

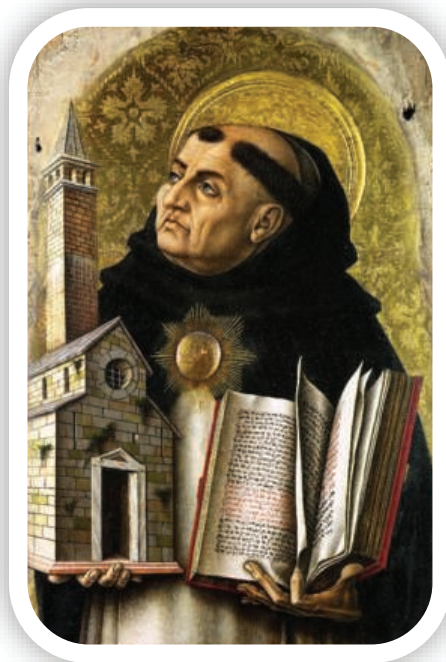
**St. Thomas Aquinas Parish** Established July 1, 2014  
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**St. Thomas Aquinas (1922-2014)**  
**& St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (1976-2014)**  
**601 Bristol Pike, Croydon, PA 19021**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM  
Sundays: 9:00 AM  
and 11:00 AM

Monday-Friday: 8:30 AM  
(Chapel at 126 Walnut Ave.)

Holydays: 8:30 AM, 12 Noon  
and 7:00 PM



**PARISH OFFICE**

121 Belmont Ave.  
Croydon, PA 19021  
215-788-2989  
Fax: 215-788-7626  
Email: sta712014@gmail.com  
Website: www.staq.org

**CONFESSION  
SCHEDULE**

Saturdays: 3:30 PM  
or by appointment

**Served By:**  
**Rev. David A. Fernandes, Pastor**  
**Deacon John J. Gallagher**

**Roseann Spear**  
Adm Asst

**Amanda Gentile**  
Music Director

**Kathleen Gallagher**  
D.R.E.

**Joseph Spear**  
Maintenance

**BAPTISMS**

First and Third Sundays of the month after 11:00 AM Mass. Attendance at Pre-Jordan class, on the 3rd Tuesday each month at 7:30PM, in the Parish Meeting Room at 121 Belmont Avenue, is a requirement. You must pre-register by calling the Parish Office at (215)788-2989.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP**

In order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation and Matrimony, and/or to receive a Letter of Eligibility to be a Godparent or Sponsor it is necessary for you to be registered in our parish and practice the Catholic Faith. Contact the Parish Office as soon as you move into our parish to schedule a registration meeting. Please call the Parish Office if you move, or change your address or phone number.

**PARISH DEVOTIONS**

Rosary: Weekdays before 8:30 AM Mass (Chapel)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays 9:00 AM -3:30PM with Benediction at 3:30 PM (Chapel) During Lent

*October 15, 2023*

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**Monday            October 16, 2023**  
8:30 AM John Bangard req by Schroeder & France Families

**Tuesday            October 17, 2023**  
8:30 AM Michael Karaim req by The Family

**Wednesday        October 18, 2023**  
8:30 AM Joan Carmody req by Tom

**Thursday            October 19, 2023**  
8:30 AM Belma & Herminio Aromin req by Myrna Viernes

**Friday                October 20, 2023**  
8:30 AM Mary Mai Nguyen req by Rothenberg Family

**Saturday            October 21, 2023**  
4:30 PM Lawrence & Bernadette Straka req by  
Gerri McGuire

**Sunday                October 22, 2023**  
9:00 AM Patty Hamski req by Joe Shirley  
11:00 AM Joseph Thanh Nguyen req by Mary & Joseph

### ***Weekend Offerings***

Total for All Masses for 09/30 & 10/01	\$ 4,559.00
Mail Ins/Parish Giving	\$ 3,282.00
Improvement Fund	\$ 449.00
Summer Maintenance	\$ 60.00
Other Collections (Parish)	\$ 15.00
Other Collections (Archdiocese)	\$ 15.00
Candles/Shrine	\$ 50.00
Poor Box	\$ 28.00

