

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

St. Cecilia
in Meta

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PO Box 146
St. Thomas, MO 65076

16TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

July 17, 2022

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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 17-24:

Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – L&D Alex Heckman Family
Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – **No Mass (Summer Schedule)**
Thursday 7:45 a.m. – Marilyn & Veronica Herigon
Friday 7:45 a.m. – Joe & Amy Veit
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – L&D Lawrence & Ursuline Oligschlaeger
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – People of our Parishes
L&D Jerome & Dot Buschjost Family

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2022-2023: \$305,000.00
Offertory Goal through Month End: \$ 25,417.00
Actual Collection for 2022-2023: **\$ 16,508.24**
Offertory Difference Year to Date: –\$ 8,908.76
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 25,417.00

Collection in Church:

July 3 \$ 5,354.98
July 10 \$ 5,253.76
July 17 \$
July 24 \$
July 31 \$

Collection Online: \$ 5,899.50
July total to date: **\$16,508.24**
Difference for July: –\$ 8,908.76

Church Renovation Capital Campaign

Total Pledges/Donations \$484,477.70
Total Collected \$432,780.95
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 23 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kerry Meyer / Jackie
July 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Amanda Wooten / Alanna
July 30 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Judy Schroeder / Jeanette
July 31 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Josh Luebbering / Jackie

St. Thomas the Apostle Readers

July 23 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Bill Luebbering
July 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Ben Luebbering
July 30 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – David Schroeder
July 31 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Jeff Cassmeyer

Saint Cecilia

Mass Schedule for the Week of July 17-24:

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Marsha Meyer

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Nolan Schroeder

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2022-2023: \$62,000.00
Collection Total for 2022-2023: **\$ 2,185.00**
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 5,166.67

Collection in Church:

July 3 \$ 1,550.00
July 10 \$ 635.00
July 17 \$
July 24 \$
July 31 \$

July total to date: **\$2,185.00**
Difference for July: –\$2,981.67

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 24 8:00 a.m. – Janice Schanzmeyer
July 17 8:00 a.m. – Cathy Borgmeyer

St. Cecilia Organist

July 24 8:00 a.m. – Jeanette
July 31 8:00 a.m. – Lydia

**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 23 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Eric & Roseanne Boessen
July 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Alan Reinkemeyer & Doug Stockman
July 30 Saturday 5:00p.m.- Mark Boessen & Dave Luebbering
July 31 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Doug Stockman & Jim Lueckenhoff
Collection baskets choir loft by organ, please return after use.

St. Thomas the Apostle Eucharistic Ministers

July 23 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Lora Boessen
July 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Richard Heckemeyer
July 30 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Marshall Boessen
July 31 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Bill Luebbering

St. Thomas the Apostle Servers

July 23 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Gregory Kirby & Ava Buschjost
Emerald Fennwald, Evelyn Wooten
July 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Francie & Hannah Tallent
Ben Otto, Isabella Luebbering
July 30 Saturday 5:00 p.m.- Miranda Meyer, Kora Luebbering
Carmen Luebbering
July 31 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Valerie & Zeke Verslues
Stella Volmert, Aliyah Buechter

St. Thomas the Apostle Offertory Gifts

July 23 Saturday:00 p.m. – David & Judy Schroeder
July 24 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Doug & Tina Stockman
July 30 Saturday, 5:00 p.m. – Alfred & Margie Kaiser
July 31 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Doug Stockman & Jim Lueckenhoff

St. Thomas the Apostle Collection Counters

July 24 – Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman
July 31 – Paul Becker & Shara Buechter
Aug. 7 – Keith & Jean Kliethermes
Aug. 14 – Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg
Aug. 21 – Ron & Theresa Veit
Aug. 28 – Dunja Wieberg & Jennifer Schroeder

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

July 24 Karlie Reinkemeyer
July 31 Lauri Luebbering
Aug. 7 Dunja Wieberg
Aug. 14 Brooke Schell
Aug. 21 Jenny Becker

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. – Bob Schellman – Joyful Mysteries
Sunday 9:35 a.m. – Tina Stockman – Joyful Mysteries

St. Thomas the Apostle Church Cleaners

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
Aug. 14: Lynne Reinkemeyer, Linda Boessen, Lauri Luebbering, Lisa Lackman

SCRIP: Visit www.stthomasapostleschoolnet/scrip for more information about the Scrip program. Please contact Amanda Wooten 573-694-1735 or 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.

