

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, August 22

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

4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas-Andrew Strable (Birthday)

Sunday, August 23

8:00 am Mass-For the people

10:15 am Mass-John and Donna Sereg

Monday, August 24

No Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday, August 25

6:00 pm Mass at St. Thomas-

Wednesday, August 26

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas-Pat Miller

Thursday, August 27

10:30 am Mass at Good Samaritan Nursing Home-
Cheryl Elliott

Friday, August 28

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas-Courteney Bonner

Saturday, August 29

3:30 pm — 4:10 pm 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

St. Thomas Aquinas Staff

Pastor: Fr. Adam Westphal ext 201

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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 20- August 26:

1) Thanks to STARS for hosting the welcome reception for our newly initiated Catholics last weekend!

2) 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.

3) I've begun distributing the St. Thomas Aquinas statues as a thank you to those who helped with the ADA. I've given out 40 so far, with a goal of handing out all 204 by mid September. Thank you to everyone who helped with the ADA!

4) We are in need of teachers for our Religious Education sessions. If you are interested in helping, please contact Michelle Helm at mhelm@mysta.org. Thank you to our current RE teachers, and to our CGS catechists and STAT leaders, we couldn't host these ministries without your gracious support.

5) Two important Mass announcements: This weekend we will be hosting Fr. Duncan from Kenya as part of the Diocesan Missionary Cooperative. AND- next weekend is confirmation at the 8 a.m. Mass. Please join me in welcoming Bishop Joensen to our parish, and congrats to the 40+ students receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit through the sacrament.

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.



Knights News



Next Meeting September 10th, 6:30 PM

“ Love proves
itself by deeds. ”

— ST. THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX,
Story of a Soul

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

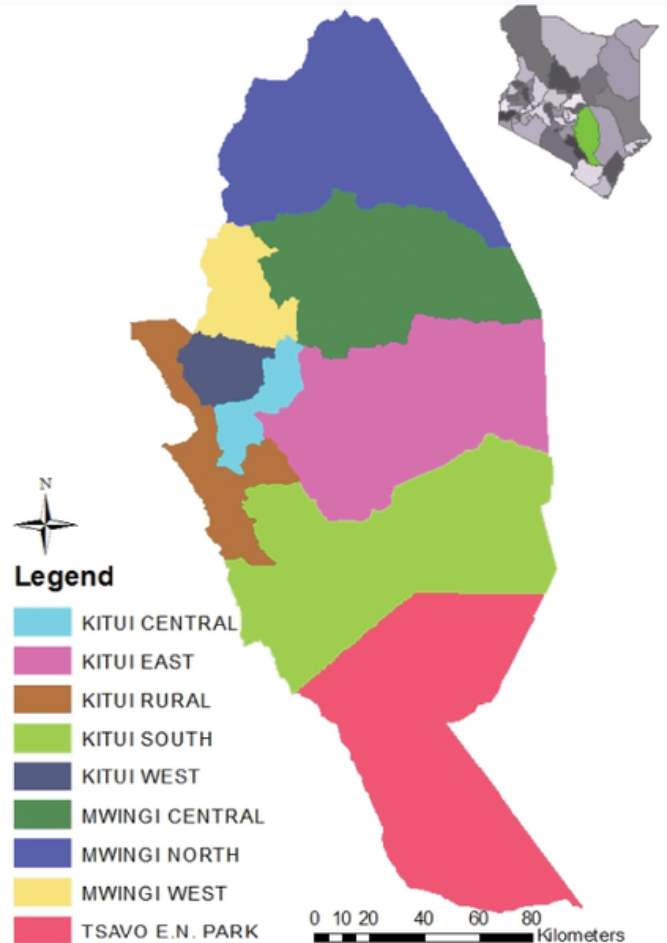
REMINDER: Please call the office or Caring Hands Ministry if
you have a Catholic relative or friend who is hospitalized and
would like Holy Communion to be brought to them.



**Creation Care
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With the back-to-school season upon us, shop at a second-hand store or organize a clothing swap for what the kids need this year, rather than buy all new clothes, backpacks, and school supplies. Over-consumerism and the desire for new things contribute to an unsustainable economy that continues to deplete the earth of natural resources. Remember the old saying, "Use it up, wear it out, make it do, or do without."



Taken from <https://kitui.go.ke/about-us/>

Kitui County is one of the 47 counties of Kenya and is the sixth largest in size. It is located in the eastern part of the country, about 160 kilometers from Nairobi. The county is home to the Kamba people, who are known for their long-distance trading history. It is also home to 46% of the Tsavo East National Park. The county has a population of 1,136,187 people and is projected to grow to 1,343,998 in 2027, according to the 2019 population census. The county is about 30,496 square kilometers in size and is bordered by seven other counties. The county's topography is diverse, with hills, mountains, plains, and plateaus. The rivers and streams in the county are seasonal, and the vegetation is mainly composed of thorny bushes, grasses, and acacia trees.

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