

The Roman Catholic Parishes of

St. Thomas the Apostle

in St. Thomas

St. Cecilia

in Meta

www.stthomasapostle.net

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St. Thomas, MO 65076

SOLEMNITY of ALL SAINTS

November 1, 2015

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St. Thomas Parish Office hours: Tuesdays 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Thursdays 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

St. Cecilia Parish Office hours: Tuesdays 3:30 - 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 November 1-8:

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Loreen Volmert

Monday 2:00 p.m. (All Souls Day) – People of our Parishes
Mass at St. Thomas Cemetery (*weather permitting*)

Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – Bernadine Groner

Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – No Mass – *Fr. in Kansas City*

Thursday 7:45 a.m. – BJ Brenneke

Friday 7:45 a.m. – L&D Thomas & Mary Loethen Family
(*Anointing of the Sick*)

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Jerome, Dot, Harold & Charles Buschjost

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Tom Kloeppel

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2015-2016: \$305,000.00

Offertory Goal through Month End: \$101,668.00

Actual Collection for 2015-2016: **\$90,653.02**

Offertory Difference Year to Date: -\$11,014.98

Offertory Goal per month: \$25,417.00

Collection in Church:

October 4 \$4,155.25

October 11 \$4,806.00

October 18 \$3,090.00

October 25 \$3,575.00

Collection Online: \$5,244.00

October total to date: \$20,870.25

Difference for October: - \$4,546.75

St. Thomas the Apostle Expansion & Building Fund

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

Income from parishioners for fiscal year 2015-2016

(via the yellow "Building Fund" envelope): **\$8,577.00**

Loan payments to date for fiscal year 2015-2016: **\$36,910.94**

(Principal) 28,969.99 (Interest) \$7,940.97

Parish Building Expansion Debt remaining: **\$555,083.55**

St. Thomas Cantor / Organist

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Jean Kliethermes/Lindsay

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Rebecca Schroeder/Jackie

St. Thomas Reader/ Petitions

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Alfred Kaiser

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – MaryPat Luebbering

St. Thomas Altar Servers

Weekdays – Abigail Verslues & Sabrina Luebbering

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Emma & Olivia Boessen,

Abby Hoecker, Bruno Puleo

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Nolan Suthoff, Natalie Otto,

Molly Suthoff, Gregory Kirby

Saint Cecilia

Mass Schedule for the Week of November 1-8:

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Al Fick

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Vince & Brad Reinkemeyer

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – No Mass – *Fr. in Kansas City*

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Leroy Bruemmer

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

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2015-2016: \$60,471.51

Collection Total for 2015-2016: **\$20,260.26**

Offertory Goal per month: \$5,039.29

Collection in Church:

October 4 \$1,977.00

October 11 \$ 999.00

October 18 \$1,130.00

October 25 \$1,257.00

October total to date: \$5,363.00

Difference for October: + \$323.71

Please remember your parish in your last will & testament.

St. Cecilia Collection Counters

November – Dale & Margie Helton

December – Pam Libbert & Marie Lueckenotto

St. Cecilia Reader / Petitions

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – No Mass

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Jennifer Even

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Karen Fick

St. Cecilia Altar Servers

November 7-8

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Zachary & Alex Even,

Ben Schroeder

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Madelyn Veltrop, Saige & Ava

Werdehausen

St. Thomas Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
November 7-8

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Gilbert & Hermina Strope, Mike & Sheri Wieberg, Millie Wieberg

November 14-15

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Ray & Shirley Volmert, Bill & Betty Jo Luebbering, Carolyn Loethen

November 21-22

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Lynne Reinkemeyer, Jan Carter, Mattheuw Prenger, Keith Kliethermes, Randy Buschjost

St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers * please arrive at least 15 minutes before Mass begins to greet & assist parishioners

November 7-8

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Dave Luebbering & Steve Schellman

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Ryan Buschjost & Richard Heckemeyer

November 14-15

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mike Green & Gilbert Schellman

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

November 21-22

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Richard Schellman & Fred Luebbering

