The Roman Catholic Parishes of

St. Thomas the Apostle
in St. Thomas

St. Cecilia
in Meta

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FOURTEEN SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 6, 2025

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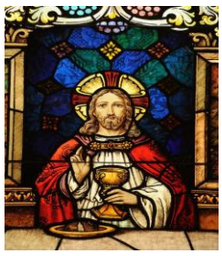

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St. Thomas Parish Office hours: Tuesdays 8:30-11:30 a.m.; Wednesdays 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
`School Office hours during school year: Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
St. Cecilia Rectory Office hours: Wednesdays 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. or by appointment
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 July 6-13

Tuesday 7:45 a.m.	Clem, Butch & Dorothy Veit
Wednesday 7:45 a.m.	***No Mass, Summer Schedule***
Thursday 7:45 a.m.	L&D Roy & Lidwinia Brockman Fam.
Friday 7:45 a.m.	Jim Reinkemeyer
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	David A. Boessen
Sunday 10:00 a.m.	People of our Parishes Alex & Joann Heckman

Saint Cecilia
Mass Schedule for the Week of July 6-13

Wednesday 6:30 pm	L&D Members of the Bruemmer & Wansing Families
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	William, Frank & John Koehler

Your Sunday Offering

Offertory Budget for 2024-2025	$330,000.00
Offertory Goal through Month End	$330.000.00
Actual Collection for 2024-2025	**$357,340.99**
Offertory Difference Year to Date	$27,340.99
Offertory Goal for June	$27,500.00

Collection in Church

June 1	$5,670.10
June 8	$4,454.20
June 15	$1,060.00
June 22	$3,817.98
June 29	$6,730.01
Collection Online	$8,373.00
June Total to Date	**$30,105.29**
Difference for June	$2,605.29

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle

Tuesday 7:25 am	Bob Schellman - Sorrowful
Thursday 7:25 a.m.	Dale Herigon - Luminous
Friday 7:25 am	Jim Lueckenhoff - Sorrowful

Offertory Gifts – St. Thomas the Apostle

Saturday	Family of David A. Boessen
Sunday	Family of Alex & Joann Heckman

Your Sunday Offering

Offertory Budget for 2024-2025	$70,000.00
Collection Total for 2024-2025	**$61,333.25**
Offertory Goal per Month for June	$5,833.33

Collection in Church

June 1	$967.00
June 8	$1,100.00
June 15	$1,057.00
June 22	$1007.00
June 29	$611.00
June Total to Date	**$4,742.00**
Difference for June	-$1,091.33

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia & Lector

Wednesday 6:10 pm	Cathy Borgmeyer- Glorious
Lector:	Samantha Helton

Offertory Gifts – St. Cecilia

Sunday	Family of William, Frank & John Koehler

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: Deadline for bulletin 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*

Liturgical Role Schedule for July 12 & 13

	Saturday, 5:00 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:00 AM
Altar Servers	Fennewald, Emerald Fennewald, Georgia Luebbering, Jude Verslues, Max	Berhorst, Leni Stegeman, Bradyn Stegeman, Kambrie Stegeman, Matthew	Lackman, Virgil Luebbering, Isabella Luebbering, Oliver Prenger, Emmary
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Boessen, Marshall Graessle, Mark Graessle, Barb	Even, Jennifer Hagenhoff, Betty Stumpe, Doris	Prenger, Matt Reinkemeyer, Lynne Luebbering, Ben
Lector	Graessle, Kathy	Wansing, Don	Luebbering, Katie (Brian)
Rosary Leader - Sorrowful	Herigon, Dale	Borgmeyer, Cathy	Stockman, Tina
Greeters/Ushers	Verslues, Shane Verslues, Ezekiel	Schulte, Leonard Stumpe, Brendan Stumpe, Mitch Hagenhoff, Randy	Prenger, Matt Reinkemeyer, Alan
Music Ministry	Schroeder, Jeanette Wooten, Amanda	Hurst, Lydia	Prenger, Jackie Strope, Anne
Live Stream			Becker, Jenny
Count Collections		Plassmeyer, Dominic Plassmeyer, Mary	Henson, Sonya Wieberg, Millie
St. Thomas Church Cleaners	Luebbering, Gina - Luebbering, Karen - Schell, Brooke - Stockman, Tina		

LOST: Lost a red pouch containing a red rosary at St. Cecilia Church, possibly in the Church Parking lot Sunday, June 15 after Mass. If found, please return to Dolores Libbert. It is a special rosary gifted to me from my late aunt. My phone number is 573-680-9790. Thank you!

