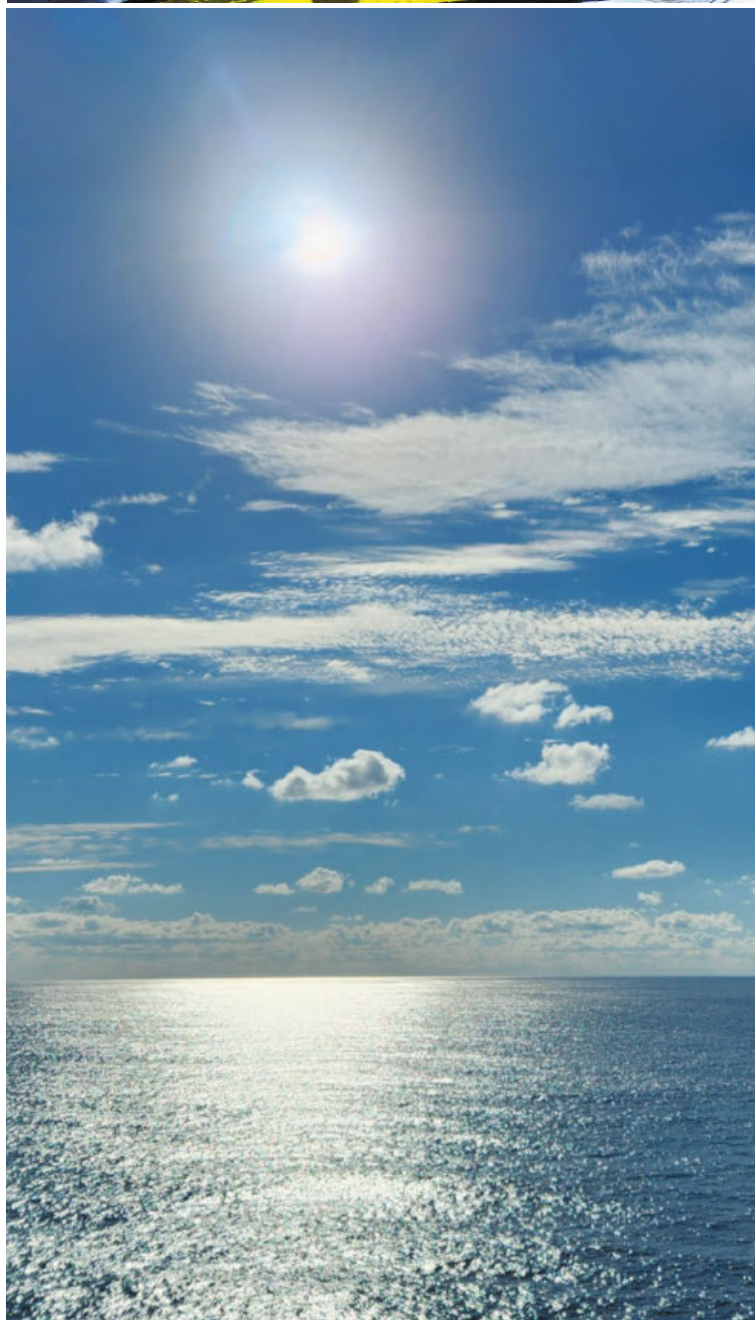




# ST. THOMAS MORE

AUGUST 10, 2025 • NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ROMAN  
CATHOLIC  
CHURCH



*When we share our burdens and sorrows  
as well as our triumphs and joys, we can  
become incredibly fulfilled.*

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY, August 10 -

#### Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 6:30 am For Our Parish Family Living & Deceased
- 8:00 am Pat Kish by Diane Smosna & Family
- 10:00 am Melvin E. Strange (Anniv.) by Wife & Daughters
- 12:00 pm Trina Pappas by Candee Walsh & Family

### MONDAY, August 11

- 6:30 am No Mass
- 8:30 am No Mass

### TUESDAY, August 12

- 6:30 am No Mass
- 8:30 am No Mass

### WEDNESDAY, August 13

- 6:30 am No Mass
- 8:30 am No Mass

### THURSDAY, August 14

- 6:30 am No Mass
- 8:30 am No Mass
- 5:30 pm Sandra Benson by Patrick & Mary Beth Benson

There will be no 6:30 a.m. or 8:30 a.m. Masses August 11 through August 14 due to work on the church roof.

