The Roman Catholic Parishes of

St. Thomas the Apostle

in St. Thomas

St. Cecilia

in Meta

www.stthomasapostle.net

PO Box 146 St. Thomas, MO 65076

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 10, 2016

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St. Thomas Parish Office hours: Tuesdays 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Thursdays 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. School Office hours during school year: Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Confessions: Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. at St. Thomas; Sundays 7:30 - 7:50 a.m. at St. Cecilia; or anytime by appointment, just call Father.

Saint Thomas the Apostle Mass Schedule for the Week of April 10-17:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – L&D Jerome & Lucy Luebbering Family
Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – Ben & Bernadine Suthoff
Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – Fr. Gerald Stockman
Thursday 7:45 a.m. – Fr. Pat Pierceall
Friday 7:45 a.m. – Mary Ann Schmidt

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Dorothy & Jerome Buschjost Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Leonard & Roger Herigon

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2015-2016: \$305,000.00
Offertory Goal through Month End: \$254,170.00
Actual Collection for 2015-2016: \$218,648.28
Offertory Difference Year to Date: \$35,521.72
Offertory Goal per month: \$25,417.00

 Collection in Church:

 April 3
 \$4,060.00

 April 10
 \$

 April 17
 \$

 April 24
 \$

 Collection Online:
 \$4,284.00

 April total to date:
 \$8,344.25

 Difference for April:
 - \$17,072.75

Priest Retirement & Infirm Collection
Diocesan assessment: \$4,066.00
Received so far: \$2,620.00

St. Thomas the Apostle Expansion & Building Fund

Total Expansion Project expenses paid: \$2,273,475.34 Income from parishioners for fiscal year 2015-2016

(via the yellow "Building Fund" envelope): \$23,446.00
Loan payments to date for FY 2015-2016: \$83,049.66
(Principal) \$65,681.08 (Interest) \$17,368.58
Parish Building Expansion Debt remaining: \$518,372.46

St. Thomas Cantor / Organist

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Luebbering Family/Elizabeth Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Doug Luebbering/Jackie

St. Thomas Reader/ Petitions

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Dan Luebbering Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Bill Luebbering

St. Thomas Altar Servers

Weekday: Lilly Schulte & Bruno Puleo Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Chesney & Cameron Luebbering, Ethan & Noah Luebbering Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Klint Luebbering, Ethan & Isaac Rackers, Gregory Kirby

Saint Cecilia Mass Schedule for the Week of April 10-17:

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Brad & Vince Reinkemeyer Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Norman & Delphine Jaegers

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. - Mamie Wansing

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Roman & Geneva Plassmeyer

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2015-2016: \$60,471.51
Collection Total for 2015-2016: \$45,635.02
Offertory Goal per month: \$5,039.29

Collection in Church:

April 3 \$ 739.00

April 10 \$

April 17 \$

April 24 \$

April total to date: \$ 739.00

Difference for April: - \$4,300.29

Priest Retirement & Infirm Collection
Diocesan assessment: \$1,244.00
Received so far: \$1,244.00

Thank you for your generosity.

Please remember your parish in your last will & testament.

St. Cecilia Collection Counters

April – Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer May – Dale & Margie Helton

St. Cecilia Reader / Petitions

Wednesday – Doris Stumpe Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Jennifer Even Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Dominic Plassmeyer

St. Cecilia Altar Servers

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Joshua & Alex Even, Gavin Holterman & Carson Libbert Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Will & Melina Derkum, Sophie Bock

St. Thomas Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion **April 16-17**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Emily Luebbering, Glenn Prenger, Mattheuw Prenger

Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Mattheuw Prenger, Keith Kliethermes, Randy Buschjost, Rob Henson, Bill Lueckenhoff

April 23-24

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Paul & Jenny Becker, Betty Schellman Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Rosalyn Wieberg, Jan & Richard Heckemeyer, Emily Luebbering, Janet Lueckenhoff

St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers

April 16-17

Saturday 5:00 p.m. -Richard Schellman & Fred Luebbering Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Jim Lueckenhoff & Larry Lueckenhoff **April 23-24**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Joe Buschjost & Mark Boessen Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Art Groner & Eric Boessen

St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass **April 16-17**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Gene & MaryPat Luebbering Family Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Randy & Charlene Buschjost April 23-24

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Paul & Jenny Becker Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Mike & Kristin Buschjost Family

St. Thomas Collection Counters

April 16-17 – Keith & Jean Kliethermes April 23-24 - Richard & Jan Heckemeyer April 30-May 1 – Jennifer Schroeder & Stephanie Cortvrient

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday 7:25 a.m. – Alex & Joann Heckman – Sorrowful (Kaitlyn Otto)

Wednesday 7:25 a.m. - Pat Loethen - Glorious (Nicole Otto)

Thursday 7:25 a.m. - Celeste Suthoff & Martha Strope -Luminous (Adam Schell)

Friday 7:25 a.m. - Gilbert & Hermina Strope - Sorrowful (Rebecca Schroeder)

Saturday 4:40 p.m. - Marilyn Herigon- Glorious

(Ashleigh Schroeder)

Sunday 9:40 a.m. - Tina Stockman- Glorious (Caleb Schroeder)

The names listed after the mysteries of the rosary to be prayed before Mass are those who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament.