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Art Groner & Eric Boessen

St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass

November 7-8

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – David & Judy Schroeder

November 14-15

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Alfred & Margie Kaiser

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Bill & Betty Jo Luebbering

November 21-22

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mark & Lauri Luebbering

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Robyn & Rebecca Schroeder

St. Thomas Collection Counters:

November 7-8 – Richard & Jan Heckemeyer

November 14-15- Jennifer Schroeder & Stephanie Cortvrient

November 21-22 – Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday 7:25 a.m. – Viola Boessen – Sorrowful Mysteries (Tyler Wankum)

Wednesday 7:25 a.m. – No Mass

Thursday 7:25 a.m. – Celeste & Martha – Luminous

Mysteries (Megan Werdehausen)

Friday 7:25 a.m. – Gilbert & Hermina – Sorrowful Mysteries

(Josh Wieberg)

Saturday 4:40 p.m. – Paul Becker – Sorrowful Mysteries

(Sarah Wolken)

Sunday 9:40 a.m. – Tina Stockman – Sorrowful Mysteries

(Paul Backes)

* The names listed after the mysteries of the rosary to be prayed before Mass are those from St. Cecilia and St. Thomas the Apostle Parishes who are preparing for the Sacrament Confirmation. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for this important Sacrament.

Scrip Sales - (November 7-8) Visit www.stthomasapostleschool.net/scrip for more information about the Scrip program.

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Karen Luebbering

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – April Heckman

LADIES TO BRING SNACK TO ST. THOMAS QUILTERS:

Thursday, Nov. 5 – Kelly Wieberg & Jackie Wieberg Thursday, Nov. 12 – Sheri Wieberg & Rosalyn Wieberg

Please bring to hall by 1:00 p.m.; snack served at 3:00 p.m. If you have questions, please call Kathy Strope or Emily Luebbering.

TIME AND TALENT forms are available at the entrances of Church (green color for St. Thomas; peach color for St. Cecilia). If you wish to add or change your current ministries and activities, please complete and return a form.

MINISTRY TO THE ILL & INFIRM: If you are preparing for surgery, recovering from surgery, homebound or ill, please let Fr. Secrist (477-3315) and/or MaryPat Luebbering (477-3476) know so that you have the opportunity to receive the Sacraments and pastoral care.

THE 2015-2016 CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP APPEAL (CSA): The Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA) is our opportunity to come together as the Church in the 95 Catholic Parishes and 15 missions of our diocese. This year, CSA videos are available on the diocesan website www.diojeffcity.org. Please take the time to view the informational videos by clicking on the "Youtube video" link located on the upper right hand corner. The 2016 CSA goal for St. Cecilia Parish is: \$3,363.00 and for St. Thomas Parish: \$7,945.00.

USHERS are gently reminded to arrive in plenty of time before their assigned Masses in order to greet and welcome the faithful who come to our parish Mass.

St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
November 7-8

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Brenda Wansing, Doris Stumpe, Jennifer Even

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Gerald & Phyllis Rehagen, Karen Fick

November 14-15

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Betty Hagenhoff, Dorothy Rehagen, Bonnie Kampeter

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

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Mitch & Brendan Stumpe,

Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Terry Libbert, Tony Derkum, Leon Schanzmeyer, Kenny Otto

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

Wednesday 6:10 p.m. – No Mass

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

Mysteries (Dylan Bischoff)

Sunday 7:40 a.m. – Margaret Brune– Sorrowful Mysteries

(Kristin Boessen)

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

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

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

MASS INTENTIONS...

The specific Mass intentions for each scheduled Mass are regularly published in this bulletin and are specifically requested by individual request. Every reasonable effort is made to accommodate particular times and dates, when so requested. However, when on occasion the date or time request cannot be met, the intention will be rescheduled for the next earliest date available.

PRAYING A ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY will be prayed on Wednesday, November 4 at 5:00 p.m. in St. Thomas Church.

FIRST FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6 AT ST. THOMAS CHURCH:

7:45 Mass, with Anointing of the Sick offered after Mass to those in need of the Sacrament.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Church throughout the day; 4:30 - 5:50 p.m. Confessions; 6:00 p.m. Benediction

FIRST FRIDAY SOCIAL AT ST. THOMAS: Please join us in the Vitae House for coffee, donuts and other goodies after Mass on Friday, November 6.

