



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, March 24, 2024

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

37: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 (procession)
38: Is 50:47 Ps 22:8-9, 17-18a, 19-20, 23-24
Phil 2:6-11 Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39
8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the People
10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—Marilyn Drechsler
5:00pm Mass at Simpson College

Monday, March 25

MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

257: Is 42:1-7 Ps 27:1-3, 13-14 Jn 12:1-11
No Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday, March 26

TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

258: Is 49:1-6 Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6ab, 15, 17 Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
6:00 pm Mass at St Thomas—John & Donna Sereg

Wednesday, March 27

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

259: Is 50:4-9a Ps 69:8-10, 21bcd-22, 31, 33-34 Mt 26:14-25
8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Steve Garrett

Thursday, March 28

HOLY THURSDAY

260: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9 Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27
Rv 1:5-8 Lk 4:16-21

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper—Bill Thomas

Friday, March 29

GOOD FRIDAY

40: Is 52:13-53:12 Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn 18:1-19:42
7:00 pm Service of the Lord's Passion—Those suffering from dementia

Saturday, March 30

HOLY SATURDAY

Gospel according to Mark 16:1-7
8:00 pm Mass at St Thomas—Carla Warner & Shiea Goode

Sunday, March 31

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

42: Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 Col 3:1-4
or 1 Cor 5:6b-8 Jn 20:1-9 or 41: Mk 16:1-7 or, at an afternoon
or evening Mass, 46: Lk 24:13-35

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—Msgr. Bognanno
10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the People
12 noon Mass at St. Thomas—Father Adam

No 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 March 22—March 28

1. March 23 and 24 the Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual bake sale benefitting InnerVisions HealthCare. It is a great opportunity to get your sweets for Easter.
2. We will be entering Holy Week this Sunday- as we meditate on the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, let's spend some extra time in prayer to open our hearts to the graces the Lord wishes to pour out.
3. Our STAT teens will be on retreat this Saturday as they participate in ChristLife Part 1: Discovering Christ. Our adults participating in ChristLife Part 2: Following Christ will be on retreat this Sunday. Please keep us all in prayer!
4. I recently preached a series of homilies on blessings. Would you mind filling out a survey? <https://tinyurl.com/STA-SURVEY> This survey has been e-mailed out as well.
5. The ADA is underway; thank you for your support! The ADA helps support Msgr. Bognano in his ministry and also supports the studies of our seminarian, Connor Lynch. Please be generous with the ADA; we are asking everyone to setup recurring donations. Please go to <https://tinyurl.com/STA-ADA> and Select St. Thomas Indianola from the Drop-Down menu.

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.

Support the Annual Diocesan Appeal!

Updated: March 15, 2024

Goal: \$76,413

Gifts Paid: \$13,950

Pledges Remaining: \$2,875

Percentage of Goal: 22 %

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

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



Easter Flowers

The deadline to purchase Easter memorial flowers for the Altar is Tuesday, March 26th by noon.



Prayer List

For all those in need.

Steve Garrett, Carol Bailey, Kerri O'Meara,
Carol Proctor, Mark & Helen Kollasch, Randy Swanson,
Deanna Bahr, Duffy Metz,
Doug Andreasen, Jean Veasman,
Mike Metz, Patrick Shandle, & 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.

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.

Knights of Columbus Scholarship Information:



The St. Thomas Aquinas Knights of Columbus Council is offering higher learning scholarships to graduating high school seniors and undergraduate students. For scholarship information, go to www.stthomasindianola.parishesonline.com. Applications are to be emailed to vandy.omeara@gmail.com or mailed to Pat O'Meara, 201 North J Street, Indianola, IA. 50125. Applications must be received at the correct email or mailing address by April 7, 2024.

WELCOME TO MEDICARE

If you are approaching Medicare eligibility, join us for a "Welcome to Medicare" seminar, Sunday, April 14 at 4 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. Kris Gross, who has over 30 years of experience with Medicare counseling and education, will present the basics of Medicare, including who is eligible, when to enroll, Medicare benefits, Original Medicare vs. Medicare Advantage, Medicare supplement insurance and Medicare Part D drug coverage. Registration is required by April 5. Call 515-210-0169. Sponsored by the Social Concerns Committee and SHIP (Senior Health Insurance Information Program).

Knights of Columbus Bake Sale is this weekend. Don't miss out!

All proceeds
will be donated to the
InnerVisions HealthCare
Clinics in Des Moines.



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:
Forgive someone

Dates to Note

Please note the times

Sunday, March 24th **Palm Sunday**

Thursday, March 28th **Holy Thursday**
7:00PM at St Thomas

Needed 12 individuals to sign up to
have their feet washed. Contact the
office by Tuesday 4PM
Women, please wear ankle length
dresses or pants if you wish to get
your feet washed.

Friday, March 29th **Good Friday**
Service. **7:00PM at St Thomas**

Saturday, March 30th
Holy Saturday Vigil at 8:00PM
5 candidates will be brought into the
Church, please remember them in
Your prayers.

Sunday, March 31st **Easter Sunday.**
8:00AM, 10:15AM, 12 Noon

Sunday, April 28th
First Holy Communion at 10:15AM

Anyone wishing to write to Carol Proctor while
she is in Omaha, the mailing address is:

Carol Proctor
Hope Lodge
8030 Farnam Dr.
Omaha, NE 68114

Carol will be at this address until April 15th

Creation Care Corner

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