

# The Roman Catholic Parishes of

## St. Thomas the Apostle

in St. Thomas

## St. Cecilia

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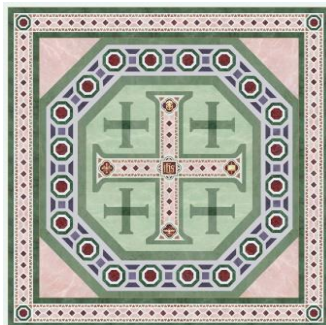
### 28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 9, 2016

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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.

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 9-16:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Al Fick  
Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – Henrietta Kroll  
Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – Sylvanus Hoecker  
Thursday 7:45 a.m. – Harriet Lackman  
Friday 7:45 a.m. – *No Mass Fr. at Conception Board of Regents*  
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mass of Thanksgiving NV & MV  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Chris & Emily Luebbering 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

##### Your Sunday Offering:

Offeritory Budget for 2016-2017:	\$305,000.00
Offeritory Goal through Month End:	\$101,668.00
Actual Collection for 2015-2017:	<b>\$ 77,986.10</b>
Offeritory Difference Year to Date:	- \$ 23,681.90
Offeritory Goal per month:	\$ 25,417.00

##### Collection in Church:

October 2	\$ 3,494.20
October 9	\$
October 16	\$
October 23	\$
October 30	\$

**Collection Online:** \$ 4,944.00

**October total to date:** **\$ 8,438.20**  
Difference for October: - \$16,978.80

##### St. Thomas the Apostle Expansion & Building Fund

Total Expansion Project expenses paid:	\$2,273,475.34
Income from parishioners for FY 2015-2016 (via the yellow "Building Fund" envelope):	<b>\$ 7,077.00</b>
Loan payments to date for FY 2015-2016: (Principal) \$30,201.76 (Interest) \$6,709.20	<b>\$36,910.96</b>
Parish Building Expansion Debt remaining:	<b><u>\$465,894.21</u></b>

##### St. Thomas Cantor / Organist

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Amanda Wooten / Annette Kehner  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Doug Luebbering / Jackie Prenger

##### St. Thomas Reader/ Petitions

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kathy Graessle  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Elle Wilbers

##### St. Thomas Altar Servers

Weekday: Abigail Verslues & Grace Boessen  
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Ely & Dawson Wieberg,  
Lilly Schulte  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Isaac Prenger, Klint Luebbering,  
Emma Luebbering

#### Saint Cecilia

##### Mass Schedule for the Week of October 9-16:

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Dewayne & Ermalinda Stumpe  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Vince & Brad Reinkemeyer  
  
Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – August & Elizabeth Brune  
  
Saturday 7:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Leo & Sara Meyer

##### Your Sunday Offering:

Offeritory Budget for 2016-2017:	\$60,500.00
Collection Total for 2016-2017:	<b>\$17,472.39</b>
Offeritory Goal per month:	\$ 5,041.00

##### Collection in Church:

October 2	\$ 1,330.00
October 9	\$
October 16	\$
October 30	\$
<b>October total to date:</b>	<b>\$ 1,330.00</b>
Difference for October:	- \$ 3,711.00

*Please remember your parish in your last will & testament.*

##### St. Cecilia Collection Counters

October – Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer  
November – Dale & Margie Helton

##### St. Cecilia Reader / Petitions

Wednesday – Dorothy Rehagen  
Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Dorothy Rehagen  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Janice Schanzmeyer

##### St. Cecilia Altar Servers

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Alex & Joshua Even,  
Carson Libbert & Gavin Holterman  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Adam & Madalyn Veltrop,  
Skyla Schroeder

**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**

**October 15-16**

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Glenn Prenger, Dana Wilbers, Anne Koenigsfeld

**October 22-23**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Betty Schellman, Leeroy Budnik, Carolyn Loethen

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Jan Carter, Mattheuw Prenger, Keith Kliethermes