There will be Mass the evening of August 14 as well as all day August 15 for the Solemnity of the Assumption, a Holy Day of Obligation

### FRIDAY, August 15—

#### Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 6:30 am For The Living & Deceased Members of the O'Connor Family by Donna O'Connor
- 8:30 am Salvador & Mary Garcia by Garcia Family
- 5:00 pm William J. O'Brien by Family
- 7:00 pm Umile Belmonte by Family

### SATURDAY, August 16—St. Stephen of Hungary

- 8:30 am Martin P. Juricic by Family
- 5:30 pm Joanna Bartkus by Family

### SUNDAY, August 17—Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 6:30 am For Our Parish Family Living & Deceased
- 8:00 am Sandra Ziccardi by Tina Deluca
- 10:00 am Walter & May Sejda by Mary & Carol Sejda
- 12:00 pm Joseph Justynski by Phyllis Rueth

## 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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## A HOPEFUL FUTURE

**"Let us remember: One book, one pen, one child and one teacher can change the world."**

~ Malala Yousafzai

This is a wonderful, magical time of year if one allows it to be. School is a great opportunity to open minds to new concepts and realities. School is a place to dream dreams and to make dreams happen. It really does depend upon attitude. The proper attitude must be embraced by all.

A student who returns to school with an I-dare-you-to-teach-me attitude is going to be insufferable. That student will miss out on so much that is being offered in the classroom by the teacher as well as by fellow classmates.

A teacher who returns to school with an I-dare-you-to-cross-the-line-and-disobey-the-rules attitude will be disliked by the students and will not have the opportunity to know the real student. The student, instead, will close down in the presence of such a teacher and the magic mix of fresh mind plus seasoned experience will never happen.

An administration and staff who return to school with an Oh-dear-God-not-another-year attitude will not see the needs around them of either faculty or student and will not be able to provide for a well-rounded education.

"One book, one pen, one child and one teacher can change the world." I have seen that happen over and over again throughout the years. There have been times when a student has come to school frightened of the new environment and afraid that he or she would not fit in. Yet, because of the invitation of a teacher or fellow student, that person found a niche and began to excel. I have seen many go on to do great things, becoming wonderful leaders in society and in their chosen fields.

I have, sadly, seen just the opposite. A student — or teacher — might come to school and receive no challenge or support. The school year can turn into an interminable time of sadness and struggle. No student or teacher should be left to feel unwanted and unsupported. School is one of the times that we really get to remember and practice the fact that we are one family, responsible for one another.

When we share our burdens and sorrows as well as our triumphs and joys, we can become incredibly fulfilled. Let the new school year that we all soon begin fill us with a sense of excitement and remind us of the opportunities that we have not only to develop ourselves but also to support and encourage others. We are in this together and together we shall succeed.

**FAITH ACTION:** Pray for all students, teachers, and staff as they return to school to begin the process of education for a new year that they may realize the promise that they hold for the future.

*In. 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:

August 12: Rev. Joseph Horvath (1998)

August 13: Msgr. Paul S. Haney (1989)

Msgr. Paul J. Schmid (1991)

## MASS SCHEDULE AFFECTED BY ROOFING PROJECT

Because of roof replacement prep work needing to be done and the amount of mess and noise that it will generate, **daily 6:30 and 8:30 a.m. Masses will be canceled this week, Monday, August 11 through Thursday, August 14.**

There WILL be Mass Thursday evening (5:30 p.m.), August 14 and Masses on Friday, August 15 (6:30 & 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 & 7:00 p.m.) for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation.

Thank you for your understanding.

## JESUS: BODY, BLOOD, SOUL, AND DIVINITY

† "You must propagate veneration of the Most Blessed Sacrament with all your might, for the devotion to the Holy Eucharist is the queen of all devotions."

