

The Roman Catholic Parishes of

St. Thomas the Apostle

in St. Thomas

St. Cecilia

in Meta

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PO Box 146
St. Thomas, MO 65076

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 21, 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 half hour before 8 am Mass at St. Cecilia; Wednesdays half hour before 6:30 pm Mass at St. Cecilia; or anytime by appointment, just call Father.

Saint Thomas the Apostle

Mass Schedule for the Week of August 21-28:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kenny Koetting

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Harriett Lackman

Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – Sylvanus Hoecker

Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – Agatha Luebbering

Thursday 7:45 a.m. – Henrietta Kroll

Friday 7:45 a.m. – Mary Lou Wieberg

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Philip & Alma Boessen

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – People of our Parishes

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2016-2017: **\$305,000.00**

Offertory Goal through Month End: \$ 50,834.00

Actual Collection for 2016-2017: **\$ 39,939.89**

Offertory Difference Year to Date: -\$ 10,894.11

Offertory Goal per month: \$ 25,417.00

Collection in Church:

August 7 \$ 4,708.00

August 14 \$ 3,978.22

August 21 \$

August 28 \$

Collection Online: \$ 4,384.00

August total to date: **\$13,070.22**

Difference for August: - \$12,346.78

St. Thomas the Apostle Expansion & Building Fund

Total Expansion Project expenses paid: \$2,273,475.34

Income from parishioners for FY 2015-2016

(via the yellow "Building Fund" envelope): **\$4,298.00**

Loan payments to date for FY 2015-2016: **\$18,455.48**

(Principal) \$14,906.47 (Interest) \$3,549.01

Parish Building Expansion Debt remaining: **\$481,189.50**

St. Thomas Cantor / Organist

Saturday 5:00 p.m. –

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Judy Schroder

St. Thomas Reader/ Petitions

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kathy Graessle

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Alan Reinkemeyer

St. Thomas Altar Servers

Weekday – Aiden Brenneke & Jackson Braun

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Ely & Dawson Wieberg,

Lilly Schulte

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Grace & Brooke Boessen,

Mason & Klint Luebbering

Saint Cecilia

Mass Schedule for the Week of August 21-28:

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Lionel & Arharta Libbert Family

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Lawrence Rehagen

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Phil & David Graessle

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Victor Otto

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2016-2017: \$60,500.00

Collection Total for 2016-2017: **\$ 9,068.00**

Offertory Goal per month: \$ 5,041.00

Collection in Church:

August 7 \$ 1,566.00

August 14 \$ 1,289.00

August 21 \$

August 28 \$

August total to date: **\$ 2,855.00**

Difference for August: - \$ 2,186.00

Please remember your parish in your last will & testament.

St. Cecilia Collection Counters

August – Dale & Margie Helton

September – Pam Libbert & Marie Lueckenotto

St. Cecilia Reader / Petitions

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Doris Stumpe

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Jennifer Even

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Cathy Borgmeyer

St. Cecilia Altar Servers

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Alex & Joshua Even,

Ben & Henry Schroeder

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Nicholas & Shelby Wankum

Ava & Saige Werdehausen

**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

August 27-28

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

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

September 3-4

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Betty Schellman, Mark & Barb Graessle

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Jan Carter, Mattheuw Prenger, Keith Kliethermes, Randy Buschjost, Rob Henson

St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers

August 27-28

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mike Groner & Dave Luebbering

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Richard Heckemeyer & Jim Lueckenhoff

September 3-4

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Mike Green & Art Groner

St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass

August 27-28

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mark & Lora Boessen Family

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Arthur McManus & Mary Englemeyer Family

September 3-4

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Alan & Lynne Renkemeyer

St. Thomas Collection Counters

August 27-28 – Keith & Jean Kliethermes

September 3-4 – Richard & Jan Heckemeyer

September 10-11 – Jennifer Schroeder & Stephanie Cortvrient

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday 7:25 a.m. – Alex & 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. – Paul Becker – Sorrowful

Sunday 9:40 a.m. – Tina Stockman – Sorrowful

St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

August 27-28

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Betty Hagenhoff, Dorothy Rehagen, Bonnie Kampeter

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

September 3-4

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

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Pam Libbert, Karen Fick, Janice Schanzmeyer

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers

August 27-28

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Tom Gragert, Lou Kloeppel, Mitch & Brendan Stumpe

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

September 3-4

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff, Tom Gragert, Lou Kloeppel

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Kenny Otto, Larry Lueckenotto, Harold Libbert, Anton Libbert

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

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

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

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

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

***IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO FULFILL
YOUR LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENT,
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.

SCRIP: (August 27-28) Saturday – Kelley Buschjost Sunday – Sara Otto

During the Summer months, SCRIP will only be sold after Mass every other weekend. Please watch the bulletin as to when SCRIP will be sold. You may contact Lindsay Luebbering at 573-680-4920 or Karen Luebbering at 573-301-5834 for additional sales. In September we will begin selling SCRIP after every Mass.

