

**St. Thomas the Apostle
Catholic Church**



Our mission is to develop a more inclusive sense of community in our Parish by encouraging the growth of our relationships with each other and with God.

**New Parishioner's Handbook
November 2020**

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Welcome - Message from the Pastor

GOD IS GOOD, ALL THE TIME

Welcome to our family of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church! I am glad you could join us! I am honored to share this day with you as we worship the risen Lord. I hope God touches your life as we worship and you always leave this place with the peace of God inside you.

I want you to know the Lord values you and He has a purpose for you. He has placed within you special gifts of time, talent and treasure, which he longs for you to use. I know the church would love to see you grow by sharing your gifts so we may all benefit from the gifts God has given you.

Lastly, in our praise and worship of our God, we learn what it means to live a godly lifestyle that He has planned and chosen for our lives. God wants us to have peace and dwell within us, and He provides practical advice on how to live a Christian life successfully, in order to help us in combating life challenges and in finding true satisfaction.

Once again, we welcome you, hope you feel at home, and may God bless you always!

Fr. Leonard K. Mukiibi

St. Thomas the Apostle – Our Patron



History of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish is located along the long and winding Osage River. Before this rugged territory was settled in the early 1800's, the Little Osage Nation called it their hunting grounds where wildlife abounded.

The Indian Territorial Government established Cole County in 1821, paving the way for eager settlers to purchase this fertile land. Perched above the river bottom and close to today's parish cemetery, German immigrants built a small log church for the families that lived in the area. Fr. Ferdinand Helias, S.J. began ministering to the needs of Catholics in this area in the early part of the 19th century. A larger frame church was built to support the Indian Bottom Settlement. As the city of St. Thomas took shape further east of the river, Father Peter Eysvogles, S.J. persuaded the families of Indian Bottom to move the church to this growing community.

In 1869, Archbishop Peter Kenrick of the St. Louis Archdiocese established St. Thomas the Apostle Parish. Our present brick church was erected in the heart of St. Thomas in 1883.

Demographics

St. Thomas lies in the southeastern portion of Cole County. As of the last census (2010), there were 263 people, 95 households, and 71 families residing within the city limits. The majority of the residents is of German ancestry and practices the Roman Catholic faith.

Worship Schedule

	St. Thomas the Apostle	St. Cecilia
Weekend Mass	Saturday - 5:00 pm Sunday - 10:00 am	1 st and 3 rd Saturdays of the Month – 7:00pm Sunday – 8:00 am
Weekday Mass	Tuesday – 7:45 am Wednesday – 7:45 am (excluding summer months) Thursday – 7:45 am Friday – 7:45 am	Wednesday – 6:30 pm
Confessions	Saturday 4:00 – 4:45 pm	Sunday 7:00 – 7:45 am Wednesday 5:00 – 6:15 pm
Prayer Hour with Mother of Perpetual Help	2 nd and 4 th Tuesday of each month – 7:00 pm	
Rosary for Our Country	The 4 th of each month - 5:00 pm (If the 4 th falls on Saturday, the rosary is held at 3:00 pm)	
Holy Hour/Adoration followed by Benediction	The 1 st Friday of the month - 7:00 - 8:00 pm	The last Friday of the month – 7:00 – 8:00 pm

Contact Information

St Thomas the Apostle Parish
14814 State Highway B - P.O. Box 146
St. Thomas, MO 65076
<http://www.stthomasapostle.net>

Parish Office Phone: (573) 477-3315
St. Thomas Parish Office Hours:
Tuesday 8:30 am – 11:30 am
Wednesday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

St. Thomas Parish Pastor
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St. Thomas School/Parish Secretary
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St. Thomas Event Schedule

The St. Thomas the Apostle events can be found on the parish website at
<http://www.stthomasapostle.net/upcoming-events.html>

January

Parish Dinner – Start of Catholic Schools Week
Typically held the last Saturday of January

March

St. Thomas Ham & Sausage Breakfast
Typically held the second Sunday of March

August

Parish Picnic
Typically held the third Sunday of August

November

Fall Fantasy Dinner and Dance
Typically held the first Saturday of November

Meeting Space

If you have a need for a meeting place or wish to rent the parish hall please contact the Parish Office at (573) 477-3315 for further information or visit the parish website at <http://www.stthomasapostle.net> and fill out the Parish Hall Rental form under the “Resources” tab. The Knights of Columbus Hall is also available for rent by contacting Matt Prenger at (573) 680-0414.