~ Pope Benedict XV

† "The Eucharist is a fire which inflames us."

~ St John Damascene

† "A Holy Hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament is worth more than a thousand years of human glory."

~ St. Padre Pio

† "It is our duty to adore the Blessed Sacrament. No one receives the Blessed Sacrament unless he adores it... and not only do we not sin by adoring, we do sin by not adoring."

~ St. Augustine

## ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

What did the pen tell the pencil on the first day of school?  
"Looking sharp."

Knock Knock

Who's there?

I. I who?

iPods aren't allowed in school.

Knock Knock

Who's there?

Felix. Felix who?

I Felix-cited about the new school year!





## 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  
homebound.

### Baptisms

First & Third Sundays at 1:00 p.m.

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

2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

## 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.

Director: Emily Hackett; Ext. 2232 • ehackett@stm-church.com

Administrative Assistant: Cindy McMahon; Ext. 2311

## Pastoral Staff

**Pastor:** Reverend Michael J. Yadron, KCHS

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**Senior Deacons:** David Kapala, KHS • Dr. Napoleon Tabion, OFS

**Deacon:** Joseph Stodola, KHS

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### Director of Religious Education

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**St. Thomas More Parish Website:** [www.stm-church.com](http://www.stm-church.com)

## Parish Office Staff

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**Website:** [stm-church.com](http://stm-church.com)

**Office Hours:** Mon-Fri 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. • Saturday 9:00 a.m.-Noon

### Parish Office Receptionist

Phyllis Krizmanic; Ext. 2300  
pkrizmanic@stm-church.com

### Bulletin/Communications Director

Krystal Quagliara, Ext. 2414  
bulletin@stm-church.com

### Building Maintenance

Contact the Parish Office or  
Charles Schimpf at Ext. 2329

### Custodial Supervisor

Kim Smith, Ext. 2331  
ksmith@stm-church.com

## St. Thomas More School

**National Blue Ribbon School • Preschool to 8th Grade**

School Office: (219) 836-9151 • M-F: 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. • [stm-school.com](http://stm-school.com)

### Principal

Dr. Samantha Francis  
Ext. 2258

### Administrative Assistant

Jennifer Gonzalez  
Ext. 2200

### Director of Development

Annette Czarowski  
Ext. 2307

### Admissions

Pam Pasyk  
Ext. 2309  
[ppasyk@stm-school.com](mailto:ppasyk@stm-school.com)

### Reception/Office Associate

Nereida Harretos  
Ext. 2201

### Business Manager

Maria Vega  
Ext. 2339

## Gospel Meditation Luke 12:32-48



There was a young mother in my parish community who was depressed due to financial strain. She prayed for help. One morning before Mass, she placed on the counter a zip-lock bag filled with jewelry and old coins. Smiling, she explained she had been fixing an old cabinet and found the items hidden deep within the walls of her home. One particular coin could be worth as much as \$900,000. The contents of the bag—previously unknown to them—were now their prized possession. Their plans changed that week. They had to learn how much it was worth.

This week, the Lord tells us, **“For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be” (Luke 12:34).** Our lives revolve around what we treasure. When we discover the treasure the Father gives us—the kingdom of God—everything changes. We might not know its precise value, but we rearrange our lives around it. The joy of this discovery should never be far from our minds.

Sometimes we go through times when we can’t find this treasure. It seems hidden. Or it appears like dirty old coins and worthless jewelry in a Ziploc bag. But how crazy would my parishioners be if they tossed it away without knowing the cash value? How much crazier are we if we center our hearts on any treasure except that of Jesus and his kingdom? Remember, the Father is pleased to give it to us. That’s why we put our hearts there, even when it is hidden.

*Father John Muir ©LPi*

## Readings Week of August 10

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 (12b)/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40  
Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27  
Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8/Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14  
Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17/Mt 18:15-20  
Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21—19:1  
Friday: *Vigil:* 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56  
Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/Mt 19:13-15  
Next Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

## Prayer of the Faithful

We Pray...That we may invest more of our time and  
our talent in building up our treasure in heaven.

