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St. Thomas the Apostle
in St. Thomas

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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

December 28, 2025

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St. Thomas Parish Office hours: Tuesdays 8:30-11:30 a.m.; Wednesdays 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
`School Office hours during school year: Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
St. Cecilia Rectory Office hours: Wednesdays 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. or by appointment
Confessions: Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. at St. Thomas; Wednesdays 5:00 – 6:15 p.m. and Sundays 7:00 - 7:45 a.m. at St. Cecilia; or anytime by appointment, just call Father.

Saint Thomas the Apostle
Mass Schedule for the Week of Dec. 28-Jan. 4

Tuesday **9:00 a.m.**	Joe, Antonia & Richard Schwartz
December 31 5 pm	Cassidy Rae Luebbering & Jeremy Luebbering
Jan. 1, 10:00 am	Martha Strope
Friday 9:00 am	Bob & Donnie Luebbering
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Betty Hoecker
Sunday 10:00 a.m.	People of our Parishes

Your Sunday Offering	
Offertory Budget for 2025-2026	$342,000.00
Offertory Goal through Month End	$171,000.00
Actual Collection for 2025-2026	**$180,061.53**
Offertory Difference Year to Date	$9,061.53
Offertory Goal for December	$28,500.00
Collection in Church	
December 7	$7,500.35
December 14	$2,358.63
December 21	$7,333.71
December 28	
Collection Online	$8,348.00
December Total to Date	**$25,540.69**
Difference for December	-$2,959.31

WEEKDAY SERVERS: No servers needed.

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle

Tuesday 8:40 am	Bob Schellman – Sorrowful
Friday, 8:40 am	Jim Lueckenhoff – Sorrowful

Offertory Gifts – St. Thomas the Apostle

Dec. 31 5:00 pm	Family of Cassidy Rae & Jeremy Luebbering
Jan. 1 10:00 am	Family of Martha Strope
Saturday	Family of Bob & Donnie Luebbering
Sunday	Ushers

Saint Cecilia
Mass Schedule for the Week of Dec. 28-Jan. 4

January 1, 8 am	Frank, John & Bill Koehler
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Anna Otto

Your Sunday Offering	
Offertory Budget for 2025-2026	$70,000.00
Collection Total for 2025-2025	**$29,553.00**
Offertory Goal per Month for December	$5,833.33
Collection in Church	
December 7	$1,294.00
December 14	$1,852.00
December 21	
December 28	
December Total to Date	$3,146.00
Difference for December	-$2,687.33

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia & Lector

Offertory Gifts – St. Cecilia

January 1 8:00 am	Family of Frank, John & Bill Koehler
Sunday	Family of Anna Otto

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR LAST WILL & TESTAMENT.

VOTIVE CANDLES: The requested donation for lighting a votive candle in church is **$3.00**.

MASS STIPENDS: $10.00

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Please call the rectory to schedule a meeting and date for Baptism.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Please call the rectory *at least* six months prior to the desired date.

BULLETIN NOTICES THIS WEEK is Wednesday at noon!

PARISH BULLETINS: If you are needing a bulletin and Church is locked at St. Thomas the Apostle, there are some on the Vitae House front porch.

SCRIP: Visit *www.stthomasapostleschoolnet/scrip* for more information about the Scrip program. Please contact Amanda Wooten 573-694-1735 or *amandab27@hotmail.com*

SNACKS FOR QUILTERS: **THIS WEEK THE QUILTERS WILL BE QUILTING ON MONDAY NIGHT DUE TO NEW YEAR'S!** Please bring snacks to the hall by 1:00 p.m.; snacks are served at 3:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Emily Luebbering at 573-477-3459 or Kathy Strope at 573-477-3349.

Thursday, January 8 – Amy Hamacher & Jan Heckemeyer

New Year's Day: Wednesday December 31 & Thursday January 1			
	5:00 pm	**8:00 am**	**10:00 am**
Altar Servers	Akin, Noah Buschjost, Ava Luebbering, Hank Wooten, Evelyn	Schroeder, Jesse Schroeder, Tucker	Tallent, Francie Tallent, Hannah Tallent, Levi Verslues, Max
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Wansing, Brenda Becker, Paul Becker, Jenny	Hagenhoff, Betty Libbert, Pam Stumpe, Doris	Prenger, Glenn Lueckenhoff, Janet Luebbering, Ben
Lector	Becker, Paul	Veltrop, Karyn	Lueckenhoff, Jim
Rosary Leader: Joyful	Herigon, Dale	Borgmeyer, Cathy	Stockman, Tina
Greeters/Ushers	Akin, Phil Boessen, Keith	Hagenhoff, Randy Stumpe, Mitch	Verslues, Shane Verslues, Ezekiel
Music Ministry	Schroeder, Jeanette Brand, Mary Kay	Borgmeyer, Emilie	Prenger, Jackie Luebbering, Doug
Live Stream			Wieberg, Dunja

