

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

St. Cecilia
in Meta

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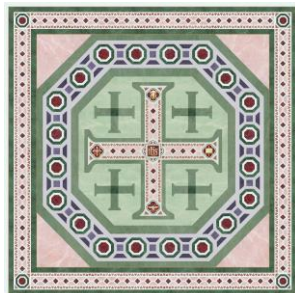
14TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

July 3, 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 3-10:

Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – Clem & Harold Veit
Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – **No Mass (Summer Schedule)**
Thursday 7:45 a.m. – Jerome & Dot Buschjost
Friday 7:45 a.m. – Tony & Bernice Ullman
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes
Ray, Marcella & Sam Herigon
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Mass of Thanksgiving
Artie & Cindy Buschjost 40th Wedding Anniversary

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2021-2022: \$305,000.00
Offertory Goal through Month End: \$305,000.00
Actual Collection for 2021-2022: **\$293,732.87**
Offertory Difference Year to Date: – \$ 11,267.13
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 25,417.00

Collection in Church:

June 5 \$ 6,310.76
June 12 \$ 4,177.25
June 19 \$ 2,821.00
June 26 \$ 3,310.76

Collection Online:

June total to date: **\$23,759.29**
Difference for June: –\$ 1,657.71

Church Renovation Capital Campaign

Total Pledges/Donations \$484,477.70
Total Collected \$430,487.45
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 9 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mary Kay Brand / Alanna
July 10 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Lisa Wieberg / Jeanette
July 16 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Jean Kliethermes / Jackie
July 17 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Anne Strobe / Jeanette

St. Thomas the Apostle Readers

July 9 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Amanda Wooten
July 10 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Tom Backes
July 16 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kathy Graessle
July 17 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Doug Luebbing

Saint Cecilia

Mass Schedule for the Week of July 3-10:

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Fred Hagenhoff

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Cindy Wansing Carmack

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2021-2022: \$62,000.00
Collection Total for 2021-2022: **\$60,222.96**
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 5,166.67

Collection in Church:

June 5 \$ 550.00
June 12 \$ 480.00
June 19 \$1,277.00
June 26 \$ 776.00
June total to date: **\$3,083.00**
Difference for June: –\$2,083.67

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. – Cathy Borgmeyer
July 10 8:00 a.m. – Don Wansing
July 17 8:00 a.m. – Dominic Plassmeyer

St. Cecilia Organist

July 10 8:00 a.m. – Jackie
July 17 8:00 a.m. - Emilie

**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 9 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Dave Luebbering & Mark Boessen
July 10 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Simon Strobe & Richard Heckemeyer
July 16 Saturday 5:00p.m.- Eric Strobe & Gilbert Schellman
July 17 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Jim Lueckenhoff & Larry Lueckenhoff
Collection baskets choir loft by organ, please return after use.

St. Thomas the Apostle Eucharistic Ministers

July 9 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mark Graessle
July 10 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Jan Heckemeyer
July 16 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Brenda Wansing
July 17 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Janet Lueckenhoff

St. Thomas the Apostle Servers

July 9 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Gregory Kirby & Ava Buschjost
Emerald Fennewald, Evelyn Wooten
July 10 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Valerie & Zeke Verslues
Jacob Stewart, Cadyn Libbert
July 16 Saturday 5:00 p.m.- Miranda Meyer, Kora Luebbering
July 17 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Wyatt Otto, Erika Luebbering
Victoria Wieberg

St. Thomas the Apostle Offertory Gifts

July 9 Saturday:00 p.m.- Gilbert & Betty Schellman
July 10 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Artie & Cindy Buschjost Family
July 16 Saturday, 5:00 p.m. – Mark & Brab Graessle
July 17 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- David & Linda Boessen

St. Thomas the Apostle Collection Counters

July 10 – Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg
July 17 – Dunja Wieberg & Jennifer Schroeder
July 24 – Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman
July 31 – Paul Becker & Shara Buechter
Aug. 7 – Keith & Jean Kliethermes

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

July 10 Brooke Schell
July 17 Jenny Becker
July 24 Karlie Reinkemeyer
July 31 Lauri Luebbering
Aug. 7 Dunja Wieberg

