The Roman Catholic Parishes of
St. Thomas the Apostle in St. Thomas
St. Cecilia in Meta

www.stthomasapostle.net
www.stthomasapostleschool.net

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PO Box 146
St. Thomas, MO 65076

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 26, 2025

Pastor: Fr. Leonard Mukiibi
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Mrs. Doris Stumpe
dstumpeoffice@gmail.com

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 January 26-Feb. 2:

Tuesday-Thursday- No Masses
Friday 10:30 a.m.- St. Thomas the Apostle School Families
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes
Harold Luebbering
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Becky Strope

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2024-2025:	$330,000.00
Offertory Goal through Month End:	$192,500.00
Actual Collection for 2024-2025:	**$208,535.84**
Offertory Difference Year to Date:	$ 16,035.84
Offertory Goal for December:	$ 27,500.00

Collection in Church:

January 5	$ 2,750.10
January 12	$ 3,168.01
January 19	$ 2,938.10
January 26	$
Collection Online:	$ 8,473.00
January total to date:	**$17,329.21**

Difference for January -$10,170.79

Church Renovation Loan Balance

Loan Balance	$0
Loan payments to date	$213,776.53
(principal) $200,000.00	(interest) $13,776.53

St. Thomas the Apostle Cantors / Organists
Feb. 1 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Jean Kliethermes / Alanna
Feb. 2 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Doug Luebbering / Jackie
Feb. 8 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Amanda Wooten / Jeanette
Feb. 9 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Judy Schroeder / Jackie

St. Thomas the Apostle Readers
Feb. 1 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Paul Becker
Feb. 2 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Jan Heckemeyer
Feb. 8 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Kathy Graessle
Feb. 9 Sunday – 10:00 a.m. – Richard Heckemeyer

Saint Cecilia

Mass Schedule for the Week of January 26–Feb. 2:

Wednesday – No Mass

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – L&D Members of the Bruemmer & Lueckenotto Families

Your Sunday Offering:

Offertory Budget for 2024-2025:	$70,000.00
Collection Total for 2024-2025:	**$33,666.25**
Offertory Goal per month:	$ 5,833.33

Collection in Church:

January 5	$ (no deposit, low Mass attendance)
January 5 &12	$ 1,193.00
January 19	$ 882.00
January 26	$
January total to date:	**$ 2,075.00**
Difference for January:	-$ 3,758.33

St. Cecilia Collection Counters
February: Dale & Margie Helton

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR LAST WILL & TESTAMENT.

St. Cecilia Readers
Sunday, Feb. 2- 8:00 a.m. – Jennifer Even
Sunday, Feb. 9 - 8:00 a.m. – Doris Stumpe

St. Cecilia Organist
Sunday, February 2 8:00 a.m. – Lydia
Sunday, February 9 8:00 a.m. –Emilie

IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO FULFILL YOUR LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENT, PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT. YOUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS THANK YOU!

St. Thomas the Apostle Greeters/Ushers
Feb. 1 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Gilbert Schellman & Phil Akin
Feb. 2 Sun. 10:00 a.m.–Mattheuw Prenger & Richard Heckemeyer
Feb. 8 Saturday 5:00 p.m.- Keith Boessen & Adam Holterman
Feb. 9 Sunday 10:00 a.m.– Keith Kliethermes & Art Groner
Collection baskets choir loft by organ, please return after use.

St. Thomas the Apostle Eucharistic Ministers
Feb. 1 Saturday 5:00 p.m.- Mark & Barb Graessle, Marshall Boessen
Feb. 2Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Jan & Richard Heckemeyer, Mattheuw Prenger
Feb. 8 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Brenda Wansing, Paul & Jenny Becker
Feb. 9 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Janet Lueckenhoff, Lora Boessen, Linda Lueckenhoff