Parish Groups

Catholic Youth Organization (CYO)

The CYO engages our young parishioners in numerous spiritual and social activities to nourish their faith formation. Each member is empowered to serve others, grow in faith, and extend a welcoming hand into the life of the Church. We inspire our youth to hear the Gospel message of Jesus Christ and respond to his call to love one another. Check the parish website at www.stthomasapostle.net under the “Parish Groups” tab for more information.

Cemetery Association

The St. Thomas Cemetery Association is dedicated to the perpetual care of the parish cemetery. The cemetery is located west of the parish, outside the city limits on Upper Bottom Road. Contact Chairman Paul Lackman, Sr. at (573) 477-3472 for more information.

Parish Finance Committee

The Parish Finance Committee advises the Pastor in the administration of the goods and property of the parish. The Parish Finance Committee consists of parishioners appointed for this responsibility. For more information contact Kathy Graessle at (573) 229-4304.

Parish Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council is a collaboration of lay people and their parish priest using their God-given talents to address the needs and challenges of the Church. In doing so, His ministry spreads across our communities, calling all to live out the Gospel. Members of the Parish Pastoral Council are elected for three-year terms. For more information contact President Jackie Prenger at (573) 291-3558.

Parish School Advisory Board

The Parish School Advisory Board members are elected from the St. Thomas the Apostle Parish. The board is a consultative body, advisory to the pastor and school principal. Members are Fr. Leonard, Mr. Leroy Heckemeyer, and six members of the parish. To request to be included on the agenda, a parent/guardian must notify the board president two weeks prior to a meeting. For more information contact Principal Leroy Heckemeyer at (573) 477-3322.

Quilt Groups

Everyone who belongs to our parish is part of our quilt groups. The quilts are an added attraction to our picnic where they are sold at auction and serve as a major fundraiser for our parish. To find out which quilt group you belong to go to www.stthomasapostle.net and click on the “Parish Groups” tab. If you are interested in joining our quilting group or have any questions contact Emily Luebbering at (573) 477-3459 or Kathy Strobe at (573) 477-3349.

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus promotes social and intellectual fellowship among members and their families through educational, charitable, religious, social welfare, war relief and public relief works. Members share the four core principles 1) charity 2) unity 3) fraternity 4) patriotism in their good works to all. For more information contact Grand Knight Keith Kliethermes at (573) 477-3498.

Prayer Line

If you need someone to pray for a loved one this is a wonderful ministry whose members pray for the special intentions of others. You may submit a prayer request for yourself or someone else by filling out the online form at www.stthomasapostle.net under the “Parish Groups” tab.

Bowling Association

Located in the lower level of the Parish Center gym, our modern bowling alley offers team fun and relaxation. League play is during fall and winter months. Contact Dick Schellman at (573) 477-3556 for further information about joining the league.

Parish Park Board

The St. Thomas Parish Park Board oversees the parish’s ballpark facilities and recreational activities. Participation in athletics can be a character builder for youth and lead to a healthy lifestyle for adults. The board sees the blend of good sportsmanship and Christianity as key contributions to the development of an orderly, peaceful, and hardworking society. For more information contact President Lisa Wieberg at stparkboard@gmail.com

Faith Formation

St. Thomas Public School Religion (PSR)

Our Public School Religion program (PSR) provides formal Catholic faith formation for public school students in grades K-12. For more information go to www.stthomasapostle.net and click on the “Faith Formation” tab.

FORMED

Catholic Faith on Demand is free for our parishioners and offers the very best Catholic content from more than 60 organizations to help parishes, families and individuals explore their faith anywhere. FORMED offers entertaining movies, enlightening programs, inspiring talks, and a great selection of popular eBooks. To sign up go to <https://formed.org> or download the FORMED app.

TotusTuus Summer Camp

TotusTuus is a summer Catholic youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through evangelization, catechesis, Christian witness and Eucharistic worship. The weeklong Parish Summer Catechetical Program assists parents

and parishes in the evangelizing and catechizing of their youth by supplementing the work they are currently doing. The result of this program has been the formation of young adults who continue to dedicate themselves to the Church's mission of evangelization along with many vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

The Sacraments

Baptism

For Baptism information and scheduling please contact the Parish Office at (573) 477-3315.

