

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 26, 2020

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St. Thomas Parish Office hours: Tuesdays 8:30 a.m. – 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

St. Cecilia

Mass Schedule for the Week of December Jan. 26-Feb. 2:

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Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. – John & Norma Ullman Anniversary

Friday, 7:45 a.m. – Sabina Plassmeyer

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Wilfred & Virginia Libbert

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

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Brian Wansing

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2019-2020: \$305,000.00
Offertory Goal through Month End: \$177,919.00
Actual Collection for 2019-2020: **\$158,486.61**
Offertory Difference Year to Date: – \$ 19,432.39
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 25,417.00

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2019-2020: \$62,000.00
Collection Total for 2019-2020: **\$33,696.25**
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 5,166.67

Collection in Church:

January 5 \$ 4,667.00
January 12 \$ 3,417.00
January 19 \$ 2,578.00
January 26 \$

Collection Online: \$ 5,602.00

January total to date: **\$16,264.00**

Difference for January - \$ 9,153.00

Collection in Church:

January 5 \$ 1,348.00
January 12 \$ 710.00
January 19 \$ 1,355.00
January 26 \$

January total to date: **\$ 3,413.00**

Difference for January: - \$ 2,058.00

St. Cecilia Collection Counters

February – Dale & Margie Helton

St. Thomas the Apostle Expansion & Building Fund

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

Income from parishioners for FY 2019-2020

(via the yellow "Building Fund" envelope): **\$17,034.25**

Loan payments to date for FY 2019-2020: **\$55,366.44**

(Principal \$51,206.48 Interest \$4,159.96)

Parish Building Expansion Debt remaining: **\$149,532.37**

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

St. Thomas the Apostle Cantor / Organist

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kerry Meyer / Jackie Prenger

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Choir / Annette Kehner

St. Thomas the Apostle Reader

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kathy Graessle

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Jim Lueckenhoff

St. Thomas the Apostle Altar Servers

Tues & Friday – Miranda Meyer & Will Otto

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Dawson Wieberg, Lilly Schulte,
Owen Schellman

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Madi & Audrey Buschjost,

Jackson Braun, Francie Tallent

St. Cecilia Reader

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Jennifer Even

St. Cecilia Altar Servers

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Saige & Ava 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
February 1-2

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Carolyn Loethen, Mark Graessle,
Lora Boessen
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Glenn Prenger, Mike & Sheri Wieberg
February 8-9
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mark Luebbering, Pat Kaiser,
Marshall Boessen
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Bill Luebbering, Lynne Reinkemeyer,
Jan Carter

St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers
February 1-2

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Eric Strobe & Dave Luebbering
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Larry Lueckenhoff & Art Groner

February 8-9

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Steve Schellman & Gilbert Schellman
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Eric & Keith Boessen

St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass
February 1-2

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Gilbert & Betty Schellman
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Rosalyn Wieberg, Cole & Cooper Peters

February 8-9

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mark & Lora Boessen Family
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Cash McManus & Mary Englemeyer

St. Thomas Collection Counters

February 2-Jennifer Schroeder & Dunja Wieberg
February 9 – Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman
February 16 – Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas:

Tuesday 8:35 a.m. – Joann Heckman – Sorrowful

Friday 7:20 a.m. – Gilbert & Hermina Strobe - Sorrowful

Saturday 4:35 p.m. – Marilyn Herigon – Luminous

Sunday 9:35 a.m. – Pat Loethen – Luminous

SNACKS FOR QUILTERS:

Thursday, January 30 – Samantha Schulte & Nikki Stewart Thursday, February 6 – Tina Stockman & Kathy Strobe
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 Strobe at 573-477-3349.

BISHOP MCKNIGHT'S JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION: For an increase in Christian unity, racial, harmony, and respect for the dignity of all human life; that Christians everywhere may work together to promote peace in our homes and communities throughout the world.

