



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

Saturday, June 13

364: 1 Kgs 19:19-21/Mt 5:33-37

3:30pm — 4:15 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas – Carla Werner

Sunday, June 14

91: Ex 19:2-6a/Rom 5:6-11/Mt 9:36—10:8

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

10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas – Bill Thomas

Monday, June 15

365: 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Mt 5:38-42

NO MASS at St. Thomas

Tuesday, June 16

366: 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Mt 5:43-48

6:00 pm Mass at St. Thomas

Wednesday, June 17

367: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas

Thursday, June 18

368: Sir 48:1-14/Mt 6:7-15

10:30 am Mass at Westview – Bev and
Rich Krier

Friday, June 19

369: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20/Mt 6:19-23

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas – Kathleen Deutsch
(special Intentions)

Saturday, June 20

370: 2 Chr 24:17-25/Mt 6:24-34

3:30pm — 4:15 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas – Gerald O'Meara

Sunday, June 21

94: Jer 20:10-13/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

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

10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas – Rich Gunnarson

St. Thomas Aquinas Staff

Pastor: Fr. Adam Westphal ext 201

Bookkeeper: Beth McGinnis ext 202

Administrative Assistant: Brenna Blong ext 205

Campus Ministry & Special Projects Coordinator: Trenton Priest ext 203

Youth Minister (STAT): Diane DeWall ext 209

Director of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: Michelle Helm ext 200

Facility Rental Coordinator: Nicola Brummer ext 206

Housekeeper: Andrea Ooms

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Deacon Support: Rev. Mr. Dave O'Brien ext 204

Rev. Mr. Tom Hunkele ext 208

Caring Hands: Patty Alexander ext 207

Eucharistic Adoration with Exposition is available Wednesdays and Thursdays 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 12PM on Wednesday to Brenna Blong - bblong@mysta.org

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Parish Office: 515-961-3026 or office@mysta.org

Website: mysta.org

 Saint Thomas Church Indianola IA

For Sacramental Emergencies: call 515-961-3026 when prompted push #7

Fr. Adam's Five for June 11 – June 17:

1) I'd like to thank Deacon Dave O'Brien for his many years of service to St. Thomas Aquinas. He is a dear friend and has personally impacted me for almost 30 years. He has decided to retire this summer. When I arrived at St. Thomas Aquinas, he told me he wanted to retire but promised to give me at least a year to get settled in. He's been with me for 4, and with you for much longer. I wish him well, and I'm going to miss him! His last day will be August 1. Please stay tuned for updates about a retirement party.

2) Thank you to everyone who helped out with VBS! It was a fun and successful week of encounter.

3) We've been informed that the directories are expected to ship next week. I'm hopeful they will arrive within 7 business days of shipping. I know that they are long overdue; but **we will make an announcement when they arrive**. Until we announce the arrival of the directories, we appreciate your patience and ask you not to contact the office about the directories.

4) All parish leaders (leaders of groups): please contact Brenna Blong with any and all events you will have between July 1 2026 and June 30, 2027. We will be sending out a mass mailing at the end of June and we'd like to include as many parish events as possible.

5) We are starting to plan for our July 19th celebration of St. Thomas Aquinas! If you can make it (or not), would you let us know? Please go to mysta.org/700ish to fill out a simple survey.

Care Center Masses

Fourth Thursday of the month : Good Samaritan
Nursing Home - 10:30 AM

Third Thursday of the month : Westview Care
Center - 10:30 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

As we settle into the summer months, it's a great time to add Eucharistic adoration to your routine. Come spend an hour each week with Jesus. It will be the best hour you spend on earth.

We are in need of additional adorers at each of the hours below.

Tuesday -
1 and 3 pm
Wednesday
11 am and 8 pm

Please contact Anitta
Spenner at
spennani1976@outlook.com or
by calling 515-344-7850



Respect Life Mass

We warmly invite you to St. John's Catholic Church in Adel for a Respect Life Mass at 11 a.m. on Sunday, October 18.

Immediately following the Mass, we will gather in our Memorial Garden for the Unborn for a special prayer service and the dedication and placement of memorial stones in remembrance of unborn children or infants lost too soon. We are blessed to welcome Bishop William Joensen as the main celebrant of the Mass and as the leader of the memorial stone dedication ceremony.

