)



COLLEGE STUDENT MINISTRY

at St. Thomas More Catholic Student Parish

Sunday Supper, Student Holy Hour, and More at Midweek will return in the fall!

SUMMER INVOLVEMENT

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/4ZmR6NS65rdoPPKy6>

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

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

MIGRANT MINISTRY COLLECTION

Beginning Monday, May 22 through Monday, July 17
WE WILL BE COLLECTING ITEMS FOR THE
ALEMAN CENTER IN HARTFORD

FOOD ITEMS: Cereal; Flour; Sugar; Cooking Oil;
 Tomato Sauce; Canned Corn.

MISC. ITEMS: Pots; Pans; Dishes;

Baby wipes; diapers size 3 & up.

TOILETRIES especially:

Toothbrushes; Toothpaste, Soap, Shampoo

CLOTHING ITEMS **only the following:**

Men's and women's sweatshirts, hoodies, and jeans.

Men's long sleeve button down shirts

THE BACK DOOR OF THE OFFICE GARAGE IS OPEN

MONDAY — FRIDAY 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

OR BRING TO CHURCH WHEN YOU COME TO MASS

**ALSO
NEEDED
QUART SIZE
JARS**

HERE AT ST. TOM'S

SLAVA UKRAINI

Please join us on June 9 at 7PM for *Slava Ukraini*. This is a benefit concert for humanitarian aid in Ukraine, and all proceeds are donated to the Ukraine Aid Fund. \$10 suggested donation Featuring Andrew Koehler, Haden Plouffe, Justin Ortiz, and Michael Zutis

SUNDAY SHUTTLE DRIVERS

We are looking for a few more drivers to drive the church's minivan to pick up our students for the 6 pm Sunday Mass (drop them back off too, of course). About a dozen of our students live just off campus and have been using the shuttle to get to Mass. Our incoming freshmen may have interest in on campus pick up as well. You will need to be background checked and be up-to-date with Virtus training and requirements. If you would like to be part of the "Driving Rotation", contact the office or email Lisa@sttomskazoo.org.

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.

MAY 2023 SUNDAY COLLECTION

Target for May	55,000.00
5/7	22,589.98
5/14	
5/21	
5/28	
Electronic gifts for May 2023	10,081.00
Total gifts to date for May 2023	32,670.98

SOCIAL JUSTICE

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TOILET PAPER MINISTRY
 Toilet paper donations for those in need.

FOAM RECYCLING CONTINUES

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

In four months, in four different events, we explored the topic,

RACISM IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:
WHY DOES IT MATTER AT ST. TOM'S?

More than 200 individuals engaged in these events to listen, learn, and reflect on this timely topic. The Race Matters Team needs your help to evaluate these events and gather ideas for future programs.

Please join us on

Monday, May 22, 7:00 – 8:30 pm via Zoom

for a Race Matters Wrap Up Event. We want to hear from you as we begin to plan our Fall 2023 events.

To register, please email: sttomssjm@gmail.com.

**RACE
MATTERS**

*Building Our
Beloved
Community*



**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN
LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE NAACP?**

(National Association for the Advancement of Colored People)

We are very excited to announce that Wendy Fields, the president of the Kalamazoo NAACP chapter, is giving a presentation on this group and their history here in Kalamazoo.

Please join us on

Wednesday, May 24 at 6:30 pm at St. Tom's in the Cougar room for this program. There is no fee. All are welcome.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact

Bob Cretsinger at rcretsinger@gmail.com

AREA HAPPENINGS

MEMORIAL DAY AT MT. OLIVET CEMETERY

Come join us on Monday, May 29th at 10:00am for Mass at the Mausoleum at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Kalamazoo, followed by a procession and military remembrance. Latin Mass will be offered at 8:00am.

PEACE HOUSE SPRING WORK PARTY

Sunday, May 21, 1-5 pm at Peace House, 321 Phelps Ave. (Kalamazoo's Eastside neighborhood). Peace House is an organization that provides free afterschool and summer programs for children. Please join us to help us get our space ready for our summer program. Work includes simple yard work, planting, cleaning and repairing. Adults, families and kids are all welcome (under 13 with an adult). A great opportunity to give to others, our community, and spend time with others. (If you haven't seen our new swing gazebo, you can try it out!) For more information you can reach us at peacehousekzoo@gmail.com Snacks and beverages provided. You are welcome to join us for whatever amount of time works for you!

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Assisted living apartments are currently available.
For a tour contact Tammy Nelson, Marketing Director (269) 381-6290 or tnelson@csjoseph.org
www.csjinitatives.org/kalamazoo

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