WEEKDAY MASSES FOR JANUARY: Fr. Joby P. Thomas will celebrate Mass on Tuesday, January 28 at 9:00 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church. Fr. James Finder will celebrate Mass on Friday, January 31 at 7:45 a.m. at St. Thomas Church.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE 2019 YEAR END CONTRIBUTIONS: If you would like a statement of your contributions for 2019, please contact the parish office at jbeckeroffice@gmail.com or by calling Jenny at 573-477-3315.

ST. CECILIA 2019 YEAR END CONTRIBUTIONS will be available January 26, 2020 in Church for pickup.

SCRIP: February 1-2 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kerry Meyer Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Sara Otto

Visit www.stthomasapostleschoolnet/scrip for more information about the Scrip program. Please contact Daffiny Tallent at 573-694-4408 to purchase anytime. A large variety of cards in various denominations are in stock and available for purchase.

CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP APPEAL: The CSA goal for St. Thomas the Apostle Parish is \$10,000. \$9,845.00 received so far. The CSA goal for St. Cecilia Parish is \$2,500. \$1,595.00 received so far.

ST. THOMAS PARISHIONERS please pick up your 2020 Time, Talent & Stewardship form in the back of church if you haven't done so already.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASS will meet on Wednesday, January 29, 7:30 p.m. St. Cecilia.

THE WILLIAM B. SIMON SCHOLARSHIP FUND awards scholarships to Catholic students in the Jefferson City Diocese who are in financial need for attending an accredited college of the student's choice. The scholarship is \$1,000 per semester. Please see Jan, Jenny, Diane or Doris for the application or please go to the Diocese of Jefferson City and under the Morning Memo – January 13. Students from St. Thomas have been awarded this scholarship in the past. Applications must be postmarked or returned to the Chancery by **March 31, 2020**. All applicants will be notified of the results by May 1, 2020.

THE JOHN L. WARACK SCHOLARSHIP FUND helps Catholic students who are in financial need to attend the **University of Missouri – Columbia**. The scholarship is designated for Catholic students who are, or will be actively involved in the St. Thomas More Newman Center. The award is \$1,000 per semester is paid directly to the institution or to the student upon presentation of receipts for tuition, fees and/or room and board. One Warack Scholar will be selected each year. The deadline for submission of the application is **March 31, 2020**. Please see Jan, Jenny, Diane or Doris for the application or go to the Diocese of Jefferson City and under the Morning Memo – January 13.

ST. THOMAS PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING will be held on Tuesday February 11, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Vitae House.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE HAM/SAUSAGE BREAKFAST RAFFLE: If you are interested in making a donation or know of someone who might, please contact Janet Lueckenhoff at 573-680-5682 **before February 8**, so the donation maybe included in this year's raffle. Our breakfast is Sunday, March 8, 2020.

St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
February 2

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

February 9

Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Doris Stumpe, Jennifer Even,
Betty Hagenhoff

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers

February 2

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

February 9

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Tony Derkum, Leon Schanzmeyer,
Kenny Otto, Larry Lueckenotto

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

Sunday 7:35 a.m. – Mary Plassmeyer -Luminous

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

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.

ST. THOMAS HAM BREAKFAST COMMITTEE MEETING: If you or someone in your family **CAN NOT** work at the Ham Breakfast or need to change jobs, please contact either Larry Lueckenhoff at 573-619-6783 or MaryPat Luebbering at 573-338-3476 as we need this information to make a correct work-list.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK INVITATION: On Friday, January 31, 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 the Apostle School 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 prizes for BINGO games.

PRAY THE ROSARY DURING CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK: Students and staff will pray the Rosary on Monday, January 27 at 8:15 a.m. in the Parish Center. All are welcome!

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN SNEAK PEEK: On Thursday, January 30, please join us as we celebrate Catholic Schools Week! We will activities of in-coming Kindergartners and children of families considering future enrollment. Information will be provided for parents about new programs & initiatives. This will be a great time for you to see St. Thomas the Apostle, and we will answer any questions you may have about the upcoming school year. If you have been curious about what you may be missing in a faith-based school close to home, please RSVP by calling 573-477-3322 or email lheckemeyerstacs@gmail.com to schedule a more workable time to see what our Catholic School may offer you.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS:

Catholic Schools Week – January 25-31

Monday, January 27 – Living Rosary 8:15 a.m. in Parish Center

Thursday, January 30 – Kindergarten Sneak Peek

Friday, January 31 – VIP, Mass, Refreshments & Bingo

COPY PAPER: Please drop off clean on one side and staple free paper at school or call the St. Thomas the Apostle School office, 573-477-3322.