A NOTE OF THANKS! A big thank you to St Cecilia Parish workers who helped make our picnic a success. There were a dedicated few who helped several days in advance and helped clean on Monday. A thank you also goes to the quilters, who quilted throughout the year to make our auction a success. All in all, we worked together and enjoyed fellowship and know we did the best we could. **Dorothy Rehagen and Norma Jean Libbert**

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.**

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 24 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Betty Hagenhoff
July 31 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Janice Schanzmeyer

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers

July 24 Sunday 8:00 a.m.- Leonard Schulte, Rick Kampeter,
Tony Derkum, William Derkum
July 31 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Terry Libbert, Harold Libbert,
Leon Schanzmeyer, Darin Even

St. Cecilia Servers

July 24 Sunday 8:00 a.m.- Sophie, Reagan & Eli Bock
July 31 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Natalee Derkum
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 24 Sunday 8:00 a.m.- Family of Nolan Schroeder

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

Wednesday 6:05 p.m. – Cathy Borgmeyer –Glorious
Mysteries
July 24 Sunday 7:35 a.m.- Margaret Brune
Joyful Mysteries
July 31 Sunday 7:35 a.m.– Mary Plassmeyer
Glorious 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: 16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: SITTING AT THE LORD'S FEET TO LISTEN TO HIS WORD. (Gen. 18:1-10a; Col. 1:24-28; Lk. 10:38-42) The central themes of today's readings are: the importance of hospitality in Christian life and the necessity of listening to God before acting. The key to the Christian life is setting priorities: Jesus Christ first, then everything else. The only way to really learn that lesson is to spend some time every day, "sitting at the feet of Jesus." We need periods of quiet prayer in our lives if we are to keep our balance and perspective in life. Today's first reading describes how Abraham and Sarah's hospitality to the angels in the guise of strangers was rewarded by God, who blessed them with a son in their old age. The refrain for today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 15) He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord, reminds us of our intended final destination. In the second reading, Paul declares that he was commissioned by God to minister to the Church, as the revealer of the mystery of salvation and the preacher of the word in its fullness (v. 25). He invites believers to open their hearts and minds and to show their hospitality to the mystery of Christ which he preaches. Paul also challenges us to cultivate that quality of hospitality which welcomes all others in Christ. Today's Gospel passage describes how Martha, a genuine child of Abraham wanted to extend the traditional generous hospitality of her people to Jesus, the true Messiah, by preparing an elaborate meal for him (while her sister Mary spent her time in talking to Jesus and listening to him; It invites us to serve others with Martha's diligence after recharging our spiritual batteries every day by prayer, listening to God and talking to God, as Mary did. We can minister truly to the needs of others only after welcoming God's Word into our hearts and minds. So, friends we need to recharge our spiritual batteries: We should put aside the work we do for the Lord in serving others and just spend some time being with Him, talking to Him and listening to Him, fully aware of His holy presence in our souls. We may also recharge our spiritual energy by means of our personal and family prayers, our meditative reading of the scriptures and our participation in the celebration of the Holy Mass. We need listening Marthas and serving Mary's: Martha has become a symbol of action-oriented, responsible people who get the job done. Our world and our parish churches need such dynamic and generous men, women, boys and girls. We need them to sing in the choir, to help in the Church, to teach in the Confirmation classes, the PSR classes, the Sunday school, to visit the sick and the shut-ins and to serve in all other ministries of the parish community. We need to be good listeners, like Mary, at home and in the workplace. Active and busy as we are, we must find time every day to listen to God, to our spouse, kids, and neighbors. Listening and quiet caring are essential for the success of married life, of family life and of the raising of children with love, affection and a gentle, firm discipline. Human love begins at home and it begins with listening. **Have a blessed week! Fr. Leonard Mukibi**

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.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE GRASS CUTTING ROTATION:

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
Week of Aug. 14	Mark Luebbering, Nick Luebbering and Anthony Luebbering, Jason Otto

LADIES AUXILLARY MEETING is Tuesday, July 19, 7:00 p.m. St. Thomas K of C Hall.