## 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/42tadtyr>, use the QR code or call the Parish Office at (219) 836-8610.



Antonio Belmonte  
Diane Bochnowski  
Bill Briney  
Grace Briney  
Linda Braun  
Jack Brunetti  
Diane Butler  
Paiyton Castillo  
Ursula Cichy  
Loretta Clott  
Charlotte Conn  
Valerie Czapkowicz  
Janice Devries  
David Dull  
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 Heseck  
Jim Hunt  
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Barbara Jamrose  
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Margaret Jones  
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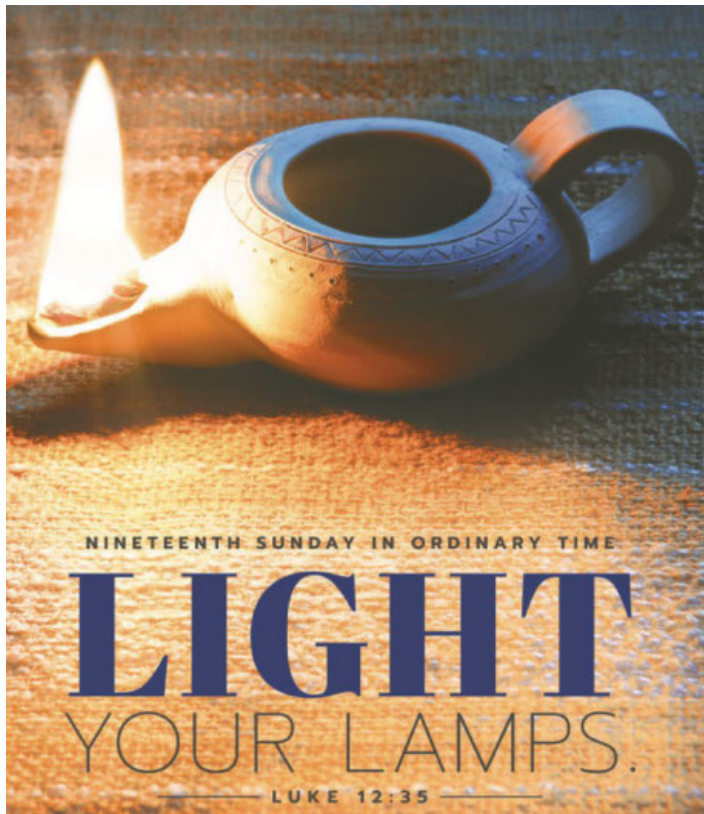
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Charles Svitko  
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Rosemary Thomas  
Russ Thomas  
David Trotman  
James Wachel  
Kathy Wachel  
David Wartman  
Bill Wisniewski



**Rest In Peace**

*David J. Piniak*

*Edward S. Smiley*



## Celebrants

**Saturday, August 16**

5:30 p.m. Fr. Mike Yadron

**Sunday, August 17**

6:30 a.m. Carmelite Father

8:00 a.m. Carmelite Father

10:00 a.m. Fr. Mike Yadron

12:00 Noon Fr. Mike Yadron



## Altar Servers



**Friday, August 15**

8:30 a.m. School Students

5:00 p.m. MC—Jack, AS—N. Arman, K. Karl & A. Monroy

7:00 p.m. MC—Derek, AS—J. Sajin, B. Reynolds & H. Jorsch

**Saturday, August 16**

5:30 p.m. MC—Alex, AS—S. Diaz & X. Fonseca

**Sunday, August 17**

8:00 a.m. MC—LeeRoy, AS—H. Jorsch, J. Sajin & L. Jara

10:00 a.m. MC—Gabi, AS—J. Adebite, N. Arman & C. Dagholor

12:00 p.m. MC—Jack, AS—B. & D. Reynolds and N. Correa

## Greeters Schedule for the Week

**Saturday, August 16**

5:30 p.m. Mass

Chapel: Kimberly Eurlay

**Sunday, August 17**

6:30 a.m. Mass

Main: Tanya Vasquez

8:00 a.m. Mass

Main: Paul & Jan Liszewski

Chapel: Terry Laciak

10:00 a.m. Mass

Chapel: Tim & Amy Jevyak

Choir: Sergio & Lisa Mendoza

12:00 p.m. Mass

Main: Pat Batchelder



If you would like to be a Greeter, please contact the parish office 219-836-8610

## Stewardship REFLECTION

**19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be."*  
LUKE 12:34

Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven. The world encourages us to build up our treasure in real estate, investments, and material goods. How much time are you investing in building up a worldly treasure? How much time are you investing in building up a heavenly treasure? To invest more in the things of heaven, you must let go of some of the things of this world.



