

The Roman Catholic Parishes of
St. Thomas the Apostle
in St. Thomas

St. Cecilia
in Meta

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

APRIL 10, 2022

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St. Thomas Parish Office hours: Tuesdays 8:30-11:30 a.m.; Wednesdays 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.;

School Office hours during school year: Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

St. Cecilia Rectory Office hours: Wednesdays 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. or by appointment

Confessions: Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. at St. Thomas; Wednesdays 5:00 – 6:15 p.m. and
Sundays 7:00 - 7:45 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:

Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – Shirley Luebbering

Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – Tom (Butch) Loethen

Holy Thursday 7:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes
Adoration until 11:00 p.m.

Good Friday 7:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday 8:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes

Easter Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Marilyn Herigon

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2021-2022: \$305,000.00

Offertory Goal through Month End: \$254,170.00

Actual Collection for 2021-2022: **\$224,102.15**

Offertory Difference Year to Date: – \$ 30,067.85

Offertory Goal per month: \$ 25,417.00

Collection in Church:

April 3 \$ 4,952.52

April 10 \$

April 17 \$

April 24 \$

Collection Online: \$ 5,899.50

April total to date: \$10,852.02

Difference for April: -\$14,564.98

Church Renovation Capital Campaign

Total Pledges/Donations \$483,907.00

Total Collected \$409,572.00

Total Expenses Paid \$693,795.17

A total of 127 parishioners have returned pledge cards/or
Contributed to the renovation project.

Church Renovation Loan Balance \$198,631.13

Loan payments to date \$3,715.00

(principal) \$2,051.41 (interest) \$1,663.59

St. Thomas the Apostle Cantors / Organists

April 17 Easter Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Amanda

Wooten / Jeanette

April 23 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mary Kay Brand / Jeanette

April 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Choir / Jackie

April 24 Sunday 1:00 p.m. – Anne Strophe / Jackie

St. Thomas the Apostle Readers

April 17 Easter Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Larry Lueckenhoff

April 23 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Judy Schroeder

April 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Jennifer Schroeder

April 24 Sunday 1:00 p.m. – Daffiny Tallent & Gary Veltrop

Saint Cecilia

Mass Schedule for the Week of April 10-17:

6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross before Wednesday Mass

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – L&D Bruemmer & Wansing Families

Good Friday Stations of the Cross – 3:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Marsha Meyer

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2021-2022: \$62,000.00

Collection Total for 2021-2022: **\$45,842.96**

Offertory Goal per month: \$ 5,166.67

Collection in Church:

April 3 \$ 885.00

April 10 \$

April 17 \$

April 24 \$

April total to date: \$ 885.00

Difference for April: -\$4,281.67

St. Cecilia Collection Counters

April – Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer

**PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR
LAST WILL & TESTAMENT**

St. Cecilia Readers

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Dorothy Rehagen

April 17 Easter Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Doris Stumpe

April 24 8:00 a.m. – Betty Hagenhoff

**IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO FULFILL YOUR
LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENT, PLEASE FIND A
REPLACEMENT. YOUR FELLOW
PARISHIONERS THANK YOU!**

St. Thomas the Apostle Greeters/Ushers

April 17 Easter Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Eric & Keith Boessen
April 23 Saturday 5:00 p.m.- Richard Schellman & Mark Boessen
April 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Mattheuw Prenger & Keith Kliethermes
April 24 Sunday 1:00 p.m. – Mike Buschjost, Jason Volmert,
Shane Verslues

St. Thomas the Apostle Eucharistic Ministers

April 17 Easter Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Bill Luebbering
April 23 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Barb Graessle
April 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Marshall Boessen
April 24 Sunday 1:00 p.m. – Leroy Heckemeyer

St. Thomas the Apostle Servers

April 17 Easter Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Francie & Hannah Tallent
Gregory Kirby
April 23 Saturday 5:00 p.m.- Gregory Kirby, Carmen Luebbering,
Miranda Meyer
April 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Erika Luebbering, Evelyn Wooten,
Ava Buschjost, Aliyah Buechter
April 24 Sunday 1:00 p.m. –Valerie Verslues, Victoria Wieberg,
Francie Tallent