TOTAL for Parish for October 1, 2023 \$8,443.00

TOTAL for Archdiocesan Collections \$15.00

***Thank you for your generosity.  
May the Lord bless you.***

### ***Lectors***

**October 21, 2023**  
4:30 PM M Kelly & R Kelly

**October 22, 2023**  
9:00 AM C Del Puerto & E Del Puerto  
11:00 AM A Scheck & W Scenna

### ***Extraordinary Ministers***

**October 21, 2023**  
4:30 PM T Litz & E Schilling

**October 22, 2023**  
9:00 AM L Cinkutis & T Cinkutis  
11:00 AM M Bosco & E Lunny

### ***Altar Servers***

**October 21, 2023**  
**4:30 PM:**  
Sophia Salmon, Bernie McMahon

**October 22, 2023**  
**9:00 AM:**  
Jason Del Puerto, Katherine Bitting, Scott Bitting

**11:00 AM:**  
Lily Gentile, Violet Gentile, Daisy Gentile

### ***Sunday Scriptures October 22, 2023***

Reading I: Isaiah 45:1, 4—6 (145A)  
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10  
Reading II: 1 Thessalonians 1:1—5b  
Gospel: Matthew 22:15—21

## Remember In Your Prayers



### Our men and women in the military:

Many of our parishioners have family members serving in dangerous assignments around the world. **Please keep them in your prayers.**

**Our Sick:** Joanne Beitz, Ryan Beitz, Marcie Belz, Elizabeth Blinn, Joe Bobst, John Bossman, Eva Braley, Kim Brennan, Francis Breuer, Ernest Brewer, Loretta Cameron, Bill Campanelli, Richard Campbell Jr, Maddox Carmona, Tama Cary, John Cichonke, Janet Clements, Concetta Corrento, Dennis Crawford, Dolores DeBeaumont, Sid Decker, Dolores Doran, James Dott, Karlee Dott, Wayne Duke, John Edelman Jr, Rae Ann Edelman, Robin Erickson, Russell Evans, Rosanne Fabriny, Richard Fieramosca, Carol Flanigan, Annette Flint, Patti Ann Frinb, Sheri Getts, Patricia Gibson-Decker, Margaret Griffiths, Monica Grover, Robert Gushue, Jayon & Cheryl Haulchild, Bart Houck, Joseph Hueber, Joseph Hughes, Jet Jabla, Luisa Jabla, Dawn Kerr, Ron Kimble, Bernie Klucsarits, Sheryl Kraz, Michael & Jamie Kreines, Ruth Leighton, Richard Leshner III, Joseph Lipinski, John Lynch, Debbie Lyons, Kathy Maddaloni, Evelyn Manna, James Martin, Alexis Martincek, Mike McBride, Michael McGovern, Margaret McGrory, Gerri McGuire, Cassidy Grace McVan, Pat Metcalfe, Jim Miller, Carletta Minor, Carmella Mooney, Karen Murphy, Carol Parrish, Mary Rose Quigley, William Rawley, Dan Reardon, George Reichardt, Jacob Rivera, Rick Rogers, Gregory Schafer, James Schlude, Jeff Serrano, Ken Serrano Jr, Logan Sierocinski, Carol Sullivan, Amanda Tees, Hugh Templeton, Jennifer Trainon, Kim Vickers, Jermaine Williams, Denise Wilson, Elaine Wilson, Diane Wright, John Yankanich and all their relatives and friends.

**Our Deceased:** Patricia Bercute, George Doran Jr and all the deceased members of our parish and their relatives and friends.



## St Thomas Aquinas December 50/50

Remember, this 50/50 will now be an annual event.

You may enter as many times as you wish.

Additional envelopes are available in the back of Church and in the Parish Office

Donation is \$5.00. The drawing will take place on Sunday, December 24, 2023 after the 11 AM Mass

To date, the pot total is \$4,370

## Stewardship Weekend

October 21—22, 2023

After All Masses

Father Crehan Hall

You are St Thomas Aquinas Parish. Your full and active participation in all aspects of our community enriches and enlivens our Parish. If you are interested in sharing your time and talent with your parish, visit our ministry tables on Stewardship Weekend.

