

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

St. Cecilia
in Meta

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PO Box 146
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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 27, 2019

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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 26-February 3:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Gregory & Lucille Veit
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – L&D Joe & Dorothy Luebbering Family
Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – Al & Leona Fick
Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – Louis & Linda Kloepfel Family
Thursday 7:45 a.m. – Scott Sandbothe
Friday 7:45 a.m. – Tom & Clara Schmidt
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Herb & Chris Verslues

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2018-2019: \$305,000.00
Offertory Goal through Month End: \$177,919.00
Actual Collection for 2018-2019: **\$157,974.37**
Offertory Difference Year to Date: – \$ 19,944.63
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 25,417.00

Collection in Church:

January 6 \$ 3,897.00
January 13 \$ 2,941.25
January 20 \$ 2,671.50
January 27 \$

Collection Online: \$ 5,502.00

January total to date: **\$15,011.75**

Difference for January: - \$10,405.25

St. Thomas the Apostle Expansion & Building Fund

Total Expansion Project expenses paid: \$2,273,475.34
Income from parishioners for FY 2018-2019
(via the yellow "Building Fund" envelope): **\$17,794.00**
Loan payments to date for FY 2018-2019: **\$64,594.18**
(Principal) \$57,547.41 (Interest) \$7,046.77
Parish Building Expansion Debt remaining: **\$251,617.82**

St. Thomas the Apostle Cantor / Organist

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Lisa Wieberg / 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. – Kathy Rackers

St. Thomas the Apostle Altar Servers

Weekday – Audrey Buschjost & Ethan Luebbering
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Ely & Dawson Wieberg,
Lilly Schulte
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Clint & Mason Luebbering,
Belle & Grace Boessen

St. Cecilia

Mass Schedule for the Week of January 26-February 3:

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Brian Wansing
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions before 6:30 p.m. Mass
Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Victor Bruemmer

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Frank Wilde
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Leona Fick

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2018-2019: \$62,000.00
Collection Total for 2018-2019: **\$37,309.22**
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 5,166.67

Collection in Church:

January 6 \$ 1,666.00
January 13 \$ 627.00
January 20 \$ 967.00
January 27 \$

January total to date: **\$ 3,260.00**

Difference for January: - \$ 2,293.00

St. Cecilia Collection Counters

February – Dale & Margie Helton

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

St. Cecilia Reader

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. – Dorothy Rehagen
Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Cathy Borgmeyer
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Dominic Plassmeyer

St. Cecilia Altar Servers

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – servers needed
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Madalyn Veltrop,
Skyla & Jesse Schroeder

**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 2-3

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Mike & Trish Green, Betty Schellman
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Mike & Sheri Wieberg,
Lynne Reinkemeyer

February 9-10

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Lora Boessen, Mark Luebbering,
Pat Kaiser
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Richard & Jan Heckemeyer,
Jan Carter

St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers

February 2-3

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mark Boessen & Dave Luebbering
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Art Groner & Cash McManus

February 9-10

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

St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass

February 2-3

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Alfred & Margie Kaiser
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Brian & Katie Luebbering Family

February 9-10

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mark & Lauri Luebbering
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Ray & Shirley Volmert

St. Thomas Collection Counters

February 2-3 – Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman
February 9-10 – Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg
February 16-17 – Keith & Jean Kliethermes

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

SNACKS FOR QUILTERS:

Thursday, January 31 – Margie Kaiser & Pat Kaiser Thursday, February 7- Sharon Kirkweg & Sandy Kliegel
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
573-477-3349 or Emily Luebbering 573-477-3459.

BLESSING OF THROATS: In addition to being the 4th Sunday of Ordinary time, February 3 is the Memorial of St. Blaise. The traditional blessing of the throats will be offered immediately following the 8:00 am & 10:00 am Sunday Masses on February 3.

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 Mrs. Jenny Becker. Students way at college should be listed under their family, but young adults living on their own or married, are encouraged to register separately.

CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP APPEAL: For each one of you who chose to give back gratefully to God through a contribution to



the CSA, we are deeply appreciative. Catholics are a community of faith, and you recognize that members of any community, particularly the Body of Christ, have responsibility to each other. For those who have not joined your fellow Catholics in support of the CSA, we urge you to pray about it. It is not too late and no gift is too small. If you misplaced your letter from Bishop McKnight, please look for a CSA envelope at the entrances of church. You can also make a pledge by going online to diojefcity.org and clicking the "Giving" button.

The CSA goal for St. Thomas the Apostle Parish is \$8,000. **\$8,525.00 (106% our goal!)** has been received from 49 donors. Because we surpassed our CSA goal at St. Thomas the Apostle, a percentage will be received back once the CSA campaign is completed.

The CSA goal for St. Cecilia Parish is: \$2,500. **\$1,401.00 (56% of goal)** has been received from 13 donors.

BISHOP MCKNIGHT'S JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION: "For the gift of peace within families, our community and the world: that violence shall cease and the destruction of human life from conception until natural death will be no more."

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.

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 8, so the donation maybe included in this year's raffle. Our breakfast is Sunday, March 10, 2019.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be held on Friday, February 1. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Church throughout the day; please sign up on the sheet in church.

