

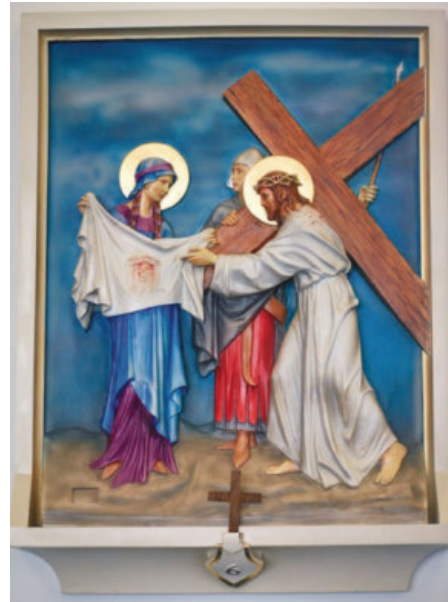


# St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

February 25, 2024 - Second Sunday in Lent

451 W. Terra Cotta Ave., Crystal Lake, IL 60014

815-455-5400/[www.stthomascl.church](http://www.stthomascl.church)



**We Adore you, O Christ, and we praise you.  
Because, by Your holy cross, You have redeemed the world.**

## *Mission Statement*

*We are a Catholic family, living our awareness of Christ's presence through worship, service, evangelization and community for the benefit of all.*

## **PARISH INFORMATION**

### Parish Center Hours:

Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

### Confessions (Reconciliation - Oak Street Church):

Mondays: 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Saturdays: 8:00 am - 9:00 am and 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

### Locations:

Oak Street Church - 451 W. Terra Cotta Ave.

Crystal Lake, IL 60014

Pierson Street Church - 453 Pierson St.

Crystal Lake, IL 60014

Parish Office - 272 King St. Crystal Lake, IL 60014

St. Thomas School - 265 King St. Crystal Lake, IL 60014

Little Saints Preschool - 454 Lake St. Crystal Lake, IL 60014

### Holy Hearts Adoration Chapel:

Monday, 6:15 am - Friday, 9:00 pm

Saturday, 7:15 am - 5:45 pm

Sunday, 7:15 am - 6:45 pm

adorationchapel@stthomascl.church

### Resources:

Crystal Lake Food Pantry

42 East St. Crystal Lake, IL 60014

(815) 455-0961

M, W, F - 10:00 am-2:00 pm

Th - 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Sat. - 9:00 am - Noon

St. Vincent DePaul Society: (779) 800-6742

### Little Christopher Resale Shoppe:

469 Lake St., Crystal Lake, IL 60014

(815) 459-9442

Tues., Wed., Sat. - 10:00 am - 1:00 pm,

Th. 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm

*Donations accepted:* During Store Hours

Marian Central High School: (815)-338-4220

www.marian.com

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[www.facebook.com/saintthomascl](https://www.facebook.com/saintthomascl)

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## From the Pastor's Desk...



In the story of Jesus' Transfiguration, Jesus shows something special to the apostles, but not all of them. No, he intentionally selects Peter, James and John for this particular encounter. Why were they singled out for special, insider information that they were instructed not to reveal to the other nine apostles until after Jesus had risen from the dead? This story would have given a boost in prestige to whomever was associated with those three in the early Christian church. But, then Jesus was never particularly interested in our ability to receive human prestige.

This event, known as "The Transfiguration," has long been regarded as one of the most important events in Jesus' life. St. (Pope) John Paul II included it as one of the five Luminous Mysteries of the Holy Rosary, when those mysteries were added to our popular Catholic prayer practice. It is connected in one way or another to many other events in the stories about Jesus and plays a central theological role because it connects him more explicitly to Moses and Elijah.

Jesus appears here with two other figures: Moses, representing Jewish law and Elijah, representing Jewish prophecy. Moses is important because he was the figure believed to have given the Jews their basic laws and to have significantly contributed to the five books of the Torah, which is the basis of Judaism. Connecting Jesus to Moses thus connects Jesus to the very origins of the Jewish faith. Elijah is important because he was one of the first in a long line of prophets to remind the leaders and society of God's will for them. As important as both figures are to Salvation History (all faithful Jews in ancient Israel would certainly recognize their importance), it is Jesus who clearly takes center stage in the Transfiguration scene.

