

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

St. Cecilia
in Meta

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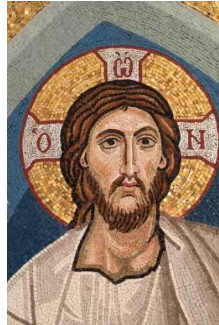
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 8, 2018

Pastor: Very Reverend Jeremy A. Secrist, V.F.
jasecrist@yahoo.com
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jheckemeyeroffice@gmail.com

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Mrs. Jenny Becker
jbeckeroffice@gmail.com



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Mrs. Doris Stumpe
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St. Thomas Parish Office hours: Tuesdays 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.; Wednesdays 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 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 8-15:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Larry Rehagen
Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Rose Schmidt
Sunday 1:00 p.m. - First Communicants
Tuesday 7:45 a.m. - Alex Heckman
Wednesday 7:45 a.m. - Kenneth Mertens
Thursday 7:45 a.m. - Ben & Bernadine Suthoff
Friday 7:45 a.m. - Mary Jane Lueckenotte
Saturday 5:00 p.m. - People of our Parishes
Sunday 10:00 a.m. - L&D Herman Heckman Family

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2017-2018: \$305,000.00
Offertory Goal through Month End: \$254,170.00
Actual Collection for 2017-2018: **\$229,204.84**
Offertory Difference Year to Date: - \$ 24,965.16
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 25,417.00

Collection in Church:

April 1 \$ 4,613.00
April 8 \$
April 15 \$
April 22 \$
April 29 \$

Collection Online: \$ 4,542.00
April total to date: \$ **9,155.00**
Difference for April: - \$16,262.00

St. Thomas the Apostle Expansion & Building Fund

Total Expansion Project expenses paid: \$2,273,475.34
Income from parishioners for FY 2017-2018
(via the yellow "Building Fund" envelope): **\$23,116.45**
Loan payments to date for FY 2017-2018: **\$73,821.92**
(Principal) \$63,283.37 (Interest) \$10,538.55
Parish Building Expansion Debt remaining: **\$333,438.89**

St. Thomas the Apostle Cantor / Organist

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Jean Kliethermes / Annette Kehner
Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Mary Kay Brand / Annette Kehner

St. Thomas the Apostle Reader

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Carolyn Loethen
Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Jan Carter

St. Thomas the Apostle Altar Servers

Weekday - Austin Meyer, Madelyn Brenneke, Grace Boessen
Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Cameron & Chesney Luebbering, Courtney Luebbering
Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Isaac Rackers, Henry Buschjost, Gregory Kirby, Jacob Luebbering

St. Cecilia

Mass Schedule for the Week of April 8-15:

Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Lawrence "Dick" Rehagen
Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Gus Kelly

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament & Confession before 6:30 p.m. Mass
Wednesday 6:30 p.m. - Leo & Betsy Wieberg

Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Vince & Brad Reinkemeyer
Sunday 8:00 a.m. - L&D Lionel & Arharta Libbert Family

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2017-2018: \$62,000.00
Collection Total for 2017-2018: **\$52,362.15**
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 5,166.67

Collection in Church:

April 1 \$ 2,350.00
April 8 \$
April 15 \$
April 22 \$
April 29 \$

April total to date: \$ **2,350.00**
Difference for April: - \$ 2,816.67

Please remember your parish in your last will & testament.

St. Cecilia Collection Counters

April - Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer

St. Cecilia Reader

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. - Doris Stumpe
Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Doris Stumpe
Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Janice Schanzmeyer

St. Cecilia Altar Servers

Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Alex & Josh Even
Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Melina Derkum & Sophie Bock

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

St. Thomas Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**April 14-15**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Carolyn Loethen, Mark & Barb Graessle

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Mike & Sheri Wieberg, Shirley Volmert

April 21-22

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Bill & Betty Jo Luebbering, Lynne Reinkemeyer

St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers**April 14-15**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Steve & Gilbert Schellman

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Mike Buschjost & Alan Cortvrient

April 21-22

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Ryan Buschjost & Jim Lueckenhoff

St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass**April 14-15**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Paul & Jenny Becker

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – David & Linda Boessen Family

