



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 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 7, 2024

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

101: Ez 2:2-5 Ps 123:1-4 2 Cor 12:7-10 Mk 6:1-6a

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

10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—Winston Sayre

Monday, July 8

WEEKDAY

383: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22 Ps 145:2-9 Mt 9:18-26

No Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday, July 9

WEEKDAY

384: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13 Ps 115:3-10 Mt 9:32-38

6:00 pm Mass at St Thomas—Kailey Peters

Wednesday, July 10

WEEKDAY

385: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12 Ps 105:2-7 Mt 10:1-7

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

Thursday, July 11

SAINT BENEDICT

386: Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9 Ps 80:2-3, 15-16 Mt 10:7-15

see 597: Prv 2:1-9 Mt 19:27-29

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

Friday, July 12

WEEKDAY

387: Hos 14:2-10 Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17 Mt 10:16-23

8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Richard & Beverly Krier

Saturday, July 13

WEEKDAY

388: Is 6:1-8 Ps 93:1-2, 5 Mt 10:24-33

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

4:30 pm Mass at St Thomas—Robert O'Meara

Sunday, July 14

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

104: Am 7:12-15 Ps 85:9-14 Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10

Mk 6:7-13

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

10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—Judy Pierson

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00a.m.-4:00p.m. Closed for lunch Monday-Friday (12p.m.-1p.m.) summer hours Friday 9:00a.m.-1:00p.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 July 5—July 11

1) Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Thanks especially to those who responded to my challenge to try and complete the ADA by July 1. The bulletin has to be printed before the official numbers come from the Diocese, but the initial estimate shows that we are within \$4000 of completing the ADA, just shy of 95% finished. Once we get the official numbers, I will post them to <https://tinyurl.com/STA-BAG>. Thanks again for your contribution!

2) As with all things new, not everything always goes according to plan. The children's choir for the July 21st celebration did not come together, so we are pivoting to an adult choir for the event. More details to follow.

3) We're throwing a party! In celebration of our patron saint, we are hosting a party on July 21. The main course will be provided; for more details (and to let us know if you are planning to attend), please fill out this form: <https://tinyurl.com/STA-701>

4) We are bringing out 4 of the team from Christ-Life in Baltimore to host a weekend retreat/training conference for us. The dates are September 14/15; please consider attending. It is free for St. Thomas parishioners, and for Simpson students/faculty/staff. Signup in the app or by calling the office.

5) As we celebrate our nation's independence, I'd encourage you to read the declaration which established July 4 as Independence Day. <https://www.archives.gov/founding-docs/declaration-transcript>

Support the Annual Diocesan Appeal!

Updated: June 29, 2024

Goal: \$76,413

Gifts Paid: \$60,301

Pledges Remaining: \$3,150

Percentage of Goal: 90%

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

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Prayer List

For all those in need.

Leasa Garrett, Bryan Bradley, Kailey Peters,
Carol Bailey, Kerri O'Meara, Carol Proctor,
Helen Kollasch, Virginia Basler, Deanna Bahr,
Duffy Metz, Doug Andreasen, Jean Veasman,
Patrick Shandley, & for the Souls in Purgatory

Please contact Jackle 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

**Mark your Calendar
for the second annual celebration**

July 21, 2024

We are going to hold a celebration of St. Thomas Aquinas on July 21, with a gathering at 5 and dinner at 6. This year we are planning to serve pork chops as the main course, and we will have hot dogs for the kids. Root Beer floats, tea, water, and lemonade will be provided. We're asking everyone to bring a side or a dessert to share.

This is a fairly informal gathering, providing an opportunity to gather as a parish and have fun together. We'll have some lawn games (feel free to bring your own), and will have the opportunity to get to know one another a bit better.

In order to help us plan, please fill out the following form:
<https://stthomasindianola.churchcenter.com/people/forms/771698>

Summer Food Drive

The Helping Hand of Warren County is asking for donations of food and health products. Here is a list of items that they could use:

Chunky Soups
Peanut butter
Jelly
Canned meat
Cereal
Noodles
Macaroni and cheese
Pasta
Hamburger helper
Shampoo
Soap
Dish soap
Deodorant



Please bring your donations to the church on the weekend of **July 13-14**.

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: Go outside on clear nights and look at the stars.



**Watch Jesus
light a fire in
people's lives.**

The ChristLife process invites people to know Jesus, live as Catholic disciples, and share their faith with others.

Mark your calendar

Members of the ChristLife leadership team will be coming to Saint Thomas Aquinas on **September 14-15** to fortify that which we have begun in our parish. All are welcome.

Creation Care Corner

Opening your windows fully at least once a day for three to five minutes can replace stagnant and polluted indoor air with fresh air from outside. It is important to let the air in your house circulate even for short periods of time because this way you let accumulated toxins out and decrease humidity that gathers from many indoor activities like cooking, doing laundry or taking a steamy shower.

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