



ST. THOMAS MORE

JANUARY 4, 2026 • THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

ROMAN
CATHOLIC
CHURCH



Today is about the Lord Jesus Christ manifesting Himself to the world through representatives of the world: the Magi.

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, January 4—The Epiphany of the Lord

6:30 am	For Our Parish Family Living & Deceased
8:00 am	George Danculovich by Leslie
10:00 am	Eugene Florek (Anniv.) by Kathy & Greg Boyan
12:00 pm	Richard S. Smith by Eileen Smith & Family

MONDAY, January 5—St. John Neumann

6:30 am	Gus & Kathy Georgelas by Elaine Fechalos
8:30 am	Louis Chronowski by Marlene & Family

TUESDAY, January 6

6:30 am	Bernice Christiana by Christiana Family
8:30 am	Emily Woess by Bert & Emily

WEDNESDAY, January 7

6:30 am	Theresa S. Flynn by Altar & Rosary
8:30 am	James Laskarin by Wife & Daughter

THURSDAY, January 8

6:30 am	Christina R. Serrano by her Granddaughter, Josette Serrano
8:30 am	Eggen Family by Mardi Flynn

FRIDAY, January 9

6:30 am	Maggie Santos by her Daughter, Josette Serrano
8:30 am	Dorothy Thompson by Bruce & Claudia Van Deursen & Family

SATURDAY, January 10

8:30 am	Meyta Nurliawanti by the Suwardi Family
5:30 pm	Ceil Albizati by Susan Strain & Family

SUNDAY, January 11—The Baptism of the Lord

6:30 am	Rose Krizmanic (Anniv.) by Family
8:00 am	Joann Zurek by Leslie Dernulc
10:00 am	Steve Caco and departed STM Ushers by St. Thomas More Ushers
12:00 pm	For Our Parish Family Living & Deceased

Parish Office Hours

Monday to Friday: 8:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m.-Noon

Mission Statement:

The Roman Catholic Saint Thomas More Parish Family welcomes and invites every person to join us on our journey in faith and celebration. With the grace and guidance of the Holy Spirit, and through Sacred Scripture and Tradition, we proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all, especially in loving service to those in need.

As part of the Universal Church, we affirm the dignity of every person. All this we do to give glory and honor to God.

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LIKE THE MAGI, SEEK THE NEWBORN KING

**"The star was so beautiful, large and clear,
That all the other stars of the sky
Became a white mist in the atmosphere,
And by this they knew that the coming was near
Of the Prince foretold in the prophecy."**
~ Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, The Three Kings

Since the time I was very young, I have always looked forward to the Feast of the Epiphany. The reason? Quite simply, one of my favorite hymns is "We Three Kings". I love singing the verses and reflecting upon those Magi of old who traveled from afar in order to give their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh to Jesus, the newborn King.

Quite often, that is the emphasis of the Feast of the Epiphany. We often reflect upon the Wise Men who met King Herod and disturbed him with their announcement of the birth of a rival. We think about their journey and about their presentation to Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

But "epiphany" is not about the kings. The very definition of the word epiphany is much more. According to the dictionary, epiphany means an appearance or manifestation, especially of a deity. Hence, today is not about the Magi. It is not about Herod. It is not about Mary or Joseph.

Today is about the Lord Jesus Christ manifesting Himself to the world through representatives of the world: the Magi. The new King was born into the world and has been revealed to all.

Jesus' manifestation would rock the world of His time. King Herod would do all in his power to assure himself that his rival was killed. He ordered the slaughter of the innocents just so that he could assure himself that the new king would die as well. He failed in his mission.

Throughout His life, Jesus would rock the world. Many would set themselves up in opposition against Him and some would even appear victorious as they were able to do what no one else had been able to accomplish: kill Him.

Yet, even death could not hold Christ the King. Three days after His death on the cross, Christ would destroy death and restore life to all by His resurrection.