This incident is tied with the beginning of Jesus' ministry when he was baptized and a divine voice said, "This is my beloved Son." In that scene, God spoke directly to Jesus. In the Transfiguration scene, God speaks directly to the three apostles about His beloved Son, Jesus, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him." The word "listen" recalls God's initial mandate to "hear" the great commandment in Deuteronomy 6:4. So, atop this mountain surrounded by another sacred cloud, Jesus' disciples are led to understand that Jesus is the incarnate law, not another prophet. The abrupt end of the Transfiguration story signals that the high point of God's revelation in Jesus is yet to come.

Jesus' instruction to keep the matter secret until the resurrection indicates that the Transfiguration event (as important as it is) is a mere foretaste of the more fundamental revelation accomplished in Jesus' death and resurrection. So, Peter's tent-building proposal may have been very understandable and well-meaning – but it clearly misses the greater reality. The greater reality for all of us to contemplate is the meaning of Jesus' rising from the dead. The Paschal Mystery – the Life, the Death and the Resurrection – is the goal of our journey through Lent and life!

Peace be with you,

Fr. Bob Jones

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### **Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 am † John Finnegan  
12:10 pm † Iluminada Pascual Felina Ponsaran

### **Tuesday, February 27th**

6:30 am † Stephen Baker  
8:30 am † Cynthia Dusenbery  
12:10 pm † Kathleen Maher  
Patrick Maher, Special Intention

### **Wednesday, February 28th**

6:30 am † Elizabeth Teetsov  
12:10 pm † Gino & Ann Baseggio

### **Thursday, February 29th**

6:30 am † Father Jon Bakkelund  
8:30 am † Lina Katkus  
12:10 pm Malham Family (Living & Deceased)

### **Friday, March 1st**

6:30 am † Tom Bennett  
† Elaine Eichelkraut  
12:10 pm † Gene Baseggio  
† Karen Bielas

### **Saturday, March 2nd**

7:30 am † Nancy Cichero  
4:30 pm † Nicholas Cichon

### **Sunday, March 3rd**

7:30 am † Sydney & Magdalene Kamysz  
9:00 am Paul Georgy Family (Living & Deceased)  
10:30 am Budd Family, Living & Deceased  
10:30 am Children of St. Thomas Parish  
(Family Mass) (Special Intention)  
12:00 pm The People of St Thomas Parish,  
Living & Deceased  
5:30 pm † Carolyn Hilpert



Please visit or call the Parish Center to schedule a Mass Intention.

## Parish Calendar

### **Sunday, February 25, 2024**

8:30 am Coffee & Donuts (Community Rm.)  
10:00 am R.C.I.A. Class (Lower Oak)

### **Monday, February 26, 2024\***

10:30 am MMP Rosary Group (Community Room)  
5:00 pm Confessions (Oak St. Church)  
7:00 pm "Love Ed" Parent Presentation (Comm. Rm)  
7:00 pm SPRED Catechist Mtg (Parish Center)

### **Tuesday, February 27, 2024\*^**

7:00 pm St. Vincent DePaul (Parish Center)  
7:00 pm Ministry of Hope Mtg. (Parish Center)  
7:30 pm Knights of Columbus Officers (Lower Oak)

### **Wednesday, February 28, 2024\***

9:30 am Bible Timeline (Lower Oak)  
4:30 pm Grade R.E. Classes (Pierson St. Church)  
7:00 pm Bible Timeline (Lower Oak)  
7:00 pm YM High School (Community Room)

### **Thursday, February 29, 2024\*^**

5:30 pm Vespers (Oak St. Church)  
7:00 pm YM Junior High (Community Room)

### **Friday, March 1, 2024\***

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (Oak St. Church)

### **Saturday, March 2, 2024**

6:00 am That Man Is You (Community Room)  
7:30 am Mass (Oak St. Church)  
8:00 am Confessions (Oak St. Church)  
8:15 am Men's Group (Lower Oak)  
9:00 am SPRED Group (Parish Center)  
3:00 pm Confessions (Oak St. Church)  
4:30 pm Mass (Oak St. Church)