St. Thomas the Apostle Servers
Feb. 1 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Ava Buschjost, Evelyn Wooten, Emerald Fennewald, Carmen Luebbering
Feb. 2 Sunday 10:00 a.m.- Isabella & Oliver Luebbering, Will & Victoria Wieberg
Feb. 8 Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Ben & Luke Otto, Jude Luebbering, Kora Luebbering
Feb. 9 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Fayeth Prenger, Erika Luebbering, Virgil Lackman, Miranda Meyer

St. Thomas the Apostle Offertory Gifts
Feb. 1 Saturday 5:00 p.m.–Family of Harold Luebbering
Feb. 2 Sun. 10:00 a.m.– Family of Becky Strope

St. Thomas the Apostle Collection Counters
Feb. 2 - Keith & Jean Kliethermes
Feb. 9 - Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg
Feb. 16 – Dunja Wieberg & Jennifer Schroeder
Feb. 23 - Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman

Live stream Mass (10:00 a.m.) Sunday

Feb. 2	Dunja Wieberg
Feb. 9	Lauri Luebbering
Feb. 16	Jenny Becker
Feb. 23	Karlie Reinkemeyer
March 2	Brooke Schell
March 9	Jenny Schellman

St. Cecilia Eucharistic Ministers
Feb. 2 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Doris Stumpe, Betty Hagenhoff, Dorothy Rehagen
Feb. 9 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Pam Libbert, Dominic Plassmeyer, Janice Schanzmeyer

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers
Feb. 2 Sunday 8:00 a.m.- Leonard Schulte, Randy Hagenhoff Brendan Stumpe, Mitch Stumpe
Feb. 9 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Brendan Stumpe, Leonard Schulte Mitch Stumpe, Randy Hagenhoff

St. Cecilia Servers
Feb. 2 Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Gavin Werdehausen Natalee Derkum
Feb. 9 Sunday 8:00 a.m. –Henry & Annaline Schroeder

St. Cecilia Offertory Gifts
Feb. 2 Sunday 8:00 a.m.– Family of the Bruemmer & Lueckenotto

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia
Feb. 2 Sunday 7:35 a.m. – Cathy Borgmeyer Luminous Mysteries
Feb. 9 Sunday 7:35 a.m. – Mary Plassmeyer Joyful Mysteries

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

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas
Saturday 4:35 p.m. – Dale Herigon – Luminous Mysteries
Sunday 9:35 a.m**.** – Jennifer Schroeder – Luminous Mysteries

St. Thomas the Apostle Church Cleaners
January 26: Alan Libbert, Nancy Libbert, Darrel Buechter, Jan Heckemeyer
February 2: Janet Lueckenhoff, Jim Lueckenhoff, Charlene Buschjost, Randy Buschjost
February 9: Lynne Reinkemeyer, Linda Boessen, Lauri Luebbering, Lindsay Luebbering
February 16: Sonya Henson, Susan Buechter, Brenda Schell, Barb Graessle
February 23: Brooke Schell, Tina Stockman, Gina Luebbering, Karen Luebbering

SNACKS FOR QUILTERS: Quilter's luncheon may be dropped off Wednesday night 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. (Evening quilting) or St. Thomas the Apostle School. 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 30 – Sarah Volmert & Jenna Volmert **Thursday, February 6** – Peggy Volmert & Shirley Volmert

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

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.

ST. CECILIA 2024 YEAR END CONTRIBUTIONS: Thank you for your generosity this past year. To receive your 2024 contribution statement, you may contact Doris Stumpe by phone or text (573)619-6125 or email *dstumpeoffice@gmail.com.* Whoever wants a statement, the statement will be put in an envelope and put in the back of Church as done in previous years. Trying to print off statements that will be picked up and alleviate the printing of all statements that never get picked up. Thank you!

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE 2024 YEAR END CONTRIBUTIONS: Thank you for your generosity this past year. To receive your 2024 contribution statement, you may complete the statement request form on the St. Thomas the Apostle Church website or call the parish office at 573-477-3315 during the parish office hours or by calling or texting Theresa Veit at 573-418-7301. The form can be found online at *www.stthomasapostle.net/contribution-statment* or by clicking the Contribution Statement tab at the top of the home page.

