

The Roman Catholic Parishes of

St. Thomas the Apostle

in St. Thomas

St. Cecilia

in Meta

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www.stceciliameta.net

PO Box 146
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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 14, 2017

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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 May 14-21:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – John, Minnie & Steve Luebbering

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – L&D Harold Bexten Family

Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – Henrietta Kroll

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. – 8th Grade Graduates

Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – Marcella Wright

Thursday 7:45 a.m. – Alex Heckman

Friday 7:45 a.m. – Ida Schellman

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – L&D Benedict Groner Family

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2016-2017: \$305,000.00

Offertory Goal through Month End: \$254,170.00

Actual Collection for 2015-2017: **\$249,559.72**

Offertory Difference Year to Date: - \$ 30,027.28

Offertory Goal per month: \$ 25,417.00

Collection in Church:

May 7 \$ 5,198.05

May 14 \$

May 21 \$

May 28 \$

Collection Online: \$ 5,042.00

May total to date: \$ **10,240.05**

Difference for May - \$ 15,176.95

St. Thomas the Apostle Expansion & Building Fund

Total Expansion Project expenses paid: \$2,273,475.34

Income from parishioners for FY 2016-2017

(via the yellow "Building Fund" envelope): **\$25,998.00**

Loan payments to date for FY 2016-2017: **\$101,505.14**

(Principal) \$82,240.24 (Interest) \$19,264.90

Parish Building Expansion Debt remaining: **\$412,560.44**

St. Thomas Cantor / Organist

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kelsey Kliethermes / Jackie Prenger

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Kerry Meyer / Jackie Prenger

St. Thomas Reader / Petitions

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Alfred Kaiser

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Gilbert Strope

St. Thomas Altar Servers

Weekdays – Lane Libbert, Avery Libbert, Courtney Luebbering

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Ethan & Noah Luebbering, Owen Schellman

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Kadence & Dylan Kliegel, Henry Buschjost, Molly Suthoff

Saint Cecilia

Mass Schedule for the Week of May 14-21:

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Al Fick

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – People of our Parishes

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. –Hubert Brune

Saturday 7:00 p.m. –Lawrence & Scott Otto

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Harold & Norma Jean Libbert 50th Anniversary

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2016-2017: \$60,500.00

Collection Total for 2016-2017: **\$57,563.91** * corrected total

Offertory Goal per month: \$ 5,041.00

Collection in Church:

May 7 \$ 1,413.00

May 14 \$

May 21 \$

May 28 \$

May total to date: \$ **1,413.00**

Difference for May: - \$ 3,628.00

Please remember your parish in your last will & testament.

St. Cecilia Collection Counters

May – Dale & Margie Helton

June – Marie Lueckenotto & Pam Libbert

St. Cecilia Reader / Petitions

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Dorothy Rehagen

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Cathy Borgmeyer

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Dorothy Rehagen

St. Cecilia Altar Servers

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Joshua & Alex Even

Ben & Henry Schroeder

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Nicholas & Shelby Wankum,

Ava & Saige Werdehausen

**IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO FULFILL
YOUR LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENT,
IN YOUR KINDNESS & CHARITY,
PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT**

St. Thomas Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
May 20-21

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mark Luebbering, Paul & Jenny Becker
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Mike & Sheri Wieberg, Carolyn Loethen

May 27-28

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Marshall Boessen, Mike & Trish Green
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Bill & Betty Jo Luebbering, Lynne Reinkemeyer

St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers

May 20-21

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Gilbert Schellman & Richard Schellman
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Mattheuw Prenger & Keith Kliethermes

May 27-28

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Fred Luebbering & Joe Buschjost
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Mike Buschjost & Tom Backes

St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass

May 20-21

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Paul & Jenny Becker
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Travis & Kathy Rackers Family

May 27-28

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Gregg & Susan Boessen Family
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Tom & Carol Backes Family

St. Thomas Collection Counters

May 20-21 – Jennifer Schroeder & Stephanie Cortvrient
May 27-28 – Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman
June 3-4 – Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday 7:25 a.m. – Joann Heckman – Sorrowful
Tuesday 6:40 p.m. – Pat Loethen - 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– Glorious
Sunday 9:40 a.m. – Tina Stockman – Glorious

SCRIP: **May 13-14** Saturday – Kerry Meyer Sunday – Melissa Verslues

Visit www.stthomasapostleschoolnet/scrip for more information about the Scrip program.

