St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church May 18, 2025 - Fifth Sunday of Easter 451 W. Terra Cotta Ave., Crystal Lake, IL 60014 815-455-5400/www.stthomascl.church

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):

Monday: 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Saturday: 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

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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

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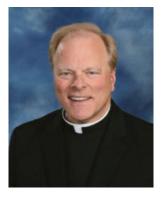
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From the Pastor's Desk...



"Habemus Papam!" We have a new Pope! Pope Leo XIV (Robert Prevost) is now the 267th Pope of the Universal Roman Catholic Church and the first Pope born in the United States of America (Chicago to be more precise)! He is an Augustinian and has spent most of his priesthood as a missionary in Peru. He has also served more recently in Rome in assisting the late Pope Francis with some of the governance of our world -wide Church. His selection of the name Leo is quite significant, since Leo XIII is known as the father of Catholic Social Teaching. This teaching will very likely be a guiding force in his papacy. So, let's take a moment to review the Seven Principles of Catholic

Social Teaching.

Life and Dignity of the Human Person: The Catholic Church proclaims that human life is sacred and the dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision for society. This belief is the foundation of all the principles of our social teaching.

Call to Family, Community, and Participation: The person is not only sacred but also social. How we organize our society - in economics and politics, in law and policy – directly affects human dignity and the capacity of individuals to grow in community. Marriage and family are the central social institutions that must be supported and strengthened, not undermined.

Rights and Responsibilities: The Catholic tradition teaches that human dignity can be protected and a healthy community can be achieved only if human rights are protected and responsibilities are met. This always begins with a fundamental right to life and flows to all things required for human decency.

Options for the Poor and Vulnerable: A basic moral test is how our most vulnerable members are faring. In a society marred by deepening divisions between rich and poor, our tradition recalls the story of the Last Judg-ment (Mt 25:31-46) and instructs us to put the needs of the poor and the vulnerable first.

Dignity and Rights of Workers: The economy must serve people, not the other way around. Work is more

than a way to make a living; it is a form of continuing participation in God's creation. If the dignity of work is to be protected, then the basic rights of workers must be respected.

Solidarity: We are one human family whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. We are our brothers keepers, wherever they may be.

Care for God's Creation: We show respect for the Creator by our stewardship of creation. Care for the earth is not just an Earth Day slogan. It is a requirement of our faith!

Peace, be with you, Fr. Bob Jones



His boundless love."

POPE LEO XIV

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, May 19th

6:30 am	+ Esther Uelmen
12:10 pm	Family of Ernest Ream
	(Living & Deceased)

Tuesday, May 20th

6:30 amAnn & Jack Wall (Special Intention)12:10 pm+ Nicky Fues

Wednesday, May 21st

6:30 am Palczewski and Wojewoda Families (Living & Deceased)
12:10 pm St. Jude Guild Members (Living & Deceased)

Thursday, May 22nd

6:30 am ⁺ Joan Robaczewski Chester Robaczewski (Special Intention) 12:10 pm ⁺ Thomas McKibben

Friday, May 23rd

6:30 am ⁺ Julie Arza 12:10 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry Members (Living & Deceased)

Saturday, May 24th

7:30 am ⁺ Stephen Baker
4:30 pm People of St. Thomas Parish (Living & Deceased)

Sunday, May 25th

7:30 am+ Paul Warren9:00 am+ Phyllis Voss10:30 am+ Rosemary Blazier12:00 pm+ Szymon Piekut5:30 pmSusan Zbierski (Special Intention)

Parish Calendar

Sunday, May 18, 20258:30 amKnights Breakfast (Community Rm.)9:00 amO.C.I.A. Class (Lower Oak)

Monday, May 19, 2025*

5:00 pm	Confessions (Oak St. Church)	
6:30 pm	SPRED Group Mtg. (Parish Center)	
7:00 pm	Women's Evening of Recollection	
	(Oak St. Church)	