A NOTE FROM YOUR PASTOR:

At St. Thomas the Apostle, the T & J Restoration Company has begun the exterior cleaning, tuck-pointing and waterproofing of the main church. Two years ago, their company tuck-pointed and waterproofed the church bell tower. Once the main body of church has been waterproofed, then we can begin addressing the water damaged plaster and paint in the interior. A grant from the A.J. Schwartze Foundation has provided the majority of the funding for this restoration project.

At St. Cecilia, further cleanup work has taken place behind the Parish Center. The Don Schneiders Construction Company has removed some problematic trees and prepared a new concrete pad for the new propane tanks which are replacing the two that were damaged during the June 6th storm. Insurance will be paying for the majority of this work. Yours in Christ—Fr. Secrist

LADIES TO BRING SNACK TO ST. THOMAS QUILTERS:

Thursday, September 1 – Marilyn Herigon & Jeanne Herigon Thursday, September 8 – Dianne Herigon & Jill Hickman

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

The family of **Cindy Wansing Carmack** wish to thank everyone for the outpouring support displayed at her wake and funeral service. We especially want to thank Father Secrist for his consoling words and beautiful service under less than ideal circumstances. We also want to thank the many friends and family for being there for us. Cindy was diagnosed with Pancreatic Cancer and passed away just 86 days later. She fought it to the end but it was a losing battle. Please pray for all that have to battle that dreadful disease. **Lawrence and JoAnn Wansing and all our Family.** May God bless you all.

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

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.

VIRTUS TRAINING AT ST. THOMAS Parochial school educators, all PSR instructors, substitute teachers, and volunteers: if your volunteer capacity requires you to work one on one with children at any time, this is your opportunity to fulfill the diocesan requirement of Virtus Training close to home. Training will be held at St. Thomas the Apostle School from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on **Monday, August 29.** Please register via the online system: www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theme= Select the Jefferson City Diocese and complete your registration.

CATHOLIC MISSOURIAN SUBSCRIPTIONS: Just a gentle reminder that when making out the check for your household's annual subscription to the diocesan newspaper, please make it out for **\$14 to the parish, not to the Catholic Missourian**. This will help the checks to be processed and cleared more easily. Thanks!

PRAYER HOUR WITH MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION is Tuesday, August 23 at 7:00 p.m. St. Thomas Church.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL is accepting registrations for the fall of 2016-2017 enrollment for **Preschool through 8th grade**. Please call the school office to register at 573-477-3322.

ST. THOMAS 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.

ST. THOMAS SCHOOL DROP OFF & PICK UP REMINDERS: For the safety of our children, please remember to **ENTER** from **Park Street** and **EXIT** from the church parking lot. This will keep our children safe and the traffic flowing smoothly.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL is selling Trinklein Mums. Mums are \$10 each and come in bronze, yellow, burgundy, white and lavender and are in 9" pots. St. Thomas Home & School will have a table outside after Masses to place your order or drop your order form in the offertory basket. Forms are due back September 2. Please make checks payable to St. Thomas Home & School. Thank you for supporting our school!

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS:

August 25 – Home & School Meeting 6:30 p.m.

September 5 – Labor Day - No School P-8

ST. THOMAS POST-PICNIC MEETING is Tuesday, August 30 at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Everyone is welcome to attend!

PRAY THE ROSARY: Friends, a very important rally shall take place October 7 in the state capitol rotunda from 10:00 a.m. till Noon. A 54-day Novena began on August 15 for our nation and its many troubles. Pray the Rosary every day until the rally on October 7.

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 5pm to 7pm, Tuesday from 1:30 to 3:00pm and 5pm to 7pm, Wednesday from 10am to 11am, Thursday from 8am to noon, and Friday from 10am to noon.

THE META AREA QUILTERS have begun their quilting season for the 2017 Quilt Auction that benefits St. Cecilia Parish & Meta Civic League. Please join us on Tuesday during the day & evening; and Thursdays in the evening. Even if it's only for an hour or two, every stitch counts. If you have any question, you may contact Katie Lueckenotto (573-229-4318) or Mary Plassmeyer (573-229-4553).

SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION DATES: Please check your calendars. The St. Thomas the Apostle Sesquicentennial Planning Team has tentatively selected **July 7, 2019** to celebrate the parish's 150th Anniversary, with a parishioner-only event. We will schedule another celebration at a later date during 2019 for the public and wider community to join in our celebration. Please contact Roseanne Boessen at 573-477-0168 or email her at eboessen@centurylink.net regarding any annual local events held on a Saturday during September or October. We want to avoid choosing one of those days. Thank you!

NEEDED: ST. THOMAS SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS Anyone having class photographs from the early public & parochial school years from 1874 through 1961, please contact Bill Boessen (573-477-3384) or billcoun@embarqmail.com This includes the years that the Notre Dame Nuns staffed our schools. We are also needing group school photographs from the years that the Ecclesian Brothers (Br. Robert Daknis, Br. Thomas, later Mr. Robert Daknis) were in St. Thomas 1961-1963. These photographs can be group class pictures, group 8th grade graduation photos, and even group First Communion photos from this era. Any photograph containing pictures of the nuns or brothers, by themselves or with students, are needed, as well. This even includes any original school photos prior to 1964 that were published in the Heritage of St. Thomas Book in 1974. Your photos will be scanned and returned promptly.

