

The Roman Catholic Parishes of

St. Thomas the Apostle

in St. Thomas

St. Cecilia

in Meta

www.stthomasapostle.net

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PO Box 146
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31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 30, 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 October 30-November 6:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Sylvanus Hoecker
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Marvin Buschjost
Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – **All Saints Day** – Norbert Boessen
Tuesday 5:00 p.m. – All Saints Day – People of our Parishes
Wednesday 2:00 p.m.– All Souls (*cemetery, weather permitting*)
Thursday 7:45 a.m. – Sylvanus Hoecker
Friday 7:45 a.m. – Tom Kloepfel (*Anointing of the Sick after Mass*)
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Henrietta Kroll

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2016-2017:	\$305,000.00
Offertory Goal through Month End:	\$101,668.00
Actual Collection for 2015-2017:	\$ 91,400.35
Offertory Difference Year to Date:	- \$ 10,267.65
Offertory Goal per month:	\$ 25,417.00

Collection in Church:

October 2	\$ 3,494.20
October 9	\$ 5,712.00
October 16	\$ 4,272.25
October 23	\$ 2,470.00
October 30	\$

Collection Online: \$ 5,940.00
October total to date: **\$21,852.45**
Difference for October: - \$ 3,564.55

St. Thomas the Apostle Expansion & Building Fund

Total Expansion Project expenses paid:	\$2,273,475.34
Income from parishioners for FY 2016-2017 (via the yellow "Building Fund" envelope):	\$10,011.00
Loan payments to date for FY 2016-2017: (Principal) \$30,201.76 (Interest) \$6,709.20	\$36,910.96
Parish Building Expansion Debt remaining:	\$465,894.21

St. Thomas Cantor / Organist

Tuesday, November 1, 5:00 p.m. – Annette Kehner
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Amanda Wooten / Annette Kehner
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Jean Kliethermes/ Annette Kehner

St. Thomas Reader/ Petitions

Tuesday, November 1, 5:00 p.m. – Jim Lueckenhoff
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Carolyn Loethen
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Jennifer Schroeder

St. Thomas Altar Servers

Weekday: Jackson Braun & Cameron Luebbering
November 1, 5:00 p.m. -Ben & Emma Luebbering, Isaac Prenger, Jeremy Stockman
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Ely & Dawson Wieberg, Lilly Schulte, Owen Schellman
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Caleb Buechter, Colton Libbert, Lane & Kenzie Libbert

Saint Cecilia

Mass Schedule for the Week of October 30-November 6:

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Fred Hilke
Tuesday 7:00 p.m. – All Saints Day – Mamie Wansing
Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – All Souls

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Leroy Bruemmer
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Josephine Werdehausen

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2016-2017:	\$60,500.00
Collection Total for 2016-2017:	\$20,896.39
Offertory Goal per month:	\$ 5,041.00

Collection in Church:

October 2	\$ 1,330.00
October 9	\$ 1,215.00
October 16	\$ 1,072.00
October 23	\$ 1,137.00
October 30	\$

October total to date: **\$ 4,754.00**
Difference for October: - \$ 287.00

Please remember your parish in your last will & testament.

St. Cecilia Collection Counters

November – Dale & Margie Helton

St. Cecilia Reader / Petitions

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. – Doris Stumpe
Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Gilbert Strope
Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Betty Hagenhoff
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Dominic Plassmeyer

St. Cecilia Altar Servers

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. – Zachary, Alex & Joshua Even
Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Alex & Joshua Even, Ben & Henry Schroeder
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Adam & Madalyn Veltrop, Skyla Schroeder

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

St. Thomas Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

November 1, 5:00 p.m. - Janet Lueckenhoff,
Linda Lueckenhoff, Glenn Prenger

November 5-6

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mark Luebbering, Pat Kaiser, Marshall Boessen

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Randy Buschjost, Rob Henson,
Rosalyn Wieberg

November 12-13

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mike & Trish Green, Betty Schellman

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Richard & Jan Heckemeyer, Emily Luebbering

St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers

November 1, 5:00 p.m. – Eric & Keith Boessen

November 5-6

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Richard Schellman & Fred Luebbering

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Alan Cortvrient & Richard Heckemeyer

November 12-13

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Joe Buschjost & Carolyn Loethen

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Jim Lueckenhoff & Larry Lueckenhoff

St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass

November 1, 5:00 p.m. – David & Judy Schroeder

November 5-6

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Alfred & Margie Kaiser Family

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Eugene & MaryPat Luebbering

November 12-13

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mark & Lauri Luebbering

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Bryan & Renee Braun Family

St. Thomas Collection Counters

November 5-6 – Keith & Jean Kliethermes

November 12-13 – Richard & Jan Heckemeyer

November 19-20–Jennifer Schroeder & Stephanie Cortvrient

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday 7:25 a.m. – Alex & Joann Heckman – Sorrowful

November 1, 4:40 p.m. – Barb Graessle – Sorrowful

Thursday 7:25 a.m. – Viola Boessen - Luminous

Friday 7:25 a.m. – Gilbert & Hermina Strobe - Sorrowful

Saturday 4:40 p.m. – Dale Herigon – Sorrowful

Sunday 9:40 a.m. – Gilbert & Hermina Strobe - Sorrowful

SCRIP: November 5-6 Visit www.stthomasapostleschoolnet/scrip for more information about the Scrip program.

