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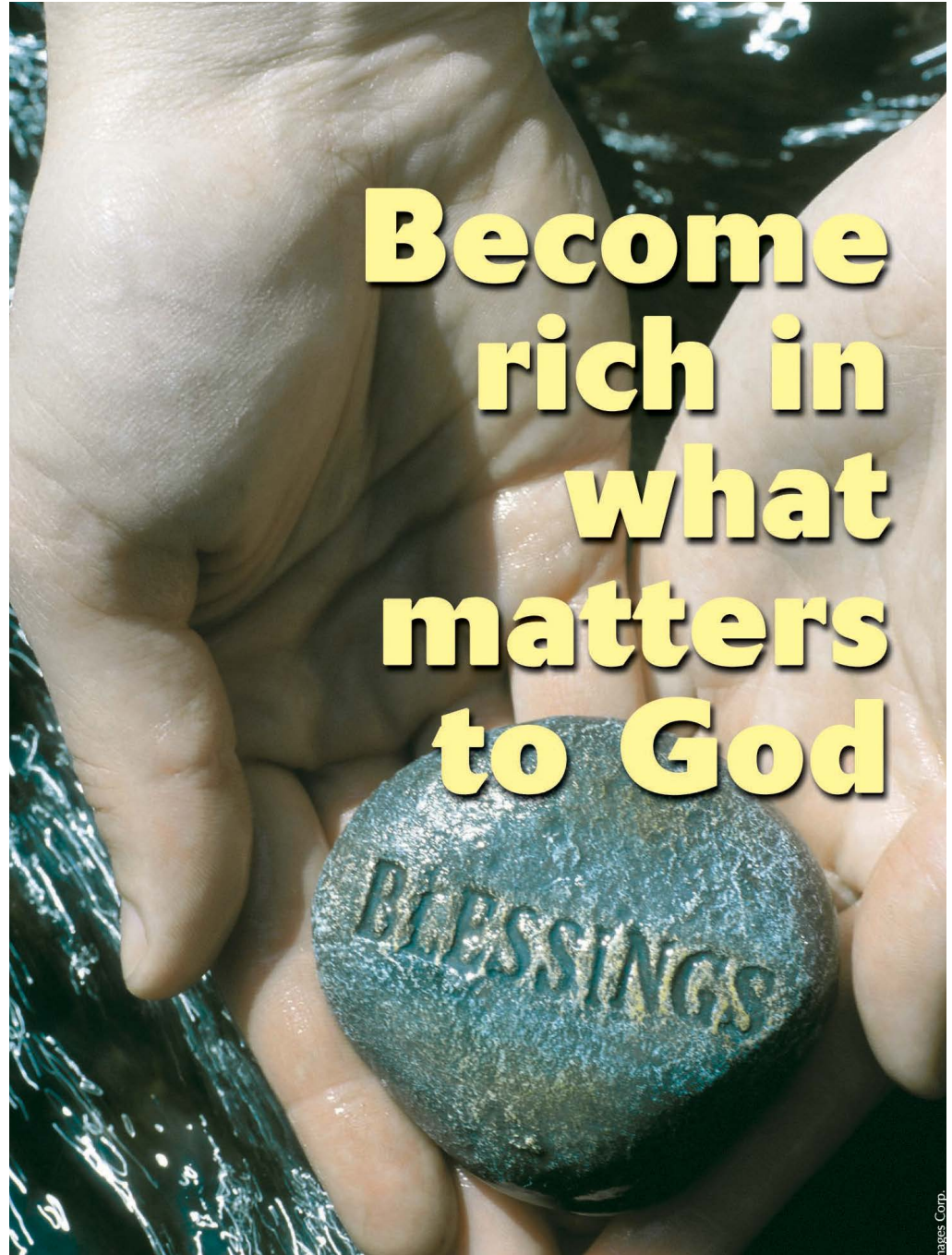
*Teach us to number our days
aright, that we may gain wisdom
of heart.*

– Psalm 90:12

**ST. THOMAS THE
APOSTLE CATHOLIC
CHURCH MISSION
STATEMENT**

*Led by the Holy Spirit, rooted
in the Eucharist, St. Thomas
the Apostle strives to be an
inclusive servant community
– to be Christ in the World.*

*We bear the Good News
of God's unconditional love
to all generations through
worship, faith formation,
witness and service.*



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Liturgy Schedule

Daily

Mass: 8:30 am, Monday–Saturday

Wednesdays

Communion Service: 6:30 am

Weekend

Saturday Mass of Anticipation: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:15 am

The Saturday 4:30 pm Mass will be livestreamed
with an outdoor communion option.

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Editor's Note: For the past five years, Fr. Danaher's *In the Word* column has filled this space. Fr. Peter would like to share insights from a variety of voices on the Sunday readings.

Was It Worth It?

We hear many stories about women and men who value things or status over the people in their lives or over genuine fulfillment. Then something happens that throws them back on their heels and they are forced to face the question: Was it worth it? No, say the writers of today's readings. It is not worth losing yourself or the people you love. In fact, it is not worth risking your own integrity.

The Hebrew word for vanity can be translated as "worthless" or "foolish." The characters in the first reading and the Gospel passage were considered foolish because the labors and possessions that wore them down were ultimately worthless.

This idea of vanity or foolishness is a prominent theme in the Wisdom tradition. We all know that actions have consequences. It's these consequences that reveal what is good for us and what is not, what is worth pursuing and what we should avoid. Those who learn from life experiences in this way are considered wise; those who don't are deemed foolish. We all know this; we have learned the truth of it from our own experience.

There is one more aspect that must be considered in making wise decisions. Which consequences are worth the effort we put into achieving them? Are we looking for short-term enjoyment or do we seek long-term satisfaction? The profit attained by the people in these readings did not last. They couldn't take it with them, so one might ask: Was it worth it?

~Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

For Reflection

- Think about the effort you put into achieving something. Was it worth it?
- If not, what can you do to change this?

Readings for Today

First Reading — Do not spend your life toiling for material gain (Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 90).

Second Reading — Christ has raised you to new life, so seek now what is above (Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11).

Gospel — Be on guard against all greed, for your life does not consist of earthly possessions, but of the riches of the reign of God (Luke 12:13-21).

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Readings for the Week

Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Hb 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]

Reflection on the Readings

The rich man in the parable judges he has stored up enough possessions to guarantee a good life without worries — so he thinks. Any reliance on wealth and possessions, however, is pure folly — both worldly possessions and this life are fleeting. What truly matters is the inheritance that only God can give: the fullness of eternal life. What "matters to God" is spending our life dispossessing ourselves of anything which hinders us from growing into the fullness of life.

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. Join us!

Would you like to become a parishioner?

Call Maureen Januszewski in the General Office at 630.355.8980, x100.



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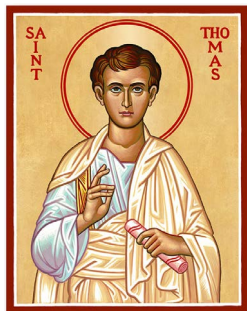
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*We pray:
justice for the falsely accused
freedom for the wrongly imprisoned
healing for the tortured or abused
care for the orphan and widow
concern for the refugee and dispossessed
and above all
forgiveness for our emotional detachment.
May we weep as you weep
love as you love
and not be afraid to be angry
for the sake of your children
wherever they might be.
Amen.
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Feast of St. Thomas the Apostle Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who has participated in our community project to build spiritual bricks. If you have not yet contributed, please stop by the Narthex this weekend to share your thoughts on how we build up this faith community.

This sharing will continue online at stapostle.org. Click [here](#) to share your thoughts.



Presider Schedule August 6-7

Saturday, August 6

4:30 pm: Fr. Joseph Kappilumakkal with Deacon Jim Breen

Sunday, August 7

8:00 am: Fr. Joseph Kappilumakkal

9:30 am: Fr. Peter Infanger

11:15 am: Fr. Peter Infanger

Presider schedule is subject to change.

