



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, October 10

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

4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas-

Sunday, October 11

8:00 am Mass-For the people

10:15 am Mass- Mark Schroeder

5:00 pm Mass at Simpson College

Monday, October 12

No Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday, October 13

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

Wednesday, October 14

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas- Bill Thomas

Thursday, October 15

10:30 am Mass at Westview-

Friday, October 16

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas-

Saturday, October 17

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

4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas-

Sunday, October 18

8:00 am Mass-For the people

10:15 am Mass- Mark Schroeder

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

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For questions about
sacraments
please visit
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**Fr. Adam's Five
for October 8 - October 14:**

1) Congratulations to Rev. Mr. Connor Lynch! The ordination was exceptional, and we wish him well as he prepares for his priestly ordination next summer.

2) Thank you for your prayers while I was away. Please know I prayed for you! It was a great trip, filled with many wonderful stories and gifts of God's grace. I'm sure I will share more of my experiences in future homilies, but at the moment I am waiting to overcome jet lag. It always takes a week or so.

3) Please keep in prayer those who are making their ChristLife retreat this weekend. And pray for ChristLife. I was able to present about ChristLife via Zoom to the priests of the Diocese of Des Moines, who were at the annual priest workshop in Iowa City. Hopefully the work we've done here the last 3 1/2 years will assist other parishes in expanding their evangelization outreach.

4) Our Social Concerns committee has put together a resource for people in need. It can be found at mysta.org/socialconcerns. Thank you to everyone on the committee for their hard work on this document.

5) Thank you to those who responded to my request to serve on a committee to explore Early Childhood Education at St. Thomas Aquinas. We will begin work on exploring this potential ministry soon.

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

Wednesday 9 AM - 9 PM
Thursday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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





*Pancake
Breakfast*



Sunday October 11
9:00 to 10:00 AM

Pancakes or French Toast, Breakfast Sausage or Ham
Coffee & Juice

Breakfast will be served in the multi-purpose room.
Invite your family and friends and let us cook for
you. The price is a free-will donation which is used to
fund our scholarship program.

We accept cash, checks or credit/debit cards.

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.

Warren County Right to Life

Our Catholic Faith calls us to respect the dignity of all human life. Please join fellow Catholics in the protection of the unborn and life from conception to natural death! Our monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 13th at 7pm. Enter the doors on the north side area classrooms. Contact Patty Alexander for more information at pseregalexander@gmail.com



STARS



The St. Thomas Altar and Rosary Society will be praying the Rosary prior to all masses on the weekends in October.

Please be sure to join us for this beautiful spiritual gift. We will begin twenty minutes before mass time. If you would like to lead the Rosary, please contact Patty Alexander at pseregalexander@gmail.com.



GUIDING STAR CYCLE SHOW

St. Thomas will once again host the Guiding Star Cycle Workshop for **girls ages 9-12** on **November 14 from 9am to 2pm**. If you've ever felt uncertain how to start "that conversation" with your daughter, this workshop is for her!

The Guiding Star Cycle Show is a body-positive workshop that teaches girls about their hormones, menstrual hygiene, and the equation of life: (egg+sperm=new life) from a respectful, christian perspective. There is a mandatory parent meeting the evening before the workshop so parents will be fully informed regarding the curriculum.

The cost is \$50 but there are scholarships available through St. Thomas if cost is prohibitive. The workshop can only accommodate 12, so it is first come first serve. Please reach out to Michelle Helm with questions at mhelm@mysta.org or 515-961-3026 ext. 200.

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 Corner



"On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines..." —Isaiah 25:6

God wants all people to be well-fed, but sadly, even as millions of people in our world are starving, one-third of food (more than 1 billion tons) is lost or wasted globally. Such waste contributes to eight percent of greenhouse gases emitted. This week, make an audit of your food consumption and waste. Do you buy more than you can eat before it goes bad? Do you let restaurant left-overs rot in your fridge while you make something new? Clean out your fridge and cabinets, making use of all you've bought but haven't eaten yet.

Save The Dates

Operation Christmas will begin accepting donations. The weekend of October 17-18th someone will also be in the back of the church taking donations or answering any questions. This program began over 40 years ago when it was discovered some residents in Warren County needed help to provide assistance for food and presents for children. The funds collected will be used to provide gift and food vouchers for these families that have completed applications for assistance at Helping Hand. They must reside in Warren county to be eligible. If you are able to make a donation, please place it in the collection basket and mark it for Operation Christmas. If you write a check, please make it payable to Helping Hand with Operation Christmas in the memo. December 6th will be the night for the gift distribution at Walmart. Questions about this program, please contact Debbie McDaniel, 515-240-2029. Thanks!!



Where There is Despair, Let Me Bring Hope...

This year recognizes the 800th anniversary of the death of St. Francis of Assisi. In honor of this jubilee, the St. Thomas Social Concerns Committee wants to help our parish community live out the Prayer of St.

Francis, in particular to bring hope where there is despair. Starting this week and continuing over the next two months we will provide a link to resources that are available in Warren County for those in need. This week we are sharing information about Helplines, Children's Resources and Clothing Resources. These lists can be found on pages 4-6 in the "Where There is Despair, Let Me Bring Hope...Resource Directory" at mysta.org/socialconcerns. You can also access the directory using the QR code below. We will feature additional resources in the weeks ahead. Handouts of the directory will also be available on the kiosks in the Gathering Space. If no handouts are available, please ask Riley to print additional copies. We hope you find this helpful in bringing hope to people you know and others you encounter.



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