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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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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				
July 1 SAT	4:00 PM - Mass for the repose of the soul of Armand Nadeau requested by Theresa Nadeau			
July 2 SUN	8:30 AM- Mass for the health and well being of Ellen Mitchell requested by Gerard and Susan Adams 10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption			
MON	6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption			
TUES	5:30 PM - Adoration 6:30 PM - Mass for the repose of the soul of Joyce Brush requested by Laura Wells			
WED	8:00 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption			
THU	NO Mass			
FRI	8:00 AM - Mass for the repose of the soul of Michelle Rae Paquette requested by Teri Gingras			
July 8 SAT July 9	4:00 PM - Mass for the Parishioners of St. Thomas and St. Mary's Parishes			
SUN	8:30 AM- Mass for the repose of the soul of John Roberts requested by Gerard and Susan Adams			
	10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption			

Ministry Schedule July 8 & 9	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	<u>Lectors</u>	Altar Servers
4:00 PM SATURDAY	S May	T May	NONE
8:30 AM SUNDAY	P Brooks	M Girouard	NONE

This Week's Second Collection

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See, and the charitable works of Pope Francis. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.

Parish Picnic Cancelled

Unfortunately we had no one step up to organize the parish picnic scheduled for July 9th, so we have had to cancel. We will try again in the fall.

St. Thomas Feast • JULY 3

Poor St. Thomas! One moment of totally understandable incredulity and this faithful disciple has been known ever since as "Doubting Thomas." However, his skepticism soon turned into an undeniable profession of utter faith; when he encountered the risen Christ a week later, he could not help but proclaim, "My Lord and my God." And Jesus' response has reverberated down the ages, for it seems He is speaking directly to us: "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed" (Jn: 20:29).

Despite this incident, Thomas would end up being one of Jesus' most faithful followers. Tradition infers a great deal about what happened to him following the Pentecost. It is very likely that he ultimately left the Holy Land to evangelize the Malabar Coast of India where, to this day, many of the native population refer to themselves as the "Christians of St. Thomas."

Some sources say that he built the first church in India and that he offered to build a palace for an Indian king, which "would last forever." However, Thomas did not build the physical structure the king expected; instead Thomas gave the king's money to the poor, explaining that the palace he was building for him was in heaven, not on Earth. For this reason, he is known as the patron of architects as well as of India.

Thomas was martyred in India around the year 72; his feast day is celebrated July 3.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is scheduled on the First Friday (July 6th) after Mass and now the second Tuesday (July 11) from 5:30—6:15pm every month. But what is it? Exposition is a manner of honoring the Holy Eucharist, by exposing It, with proper solemnity, to the view of the faithful in order that they may pay their devotions before It (NewAdvent.org). Fr. Calapan

takes the Blessed Sacrament from the tabernacle and enthrones it in a monstrance set upon the altar for the faithful to adore in prayer. Prayer and meditation before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament are great ways to spend some special time with Him. You can ask Him for graces for yourself or for loved ones, reflect on His Word, or just keep Him company!

Stewardship - June 24/25, 2023

Weekly Budgeted Goal:\$	2,676.31
Regular Collection:(incl. \$308 On-Line Giving)\$	
Second Collection - VT Catholic Magazine:\$	



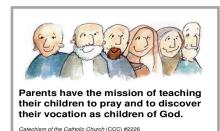
If you are unable to attend Mass, please give online at www.stthomasvt.com/donate or mail your contributions directly to the parish at PO Box 3, Underhill, VT 05490.

Thank you for your generosity. (Scan QR code for link to our page)

PARISH EVENTS

Sunday 7/2 **2nd Collection - Peter's Pence**
Tuesday 7/4 5:30 PM - Confessions & Adoration
Thursday 7/6 9:30 AM - Social Concerns
Saturday 7/8 10:00 AM - Adult Bible Study
3:15 PM - Confessions

Sunday 7/9 12:00 Noon - Parish Picnic - Pot Luck



Summer Adult Bible Study

Summer Adult Bible Study - "Jesus Fulfills the Old Testament" Sign-up now! Bible study begins this coming Saturday, July 8, 10-11:30 AM. Contact Laura Wells stthomasrel.ed@vermontcatholic.org or call 802-899-4632.

