

The Roman Catholic Parishes of

St. Thomas the Apostle

in St. Thomas

St. Cecilia

in Meta

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 21, 2018

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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 January 21-28:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - L&D Joe & Dorothy Luebbering

Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Herman & Agatha Luebbering

Tuesday 7:45 a.m. - Alex Heckman

Wednesday 7:45 a.m. - Carol Pleus Riley

Thursday 7:45 a.m. - Ray, Sally & Sam Herigon

Friday 7:45 a.m. - Sabina Plassmeyer

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - L&D Joe & Dorothy Luebbering Family

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

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2017-2018: \$305,000.00

Offertory Goal through Month End: \$177,919.00

Actual Collection for 2017-2018: **\$167,113.63**

Offertory Difference Year to Date: - \$ 10,805.37

Offertory Goal per month: \$ 25,417.00

Collection in Church:

January 7 \$ 2,607.10

January 14 \$ 3,327.25

January 21 \$

January 28 \$

Collection Online: \$ 5,042.00

January total to date: \$10,976.35

Difference for January: - \$14,440.65

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): **\$17,533.45**

Loan payments to date for FY 2017-2018: **\$55,366.44**

(Principal) \$47,323.65 (Interest) \$8,042.79

Parish Building Expansion Debt remaining: **\$349,398.61**

St. Thomas the Apostle Cantor / Organist

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Jean Kliethermes / Annette Kehner

Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Doug Luebbering / Annette Kehner

St. Thomas the Apostle Reader / Petitions

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - St. Thomas School Students

Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Bill Luebbering

St. Thomas the Apostle Altar Servers

Weekday - Madelyn Brenneke & Chesney Luebbering

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - St. Thomas School Students

Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Henry Buschjost, Owen Schellman,

Dorothy Lackman, Erika Luebbering

Saint Cecilia

Mass Schedule for the Week of January 21-28:

Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Lawrence "Dick" Rehagen

Sunday 8:00 a.m. - People of our Parishes

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. - Donna Scheulen

Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Lawrence & Scott Otto

Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Raymond Luebbering

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2017-2018: \$62,000.00

Collection Total for 2017-2018: **\$36,310.15**

Offertory Goal per month: \$ 5,166.67

Collection in Church:

January 7 \$ 1,159.00

January 14 \$ 906.00

January 21 \$

January 28 \$

January total to date: \$ 2,065.00

Difference for January: -\$ 3,101.67

Please remember your parish in your last will & testament.

St. Cecilia Collection Counters

January - Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer

St. Cecilia Reader / Petitions

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. - Cathy Borgmeyer

Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Dorothy Rehagen

Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Dominic Plassmeyer

St. Cecilia Altar Servers

Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Alex & Joshua Even

Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Will & Melina Derkum,

Sophie Bock

**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
January 27-28

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Leroy Heckemeyer, Sarah Schwartz, Danielle Plassmeyer
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Shirley Volmert, Bill & Betty Jo Luebbering

February 3-4

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Carolyn Loethen, Mark & Barb Graessle
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Lynne Reinkemeyer, Jan Carter, Mattheuw Prenger

St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers

please ring tower bells at least 10 minutes before weekend Masses

January 27-28

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – St. Thomas School Students
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Alan Reinkemeyer & Doug Stockman

February 3-4

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Fred Luebbering & Carolyn Loethen
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – TJ Loethen & Mattheuw Prenger

St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass

January 27-28

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – St. Thomas School Students
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Rosalyn Wieberg, Cole & Cooper Peters

February 3-4

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Gregg & Susan Boessen Family
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Bill & Betty Jo Luebbering

St. Thomas Collection Counters

January 27-28 – Jennifer Schroeder & Stephanie Cortvrient
February 3-4 – Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman
February 10-11 – Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg

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. – Marilyn Herigon – Luminous
Sunday 9:40 a.m. – Tina Stockman – Luminous

SCRIP: January 27-28 Saturday – Kristi Luebbering Sunday – Amanda Boessen

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, January 25: Sarah Volmert & Peggy Volmert **Thursday, February 1:** Imogene Volmert & Jenna Volmert
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.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION this coming week will be on **Wednesday, January 24** will be in the **St. Thomas the Apostle School library**.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHES' CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: The Confirmation candidates named below have signed and returned their *Candidate Commitment Form* which, among other things, indicates that they promise to attend and participate in the Confirmation preparation sessions with an open mind and heart, will attend Mass every Sunday and on Holy Days of obligation, will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Confirmation, will commit to daily prayer, especially for growth in faith, hope and charity and will accept more responsibility in their families, parish and community:

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. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH REGISTRATION: Are you new to the area? Have you moved, changed your phone number or email address? Please keep your parish information current by filling out a Parish Registration form, located at the church entrances, on the parish website (under the Resources link), or by contacting Jenny Becker. Students away at college should be listed under their family, but young adults living on their own or married, are encouraged to register separately. Thank you for your assistance in this important matter.

DIOCESAN CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP APPEAL: We're nearing the end of this year's Catholic Stewardship Appeal.

