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

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 7, 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 7-14:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Ida Schellman & Clara Loethen Sunday 10:00 a.m. – L&D Benne & Luebbering Family Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – *No Mass – Father on retreat*

Thursday 7:45 a.m. – No Mass – *No Mass* – *Father on retreat* Friday 7:45 a.m. – No Mass – *Father on retreat* Saturday 5:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes Sunday 10:00 a.m. – L&D Jerome Luebbering Family

Your Sunday Offering:

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

 Offertory Goal through Month End:
 \$ 25,417.00

 Actual Collection for 2016-2017:
 \$ 26,869.67

 Offertory Difference Year to Date:
 +\$ 1,452.67

 Offertory Goal per month:
 \$ 25,417.00

Saint Cecilia
Mass Schedule for the Week of August 7-14:

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Hubert Brune Sunday 8:00 a.m. – People of our Parishes

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. - No Mass - Father on retreat

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Bonita Mary Kleffner Sunday 8:00 a.m. –Vince & Brad Reinkemeyer

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2016-2017: \$60,500.00
Collection Total for 2016-2017: \$3,598.00
Offertory Goal per month: \$5,041.00

Collection in Church:

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| July 3 | \$ 6,101.00 |
| July 10 | \$ 3,186.00 |
| July 17 | \$ 3,239.00 |
| July 24 | \$ 3,907.22 |
| July 31 | \$ 5,092.45 |
| Collection Online: | \$ 5,344.00 |
| July total to date: | \$26,869.67 |
| Difference for July: | + \$ 1,452.67 |
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Collection in Church:

| July 3 | \$1,678.00 |
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| July 10 | \$ 912.00 |
| July 17 | \$1,008.00 |
| July 24 | \$1,450.00 |
| July 31 | \$1,165.00 |
| July total to date: | \$6,213.00 |
| Difference for July: | + \$1,172.00 |

Please remember your parish in your last will & testament.

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): \$2,749.00
Loan payments to date for FY 2015-2016: \$9,227.74
(Principal) \$7,211.50 (Interest) \$2,016.24
Parish Building Expansion Debt remaining: \$488.884.47

St. Cecilia Collection Counters
August – Dale & Margie Helton

<u>St. Cecilia Reader / Petitions</u> Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – No Mass

Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Don Wansing

<u>St. Thomas Cantor / Organist</u> Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Amanda Wooten Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Doug Luebbering

St. Thomas Reader/ Petitions

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Alfred Kaiser Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Rosalyn Wieberg

St. Thomas Altar Servers

Weekday – Father on retreat, no weekday servers needed Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Ethan & Noah Luebbering, Chase & Grace Luebbering Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Kadence Kliegel, Kenadi & Jackson Braun, Jeremy Stockman

St. Cecilia Altar Servers

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

Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Dorothy Rehagen

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 13-14

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Betty Schellman, Leeroy Budnik, Carolyn Loethen

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Rosalyn Wieberg, Richard & Jan Heckmeyer, Emily Luebbering, Janet Lueckenhoff

August 20-21

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Mark & Barb Graessle,

Lora Boessen

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Glenn Prenger, Gilbert & Hermina Strope, Mike & Sheri Wieberg

St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers

August 13-14

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Carolyn Loethen & Mark Boessen Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Keith Kliethermes & Mike Buschjost

August 20-21

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Gregg Boessen & Ryan Buschjost Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Tom Backes & Alan Cortvrient

St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass

August 13-14

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mark & Barb Graessle Sunday 10:00 a.m. – David & Judy Schroeder

August 20-21

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Al & Jan Carter

Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Bill & Betty Jo Luebbering

St. Thomas Collection Counters

August 13-14 – Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman August 20-21 – Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg August 27-28 – Keith & Jean Kliethermes

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas

Saturday 4:40 p.m. – Paul Becker – Joyful Sunday 9:40 a.m. – Tina Stockman – Joyful

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

St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion August 13-14

Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Dorothy Rehagen, Bonnie Kampeter, Lou Kloeppel

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

August 20-21

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

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

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers

August 13-14

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff, Tom Gragert, Lou Kloeppel Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Anton Libbert, Terry Libbert, Tony Derkum, Leon Schanzmeyer

August 20-21

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Mitch & Brendan Stumpe, Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Kenny Otto, Dominic Plassmeyer, Larry Lueckenotto, Harold Libbert

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

Saturday 6:40 p.m. – Alice Hake– Joyful Sunday 7:40 a.m. – Mary Plassmeyer – Joyful

<u>VOTIVE CANDLES</u>: 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.