Jesus manifests Himself to us in the lives of all those around us. Look for Him today. Thank Him for His great love. And do all that you can to be a loyal subject.

FAITH ACTION: Ask God to bless the journey of your life that you, like the Magi, may find Him.

F. Mike

PLEASE REMEMBER THEM

 Please pray for the priests and deacons who have served the Diocese of Gary so faithfully and whose anniversaries of death are this week:

January 4: Msgr. H. James Conway (1968)
Rev. Richard R. Grunenburg (1969)
January 9: Rev. Eugene C. Hoffman (1980)

A FINAL THANK YOU

I mentioned my thanks a couple of bulletins ago but now that Christmas and New Year's celebrations are in the past, allow me, one final time, to thank all of those who made those feasts go so well.

Our musicians and choirs always help lead us in prayer with their wondrous music and song. Thank you for sharing your gift with us.

Our MCs and servers help to ensure that the services flow as smoothly as possible. Thank you for your dedication.

Our deacons have been such a help through all these years. They not only help at Mass but also perform other services to and for our parish community. Thank you for your steadfast service.

Our Carmelite Fathers have been a real boon to our parish for these past years. They are always willing to make sure that Masses and sacraments are provided to us. They are wonderful neighbors and good friends.

To all I may have not mentioned, you know who you are. Thank you for all you do as well.

HOW DID WE GET HERE ALREADY?!

Are you as incredulous as I am that it is already 2026? How did so much time go by already? It seems like it was just Easter, or the Fourth of July, or Thanksgiving. But, no, it's yet another year.

We may not like the passing of time but it is something that we have to accept. If we accept it graciously, it is a gift. If we accept it grudgingly, it can feel like a burden.

Let this New Year speak to you of hope and peace and fulfillment. Don't worry about what was. Instead embrace what is and look to what the future has to offer.

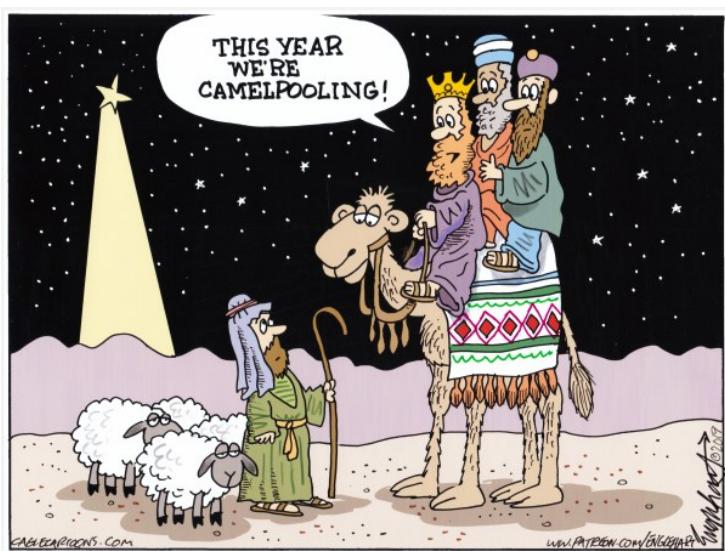
ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

A little boy asked his mother, "Mom, what is frankincense?" She replied, "Frankincense is for when you're sick, it makes you feel better."

The boy then asked, "What about myrrh? What's myrrh?"

His mom answered, "Myrrh is also for when you're sick, it makes you feel better."

The boy thought about that for a long while and then said, "So the third king was just a redundant character?"