**The Christmas Bazaar Committee** will hold their next meeting on **Tuesday, October 17th at 7:00 PM** in the Parish Meeting Room. All are welcome to attend. For more information, contact Cindy Salmon at (267) 566-2477.

**The Separated/Divorced Support Group** will meet on **Wednesday, October 18, 2023 at 7:00 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. For information, contact Peg Duffy at (215) 788-1947.

**The STA Conference of St Vincent de Paul Society** will hold their next meeting on **Wednesday, October 25, 2023 at 2:30 PM** in the Parish Meeting Room. For information, please call (267) 554-7109.



*October 15, 2023*

# **St. Thomas Aquinas Parish Presents Frankie Valli Tribute Show**



Lights Out—A Tribute to Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons, brings a high energy show, harmonies, comedy and audience participation.

**St. Thomas Aquinas—Father Crehan Hall  
121 Belmont Avenue—Croydon, PA 19021**

**Saturday, October 28, 2023**

**Doors Open at 5:30 PM—Show Time at 8:00 PM**

**Buffet Dinner—BYOB**

**Tickets \$60.00 per person**

**Reserved Seating for Tables of 8**

**For Tickets: Contact Marie Kelly at 215-788-3331  
or the Parish Office at 215-788-2989**

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**Legacy of Life Baby Bottle Drive Fundraiser  
October 14—15, 2023  
St Thomas Aquinas Parish**

We are inviting St. Thomas Aquinas parishioners to join us in saving lives and transforming families. Many of the women who come through our doors believe there is no other choice but abortion. They are scared, confused, and feel they have no support. Because of caring supporters like you, **over 300 babies got a chance at life last year!** Our advocacy program empowers women through mentoring and hands-on life skill classes throughout their pregnancy, and **for at least three years after** their babies are born. We can't do any of this without YOUR generous support! This year's baby bottle drive will take place on **October 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> with the collection October 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.** Please make checks payable to the **Legacy of Life Foundation**, write your information on the envelope for tax purposes and bring it back to church the following week or just mail it in. Or you can donate online at [www.legacyoflifefoundation.org](http://www.legacyoflifefoundation.org) Envelopes are in the back of the church with the Legacy of Life Foundation display.

**FATHER CHUCK'S CHALLENGE**

Next weekend Fr. Charles Kennedy will be speaking at our Masses for the annual Mission Appeal. He represents Father Chuck's Challenge, an initiative celebrating the memory and ministry of Father Charles Pfeffer, a deceased beloved priest of our Archdiocese. Over the last sixteen years, donors to Father Chuck's Challenge have provided more than 1,500 new homes for desperately poor beneficiaries, previously living virtually homeless, in plastic and plank shelters, in an area frequently ravished by tropical storms – in the Northern Highlands of Nicaragua and in hurricane ravaged Haiti, and recently, Honduras.

Information is available on our website  
[www.fatherchuckschallenge.com](http://www.fatherchuckschallenge.com)

This includes a video on our trip to Haiti

*"Whatever you do for the least of My brothers, you do unto Me." (Mt 25:40)*

**On Saturday, November 4, 2023**

St Thomas Aquinas Parish  
we will be celebrating our

**All Souls Day Memorial Mass at 4:30 PM**

Together, we will commemorate the lives of those parishioners and family members of parishioners who have returned to the Lord since October 2022. We need your help to assure that all of our deceased loved ones are included. If you have an immediate family member WHO DIED THIS PAST YEAR and the funeral services were not held at our parish, and you would like their name to be included in our Mass, please complete the form below and return it to the Parish Office or place in the collection basket. You may also contact the Parish Office at (215) 788-2989.

**Please provide information by October 27, 2023**

Name of Deceased: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Death: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Deceased: \_\_\_\_\_

**Employment Opportunity:**

St. Eleanor Catholic Church in Collegeville, PA is searching for a Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries. St. Eleanor serves over 13k Parishioners in suburban Montgomery County, PA. For inquiries & interest please email Linda Coyne at [lcoyne@stleanor.com](mailto:lcoyne@stleanor.com) or call Linda at 610-489-1647 (Ext 11) for full job description. Visit us at [www.stleanor.com](http://www.stleanor.com).

