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Please call the parish office if you are a new parishioner and would like to register.

St. Thomas Church

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Office Hours:

M-TH 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM

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Tue. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM, Fri. 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 PM Sunday 8:30 AM

Daily Masses

Tuesday 6:30 PM Friday 8:00 AM

This schedule is subject to change. Please consult the weekly bulletin for current schedule.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday, 8:30-9:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday 5:30-6:15 PM Saturday 3:15-3:45 PM

Please consult weekly bulletin.

Baptisms

Please call the parish office to set up Baptism preparation and Baptism date.

Marriages

Call the Pastor nine (9) months in advance of the wedding for preparation meetings.

Sacrament of the Sick & Home Visits

Please call the office if you are unable to attend Mass due to illness.

Thomas said to him, "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?"
 Jesus said, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

John 14:5-6

WEEKEND AND WEEKDAY MASSES

May 20 SAT	4:00 PM - Mass for the repose of the soul of Claire Wheeler requested by Steve and Corinne Ferreira 6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption
May 21 SUN	8:30 AM- Mass for the repose of the soul of Lawrence LaChance requested by Tim and Jane Reny 10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption
MON	6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption
TUES	6:30 PM - Mass in Thanksgiving requested by Tom and Susie May
WED	8:00 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption
THU	NO Mass 7:00 PM - Confirmation Mass at St. Joseph
FRI	8:00 AM - Mass at St. Thomas
May 27 SAT	4:00 PM - Mass for the repose of the soul of Kay Critchlow requested by her family
May 28 SUN	8:30 AM- Mass for the Parishioners of St. Thomas and St. Mary's Parishes 10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

Ministry Schedule May 27 & 28	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Lectors	Altar Servers
4:00 PM SATURDAY	T May	S May	NONE
8:30 AM SUNDAY	P Brooks	L Wells	NONE

Catholic Communications Collection

This week our special collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign engages and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Diocese of Burlington to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the Gospel message! To learn more visit www.usccb.org/cc.

Fuel & Heat Collection Next Weekend

Next weekend we will take up our quarterly Fuel and Heat Collection. The heating season is over and so it's time to replenish these funds. Thank you for your continued generosity to the St. Thomas Fuel and Heat Collection.

Aspire Together

Thank you for participating in the Care Net Baby Bottle Campaign. Please place your change filled bottles in the baskets by the door by Father's Day. Aspire Together thanks you for participating in this life affirming ministry. For more info visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3xq4sD03exl>

Stewardship - May 13/14, 2023

Weekly Budgeted Goal:\$ 2,676.31
Regular Collection:(incl. \$668 On-Line Giving).....\$ 2,651.00
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Pentecost and Confirmation

"When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them."
– Acts 2:1-4

There are three sacraments of initiation in the Catholic Church: Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. Where baptism frees us from the bonds of original sin and makes us members of the body of Christ, Confirmation is intended to strengthen and deepen the effects of Baptism.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that the Sacrament of Confirmation is "the special outpouring of the Holy Spirit as once granted to the apostles on the day of Pentecost", and "brings an increase and deepening of Baptismal grace."

We can now see the connection between Pentecost and Confirmation. Just as the apostles received the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, so too do we receive the Holy Spirit at Confirmation, and in so receiving, build upon the graces received by Baptism.

The word confirmation comes from Latin and is defined as making firm or establishing. Indeed, Confirmation makes firm and establishes that which began in Baptism. Confirmation is said to mark the individual as a witness of Christ and seals us with gifts of the Holy Spirit. Those gifts are counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, wisdom, understanding, and fear of the Lord. These gifts are meant to be used by Catholics to glorify God. In Baptism, we are ushered into a new life in Christ. In Confirmation, that new life is strengthened and perfected.

Please keep in prayer St. Thomas' Confirmation candidates, Lauren Potvin and Declan Sheldon, who will be confirmed this Thursday evening.

PARISH EVENTS

Sunday	5/21	**Second Collection - Catholic Communications**
Monday	5/22	9:00 AM - Bone Builders
Tuesday	5/23	4:30-6:00 PM - Yard Sale Donations Accepted 5:30 PM - Confessions
Wednesday	5/24	9:00 AM - Bone Builders
Thursday	5/25	9:30 AM - Social Concerns 7:00 PM - Confirmation at St. Joseph
Friday	5/26	9:00 AM - Bone Builders
Saturday	5/27	**Second Collection - Fuel & Heat 8:30-11: AM - Yard Sale Donations Accepted 3:15 PM - Confessions



Religious Education 2022-23:

The Rite of Confirmation will be celebrated Thursday, May 25 at St. Ann's in Milton with Bishop Coyne. St. Thomas has two candidates who will receive the sacrament, Lauren Potvin and Declan Sheldon. Please keep them in your prayers.

Congratulations to our second graders and their families, who received their First Communion last Sunday, Luke Hardy, James Keener, and Jaxon Mannings. We pray that they will continue to grow in faith all of their lives. Amen.

Dishes in the Parish Hall

There are many baking dishes left on the counter in the parish hall from dessert donations over the past few months. Please claim your dish before the yard sale workers get ahold of them!

St. Thomas Yard Sale Donation Days!

