

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

St. Cecilia
in Meta

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 6, 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 5-13:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Dorothy Hulsey
Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – L&D Alex Heckman Family
Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – Mass of Thanksgiving
Thursday 7:45 a.m. – Stanley Strobe
Friday 7:45 a.m. – Antonia Schwartz
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – L&D Anthony & Ida Schellman
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Vic & Rita Otto

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2018-2019: \$305,000.00
Offertory Goal through Month End: \$152,502.00
Actual Collection for 2018-2019: **\$142,962.62**
Offertory Difference Year to Date: – \$ 9,539.38
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 25,417.00

Collection in Church:

December 2 \$ 6,428.00
December 9 \$ 5,079.00
December 16 \$ 5,765.35
December 23 \$ 3,421.25
December 30 \$ 3,686.00

Collection Online:

December total to date: \$30,281.60
Difference for December: + \$ 4,864.60
Christmas Collection \$ 3,997.00

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): **\$15,889.00**
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. – Mary Kay Brand / Annette Kehner
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Lisa Wieberg / Annette Kehner

St. Thomas the Apostle Reader

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kathy Graessle
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Rosalyn Wieberg

St. Thomas the Apostle Altar Servers

Weekday – Elizabeth Meyer & Brie Heckman
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Ely & Dawson Wieberg, Lilly Schulte
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Audrey & Madi Buschjost,
Will Otto, Luke Schroeder

St. Cecilia

Mass Schedule for the Week of January 5-13:

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Jason Hake
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Urban Voss
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession before 6:30 p.m. Mass
Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Norman & Delphine Jaegers

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – L&D Tom & Clara Schmidt Family

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2018-2019: \$62,000.00
Collection Total for 2018-2019: **\$34,049.22**
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 5,166.67

Collection in Church:

December 2 \$1,101.12
December 9 \$1,090.00
December 16 \$1,186.00
December 23 \$ 838.00
December 30 \$1,077.00

December total to date: \$5,292.12

Difference for December: + \$ 125.45

Christmas Collection: \$2,164.00

St. Cecilia Collection Counters

January – Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer

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

St. Cecilia Reader

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
January 12-13

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Jan Carter, Mattheuw Prenger, Keith Kliethermes

January 19-20

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Paul & Jenny Becker, Marshall Boessen

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Rob Henson, Rosalyn Wieberg, Emily Luebbering

St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers

January 12-13

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – TJ Loethen & Mattheuw Prenger

January 19-20

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Fred Luebbering & Carolyn Loethen

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Keith Kliethermes & Mike Buschjost

St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass

January 12-13

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Richard & Jan Heckemeyer

January 19-20

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Larry & Linda Lueckenhoff

St. Thomas Collection Counters

January 12-13 – Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg

January 19-20 – Keith & Jean Kliethermes

January 26-27 – Jennifer Schroeder & Stephanie Cortvrient

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. – Dale Herigon – Joyful

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

SNACKS FOR QUILTERS:

Thursday, January 10 – Sonya Henson & Marilyn Herigon

Thursday, January 17 – Jeanne Herigon & Jill Hickman

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.



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 diojeffcity.org and clicking the "Giving" button.

The CSA goal for St. Thomas the Apostle Parish is \$8,000. **\$8,200 (Congratulations we surpassed our goal!)** has been received from 45 donors.

The CSA goal for St. Cecilia Parish is: \$2,500. **\$1,301.00 (52% of goal)** has been received from 12 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.

SCRIP: **January 12-13** - Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Karen Luebbering Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Amy Luebbering
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.

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.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK is January 27-February 2 a lot of activities are being planned. We are also asking for any donations which can be used for Bingo Prizes on our VIP day Friday, February 1. They can Thanks in advance for helping out with the prizes for the Bingo games. There will be more information to follow at a later date.

BOX TOPS: 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.

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.

