



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 21, 2024

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

107: Jer 23:1-6 Ps 23:1-6 Eph 2:13-18 Mk 6:30-34
8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the People
10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—Margaret Barton

Monday, July 22

SAINT MARY MAGDALENE

603: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17 Ps 63:2-6, 8-9
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
No Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday, July 23

WEEKDAY

396: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Ps 85:2-8 Mt 12:46-50
6:00 pm Mass at St Thomas—Rodrigo Parra

Wednesday, July 24

WEEKDAY

397: Jer 1:1, 4-10 Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6b, 15, 17 Mt 13:1-9
8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Kailey Peters

Thursday, July 25

SAINT JAMES

605: 2 Cor 4:7-15 Ps 126:1-6 Mt 20:20-28
8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Winston Sayre

Friday, July 26

SAINTS JOACHIM AND ANNE

399: Jer 3:14-17 (Ps) Jer 31:10-13 Mt 13:18-23
see 606: Sir 44:1, 10-15 Mt 13:16-17
8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Bill Thomas

Saturday, July 27

WEEKDAY

400: Jer 7:1-11 Ps 84:3-6, 8, 11 Mt 13:24-30
3:30 pm—4:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:30 pm Mass at St Thomas—Winston Sayre

Sunday, July 28

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

110: 2 Kgs 4:42-44 Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18
Eph 4:1-6 Jn 6:1-15
8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the People
10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—Kailey Peters

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 19—July 25

1) OUR ADA NUMBERS ARE IN: We are projected to exceed our ADA goal once pledges and recurring donations come in. Thank you all for your gifts and pledges; I looked back at the last 6 years and we are WAY ahead of where we've been previously at this time. Thank you so much!

For those who met my challenge and qualified for coasters, I am designing them now. My goal is to have designs to everyone by the end of July and coasters made by the second week of August.

2) This weekend is our St. Thomas Aquinas annual celebration. We've had 210 people sign up to come so far. We'll have a little extra in case you didn't have a chance to sign up. Please feel free to bring any yard games you'd like for use on the south lawn, and also bring a side or a dessert to share. See you Sunday! We'll gather for fellowship at 5, eat at 6 p.m., stay as late as the celebration goes.

3) Registration for Religious Education is now open. The early bird special lasts until August 9. Please sign up by going to <https://tinyurl.com/STA-RE2025>

4) We have a parish council! After about a year and a half hiatus, we've relaunched the parish council. Thank you to Brian Weidmaier, Deb Giarusso, Adam Naughton, Patty Alexander, Kay Neumann-Thomas, and Lanny Ward for stepping up and serving. The first task of the Parish Council will be to assist with implementing the Diocesan Visioning process for our parish- see the link on bottom of the app homepage (also accessible at <https://tinyurl.com/STA-MAIN>)

5) 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. Sign up in the app or by calling the office.

Support the Annual Diocesan Appeal!

Updated: July 17, 2024

Goal: \$76,413

Gifts Paid: \$69,565.42

Pledges Remaining: \$4,165.97

Remaining Recurring Gifts 3,150

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

- Priest's Retirement
- Marriage & Family Life Programs
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- Vocations



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There's still time to purchase your tickets for the Bishop's Celebration of Catholic Schools on August 24, 2024 at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in West Des Moines. This event unites the entire Diocese of Des Moines community in celebration of the life-changing impact our faith-centered education has provided for more than 150 years. To reserve your tickets or to get involved in this year's event, call (515) 237-5079 or email

lholms@dmdioocese.org.

We look forward to celebrating with you!

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 Andreassen, 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

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50th Anniversary Celebration

You are invited to the 50th Anniversary Celebration of Fr John Ludwig and Msgr Stephen Orr on Sunday, July 28 at Our Lady's Immaculate Heart Church, 510 E First St, Ankeny, IA 50021. There will be an Open House reception from 2:00-4:00 pm in the church social hall with an Evening Prayer of Thanksgiving following at 4:00 pm in the church sanctuary.



Please pray for all those that will be attending this years Mission trip to WI, **July 28 – Aug 3**

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

**Eternal rest grant unto Him,
O Lord And let perpetual lights
shine upon Him, may he rest in peace.**



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: Write a thank you note to your mail carrier.

Creation Care Corner

The Creation Care Team has recently focused its efforts on encouraging the parish to cut the use of plastics and use sustainable products, or other methods, when serving groups in the parish. To that end, we applied for and received a grant from the Maryknoll Sisters in the amount of \$1,000.00. We are very grateful to Catholic Climate Covenant and The Maryknoll Sisters for their help in this project. We are currently focusing on the Gathering Table and will be purchasing compostable cartons for serving meals.

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