## Weis Center Parish/Ministry Schedule

### Sunday, August 10

6:00 pm Teen Ministry Meeting—Weis Center Room 101

### Monday, August 11

5:30 pm Parent Bible Study—Weis Center Main Hall

7:00 pm Emotions Anonymous—Weis Center Room 101

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus—Weis Center Room 102

### Tuesday, August 12

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

### Wednesday, August 13

6:00 pm 80th Anniversary Committee/Parish Life—  
Weis Center Main Hall



### As Noted in Fr. Mike's column...

Due to the roofing project in the Church, we will not have the 6:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. daily Masses on

**Monday Aug. 11**

**Tuesday Aug. 12**

**Wednesday Aug. 13**

**Friday Aug. 14**

Masses will resume as scheduled with the 5:30 P.M. Vigil Mass on Friday August 14th for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

You can visit [MASSTIMES.ORG](http://MASSTIMES.ORG) for a list of other daily morning Masses offered in the Diocese of Gary.

## Automatic Offering *Make Life Easier with Automated Contributions to Our Parish*

Rather than weekly envelopes, you may find it easier to make your regular parish contributions via our online system. Each time you donate, St. Thomas More Parish benefits from contributions to support our ministries, programs and facilities. Follow the instructions below if you, too, would like to utilize our online system.

### Make a Payment Online:

Donate online through our parish website by using PayPal/debit/credit

You may also scan the QR Code or Link Directly at  
[https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=TQTQJV2KT2UKS](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=TQTQJV2KT2UKS)

### Questions?

Contact Maria Vega, Business Manager:

(219) 836-8610, #2339 or

[mvega@stm-church.com](mailto:mvega@stm-church.com)

*No matter how you give, your contributions to STM are appreciated*



## Sacrificial Offerings

### August 3, 2025

Regular	\$16,602.00
Loose	\$1,923.00
Children	\$6.00
Automated	\$7,117.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$25,648.00</b>

*Please remember St. Thomas  
More in your  
Will and Estate Planning.  
Thank you for your  
generosity.*



## Bulletin Deadlines

Every effort is made to include pertinent information in the weekly bulletin.

It is very important to submit bulletin articles  
**at least 2 full weeks in advance**  
of when you would like your information to appear.

Email info to: [bulletin@stm-church.com](mailto:bulletin@stm-church.com) or

Call 219-836-8610, Ext. 2414

Thank you for your help!

## A Piece of STM History

The continuation of our history...

On October 23, 1945, Father Weis received his official appointment as Pastor of the new Catholic Church in Munster. Bishop Noll named the new parish "St. Thomas More" after Henry VIII's Lord Chancellor of England, a martyr for the faith.



A financial drive was initiated to raise money to purchase property and build a temporary church. In November of 1945, the 3-acre plot here on Calumet Avenue became ours. With little money to get started, building the church depended heavily on the helping hands of volunteers. Ground broke on December 4, 1945 and by February 25, 1946, the new church was ready for its first Mass.

First Baptism: Lynda Jean Thomas (3-3-1946)

First Marriage: Anton Brangel and Mary Fern Mounts (5-4-1946)

First Holy Communion Class: Thomas Milne, Betty Erb, Dianne Payer, Kenneth Tucker, Richard Takacs, Joan Brook & Margaret Soderstrom.



As we continue to tell the history of our parish family leading up to our 80th Anniversary this Fall, we invite you to share any family parish information. Do you have photos from your parents or grandparents? Or perhaps have you have been a part of this parish for 50, 60 or 70s + years!?!