WEDNESDAY EVENING TRAFFIC PATTERN AT ST. THOMAS: Because of the number of people attending PSR, Confirmation Preparation and Quilting on Wednesday evenings at St. Thomas, all drivers are asked to please **enter via the lower driveway from Park Street** and **exit from the upper parking lot onto Highway B only**.

ST. THOMAS PSR CLASSES are held on Wednesday evenings 7:00-8:00 p.m. for grade & high school students.

ADULT SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: The next meeting will be **Sunday, November 15, 6:00 p.m.** in Vitae House at St. Thomas. This meeting is for those adults who are interested in becoming Catholic and are willing to begin the journey. Questions? Please contact Fr. Secrist at 477-3315.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION: **Wednesday, November 4, 7:30 p.m.** in the school library at **St. Thomas**.

ST. CECILIA (PSR) RELIGION CLASSES: Religion classes for 1st - 10th grade are at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Cecilia Parish Center.

ST. CECILIA SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday School classes for St. Cecilia immediately follow the 8:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Center. Sunday School classes are open to any children in kindergarten, or those who will be entering kindergarten next year (fall of 2016). Please contact Jennifer Even at 573-680-6945, 573-229-8976 or evenfamily6@att.net to sign up or with any questions.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday School is for children preschool age (2 years prior to Kindergarten) and will meet on Sundays from 9:00 to 9:45 a.m. in the St. Thomas School Kindergarten room. Please contact Daffiny Tallent at 573-694-4408 or email ddtallent@embarqmail.com if interested and/or for more information.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE YARD SIGNS & WINDOW STICKERS: Show your support for our local Catholic school by purchasing a sign for your front yard and a window sticker for your vehicle, boat or tractor. Yard signs and window stickers are \$5.00 each. Please contact the School Office at 573-477-3322.

ST. THOMAS POST-FALL FANTASY MEETING is Monday, November 2, 7:00 p.m. in the Vitae House.

ST. THOMAS PARISH PASTORIAL COUNCIL MEETING is Tuesday, November 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Vitae House.

TOTUS TUUS SUMMER CAMP at St. Thomas and Meta has been scheduled for **July 18-22, 2016**. Please save the dates!

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS

November 2 – Flu Clinic 9:30 a.m.

4 – Bookmobile

5 – Early Release K-8, car-riders 1:20, bus 1:30 p.m.

6 – First Friday, Confessions

BOX TOPS: Please continue to save Box Tops for Education, Coke Points & Best Choice labels.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL: The Art classes are looking for some yarn donations. They can be full or partial skeins or just leftover yarn from projects. Any yarn will be greatly appreciated! Please contact the school office or drop it off at school.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL is still accepting registrations for the fall of 2015-2016 enrollment for **Preschool through 8th grade**. Please call the school office to register at 573-477-3322.

CATHOLIC RADIO, 88.1 FM KHJR: To enrich your spiritual journey, please listen to Catholic Radio, 88.1. Hear engaging live call-in shows, daily Holy Mass, devotions, Catechetic & much more. For a program schedule and a free CD, please call (314) 752-7000 or (877) 305-1234.

THE DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA, GLENNON CIRCLE 322, will be meeting on Monday, November 2, at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Tanner Bridge Road. Dinner will start at 5:30 p.m. with the business meeting to follow at 6:30 p.m. Please plan to attend.

SNOW REMOVAL FOR ST. THOMAS: Anyone interested in snow removal for the City of St. Thomas, please call (573) 694-6104.

META CIVIC LEAGUE HALL CLEAN-UP: Clean-up scheduled for the Meta Civic League hall. The dining hall floor was replaced with an epoxy flooring and now it needs to be cleaned due to the dust that was created from sanding the concrete floor. Any help will be appreciated on November 2 at 6:00 p.m. Mops, rags and scrub buckets will be helpful. Refreshments will be served.

