# St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church



June 29, 2025 - Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles 451 W. Terra Cotta Ave., Crystal Lake, IL 60014 815-455-5400/www.stthomascl.church



"You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:18-19

#### **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

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Monday: 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

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

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## From the Pastor's Desk...



Today we remember Saints Peter and Paul who guided the early Church just after the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Each of these two saints is important for different reasons. Peter was the first Pope and kept the Church united as it grew very rapidly in the early years following Pentecost. In the first years after Pentecost, it was mostly the Jewish people who accepted Jesus as the Savior and so the early Church was a very Jewish Church. But as time went on, the newly converted (Saul) Paul began to preach also to non-Jewish people, the Gentiles as they were called. His preaching was very successful, and he brought huge numbers of non-Jewish people into the

Church, so much so that the number of Jewish people in the Church was greatly outnumbered by non-Jewish people.

So, both Peter and Paul had very important tasks in the early Church. Peter worked to maintain unity in the Church, which during his lifetime had already spread throughout the Middle East and Europe. Paul reminded the Jewish people that Jesus is the fulfillment of their Old Testament hopes, and taught the Jewish people and the Gentiles that Jesus is indeed the Savior.

It is interesting to note the personalities of both Peter and Paul. Peter was impetuous. On the evening of Holy Thursday, telling Jesus that he would die with Him if necessary (John 13:37) but later that night he three times denied that he knew Jesus or had any association with Him. We also remember Peter's strong objection to Jesus' prediction that He would suffer and die in Jerusalem and Jesus' reply to Peter, "Get behind me Satan, because the way you think is man's way and not God's way." (Matt 16:23). Yet, what made Peter a suitable candidate for Jesus' call was his love for Jesus, so three times the Risen Jesus asked Peter if he loved Him and asked him to look after the flock (John 21:15-19).

Paul was a controversial character in his own way. He had a fiery personality. In his early life, he channeled that fire towards persecuting the Christians in Jerusalem, even witnessing the death of Stephen, the first martyr for Jesus (Acts 8:1). After his conversion, Paul's preaching was fiery and upset the Churches. Why did God call Paul? Paul was a highly educated Pharisee (Acts 22:3), and it would only be someone like him who could see that the Jewish expectations were fulfilled in Jesus. Paul had the strong personality needed for that daring challenge. These two founding fathers and great saints answered the call of Jesus and built upon the foundation our Lord set in place with the Paschal Mystery. Since this Feast falls on Sunday this year, we highlight their importance to our own calling.

Peace, be with you,

Fr. Bob Jones

#### Mass Intentions for the Week

#### Monday, June 30th

6:30 am † Mary Lee Haggerty

12:10 pm † Bob Johnson

#### Tuesday, July 1st

6:30 am † Esther Uelmen 12:10 pm † Helen Kania

#### Wednesday, July 2nd

6:30 am † Anna Marie Oliger 12:10 pm † Edward Jankowski

#### Thursday, July 3rd

6:30 am Msgr. Daniel J. Hermes

(Special Intention)

#### Friday, July 4th

† Karen Bielas

#### Saturday, July 5th

7:30 am Kostrzewski & Wojciga Families

(Special Intention)

4:30 pm People of St. Thomas Parish,

(Living & Deceased)

#### Sunday, July 6th

10:30 am Oliver O'Hagan (Special Intention)

12:00 pm + Phillip Lattanzio

5:30 pm St. Thomas Women's Club Members

(Living & Deceased)



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

#### **Parish Calendar**

Sunday, June 29, 2025

8:30 am Coffee and Donuts

Monday, June 30, 2025\*

10:30 am MMP Rosary (Oak St. Church)5:00 pm Confessions (Oak St. Church)

Tuesday, July 1, 2025\*

7:30 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting (Lower Oak)

Wednesday, July 2, 2025\*

6:30 pm LOTW "The Lord's Pathfinders"

(Parish Center)

Thursday, July 3, 2025\*

Feast of St. Thomas the Apostle

Friday, July 4, 2025

Parish Center Closed

9:00 am Mass (Oak St. Church)

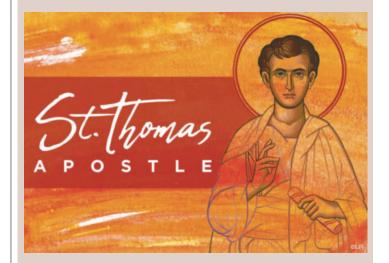
Saturday, July 5, 2025

7:30 am Mass (Oak St. Church)
8:00 am Confessions (Oak St. Church)
8:00 am Men's Group (Lower Oak)
4:00 pm Deaf Mass (Parish Center)

**Sunday, July 6, 2025** 

8:30 am Coffee and Donuts

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



# Adoration Candle Intentions

June 22 - July 5

Koch Family
Daily Family
Slack Family
Moczulewski Family



#### Adoration Chapel Closed for July 4th Holiday

The Adoration Chapel will be closed on July 4, 5, and 6.

