

Saturday, January 25 THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE

519: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18 3:30 pm—4:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas—Charlene Fisher, Gerald & Delphine Schneider

Sunday, January 26 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

69: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/1 Cor 12:12-30 8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the People 10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas— Naomi Gross 5:00 pm— Simpson Mass

> Monday, January 27 317: Heb 9:15, 24-28/Mk 3:22-30 NO MASS AT ST. THOMAS

Tuesday, January 28 SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS

318: Heb 10:1-10/Mk 3:31-35 6:00pm Mass at St. Thomas— John and Donna Sereg

Wednesday, January 29

319: Heb 10:11-18/Mk 4:1-20 8:00 am Mass at St Thomas—Lori Frueh

Thursday, January 30

320: Heb 10:19-25/Mk 4:21-25 8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas– Loretta Petersen & Wilma Hill

Friday, January 31 SAINT JOHN BOSCO

321: Heb 10:32-39/Mk 4:26-34 8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—Carol Bailey

Saturday, February 1

322: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Mk 4:35-41 3:30 pm—4:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas—John and Donna Sereg

Sunday, February 2 THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

524: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the People 10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—Gerald O'Meara 5:00 pm— Simpson Mass

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH 210 S Wesley Street- Indianola, IA 50125 515-961-3026

Weekend Mass: Saturday 4:30 pm - Sunday 8:00 am & 10:15 am Daily Mass: Wednesday-Friday 8:00 am and Tuesday 6:00 p.m. Mass at Smith Chapel on Simpson Campus: 5:00 pm on Sundays while school is in session

First Tuesday of the month at Good Samaritan Nursing Home 9:30 am

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Eucharistic Adoration with Exposition is available Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Adoration chapel and most Friday mornings in the sanctuary.

Rosary: Please join us in praying the rosary every Tuesday evening starting at 6:30 in the church as we pray for peace, families, and your special intentions. The rosary is also prayed Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings at 7:40 a.m. before Mass.

Liturgy of Baptism: Pre-baptism classes are the third Saturday of every month. Please call the Parish Office to register.

Liturgy of Marriage: Call at least 6 months in advance to make arrangements. Pre-Marriage Program is required.

Prayer Chain: To be put on the prayer chain, call Kris Gross 515-210-0169, Jackie Ward 515-250-7385 or Debbie McDaniel 515-240-2029 or follow this link: pray.mysta.org

Care of the Sick & Homebound: Call the office to request the Sacrament of the Sick or the Eucharist, or follow this link: care.mysta.org

Newcomers/Change of Addresses: <u>new.mysta.org</u> Please update your address in a timely manner if you move.

Bulletin Announcements: Information must be in by 4PM on Tuesday to Michelle Helm - mhelm@stthomasindianola.com

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00a.m.-4:00p.m.

Parish Office: 515-961-3026
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Saint Thomas Church Indianola IA

For Sacramental Emergencies: call 515-961-3026 when

prompted push #7



Father Adam's Five for January 23- January 29

- 1) Please spend a few extra minutes in prayer each day this week. I think the Holy Spirit is about to work in remarkable ways at St. Thomas Aquinas, and I would like us to be open to His inspirations.
- 2) Please continue to pray for ChristLife at St. Thomas. We are growing and are looking forward to completing 3 Discovering Christ sessions this spring. ChristLife part one: Discovering Christ kicks off for our Simpson students on January 26, and for the Parish on March 6. To keep an eye on Simpson ministry opportunities, please visit sc.mysta.org. To signup for ChristLife part one: Discovering Christ at St. Thomas, please go to dc.mysta.org.
- 3) If you are new to St. Thomas Aguinas, please consider registering by going to new.mysta.org. To become Catholic, please consider joining our Discovering Christ sessions beginning March 6. Completing the ChristLife process is part of the program for becoming Catholic.
- 4) Please bring your candles to be blessed at the Masses Feb 1 and 2.
- 5) Please consider signing up for Eucharistic Adoration at St. Thomas Aguinas. We need adorers! There will be a Celebratory Reception for current/past adorers on Sunday February 16th at 2pm

Simpson ChristLife Part One: DC

Parish ChristLife New Parishioner and Part One: DC

information update







St. Thomas Aquinas, 1225-1274

Patron saint of Universities, Teachers, Philosophers, Theologians and Students and of course, our very own church!

Thomas Aguinas is the preeminent spokesman of the Catholic tradition of reason and of divine revelation. He is one of the great teachers of the medieval Catholic Church, honored with the titles Doctor of the Church and Angelic Doctor.