PASTORS MEDITATION: 14th SUNDAY in ordinary time C. JESUS SENDS OUT TWO BY TWO (Is 66:10-14c; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10: 1-12, 17-20) Today's Scriptures are about announcing the Good News. They remind us that announcing the Good News of the Kingdom by words, deeds and life is not the task of only a few. Rather, it is a task for all baptized Christians. In the first reading, Isaiah announces the good news to the returned Babylonian exiles that the ruined and desolate Jerusalem will take care of them "as a mother comforts her baby son." Isaiah assures the returned Jews that they will live in the certainty of Yahweh's promises of love, protection, prosperity, and salvation. In today's second reading, Paul removes the confusion created by the Judaizers in the minds of the new Gentile Christians of Galatia. He clearly conveys the good news that it is Jesus' death on the cross which brings one's salvation and not Jewish heritage or practice of Torah laws. Paul reminds us that the mission of each member of the Church is to bear witness to the saving power of the cross of Christ through a life of sacrificial, self-giving service. In today' Gospel, Luke describes the fulfillment of the prophetic promise made by Isaiah in Jesus' commissioning of 72 disciples to preach the Gospel or the good news of God's love and salvation in towns and villages in preparation for his own visit. Jesus gives the paired disciples "travel tips" for their missionary journey. They must be walking witnesses of God's providence, relying on the hospitality of others, living very simple lives, preaching the Good News and healing the sick. Today's Gospel reminds us that we, the 1.5 billion Christians in the world today, have the mission of the 72, to preach the Gospel of Christ to the rest of the world's 4.5 billion non-Christians. Therefore, friends we need to continue the proclamation of the Gospel: Just as Jesus, in today's Gospel, gave instructions to the seventy-two missionaries, he also gives each one of us a mission to carry out. As faithful Christians, we should attract others to the Faith by leading exemplary lives, just as a rose silently attracts people by its beauty and fragrance. This is our job and our responsibility. We must not miss the current opportunities to be apostles through our words and deeds in everyday life. We need to avoid giving the counter-witness of practicing the "supermarket Catholicism" of our politicians who publicly proclaim their "Catholicism" and yet support abortion, gay marriage, human cloning, and experimentation with human embryos. Nor should we be "armchair Catholics," "cafeteria Catholics" or "Sunday Catholics" who bear counter-witness to Christ through our lives. Let us start proclaiming the Gospel in our families by leading exemplary Christian lives, in which spouses love and respect each other, raise their children in the spirit of obedience and service, discipline them with forgiving love and teach them through persistent example to pray, love and help others by sharing their blessings. ***Have a blessed week! Fr. Leonard Mukiibi***

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION is Tuesday, July 8, 7:00 p.m. St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

ST. CECILIA PARISHIONERS: We are looking for volunteers to assist with removing old flooring out of the rectory so new can be installed. If anyone is interested in helping it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact, Dustin Stegeman, Lydia Hurst or Doris Stumpe if you can help!

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PSR OR CONFIRMATION TEACHERS NEEDED: If you are interested in helping teach PSR or Confirmation for the 2025/2026 school year, please contact Barbara Graessle at 573-680-2954 or email at *bgraessle1@gmail.com.* Tag team with other teachers if you prefer to teach every other week is an option. Teachers are needed for Confirmation, 4th and 6th grades. All classes have a new curriculum with teacher and student guides.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL OFFICE will be closed June 29-July 13.

CONGRATULATIONS to Katie Luebbering and Ryan Wieberg, who were elected to the St. Thomas the Apostle School Advisory Council.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS SPECIAL COLLECTION: The weekend of July 19-20, the Diocese of Jefferson City will hold a special collection to support to our brothers and sisters in need, including in the home dioceses of the mission priests serving us. The Diocese is providing special envelopes for this collection that will be included in the July 11 issue of The Catholic Missourian. However, parishioners aren't required to use this envelope; they can use any envelope marked for this collection, or they can donate online at *diojeffcity.org/donate-missions.* Parishioners, please make checks out to your parish for this collection. Please do not send the envelopes directly to the Chancery.

