

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 pm 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

Saturday, June 21 SAINT ALOYSIUS GONZAGA

370: 2 Cor 12:1-10/Mt 6:24-34

3:30pm — 4:15pm Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas—Bev Elbert

Sunday, June 22 CORPUS CHRISTI

169: Gn 14:18-20/1 Cor 11:23-26/Lk 9:11b-17 8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the People 10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—Mike Nestvedt

Monday, June 23

371: Gn 12:1-9/Mt 7:1-5 NO MASS AT ST. THOMAS

Tuesday, June 24 THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

587: Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80 6:00 pm Mass at St. Thomas - Keith & Mary Joslyn

Wednesday, June 25

373: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Mt 7:15-20 8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas- Gary & Vivian Elbert

Thursday, June 26

374: Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 or 16:6b-12, 15-16/Mt 7:21-29 8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas - Beverly Krier

Friday, June 27

THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

172: Ez 34:11-16/Rom 5:5b-11/Lk 15:3-7 8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas

Saturday, June 28

376: Gn 18:1-15/Mt 8:5-17

3:30pm — 4:15pm Secrement of Reconciliation 4:30 pm Mess et St. Thomas

Sunday, June 29

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

591: Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19 8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—For the People 10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—Mary Brown

St. Thomas Aquinas Staff

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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 6:30pm 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 must attend pre-baptism classes. 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 to request the Sacrament of the Sick or the Eucharist or follow this link: care.mysta.org

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

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

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

Parish Office: 515-961-3026

Website: stthomasindianola.com

Saint Thomas Church Indianola IA

For Sacramental Emergencies: call 515-961-3026 when prompted

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Father Adam's Five

FOR JUNE 19- JUNE 25

 July 20 we are having our annual St. Thomas Celebration!
 years ago this July St. Thomas Aquinas was made a Saint, and we are going to party...

We are looking for a head count to prepare meals-would you mind filling out a survey so we can know how much food to prepare? Please go to <u>702.mysta.org</u>

- 2) July 12, after 4:30 Mass, we will have an open house for our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program. Please feel free to pop in and say hi!
- 3) Last weekend we gave a special card to all our fathers for Father's Day. We have some left over, so please feel free to take one (while supplies last).
- This weekend we have our annual Missionary Appeal. This time we will welcome Msgr. Elvin Sunds from the Diocese of Jackson.
- 5) Next weekend Bailey Petersen will be here on Sunday to talk about her experience being trained as a FOCUS missionary and to invite us to participate in her missionary experience.

The Feast of Corpus Christi- Celebrating the gift of the Eucharist

When Pope Urban IV instituted the Solemnity of Corpus Christ in 1264, he commissioned church doctor St. Thomas Aquinas to compose the texts for the Liturgical Office of Corpus Christi. The texts include the Sacris Solemnis, Panis Angelicus, Adoro Te Devote, Pange Lingua, and O Salutaris. Reflecting on the text, Pope Benedict XVI said,

"They are masterpieces, still in use in the Church today, in which theology and 3 poetry are fuse. These texts pluck at the heartstrings in an expression of praise and gratitude to the Most Holy Sacrament, while the mind, penetrating the mystery with wonder, recognizes in the Eucharist the Living and Real Presence of Jesus, of his Sacrifice of love that reconciles us with the Father, and gives us salvation."

RE/STAT/Good Shepherd registration opens July 1

Registration will open for all religious education on July 1*.

Good Shepherd will be offering a second night of Level I and Level II on Tuesdays instead of Sundays this year, so check your registration carefully. The Tuesday sessions will also be longer, so a snack will be provided on that day. Sessions fill up quickly so if you want your child in a certain time slot, be sure to register early. You can also register to be a catechist or helper through the same form.

ADORATION

Precious Body, Precious Blood - Jesus 1 Trust in You.

We still have several hours of adoration on Tuesdays and Thursday that need to be filled. Please prayerfully consider signing up to spend an hour with Jesus each week.

Tuesday - adorers needed at 2 and 3 pm Wednesday - adorers needed at noon, 4 and 5 pm

Please contact Anitta Spenner at 515-344-7850 or spennani1976eoutlook.com.

You may also fill out a form in the gathering space and place it in the box marked "Adoration".