St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion April 16-17

Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Jennifer Even, Betty Hagenhoff, Doris Stumpe

Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Pam Libbert, Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer

April 23-24

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Bonnie Kampeter, Brenda Wansing, Lou Kloeppel

Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Gerald & Phyllis Rehagen, Janice Schanzmeyer

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers

April 16-17

Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Harold Libbert, Jr., Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff, Lou Kloeppel

Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Kenny Otto, Harold Brockes, Tony Derkum, Anton Libbert

April 23-24

Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Mitch & Brendan Stumpe, Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff

Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Terry Libbert, Tony Derkum, Leon Schanzmeyer, Kenny Otto

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

Wednesday 6:10 p.m. - Florentine Hagenhoff - Glorious (Renee Stockman)

Saturday 6:40 p.m. - Cathy Borgmeyer - Glorious (Cassie Twehus)

Sunday 7:40 a.m. – Margaret Brune – Glorious Mysteries (Bailey Veltrop)

VOTIVE CANDLES: The requested donation for lighting a votive candle in church is \$2.50.

> IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO FULFILL YOUR LITURGICAL MINISTRY, IN YOUR KINDNESS & CHARITY, PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Please call Fr. Secrist to schedule a meeting and date for Baptism.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Please call Fr. Secrist at least six months prior to the desired date.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION will be conferred on Thursday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m. in St. Cecilia Church.

NOTES OF THANKS

The Family of Dick Rehagen expresses their sincere appreciation to relatives, friends & neighbors for the many comforting messages of sympathy, prayers, floral tributes, memorial contributions to Hospice Compassus and food during the illness and burial of Dick. A special thank you to Fr. Secrist, St. Cecilia choir, servers and the ladies and gentlemen preparing and serving the luncheon. We are truly blessed to have a faith family like our friends at St. Cecilia and St. Thomas. We will miss Dick, but know he is at peace and can breathe without artificial oxygen. Dorothy Rehagen

Our family sincerely appreciates your cards, your many prayers, your visits, phone calls, messages and kind words during Stanley's extensive hospital, skilled nursing and rehabilitation hospitalizations. The last seven months have been especially difficult for our family. Stanley & I are staying with our daughter and husband Melissa & RJ Scheulen and our granddaughters, Courtney & Victoria, while Stanley continues his recuperation. We would also like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards and memorials after the loss of his mother Cecilia Brand, on February 14. What a blessing it has been to have so many prayers during this very trying time! A big "Thank You" to all our St. Thomas the Apostle & St. Cecilia Church family!

The Stanley Brand Family

The Veit/Boessen Families and Friends Heartwalk Team would like to say Thank You for your generous support for the American Heart Association fundraiser. This is our most successful year and we are so appreciative of everyone who participated in any way

SNACKS FOR ST. THOMAS QUILTERS:

Thursday, April 14 – Erica Goeller & Barb Graessle Thursday, April 21 - Kathy Graessle & Leslie Green Please bring snacks to hall by 1:00 p.m.; snack served at 3:00 p.m. If you have questions, please call Kathy Strope or Emily Luebbering. Wednesday night quilting at 7:00 p.m.

SCRIP SALES (April 16-17)

Saturday – Kelley Buschjost Sunday- Sara Otto

Visit www.stthomasapostleschool.net/scrip for more information about the Scrip program.

PFEFFER NEWS

This week the crew from the Quimby Pipe Organ Company began the restoration work on the Pfeffer pipe organ at St. Thomas. With the exception of the façade pipes, all of the pipes, the wind reservoir and other components have been removed for cleaning and repair at Quimby's workshop in Warrensburg, Missouri. It is expected to take a couple of months for the restoration work to be completed. This project was made possible because of a memorial gift from the estate of Rose Schmidt and the generosity of various parishioners. Contributions are still welcome for the restoration of the organ case. More information will be shared as the project progresses.

ST. CECILIA & ST. THOMAS PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS OF GENE & MARYPAT LUEBBERING are invited to their 50th Wedding Anniversary Dance on Saturday, April 16. Dance will begin at 8:00 in the St. Thomas Parish Center. Music by Countrified.

ST. THOMAS PRAYER LINE REQUESTS should be emailed to Jenny Becker at *jbeckeroffice @gmail.com* or by calling (573) 690-0642. The Prayer Line exists to communicate prayer intentions for those in need of healing. Out of respect for individuals' privacy, only necessary information is communicated.

ST. THOMAS CYO will meet on Monday, May 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

PRAYER HOUR WITH MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION is Tuesday, April 12 at 7:00 p.m. in St. Thomas Church.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION: Wednesday, April 13, 7:30 p.m. in the St. Thomas School Library.

ARCHERY: Our Students earned 3rd Place as a team in the Elementary School Division at the NASP 3D State Tournament at Helias this past weekend. Noah Luebbering received a 3rd Place certificate and Klint Luebbering earned a 5th Place certificate. Congratulations to all our Archers!!!