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. – Barb Graessle – Sorrowful Mysteries
Sunday 9:35 a.m. – Gilbert & Hermina Strobe– Sorrowful Mysteries

St. Thomas the Apostle Church Cleaners

July 3: Brooke Schell, Tina Stockman, Gina Luebbering, Karen Luebbering
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

SCRIP: Visit www.stthomasapostleschoolnet/scrip for more information about the Scrip program. Please contact Amanda Wooten 573-694-1735 or amandab_27@hotmail.com

A NOTE OF THANKS! Many thanks to all those who brought snacks, meals, volunteered or helped in any way with Totus Tuus last week.

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 PARISHIONERS: You should have received your picnic worklist this week. If you would like to sell raffle tickets prior to the event and help advertise the picnic, there are extra worklists, posters and raffle tickets available at the entrance of Church. Feel free to take as many as you may need.

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 10 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Doris Stumpe
July 17 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Jennifer Even

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers

July 10 Sunday 8:00 a.m.- Harold Libbert, Leon Schanzmeyer,
Darin Even, Mitch Stumpe
July 17 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Brendan Stumpe, Randy Hagenhoff,
Kenny Otto, Otto Wankum

St. Cecilia Servers

July 10 Sunday 8:00 a.m.- Bradyn & Kambrie Stegeman
July 17 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Sarah & Elizabeth Backes,
Jesse Schroeder

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 10 Sunday 8:00 a.m.- Family of Cindy Wansing Carmack

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

Wednesday 6:05 p.m. – Margaret Brune –Glorious Mysteries
July 10 Sunday 7:35 a.m.- Mary Plassmeyer
Sorrowful Mysteries
July 17 Sunday 7:35 a.m.– Cathy Borgmeyer
Luminous 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 14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: OUR MISSION IS TO BRING PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST TO THE WORLD. (Is 66:10-14c; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20)

Today is a feast day of the Patron saint of St. Thomas the Apostle parishioners, we pray for them that they may glory in celebrating their patron saint's feast, that they may always be sustained by his intercession and belief in the name Christ our Lord and on the other hand, today is my (Fr. Leonard Mukibi) installation as pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle and St. Cecilia parishes, I pray to the Lord that he may grant me his blessings, strength and wisdom to lead the flock that he has entrusted to my care. Today's Scriptures are about announcing the Good News. They remind us that announcing the Good News of the Kingdom by words, deeds and life is not the task of only a few, it is a task for all baptized Christians. In the first reading, Isaiah announces the good news to the returned Babylonian exiles that the ruined and desolate Jerusalem will take care of them "as a mother comforts her baby son." Isaiah assures the returned Jews that they will live in the certainty of Yahweh's promises of love, protection, prosperity and salvation. In the second reading, Paul removes the confusion created by the Judaizers in the minds of the new Gentile Christians of Galatia. He clearly conveys the good news that it is Jesus' death on the cross which brings one's salvation and not Jewish heritage or practice of Torah laws. Paul reminds us that the mission of each member of the Church is to bear witness to the saving power of the cross of Christ through a life of sacrificial, self-giving service. In the Gospel, Luke describes the fulfillment of the prophetic promise made by Isaiah in Jesus' commissioning of 72 disciples to preach the good news of God's love and salvation in towns and villages in preparation for his own visit. Jesus gives the paired disciples "travel tips" for their missionary journey. They must be walking witnesses of God's providence, relying on the hospitality of others, living very simple lives, preaching the Good News and healing the sick. The Gospel also reminds us that we, the Christians in the world today, have the mission of the 72, to preach the Gospel of Christ to the rest of the world's non-Christians. We need to continue the proclamation of the Gospel: Just as Jesus, in today's Gospel, gave instructions to the seventy-two missionaries, he also gives each one of us a mission to carry out. As faithful Christians, we should attract others to the Faith by leading exemplary lives, just as a rose silently attracts people by its beauty and fragrance. This is our job and our responsibility. We must not miss the current opportunities to be apostles through our words and deeds in everyday life. We should start proclaiming the Gospel in our families by leading exemplary Christian lives, in which spouses love and respect each other, raise their children in the spirit of obedience and service, discipline them with forgiving love and teach them through persistent example to pray, love and help others by sharing their blessings.