BOX TOPS: Please send in Box Tops by February 14 for submission. Please continue to save Box Tops for Education, Coke Points & Best Choice labels. Please drop them off at school or in the boxes in the entrances of St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PRE-SCHOOL: If you have a preschool age child and have been thinking about preschool, please contact the school office at 573-477-3322 or Miss Jaycine Bax at jbaxstacs@gmail.com

HELIAS OPEN HOUSE: Come visit Helias for our annual Open House on Saturday, February 1 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Take a look at our facilities, meet teachers, coaches and administrators, explore our activities and clubs, learn about how we are building Saints and Scholars. Incoming Freshmen/Parent meeting is at NOON during the Open House on February 1. We will also have Freshmen Registration nights on February 11 and 13 (pick one) from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m., were incoming Freshmen admission process will be explained and paperwork can be filled out. All are welcome! Please contact Helias with questions at 573-635-6139.

ST. THOMAS CHURCH CLEANING TEAM ROTATION FOR UPCOMING WEEKS

Week of January 26th: Lynne Reinkemeyer, Linda Boessen, Lauri Luebbering, Lisa Lackman

Week of February 2nd: Sonya Henson, Susan Buechter, Jackie Prenger, Amy Buechter

Week of February 9th: Janet Lueckenhoff, Jim Lueckenhoff, Charlene Buschjost, Randy Buschjost

Week of February 16th: Alan Libbert, Nany Libbert, Darrel Buechter

Thanks to all who volunteer to help keep our Church looking beautiful! Anyone else interested in helping out, please contact Lynne Reinkemeyer at 573-690-7113 and we can add another group!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BASKETBALL FREE THROW CONTEST: Congratulations to the following winners of the St. Thomas/Meta Knights of Columbus annual basketball free throw contest held Jan. 19: Dylan Kliegel, Landon Kliegel, Alex Loethen, Ava Morris, Ava Rackers, Blake Schellman, Owen Schellman, & Sadie Wolken. These Council Champions will advance to the district level of competition held on Sun. Feb. 9 at St. Thomas gym at 12 noon. Thank you to everyone who participated. We had a record 19 contestants. Good luck to those moving on to the next round.

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE MIDWEST MARCH FOR LIFE 2020: The Tenth MidWest March To Honor and Glorify Jesus and Defend Innocent Life will be held Saturday, Feb. 1, beginning at St Peter Selinger Expo Hall, Jefferson City, with doors opening at 7:45 am, pre rally at 9:30 am, march at 10 am and rally with keynote David Bereit at 10:45 am in the State Rotunda. A Youth Rally will be given by Jacinta Florence of Students for Life of America and David Bereit, Founder of 40 Days for Life at 1 pm. Information is available at www.midwestmarchforlife.com or call 573-340- 8444. Sponsored by Columbia 40 Days For Life through St Andrew Prolife.

MIDWEST MARCH FOR LIFE TO HAVE PROLIFE TRAINING AFTER RALLY: Make plans to join David Bereit, Pro-life speaker, former CEO and founder of 40 Days For Life, for Adult Apologetics at 1 pm in Father Ahrens Room, St Peter Parish, Jefferson City, and Jacinta Florence, Missouri and Arkansas Regional Coordinator, Students For Life, Youth Rally at 1 pm in Selinger Center Basement, St. Peter Parish, Jefferson City. Please take advantage of this wonderful training from two incredible pro-life speakers. Last year's training was a huge success and we are offering it not only to students but to adults of any age who want to know hear from one of America's most sought after speakers, David Bereit. Call to reserve spot or for more information at 573 340 8444 or www.midwestmarchforlife.com

CHRISTOPHER WEST & MIKE MANGIONE: Brought to you by the Cathedral of St. Joseph, St. Peter, and St. Martin Parishes. **May 5, 2020** 7:00—9:30 p.m. Cathedral of St. Joseph. *This event will sell out, so get your tickets early!* World renowned speaker and author Christopher West, along with musician Mike Mangione, are coming to the Cathedral of St. Joseph with an all new event called MADE FOR MORE: VISIONS OF THE PROMISED LAND. Bring family and friends. No one should miss this awesome and inspiring event! Tickets are \$25. Go to www.corproject.com/jeffersoncity/ for tickets and more information about the event, or email julie.g@cathedraljc.org.