Contact [bulletin@stm-church.com](mailto:bulletin@stm-church.com)  
Or call 219-836-8610, Ext. 2414



## Back to School Shopping?

Consider something extra in your cart for St. Vincent de Paul

### *The STM 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

Contact Terry Oprinovich at [oprinovich@comcast.net](mailto:oprinovich@comcast.net)



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August 10, 2025



# St. Thomas More School

## Support Our Students with a Cool Treat

School starts this week!  
Help support the students of  
STMS and pamper yourself with  
something delicious during our next

### Dining for Dollars!



All are invited to stop by the  
**Munster Dairy Queen**  
for a great meal deal or cool off  
with a refreshing sweet treat.

**Tuesday, August 19**

**Noon to 8:00 p.m.**

STMS earns 20% of all proceeds.



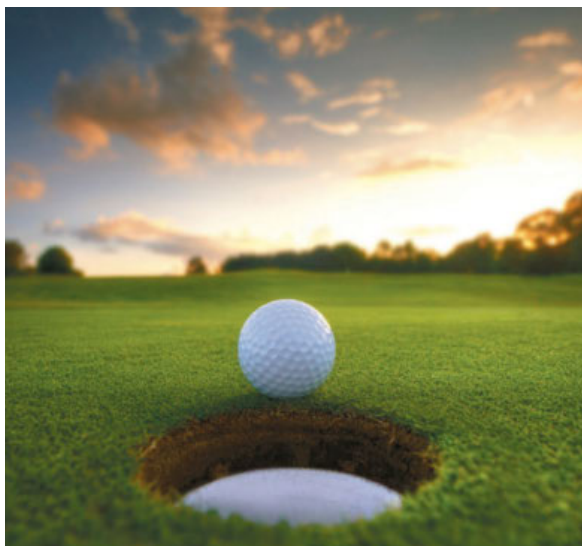
## Thank You!

We are extremely grateful to all who supported our  
8th Annual St. Thomas More School

### Golf Classic!

Whether you were an event sponsor, hole  
sponsor, golfer, donor, diner or online auction participant,  
please know that your contribution to our golf outing made it  
another huge success.

On behalf of everyone at St. Thomas More School, a big  
thank you to all who participated in some way to help the  
students of STMS!



## Helping Students Choose Wisely

Protecting our students is paramount at St. Thomas More School. Providing them  
with valuable safety information to help them make smart, safe decisions for  
themselves when not under the umbrella of teachers or parents is crucial.



Thanks to the time and effort of Munster Police Sgt. James Ghrist, STMS  
8th grade students spent a morning operating vehicles with Drunk Driver



Simulator goggles, imitating the  
effects of drunk driving.

While the task was met with  
giggles and laughter as students  
attempted to navigate the  
obstacle course, it made them  
acutely aware of how vision,  
dexterity and space perception  
is altered with the use of alcohol  
and other mind/vision altering  
substances.



As always, we give a big thanks to Sgt. Ghrist. His dedication to the safety and  
well-being of our children is something we are always immensely grateful for.





## Munster Lions Club Steak & Chicken Grill

Saturday, August 16th  
3:00—7:00 p.m.

Our master grillers. Look at those steaks, YUM!



Munster Lions Club  
Social Center  
8751 Lions Club Drive,  
Munster

Tickets:  
\$20/Adult,  
\$7/Child (12 and under)  
Purchase online or  
at the door:  
<https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/munster>

For more information, please contact Mike Mezey  
[mwmezey@hotmail.com](mailto:mwmezey@hotmail.com)

## Update: Building Project And CSA Rebate Campaign

You may have noticed equipment in the church and workers outside. The roof project is underway. We appreciate your patience with this process.



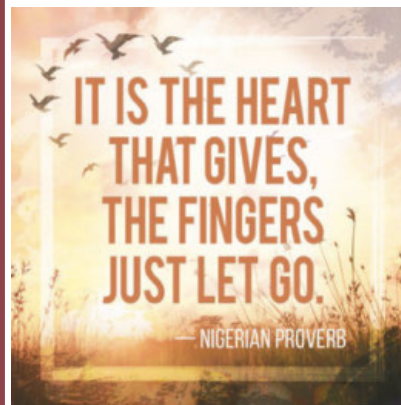
### Be sure to look up!

