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

31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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 <u>Mass Schedule for the Week of November 4-11:</u>

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Reuben Luebbering Sunday 10:00 a.m. – William & Rufina Boessen Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – L&D Vincent & Katie Loethen Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – Anton & Alma Boessen Family Thursday 7:45 a.m. – L&D Herman Heckman Family Friday 7:45 a.m. – Tom Kloeppel

Anointing of the sick following Mass

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Philip & Alma Boessen Family

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2018-2019: \$305,000.00
Offertory Goal through Month End: \$101,668.00
Actual Collection for 2018-2019: \$94,090.77
Offertory Difference Year to Date: -\$7,577.23
Offertory Goal per month: \$25,417.00

Collection in Church:

 October 7
 \$ 4,565.40

 October 14
 \$ 3,305.00

 October 21
 \$ 3,033.00

 October 28
 \$ 4,875.00

 Collection Online:
 \$ 5,702.00

 October total to date:
 \$21,480.40

 Difference for October:
 - \$ 3,936.60

St. Thomas the Apostle Expansion & Building Fund

Total Expansion Project expenses paid: \$2,273,475.34 Income from parishioners for FY 2018-2019

(via the yellow "Building Fund" envelope): \$ 10,031.00 Loan payments to date for FY 2018-2019: \$36,910.96 (Principal) \$32,720.69 (Interest) \$4,190.27

Parish Building Expansion Debt remaining: \$276,444.54

St. Thomas the Apostle Cantor / Organist

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Jean Kliethermes / Jackie Prenger Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Doug Luebbering / Jackie Prenger

St. Thomas the Apostle Reader

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kathy Graessle Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Stephanie Cortvrient

St. Thomas the Apostle Altar Servers

Weekday – Elizabeth Meyer & Noah Luebbering Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Cameron & Chesney Luebbering, Courtney Luebbering Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Brie Heckman, Molly Suthoff, Colton Libbert, Abigail Verslues

St. Cecilia <u>Mass Schedule for the Week of November 4-11:</u>

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Jason Hake Sunday 8:00 a.m. – People of our Parishes No Confessions & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament before Mass this week Wednesday 6:30 p.m. –L&D Luebbert & Luetkemeyer Families

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Josephine Werdehausen Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Norman & Delphine Jaegers

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2018-2019: \$62,000.00
Collection Total for 2018-2019: \$20,344.70
Offertory Goal per month: \$5,166.67

Collection in Church:

 October 7
 \$ 1,699.00

 October 14
 \$ 1,130.00

 October 21
 \$ 732.00

 October 28
 \$ 1,292.00

 October total to date:
 \$ 4,743.00

 Difference for October:
 - \$ 423.67

St. Cecilia Collection Counters

November – Dale & Margie Helton

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR LAST WILL & TESTAMENT.

St. Cecilia Reader

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Doris Stumpe Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Jennifer Even Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Dominic Plassmeyer

St. Cecilia Altar Servers

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – servers needed Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Melina Derkum & Sophie Bock

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

St. Thomas Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion November 10-11

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Mike & Trish Green, Betty Schellman Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Richard & Jan Heckemeyer, Linda Lueckenhoff

November 17-18

Saturday 5:00 p.m.-Carolyn Loethen, Mark & Barb Graessle Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Glenn Prenger, Gilbert & Hermina Strope

St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers

November 10-11

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Fred Luebbering & Mark Boessen Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Mattheuw Prenger & Keith Kliethermes

November 17-18

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Dave Luebbering & Steve Schellman Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Mike Buschjost & Tom Backes

St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass

November 10-11

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Steve & Katrina Schellman Family Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Tom & Carol Backes Family

November 17-18

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Mike & Trish Green

Sunday 10:00 a.m. - Eugene & MaryPat Luebbering

St. Thomas Collection Counters

November 10-11 – Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman November 17-18 – Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg November 24-25 - Keith & Jean Kliethermes

