

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 27

376: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Mt 8:5-17

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

4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas – Alex Lynch

Sunday, June 28

97: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Rom 6:3-4,

8-11/Mt 10:37-42

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

10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas – Duffy Metz

Monday, June 29

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

591: Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

No Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday, June 30

378: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Mt 8:23-27

6:00 pm Mass at St. Thomas

Wednesday, July 1

379: Am 5:14-15, 21-24/Mt 8:28-34

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas – Grace Phillips
(bday)

Thursday, July 2

380: Am 7:10-17/Mt 9:1-8

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas – John and
Donna Sereg

Friday, July 3

593: Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas – Ed Butler

Saturday, July 4

382: Am 9:11-15/Mt 9:14-17

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

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

Sunday, July 5

100: Zec 9:9-10/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

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

10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas – Alex Lynch

St. Thomas Aquinas Staff

Pastor: Fr. Adam Westphal ext 201

Bookkeeper: Beth McGinnis ext 202

Administrative Assistant: OPEN- MYSTA.ORG/JOBS 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

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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.

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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 - office@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 18 - June 24:

1) St. Thomas Aquinas has a job opening! We are looking for a full-time Administrative Assistant. If you are interested in joining our highly motivated team and coming to work for St. Thomas Aquinas as we experience rapid growth, please go to mysta.org/jobs.

2) LAST CALL! I am working on a mailing which I hope to send out the end of June. I'm asking all parish leaders to provide me (office@mysta.org) with any and all events you will have between July 1, 2026 and June 30, 2027. I will mail out a calendar of events for this upcoming year.

3) On Tuesday, June 30, we will have a Mass at 6 p.m. and will consecrate St. Thomas Aquinas to the Sacred Heart. Emma Lynch has put together a special men's choir for this event. I'm excited! Please consider attending the Mass, and if you'd like, reach out to Emma to join the choir. Elynch@mysta.org.

4) Speaking of Emma... did you see the article in the Catholic Mirror? It was fantastic! Thanks to Elizabeth Williams for submitting it. Also... stay tuned! The Des Moines Register picked up the story and is featuring Emma in one of their columns set to run on July 12. To see the article from the Catholic Mirror, and the link to the register article (when it comes out), go to mysta.org/links.

5) We've had over 100 people RSVP yes to the 700ish celebration so far; please let us know if you are coming! Please go to mysta.org/700ish for more details and to fill out a simple survey.

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



Sunday
Evening
July 19

5ish gather
6ish dinner
8ish finish

Please
RSVP
at
mysta.org/700ish

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 the office at 515-961-3026 or office@mysta.org to
add or remove names from the bulletin.

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

Director of Family and Youth Faith Formation, Sacred Heart WDM

This full-time position advances the parish vision by equipping parents as the primary faith formers of their children and helping families encounter Jesus Christ. The director collaborates closely with all areas of the parish community to support faith formation for both Hispanic and Anglo families. Responsibilities include leading, administering, and evaluating family-based faith formation, sacramental preparation, and youth ministry programs from early childhood through adulthood.



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.

Mary's Meals

Heartland for Kids presents a benefit concert for Mary's Meals at Jasper Winery on Aug. 27 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. See the attached flyer for details.

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.

Make a Difference! Volunteer at Catholic Charities

We have opportunities for all ages, including youth-friendly ways to give back. Love being outside? Help care for our community gardens at the Catholic Charities Food Pantry!

Prefer to clean and organize? Support our guests by organizing donations at the Catholic Charities Emergency Family

Shelter! Need a group service project? Consider holding a donation drive to benefit those in need! Make this a summer of service and impact. For more information, visit catholiccharitiesdm.org/volunteer



Creation Care Corner



"Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father." —Matthew 10:29

God doesn't lose sight of any of his winged creations. How often do you really notice and appreciate birds? This week explore the website <https://www.birds.cornell.edu> to learn how you can support bird life in your area. Then spend some time looking for and enjoying the birds in your neighborhood.

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.

Catholic Charities is Hiring

Catholic Charities is hiring for our Development and Marketing team. We're looking for passionate candidates who are eager to share our mission and help connect individuals and families with our life-changing programs and services.

- Director of Development and Marketing – Lead our fundraising and philanthropic efforts, build lasting relationships and elevate our story through creative, mission-driven outreach.
- Marketing Manager – Share our impact through engaging marketing and communications, including branding, digital storytelling, social media and public relations.

This isn't just a job, it's a calling to make a difference every day. Apply today and let your passion meet purpose! Visit catholiccharitiesdm.org/careers to learn more!

Encounter the



The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) offers children a unique opportunity to encounter God and nurture a relationship with Jesus, the Good Shepherd, in a specially prepared environment called the Atrium. We invite you to come and see our Atrium, contact Michelle at mhelm@mysta.org



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