"When we spend time in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, we are allowing Jesus to work within us and mold us into His image. It is in His presence that our faith is strengthened and our souls are nourished." St. Faustina Kowalska

Prayer List

For all those in need, Aleisha Fox, JoAnn Sayre, Judy Garrett,
Alex Lynch, Clara Hill, Axel Hammer, Bryan Bradley, Kailey
Peters, Kerri O'Meara, Carol Proctor, Helen Kollasch,
Deanna Bahr, Doug Andreasen, Patrick Shandley, Martin
Wernimont, Joan McEhroy, John Schletzbaum & all the
Souls in Purgatory

Please contact Jackie Ward at jjward71@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 at 515-961-3026 or <u>mhelm@stthomasindianola.com</u> to add or remove names from the bulletin.

Open House For Fr. Larry Hoffman's 80th Birthday

All are welcome to come to an Open House to celebrate Fr. Larry's 80th Birthday on Sunday July 6, 2-4 pm at St. Theresa's Parish Hall in Des Moines. No gifts please. Cards can be sent to 1390 Buffalo Road West Des Moines, Iowa 50265.

Creation Care

Earth swaps

Here are 5 things you can do to make a difference:

- Use Swedish dishcloths -They can replace up to 17 rolls of paper towels.
- Use refillable cleaning spray 2.5 billion plastic cleaning bottles end up in the landfill every year.
- Use compostable garbage bags Regular trash bags take 500 years to decompose.
- Use laundry sheets 900 million plastic jugs end up in a landfill every year.
- Use bar soap (Castille is a good brand) for washing dishes -Soap contains phosphates which pollute the waterways.

Anyone interested in joining the Creation Care Team can call Rita Bresnan at 515-783-0643 or go to the Church App here: https://stthomasindianola.churchcenter.com/groups/cause-oriented-groups/creation-care and request to join.

■ WELCOME TO MEDICARE

If you are approaching Medicare eligibility, join us for a "Welcome to Medicare" seminar, Sunday, June 29, 2025 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 June 20.

Call 515-210-0169 or go to W2M.mysta.org . Sponsored by the Social Concerns Committee and SHIIP (Senior Health Insurance Information Program).

Food Assistance

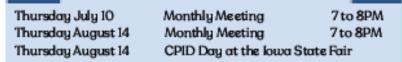
Summer break is a great time to relax and recharge, but for some families, it also reduces access to meals and groceries. USDA SUN Meals Program, Food Bank of Iowa, and HHS Pantries provide free or low-cost food options during the summer months:



Visit dmdiocese.org/schools or scan the QR code for more info. If you need support, please contact the Catholic Schools Office or your child's school.

KNIGHTS NEWS

July Events



All male parishianers 18 and over are always invited to attend our monthly meetings.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING LIFE AND DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON

"Love for others, and in the first place, love for the poor, in whom the Church sees Christ himself, is made concrete in the promotion of Justice."



St. John Paul II

Peter's Pence Collection- Be A Sign of Mercy

Next week we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including the charitable works of Pope Leo. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html

Praise in the Park

We're celebrating the Jubilee of Hope on July 19 with a day of Praise in the Park at the Jamie Hurd Amphitheater, in West Des Moines. Mark your calendar and join parishioners from across the diocese. From noon to 8 p.m. there will be live praise & worship from Array of Hope, Catholic speakers, Eucharistic adoration, food trucks, and games, ending with the celebration of the Mass at 6 p.m. Get more information at dmdiocese.org/events.

School Careers - Employment Opportunities in Catholic Education

The Catholic Schools Office is hiring a Director of Student
Services to oversee student support plans, behavior interventions,
and teacher coaching. This person will work closely with students,
families, teachers, counselors, and administrators to promote a
positive learning environment for students with diverse learning
needs.

School Openings:

Holy Family is seeking a music teacher. This may be part-time at Holy Family or shared full-time between two schools in the Des Moines area.

- St. Joseph is seeking an art teacher and middle school language arts teacher.
- St. Francis, St. Patrick, and St. Theresa are seeking teacher associates for early childhood and K-8 classrooms.
- St. Augustin is seeking a lunch director, responsible for scheduling, managing assistants, ordering supplies, budgeting, food preparation, and INTERESTED IN WORKING FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS?

Visit <u>dmdiocese.org/school-careers</u> or scan the QR code to view the full job descriptions and apply.





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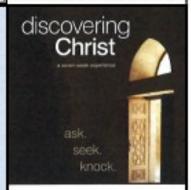
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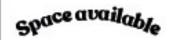
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