



St. Thomas More

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2026 | 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



HE SAID THE BLESSING, BROKE THE LOAVES,
AND GAVE THEM TO THE DISCIPLES.

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Welcome to Our Parish

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Growing Together in the Grace of God

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.

Parish Office



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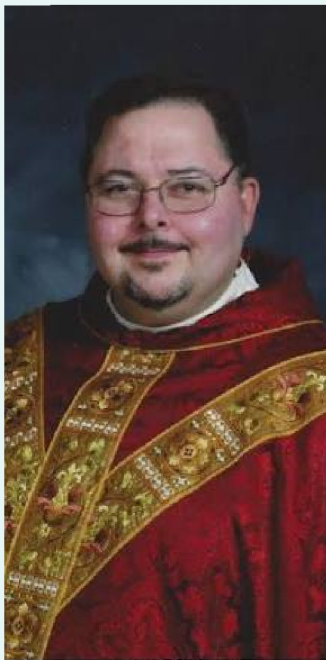
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Pastoral & Parish Staff

**"This is the day which the
Lord hath made; we will
rejoice and be glad in it." -
Psalm 118:24 KJV**



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Mass Intentions & Readings

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2026 | 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Schedule & Intentions For the Week of August 2, 2026

SUNDAY, August 2, 2026- Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30 AM - Deceased members of Pietraszak Family by Jim & Jackie Pietraszak
8:00 AM - Edward S Smiley by Bill & Joy McCullough
10:00 AM - William Dorcey McDunn by Mr. & Mrs. William K. McDunn
12:00 PM - For Our Parish Family Living & Deceased

MONDAY, August 3, 2026

6:30 AM - Intention of Siba Family Members by Katarina Sibova
8:30 AM - Judy Cholipski by Piniak Family

TUESDAY, August 4, 2026-St John Vianney

6:30 AM - Edward Smiley by Michalik Family
8:30 AM - Adam & Gertrude Kocal by Family

WEDNESDAY, August 5, 2026

6:30 AM - Mary Meyers by Altar & Rosary
8:30 AM - Thomas Keilman by Joan Keilman

THURSDAY, August 6, 2026-Transfiguration

6:30 AM - Francesco Ricchio by Ricchio Family
8:30 AM - Larry Monak by Family

FRIDAY, August 7, 2026

6:30 AM - Adam & Sophie Jez by Tom, Tim and Mary Jo Jez
8:30 AM - Collins Family by Family

SATURDAY, August 8, 2026-St Dominic

8:30 AM - Mary M. Silvasi by Bubala & Mier Families
5:30 PM - Leroy & Wanda Wartman by Bloker Family

SUNDAY, August 9, 2026-Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30 AM - Deceased Members of Szymanski Family by Jim & Jackie Pietraszak
8:00 AM - Frank & Phyllis Ratkay by Kenning Family
10:00 AM - Samuel Alexander Smith by Savannah
12:00 PM - For Our Parish Family Living & Deceased

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings Week of August 2

Sunday:

Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18
Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

Monday:

Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95,
102/Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday:

Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18,
19-21, 29, 22-23/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt
15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday:

Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13
Mt 15:21-28

Thursday:

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2
Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

Friday:

Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab,
39abcd, 41/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday:

Hb 1:12-2:4/Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13
Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday:

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9ab and 10,
11-12, 13-14/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

When Jesus multiplied the loaves and fishes, he didn't create only what was needed — there were leftovers that could be saved and shared again. God is lavish in bestowing His grace upon us. He always gives enough to share.

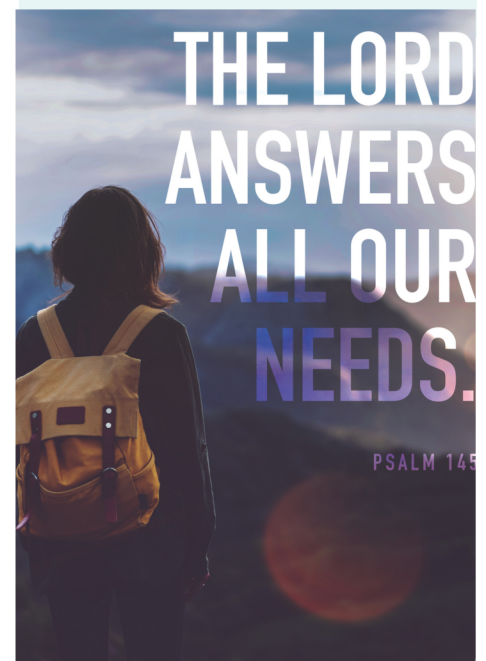
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Reconciliation