ST. THOMAS SESQUICENTENNIAL TEAM: anyone interested in helping interview, research, write or take photographs for the St. Thomas Heritage Book, please contact Bill Boessen at (573) 477-3384.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Picnic – This Sunday, August 21, 2016

THE META CIVIC LEAGUE monthly meeting will be held on August 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

St. Thomas CYO Breakfast – Next Sunday, August 28, 2016

St. Thomas / Meta K of C Tractor Pull – Saturday, September 10, 2016

St. Thomas/Meta K of C Garden Tractor Pull – Saturday, September 17, 2016

Meta Civic League Fall Festival – Sunday, September 18, 2016

St. Thomas Parkboard Carnival – Saturday, September 24, 2016

Rededication of Historic Pfeffer Pipe Organ will be at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 2, 2016.

St. Thomas Fall Fantasy – Saturday, November 5, 2016

RETRouvaille: You can help your Marriage -25% of surveyed couples say they are "Happily Married". For everyone else there is Retrouvaille. Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with each other? Are you constantly fighting? Or so you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking only make it worse? For information on the Retrouvaille Program, visit the website www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230. The next Program begins the weekend of September 16-18, 2016

THE FOLLOWING PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS are open at St. Stanislaus Parish in Wardsville: Sunday 4:00-5:00 p.m. (4th only) 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 635-2095 or 680-1470.

ST. THOMAS CYO BREAKFAST is Sunday, August 28, serving sausage, biscuits & gravy, scrambled eggs & hash browns, from 7:30 – 11:30 a.m. in the St. Thomas School cafeteria. Adults \$9.50 & children 6-12 \$4.50. Thank you to Western Catholic Union for your \$500 matching contribution.

SACRED HEART PARISH PICNIC, ELDON is next Sunday, August 28, serving cooked chicken & roast beef dinners from 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Adults \$10, children 6-12 \$4.00.

HOLY FAMILY PARISH PICNIC FREEBURG is Sunday, September 4, serving fried chicken & roast beef dinners from 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Quilt Auction at 5 p.m., Country Store, Refreshments, and lots more.

AUGUST 26-27 NOLAN SCHROEDER MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT (NSMT): 6th Annual NSMT Co-Ed Volleyball Tournament, August 26 (6:30-9:30 PM) and August 27 (7:30 AM-7:00 PM), at the Meta Ball Park. Pork steak dinners available Friday night; Pork burgers, brats, hot dogs and drinks both Friday & Saturday. **FREE Skin Cancer Screenings** offered on Saturday 10 AM - 12 PM, performed by Dr. Robyn McCullem of the Jefferson City Medical Group (JCMG). Proceeds from this tournament will go towards the assistance of cancer patients through the St. Mary's Health Center Foundation, Jefferson City, Missouri, in the name of Nolan R. Schroeder.

4TH ANNUAL "FAMILY NIGHT UNDER THE STARS" SPONSORED BY ST. THOMAS PARISH PARK BOARD is Saturday, September 24. Concessions will include pulled pork sandwiches and hot dogs starting at 6:00 p.m. Games from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and a fireworks show at dusk. Donations are now being accepted to offset the cost of the firework at the conclusion of "Family Night Under the Stars" carnival on September 24, 2016. No amount is too small or too big, just appreciated! All donors/memorials will be mentioned prior to the show and on display for all to see. This is a beautiful way to honor a loved one, give thanks for all we have, or just in celebration of life. Please send donation/reason by September 17, to Lora Boessen, 15214 Rt. B, St. Thomas, MO 65076. Please make checks payable to St. Thomas payable to St. Thomas Parish Park Board. Thank You!

2016 St. Cecilia Parish Picnic Final Income/Expenses and Profit Statement

Income:	Meat Collection:	\$ 520.00
	Picnic Proceeds	\$32,283.86
	Kitchen Sales:	\$ 1,337.80
	Civic League (Excess Groceries)	\$ 857.34
	Cook Books:	\$ 70.00
Total Income:		\$35,069.00
Expenses:	Advertising:	\$ 561.89
	Groceries :	\$ 8,500.40
	Beverages:	\$ 1,288.45
	Outside Games/Activities:	\$ 660.23
	One Day Event Insurance	\$ 100.00
Total Expenses:		\$11,160.97
Income less Expenses:		\$23,908.03
Civic League Fees:	4% of Net Profit	\$ 956.32
	Civic League Hall Rental	\$ 50.00
	Cooler Rental	\$ 40.00
	Total Paid Civic League:	\$ 1,046.32
2016 Picnic Profit:		\$22,861.71

ST. THOMAS PARISH PICNIC is THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, serving fried chicken & roast beef dinners from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Adults \$11.00, children 6-12 \$5.00. Quilt auction at 5:00 p.m.