### **Sunday, March 3, 2024**

8:30 am Coffee & Donuts (Community Rm.)  
8:30 am Blood Pressure Screening (Library)  
10:00 am R.C.I.A. Class (Lower Oak)  
10:30 am Family Mass (Community Room)  
1:30 pm 7<sup>th</sup> Grade RE (Community Room)  
7:00 pm YM Confirmation (Community Room)

*\*6:30 am and 12:10 pm daily Mass at Oak Street  
^8:30 am Mass at Oak Street*

## Adoration Candle Intentions

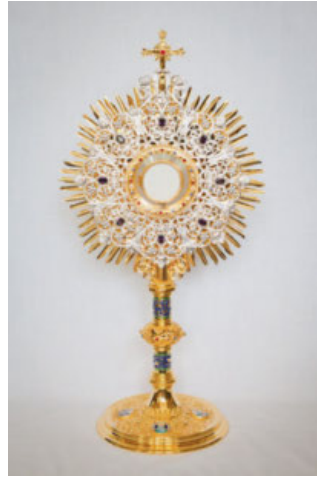
**Feb. 18 - March 2**

Daya Family

Widger Family

†Ralph Biasello

†Clarence Kleinfelter



## St. Pat's Dinner

Due to scheduling conflicts the Knights of Columbus St. Patrick's Day dinner has been canceled.

## St. Thomas Woman's Club Day of Recollection

Thursday, March 7, 2024

All women of the parish are invited to attend the Women's Club Day of Recollection on March 7, beginning with Mass at Oak Street Church at 10:45 am, followed by a "brown bag" lunch in the Community Center. Desserts and refreshments will be provided. Father Romke will be the guest celebrant and speaker.

### Celebrant Weekday Masses

2/26	6:30 am	Fr. Jones
	12:10 pm	Fr. Linkenheld
2/27	6:30 am	Fr. Linkenheld
	8:30 am	Fr. Jones
	12:10 pm	Fr. Fitzpatrick
2/28	6:30 am	Fr. Fitzpatrick
	12:10 pm	Fr. Jones
2/29	6:30 am	Fr. Fitzpatrick
	8:30 am	Fr. Linkenheld
	12:10 pm	Fr. Tunarosa
3/1	6:30 am	Fr. Jones
	12:10 pm	Fr. Jones
3/2	7:30 am	Fr. Fitzpatrick

### Celebrant Weekend Masses

3/2	4:30 pm	Fr. Jones
3/3	7:30 am	Fr. Fitzpatrick
	9:00 am	Fr. Linkenheld
	10:30 am	Fr. Linkenheld
	12:00 pm	Fr. Jones
	5:30 pm	Fr. Fitzpatrick

### *Please pray for the Deceased*

Kathleen Ziegler  
Laurel Junroe

### WEEKEND MASS MINISTERS - 3/2 & 3/3

	Lector	EM	Altar Server
4:30 pm	Ed Holda	James Cormier, Maureen Carpenter, Gloria Marmol	
7:30 am	John Streit	William Bransley, Emily Pachla, Lori Gajdzik, Liz Sernett	Michael Davis, TJ Pachla
9:00 am	Greg Ives	Kristy White, Vicki Roberts, Dawn Ahsmann, Vicki Kosin	Seth White, Sean Kelly, Michael Robson
10:30 am	Monica Caldicott	Susan Gawart, Craig Gawart, Valerie Cuchna, Don Amoruso	George Cuchna, Ian Varys, Michael Robson
12:00 pm	Joanna Majewska	Jerry Lyons	Isabella Costantini, Macy Freeman
5:30 pm	Lisa Dalton	Annette O'Connell, Susan Ludwig	



Weekly Collection - February 25	
Sunday Envelopes	\$12,711.00
Online Giving	\$12,774.00
Sunday Offering	\$2,795.36
Total Collection	\$28,280.36
Weekly Tithe	Hope for Haitians

### REMEMBER THE PARISH IN YOUR WILL.

Most adults do not have a legal will.  
Write your will today by visiting  
[MyCatholicWill.com](http://MyCatholicWill.com).

This Lent, protect those you love  
most in under 15-minutes through  
the online, easy-to-use form.