Saturday – Kerry Meyer Sunday – Melissa Verslues

You may contact Lindsay Luebbering at 573-680-4920 or Karen Luebbering at 573-301-5834 for additional sales.

LADIES TO BRING SNACK TO ST. THOMAS QUILTERS:

Thursday, November 3 – Jessie Lackman & Lillian Lackman Thursday, November 10 – Lisa Lackman & Nancy Libbert

Please bring to hall by 1:00 p.m.; snack served at 3:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please call Kathy Strobe or Emily Luebbering.

A NOTE OF THANKS:

Thank you Fr. Secrist for the Mass and special blessing at our 50th anniversary. A special thank you to our children and grandchildren for making this day so good. Thank You to everyone for your congratulations and for making our 50th anniversary such a super great day. We will always cherish the memories of a beautiful day.

Chris and Emily Luebbering

A NOTE FROM YOUR PASTOR:

Please know that it isn't my intention for the parish grounds to continually look like a construction zone. However, as you probably noticed this past week, a lift was again working around the church at St. Thomas. Associated Crafts Studios were back to perform warranty work on all of the stained glass window frames because it was discovered that the enamel paint on a certain portion of the framing was incorrectly applied during the manufacturing process. The PPG Corporation developed a repair process in order to remedy the issue. Let me re-emphasize that this work is warranty work at no expense to the parish.

An upgrade of the sound system occurred at St. Thomas the Apostle with the replacement of the main sound board. Donations made **in memory of Bill Kaiser** provided for this needed upgrade. During this coming week, the installation of power assisted door operators at the side entrance of St. Thomas the Apostle parish is scheduled to occur. This needed improvement is being made possible by the **family of Sylvanus Hoecker**. Sincerely Yours in Christ –Fr. Secrist

CONGRATULATIONS to **Mia Francis Lackman** who was washed by the saving waters of Baptism this weekend.

2016-2017 CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP APPEAL (CSA): The Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA) videos for this year's Catholic Stewardship appeal is available at: www.diojeffcity.org. Please click on the YouTube logo button in the top right hand corner of the web page. Thank you for your generosity.

The CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP GOALS for 2016 are:

St. Cecilia Parish: \$2,000.00. So far **\$418.00** (21%) has been contributed.

St. Thomas Parish: \$8,000.00. So far **\$1,810.00** (23%) has been contributed.

SEEKING CHRIST FOR OUR NATION MASS is Wednesday, November 2 at 6:30 p.m. St. Cecilia Church.

FIRST FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, AT ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH:

7:45 a.m. Mass, with Anointing of the Sick offered after Mass to those in need of the Sacrament.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Church throughout the day; Confessions 4:30-5:50 p.m.; 6:00 p.m. Benediction.

St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

November 1, 7:00 p.m. – Doris Stumpe, Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer

November 5-6

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Lou Kloepfel, Brenda Wansing, Doris Stumpe

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

November 12-13

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

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer, Karen Fick

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers

November 1, 5:00 p.m. – Dominic Plassmeyer, Leon Schanzmeyer, Harold Libbert, Anton Libbert

November 5-6

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Randy Hagenhoff, Lou Kloepfel, Mitch & Brendan Stumpe

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Harold Libbert, Anton Libbert, Terry Libbert, Tony Derkum

November 12-13

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff, Lou Kloepfel, Mitch Stumpe

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Leon Schanzmeyer, Kenny Otto, Dominic Plassmeyer, Larry Lueckenotto

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

Tuesday 6:40 p.m. – Cathy Borgmeyer – Sorrowful

Wednesday 6:10 p.m. – Florentine Hagenhoff - Glorious

Saturday 6:40 p.m. – Alice Hake - Sorrowful Mysteries

Sunday 7:40 a.m. – Mary Plassmeyer – Sorrowful Mysteries

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

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.

FIRST FRIDAY SOCIAL AT ST. THOMAS: Please join us in the Vitae House for coffee, donuts and other goodies after Mass on Friday, November 4.