JEFFERSON CITY MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: Get away for the weekend, just you and your spouse, to celebrate how far you've come and look for areas to improve in your marriage. This is not exclusive to the Catholic faith, but does focus on putting Christ at the center of your marriage. The next weekend is February 15-16, 2020, in Jefferson City, Missouri. Cost is \$75 which includes 1 night hotel stay and all meals and materials. Register at jeffcityme.com (Scholarships are available) Questions? Visit website jeffcityme.com, call 573-619-7416, or email info@jeffcityme.com

SNOW REMOVAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The St. Thomas Parish and School will be in need of snow removal services for the church/school entrances, parking lots and sidewalks. If you are willing to assist, please contact Alan Reinkemeyer at 573-694-6984 or Mark Luebbering at 573-694-6393.

ST. MARY SCHOOL FRANKENSTEIN ARCHERY BREAKFAST is January 26 to support their archery program. Serving ham, pancakes, eggs, biscuits and gravy from 7:00-10:30 a.m. Adults \$8.00, children 6-10 years old \$4:00.

PITCH TOURNAMENT is Friday, January 31 at the St. Thomas Knight of Columbus Hall. \$25 per team. Hosted by Faith, Hope and Family Relay Team. Please contact: Jessica Kliegel, 573.690.3987.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA BREAKFAST, FOLK is Sunday, January 26, serving pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs and applesauce from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Adults \$8.00, children 6-10 \$4.00. Bake sale proceeds to St. Jude.

K OF C BREAKFAST COUNCIL #2027 is Sunday, February 2, serving pancakes, scrambled eggs & sausage from 7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. in the Loose Creek school basement. Adults \$8.00, children 6-12 \$3.00.

THE WESTPHALIA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 1171 will hold their annual pre-Lenten fish fry's on February 7 & 21 from 4:30 p.m.–7:00 p.m. at the Westphalia K of C Hall on Highway 63. Adults: \$11, Children 5-10: \$5 Diet sensitive items will be available.

THE BLAIR OAKS FFA ALUMNI & SUPPORTERS is hosting a "Cowboy Boots & Country Roots" Dinner & Dance on Saturday, February 22, 2020 at the Wardsville Lions Club with music by Shiloh. Tickets will be available in January 2020. Tickets \$40 per person or \$320 for a table of 8. For more information contact Linda Lackman @ 573-375-0001, Jennifer Borgmeyer @ 573-338-0049 or TJ Loethen, 573-690-8809. We hope to see you there!

SAVE THE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR:

TOTUS TUUS – June 14-19, 2020

St. Thomas Parish Ham Breakfast – Sunday, March 8, 2020

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ST. THOMAS CEMETERY DUES: The 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 \$5.00. Please note: Anyone falling in areas 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 CEMETERY ASSOCIATION
Financial Statement
For year Ending December 31, 2019**

Checking Account	
Beginning Balance (1/1/19)	\$ 1,448.59
Deposits	\$ 3,400.00
Disbursements	\$ (3,264.40)
Ending Balance (12/31/19)	\$ 1,584.19
Savings Account	
Beginning Balance (1/1/19)	\$ 105.08
Transfer from Checking	\$ 400.00
Deposits	\$.92
Ending Balance (12/31/19)	\$ 506.00
Income & Expenses	
Membership Dues	\$ 2,650.00
Donations	\$ 750.00
Interest	\$.92
Total Income	\$ 3,400.92
Repairs/Maintenance	\$ 3,264.40
Total Expenses	\$ 3,264.40
Net Income	\$ 136.52