Leave a legacy of faith by including  
the parish in your will.

[www.MyCatholicWill.com](http://www.MyCatholicWill.com)  
Use code: **PARISH20** to save 20%



### Readings for the week of February 25, 2024

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/  
Jn 2:13-25 Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/  
Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Lent is a call not just to “give up something” but more important to “give something for the poor.” Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home.

When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell.

**Your almsgiving in the St. Vincent de Paul poor box will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God’s love this Easter.**



What can you do this year to make Lent truly special? How can you be fully alive and joyful for His resurrection at Easter? Why not join fellow parishioners for the St. Thomas Light of the World Retreat. Prayerfully consider attending this parish-based Retreat! Treat yourself and feed your soul. If you feel God is calling you to strengthen or deepen your relationship with Him, register for this retreat.

Friday, March 8 - 6:30 - 9 pm

Saturday, March 9 - 8 am - 8 pm

Sunday, March 10 - 8 am - 6 pm

Monday, March 11 - 6:30 - 9 pm

The retreat takes place in Lower Pierson. Meals and snacks are provided. For more information contact Patrick Haviland at 815-455-5400x410 or email [phaviland@stthomascl.church](mailto:phaviland@stthomascl.church).

Please know that what you will gain from attending the Light of the World retreat will far outweigh your investment in time and commitment.

## **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

St. Thomas the Apostle Oak St. Church

### **Communal Penance Service**

Tuesday, March 12, 2024 7:00 pm

### **"Be Reconciled" All-Day Confessions**

Wednesday, March 20, 2024 9:00 am to 8:00 pm

### **Individual Confessions:**

Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024

4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Monday, March 25, 2024

5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Tuesday, March 26, 2024

7:00 am to 8:00 am

6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 27, 2024

7:00 am to 8:00 am

***This concludes our Easter Confessions.***

### **Holy Week Schedule**

#### **Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024**

Palms blessed at all Masses

#### **Holy Thursday, March 28, 2024**

English Mass of the Lord's Supper **6:00 pm**

Hispanic Mass of the Lord's Supper **8:00 pm**

9:00 pm Adoration until Midnight

#### **Good Friday, March 29, 2024**

Liturgical Service of the Lord's Passion at

12:10 pm **and** at 7:30 pm

Stations of the Cross at 2:00 pm (English)

Stations of the Cross at 4:00 pm (Spanish)

#### **Holy Saturday, March 30, 2024**

Blessing of Food Baskets at 10:00 am

***(No 4:30 pm Mass)***

Easter Vigil Mass at 7:30 pm

#### **Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024**

Masses at 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am,

and 12:00 noon; ***(No 5:30 pm Mass)***



### **Help the Crystal Lake Food Pantry**

The Crystal Lake Food Pantry will be passing out bags next weekend after all the Masses. Please return items with donations on the weekend of March 9th and 10th. Some of the items needed are: canned chili/beef stew, coffee, canned chicken/tuna, sugar, oil, jelly syrup, peanut butter, ramen noodles, flour, pancake mix, paper towels, kleenex tissues, dish soap, laundry detergent, toothpaste, hand soap...a more comprehensive list will be given with the bags.

***Thank you for your generosity!***

### **Parish Lenten Mission**

**March 17, 18, & 19, 2024 - 7:00—8:30 pm**

#### **Treasures of the Heart:**

#### **Fanning the Flame of Love**

Join Father Michael Sparough, the retreat director at the Bellarmine Retreat House in Barrington, for our three night parish mission. *Treasures of the Heart* is a call to follow Jesus into the heart of the gospel. Fr. Michael will lead us in prayer through dramatizations of stories and familiar gospel scenes, guided imagery prayer, engaging preaching, uplifting songs and rituals of blessing. This mission is designed to challenge, delight and re-ignite the flame of God's love in our hearts.

Sunday, 3/17 - Discipleship: *Following the Light of Life*

Monday, 3/18 - Reconciliation: *Re-Kindling the Blaze*

Tuesday, 3/19 - Mission: *Sharing the Fire of His Love*

# Ministerio Hispano

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## Horario de Misas

Martes 6:00 am Miércoles 6:00 am

Jueves 7:30 pm Viernes 7:30 pm

Sábado 5:00 pm y 7:00 pm

Domingo 9:30 am y 11:30 am

La Adoración al Santísimo es en la Capilla de Adoración ubicada en la esquina de la calle Oak/Ruta 176.