The lighting and ceiling project inside the church is also in progress. You will notice it getting brighter and brighter in the sanctuary!

### Everyone will benefit, but will everyone give?

So far, we have less than 31% of parishioner participation in the CSA and Rebate Campaign this year. *Your gift matters!*

### Pray and Discern about your gift.



Ask God to reveal to your family what is comfortable to give. Perhaps this year it is \$10 or \$20. Or maybe this year has been especially abundant for you to give more. Seek the answer and you shall find it.

Funds to the Parish Building Project can be given through the diocesan CSA Campaign.

Scan to give or visit:  
<https://give.dcgary.org>

*Your gift matters!!*  
We appreciate any and all contributions!



## SEPTEMBER PHOTO DATES Now Open!



Tues - Sat  
Sept. 23 - 27

### Scheduling NOW OPEN!

Did you miss the June photo sessions for the parish directory? You've got another chance!

### Online scheduling is now open!

[www.schedule.ucdir.com](http://www.schedule.ucdir.com)

Parish Code: IN2015

Password: photos



Questions or changes to your appointment:  
Please call Krystal Quagliara  
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# PRAY FOR OUR STUDENTS



**GROWING**   
WITH THE *Gospel*  
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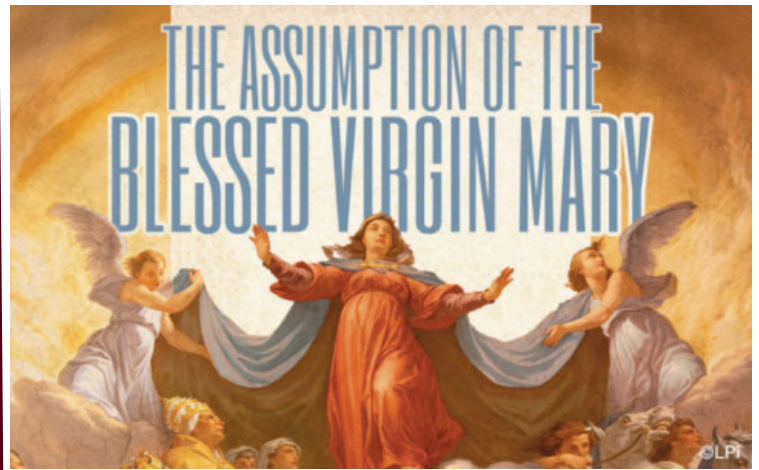


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Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time • Luke 12:32-48



## 4 Things to Know About the Feast of the Assumption of Mary

### 1. When did the Assumption become part of the Catholic dogma?

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII published *The Most Bountiful God*, which pronounced that the Virgin Mary, “having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory.”

### 2. Ancient belief in the Assumption

There have been no relics of Mary from early on. An empty tomb in Jerusalem has become a place of pilgrimage. There are stories from early Apostolic Tradition and quotes from early Christian letters and sermons that point to the Assumption of Mary.

### 3. Differences in the Eastern and Western Church Teachings

The Eastern Church celebrates the “Dormition of the Mother of God”. *Dormition* means ‘falling asleep’ and refers to Mary’s death. Western church art typically depicts Mary going up to Heaven while still alive, although there are a few pieces that show her funeral. Ultimately, whether or not she was alive at the time is unimportant. Rather, we only need to know that she was taken up, body and soul to Heaven.

### 4. How is Mary’s Assumption different from Jesus’ Ascension?

Jesus, because He is God, ascended into Heaven by His own power. Only God can do that. Mary, not able to do so on her own, was assumed by God into Heaven.



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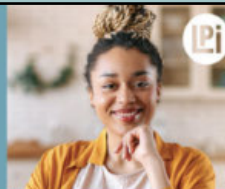


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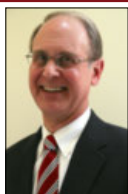
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