We have a large variety of cards in various denominations in stock and available for purchase. Scrip is available for purchase after every weekend Mass in St. Thomas and available during the week by contacting the school office at 573-477-3322. You may also contact Lindsay Luebbering at 573-680-4920 or Karen Luebbering at 573-301-5835 to purchase anytime.

A PRAYER FOR MOTHER'S DAY

Loving Lord, You have created mothers in love and blessed them with children.
As they work tirelessly to support their families may they be showered with your blessings.
Give mothers strength to exercise compassion as they live each day under your care.
May those who are joined in your love, support mothers by their fervor of spirit and devotion to prayer.
We thank you, O Lord, for the gift of Motherhood.
May those blessed with children be granted the gifts of courage, perseverance and good health.
May they face each new day with faith and hope in your abiding love.
May all families find in the strength of your love, the priceless gift of peace, and so bear witness to your glory.
As Mary was the model of prayer, of love, and of obedience to the will of God,
by your grace make mothers holy and rich with your gifts.
Bind families together in the bonds of peace and safety so that mothers will feel nurtured by love.
May all mothers enjoy good health and spiritual wellbeing to enable them to care for their families.

CONGRATULATIONS to ***Shawn Gabriel Hopkins*** who was washed in the saving waters of Baptism this weekend in St. Thomas Church.

A NOTE OF THANKS

Thank you for all the birthday cards & phone calls! It was a great day! - ***Ginny Libbert***

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARKING LOT REPAIR: This past week the parking lot joints and seams were cleaned out in preparation for the application of asphalt and sealant. However, because of all the recent rains, we will have to wait for them to more completely dry out. Thank you for your patience.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PEW REPAIR: As you probably noticed, a number of pews have been removed from the back of church as our pew project has commenced. Although we did receive a grant from the Schwartz Foundation for the replacement of the pew seats, contributions for the replacement of the kneeler pads are welcome and appreciated!



ST. THOMAS SCHOOL & PRESCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGES are available for your information and browsing via a link at the school website's homepage: www.stthomasapostleschool.net

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISHIONERS: Volunteers are needed to help coordinate for the Annual Parish Picnic. Questions? Please contact Greg Luebbering.

ST. CECILIA PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL meeting will be Wednesday, May 17 at 7:15 p.m. in the Parish Center basement.

ST. CECILIA PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL meeting will be Wednesday, May 24 at 7:15 p.m. at the rectory.

St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
May 20-21

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Betty Hagenhoff, Bonnie Kampeter, Lou Kloepfel
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Gerald & Phyllis Rehagen, Dorothy Rehagen

May 27-28

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Brenda Wansing, Doris Stumpe, Jennifer Even
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer, Janice Schanzmeyer

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers

May 20-21

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Mitch & Brendan Stumpe, Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Harold Libbert, Anton Libbert, Terry Libbert, Tony Derkum

May 27-28

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Lou Kloepfel, Mitch Stumpe, Brendan Stumpe, Darin Even
Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Leon Schanzmeyer, Kenny Otto, Dominic Plassmeyer, Larry Lueckenotto

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

Wednesday: 6:10 p.m. – Florentine Hagenhoff - Glorious
Saturday 6:40 p.m. – Cathy Borgmeyer – Glorious
Sunday 7:40 a.m. – Margaret Brune– Glorious

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 NEWS This summer we will be replacing the three front, top windows of the St. Thomas School building. If anyone is interested in any of the art deco glass blocks, please call the school office. We will be selling them for \$5.00 per glass block for anyone interested. The money raised from the sale of the blocks will be used for window treatments on the new windows.

PRESCHOOL PARENT REMINDER: Please return registration paperwork for Fall 2017 to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you!



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 15 – Field Day
16 – 8th Grade Graduation, 7:00 p.m.
18 – Last Day of School, Early Release 11:20 car riders, 11:30 p.m. bus riders
18 – Preschool Graduation 6:30 p.m.
19 – Last Day of Preschool

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SAVE Box Tops, Best Choice Labels & Coke Points. There are drop off boxes in the entrances of St. Thomas Church (in the Box Tops boxes) or please send in with any St. Thomas students.

