



# 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 240-2029

**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.

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

## Sunday, July 2

### **THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

97: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a Ps 89:2-3, 16-19  
Rom 6:3-4, 8-11 Mt 10:37-42

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—Mary Ellen Harre  
10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the people

## Monday, July 3

### **SAINT THOMAS, APOSTLE**

593: Eph 2:19-22 Ps 117:1b-2 Jn 20:24-29  
No 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas

## Tuesday, July 4

### **WEEKDAY**

378: Gn 19:15-29 Ps 26:2-3, 9-12 Mt 8:23-27  
6:00 pm Mass at St Thomas—John & Donna Sereg  
6:30 pm Rosary at St. Thomas

## Wednesday, July 5

### **WEEKDAY**

379: Gn 21:5, 8-20a Ps 34:7-8, 10-13 Mt 8:28-34  
8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Bev Elbert

## Thursday, July 6

### **WEEKDAY**

380: Gn 22:1b-19 Ps 115:1-6, 8-9 Mt 9:1-8  
8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Levi Butler  
& Bererly Krier

## Friday, July 7

### **WEEKDAY**

381: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67 Ps 106:1-5 Mt 9:9-13  
8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Mike & Marguerite O'Meara

## Saturday, July 8

### **WEEKDAY**

382: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29 Ps 135:1b-6 Mt 9:14-17  
3:30 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation  
4:30 pm Mass at St Thomas—Dianne Funk  
& Antoinette Houston

## Sunday, July 9

### **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

100: Zec 9:9-10 Ps 145:1-2, 8-11 13-14  
Rom 8:9, 11-13 Mt 11:25-30

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—Claire Wiedmaier  
& Levi Butler  
10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the people

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. (Friday's in the summer 9 a.m.-1 p.m.) Closed for lunch Monday-Friday (12 p.m.-1 p.m.)  
Parish Office: 515-961-3026 Website: [stthomasindianola.com](http://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 June 29—July 5:**

1. July 18 Marks 700 years since the canonization of St. Thomas Aquinas. We are planning to celebrate! Mark your calendars for a celebration July 16 starting at 5 p.m. Please visit [tinyurl.com/STA-700](http://tinyurl.com/STA-700) for more information (and to fill out a brief survey).
2. Thank you for your donations last week to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. We collected ~\$3400 to help us reach our ADA goal. If you'd like to see how we are doing, please visit [tinyurl.com/STA-BAG](http://tinyurl.com/STA-BAG) and scroll down.
3. ChristLife Part 1: Discovering Christ (Group #3) will start on August 17. A meal will be provided. We are looking for volunteers to help with Childcare. Please contact Fr. Adam in the office if you would be willing to help. For more info and to signup, go to [tinyurl.com/STA-DC](http://tinyurl.com/STA-DC). Anyone interested in becoming Catholic should attend the Discovering Christ course.
4. Registration is now OPEN for R.E. next year. Go to [tinyurl.com/STA-REG](http://tinyurl.com/STA-REG). If you plan on teaching, please contact JoAnn for the discount code.
5. STA will be hosting a training for LEVEL II Catechesis of the Good Shepherd starting this fall. If you are a Level I Catechist and are looking to become a Level II Catechist, this training will provide part 1 (of 2) of your LEVEL II formation. St. Thomas parishioners get a \$200 discount; please let JoAnn Sayre know if you are interested in the training and she will give you the code. Go to [tinyurl.com/STA-CGS](http://tinyurl.com/STA-CGS) to register.



All are welcome to attend the Candidacy Mass for Connor Lynch on Wednesday, July 5th at the 12:10 mass at St Ambrose Cathedral with Bishop Joensen. The Candidacy mass is where Connor will express publicly his intention to enter major seminary. Connor will leave July 18<sup>th</sup> to study in Rome.

### Adoration Update

We are making progress and are very close to having our Lord exposed on Thursdays. We need 1 additional adorer at 1, 4 and 5 pm. We also need one additional adorer at 3pm on Wednesdays.

Please consider signing up for one of these hours to spend time with our Eucharistic Lord.



Contact Anitta at  
[spennani1976@outlook.com](mailto:spennani1976@outlook.com)  
or 515-344-7850.  
Thank you and God Bless.

### Support the Annual Diocesan Appeal!

Updated: June 23, 2023

Goal: \$73,908

Gifts Paid: \$49,844

Pledges Remaining: \$5,155

Percentage of Goal: 74 %

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

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



**Please continue to give, thank you!**

*(Does not take into account reoccurring donations)*

### Prayer List

For all those in need.

Deanna Bahr, Duffy Metz,  
Doug Andreasen, Ed Leinen, Jean Veasman,  
Mike Metz, Patrick Shandley,  
& for the Souls in Purgatory

Please contact Jackie Ward at [jjward71@gmail.com](mailto: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.



## St. Thomas Aquinas 700 celebration

We are throwing a party on July 16, come join the club! 700 years ago this year, St. Thomas Aquinas became a Saint.

We will provide Burgers, Hot Dogs, Root Beer floats, and samples of Fr. Adam's homebrew to share. We will also have water and lemonade. Feel free to bring any other beverages. Guests are asked to please bring a side or dessert to share.

We will start to gather at 5 p.m., and plan to have the food ready by 6. We have a couple of sets of Corn hole; feel free to bring any other yard games for use on the south lawn (outside the great hall).

The event will be in the Great Hall.

Please RSVP through [tinyurl.com/STA-700](https://tinyurl.com/STA-700)



## Happy 4th of July

Happy Birthday  
Father Adam,  
July 5th



Monday, July 3rd, is Gathering Table that STARS are in charge of.

If you are able to help in some way please go to



Thank  
You

## Creation Care Corner

Taking action to protect God's great gift to us,  
Mother Earth



*"...we must recognize  
our grave duty to hand  
the earth on to future  
generations..."*

—Pope Benedict XVI

### WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP RECOMMENDATION:

Consider zero-waste options for picnics, BBQ and camping meals. Reusable items add a touch of class, sensibility and significantly reduce waste. Use lightweight reusable plates, utensils, bowls, cups and cloth napkins. Get creative with packaging. Reusable containers? Of course. What about Mason jar desserts? Go heavy on finger foods: cut vegetables and mixed nuts. Wipe off food when finished and use a washable cloth bag to hold used dinnerware for dishwashing later. Reserve a bag for recyclables and a container for compostables. If you must go disposable, use biodegradable paper products instead of plastic. Ditch the straws. Use a large thermos for drinks. Take other beverages in metal or glass containers and recycle. Skipping bottled water saves money and the environment.

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