



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 240-0209

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

2023

Sunday, November 5

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

151: Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10 Ps 131:1-3

1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13 Mt 23:1-12

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the people

10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—**Gerald O'Meara**

5:00pm Mass at Simpson College

Monday, November 6

WEEKDAY

485: Rom 11:29-36 Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36 Lk 14:12-14

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

Tuesday, November 7

WEEKDAY

486: Rom 12:5-16b Ps 131:1cde, 2-3 Lk 14:15-24

6:00 pm Mass at St Thomas—**Robert O'Meara**

Wednesday, November 8

WEEKDAY

487: Rom 13:8-10 Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9 Lk 14:25-33

7:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Pauline Ripperger

Thursday, November 9

DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

671: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9

1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17 Jn 2:13-22

8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Joseph Chiappine
& Henderson Sayre

Friday, November 10

SAINT LEO THE GREAT

489: Rom 15:14-21 Ps 98:1-4 Lk 16:1-8

see 672: Sir 39:6-10 Mt 16:13-19

8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Bess Basler,
Rich & Beverly Krier

Saturday, November 11

SAINTS MARTIN OF TOURS

490: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27 Ps 145:2-5, 10-11

Lk 16:9-15 see 673: Is 61:1-3a Mt 25:31-40

3:30 pm—4:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:30 pm Mass at St Thomas—John Manders

Sunday, November 12

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

154: Wis 6:12-16 Ps 63:2-8

1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14 Mt 25:1-13

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—Shelby McCasland & Jerry Ripperger

10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—Tom Duffy & Carmen Koth

5:00pm 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 November 3—November 9:

1. This weekend we are remembering our loved ones who have passed over this past year. Please say an extra prayer for those beloved souls, and for their families.
2. We are expanding our Eucharistic adoration with exposition! The new schedule: Wednesdays 9 a.m. - 9 p.m., Thursdays 9 a.m. - 9 p.m., and Fridays after Mass until noon.
3. The Knights of Columbus are having two more fish and chicken dinners. Please come Friday evening for a wonderful meal and fellowship.
4. The coordinator of music ministry position remains open. Please go to <https://tinyurl.com/sta-cmm>
5. My team is going to crush yours at Trivia this weekend! Mwahahahaha

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Children Learning about the Bible



"Your word is a
lamp for my feet, a light for my path."
Psalms 119

November is the month that commemorates the deceased, please remember in your prayers all those that have died this year:

Gary Bianchi
Levi Butler
Nancy Conradt
James, Gianna &
Anthony Connolly
Denis Della Vedova
Sue Douglas
Tom Duffy
Bev Elbert
Dianne Funk
Janie Garrett
Larry Hughes
Paul Keating



Carmen Koth
Rich Krier
Shelby McCasland
Pat Miller
Clarence Mowery
Robert O'Meara
Doyle Rankin
Bernie Rehbein
Jerry Ripperger
Pauline Ripperger
Winston Sayre
Alan Weaver
Margaret Wood

This month is also dedicated to all the Souls in Purgatory, we are reminded of the Church's call for us to pray for the Holy Souls.

Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in Union with all the Masses said throughout the World today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for Sinners in the universal church, those in my Own home and within my family. Amen.

Saint Gertrude

Prayer List

For all those in need.

Carol Proctor, 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 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.



Medicare Part D Check-Up Coming November 16-17

The Social Concerns Committee will once again sponsor a Medicare Part D Check-Up this fall. The Check-Up will be Thursday, November 16 and Friday, November 17. After Masses on October 28-29 you will be able to sign up for a time to have your Part D/ Medicare Advantage comparison done. If you will not be at Masses that weekend, or will not be available on November 16-17 but want a comparison done, please call/text Kris Gross at 515-210-0169.



Mark Your Calendars:

*The Cookie Walk
is almost here!*

*Saturday, Dec. 2nd
from 9 am to 12 pm*



KC Fish & Chicken Dinners

"All You Can Eat"
Fall Fish & Chicken Dinners
November 3 & 10

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish Hall
Serving Hours – 5:30 to 7:00 PM

Dine-In or Take-out Service

Adults & Take-Outs \$13

Children (Ages 6 to 12) \$ 6

5 & under are free

**Boy Scout Troop 123
will host a dessert table.**

Adoration Update

We are in need of just 1 more adorer to sign up to spend 8 to 9 pm with Jesus on Thursday evenings so that we can have exposition of Jesus on from 9am to 9pm on that day as well. Our Wednesday hours are once again full! That will make two and a half days (Wed., Thurs. and Friday mornings) when Jesus is exposed. Praise God!! We will begin working on filling Tuesdays next so watch for an announcement for hours needed on Tuesday.

Is Jesus calling you? Please prayerfully consider signing up for Thursday from 8-9 pm. Please pray for all of our adorers through whose prayers, we all benefit and that we may soon add Tuesdays to the days we have Jesus exposed on the altar!

You may complete a form in the gathering space and place it in the box marked adoration or contact me at spennani1976@outlook.com or 515-344-7850 to sign up. Thank you and God Bless

The next Gathering Table is

Monday, November 6th

We always needing help with main & side dishes and desserts. Please prayerfully consider helping in some way. Here is the link

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4DA4AF2EA6FBC43-gathering>

Thank you



Creation Care Corner

Last week, we referred to Bishop Joensen's article published in this month's Catholic Mirror on the pope's newest apostolic exhortation, Laudata Deum. For the next few weeks, we will share some of the highlights of this newest document.

Pope Francis begins this document by saying that since the publication of Laudato Si' in 2015:

- ☐ We have not reacted strongly enough to the climate crisis.
- ☐ The world that welcomes us is crumbling.
- ☐ There is still time to reduce global warming by Moving away from fossil fuels and moving towards clean energy.



HOLY MOMENTS

Holy Moments are moments in which you open yourself to God and create grace in your life,



This week's Holy Moment Focus: Reach out to someone you admire and tell them why, e.g. "Hey, I just wanted to let you know that I've always really appreciated your positive attitude."

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