ST. THOMAS 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. Out of respect for individuals' privacy, only necessary information is communicated.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISPOSAL KITS: If you have old medication that needs to be disposed of safely (and kept out of the environment), please stop by the St. Thomas School Office to pick up a disposal kit. These kits have been made available free from the Cole County Sheriff's Department.

OSAGE COUNTY LIFE ISSUES ESSAY CONTEST is open to Osage County students (8th – 12th grade) who want to take a stand on life issues like abortion, bullying, elderly and child abuse, etc. The contest is jointly sponsored by the Vitae Foundation and the A. J. Schwartz Community Foundation. EACH student who submits either an essay or a 30 to 60-second video infomercial will receive 4 tickets to Osage County Night at the Ballpark (July 27th; Cards vs Dbacks) and will automatically be entered to win a \$250 voucher toward an iPad or laptop. Two Grand Prize winners will each throw out a ceremonial first pitch before the game. Go to www.VitaeFoundation.org/Events for more details.

FAMILY FITNESS CLASS IN ST. THOMAS will not meet on Monday, May 15. The last class until fall will be May 22. Please contact Gina Luebbering with any questions.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SESQUICENTENNIAL BOOK: A big thank you to the families who have already provided their narratives and photos! We still have families that are putting the finishing touches on their narratives. Roseanne will contact families, if needed, as each family narrative is formatted for the book. We are keeping track of all narratives submitted and will follow up with families who may need help with their narratives. Please call Roseanne Boessen if you have questions (573-477-0168).

GROUP GRADUATION PHOTOS NEEDED FOR SESQUICENTENNIAL BOOK

We are in need of 8th grade graduation group photos for the following years:

Class of 1940 (Jerome Luebbering's class)
Class of 1941 (Herbert Kroll's class)
Class of 1942 (Geneva Schmidt's class)
Class of 1944 (Norma Schmidt's class)
Class of 1945 (Eldora Schmidt's class)
Class of 1947 (Leonard Strope's class)
Class of 1951 (Dan Schmidt's class)
Class of 1952 (Gene Luebbering's class)
Class of 1954 (Gilbert Strope's class)



Class of 1957 (Dave Boessen's class)
Class of 1958 (Shirley Schellman's class)
Class of 1959 (Harold Luebbering's class)
Class of 1960 (Pat Herigon's class)
Class of 1961 (Bob Buschjost's class)
Class of 1966 (Fred Luebbering's class)
Class of 1967 (Bill Lueckenhoff's class)
Class of 1968 (Dale Herigon's class)
Class of 1969 (Mike Boessen's class)

6-7-8th grade class composite photos for any of these grades will also work. We do have a few isolated class or graduation photos for very early years like 1911, 1913 and 1929. If any more of these can be found for years before 1940, we will be glad to include them in the book, as well. If you have any of these group photos, call Bill Boessen at 477-3384 or email him at: www.billcoun@embarqmail.com.

CEMETERY FLOWERS: Please remove all flowers from in front of the grave stones in the St. Thomas Cemetery during the grass cutting season. Thank you for your cooperation.

RECOGNIZING OUR 2017 GRADUATES: If you are a 2017 graduate (elementary, high school, college or technical school), please let us know by emailing or call the school office at 573-477-3322 or the Parish Office on Tuesday or Wednesday morning at 573-477-3315. The names will be published in the May 20-21 bulletin.

BENEFIT FOR MARK HAGENHOFF: There will be a benefit for Mark Hagenhoff at the Folk pavilion on May 20 from 4:00 to 7:30 to help him with medical and personal expenses. There will be pork burger/hot dog meal, gun raffle, general raffle and a bake sale.

DIOCESAN CAMP MACCABEE is a Summer Camp that offers adventure, challenge & competition among God's creation with your Catholic brothers (high school age & older). Camp dates: July 16-21 and July 23-28 at St. Robert Bellarmine, St. Robert, MO. Camp cost is \$150 per session. For more information, please call 573-338-0061 or email: frrwp65@gmail.com.

