

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

St. Cecilia
in Meta

www.stthomasapostle.net
www.stthomasapostleschool.net

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PO Box 146
St. Thomas, MO 65076

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 9, 2018



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jbeckeroffice@gmail.com

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St. Thomas the Apostle Secretary:
Mrs. Diane Lueckenhoff
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Mrs. Doris Stumpe
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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 September 9-16:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Urban Strobe & Jackie Gible
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Norbert Boessen
Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – Martina Goeller
Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – L&D Herman Heckman Family
Thursday 7:45 a.m. – L&D Harry & Norma Lueckenhoff Fam.
Friday 7:45 a.m. – Harold & Laura Mae Groner
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Reuben Luebbing

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2018-2019: \$305,000.00
Offertory Goal through Month End: \$ 76,251.00
Actual Collection for 2018-2019: **\$ 55,376.36**
Offertory Difference Year to Date: – \$ 20,874.64
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 25,417.00

Collection in Church:

September 2 \$ 3,492.00
September 8 \$
September 16 \$
September 23 \$
September 30 \$

Collection Online: \$ 4,742.00

September total to date: **\$ 8,234.00**

Difference for September: – \$ 17,183.00

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): **\$ 5,353.00**
Loan payments to date for FY 2018-2019: **\$18,455.48**
(Principal) \$16,288.97 (Interest) \$2,166.51
Parish Building Expansion Debt remaining: **\$292,876.26**

St. Thomas the Apostle Cantor / Organist

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kelsey Kliethermes / Annette Kehner
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Kerry Meyer / Annette Kehner

St. Thomas the Apostle Reader

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kathy Graessle
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Judy Schroeder

St. Thomas the Apostle Altar Servers

Weekday – Kenzie Libbert & Austin Meyer
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Ethan & Noah Luebbing,
Cale Luebbert
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Morgan & Jacob Luebbing,
Kadence & Dylan Kliegel

St. Cecilia

Mass Schedule for the Week of September 9-16:

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Lawrence "Dick" Rehagen
Sunday 8:00 a.m. - People of our Parishes
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions before 6:30 p.m. Mass
Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Hubert Brune

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Rosalyn Wankum
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Roman & Geneva Plassmeyer

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2018-2019: \$62,000.00
Collection Total for 2018-2019: **\$12,304.00**
Offertory Goal per month: \$ 5,166.67

Collection in Church:

September 2 \$ 1,238.00
September 8 \$
September 16 \$
September 23 \$
September 30 \$

September total to date: **\$ 1,238.00**

Difference for September: – \$ 3,928.67

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

St. Cecilia Collection Counters

September – Pam Libbert & Marie Lueckenotto

St. Cecilia Reader

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Dorothy Rehagen
Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Doris Stumpe
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Cathy Borgmeyer

St. Cecilia Altar Servers

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – *servers needed*
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Shelby Wankum,
Ava & Saige Werdehausen

**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
September 15-16

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mike & Trish Green, Betty Schellman
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Glenn Prenger, Gilbert & Hermina Strope

September 22-23

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Carolyn Loethen, Mark & Barb Graessle
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Richard & Jan Heckemeyer, Millie Wieberg

St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers
September 15-16

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Joe Buschjost & Carolyn Loethen
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Tom Backes & Alan Cortvrient

September 22-23

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mark Boessen & Dave Luebbering
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Art Groner & Arthur McManus

St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass
September 15-16

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mark & Lauri Luebbering
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Rosalyn Wieberg, Cole & Cooper Peters

September 22-23

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Ralph & Kathy Graessle
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Bill & Betty Jo Luebbering

St. Thomas Collection Counters

September 15-16 – Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman
September 22-23 – Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg
September 29-30- Keith & Jean Kliethermes

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday 7:25 a.m. – Shirley Volmert – Sorrowful
Wednesday 7:25 a.m. – Pat Loethen – Glorious
Thursday 7:25 a.m. – Viola Boessen – Luminous
Friday 7:25 a.m. – Bob Schellman – Sorrowful
Saturday 4:40 p.m. – Dale Herigon – Luminous
Sunday 9:40 a.m. – Gilbert & Hermina Strope – Luminous

SNACKS FOR QUILTERS:

Thursday, September 13 – Mary Jane Budnik & Amy Buechter Thursday, September 20 – Kaylie Buechter & Susan Buechter
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 or Emily Luebbering.