SAVE THE DATE: ST. THOMAS/META KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE is Sunday, November 29, 8:00 a.m. – noon in the St. Thomas KC Hall. To make an appointment visit www.redcrossblood.org Sponsor Code: StThomasParish

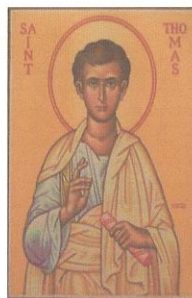
FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING: Bishop Gaydos will be hosting a Diocesan celebration of diversity and culture on the Feast of Christ the King. November 22, 2:00 p.m. Mass at the Cathedral of St. Joseph, followed by buffet of ethnic dishes. For more information, please visit www.diojeffcity.org

UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

BLAIR OAKS RII SCHOOL DISTRICT will be hosting its annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 19. The meal will be held at Blair Oaks High School from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. If you plan to attend, please contact the High School Office at 573-635-8514, to make reservations. It would be appreciated if reservations could be made by Monday, November 16, to assist in meal preparation. The cost of the meal is \$3.00. The meal will include all the traditional Thanksgiving fixings. We hope to see you there!



St. Thomas CYO Chicken Dinner



November 7, 2015

Serving: Fried Chicken, French Fries,
Cole Slaw, Baked Beans
and Dessert

Time: 3:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Location: St. Thomas Parish Cafeteria

Cost: \$10.00 Per Plate



*All proceeds will go
toward the ongoing
restoration work of
St. Thomas the Apostle
Church*



Patron Saint of Youth

2015 ST. THOMAS FALL FANTASY RESULTS

The Fall Fantasy committee would like to say THANK YOU to everyone who helped to make the 21st Annual Fall Fantasy a success! Thank you to everyone who donated their time & talents to this parish fundraiser.

St. Thomas Parish would like to acknowledge and thank the following generous contributors: Art's Pest Control, 4 Wheel Parts Plus, Fancher-Rekus Funeral Home, Mid-America Bank, Millard Family Chapels, N.H. Scheppers, Spyder Technology, B&K Quick Shoppe/Tom & Pat Kliegel, Cole County Industries, Mike Luebbering Construction, Samuel's Tuxedos & Gifts, St. Thomas Knights of Columbus, Western Catholic Union (Generously Matching Funds of up to \$500.00 for this fundraiser), Bert Doerhoff, CPA, Boessen Pest Control, Diamond Pet Foods, MFA-Meta, St. Thomas/Babbtown Insurance, Sugar Creek Restaurant, Jessi Lackman of The Hair Company, William Luebbering Cabinets.

EARLY BIRD WINNERS:

Renee & Megan Struempf

CASH PRIZE WINNERS

\$500 – Dave & Linda Boessen
\$100 - Tom & Pat Kliegel
\$100 - Paul & Lisa Lackman
\$100 – Myron & Lindsay Luebbering
\$1,000 – Alan & Nancy Libbert
\$150 – Kurt & Darla Klebba
\$150 – Ray & Shirley Volmert
\$150 – Eric & Debbie Strobe
\$1,000 – Tom & Julie Kampeter
\$200 – Kim Kliegel
\$200 – Carol Dudenhoeffer
\$200 – Marty Libbert/Bridget Eads
\$150 – JC Coca Cola
\$300 – Nathan & Renee Luebbering
\$500 – Rita Otto
\$5,500 – George Otto & Taylor Johnson
\$5,500 – Cassidy & Gina Luebbering

50/50 WINNERS

Kelsi Schlotz
Andy & Pat Luebbering

HUNTER'S RAFFLE WINNERS:

Paul Lackman Jr.
William Rowden

LUCKY CARD WINNERS:

Lisa Wieberg
Jenny Becker
Renee Struempf
Betty Sandbothe

Hunter's Raffle: \$2,080.00
Lucky Card: \$1,130.00
\$1.00 Raffle Ticket: \$142.00
\$5.00 Raffle Ticket: \$235.00
\$10.00 Raffle Ticket: \$560.00
\$20.00 Raffle Ticket: \$1,140.00
50/50 (White): \$402.00
50/50 (Light Green): \$1,014.00
Kitchen Sales: \$267.00