

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

St. Cecilia
in Meta

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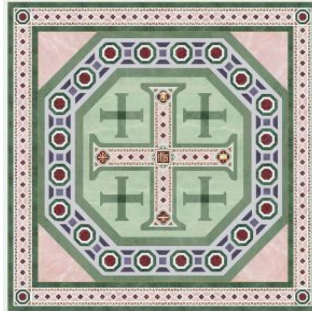
PO Box 146
St. Thomas, MO 65076

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 28, 2018

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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 October 28-November 4:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Sylvanus Hoecker
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – People of our Parishes
Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – Henrietta Kroll
Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – Joe & Teresa Kaiser
Thursday 7:45 a.m. (**All Saints**) – People of our Parishes
6:00 p.m. (All Saints) – Jerome & Dot Buschjost
Friday 10:30 a.m. – All Souls
(at St. Thomas Cemetery, weather permitting)
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Reuben Luebbering
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – William & Rufina Boessen

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2018-2019: \$305,000.00
Offertory Goal through Month End: \$101,668.00
Actual Collection for 2018-2019: **\$ 89,215.77**
Offertory Difference Year to Date: – \$ 12,452.23
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 \$

Collection Online: \$ 5,702.00

October total to date: **\$16,605.40**

Difference for October: – \$ 8,811.60

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): **\$ 9,511.00**
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

November 1, 6:00 p.m. – Mary Kay Brand / Annette Kehner
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Lisa Wieberg / Annette Kehner
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Choir / Annette Kehner

St. Thomas the Apostle Reader

November 1, 6:00 p.m. – Donna Luebbering
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Carolyn Loethen
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Molly Suthoff

St. Thomas the Apostle Altar Servers

Weekday – Austin Meyer & Jacob Luebbering
November 1, 6:00 p.m. – Mason Luebbering,
Owen Schellman, Henry Buschjost, Emma Luebbering
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Ethan & Noah Luebbering,
Cale Luebbert
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Ava & Isaac Rackers,
Jackson & Kenadi Braun

St. Cecilia

Mass Schedule for the Week of October 28-November 4:

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Rosalyn Wankum
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Vic & Rita Otto
No Confessions & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament before Mass this week
Wednesday **6:00 p.m. (Vigil Mass of All Saints)** – Hubert Brune

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Jason Hake
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – People of our Parishes

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 \$

October total to date: **\$ 3,451.00**

Difference for October: – \$ 1,715.67

St. Cecilia Collection Counters

November – Dale & Margie Helton

**PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR
LAST WILL & TESTAMENT.**

St. Cecilia Reader

Wednesday 6:00 p.m. – Cathy Borgmeyer
Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Doris Stumpe
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Don Wansing

St. Cecilia Altar Servers

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Ben & Henry Schroeder
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Madalyn Veltrop, Skyla & Jesse
Schroeder

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

St. Thomas Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

November 1, 6:00 p.m. – Mark & Barb Graessle, Lynne Reinkemeyer

November 3-4

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Rob Henson, Rosalyn Wieberg, Janet Lueckenhoff

November 10-11

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mike & Trish Green, Betty Schellman

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Richard & Jan Heckemeyer, Linda Lueckenhoff

St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers

November 1, 6:00 p.m. – Mattheuw Prenger & Keith Kliethermes

November 3-4

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Carolyn Loethen & TJ Loethen

November 10-11

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Fred Luebbering & Mark Boessen

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Mattheuw Prenger & Keith Kliethermes

St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass

November 1, 6:00 p.m. – Ralph & Kathy Graessle

November 3-4

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Travis & Kathy Rackers Family

November 10-11

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Steve & Katrina Schellman Family

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Tom & Carol Backes Family

St. Thomas Collection Counters

November 3-4 – Jennifer Schroeder & Stephanie Cortvrient

November 10-11 – Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman

November 17-18 – Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg

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

Thursday 5:40 p.m. – Barb Graessle - Luminous

Friday 7:25 a.m. – *No Rosary*

Saturday 4:40 p.m. – Dale Herigon – Sorrowful

Sunday 9:40 a.m. – Gilbert & Hermina Strobe – Sorrowful

SNACKS FOR QUILTERS:

Thursday, November 1 – Jan Carter & Dana Dudenhoeffer Thursday, November 8 – Maureen Eggen & Marilee Fischer

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 Strobe 573-477-3349 or Emily Luebbering 573-477-3459.

WELCOME to Justin & Brittany Buechter & their son Leo to St. Thomas the Apostle Parish.



CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP APPEAL: The Catholic Stewardship Appeal continues in St. Cecilia & St. Thomas Parishes. The Eucharist is the source of our Catholic Stewardship Appeal. Eucharist means “thanksgiving,” and the CSA is an opportunity for us to thank God for all He has given us, particularly the gift of His Son. Both remind us that followers of Jesus are to be bread broken for the life of the world. Through the CSA, we make known the Kingdom of God by helping each other to live our faith and share our Gospel belief. From honoring the dignity of each life, to teaching people of all ages about our faith, to sharing our resources with those who are alone or in need, our gifts to the CSA and the ministries these gifts support are our grateful offerings to God.

The CSA goal for St. Thomas the Apostle Parish is \$8,000. **\$1,666.00** received so far from 10 donors.

The CSA goal for St. Cecilia Parish is: \$2,500. **\$210.00** received so far from 4 donors

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS – *A Holy Day of Obligation:*

Masses will be offered for the Holy Day at **6:00 p.m.** on **Wednesday, October 31** at **St. Cecilia Parish;**

at **7:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.** on **Thursday, November 1** at **St. Thomas the Apostle Parish.**

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament will occur all day in church on Thursday, November 1st concluding with Benediction at 5:30 p.m., rather than on Friday, November 2nd.

COMMEMORATION OF ALL SOULS Mass will be offered at St. Thomas Cemetery at 10:30 a.m., weather permitting.

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

FALL BACK: Daylight savings ends next Saturday, November 3, so remember to set your clocks *back* one hour so you’re not late for Mass.

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

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE 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.

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. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

October 31, 6:00 p.m. – Doris Stumpe, Jennifer Even, Betty Hagenhoff

November 3-4

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Dorothy Rehagen, Bonnie Kampeter Lou Kloepfel

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

November 10-11

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

October 31, 6:00 p.m. – Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff, Mitch & Brendan Stumpe

November 3-4

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Lou Kloepfel, Mitch & Brendan Stumpe, Darin Even

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Larry Lueckenotto, Harold Libbert, Anton Libbert, Terry Libbert

November 10-11

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Randy Hagenhoff, Lou Kloepfel, Mitch & Brendan Stumpe

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Tony Derkum, Kenny Otto, Dominic Plassmeyer, Larry Lueckenotto

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

Wednesday 5:40 p.m. – Florentine Hagenhoff – Glorious

Saturday 6:40 p.m. – Dorothy Rehagen – Sorrowful

Sunday 7:40 a.m. – Janice Schanzmeyer – Sorrowful

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 & PSR DROP OFF & PICK UP REMINDERS: For the safety 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.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER is now 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.

SCRIP: **November 3&4** - Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Dee Luebbering Sunday 10:00 a.m. – April Heckman
Visit www.stthomasapostleschool.net/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.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PRESCHOOL: If you have a preschool age child and have been thinking about preschool, please contact the school office at (573-477-3322) or Miss Jaycine Bax at jbaxstacs@gmail.com.

COPY PAPER: St. Thomas the Apostle School is in need of copy paper, clean on one side and staple free. Please drop off paper at school or call the school office, 573-477-3322.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, October 28 – Trunk or Treat 4:00-6:00 p.m. St. Thomas Church parking lot

Tuesday, October 30 – Bookmobile 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, October 31 – Halloween Parties

Thursday, November 1 – Early Release 12:50 p.m. car riders, 1:00 p.m. bus

Friday, November 2 – 10:30 a.m. Mass at cemetery (weather permitting)

Saturday, November 3 – Diocesan Regional Speech Meet

Monday, November 5 – No School, Diocesan Professional Development Day

FALL QUICK PIK 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, 573-619-9188.

META QUILTING: Quilt tops have been purchased with the Parish and Civic League funds for the 2019 Quilt Auction. These tops will be displayed on the Church balcony October 27&28. If anyone or a group would be interested in covering the cost of any of the tops can reimburse the Parish or League and will be recognized for donating the quilt. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Karyn Veltrop 573-229-4395 or Katie Lueckenotto 573-229-4318.

DIocese OF JEFFERSON CITY 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.

7th ANNUAL ST. THOMAS TRUNK OR TREAT is Sunday, October 28, 4-6 p.m. on the St. Thomas Church parking lot. Bring your family AND your car, truck, SUV, ATV or simply a table to decorate as much or as little as you like with candy to distribute to the little ones (plan for up to 200 children). There will be refreshments, a hayride and prizes for the best decorated station. We ask that all participating vehicles be in place no later than 3:45 p.m.