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday 7:25 a.m. – Joann Heckman – Sorrowful Wednesday 7:25 a.m. - Pat Loethen - Glorious Thursday 7:25 a.m. - Viola Boessen- Luminous Friday 7:25 a.m. - Gilbert & Hermina Strope - Sorrowful Saturday 4:40 p.m. - Dale Herigon- Luminous Sunday 9:40 a.m. - Tina Stockman - Luminous

St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion November 10-11

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

Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer, Janice Schanzmeyer

November 17-18

Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Betty Hagenhoff, Dorothy Rehagen, Doris Stumpe Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer, Pam Libbert

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers

November 10-11

Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Randy Hagenhoff, Lou Kloeppel, Mitch & Brendan Stumpe Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Tony Derkum, Kenny Otto, Dominic Plassmeyer, Larry Lueckenotto

November 17-18

Saturday 7:00 p.m. - Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff, Lou Kloeppel, Mitch Stumpe Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Harold Libbert, Anton Libbert, Terry Libbert, Tony Derkum

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

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

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.

SNACKS FOR QUILTERS:

Thursday, November 8 – Maureen Eggen & Marilee Fischer November 15 – Jeanette Goeller & Erica Goeller Please bring snack to hall by 1:00 p.m.; snack served at 3:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please call Kathy Strope 573-477-3349 or Emily Luebbering 573-477-3459.

CONGRATULATIONS to Leo James Buechter son of Justin & Britni Buechter, who was washed in the saving waters of Baptism this weekend in St. Thomas the Apostle Parish.

A NOTE OF THANKS!

We would like to extend our appreciation to everyone that donated, supported and help to make Easton Rustemeyer's benefit a huge a success! Team Easton

BISHOP MCKNIGHT'S NOVEMBER PRAYER INTENTION: "For the healing and renewal of the Church; that tears of sorrow may merit forgiveness from God's mercy and strengthen our resolve to observe a preferential option for those who have been



<u>CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP APPEAL</u>: The Catholic Stewardship Appeal continues in St. Cecilia & St. Thomas Parishes. How do we make our thank-you to God different from the thank you we say when someone holds the door or passes the salt? One way is by contributing to our parish's Catholic Stewardship Appeal. Through the CSA, we make available to others the blessings of the Church in our lives: the nourishment of the Eucharist, the celebration of our most joyous events, and support during the most difficult. This thank-you makes a difference!

The CSA goal for St. Thomas the Apostle Parish is \$8,000. \$4,215 received so far from 20 donors. The CSA goal for St. Cecilia Parish is: \$2,500. \$610.00 received so far from 7 donors

2018 OCTOBER COUNT AVERAGES FOR MASSES:

At St. Cecilia: 7:00 p.m. Vigil Mass: 81 souls, 8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass: 116 souls

2018 weekend average: 196 souls, 2017 weekend average 217 souls

At St. Thomas the Apostle: 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass: 125 souls, 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass: 164 souls

2018 weekend average: 289 souls, 2017 weekend average 279 souls.

ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY will be prayed on Sunday, November 4 at 5:00 p.m. in St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

THANKSGIVING DAY (November 22): Mass for the Solemnity of St. Cecilia (our parish patroness) will be offered at 9:00 a.m. at St. Cecilia.

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION:

Mass will be celebrated on Friday, December 7, 6:00 p.m. at St. Thomas & on Saturday, December 8, 9:00 a.m. at St. Cecilia

ANOINTING OF THE SICK will be offered on Friday, November 9 following the 7:45 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle Church. A social with coffee, donuts and other goodies will be held in the Vitae House following Mass. Come join us!

<u>ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PRAYER LINE REQUESTS</u> 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.

MINISTRY TO THE ILL & INFIRM: If you are preparing for surgery, recovering from surgery, homebound or ill, please let Fr. Secrist (573-477-3315) and/or MaryPat Luebbering (573-477-3476) know so that you have the opportunity to receive the Sacraments and pastoral care.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL & PSR DROP OFF & PICK UP REMINDERS: For the safety of all of our children, please remember to ENTER FROM PARK STREET and EXIT FROM THE CHURCH parking lot onto Highway B. This will keep our children safe and the traffic flowing smoothly.

