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IN ORDINARY TIME

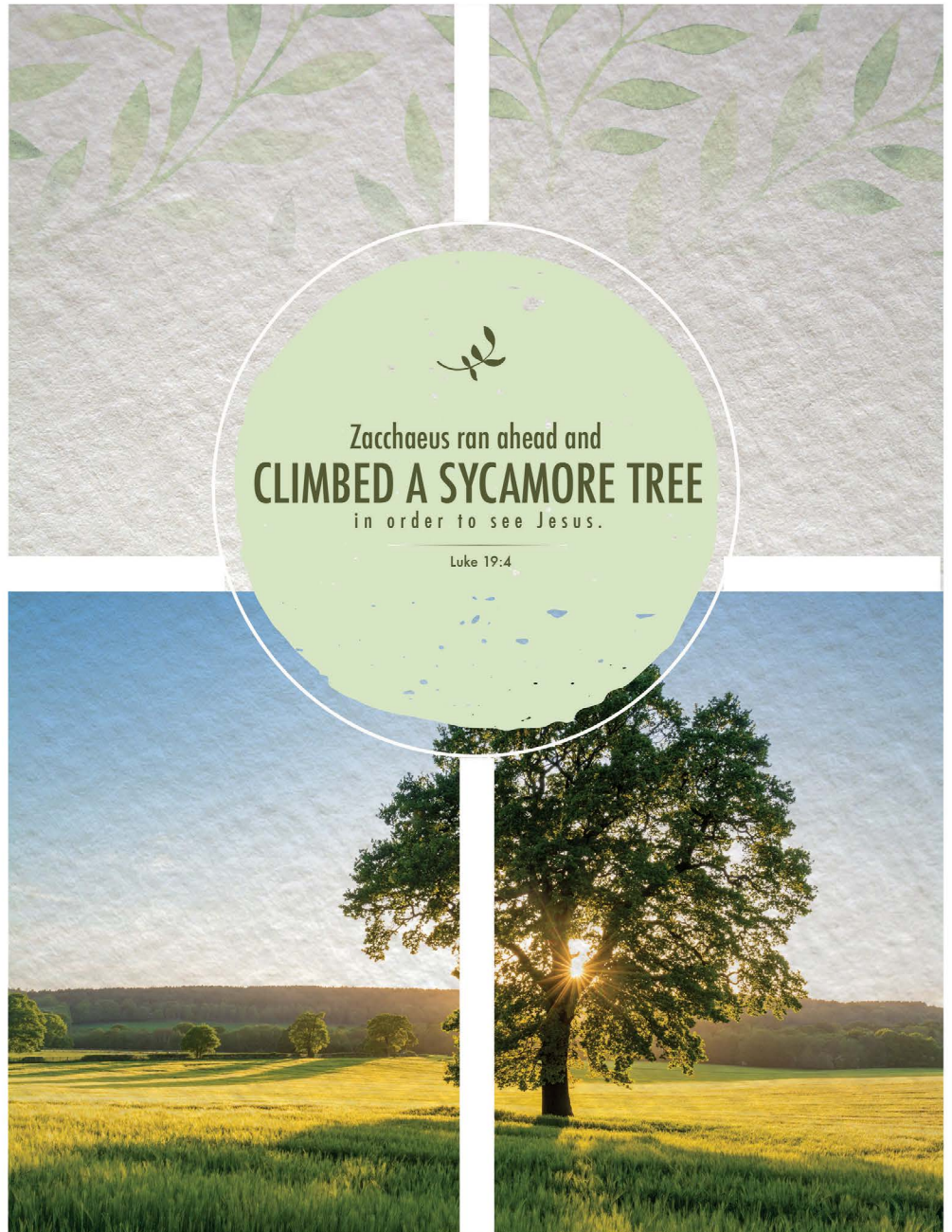
*The LORD lifts up all who are
falling and raises up all who are
bowed down.*

– Psalm 145:14

**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.*



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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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Fr. Peter shares insights from a variety of voices on the Sunday readings.

“For God So Loved the World ...”