We will close the Chapel at 9:00 pm on Thursday evening, July 3, and reopen on Monday, July 7, at 6:15 am.



We will have one Mass on Friday, July 4, 2025, at 9:00 am.

Celebrant Weekday Masses				
6/30	6:30 am	Fr. Jones		
	12:10 pm	Fr. Downing		
7/1	6:30 am	Fr. Downing		
	12:10 pm	Fr. Jones		
7/2	6:30 am	Fr. Fitzpatrick		
	12:10 pm	Fr. Downing		
7/3	6:30 am	Fr. Downing		
	12:10 pm	Fr. Fitzpatrick		
7/4	9:00 am	Fr. Fitzpatrick		
7/5	7:30 am	Fr. Jones		
Celebrant Weekend Masses				
7/5	4:30 pm	Fr. Downing		
7/6	7:30 am	Fr. Fitzpatrick		
	9:00 am	Fr. Fitzpatrick		
	10:30 am	Fr. Downing		
	12:00 pm	Fr. Jones		
	5:30 pm	Fr. Jones		

#### Please pray for the Deceased

Casey Dirkx
Ants Teetsov (Father of Allan Teetsov)

WEEKEND MASS MINISTERS - 7/5/25 & 7/6/25				
	Lector	EM	Altar Server	
4:30 pm	Clare Ossman	Christine Kosiba, Michele Hunt Gloria Marmol	Hanna Piekut	
7:30 am	Laura Buthod	Gina Houston, Liz Sernett, James Cormier, Mark Przybylski		
9:00 am	Bob Lohmann	Jim N., Emily P., Cathy M., Tom M., John T., Nancy M.	TJ Pachla, Michael Robson, Jack Golonka	
10:30 am	Bob Telmanik	Cheralyn Telmanik, Mike Klepitsch Matt Turk, Michele Johnson	Erin Johnson, Noel Telmanik Addison Justen	
12:00 pm	Joanna Majewska		Julia Dovidio, Lauren Dovidio, Ayanna Hanes	
5:30 pm	Monica Caldicott	Annette O'Connell		

Weekly Collection - June 15			
Sunday Envelopes	\$19,164.75		
Online Giving	\$16,634.50		
Sunday Offering	\$2,761.25		
Total Collection	\$38,560.50		
Weekly Tithe	St. Vincent de Paul Society		



#### June 29 & July 6

Coffee & Donuts in the Community Room after morning Masses!

#### St. Thomas School Summer Hours

July by appointment

August 4-7- 8:00-2:00 pm August 11-15- 8:00-2:00 pm





#### Readings for the week of June 29, 2025

Sunday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Gal 1:11-20/ Jn 21:15-19 Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Monday: Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 8:23-

Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13/

Mt 8:28-34

Thursday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29 Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a,

4b-5/Mt 9:9-13

<u>Saturday</u>: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt

9:14-17

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Next Sunday: Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20

(1)/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9



SILVER & GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS: Are you and your spouse celebrating a special milestone anniversary in 2025? Couples celebrating the milestone wedding anniversaries of 25, 50, 55, 60, 65, and 70 or more years of marriage in 2025 are invited to a special Mass in their honor at St. Mary Parish in Huntley, IL on Sunday, August 17 at 2:30 PM celebrated by Bishop David J. Malloy. A reception with celebration cake will immediately follow. The Life & Family Evangelization Office welcomes your registration by phone (815) 399-4300 or online at www.rockforddiocese.org/anniversary by August 4. Commemorative certificates to mark this special occasion will be available for those who pre-register for this event.



#### **Knights of Columbus Recitation of Rosary**

All are invited to join the
Knights of Columbus who will
recite the Rosary at the Oak St.
Church outside at the Rosary
Walk on Tuesday, July 15, 2025,
at 7:00 pm. The Knights will be
praying for all the living and deceased English and Hispanic parishioners of St.
Thomas the Apostle Parish.

Mark your calendars for July 15 and join us.

#### **Pilgrimage**

A pilgrimage is a journey to a place of spiritual significance undertaken by one who is seeking closeness to Heaven while still on Earth.