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.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH PICNIC 2022 NOTES

1. Initial DRAFT of Picnic Worklist attached and on Parish website
2. Last year we ended picnic day with several boxes of unfried (raw), leftover chicken. In the event this situation is repeated this year, the picnic committee would like to have a predetermined list of potential chicken buyers prior to picnic day. Any leftover unfried chicken will be sold to parishioners at cost, by the box (50-55 lbs.), following the meal. If you are interested in purchasing unfried chicken (may or may not be seasoned), please contact Karen Struempf (*phone or text – 573.619.7796*), to get on the list. Please indicate how many boxes you would be interested in purchasing, should it be available.
3. The picnic committee would like to identify volunteers willing to bag plasticware, and potentially assist with other similar tasks, prior to picnic day. If you are "retired" from the worklist, or otherwise unable to work on Picnic Day and would like to volunteer, please contact a committee member at the number listed on the DRAFT worklist attached to this bulletin.
4. The Country Store could use donations of breads & other baked goods, as they will only be providing pies this year. Garden produce, jellies, handmade items, and any type of fruit for the pies are welcome. If berries/fruit for pies are frozen, they should be dropped off at the parish kitchen Friday evening, August 19.

ST. ELIZABETH COMMUNITY PICNIC is Sunday, July 24, serving roast beef (gluten free) and fried chicken smorgasbord dinners from 11:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Adults \$15.00, Children 6-10 \$7:00, carry-outs available. Quilt auction 5:00 p.m. Live music in the evening.

Dear Friends in Christ, This weekend is our annual Diocesan Mission Collection. Currently we have 18 priests serving in our diocese, representing 11 dioceses outside the United States. The funds from the collection help aid the dioceses that make a sacrifice by sharing their priests with our diocese.

Alongside the financial assistance provided to each diocese, we also support many special projects throughout India and Africa. Last year in the Diocese of Jaspur, India, we finished a school and church, and built a water well. In Africa, we built a new school and water well. Many young children spend hours each day fetching water. Water wells built near rural villages allow children to spend more time in school each day. We are nourishing families with some of the basic necessities we take for granted.

Please pray for the mission dioceses and the people we serve. We can continue to empower people to work together to change the world in which they live. Consider your own call to be a missionary and disciple of Christ: You are the neighbor, the one who loves God by helping those in need. I ask that you be generous to the Diocesan Mission Collection. I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ, **Most Reverend W. Shawn McKnight, Bishop of Jefferson City**

SAVE THE DATES:

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

2022 ST. CECILIA PARISH PICNIC - Raffle Prize Winners - July 10, 2022

PRIZE #	PRIZE	DONATED BY	WINNER
1ST	\$500 CASH	Diamond Pet Foods	Lydia Hurst
2ND	\$250 CASH CERTIFICATE	Mid America Bank	Grayson Bax
3RD	\$100 CASH	Fancher Rekus Funeral Home	Harold Schenewerk
4TH	\$100 CASH	Wieberg Red E Mix	Lawrence Wansing
5TH	\$100 CASH	Maries County Bank	Terry Libbert
6TH	\$100 CASH	Meta MFA	Sandy Moeller
7TH	BABY QUILT	Hurst Auctioneering	Carol Cleary
8TH	6 BAGS TRAEGER PELLETS	St. Elizabeth TV & Appliance	Betty Jo Luebbering
9TH	\$50.00 CASH	ISC (Inventory Sales Co.)	Darrell Leven
10 th	\$50 CASH	Shelter Insurance	Bria Boessen
11TH	\$50 CASH	St. Thomas Babtown Mutual Ins	Rylee Troesser
12TH	\$50 CASH	Bert Doerhoff CPA	Carolyn Koetting
13TH	\$50 CASH	Harold Libbert Construction	Theresa Fennewald
14TH	\$50 GIFT CERTIFICATE	The Butcher Shop	Martha Strobe
15TH	\$40 CASH	Tim Barnhart	Leon Libbert
16TH	\$40 CASH	Leon Schanzmeyer	Becky Blomberg
17TH	\$35 CASH	Luebbering Oil	Kelsey Perry
18TH	\$30 CASH	Linn Printing	Claire Huhn
19TH	\$25 CASH	Quaker Windows	Jacob Luebbering
20TH	\$25 CASH	Becker Millwork	Alex Dickneite
21ST	\$25.00 CASH	Legends Bank	Harold Brockes
22ND	\$25 GIFT CERTIFICATE	Joes Market	Margaret Seats
23RD	\$25 GIFT CERTIFICATE	Miss Kitty's	Alex Dickneite
24TH	\$25 GIFT CERTIFICATE	Miss Kitty's	Ethan & Sam Helton
25TH	WOODEN JC COLA CLOCK	Coca Cola Bottling Co	Brice Luetkemeyer