IN NEED OF A PRIEST WHILE FR. LEONARD IS GONE ON VACATION, please contact Theresa Veit, 573-418-7301, Doris Stumpe, 573-619-6125, Jan Heckemeyer, 573-619-8432 or Diane Lueckenhoff, 573-645-5794.

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE will be celebrated in the Church on Sunday, February 2. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

BISHOP MCKNIGHT JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION: For our civic leaders, that they may be guided by wisdom and integrity in their decisions. May they seek the common good, foster unity in our communities, and lead with compassion and justice, we pray to the Lord.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE / ST. CECILIA YOUTH GROUP: The St. Thomas and St. Cecilia Youth Group will meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 7:00 p.m., alternating between St. Cecilia parish basement and St. Thomas School library. All students in 8th-12th grade who have been confirmed are welcome to attend. The dates and locations are listed below. **February 12-** St. Thomas, **February 26**- St. Cecilia, **March 12**- St. Thomas, **March 26**- St. Cecilia, **April 9**- St. Thomas, **April 23**- St. Cecilia.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING is Tues., Jan. 28, 6:00 p.m. school library.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING is Tuesday, Jan. 28, 7:00 p.m. in the school library.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH - MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION IS CANCELLED UNTIL MARCH.

DIOCESE OF JEFFERSON CITY MUSIC SURVEY: This weekend we are being asked to reflect on the importance of music in our liturgies and to complete an online survey. This is the beginning of a nine-month consultation happening in our Diocese. Please refer to this week's Catholic Missourian for full details. The music survey has been emailed to you or you can go to the *diojeffcity.org/sacred-music t*o complete the survey.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL NEWS: Catholic Schools Week – January 26-February 1.

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 31), 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 27.

PENNY WAR: We will once again have our Penny War during Catholic Schools Week, January 27-31. All money raised will benefit the Pregnancy Help Center of Jefferson City. Start saving your Pennies!!

2025 SCHOLARSHIPS: The Diocese of Jefferson City is pleased to offer our parish families college scholarship opportunities through a generous donation from the families of **William H. (Bill) Simon** and **John L. Warack**. Applications for the William H. (Bill) Simon Scholarship and John L. Warack Scholarship will be accepted from **now through midnight on Wednesday, March 26, 2025.** Applications can be found on the Diocese of Jefferson website.

WESTPHALIA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SOCCER is conducting spring soccer sign ups through google forms. Players ages 3-14 are welcome! Please sign up by **February 15**. Please email *wkcsoccerclub@gmail.com* to receive a link to the form or if you have questions. The link is *Spring soccer registration form*

LEHMAN'S BBQ will be in St. Thomas, January 31 from 4:00 -7:00 p.m., lot across from the post office.

ARGYLE/KOELTZTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL BREAKFAST is Sunday, February 2, 7:30 a.m. -11:00 a.m. Adults $12.00, children 6-12 $6.00 at the Argyle K of C Hall.

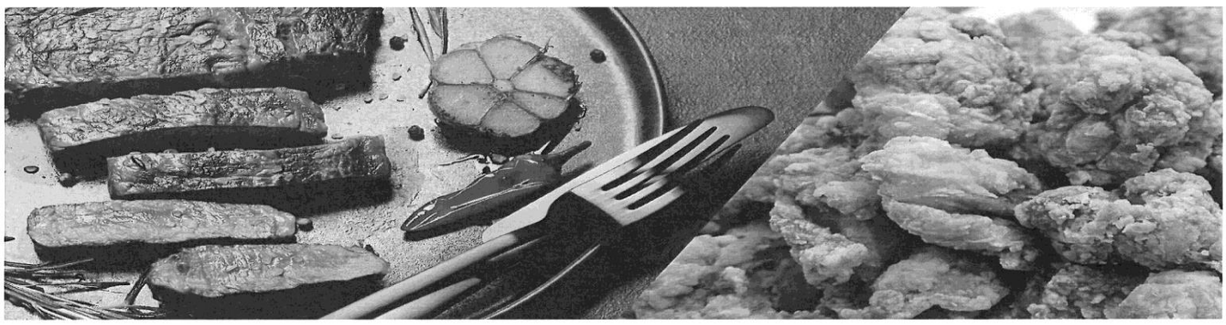
SAVE THE DATE: **St. Thomas Knights of Columbus Valentine's Dance – Saturday, February 15**
Totus Tuus will be at St. Stanislaus the week of June 22 – 27, 2025