Opportunities continue to be available to those who have not yet made a pledge. If you no longer have a pledge card go online to www.diojeffcity.org. Any gift you can make will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!

CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP GOALS for 2017-2018 are:

St. Cecilia Parish: **\$2,500**. So far \$1,400 (56%) has been contributed.

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish: **\$8,000**. So far \$7,188.00 (90%) has been contributed.

PRAYER HOUR WITH MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION will be Tuesday, January 23, 7:00 p.m. in St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

ST. THOMAS PARISH SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING is Tuesday, January 30, 6:00 p.m. in the Vitae House.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING is Tuesday, January 30, 7:00 p.m. in the Vitae House.

ST. THOMAS SESQUICENTENNIAL MEETING is Tuesday, January 23 at 6:30 p.m. in Vitae House.

St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
January 27-28

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Betty Hagenhoff, Dorothy Rehagen, Bonnie Kampeter
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Gerald & Phyllis Rehagen, Janice Schanzmeyer

February 3-4

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Lou Kloeppel, Brenda Wansing, Doris Stumpe
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer, Pam Libbert

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers

January 27-28

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

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

February 3-4

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

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Dominic Plassmeyer, 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. – Cathy Borgmeyer – Sorrowful

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

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.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL DRAMA CLUB PLAY: St. Thomas the Apostle drama club will be presenting a short play, "Cinderella—the Stepsisters' Story" on **Monday, January 22** at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. There is no admission fee. Everyone is invited to come enjoy the show!

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL KINDERGARDEN SNEAK PEEK: Thursday, February 1 We will have activities for incoming Kindergarteners and families considering future enrollment. Please email lheckemeyer@embarqmail.com to schedule a time to see what our Catholic School may offer you!

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK INVITATION: On Friday, February 2, we will be celebrating all our VIP's – parents, grandparents, parishioners, volunteers and friends – by starting our day with Mass at 7:45 a.m. followed by refreshments and BINGO in the Parish Center. All are welcome! To RSVP, please call the St. Thomas School Office at 573-477-3322. It's that time of the year when we may be cleaning things or have some items (new or used) laying around that would make excellent BINGO prizes. Please call the school office if you have any items to donate. Thanks in advance for helping out with the prizes for the BINGO games.

PRAY THE ROSARY DURING CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK: Students and staff will pray the Rosary on Monday, January 29 at 8:15 a.m. in the Parish Center. All are welcome.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS

January 22 – Drama Club Play, 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.
January 27 – Catholic Schools Week, Mass, Dinner & Dance in Parish Center
January 29 – Rosary 8:15 a.m. in the Parish Center, All are welcome
January 30 – Parish School Advisory Board Meeting 6:00 p.m. in Vitae House
February 1 – Kindergarten Sneak Peek
February 2 – VIP, 7:45 a.m. Mass, Refreshments, Bingo in the Parish Center

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

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

BOX TOPS: Please send in Box Tops by February 16 for submission.

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.

ST. THOMAS HAM / SAUSAGE BREAKFAST RAFFLE: If you are interested in making a donation or know of someone who might, please contact Janet Lueckenhoff at 573-690-5682 **before February 5** so the donation may be included in this year's raffle. Our breakfast is **Sunday, March 11, 2018**.

ST. THOMAS / META KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST is Sunday, January 21, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the K of C Hall. Adults \$8.00; children 6-12: \$4.00. Part of the proceeds to benefit the St. Thomas the Apostle School.

RETROUVAILLE is marriage program for couples whose marriage has become off course. It's an effective program that has worked for thousands of couples & it can work for your marriage. The next program begins with the weekend of February 2- 4, 2018. For further information, 800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA PARISH PANCAKE BREAKFAST, FOLK is Sunday, January 28, serving pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs & applesauce from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Adults \$8.00, children 6-10 \$4.00.

MIDWEST MARCH FOR LIFE is Saturday, January 27 at Selinger Center, with Divine Mercy & Rosary Walk. Life Affirming vendors booths in Selinger Center from 7:45 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Pre-rally speakers at 9:30 a.m., March begins at 10:00 a.m. with Knights of Columbus Honor Guard.

ST. CECILIA PARISH BUDGET SUMMARY for July 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

Income:

General (Sunday collection):	\$34,449.15
Special Income (Parish Center rental, etc.):	\$ 900.00
Diocesan Collection Income:	\$ 2,781.00
Universal Church Collection:	\$ 1,729.48
Special Church Receipts:	\$ 3,044.90
Interest Income (checking account only)	\$ 30.47
Total Income:	\$42,935.52

Expenses:

Church & Rectory General:	\$31,972.56
Church & Rectory Special: *	\$11,245.21
Diocesan Collections:	\$ 1,458.00
Religious Education:	\$ 7,976.96
Universal Church Collection	\$ 922.00
Total Expenses:	\$53,574.73

Net Income (Loss) (\$10,639.21)

*includes rock wall repair and church masonry repairs budgeted last fiscal year

All accounts at Mid America Bank:	\$154,864.19
On deposit with Diocese of Jefferson City:	\$ 84,730.19
Total savings:	\$239,594.38