De Lunes 6:15 am a Viernes 9:00 pm

Sábado: 7:15 am a 5:45 pm

Domingo: 7:15 am a 6:45 pm

“Ven y Adora, Él espera por ti”

Iluminación para la esperanza en nuestra vida debe ser la experiencia de la Transfiguración. Pedro, Santiago y Juan acompañaron a Jesús, subieron a lo alto del monte para ver la manifestación de que Jesús era Dios. Fueron testigos de que junto a Jesús estaban Moisés y Elías, que conversaban con él y que eran los portavoces de la ley y los profetas. Para admiración de ellos, de una nube salió una voz que decía: “Este es mi Hijo, el Amado, escúchenlo” (Marcos 9, 7). Escuchar a Dios en la actualidad es difícil, estamos muy distraídos con tantas cosas. Debemos apagar el celular para darnos cuenta de la magnitud del mensaje de hoy.

Es una gracia, un don, el saber escuchar. Será por eso la insistencia de Dios en este domingo de que escuchemos al Amado. Jesús intentaba ayudar a sus discípulos a entender el mensaje de su Pasión, pero, era difícil para ellos. La Transfiguración indica la esperanza de que después de pasar por el Viernes Santo vendrá la resurrección. Hay que pasar por el sufrimiento para merecer la Gloria prometida. ¿Cómo escucho la palabra de Dios? ¿De qué modo la hago mía y la vivo? El Papa Francisco sobre este

## Horario para confesiones:

Viernes de 6:00-7:00pm

Sábados después de misa de 7pm

O hacer una cita en la oficina parroquial.

**Coordinador: Reverendo William Tunarosa**

**Atención al Público:** Martes a Jueves de 9:00am a 4:00pm

**Llamar a la Oficina Parroquial para hacer su cita:** (815-356-0860)

**Oficina del Ministerio Hispano, Atención al Público:**

Irene Garcia: Lunes a Viernes 9:00am a 5:00pm

Colecta Semanal - 2/25	
Pierson St.	\$3,700.68
Pierson Online	\$158.00

Domingo nos dice que “La Fiesta de la Transfiguración del Señor nos recuerda que estamos llamados a vivir el encuentro con Cristo, para que iluminados por su luz, podamos llevarla y hacerla brillar en todas partes, como pequeñas lámparas del Evangelio que llevan un poco de amor y de esperanza” (08-06-2021). ¡Escuchemos la voz de los marginados y hagamos algo por ellos!

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St. Thomas the Apostle Presents



# LoveEd

Help Parents have "The Talk"  
Help Kids get "Love Right"

This evening is presented by Jack Rigert,  
Director of the John Paul II Center  
This is the *first of 3 presentations*:  
**LoveEd for Parents** (February 26, 2024) of children  
ages 2–14. Any concerned adults are invited, like  
grandparents or any wishing to know more.

The next 2 sessions are:  
**LoveEd Level 1** (Spring 2024) for Parents with  
their preteens ages 9–11, (5th grade)  
Father/Sons are held in a separate room than  
Mother/ Daughters.

3. **LoveEd Level 2** (Fall 2024) for Parents with  
their teens ages 12–14 (7th grade). Father/Sons  
are in a separate room than Mother/Daughters.

LoveEd was created  
so that our *parishes*  
could *empower parents*  
to effectively teach  
their children about  
the beauty of love  
and sexuality within  
the context of our  
**Catholic Faith.**

The LoveEd video-discussion  
program helps parishes and schools  
teach both the theology and science  
of human sexuality within the context  
of God's plan for love and life. It helps  
young people discover the beauty  
and the purpose of their sexuality,  
while protecting their innocence.