When the time came for the Transfiguration of Christ, Jesus took three of his disciples to "a high mountain by themselves," indicating that the sacred mysteriousness of this moment was something best experienced apart from the routine of ordinary life. This is the principle behind the act of pilgrimage: a journey to a place of spiritual significance, undertaken by one who is seeking closeness to Heaven while still on Earth.

Christian pilgrimages really began in the fourth century, when churches in the Holy Land were constructed in locations associated with the life of Christ. Throughout the centuries, pilgrims have likewise flocked to sites of Marian apparitions, miracles, and to places connected with the lives of saints. Some of the most iconic pilgrimage destinations include Fatima, Lourdes, and the Santiago de Compostela in Spain.



#### The Priesthood and the Eucharist

"These two Sacraments were born together," wrote St. John Paul II of the priesthood and the Eucharist, "and their destiny is indissolubly linked until the end of the world."

The Eucharist is such a beautiful example of how God, conscious of our limitations, bends to meet us. He once came to us cloaked in the flesh, that we might recognize Him. Now He comes as the very means by which we nourish ourselves: food and drink, the most familiar and comforting thing in the world to us. How easy He makes it to fulfill his command that we become one with Him. How generous He is to make such a sacred thing also accessible.

We can say the same of the priesthood, and of the men He calls to its number. How generous of Him to make such an accessible thing — our sons, our brothers, our uncles, our cousins — sacred. How generous of Him to allow these human creations — who share in our own faults — to be the means through which He comes to us in the Eucharist.

Without the Eucharist, we would have no eternal life. Without priests, we would have no Eucharist. On this, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, let's give thanks for our priests, and redouble our prayers that God will send us good and holy ones — manna from Heaven in our wandering exile. "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day." —



# Ministerio Hispano

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#### Horario de Misas

Martes 6:00 am Miércoles 6:00 am Jueves 7:00 pm Viernes 7:00 pm

Sábado 6:00 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"

#### 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)

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Colecta Semanal - June 15			
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#### SEGUNDA VENTA DE COMIDA

Después de Misas Sábado 28 de junio 6 P.M. Domingo 29 de junio 09:30 y 11:30 AM

## BAUTISMOS Iglesia Pierson Street

Plática Pre-Bautismal:

Domingo 06 de Julio 3 P.M.

**Bautismos:** 

Sábado 12 de Julio 10 A.M.

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## **Library Update**

Continuing in our series of the library update, this week we feature the new quiet area. This space can be used for special testing or an individual quiet space. We are so excited to be able to offer our students such an inviting space to focus and concentrate!

Next week we will take a peak at the updates planned for the tech area!





#### Contact the Designer!

As mentioned last week, Caitlin (Wember) Pappas is a proud STS alumni and current parent. Be sure to follow her on Instagram!

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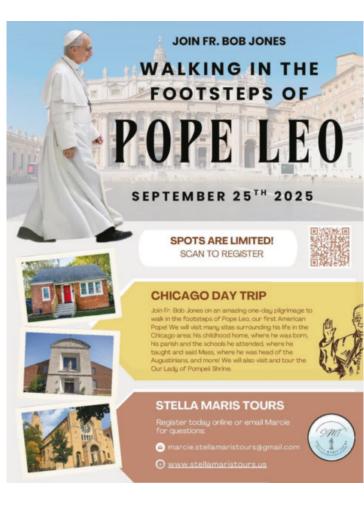
# It is an embarrassment of riches!



Did you know that 4 of the 5 men ordained on June 7<sup>th</sup> spent time at St. Thomas school this past year?

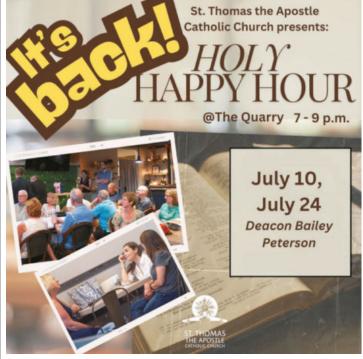
Sometimes it was a quick friendly visit, sometimes it was a lecture in the classroom, ALL the time it was a gift and a joy to have them here! We continue to keep Fr. Ian Ordonez, Fr. Ryan Nooraee, Deacon Bailey Peterson and Deacon Patrick Glanville in our prayers -











Holy Happy Hour makes its long-awaited return this Summer! Join Dcn. Bailey Peterson for 20-30 minutes of faith discussion followed by adult beverages at The Quarry (5517 Northwest Highway) in Crystal Lake from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. July 10 and July 24. We look forward to seeing you there!



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