The Roman Catholic Parishes of

St. Thomas the Apostle
in St. Thomas

St. Cecilia
in Meta

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

June 8, 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 June 8-15

Tuesday 7:45 a.m.	*No Mass, Fr. on retreat*
Wednesday 7:45 a.m.	***No Mass, Summer Schedule***
Thursday 7:45 a.m.	*No Mass, Fr. on retreat*
Friday 7:45 a.m.	*No Mass, Fr. on retreat*
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	People of our Parishes
Sunday 10:00 a.m.	L&D Bob Luebbering Family

Saint Cecilia
Mass Schedule for the Week of June 8-15

Wednesday 6:30 pm	*No Mass, Fr. on retreat*
Sunday 8:00 a.m. -	Urban, Ron & Randy Voss

Your Sunday Offering	
Offertory Budget for 2024-2025	$330,000.00
Offertory Goal through Month End	$330.000.00
Actual Collection for 2024-2025	**$339,936.30**
Offertory Difference Year to Date	$9,936.30
Offertory Goal for June	$27,500.00
Collection in Church	
June 1	$5,670.10
June 8	
June 15	
June 22	
June 29	
Collection Online	$7,030.50
June Total to Date	**$12,700.60**
Difference for June	-$14,799.40

Your Sunday Offering	
Offertory Budget for 2024-2025	$70,000.00
Collection Total for 2024-2025	**$57,558.25**
Offertory Goal per Month for June	$5,833.33
Collection in Church	
June 1	$967.00
June 8	
June 15	
June 22	
June 29	
June Total to Date	**$967.00**
Difference for June	-$4,866.33

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle

Tuesday 7:25 am	*No Mass, Fr. on retreat*
Thursday 7:25 am	*No Mass, Fr. on retreat*
Friday 7:25 am	*No Mass, Fr. on retreat*

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia & Lector

Wednesday 6:10 pm	*No Mass, Fr. on retreat*
Lector Wednesday	*No Mass, Fr. on retreat*

Offertory Gifts – St. Thomas the Apostle

Saturday	Ushers
Sunday	Family of Bob Luebbering

Offertory Gifts – St. Cecilia

Sunday	Family of Urban, Ron & Randy Voss

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 June 14th & 15th			
	Saturday, 5:00 PM	**Sunday, 8:00 AM**	**Sunday, 10:00 AM**
Altar Servers	**Ava Buschjost, Eveyln Wooten, Austyn & Kaycie Christian**	**Skyla, Tucker & Jesse Schroeder**	**Francie, Hannah, & Levi Tallent, Emmett Rackers**
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	**Mike Green Marian Buschjost Brenda Wansing**	**Dorothy Rehagen Betty Hagenhoff Jennifer Even**	**Rosalyn Wieberg Richard Heckemeyer Jan Heckemeyer**
Lector	**Dale Herigon**	**Betty Hagenhoff**	**Rosalyn Wieberg**
Rosary Leader - Glorious	**Dale Herigon**	**Dorothy Rehagen**	**Tina Stockman**
Greeters/Ushers	**Michael Wooten Adam Holterman**	**Mitch Stumpe Brendan Stumpe Leonard Schulte Randy Hagenhoff**	**Larry Lueckenhoff Matthew Maasen**
Music Ministry	**Jeanette Schroeder Amanda Wooten**	**Lydia Hurst**	**Jackie Prenger Anne Strope**
Live Stream			**Brooke Schell**
Count Collection		**Terry & Pam Libbert**	**Sonya Henson Millie Wieberg**
St. Thomas Church Cleaners	**Alan Libbert, Nancy Libbert, Darrel Buechter, Jan Heckemeyer**		

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH will be closed Tuesday, June 10 through Wednesday, June 11 for carpet cleaning.

PASTORS MEDITATION: PENTECOST SUNDAY. THE FUTURE: ONE IN LOVE. (Acts. 2:1-11; 1Cor. 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn. 20:19-23 or Jn. 14:15-16, 23b-26) Pentecost celebrates the birthday of the church, the extension of Christ's body into space and time. Pentecost literally means 50th. It is a feast celebrated on the 50th day after the Passover feast by the Jews and a feast celebrated on the 50th day after the feast of the Resurrection of Jesus by Christians. The Jewish Pentecost was originally a post-harvest thanksgiving feast. Later, the Jews included in it the remembrance of God's Covenants with Noah after the Deluge and with Moses at Mt. Sinai. On the day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles and the Blessed Virgin Mary as tongues of fire. The frightened apostles were transformed into fiery preachers and evangelizers and were given the gift of tongues by a special anointing of the Holy Spirit. The listeners experienced a fresh anointing of the Holy Spirit through the apostles' gift of tongues: they heard Peter speaking in their native languages. The early Christians became powerful witnesses and brave martyrs for their Faith in Jesus. The role of the Holy Spirit in Christian life: As an indwelling God, the Holy Spirit makes us His Living Temples (1Cor. 3:16). As a strengthening God, He strengthens us in our fight against temptations and in our mission of bearing witness to Christ by our transparent Christian lives. As a sanctifying God, He makes us holy through the Sacraments: a) Through Baptism He makes us children of God and heirs of Heaven. b) Through Confirmation, He makes us temples of God, warriors, and defenders of the Faith. c) Through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, He enables us to be reconciled with God by pardoning our sins. d) Through the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, He gives us spiritual nourishment by changing bread and wine into Jesus' Body, Blood Soul, and Divinity, through Epiclesis. e) Through the Sacraments of the priesthood (Ordination) and matrimony (Marriage), He makes the Church community holy. As a teaching and guiding God, He clarifies and constantly reminds us of Christ's teachings and guides the Magisterium of the Church in presenting Christ's teachings correctly. As a listening and speaking God, He listens to our prayers, enables us to pray, and speaks to us, mainly through the Bible. As a Giver of gifts, He gives us His gifts, fruits, and charisms, thus enriching the Church. Therefore my friends we need to permit the Holy Spirit to take control of our lives: by constantly remembering His holy presence and behaving well; by praying for His daily anointing so that we may fight against our temptations and control our evil tendencies, evil habits and addictions; by asking His daily assistance to pray, listening to God through meditative Bible reading, and talking to Him by personal, family and liturgical prayers; and by asking the help of the Holy Spirit to do good for others and to be reconciled with God and others every day. ***Have a blessed week! Fr. Leonard Mukiibi***