April 21-22

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Steve & Katrina Schellman Family

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Doug & Tina Stockman Family

St. Thomas Collection Counters

April 14-15 – Keith & Jean Kliethermes

April 21-22 – Jennifer Schroeder & Stephanie Cortvrient

April 28-29 – Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas

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

Wednesday 7:25 a.m. – Pat Loethen – Glorious

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

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

Saturday 4:40 p.m. – Dale Herigon - Glorious

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

SCRIP: April 14-15 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Lindsay Luebbering Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Amy Luebbering

Visit www.stthomasapostleschoolnet/scrip for more information about the Scrip program. You can contact Lindsay Luebbering at 573-680-4920 or Karen Luebbering at 573-301-5835 to purchase anytime.

SNACKS FOR ST. THOMAS QUILTERS:

Thursday, April 12 – Roseanne Boessen & Amanda Boessen Thursday, April 19 – Susan Boessen & Irene Boessen

Please bring snack 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.

OUR CONGRATULATIONS & PRAYERS to our First Communicant at St. Cecilia Parish:

Hunter Libbert

Tucker Schroeder

Brian Wieberg

CONGRATULATIONS TO our First Communicant at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish:

Rowan Buechter

Wade Buschjost

Aiden Goeller

Alexzander Kirby

Eli Libbert

Megan Luebbering

Wyatt Otto

Blake Schellman

Annaline Schroeder

Bradyn Stegeman

Francie Tallent

Valerie Verslues

INFIRM PRIEST / EASTER COLLECTION: The annual Priest Retirement & Infirm Fund assessment for St. Cecilia Parish \$993.00 and St. Thomas the Apostle Parish has been assessed \$3,607.00. Please be generous.

EXTREMELY LOW GLUTEN HOSTS (Less than 0.01% gluten) are available to those parishioners who are highly sensitive to wheat. Please contact Fr. Secrist to determine particulars of distribution and reception of the low-gluten hosts.

MINISTRY TO THE ILL & INFIRM: If you are preparing for surgery, recovering from surgery, homebound or ill, please let Fr. Secrist (573-477-3315) and/or MaryPat Luebbering (573-477-3476) know so that you have the opportunity to receive the Sacraments and pastoral care.

A NOTE OF THANKS: We would like to thank Music Director Annette Kehner and the St. Thomas the Apostle Choir for the beautiful music and singing they bring to Mass. It's nice to hear! *Alan & Lynne Reinkemeyer*

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Annette Kehner
email: AnnetteKehner@mail.com Phone: 573-680-2824

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE 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.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION MEETING will be at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 11 at the St. Thomas the Apostle School library.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHES' CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES preparing to receive the Sacrament on May 10: Haylee Bax, Brooke Boessen, Drew Boessen, Emma Boessen, Kya Boessen, Cole Brenneke, Caleb Buechter, Jonathan Buschjost, William Derkum, Mason Francis, Teagan Humphrey, Ashlyn Kroll, Claire Luebbering, Isaac Prenger, Brayden Schaben, Kaleb Schaben, Emily Schell, Jeremy Stockman, Nolan Suthoff, Adam Veltrop, Nicholas Wankum, Brianna Wieberg.

St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**April 14-15**

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Dorothy Rehagen, Bonnie Kampeter, Lou Kloepfel

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

Pam Libbert

April 21-22

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

Betty Hagenhoff

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

Janice Schanzmeyer

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers**April 14-15**

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Randy Hagenhoff, Lou Kloepfel,

Mitch & Brendan Stumpe

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Leon Schanzmeyer, Kenny Otto,

Dominic Plassmeyer, Larry Lueckenotto

April 21-22

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff,

Lou Kloepfel, Mitch Stumpe

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

Terry Libbert, Tony Derkum

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

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

Saturday 6:40 p.m. – Cathy Borgmeyer – Glorious

Sunday 7:40 a.m. – Janice Schanzmeyer – Glorious

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.