<u>ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER</u> is available online. Please click on the ABOUT tab on the school website (*stthomasapostleschool.net*), then scroll to Parents Resources and then the newsletter can be found at the bottom of the page.

<u>SCRIP</u>: November 10-11 - Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Lindsay Luebbering Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Sara Otto Visit www.stthomasapostleschoolnet/scrip for more information about the Scrip program. Scrip is available after every other weekend Mass in St. Thomas. You can contact Lindsay Luebbering at 573-680-4920 or Karen Luebbering at 573-301-5835 to purchase anytime. Please remember to purchase Scrip Cards for your holiday shopping gift giving needs! A large variety of cards in various denominations are in stock and available for purchase.

<u>ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PRE-SCHOOL</u>: If you have a preschool age child and have been thinking about preschool, please contact the school office at (573-477-3322) or Ms. Jaycine Bax at *jbaxstacs@gmail.com*.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: Jesus saves us all, but please continue to save Coke Points, Best Choice Labels and Box Tops for Education.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, November 5 – No School - Diocesan Professional Development Day Wednesday, November 14 – Picture Retakes, Blood Drive Presentation 2:30 p.m. Thursday, November 15 – Home & School Meeting 6:30 p.m. Friday, November 16- Mid-Quarter

<u>LISTENING SESSIONS WITH BISHOP MCKNIGHT</u> You are invited to join Bishop Shawn McKnight and our priests for a listening session on one of the afternoon/evenings listed below. Bishop McKnight hopes to hear your thoughts and concerns about the clergy sexual abuse crisis so that he may bring your viewpoint to the bishops' General Assembly in November. It will also be a time to express sorrow and request forgiveness. Each session will be in the parish church.

November 4, 4 p.m. - Cathedral of St. Joseph, Jefferson City

November 5, 6 p.m. - Our Lady of Lourdes, Columbia

November 6, 6:30 p.m. - St. Patrick, Rolla

<u>FALL QUICK PIK</u> hosted by the Faith, Hope and Family Buschjost Relay for Life Team, 11:00 am – 2:00 pm on Sunday, November 18th at St. Thomas Parish Hall. \$5 cover with a complimentary bag; lots of vendors. Please contact: Kim Kliegel at 573-619-9188

<u>WOMEN'S PROLIFE MINI CONFERENCE</u>: Saturday, November 10, 2018 at St Andrew Church, Holts Summit; registration 8:30 a.m. Program 9:00 a.m. to 3:30pm with various topics including Lunch is also included. Please RSVP. For further information, please contact Kathy Forck at 573 821 5130.

CLOSING RALLY AND DINNER OF THE 40 DAYS FOR LIFE PRAYER VIGIL: Saturday, November 10 at St Andrew Church, 400 St Andrew Dr, Holts Summit. Fried chicken dinner provided. Donations for meal gratefully accepted. Program includes highlights of the 18th 40 Days For Life Prayer vigil outside the Columbia Planned Parenthood. Please RSVP by calling Kathy Forck 573 821 5130 for dinner count. www.40daysforlife.com

<u>META OVER 50 CLUB</u> will meet on Thursday, November 8 at noon in the Parish Center. Please bring a dish and join us for lunch, fun & fellowship.

THE BLAIR OAKS R-II SCHOOL DISTRICT will be hosting its annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 15. The meal will be held at Blair Oaks High School from 11:00 a.m. -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 12 to assist in meal preparation. The cost of the meal is \$3.00

<u>"IN PREPARATION & EXPECTATION" - JOSHUA COBLE IN CONCERT:</u> An Advent recital for solo pipe organ will be performed by Dr. Joshua Coble at 4:00 p.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

<u>RORATE MASS</u>: There is an ancient custom during the season of Advent to celebrate Mass in the early morning before sunrise in anticipation the coming of the light of the World at Christmas. Mass will be offered by candlelight at St. Thomas the Apostle Church at **6:00 a.m.** on **Friday**, **December 21**. Hospitality will be offered in the Vitae House following the Rorate Mass.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

St. Cecilia

Mass will be celebrated on December 24, 5:00 p.m. & Midnight December 25, 10:00 a.m.

