



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 AUGUST 28

Monday: 5:15 p.m.

Tuesday - 5:15 p.m.

Wednesday - 5:15 p.m.

Thursday - 5:15 p.m.

Friday

12:10 p.m. at Kanley Chapel

No 5:15 p.m. at St. Tom's

RECONCILIATION

Saturday and Sunday

5:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday

6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

STUDENT HOLY HOUR

Thursday 6:00 p.m.

HOLY HOUR

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

ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC STUDENT PARISH

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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.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR BOTH CLASSES

To register or for more information call the parish office at 269-381-8917 or email sttoms@sttomskazoo.org

SCRIPTURE READINGS Week of Aug. 27, 2023

Sunday	Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20
Monday	1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday	1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-3, 4-6; Mk 6:17-29
Wednesday	1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
Thursday	1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 & 17; Mt 24:42-51
Friday	1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1 & 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday	1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30
Sunday	Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

6:00 p.m. †Marlen Boothby by joe & Becky schmitt

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27 — Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. People of the parish

10:30 a.m. †Dennis Chaivre by Rose Chaivre

6:00 p.m. †Monique Coyne by Tom Coyne

MONDAY, AUGUST 28 — St. Augustine

5:15 p.m. †Matthew Margiewicz by Diana Dreksler

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29 — The Passion of St. John the Baptist

5:15 p.m. Orphaned souls by anonymous

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

5:15 p.m. †Steven James Zblewski

By Sandra Lawrence, sister

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

5:15 p.m. Isaac Thurston (living)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

at Kanley Chapel, WMU Campus

12:10 p.m. †Dennis Wolf

5:15 p.m. No Mass

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

6:00 p.m. †Norma Dacoba by Joni Weaver

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 — Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Lora Krone (living) by Jane Krone

10:30 a.m. Deceased members of

Roy & Genevieve Hiler family by Kay Hiler

6:00 p.m. People of the parish

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Religious Education

Registration Open

Now through August 28.

Packets are available on the table in the hallway by the meeting rooms or at www.sttomskazoo.org

Please return forms to: narcia@sttomskazoo.org, the parish office, or drop in the box marked Religious Education on the bulletin table at the entrance.

Make note after August 28 there is \$25 late fee.

For more information or questions contact

Narcia Schultz-Acker - 269-381-8917, x261

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE —

Like Jesus in today's gospel, we are seen by others in different ways. Perhaps the name our family gives us is closest to our true identity. They know us best. Who do they say you are?

FATHER PAUL'S POST

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

This Sunday's gospel is when Simon, on behalf of the Twelve apostles, professes his faith in Jesus as "The Christ, the Son of the Living God." What happened in a unique way in Saint Peter also happens in every Christian who develops a sincere faith in Jesus, the Son of the Living God!



As we start this new academic school year, there are some good questions for us to reflect on! What does the Lord see when He looks in my heart? Is it a heart that is firm as a rock or a heart like sand—doubtful, disbelieving?

We will never have a perfect heart, but if we approach faith in a sincere, genuine way, Jesus may see in us living stones with which to build his community. This community's foundation is Christ, the cornerstone! St. Peter, the rock, is at His side. Every baptized person is called in some way to offer Jesus sincere faith, so that the building of His church continues. Maybe that building of the church starts in our schools, colleges, and universities. Maybe that is where we are called!

Have a blessed week!

Sincerely,

FR. Paul

AUGUST 2023 SUNDAY COLLECTION

Target for August	56,604
8/6	6,315
8/13	6,532
8/20	10,703
8/27	
Electronic gifts for August 2023	20,334
Total gifts to date for August 2023	43,883

HERE AT ST. TOM'S

PARISH RETREAT

We are hosting a retreat on
Saturday, September 23
facilitated by Sr. Dorothy Ederer.
You may register at our website
www.sttomskazoo.org or
pick-up a registration flyer
from the bulletin table in the narthex.
Questions call the parish office, 269-381-8917.



→ **REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1** ←



PARISH VAN DRIVERS NEEDED

We are urgently looking for drivers to take students to the 6pm Sunday Mass starting in September. We have a dozen students living on campus and just off campus who use the shuttle to get to Mass. If you would like to be part of the "Driving Rotation", please contact the office or Lisa Heyduk: Lisa@sttomskazoo.org.



SUNDAY SUPPERS

The sign-up book is in the narthex for Sunday Supper cooks, helpers, and dessert makers. For more information email michele@sttomskazoo.org or call her at 381-8917, ext. 273

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.

MASS INTENTION

if you wish to have a Mass offered for someone who has died or in celebration of someone's special day call the parish office, 381-8917. The intention appears under the Mass schedule in our bulletin. They can be set for weekday or weekend Mass. The usual donation is \$10.