When we hear this phrase from John 3:16, we think of God’s love for human beings – and rightly so.

However, today’s first reading reminds us that God’s love is much broader. This reading offers us a glimpse into God’s love of all natural creation. The Greek word translated “world,” the word found in the passage from John as well as today’s reading, is *kósmos*, a word we think of today as “universe.” So we could say: “God so loved the cosmos.”

The author of the Book of Wisdom insists that God loves whatever God has made; that the power of the Creator is matched by the Creator’s love; and that this love is manifested through mercy to all. We are accustomed to hearing how God cares for us with holy abandon. This reading expands that love to include a tiny grain of sand or the morning dew. An even more daring statement claims that God’s imperishable spirit is in all things. How else could anything exist? This fact is the basis of what is referred to as “the intrinsic value of the entire natural world,” which means that everything has unique value simply because it was created by God – not because we can use it to enhance ourselves.

This kind of thinking might be new to many. However, it calls us to revere elements of nature like trees, flowers, wolves and even mosquitos, because they are creatures of God. Our faith insists that “God so loved the cosmos.”

~Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Readings for Today

First Reading – LORD, you love all things that exist (Wisdom 11:22 – 12:2).

Psalm – I will praise your name forever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

Second Reading – May the name of Christ be glorified in you and you in him (2 Thessalonians 1:11 – 2:2).

Gospel – Zacchaeus, a tax collector, considered to be a sinner, is converted to the Lord (Luke 19:1-10).

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Readings for the Week

Monday: Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

Wednesday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from no. 668 or from Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016

Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Phil 3:17 – 4:1; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9; Lk 16:9-15

Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14; Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15; 2 Thes 2:16 – 3:5; Lk 20:27-38 [27, 34-38]

Presider Schedule November 5–6

Saturday, November 5

4:30 pm: Fr. Peter Infanger

Sunday, November 6

8:00 am: Fr. Joseph Kappilumakkal

9:30 am: Fr. Joseph Kappilumakkal

11:15 am: Fr. Peter Infanger with Deacon Larry Kearney

Presider schedule is subject to change.

Reflection on the Readings

Today’s readings remind us that prayer always begins with an attitude. It does not matter what we’ve done, how much we have or who we are. What does matter is what is in our hearts. The constant message has been that God hears the cries of the poor. Whatever our circumstances, humility and a concern for justice matter most. This is either consoling or challenging, depending on the state of our hearts.

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

On Sunday, November 6 between the 8:00 am and 9:30 am Masses, we will be celebrating the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Anyone, of all ages, can benefit from this sacrament – as many times as needed! There are no limits to anointing, as we are all in need of healing of various troubling conditions – physical, mental, emotional or spiritual.

During the Ritual of Anointing, the Priest will anoint the foreheads of all who come forward with the Oil of the Sick and proclaim, “Through this holy anointing may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit. May the Lord who frees you from sin save you and raise you up.”

Please join us for this special celebration. No online registration is necessary. Contact tracing will be done upon entry. Some additional information about the sacrament can be found online at stapostle.org.



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All Saints

Tuesday, November 1 is the Solemnity of All Saints – A Holy Day of Obligation (opportunity!). We will have Masses at 8:30 am and 7:00 pm in the Church. On this day the Church honors all the saints of heaven, God’s holy ones – known and unknown to us. We celebrate all the holy men and women who, throughout the ages, exemplified the faith; whose lives, in some way or another, mirrored the Paschal Mystery of Christ in profound ways. This solemnity honors all the saints; in particular those who are not individually recognized throughout the year. This day, coupled with the November 2 commemoration of all the faithful departed (All Souls), stands at the beginning of the month of November – a month in which we remember and pray for the dead.

All Souls Day

Our annual All Souls Day Liturgy will be held at St. Thomas Wednesday, November 2 at a special 7:00 pm Mass. Those who have died this past year will be remembered in a special way. You are invited to participate by bringing a candle forward during the Prayer of the Faithful when your loved one’s name is called (candles provided). You may also bring a picture or memento to place on the tables in the Narthex in memory of your loved one. The liturgy will be followed by a reception in the Gathering Area. For more information, contact Samantha Delke, Associate Director of Liturgy and Music, at sdelke@stapostle.org or 630.355.8980, x120.

