



Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

210 S Wesley STREET- Indianola, 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.

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 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.

APRIL 18

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

47: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9 1 Jn 2:1-5a
Lk 24:35-48

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception

8:00 a.m. Public Mass Immaculate-John Brommel

8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-For the intentions of Fr. Chris

10:15 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Evelyn Wadle

Noon Mass at St Thomas- For the Intentions of our RE Teachers

APRIL 19

EASTER WEEKDAY

273: Acts 6:8-15 Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 Jn 6:22-29

NO 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas

6:30 p.m. Rosary at Immaculate Conception

APRIL 20

EASTER WEEKDAY

274: Acts 7:51-8:1a Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab
Jn 6:30-35

6:00 p.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Loretta Petersen

6:30 p.m. Rosary at St. Thomas

APRIL 21

EASTER WEEKDAY

275: Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a Jn 6:35-40

8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Jim Jauron & Family

APRIL 22

EASTER WEEKDAY

276: Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 Jn 6:44-51

8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Ron Day

APRIL 23

EASTER WEEKDAY

277: Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Jn 6:52-59

8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-For the intentions of the Mike Miller Family

APRIL 24

EASTER WEEKDAY

278: Acts 9:31-42 Ps 116:12-17 Jn 6:60-69

3:30 p.m.-4:15 p.m. Reconciliation at St. Thomas

4:30 p.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Eldon Johnson

APRIL 25

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

50: Acts 4:8-12 Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29
1 Jn 3:1-2 Jn 10:11-18

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception

8:00 a.m. Public Mass Immaculate-John Brommel

8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Jim Jauron & Family

10:15 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Evelyn Wadle

12 Noon Mass at St Thomas-Alice Whitmore

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
Facebook: St. Thomas Church, Indianola IA

PASTORS REPORT

Dear Parishioners:

A big thank you to Bishop Joensen for taking time with our students before the Confirmation liturgy, for confirming the 21 young people, to Todd and Johna as Primary Catechists, JoAnn Sayre, our Director of Religious Education, Deacon Dave O'Brien, Gina Piper, Melissa O'Neil, Kate Lerseth, and Karen Peters for catechizing, accompanying, and assisting our young people for the Sacrament of Confirmation, all of our musicians, Mary Mace, Vicky Oberheim Vorwald, Roger Buckingham, and especially Kay Thomas. Thank you to all the parents (who are the first teachers in the ways of the faith) and the students' sponsors.

Congratulations to our four first communicants who received the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time at Immaculate Conceptions, St. Marys this weekend. They are; Quinton DiCesare, Athena Easton, Ellie Hanson, and Bella Nelson.

Thanks to Christiani's Catering for the wonderful dinner this past Friday for the Mission Trip Fund-raiser, to Ellen Miller, to Darrel Pottebaum, our mission facilitators for Mission 2.1 and St. Thomas Aquinas, JoAnn Sayre, and all our mission team coordinators, participants, and all those who donated generously to the auctions. Your time, efforts, and talents are most appreciated!

I would like you to pray for our fifteen students who will be making the Sacrament of Holy Communion from St. Thomas Aquinas this coming Sunday, April 25th at the noon Mass. They are: Wyatt Bee, Landon Brennan, Crosby Freeberg, Amber Helgersen, Brianne Johnson, Justin Knedler, Lumen Selgrade, Lily Strable, James Strange, Reid Strong, Blakelynn Swigart, Scarlett Thomason, Parker Thompson, Emma Waller, EllaMae Wilson. Please keep these first Communicants in your prayers.

I would like to highlight briefly our Gospel for this Sunday. We see Jesus in another post-resurrection appearance (13 in all before he ascended to the Father). They are frightened because it is highly unusual that someone would rise from the dead in physical flesh, the incarnation. He reassures them, it is He. He even asks for something to eat! We have a resurrected body from the dead in our midst, Jesus the God/Man. Because He has risen from the dead in a resurrected body, so will we, if we but believe and follow Him daily. We have the privilege of receiving Him weekly in the Sacrament of Holy Communion-His Body, His Blood, His Soul, and Divinity! This is His gift to us! This is also the Good News of Salvation!

Happy Third Sunday of Easter! Blessings and peace!
Fr. Chris

Ministry Schedule

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

4:30 p.m. Mass April 24th:

Lector: David DeGroote

Eucharistic Ministers: Judy Kirby & John Shandley

Ushers: David DeGroote & Debbie McDaniel

Cleaning Vessels: Judy Kirby & John Shandley

8:00 a.m. Mass April 25th:

Lector: Terry Schenfeld

Eucharistic Ministers: Mike & Terry Schenfeld

Ushers: Jack & Kathy Slinker

Cleaning Vessels: Mike & Terry Schenfeld

10:15 a.m. Mass April 25th:

Lector: Ryan Whitesitt

Eucharistic Ministers: Ben Brackney & Cindy Whitesitt

Ushers: Larry & Darla Vanderpool

Cleaning Vessels: Ben Brackney & Cindy Whitesitt

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,

Aaron Babinski, Mike Metz, Patrick Shandley

James Rector, Dianne Funk & 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.

YOU ARE INVITED TO

THE POWER OF GOD IN TODAYS WORLD

Tim Jameson & Graeson Dall

ON FIRE WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT
THEY WILL BE SHARING THEIR MANY
SPIRITUAL GIFTS IN THE BUILDING UP OF
GODS CHURCH

April 21, 2021 from 7:00 to 8:00PM
St Thomas Aquinas Church
Livestream will also be available



The Livestream link may be found on
St Thomas Aquinas Facebook Page

Confirmation with Bishop Joensen
Thank you to the Bishop, Father & Deacon



Students
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Servers
Choir

Thanks to all
those that
helped prepare

these wonderful
students for this day,
it was beautiful!
Thanks also to Gina
Piper for decorating,
and Steve Garrett for
the Facebook Video.



Monday, April 19th
Happy Birthday
Father Chris
May God bless you with
many more wonderful years



Due to COVID restrictions we are not having the chocolate chip cookie sale to raise money for the Warren County Child Abuse Prevention Council this year, but if you'd like to support their efforts you can send a donation to: Short Years Partnership
515 N. Jefferson Way Suite F
Indianola, Iowa 50125 or
donate on their website: shortyears.org (go to Child Abuse Prevention)

Support the Annual Diocesan Appeal!

Goal: \$62,681.00
Raised to Date: \$32,090.00

Amount Still to be Raised: \$30,591.00

Pledging to the Diocese today helps St Thomas Aquinas by supporting:

- Priest's Retirement
- Marriage & Family Life Programs
- Catholic Charities
- Catholic Schools
- Vocations



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Tuesday, April 27, 2021
7:00 pm



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