St. Thomas the Apostle Church- Financial Summary -July 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024

Income	
General (Sunday collections, fundraisers, gifts from benefactors) (Includes net income of $69,067.70 from Parish Picnic and $23,379.21 from Fall Fantasy.)	$409,643.56
Special (Building & Improvement Fund contributions including $7,756.69 for church renovation project)	$ 43,442.52
Diocesan collections	$ 5,060.00
Parish School (includes grants and gifts from benefactors)	$115,291.30
Pre-School	$ 33,378.95
Total Income	$606,816.33
Expenses	
Church & Rectory General	$ 88,677.38
Church & Rectory Special (Improvement projects, church renovation loan payments, and Stewardship tithe to Diocese)	$ 82,844.28
Diocesan collections	$ 5,436.00
Parish School (includes $126,417.00 for school roof replacement)	$459,725.78
Pre-School	$ 32,993.99
Religious Education	$ 3,365.28
Vitae House	$ 1,749.13
Parish Center	$ 32,845.06
Total Expenses	$707,636.90
Net Income (Loss)	**(**$100,820.57)

STEWARDSHIP: stew·ard·ship [ˈstōərdˌSHip] noun1. the job of supervising or taking care of something, such as an organization or property: I think you will agree that St. Thomas the Apostle Parish is very fortunate to have so many wonderful stewards making it a beautiful community to belong to. In appreciation to all members for supporting our community and being amazing stewards, we are celebrating with a Mass and hosting a catered dinner on Saturday February 22! No worklist! Please be sure to sign up online or in the collection basket by February 1.
CSR Or Catholic Stewardship Renewal is simply saying yes to being part of this community and sharing your talents.
Signing up yearly helps the chair people know that you want to be part of a group and allows them to contact you.
The goal is to have chair people for each group and supervision in place to run our parish more efficiently.
If you haven't signed up yet, it is not too late and can be done online or by contacting Theresa at the office. Thank you for all that you do to support St. Thomas the Apostle Parish! We are Looking forward to enjoying a fried chicken and roast beef dinner with you!

Mass & Dinner for St. Thomas the Parishioners on Saturday, February 22, 2025. Please see the flyer below and you can also RSVP and pay on the St. Thomas Website. ***http://www.stthomasapostle.net/mass--dinner-22225.html***



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2025

Mass & Dinner

for St. Thomas the Apostle Parishioners

Join us for a Mass of Thanksgiving at 5:00 pm, followed by a catered meal by Annie's Station featuring gluten-free roast beef, fried chicken, and all the fixings.

Reserve your spot with a donation of
$7 per person / $20 per family

Submit the form below with payment in an envelope marked "Stewardship RSVP" in the collection basket:

RSVP Form

Name: _____

Number Attending: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Signature: _____

Or mail to:
St. Thomas the Apostle Church
Attn: Jan Heckemeyer
PO Box 146,
St. Thomas, MO 65076

RSVP by February 1st

ST. THOMAS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
VALENTINES DANCE

Saturday, February 15, 2025
St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Hall

Time: 7:30 – 10:30 p.m.
$20 per Person $35 a Couple
Doors open at 6:30 p.m.
BYOB
Music by SHILO Country Band
Come have a good time!

MARRIAGE RETREAT
Living in the Trinity with Mary
MARCH 14-15, 2025
CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOSEPH
JEFFERSON CITY, MO
Inspiring talks,
prayer experiences,
and quality reflection time for
married couples
Register online at
diojeffcity.org/marriage-retreat
Register by March 1
to receive
free childcare
during the event!
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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.