PRAYER HOUR WITH MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION is Tuesday, April 10 at 7:00 p.m. in St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PRESCHOOL: It's that time of year again: St. Thomas Preschool is busy making plans for the 2018-2019 school year. If you have a preschool age child and have been thinking about Preschool, please contact the school office at (573-477-3322) or Mrs. Kirkweg at mkirkweg@embarqmail.com.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 10 – Diocesan Spelling Bee
April 11 – Panorama/sports groups & yearbook photos, Bookmobile
April 16 – Mid Quarter
April 24 – K-4 Field Trip, Diocesan Sketch Day, Home & School Meeting 6:30 p.m.
April 25 – Preschool Field Trip

BOX TOPS: Please continue to save Box Tops, Best Choice labels & coke points and send to the St. Thomas School office or drop box in the side entrance of St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

THE NEXT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING is Tuesday, April 10 at 7:30 p.m. A rosary will be prayed at 7:15 p.m. Please read the April newsletter attached to the bulletin.

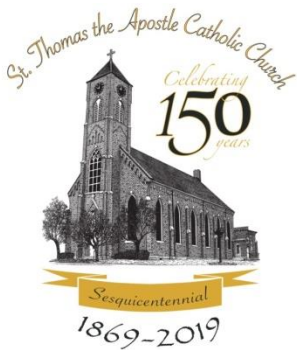
ST. CECILIA PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING: 7:15 p.m. Wednesday, April 11 in St. Cecilia rectory.

META OVER 50 CLUB will meet on Thursday, April 12 at noon at the St. Cecilia Parish Center. Please bring a dish and join us for lunch, fun & fellowship. Baked ham will be provided.

ST. CECILIA CEMETERY: Cemetery cleanup will be after Mass April 15 at 10:00 a.m.

ST. THOMAS CEMETERY DUES: The new dues are \$10.00 per family (\$5.00 for single persons). Family members becoming the head of a separate household are not covered under their parent's membership. Also, anyone after their 21st birthday must pay their own dues of \$5. Please note: Anyone falling in arrears over 5 years must pay \$100.00 to rejoin plus current dues. Please put your payment in the collection basket marked "Cemetery Dues" or mail to: St. Thomas Cemetery Association, c/o Lisa Lackman, 2222 Upper Bottom Road, St. Thomas, MO 65076. You may contact Lisa, if you have questions about your current or past dues, at 573-338-2703.

ST. THOMAS SESQUICENTENNIAL MEETING: 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 19 in Vitae House.



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SESQUICENTENNIAL HISTORY BOOK: Please pick up your family's envelope in the back of St. Thomas the Apostle Church. Inside the envelope you will find a copy of your family's narrative from the draft history book. Please review the content and let Roseanne Boessen know if you see any corrections needed to your narrative. The envelope may also contain photos you provided to Roseanne. If you have don't have an envelope in the back of church, then Roseanne needs a family narrative and photos from you. Mail your corrections, photos, and/or your family narrative to Roseanne at 1304 Upper Bottom Rd, St. Thomas MO, 65076 or email her at: eboessen@centurylink.net. Please send these to Roseanne no later than **April 30th**. Questions? Please call her at 573-477-0168.

GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH SPRING CHICKEN DINNER, BRINKTOWN is Sunday, April 8, serving from 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Adults \$10.00, children 6-12 \$5.00.

WALK FOR LIFE: You are invited to participate in the 41st annual Walk for Life on April 22 at 11:30 am at St. Stanislaus Church in Wardsville. The Walk is 1.7 miles to the Wardsville Lions Club where refreshments are served and pro-life organizations share information. Funds are raised by participants collecting donations prior to the walk. Donations will also be accepted at the Walk. Proceeds benefit Missouri Right to Life, Birthright, Vitae Foundation, Life Runners, ProLife Across America, Pregnancy Help Center and 40 Days for Life. Attached is the Walk for Life flyer and a pledge form. Please join us for this fun event to benefit the pro-life cause! Thank you for your support!

PREGNANCY HELP CENTER BUBBLES & BOUNCES 5K WALK/RUN is Saturday, May 5 at 8:30 a.m. Memorial Park, Jefferson City. Pre-registration deadline is April 26 for FREE t-shirt \$30. On-site registration \$35. Family discount - 2adults and all children in the family \$70. To pre-register, please go to www.friendsofphc.org or call (573) 644-6635. Contest: Decorate your baby stroller or bike! Bounce house, bubble fun, live band.