**Greeters/Ushers**

**October 15-16**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Gregg Boessen & Mike Groner

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Myron Luebbering & Jacob Prenger

**October 22-23**

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

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Alan Cortvrient & Ryan Buschjost

**St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass**

**October 15-16**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Robyn & Rebecca Schroeder

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Chris & Emily Luebbering Family

**October 22-23**

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

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

**St. Thomas Collection Counters**

October 15-16 – Jennifer Schroeder & Stephanie Cortvrient

October 22-23 – Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman

October 29-30 – Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg

**Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas**

Tuesday 7:25 a.m. – Alex & Joann Heckman – Sorrowful

Wednesday 7:25 a.m. – Pat Loethen - Glorious

Thursday 7:25 a.m. – Viola Boessen - Luminous

Friday 7:25 a.m. – *No Mass – Fr. gone*

Saturday 4:40 p.m. – Marilyn Herigon– Luminous

Sunday 9:40 a.m. – Pat Loethen – Luminous

**SCRIP: October 15-16**

Visit [www.stthomasapostleschoolnet/scrip](http://www.stthomasapostleschoolnet/scrip) for more information about the Scrip program.

Saturday – Kerry Meyer      Sunday – Amy Luebbering

You may contact Lindsay Luebbering at 573-680-4920 or Karen Luebbering at 573-301-5834 for additional sales.

**LADIES TO BRING SNACK TO ST. THOMAS QUILTERS:**

Thursday, October 13 – Jean Kliethermes & Carla Kroll      Thursday, October 20 – Sharlet Kroll & Cassey Kuester

Please bring 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.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to **Jessica Boessen & Logan Peters**, who were united in Holy Matrimony this weekend in St. Thomas the Apostle Parish.

**ST. CECILIA PARISH WEBSITE:** The new parish website for St. Cecilia is: [st.ceciliameta.net](http://st.ceciliameta.net). Please add this site to your “favorites”.

**DVD'S OF PFEFFER REDEDICATION** will be available for purchase shortly. More details later.

**OCTOBER WEEKEND MASS COUNT:** This Fall our Diocese will again involve itself in a common practice across the United States known as the ‘October Count.’ Each individual who attends the weekend Mass across our Diocese during the month will be counted in order to allow for better pastoral planning. Throughout the month of October, we ask the Ushers assigned for Mass to count all the faithful (including musicians & altar servers) at each weekend Mass.

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING AT ST. THOMAS:** 11:30 a.m. Sunday, October 9 in church.

**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. Also, ushers are encouraged to wait until the Altar servers and Father have processed down the aisle at the end of Mass before propping open the doors at the entrance of Church.

**ST. THOMAS PRAYER LINE REQUESTS** should be emailed to Jenny Becker at [jbeckeroffice@gmail.com](mailto: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.

**2016-2017 CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP APPEAL (CSA):** The Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA) begins in our parishes this weekend. This year’s CSA theme of “walking together” is a call to each of us to join with our brothers and sisters in support of the local Church—the Diocese of Jefferson City—which is comprised of 95 parishes and 15 missions. You should be receiving a letter from Bishop Gaydos very soon asking for your generous support of the Catholic Stewardship Appeal, if you haven’t already. Please consider renewing a previous gift or making a new pledge this year—in any amount that’s comfortable to you—and return the card in the envelope provided.

The first video for this year’s Catholic Stewardship appeal is available at: [www.diojeffcity.org](http://www.diojeffcity.org). Please click on the YouTube logo button in the top right hand corner of the web page.

The CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP GOALS for 2016: **St. Cecilia Parish: \$2,000.00; St. Thomas Parish: \$8,000.00.** Please be generous.