**Martin Saints Classical High School**

**Admissions Open House:** October 17th, 2023

**8th Grade Visitation Day:** November 14th, 2023

[www.whymsc.org](http://www.whymsc.org)

**Come be “fully alive” with us! Any questions?**

**Contact:** Ms. Laura Lindmeier

([llindmeier@martinsaintsclassical.org](mailto:llindmeier@martinsaintsclassical.org))

**Archbishop Ryan High School.** Find out why AR will help your child reach their full potential. Register for our **Open House (Wednesday, October 18, 2023** from 6pm-8pm) today!

[https://archbishopryan.schooladminonline.com/portal/public calendars/2024 fall open house](https://archbishopryan.schooladminonline.com/portal/public%20calendars/2024%20fall%20open%20house)

**Nazareth Academy High School** will be holding its **8th Grade Entrance & Scholarship Exam** on Saturday, **October 21, 2023** and Saturday, **November 4, 2023**, from 7:45 AM to 12:00 PM. All 8th grade girls interested in applying to Nazareth's Class of 2028 are encouraged to take the exam on one of the test dates. To register for the Entrance Exam, please visit [NazarethAcademyHS.org/EntranceExam](http://NazarethAcademyHS.org/EntranceExam). If you have questions, please contact Ms Derassouyan at (215) 268-1026.

**Conwell-Egan Class of 1983—40th Reunion**

**Saturday, October 21, 2023** at 6:30 PM

at Georgine's. Bristol, PA

\$75/pp includes Open Bar, Dinner and Dancing

RSVP: [conwelleganclassof1983@gmail.com](mailto:conwelleganclassof1983@gmail.com)

**Conwell-Egan Open House**

Join us at an Open House this fall! These events fill quickly. Be sure to RSVP to receive important details and reserve your spot now at [conwell-egan.org](http://conwell-egan.org)

**Thursday, October 26 | 5:30 P.M. - 8 P.M.**

**O'Hara Class of 73 - 50th Reunion**

Cardinal O'Hara High School Class of 1973 will celebrate their 50th reunion on **Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>** at the Springfield Country Club. For more information and tickets go to [www.cohs.com](http://www.cohs.com) then Alumni, then Reunions.

The Catechetical Institute (CI) at the School of Theological Studies at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary provides affordable on-line, non-credit courses designed for parish catechists, Catholic school teachers and all adults who want to learn more and grow in their Catholic Faith. CI will be offering the courses "Old Testament" and "Christian Anthropology" in November. The cost is \$60.00 per course. Registration is online at: <https://www.scs.edu/school-of-theological-studies/catechetical-institute/>

**Archbishop Ryan High School**

**Mass of Remembrance**

Ryan Administration, Faculty and Staff of Archbishop Ryan High School cordially invite you and your family in honoring the Deceased members of the Archbishop Ryan Family. Everyone is Welcome **Thursday, November 2, 2023.** Mass 7:00 PM Kindly enter through the Chapel Doors. Light refreshments to follow RSVP by October 27 to [alumni@arhs.org](mailto:alumni@arhs.org)

**Class Reunions – Archbishop Ryan High School**

Archbishop Ryan HS has a few upcoming reunions to celebrate milestone years.

Reunion details and ticket sale links are as follows:

**Class of 2008 – 15th Reunion**

Friday, November 3, 2023

Philadelphia Quartett Club

7PM to 11PM

Tickets at [arhs.me/reunion2008](http://arhs.me/reunion2008)

**Class of 2003 – 20th Reunion**

Saturday, November 11, 2023

Archbishop Ryan South Gym

7PM to 11PM

Tickets at [arhs.me/reunion2003](http://arhs.me/reunion2003)

**Class of 1978 – 45th Reunion**

Friday, November 17, 2023

The Philadelphia Ballroom

7PM to 11PM

Tickets at [arhs.me/reunion1978](http://arhs.me/reunion1978)



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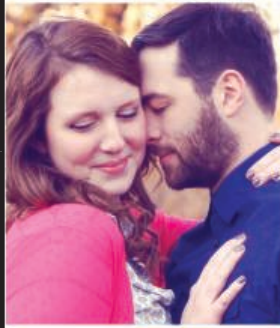
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