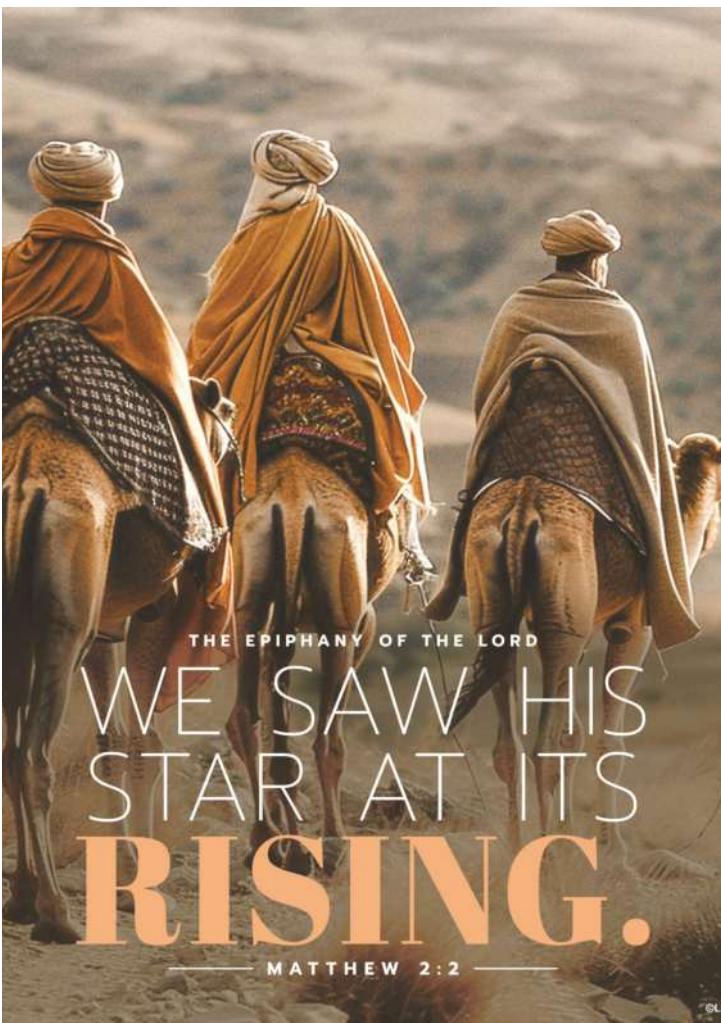
Pray for the Sick of Our Parish

If you would like to add yourself or someone else to this list and our Circle of Prayer Group, please go to: <https://tinyurl.com/42tadty>, use the QR code or call the Parish Office at (219) 836-8610.



Antonio Belmonte
Diane Bochnowski
Linda Braun
Jack Brunetti
Diane Butler
Ursula Cichy
Kevin Clark
Loretta Clott
Charlotte Conn
Valerie Czapkowicz
Janice Devries
David Dull
Antonia Espitia
Gabriela Gallegos
Gary Gardner
Joan Glinski
Howard Gralewski
Margaret Gray
Christine Greenberg
Mary Ellen Gullicks
Jeffrey Gunning
Katie Kardes Hargett

Dick Hemingway
Elaine Herrmann
Robert Hesek
Steve James
Barbara Jamrose
Kelly Jean
Margaret Jones
Joseph D. Karulski
Dr. Greg Kelly
Mary Alyce Kelly
Susan Kolodziej
Gregory P. Koscielski
Crystal Kurek
Jordan Lesniewski
Skip Lind
Paul A. Martin
Carolyn McGill
Sandi Merlo
Gino Michels
Madeline Mikolanis
Thomas Mordaunt
Bernadine Nemeth



Gospel Reflection Matthew 2:1-12



When I was 22, I went on a pilgrimage to Rome for the Jubilee Year of 2000. I was traveling light with just a backpack, one blue shirt and black pants, little money, and no Italian. I had a few close friends and one goal: to reach the Eternal City. Despite the challenges and deprivations, I felt alive in a way I had never known before.

When do you feel most alive? I'd wager it's not when you're most comfortable or surrounded by stuff. Rather, it's when your life is aimed at something great; when you're on a meaningful and challenging journey with good friends.

That's the image the Magi give us in today's Gospel. They set out from the East not with certainty, but with hope. They study the signs, discipline their attention, and journey together, offering the best they have when they find the newborn King.