Saturday | 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
First Friday - Half hour before the
6:00 AM Mass or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays - August 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
First Friday - August 7
9:00 AM - Noon
Parish Chapel



News & Updates

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FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

WEEKEND OF JULY 26

Adult & Holy Days	\$16,648.00
Children & Holy Days	\$2.00
Loose & Holy Days	\$2,101.00
Automated	<u>\$6,646.52</u>
Collection Total	\$25,397.52

We thank you for your generous donations!

If you make a QCD donation from your investment account please contact Charlie Schimpf: cschimpf@stm-church.com or (219) 836-8610, Ext. 2329. He can make sure the donation is properly received, recorded and acknowledged. We do not always receive complete donor information.

DONATE TODAY

Online Giving

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

Questions?

Contact Maria Vega, Business Manager: (219) 836-8610, #2339 or mvega@stm-church.com. No matter how you give, your contributions to STM are appreciated.



THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Please Pray for...

Nancy Almason
Antonio Belmonte
Diane Bochnowski
Linda Braun
Jack Brunetti
Diane Butler
Ursula Cichy
Kevin Clark
Loretta Clott
Charlotte Conn
Valerie Czapkowicz
Janice De Vries
David Dull
Gabriela Gallegos
Denise Gard
Rich Gard
Gary Gardner
Joan Glinski
Howard Gralewski
Margaret Gray
Christine Greenberg
Mary Ellen Gullicks
Jeffrey Gunning

Katie Kardes Hargett
Elaine Herrmann
Robert Heseck
Steve James
Barbara Jamrose
Kelly Jean
Margaret Jones
Deacon David Kapala
Joseph D. Karulski
Mary Alyce Kelly
Susan Kolodziej
Gregory P. Koscielski
Loretta Krowczyk
Crystal Kurek
Jordan Lesniewski
Diane Lind
Paul A. Martin
Carolyn McGill
Sandi Merlo
Gino Michels
Madeline Mikolanis
Thomas Mordaunt

Bernadine Nemeth
Margaret Nickrent
Dawn Niebling
Clare O'Brien
Dennis Perz
Lucille Perz
Ruth Ramirez
Antonia Rodriguez
Paul Runick
Karen Sliwa
Steven Sliwa
Georgianne Suto
Michele Thomas
Rosemary Thomas
Russ Thomas
David Trotman
James Wachel
Kathy Wachel
Judith Zawada



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



Altar Servers

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Greeters



SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

5:30 PM MC - Lee Roy
AS - X. Mendoza & G. Knight

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

8:00 AM MC - Derek
AS - B., E., & J. Rueth

10:00 AM MC - Gabi/Adrian
AS - B. & T. Ogunyoye & S. Santellano

12:00 PM MC - Nina,
AS - C. Mack

Saturday, August 8
5:30 PM Mass
Main: Knight Family
Chapel: Lisa Mendoza
Choir: Victor & Wendy Villarreal

Sunday, August 9
6:30 a.m. Mass
Main: Julie Loza
8:00 a.m. Mass
Main: Paul & Jan Liszewski
Chapel: Donna Weidenfeller
Choir: Terry Laciak

10:00 a.m. Mass
Main: Juliet Ogunyoye
Chapel: Arturo & Claudia Mazon
12:00 Noon Mass
Main: Pat Batchelder



If you would like to be a Greeter, please contact Lisa Mendoza 718mendoza@gmail.com.

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Important Update About Weekly Envelopes



THE COMPANY THAT MAILS THE CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES HAS BEEN HAVING PROBLEMS.

JULY ENVELOPES WILL BE ARRIVING AT YOUR HOMES LATE.

