

S^t Thomas

Catholic Church Bardstown Kentucky

January 30, 2022

4th Sunday Ordinary Time

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Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass Schedule:

Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 11:00am & 6:30pm

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Thursday 6:30pm
Friday 9:00am
1st Saturday Noon

Reconciliation Schedule:

Thursday 5:30—6:15pm
1st Saturday 11:00-11:45am

Healthy At Worship

Masks are required for all unvaccinated persons at Mass and other parish functions. During religious education, masks are required for all. The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation does not apply to those who are sick, caring for the sick or have a serious health risk.

Mass Ministry Schedule for February 5th & 6th

	Saturday, 4pm	Sunday, 11am	Sunday, 6:30pm
Sacristan	Sharon Wathen	Tanya LaRue	Diane Hagan
Server/Acolyte	Landon Bishop Tyson DuPuis	Brayden Hutchins Zachary Sorrell	Volunteer Needed
Lector	Catherine Bragaw (1)	Mary Jones (1) Taylor Gagne (2)	Chris Mattingly
Eucharistic Min.	Paul Walker	Angie Hutchins	Volunteer Needed
Gift Bearers	Steve Spalding	Ben Hutchins	Volunteer Needed
Media	Cheryl Hutchins	Matt Reynolds	Ted Hagan

*If you will be unable to serve please find a sub and change the online schedule.

**If you are at mass and we are in need of a volunteer PLEASE let Father or the Sacristan know prior to the beginning of mass.

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Parish Office Hours:
Mon-Thurs. 8:30am-4:00pm

Bulletin Submission Deadline:
Noon Wednesday

Meetings, Events & Happenings This Week

- 1st Communion Rite of Enrollment Sun. 11:00am
- Exercise Class Wed. 5:00-5:45pm
- RCIA Wed. 6:00pm
- Men's Prayer Group Thurs. 5:30am
- Yoga Classes Thurs. 8:30-9:30am
- Exodus 90 (Thomas Rm) ... Thurs. 7:00pm

*"Amen, I say to you,
no prophet is accepted in
his own native place."*

— Luke 4:24



Unwelcome At Home - Reflection on Luke 4:21-30

by Rev. Mark Vickers, *St. Ignatius Catholic Community - The Jesuit Church of Baltimore*

Have you ever been in a place where you really felt comfortable and at ease and you take advantage of the situation, not in a bad way, but in a good way? In a way that you would see people being advanced in their life? Jesus had settled in the synagogue in Nazareth. He had returned home. He was the 'local', so to speak, in a rather peculiar setting. He had perched himself in the synagogue and began to read the scriptures once again. This time, however, his reading of the Isaiah passage began to take a new route. As Jesus interprets this text it becomes clear that Jesus is feeling the fulfillment of the prophecy through the reigning of God's Spirit in his life.

All well and good by Jesus, but what about those who heard what he said? Those who were "in his hearing?" The people of the synagogue! Early in the text, the people in the synagogue, according to Luke, were proud of Jesus. This was after all the local hero, the local boy, Joseph's son. But in the same breath, Jesus suggests to the hearers that there is more to the divine picture than just this small world in Nazareth.

Jesus had the work of the Spirit permeating his speaking and the stories he echoed. This becomes a rather subtle yet dynamic move in this scripture and in the life of Jesus. It is here that Jesus begins to preach the rejection of inclusion. You see, Jesus was reading and interpreting scripture in a way that moved beyond the local notion into what was soon to be seen as an inclusive Kingdom of God perspective. As often is the case, when we step on uncomfortable ground we risk the possibility of either offending someone or being ostracized ourselves! Here, Jesus accomplished both! He was able to make the hearers of the "word" extremely uncomfortable by suggesting that a prophet was not able to "work" in their own town, hence, Jesus was not there to impress the locals, nor was he there to perform acts of mercy or healing for those in his hometown. Then he really "stepped out" of the box by telling the story of a Gentile woman being healed. Go figure—telling the story of a Gentile woman being healed in the midst of the Jewish synagogue. Jesus is making the move from a somewhat human perspective to a very vivid divine perspective of inclusion of all people.