The Church gives us their story at the start of the year to reawaken something in us. We are not meant to drift. We're meant to journey as pilgrims. The Jubilee Year of 2025 may have ended, but our pilgrimage has not. Like the magi, the closer we get to Christ, the more alive we become.

*Father John Muir
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Readings Week of January 4

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22-4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10/Acts 10:34-38/Mt

Prayer of the Faithful

We Pray...

That we are generous with all our gifts, especially the one that means the most to us.

Weis Center • Parish Ministry Center

8635 Calumet Avenue • Munster, IN 46321
Phone: (219) 836-2660

Ministry Schedule

Monday, January 5

7:00 pm Emotions Anonymous—Weis Center Room 101

Tuesday, January 6

7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 542—Weis Center Main Hall

Wednesday, January 7

8:00 am Coffee with the Principal—Weis Center Main Hall
9:30 am Wednesday Morning Bible Study—Weis Center Rm 101
4:30 pm Brownie GS Troop 15625—Weis Center Main Hall

Thursday, January 8

6:30 pm Evening Scripture Study—Weis Center Room 101

Friday, January 9

9:00 am Gifts of Love & Warmth—Weis Center Room 101
5:00 pm Cub Scouts (ALL) - Weis Center Main Hall

Saturday, January 10

9:00 am Live Christ Share Christ—Weis Center Main Hall

Sunday, January 11

5:00 pm T.G.I.F. Teen Ministry—Weis Center Main Hall

Add these dates to your calendar:

Sunday 1/4/2026

9:15 a.m. Before the Bell Mental Health Ministry—STM Chapel

Thursday 1/8/2026

9:00 a.m. Millions of Monicas—STM Chapel

HOMAGE

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage.

MATTHEW 2:10-11A

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.



Celebrants

Saturday, January 10

5:30 p.m. Carmelite Father

Sunday, January 11

6:30 a.m. Carmelite Father

8:00 a.m. Carmelite Father

10:00 a.m. Carmelite Father

12:00 Noon Carmelite Father



Altar Servers

Saturday, January 10

5:30 p.m. MC—Nick, AS—P. Werner & X. Fonseca

Sunday, January 11

8:00 a.m. MC—Derek, AS—B. E. & J. Rueth

10:00 a.m. MC—Sophia, AS—C. Dagholor, A. Monroy & K. Orozco

12:00 Noon MC—Jack, AS—O. Mack

Greeters Schedule for the Week

Saturday, January 10

5:30 p.m. Mass

Main: Cathy Delgado

Chapel: Michelle Strimel

Choir: Bill & Chris Retseck

If you would like to be a Greeter, please contact

Lisa Mendoza

718mendoza@gmail.com

Sunday, January 11

6:30 a.m. Mass

Main: Krystal Quagliara

8:00 a.m. Mass

Main: Dave & Denise Jones

Chapel: Sandra Steele

Choir: Kathy Tolnai



10:00 a.m. Mass

Main: Paula Serrano

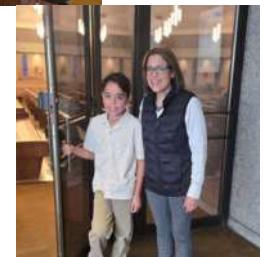
Chapel: Arturo & Claudia Mazon

Choir: —

12:00 Noon Mass

Main: —

Greeters needed for the 12 Noon Mass! Please consider signing up!



Stewardship REFLECTION

The Epiphany of the Lord

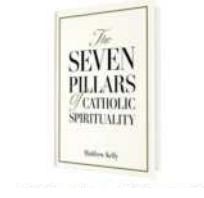
"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." MATTHEW 2:11

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to you.

