

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

**St. Cecilia**  
in Meta

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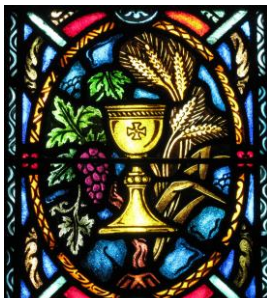
**15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME**

**July 10, 2022**

**Pastor:** Fr. Leonard Mukiibi  
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St. Thomas Parish Office hours: Tuesdays 8:30-11:30 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**

**Mass Schedule for the Week of July 10-17:**

Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – Jim Reinkemeyer  
Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – **No Mass (Summer Schedule)**  
Thursday 7:45 a.m. – L&D Anton Herigon Family  
Friday 7:45 a.m. – Herb Kroll  
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – L&D Gregory & Lucille Veit Family  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – People of our Parishes  
Greg Russell

**Your Sunday Offering:**

Offertory Budget for 2022-2023: \$305,000.00  
Offertory Goal through Month End: \$ 25,417.00  
Actual Collection for 2022-2023: **\$ 11,254.48**  
Offertory Difference Year to Date: – \$ 14,162.52  
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 25,417.00

**Collection in Church:**

July 3 \$ 5,354.98  
July 10 \$  
July 17 \$  
July 24 \$  
July 31 \$

**Collection Online:**

\$ 5,899.50  
**July total to date: \$11,254.48**  
Difference for July: -\$14,162.52

**Church Renovation Capital Campaign**

Total Pledges/Donations \$484,477.70  
Total Collected \$432,152.45  
Total Expenses Paid \$695,920.95  
A total of 128 parishioners have returned pledge cards/or  
Contributed to the renovation project.  
Church Renovation Loan Balance \$191,863.03  
Loan payments to date \$11,145.00  
(principal) \$8,136.97 (interest) \$3,008.03

**St. Thomas the Apostle Cantors / Organists**

July 16 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Jean Kliethermes / Jackie  
July 17 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Anne Strobe / Jeanette  
July 23 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kerry Meyer / Jackie  
July 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Amanda Wooten / Alanna

**St. Thomas the Apostle Readers**

July 16 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kathy Graessle  
July 17 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Doug Luebbering  
July 23 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Bill Luebbering  
July 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Ben Luebbering

**Saint Cecilia**

**Mass Schedule for the Week of July 10-17:**

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Larry Bock

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Danny Libbert

**Your Sunday Offering:**

Offertory Budget for 2022-2023: \$62,000.00  
Collection Total for 2022-2023: **\$ 1,550.00**  
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 5,166.67

**Collection in Church:**

July 3 \$ 1,550.00  
July 10 \$  
July 17 \$  
July 24 \$  
July 31 \$

**July total to date:**

**\$1,550.00**  
Difference for July: -\$3,616.67

**St. Cecilia Collection Counters**

July – Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer

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

**St. Cecilia Readers**

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Doris Stumpe  
July 17 8:00 a.m. – Dominic Plassmeyer  
July 24 8:00 a.m. – Janice Schanzmeyer

**St. Cecilia Organist**

July 17 8:00 a.m. – Emilie  
July 24 8:00 a.m. – Jeanette

**IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO FULFILL YOUR  
LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENT, PLEASE FIND A  
REPLACEMENT. YOUR FELLOW  
PARISHIONERS THANK YOU!**

### **St. Thomas the Apostle Greeters/Ushers**

July 16 Saturday 5:00p.m.- Eric Strobe & Gilbert Schellman  
July 17 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Jim Lueckenhoff & Larry Lueckenhoff  
July 23 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Eric & Roseanne Boessen  
July 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Alan Reinkemeyer & Doug Stockman  
**Collection baskets choir loft by organ, please return after use.**

### **St. Thomas the Apostle Eucharistic Ministers**

July 16 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Brenda Wansing  
July 17 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Janet Lueckenhoff  
July 23 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Lora Boessen  
July 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Richard Heckemeyer

### **St. Thomas the Apostle Servers**

July 16 Saturday 5:00 p.m.- Miranda Meyer, Kora Luebbering  
July 17 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Wyatt Otto, Erika Luebbering  
Victoria Wieberg  
July 23 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Gregory Kirby & Ava Buschjost  
Emerald Fennewald, Evelyn Wooten  
July 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Francie & Hannah Tallent  
Ben Otto, Isabella Luebbering