SPRING CLEAN-UP for residents of St. Thomas **Wednesday, May 9:** Republic Trash Service customers must be located inside the city limits, please abide by the following guidelines: Clean-up guidelines: All items must be set at the curb by 5:00 a.m. All items need to be bagged or bundled so 1 person can easily handle them. All lumber, guttering and other items of length must be tied in bundles and cut in 4 ft. lengths so 1 person can easily handle the materials. **NO HAZARDOUS WASTE** of any kind. **NO LIQUID WASTE** of any type such as paints, pesticides, oil, etc. **NO YARD WASTE** such as brush, limbs, grass or leaves. **NO CAR PARTS** such as tires, motor oil, batteries, etc. **NO WHITE GOODS** (refrigerators, stoves, hot water heaters, washing machines or dyers). **NO CONCRETE** or larger solid items that could damage our equipment. Any questionable items will be left behind by driver.

OSAGE COUNTY ANTI-DRUG COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM: Come join us to watch a documentary on the opioid crisis on April 30, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the Linn R-2 Elementary Gym. Everyone is welcome.

SAVE THE DATES:

ST. CECILIA PARISH PICNIC – Sunday, July 8, 2018

TOTUS TUUS SUMMER CAMP AT ST. THOMAS & ST. CECILIA PARISHES – July 14-20, 2018

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH PICNIC – Sunday, August 19, 2018

HISTORIC AWARD TO BE PRESENTED:

Since 1975, the Organ Historical Society has identified specific pipe organs as having historical, cultural, and musical significance by presenting certificates of recognition. The Historic Pipe Organ Awards program is designed in accord with the specific guidelines for conservation and preservation and includes different types of awards, each one distinct in the way it recognizes the historic significance of a pipe organ.

The 1897 J.G. Pfeffer pipe organ at St. Thomas the Apostle Church has been identified by the Organ Historical Society as an instrument of significance and on April 29th, 2018 a historic organ award will be presented to the parish. Among the over 50,000 pipe organs that currently exist in the United States, a few more than 400 have merited this prestigious award (only 13 have been awarded in the State of Missouri).

So what are the general requirements for an Historic Organ Award? A pipe organ must be an example of excellence in organbuilding to receive an award. The specific way excellence is determined in an instrument is up to the judgment of the Historic Organ Awards Committee as it considers both mechanical and tonal properties of the organ in question. An instrument must be in an unaltered state for a period of at least 50 years in order to receive an award.

And so in celebration, a concert for organ and trumpet will be offered on Sunday, April 29 at 4:00 p.m. featuring the noteworthy performers Andrew Risinger and Joel Treybig.

Mr. Risinger currently serves as Organist and Associate Director of Music of West End United Methodist Church, Nashville, and is an adjunct faculty member at Belmont University. In 2007 he was named Organ Curator for the Schermerhorn Symphony Center and serves as primary organist for the Nashville Symphony. As a concert artist he has performed throughout the United States including performances at the National Cathedral in Washington D.C., St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City, and Trinity Church in Boston. Mr. Risinger has also performed as a soloist with the Illinois Symphony as well as the Nashville Symphony. His performances have been heard on National Public Radio broadcasts of Performance Today as well as on Pipedreams.

Dr. Treybig has performed with symphony orchestras, pit orchestras and chamber groups throughout the United States and is an active solo recitalist and clinician who has performed by invitation at diverse venues such as International Trumpet Guild conferences, the Midwest Trumpet Festival, Piccolo Spoleto Festival, Spivey Hall, the Trumpet Festival of the Southeast, and the Victoria Bach Festival. He is a Professor of Music in the Belmont University School of Music.



Music for Organ & Trumpet

Andrew Risinger, organ • Joel Treybig, trumpet

Concert will include works of
Bach, Krebs, Mendelssohn, and Vierne

*in celebration of the Historic Organ Citation
to be awarded to the restored 1897 J.G. Pfeffer instrument
by the Organ Historical Society.*

4:00 p.m. • Sunday, April 29, 2018

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THIS CONCERT IS FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC