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Seventh Sunday of Easter, May 12, 2013



St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Reconciliation is available Saturday, 3:30 to 4:15 p.m., in the Reconciliation Room of the Chapel. Our priests are available during the week by appointment. Communal Penance services are held occasionally during the year.

In the Hospital or Home Bound

Call the Church Office to receive prayer/Eucharist from a priest, deacon or Minister of Care.

Baptism

Baptisms are usually celebrated 2-3 Sundays each month at a 12:30 p.m. service. On selected dates, Baptisms are celebrated at weekend Masses. Parents are required to attend an awareness and renewal evening prior to the Baptism. Call the Church Office a few months in advance to make arrangements.

Matrimony

A couple planning on being married at St. Thomas should contact the church six months in advance. One year is preferred. Either the bride or groom, or their parents, must be a registered parishioner for at least three months prior to calling to set a date.

Religious Education

Call the 630.305.6318 to register.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Any person wanting to learn more about the Catholic Faith, or to join our Catholic community should call the church at 630.355.8980.

Counseling Service

Call Samaritan Interfaith 630.357.2456 or Jan Olah, Pastoral Care 630.355.8980 x 124.

Sunday Nursery

Nursery care is available for your child age one (walking) to four at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. For more information call the church office.

Liturgy Schedule

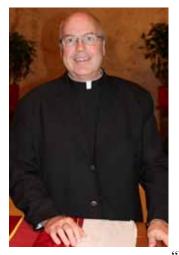
Daily

(Monday — Friday) Communion Service — 6:30 a.m. Rosary — 8:10 a.m. Mass — 8:30 a.m. (Saturday) Mass — 8:30 a.m.

Weekend

Saturday Vigil — 4:30 p.m. Sunday — 8:00, 9:30, 11:15 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every first Friday, 9:00 — 9:30 a.m.



From the Pastor's Desk...

As we celebrate both the Ascension of the Lord and Mother's Day this weekend, I can't help but think of a similarity between Jesus taking "leave" of his disciples and mothers eventually having to take "leave" of their children. In both cases, that "leaving" is necessary so that the disciples may go out on their own to spread the Good News, and we "leave" mom to go out on our own to

become who we are meant to become. That "leaving" is never easy, but as Jesus promised to be with His disciples and us until the end of the world, hopefully we have experienced the love and support of our mothers as we make our journey in life. And for those of us whose moms have died, I hope you still experience their loving presence in a new way.

I was lucky to have three moms in my life! My mother Dorothy, a nurse by profession, died of rheumatic heart fever the day after Christmas when I was 5 years old. While I have only vague memories of my mom, I am certain that her spirit of helping others influenced my vocation to the priesthood. My father re-married almost a year later, and my step-mother Evelyn, who I never referred to as "step" mother, had a zest for life and trying anything once! She certainly influenced me to risk stepping outside my comfort zone! And she was a practical joker which I think I get a bit of mischievousness from! She died while I was in seminary. My dad was one of those guys who just couldn't live without a woman in his life and married again at age 77! I officiated the wedding! It was a comfort to have Sylvia as a companion to my father as he aged and developed Alzheimer's, and I lived 200 miles away. My father and three mothers are all now enjoying eternal life, but each year on Mother's Day, I thank God for the gift of three very wonderful women in my life!

I am out of town this Mother's Day weekend attending the college graduation of my great nephew from the University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, Texas. And so I extend to all our mothers at St. Thomas my wishes for a very happy and blessed Mother's Day. May you feel the love and appreciation of your family. To all expectant mothers, I offer a prayer for safe delivery and a healthy child. I also wish to acknowledge today those women who have been role models and mother figures in our lives – the women who by vocational choice or those who have carried the sorrow of being unable to have children – you are appreciated as well! Happy Mother's Day All!





Seventh Sunday of Easter May 12, 2013

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

— Revelation 22:13

Welcome Guests

and Visitors!

We're so glad you're here and invite you to walk the path of faith with us. St. Thomas strives to provide a spiritual home where all are welcome, where the healing, reconciling, liberating love of God is shared by all. We believe the church is the sacrament of God's saving presence in the world, join us!

Would you like to become a Parishioner?

Join us in the gym for Welcome Sunday between 9:00 and 9:30 or 10:30 and 11:15, May 19.



Worship Commission—*Liturgy & Music*

Help fill the shelves!



We're Almost There... 400 Hymnals Sponsored! Have You Ordered Yours?

St. Thomas will be purchase new hymnals in the near future. Through the support of parishioners, funds have been raised so far to sponsor **400** hymnals!

Pick up a flyer (available in the narthex and gathering area) to order a bookplate that will celebrate the memory of a departed loved one, commemorate an important event, or to simply honor your family name.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the St. Thomas music ministry!

Mothers Day Speakers

This Mother's Day Weekend, May 11 and 12, St. Thomas continues its tradition of having mothers from the parish speak at all weekend masses, sharing their story of motherhood. This weekend, you will hear from: 4:30pm – Deb Scheckel 8:00am – Mary Beth Nagai 9:30am – Ruth Gayde 11:15am – Barbara Jarvis Paul 6:00pm – Chris Baker

No 6:00 p.m. Mass During the Summer

The last 6:00 p.m. mass of this season will be on Pentecost, May 19. The mass will resume in the fall after a summer break.



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Graduation Blessing

On May 26/27, there will be a graduation blessing at all masses for all of our St. Thomas graduates.

Memorial Day

On Memorial Day, May 27, there will be a Mass at 9:00 a.m. in Church. There will be no 6:30 a.m. Communion Service on this day.

Ministry Fair

Are you a current Liturgical/Music Minister, or someone who is interested in becoming one? Be sure to grab a copy of the ministries booklet, fill it out, and continue or begin to be part of the team! All Liturgy ministries are found under Worship Commission, and are in green! Ministers are desperately needed for the 11:15 a.m. Mass. Can you help?

Thank You for the Successful Cabaret!

Now that the craziness of the cabaret has passed, and we've had a little time to breathe, we have many people to thank for helping to make the cabaret a success. First, we would like to thank all of those who performed. Every single act was filled with so much talent, fun, and heart. You folks help to keep the spirit in this place alive and help all of us in our journey of faith. Oh, and how could we forget all the others? From John Colucci making us sound so professional, to Jim Roller and Clay Sander filling us with joy and humor, to those who brought food, those who served the food, those who helped decorate, those who were "roadies", those who sold raffle tickets: THANK YOU!! Also, the night wouldn't have flowed so smoothly if it wasn't for the help of our choir committee: Carolyn Roscich, Terri Romanco, Ann Kvietkus, Sue Doenges, and Rosemary Peebles – you made our lives so much easier by all that you did to help coordinate the event. We thank every single person who helped pull this off... you are amazing, and you continue to nourish our spiritual lives.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! Our bodies are tired, but our hearts are full. With love,

Kate & Scott

Presider's Schedule May 18/19

Saturday

4:30 pm, Fr. Don McLaughlin, Deacon Mike Barrett
Sunday
8:00 am, Fr. Bob Colaresi, Deacon Larry Kearney
9:30 am, Fr. Fr. Dof Arty
11:15 am, Fr. Don McLaughlin, Deacon Pat Lennon
6:00 pm, Fr. Matt Lorenz

Schedule is subject to change. Changes are posted to the St. Thomas website www.stapostle.org

Pray For Our Parish

Lord Jesus, we hear you again and again as we come to the Supper Room and gather at your table, slow to understand.

Your resurrection was not a momentary mystery, you still rise in our time and place, to teach us travelers along the road, and to give yourself with us as we gather and eat.

Without you all is night and darkness, with you there is light, and "in your light we see light."

For the sick...

Joel Loutsis Jim Butler, brother in-law of Catherine Rhey Bob Marianelli, brother of Ann Clawson

For the deceased...

Joseph August, husband of Judy Frances Randazzo, mother of Jack Graham Chadwick, uncle of the Hopp & Tjards families Vic Schaeffer, uncle of Kay & Ed Agustin Diane Ramseth, wife of Toma

Please Pray for our Men and Women Serving in the Military

Our parish community would like to recognize and remember the following individuals in prayer:

U.S. Air Force

Staff Sgt. Brooke SicaLt. Joseph ZitoA1C Maxwell DempseyJoseph MichalowiczAB Jon Babiarz, Special Forces

Air Force National Guard

Senior Airman Jacob Brancaleon

U.S. Army

Lt. Alanna CaseyCpt. Matthew HaselhorstStaff Sgt. Aaron SimmsSgt. William StuartPFC Sean Wesley1st Lt. Chris TurleyMatt NelsonSPC Zachary HowellMedic Jeremy SeeWarrant Officer Aviation Kyle Zimmerman

U.S. Marine Corps

Lt. Kevin MartinJohn OsborneCorporal Aaron MurphyJennifer SlownCaptain Brad RothmanPvt. Sonia CarrilloLt. Colin Miller-RatcliffesCody KolarLance Corporal Brandyn TagliaviaLance Corporal Oliver BuckleyLance Corporal Tommy Baldacci

U.S. Navy

Ensign Jason CoonsSN Joel CurryAlex MetzgerSR Jeffrey BatesAirman Alex DworakSR Jeffrey Bates

U.S. Coast Guard

Call the parish office 630.355.8980 to include someone you love in the Military prayer list.

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 13, 2013

(Our Lady of Fatima)

8:30 [†]Frank Pratt, by Tom Dederichs Special Intention for Healing for Bonnie Hoelper, by John & Felicia Lawlor

Tuesday, May 14, 2013 (Saint Matthias, Apostle)

8:30 †Bill Riordan

Wednesday, May 15, 2013

(St. Isidore)

8:30 †Martin Wiora, by Joe & Eileen Fedinei†Norma Sumpay, by Buddy & Mely Mallorca

Thursday, May 16, 2013

8:30 †Lee Gibson, by MaryKay Hubbard †Helen Nolte, by Mary Wright

Friday, May 17, 2013

8:30 †Angie Petilla Santos, by The Valencia Family

Saturday, May 18, 2013

(Saint John I, Pope and Martyr)

8:30 For the Graduates of our Parish

4:30 †Shirley Mann, by Carol & Gene Rados †Frank Pratt, by McDevitt & Bird Investment Mgmt. Co., Alan W. Bird & Martin A. McDevitt

Sunday, May 19, 2013

(Pentecost Sunday)

- 8:00 †Mary Ann Gustavson, by Peggy & Carl †Kyle Coggins, by Jackie & Gerry Plourde
- **9:30** †Dave Kellog, by Jim & MaryJo Breen †Duane Pink, by Bob & Ann Clawson
- 11:15 †Ella Pauline Raus, by Lori & Van Culberson †Nancy Deppeler, by Merit Sales Family
- 6:00 For the People of St. Thomas

Faith and Formation Commission-Adult



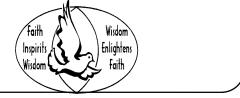
Acts 1:1-11

Did you realize even though the apostles were losing the physical presence of Christ, they were promised they would receive power from the Holy Spirit? We receive the power of the Holy Spirit not only in the Sacrament of Baptism but Confirmation as well. Do you feel empowered to be an apostle building up God's kingdom?

C.A.R.E. CORNER

In ancient Israel, it was common for a king to have a right-hand man, a chief steward, a prime minister of sorts. Everyone would have known who that person was. He would have been clothed in a robe, girded in a sash and conferred with the authority of the king (Isaiah 22:21) This minister would also receive the key of the House of David, the key being a symbol of authority. It was to Peter that Jesus conferred the "keys to the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 16:19) The rest of the disciples would have understood what that meant. Why did Jesus choose Peter? Jesus had asked His disciples "who do you say that I am?" (Matthew 16:15)

It was Peter who spoke up and declared Jesus to be the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus replied that it was His heavenly Father who had revealed that to Peter. So Jesus in turn declared Peter to be the rock on which He would build His church. And we will soon discover that Peter indeed stepped up and became a visible leader and foundational player in the early Christian church.



May Labyrinth Walk

To honor Mary as Queen of the Universe in the month dedicated to her, St. Thomas is offering a labyrinth walk on Monday, May 13 at 7:00 p.m. Planned for the outdoor labyrinth, the event will be held in the St. Thomas gym in case of rain, and will be facilitated by Patti Essig, who has walked the labyrinth in Chartres Cathedral in France.

Walking the labyrinth is a spiritual journey designed to lead you away from the cares of everyday life and lead you closer to God by first emptying your mind of clutter and chatter, then filling it with a receptive openness to God's grace. The flower-like center has been compared to Mary as the Mystical Rose. Join your prayer to hers this month.

No prior experience is necessary. To RSVP, or for further information, contact Chari Rosales in the Adult Faith Formation Office at 630.355.8980 x138 or crosales@stapostle.org



Men's Annual Brat's Night Friday, May 17



The St. Thomas Men's Annual Brats Night will be Friday, May 17 at 6:00 p.m. in the St. Thomas Lighthouse. Brett Adams, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, will talk about how he's found inspiration in his ministry through the people of this parish, especially the youth, and present "Answering Our Mission in Life – A Call to Serve". Brett will witness how serving others has transformed his faith, and challenge the Men of St Thomas to find their own call to serve.

Tickets will be available after all masses the weekends of May 4/5 and 11/12.

The St. Thomas the Apostle Parish family offers congratulations and prayerful best wishes to the following couples who will be married at St. Thomas this June and July.

- June 8 Karen Smith & Daniel Meacham
- June 14 Stacey Kalberg & Jake Pitts
- June 15 Julie Galati & Shawn McNeill
- June 22 June 29 July 12

Kaitlan Kinn & Mitch Arndt Megan Kuske & David Carr Megan Wylder & Charlie Bullen



Thank You from the St. Thomas Religious Education Office!

The following people helped in some way to pass our faith on to the children of St. Thomas *(Pre-K through 5th grade)*. They shared their gifts and time with our Religious Education Program this past year, helping our young people to grow in their faith. The R.E. program is dependent on this sense of shared ministry. If you know any of these wonderful people, please take a moment to thank them. If you would like the opportunity to share your faith, please call the Religious Education Office and we would be happy to assist you in ways to do so.

Catherine Ainger Joyce Axe Chris Baker Wendy Balda Deacon Michael Barrett Cindy Bass Anne Belgio Kathy Bereman Jeff Berta Sheleagh Bishop Alma Blanco Deacon Jim Breen Sean Brock **Thomas Cahill** Nancy Capezzuto Chris Cast Lourdes Chew Lisa Cornelius Christina Coronado Marge Coronado Margaret Crowley Kate Cuddy Lori Culberson Renee Culbertson Jeanette Curtis Tisha Danehl Chris Davila Mary Ann Dichoso Elise Diner Lucy Drew Laura Duguid Dawn Eber Jim Eber Paige Eber Amy Elston Jeanne Engelking Samantha Fattes Wanda Fattes Julie Folger **Colleen Fournier** Lisa Garcia Maria Gomez Hannah Goralski Maribel Guerra

Lauren Guzman Axel Hageman Jean Hannigan Adriana Hartmann Austin Harvery Sue Harvey Julie Hess Chris Hubek Sandy Huerta Lauren Hulsey Sherry Hulsey Gendy Jaramillo Chuck Jaudes Rosemary Karl Roseann Kaste Lorraine Katz Deacon Larry Kearney Ellen Keeler Melisa Kennedy Scott Knisley Melanie Kofink Catherine Kolet Dawn Koszala Maggie Koszala Michelle Krzmarzick **Emily Kurland** Deacon Chuck Lane Sharon Leger Deacon Patrick Lennon Michelle Livorsi Cyndy Marschitz JoAnne McKee Marie-Claire Mears Cindy Meerman Tim Micheau Kelly Miles Anne Miller Burnice Monteiro John Morris Mary Beth Nagai Becky Nicinski Lynn Nicinski **Diane Osepek** Sujo Parakkal

Ivonne Pearson Cari Pellegrini Kathy Pepiot Christine Ramirez Paul Reichel Kate Renc Catherine Riddle **Emily Rodriguez** Patty Samojedny Linda Scarpino Gloria Serna Tricia Serna Ruth Sheahan Toni Sieve Julie Simmons-Trapp Dalia Smith Kimmy Smith Mary Ann Smith Meg Smith Rachel Smith Kelli Sondker Colleen Steffgen Margo Stone Sharon Sugas Laura Svec Laura Swanson Tina Theis Maureen Troke Paula Urso Jacquie Vu Thuc Vu Tami Wagener Mari Walbridge Ella Wells Marilyn Wendell Dona Windisch Ken Windisch Sharon Yelaska Donna Zielke and of course:

Fr. Don Fr. Dof Fr. Bob

Faith and Formation Commission-Youth

Attention Parents of Pre K and Kindergarten students

You are invited to start building a faith community for your child. The Faith Formation / Religious Education Office offers sessions on Saturday mornings during the school year for children who are age four or five or in Kindergarten by September 1. Sign up in June for the year for only \$120. Sessions are offered at 8:30 or 10:30 a.m. and are held at All Saints Catholic Academy. Your child can join with a group of children the same age, for crafts, music and Bible stories. Contact Patti Dougherty with questions 630.355.8980 ext. 109 or pdougherty@stapostle.org.

Families: Take some time to discuss and reflect on the readings.

Question of the Week...

Have you felt Jesus near you?

Xtreme Taste of Faith: "Be Courageous!"

WHAT:	Youth leadership conference for incoming 7 th and 8 th grad	dei
WHEN:	Sunday, June 30, 2013, 10:30 am – 4 pm	
WHERE:	Lewis University	
WHAT TO EX	CPECT: Energizing prayer and worship, fun speakers,	
	exciting activities, mass, lunch and a t-shirt!	
COST:	\$30	-
MORE INFO:	Contact Peggy Goralski (pgoralski@stapostle.org)	' B

It's fun, it's faith, it's extreme!



'BE COURAGEOUS" Jr. High X-treme Taste of Faith



High School Missions

Please note, as of Monday, April 29, there were still three youth spots available for the Detroit mission trip (June 16 – 22), and five youth spots available for the Nicaragua trip (July 17-25). Since the local experience is done planned and coordinated through the Joliet Diocese (July 22-26) there are plenty of additional spots available as well.

Act now if you're interested! Contact Brett Adams ASAP!

Care for God's Creation and Help Clean the DuPage River

The DuPage River Sweep will be held on Saturday, May 18 starting at 9:00 .am. The DuPage River Sweep is an effort by The Conservation Foundation to clean up debris along the DuPage River. It is a wonderful way to care for God's creation and it's FUN! Join the group of St. Thomas participants. All ages are welcome. Permission forms and more information

are available outside Peggy Goralski's office or by emailing pgoralski@stapostle.org.



Notre Dame Vision is a series of 5-day conferences, held at the University of Notre Dame, that includes dynamic large group experiences, reflective small group time, profound liturgies, and excellent music.

Notre Dame Vision is for high school students (incoming freshmen through graduating seniors. Come find out who you are and where you are going! Come alone, with a friend or in a group!

ND Vision 2013 dates:

Week 1: June 17–June 21 Week 2: June 24–June 28 Week 3: July 8–July 12 Week 4: July 15–July 19

Cost for the week is \$350. Information flyers are outside Peggy Goralski's office. Visit vision.nd.edu.

NCYC: Nov 21 – 23

The National Catholic Youth Conference will be held in Indianapolis, from November 21 through 23. Wanted: teens and adults interested in helping coordinate and lead this trip, as well as those interested in participating in the conference. Contact Brett Adams in the Youth Ministry Office if you're interested.

Youth Ministry Corner

My youngest child, my daughter Hannah, will graduate from high school in a few weeks. At the time that I'm writing this, she has 10 more days of school. And that means only 10 more days of making her school lunch. Throughout the year, this task has been shared by Hannah, my husband, and me. For these last 10 days though, I want to be the one to make Hannah's lunch. When I thought about my three children, their 12 years of school, I calculated that we have done this school lunch thing approximately 6300 times! Many times, making a school lunch seemed like just another chore, but there were times when I reminded myself to pray for my children as I was making their lunch. On my better days, I would remember to pray for their day at school, pray for their friendships, and pray that they would know how much they are loved—by God and by me. Mother Theresa once said, "Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love." Hopefully, over the years, I put enough love into their lunches. Hopefully, I was able to do that small thing with great love. I only have 10 more times to get it right!

Easter Blessings,

Peggy

Garage Sale Coming Soon

The St. Thomas youth will be having a Garage Sale to benefit youth missions this summer. The sale will



be either the weekend of May 31 or June 7.

Smaller items will be collected May 18-19, until the day before the sale. Think of the St. Thomas youth as you do your spring cleaning in the coming weeks!

8th Grade Parents: High School Ministry Info Night

On Wednesday, May 29 at 7:00 p.m., there will be an Informational Night for High School Youth Ministry in the St. Thomas Lighthouse. The evening will be geared towards parents of current 8th grade students, but is open to anyone who is new to the program. The evening will present an overview of all the High School Youth Ministry offerings, including Confirmation Preparation.

Service Commission—Outreach & Social Justice

GOLFERS MUST REGISTER FOR EARLY BIRD SPECIAL PRICE OF \$175 BY MAY 15!

Register for golf by May 15 to receive the Early Bird Special Pricing of \$175 for golf. Stop by the table after Mass today to register. You can pay later. After May 15, golfing price increases to \$200.

You don't need to golf to enjoy this year's charity golf outing. You can come to the dinner and enjoy the silent and live auctions. Those that have participated the last two years have had a wonderful evening. This year, the event will be at Cress Creek Country Club. The dinner will include an open bar social hour. The cost of the dinner remains the same as last year - \$75.

Last year, St. Thomas Cares provided \$57,000 to local families with emergency needs. And the demand remains. This level of service could not be provided without the proceeds from the golf outing.

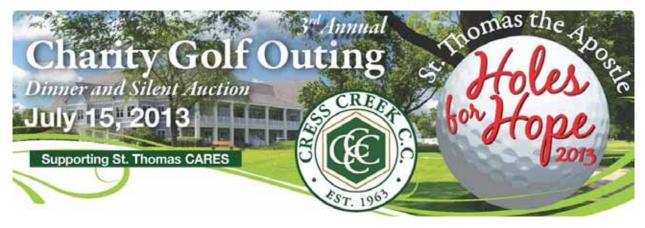
St. Thomas Cares — April

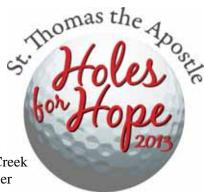
St. Thomas Cares provides emergency services for local area individuals and families. A major source of the funds for the year is provided by the St. Thomas Cares Holes for Hope Charity Golf Outing. When you golf or attend the dinner only, you are helping support local area families with emergency needs.

Among those helped during the last week of April were:

- ... A house painter who has not been finding full time work, was hospitalized for stomach issues. When he was released he couldn't afford the cost of his prescriptions. St. Thomas CARES paid the \$102 for his prescriptions.
- ... A homeless man living at PADS sites came to St. Thomas in need of a gas card to allow him to get to Labor Ready where he would have the opportunity to be selected for day labor jobs. St. Thomas CARES provided a \$25 gas card.
- ... A local area man was in danger of being evicted. He had lost his last job and is on limited unemployment. He has two part-time jobs starting in early May which should allow him to move forward. He had paid \$485 of his rent. St. Thomas CARES paid the remaining \$400.

In April, St. Thomas Cares distributed \$5,490 to 42 client cases.







Heidi is Walking for Wellness on May 25. You can support Heidi with a pledge in the Narthex and Gathering Area after Mass today and next weekend!

The St. Thomas Walking Ministry is sponsoring "Walking for Wellness—a walk around St. Thomas to raise awareness and funds—on Saturday May 25. Register to walk and sign up pledge donations to benefit the St. Thomas Counseling Fund.

The St. Thomas Pastoral Care and Outreach and Social Justice Outreach and Social Justice (OSJ) offices work together to subsidize payments for those in need of counseling (individuals, couples, children, families). St. Thomas partners with Samaritan Interfaith, which provides services at reduced rates when needed.

You can sign up after Masses this weekend at the tables in the Narthex and Gathering Area ... or you can sign up on the website. Volunteers for the day of the event are also needed.





Pro-Life Quarterly Diaper Drive

Next weekend begins the Pro-Life quarterly diaper drive. Place diapers and wipes in the playpen in the Gathering Area over the next two weekends (through May 26). Donations benefit Waterleaf Women's Center, providing local area men and women with true choice in pregnancy services. Thank you for your generosity!

Knights of Columbus Membership Drive

The Knights of Columbus will be here next weekend with membership information for those that might be interested in joining the organization.

Knights of Columbus Support Special Olympics You can enjoy an afternoon at one of three sporting events and help the Illinois Special Olympics at the same time. The Knights of Columbus is partnering with the three Chicago Area professional teams on the dates shown. A portion of your ticket price will go directly to the Special Olympics. See the St. Thomas website for ticket purchase information.