Have a blessed week! Fr. Leonard Mukibi

A ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY will be prayed on Monday, July 4, 5:00 p.m. St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

CONGRATULATIONS! St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Pastoral Council welcomes new members Richard Heckemeyer, Sam Luebbering, Andy Reynolds and Shane Verslues. Paish School Advisory Council welcomes new members Katie Luebbering & Myron Luebbering. Thank you for volunteering to serve our parish & school.

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, kreinkemeyer@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 Strobe 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 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 3	Paul & Jenny Becker, Eric Buechter, Josh Schroeder
Week of July 10	Mark Luebbering, Nick Luebbering and Anthony Luebbering, Jason Otto
Week of July 17	Dick Schellman, Patrick Schellman, Paul Struemph, Rob Henson
Week of July 24	Alan Reinkemeyer, Richard Heckemeyer and Dave Schroeder
Week of July 31	Fred Luebbering, Mark Graessle and Jeff Cassmeyer

INVITATION TO MAKE A CURSILLO WEEKEND: **Socrates said that an un-examined life is not worth living.** Yet, in order to do this, one has to deliberately carve out a block of time to study oneself and the world with a goal of becoming a more balanced, better human being. Making a Cursillo Weekend is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to examine one's life and figure out what is truly important. Cursillo is a Spanish word (pronounced *koor-SEE-yo*); it is a short course for all adult Catholics that emerged in Spain and quickly spread through most of the world. It involves spending an extended weekend in a quiet and reflective environment with other Catholics guided by a priest, a deacon and other laity. This team provides for your spiritual and physical needs while you explore the question, **WHAT IS A CATHOLIC LIFE WELL-LIVED?** Fortunately, the next Cursillo weekends will be held in Columbia, Missouri. Here are the dates: **Cursillo for Men** starts the evening of July 14--- July 17th **Cursillo for Women** starts the evening of August 4 ---August 7th. Please contact the parish office with any questions and to request an application to make your Cursillo weekend.

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.

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.

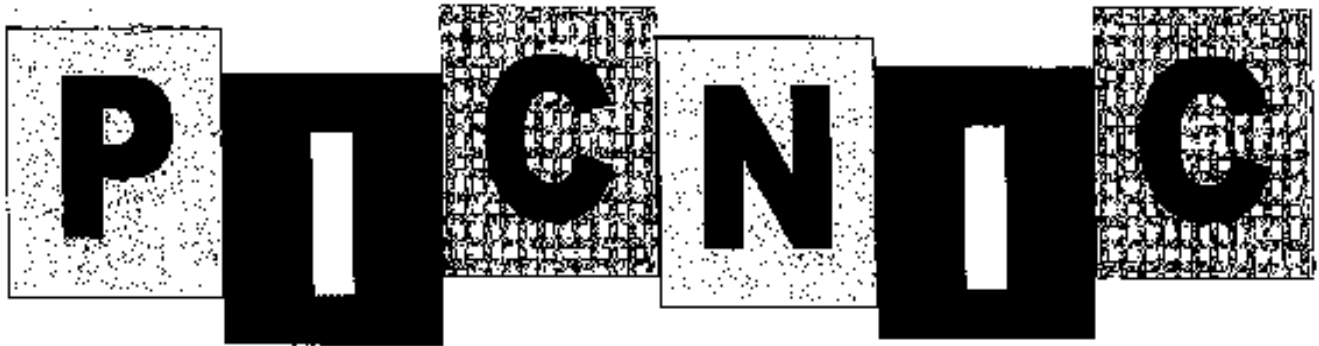
WKCSO FALL SOCCER SIGN-UPS will be held at the Westphalia KC Hall on Tuesday evening July 12 from 3:30 – 6:30 p.m. All kids ages 3-14 (on 8/1/22) welcome. Email wksoccerclub@gmail.com with any questions.

SAVE THE DATES:

July 10, 2022 – St. Cecilia Parish Picnic

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

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



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.

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