Jesus, here, in the midst of Luke's gospel, becomes the radical ecumenical missionary. He steps out of the box and proclaims the radical perspective that the up and coming church is going to be an inclusive and encompassing body of believers that is beginning to "think outside the synagogue" as opposed to "outside the box!"

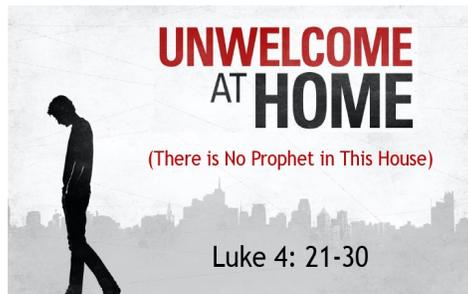
The result is Jesus being run out of town only to make an heroic escape. The parallels of this text to the modern world are extremely real. How many times have we found ourselves proclaiming the truth and being "run out of town?" How many times have we attempted to be the church and been shunned by the world because we don't coincide with earthly ways? Jesus certainly shunned the ways of synagogue thinking when he spoke of the widow who was neglected and the lepers who were not cleansed. Jesus did not hold back! He put it out there for all of them to see and to hear. He pushed them to a point of no return, he pushed them to think of what they had NOT done! Jesus moved them at this young age to think about their religious maturity so much that according to Luke, they were ready to run him out of town and push him off a cliff. Yet, he escaped untouched!! The plan was bigger than them!

So it is with us as the church! The plan is bigger than us. We as the church are called to look beyond ourselves to a world that is in need. We are called to be "religiously mature," we are called to hear the Word of God in an inclusive way that brings the Kingdom of God to be known by everybody.

That, my friends, may require us to be uncomfortable! It may require us to be with people who are not like us, and even more, who don't THINK like us! Just like Jesus, he was at home in the synagogue with his Jewish family and friends, but he was proclaiming to them a new way to look at the world and new way to treat people! He was proclaiming to them the bigger plan, a plan they didn't want to hear, but a plan that was right for the world.

Let us be Christ like in this manner and proclaim the inclusive Gospel for all people!

AMEN and AMEN



Weekend Collection

Weekend of 1/23/21 Collection
\$ 3,739.00

Online Collections
\$ 262.50

Needed to make budget
\$ 6,100.00/weekend

Year to Date Collections
\$ 160,298.29

Annual Budgeted
\$305,000.00

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www.saintthomasbardstowen.org/give

Sanctuary Candle Burns in Honor of Payton Brown

Mass Intentions

DAILY MASS CANCELLATION NOTICE

Feb. 17th Mass Cancelled - Intention Moved to Mar. 17th

Feb. 18th Mass - Cancelled - Intention Moved to Mar. 4th

Saturday, January 29, 2022

† Jimmy & Marcy Thomas

† Tommy Downs

† Deceased Members of the Hazy Downs Family

Sunday, January 30, 2022

† Judy Sweeney Jones

† Josh Pettit

Monday, January 31, 2022

Feast of St. John Bosco

Wednesday, February 2, 2022

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Thursday, February 3, 2022

Feast of St. Blaise

† Marion Higdon

Friday, February 4, 2022

† Micah Taylor

Saturday, February 5, 2022

Memorial of St. Agatha

† Jimmy & Marcy Thomas

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Remembered in Prayer

Those currently in need of ongoing prayer



Eddie Auberry
Iona Bryan
Bertie Clark
William (Ted) Hagan
Ashley Lawrence
Tom Wheatley-RIP
Nancy Wimsatt
Homebound
Mary Greenwell

*New to list

Pray for Us!