### **St. Thomas the Apostle Offertory Gifts**

July 16 Saturday, 5:00 p.m. – Mark & Brab Graessle  
July 17 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- David & Linda Boessen  
July 23 Saturday:00 p.m. – David & Judy Schroeder  
July 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Doug & Tina Stockman

### **St. Thomas the Apostle Collection Counters**

July 17 – Dunja Wieberg & Jennifer Schroeder  
July 24 – Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman  
July 31 – Paul Becker & Shara Buechter  
Aug. 7 – Keith & Jean Kliethermes  
Aug. 14 – Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg

### **Live Stream Mass (10:00 a.m. Sunday)**

July 17 Jenny Becker  
July 24 Karlie Reinkemeyer  
July 31 Lauri Luebbering  
Aug. 7 Dunja Wieberg  
Aug. 14 Brooke Schell

### **Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas**

Tuesday, 7:25 a.m. – Bob Schellman – Sorrowful Mysteries  
Thursday 7:25 a.m. –Gilbert & Hermina – Luminous Mysteries  
Friday 7:25 a.m. – Shirley Volmert – Sorrowful Mysteries  
Saturday 4:35 p.m. – Dale Herigon – Luminous Mysteries  
Sunday 9:35 a.m. – Bob Schellman – Luminous Mysteries

### **St. Thomas the Apostle Church Cleaners**

July 10: Lynne Reinkemeyer, Linda Boessen, Lauri Luebbering, Lisa Lackman  
July 17: Sonya Henson, Susan Buechter, Jackie Prenger, Amy Buechter  
July 24: Janet Lueckenhoff, Jim Lueckenhoff, Charlene Buschjost, Randy Buschjost  
July 31: Alan Libbert, Nancy Libbert, Darrel Buechter, Jan Heckemeyer  
Aug. 7: Brooke Schell, Tina Stockman, Gina Luebbering, Karen Luebbering

**FROM FR. LEONARD:** My mom will be visiting with me and the parishioners of St. Thomas and St. Cecilia from July 15 until after the picnic at St. Thomas. **I kindly ask you all to join me in prayer for her safe travels, thanks may God bless you all.**

**SCRIP:** Visit [www.stthomasapostleschoolnet/scrip](http://www.stthomasapostleschoolnet/scrip) for more information about the Scrip program. Please contact Amanda Wooten 573-694-1735 or [amandab\\_27@hotmail.com](mailto:amandab_27@hotmail.com)

**BULLETIN NOTICES:** Deadline for bulletin is Wednesday at noon.

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH BULLETINS:** If you are needing a bulletin and Church is locked there are some on the Vitae House front porch.

**ATTENTION USHERS:** **Monthly Mass Attendance Report beginning in August.** After consultation with the Presbyteral Council and the Deans, in order to assist and obtain a more accurate snapshot for future pastoral planning beginning August 1, 2022 attendance counts and statistics will need to be recorded for every individual weekend Mass or Holy Day within the diocese through July 31, 2023. Ushers, please count all people (including children and infants) who enter into the Church at each Mass with the count ending at or about the First Reading. In smaller Churches it may be simpler for the ushers to make the count during the homily. Also, please remember to count all ministers who serve at the Altar as well. **The form to fill out is in the back of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church and St. Cecilia Catholic Church.**

**ST. CECILIA PRAYER LINE REQUESTS** can be made by calling Marie Lueckenotto at 573-229-4336.

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH PRAYER LINE REQUESTS** should be emailed to Theresa Veit at [tveitoffice@gmail.com](mailto:tveitoffice@gmail.com) or by calling 573-418-7301.

**BISHOP MCKNIGHT'S JULY PRAYER INTENTION:** For our nation, for the integrity of our judicial system, and that all branches of government be dedicated to seeking the common good and protecting the dignity and rights of the human person from conception to natural death.

### **St. Cecilia Eucharistic Ministers**

July 17 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Jennifer Even  
July 24 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Betty Hagenhoff

### **St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers**

July 17 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Brendan Stumpe, Randy Hagenhoff,  
Kenny Otto, Otto Wankum  
July 24 Sunday 8:00 a.m.- Leonard Schulte, Rick Kampeter,  
Tony Derkum, William Derkum

### **St. Cecilia Servers**

July 17 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Sarah & Elizabeth Backes,  
Jesse Schroeder  
July 24 Sunday 8:00 a.m.- Sophie, Reagan & Eli Bock  
**Please arrive 10 minutes before Mass.**  
**Servers who have questions or would like to practice,**  
**may do so after 8:00 a.m. Mass. Please contact Joanne**  
**Schroeder 573-229-8986.**