Penance

Confessions are heard at St. Thomas every Saturday before Mass, 4:00 – 4:45 pm and at St. Cecilia on Wednesday from 5:00 – 6:15 pm as well as Sunday from 7:00 – 7:45 am. Call Father Leonard at (573) 477-3315 for a personal appointment.

Holy Eucharist

In order to receive Communion, we must follow Eucharistic Fasting and abstain from food or drink (except for water and medicine) for one hour beforehand and not be conscious of serious sin.

Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation is celebrated every other year with 7th and 8th grade students who freely choose to receive the sacrament. Candidates must complete a preparation program and attend Mass regularly to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Students attending St. Thomas school will have the preparation through school. Call Judy Schroeder at (573) 477-3440 for more information. Public school students will be prepared for Confirmation through our Public School Religion program (PSR).

Anointing of the Sick

Father offers this Sacrament the first Friday of the month following morning Mass. Individual celebration of anointing can be arranged at any time. Also, if anyone is suffering from a serious or chronic physical or emotional illness, those struggling with the infirmities of old age, or preparing for surgery, contact Father Leonard at (573) 477-3315.

Holy Orders

If you are considering a possible vocation to the Priesthood, please visit www.discoverthepriesthood.com or schedule a meeting with Father Leonard.

Matrimony

Marriages are not normally celebrated during Lent. Please call the Parish office at (573) 477-3315 at least six months prior to your proposed wedding date.

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School

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St. Thomas School Phone: (573) 477-3322
School Website <http://www.stthomasapostleschool.net>

Discover Us

Discover how faith and education makes the difference in your child's life. St Thomas the Apostle School is committed to the finest education for our children in collaboration with their parents/guardians, fulfilling this responsibility in a caring, value based Catholic atmosphere.

A Note from the Principal

St. Thomas, Missouri is a community, which celebrates the great joy of our Catholic faith. Nestled south of Wardsville on Route B, we are strongly rooted in the traditions that make us strong while being contemporary in our endeavors to provide an unsurpassed, faith-filled academic program for our young people – the future leaders of our Church and our country. Throughout the year, we will reflect on our practices, implement new programs, and strengthen one another. Recognition of our students' unique gifts will be the foundation of developing academic and service leaders.

Mission

St. Thomas the Apostle School students, with God's help, will learn and grow with a Catholic spirit. A Catholic education is offered to children of preschool age up through eighth grade. Based on academic qualifications, students in grades sixth through eighth may be eligible for the diocesan summer enrichment program, Aquinas Academy. The curriculum meets the guidelines and requirements set by the Jefferson City Archdiocese.

Philosophy

St. Thomas the Apostle School, which embraces God as its center, will instill in each child the values, knowledge, beliefs, and attitudes that will help them live a Catholic, faith filled life. In a caring climate of our school, home and community, our students learn to show compassion for self and others, develop a life-long love of learning, grow to their fullest potential and share their God-given talents.

Here at St. Thomas the Apostle, the hallways and classrooms are filled with the delight of children, the excitement of learning, and the warmth of loving parents and teachers. A compassionate parish community that believes a Catholic education brings forth faithful leaders of tomorrow graces our school. The faculty and staff of St. Thomas the Apostle are committed to fostering an environment in which children can develop to their fullest potential; spiritually, physically, emotionally, socially, and intellectually.

Student Admission

Admission to St. Thomas the Apostle School is open to Catholics as well as non-Catholics; however, admissions will be limited due to space requirements, the following order will normally be followed in admitting students:

1. Children of parishioners of St. Thomas the Apostle.
2. Children of St. Thomas the Apostle school families.
3. Catholic children from parishes other than St. Thomas the Apostle.
4. Non-Catholic children of the community of St. Thomas.
5. Non-Catholic children from communities other than St. Thomas.

No tuition shall be charged for students of parishioners who actively support St. Thomas the Apostle Church. A tuition fee will be assessed for students who are non-Catholic or who are members of another parish. (Contact the school office for the current tuition cost.)