Liturgy Schedule and Mass Intentions

Intentions for this weekend

Sunday, July 31, 2022

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 pm Mass of Anticipation
The People of St. Thomas and their Intentions
8:00 am †Jerry Johnson, by Mom and Dad
9:30 am Joan and Joe Noonan 57th Anniversary
†Brittny Leyva, by Jim and Mary Jo Breen
11:15 am †Edward Bogacz, by Estelle Wroble

Intentions for this week

Monday, August 1, 2022

St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
8:30 am

Tuesday, August 2, 2022

Weekday
8:30 am †Mary Kieklak, by Lawrence Kieklak

Wednesday, August 3, 2022

Weekday
8:30 am †Dolores Streff, by Dick and Adele Auskalnis

Thursday, August 4, 2022

St. John Vianney, Priest
8:30 am †Nelia Mangubat, by Buddy and Mely Mallorca

Friday, August 5, 2022

Weekday
8:30 am †Mary Jean McLaughlin, by Mary Wright

Saturday, August 6, 2022

The Transfiguration of the Lord
8:30 am Patricia Leach Special Intention
4:30 pm Mass of Anticipation
†Samuel Maggio, by Mary Wright
†Jim Johnson, by Susan Siegfried

Sunday, August 7, 2022

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 am †Darren D'Abreo
9:30 am †Robert Bickel, by Karen Currier
†Irene Wojcik, by Ken and Bob Wojcik
11:15 am †Ruth Grandt, by M. Luisa Crudele

This Weekend

Fr. Thomas Tiscornia is here this weekend for the Annual Missionary Cooperative Appeal. Our collection this year is for the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers – also known as the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America. This society follows Christ's command to preach the Gospel to all nations and they serve principally in poor areas where the Church in unknown of in great need.



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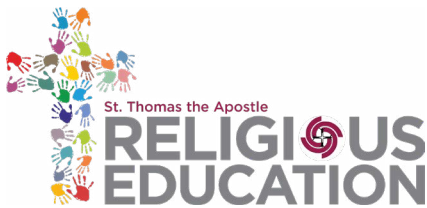
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What many scientists since the thirteenth century had in common was a university level education. And we can thank the Catholic Church for that. The Catholic Church was the major patron of education and was basically responsible for the formation of the

University system of higher learning in Europe. Established primarily to educate clergy, universities promoted scholarship in the arts and sciences. So many of our scientific discoveries came from those brilliant minds that were educated at the university level. And one of those more contemporary brilliant minds belonged to Gregor Mendel.

Though he does not bear the title of canonized “Saint,” Gregor Mendel is likely known as one of the more famous Catholic scientists. Born in 1822, Gregor later became an Augustinian priest at the monastery in Moravia. He studied math, physics, anatomy and the physiology of plants at the University of Vienna and became well known as a botanist. He is regarded as having discovered the basic principles of heredity and as laying the mathematical foundation of the science of genetics. Gregor died in 1884.



Coming Soon: Drop-In Buddy Reading Time at St. Thomas

Read with a new friend at St. Thomas Tuesdays, August 2 and/or August 9 from 4:30–5:45 pm. Sign-ups are online at stapostle.org. Books are provided. Hope to see you there!

Attention High School Students!

Are you looking for volunteer service hours? The St. Thomas Elementary Religious Education Department would love your help. Friendly faces are welcome. No experience is needed. Hours are flexible using your skills for organizing and sorting to replenish school supplies for upcoming classes. Contact Lorraine Katz at lkatz@stapostle.org to arrange times and dates that work with your schedule.

Week of Hope ... in the Words of Nadia

From June 19–24, four middle school students and their chaperones participated in Week of Hope in Kenosha, Wisc.

During the week, the St. Thomas group worked at the Racine Urban Garden Network where they weeded, planted and watered hoping for an abundant harvest. The week was also an impactful faith journey. Nadia Winn Bocher, one of the St. Thomas participants, reflects on her Week of Hope experience:

Hello St. Thomas! My name is Nadia, and I went of the Week of Hope mission trip in Kenosha, Wisc., earlier this summer. I had a fantastic time! Mrs. Goralski and Mr. Elliffe were very nice and encouraging, and

all the camp counselors were super fun. We were assigned to the Racine Urban Garden Network, and we helped a lot over the week to make their gardens nicer and more welcoming for the people who use it now and who will in the future.

Throughout Week of Hope I learned that hard work and kindness can mean a lot to those around you. You can change someone's life by donating a moment of your time. The experience inspires me to continue to make a positive difference in my community and beyond. It was a wonderful trip, and I am planning on doing Week of Hope again next year! Thanks everyone for all yours prayers and support!

– Nadia Winn Bocher, 8th Grade





Catechists Needed

Elementary Religious Education

It is planning time for Tuesday and Saturday elementary religious education classes. Come join the fun and be a catechist, aide or volunteer. Your presence is wanted! Contact Lorraine Katz at lkatz@stapostle.org or 630.355.8980, x109 to discuss where your talents can be used. Currently, catechists, aides and volunteers are wanted at every grade level Pre-K–5.



Middle School Catechists Needed ... Now is your Chance

There is a need for middle school catechists for Saturday morning middle school religious education classes. Volunteering for the ministry of catechesis puts you in touch with an amazing group of middle school students who will delight you, challenge you and inspire you with their faith and spirit. Materials and training are provided for catechists. If you are interested in learning more, contact Peggy Goralski at pgoralski@stapostle.org or 630.355.8980, x123.

High School Ministry

Catechists, small group leaders, retreat leaders and other roles currently need to be filled to support the upcoming year of high school youth ministry programs. If you have a love of teenagers and are willing to share your faith, contact Dorothy Grantham at ym@stapostle.org to discuss how your skills and talents may be a match for youth ministry.

Special Note to Parents of a Pre K or Kindergarten Child

Do you have a Pre-Kindergarten or Kindergarten child (age 4 or 5 by September 1)? Religious education classes are available for your child. Registration materials are available in the Gathering Area or blank forms can be printed off of the St. Thomas website at stapostle.org.

Please also check out the Parent Handbook for more information. Contact the Religious Education office at 630.305.6318 or readmin@stapostle.org or Lorraine Katz at lkatz@stapostle.org or 630.355.8980, x109 with questions.

Parents and Catechists

Important Dates for Middle School Religious Education

- **Sunday, August 28:** RE kickoff Mass at 11:15 am with catechist meet-and-greet following Mass
- **Saturday, September 10:** Middle School Saturday RE sessions begin at All Saints
- **Monday, September 12:** Middle School Monday RE sessions begin at All Saints

Elementary and Middle School RE Registration

The 2022-2023 RE registration packet is available on the St. Thomas website and in the Gathering Area. To avoid a late fee, register immediately!

Please contact Lorraine Katz at lkatz@stapostle.org or Peggy Goralski at pgoralski@stapostle.org with your questions.

High School Registration

Registration packets for 2022–2023 high school religious education Journey program are now available.

Forms may be downloaded online **here**. Hard copies may be picked up in the Gathering Area or outside of the Religious Education and Youth Ministry Offices.

Registration is for a year-long commitment in the two-year program preparing teens to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. There are other opportunities offered as well for teens if they have already been confirmed, or are not interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation at this time.

Deadline is August 31. Email Dorothy Grantham at dgrantham@stapostle.org with questions.



Question of the week

What things distract you from following Jesus?



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Food Donations for Care Pantry

Bring donations to St. Thomas Tuesday, August 9 from 9:00–10:00 am or 5:00–6:00 pm.

Place the items in the trunk or the back of your vehicle, stay in your vehicle, and we will remove the items for you. Items will be collected outside Door C, which is across from the labyrinth.

In order to serve our Care Pantry families in the best possible way, we are requesting items unavailable from the food bank and items we particularly need. Please bring the items listed below.

- Jello
- Pasta
- Pasta sauce
- Canned pasta
- Mac and Cheese
- Side dishes
- Jiffy mix
- Canned tuna
- School Supplies (*Please see separate article in bulletin or on website.*)

Thank you for your support. Consider being a drop off location for people in your neighborhood and bringing a trunk load of food to St. Thomas.

