

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH

JULY 5, 2026



WELCOME to visitors of our Parish, those who have recently moved into the area, and those who are comfortable and nourished here - Welcome. Regardless of your status in the Church, marital state, your ethnicity, your prior religious experience, your personal history, background, or sexual orientation, we hope that you will continue to worship with us each week.

OUR MISSION is to be a welcoming community of believers continually growing in our faith and in our love of Jesus Christ through worship, education, evangelization and service within our local and broader community.

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SUNDAY MASS**St. Thomas Aquinas Church**

Saturday Vigil | 4:00 p.m.

Sunday | 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

St. Basil Chapel

122 Park Ave., Bridgewater

Sunday | 10:30 a.m.

DAILY MASS

St. Thomas Aquinas Lower Church
 Monday - Saturday | 9:00 a.m.

CONFESSION

Saturday: 9:45 - 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.
 in the Lower Church or by appointment

WELCOME FR. JOHN!

Hello! My name is Fr. John Saniuk. I grew up in Milford, MA and went to Blackstone Valley Tech for high school. Growing up, I wanted to make video games, but obviously the Lord had better plans for me. I attended both Quinsigamond Community College in Worcester and also UMass Lowell, where I studied Computer Engineering. I entered the seminary immediately after.

I am a consummate nerd in every respect, and have been given a deep spirituality of surrender to Jesus Christ, which I try to live out in every area of my life. I look forward to meeting and serving you all!



FATIMA ROSARY PROCESSION

Monday July 13th

7:30 PM

St. Thomas Aquinas Church



SPEAKER:

Rev. Bill Devine, Pastor

JULY BAPTISMS DATE CHANGE**PLEASE NOTE:**

July Baptisms will be celebrated on July 19 and July 26.

PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

MONDAY - THURSDAY: 9 AM - 5 PM

*** FRIDAYS: 9 AM - 12 PM ***



"David"

NEXT Saturday, July 11

**Doors open at 5:00 PM
Movie begins at 5:30 PM**

FREE ADMISSION! FREE POPCORN!

Join us to watch *"David,"* a family-friendly movie for ages 4+. From his mother's songs to his clash with Goliath, David's journey from humble shepherd to anointed king tests the limits of faith, courage, and love - culminating in a battle for the soul of a kingdom. **Please feel free to bring your own beverages and snacks!**

Hosted by the St. Thomas Aquinas Evangelization Committee

BLOCK PARTY COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED !

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED TO HELP!

The Social Committee still needs 1-2 adults to assist with the planning and execution of our Annual Block Party.

Are you someone who is creative and enjoys planning fun family-oriented events? If so, please help us! Contact Tina in the parish office for information. ***Committee members are required to attend ONLY 2 planning meetings prior to the event AND the event.***



Event Information
Saturday, September 5
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

THIS SUNDAY, JULY 5 - 1:30 PM

Every first Sunday of the month, we celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick here at St. Thomas Aquinas Church. Anointing of the Sick is not only a sacrament for those who are dying, but also for those who are facing a serious surgery, serious illness, or suffer from any other physical or emotional illnesses. If you have any questions, please consult Fr. Devine or Fr. John.



LIFTING THE LAW

Do you know all 10 Commandments off the top of your head...right now? If not, you're in the perfect spot to join Seminarian Ryan Immerman for the next two **Tuesday nights at 6:30 PM** in the Lower Church. Ryan held the first session last week, but it is not too late to join!

Over the next two Tuesdays, we'll dive into the Catechism of the Catholic Church and unpack what it teaches about the **Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth/Ninth Commandments** - honoring parents and authority, respecting the dignity of human life, and living God's plan for authentic love and chastity. Expect real life applications, practical insights, and maybe even a few surprises along the way. Limited-time offer. Exceptional spiritual return on investment. Come by while seats last!

STEPUP GOES TO THE CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY CROSS

Six youth from our STEPUP group participated in the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage. Last Saturday, we traveled to the Cathedral for adoration, confession, and a votive Mass for the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Cathedral hosted Perpetual Pilgrims, many archdiocesan priests, and religious orders. For many of the youth, it was their first time at the Cathedral. They were deeply moved by a relic of the True Cross at the base of the wall Crucifix (*see picture below*), brought from France in the nineteenth century and given to Bishop Cheverus, Boston's first bishop. The group also had the chance to speak with Archbishop Henning. The youth reminded him of his previous visit to St. Thomas, during a snowstorm, and they asked him to return. He graciously agreed that he needs to come back to the parish. No pressure, of course! - *Debbie Hill, Director*



A COLLECTION TO SUPPORT VENEZUELA RELIEF EFFORTS JULY 18-19

The Catholic Church, through Catholic Relief Services (CRS), is working through Caritas Venezuela and the local Church "to quickly deliver emergency shelter, food, safe water, medical care and other critical relief to those affected." CRS reports that "Buildings collapsed, homes and essential infrastructure were damaged, and thousands of people have been left without safe shelter. Even as the full extent of the damage is still emerging, Catholic parishes have opened their doors to shelter displaced families and provide emergency assistance." With the death toll approaching 1,000 and likely to surpass that, more than 3,000 having been injured, and thousands more missing, the Church has mobilized and is bringing immediate relief to the people impacted.