Lenten Study and Share Small Group Sessions

Accompanying the Reading of:

"The Seven Pillars of Catholic Spirituality"
by Matthew Kelly



Wednesday Evening Sessions 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Feb. 25, March 4, March 11, March 18 and March 25

Thursday Morning Sessions 9:15-10:45 a.m.
Feb. 26, March 5, March 12, March 19 and March 26

Lent is a wonderful time during which to draw closer to the Lord. Let's try to grow our faith, and open ourselves to the Holy Spirit, by reading, reflecting upon, and discussing this book, together, as a faith community.

Register Here —→

Or go to:

<https://www.stm-church.com/events?id=99>



Please call Daniel Maul with questions at 219-836-8610, Ext. 2415 or email dmaul@stm-church.com



**Help Feed Our
Neighbors
In Need**
St. Vincent
de Paul Society

St. Vincent DePaul Pantry Needs:

Peanut Butter	Or Hash Browns, etc.
Jelly	Rice
Pasta Sauce	Hamburger Helper
Canned Pasta	Pork & Beans
Canned Vegetables	Frosting
Canned Meats	
(Chicken, Beef Stew, Spam & Tuna)	Shampoo
Canned Fruit	Toothpaste
Instant Mashed Potatoes	Dish Soap

We appreciate your contributions to help us carry out our mission.
Note: Parishioners wishing to make a monetary donation should use their
"green envelope" (make checks payable to: St. Thomas More/SVDP)
Thank you for helping our neighbors in need. God bless you!

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Be on the lookout in your mailbox for this quarterly magazine from the Diocese of Gary!

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Magazines will also be shared through the diocesan prison ministry and affiliation with local hospital ministries. For more information contact faith@dgcary.org.

EMBRACE!

*Retreat for married
and engaged couples*

FEATURING:

Chris and Linda
Padgett



Cost: \$120 per couple



Saturday, Feb. 14
9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.



St. Paul Catholic Church
1855 Harrison Blvd,
Valparaiso, IN, 46385

**Bring your bible, your
journal, and get ready
for some fun!**

Retreat includes:

- Interactive talks
- Personal time for couples' reflection and discussion
- Continental breakfast and catered lunch
- Adoration with a special blessing for the couples



Diocese of Gary
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**Learn more
and register:**
[dgcary.org/
couples-retreat](http://dgcary.org/couples-retreat)





Live Christ, Share Christ

A lay response to the call to the New Evangelization

**Saturday January 10th
9:00 a.m.—Weis Ministry Center**

**Topic: Biblical Portrait of Mary
from Scripture to Devotion**

With: Patrick Sabat

Children and Families are Welcome!

Come and Enjoy Fellowship and



Seniors of STM

Join our fun group of active Seniors!
You **do not** need to be a St. Thomas More
parishioner ...everyone 55+ is welcome!

**All Meetings are at the
Weis Center at 1:00 p.m.**

Happy and Blessed New Year!

Save These Dates:

**Wednesday, January 21st
1:00 p.m.—Weis Center Main Hall**

**February 4th—Pizza Party!
12:00 p.m. —Weis Center Main Hall**
Advance reservations required by 1/21/26



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Submit a Photo/Family Photo to
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If you would like a copy of the
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Millions of Monicas

Grow in holiness, humility and community.

Join with other mothers in praying for
their adult children and loved ones to
return to the Catholic Church.
St. Monica prayed unceasingly for her son,
St. Augustine's conversion.
They are both now great saints of our faith.

**2nd Thursdays of Every Month (Jan. 8)
STM Chapel, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.**

St. Monica, pray for us!



January 4, 2026



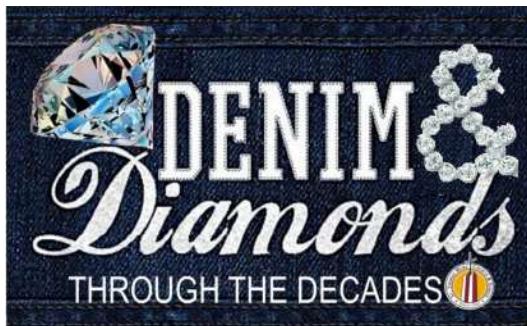
St. Thomas More School

Received a Gift You Can't Use?

