

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, September 12

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

4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas-

Sunday, September 13

8:00 am Mass-For the people

10:15 am Mass-Richard Krier

5:00 pm Mass at Simpson College

Monday, September 14

No Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday, September 15

6:00 pm Mass at St. Thomas-Mary & Lalo Salazar

Wednesday, September 16

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas-

Thursday, September 17

8:00 am Mass at Westview Retirement Home-

Friday, September 18

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

Saturday, September 19

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

4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas-

Sunday, September 20

8:00 am Mass-For the people

10:15 am Mass-Evangeline Mangold

5:00 pm Mass at Simpson College

St. Thomas Aquinas Staff

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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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Fr. Adam's Five for September 10 – September 16:

1) Please continue to pray for our ministry launches this September. We're off to a good start, now we are hoping that the graces really take root.

2) Thank you to everyone who has reached out to me after the two major surveys I sent out regarding Strong Roots (Feb 2026) and what to offer our children (July of 2026). The results of those surveys indicated a strong desire for early childhood education at St. Thomas Aquinas, especially among our families with young children. Our leadership teams will be discussing potential next steps at our September meetings. Please keep us in prayer as we continue the discernment process.

3) Connor Lynch will be ordained a transitional deacon October 1. Please keep him in prayer. Also, please pray for all of those travelling over to be at the ordination- I will be absent from Masses the last weekend of September and the first weekend of October.

4) We will continue to use the prayer to St. Francis of Assisi during the season of creation, which will go through October 4. You can find a video on the season of creation at mysta.org/creation.

5) This weekend we will have a second collection for clergy formation and support. The Diocese of Des Moines has increased (by almost double) the number of men in formation for the permanent diaconate, and there is an added need for financial support above and beyond what the Annual Diocesan Appeal provides. Thank you for your generosity.

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 Update

Summer vacation is over and fall is upon us already! We have returned to having Adoration with Jesus exposed on Wednesdays from 9am to 9pm – Praise God! We are currently continuing with adoration from 9am – 5pm on Thursdays for the time being. Pray that we will soon be able to return to the normal schedule on Thursdays and expand Adoration with Exposition to Tuesdays.

We currently need adorers for the following hours:

Tuesday - 9 AM, 1, 3, and 4 PM

Wednesday - 11 AM and 2 PM

Thursday - 11:00 AM

Please contact Anitta Spenner at [515-344-7850](tel:515-344-7850) or spennani1976@outlook.com

“Eucharistic Adoration will make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven.” (St. Teresa of Calcutta)

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.



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.



Creation Care Corner



Each month Pope Leo has a prayer intention. Everyone is invited to pray with him. This month his intention is "For the Care of Water." You can pray with him by using the QR code or just by googling Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network. If you enjoy this month's video, be sure to check out future months. It is a beautiful and uplifting experience.



Knights News



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

Sunday – Oct 11 – KC Breakfast after the 8 AM Mass

Fall Fish and Chicken Dinners start on Friday Oct 23

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PEREGRINACIÓN DE SAN MIGUEL Arcángel
19 DE SEPTIEMBRE SEPTEMBER 19

3:00 A.M. Cristo Rey
5711 SW 9th St Des Moines, IA 50315
LA MISA 12:00 DEL MEDIODÍA
12124 S. 23 HWY Indianola, IA 50125

3:00 A.M. Christ the King
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MASS 12:00 NOON
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FAVOR DE TRAER / PLEASE BRING:
 tenis para caminar comfortable walking shoes
 una linterna flashlight
 gorra para el sol hat for the sun
 y una botella de agua, and a bottle of water.

Map and Itinerary:
 Salida/Departure 3:00am Christ the King Catholic Church
 6:30am-llegada al Parque/Arriving at Park Salimos/Departure 7:00am
 Llegada/Arrival 12:124 S.23 HWY Indianola IA 50125
 Balloon Field 10:35am
 8:15am Indianola
 9:30am 2nd Ave
 9:40am

PARA INFORMACIÓN / FOR INFORMATION
515-418-5393

Nos Reuniremos fuera de la Iglesia 3:00am/Gathering outside Church 3:00am

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