BISHOP MCKNIGHT'S PRAYER INTENTION for September is: For all those serving as first responders; may God protect them as they face danger with courage and provide healing assistance to those in need."

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.

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION is Tuesday, September 11, 7:00 p.m. St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

ST. CECILIA PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING is Wednesday, September 19 at 7:15 p.m. in the Parish Center basement.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL ADVISORY MEETING is Tuesday, September 25 at 6:00 p.m. in the Vitae House.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING is Tuesday, September 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the Vitae House.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH SCHOOL EMAIL CHANGES

Please update your email contacts for the following staff members:

Mr. Leroy Heckmeyer: lheckemeyerstacs@gmail.com
Mrs. Diane Lueckenhoff: dlueckenhoffoffice@gmail.com & dlueckenhoff@embarqmail.com
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Ms. Jaycine Bax: jbaxstacs@gmail.com
Mrs. Juliana Loaiza: jloaizastacs@gmail.com

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL 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. This will keep our children safe and the traffic flowing smoothly.

GRANDPARENTS' DAY will be celebrated on Friday, September 14. Grandparents & great grandparents are invited to meet us in the main hallway of St. Thomas the Apostle School at 7:30 a.m., and then walk together to Mass at 7:45 a.m., enjoy refreshments in the gym after Mass and then visit classrooms briefly. We should wrap thing up around 9:15 a.m. Families are welcome to send an aunt, uncle or "family representative" if grandparents are not able to attend.

St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
September 15-16

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Jennifer Even, Betty Hagenhoff, Dorothy Rehagen

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

September 22-23

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Bonnie Kampeter, Lou Kloepfel, Brenda Wansing
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer, Pam Libbert

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers
September 15-16

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Brendan Stumpe, Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff, Lou Kloepfel
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Tony Derkum, Leon Schanzmeyer, Kenny Otto, Dominic Plassmeyer

September 22-23

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

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

Wednesday 6:10 p.m. – Florentine Hagenhoff – Glorious
Saturday 6:40 p.m. – Dorothy Rehagne – Luminous
Sunday 7:40 a.m. – Mary Plassmeyer – 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.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, September 13 – Early Release K-8, car riders 12:50 p.m. Bus riders 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 13 – Host Volleyball games

Friday, September 14 – Mid-Quarter, Grandparents Day, Mum pickup 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. lower parking lot.

Tuesday, September 18 – Virtus training, 6:30 p.m. St. Thomas School

Thursday, September 20 – Host Volleyball games

Monday, September 24 – Flu Clinic, 8:30 a.m.

SCRIP: September 15-16 - Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Lindsay Luebbering Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Amy Luebbering

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.

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.

VIRTUS CLASS will be on **Tuesday, September 18, 6:30 p.m.** at St. Thomas the Apostle School. If you are a parent or relative and have any contact with students, whether at class parties, field trips, coaching, volunteering, or driving, you **must** have completed this class. Participants are encouraged to register in advance so that they can complete the Code of Conduct & background checks. This is all found online at the diocesan website www.diojeffcity.org. Please arrive early so that the class may begin on time. Due to the nature of the subject, children are discouraged from attending. This program is one component of the overall effort to protect God's children and vulnerable adults. All employees and volunteers with ongoing and unsupervised contact with children and youth are required to attend a Protecting God's Children session. All parents, grandparents and other adults in the parish community are encouraged to attend. To view valuable resources regarding the protection of children and vulnerable adults, please go to www.virtus.org.