An annual sustaining fee shall be assessed to all students. Students are expected to buy their own supplies. (Supply lists are issued with the family folders before school begins in the fall.)

The pastor of St. Thomas will be available for consultation to discuss the financial situation of individual families who do not reasonably feel they are able to meet the financial guidelines established. The pastor on an individual basis will review each situation.

All of the forms for enrollment, monthly calendars, supply lists, etc. may be found at www.stthomasapostleschool.net under the “Forms-Calendar” tab. Additionally, all school events may be found under the “Upcoming Events” tab.

Kindergarten

Children shall be five (5) years old before August 1st.

Preschool

It is a blessing to have children in our lives and to be able to hear their innocent laughter. St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Preschool offers a happy, safe and loving environment for children. Our staff is highly qualified. In addition to preparing children for a rigorous academic K-8 program, in St. Thomas the Apostle School, we offer:

- An expansive school gymnasium in which children may run and play games;
- A library of hundreds of books with colorful pictures and read-aloud story time;
- Delicious and nutritious breakfasts and hot lunches during the school year (plenty of time for sack lunches during summer months if the preschool is in session), and afternoon snacks;
- Preschool curriculum designed to prepare children for Kindergarten;
- Daily activities which allow each child to experience literature, pre-reading, pre-writing, pre-math skills, participation in small and large group experiences, quiet and active play, daily indoor and outdoor time, participation in child-initiated and teacher-directed exercises, practice with decision-making, practice with self-care, practice being responsible with individual materials, practice socializing appropriately with same-aged children;

- A weekly newsletter with a schedule of activities and lessons, notes to parents, and birthday blessings;
- A monthly calendar with a menu of meals and special events;
- Association with elementary teachers in order to build comfort progressing through elementary grades;
- Extended hours supervised by staff; and
- Secure, modern, and clean facility at the center of the St. Thomas community.

Our preschool is open during the regular school year, from 6:30 am to 5:30 pm, for the convenience of our families. We survey the families each summer to see if we have enough interest to keep the preschool open. We welcome all children from the age of three to five years old. We invite you to visit our program and facilities. Please call us at (573) 477-3322 for enrollment materials and answers to any questions you may have.

Elementary-8th Grade

Our average student to teacher ratio is around 12 to 1, creating an interactive learning environment. Students not only receive an academic education, but also receive Christian courses to develop their understanding of the basic Catholic teachings, the liturgies, and prayer life. Students have the opportunity to participate in Diocesan Speech Meets, Diocesan Science Fair, Diocesan Music Enrichment Day, Diocesan Sketch Day, and field trips.

Extended Day Program

Our extended day program is basically an after-school program where families can take advantage of this because of their work schedule. It is currently run by one of our teachers on staff.

Eligible Participants

Children enrolled at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School, Kindergarten through eighth grade. The program is available on a full-time, part-time, or drop-in basis.

Hours and Fees

- Hours of operation are from 3:20 pm – 5:30 pm each school day and from 1:00 pm – 5:30 pm on early release days.
- Fees for the program are payable monthly when activities are selected. Please be watching for calendars to be sent home in Family Folders.
- There will be NO Extended Day Program when school is cancelled for the entire day.
- Payment is due the first of the month from September through May. Send your payment to the school office, payable to “St. Thomas EDP”.
- Drop-ins may pay in the school office the day of service.
- The program is entirely financed by fees. Regular and prompt payment will assure continuation of personnel and the provision of ample supplies, equipment, and snacks.

Fee schedule (Full time, part time and drop-ins)

Monthly - Monday through Friday, is \$72.00

Regular Day - \$5.00

Early Dismissal Day (both scheduled and dismissals) - \$8.00

Activities

We encourage all our students to fully participate in St. Thomas the Apostle activities, which helps enrich the student, the family, and our communities. Involved students develop socially, using their talents in pursuit of excellence in mind, body and spirit. We frequently receive complements from area high schools on the well rounded, well educated, and well-mannered student alumni.