If you received a Christmas gift that you don't need or can't use, please consider donating it to STMS for our upcoming Denim & Diamonds.

Item must be new in original package.

You can drop it off at the Parish Office. Be sure to include your name, address, email and phone so that we know who to thank.



School Open House

Save the Date

St. Thomas More School will host its annual

Open House

Sunday, January 25

9:00 a.m. to Noon

Meet students, teachers and school parents, tour our building and find out why our Blue Ribbon students are so successful!



Christmas Joy

The month of December is filled with a plethora of Christmas activities & events.

Our youngest students & their families enjoyed a great night of food, fun and a visit with Santa at

Pizza with Santa. Christmas parties, the Christmas Band Concert & Choir Concerts kept everyone in the holiday spirit, but the most poignant of all was our annual Mass of the Toys & the Pre-K "Baby Jesus Show" reminding us all of the true meaning of Christmas.





Join Us for Pancakes!

It's time for the Annual Ushers'

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, January 25

7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

St. Thomas More Gym

Cost: Free Will Donation

Visit the school during their annual Open House & stop by the Gym for delicious pancakes with fellow parishioners!

Thank you from Al Gallagher, Jim Marmalejo, Joe Stefanich & Thomas Murray (co-chairs)

P.S.—There is a need for additional Ushers at all Sunday Masses. You can sign up at the breakfast!

MAJOR SEMINARY VISIT

COME AND YOU WILL SEE. — JOHN 1:39



**SACRED HEART
MAJOR SEMINARY**

Detroit, Michigan



Men ages 21 and older
All expenses paid
Transportation provided



To RSVP:
Contact Jo Anne Rosenow

jrosenow@dcgaty.org

Reading the Bible... in one year?

Now that it's time for making New Year's resolutions, some of you intend to read the entire Bible in one year. *I don't recommend setting out to do that, though I certainly do recommend reading the Bible.* However, I suggest **you read through Salvation History or its narrative**, as found in the Bible, not the entire thing, just for the sake of getting through all of it.

It doesn't make much sense to try to read the entire Bible, and it certainly doesn't make much sense to read it like one, big novel, from the front to the back. The books are not put in chronological order, and that's a lot of reading to do, every single day. It's too



much to process and retain, actually. It will be rushed. It can begin to feel like a marathon that we're just trying to get through and finish. That's not the purpose of the Bible.

Plus, we can get very proud of ourselves for having read the entire Bible, but we have to reject pride. It is much better to read a little of the Bible and be truly guided by the Holy Spirit, through it, than read a ton of it and not get much spiritual growth out of it. It is a book of faith, not a science or history book. It's not a bunch of information to know and memorize. It is a way for you to allow God—the One who loves you—to speak to you.

Rather than reading all 73 books in one year, I think it will be much more doable and fruitful to read these 17 books, in this order:

1. **Matthew (Jan.)**
2. **Mark (Jan.-Feb.)**
3. **John (Feb.)**
4. **Genesis (Mar.-Apr.)**
5. **Exodus (Apr.-May)**
6. **Numbers (May-June)**
7. **Joshua (June-July)**
8. **Judges (July)**
9. **1 Samuel (July-Aug.)**
10. **2 Samuel (Aug.-Sept.)**
11. **1 Kings (Sept.)**
12. **2 Kings (Sept.-Oct.)**
13. **Ezra (Oct.-Nov.)**
14. **Nehemiah (Nov.)**
15. **1 Maccabees (Nov.)**
16. **Luke (Nov.-Dec.)**
17. **Acts (Dec.)**



Take your time with it. Make it prayerful. Do what you can do, each day, and not make it burdensome and like a job that you have to do. Pray with the Bible, and open yourself to be led by the Holy Spirit, through it.