Chicago Fire – May 11 Chicago White Sox – June 26 Kane County Cougars – August 11



 Mather's Day Prayer

 Mark on this day when we hour all methods, we want off in day when we hour all methods, by our we have the start of the sector of the

Mother's Day Holy Card—*This weekend the Prolife Ministry will hand out a Mother's Day Holy Card with a Mother's Day Prayer to honor all mother's and women who care for children in some way.*

Pastoral Car-

We're Almost There! Blood Drive Goal in Sight



Calling all STA parishioners ages 17 and beyond. YOU are needed!

Almost everyone knows someone fighting cancer, someone hurt in an accident, or in a serious situation needing a blood transfusion. A blood shortage is not acceptable! You **can** help!

Mark your calendar for Tuesday, May 14 from 3:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the St. Thomas gym for the next St. Thomas Blood Drive.

- Did you know?
- * Each pint donated saves at least 2 lives
- * Sadly, only 5% of the eligible population donates blood.
- Every 3 seconds someone needs blood.
- More than 500 blood donations are needed daily to save peoples lives.
- * All donations go to our local hospitals including Edward, Rush Copley, Delnor, Central DuPage

You can make an appointment by calling 355-8980 or on line at www.heartlandbc.org

Helpful Donation Tips:

Increase your water intake 1-2 days prior to your donation. Eat iron-rich foods such as red meat and/or dark green, leafy vegetables 1-2 days prior to your donation. Eat a good meal prior to your donation. If you've had donation issues in the past, make sure your 2 prior meals are substantial.

Basic Requirements:

Must be at least 16 years old by the day of the blood drive to donate - No upper age limit Photo IDs are required for ALL donors Must weigh a minimum of 110 pounds Must be feeling healthy & well (no cold, flu or allergy symptoms)

If taking these medications:

Cholesterol Medication: may donate Blood Pressure Medication: may donate Thyroid Medication: may donate Anti-depressants: may donate Antibiotics: acceptable after last dose. Must be symptom-free

Insulin: may donate (provided you've never taken a bovine-derived variety)

Special Appeal to: St. Thomas Nurses:

Pastoral Care is seeking **Nurses** to provide Blood Pressure Screening and Education for the Health Ministry Program here at St. Thomas for the 2013-2014 schedule. Ministry Sign Up (5/18 and 5/19 and any day thereafter) is your opportunity to do what you do best, Education and Action. 1

The blood pressure screenings are held monthly, September through May, after the 4:30 Saturday, and the 8:00, 9:30, and 11:15 a.m. Sunday masses. The time commitment would be approximately 20 to 30 minutes after one Mass of your choice. Schedules are provided for the nine month program based on your availability.

Please consider this ministry and fill out the Ministry (volunteer) Sign Up card #675 for Health Ministry and any other interested ministry number in the Volunteer Booklet. YOU are needed!

Call Parish Nurse, Felicia with questions. 630.355.8980 X104

Due to hospital computer updates, there is a temporary change in procedure in providing parish patient names for Eucharistic visits. Please notify St. Thomas Pastoral Care or General Office at the time of admission if you wish to receive the Eucharist.

Administration/Finance Commission

Last Weekend's stewardship of financial gifts		
Weekly Sunday Offertory		
May 25, 2013 Sunday Collection Offering	\$21,222	
Automatic Direct Debit	↓2 · ,222 n/a	
Mailed in & stock donations	\$3,182	
Total for week	\$24,404	
*Based on Collection Counters Reports		
Fiscal Year (7/1 to 6/30) to date:	\$1,557,786	
Weekly Average 7/1 to date:	\$34,617	
Offertory Goal Year to Date	\$1,648,530	
Over/short of goal to date:	(\$90,744)	
Goal for Fiscal Year 7/1 to 6/30	\$1,904,992	
Remaining for Fiscal Year goal	\$347,206	
Diocesan Appeal Updated Results		
Parish Appeal Goal:	\$143,377	
Pledges Received:	\$120,147	
% of Goal pledged to date:	83.80	
Remaining amount to goal	\$23,230	
Number of Appeal Donors:	636	

2013 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Pledge Reminder

Monthly pledge payments for the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal should be made in the next few days. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached goal in paid pledges, 50% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.



Summer Office Hours Coming Soon!

St. Thomas offices will close at 1:00 p.m. on Fridays during the summer (Memorial Day through Labor Day. The office will also close 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Today's Readings

First Reading — Because Stephen professes his faith in the Son of Man, he is stoned to death (Acts 7:55-60).

