



Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

210 S Wesley STREET- Indianola, IA 50125
Weekend Mass Saturday 4:30 pm, 8:00 am, 10:15 am,
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
Simpson Masses start September

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Perpetual Adoration Wednesday from 9am to 9pm
And Friday mornings from 9:00am to noon.

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.

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 240-0299

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.

Bulletin Announcements: Information must be in by 4PM on Tuesday to Leasa Garrett-lcs3garr@yahoo.com

January 8

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

20: Is 60:1-6 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12
8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—John Giglio
10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the people
No 5:00 pm Mass at Simpson College

January 9

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

21: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38 Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 9-10 Mt 3:13-17
No 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas

January 10

WEEKDAY (FIRST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME)

306: Heb 2:5-12 Ps 8:2ab, 5-9 Mk 1:21-28 or 305: Heb 1:1-6 and
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6:00 pm Mass at St Thomas—Loretta Petersen, Wilma Hill
& Beverly Krier
6:30 pm Rosary at St. Thomas

January 11

WEEKDAY

307: Heb 2:14-18 Ps 105:1-4, 6-9 Mk 1:29-39
8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Ralph & Bea Johnson

January 12

WEEKDAY

308: Heb 3:7-14 Ps 95:6-7c, 8-11 Mk 1:40-45
8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—For the intentions of
Eileen & Mark Douglass

January 13

WEEKDAY

309: Heb 4:1-5, 11 Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8 Mk 2:1-12
8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—Nancy Slick

January 14

WEEKDAY

310: Heb 4:12-16 Ps 19:8-10, 15 Mk 2:13-17
3:30 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas—Berkly Elbert

January 15

SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

64: Is 49:3, 5-6 Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10 1 Cor 1:1-3 Jn 1:29-34
8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—Paul Keating
10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the people
No 5:00 pm Mass at Simpson College

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: 515-961-3026 Website: stthomasindianola.com Facebook: St. Thomas Church, Indianola IA

For Emergencies contact the office 515-961-3026 when prompted push #7

Father Adam's Five

for January 5-12, 2023:

1. ChristLife Part 1: Discovering Christ is open! Please consider signing up at tinurl.com/dcstthomas. We've adjusted the registrations so you can sign up others as well.
2. The process for admitting people to the the online directory has begun! To start the process for yourself, please go to tinyurl.com/STA-directory
3. The United States Bishops have asked for prayers for Benedict XVI; please join us for a Novena from January 5-13. More info here: <https://www.usccb.org/novena-pope-benedict-xvi>
4. The KofC are hosting a breakfast this weekend between Masses on Sunday.
5. Altar server training will be held on Wednesday the 11 during R.E.

Congratulations to the students that won the Knights of Columbus Christmas poster contest Check out their art work in the back of the Church.



Lectors

Please remember to pick up your 2023 workbooks on the receptionist desk.



Join us every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings at 7:40am to pray the rosary before Mass.

"The Rosary is the 'weapon' for these times."

St. Padre Pio

If you are in need of reimbursement for something you purchased for the church the office must have the original receipt.



Healing Service at St. Ambrose Cathedral.

The healing service at St. Ambrose Cathedral is held the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 5:30 p.m. all are welcome.

SPEND THREE MINUTES WITH GOD

Msgr. Frank Bognanno, a Des Moines Diocesan priest for 57 years, has unveiled a book based on his long-running WHO-TV and Star 102.5 radio series called "Thought of the Day." Franciscan Media has compiled 260 of his "Thoughts" with accompanying prayers for each, into a new book, *Three Minutes with God: Reflections and Prayers to Encourage, Inspire, and Motivate*. If you're looking for a thoughtful gift, you can shop for the book at Divine Treasures in Des Moines, or through Franciscan Media, Amazon, or Barnes & Noble. Book profits go to the Purify Project, which provides clean water systems to Catholic schools in Tanzania.



Prayer List

For all those in need.

Duffy Metz, Winston Sayre

Doug Andreasen, Ed Leinen, Jean Veasman,

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.

Grief Support Group Understanding Your Grief

WHERE: Meadow Glen Terrace
712 S Jefferson Way, Bldg A
Indianola, Iowa 50125

WHEN: 2nd Wednesday of each month
From 4:30pm-6pm ~ For more info

CALL: Helen Kollasch 515-491-4106
Vicky Oberheim-Vorwald 515-371-2609



Wed., January 11, 2023

Start the New Year with Spiritual Enrichment offered by Deacon Dave

- Woman's Bible study every Monday at 9 AM at St Thomas Aquinas
- Men's Faith Sharing Prayer Group meets every Saturday, at 8 AM at St Thomas Aquinas, in the multi-purpose room

With Great Appreciation

The InnerVisions HealthCare ministry would like to extend a huge thank you to the parish for your participation in the Baby Bottle Campaign! The final tally is in and we raised \$817.00 for InnerVisions! This will go a long way in helping the women and babies who are served by the compassionate medical staff at InnerVisions HealthCare on a daily basis. God bless you and your generosity! (If you have old bottles, feel free to bring them directly to InnerVisions West or South.)

God Bless,
Dan Maxcy

Thursday Adoration

We are making some progress on our goal to have exposed adoration on Thursdays, but are still 13 adorers short. Please prayerfully consider spending an hour with Jesus during one of these available hours.

Needs:

We need 1 additional adorer at 11 am, 12 noon, 1, 7 and 8pm

We need 2 adorers from different households to cover 2, 3, 4 and 5 pm.

Contact Anitta Spenner
at spennani1976@outlook.com or 515-344-7850.



STAT

**STAT will resume on Wednesday,
January 11th for any high school students
that wishes to come, receive a blessing
for the exams they are taking,
and unwind with friends.
It is not mandatory.**



Creation Care Corner



*"All of us can cooperate
as instruments of God
for the care of Creation."
— Pope Francis*

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP RECOMMENDATION:

Reducing air travel can dramatically reduce your household carbon emissions. Air travel accounts for 12% of all U.S. transportation greenhouse gas emissions that warm the planet. Driving may be a better environmental option on shorter trips. Driving high mileage cars with additional passengers is almost always a better environmental option. When flying, non-stop coach flights are the best alternative. If you must fly, consider purchasing carbon offsets from a reputable third party certified company like Sustainable Travel International. Purchasing offsets invests in projects that remove some of the planet-warming carbon dioxide out of the atmosphere. Easy to use calculators help you calculate a price to compensate for your travel footprint, so you can purchase credits equivalent to the amount of emissions you were responsible for.

CGS and RE

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and Religious Education will resume
Wednesday, **January 11th.**
See you then.



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