PRAYING A ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY will be prayed Friday, November 4 at 4:30 p.m. at St. Thomas during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH FALL FANTASY TICKETS ARE STILL AVAILABLE: The Fall Fantasy is November 5. The theme for this year is the "70s". Live music provided by "Shiloh". Tickets are \$110.00 per couple, meal consists of prime rib or chicken cordon bleu. Doors open at 6:00 pm. & dinner served at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are still available at B&K Quick Shoppe, or you may contact a committee member, Joanie Prenger, (573) 477-0187; Lynn Taggart (573) 477-0133; or Donna Boessen (573) 291-2454. The work list was attached to last week bulletin, extra copies are in the entrances of St. Thomas Church or on our webpage.

DVD'S OF THE PFEFFER PIPE ORGAN REDEDICATION held on October 2nd, are now available for \$15. These DVD's were recorded and edited by the videographer and sportscaster Rod Smith. Please contact Fr. Secrist or Diane Lueckenhoff to obtain a copy. Proceeds will go for the continued care and maintenance of the historic instrument.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ends next Saturday, November 5, please turn your clocks *back* an hour, otherwise you will be at church for Sunday Mass in plenty of time next Sunday.

TIME & TALENT FORMS are available at the entrances of Church (green color for St. Thomas the Apostle; peach color for St. Cecilia). If you wish to add or change your current ministries and activities, please complete and return a form.

ST. THOMAS POST-FALL FANTASY MEETING is Monday, November 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the Vitae House.

ST. THOMAS CYO MEETING is Monday, November 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Thomas School cafeteria.

USHERS are gently reminded to arrive in plenty of time before their assigned Masses in order to greet and welcome the faithful who come to our parish Masses. Also, ushers are encouraged to wait until the Altar servers and Father have processed down the aisle at the end of Mass *before* propping open the doors at the entrance of Church.

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.

MUSIC WORKSHOP FOR ORGANISTS & ACCOMPANISTS: Tuesday, November 15, 6:30-8:00 p.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle. Mr. Bill Stein, Director of Music Ministries at First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood, MO will led the practical workshop "Leading Congregational Singing with Confidence & Sensitivity".

ST. CECILIA SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday School classes for St. Cecilia is immediately following the 8:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Center. Sunday School classes are open to any children in kindergarten, or those who will be entering kindergarten next year (fall of 2017). Please contact Jennifer Even at 680-6945, 229-8976 or evenfamily6@att.net to sign up or with any questions.

ST. THOMAS SUNDAY SCHOOL: St. Thomas the Apostle Sunday School is for children preschool age (2 years prior to Kindergarten) meet on Sunday's from 9:00-9:45 a.m. in the St. Thomas School Kindergarten room. Please contact Daffiny Tallent at 573-694-4408 or email dtallent@embarqmail.com if interested or for more information.

ST. THOMAS SCHOOL/PSR DROP OFF & PICK UP REMINDER: For the safety of everyone, please remember to ENTER from Park Street and EXIT from the Church parking lot ONLY. This will keep our children safe and the traffic flowing smoothly.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PRESCHOOL: There's an exciting addition to the Preschool program for the 2016-2017 school year! A new reading readiness curriculum made by the same company that gives us "Super Kids" is being added! If you have a preschool aged child, please email Mrs. Kirkweg for information on how to get your child enrolled. mkirkweg@embarqmail.com

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SAVE: Box Tops for Education, Coke Points & Best Choice Labels.

COPY PAPER: St. Thomas School is in need of copy paper, clean on one side and staple free. Please drop off paper at school or call the school office.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS:

October	30 – Trunk or Treat 4:00-6:00 p.m. Church parking lot
	31 – Halloween Parties
November	2 – Pizza Delivery
	3 – Early release K-8, 1:20 car riders, 1:30 p.m. bus riders
	4 – First Friday, Adoration & confessions 3-8
	5 – Diocesan Regional Speech Meet
	16 – Mid Quarter, Bookmobile
	17 – Home & School Meeting 6:30 p.m.

DIOCESAN MULTICULTURAL MASS & CELEBRATION: Join Bishop Gaydos for a Mass at the Cathedral of St. Joseph at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 20 "Culminating the Year of Mercy." The afternoon will also feature a potluck dinner. To RSVP or for more information, please contact Jose Lopez the at (573) 635-9127 x 221 or jlopez@diojeffcity.org.

ST. THOMAS HISTORY BOOK – Military Section: We are in the final stages of writing the military chapter in our upcoming sesquicentennial book. If you or someone in your family has served in the military and you have not been contacted by Marilyn Herigon, please call her at 573-477-3449 or email Bill Boessen at billcoun@embarqmail.com sometime this week, so you can be included in the book. We will be closing down the research on this section of the book at the end of this week and will be moving onto a new section. Exception - For those of you still looking for a military photograph, we will accept photographs beyond this deadline.