IF YOU HAVE UNUSED ENVELOPES, YOU MAY USE ONE OF THEM AND JUST PUT THE CORRECT DATE ON UNTIL YOUR NEW ENVELOPES ARRIVE.

SORRY FOR THE INCONVENIENCE.



Mondays - 7:00 PM
Weis Center - Room 101

WHAT: Emotions Anonymous is a 12-step program, based off the recovery program of Alcoholics Anonymous.

WHO: Anyone experiencing emotional difficulties who is willing to try this recovery program.

WHY: To gain knowledge and support from others experiencing the same or similar underlying emotions.



We're taking a vacation break.
Have a fun and safe summer!

Keep an eye in the bulletin for updates
on our starting dates this Fall!



**MILLIONS
OF
MONICAS**

*One Hour
One Purpose
Our Children*

A prayer ministry where we, like St. Monica, pray for our children to return to the practice of their faith.

Thursday, August 13
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
in the Chapel

Meets every 2nd Thursday of the Month Immediately following the 8:30 AM Mass

Meetings will include prayer as well as faith sharing and fellowship among mothers.



Thursday, August 6
1:00 PM
Weis Center

Find friendship, a community of understanding support and a group of women for social activities.

Meets every 2nd Thursday of the Month

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EMMAUS

MISSIONARY DISCIPLESHIP CONFERENCE

AUGUST 22, 2026

Porter County Expo Center

Come for a day of **inspiring speakers** and **Eucharistic Adoration**, closing with a **Vigil Mass**. Lunch is included! **For details, visit the website.**

Hearts on Fire!
-Walking with Purpose-

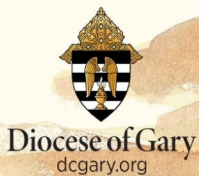
Keynote Speakers

- Jason Evert: Hearts on Fire
- Liz Kelly: Walking with Purpose



SIGN UP HERE!
dcmg.org/emmaus

**¡También
en
Español!**



August 2, 2026
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Jesus said to them, 'There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves.'" - Matthew 14:16

This is what Jesus said right before he fed the five thousand men. How often do we really place our trust in Jesus when the situation looks grim? With Jesus, no gift is too small or insignificant when offered with love. But, we have to do our part. We should trust that Jesus will provide all that we need. We need to believe that Jesus has a better plan in store for us.

Prayer of the Faithful

We Pray...
That we learn to put our
trust in God in
everything we do.



Parish Directory Update:

Thank you for your patience!

If you came to the Weis Center to take your photo for the Parish Directory—Please Hold Tight!

The directory project is in its final stages and will be mailed out to you by the end of summer!

If you took a photograph for the directory, you will be mailed a "free" copy of the directory!

If you did not take a photo or submit a photo, we will have some additional directories available for purchase at \$20.00.

Thank you so kindly for your patience! We know this has taken a very long time to complete with all of the steps in the process and rather small committee working on it.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Krystal Quagliara at (219) 836-8610, Ext. 2414,

CATHOLIC TRIVIA JUST FOR FUN

Question: In addition to Jesus' mother Mary, which saint is depicted in artwork more than any other?

Answer may be found on page 8.



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Daniel Maul Pastoral Associate

You Are Loved. Now, Believe It! I love saying, to my children, such things as, "I'm so proud of you," "good job," "well done," and "it's so great how you..." I love it for a number of reasons. Not only do I want to be that kind of dad, but I love the effect it has on them (Their chests literally puff up; broad smiles come across their faces; and their heads are raised a little bit higher. Plus, personally, my wife compliments me for how I speak to the children. "If Mama ain't happy..." and, also, I know how much they need to hear those things, not from just anyone, but specifically from their dad. It's an honor to have that kind of influence upon a person. I have to be so very careful with it.

There's nothing quite like love to make a person want to be his or her best. When I shower my children with love and adoration, it makes them want to be and do their best. I see it, in them. Love does so much more, to bring out the best in someone, than do warnings, threats of punishment (or "consequences," for our gentle parents 😊), or reprimands, and even more, as well, than do instructions, guidance, structure, expectations, or rules.