Christmas
Arts & Crafts
Show

St. Tom's Christmas Arts & Crafts Show
Saturday, November 11.
"Calling all artists and crafters"
to reserve your space.
Call or text
Russ Bronson, 561-891-0249

ATTENTION TO SENIOR (50+ YEARS!) WOMEN

Some of us at St. Tom's are looking to start a Social Group!
Would you like to meet other women that go to St. Tom's? We would love to meet you!
We are hosting a Meet-N-Greet on ----- **Monday, September 18 at 2:00 p.m. in the Cougar Room**
Join us for this wonderful opportunity to get to know one another and think of some ideas for future activities and gatherings. A great way to form new friendships and try new things!
Please bring yourselves and ideas of things you might like to do.
Contact Nancy Buist for more information at njhbuist@gmail.com Hope to see you there!



MARRIAGE PREP MENTOR COUPLES WANTED

Here at St. Tom's we prepare on average more than 10 couples a year for marriage. We are looking for couples that are interested in being mentors to these young couples.

Deacon Joe will be holding a training for those interested on Monday, September 18 (note the date change) at 6pm with dinner included.

For more information or if you would like to attend, please contact Deacon Joe via email at jhschmitt@charter.net or via text at 269-716-3825.

Liturgical Ministries

Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers,
Mass Coordinators, Altar Servers,
Greeters

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

If you are interested in
any of these ministries.

**WE ARE ESPECIALLY IN NEED OF
LITURGICAL MINISTERS AT 8:30 A.M. MASS**





WELCOME!! STUDENTS

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

COLLEGE STUDENT MINISTRY AT ST. TOM'S

**MEET US AT OUR BRONCO BASH BOOTH
TUESDAY, AUGUST 29 FROM 3:00-6:00 PM.**

We will be between Sangren Hall and the Lee Honors College
with giveaways, sign ups, info, and more!



STUDENT HOLY HOUR

WITH EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND CONFESSION

resumes in the Worship Space at St. Tom's on
Thursdays 6-7 PM.



Life is rarely quiet, but it's quiet here. Listen to Jesus speak to
your heart.

OUR FIRST SOCIAL EVENT OF THE YEAR TAKES PLACE ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30 AT 7 PM AT ST. TOM'S IN THE FRONT PARKING LOT

with a barbecue and backyard-style games. Hang out till
9/9:30 ish. New and returning students get a chance to
make new friends, catch up, and have some fun!

Our Wednesday night gatherings are called
More at Midweek.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 WE WILL PLAY ULTIMATE FRISBEE

and eat pizza at Goldsworth Valley Pond gazebo and field.
Please meet us at St. Tom's at 6:45 if you want a ride over
there, otherwise meet us at 7:00 at the gazebo.

FIRST FRIDAY AND SECOND FRIDAY MASSES ON WMU'S CAMPUS

Join Fr. Paul for mass at 12:10 PM at Kanley Chapel every first
and second Friday of the month through the academic
year. **September dates are: September 1, September 8**

KALAMAZOO COLLEGE FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

(or any K students) will join us for 10:30 Mass on Sunday, Sep-
tember 10. Meet on the steps of Stetson Chapel by 10:15 to
walk to St. Tom's together.



Save a spot on your calendar for the
second annual St. Tom's

college student BLOCK PARTY

Sunday, September 10 from 7-9 PM.

We will see you for
real food, real friends, real faith.
Catered, games, and raffle!

ARE YOU A COLLEGE STUDENT WHO WOULD LIKE A RIDE TO SUNDAY MASS?

If so, please contact Lisa at lisa@sttomskazoo.org to get on
the list for the Sunday Shuttle

BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday, August 31, 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Everyone who
attempts to donate will receive a LABOR DAY incentive – a
\$15 e-gift card! All donors must have a valid email on file
with Versiti to receive the card. Register to donate at the
following link: https://donate.michigan.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/150545

SUNDAY SUPPERS

Sunday Suppers are a homemade meal hosted by our pa-
rishioners for college students in the Social Hall after
the 6:00 PM Mass. Entree, salad, drinks, and desserts are
served. Our first one this fall will be September 17.

COLLEGE STUDENT RETREAT

Save the date now to retreat with other college students to
Pretty Lake Camp in Mattawan, MI the weekend of Novem-
ber 10-12. More details about sign up, cost, and theme will
be available in October. We will offer a 50% discount to stu-
dents who register with the parish!