You are welcome to prepare your own memorial stone ahead of time, personalizing it with a name, date, or other meaningful inscription in honor of an unborn child or infant lost too soon. Please bring your completed stone with you to place during the dedication ceremony. Learn more at: www.stjohnsadel.org/memorial-garden-for-the-unborn.

Prayer List

For all those in need -

*Michael Deming, Linda Mullen, Aleisha Fox, Clara Hill,
Bryan Bradley, Kailey Peters, Carol Proctor, , Deanna
Bahr, Doug Andreasen, Patrick Shandley, Martin
Wernimont, Joan McElroy, 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 Brenna Blong at 515-961-3026 or bblong@mysta.org
to add or remove names from the bulletin.

To the Stars

Are your teens already bored? Sign them up for a youth conference July 17-18 at Grand View University. At Ad Astra (To the Stars) they'll hear Father Reed Flood, chaplain at Dowling Catholic, Father Max Carson, chaplain at St. Albert, Father Enan Zelinski, chaplain at the University of Wisconsin at Madison, and Katie Hopping, campus minister at St. Albert. Be part of the weekend of wisdom, music, art, Mass and prayer. Get more information and register at dm-diocese.org/events.



Knights News



Summer Events

Monthly Meetings: July 9, August 13

Monthly meetings are on the 2nd Thursday of each month in the Multi Purpose Room starting around 6:30. Anyone interested in joining the Knights are encouraged to come and become familiar with the membership.

Save the date. The KC Steak Fry is scheduled for Sunday, June 28. Details will be in the parish bulletin or council E Mails.

Biking for Babies

Join Biking for Babies on June 27 in supporting pregnant moms and families served through pregnancy resource centers and young adults committed to renewing a culture of life by sponsoring and riding in the Central Iowa Ride for Life! Mass at St. Luke the Evangelist in Ankeny at 7 a.m., registration at 7:30 a.m., program begins at 7:45 a.m. Do a 5-mile family fun ride, a 23-mile ride, or a 48-mile ride.



Gathering Table June 15

Our next Gathering Table is Monday, June 15. Please consider those who are less fortunate and so appreciate the meals we provide. We have been serving 120-160 meals so please prayerfully consider helping out with main dishes, side dishes or dessert. Items can be put in the walk-in refrigerator early if you can't come by on Monday. Servers can come anytime between 4:45 and 5 p.m.



Please tell us how you will help by signing up. This allows us to better prepare to meet the requests for meals. You can sign up:

- On the Church App home page
- At the following link:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4DA4AF2EA6FBC43-gathering>
- Or using this QR code



Creation Care Corner



"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." —Matthew 9:37-38

There is so much work to be done in this environmental crisis, and it may be easy for those working in the field to lose hope and burn out. This week, spend time praying for those working in any way to restore the environment. Pray that they will be infused with hope that with God, all things are possible. Also, pray that God will use you to labor for creation in the way you are most suited to do so.

Anyone interested in joining the Creation Care Team can call Rita Bresnan at 515-783-0643 or go to the church app and request to join.



Iowa March for Life

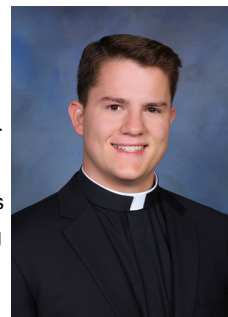
Join us at the State Capitol on Saturday, June 20 for the Iowa March for Life, with a rally starting at 1 p.m. Bishop William Joensen is scheduled to speak at the event along with other pro-life leaders. Following the rally there will be a walk to the Iowa Supreme Court building and back. The Iowa March for Life is an opportunity to proclaim the value of all human life and advocate for the protection of life in our law.

REMINDER: Please call the office or Caring Hands Ministry if you have a Catholic relative or friend who is hospitalized and would like Holy Communion to be brought to them.

Novena for Deacon Stan Asjes

Please join together in praying a novena before the ordination to priesthood of Deacon Stan Asjes, who will be ordained for our diocese on Friday, June 26. Novena prayers will be posted on the Diocese of Des Moines Vocations Facebook page beginning on June 18.

<https://www.facebook.com/dmvocations/>



A place of quiet contemplation:



The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium provides a peaceful environment where children can ponder and reflect on their relationship with Jesus and the Kingdom of God.

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