Yard Sale and Food Booth Success

This year's Yard Sale and Food Booth sponsored by Catholic Financial Life was again a huge success. Thank you to the diligent work of our Social Concerns committee and many worker bee parishioners, and to the generous donations from parishioners and community members! We raised over \$6,700 in sales and donations, and we expect a matching \$1,000 from Catholic Financial Life.

Bishop's Annual Appeal 2023

"Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will reward them for what they have done." - Proverbs 19:17 (NIV). The Bishop's Annual Appeal supports more than 2,000 individuals who are struggling financially through the Vermont Catholic Emergency Aid program. Many of your neighbors are silently struggling to make ends meet and the number keeps rising. Our emergency aid program is a lifeline to households who can't make the rent, pay their utilities, or must choose between food and prescription drugs. To learn more or make a gift online visit: bishopsappealvt.org.

Underhill Historical Society

The Underhill Historical Society welcomes you its open house, Saturdays at the Old District 5 Schoolhouse on Pleasant Valley Road, beginning this Saturday, July 1. Both floors of displays and collections will be open, and volunteers will be on hand to answer questions. We hope you can visit!

Baby Bottle Campaign

1 bottle of mixed \$23.83 1 bottle of pennies \$3.92 1 bottle of nickels \$13.45 1 bottle of dimes \$50.70 1 bottle of quarters \$54.75



Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Blanket Raffle

We are raffling a soft fleece throw (40x50), with a screen print photo of St. Thomas church - a great gift idea! Tickets at \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Raffle drawing will be July 9 at the parish picnic. You do not need to be present to win. The throw is displayed in the vestibule of the church. Tickets are available after all Masses. Monies will benefit the social concerns projects.

FORMED

Dysconnected: The Real Story Behind the Transgender Explosion DISCLAIMER: This documentary contains graphic content that might not be suitable for some audiences. Viewer discretion is advised.

Over the past few years, a transgender tsunami has swept the nation, completely overtaking the medical, educational, and counseling industries, and forever altering hundreds of thousands of young girls' lives. What is going

on? How did it come to this? And who is behind it? Filmmaker and father Don Johnson traveled the country to find out. Scan this QR code to watch.



July Word of Life

"O God our Creator... we ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith."

USCCB "Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty"

Readings For the Week



July 3
Feast of Saint Thomas,
Apostle

Eph 2:19-22 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Jn 20:24-29

July 4

Gn 19:15-29 Mt 8:23-27

July 5

Gn 21:5, 8-20a Mt 8:28-34

July 6

Gn 22:1b-19 Mt 9:1-8

July 7

Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67 Mt 9:9-13

July 8

Gn 27:1-5, 15-29 Mt 9:14-17

July 9

The Fourteenth
Sunday in Ordinary
Time

Zec 9:9-10
Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11,
13-14
Rom 8:9, 11-13
Mt 11:25-30

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, 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, Amy Burdine, Rick & Deb Wilhelm, Will Esmay, Joanna Weinstock, Yurij Bihun, Nate Sullivan, Mary Kelley, Reba Legrand, Deloras Saltis, Andy Bibb, Patricia Monta, and all those preparing for or recovering from surgery.

<u>DECEASED</u>: For all who have died, especially Alice Novembrino, Theresa Nadeau, and all deceased members of St. Thomas & St. Mary's Parishes.





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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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Do you have friends and family members who no longer practice our Catholic Faith? Why not invite them to "come home". Invite them to come to Holy Mass with you and never stop praying for them.



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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 godparent for baptism, you are required to have received the sacrament of Confirmation? Please contact Laura Lynch Wells 802-899-4770 or

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