ST. STANISLAUS YOUNG ADULT ADORATION - AUGUST 10: 2025 Graduates and Young Adults leaving for college or entering the workforce - Please join us for an Evening of Adoration! Before you set off for college or step into the world of work, we invite you to step away from the busyness of life and embrace a moment of PRAISE, WORSHIP AND REFLECTION with your peers. This event is open to all young adults of the St. Stanislaus parish and neighboring parishes, as well. Feel free to bring a friend and come encounter the love and peace of Christ!. Pizza, Pickleball and Sand Volleyball will be offered after Adoration at St. Stanislaus Pavilion. Please register on the St. Thomas Parish website under Upcoming Events so they have an accurate head count for pizza.

OVER 50 GROUP: There will not be a get together in July due to workers helping prepare for our upcoming picnic and Dorothy's surgery. We will gather again in August.

THE NEXT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING is Tuesday, July 8, 7:30 p.m. A rosary will be prayed at 7:15 p.m. Please read the newsletter attached to the bulletin.

LADIES AUXILIARY POOL PARTY: The next ladies auxiliary social will be a pool party at Judy Schroeder's pool on Tuesday, July 15 at 5:00 p.m. Bring a snack to share and bring your own drinks. RSVP to Brooke at 573-694-8753. **Ladies Auxiliary Hour Tracking Forms** for 25/26 are available in the side entrance of Church.

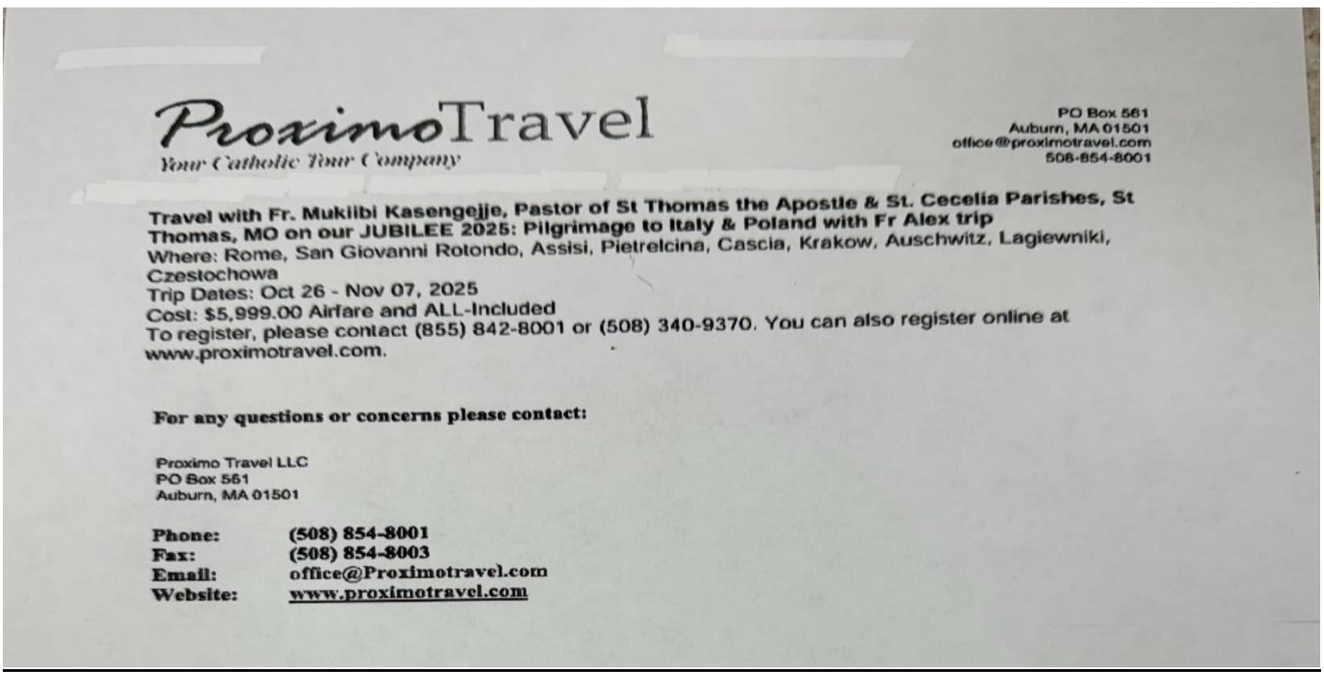
COVENANT NETWORK MASS AND DINNER is Saturday, July 12, 4:00 p.m. Mass and 5:00 p.m. reception and dinner at the Cathedral of St. Joseph, Cana Hall. Mike Roberts will be the keynote speaker. RSVP to Mark, 573-680-2520 or *mrehagen@gmail.com.* Please ask an usher to show you to the reserved seating at Holy Mass.