St. Thomas the Apostle Offertory Gifts

April 17 Easter Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Tom & Carol Backes
Family
April 23 Saturday, 5:00 p.m. – Mark & Barb Graessle
April 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Doug & Tina Stockman
April 24 Sunday 1:00 p.m. – First Communicants

St. Thomas the Apostle Collection Counters

April 17 – Paul Becker & Shara Buechter
April 24 – Keith & Jean Kliethermes
May 1 – Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg
May 8 – Dunja Wieberg & Jennifer Schroeder
May 15 – Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday, 7:20 a.m. – Bob Schellman – Sorrowful Mysteries
Wednesday, 7:20 a.m. – Shirley Volmert– Glorious Mysteries
Easter Sunday 9:35 a.m. – Gilbert & Hermina – Glorious Mysteries

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH CLEANERS

April 10: Janet Lueckenhoff, Jim Lueckenhoff, Charlene Buschjost, Randy Buschjost
April 17: Alan Libbert, Nancy Libbert, Darrel Buechter, Jan Heckemeyer
April 24: Brooke Schell, Tina Stockman, Gina Luebbering, Karen Luebbering
May 1: Lynne Reinkemeyer, Linda Boessen, Lauri Luebbering, Lisa Lackman
May 8: Sonya Henson, Susan Buechter, Jackie Prenger, Amy Buechter

Live Stream Mass (10:00 a.m. Sunday)

April 17 Lauri Luebbering
April 24 Dunja Wieberg
May 1 Brooke Schell
May 8 Jenny Becker
May 15 Karlie Reinkemeyer

SNACKS FOR QUILTERS: Quilter’s luncheon may be dropped off Wednesday night 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. (Evening quilting) or St. Thomas the Apostle School.

Tuesday, April 12 (Holy Week) – Meghan Rackers & Kathy Rackers **Thursday, April 21** – Jill Rademan & Kailey Reeves
Please bring snack to hall by 1:00 p.m.; snack served at 3:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Emily Luebbering at 573-477-3459 or Kathy Strope at 573-477-3349.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE & SACRED TRIDUUM MINISTRIES 2022

Tuesday, April 12: 7:45 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas
Spy Wednesday, April 13: 7:45 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas
6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross at St. Cecilia
6:30 p.m. Mass at St. Cecilia

Those serving are asked to come to the Sacristy 30 minutes prior to Mass for special instruction. Ushers are asked to help with seating as needed. If you are not able to fulfill your Liturgical assignment, please find a replacement. Thank you!

HOLY THURSDAY 7:00 P.M. ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH – ADORATION UNTIL 11:00 P.M.

Servers: Valerie & Zeke Verslues, Erkia Luebbering, Miranda Meyer

Lector: Janice Schanzmeyer

Eucharistic Ministers: Brenda Wansing & Mark Graessle (choir loft)

Ushers: Leon Schanzmeyer, Darin Even, Richard Heckemeyer & Larry Lueckenhoff

Washing of the Feet: Jan Heckemeyer, Mark Luebbering, Emily Luebbering, Jim Lueckenhoff, Lynne Reinkemeyer, Melissa Verslues, Leon Schanzmeyer, Betty Hagenhoff, Darin Even, Joanne Schroeder, Lydia Hurst, & Madison Wankum

Presentation of Gifts: Leon & Janice Schanzmeyer

Rosary 6:35 p.m. – Barb Graessle - Luminous Mysteries

Please return your Operation Rice Bowl contributions to Church on Holy Thursday. Thank you!!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 3:00 p.m. St. Cecilia Church: **Servers:** Jesse & Tucker Schroeder

GOOD FRIDAY 7:00 P.M. ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH

St. Cecilia Eucharistic Ministers

April 17 Easter Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Betty Hagenhoff
April 24 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Janice Schanzmeyer

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers

April 17 Easter Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Kenny Otto &
Larry Lueckenotto
April 24 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Mitch Stumpe & Darin Even

St. Cecilia Servers

April 17 Easter Sunday 8:00 a.m. –
April 24 Sunday 8:00 a.m.-

St. Cecilia Offertory Gifts

Easter Sunday, April 17 8:00 a.m.- Family of Marsha Meyer

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

No rosary before Wednesday Mass during Lent, due to the Stations of the Cross.