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!

New Parishioners

Matthew and Chloe Broad and Family
Saji and Gija George and Family
Carlos and Mary Melo Gonzalez and Family
Samantha and Ryan Lehman and Family
Matthew and Kristen Perry and Family
Bandanadam and Sandeep Rani and Family
Jonathan Ubertino and Samantha Reinert

Would you like to become a parishioner?

Call the Main Office at 630.355.8980.

Liturgy Schedule and Mass Intentions

Intentions for this weekend

Sunday, October 30, 2022

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 4:30 pm *Mass of Anticipation*
The People of St. Thomas
- 8:00 am †Ann Reische by Voices of Faith
- 9:30 am †Edythe and Joseph Caruso by Joe and Gloria Caruso
†Henry Silva by Francisco Pulger
- 11:15 am †Thomas O’Grady by Mom and Dad

Intentions for this week

Monday, October 31, 2022

Weekday

- 8:30 am †Estoesta/Marzan Family, by Buddy and Mely Mallorca

Tuesday, November 1, 2022

All Saints

- 8:30 am †Dorothy McGrath, by Small Group
- 7:00 pm †Rodrigo Trinidad, by Family

Wednesday, November 2, 2022

All Souls Day

- 8:30 am †Mallorca/Cariasa Family, by Buddy and Mely Mallorca
- 7:00 pm

Thursday, November 3, 2022

Saint Martin de Porres, Religious

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

Friday, November 4, 2022

Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

- 8:30 am †Leona Eckerson, by Kathy Singer and Family

Saturday, November 5, 2022

Weekday

- 8:30 am †Anna and Victor Nowik, by Marie Lapp
- 4:30 pm *Mass of Anticipation*
†Muriel Sweeney, by Lillwitz Family
†Rupert Malone, by Mary Malone

Sunday, November 6, 2022

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am For the People of St. Thomas
- 9:30 am †Andy Mravca, by Joan Mravca
†Irene Wokcik, by Ken and Bob Wojcik
†Fernando Rodriguez, by Francisco Pulgar
- 11:15 am †Walter Leonard, by Mike and Kathy Fekety



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Advent by Candlelight

All women are warmly invited to take part in this year's Advent by Candlelight at 7:00 pm Wednesday, November 30 in the Lighthouse. "Through the Year with Mary" will honor events in her life as remembered by her feast days. Look back at the life of the Blessed Mother and your own in reflections, prayer and art, while enjoying the company of friends old and new – and a delicious dessert bar!

RSVP by November 22. Contact REAdmin@stapostle.org or call 630.355.8980, x118. Suggested donation is \$10. To host a table (provide decorations and place settings for 8-10 people –anything from paper to china), please contact Mary Wright at mtwrightnaperville@hotmail.com.

Fine Art & Craft Festival

November 12 | 11:00 am–6:00 pm
November 13 | 9:00 am– 1:00 pm

Make plans to attend and help support our vendors and our Lakota twinning parish St. Agnes. We have a few spots left for vendors. If interested, contact Donna Ryder at dryder27@gmail.com or 937.974.4363.

Teens with Character

Middle school students ... Teens with Character will meet Sunday, November 13 from 4:30–6:00 pm, at St. Thomas. Games, faith sharing, checking in with each other and pizza are all part of the Teens with Character experience. We would love to see you!

C.A.R.E CORNER

As we continue to take a look at some of the saintly role models of our past, we will now address some saints who were founders of religious orders. But perhaps we first need some clarification. A religious order is a group of individuals who live as community for a specific purpose. This applies to both men and women. The members of any order take solemn vows to live a consecrated life. Those vows are typically promises to adhere to poverty, chastity and obedience. They follow religious rules and usually have some form of a constitution to guide them, along with the leadership of a superior. Members of an order might live in a monastery and practice seclusion, they might serve in a particular parish or they might serve society at large.

We are familiar with many orders of clergy, each of which adheres to some particular charisms. For example, the Carmelites focus on prayer and contemplation. The Jesuits are known for spiritual discernment and their focus on education. The Benedictines find Christ in manual labor and communal life. The Dominicans are known for their preaching. And the Franciscans practice poverty and a simplistic lifestyle in imitation of Christ. Over the course of the next few weeks, we will cover some of the major Order founders, including females who founded religious congregations for women.

Harvest Sunday

Harvest Sunday Flyer Delivery: This Week

Harvest Sunday Food Collection: November 6

The food collected during Harvest Sunday helps the St. Thomas Care Pantry and two area food pantries provide food for families in need. If you receive an orange Harvest Sunday tag on your front door this week, please remember to leave a bag of food by your front curb on Sunday, November 6. If you are not in an area where Harvest Sunday volunteers distribute flyers and collect food, you can still help by bringing food donations to the drive-through food drop-off November 5 (4:00–6:00 pm) and November 6 (9:00 am–5:00 pm). An additional way to donate is through Amazon.com. Thank you for your generosity.



All Saints Playlist

The Church celebrates the Feast of All Saints November 1. It is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the Saints in our Catholic tradition and the saints, the holy ones, in our lives. The All Saints playlist, A Saintly Adventure, offers many links and suggestions for learning about and celebrating Saints. Check it out on the St. Thomas website. Enjoy the adventure!



Question of the week

What would you do if Jesus wanted to come to your house?



First Reconciliation Parent Enhancement Session

The parent enhancement session for First Reconciliation is on Wednesday, November 9 from 7:00–8:30 pm in the Lighthouse. A make-up parent enrichment session is scheduled for Thursday, November 17 from 7:00–8:30 pm in the Lighthouse. An RSVP for this is needed and appreciated. Please contact the Faith Formation Office at REadmin@stapostle.org.

It is necessary that the parents of fourth grade or older children, who haven't received the sacrament of Reconciliation and haven't attended a session previously, attend a session. It aides in preparing your child for this sacrament in March. Please remember to bring your registration form to the session. This is for parents only. If you have any questions, please contact Lorraine Katz at lkatz@stapostle.org or 630.355.8980, x109.

St. Francis High School Open House

St. Francis High School invites prospective students to visit the school and to experience the St. Francis environment. You can sign up for Open House tours Sunday, November 6. Tours will be given in 40-minute intervals and will be led by Student Ambassador Leadership Team members. This is a great way to see the school and ask any questions about St. Francis High School. Tours are geared toward 6th, 7th and 8th grade families. Go to sfhscollegeprep.org to register. St. Francis High School is located at 2130 W. Roosevelt Road in Wheaton.



Take a Closer Look at Marmion Academy

Interested in a Catholic High School for boys? Marmion Academy is a Catholic and Benedictine Preparatory High School in Aurora for young men. All 5th–8th grade boys and their families are invited to attend an Open House on Sunday, November 6, 2022, at 1:00 pm. It will focus on Marmion's 3 pillars: spirituality, academics and leadership. All present will be entered into a drawing to win \$500 tuition voucher for new students. For questions and to register email admissions@marmion.org.

Eagle Scout Project at St. Thomas – October 29–30

Martin Howley, a 17-year-old parishioner, is beginning work on his Boy Scout Eagle Project of restoring the Outdoor Stations of the Cross at St. Thomas. The original artist's work by Don Castro will be used and the stations will be remade with new materials. A limited number of engraved name plates will be sold to aide in the cost of this project. The name plates will be placed on a donation post before the first station. Martin and other scouts will be selling name plates after Masses this weekend, October 29–30, in the Gathering Area. The cost of each nameplate is \$60 on a first-come, first-served basis. Financial donations will also be accepted as well. Thank you in advance for your support.



St. Thomas the Apostle
**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION**

Religious Education Dates

Elementary

- **October 29, November 5, 12:** Saturday Elementary RE sessions at All Saints Catholic Academy
- **November 15, 29:** Tuesday Elementary RE sessions at Brookdale Elementary School

Saturday, November 5 at 4:30 pm is the fourth grade Mass and reception.