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

<u>SCRIP</u>: (August 13-14) Saturday – Kristi Luebbering Sunday – Amy Luebbering 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.

<u>MASS INTENTIONS CELEBRATED THIS WEEK BY FR. SECRIST while on Retreat</u>: Sylvanus Hoecker, Vic Otto, Jim & Christine Luebbering, Bernadine Groner.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Mass will be celebrated at 6:00 pm on Monday, August 15 in St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

NOTES OF THANKS

The family of Sylvanus "Enie" Hoecker expresses their sincere appreciation to relatives, friends, and neighbors for the many comforting messages of sympathy, prayers, spiritual bouquets, floral tributes, memorial and monetary contributions, and food during the difficult time of the passing of our dear husband, dad, and grandpa. A special thank you goes to Fr. Secrist for coming so quickly to the house on Saturday, and for his very touching homily. Thank you also to the pallbearers, servers, organist, cantor, those who brought food, and to our neighbors and friends for coordinating and preparing the delicious luncheon. We are truly blessed to belong to this wonderful faith community. Your kindness and thoughtfulness will never be forgotten. Eldora, Danny, Theresa, Ron, and Brenda, Mary, Dave, Adrienne and Megan

I would like to express my sincere appreciation for all the prayers, visits and cards I received after I fell and fractured by left hip on May 14. After complications of two small blood clots, I was at Capital Region for eight days and then rehab at Adams Street Place until Saturday, July 23. Thanks again, **Shirley Luebbering**

<u>A WARM WELCOME</u> to Aaron & Laura Fennewald and their daughters Emerald & Georgia, the newest members of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish family.

REDEDICATION OF PFEFFER PIPE ORGAN will be at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 2, 2016.

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.

<u>VIRTUS TRAINING AT ST. THOMAS</u> 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 in advance via the online system: <a href="https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theme="https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?th

<u>CATHOLIC MISSOURIAN SUBSCRIPTIONS</u>: 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 <u>\$14 to the parish</u>, *not* to the Catholic Missourian. This will help the checks to be processed and cleared more easily. Thanks!

PRAYER HOUR WITH MOTHER OF PERPTUAL HELP DEVOTION is Tuesday, August 9 at 7:00 p.m. in St. Thomas Church.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH PICNIC: Please mark your calendar for the St. Thomas Picnic on Sunday, August 21! The committee for the picnic is TJ Loethen, Michelle Luebbering, Greg Luebbering & Joyce Luebbering. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact any of the members. The picnic work-list was attached to last week's bulletin. Additional copies are in the entrances of St. Thomas Church or on our web page.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PICNIC RAFFLE CHANCES: *Please* pick up your raffle chances in the back of St. Thomas Church. Additional raffle chances are available at the entrances of the Church and at B & K Quick Shoppe.

ST. THOMAS PARISH PICNIC & QUILT FLYERS are available at the entrances of 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.

2016-2017 SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST is available at Wal-mart (both Jefferson City locations), K-mart, Target & Staples.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL FAMILY FOLDERS will be in the back of St. Thomas the Apostle Church, August 6-7.

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

ST. THOMAS PRESCHOOL: There's going to be 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*

<u>ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL STUDENTS...SPORTS PHYSICAL REMINDER</u>: Any student planning on playing sports during the 2016-2017 school year will need a physical (This does not pertain to archery). This is a policy of the Diocese of Jefferson City.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS:

August 8 - First Day of Preschool

August 16 - Open House 6:00 p.m. & Mandatory Parent Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

August 18 - First Day of School K-8

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

ST. THOMAS BOWLING ASSOCIATION MEETING is Monday, August 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the bowling alley. All team captains should plan to attend. This will be the only meeting before the start of the next bowling season, so please plan to attend.

THE NEXT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING is Tuesday, August 9 at 7:30 p.m. A rosary will be prayed at 7:15 p.m.

<u>META OVER 50 CLUB</u> will meet on Thursday, August 11 at noon at the St. Cecilia Parish Center. Please bring a dish & join us for lunch, fun & fellowship.

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.

<u>SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION DATES</u>: 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!

NEEDING 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.