Tuesday, May 20, 2025*

7:00 pm Holy Hour (Oak St. Church)

Wednesday, May 21, 2025*

6:30 pm LOTW "The Lord's Pathfinders" (Parish Center)7:00 pm St. Vincent DePaul Mtg. (Lower Oak)

Thursday, May 22, 2025*

Friday, May 23, 2025* 10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry

Saturday, May 24, 20257:30 amMass (Oak St. Church)8:00 amConfessions (Oak St. Church)8:00 amMen's Group (Lower Oak)10:00 amHispanic FHC (Oak St. Church)

Sunday, May 25, 2025 8:30 am Coffee & Donuts (Community Room) No O.C.I.A. Class

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



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

Adoration Candle Intentions

May 11 - May 24

Duca Family Ives Family Cruz-Romo Family Lunas Family





May 18 - Knights of Columbus Breakfast after the morning Masses in the Community Room. *Free Rosary repair available during the Knights breakfast.* May 25 - Coffee & Donuts

The Adoration Chapel will be closed Monday, May 26th.

Wedding Banns

Please pray for the following members of our community who will marry soon:



Andrew Grzybek and Lydia Weltzien (II)

Celebrant Weekday Masses		
5/19	6:30 am	Fr. Downing
5/19	12:10 pm	Fr. Jones
E /20	6:30 am	Fr. Jones
5/20	12:10 pm	Fr. Fitzpatrick
F /21	6:30 am	Fr. Jones
5/21	12:10 pm	Fr. Downing
5/22	6:30 am	Fr. Downing
5/22	12:10 pm	Fr. Fitzpatrick
5/23	6:30 am	Fr. Fitzpatrick
5/25	12:10 pm	Fr. Jones
5/24	7:30 am	Fr. Fitzpatrick
Celebrant Weekend Masses		
5/24	4:30 pm	Fr. Jones
	7:30 am	Fr. Jones
	9:00 am	Fr. Downing
5/25	10:30 am	Fr. Fitzpatrick
	12:00 pm	Fr. Fitzpatrick
	5:30 pm	Fr. Downing

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



WEEKEND MASS MINISTERS - 5/24/25 & 5/25/25			
	Lector	EM	Altar Server
4:30 pm	Gina Houston	Christine Kosiba, Gloria Marmol, Michelle Kohlbacher	
7:30 am	Ed Holda	Lori Gajdzik, Liz Sernett, James Cormier	
9:00 am	Mardell Warren	Valerie C., Vicki R., Judy G., Dawn A., Brad F., Nancy T.	George Cuchna, Miachel Robson, Jack Dickson
10:30 am	Jeff Ladd., Sr.	Matt Turk, Michele Johnson, Jennifer Widger	Erin Johnson, Isabella Costantini
12:00 pm	Bob Telmanik	Cheralyn Telmanik	Spencer Telmanik, Carson Telmanik, Michael Davis
5:30 pm	Joanna Majewska	Jerry Lyons	

Weekly Collection - May 11		
Sunday Envelopes	\$23,526.00	
Online Giving	\$14,326.00	
Sunday Offering	\$2,413.32	
Total Collection	\$40,255.32	
Weekly Tithe	First Way Life Center	

Holy Hour on Tuesday, May 20, 2025 7:00 pm - Oak St. Church

All are invited to attend the one-hour Holy Hour on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at 7:00 pm at the Oak St. Church.

Father Charles Fitzpatrick will be the celebrant, and his homily will be "We Are All Called to Holiness."



Monday, May 26 is Memorial Day and there will be one Mass at 9:00 am. The Parish Center will be closed.



Readings for the week of May 18, 2025

Sunday: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 (see 1)/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21 Next Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/ Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

May Recollection for Women

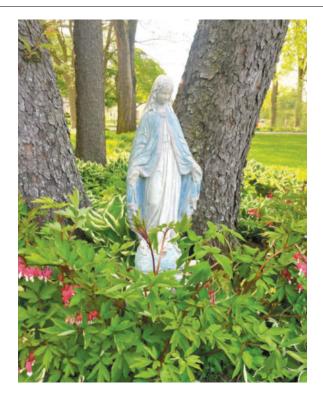
Join us and bring a friend! Pause. Pray. Reflect.