April 17 Easter Sunday 7:35 a.m.–Cathy Borgmeyer
Glorious Mysteries

Wed. April 20 6:05 p.m. – Margaret Brune

Glorious Mysteries

April 24 Sunday 7:35 a.m.– Dorothy Rehagen

Luminous Mysteries

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

MASS STIPENDS: \$10.00

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Please call the rectory to schedule a meeting and date for Baptism.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Please call the rectory *at least* six months prior to the desired date.

Servers: Gregory Kirby & Klint Luebbering
Lectors: Jennifer Even (Narrator) & Dominic Plassmeyer (Speaker)
Intercessions: Jennifer Even
Eucharistic Ministers: Betty Hagenhoff & Glenn Prenger (Choir loft)
Ushers: Eric Strobe, Randy Hagenhoff, Alan Reinkemeyer & Mitch Stumpe

HOLY SATURDAY/EASTER VIGIL: 8:00 P.M. ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

Servers: Chesney Luebbering, Klint & Kora Luebbering, Gregory Kirby
Lectors: 1st Reading - Jeff Cassmeyer, 2nd Reading - Lauri Luebbering, 3rd Reading - Ben Luebbering,
4th Reading - Jim Lueckenhoff & 6th Reading Judy Schroeder
Epistle: Dominic Plassmeyer
Eucharistic Ministers: Janet Lueckenhoff & Keith Kliethermes (Choir loft)
Ushers: Mark Luebbering, Ben Luebbering & Doug Stockman, Gilbert Schellman
Presentation of Gifts: Doug & Tina Stockman
Rosary 7:35 p.m. – Tina Stockman, Glorious Mysteries

EASTER SUNDAY, April 17: 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Cecilia; 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle

SCRIP: Visit www.stthomasapostleschoolnet/scrip for more information about the Scrip program. Please contact Amanda Wooten 573-694-1735 or amandab_27@hotmail.com

CONGRATULATIONS to **Katie Charlton & Paul Lackman III**, who were united in the bonds of Holy Matrimony, Saturday, April 9 at St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

A NOTE OF THANKS! Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! to everyone that attended or donated for the Spring Fling that benefited St. Thomas the Apostle School. The event raised over \$1200 for the school. Please keep an eye out for a Fall Event and we will bring back the Spring Fling for 2023.

INFIRM PRIEST/EASTER COLLECTION: The annual Priest Retirement & Infirm Fund assessment for St. Cecilia Parish \$816 and St. Thomas the Apostle Parish is \$5,146. Please be generous.

BULLETIN NOTICES: Deadline for bulletin is Wednesday at noon.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH BULLETINS: If you are needing a bulletin and Church is locked there are some on the Vitae House front porch.

JOIN THE STREAM TEAM: We are truly blessed to have such great equipment for live streaming Mass! If anyone is interested in helping live stream Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle, please call or text Lauri Luebbering at 573-619-6090.

BISHOP MCKNIGHT'S APRIL PRAYER INTENTION: For the opening of hearts and minds closed to the Good News of Christ's Resurrection from the dead.

HOLY WEEK CHOIR: We will be having practice for Holy Week on Monday, April 11 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Thomas Church. Parishioners from St. Cecilia and St. Thomas are welcome.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE USHERS: The Offertory baskets are located in the choir loft by the organ. Please return the baskets back to the choir loft after you have collected the envelopes.