I was deeply moved by Father Robert's homily, last weekend. His was the only homily that I heard. In addition to asking us the rather jarring question of why we still believe that God is mad at us, in it, he reminded us that God is crazy in love with us. God is love, and, as such, God can do no other than be Himself. Whenever I hear such things – like how much God loves us and seeks us out – I always want to do and be better. I want to please God with my life. I want to show God how thankful I am for His love, mercy, and never-ending forgiveness. I'm ashamed of and repelled by my sin, in the face of God's intense love for me. Simultaneously, I'm so thankful and so sorry. I do not want Christ's death to be in vain.

Threats of Hell or teachings on being cutoff from God, through mortal sin, have never compelled me to live a holier life, like the realization of God's love for me has. Perhaps that's why I adore such songs as Reckless Love (by Cory Asbury) and The Goodness of God (by CeCe Winans). Give 'em a listen. They're powerful.

So, this week, please try to reflect and meditate upon God's infinite, passionate, and hounding love for you, and I'm sure, like me – and like my children, needing their father's love – you will be touched, healed, and inspired to be your best self and please God with your life.

If you weren't at a Mass, last weekend, at which Father Robert presided, perhaps you could find his homily online. I believe it was live-streamed. It's so worth the time.



EVENING SCRIPTURE STUDY THE BOOK OF ACTS

Every Other Thursday
August 27th - November 19th

Weis Ministry
Center

6:30 PM

Ray Martinez - ray.martinez.773@gmail.com
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Knights of
Columbus®



Heart Unto Heart:
*Speaking with
Father John Kartje*

Wednesday, September 2
7:00 pm
Bishop Noll Institute
1519 Hoffman St.
Hammond, IN

Speaking to the consistent and complementary nature of faith and reason in the Catholic tradition, the Very Rev. John Kartje will return to his alma mater as the featured speaker.

Free to the public, is sponsored by the Indiana Knights of Columbus as part of its program focused on evangelization and faith formation, known as Cor, and in partnership with Bishop Noll Institute.



Registration to attend the free event is not required, but organizers request that those planning to attend reply at this link – <http://bit.ly/44pIVY3> or scan the QR code so they can prepare accordingly.

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



Save the Date:
Wednesday
September 2, 2026

All Meetings are at the Weis Center at 1:00 p.m. (unless noted otherwise).

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Summer Picnic! We had a lot of delicious dishes to share.

In our 2026-2027 season, we have informative speakers, a Day of Reflection, our Christmas luncheon and much more scheduled!

Stay active. Stay informed. Stay healthy.

NURSERY SCHEDULE

The 10:00 AM Nursery will be **CLOSED** for the months of July & August.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Our Sunday morning nursery needs a few more helping hands! All ages welcome, including 8th grade and high school students needing service hours.

Interested? Please call Ann Harkenrider at (708) 334-5228. All volunteers 18 and over must have completed the Virtus training.

Catechists Needed!

Share Your Faith

St. Thomas More is looking for a few good hearts to join our catechetical team this year. No special degree required, just a love for the faith and willingness to walk alongside our children as they grow closer to Christ.

WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR:

A PRACTICING CATHOLIC WITH A HEART FOR TEACHING

PATIENCE & ENTHUSIASM!

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY - FULL TRAINING AND MATERIAL PROVIDED!

WEEKLY SESSIONS, SEPTEMBER THROUGH MAY

If interested, please contact Emily Hackett in the Parish Office at (219) 836-8610 Ext. 2232 or email her at ehackett@stm-school.com

Dress as Your Favorite Book Character



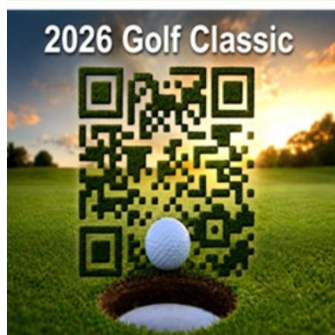
One of the most memorable parts of being a student at St. Thomas More School is celebrating Catholic Schools Week each January. This nationwide celebration highlights the value of Catholic education while bringing our school community together through faith, fun, and school spirit. Throughout the week, students enjoy participating in Spirit Week, with a different theme each day. On this special day, our students had the opportunity to dress as a character from their favorite book. It is always so much fun to see their creativity come to life and their school spirit shine in the hallways.