May 19, 2025 at 7pm - Oak Street Church Confessions begin at 6:30pm

Conversion is the matter of a moment. Sanctification is the work of a lifetime. (The Way 285) ******

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Examination Of Conscience Personal time for prayer Meditation guided by a priest of Opus Dei A brief talk on a topic pertaining to the spiritual life Solemn Benediction Easter celebration with refreshments to follow For more information on women's activities, visit www.sherlake.org Please contact Monica Blanchette at

blanchette.monica@gmail.com with any questions.



During the month of May, the Garden Ministry was able to add this statue of Mary to the garden. She is surrounded by bleeding heart flowers. The garden is bursting with Spring beauty and the hard work of our devoted Garden Ministry volunteers!

Stepping Stones for Those in Need Brick Fundraiser

Our bricks have arrived! Installation will begin soon! We look forward to a Garden Blessing by Fr. Jones upon completion. Thank you to everyone for your generous donations to St. Thomas' St. Vincent DePaul Society! Keep in mind that our fundraiser will continue for the purchase of bricks for any occasion; in memory of, or in hon-

or of, your loved ones. Brochures are available in the Narthex or order online through www.thatsmybrick.com/svdp.





Saturday May 24, 2025, 9~3:30, St Mary Church Huntley Cost \$25 Continental Breakfast & lunch included Please Register online

If you are unable to purchase your ticket online, tickets will be sold in the narthex the weekend of May 10th Sponsored by the St. Mary of Huntley Ladies Auxiliary

St. Thomas School Plant Sale

The St. Thomas School Home and School Association (HSA) annual Plant Sale is coming!

The Plant Sale will be held after Sunday Masses on May 18th from 8:00 am - 1:30 pm. All plant donations should be dropped off to the Oak Street church on Saturday, May 17 between 3:00 - 6:00 pm.

All proceeds from the Sale will support the amazing students and staff at STS!

With any questions, please contact Kristin Miller (HSA Representative) by email at <u>kris-</u> <u>tin.theros@gmail.com</u> or 815.814.5952. **Thank you for your generosity, and happy planting!**

Altar Flower Donations

Please help us keep our altar beautiful throughout the Easter season! If you would like to donate a blooming/flowering, colorful plant to help decorate our altar, please put it by



the St. Thomas statue in the Narthex. Thank you for your generosity and help!



Youth Ministry Envelope Fundraiser

Our young people have many options, opportunities, and stresses today. At St. Thomas, we strive to offer a wide range of ministry events to give our teens an opportunity to feel welcomed, grow in their faith, meet new friends, have a safe place to gather, pray, have lots of fun and of course snacks.

We offer weekly youth ministry for both our High School and Jr. High Students with social events, retreats, peer ministry team, service, confirmation, summer camp and conferences.

We are asking for your help to continue offering these opportunities and allowing more of our young people to attend.

In the Narthex, we have a board of brightly colored envelopes with dollar amounts from \$1 to \$100. Take an envelope with the amount on it you would like to give. Place the filled envelope in the Tithe Box, the collection basket or return it to the church office by June 8th. There is also a prayer intention box for us to bring your prayers with us and offer them up as we encounter and learn more about Jesus.

THANK YOU for your Support!!!

Ministerio Hispano

Horario de Misas

Martes 6:00 am Miércoles Jueves 7:30 pm Viernes 7 Sábado 6:00 pm Domingo 9:30 am y 11:30 am

Miércoles 6:00 am Viernes 7:30 pm

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"

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Horario para confesiones:

Viernes de 6:00-7:00pm Sábados después de misa de 6pm 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 - May 11		
Pierson St.	\$3,302.26	
Pierson Online	\$506.00	

BAUTISMOS Iglesia Pierson Street Plática Pre-Bautismal: Domingo 01 de Junio 3 P.M. Bautismos: Sábado 14 de Junio 10 A.M.