Affordable Housing Incentive Program

Advocacy Opportunity Consider Signing Petition

"We believe people have a right and a duty to participate in society, seeking together the common good and well-being of all, especially the poor and vulnerable."

Catholic Social Teaching – US Conference of Catholic Bishops

The St. Thomas Housing Alliance Ministry has been advocating for affordable housing in Naperville for at least four years. The Naperville City Council will consider adopting the Affordable Housing Incentive Program (AHIP). At this time, it is not clear if the program will be adopted. If you are in agreement, make your voice heard. Please sign a petition to City Council in favor of AHIP.

- To educate yourself on AHIP, click [here](#) to go to the St. Thomas home page.
- Sign petition after all Masses this weekend and next or go to the St. Thomas website at stapostle.org and sign the online petition.

Adopting the AHIP will bring affordable housing to people who live and work in our community, including seniors, veterans, those with disabilities, hospital/school support staff and restaurant employees. Surveys have shown that increasing affordable housing is a priority for our community. It has been discussed and debated for many years. It is time for action. It is time to take the first step.



Styrofoam Environmental Impact

Styrofoam cups and take-out containers are one of the biggest public health hazards. Styrofoam is littered more than any other waste product and fills up 30 percent of landfills globally. The worst part is that Styrofoam takes over 500 years to decompose and in the process, it leaches harmful chemicals into the environment. It is not only a dangerous air pollutant, but also poses a great threat to humans, the environment and animals.



Styrofoam Recycle Collection

First Congregation UCC Church (25 E Benton Ave., Naperville) is collecting Styrofoam Saturday, August 14 and Sunday, August 15 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Bring Styrofoam to the First Congregational parking lot (on Center Street, right around the corner from Municipal Band Concert Park off Benton).

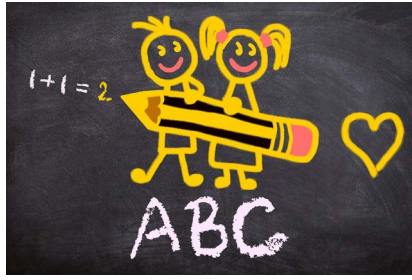
Please keep your packing peanuts separate from the rest of your Styrofoam. The peanuts are sent to stores that reuse them. For more information, contact Claudia Hackney at Claudia.Hackney@sbcglobal.net or Susan Greenwood at sgreenw288@gmail.com.

Back to School is Here!

St. Thomas is collecting new school supplies on behalf of its Care Pantry families with school age children. Just purchase items from the list below and drop them off in the clearly marked collection bin in the Gathering Area between now and August 10.

Questions? Contact Michelle at 630.235.2997. Thank you for your generous support! When you shop, imagine a child being well equipped for the upcoming school year.

- Pencils-#2 – packs of 8 to 12
- Black pens – packs of 10 to 12
- Glue sticks – packs of 2
- Bottles of school glue
- Notebooks – Wide ruled or college ruled, 70 to 100 sheets. Please only plain colored covers.
- Paper – Wide ruled or college ruled, 70 to 100 sheets
- Washable markers – Classic colors, 8 count



PATH August 9 Zoom Meeting (7:00 pm)

How to Avoid the ATS Abyss (Applicant Tracking System)

One of the biggest challenges job seekers face is the Applicant Tracking System (ATS). ATS is a software application that scans resumes and ranks them according to keywords and skills. Many qualified applicants are being rejected by ATS, not because of a lack of qualifications, but because their resume content formatting is not correctly recognized by ATS.

A recent study indicates that up to 75 percent of job seeking candidates are being eliminated because their resume did not meet ATS rules and requirements despite being qualified for the position!

Denis Curtin, one of Chicago's leading authorities on Applicant Tracking Systems, will share his recommendations and insights on how to structure your resume in order to bridge the ATS abyss. Denis will discuss:

1. How to format your resume to be ATS friendly.
2. How to avoid common formatting errors.
3. How to use job seeker friendly robots to select the best keywords and skills.

