

Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

210 R63 Hwy-Indianol a, IA 50125

Weekend Mass Saturday 4:30 pm, 8:00 am & 10:15 am Sundays Sunday 8:00 am at Immaculate Conception-St Mary's

Tuesday- 6:00 pm mass

Daily Mass: WEDNESDAY-Friday 8:00 am

1st Tuesday of the Month at Good Samaritan Nursing Home 9:30 am

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ROSARY: Please join us in praying the rosary every Tuesday evening starting at 6:30pm in the church as we pray for peace, families and your special intentions. Also Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings the rosary is prayed at 7:40am.

Knights of Columbus: Brian Hoxmeier

Sacrament of Reconciliation will be by appointment ONLY at this time. Please call the office to schedule an appointment.

Liturgy of Baptism: Parents are requested to call the Parish Office to arrange for pre-baptism sessions and must be registered with the church, one sponsor must be Catholic.

Liturgy of Marriage: Call at least 6 months in advance to make arrangements. Pre-Marriage Program is required.

Prayer Chain: Our parish has a prayer chain for special intentions. Requests can be for a anyone in need.

Prayer requests call Kris Gross 210-0169, Jackie Ward 515-250-7385 or Debbie McDaniel 240-2029

Care of the Sick & Shut-ins: Call to request the Sacrament of the Sick, the Eucharist or to be placed on the Prayer Chain.

Newcomers/Addresses: Register in person; call the Office for Appointment. **Change of Address:** Notify the office when you change your address.

November 8, 2020

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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154: Wis 6:12-16 Ps 63:2-8 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14 Mt 25:1-13 7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception 8:00 a.m. Public Mass Immaculate Conception-Patricia Nehring 8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Joseph Giglio 10:15 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Gary & Mark Gross 12 Noon Public Mass at St Thomas-Anita Chesher 5:00p.m. Mass at Simpson College

NOVEMBER 9

DEDICATION OF ST. JOHN LATERAN

671: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17 Jn 2:13-22 NO 8:00 a. m. Mass at St. Thomas 6:30 p.m. Rosary at Immaculate Conception

NOVEMBER 10 SAINT LEO THE GREAT

492: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14 Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29 Lk 17:7-10 see 672: Sir 39:6-11 Mt 16:13-19

6:00 p.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Velma Forret 6:30 p.m. Rosary at St. Thomas

NOVEMBER 11 SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS

493: Ti 3:1-7 Ps 23:1b-6 Lk 17:11-19 See 673: Is 61:1-3d Mt 25:31-40

8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Joe Chiappine

NOVEMBER 12 **SAINT JOSAPHAT**

494: Phlm 7-20 Ps 146:7-10 Lk 17:20-25 See 674: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Jn 17:20-26 8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Beverly Krier

NOVEMBER 13

SAINT FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI
495: 2 Jn 4-9 Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18 Lk 17:26-37 see 731-736
8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas–Bess Bassler

MOVEMBER 14 496: 3 Jn 5-8 Ps 112:1-6 Lk 18:1-8 3:30 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Reconciliation at St. Thomas 4:30 p.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Zac Easter

NOVEMBER 15

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

157: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 Ps 128:1-5 1 Thes 5:1-6 Mt 25:14-30 Or Mt 25:14-15, 19-21

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception 8:00 a.m. Public Mass Immaculate Conception-Linda Croat 8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-John & Donna Sereg 10:15 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Zac Easter 12 Noon Public Mass at St Thomas-Anita Chesher 5:00p.m. Mass at Simpson College

Livestream Masses

Saturdays at 4:30pm and Sunday at 10:15am at St. Thomas & Sundays at 8:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. Closed for lunch Monday–Friday (12 p.m.– 1 p.m.) Parish Office: 961-3026/ Fax: 961-3458 Rectory Phone 962-2063 Website: stthomasindianola.com

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PASTORS REPORT

Dear Parishioners: A number of you have been asking about the income and expense report from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. We have this available to you via email to anyone who has an email attached. We will also have some copies available to those without computer access. Also enclosed is the budget for July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021. I would like to thank our Business Manager, Leasa Garrett for working hard to compile this and have this ready for you this weekend. It is most appreciated! During the weekend of November 21 and 22nd, we will have youth available to help you gain access to the new parish program of Formed.org. We ask that you bring your ipads, tablets, or portable computers to Mass that weekend, so they can help you gain access to the wonderful and rich expanse of information on the sacraments, the saints, and other forms of catechetical instruction. I think you will be very pleased with this program, particularly during COVID-19 when meeting in person has been a real challenge for all of us. I would like to thank JoAnn Sayre, our Director of Religious Education for her efforts in coordinating this program for you.