4TH ANNUAL CENTRAL MISSOURI HONOR FLIGHT/STANLEY ADAMS GOLF TOURNAMENT: Friday June 2, 2017 at Oak Hills Golf Course, 923 Ellis Boulevard, Jefferson City, MO. Four person scramble (18 holes), \$75.00 per person, \$300.00 per team. Shotgun start at 9:00 A.M. Hole sponsors \$100.00. Mail team members to Bob Linnenbrink (573/619-4885), 9129 Route B, Jefferson City, MO 65101 or e-mail to: b_linnenbrink@hotmail.com. **Deadline is May 31, 2017.**

ST. THOMAS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOLF TOURNAMENT will be held at Oak Hills Golf Course on June 3, 2017. If you or someone you know is interested in having a Team in this tournament please contact Brian Braun. We will need volunteers to help work this function.

COLE COUNTY PWSD NO. 5 METER READER POSITION: If interested in applying for the meter reader position, please send a letter of interest to PWSD No. 5, P.O. Box 225, St. Thomas, MO 65076. Please call Sheri at 573-477-3497 for any questions. Thank you!

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION – Sunday, June 18, 2017 after 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas, weather permitting. All parishioners and especially our parishioners who made their 1st Holy Communion are encouraged to participate in the procession through town.

ST. CECILIA PARISH PICNIC – Sunday, July 9, 2017

TOTUS TUUS SUMMER CAMP AT ST. THOMAS & ST. CECILIA PARISHES – July 15-21, 2017

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH PICNIC – Sunday, August 20, 2017

ST. THOMAS PARISH PARK CONCESSION STAND WORKERS: If you cannot work it is **your responsibility** to find a replacement. Concession stand should be open 30 minutes prior to game time. The concession box is picked up at B&K Quick Shoppe. Please return the box by 9:00 a.m. the next morning! **PLEASE NOTE:** The umpire cards and re-order forms (for supplies) will be located in the concession stand.

Monday, May 15	6:30 p.m.	8U Girls	Shara & Eric Buechter
Monday, May 15	8:00 p.m.	15U Boys	Scott & Gail Wolken
Friday, May 19	6:30 p.m.	10U Girls	John & Angie Christian
Friday, May 19	8:00 p.m.	12U Boys	David & Sara Otto
Monday, May 22	8:00 p.m.	15U Boys	Tina Bischoff/Matt Bischoff
Tuesday, May 23	6:30 p.m.	10U Girls	Justin & Samantha Schulte
Tuesday, May 23	8:00 p.m.	10U Boys	Chris & Sarah Luebbert
Thursday, May 25	6:30 p.m.	8U Girls	Chad & Julie Francis
Thursday, May 25	8:00 p.m.	10U Boys	Darrell & Jennifer Borgmeyer



Totus Tuus Summer Camp

2017 Registration Form: July 15-21 for Grades 1-12

**Grades 1-6: Monday through Friday 9:00 am – 2:30 pm
at St. Thomas the Apostle**
**Grades 7-12: Sunday through Thursday 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm
at St. Cecilia in Meta**

Parent(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Work/cell: _____

Children being enrolled in Totus Tuus at St. Thomas the Apostle & St. Cecilia:

Name: Grade: Medical info/ food allergies to be aware of:

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Cost for the week is \$25 per child. Lunch will be provided.

Before and After Care will be available from 6:30 – 9:00 am and/or from 2:30 – 5:30 pm Monday – Friday at St. Thomas at the cost of \$5 per child, per day.

Yes, I would like to take advantage of before and/or after care for my child(ren) during Totus Tuus, July 15-21, 2017.

Father will be hosting the summer camp team at the rectories at St. Thomas and Meta.

Parish families and volunteers are needed for assist providing evening meals, snacks for the junior and high school program and some daytime activity assistance.

The Totus Tuus Summer Camp is a dynamic and fun program for children and teens conducted by four person teams usually comprised of two college age girls and two seminarians. Songs, games, skits, food, teaching about the Faith, and the Sacraments occur every day of Totus Tuus.

Volunteer sign-up will be available shortly.

Name: _____ Phone: _____