January 3rd & 4th

	Saturday, 5:00 PM	**Sunday, 8:00 AM**	**Sunday, 10:00 AM**
Altar Servers	Austyn Christian Kaycie Christian Ben Otto Luke Otto	Kambrie Stegeman Matthew Stegeman	Aliyah Buechter Gavin Buechter Cadyn Libbert Emmett Rackers
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Lora Boessen Janice Schanzmeyer Marian Buschjost	Dominic Plassmeyer Mary Plassmeyer Jennifer Even	Mattheuw Prenger Lynne Reinkemeyer Jennifer Schroeder
Lector	Janice Schanzmeyer	Jennifer Even	Jeff Cassmeyer
Rosary Leader Joyful	Janice Schanzmeyer	Mary Plassmeyer	Jennifer Schroeder
Greeters/Ushers	Mark Boessen Keith Boessen	Randy Hagenhoff Leonard Schulte	Craig Buecher Richard Heckemeyer
Music Ministry	Jeanette Schroeder Amanda Wooten	Lydia Hurst	Jackie Prenger Anne Strope
Live Stream			Laurie Luebbering
Count Collections		Dominic Plassmeyer Mary Plassmeyer	Sonya Henson Millie Wieberg
Church Cleaners	Brooke Schell, Tina Stockman, Gina Luebbering, Karen Luebbering		

CHRISTMAS ASSESSMENT FOR THE SEMINARIAN FORMATION AND INFRIRM PRIEST FUND:
*St. Cecilia Parish **$525.00**, St. Thomas the Apostle **$3,732***

2026 ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH CALENDARS are in the entrances of St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD MASS SCHEDULE: Wednesday, December 31, 5:00 p.m.
Thursday, January 1, 8:00 a.m. St. Cecilia & 10:00 a.m. St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

HAM BREAKFAST SURVEY - The St. Thomas Parish Pastoral Council would like your input on the Ham Breakfast. An email was sent to all parishioners with emails on file last week. Please complete the online Ham Breakfast Survey from the link below or on the website. You may also fill out a form which is in the entrances of the St. Thomas the Apostle Church. In regards to the Ham Breakfast Survey, some parishioners have asked what the profit has been the last few years: 2023-$8529 (last year of having the raffle), 2024-$5547 and 2025-$5240. Please put surveys in the basket in the front entrance of church when you have completed. If you cannot do either one of these, please contact a St. Thomas Parish Pastoral Council member. http://www.stthomasapostle.net/ham-breakfast-survey.html Surveys are due by **December 31**.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE HOLY HOUR & ANOINTING OF THE SICK is Friday, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOO NEWS!
Tuesday, January 6, school resumes PreK-8

BINGO PRIZES NEEDED FOR VIP DAY (CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK): Tis the season for cleaning and bargain shopping! If you have or find items that would make great BINGO prizes for VIP day (January 30), please drop them off at school You can also donate candy, chips, soda, Gatorade, juice pouches, etc for prizes. Please send to school by January 28.

BELLS OF CHRISTMASTIDE 2026 is Sunday, January 4, 2026, 2:00 p.m. at St. Joseph, Cathedral, Jefferson City. Donations of cash or nonperishable food items are welcome and appreciated!

CITY OF ST. THOMAS: COUNCIL ELECTIONS: Notice for any applicants interested in running for a two-year term City Council/Board position on the April 7, 2026, election. If you interested in running for a two-year term City of St. Thomas position, please email *saintthomascity@gmail.com.* You must reside within the city limits of St. Thomas to hold a Council position. Must apply by December 30, 2025.

SAVE THE DATES:
Sunday, January 18, 2026, K of C Breakfast at KC Hall
Saturday, February 21, 2026 St. Thomas the Apostle Stewardship Dinner
Friday, February 27, 2026, K of C Fish Fry, St. Thomas Parish Center
Thursday, April 30, 2026 – Midwest March for Life, Jefferson City

2025 CHRISTMAS FLOWERS FOR ST. CECILIA & ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISHES: Thank you for the contributions made in memory of the following individuals, living and deceased used for the Christmas flowers and decorations.