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION is Tuesday, April 12, 7:00 p.m. St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

ST. CECILIA EASTER FLOWERS: Anyone interested in making a monetary donation for Easter flowers in memory of loved ones is asked to place the donation along with **PRINTED NAMES** to be remembered in an envelope and placed in the collection basket or mail to the parish office by April 10. The names will be published in the Easter Sunday bulletin April 17.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE EASTER FLOWERS: Anyone interested in making a monetary donation for Easter Flowers in memory of loved ones is asked to place the donation along with **PRINTED NAMES** to be remembered in an envelope provided in your monthly offering packet and placed in the collection basket or mail to the parish office by April 10. The names will be published in the Easter Sunday bulletin April 17.

ST. CECILIA PARISH: The annual cleaning and maintenance of St Cecilia Cemetery is scheduled for Sunday, April 24 at 10:00 a.m. (Rain day May 1).

ST. CECILIA PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL will need two new members this May. We will have nomination forms available in the pews on Palm Sunday. Please consider volunteering for this important role in our parish. Elections will be held after Easter.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL NEWS, UPCOMING EVENTS!

Wednesday, April 13 – Panoramic Photo & Sports Photos
Friday, April 22 – 8th Grade NET Retreat

April 14 – April 20 - No School P-8
Sunday, April 24 – First Holy Communion 1:00 p.m.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PRESCHOOL: NOW ENROLLING!! If you have a child, ages 3 or 4 and have been thinking about preschool, please call Lizzie Linhardt, lilinhart@stacs.school 573-645-5605 or the school office 573-477-3322. If you have any questions or would like to set up a one on one meeting and school tour please contact the school office. Please check out and like St. Thomas the Apostle Preschool Facebook page!

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE GRASS CUTTING ROTATION: Spring is here and so is the green grass! The grass cutting rotation for the St Thomas the Apostle is as follows:

Week of April 11	Alan Reinkemeyer, Richard Heckemeyer and Dave Schroeder
Week of April 18	Fred Luebbering, Mark Graessle and Jeff Cassmeyer
Week of April 25	Paul & Jenny Becker, Eric Buechter
Week of May 2	Mark Luebbering, Nick Luebbering and Anthony Luebbering
Week of May 9	Dick Schellman, Patrick Schellman and Paul Struempf

Important Note: We would like to have a few additional people join in with some of these teams. Only requires an hour or two a month and the pay and benefits are great! Call Alan Reinkemeyer at 573-694-6984 if interested.

PLEASE REMOVE ALL FLOWERS & ARRANGEMENTS from in front of the stones in the St. Thomas Cemetery during the grass cutting season. Thank you for your cooperation.

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

OVER 50: The monthly OVER 50 group will gather on April 14 in the St Cecilia parish center. New members are always welcome. Bring a covered dish to share and enjoy visiting with fellow members. We will eat at noon. Hope to see you there.

SAVE THE DATES: June 26 - July 1, 2022 – Totus Tuus

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Council Meeting Notes - March 29, 2022

Call to order and opening prayer

- Father opened with a prayer.

Principal's Report / School Advisory Board

- Debbie read over Leroy's notes. Mostly talked about past events that took place and events that are coming up.

Financial committee report

- The new AC unit is in the works. The finance committee got a loan from the Diocese with the renovation so with this we already have 100 thousand set aside. The new system could cost up to 100 thousand. The committee is working to get a couple bids from different companies. Butzer said that if we are able to keep the outside cabinet, that could save us about 40 thousand dollars. It will take about 12 weeks to get the new unit here and up and running. It is looking like it will be a fall project.
- The weekly givings have been good.
- The donation list has been made and it is located in the church office. Some items that need to be added to the list or make sure they are on there include - updating Father's kitchen, window above the front doors of church, snow removal equipment, and possibly a lawn mower
- American Rescue Plan (ARPA) has money that they are wanting to give to non-profit organizations. Church qualifies. We are maybe looking to see if the lights and poles in the ball diamond can be replaced with this money. They are checking to see if Jan wants to fill this out for the church.

