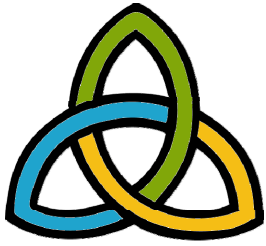


APRIL 11, 2021 — SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)



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SUNDAY MASSES

ST. THOMAS MORE

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday 8:30am, 11:30am

ST. GENEVIEVE

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm

Sunday 9:00am, 12noon

ST. EDMUND

Sunday 10:00am

WEEKDAY MASSES

ST. THOMAS MORE

8:30am (Mon-Sat)

ST. GENEVIEVE

9:00am (Tues & Thurs)

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday at 4:00pm at St. Thomas More (Also at any time convenient upon request)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Arrangements can be made at the Rectory. Second Saturday at 12:30pm and Fourth Sunday at 2:00pm

ANointing OF THE SICK

Please call the Rectory or speak with a priest to request the Anointing of the Sick. Please do not hesitate with people in serious health crisis.

HOLY MATRIMONY

Couples are required to make arrangements 6 Months in advance. This allows time to prepare the necessary paper work and Pastoral Instructions.



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Mass Intentions



Sunday April 11th

8:30 am (St. Thomas) † Peggy Hurley
 9:00 am (St. Genevieve) † Sr. Marcella (1st Ann.)
 10:00 am (St. Edmund) † Alfred Pipitone
 11:30 am (St. Thomas) † Alice DeKruyff Soucek
 12:00 pm (St. Genevieve) † Dr. Paul, Margaret and Paul V. Ansbro

Monday April 12th

8:30 am (St. Thomas) † Marie Lieb

Tuesday April 13th

8:30 am (St. Thomas) † Laura O'Neill
 9:00 am (St. Genevieve) † Teresa Ludwig

Wednesday April 14th

8:30 am (St. Thomas) † Eugene Baldwin

Thursday April 15th

8:30 am (St. Thomas) † Rev. Brice Riordan, O Carm
 9:00 am (St. Genevieve) † William Keaveney

Friday April 16th

8:30 am (St. Thomas) † Martin Mulderrig

Saturday April 17th

8:30 am (St. Thomas) † Michael Douglas
 4:00 pm (St. Genevieve) † Maria Vella

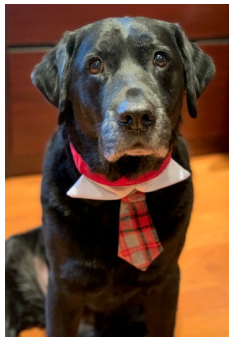


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PEOPLE ADDED TO OUR PARISH PRAYER REQUEST LIST WILL STAY ON FOR THREE WEEKS AND THEN BE REMOVED UNLESS THERE IS A REQUEST FOR THE PERSON TO REMAIN ON THE PRAYER LIST OF ANOTHER THREE WEEK PERIOD.

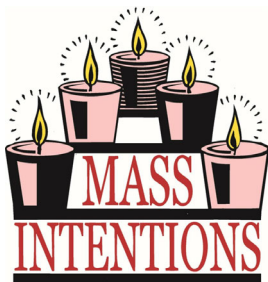


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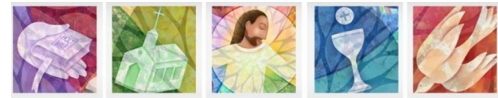


HAPPY BIRTHDAY LOUIS IGNATIUS!

The Rectory Office will be closed on Tuesday, April 13th in observance of Louie's Birthday.



**MASS BOOK
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MASSES FROM
JULY-DECEMBER
2021**



Faith Formation

In-person Class Resumed

ALL CLASSES ARE AT ST EDMUND

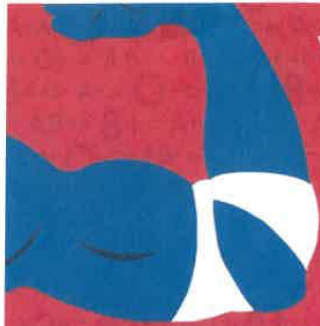
Class Times (Every other Week)

Monday's - 6th& 7th grades and Confirmation
 Class 4PM - 5:30PM

Wednesday's - K-3rd grade 2:45 - 3:45PM
 4th and 5th grades 4PM - 5:30PM

In person classes have started for the School of Religious Education, please make sure your children arrive with a completed health screening report and their textbooks.