SECURITY AT ST. THOMAS SCHOOL: stones have been added in the front of school between the highway and the sidewalk. This is part of our safety additions that were recently recommended by local law enforcement during a security survey. The stones act as a territorial reinforcement which indicates ownership of the property and delineates the distinction of the property from public to private.

Later in September, surveillance cameras will be installed around the school building and parking lot.

CATHOLIC MISSOURIAN SUBSCRIPTIONS: Just a gentle reminder that when making out the check for your household's annual subscription to the diocesan newspaper; please make it out for **\$14 to the parish, not directly to the Catholic Missourian**. This will help the check to be processed and cleared more easily. Thanks!

META OVER 50 CLUB will meet on Thursday, September 13 at noon in the Parish Center. Please bring a dish and join us for lunch, fun & fellowship.

THE NEXT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING is Tuesday, September 11 at 7:30 p.m. A rosary will be prayed at 7:15 p.m. Please read the September newsletter attached to the bulletin.

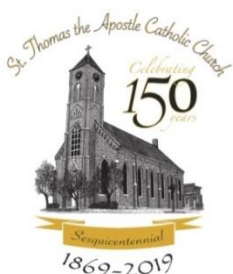
ST. THOMAS BABY QUILTS: If anyone is interested in quilting baby quilts for our 2019 Parish Picnic, please call Diane Lueckenhoff, 573-645-5794 or Charlene Buschjost, 573-477-3480.

ST. THOMAS 4-H: It's the start of a new 4-H year! The first meeting is Sunday September 16th at 11:15 at the KC Hall. Ages 5-18 (as of Jan. 1, 2019) are eligible to enroll. The club is also in need of project leaders. For example (but not limited to): foods, arts & crafts, woodworking, hiking, sewing, gardening, cake decorating, etc. Contact Sara Otto with any questions 573-694-4345.

SEPTEMBER IS SUICIDE AWARENESS MONTH: Osage County Health Department is presenting free to the general public, a film on the ripple effects of suicide on Tuesday, September 11 at 7:00 pm at the Citizen's Civic League hall in Meta. The film features some of the world's leading suicide prevention experts and shines light on people who are using personal experiences with suicide to help others find the hope they need to stay alive.

OSAGE COUNTY LIBRARY 14TH ANNUAL USED BOOK SALE: The Osage County Library is hosting their 15th Annual Used Book Sales on Saturday, September 22, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, September 23 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Osage County Community Center in Linn.

MAKIN' DOUGH FOR EASTON: On **Sunday, September 9** we will have **BAKE SALE**, cupcakes, sugar free cupcakes and gluten free cupcakes at the following locations: St. Anthony Church – 8:30 am; St. Cecilia Church, Meta – 8:30 am; St. Lawrence Church, St. Elizabeth – 10:30 am and Iberia Town & Country Supermarket- 10:30 am to 1 pm. Easton has been diagnosed with SCID and has been in the St. Louis Children's Hospital for several months. He got his bone marrow transplant a few weeks ago and is a fighter. We are Makin' Dough for his family's personal and travel expenses. All proceeds will go to the Easton Rustemeyer Family. Friends and family will also be holding a benefit raffle, silent auction, and meal on **October 6, 2018** at St. Thomas the Apostle but in order to make this a success, we are asking for donations. If you would like to help "Team Easton" by giving a donation of any kind, please contact Erica Goeller at 573-694-6366 or Lisa Herx at 573-280-8766.



SAVE THE DATES: Sunday, May 5, 2019: 30th anniversary of the re-establishment of St. Thomas School as a Catholic school.

Saturday, June 29, 2019: Celebration for St. Thomas the Apostle parishioners. 4:00 p.m. Mass with the Bishop, RSVP dinner & music for parishioners. Unveiling of new Sesquicentennial History Book.

Sunday, October 6, 2019: St. Thomas Homecoming for everyone to enjoy. Parade, food vendors, entertainment & other activities all day.