**When:** Monday, February 26 from 7—8:30 PM

**Where:** Oak Street Church, Community Room  
451 W. Terra Cotta Ave. Crystal Lake, IL. 60014

This is an evening just for our parents and those adults who are interested in learning more. There is no babysitting.  
For more information, call the parish office 815-455-5400 or e-mail phaviland@stthomascd.church

If you would like the St. Jude Guild  
to pray for the special intention of  
a loved one who is living, please  
contact Norine Pontarelli -  
815-356-1157



## the art of ACCOMPANIMENT

**SS. Peter & Paul Parish Hall**  
**410 North First St. Cary, IL 60013**

An evening of prayer, education, & testimony on the  
faith-based response to mental health & substance  
use challenges. Refreshments will be served.

**Monday, Feb. 26th 6:45-8:15PM**

Questions or to Register contact:  
Mary Fuller (815) 520-7549  
[cmhm@rockforddiocese.org](mailto:cmhm@rockforddiocese.org).  
(include name, home parish, email address)

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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

It has been a joy to start off the season of Lent with  
you here at St. Thomas. It was especially lovely to see  
so many of you at the Shroud of Turin presentation –  
what a powerful reminder of how much the Lord has  
done for us in His humanity so your and my life can be  
renewed and full of life!

On Tuesday, March 5, I would like to invite you to a talk  
I am giving here at the Oak Street community room. It  
will summarize and present the key parts of the book  
we gave away at Christmas, Bishop Robert Barron's  
This is My Body: A Call to Eucharistic Revival. Bishop  
Barron has so many beautiful insights, using the riches  
of Scripture and our Tradition to showcase what Jesus  
Christ desires for us as His people: to renew us as a  
community here at St. Thomas with nothing less than  
His very self, truly present Body, Blood, Soul, and Divin-  
ity in the holy Eucharist. After the talk, there will be the  
opportunity for small-group discussion at your table  
and a brief Q&A session about the book and the Eucha-  
ristic Revival in general.

This talk is one of many opportunities to engage with  
your faith during Lent, as well as an opportunity to in-  
vite someone back to church who has slipped out of a  
more-engaged practice of the faith. As the ending of  
Mass exemplifies by sending us forth into the "real  
world" around us renewed by this Presence in Holy  
Communion, the celebration of our faith in the great  
gift of the Eucharist is intimately tied to a call to mis-  
sion and evangelization. This evening could be a great  
expression of that if we invite just one person to join  
us!

Know of my prayers for each of you during this holy  
season, when we are orienting our desires toward  
what truly satisfies our hearts and makes life full: the  
life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ – present in  
the Church, present in her sacraments, especially the  
Eucharist, and present in each of us who have "eyes to  
see and ears to hear". Please pray for me, too.


Peace,

Fr. Linkenheld

# Youth Ministry

Wed., Feb. 28	High School YM / 7:00 pm
Thur., Feb. 29	Jr. High YM / 7:00 pm
Sun., March 3	7th Grade RE / 1:30 pm / Community Room
Sun., March 3	YM Confirmation / 7:00 pm / Community Room

Join The Mission of Cor Jesu on a pilgrimage to  
**The Shrine of Christ's Passion**  
with Fr. Jerome Koutnik  
— Holy Week 2024 —



**Monday, March 25th**

Tour two great shrines, Holy Mass at the Carmelite Shrine in Munster, IN., catered lunch, pray the Stations of the Cross at the Shrine of Christ's Passion guided by Fr. Jerome, free time and time for prayer

**\$150 per person\***  
Register at [www.corjesumission.org/pilgrimages](http://www.corjesumission.org/pilgrimages)  
or call 815-575-9480  
\*includes club car access for those with mobility challenges

Scan to Register



*St. Thomas The Apostle Church  
and School are Happy To Announce:*

**FAMILY MASS IS BACK!**

 **SUNDAY, MARCH 3RD**  
**10:30AM**  
**COMMUNITY CENTER, OAK STREET CHURCH**  
**451 W. TERRA COTTA AVENUE**  
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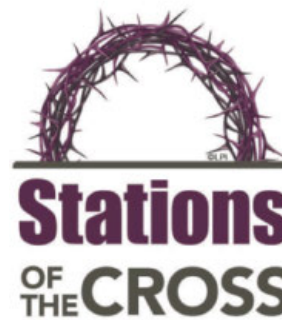
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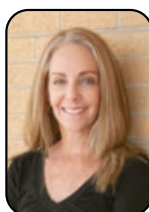
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