**St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

**October 15-16**

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

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

**October 22-23**

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

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

**St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers**

**October 15-16**

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff,

Tom Gragert, Lou Kloepfel

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Dominic Plassmeyer, LarryLueckenotto, Harold Libbert, Anton Libbert

**October 22-23**

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. – Florentine Hagenhoff – Glorious

Saturday 6:40 p.m. – Cathy Borgmeyer –Luminous Mysteries

Sunday 7:40 a.m.-Janice Schanzmeyer–Luminous Mysteries

**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.

**EXTREMELY LOW GLUTEN HOSTS** (less 0.01% gluten) are available to those parishioners who are highly sensitive to wheat. Please talk or email Fr. Secrist to determine particulars of distribution and reception of the low-gluten hosts.

**ST. THOMAS FALL FESTIVAL:** There was an envelope in your September packet. Each family or single wage earner is asked to contribute \$50.00. This collection was instituted years ago to replace the Fall Festival which St. Thomas Parish use to have. It is part of our overall parish budget, helping with ongoing expenses.

**ST. CECILIA SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Sunday School classes for St. Cecilia began on Sunday, October 2, immediately following 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 2017). Please contact Jennifer Even at 680-6945, 229-8976 or [evenfamily6@att.net](mailto:evenfamily6@att.net) to sign up or with any questions.

**ST. THOMAS SUNDAY SCHOOL:** St. Thomas the Apostle Sunday School is for children preschool age (2 years prior to Kindergarten) meet on Sunday's from 9:00-9:45 a.m. in the St. Thomas School Kindergarten room. Please contact Daffiny Tallent at 573-694-4408 or email [dtallent@embarqmail.com](mailto:dtallent@embarqmail.com) if interested or for more information.

**PRAYER HOUR WITH MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION** will be held on Tuesday, October 11 at 7:00 p.m. in St. Thomas Church.

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

**ST. THOMAS SCHOOL/PSR DROP OFF & PICK UP REMINDER:** For the safety of everyone, please remember to ENTER from Park Street and EXIT from the Church parking lot ONLY. This will keep our children safe and the traffic flowing smoothly.

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PRESCHOOL:** There's an exciting addition to the Preschool program for the 2016-2017 school year! A new reading readiness curriculum made by the same company that gives us "Super Kids" is being added! If you have a preschool aged child, please email Mrs. Kirkweg for information on how to get your child enrolled. [mkirkweg@embarqmail.com](mailto:mkirkweg@embarqmail.com)

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO SAVE:** Box Tops for Education, Coke Points & Best Choice Labels.

**COPY PAPER:** St. Thomas 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.

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS:**

October 12 – Picture Day  
13 – Trail Mix Sale (proceeds to benefit family adopted at Christmas)  
14 – End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, Pizza order forms due  
18 – Cole County Flu Immunizations 9:00 a.m.  
19 – Report Cards go home. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Team Training. Bookmobile  
20 – Early Release K-8, Parent/Teacher Conferences - 1:20 car riders, 1:30 p.m. bus riders  
21 – No School, K-8  
27 – K-4 Field Trip to Pumpkin Patch (Dixon)  
30 – Trunk or Treat 4:00-6:00 p.m. Church parking lot  
31 – Halloween Parties

**PRAY AT COLUMBIA PLANNED PARENTHOOD:** You are invited to pray on the sidewalk at Columbia Planned Parenthood as 40 Days For Life continues their prayer vigils. Monday from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00p.m., Tuesday from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to noon, and Friday from 10:00 a.m. to noon.

**ST. THOMAS SESQUICENTENNIAL TEAM:** Anyone interested in helping interview, research, write or take photographs for the St. Thomas Heritage Book, please call Bill Boessen at (573) 477-3384.

**UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR:**

**ST. THOMAS FALL FANTASY:** Saturday, November 5, 2016

**SEEKING CHRIST FOR OUR NATION MASS** is Thursday, October 13 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Alexander Parish in Belle.

**PERPETUAL ADORATION AT WARDSVILLE:** The following Perpetual Adoration chapel hours are open: Thursday 1:00-2:00 a.m. Friday 2:00 noon-3:00 p.m. Sunday 4:00-5:00 p.m. (4<sup>th</sup> only) Saturday 11:00-12:00 noon, (1,2,4 and 5<sup>th</sup>) Saturday 1:00-2:00 p.m. Please call if you would like to sign up for an hour or help sub occasionally. Contact Donna at 680-1470 or 635-2095.