Register in advance for this webinar at PathGroupJobSearch@gmail.com. You will receive the Zoom meeting information in a confirmation email.

Project Love Annual Fundraiser Project Love Rise and Dine Breakfast

August 6, 10:00 am

Parishioner Eileen McGleam is Director of Project Love, the charitable program of Illinois Right to Life.



Project Love provides financial assistance to pregnant women and new mothers in a financial crisis. We help with rent, utility bills and other urgent expenses. All our grant money comes from generous donors who want to help women choose life for their children. We are the charitable program of Illinois Right to Life and have given nearly 1,500 grants in our 26 years. Each year, we hold our Rise & Dine Breakfast to help raise money for our grants.

Please join us from 10:00 am-12:00 pm Saturday, August 6, at the Avalon Banquet facility (1905 E. Higgins Road, Elk Grove Village). The event will include a bountiful breakfast and a lovely silent auction.

We will present our annual Caritas Award to the Honorable Daniel Lipinski, former US congressman. We are honoring him for his decades of service to the pro-life cause in Washington. To make a reservation (required), please call 312.422.9300 or click [here](#).

If you are unable to attend, but would like to make a donation to Project Love, you may do so by clicking [here](#). Any donation, large or small, is greatly appreciated. On behalf of the young mothers and their babies that we serve, thank you for your support.

~ Eileen McGleam, Director, Project Love



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PASTORAL CARE
St. Thomas the Apostle

Resources You Should Know

Pastoral Care

- If you would like a pastoral visit with Communion in the home or hospital, please contact Kathy Ford, RN, Director of Pastoral Care, at 630.355.8980, x124.
- If you are admitted to a hospital and would like Communion, notify St. Thomas so we may make a pastoral visit. Churches are no longer notified of hospitalizations.
- If you would like a prayer shawl or prayer square for emotional and spiritual support, contact Felicia Lawlor, RN, Faith Community Nurse, at 630.355.8980, x104.

Health Resources or Referrals

- Health related inquiries or referrals to physician offices, community agencies and facilities, please contact Felicia Lawlor or Kathy Ford.

Behavioral Health Ministry

- Mental Health First Aid Workshop or Grief Support Group, contact Susan Kearney at 630.355.8980, x108.

AED (Automated External Defibrillator) Locations

- Gathering Area
- Church
- Light House Entrance Wall
- Rectory Basement

From the Office of the Parish Nurse Seeking Nurse Volunteers for Blood Pressure Service

Share your blood pressure skills with St. Thomas parishioners after Mass on Saturday or Sunday once a month from September 2022 through May 2023.

For more information, contact Felicia Lawlor, RN, Faith Community Nurse, at 630.355.8980, x104 or email: flawlor@stapostle.org.

Thank you for your consideration.



FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE
St. Thomas the Apostle

Age Guide Northeastern Illinois Presents: The 27th Annual Senior Lifestyle Expo

Celebrating the Aging Journey

August 23–24, 2022

9:00 am–2:00 pm

Drury Lane, Oak Brook Terrace

Tickets are \$5. Cash only.

Click [here](#) or call 800.528.2000 for more information.

From the Behavioral Health Ministry Can a Little Bit of Exercise Lower your Depression Risk?

As we often report, it doesn't take much exercise to make a big difference in your health. And small doses of physical activity might also be enough to stave off depression, according to a review of studies published online April 13, 2022, by *JAMA Psychiatry*. The analysis included 15 studies from around the world, involving a total of more than 191,000 people. Compared with people who didn't exercise, people who racked up 75 minutes per week of moderate-intensity exercise, such as brisk walking, had an 18 percent lower risk for depression. The benefits were even stronger among people who accumulated 2.5 hours of moderate-intensity activity per week: they had a 25 percent lower risk for depression. If those totals sound like a lot of time, remember that they are roughly the equivalent of a 10 or 20 minute walk per day, respectively. If you can do that, you can probably do a lot for your mood and well-being — and improve many other aspects of health to boot.