Middle School

- **November 7, 14:** Monday Middle School RE classes meet
- **October 29, November 5, 12:** Saturday Middle School RE classes meet

There are no Monday middle school RE classes Monday, October 31.

The November 5 and 7 middle school RE classes meet at St. Thomas to help with Harvest Sunday.

Save the Date – Fourth Grade Mass

Fourth grade students and their families are invited to the fourth grade Mass Saturday, November 5 at 4:30 pm. The children have been learning about the Mass. They have also been busy preparing for the Mass. They will be contributing by being readers, gift bearers, host greeters, bulletin cover designers and will be part of the entrance procession. Fourth grade families are invited to a reception after Mass in the Gathering Area. Please bring a treat to share.



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Pax Christi Illinois



Pax Christi Illinois Anti-Racism Workshop

Pax Christi Illinois is hosting an anti-racism workshop for all who are interested in learning more about how to dismantle racism in Church and society. The workshop is Saturday, November 12 from 9:00 am–3:00 pm at St. Scholastica Catholic Church in Woodridge.

This workshop identifies ways in which the history, structures, policies and practices of racism impair our ability to build a world of peace with justice. The workshop will be led by the Joliet Sisters of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate Anti-Racism Committee.

Registration is \$15 to provide for a box lunch (turkey and cheese, vegetarian or gluten free).

To RSVP for this workshop provide your name, email address and phone number to Nancy Oetter at nloetter@comcast.net or 630.904.3859. Payment can be made at the door. (Scholarships available on request.) Please register by October 31.

Harvest Sunday November 5-6 Weekend

On Harvest Sunday weekend, St. Thomas collects food for St. Thomas Care Pantry, St. Patrick's Pantry (Fr. Dof's parish in Joliet) and the Sisters of Notre Dame pantry on south side of Chicago.



St. Thomas Challenge

The St. Thomas Challenge is for every St. Thomas family, if they are able, to make a Harvest Sunday food donation.

How to Donate Food

- **Curb Donation:** If you DO receive a flyer on your door, place your food donation at the curb by 11:00 am on Harvest Sunday, November 6.
- **Drive Thru Donation:** If you DO NOT receive a flyer on your door, make a drive-thru donation at St. Thomas during the following times: Saturday, November 5, from 4:00–6:00 pm; Harvest Sunday, November 6, from 9:00 am–5:00 pm.
- **Online Donation:** Food donations through Amazon.com. It is easy. Order from a list of items with a variety of prices. Select St. Thomas Gift Registry. Use the following link: <https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1KGBPLY5FZVYG?type=wishlist>

Items Especially Needed

- Black Pinto Beans (bagged or canned)
- Cereal
- Fruit (canned)
- Jelly
- Mac 'n' Cheese
- Oatmeal
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Peanut Butter
- Rice (bagged or Boxed)
- Soup (canned)
- Vegetables (canned)

40 Days for Life: St. Thomas Prayer Day

The 40 Days for Life prayer vigil is being held at Planned Parenthood from September 28 through November 2. Saturday October 1 was the St. Thomas prayer day, sponsored by the St. Thomas Knights of Columbus. St. Thomas parishioners were steadfast and were on site from 7:00 am–6:00 pm.

The prayer vigil is continuing through November 2. The location is Planned Parenthood (3051 E. New York St., Aurora) behind Waterleaf Women's Center. Parking available at Waterleaf. You are not required to sign up ... feel welcome to go and pray anytime!

Photo (from left): Phil Price, regional director of 40 Days, Mary Olson, Catherine Walker, Robert Hays.



“Faith In Action” Opportunities

Recently, St. Thomas provided “Faith In Action” volunteer opportunities. Thank you to all who expressed an interest in the Outreach and Social Justice (OSJ) ministries listed. A few more OSJ opportunities are currently available.

St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) Treasurer

You may have recently brought items for the SVDP clothing drive. That is just a small piece of the work SVDP does at St. Thomas. Each week two volunteers partner up to respond to requests from Neighbors, the SVDP term for anyone who needs assistance. SVDP generally helps with rent and utilities. Before providing funds, the volunteers communicate with the Neighbor via a phone call or Zoom remote visit. It is vital to keep accurate accounting records for income and expenses. The ministry is looking for a volunteer with financial/bookkeeping/treasurer experience. The veteran treasurer could use a back-up assistant!