### **St. Cecilia Offertory Gifts**

July 17 Sunday 8:00 a.m.- Family of Danny Libbert

### **Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia**

Wednesday 6:05 p.m. – Margaret Brune –Glorious Mysteries  
July 17 Sunday 7:35 a.m.– Cathy Borgmeyer  
Luminous Mysteries  
July 24 Sunday 7:35 a.m.- Margaret Brune  
Joyful Mysteries

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

**MASS STIPENDS: \$10.00**

**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.

**PASTORS MEDITATION: 15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: HOW DO I BECOME A NEIGHBOUR? (Deut. 30:10-14; Col. 1:15-20; Lk. 10:25-37)** The central theme of today's Scripture readings is that we gain eternal life through loving God living in our neighbors by becoming good neighbors. The first reading, taken from Deuteronomy, reminds us that God not only gives us His Commandments in Holy Scriptures, but that they are also written in our hearts so that we may obey them and inherit eternal life with God. **St. Paul in the second reading, reminds the Colossians and us, that just as Jesus Christ is the "visible image of the invisible God," so our neighbors are the visible image of Christ living in our midst.** In today's Gospel, a scribe asks Jesus a very basic religious question: "What should I do to inherit eternal life?" In answer to the question, Jesus directs the scribe's attention to the Sacred Scriptures. The Scriptural answer is, "love God and express it by loving your neighbor." However, to the scribe the word "neighbor" means another scribe or Pharisee, never a Samaritan or a Gentile. Hence, the scribe insists on clarification of the word "neighbor." So, Jesus tells him the parable of the Good Samaritan. The parable clearly indicates that a "neighbor" is anyone who needs help. Thus, the correct approach is not to ask, "Who is my neighbor?" but rather to ask, "Am I a good neighbor to others?" Jesus, the Heavenly Good Samaritan, gives us a final commandment during the Last Supper, "Love one another as I have loved you," because the invisible God dwells in every human being. Let us dear friends remember that the road from Jerusalem to Jericho passes right through our home, parish, school and workplace. We may find our spouse, children or parents lying "wounded" by bitter words or scathing criticism or by other more blatant forms of verbal, emotional or physical abuse. Hence, Jesus invites us to show our love to others, in our own home, in school, in the workplace and in the neighborhood, as the Good Samaritan did. Let us check to see if we are good neighbors. We become good neighbors when we are people of generosity, kindness and mercy toward all who are suffering. Our sincere smile, a cheery greeting, an encouraging word of appreciation, a heartfelt "thank you" can all work wonders for a suffering soul. Let us allow the "Good Samaritans" to touch our lives. Let us be willing to touch or be touched by persons we have once despised. For some of us, it may be persons of another color or race; for others, it may mean persons of a different political persuasion. Let us pray that the Spirit of the Living God may melt us, mold us and use us, so that there will no longer be even one person who is untouchable or outside the boundaries of compassion. Let us accept the invitation to be loving and merciful to our enemies. This means people we hate, as well as those who hate us. It is an invitation for people of all times to love their enemies, to love those they have previously hated. **Have a blessed week! Fr. Leonard Mukiibi**

**MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HOLY HOUR** is Tuesday, July 12, 7:00 p.m. St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PSR K-1st GRADE TEACHER NEEDED:** We need a teacher(s) to help form the faith of some of our youngest parishioners! We need a teacher(s) for our Kindergarten-1st Grade Class. Grab a friend and you can teach every other week or create a schedule that works for you both! PSR runs every Wednesday, beginning in late August and ending in mid-April! **This is a great opportunity for PSR parents to pass time while their own student is in class! No expertise is required because we learn together, and resources are provided.** Looking forward to hearing from you! Karlie Reinkemeyer, 573-645-3182, [karlie.reinkemeyer@gmail.com](mailto:karlie.reinkemeyer@gmail.com).

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE QUILT GROUPS:** Thank you to everyone who helped in ways towards the quilts for our 2022 parish picnic. We have a good selection and hope the auction goes well. The quilt list for the 2023 may be found on our web page. The first name on the list is the chairperson and is responsible for having a quilt ready for the 2023 picnic. The quilts should be finished by June 1, 2023, so they can be listed on the picnic flier. Chairpersons are asked to contact the other members of their group. If you would like to help us quilt, come and join our circle this Fall. We will need some quilt tops with lining to be quilted by August 24th. Quilt batting is available for \$10.00. If you have any questions, please call Emily Luebbering at 573-477-3459 or Kathy Strope at 573-477-3349.