SMALL GROUPS/BIBLE STUDY

Our small groups bring college students together in an inti-
mate setting to share life, pray with and for each other, and
learn together about the teachings of Christ and how we
live them on campus, among our friends and families. These
are student lead and it costs nothing but your time and will-
ingness to build these authentic friendships. They are about
an hour a week for 6 sessions. Sign up after Mass this week-
end or watch for a sign up link in the bulletin next week.

ATTENTION STUDENTS AA meets at St. Tom's

Unity Service & Recovery meets weekly at 8:00 p.m. on Fri-
days & Saturdays upstairs in the social hall. Questions please
call: Nicolas at 231-735-2765 or Brad at 574-218-5146.

BLOOD DRIVE

Neighbors Need Neighbors

Donate
Blood

**Thursday
August
31**

11:00 AM – 5:00 PM

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

Thank you for being a LIFESAVER!

**ST. THOMAS MORE STUDENT PARISH
BLOOD DRIVE!**

LOCATION:
Social Hall

PROMOTION:
EVERYONE WHO ATTEMPTS TO DONATE WILL RECEIVE A \$15 E-GIFT CARD!

The Summer is a time when the entire blood industry is impacted. We need ALL blood types to save cancer warriors, patients battling sickle cell, premature babies and other hospital patients who require blood every day.

APPOINTMENTS RECOMMENDED

The link to register is available on St. Tom's website: www.sttomskazoo.org

Hackett Catholic Prep celebrates the **Athletic Hall of Fame and CSGK Award Recognition Night** on September 28. This year's honorees include: Fr. John Fleckenstein, Tim and Sarah Harding, Celeste Eckrich Crowell, David Butkovich, The Hackett 1968-69 Basketball Team and the Hackett 2002 Women's Soccer Team. For more information contact: CSGK.org or Tylinea at Tzimmerman@csgek.org

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We chose Catholic schools for many reasons- the biggest ones being small class sizes and a strong commitment to living out our faith through action. We've been so happy with our choice and have found a welcoming community with dedicated, high quality teachers, focused on guiding our children to be well-rounded academically, spiritually, and physically.

-THE YNCLAN FAMILY

SOCIAL JUSTICE

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

TOILET PAPER MINISTRY
Toilet paper donations for those in need.

FOAM RECYCLING

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

AREA HAPPENINGS

**THE SERVANTS OF MARY 2023
CHARISMATIC CONFERENCE**
Friday, September 1 thru Sunday, September 3 at the Father Crowley Center 542 W. Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo. The speakers are Jesse Romero, longtime Catholic Evangelist and retired veteran of the LA County Sheriff's Dept. and James (Butch) Murphy, Evangelist-Lay Preacher-Teacher-Master Storyteller. For more information and to register go to www.theservantsofmary.org.

APPLY NOW! JOB OPENINGS AT ST. MONICA SCHOOL

- Middle School English Language Arts Teacher (Full-time salaried)
- Full Time 4th Grade Aide (40 hrs/week)
- Early Childhood Classroom Aide, Wed - Fri (25 hrs/week)
- Traffic Monitors (10 hrs/week) (morning and afternoon)
- Lunch Room Monitor (12 hrs/week)
- After-School Care Worker (12 hrs/week)
- Substitute Teachers
- Office Staff Substitutes

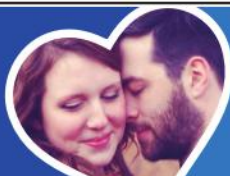
For questions or to apply, please email Principal Jordon Beery: jbeery@stmonickazoo.org or call the school office at 269-345-2444 for more information. Come join our team!

DO YOU ENJOY WORKING WITH KIDS? WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A PART OF A FAITH FILLED SCHOOL FAMILY?
St. Augustine Cathedral School is looking for part time classroom aides, Monday – Friday, 12:00 – 3:00, and for an After School Care Lead Teacher, Monday – Friday 2:45 – 6:00. Please email the principal, Andra Zommers, azzommers@stakzoo.org, or call 349-1945, if you'd like more information.

MAUI WILDFIRE RELIEF EFFORTS—
As a community of faith, we are called to come together and provide unwavering support to those who are suffering. It is in times like these that our collective love, faith, and compassion can make a tremendous difference. In 2008, the Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation (HCCF) was established by the Diocese of Honolulu as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation to support the parish and school communities in Hawaii. The Foundation has set up a dedicated webpage for donations to go directly to HCCF to support the relief efforts for our fellow community members affected by the Maui wildfires. You can make a tax-deductible contribution by visiting the following link: (<https://tinyurl.com/MauiCatholic>) which we have posted on our parish website. Every donation, no matter the amount, will play a crucial role in helping to rebuild lives and restore hope.

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