5:00-5:50 p.m. Confessions, Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

Please note: because of Catholic Schools Week VIP Day, the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will *not* be offered following Mass on Friday, February 1. Everyone is invited to join the St. Thomas School Students in the Parish Center for refreshments immediately following Mass.

St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
February 2-3

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Jennifer Even, Betty Hagenhoff,
Dorothy Rehagen

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

February 9-10

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Bonnie Kampeter, Lou Kloeppe,
Doris Stumpe

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

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers

February 2-3

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

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Leon Schanzmeyer, Kenny Otto,
Dominic Plassmeyer, Larry Lueckenotto

February 9-10

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff,
Lou Kloeppe, 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. – Dorothy Rehagen – Sorrowful
Sunday 7:40 a.m. – Janice Schanzmeyer – 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 PARISH SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING is Tuesday, January 29, 6:00 p.m. in the Vitae House.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING is Tuesday, January 29, 7:00 p.m. in the Vitae House.

PRAY THE ROSARY DURING CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK: Students and staff will pray the Rosary on Monday, January 28 at 8:15 a.m. in the Parish Center. All are welcome.

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 Ms. Jaycine Bax at jbaxstacs@gmail.com. The Pre-School program *will* be offered during the summer.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL DRAMA CLUB PLAY: St. Thomas the Apostle drama club will be presenting a short play, on Tuesday, January 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. There is no admission fee. Everyone is invited to come enjoy the show!

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN SNEAK PEEK: On Thursday, January 31, please join us as we celebrate Catholic Schools Week! We will have 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 CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK INVITATION: On Friday, February 1, 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.

SCRIP: February 2-3 - Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Lindsay Luebbering Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Melissa Verslues
Visit www.stthomasapostleschoolnet/scrip for more information about the Scrip program. Scrip is available after every other weekend Mass in St. Thomas. You can contact Lindsay Luebbering at 573-680-4920 or Karen Luebbering at 573-301-5835 to purchase anytime. A large variety of cards in various denominations are in stock and available for purchase.

BOX TOPS: *Please send in Box Tops by February 15 for submission.* Box Tops for Education, Coke Points & Best Choice Labels. Please drop them by the St. Thomas School Office or in the boxes in the entrances of St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS:

January 26-February 2 – Catholic School Week

Tuesday, January 29 – St. Thomas the Apostle Parish School Advisory Board Meeting 5:45 p.m. Vitae House

Wednesday, January 30 – Host Basketball Games

Thursday, January 31 – Kindergarten Sneak Peek

Friday, February 1 – VIP, Mass, Refreshments & Bingo

ST. CECILIA CEMETERY INFO: Anyone interested in serving on the Parish Cemetery Committee, please call Norma Jean Libbert at (573)229 4248. The election is held in March and we need someone to step up to serve on the committee as one person per year is to rotate off.

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 \$5.00. 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.

VISIT HELIAS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL: Come visit Helias for our annual Open House on Saturday, February 2 from 11 a.m. -1 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 2. Freshmen Registration nights on February 12 & 13 from 4-6 p.m., Questions? Contact Helias High School at: 573-635-6139.

HELIAS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FUNDRAISER: Papa Murphy's is donating 10% of all proceeds of sales next Thursday, January 31st to Helias Catholic High School! They are open from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. that day!

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA PARISH, FOLK PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BREAKFAST is this Sunday, January 27, serving pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs & applesauce from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Adults \$8.00, children 6-10 \$4.00.

ST. MARY SCHOOL FRANKENSTEIN BREAKFAST is this Sunday, January 27 Serving ham, pancakes, eggs and biscuits and gravy from 7-10:30 AM. Adults \$8, children 6-10 years old \$4, to support their archery program.

FAITH, HOPE & FAMILY RELAY TEAM PITCH TOURNAMENT is Friday, February 1, 6:30 p.m. (6:00 p.m. registration) at the St. Thomas Knights of Columbus Hall. Pitch Tournament. \$20 per team. To register, please contact Jessica Kliegel, 573-690-3987 or kleegs7@gmail.com

MIDWEST MARCH FOR LIFE SATURDAY St. Andrew Life Affirming Committee/40 Days for Life is pleased to have Kristan Hawkins, President of the National Students for Life of America as the MidWest March keynote speaker on Saturday, February 2 at the Missouri State Capitol rotunda. Please go to www.midwestmarchforlife.com or call (573)340-8444 for more information.

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A Sesquicentennial Concert

at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in St. Thomas, Missouri



Thomas Gaynor, organ

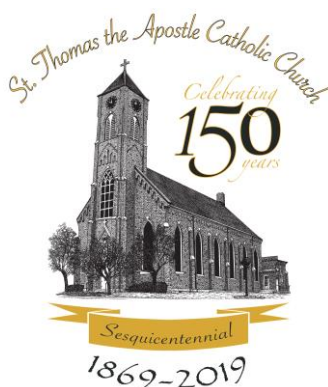
Thomas Leslie, tenor

performing beloved instrumental and vocal works of
Sweelinck, Bach, Handel, Beethoven, Elgar, Yon & others

4:00 p.m. Sunday, February 17, 2019

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THIS CONCERT IN CELEBRATION OF OUR
150TH ANNIVERSARY
IS FREE & OPEN TO ALL