**ST. CECILIA CEMETERY ASSOCIATION:** Thanks to all parish members that have paid their cemetery dues. If you have not paid your dues, please contact Karyn Veltrop. We would also like to thank those that donate their time to maintain and improve the cemetery in honor of those that have passed, as well as the members of the VFW that place flags and wreaths on the graves of our Veterans. A special thank you to the families that have donated to the St Cecilia Cemetery Association in memory of a family member that received their final reward - "Eternal Life."  
In other news: At the annual meeting in March, the decision was made to begin the process of developing a Cremation Memorial Garden just north of the Altar. God Bless us - Guide us - Protect us - Lead us down the pathway to Eternal Life.

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PRESCHOOL: NOW ENROLLING!!** If you have a child, ages 3 or 4 and have been thinking about preschool, please call Lizzie Linhardt, [llinhardt@stacs.school](mailto:llinhardt@stacs.school) 573-645-5605 or the school office 573-477-3322. If you have any questions or would like to set up a one on one meeting and school tour please contact the school office. Please check out and like St. Thomas the Apostle Preschool Facebook page!

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE GRASS CUTTING ROTATION:**

Week of July 10	Mark Luebbering, Nick Luebbering and Anthony Luebbering, Jason Otto
Week of July 17	Dick Schellman, Patrick Schellman, Paul Struempf, Rob Henson
Week of July 24	Alan Reinkemeyer, Richard Heckemeyer and Dave Schroeder
Week of July 31	Fred Luebbering, Mark Graessle and Jeff Cassmeyer
Week of Aug. 7	Paul & Jenny Becker, Eric Buechter, Josh Schroeder

**OVER 50 GET TOGETHER:** The over 50 group will be gathering this Thursday, July 14 in the parish center at St Cecilia for our monthly get together. We will be eating at noon. Bring a covered dish and join us.

**DIVINE MERCY SIGNS:** St. Thomas Knights of Columbus will be stocking the following sizes: Small 8 x 12 one-sided \$15, Medium 20 x 27 two-sided \$35, Large 24 x 48 two-sided \$90. The signs will be available at the Knights or Ladies Auxiliary meetings or by calling Janet Lueckenhoff 573-690-5682.

**THE NEXT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING** is Tuesday, July 12, 7:30 p.m. A rosary will be prayed at 7:15 p.m. Please read the July newsletter attached to the bulletin.

**ST. THOMAS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE** is Thursday, July 21, 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the K C Hall. Please come and be part of this Life Saving Event.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** Becoming a Knight of Columbus member can transform your life. As a Knight, you have the opportunity to support our parishes and communities, and to grow in your faith. You can also gain access to top-rated insurance programs to protect your family. Plus, you are joining a band of brothers, a network of men in communities around the world dedicated to doing good in the service of God and our neighbors. As Pope St. John Paul II said: "The Knights of Columbus is the strong right arm of the Catholic Church." If you would like more information or to join, please contact Jeff Cassmeyer at (573) 690-7546.

**WKCSO FALL SOCCER SIGN-UPS** will be held at the Westphalia KC Hall on Tuesday evening July 12 from 3:30 – 6:30 p.m. All kids ages 3-14 (on 8/1/22) welcome. Email [wksoccerclub@gmail.com](mailto:wksoccerclub@gmail.com) with any questions.

**SAVE THE DATES:**

July 10, 2022 – St. Cecilia Parish Picnic

July 21, 2022 – St. Thomas Knights of Columbus Blood Drive, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. at K C Hall

July 23, 2022 – St. Thomas Knights of Columbus Tractor Pull

August 21, 2022 – St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Picnic

# P I C N I C

## JULY 10, 2022

### St. Cecilia Parish Picnic

*Citizen's Civic League Park • Meta, MO*

#### **SERVING CARRY OUT OR DINE IN**

*with assistance available*

#### **Fried Chicken & Roast Beef Dinner**



*Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Cole Slaw,  
Home Baked Bread and Pie*



**– Serving from 11:00 am - 6:00 pm –**

**ALL MEALS SERVED IN CARRY OUT CONTAINERS - \$15.00**

### **QUILT AND FOOD**

### **AUCTION**

### **AT 4:00 P.M.**

*– Donated by Hurst Auctioneers –*



### **BINGO**

### **KETTLE CORN**

### **BEER GARDEN**

### **COUNTRY STORE**

### **SANDWICH STAND**

### **TOY LAND**

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