ARGYLE VFW POST 8045 ANNUAL CHICKEN DINNER is Sunday, October 28, serving dinners from 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Post Home in Argyle. Adults \$10.00, children 6-12 \$5.00. Splatter cards, raffle & bingo. Carry out available.

ST. ELIZABETH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FALL SUPPER is Sunday, October 28, serving fried chicken and sausage dinners from 11:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Community Center. Raffle sponsored by the CYO including cash and other prizes.

PREGNANCY HELP CENTER OF CENTRAL MISSOURI 8TH ANNUAL BANQUET: An exciting evening of fine food, music, and speaker Gordon Douglas on Thursday, November 1, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Capitol Plaza hotel, Jefferson City, Admission is free, but reservations are required. Reservations may be made at www.friendsofphc.org or by calling the Pregnancy Help Center at 573-644-6635 by October 25.

MID-AMERICA BANK'S VETERANS DAY LUNCHEON: Please join us for Mid America Bank's Veterans Day Luncheon at the Wardsville Lions Club on November 2 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We are hosting this free lunch to honor the men and women of our Nation's Armed Forces, past and present. Please RSVP by October 19 to Mid- America Bank at 573-635-0019.

WOMEN'S PROLIFE MINI CONFERENCE: 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 CAMPAIGN: Saturday, November 10 at St Andrew Church, 400 St Andrew Dr, Holts Summit. Knights of Columbus Council 8400 will prepare a fried chicken dinner. 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

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH 24th ANNUAL FALL FANTASY is Saturday, November 3 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are on still available now. Your ticket includes: Smoked Pork and Fried Chicken dinner and dance for *two* with music by Shiloh, complimentary beer, wine, gin rickeys and soda, as well as a chance to win \$10,000. Over \$15,000 in cash prizes given away! For additional information please contact, Joanie Prenger at 573-477-0187, Lynn Taggart at 573-477-0133, Darlene Russell at 573-821-6340 or Donna Boessen at 573-291-2454. Ticket sales will end on Friday, November 2. The work-list may be found on our web page.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH BLOOD DRIVE 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).

ST. CECILIA PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES

The St. Cecilia Parish Pastoral Council held a meeting on September 19, 2018 in the Parish Center. Those in attendance were: Fr. Secrist, Mitch Stumpe, Don Wansing, Emilie Borgmeyer, Mary Plassmeyer, Betty Hagenhoff, and Dorothy Rehagen. The meeting opened with a prayer led by Fr. Secrist. Minutes from the July 25, 2018 meeting were not read; members were sent a copy by e-mail.

Prayer Line for St. Cecilia Parish: Betty will follow up with the current chairperson of the "land-line" Prayer Line and see about getting it reactivated and put in the bulletin. Cathy Borgmeyer will continue to be the e-mail communications contact person for funeral, food/prayers.

Parish Center Bathrooms: Father presented proposals with drawings for two unisex bathroom restorations from two different contractors. Verslues Construction Co.,Inc. and Sircal Construction Company. The Parish Pastoral Council reviewed both contractors and was in agreement to proceed with the project.

Pavement of Parking Lot: Striping is scheduled to be completed by the weekend of September 22/23.

Trees: Discussion as to what kind of trees will be planted around the church/school after the others are gone. Mary will contact some nurseries and get some opinions for the next meeting.

Tuck Pointing of School: Father will do some more checking on this for a later project.

Parish Get-together: Tabled due to possible bathroom renovations.

Nativity Scene: This is a Citizens Civic League project but discussion about the parish getting involved in the future is a possibility.

Wireless microphone: Several people have mentioned that they have problems hearing Father at the ambo during his homilies. Currently Father is turning his wireless microphone off during the homily. He will be leaving it on and see if it betters the situation.

Cemetery Map Sign: A new cemetery map has been placed in a new cemetery sign and is near completion.

Thanksgiving Day Mass: Father will be celebrating Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 9:00 a.m. at St. Cecilia Parish in honor of the feast of St. Cecilia (November 22).

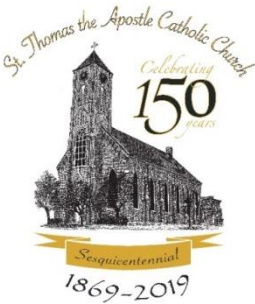
The next meeting is scheduled for November 28, 2018 at the Parish Center at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. with a prayer.

Submitted by Dorothy Rehagen

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Sesquicentennial

HISTORY BOOK ORDER FORM



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:

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