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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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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

September 9

SAT 4:00 PM - Mass at St. Thomas for the repose of the soul of Michael Pollak requested by Bob and Martha Pollak
6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

September 10

SUN 8:30 AM - Mass at St. Thomas for the repose of the soul of Donald Gingras requested by Teri Gingras and family
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 for the repose of the soul of George and Rosanna Mathews requested by Ed and Louise Mathews

WED 8:00 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

THU NO Mass

FRI 8:00 AM - Mass at for the repose of the soul of Theresa Nadeau requested by John and Aline Lehouiller

September 16

SAT 4:00 PM - Mass at St. Thomas for the repose of the soul of Fumiko Russ requested by Sean and Mary Ann Ledwith
6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

September 17

SUN 8:30 AM - Mass at St. Thomas for the Parishioners of St. Thomas and St. Mary's Parishes
10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

"I Believe in the Resurrection of the Body"

Recently, I was in a conversation where I began to understand the other person, a Christian, did not believe in the resurrection of the body. As the conversation proceeded it became necessary to say, "I don't believe what you believe, I believe in the resurrection of the body." We prefer not to have conflict with our fellow Christians, but sometimes we must state the truth of our faith. And we profess at every Mass, "I believe in the resurrection of the body."

When we profess this belief, we mean we not only believe in the immortality of the soul after death, but we believe that even our mortal bodies will come to life again. It is an essential element of the Christian faith from the beginning. St. Paul said, "How can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain, and your faith is in vain... But in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep" (1 Cor 15:12-14).

From the beginning, the resurrection of the dead has been opposed. Belief in a spiritual afterlife is common. But how can we believe that our bodies could rise to everlasting life when they will become like dust? But what is death but the separation of the soul from the body. The human body decays and the soul goes to meet God while awaiting its reunion with its glorified body. God will grant uncorruptible life to our bodies by reuniting them with our souls, through the power of Jesus' Resurrection. In Him, "all ... will rise again with their own bodies," but Christ "will change our lowly bodies to be like His glorious body," into a "spiritual body" (CCC.997; 999).

We must be gentle sometimes with our fellow Christians, but do not be confused about the truth. Christ will raise our bodies from the dead on the last day (cf. John 6:40).

Ministry Schedule September 16 & 17

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Lectors

4:00 PM SATURDAY

S May

T May

8:30 AM SUNDAY

P Brooks

M Ledwith

Harvest Market Announcement

We are excited to announce that St. Thomas will again be serving meat-ball subs and cinnamon rolls at this year's Harvest Market on Sept 23rd and 24th. We're in our usual spot near the onion ring booth. Note that we will not be selling jarred sauce this year. Dell'Amore in Colchester has graciously donated sauce for our subs. Stop by and visit.

Second Collection—Catholic University

This weekend, we will be taking up the National Collection for The Catholic University of America. Catholic University is a national research university with over 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students in more than 250 academic programs in the heart of Washington, D.C. By giving to the collection, you are supporting future Catholic leaders, both religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, faith-rooted education. Visit collection.catholic.edu to learn more and give easily online.

Fuel & Heat Collection Next Weekend

It may be hot now but you know it's coming! Thank you for your generous support of the St. Thomas Fuel and Heat Fund next weekend.

Stewardship

Weekly Budgeted Goal:\$ 2,676.31

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.

Flood Damage in Cambridge

Air quality tests are back with a positive result so all Masses will resume at St. Mary's in Cambridge beginning this weekend, September 9/10

PARISH EVENTS

Monday	9/11	9:00 AM - Bone Builders
Tuesday	9/12	5:30 PM - Confessions 7:30 PM - Knights of Columbus Meeting
Wednesday	9/13	9:45 AM - Bone Builders
Thursday	9/14	9:30 AM - Social Concerns
Friday	9/15	9:00 AM - Bone Builders
Saturday	9/16	Second Collection - Fuel & Heat 3:15 PM - Confessions

Religious Education 2023-2024



Religious Education Registration is open. Religious Education helps you to pass on the Catholic faith to your children. Note that Confirmation is now received in grade 6. Visit StThomasVT.com/religious-education for information and to register. Share with friends!

