St. Thomas More Catholic Student Parish

421 Monroe Street Kalamazoo

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 January 8 - 12

Monday thru Thursday 5:15 p.m.

Friday at Kanley Chapel, WMU 12:10 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE:

No 5:15 p.m. Mass on Fridays at St. Tom's this semester

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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Epiphany of the Lord Come, let us adore Him.

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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 January 7

Sunday Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13;

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Monday Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or

1 Jn 5:1-9; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or ls 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 Mk 1:7-11

Tuesday 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd;

Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; PS 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10;

Mk 1:29-39

Thursday 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25;

Mk 1:40-45

Friday 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-17, 18-19; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7;

Mk 2:13-17

Sunday 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10;

1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6 — St. Andre Bessette

6:00 p.m. Maryanne Grace (living) by Jim & Mary Grace

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7 — The Epiphany of the Lord 8:30 a.m. †George Edgar by June Edgar

10:30 a.m. †Jan & Maria Josephine van den Hohmbergh

by family

6:00 p.m. †Lillie Mae Lamorandier by Beth Caswell

MONDAY, JANUARY 8 — The Baptism of the Lord

5:15 p.m. †Matt Kemper by Mary Anne Munley

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9 — First Week in Ordinary Time

5:15 p.m. † Mario Bazali by Bazali-Walters family

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

5:15 p.m. + Andrew Baer nephew of Martha Reid

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

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

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

at Kanley Chapel

12:10 p.m. Students and faculty

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13 — St. Hilary

6:00 p.m. Liesel Krone (living) by Jane Krone

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14 — Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. † Mary Murdock (living) by Annette Maccardini

10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

6:00 p.m. †Patricia Bedard by Deidre Smith

FATHER PAUL'S POST

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Hello and hoping you and your family had a wonderful Christmas and New Year's Day! As we enter the celebration of the Epiphany, there are many things/people to be grateful for during this past



year. Some of these groups/activities include:

- The RCIA/OCIA team and the people participating in the program.
- Student Supper volunteers clean up, cooks and greeters.
- The teachers, students, and families in the religious education program.
- The Social justice programs that are represented here, including: Just Faith – building our beloved community, Peace House, Gospel Mission, Toilet Paper Ministry, Water For the World, Casa Amparo, Syrian Refugee fund, Earth Ministry to name a few!
- The Campus Ministry team: to the students and our campus minister for all the reach out programs they have sponsored.
- The students at Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo Valley Community College, and the Medical school. Without you, we don't live up to our potential!
- All the Mass Coordinators, the Eucharistic ministers, the lectors and altar servers who bring the Mass alive with their actions!
- The Music Ministry team keeping prayer alive and vibrant!
- The groups who use our social halls AA, OA, Student AA, Yoga – stretch and relax, Women's Bible study to name a few!
- To our staff, who make things look so effortless to put on....and takes skill and patience to make it right!

TO THE CONGREGATION! WE WOULDN'T EXIST IF IT WASN'T FOR YOU!

Hoping you and your family have a safe and blessed New Year! Please take care!

Sincerely, PR Paul

DECEMBER 2023 SUNDAY COLLECTION

Target for December	84,906
12/3	9,645
12/10	9,742
12/17	9,650
12/24	7,927
Christmas	9,938
12/31	10,351
Electronic gifts for December	27,324
Total gifts to date for December	84,576

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD JANUARY 7, 2024



COLLEGE STUDENT NEWS

WELCOME BACK STUDENTS!



WE CAN'T WAIT TO GET INTO THIS SPRING WITH ALL OF YOU, WE HAVE ALOT GOING ON!

MORE AT MIDWEEK

As WMU starts back up we are excited to see More at Midweek, our weekly time to gather return. Join us at 7 PM to share in praise and worship with a reflection on the upcoming readings. We will follow this with pizza and a game night, a great opportunity to make and catch up with friends.

STUDENT HOLY HOUR

Come for an hour of silent prayer, beginning and ending with a couple of traditional songs and prayers. Bring some spiritual reading, a prayer, journal, your a rosary, or anything else that helps you to connect with the Lord during this time. Come for the whole hour or 5 minutes in the Worship Space at St. Tom's on Thursdays 6-7 PM. Confession is normally available.

FRIDAY MASS AT KANLEY CHAPEL

This semester Fr. Paul will be offering Mass at Kanley Chapel almost every Friday! Mass will be at 12:10 PM in Kanley Chapel (located by WMU's Student Center).

SUNDAY SUPPERS

Sunday Suppers are a homemade meal hosted by our parishioners for college students in the Social Hall after the 6:00 PM Mass, Entree, salad, drinks, and desserts are served.

SPRING COLLEGE STUDENT RETREAT

Save the date now to retreat with other college students to Pretty Lake Camp in Mattawan, MI the weekend of February 23-25. More details about sign up, cost, and theme will be available soon. We will offer a 50% discount to students who register with the parish!

LAST CALL FOR THE WOMEN'S RETREAT

Calling all young women! Join us at St. Tom's on Saturday, January 13 for a 1-day women's retreat. This is designed for unmarried young women to be able to spend a day learning about the biological and spiritual realities of womanhood while also getting to be surrounded by fellowship and the sacraments. Use this link https://forms.gle/LbhToX8bhMWeN6oV6 to sign up by January 7

SMALL GROUP/BIBLE STUDY

Our small groups bring college students together in an intimate 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 led and it costs nothing but your time and willingness to build these authentic friendships. They are about an hour a week for typically 6 sessions. Sign up using this link and a leader will reach out to you soon: https://forms.gle/fn1hnTqVZTq5838Z6

SUNDAY SHUTTLE

Are you a college student who would like a ride to a Sunday Mass? If so, 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

KVCC STUDENT ORGANIZATION

Calling all KVCC students! We are working with interested students to get a Catholic student organization officially approved on KVCC's campus. If you are interested in being put on the list for details about our big kickoff event in January or February, please email <u>Lisa@sttomskazoo.org</u> to get details.

HERE AT ST. TOM'S



During the month of January we will hold a Coat Drive for St. Vincent De-Paul on Elenore Street, Kalamazoo. Items needed are: Warm NEW OR GENTLY USED CLEAN WINTER COATS

for men, women and children (size 4 and up), Warm MITTENS AND GLOVES. Please bring only the items requested.

TOILET PAPER MINISTRY

Toilet paper donations for those in need. 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.

FOAM RECYCLING — Foam accepted at the parish garage only. Either inside the garage or in the large brown bin outside the door. Please make sure all foam is clean and free of food.

SUNDAY SUPPER SIGN-UP SCHEDULE IN THE NARTHEX

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. Reach, Stretch,

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.

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