

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

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Dail v 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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<u>Perpetual Adoration</u> 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 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. Bulletin Announcements: Information must be in by 4PM on Tuesday to Leasa Garrett-lcs3garr@yahoo.com

2024

Sunday, February 11

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

77: Lv 13:1–2, 44–46 Ps 32:1–2, 5, 11 1 Cor 10:31—11:1 Mk 1:40–45 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, February 12

WEEKDAY

335: Jas 1:1–11 Ps 119:67–68, 71–72, 75–76 Mk 8:11–13
No Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday, February 13 WEEKDAY

336: Jas 1:12–18 Ps 94:12–15, 18–19 Mk 8:14–21 6:00 pm Mass at St Thomas—Bill Martin

Wednesday, February 14
ASH WEDNESDAY

219: Jl 2:12–18 Ps 51:3–6a, 12–14, 17 2 Cor 5:20–6:2 Mt 6:1–6, 16–18

7:00 am Mass at St Thomas— Janie Garrett 1:00 pm at Simpson College— For the people 7:00 pm at Saint Thomas— Winston Sayre

Thursday, February 15

THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY 220: Dt 30:15–20 Ps 1:1–4, 6 Lk 9:22–25

8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Loretta Petersen & Wilma Hill

Friday, February 16

FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

221: Is 58:1–9a Ps 51:3–6a, 18–19 Mt 9:14–1

8:00 am Mass at St Thomas— Rodrigo Parra

Saturday, February 17
SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

222: Is 58:9b–14 Ps 86:1–6 Lk 5:27–32 3:30 pm—4:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:30 pm Mass at St Thomas—Robert O'Meara

Sunday, February 18 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

23: Gn 9:8–15 Ps 25:4–9 1 Pt 3:18–22 Mk 1:12–15 8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the People 10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—Shelby McCasland 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 February 9 — February 15

- 1. Please bring your old palms and place them in the box in the gathering space. We will use them for the ashes on Ash Wednesday.
- 2. Ash Wednesday Masses will be February 14 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. at St. Thomas, and 1 p.m. at Simpson.
- 3. On Ash Wednesday, I will begin the homily series on blessings. I will be preaching the 7 a.m. and the 1 p.m. Masses. Msgr. Bognano will have the 7 p.m.
- 4. We are about to launch the Annual Diocesan Appeal. We did really well with last year's appeal; thanks to everyone who gave 1% of the total ADA or who setup recurring monthly gifts through the Diocesan portal. When you give through the Diocesan portal, the Diocese covers the cost of the donation and we get full credit!
- 5. We are hosting a spiritual impact boot camp, led by FOCUS. Please check out the video for the Spiritual Impact Bootcamp at https://tinyurl.com/STA-MAIN (or watch below if you are on the app). Signup at https://tinyurl.com/STA-SIB.

Ash Wednesday Masses are as follows: 7:00AM and 7:00PM at St Thomas 1:00PM at Simpson College



FASTING/ABSTINENCE GUIDELINES: Fasting (ages 18-59) on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday means 1 full meal, two smaller meals not totaling a full meal.

Abstinence (Ages 14+) means not eating meat on Ash Wednesday and Fridays of Lent.



COMMUNITY MESSAGE

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Prayer List

For all those in need.

Carol Bailey, Kerri O'Meara, Carol Proctor Helen Kollasch, Randy Swanson, Deanna Bahr, Duffy Metz,

Doug Andreasen, Jean Veasman,

Mike Metz, Patrick S handley, & for the S ouls in Purgatory

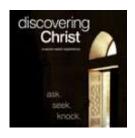
Please contact Jackie Ward at jjward71@gmail.com or 515-250-7385.

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.

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.



Please continue to pray for all those attending this session of ChristLife especially our STAT teens.

Mission Trip Fundraiser

As in past years we will be handing out M&M's this weekend. Enjoy the M&M's and if you would like to support our mission when you are finished with the candy put some coins or bills in the tube and return it within the next few weeks. The funds not only support the students but also help to buy the materials needed on the job sites. Thank you in advance for you generosity.



Mark your calendar Lenten Fish Fries



February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 15, & 22

5:30pm—7:00pm ~ Dine in or carry out Adults: \$13.00 Children 6-12yrs: \$6.00 Children 5yrs & under: Free

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: Catch someone else's Holy Moment; the enemy wants us to focus on the bad, but notice God's love radiating from those around you.

What to do with your old palm?

A box will be placed in the Gathering space for the return of old palm. (Note: blessed objects should be burnt or buried not thrown in the trash)



Substitute Adorers needed

Thank you to all who stopped by to sign up or inquire about adoration this past weekend. We did fill in a few more spots.

As we continue to fill Tuesday and overnight Wednesday /Thursday hours, we have an IM-MEDIATE need for subs on Wed. From 3-4 on the dates below. Adoration provides a great opportunity to fulfill one of the three pillars for Lent. (Prayer, Fasting and Alms Giving)

We need a person on Wednesday at 3 pm on 2/28, 3/6 and 3/13

Call or text Anitta at 515-344-7850 or email me at spennani1976@outlook.com

Thank you and God Bless



Creation Care Corner

Please join us for our next Creation Care
Team meeting February 12 at 7 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room as we meet with the Des Moines diocese's Director of Social Justice, John Huynh, the diocese's Refugee Program Manager, John Hutchison and the diocese's Community Relations Manager, Emily Klisaris, to discuss what our parish and diocese can do to help protect and nurture God's creation, God's most precious creation, people.

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