We will be starting **registration for the 2021-2022** School of Religious Education in May. Please let us know if your children will be attending a Catholic academy starting in the fall of 2021. Please send an email to: res@btparish.org. Re-registration forms will be handed out to all current students unless we are informed otherwise.



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WEEKLY REPORT

Thank you for your continued financial support of your parish.

Plate Offering \$7,187
Online Giving \$7,088

Total \$14,275

Senior Priest \$1,418
Easter Gift to Parish \$7,724

We are now offering **Weekly Envelopes** to those who wish to contribute every week in the basket AND **Monthly Envelopes** for those who prefer to donate one total amount for the month. **Online Giving** is still preferred and is available to all parishioners. Three possible ways to give. Again, Thank You!

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Generations of Faith Update

The money raised has been earmarked for the Renovations of St. Edmund's for Religious Education Classrooms. The loan for this project is \$390,000

As of March 22, 2021
Our Parish Goal is:

\$645,000

Pledges: 274

Pledged: \$1,252,401

Total Paid: \$1,077,054

BAPTISM SCHEDULE



Formation Class

Tuesday, May 4, 2021 @ 7pm

Baptism Celebrations

Sunday, Apr. 25 @ 2:00pm

Saturday, May 8 @ 12:30pm

Sunday, May 23 @ 2:00pm

Parents may register their child for baptism at the Parish Office.

Eternal Rest

Grant Unto Them,

O Lord...

...We remember in our prayers all the faithful departed especially



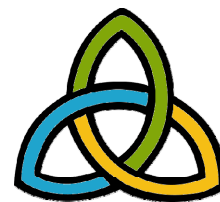
Blessed Trinity Seniors

GOLDEN AGE CLUB

Next meeting Tuesday, April 27th

ARTS & CRAFT CLUB

Next Meeting Wednesday, April 28th



Social Distancing Protocols are being followed. Hand Sanitizing stations are in place. Face coverings are required at all times. People may bring their own food and beverage and are not able to share with others. The building will be sanitized after each use.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

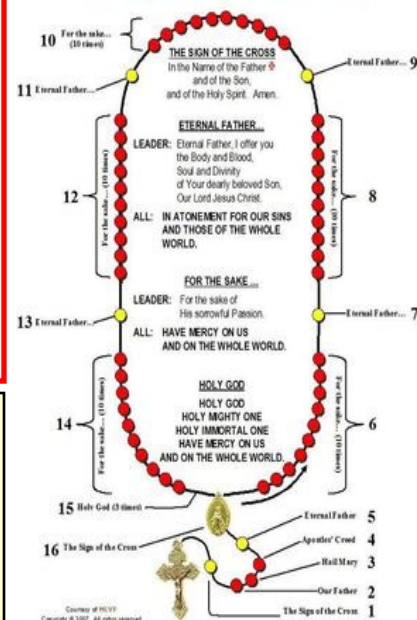
Father Jeremy will lead all in praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet at **3pm on Sunday, April 11, 2021** in Saint Thomas More Church. Join us in prayer!

This will also be Live Streamed

Home Bound?

If you or a loved one is homebound (meaning unable to attend Mass for a period of time) and would like to receive the sacraments (Confession, Anointing or Holy Communion), please call the rectory at 718-634-6357. The parish clergy and Lay Ministers will visit.

The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy





SECOND SUNDAY OF Easter

(OR OF DIVINE MERCY)

APRIL 11, 2021

Jesus came and stood in their
midst and said to them,
"Peace be with you."

John 20:19

FAITH

What a difference faith makes! The faith of the early community of believers led them to rise beyond the selfishness that so many of us struggle with as they grew in communion with Christ and one another. Their selflessness was a living sign of the impact of their faith in Jesus Christ. They did not find the commandments burdensome, but rather centered their lives on the love of God and neighbor that Jesus taught through his life, death, and resurrection. It is good for us to remember that faith is a gift. The journey of faith is not always straightforward and is often marked by doubt and moments of weakness. The apostles' faith grew as they experienced the risen Jesus. Jesus surely knew they needed the peace he offered and the presence of the Holy Spirit, as do we who have not seen the Lord and yet have come to believe in him.

FROM DOUBT TO BELIEF

The apostle Thomas will forever be remembered as the one who doubted. It is good that his experience is recorded in the Gospel of John. We all doubt sometimes, and "Doubting Thomas" shows us how to move from doubt to belief, knowing that the risen Jesus will be with us through it all. Thomas did not keep his doubts to himself, but instead voiced them aloud to his trusted companions. We can only imagine the conversations that took place between Thomas and the other disciples as they described the peace that they felt following Jesus' time with them. Thomas' doubts were put to rest once and for all when Jesus offered him physical proof of the Resurrection. We do not have the sort of physical evidence that was shown to Thomas, but we can perceive Christ's presence in the Eucharist, in the words of sacred scripture, and in the presence and actions of others.