St. Thomas Aguinas, Fountain of Wisdom by Antoine Nicolas 1648- gifted to Notre Dame de Paris by the Dominican convent of the Annunciation on Rue du Faubourg Saint-Honoré in Paris on the anniversary of St. Thomas's death in 1974

Adoration Sign up

Lent is just over 4 weeks away! What a great time to begin Eucharistic Adoration. We would love to have our adoration spots filled in time for Lent and to support our efforts to do so, there will be information and sign-ups after all masses next weekend, February 1st and 2nd. Please stop by the table at the back of the church to get additional information or to sign-up.

If you are unable to make it and are interested, please contact Anitta Spenner at 515-344-7850 or by email at spennani1976@outlook.com

We are in need of new adorers for several hours on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. We are also looking to add substitute adorers and specifically need substitute adorers who can cover hours for those adorers who leave for the winter and during spring break.

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque was told by Jesus "I have a burning thirst to be honored by men in the Blessed Sacrament."

Jesus wants you there, please prayerfully consider taking part in this ministry.



"Eucharistic Adoration will make you soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven." (St. Teresa of Calcutta)

Prayer List

For all those in need, Clara Hill, A xel Hammer, Leasa Garrett, Bryan Bradley, Kailey Peters, Kerri O'Meara, Carol Proctor, Helen Kollasch, Deanna Bahr, Doug Andreasen, Patrick Shandley, Martin Wernimont, Joan McE Iroy, John Schletzbaum & all the Souls in Purgatory

Please contact Jackie Ward at jward71@gmail.com or 515-250-7385, Kris Gross at 515-210-0169 or Debbie McDaniel at 515-240-2029 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 Michelle Helm 515-961-3026 to add or remove names from the bulletin



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News from the Knights FEBRUARY AND MARCH EVENTS



KC Breakfast-Sunday Feb 2-9-10 AM Monthly Meeting—Thursday Feb 13-6:30 PM KC Breakfast-Sunday Mar 2-9 to 10AM Lenten Fish Fries- Mar 7, 14, 2, 28, Apr 4, 11

All male parishioners 18 and over are always invited to attend our monthly meetings and learn about the Knights of Columbus.

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, YOUTH 2000 seeks to raise up a new generation of saints to evangelize the nations."



YOUTH 2000 RETREAT SCHEDULE

St. Francis of Assisi, West Des Moines, IA Friday, February 21 6:30 PM to 10:30 PM Saturday, February 22 9:00 AM to 10:00 PM **Sunday, February 23** 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Registration fee is \$60 per person and includes Saturday lunch and dinner. Scan the QR code to learn more and register or visit www.dmdiocese.org/youth2000

Program:

- Praise & Worship
- Daily Mass
- Daily Rosary
- Faith Talks by National Catholic Speakers
 - **Daily Adoration**





S.T.A.R.S



Saint Thomas Altar And Rosary Society



Thank you !!!!!!

to everyone that attended Monday's Christmas In January.

A special thank you to our Religious Education students who presented a wonderful skit about St. Juan Diego and Our Lady of Guadalupe-they did a great job!





Our next meeting will be February 17th and will feature presentations by Aimee McDonald from Dorothy's House and Stacy Besch, who will present the film Gridshock: A Film about Sexual Trafficking in Iowa. Meeting starts at 6:30pm and the film will begin at 7pm. **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

STAT - WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29TH Saint Thomas Aquinas Teens 7:00-8:40 CHRISTLIFE - MEET IN THE HALL







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Topic: What Does Jesus Want Us to Know?







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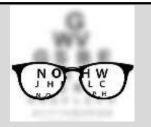
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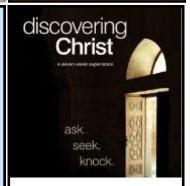


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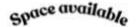
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God did His part, now it is time to do ours

Adore Him Who died for love of us and Who remains present with us in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar

Sign Ups for Eucharistic Adoration will be held after each Mass on Sunday, Feb. 1 and 2

Stop by the table at the back of the church to sign up or get additional information

The greatest love story ever written is contained in a tiny white host (Ven. Fulton J. Sheen)

If you cannot make it, contact Anitta Spenner to sign up at 515-344-7850 or by email at spennani1976@outlook.com



Indianola Knights





Sunday February 2 9:00 to 10:00 AM

Pancakes, French Toast, Sausage, Ham, Egg Bake, Coffee & Juice

Let us prepare your Sunday meal so you can spend time with your family and friends.

The cost is a free-will donation which is used to support our scholarships.

We accept cash, checks or credit/debit cards.