Faith Development

Every child is a special creation of God. It is a blessing to nurture, to teach, and to build a child's relationship with Christ so they may one day celebrate their union with Him. We strive to foster our children's faith development through

- Receiving Holy Communion Tuesday through Friday
- Student participation in the Mass
- Altar serving
- Daily religion class
- Regular celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Catholic Schools Week
- 2nd Grade preparation for Reconciliation and First Communion
- Advent program
- 7th and 8th graders visits to Helias High School
- Penny Wars to support those in need, such as Pregnancy Help Center

Student Council

At St. Thomas the Apostle, we strive to provide opportunities for students to develop and apply their leadership skills. The Student council is leadership in action, planning and sponsoring events or activities throughout the year for their fellow students.

Sports

Both individual and team athletics are offered at St. Thomas the Apostle school. Our coaches' mentor our students in volleyball, basketball, track and the most recently added sports program, archery.

Arts/Music

Art and Music classes allow students to stimulate their creativity and communicate their emotions. Did you know that the fine arts develop higher order and creative thinking skills such as memory, the ability to compare and contrast, group and label, explain cause and effect, assess significance, make predictions, and frame and test hypotheses? Good stuff!

Support Programs

SCRIP

The SCRIP program is an opportunity for parents and parishioners to purchase gift cards that will ultimately help them to save money on the children's book fees! Wide selections of gift cards are available for purchase - each business associated with the SCRIP program have designated a percentage that will benefit our school and you!

SCRIP is sold after weekend mass and in the school office. You may also choose to print

out an order form and send the completed form, with a check, to school. Order forms may be found at www.stthomasapostleschool.net under the “Scrip” or “Support” tab. Orders are placed every Monday and usually arrive by that Wednesday.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

School families can help St. Thomas the Apostle School earn money by clipping box tops from hundreds of participating General Mills products. To see what products are eligible go to www.stthomasapostleschool.net and click on the “Support” tab.

COKE POINTS

Give back by donating Coke points to St. Thomas the Apostle School. You can find coke points on all Coca Cola products, on bottle caps or on the packaging. We will convert those Coke points into cash, allowing us to spend it on supplies for the school.

BEST CHOICE LABELS

Save your Best Choice product labels, the UPC symbol portion of the packaging, and we’ll earn \$.03 for each one redeemed. We will earn \$30 in cash for each bundle of 1,000 UPC's we send in!

How to Become Involved

“Laypeople are called not simply to help their priests run their parishes, but to share fully in the responsibility of building up the Church.” ~ Pope Benedict XVI

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish relies on the generosity of all parishioners. We rely on you giving generously of your time, treasure and talent to ensure that our parish thrives. There are many opportunities for each person to offer his/her gifts in one or more ways on the attached “Time and Talent” form. These forms are also located at the parish website at <http://www.stthomasapostle.net> under the “Resources” tab. Please prayerfully think about your place as a member of our faith community and consider how you might share your talents. Completed forms can be turned in to the parish office.

Support

We invite you to consider sustained financial support of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish as a shared responsibility for all who value the mission of our Catholic faith. As a vibrant faith community, we take great pride in the many services we offer and recognize these would not be possible if it were not for the generous support of all parishioners. If you are interested in making your contributions electronically, please visit the parish website at <http://www.stthomasapostle.net> and fill out the ACH form under the “Resources” tab.

You can support our parish both now and in the future. Individuals can make a monetary donation, which is immediately effective to support our current needs. Donors may set aside a certain dollar amount through their will; others leave a percentage of their estate; some may give something they own, such as a car or their home; and others may leave a paid-up life insurance policy or establish a trust. Contact Father Leonard at (573) 477-3315 to help with any questions you may have.

Parish Office Use Only
Envelope # _____

Appendix A
ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH
14814 Route B
St. Thomas MO 65076
Registration Form

Parish Office Phone:
573-477-3315

☐ I'd prefer not to have my/our name(s) listed as new parishioner(s) in the parish bulletin.

		Date:	
GENERAL INFORMATION			
Family Last Name			
Address	Street	City	Zip
Home Phone	List in our directory Yes _____ No _____		

HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD			
Name (First-M.I.-Last)			
Date of Birth(mm/dd/yyyy)	Gender: M F	Preferred Name: _____	
Marital Status (circle)	Single Married Divorced Widowed Separated	Remarried Cohabiting Religious	
Religion			
Email Address			
Employer		Retired: Yes _____ No _____	
Business Phone		Cell Phone/Pager: _____	
Occupation/Position at Employment			
Sacraments Received (Circle)	Baptism	First Communion	Confirmation Marriage
Baptism Information	Date: _____	Place: _____	
Marriage Information	Date: _____	Place: _____	