St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
January 12-13

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Brenda Wansing, Doris Stumpe, Jennifer Even

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

January 19-20

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Betty Hagenhoff, Dorothy Rehagen, Bonnie Kampeter

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

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers

January 12-13

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Brendan Stumpe, Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff, Lou Kloepfel

Sunday 8:00 a.m. -Harold Libbert, Anton Libbert, Terry Libbert, Tony Derkum

January 19-20

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mitch & Brendan Stumpe, Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff

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

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

Wednesday – Florentine Hagenhoff – Glorious

Saturday 6:40 p.m. – Cathy Borgmeyer– Joyful

Sunday 7:40 a.m. – Janice Schanzmeyer – Joyful

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 UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, January 10 – Report Cards go home
Friday, January 11 – C.O.P.E. program for 7th Grade
Saturday, January 12 – Host Basketball games
Monday, January 14- Host Basketball games
January 16-19 – Pro Life March, Washington, D.C.
Sunday, January 20 – K of C Breakfast, portion of proceeds to benefit St. Thomas the Apostle School

ST. CECILIA PARISH CENTER restroom renovations are scheduled to begin on Monday, January 7. The restrooms will be totally renovated with new fixtures, flooring and brought up to ADA standards.

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.

META OVER 50 CLUB will not meet this month due to the restroom renovations this week. Stay tuned for February's get together. The Over 50 group is under new directors (Dorothy Rehagen and Norma Jean Libbert). We will start the year with the same date (2nd Thursday of the month), but will need to change a few dates along the way. The dues per year are only \$5.00 per person and all you have to do to join is come with a covered dish and pay \$5.00. St Thomas persons are more than welcome to join. We meet in the parish center basement and eat at noon.

COLE COUNTY PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT NO. 5: Candidates interested in running for a three year term on the Board of Directors must notify the District by 5:00 p.m., January 15, 2019 to be included on the April 2, 2019 election ballot. Please notify Sheri Wieberg at 573-477-3497 if interested.

CITY OF ST. THOMAS COUNCIL ELECTIONS: Looking for applicants interested in running for a two-year term City Council position. The council meets once a month to review all matters in regard to the City of St. Thomas. For the upcoming April 2, 2019 election the City will have two open positions. If you interested in running for a two-year term Council position please contact Susan Boessen, City Clerk, at (573) 619-4424 leave a message with your name and contact number. You must reside within the City Limits of St. Thomas to hold a Council position. All applications must be received by January 15, 2019.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE is Tuesday, January 22 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Westphalia Lions Den. Your blood donation will be very much appreciated.

RETROUVAILLE is a weekend retreat, is for couples with marital problems seeking help. Those who are considering marriage separation and those who are already separated or divorced are encouraged to consider the Retrouvaille program. There is always hope of reviving your relationship. The next weekend is available in Kansas City January 25-27. You can find more information online at www.helpourmarriage.org.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH MISSION:

A parish mission will be offered by Msgr. K. Bartholomew Smith from St. Bernadette Parish in Silver Spring, MD **January 12-15, 2019** at St. Thomas the Apostle. Msgr. Smith will preach at all of the weekend Masses on 12-12 January and then give talks on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday evenings (13-15 January) at 7:00 p.m. Mass will be offered on Monday and Tuesday evening (14 & 15 January) at 6:00 p.m. Please plan to attend.

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JANUARY 13-15, 2018

Presented by Msgr. K. Bartholomew Smith



A Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania native who grew up primarily in Alabama, Msgr. K. Bartholomew Smith graduated from Washington & Lee University in Virginia and worked as a surveillance analyst for the National Photographic Interpretation Center before entering the seminary. He completed his studies for the priesthood at St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore and then the Pontifical North American College in Rome, Italy.

After His Ordination for the Archdiocese of Washington in 1998, he served as an associate pastor at St. Bernadette Parish in Silver Spring, Maryland before then serving as priest secretary to Cardinal William W. Baum and completing graduate studies in Rome.

Pope Benedict XVI named him a Chaplain to His Holiness in 2005. Msgr. K. Bartholomew Smith has been Pastor of St. Bernadette Parish in Silver Spring, Maryland for 13 years.

Sunday, January 13

7:00 p.m. Mission Presentation

Monday, January 14

6:00 p.m. Holy Mass in the
Extraordinary Form

7:00 p.m. Mission Presentation

Tuesday, January 15

6:00 p.m. Holy Mass in the
Ordinary Form

7:00 p.m. Mission Presentation