We will hold this special collection July 18-19. If you would like to donate, please make your checks payable to "St. Thomas Aquinas Parish" with "Venezuela Relief" in the memo. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



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Bridgewater, Massachusetts



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FINANCIAL BLESSINGS SECOND COLLECTIONS:

NO SECOND COLLECTION JUNE 27 - 28
NO SECOND COLLECTION JULY 4 - 5

WEEKLY OFFERTORY 6/22 - 6/29	St. Thomas / St. Basil
Weekly Collection (In-Pew)	\$ 6,288
Mail-in / Drop-Off	\$ 920
Online (WeShare)	\$ 2,702
OFFERTORY TOTAL	\$ 9,910
WEEKLY OFFERTORY 6/15 - 6/21	St. Thomas / St. Basil
Weekly Collection (In-Pew)	\$ 5,955
Mail-in / Drop-Off	\$ 206
Online (WeShare)	\$ 3,392
OFFERTORY TOTAL	\$ 9,553
<i>Promoting the Gospel</i>	\$ 2,689

AVERAGE WEEKLY EXPENSES FOR MAY = \$ 15,691



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DEVOTIONS

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturdays 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., Lower Church

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Lower Church

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

1st Friday of the month: 9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.,
Lower Church

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

1st Saturday of the month: 10:30 a.m., Lower Church

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JULY 4

9:00 a.m.

4:00 p.m. Mary Edwards O'Keefe

SUNDAY, JULY 5

St. Thomas

7:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m. Isabel & Daniel Bentley and Paul Taylor

12:00 p.m. Paolo Jorge Torres

St. Basil

10:30 a.m.

MONDAY, JULY 6

9:00 a.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 7

9:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

9:00 a.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 9

9:00 a.m. Michael Gambino

FRIDAY, JULY 10

9:00 a.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 11

9:00 a.m.

4:00 p.m. Heidi Gustafson

SUNDAY, JULY 12

St. Thomas

7:30 a.m. Raymond Perry - 4th Anniversary

9:00 a.m. Joao Viera

12:00 p.m. Maria Adriana Carvalho

St. Basil

10:30 a.m.

SACRAMENTS

To receive information about the Sacraments or schedule a meeting with a priest, call the office at 508-697-9528.

BAPTISM

Baptisms are ordinarily celebrated monthly on the 2nd & 4th Sunday at 1:30 p.m., or during Mass. (Dates subject to change.) Baptisms are only scheduled following a meeting with one of our priests. Call the office at 508-697-9528 one month in advance.

MARRIAGE

To be married in our parish, call the office at least 8 months in advance. Marriage Preparation instruction required.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or anyone you know would like to be anointed because of serious illness or surgery, anointings are held on the first Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m., or may contact the office to schedule a time.

CONFESSIONS - LOWER CHURCH

Saturdays 9:45-10:30 a.m. and 12:00-1:00 p.m. or by appointment.

PRAYER LIST

A Time to be Born...

Andrew DeLuca

A Time to Die....

Eileen Edwards	Cheryl Nersessian
Kathleen Flynn	Melinda Rodrigues
Charles Micalizzi	Edward Spillane

A Time to Heal....

Carolyn Allen	Marissa Lopes
Paul Battista	Lucie Lovell
Kathy Bennett	Anna Madigan
Jean-Marie Boustani	Riley McHardy
Sandra Cable	JoAnn Micalizzi
Mimi Conklin	Elisabeth Mikush
Michael Coscia	Kathy Monahan
Mary Cowan	Chris O'Leary
Jackie Davis	Peter O'Leary
Anthony DeSerpa	Sean O'Leary
Lourdes DeSerpa	Thomas O'Leary
Marcus DiSalvo	Lane Poche
Stephanie DiSalvo	Jerry Putney
Matteo Disalvo	Baby Carson Rosen
Evan Frye	Diane Russell
Joan Ward Fusco	Ruth Sandler
Brenda Gentili	Tony Scalfaro
Patricia Giovanniello	James Schneider
Thomas Groh	Deana Spingel
Gail Hatch	Jamison Spingel
Tom Joyce	Emily Stone
Carol Kelley	Erika White
Julie Landry	

A Time for Peace....

SFC Kelly Berrier, USA
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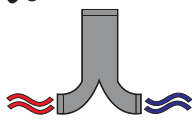
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