Religious Ed Teachers Needed: The religious ed ministry at St. Thomas is in need of volunteers to teach. Please consider volunteering for this important role in the life of the parish. Contact Laura Wells in the rectory office 802-899-4770 or email stthomasrel.ed@vermontcatholic.org

Archbishop Coyne's Final Mass

Archbishop Christopher Coyne's final Mass will be held at the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph on Sunday, September 24th. There will be a reception at the DoubleTree on Wilson Road from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Religious Ed Teachers needed



HELP!!! Teachers needed for the Religious Education Program! "Always be ready to give an explanation for your faith" (1 Pet 15). Volunteer to pass on the faith we hold with the next generation of Catholics. Share with joy and thanksgiving what you yourself have received. We need you! Contact Laura Wells at StThomasRel.Ed@vermontcatholic.org

Love & The Outcome

VT Christian Music presents: A Christian concert with Love & The Outcome, Dave Pettigrew and Peryle on Friday September 15, 2023 @ 7pm hosted by Mid-Vermont Christian School near Quechee, VT. Information and Tickets available online at www.VTChristianMusic.com for \$15-30 with children 7 and under FREE. This will be a perfect family-friendly evening!

Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin at IHM

Come join us on the Feast of the Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary on September 15th at 6:00pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Williston. Our newly-restored stations of the Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the Grotto will be blessed, and we will pray the Seven Sorrows Rosary. Come and learn about this special devotion which was revealed to St. Bridget of Sweden. She was told by Our Lady that devotion to the Seven Sorrows would bring great signal graces. This devotion is especially remembered during September, the Month of Our Lady of Sorrows. We can turn to Mary, Our Lady of Sorrows, for consolation in our suffering. We will have information available as handouts to share, including a beautiful Prayer Card for all who attend.

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.



SANCTUARY CANDLE

Week of September 10:

*In Loving Memory of
Mary Parisi*

requested by Mindy

Retrouvaille

You Will Not Share Your Personal Struggles with Others. The Retrouvaille program is not a marriage encounter, marriage retreat, marriage counseling, or a marriage seminar, although they share some similarities. You will not be sharing your struggles with other people. You will hear from couples that have been through the program themselves. They will share their journey from brokenness to reconciliation. For more information on upcoming weekends, call (800) 470-2230 or email info@HelpOurMarriage.org

FORMED

Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession

Forgiven, explores the grace and healing offered in Confession and shows how this sacrament of mercy reveals the depth and bounty of God's love. By looking at God's revelation of his mercy in Scripture and making a step-by-step examination of the Rite itself, *Forgiven* communicates God's invitation to each one of us to come experience his indescribable love in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Watch now by scanning this QR code.



August Word of Life

"By our baptism, we are members of Christ's body and sharers in his mission. Imitating Christ, we must care for all members of our communities, honoring each person as unique, sacred, and created in the image of God."

USCCB, "Open Wide Our Hearts" Bulletin Insert

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, Jerry Reny, Charles Mannings, Janine Fleri, Bob Keeler, Amy Burdine, Rick & Deb Wilhelm, Will Esmay, Joanna Weinstock, Yuri Bihun, Nate Sullivan, Mary Kelley, Andy Bibb, Donna Hutchins, Tom Bartlett, Teri Gingras, Jerome LeClair, 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.

Readings For the Week

September 11

Col 1:24-2:3

Lk 6:6-11

September 12

Col 2:6-15

Lk 6:12-19

September 13

Memorial of Saint John
Chrysostom, Bishop and
Doctor of the Church

Col 3:1-11

Lk 6:20-26

September 14

Feast of the Exaltation of
the Holy Cross

Nm 21:4b-9

Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35,
36-37, 38

Jn 3:13-17

September 15

Memorial of Our Lady of
Sorrows

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14

Jn 19:25-27

September 16

Memorial of Saints Cor-
nelius, Pope, and Cyprian,
Bishop, Martyrs

1 Tm 1:15-17

Lk 6:43-49

September 17

Twenty-fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Sir 27:30-28:7

Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10,
11-12

Rom 14:7-9

Mt 18:21-35

Repentant Reconciled Renewed



**St. Thomas Church
Knights of Columbus
Council No. 7810**

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For our Volunteers

We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers, unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love and endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 1:3-5



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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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RCIA = Rite of Christian 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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