2022 ST. CECILIA PARISH PICNIC - QUILT AUCTION RESULTS

1. Creatures in Jars Baby Quilt	St. Elizabeth TV & Appliance	\$ 225.00
2. Baby On Rocking Horse Baby Quilt	Carolyn Brockes	\$ 325.00
3. Rose Basket & Butterflies Quilt	Rudy Veit	\$ 2,000.00
4. Bear on the Moon Baby Quilt	Brice Luetkemeyer	\$ 250.00
5. A Whale of a Time Baby Quilt	K5 Cattle – Kenny Kolb	\$ 400.00
6. Star in Chain	Mid America Bank	\$ 1,800.00
7. Owl & Friends Baby Quilt	J & K Angus (John & Karen Otto)	\$ 350.00
8. Allis-Chalmers Wall Hanging	Jerry Wankum	\$ 500.00
9. Starburst Dresden	Brice Luetkemeyer	\$ 1,300.00
Donated back for resell-	Randy & Betty Hagenhoff	\$ 800.00
10. Sunbonnet Girls Baby Quilt	Bruce Sassman	\$ 250.00
11. Heart Bargello	Bank of St. Elizabeth	\$ 1,400.00
12. Nine-Patch Hearts Baby Quilt	Ryan Muenks	\$ 325.00
13. Eureka	K-5 Cattle (Kenny Kolb)	\$ 1,000.00
14. Forest Friends Baby Quilt	Denise Plassmeyer	\$ 375.00
15. The Gathering	Patrick Holtmeyer	\$ 1,300.00
16. Peek-A-Boo Baby Quilt	Bank of St. Elizabeth.	\$ 600.00
17. Crossroad Blues	Maries County Bank	\$ 1,000.00
18. Cardinals & Friends Printed Panel	Robert Jones	\$ 275.00
19. Love Ring	Randy & Betty Hagenhoff	\$ 800.00
(Bank of St. Elizabeth funded Quilt to \$1,000)		\$ 200.00
20. Kansas Garden	Patrick Holtmeyer	\$ 550.00
21. Square Dance	Bruce Sassman	\$ 1,400.00

ST. CECILIA PARISH PICNIC - MISCELLANEOUS AUCTION

Buckeye Rosary made by Marty Libbert	Brice Luetkemeyer	\$ 100.00
Pillow Cases embroidered by Mary Jan Reinkemeyer	Robin Lawyer	\$ 30.00
Gooseberry Pies (2) made by picnic committee	Rick Werdehausen	\$ 70.00
Gooseberry Pies (2) made by picnic committee	Tom Hurst	\$ 70.00
Pecan Pies (2) made by Jennifer Even & Sam Helton	Interstate Regional Stockyard	\$ 100.00
Blackberry Pies (2) made by Betty Hagenhoff	Interstate Regional Stockyard	\$ 100.00
Other Food Items from Country Store		\$ 355.00
Box #1	Randy Hagenhoff	\$ 20.00
Box #2	Debbie Hurst	\$ 20.00
Box #3	J & K Angus	\$ 20.00
Box #5	Brock Twehus	\$ 20.00
Box #6	Doug Moeller	\$ 20.00
Box #7	Tom Hurst	\$ 20.00
Box #8	Brice Luetkemeyer	\$ 20.00
Box #9	Tom Hurst	\$ 20.00
Box #10	Gary Joeffreys	\$ 15.00
Box #11	Rolling Hills Acres	\$ 20.00
Box #12	Tom Hurst	\$ 10.00
Box #14	J & K Angus	\$ 15.00
Box #15	Gary Joeffreys	\$ 10.00
Box #16	Tom Hurst	\$ 10.00
Box #17	Tom Hurst	\$ 10.00
Box #18	Wayne Werdehausen	\$ 40.00
Box #19	John Lueckenotto	\$ 15.00
Box #20	Pine Valley Farms	\$ 20.00
Box #21	Tom Hurst	\$ 10.00
Box #22	Greg Joeffreys	\$ 10.00
Box #23	Tom Hurst	\$ 10.00