Conrad & Margaret Alberts
Guy Anderson
Al & Clara Backes
Alfred & Francis Bax
Jonathan Bax
Judy Bax
Lillian Bax
Marie & Ted Bax
Marilyn Bax
Mary Lou Bax
Ruby Bax
Tom Bax
Matthew Bauer
Martin & Margaret Bauer
Herman & Anita Baumhoer
Frank & Patsy Baumhoer
Fred & Bertha Beck
Don & Marian Becker
Louis & Anna Benne Family
Alfred & Angelina Berhorst
Glenn Berhorst
Tom Berhorst
Ed Berendzen
Matha Berendzen
Hugo & Rose Bisges
Gerard "Butch"& Joyce Blomberg
Henry & Alma Blomberg
Larry Bock
L&D Louis & Elizabeth Bock Family
David A. Boessen
James (Bimbo) Boessen
Monsignor Bernard Boessen
Philip & Alma Boessen
Rev. F. C. Bonn
David Borgmeyer
Helen Branch
Christine Brand
Louis & Cecilia Brand
Stanley Brand
George Brooks
Greg Brune
Hubert & Trudi Brune
Albert & Alice Budnik
Marilyn Budnik
George & Margaret Buechter
Ernie & Rosemary Buschjost
Jerome & Dorothy Buschjost
L&D Members of the Buschjost Family
Ambrose Bungart
Hank & Betty Castrop
Betty Chesnut
Ralph Chrismer, Jr.
Mary Clark
Kenny Coleman
Nettie Dubbert
Anna & Conrad Evers
Joyce Evers
Aaron Fennewald
Donald & Valda Forbis
Chris Garrison
Mick Gilliam
Ben & Martina Goeller
Frank Goeller
Helena & Frank Goeller
Glennon & Josephine Green
Jimmy Green
Sam & Christine Groner
Bob & Alice Guignon
Fred & Florentine Hagenhoff
Ben Hake
Jason Hake
Deceased Members of the Steve & Elizabeth Hake Family
Don Hamman
Wilhelmina Hamman
Joe Hartmann
Fred & Lorene Heckemeyer
Lisa Heislen
Marilyn & Veronica Herigon
Ray & Sally Herigon
Sam Herigon
Theo & Sophie Herigon
Richard & Kathryn Hickman
Ralph Hirschman
Betty Hoecker
Herman & Gertie Hoecker
Leander & Leo Hoecker
Sylvanus Hoecker
Alphonse & Regina Holtmeyer
Alvis & Marilyn Holtmeyer
Bernard Holtmeyer
Freda Holtmeyer
Gary & Helen Holtmeyer
George Holtmeyer
Conrad & Hedwig Holtmeyer
James & Nancy Holtmeyer
Joseph & Marie Holtmeyer
Ignatius & Dolores Holtmeyer
Laverne Holtmeyer
Leo & Alma Holtmeyer
Otto & Emma Holtmeyer
Ralph Holtmeyer
Randy Holtmeyer
Raymond Holtmeyer
Tammy Holtmeyer
Terry Holtmeyer
Victor & Margaret Holtmeyer
Viola Holtmeyer
Joe & Katie Holzer Families
Mary Hosier
Hope Luebbering Hulsey

Joseph & Mary Jaegers
Norman & Delphine Jaegers
Joe & Teresa Kaiser Families
Anna & Ilde Kampeter
Richard & Betty Kampeter
Pat Kliegel
Alvin Kliethermes
Tom Kloeppel
Karen Kloeppel-Wieberg
Nolan Koenigsfeld
Stanley & Sophie Lada
Cletus & Clara Lehmen
Alfred Leven
Bonnie Libbert
Corey Libbert
Danny Libbert
Dennis Libbert
Deceased Members of the Anton & Nettie Libbert Family
Harold Libbert
Lionel & Arharta Libbert
Nicky Libbert
Randy Libbert
Sandy Libbert
Tony Libbert
Wilford Libbert
Madeline Linhardt
Clara Loethen
Delmer, Vince & Katie Loethen
Jim Loethen
Leonard & Joan Loethen

Martin & Addie Loethen Family
Tom (Butch) Loethen
Thomas & Mary A. Loethen
August Luebbering
Ben & Emma Luebbering Families
Cassidy-Rae Luebbering
Bob Luebbering
Donald Luebbering
Glenn P. Luebbering
Harold Luebbering
Herman & Agatha Luebbering
Jeremy Louis Luebbering