**THE NEXT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING** is Tuesday, October 11 at 7:30 p.m. A rosary will be prayed at 7:15 p.m. Please read the October newsletter attached to the bulletin. Please patronize the advertisers on the back of the newsletter.

**ST. STANISLAUS FALL FESTIVAL, WARDSVILLE** is this Sunday, October 9, serving fried chicken & sausage dinners from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Adults \$11.00, children 6-12 \$6.00

**GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH FALL DINNER, BRINKTOWN** is this Sunday, October 9, serving sausage & fried chicken dinners from 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Adults \$11.00, children 6-12 \$5.00. Quilt auction 2:30 p.m.

**FRANKENSTEIN 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL 5K RUN/WALK:** St. Mary's Home & School will be hosting a 5K run/walk on Sunday, October 9, in Frankenstein, MO. Kids fun run will be held after the race. Early registration is \$20. Register by September 26 to guarantee a shirt. Race Day registration is \$25. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. Run/Walk begins at 10:00 a.m. Visit [www.ourladyofhelp.wordpress.com](http://www.ourladyofhelp.wordpress.com) for a registration form.

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

**ST. THOMAS 4-H MEETING:** Sunday, October 16 at 11:15 a.m. in the St. Thomas School cafeteria.

**ST. JOSEPH PARISH FALL FESTIVAL, WESTPHALIA:** Sunday, October 16, serving pot roast & pork sausage dinners 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Adults: \$11.00, Children 6-12: \$5.00, 5 & under: free.

**SHOOTING MATCH, OSAGE BEND** is next Sunday, October 16, starting at 10:30 a.m. at St. Margaret's Parish Hall. 12x20 gauge shotguns, 2 rounds will be shot for shotguns. No scopes are allowed.

**ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA FALL FESTIVAL, ST. ANTHONY:** Sunday, October 16, serving sausage & roast beef dinners from 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Adults \$10, children 6-12 \$5.00.

**IMMANUAEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL TURKEY & SAUSAGE SUPPER:** Sunday, October 16, serving turkey & sausage dinners from 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Adults \$11.00, children 6-12 \$6.00. All carry outs \$11.00.

**THE SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS OF THE MARTYR ST. GEORGE** are hosting their "Veni Si Amas" Retreat on October 14-16 at their provincial house in Alton. They are inviting women ages 17-30 to join them for the weekend beginning Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. and ending on Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. The suggested donation is \$15 and registration is available on their website at this link: <http://www.altonfranciscans.org/vocations/events>.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH QUILT SHOW & SOUP, SALAD & PIE LUNCHEON, JEFFERSON CITY** is Friday, October 21, 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5.00 (under 5 – free), carry-outs available in the Kertz Hall. Sponsored by the Immaculata Club.

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH FALL FANTASY TICKETS AVAILABLE:** The Fall Fantasy is November 5. The theme for this year is "70s". Live music provided by "Shiloh". Tickets are \$110.00 per couple, meal consists of prime rib or chicken cordon bleu. Doors open at 6:00 pm. & dinner served at 6:30 p.m. **The early bird winners are Harold & Jeanie Libbert.** Tickets are also available at B&K Quick Shoppe, or you may contact a committee member, Joanie Prenger, (573) 477-0187; Lynn Taggart (573) 477-0133; or Donna Boessen (573) 291-2454 Tickets will be sold after Masses at St. Cecilia Church, October 15 & 16.

**HOSPICE & PALLIATIVE CARE COMPASSUS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Would you like to make a difference in someone's life? We are seeking caring, compassionated, non-medical volunteers in your community. Many of our patients are very alert and truly enjoy visitors!! For more information, please contact Debbie Coots at 1-866-384-2444, or 573-556-3547.