LIVING FAITH

The journey of faith often ebbs and flows, with times when our relationship with the Lord is the guiding force in our lives, and times when we are tempted to turn away from all we know to be true, good, and beautiful. In those moments when we find ourselves struggling with doubt or temptation, we can follow Thomas' lead and turn to trusted companions, faithful and faith-filled family and friends, who will support us and show us the way from doubt to living faith. Like the disciples who were in the room when Jesus came among them, we too have received the Holy Spirit. Today, let us consider where we are on the journey of faith, turn to trusted companions and the Holy Spirit to strengthen us on the way, and know that the Lord is with us as we live and grow in relationship with Christ.

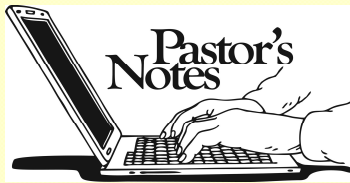
TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 4:32–35
Psalm 118:2–4, 13–15, 22–24
1 John 5:1–6
John 20:19–31

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Dear Parishioners:

HAPPY EASTER! Thank you to our liturgical ministers and music ministry for accompanying the many liturgies during the Sacred Triduum and Easter Masses. Our liturgies were

beautiful and I am so glad that this year many of you were able to come and join us in-person. Hopefully we continue to give thanks to the Lord by our active participation at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. In a particular way, I also thank my staff who worked very hard each day.

Please keep in your prayers our young parishioners who will be receiving the **Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday, April 14th**. It certainly has been a challenging year for them and our Religious Education School. I believe that together through a partnership between the parish and the parents, we were able to help form our young Catholics as best as possible and in preparation for this day.

On April 14th we **welcome Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio**, the Bishop of the Diocese of Brooklyn. I am personally grateful for the bishop's presence here and his concern for the parish. The bishop and I, have been in constant communication over the situation between the parish and cooperative. His guidance along with his concern for the future of our parish has been at the forefront of our discussions.

On a positive note, the cooperative staff has finally agreed to a meeting with me and representatives from the Diocese of Brooklyn on April 12th. I look forward to this long overdue meeting where it is my hope that we can try and get on the same page with mutual respect.

In addition, our **Parish Pastoral Council** will meet on April 13th at 7:00pm at St. Edmund School. We will discuss the future pastoral needs and I will give an update on the St. Thomas Gym Expansion Project and our current Annual Catholic Appeal campaign. Remember that these parishioners are representatives of you the people. Always feel comfortable to reach-out to any of the members with ideas or suggestions for the good of the parish.

PPC Members: Katie Smith (Chair), Ellen Burti, John Conroy, Peggy Conroy, Angela DiLalla, Theresa Flanigan, Tim Feimer, Dan Leary, Eileen Lennon, Jean Maffia, Tim McElhinney, Loretta Pye, Marie Rella, Diane Ryan, Michael Smith, Dottie Wayne

Have a great week! -Father Gelfant



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BLESSED TRINITY MISSION STATEMENT

Washed by the waters of the sea and blessed with generations of faithful worship we, a trinity of churches: Saint Edmund, Saint Genevieve and Saint Thomas More, stand united in our mission. To embrace the presence of Christ in our community and strive to assist all to deepen their relationship with the Lord. To seek to be a parish of service and comfort to all. To commit ourselves to be a vessel through which our Catholic heritage and traditions may be preserved and grow so that our parish may flourish in the Spirit of the Lord.



Annual Catholic Appeal 2021

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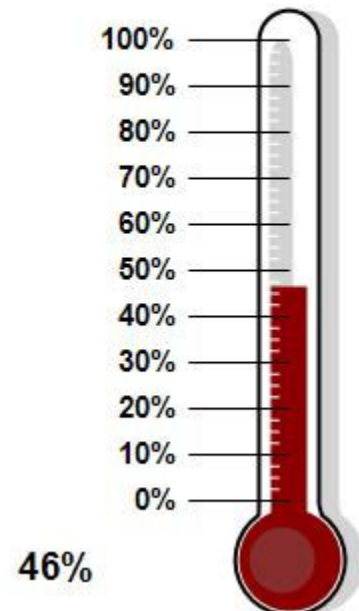
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