

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.

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.

MAY 9 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

56: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 Ps 98:1-4 1 Jn 4:7-10 Jn 15:9-17

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 the Strable Family

10:15 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Loretta Petersen 12 Noon Mass at St Thomas-Joe Chiappine 5:00p.m. No Mass at Simpson College until further notice

MAY 10 EASTER WEEKDAY

291: Acts 16:11-15 Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b Jn 15:26-16:4a NO 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas 6:30 p.m. Rosary at Immaculate Conception

<u>MAY 11</u> EASTER WEEKDAY

292: Acts 16:22-34 Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8 Jn 16:5-11 6:00 p.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas—Shiela Goode 6:30 p.m. Rosary at St. Thomas

MAY 12 EASTER WEEKDAY

293: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1 Ps 148:1-2, 11-14 Jn 16:12-15 8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas—Carla Warner

MAY 13 EASTER WEEKDAY

58: Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13 Mk 16:15-20 8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas—for the intentions of The Phillips Family

MAY 14 SAINT MATTHIAS

564: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Ps 113:1-8 Jn 15:9-17 8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas–Jim Jauron & Family

<u>MAY 15</u> EASTER WEEKDAY

296: Acts 18:23-28 Ps 47:2-3, 8-10 Jn 16:23b-28 3:30 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Reconciliation at St. Thomas 4:30 p.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Ron Day

MAY 16 THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

60: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26 Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 1 Jn 4:11-16 Jn 17:11b-19 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—Bess Basler 12 Noon Mass at St Thomas-Frank Celsi 5:00p.m. No Mass at Simpson College until further notice

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. Closed for lunch Monday–Friday (12 p.m.– 1 p.m.)

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PASTORS REPORT

Dear Parishioners:

Happy Mother's Day to all of our mothers, grandmothers, and great grandmothers! This day was created by Anna Jarvis in 1908 and officially became a holiday in 1914 to honor the sacrifices of all mothers! Anna became disillusioned at the commercialization of the holiday in the 1920's by denouncing and during the latter part of her life wanted it removed from the calendar. Today, Mother's Day, has been traditionally known as presenting mothers with flowers, cards, and other gifts. (source: www.history.com). Thank you to all of our mothers, grandmothers, and great grandmothers for all of your hard work and sacrifices over the years! One such saintly mother in our time, well, the 20th century, was a woman by the name of Dr. Gianna Beretta Molla who had experienced very difficult experiences. In her last pregnancy, her fourth child, she was diagnosed with a large fibroid. She had the fibroid removed. She chose the heroic part of doing everything possible to save the life of her child, no matter what would happen to her. She stated, "If you have to decide between me and the child, do not hesitate; I demand it, the child, save

This was her generous attitude toward her pregnancy. She ended up dying to save the life of the child. St. Pope Paul VI once stated that St. Gianna was a "mother who, in order to give to her baby, sacrificed her own life in deliberate immolation."

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Last Monday, we met as a Finance Council. I am happy to announce that the Capital Campaign Phase III Loan from People's Bank has been paid off. Now, in order for that to happen, we had to take out amounts from our general or main account and building fund accounts to make this happen. So, please do NOT stop making your payments to the church. Why? We need to replenish these accounts and like a home that has been paid off, we will need to maintain the facility. We will need to purchase new carpet for the Hall which could run into the neighborhood of \$30,000 plus some and for the hallways (the carpet is worn as it is over 20 years old). There have been some leaky areas from the roof that will need repair on the east side and near the receptionist desk. I do want to thank you for helping us improve our facilities for our Religious Education Students, provide new office space for staff, and of course, a new receptionist area which can welcome parishioners and guests, the multi-purpose room used for our high school students, coffee and rolls on Sunday mornings or wine and cheese on Saturdays, Women's Bible Study and Men's Bible Study and Faith Sharing which will be starting soon on Saturday mornings. Happy Sixth 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 May 15th:

Lector: David DeGroote

Eucharistic Ministers: David & Joyce DeGroote Ushers: David & Joyce DeGroote Cleaning Vessels: David & Joyce DeGroote

8:00 a.m. Mass May 16th:

Lector: Mark Kollasch

Eucharistic Ministers: Cathy Krapfl & Nate Thomason

Ushers: Terry & Cathy Krapfl

Cleaning Vessels: Cathy Krapfl & Nate Thomason

10:15 a.m. Mass May 16th:

Lector: Ryan Whitesitt

Eucharistic Ministers: Cindy Whitesitt & Ben Brackney

Ushers: Tony & Anitta Spenner

Cleaning Vessels: Cindy Whitesitt & Ben Brackney 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

Congratulations



To our Graduating Seniors,

May God bless you and keep you.



St. Thomas Social Concerns

During the month of May, St. Thomas will be collecting items for the **Necessity Pantry.** This organization serves young families in Warren Co.

Parents may earn points by attending parenting classes, and by taking children to well child exams, preventive dental and vision screenings. Earned points are exchanged for items in the pantry.

<u>Items Needed:</u> Pump hand soap, detergent, shampoo, conditioner, and diapers (Sizes 3 and up). Please place items in the designated container in the Gathering Space.

Sponsored by St. Thomas Social Concerns

It will soon be time for planting and watering at St. Thomas and we welcome helpers. We will be planting early to mid May and especially need helpers to water the gardens. If you'd like to sign up for a week-

ly shift one or two days a week contact: Jackie or Bob Pool at: 515,360,0546.



Mark Your Calendar



Rosary by the Lake

Where: The Lodge at Lake Ahquabi

When: May 19th @ 7:00PM

Bring a lawn chair And your Rosary



Support the Annual Diocesan Appeal!

Goal: \$62,681.00 Raised to Date: \$37,375.00

Amount Still to be Raised: \$25,306.00

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

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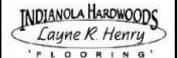
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