



ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

210 S Wesley Street- Indianola, IA 50125

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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, August 29

3:30pm — 4:10pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas-Clare Phillips

Sunday, August 30

8:00 am Mass-For the people

10:15 am Mass-Lily Strable (Birthday)

5:00 pm Mass at Simpson College

Monday, August 31

No Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday, September 1

6:00 pm Mass at St. Thomas-

Wednesday, September 2

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas-

Thursday, September 3

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas-Richard and Violet
Alexander / Evangeline Mangold

Friday, September 4

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas-Shirley Gass

Saturday, September 5

3:30 pm — 4:10 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas-

Sunday, September 6

8:00 am Mass-For the people

10:15 am Mass-Alex Lynch

5:00 pm Mass at Simpson College

St. Thomas Aquinas Staff

Pastor: Fr. Adam Westphal ext 201

Bookkeeper: Beth McGinnis ext 202

Administrative Assistant: Riley Dykstra 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. Tom Hunkele ext 208

Caring Hands: Patty Alexander ext 207

ROSARY: Tuesday Evening after Mass (~6:30).

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings 7:40 a.m. in the church

Website: mysta.org

Care of the Sick & Homebound: For sacramental emergencies, call the office and when prompted for an extension press 7.

In non-emergency situations, call to request the Sacrament of the Sick or the Eucharist. You can also go to mysta.org/care

Become Catholic/Newcomers/Change of Addresses: mysta.org/new

Bulletin Announcements: Information must be in by 12PM on Wednesday to The Office - office@mysta.org

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

Office Hours in person: Monday- Friday, 8:00 am- 4:30 pm

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

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For questions about
sacraments
please visit
mysta.org/sacraments

Fr. Adam's Five for August 27- September 2:

1) This weekend is confirmation at the 8 a.m. Mass! Please pray for the 45 students being confirmed. A special thanks to Diane DeWall and everyone who helped prepare these students for confirmation, and also to Emma Lynch and the men's choir for all their hard work preparing for this weekend. Also thanks to Riley Dykstra and Andrea Ooms for preparing for this liturgy.

2) Simpson Mass will resume this Sunday, 5 p.m. Please say a prayer for the success of the launch of the Simpson ministry. Special thanks to Trent Priest and Thomas Horlander for the months of planning to launch this ministry.

3) RE/CGS/STAT with an introduction to the classrooms on September 2nd- Michelle Helm, Elizabeth Williams, Diane DeWall, and a number of exceptional volunteers have prepared a great year for our children. Thank you! This is the last chance to register- please go to mysta.org/ff for more information.

4) Congratulations to Drew, Molly, Tristan, Nate, Matt, and Austin who were commissioned this past Tuesday to serve as EMHC's. Thank you for your willingness to serve, and thanks to all of our EMHC's; we are now just under 80 EMHC's serving at St. Thomas Aquinas. As we grow, we will need more help. Please consider going through the EMHC training! Visit mysta.org/emhc for more information.

5) Please join me in praying Novena for a Second FOCUS Parish Missionary for St. Thomas Aquinas. Here is the suggested prayer:

Jesus, I praise and thank You for the life of Your servant Michelle Duppong. In her life and suffering, she joined You in Your thirst for souls and embraced the cross offered to her. Following her example, I ask for the special grace of finding a second FOCUS Parish Missionary for St. Thomas Aquinas, if it brings You greater glory, that she be honored by Your Church. Jesus, I ask this in Your Holy Name. Amen.

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

Summer Hours

Wednesday and Thursday
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

The chapel is
opposite the circular
room by the
NORTH ENTRANCE.







First Thursday

Praise, Prayer, and Encounter

- Adoration
- Prayer Teams
- Guest Seeker Doug Doughan

Doug Dughan
Youth Pastor becomes Missionary

Thursday September 3rd

7:30-8:30 p.m.
Smith Chapel @
Simpson College



Questions or inquiries? Contact Trenton Priest at tpriest@mysta.org.

Prayer List

*Linda Mullen, Brian Adams, Aleisha Fox, Clara Hill,
Bryan Bradley, Kailey Peters, Carol Proctor, Deanna Bahr,
Doug Andreasen, Patrick Shandley, Martin Wernimont,
Joan McElroy, & 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.

You can also fill out the form at mysta.org/pray

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.



CHRISTLIFE™

**Tuesdays Beginning
September 8**



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**CGS & RE Kickoff Potluck
September 2nd 6-7:30 PM
Come find your room!**



**Hot dogs and chicken salad croissants
provided, bring a side dish to share!**

Forgot to RSVP? Email Michelle Helm
(mhelm@mysta.org) and let her
know whose going to be there!

STAT Kickoff on September 2nd at 7PM in the parking lot

First class for all programs will be September
9th- keep an eye on the bulletin and the church
app for a calendar

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.



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"For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life?" —Matthew 16:26

Pope Francis wrote in Laudato Si', "Christian spirituality proposes ... a capacity to be happy with little. It is a return to that simplicity which allows us to stop and appreciate the small things, to be grateful for the opportunities which life affords us, to be spiritually detached from what we possess, and not to succumb to sadness for what we lack." Name one possession of yours which is "possessing you." Get rid of it if it is causing you to forfeit your life in any manner.



Coffee with Jesus



**Ladies of St. Thomas Aquinas & Fellow
Christian Women Friends**

When: Saturday, September 5,
2026 Time: 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Where: St Thomas Aquinas Church
Multi-Purpose Room

Bring a friend!

Coffee, juice, & breakfast treats provided
Please bring your rosary, bible, and fun filled
spirit!

We look forward to seeing you Saturday morning

-The Coffee With Jesus Crew



S.T.A.R.S.



The St. Thomas Altar and
Rosary Society (STARS)
cordially invite all women of
faith to become a member!
Join us for our Membership
Kickoff Event on Monday,
Sept. 14th at 6:30 pm in the
Multipurpose Room.

Other important dates:

Sept. 14- Rosary - Member Kickoff
Oct. 19- Rosary- Featured Speaker
Nov. 16- Rosary - Cookie Workshop

Dec. 5 - Cookie Walk

Jan. 18- Rosary - Christmas

Party/Secret prayer warrior

Feb. 15- Rosary - Featured Speaker

Mar. - no meeting

Apr. 19- Rosary - Before Mass Rosary

May 17- Rosary - Rosary Walk &

Hosting Summer Wine and Cheese



Knights News



Next Meeting September 10th, 6:30 PM

Social Time – 6:30 to 7

Meeting - 7 to 8 Followed by Polish Poker

Friday & Sat. – Sept 11 & 12 – CPID Drive

Watch for us outside of Hy-Vee & Fareway

**Sunday – Sept. 13 – KC Breakfast after the 8 AM
Mass**

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