<u>ST. THOMAS SESQUICENTENNIAL TEAM</u>: 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 - Sunday, August 21, 2016

St. Thomas CYO Breakfast - Sunday, August 28, 2016

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

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

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

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

<u>St. Thomas Fall Fantasy</u> – Saturday, November 5, 2016

<u>ST. MARGARET OF ANTIOCH PARISH PICNIC, OSAGE BEND</u> is this Sunday, August 7, serving fried chicken & roast beef dinners from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Adults \$11.00, children 6-12 \$6.00, plate lunches and carry-outs \$9.00. Kiddie Tractor Pull 2:30 p.m. Quilt auction 5:00p.m.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH PICNIC, WESTPHALIA is this Sunday, August 7, serving fried chicken & German pot roast dinners from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Adults \$11.00, children 5-12 \$5.00, carry-outs \$11.00. Kiddie Tractor Pull at 4:00 p.m. Quilt auction at 5:00 p.m.

WESTPHALIA K OF C MMTTPA TRACTOR PULL is Saturday, August 13 at 7:00 p.m.

HELIAS BOOSTER BBQ is Wednesday, August 10 at 4:30 -7:30 p.m. in Helias Gym. Serving pork steak, chicken, corn, tomatoes, cole slaw and a drink. Adults \$10, children 6-12 \$5.00. Tickets available at the Helias Office or at the door. Call or email Brad Dempsey, activities director with questions. <u>bdempsey@heliascatholic.com</u> or 573-635-6139.

SACRED HEART PARISH PICNIC, RICH FOUNTAIN is next Sunday, August 14, 2016, serving fried chicken & German pot roast dinners from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Adults \$11, children 6-12 \$5.00. Kiddie Tractor Pull at 4:00 p.m. Quilt auction at 6:00

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Pastoral Council Minutes

for the meeting held on July 26, 2016

PPC Goal: Develop a more inclusive sense of community in our Parish by encouraging the growth of our relationships with each other and with God.

Members present: Fr. Secrist, Jan Carter, Dan Lindenbusch, Fred Luebbering, Eileen Volmert, Simon Strope, Mike Groner, Marshall Boessen, Charlene Buschjost, Shane Verslues, Amanda Wooten, Leroy Heckemeyer

Absent: Mike Green, Theresa Veit, Alan Reinkemeyer

Father led the Parish Pastoral Council in prayer.

Principal's Report (Leroy Heckemeyer):

- Completed several recommendations from the Self Study
- Currently 6 Teachers have completed CPR/First Aide Training
- Athletic Program has adopted "Play Like a Champion" program. Parents and Coaches will have to attend a Training Program before their children can participate in school sponsored events.
- New Diocesan policy on alcohol at school related events: "No alcohol may be present or consumed at event where children and youth are the primary focus. For example: field trips, school carnivals, school picnics, school sponsored athletic events, etc.'
- Open House-August 16th at 6:00 p.m.
- Mandatory Parent Meeting-August 16th at 6:30 p.m.
- First Day of School-August 18^t
- First Home and School Meeting-August 25th at 6:30 p.m.

School Advisory Board Report:

- Currently 16 Preschoolers enrolled. Because of that larger number, an aide has been hired for Preschool.
- A new 3rd and 4th grade teacher has been hired. All other staff returning. Pre-K through 8th grade enrollment for next year will be 82.
- Increase of technology fee-from \$50 to \$75 per child, capped at \$150 per family.
- New milk cooler on order.
- Because of supply delays, school stairwell window will be replaced after the beginning of the school year. Until block glass window is demolished, for safety reasons, ramp will remain closed. On the interior, a framed wall has been constructed.

Worship Committee Report:

Totus Tuus was a success with over 62 children participating in the day program. Unfortunately, no middle school or high school parishioners participated this year.

Christian Education Report:

- PSR will be in the parish school building instead of the Vitae House this year.
- PSR will start September 7^t
- Sr. Ruth Wand, SSND will conduct an evening retreat with all PSR teachers on August 10th, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Social Concerns Report:

Fred reported on the Fish Fry that was on Friday, July 22^{nd.} was a success. Over 280 meal tickets were sold and food ordered for event ran out.

Administration Report:

- New make-up air "push fan" was installed for the parish fry room hoods.
- A cell phone signal amplifier was installed in the Parish Center gym.
- Water proofing and tuck-pointing of the church body exterior will occur later this summer. An A.J. Schwartze Community Foundation grant was received that will cover a majority of the project cost.
- Signs for handicap parking have been supplied at church.

New Business:

- Re-dedication concert for the Pfeffer Pipe Organ will be on Sunday, October 2nd at 4:00 p.m.

- Catholics School Week Dinner will be January 28th, 2017 The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 27th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Vitae House.

The meeting was adjourned and Father ended with a prayer.