Young @ ❤️ NEXT meeting
on Sunday, February 6th, 2022

Homebound Parishioners

Are you, or do you know of someone, unable to attend Mass yet would like to receive the Body of Christ? Please notify the Parish Office with your/their name, address and phone number and we will make arrangements to have the Eucharist brought to their home.



Room in the Inn @ St. Thomas

St. Thomas provided a warm bed, supper and breakfast for 27 guests during the months of Nov. & Dec. 2021. Guests were also given a sack lunch to take with them.

Thanks to the 123 Volunteers who worked selflessly to make our guests feel welcome and safe. These volunteers gave 464.5 hours into serving our guests.

Do You Sing In The Shower, or Do You Play An Instrument?



St. Thomas' Music Ministry **NEEDS** you!

Please prayerfully consider joining our small group of musicians and singers. Music brings great meaning to our liturgies, without it we are left feeling like we have missed something important.



Even if you do not feel you are "good enough" we need your God-given talent; or if you are concerned about standing up in front of people. We are all family at St. Thomas NO ONE is going to make you feel foolish or self conscious. We *truly* need your voice, and your willingness to be part of something spiritual, meaningful and so vital to our faith journey.

All of our Mass times need your talents. Your voice and your musical talent are gifts that need to be shared. Please join us and help us bring more joyful music to our liturgies. For more information please contact Bonnie Bullock bullock61@roadrunner.com or stop by after mass and let the organist or cantor know you have a talent you will share with the People of St. Thomas.

Thank you to All of Our Ministry/Group/Committee Member-Volunteers

Thank you so very much to all who made our first Stewardship Fair a great success! Your time and efforts to bring awareness to your particular ministry was so heartwarming and welcomed by one and all! May your Ministries, Groups or Committees flourish in 2022! See you next year!

PLEASE Remember to Complete and Return Your Stewardship Forms

Your Stewardship forms are vital to our Parish's growth and development. Please return your form to us asap. Forms may be returned in the blue basket in St. Theresa Hall at Mass, Parish Office Mail Slot, or mail it to St Thomas Parish, 870 St. Thomas Lane, Bardstown, KY 40004.

These forms help us to keep your information current, discover where you wish to share your Time, Treasure & Talents, as well as develop our 2022-2023 budget.

Additional blank copies can be found on the credenza in St. Theresa Hall or in the Parish Office.

Want to Get Away and Enrich Your Faith Life?



Fátima, Lourdes & Shrines of Spain
(Portugal, Spain and France)

Take your FAITH ON A JOURNEY, to Fátima, Lourdes & Shrines of Spain - (Portugal, Spain and France) on this 12 day experience. September 2nd, 2022 - September 13th, 2022

Your included destinations while on this Journey: LISBON-SANTARÉM- FÁTIMA-BRAGA-SANTIGO DE COMPOSTELA, SPAIN, BURGOS-SAN IGNACIA DE LOYOLA-LOURDES, FRANCE, CARCASSONNE-MONTSERRAT - BARCELONA, SPAIN Plus, Mass and Rosary will be offered throughout your journey. Land prices begin at \$2,099 per person, based on double occupancy. Deposits of only \$500 per person will reserve your space. Space is VERY LIMITED. For further info. or to register, contact Luke or Eileen at 860-399-1785, Eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com.

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YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Information meeting about the mission trip with Aaron Frazita, the Associate Director for the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry on Monday, January 31st at 6pm in St. Teresa Hall.

I encourage any 9th-12th grade student or parent to attend this meeting if they would like to go on the trip with the youth group. We will be going from July 8th-17th. We will build a home for a family living in Pueblo Modelo, Guatemala and visit the ministries that Hearts in Motion supports including an orphanage, senior citizens center, nutrition center, clinics and much more!

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Religious Education

Religious Ed News

Rite of Enrollment for First Communicants will be celebrated during the 11am mass on Sunday, Jan. 30th. Parents are required to attend the Mass.



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