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION will not be held this week, due to carpet cleaning in St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: Our Parish will have four (4) current member's terms expiring in May 2025. Please think about being part of the council/team in serving our Parish. It's a great way to be involved and be good stewards! Please contact Shane: (573) 999-4314, Lynne: 573-690-7113 or Linda: (573) 694-4239.

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. CECILIA PICNIC, DESSERTS AND MORE AUCTION: We are starting to make plans for the St. Cecilia Picnic on July 13, 2025. In addition to the quilt auction, we will also have a **Desserts & More Auction**. If you would like to donate a homemade dessert or other item (examples: gift basket or homemade items, meal for a group of people, personalized homemade craft or woodworking item, etc.) Please contact Betty Hagenhofff at 573-645-6565.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH QUILT GROUPS: Thank you to everyone who helped in ways towards the quilts for our 2025 parish picnic. We have a good selection and hope the auction goes well. The quilt list for the 2026 picnic is attached to the bulletin or found on our web page. The first name on the list is the chairperson and is responsible for having a quilt ready for the 2026 picnic. The quilts should be finished by June 1, 2026, so they can be listed on the picnic flier. Chairpersons are asked to contact the other members of their group. If you would like to help us quilt, come and join our circle this Fall. We will need some quilt tops with lining to be quilted by August 28. If you have any questions, please call Emily Luebbering at 573-477-3459 or Kathy Strope at 573-477-3349.

THE NEXT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING is Tuesday, June 10, 7:30 p.m. A rosary will be prayed at 7:15 p.m. Please read the June newsletter attached to the bulletin.

THE OVER 50 GROUP will be gathering at the St Cecilia parish center on June 12, eating at noon. New members are always welcome. Bring a covered dish to share in food and visiting.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH PICNIC, LOOSE CREEK is Sunday, June 8, serving German pot roast & fried chicken from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. carry outs at IC parish and drive thru at LCCC from 11:00 – 6:00 p.m. $16.00 per plate. Quilt auction 5:00 p.m.

ST. GEORGE PARISH PICNIC, LINN is Sunday, June 22, serving German pot roast, fried chicken dinners from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. $17.00 per ticket, dine in or carry-out. K of C clowns, corn hole tournament 1-4:00 p.m. Quilt auction 5:00 p.m.

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL AUXILIARY ICE CREAM SOCIAL is Wednesday, June 18, 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the St. Joseph Cathedral Cana Hall. Delicious ice cream, cake, food and more. Booths: silent auction, quilt raffle, bake sale, book nook and kids korner. Ice Cream & Cake, $4.00. Also serving chicken breast sandwiches, hamburgers and hot dogs & sides. (Food not included in the ticket price). Tickets may be purchased in advance at the St. Mary's Gift Shop. Proceeds to benefit Patient Care Services at St. Mary's Hospital.

SAVE THE DATES: **Totus Tuus will be at St. Stanislaus the week of June 22 – 27, 2025**
July 3 - St Thomas the Apostle Fest: 6:30 p.m. Mass with food and celebration after
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

Celebrate with us on **THURSDAY, JULY 3 at 6:30 PM** with a special Feast Day Mass in honor of St. Thomas the Apostle. After Mass, stick around for a festive evening filled with: Burgers, hot dogs, chips, cookies & drinks Bounce house & games Fun activities. Bring the whole family and enjoy a night of faith, food, and fellowship!

Totus Tuus Summer Camp

2025 Registration Form: June 22nd – 27th for Grades 1-12

Register online: http://www.stthomasapostle.net/totus-tuus.html

Grades 1-6: Monday through Friday 7:45 am – 1:30 pm at St. Stanislaus, Wardsville

Grades 7-12: Sunday through Thursday 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm at St. Stanislaus, Wardsville

Parent(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Work/cell: _____

Children being enrolled in Totus Tuus at St. Stanislaus:

Name:	Grade (In fall):	Medical info/ food allergies to be aware of:

Cost for the week is $25 per child for Grades 1 – 6. $75.00 for three or more children.
Lunch is provided. Each child will need to bring a water bottle.
Evening program is free for Grades 7 – 12. Please bring a water bottle.

Totus Tuus Volunteers 2025

Food

We are providing meals for the 4 Missionaries (plus the priest if they wish to come) each Evening at 5:30 pm in the Wardsville's school cafeteria. If you wish, the missionaries would love for you to eat with them, but it is also fine to just drop the food off.

Food		
	Name	Contact number
Thursday, June 26th		

Day Volunteers

To support the missionaries, we are asking for volunteers to be available during the day to help check in, check out and host for the day.

	Name	Contact
Thursday, June 26th		
Friday, June 27th		

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.