MISSOURI CATHOLIC CONFERENCE is **Saturday, October 6** at **Helias High School**. List of events: 9:00-10:00 a.m. – Registration; 10:00-11:00 a.m. – Opening session, Keynote speaker is Bishop Joseph Perry of the Archdiocese of Chicago; 11:15 -12:15 a.m. –To register: register on line at MOcatholic.org or call 1-800-456-1679. The first 400 registrants will receive a free devotional, titled Faith & Family, along with their registration packet at the Annual Assembly.

ST. ANTHONY PARISH FALL FESTIVAL, FOLK is Sunday, September 9, serving roast beef and sausage dinners from 11:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Adults \$12.00, children 6-12 \$5.00. Quilt & dessert auction 5:00 p.m. Shooting Match – noon.

RECYCLING COLLECTION DRIVE is Saturday, September 15, 9:00 a.m. to noon at St. Stanislaus School (parking lot across from school). Accepting hardbound books/paperback books, phone books, computer-related equipment, printers, cell phones, VCRs. Clothing & shoes in partnership with usagain.com (please bag clothing and shoes. NO TELEVISIONS ACCEPTED. Sponsored by New World Recycling & St. Stanislaus Parish.

META CITIZEN'S CIVIC LEAGUE FALL FESTIVAL is Sunday, September 16, serving fried chicken & sausage dinners from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Adults \$11.00, children 6-12 \$6.00. Helen Russell & Company playing on grounds from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. with free admission.

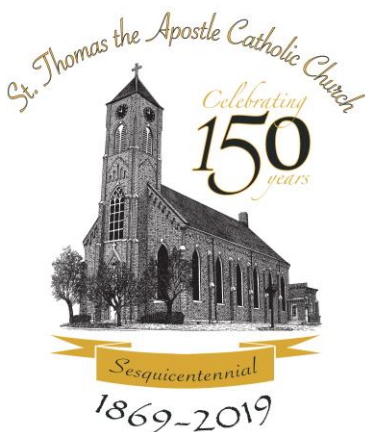
ST. LOUIS OF FRANCE PARISH FALL FESTIVAL, BONNOTS MILL is Sunday, September 16, serving German pot roast and bone-in ham from 11:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Adults \$12.00, children 6-12 \$8, 5 & under free. Pie & Dessert auction 4:00 p.m.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS AUXILIARY RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE is Sunday, September 16, from 8:00 a.m. to noon in the school cafeteria. Enter at the lower parking area. Your donation is appreciated

OUR LADY OF HELP PARISH FALL FESTIVAL, FRANKENSTEIN is Sunday, September 23, serving baked turkey & sausage dinners from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Adults \$12.00, children 5-12 \$4.00. Dessert auction 3:30 p.m.

VISITATION PARISH FALL FESTIVAL, VIENNA is Sunday, September 30, serving sausage & fried chicken dinners from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Adults \$11.00, children \$5.00. Kiddie Tractor Pull 3:00 p.m.

SESQUICENTENNIAL BOOK SPONSORSHIP: please distribute to relatives, friends and employers. Kindly note that sponsorship deadline is at the end of September.



St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Sesquicentennial History Book



SPONSORSHIP FORM



You are invited to be part of the noteworthy history book being composed to mark the 150th Anniversary of the founding of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in St. Thomas, MO by having your name, the name of your family or your business included as a book sponsor. History books will be published by summer 2019.

Deadline for sponsorship: September 30, 2018

- Full Page\$400
- Half Page.....\$250
- Quarter Page.....\$125
- Business card or individual name..... \$75

Company or individual name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Contact email: _____

Contact phone: _____

Make checks payable to: St. Thomas the Apostle Parish

P.O. Box 146

St. Thomas, MO 65076

Attention: History Book Sponsorship

* Please include business logo or business card with this completed form or email a .jpeg file of at least 600 dpi to jheckemeyeroffice@gmail.com. All sponsorships will be printed in black and white. For further information, please call: 573.477.3315.