The St. Thomas Yard sale will be the weekend of June 23 –25. We'll be accepting donations on Tuesdays from 4:30 -6 pm, and Saturdays from 8:30-11 am at the rectory garage. We'd love to have your books, household items, small appliances, holiday décor, toys, puzzles, games, tools, sports equipment, and linens. Please no clothes (jackets, boots and shoes OK), large luggage or large exercise equipment, beds, baby equipment, computers, etc., large appliances, wall fixtures, phones/TVs, encyclopedias, textbooks, magazines, VHS and cassette tapes, or Christmas trees. Please no large furniture at this time (we'll accept those closer to the sale). Everything must be clean and in working order. We look forward to seeing you!

Calling All Bakers!

We will be holding a bake sale as part of our Yard Sale. We'll need baked goods dropped off on Friday morning, June 23 and also on Saturday morning, June 24. Sign ups will be in the pews closer to the event. PLEASE NOTE: We will be selling cinnamon buns, hotdogs, chilidogs and chili, but there will be NO jars of sauce or meatball subs this year due to supply shortages.



Age Well Grab and Go!

Our Age Well Grab and Go meal is available to those 60 and over and will be held on Wednesday, **May 31**, with pickup 11-12pm. If you would like a meal, please contact Teri by 5/26 at 802-899-4632 or office@stthomasvt.com to register. This month's meal includes: : Salisbury steak, gravy, home fried potatoes with paprika, spinach, wheat dinner roll with butter, fresh fruit salad, & milk. The cost is a suggested donation of \$5, however no one will be turned away for their inability to pay.

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, Sunday, Week Day and Holy Day Masses are available for your intentions here at St. Thomas. Masses may be scheduled one year in advance from the calendar date you arrange the Mass, and there is a suggested donation of \$10 per intention. You can schedule Mass intentions through May 2024 by stopping in or calling the parish office at 802-899-4632.

Bulletin Advertising

If your company would like to advertise on the back of our weekly bulletin, please call the parish office at 802-899-4632. Cost for one space is \$100 for one year, beginning July 1st through June 30th. If you presently have an ad with us, you will receive a renewal in the mail.

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Meeting Christ in the Creation of Beauty Art is a powerful tool for growing closer to God. When we come into contact with a beautiful art piece, we learn something about the author of beauty: God Himself.

That's why I had professional artist (and my personal friend) Ted Schnack on the show. Tune in to hear how he seeks inspiration from the Holy Spirit, why he thinks the devil doesn't want us to create beautiful things and why art is vital for evangelization!



Readings For the Week



May 22

Acts 19:1-8
Jn 16:29-33

May 23

Acts 20:17-27
Jn 17:1-11a

May 24

Acts 20:28-38
Jn 17:11b-19

May 25

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11
Jn 17:20-26

May 26

Memorial of St. Philip
Neri, Priest
Acts 25:13b-21
Jn 21:15-19

May 27

AAActs 28:16-20, 30-31
Jn 21:20-25

May 28

Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11
Ps 104:1,24,29-30,
31, 34
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13
Jn 20:19-23



May Word of Life

"The Lord says to us, 'Do not fear: I am with you' (Isaiah 41:10). He speaks these words not as one who merely observes our pain, but as one who experienced immense suffering. And the very wounds that bear witness to his suffering indicate the essence of our identity and worth: we are loved by God. Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new."

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If you would like to add or remove someone from this list, please call the office at 802-899-4632

WE PRAY FOR

SICK: For all our sick: Riley McLaughlin, Lynn McLaughlin, Jen DiNardo, David Claghorn, Ed Keeler, Sr. Elaine Lattanzi, Tonia Barbin, Abby Wintersteen, Jack Russ, Lawrence Lecours, Deacon Gerry Scilla, Patricia Stone, Amy Gratton, Diane Dufresne, Audra Goss, Alex Wintersteen, Dorothy Reny, Maureen Mayes, John Lehouiller, Joseph Tijan, Meghan Diana, Diann Bean, Jean Danaher, Jay Tisbert, Curtis Stuhr, Jerry Reny, Charles Mannings, Janine Fleri, Bob Keeler, Theresa Nadeau, Amy Burdine, Rick & Deb Wilhelm, Will Esmay, Joanna Weinstock, and all those preparing for or recovering from surgery.

DECEASED: For all who have died, especially all deceased members of St. Thomas & St. Mary's Parishes.

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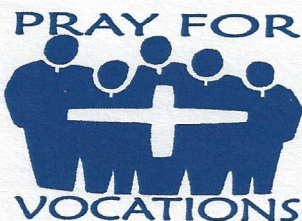
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For prayers answered

Most holy Apostle St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the name of the traitor who delivered the beloved Master into the hands of His enemies has caused you to be forgotten by many, but the Church honors and invokes you universally as the patron of hopeless cases, of things despaired of. Pray for me who am so miserable; make use, I implore you, of this particular privilege accorded to you, to bring visible and speedy help, where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need, that I may receive the consolations and succor of Heaven in all my necessities, tribulations and sufferings, particularly (here make your request), and that I may bless God with you and all the elect forever. I promise you, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor, and I will never cease to honor you as my special and powerful patron and to do all in my power to encourage devotion to you. Amen.
To be prayed 8 consecutive days

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Initiation of Adults**

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or interested in learning more about Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church? RCIA is the process by which adults are received into the church and receive the sacraments.

Adult Confirmation

Are you an adult who has not yet received the sacrament of Confirmation or First Holy Communion? Did you know that to be a god-parent for baptism, you are required to have received the sacrament of Confirmation? Please contact Laura Lynch Wells 802-899-4770 or rel.ed@stthomasvt.com



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