HORA SANTA

Viernes 30 de Mayo Después de Misa de 7 P.M. Parroquia de Pierson Street COMUNIDAD Jovenes en la Fe Reunión Mensual Martes 20 de Mayo A las 5 P.M. Sotano de la Parroquia de Pierson Street

PRIMERA COMUNION - 2024 - 2025 FECHAS IMPORTANTES			
Fecha	Horario	Evento	Lugar
		RECONCILIACION: Primera	
lunes, 19 de mayo de 2025	6:00 PM	Comunion & SPRED.	Sto.Tomas-Pierson
		Salones 1, 2,3 y 4	
		RECONCILIACION: Primera	
martes, 20 de mayo de 2025	6:00 PM	Comunion & SPRED.	Sto. Tom as-Pierson
		Salones 5, 6,7 y 8	
viernes, 23 de mayo de 2025 6;30 PM		Ensayo de ceremonia de Primera	Santo Tomas-Oak
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sábado, 24 de mayo de 2025	10:00 AM	CEREMONIA DE PRIMERA COMUNION	Santo Tomas-Oak



Upcoming Dates:

May 18th	Plant Sale
May 22	PK Bridge Ceremony
May 23	Field Day
May 28	8 th Grade Graduation
May 30	Last Day of School

8th Grade Ribbon Ceremony

Our 8th Graders participated in the Ribbon Ceremony tradition last Monday. It is hard to believe that they will be onto the next chapter of their lives in just a little over a week! It is a great honor to watch these students learn and grow. It is so important to celebrate these milestones and accomplishments. Next stop - graduation!

"Be who god meant you to be and you will set the world on fire." St. Catherine of Siena



Diocesan Annual Appeal "That All May Be One"

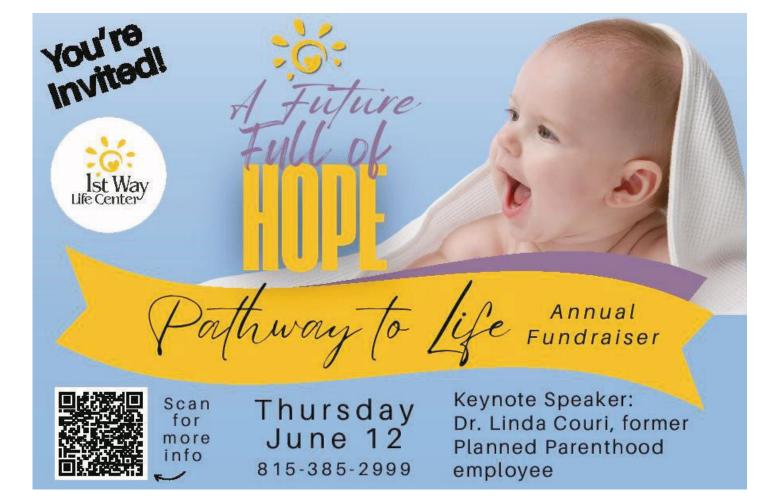
The theme for this year's Appeal is "That All May Be One." Bishop Arthur O'Neill began the Diocesan Appeal in 1975. Bishop O'Neill's intent was for us to understand and recognize more deeply the importance of what it means to be a Diocesan Church, and for all of us to be more connected to its life and mission.

Pledge envelopes are available in the Narthex. Completed pledge envelopes can be dropped in the Tithe box in Narthex. You can also donate online. **Our Parish Target Goal Amount is \$207,957.00** (this is a decrease from our 2024 target amount of \$222,140.00). Through your generosity and prayers, we have continually made our target goal amounts. Once our target amount has been reached, our parish will receive the overpayment amount. **Thank you for your support and prayers so "that all may be one."**



YOUR GIFT TO THIS ANNUAL APPEAL Supports ministries like these:

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