Interested/able to help? Please call the parish number at 630.355.8980 and leave a message in the SVDP voicemail box, x250, with your contact information. Someone will reach out to you. You are also welcome to attend a SVDP ministry meeting on the first Wednesday of the month at St. Thomas.

People Always Trusting Him (PATH)

PATH is a Christ-based Ministry of Saint Thomas and Compass Church, which helps people seeking employment. The ministry provides monthly Zoom broadcasts hosted by subject matter experts, individual coaching and mentoring, and small support group meetings. PATH is seeking volunteers who feel passionate about helping people through the difficult journey of finding employment.

The opportunities to serve are many and do not require experience, they include (but not limited to) marketing and communications, meeting planning and organizing, administrative support and technology support. Contact Walt Reilly at wereilly@comcast.net or Mike Ryder at mryder@stapostle.org.

Affordable Housing Incentive Program Results of City Council Hearing on October 4

The St. Thomas Housing Alliance Ministry has been advocating for affordable housing in Naperville for more than four years. The Naperville City Council considered adopting the Affordable Housing Incentive Program (AHIP) at their October 4 meeting. They had a number of concerns and instructed city staff to address those concerns and bring AHIP back to the Council in six weeks ... that would be the late November meeting.

The Housing Alliance had five speakers during the public comment. Two of the speakers presented witness stories of those forced to leave Naperville due to the lack of affordable housing. To read all five talks, click [here](#). Over 500 petitions signed in support of AHIP were delivered to Council.

In the interim six weeks, the Mayor also pledged to work with staff and council members to see if together they can find a “Sweet Spot” and get this ordinance across the finish line.

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, restaurant and other employees of Naperville employers. 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.



Embrace Naperville The Power of Inclusion

Dr. Geneace Williams is Naperville’s first Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Manager. She is beginning a series of events entitled “Embrace Naperville: Empowering our Mission Through a Year of Learning” to reach the goal of increased awareness.

The first event is a roundtable discussion: “The Power of Inclusion” to be held Thursday, November 10, in Council Chambers (400 S. Eagle Street). Registration is required. Go to surveyMonkey.com/r/5F9DMJX.

Whether living in a community or working for an organization, individuals want to enjoy equitable access, be included and feel a sense of belonging. Naperville is exploring how to meet the needs of changing demographics, as the city has become increasingly diverse over the past several decades.

The roundtable keynote speaker is Claire Babineaux-Fontenot, CEO of Feeding America, which is the nation’s largest domestic hunger-relief organization and second-largest U.S. charity. The breakout session leader is Nader Najjar, Executive Director of Educational Equity for Indian Prairie School District 204.



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From the Office of Behavioral Health Handling Grief During the 2022 Holidays

Monday, November 7

7:00–8:30 pm

St. Thomas Ministry Center

The holidays may be a very painful and difficult time if you and your family have experienced the death of loved ones in the past few years. Those who have had significant losses discover it may be hard to find joy during the holidays while others happily gather around the holiday table with family and friends.

This in-person program will be presented by Paula Kosin, a Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor and facilitator of the Grief Support Group at St. Thomas. She will discuss these challenges and identify strategies to experience the holiday season with some quiet joy, including ways to honor your deceased loved ones and experience the healing presence of Jesus.

Social distancing and masking is your choice. Come by yourself or invite a friend or family member to join you.

The program is free, but registration is required by Thursday, November 3. To RSVP, please contact Susan Kearney, Behavioral Health Ministry Coordinator, at sdkearney@comcast.net or 630.355.8980, x108.

Office of Parish Nursing and Pastoral Care Turn a New Leaf! Fall into Giving!

It's that time of year again! Fall is the season of letting go. Leaves fall and temperatures drop. It's that time also to consider donating a pint of blood for those in need! Stop by and our Knights of Columbus will greet you at the door.