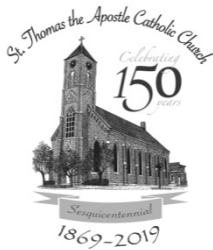
SPOUSE OR OTHER			
Name (First-M.I.-Last)			
Maiden Name			
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)	Gender: M F	Preferred Name: _____	
Marital Status (Circle)	Single Married Divorced Widowed Separated	Remarried Cohabiting Religious	
Religion			
Email Address			
Employer		Retired: Yes _____ No _____	
Business Phone		Cell Phone/Pager: _____	
Occupation/Position at Employment			
Sacraments Received (Circle)	Baptism	First Communion	Confirmation Marriage
Baptism Information	Date: _____	Place: _____	
Marriage Information	Date: _____	Place: _____	

Please fill out the back side ➡

Children Listing: Please complete the Children Information Section of this form. Children away at college should be listed. Children living on their own or married are encouraged to register on their own at the Parish Office as an individual parish family. If you need additional "Children Information" spaces, please use a separate sheet of paper and return it with your family form. Thank You!

CHILDREN INFORMATION

Name		Gender:	M	F
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)				
Sacraments Received (Circle)	Baptism	First Communion	Confirmation	
Date of Baptism		Place of Baptism:		
Name		Gender:	M	F
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)				
Sacraments Received (Circle)	Baptism	First Communion	Confirmation	
Date of Baptism		Place of Baptism:		
Name		Gender:	M	F
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)				
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Date of Baptism		Place of Baptism:		
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Date of Baptism		Place of Baptism:		
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Sacraments Received (Circle)	Baptism	First Communion	Confirmation	
Date of Baptism		Place of Baptism:		
Name		Gender:	M	F
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)				
Sacraments Received (Circle)	Baptism	First Communion	Confirmation	
Date of Baptism		Place of Baptism:		



Appendix B

2020 St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Time, Talent & Stewardship Form

Instructions: Please complete the form below by placing a "check mark" next to what you would like to participate in as a new volunteer AND what you are currently participating in.. See the reverse side if completing for two people.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Weekend Mass Normally Attended (please circle) **5:00 pm Saturday** **10:00 am Sunday**

<i>Worship and Prayer</i>	<i>I want to help</i>	<i>Resources Development and Maintenance</i>	<i>I want to help</i>
Reader for Weekend & Holy Day Mass		Church Cleaning Crew (Team Rotations)	
Reader for weekday Mass		Grass Cutting Team (rotation)	
Offertory Gifts at Mass		Snow Removal Team (rotation)	
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion		Landscaping/Outside Grounds/Tree Trimming	
Play organ		Carpentry/Painting	
Cantor at Mass		Electrical	
Participate in Choir		Plumbing	
Usher/Greeter		Waxing Floors	
Sacristan (prepare vessels, etc. for Mass)		Church Clock Maintenance	
Lead rosary and/or devotions before Mass		Pew/Kneeler Maintenance	
Count collections		School/Hall Cleaning (special occasions)	
<i>Parish Life</i>	<i>I want to help</i>	General Handyman	
Knights of Columbus		<i>Charitable Outreach</i>	<i>I want to help</i>
PSR Teacher		Prayer Line	
Fundraising Committee (picnic, ham breakfast, fall fantasy, etc.)		Pro-Life Committee	
Parish Pastoral Council		First Friday Hospitality (refreshments after mass)	
Quilting, tea towel embroidery		Assistance to elderly	
Help prepare meals after funerals		Separation/Divorce Support	
Funeral & Special Event Parking		Adult Education/Scripture Study/Retreat Planning	
Assist with Special Events		<i>Miscellaneous</i>	<i>I want to help</i>
CYO Sponsor/Coach		AED Device Operator (CPR/AED trained)	
St Thomas Parish Park Board		AED Maintenance Check (done quarterly)	
Parish Welcome Committee		Computer/IT support to parish and school	
St Thomas School Advisory Board		Christmas/Special Occasion Church Decorating	
		Special Occasion Church Cleaning	

Please return in the weekly Sunday offering or mail to:

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Office

P.O. Box 146

St. Thomas. MO 65076