Source: www.health.harvard.edu



BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
St. Thomas the Apostle

Mental Health First Aid

This is your last chance to sign up for the August 13, 2022, Mental Health First Aid Class. Register by clicking [here](#) by August 1.

STEWARDSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION



Thank you for supporting St. Thomas the Apostle. To learn more about online giving, please visit our website and click on the Giving tab in the top menu bar.

Editor's Note: Fr. Peter has enjoyed reading *Dear Padre* for many years. *Dear Padre* addresses many interesting and topical questions people have about Faith and the Church and how it should impact our life.

Dear Padre

July 31, 2022

The new priest assigned to our parish seldom shakes hands at the sign of peace during Mass. Isn't he supposed to?

You may be surprised to know that the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* (154) calls for the priest to remain in the sanctuary at the sign of peace to avoid disrupting the assembly's exchange. He has the option of exchanging a sign of peace with the ministers — it's optional because to do so repeats the first greeting of peace he just extended to everyone in the assembly.

In the United States, an exception is made for special occasions such as weddings, funerals or when community leaders are present. In those cases, the *GIRM* allows the priest to offer the sign of peace to people sitting near the sanctuary.

Ironically, many parishioners view the presider's participation less as a distortion of the rite than as a positive indicator of their priest's social skills, as in "Father is such a people person!"

Offering — and being offered — an actual sign of Christ's peace during Mass is intended to be poignant, prayerful and powerful, with a different kind of fanfare than when greeters welcome worshipers before Mass or when the presider shakes hands and socializes immediately after Mass.

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR
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The Week Ahead

Monday, August 1

Tuesday, August 2

10:00–11:00 am Care Pantry Distribution, Outside
 4:30–5:45 pm Drop-in Buddy Reading, Gym
 7:00–8:30 pm Baptism Class, Cana

Wednesday, August 3

6:30–8:30 pm Pax Christi, Cana
 7:00–8:30 pm Open Wide Our Hearts, Lighthouse
 7:00–8:30 pm St. Vincent de Paul, Senior Center

Thursday, August 4

6:30–8:15 pm Youth Ministry Life Team, Gym and Youth Center

Friday, August 5

9:00 am–12:00 pm Adoration/Benediction, Chapel

Saturday, August 6

9:00–10:30 am Saturday Men's Group, Cana
 3:30–4:15 pm Reconciliation, Chapel

Sunday, August 7

9:30–11:30 am RCIA, Senior Center
 1:00–2:00 pm Baptisms, Church

Weekly Sunday Offertory

July 17, 2022

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| Sunday Collection Offering* | \$8,399 |
| Credit Card Online Giving (<i>reported monthly</i>) | none this week |
| Automatic Direct Debit (5 th and 20 th each month) | none this week |
| Mailed in and stock donations | \$13,062 |
| Total for the week | \$21,461 |
| *Based on Collection Counters Reports prior to bank confirmation | |
| Fiscal Year (7/1 to 6/30) | \$81,630 |
| Weekly Average 7/1/2021 to date | \$27,210 |
| Offertory Goal Year to date | \$101,111 |
| Over/(short) of goal to date | (\$19,481) |
| Goal for Fiscal Year 7/1 to 6/30 | \$1,752,599 |
| Percent of Annual Sunday Offertory Goal | 5% |
| Remaining for this fiscal year goal | \$1,670,969 |

This week, the Sunday collection is \$19,481 behind goal so far this year. Capital needs restricted gifts were \$120 this past week. We are grateful to those who recognize the need and responded.

Diocesan Appeal 2022

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| Parish Appeal Goal | \$189,200 |
| Pledges Received | \$137,124 |
| Percent of Goal pledged to date | 72.48% |



PARISH INFORMATION



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Church Office and Building Hours

Summer hours: 8:30 am–4:30 pm M–Th,
8:30 am–12:00 pm Friday. Gathering Area
reception desk is staffed 9:00 am–8:00 pm
M–Th (7:00 pm if no evening events);
9:00 am–12:00 pm Friday; and 9:00
am–1:00 pm Saturday.

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