December 24, 7:00 p.m.

<u>CLASS OF 2020 BBQ</u> is Sunday, November 4 from 11:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. BBQ pork steaks & hot dogs served in the St. Elizabeth School cafeteria. Adults \$10.00, children 5-10 \$5.00. All proceeds will go towards prom.

<u>ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH BLOOD DRIVE</u> is Sunday, November 25, 8:00 a.m. to noon at the St. Thomas K of C Hall. Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit *redcrossblood.org* and enter: St.ThomasParish to schedule an appointment. Come to donate and receive a FREE American Red Cross Blanket (while supplies last).

MARCH FOR LIFE IN WASHINGTON D.C. – January 16-19: Seats are on a first come/first served; no refunds; and no exchange seats basis. In order to reserve your seat, they must receive all required forms and payment. The minimum price is \$150.00. The registration forms may be found on *oym* @diojeffcity.org under Youth Programs. Deadline for submission will be Friday, November 30th.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE BUDGET SUMMARY July 1, 2017 - September 30, 2018

<u>Income</u>	
General (Sunday collections, fundraisers, gifts from benefactors)	\$150,599.88
 Sunday collections \$69,630.37 	
Fundraisers (Picnic) \$66,326.36	
 Gifts from benefactors \$1,760.00 	
 Parish Sesquicentennial \$10,500.00 	
(History book sales and sponsorships, commemorative item sales)	
Special (donations for special projects, Building & Improvement Fund)	\$144,384.25*
 * Includes donations for playground & parking lot repairs \$115,000.00 	
Diocesan collections	\$ 0.00
Universal Church collections	\$ 2,059.50
Parish School	\$ 54,428.56
 Includes \$38,340.80 from benefactors 	
Pre-School	\$ 8,740.75
Total Income:	\$360,212.94
<u>Expenses</u>	
Church & Rectory General	\$ 30,466.04
Church & Rectory Special (loan payment, improvements projects)	\$ 37,304.16
 Loan payment \$27,683.22 	
 Parish Sesquicentennial \$840.00 	
Diocesan collections	\$ 0.00
Universal Church collections	\$ 2,013.50
Parish School	\$180,789.63
 Parish Playground Renovation \$43,801.06 	
Pre-School	\$ 6,157.92
Religious Education (PSR)	\$ 517.47
Vitae House	\$ 1,019.29
Parish Center	\$ 8,031.97
Total Expenses:	\$ 266,299.98
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 93.912.96



St. Thomas, MO 65076

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Sesquicentennial

SOLUTION BOOK ORDER FORM CS

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in St. Thomas, Missouri is pleased to announce the publication of a new history book celebrating the long history of Catholic faith, hard work and rural living of this community.

A hardbound book of more than 500 pages will be published by Walsworth Publishing Company in time for the Parish Sesquicentennial Celebration on June 29, 2019. This keepsake book is now able to be pre-ordered for the special price of \$45 before December 31, 2018. After that date, the price will be \$50 per book. We hope you will want to own your own copy of this carefully researched and lovingly written commemorative book which is filled with hundreds of photos, parish history, military service, and family stories of past and present parishioners.

Books will be available for pick up at the Parish Office beginning in July 2019. (Kindly call 573-477-3315 to check Parish Office hours.) History books will be also be available at the Parish Picnic on August 18, 2019, at the Sesquicentennial Homecoming Event on October 6, 2019, or they can be shipped to you for \$10 per book.

Copies at \$45.00 each: \$	(if ordered by December 31, 2018)		
Copies at \$50.00 each: \$	(if ordered after December 31, 2018)		
Shipping and handling: \$	(add \$10.00 per book if wanting a book mailed to you)		
Total amount enclosed: \$	_		
Contact/shipping information:			
Name:			
Address:			
City:	State:	Zip Code:	
Phone:	_		
Email Address:			
Please make checks payable to: St. Thomas the Apostle Church			
P.O. Roy 1/6			