



Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

210 S Wesley STREET- Indianola, IA 50125

Weekend Mass Saturday 4:30 pm - Sunday 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 a 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

Sunday, May 12, 2024

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

58: Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 Eph 1:17-23
or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13 Mk 16:15-20

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—Winston Sayre

10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the people

Last 5:00pm Mass at Simpson College For the summer

Monday, May 13

EASTER WEEKDAY

297: Acts 19:1-8 Ps 68:2-3b, 4-5acd, 6-7b Jn 16:29-33

No Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday, May 14

SAINT MATTHIAS

564: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Ps 113:1-8 Jn 15:9-17

6:00 pm Mass at St Thomas—Rodrigo Parra

Wednesday, May 15

EASTER WEEKDAY

299: Acts 20:28-38 Ps 68:29-30, 33-36b Jn 17:11b-19

8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Gary & Vivian Elbert

Thursday, May 16

EASTER WEEKDAY

300: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11 Jn 17:20-26

8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Kailey Peters

Friday, May 17

EASTER WEEKDAY

301: Acts 25:13b-21 Ps 103:1-2, 11-12,
19-20b Jn 21:15-19

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

Saturday, May 18

EASTER WEEKDAY

302: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 Ps 114:5, 7 Jn 21:20-25

3:30 pm—4:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30 pm Mass at St Thomas—Tom Duffy

Sunday, May 19

PENTECOST SUNDAY

63: Acts 2:1-11 Ps 104:1ab, 24ac, 29bc-30, 31, 34
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25 Jn 20:19-23
or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

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

10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—Nancy Slick & Kailey Peters

No 5:00pm Mass at Simpson College

For Masses at Simpson College refer to the Church App

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 May 10—May 16

1) It is time for a renewed commitment to prayer! According to news sources, Iowa has the fastest growing rate of new cancers. We are planning to host a healing mass for those with cancer and other serious illnesses, and are looking for input. Please go to <https://tinyurl.com/STA-HEAL> and fill out the survey.

2) If you have a prayer request, or know of someone in a care facility who would like to receive communion, please see the contact information in the bulletin or check out the page "caring hands" on our app. You can also find the "caring hands" page by going to <https://tinyurl.com/STA-MAIN> and clicking on "More".

3) We wish all of our mothers, and those desiring to become mothers, a very happy and blessed Mother's Day! Know of our continued prayers for all of you, and thank you for the loving support you show to those around you. There will be a special blessing for mothers and those wishing to become mothers at St. Thomas this weekend.

4) In the Fall of 2022 we launched our Ignite! campaign at St. Thomas Aquinas. Our goal was to raise \$355,000, half of which would be invested in building improvements at St. Thomas Aquinas. Thanks to everyone who has supported this campaign; we've been able to make amazing improvements to our facilities thanks to your donations. The projects identified for the Ignite! campaign are almost halfway completed. We've finished the outdoor lighting upgrade, the indoor security cameras, and the wi-fi upgrade. We are still exploring upgrades to our parish hall and church. For updates on our projects at St. Thomas Aquinas, please go to <https://tinyurl.com/STA-BAG>

5) We are over halfway to our ADA goal. Once we've reached our goal, we get to keep 100% of the funds raised. The money that we raise through the ADA uniquely benefits St. Thomas Aquinas Parish; the ADA covers some of the costs of our retired priests, and we are blessed to have Msgr. Bognano here with us. The ADA supports seminarian education, and we are blessed to have Connor Lynch of our parish discerning a priestly vocation. The ADA also covers my continuing education in the field canon law (the law of the Catholic Church). Thank you for your support of the ADA; your contributions have a great impact on St. Thomas Aquinas parish.

Support the Annual Diocesan Appeal!

Updated: May 3, 2024

Goal: \$76,413

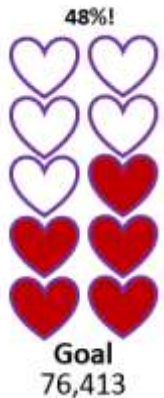
Gifts Paid: \$34,226

Pledges Remaining: \$2,428

Percentage of Goal: 48 %

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

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



STARS Scholarships

The Indianola STARS are pleased to announce that 3 applicants have been chosen to each receive a \$500 scholarship for the 2024-25 season. These persons are:

**Carol Huffer Jakob Kjellberg
Kyra Robins**



Best wishes to these individuals and all graduating seniors.

Please welcome our new music intern Emma DeVries



Prayer List

For all those in need.

Bryan Bradley, Kailey Peters, Carol Bailey,
Kerri O'Meara, Carol Proctor, Helen Kollasch,
Virginia Basler, Deanna Bahr, Duffy Metz,
Doug Andreasen, 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.

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 and
remove names from the bulletin

Happy Mother Days

Mary,
full of grace,
I ask for your
Intercession
today for my
earthly mother.
Pray for her, and
pray that her example
of love draws me
closer to Your son,
not only on
Mother's Day but on all days. Amen.



Our deepest condolences go out to the Ripperger family, for the death of **Daniel**, who's funeral was celebrated this past Friday. Daniel will be greatly missed. Please remember him, as well as the entire Ripperger family in your prayers.

**Eternal rest grant unto Him, O Lord
And let perpetual lights shine
upon Him, may he rest in peace.
May his soul and the souls of all the faithful
departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.
Amen**



Our deepest condolences go out to Elizabeth Winjum, Craig and the boys for the death of Elizabeth's mom, **Margaret** who's funeral was celebrated this past Wednesday in Dubuque. Margaret will be greatly missed. Please remember her, as well as the entire family in your prayers.

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**Please remember in your prayers
the sick of our parish, especially those
battling cancer.**



**This weekend is the Mother's Day
Rose Sale (\$2.00 each)
Don't forget Mom!**



Gathering Table Thank You

A BIG thank you to everyone who brought food and helped serve at the Gathering Table May 6th. A special thank you to the Coffee with Jesus group which made and donated 23 casseroles. We served 177 meals and literally ran out of food. The generous hearts of St. Thomas Aquinas parishioners continue to humble us.

Vacation Bible School



**Don't miss out on the fun!!
Vacation Bible School
June 10-14 - Reserve your spot.
We are ordering supplies now.**

<https://stthomasindianola.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2139208>

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:
Teach someone about Holy Moments.*

Creation Care Corner

Change incandescent light bulbs to LED.



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