The Countdown Is On!

St. Thomas More School 9th Annual
Golf Classic
Join us for the best benefit golf outing in NWI
& help the students of STMS!
Monday, August 3
Briar Ridge Country Club
Schererville, IN



Register Now: Golf • Sponsor • Donate



We are looking forward to a wonderful day of golf, fellowship and support, at our STMS 9th Annual Golf Classic. A heartfelt thank you to all of our golfers, sponsors, donors, volunteers, and supporters for making this event possible. If you haven't had a chance to browse our online auction, there's still time! Bid on a variety of fantastic items while supporting St. Thomas More School. Scan the QR Code to start your bid. Thank you for your continued support !.

Gym Teacher For the Day



Ever wondered what it's like to be the Gym Teacher? One of our third-grade students got the chance to step into the role—leading the fun, organizing games, and making memories with classmates!

This special experience was made possible through our Annual Denim & Diamonds Fundraiser.

Each year, our online auction features one-of-a-kind STMS experiences that our students love. These moments create lasting memories that they'll cherish forever. Be sure to check out this year's exclusive STMS experiences during the Online Auction at our 9th Annual Golf Classic on August 3!

Dance Party

Another Denim & Diamonds experience offered during our Silent Online Auction was a Dance Party with Mrs. Reynolds! Eight lucky students had the opportunity to dance the day away with our second-grade teacher by showing off their favorite dance moves.

During the party, students learned fun hip-hop dance moves, created their own T-shirts, and enjoyed an afternoon filled with music, laughter, and creativity.



Parish Information

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Bible Study – Thurs. PM

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Elaine Herrmann (219)902-0702

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PJ Caraher (219)680-6775

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Deacon Joe Stodola (219)689-1001

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Vacation Bible School

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Gabriel Project

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Bob Thomas (630)363-7978

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Bernadine Nemeth (219)513-6544

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Boy: Dustin Anderson (219)712-8752

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2026 – 2027 PASTORAL COUNCIL

Chairperson: Deborah Gena
Vita Ayala • Denise Barlage
Noreen Bickel • Mike Englert
Elaine Herrmann • Christi Kordeck
• Paul Liszewski • Lisa Mendoza
Claudia Pernal • Cindy Thompson
Sue Wilson

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Confessions

Saturdays: 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

First Friday: Half hour before
the 6:30 AM 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 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



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Parish Office:
8501 Calumet Avenue
Munster, IN 46321

Office Hours:
M, T, Th, & F - 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Wednesday - 8:00 AM - Noon
Saturday - 9:00 AM - Noon

Telephone: (219) 836-8610
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Mass Schedule:
Saturday: 8:30 AM & 5:30 PM
Sunday: 6:30 AM, 8:00 AM,
10:00 AM, & 12:00 PM

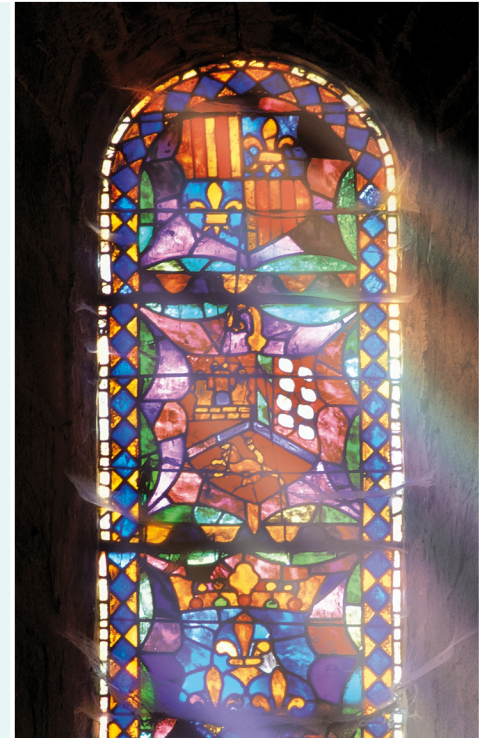
Weekday Mass:
M, T, W, Th, & F - 6:30 AM & 8:30 AM

Website: www.stm-church.com
Email: parish.office@stm-church.com

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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