The Diocese will be coming out soon with some guidelines on celebration of Advent and Christmas due to COVID-19. At one of the weekday zoom meetings, they were discouraging parishes from holding social functions. I know this may not come as a surprise and that many of us experience a variety of emotions with fear, frustration, anger, COVID fatigue, etc. and the desire to move to more normalcy, we will be looking for creative ways to minister to our people, so that the hope and expectation of our Lord's coming will be remembered and celebrated, albeit, different way this year. Please feel free to suggest some ideas on how we can make this happen. Just remember in doing so, I may ask you to be involved in the coordination and implementation of these ideas! Monday, November 9 is the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome. In first century Rome, a palace existed next to the site where the basilica would be eventually built. It belonged to Platius Lateranus and through the centuries, it was known as the Lateran palace. Emperor Nero confiscated the property and in the early fourth century, Emperor Constantine the Great took possession. Constantine was convinced that all his successes came from the

Christian God and he eventually ended the persecution of Christians in the early fourth century. He ended up giving the Lateran Palace to Pope Melchiades. This became the residence of the Pope for the next 1000 years. Constantine began building places of worship for Christians throughout the Roman Empire. Around 324 A.D., at the insistence of Constantine it was dedicated to Our Most Holy Savior by Pope St. Sylvester. The basilica was rededicated twice, first in the 10th century to St. John the Baptist and again in the 12th century to St. John the Evangelist. The official title of this church is the Archbasilica of the Most Holy Savior and of SS. John the Baptist and the Evangelist. It is best known as St. John Lateran. The architecture of St. John Lateran equaled or exceeded any monuments given to pagan gods. The early historian Eusebius of Caesarea (263-340 A.D.) wrote, "After this was seen the sight which had been desired and prayed for by us all: feasts of dedication in the cities and consecrations of the newly built houses of prayer took place, bishops assembled, foreigners came together from abroad, mutual love was exhibited between people and people, the members of Christ's body were united in complete harmony." ("The History of the Church," Book X, Chapter III).

The use of the Lateran Palace ended when the Popes moved to Avignon, France in 1309 for the next 70 years until through the urging of St. Catherine of Siena brought it back to Rome. T The feast day honoring the dedication of the St. John Lateran was introduced in the 12th century and was only celebrated in Rome. IN 1726, Pope Benedict XIII ordered a worldwide commemoration of the Basilica as a sign of universal Catholic unity. The Feast Day known today as the "The Feast of the Dedication of St. John Lateran Basilica." The building of St. John Lateran was a mark of religious freedom, as Catholic Christians could worship without fear and in a church of their own. Blessings and peace! Happy Feast Day of the Dedication of the Basilica of St. John Lateran this week.

Fr. Chris

Source: simplycatholic.com

November is the month that commemorates the deceased, please remember in your prayers all those that have died this year.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual lights shine upon them.

Ministry Schedule

Please call someone to replace you if you aren't available to serve

4:30 p.m. Mass November 14th:

Lector: David DeGroote

Eucharistic Ministers: Steve & Leasa Garrett Ushers: David DeGroote & Deery Butler Cleaning Vessels: Steve & Leasa Garrett

8:00 a.m. Mass November 15th:

Lector: Terry Schenfeld

Eucharistic: Mike & Terry Schenfeld Ushers: Kathryn Pierson & Carol Proctor Cleaning Vessels: Mike & Terry Schenfeld

10:15 a.m. Mass November 15th:

Lector: Ed Tormev

Eucharistic Ministers: Logan Hageman & Claire Patin

Ushers: Ed & Connie Tormey

Cleaning Vessels: Logan Hageman & Claire Patin

Please remember: at least 2 Eucharistic Ministers need to stay after Mass to help clean the Sacred Vessels.

Please Note: That you are strongly encouraged to wear a face masks social distance and use hand sanitizer before entering and exiting the church.

Linens: Judy Kirby

Prayerfully consider continuing your weekly Tithes ,Building Fund & monthly Capital Campaign Pledge as expenses will continue to come in.

You may drop your envelope off in the Secured Box on the wall under the Office sign, place it in the mail or there will be a basket in the back of the Church for you to place your Offerings in as well.

Prayer List

For all those in need.

Doug Andreasen, Ed Leinen, Jean Veasman, Loretta Petersen, Aaron Babinski, Mike Metz, Patrick Shandley

& for the Souls in Purgatory

Please contact Jackie Ward at jjward71@gmail.com or 515-250-7385,
Kris Gross at 210-0169 or Debbie McDaniel at 240-2029
to put someone on the Prayer Chain. They will notify the rest of the group to
start immediate prayers for
you or your loved one in need.

We would like to offer a prayer shawl to parishioners who are ill or in need of comfort.

The shawls were prayed over when created. Please make your request through one of the prayer chain leaders.

Please contact Leasa Garrett (961-3026) to add a name to the list published in the bulletin.

Names will remain on the list for a month unless you indicate otherwise.



"Laptop Sunday"

When: Saturday, November 21 Sunday, November 22

Device: Laptop, Ipad, Cell phone

<u>Why</u>: Our parish has purchased a program called *Formed* and we want all of you to have access to it. *It's Amazing!!! and free to you.*

How will this work: After all the weekend Masses on Nov. 21-22 our STAT group will be helping any parishioner who wishes, to set up this program on their device.

Where: the multi-purpose room across from the Church

Don't miss out on this great opportunity!

Altar Server Training



If your child is interested in becoming an altar server, please contact the Church so that we can set up a time to train them. Trainings will take place on Sundays and Wednesdays. 515-961-3026

Knights of Columbus

Fall Fish & Chicken Dinners 6 Big Nights , two left Nov 13 & 20

The Indianola council is planning to host our annual Fall Fish & Chicken dinners starting on Friday, Oct 16. All meals will be served as a drive-up carryout offering. The price per meal is \$10. Serving hours are 5:30 to 7:00 PM.

SPACE IS **AVAILABLE** IF INTERESTED **CONTACT** THE OFFICE AT 961-3026

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