



#### 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

Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday and Friday  
5:15 p.m.

#### RECONCILIATION

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

#### HOLY HOUR

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

## FIRST COMMUNION - SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023

#### FRONT ROW

Luke Andrews, Daniel Pimentel, Wesley Simons, Caroline Townsend, Luella Burns,  
Norma Burns, Daniel Couling, Sam Riker, Teak Gardner

#### MIDDLE ROW

Michael Comensoli, Sophie Hiner, Sophia Woodley, Charlotte Huntley, Arianna Schrock,  
Sophia Morrisson, Bryn Ebenhoeh, Vivian Polasek, Emma Rahl

#### BACK ROW

dcn. joe schmitt, Fr. Robert Barnell (uncle of Teak Gardner), Fr. Luis, Fr. Paul, Mary Anne Munley, Dave Worthams

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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](mailto:sttoms@sttomskazoo.org)

SCRIPTURE READINGS Week of May 21, 2023

<b>Sunday</b>	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20
<b>Monday</b>	Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
<b>Tuesday</b>	Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
<b>Wednesday</b>	Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19
<b>Thursday</b>	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a & 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Jn 17:20-26
<b>Friday</b>	Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
<b>Saturday</b>	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5 and 7; Jn 21:20-25
<b>Sunday</b>	Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-4 or Jl 3:1-5; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

## MASS INTENTIONS

**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.

**MONDAY, MAY 22** — St. Rita of Cascia  
5:15 p.m. †Evan Kavanaugh by McNally Family

**TUESDAY, MAY 23**  
5:15 p.m. †Mike Boltz by Family

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 24**  
5:15 p.m. Vocations

**THURSDAY, MAY 25** — St. Bede the Venerable, St. Gregory VII, St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi  
No Mass

**FRIDAY, MAY 26** — St. Philip Neri  
5:15 p.m. Pete Krone (living) by Jane Krone

**SATURDAY, MAY 27** — St. Augustine of Canterbury  
6:00 p.m. †Bill Homola by Dick & Becky Crites

**SUNDAY, MAY 28** — Pentecost Sunday  
8:30 a.m. †Rene Adrian husband of Joan Adrian  
10:30 a.m. †Michael Chidester by Kay & Roman Krupp  
6:00 p.m. People of the parish

**MONDAY, MAY 29** — The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church  
10:00 a.m. †For all who sacrificed their lives for our country

## FATHER PAUL'S POST

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

This week we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord! We are reading from the Gospel of Matthew today, which does not mention the Ascension. The Gospel ends with Jesus appearing to the disciples after the resurrection. The Gospel of John only mentions the Ascension in Jesus' comments to Mary Magdalene when He appeared to her. The Gospel of Mark makes a brief mention of the event. It's really from the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles that we have any details of the event!

Matthew stresses the teaching part of Jesus' ministry as He commissions the apostles. They are to teach all nations what Jesus taught and to baptize them. The Gospel of Matthew starts and ends on a similar note: "God is with us."

As we are getting ready to wrap up our Easter Season, that's a good theme for us to remember God is with us! Especially when we are united with Him in the Eucharist! Have a blessed week!

Peace, *FR. Paul*



## BLOOD DRIVE

**Thursday, June 8**  
**11:00 am — 5:00 pm**



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**COLLEGE STUDENT MINISTRY**  
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**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](mailto: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](mailto:Lisa@sttomskazoo.org) to subscribe to our weekly email. Our GroupMe texting group can be found here:

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## 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](mailto: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.

## 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.

## "I WAS IN PRISON JAIL AND YOU VISITED ME."

Please consider joining the Kalamazoo Diocese' Jail Ministry team. We have returned to the Kalamazoo County Jail after the jail's three-year Covid break. Men's services have resumed with a Friday afternoon bible study, and a new women's service will start soon, as more women volunteers join the ministry. For more information, please Email Lisa Irwin at [lisairwin@ccdok.org](mailto:lisairwin@ccdok.org).

BISHOP'S  
ANNUAL  
APPEAL

DIOCESE OF KALAMAZOO

As of Monday, May 15, 2023

<b>TOTAL PLEDGES</b>	106	38,838
<b>GOAL</b>	30%	130,785
<b>DIFFERENCE</b>		<b>-91,947</b>
Percentage of participation		<b>17%</b>

## MIGRANT MINISTRY COLLECTION

Now through Monday, July 17

WE ARE COLLECTING THE FOLLOWING 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

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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.

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 [bcretsinger@gmail.com](mailto:bcretsinger@gmail.com)

## MAY 2023 SUNDAY COLLECTION

Target for May	55,000.00
5/7	22,589.98
5/14	7,107.17
5/21	
5/28	
Electronic gifts for May 2023	18,738.67
Total gifts to date for May 2023	48,435.82

## 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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