Psalm — The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth (Psalm 97).

Second Reading — I, the Alpha and the Omega, am coming soon (Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20). **Gospel** — Jesus prays that the love of the Father may

be in those who believe (John 17:20-26).

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Readings for the Week

- Mon: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
- Tues: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
- Wed: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19
- **Thurs:** Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
- Fri: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
- Sat: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
- Sun: <u>Vigil</u>: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or JI 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39 <u>Day</u>: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

Administration Commission

St. Thomas Jobs Ministry May Keynote Speaker Night Presentation Wednesday, May 22, 7:00 pm: ''LinkedIn Light''

This is an explanation of LinkedIn, how it works, what you could do, and what you should do. Some of the "gotchas" associated to Social networking will be covered. The LinkedIn topic is displayed and explained during a two hour session, including demonstrations and examples utilizing live LinkedIn sessions projected on the screen. A Question and Answer opportunity will be available for all.

Larry New - Larry is a Senior Network Engineer for TCS Education System who has worked for major corporations in the area, including Amoco, BP, MCI, WorldCom, Armour-Eckrich Meats, INEOS, Chicago Bridge and Iron, McDonalds and The Chicago School of Professional Psychology.

Larry's expertise spreads across a broad range of networking and telecommunications systems and technologies, including LAN, WAN, video, audio and TCP/IP networking. Unlike many technology professionals, Larry brings the ability to convey technical topics in the manner that anyone can understand and comprehend difficult subject matters.

David Rahn - David, the Director of Information Technology at the Chicago Campus, has an extensive career of information technology management positions in a wide variety of industries that include Capital Goods Manufacturing, Money Center Banking, Process Manufacturing, Systems Integration & Consulting, Legal Services, Government Services and Higher Education. He has expertise in focusing technology teams in resolving business issues and implementing cost-effective, technology-based solutions for companies in a wide variety of industries. Over the past several years, Dave and Larry have explored, investigated and used LinkedIn. They are pleased to share their experiences and knowledge with other interested individuals.

Fri, May 17, 9:30 am: The "Job Search Tips for

50+" session will address challenges particular to the over-50 job seeker. Participants will learn how best to present themselves to employers in both written and spoken communications. Resources presented will include job search websites and a list of the best employers for 50+ workers. In over 30 years as a Human Resources professional, **Ed Cunningham** has hired (literally!) hundreds of people.

Wed, May 22, 7:00 pm Speaker Night: See article

THE WEEK AHEAD ...

Monday, May 13 4:15—5:15 p.m. 7:00—9:00 p.m. 7:00—9:00 p.m. 7:00—9:00 p.m.	Youth Choir, Church Baptism Class, Emmaus & Galilee Labyrinth Walk,either outside at Labyrinth or Gym Transitional Housing, Cana
Tuesday , May 14 3:00—7:30 p.m.	Blood Drive, Gym

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Wednesday, May 15

7:00—9:30 p.m.	Coed Volleyball, Gym
7:00-9:00 p.m.	PLC, Judea
7:00—9:00 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul, Senior Center
7:30—9:00 p.m.	Scripture Safari Leaders, Cana

Thursday, May 16

Friday, May 17

9:00—11:30 a.m.Friday Bible Study & Lunch, Senior Center & Lighthouse9:15am-12:00 p.m.Jobs Ministry, Gym6:00—10:00 p.m.Men's Brat Night, Lighthouse

Saturday, May 18

9:00—10:30 a.m. M 10:15—11:15 a.m. R 4:00—6:30 p.m. D

Men's Saturday Sharing, Senior Center Rainbows, Ministry Center Drive-Thru BBQ—Parking Lot

Sunday, May 19

7:30—10:30 a.m.RCIA, Senior Center8:00am-1:00 p.m.Donuts & Ministry Sign Up, Gym12:45—1:45 p.m.Baptism, Church

St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 1500 Brookdale Road, Naperville, IL 60563 (630)355-8980. Friday meeting formats include announcements, speaker presentation, and 2 rounds of networking. Prepare your elevator speech, and bring enough handbills to pass out to 20 fellow networkers. Wednesday night is speaker only, no formal networking. Contact Bob Hronek <rhronek@sbcglobal.net>; or Ben Willingham <Benwillingham11@gmail.com>; for more info.



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