



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.

JULY 18

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

107: Jer 23:1-6 Ps 23:1-6 Eph 2:13-18 Mk 6:30-34

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception

8:00 a.m. Public Mass Immaculate-John Bernard Lippold

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

10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Gary & Vivian Elbert

12 Noon Mass at St Thomas-Dan Kosman

JULY 19

WEEKDAY

395: Ex 14:5-18 (Ps) Ex 15:1b-6 Mt 12:38-42

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

6:30 p.m. Rosary at Immaculate Conception

JULY 20

WEEKDAY

396: Ex 14:21-15:1 (Ps) Ex 15:8-10, 12, 17 Mt 12:46-50

6:00 p.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Jim & Velma Forret

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

JULY 21

WEEKEND

397: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15 Ps 78:18-19, 23-28 Mt 13:1-9

8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Gary & Vivian Elbert

JULY 22

SAINT MARY MAGDALENE

603: Sg 3:1-4a or 2 Cor 5:14-17 Ps 63:2-6, 8-9

Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Edwin & Hildred Ford

JULY 23

WEEKDAY

399: Ex 20:1-17 Ps 19:8-11 Mt 13:18-23

8:00 a.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-For the intentions of Kevin & Ellen Miller

JULY 24

WEEKDAY

400: Ex 24:3-8 Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 Mt 13:24-30

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

4:30 p.m. Public Mass at St. Thomas-Loretta Petersen

JULY 25

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

110: 2 Kgs 4:42-44 Ps 145:10-11, 15-18 Eph 4:1-6

Jn 6:1-15

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-Gary & Vivian Elbert

10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Dan Kosman

12 Noon Mass at St Thomas-Carol VanAernam

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
 Summer Hours: Friday 9 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Facebook: St. Thomas Church, Indianola IA

PASTORS REPORT

Dear Parishioners:

I want to thank Angie Elliot, Elizabeth Williams, the Knights of Columbus and all of you for your time, efforts, and participation with the MJM7 Concert last weekend. I think many of us were inspired by this young, vibrant family with their gift of worship, praise, and thanks to God in music. What a blessing they were for our parishes!

Thanks to JoAnn Sayre, Elizabeth Williams, all of our parents and young people who participated in the Vacation Bible School each of the evenings this past week. The theme was on the Mass, the highest and most important prayer we have as Catholic Christians! Your time, efforts, and creativity were most appreciated!

Please welcome Fr. Chuong Cao to Immaculate Conception, St. Marys this weekend! Fr. Cao, A Redemptorist priest, will be talking to us about their missionary efforts in foreign countries and bringing the Gospel or Good News of Jesus Christ to those they encounter!

Finally, a reflection upon this Gospel reading for this weekend.

A priest friend of mine who served at a parish close to downtown at one time would often get transients, some of whom lived under the bridges, stopping by and in need of assistance. It could have been very easy for him to pretend not to hear the doorbell, go hide, ignore, or shoe the people away. No, he took the narrow, more difficult road by opening the door, listening to them, and finding ways to assist them either through counsel or finances. He did this time and time again. He finds that this is not only personally satisfying, but more importantly, the call to be the kind compassionate shepherd.

Jesus exemplifies the true shepherd. When he sees the crowds hungry or in need, he gives them physical and spiritual nourishment of himself. He draws the people in and meets their greatest hunger-to know that they are loved and cared for by him.

Sometimes, this involves kind, compassionate, and full attention given to another, sometimes, love involves tough love-boundaries made known and given to another, which we all need. This is the call for all shepherds, whether they be bishops, priests, deacons, moms, dads, teachers, business leaders, etc. We are invited into a Servant Leadership or a Servant Shepherd for those we are entrusted with. How is God inviting me into a care for the sheep I am entrusted with whether they be my children, my employees, my flock, etc.? Am I open to feeding their deepest hungers by pointing them to Jesus, the Good Shepherd who laid down his life for his sheep?

Happy 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time!

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 July 24th:

Lector: Kris Gross

Eucharistic Ministers: Tim & Kelly Gauger

Ushers: Derry Butler & Vivian Winkler

Cleaning Vessels: Tim & Kelly Gauger

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

Lector: Kathy Penny Miller

Eucharistic Ministers: Penny Miller & Nate Thomason

Ushers: Brian & Ann Brennan

Cleaning Vessels: Penny Miller & Nate Thomason

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

Lector: Elizabeth Williams

Eucharistic Ministers: Elizabeth Williams & Ann Williams

Ushers: Ann Williams & Ben Brackney

Cleaning Vessels: Elizabeth Williams & Ann Williams

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

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 A ndreasen, E d Leinen , Jean Veasman ,
A aron B abinski , Mike Metz, Patrick S handley
James Rector, Dianne Funk & for the S ouls in Purgatory

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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. T hey will notify the rest of the group to start immediate prayers for you or your loved one in need.

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

T he 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



Thank you to MJM7 for a wonderful concert., and thanks to all of you for supporting this event. We hope you are enjoying our re-connect with your parish family events. Stay tunedmore fun to come!

A special thanks to the Knights of Columbus for all their help and support.

If you like Concerts....
Mark your calendar

Sing . Pray . Love

Save the Date

AUGUST 18

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KICK OFF OUR RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION YEAR &
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THE FAITH OF OUR PARISH
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Concert

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- Strawberry Smoothies
- Fried Donuts

HOMEMADE ICE CREAM & COBBLER

WANT TO DONATE OR VOLUNTEER? CONTACT US!
pinktractorfoundation@gmail.com

St Thomas had to cut down Ash trees that were diseased, if you would like some fire wood please bring a chain saw, cut what you want and haul it away. Thanks!



A 'Celebration of Life' Open House for **Bill Thomas,**

who passed away on December 11, 2020, will be held on Friday, July 30, at the Indianola Country Club from 3:30 – 6:00 p.m. There will be a brief program at 4:30pm.

A memorial golf tournament will be held earlier in the day. If you are interested in playing golf, please contact Kay at kay.neumannthomas@gmail.com as soon as possible.

We feel abundantly blessed by the outpouring of support, love and prayers from our parish family and friends.

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