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS

April 10-12 - Self Study

- 12 Diocesan Spelling Bee
- 15 Mid Quarter
- 16 Diocesan Speech Meet @ St. Joseph Cathedral from 12:30 4:00 p.m.
- 18 Home & School meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- 20 Panorama/Sports Group Photos
- 21 K-8 Field Trip
- 26 Diocesan Sketch Day

The spring Scholastic Book Fair will be at school April 18-20 in the School library. This will be a buy one, get one free book fair.

THE NEXT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING is Tuesday, April 12 at 7:30 p.m. A rosary will be prayed at 7:15 p.m. Please read the April newsletter attached to the bulletin.

<u>META OVER 50 CLUB</u> will meet on Thursday, April 14 at noon at the St. Cecilia Parish Center. Please bring a dish and join us for lunch, fun & fellowship.

<u>VITAE FOUNDATION</u> is hosting its 24th Annual Pro-Life Event on Monday, April 18, and Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City. The featured speaker is Lou Holtz, Notre Dame Football coach, motivational speaker, and a champion for life. The Dinner Event on April 18 begins at 7:00 P.M. Tickets are \$100 per person; the Breakfast Event on April 19 is from 7:30-9:00 a.m. for \$50 per person. Seating is limited to those with reservations, so make your reservations soon by calling 573-634-4316 or online at www.vitaefoundation.org/events.

<u>PLEASE REMOVE ALL FLOWERS</u> from in front of the stones in the St. Thomas Cemetery during the grass cutting season. Thank you for your cooperation.

<u>ST. CECILIA PARISHIONERS</u>: Cemetery assessments of \$5.00 for each adult 21 to 75 years of age are due in May. There is an envelope in your packet for this. If you do not receive envelopes, please put money and name in a regular envelope, marked **CEMETERY DUES**. If you have questions or need to be updated, contact Marsha Meyer. Please do not place flowers or articles on the ground--only on the headstones or vases.

<u>TOTUS TUUS TEACHERS NEEDED</u>: Are you a Catholic young adult interested in a summer dedicated to evangelization, prayer, FUN, youth, community, and spiritual growth?! Consider teaching Totus Tuus for the Diocese of Jefferson City! Totus Tuus (Latin for "Totally Yours") is a Catholic summer youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through catechesis, evangelization, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship. For an application or more info, contact Molly Klebba at *mklebba*@diojeffcity.org or 573-635-9127 x 202.

TOTUS TUUS will take place July 18-22, 2016 at St. Thomas and Meta.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

CITY OF ST. THOMAS RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS SPRING CLEAN-UP will be Wednesday, May 11. All clean up items will be picked up on the normal residential collection day. All items must be bagged or bundled so 1 person can easily handle them and be at the curb by 5:00 a.m. All lumber, guttering and other items of length must be tie in bundles and cut in 4 foot lengths so 1 person can easily handle the materials. NO HAZARDOUS WASTE, NO LIQUID WASTE, NO YARD WASTE, NO CAR PARTS, NO WHITE GOODS (refrigerators, stoves, hot water heaters, washing machines or dryers), NO CONCRETE or large solid items that could damage our equipment. Any items in question will be left by the Republic services driver. If you have any questions concerning these guidelines, please contact our office at 573-635-8805.

<u>META RUMMAGE SALES:</u> The annual Meta Fire and Rescue Auxiliary rummage sale is scheduled for May 5-7. If anyone in the Meta area is interested in having sales those days as well, please contact the MFR Auxiliary Chair, Joanne Shroeder, 573-229-8986. The hope is to draw in greater numbers of buyers if there are more sales in the area to attract them. Feel free to contact Joanne if you have any questions.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION "GLOW IN THE PARK" is Friday, April 29 at 8:00 p.m. at the Taos Countryside Park. \$35 Adult Registration. To obtain a registration form, please go to www.sfxtaos.com

TRIVIA NIGHT – EL PUENTE – HISPANIC MINISTRY will have its annual Trivia Night on Friday, May 6, at Kertz Hall (Immaculate Conception Church). Doors open at 6:00 and Trivia begins at 7:00; \$120 per table of 8. Homemade tamales, beans and rice, chips & salsa, and beverages will be available for purchase. The registration form is available at www.el-puente-mo.org or call 573-635-2540. El Puente-Hispanic Ministry, which began in 1999, is a sponsored ministry of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word. Its mission is to be a ministry of presence and outreach to the Hispanic community making present the healing love of Jesus the Incarnate Word by promoting human dignity.

PREGNANCY HELP CENTER 5K WALK/RUN FOR LIFE is Saturday, April 30 at 8:30 a.m. at Memorial Park, Jefferson City. Pre-registration deadline is April 18 for free t-shirt and cost is \$30.00, on site is \$35.00. To pre-register on line go to www.friendsofphc.org Family discount 2 adults and all children \$70.00.

Alleluia! He is Risen!



Truly, He is Risen! Alleluia!