PRAY AT COLUMBIA PLANNED PARENTHOOD: You are invited to pray on the sidewalk at Columbia Planned Parenthood as 40 Days For Life continues their prayer vigils. Monday from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00p.m., Tuesday from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to noon, and Friday from 10:00 a.m. to noon.

THE FOLLOWING PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS are open at St. Stanislaus Church: Friday 2:00-3:00 p.m. Saturday 11:00-12:00 noon (1,2,4 and 5th) Saturday 1:00-2:00 p.m. Please call if you would like to sign up for an hour or help sub occasionally. Contact Donna at 680-1470 or 635-2095. Thanks!

SSM ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL is offering training for anyone interested in learning how to support the women & men who have experienced a loss due to miscarriage or still birth. The training will take place on November 28 -8:00-5:00 p.m., 29-8:00-5:00 p.m. & 30 8:00-1:00 p.m. at the SSM St. Mary's Hospital, 2505 Mission Dr. Jefferson City, MO. To register, please contact Debra Cochran at 573-636-947-6164.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

ARGYLE VFW POST 8045 Annual Chicken Dinner is this Sunday, October 30, serving dinners from 11:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at the Post Home in Argyle. Adults-\$10, Children 6-12-\$5.00. Splatter cards, raffle & bingo. Carry outs available.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH HARVEST FESTIVAL, TAOS is Sunday, November 6, serving turkey & sausage dinners from 11:00 to 6:00 p.m. Adults \$11.00, children 6-10 \$6.00. ***There will be no 10:00 a.m. Mass***


ST. PETER SALE-A-RAMA! Holiday Craft & Gift Show is Sunday, November 6, 8:00am – 2:30 p.m. Selinger Center. Snack bar, quilt raffle, vendor raffle, country store, 50 cent admission

5K TO BENEFIT EMMY KRAMER of Sacred Heart Parish, Rich Fountain. Please register and come show your support for Emmy on Saturday, November 12, 2016. Emmy suffers from DiGeorge Syndrome and has been intensely ill her entire 15 years of life. Print registration forms at runjeffcity.org

MID AMERICA BANK VETERANS LUNCH: Mid America Bank will honor Mid-Missouri Veterans during a luncheon at the Wardsville Lions Club on Thursday, November 3 from 11 am to 1 pm. We are hosting this FREE lunch to honor the men and women of our nation's armed forces, past and present. Please RSVP to Mid America Bank by calling 573-635-0019.

THE BLAIR OAKS VETERANS TRIBUTE: At 9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 11, the students, faculty, and staff of Blair Oaks will gather to pay tribute to those who have served and continue to serve to protect the freedoms we all enjoy. Students are being asked to invite relation who have served or do serve in any of the branches of the United States Armed Forces. If you are a Veteran, but do not have a relative currently attending Blair Oaks, we would also like to have you at this year's ceremony. This year's guest speaker is Major Mike Roberts.


THE BLAIR OAKS R-II SCHOOL DISTRICT will be hosting its annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 17. The meal will be held at Blair Oaks High School from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM. If you plan to attend, please contact the High School Office at 635-8514 to make reservations. Please make reservations by Monday, November 14. The meal will include all the traditional Thanksgiving fixings and will cost \$3.00.




NATIONAL NOVENA

Sunday, Oct. 30 – Monday, Nov. 7

in prayerful preparation for the election





Prayer to Mary, the Immaculate Conception, Patroness of the United States

Most Holy Trinity: Our Father in Heaven, who chose Mary as the fairest of your daughters; Holy Spirit, who chose Mary as your Spouse; God the Son, who chose Mary as your Mother, in union with Mary we adore your majesty and acknowledge your supreme, eternal dominion and authority.

Most Holy Trinity, we put the United States of America into the hands of Mary Immaculate in order that she may present the country to you. Through her we wish to thank you for the great resources of this land and for the freedom which has been its heritage.

Through the intercession of Mary, have mercy on the Catholic Church in America. Grant us peace. Have mercy on our president and on all the officers of our government. Grant us a fruitful economy, born of justice and charity. Have mercy on capital and industry and labor. Protect the family life of the nation. Guard the precious gift of many religious vocations. Through the intercession of our Mother, have mercy on the sick, the tempted, sinners – on all who are in need.

Mary, Immaculate Virgin, our Mother, Patroness of our land, we praise you and honor you and give ourselves to you. Protect us from every harm. Pray for us, that acting always according to your will and the will of your divine Son, we may live and die pleasing to God. Amen.

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