ST. THOMAS KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE is Thursday, July 10, 2:00-6:00 p.m. at the KC Hall. Please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: StThomasParish to schedule an appointment. Come give blood 7/1-7/14 for an exclusive pair of Red Cross x goodr sunglasses, while they last!

WESTPHALIA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SOCCER is conducting fall soccer sign ups through google forms. Players ages 3-14 are welcome! Please sign up by July 12. Please email *wkcsoccerclub@gmail.com* to receive a link to the form or if you have questions. The link is *fall soccer registration form*

NOLAN SCHRODER MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT T-SHIRT SALE: The family is selling shirts this year. They are maroon on a softstyle tee. Please contact Dunja Wieberg at 573.418.8223 or visit the Nolan Schroeder Memorial Tournament Facebook Page to view the design. You may place an order through Dunja as well. Kid shirts are $12, adult shirts are $15, 2XL are $17, and 3XL are $18. Orders are due to Dunja by July 18th. Pick up will be prior to the tournament or at the tournament on August 22 & 23..

SAVE THE DATES: **July 13- St. Cecilia Parish Picnic**
July 19-St. Thomas Knights of Columbus Tractor Pull
Knights of Columbus Blood Drives: July 10 & December11, St. Thomas Knights of Columbus Hall
St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Picnic is Sunday, August 17.
St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Fall Fantasy- Saturday, November 1.



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Travel with Fr. Mukilbi Kasengejje, Pastor of St Thomas the Apostle & St. Cecelia Parishes, St Thomas, MO on our JUBILEE 2025: Pilgrimage to Italy & Poland with Fr Alex trip
Where: Rome, San Giovanni Rotondo, Assisi, Pietrelcina, Cascia, Krakow, Auschwitz, Lagiewniki, Czestochowa
Trip Dates: Oct 26 - Nov 07, 2025
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ST. CECILIA

ROAST BEEF & FRIED CHICKEN

Picnic

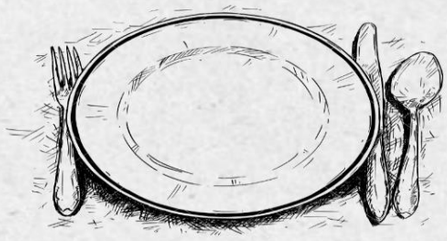
MASHED POTATOES, GREEN BEANS, COLE SLAW, APPLESAUCE, HOMEMADE BREAD & PIE

JULY 13, 2025

11:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.

META CITIZENS' CIVIC LEAGUE PARK

COUNTRY STORE, KETTLE CORN, BEER GARDEN, RAFFLE



BINGO, GAMES, SANDWICH STAND, TOYLAND

QUILT, DESSERT & MORE AUCTION

4:00 P.M. ~ AUCTIONEERING PROVIDED BY HURST AUCTIONEER SERVICE

St. Cecilia Desserts & More Auction
July 13, 2025

Immediately following the Quilt Auction at 4:00 p.m.
Meta Citizen's Civic League Park

Please join us for the Desserts & More Auction at the St. Cecilia Picnic.
We will have 12 delicious **Desserts** plus 5 **More** great items up for auction.

We hope you will come and enjoy our Fried Chicken and Roast Beef meal served dine-in buffet style or carryout from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Carrot Cake	**Doris Stumpe**
Triple Chocolate Cake	**Daniel Wieberg**
Cinnamon Roll Cake	**Jeanette & Annie Schroeder**
Gooseberry Pie - Gluten Free	**Mary Lou Hammann**
Patches of Blue, Old & New Denim Throw 56 X 67	**Bonnie Kampeter**
Monster Cookies	**Dolores Libbert**
Blackberry Cobbler	**Jacqueline Wankum**
Cinnamon Rolls	**Emilie Borgmeyer**
German Chocolate Cake	**Phyllis Rehagen**
"Our Father" Counted Cross Stitch Picture 16 X 20	**Debbie Hurst**
Gift Basket	**Rock Island Antiques**
Strawberry Rhubarb Pie	**Bonnie Kampeter**
Blackberry Pie	**Fr. Leonard & Dorothy Rehagen**
Chocolate Raspberry Mousse Cake	**Angela Muenks**
Strawberry Pie	**Katie Lueckenotto**
Beef Jerky (8 lbs before dehyd)	**Darin Even**
Pork Steak Dinner for 10 at the Libbert Log Cabin	**Norma Jean and Marty Libbert**

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.