Jerome & Lucy Luebbering Families

John & Minnie Luebbering
Joe & Dorothy Luebbering

Margaret Ann Luebbering
Millie Marie Luebbering
Keith Luebbering
Leo & Rose Luebbering
Olivia Luebbering
Ralph & Rosemary Luebbering
Ray & Lorraine Luebbering
Shirley Luebbering
Steve Luebbering
Gerald Lueckenhoff
Frank & Frances Lueckenhoff
Harry Lueckenhoff
Henry & Lucy Lueckenhoff
Roger & Lorene Lueckenhoff
Mary Jane & Kevin Lueckenotte
Bob Lueckenotto
Edmund Lueckenotto
Fr. Art Lueckenotto M.S.
Henry & Agnes Lueckenotto
Clete Matheisen
Susan Mertens
Eleanor Moeller
Bethany Neier
Mary Neier
Mark Oligschlaeger
Lawrence & Ursuline Oligschlaeger
Paul Oligschlaeger
Elias Otto
Francie Don Otto
Lawrence & Bernadine Otto
Martha & Michael Otto
Norbert & Ella Otto
Vic & Rita Otto
Evelyn Ousley
Charles & Betty Peters
Albert Plassmeyer
Denis Plassmeyer
Louis & Regina Plassmeyer
Roman & Geneva Plassmeyer
August & Matilda Prenger Family
Oscar & Frieda Prenger
Shirley Prenger
Alfred & James Raab
Carol Rackers
Margie Rackers
The Vernon Rackers Families
Ray Radmacher
Irene Rehagen
Larry Rehagen
Lawrence “Dick” Rehagen
Brad Reinkemeyer
Jim, Bill & Anna Reinkemeyer
Vince Reinkemeyer
Leo & Marie Risse
Tammy Rusk
Lloyd & Florence Schaben
Patrick, Anthony & Elizabeth Schaben
Philip & Charles Schaben
Francis & Marietta Schaefer
August & Clara Schanzmeyer
Karen Schanzmeyer
John (Buddy) & Anna Marie Schell
Anthony & Ida Schellman
Alvin Schmidt
Dan Schmidt
William & Rose Schmidt
Rick Schmidt
Rose Schmidt
Thomas & Mary Ann Schmidt
Tom & Clara Schmidt
Helen Schnieders
Sydney Schrag
Ed & Bernadine Schroeder
Frank & Stella Schroeder
Jeri Schroeder
Nolan Schroeder
Brenda Schulte
Mike Schulte
Rita Schuttenburg
Joe & Antonia Schwartz
Richard Schwartz
Bernard & Betty Stegeman
Celestine Stegeman
John & Bernice Stokes
Henry & Agnes Strope
Mark Leonard Strope
Slim & Helen Strope
Stanley Strope
Dennis Struemph
Larry Stumpe
Andy & Celeste Suthoff
David Suthoff
Jim Suthoff
Sam Suthoff
Steve Suthoff
Joe & Mildred Taube
John Ullman
Amy Lynn Veit
Clem Veit
Dorothy Veit
Gregory & Lucille Veit
Harold Veit
Joseph Veit
Justin Veit
Kelly Lynn Veit
Rudolph & Josephine Veit
Harold Veltrop
Charles Verslues
Chuck Verslues
Herb Verslues
Andrew & Loreen Volmert
Ben & Minnie Volmert
David Volmert
Herb & Imogene Volmert
Kurt Volmert
Leander “Curly” & Viola Volmert
George & Elizabeth Walther
Charles "Chuck" Wankum
Wilbert & Roselyn Wankum
Brian Wansing
Clarence & Evelyn Wansing
James Wansing
Gerhard & Adella Weber Family
August & Caroline Werner
Dan Wekenborg
B. Henry & Julianna Wibbenmeyer
Kenny (Muzz) Wieberg
Judy Wieberg

Rachel Wieberg
Roman Wieberg Jr.
Roman Sr. & Mary Wieberg
Paul & Mathilda Wilbers
Frank & Eleanor Wilde
Cody Wilson
John Wintz
Gabriel & Theresa Wolken
Philip Wolken
Chris Wood

HELIAS CATHOLIC'S SPIRIT OF EXCELLENCE CAMPAIGN. Helias has launched its Spirit of Excellence Campaign to raise $14 million to build a performing arts center, a baseball/softball complex and an addition to the existing James L. Rackers Field house including necessary updates to its athletic and strength conditioning facilities. The campaign will run through the end of August. For more information and to support the campaign, please visit *heliascatholic.com/spiritofexcellence* or contact Helias+ Catholic President Ron Vossen at *rvossen@heliascatholic.com* or 573-635-6139.

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