Pastoral Council Commission Reports

- Worship
 - Time and talent
 - Theresa is working on tallying the responses. Committee members are putting forms in pews for parishioners to fill out the weekend of the 2nd and 3rd. Barb is taking care of Saturday night. Jackie is doing Sunday morning.
 - Church Renovation
 - The statues of Mary and St. John are up. They are still working on the angels. They have to wait to see where the electrical wires are located before they can hang the angels. We are still waiting on the Holy Water Fonts and a chalice that was gifted to Fr. Leonard that is coming from Spain.
 - Holy Week
 - We are waiting to hear from St. Cecilia on members that are participating in the foot washing.
 - We are looking for volunteers for Adoration on Holy Thursday.
 - The servers need to be at church 30 minutes before Mass during Holy Week.
 - Father has given the readings to Diane. Barb can let the readers know which one they are reading.
 - We are getting new candles for Holy Saturday night Mass next year. Candles for this year are out of stock. Members from the committee are trying to find new plates or cups to hold under the candles so that the wax does not drip on the new carpet.
 - Statues are getting covered this Friday the 1st. Then uncovered for the wedding. Then recovered for the rest of Lent.
 - Ladies Ministries
 - This is a new group that is getting started. Barb Graessle from St. Thomas and Sam Helton from Meta are starting the group here in the community. The group is out of the Diocese. They are hoping to get something together for this fall.
 - Collections
 - The ushers are going to start using the baskets again in church to collect the collection envelopes. Barb will let the ushers know. The baskets will be upstairs in the choir loft.
- Social concerns
 - Ham breakfast
 - The parish made about \$15,000 before expenses. There was some discussion whether ticket prices need to increase.
 - Fall Fantasy
 - This event could be an in person event next year, but a chairman needs to be found. The Social concerns committee is going to communicate to see if anyone from the group wants to take over. If not, then the job will be opened up to the community. Joanie Prenger and Darlene Russell have notes from when the event last took place in person.
 - Virtus
 - The committee is encouraging people to participate in the Virtus training.
- Administration
 - The AC unit was talked about in the Finance report. There are no other new projects going on. There is a list of future projects in the parish office if memorial donations are given.

Pastor's Report

- Thanks to people who have helped with ham breakfast.
- Thanks to the Knights of Columbus for the fish fry.
- The Penitential service that was offered at St. Thomas was a success. Lots of Confirmation students were there.
- Confirmation took place last week at St. Cecilia. There were 49 candidates confirmed.
- Father is setting a special Mass for confirmation candidates.
- The cabinets are being installed in the Sacristy.
- St. Thomas is in need of some Confirmation teachers for next year.
- Father is wanting to keep encouraging people to complete the Virtus training.
- Father wants to continue praying for Ukraine and Russia.
- Father wants to make sure that we are donating to the Cathedral as our Mother Church when needed. The committee discussed that if the Cathedral is in need, they will send out assessments.

New business

- New PCC member nomination
 - This election will take place in May or whenever the School Advisory Board has their elections. We are looking for volunteers. We are going to check the Time and Talent sheets for people. Otherwise we will be coming up with a list of people to call. There will be four spots available. Jackie Prenger, Barb Graessle, Alan Reinkemeyer, and Curt Goeller are all going off.
- Stewardship
 - There is a new model that is coming up. Father Jones will be coming to St. Thomas to talk about this model and program. More is coming on this in the coming months.

Varia

- Discussion, clarification, question
 - The committee is still discussing the need for a custodian for the parish. Information was obtained from St. Stan in Wardsville. They have a full time person that completes their maintenance work. St. Joe in Westphalia operates like we do. They hire out the grass cutting, but have volunteers complete the IT work and maintenance work. Alan is looking to get information from Mary's Home.

Next meeting, May 31st at 7pm in the School Library. Closing prayer, Father led the closing prayer. Adjournment