When: Saturday, November 19, 2022

Where: St. Thomas the Apostle Gym

Time: 9:00 am–1:30 pm

Appointments preferred but walk-ins accepted. To register, visit donate.illinoisversiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/5593884

Questions? Contact Kathy Ford, RN, Director of Pastoral Care, at kford@stapostle.org or 630.355.8980, x124 or Felicia Lawlor, RN, Parish Nurse, at flawlor@stapostle.org or 630,355,8980, x104.



Grief Support Group

A six-session in-person Grief Support Group will begin after the holidays. The group will meet on the following Sunday mornings from 10:45 am–12:15 pm: January 29, February 5, 19, March 5, 19 and April 2 (Palm Sunday).

Because we form a small, confidential group, we ask a commitment to attend all six sessions. Participation in the group is free, but registration is required. Watch for additional information in December's bulletins. In the meantime, please pray for those participating in the group this fall.



FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE
St. Thomas the Apostle

Office of the Parish Nurse Reminder-Blood pressure screening November 5–6

Volunteer nurses will be available at two stations:

Station 1: In a room off the Gathering Area.

Station 2: In the deacon's office, in the West Wing.



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.

The Week Ahead

Monday, October 31

7:00–8:15 pm Confirmation Class, Senior Center
7:00–8:15 pm Journey Group, Youth Center

Tuesday, November 1

8:30 am–9:30 am All Saints Mass, Church
7:00 pm–8:00 pm All Saints Mass, Church

Wednesday, November 2

9:15–11:15 am Wednesday Bible Study, Senior Center
6:30–8:30 pm Pax Christi, Cana
7:00–8:00 pm All Souls Mass, Church
7:00–8:30 pm St. Vincent de Paul, Lighthouse
8:00–9:00 pm Reception after All Souls Mass, Gathering Area

Thursday, November 3

9:15–11:15 am Thursday AM Bible Study, Senior Center
6:30–8:15 pm YM Life Team, Youth Center
7:30–9:00 pm Thursday PM Bible Study, Senior Center

Friday, November 4

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

Saturday, November 5

9:00–10:30 am Saturday Men's Group, Cana
9:00 am–12:00 pm Minister of Care Training, Senior Center
3:30–4:15 pm Reconciliation, Chapel
4:30–5:30 pm Fourth Grade Mass, Church
5:30–6:00 pm Blood Pressure Screening, West Wing and Conference Rm
5:30–6:00 pm Fourth Grade Mass Reception, Gathering Area

Sunday, November 6

9:00 am–12:30 pm Liturgy of the Word, Ministry Center
9:00 am–5:00 pm Harvest Sunday, Gym
9:30–11:30 am RCIA, Senior Center
9:00 am–1:00 pm Blood Pressure Screening, West Wing and Conference Rm
1:00–2:00 pm Baptisms, Church

Weekly Sunday Offertory

October 23, 2022

Sunday Collection Offering*	\$9,603
Credit Card Online Giving (<i>reported monthly</i>)	none this week
Automatic Direct Debit (<i>5th and 20th each month</i>)	\$26,763
Mailed in and stock donations	\$3,449
Total for the week	\$39,815
*Based on Collection Counters Reports prior to bank confirmation	
Fiscal Year (7/1 to 6/30)	\$546,096
Weekly Average 7/1/2021 to date	\$32,123
Offertory Goal Year to date	\$572,965
Over/(short) of goal to date	(\$26,869)
Goal for Fiscal Year 7/1 to 6/30	\$1,752,599
Percent of Annual Sunday Offertory Goal	31%
Remaining for this fiscal year goal	\$1,206,503

This week, the Sunday collection is \$26,869 below goal so far this year. Capital needs restricted gifts were \$806 this past week. We are grateful to those who recognize the need and responded.

Diocesan Appeal 2022

Parish Appeal Goal	\$189,200
Pledges Received	\$144,594
Percent of Goal pledged to date	76.42%
Unpaid pledges	\$4,848
Paid to Date	\$139,746
Percent of goal paid to date	73.86%



PARISH INFORMATION



Welcome

Thank you for joining us.

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