By Daniel Maul, Director of Discipleship

St. Thomas More Religious Education

1st -8th Grade • Classes: Wednesday or Thursday 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Religious Education Office Hours:

Mon, Tues & Fri: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. • Wed & Thurs 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
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January Schedule

January 7/8 Class

January 14/15 Class

January 16th— CONFIRMATION RETREAT

January 21/22 Class

January 28/29 Class

February Schedule

February 4/5 Class

February 11/12 Class

February 18/19 NO CLASS—ASH WEDNESDAY



COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



Epiphany of the Lord • Matthew 2:1-12



Resolving For 2026

The New Year is a great time to start fresh and set goals in our spiritual lives, families, spiritual lives or health. Let's get to know some our ministers and pray for their 2026 intentions as well as our own!

“I had some success learning Polish last year before my trip to Poland, but I’ve always wanted to learn Spanish because there are so many in our area who speak it. This will be the year I begin.”

♦ **Joe Dubczak, Spirituality & Worship**

“In October, I was finally able to go to the Feast of the Hunter’s Moon. I bought myself a high-end pioneer hand-made broom. I’m an Italian woman; I love to cook & Sweep. Sweeping is a good release when I am angry! Last night I went to confession. I have a tendency to hold onto grudges-vendettas in my heart. So, my resolution for this Christmas/New Year Season is a clean sweep! I mean really sweeping out the cobwebs of resentments in the corners with a broom of forgiveness. I am ‘letting go and letting God’, surrendering all to Jesus!”

♦ **Joy Ann McCullough OFS, St. Joseph’s Soup Kitchen**

“To be present in God’s love and others in the moment, finding grace in the ordinary and offering it back to Him.”

♦ **Lisa Mendoza, Greeters**

“To live, giving more patience and love to all I encounter on my life’s journey.”

♦ **Elaine Herrmann, Grateful Hearts Widows Ministry**

Consider some of these Spiritual resolutions for 2026:

- Saying the rosary daily or more often than you did
- Attending Mass an extra day during the week
- Going to Confession once a month
- Listening to Worship music instead of the news
- Serve in a parish ministry
- Attend a parish social event and invite a friend

Parish Information

St. Thomas More Parish Website: www.stm-church.com

2025-2026 Pastoral Council

Chairperson: Michael Popovich

Vita Ayala • Mike Englert • Deborah Gena • Elaine Herrmann
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PJ & Margaret Caraher (219)680-6775

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Millions of Monicas

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Steve Resler (219)765-9228

Gabriel Project

Denise Jones (219)616-5413

Garden Ministry

Bob Thomas (630)363-7978

Gifts of Love & Warmth

Bernadine Nemeth (219)513-6544

Knights of Columbus

Daniel Straka (219)427-6563

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Julius Ballanco (219)689-1699

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James Kaspar (219)836-2343

Respect Life

Leslie Kaim (219)741-3739

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Girl: Cynthia Navarette (773)726-2411

Boy: Dustin Anderson (219)712-8752

Cub: Kandace Mack (708)415-4133

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Sacramental Information

Confessions

Saturdays: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

First Friday: Half hour
before the 6:30 a.m. Mass

Marriage

Must be a registered, practicing member
of the parish at least six months before
beginning the six month program.

Communion Calls

Visits to Hospitals & Homes:
Call the Parish Office to schedule
Sacraments for those in the hospital or
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Baptisms

First & Third Sundays immediately
following the noon Mass. Parents
must be registered parishioners &
regularly attending at least six
months before the Baptism.
At least one of the godparents
must be a practicing Catholic.

Pre-Baptism Class

2nd Tuesday 6:00 p.m.
Parents must call the
Parish Office to schedule class
and/or Baptism.

New Parishioner Registration

New parishioners may register at any time in the Parish Office.

You may also visit the Information Table in the Narthex
before or after Mass on weekends.

Please contact Daniel Maul with additional questions:
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