



NOVEMBER

6

2022

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

*My steps have been steadfast
in your paths, my feet have not
faltered.*

*I call upon you,
for you will answer me,
O God.*

– Psalm 17:5 6a

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

I Believe in the Resurrection of the Dead

We say this every time we pray the Creed. It is such a familiar statement that we might fail to be astounded.

The ancient Israelites did not think that death was the ultimate end. They believed the dead went to a place called Sheol. This was a place just for the dead; there was neither reward nor punishment. Some scholars think that it was only much later, when Israel encountered Greek culture, that we see a more developed teaching on the afterlife. We hear that teaching in the first reading. Facing martyrdom for his faith, one of the brothers insisted, "The King of the universe will raise us up to live again forever" (2 Maccabees 7:9). His faith was based on his assurance that his covenant bond with God would not be severed, even by death.

In the Gospel, the Sadducees are trying to make Jesus look ridiculous. There was a custom that if a man died without an heir, his brother was to have relations with the widow. The child born of that union was considered the legal heir of the deceased man. This custom was meant to ensure that the inheritance remained within the family. The Sadducees, who do not believe in resurrection, are mocking Jesus with their question. Jesus, aware of their intention, does not fall into their trap. Instead, he replies that in the coming age, marriage will not be necessary because resurrected life will not end. Finally, if God is a God of the living and not the dead, as Moses declared, then all are somehow resurrected.

~Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Readings for Today

First Reading — The King of the world will raise us up to live again forever (2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14).

Psalm — Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full (Psalm 17).

Second Reading — May the Lord encourage and strengthen your hearts (2 Thessalonians 2:16 — 3:5).

Gospel — Those who are deemed worthy of the coming age can no longer die (Luke 20:27-38 [27, 34-38]).

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Readings for the Week

Monday: Ti 1:1-9; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29; Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Thursday: Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25

Friday: 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8

Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

Reflection on the Readings

This month in which we honor and remember our beloved dead, we encounter scriptures that inspire our faith in the resurrection of the dead. Today's readings encourage persistence in the face of the unknown. Keeping our eye on life beyond death is critical, but how we live our faith each day is equally important.

Presider Schedule November 12-13

Saturday, November 12

4:30 pm: Fr. Joseph Kappilumakkal

Sunday, November 13

8:00 am: Fr. Peter Infanger

9:30 am: Fr. Bob Colaresi with Deacon Joe Cuzzzone

11:15 am: Fr. Joseph Kappilumakkal with Deacon Jim Breen

Presider schedule is subject to change.

On the cover

We are celebrating the fourth grade Mass this weekend at 4:30 pm Saturday. Fourth graders have been learning about the Mass and will contribute by being readers, gift bearers and host greeters. They are also learning to care for others by bringing a donation of peanut butter for the Care Pantry.

We thank the catechists who have been sharing their faith and teaching the children in the fourth grade classes: Sondra DeFauw, Dana Hengstler and Jackie Vu. Thanks also to their aides: Ruth Akumfi-Ameyaw, Caryn Phelan and Thuc Vu. The cover art was created by one of our fourth graders. For more artwork, please check out the St. Thomas website at stapostle.org.



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Prayer for Veterans

You gave for peace with courage
That families may be free
So children could grow strong
and safe they'd ever be.

In giving for the sake of peace
You may have suffered loss
Your body may still show its wounds
From taking up the cause.

May remembrance of your time away
Your sacrifice for peace
Spur us on to strive more strongly
For freedom, that there'll be release.

From causes that sent some away
To fight that we may freely live
With gratefulness we thank you, veterans
For all you gave and give!

~ By Susan Kramer

Thanksgiving Sing!

Give thanks to God through song!

All are invited to music ministry on Thanksgiving Day,
Thursday, November 24 at the 9:00 am Mass.

No experience required, just a desire to praise. Arrive
45 minutes prior to mass, dressed in your Autumn
best! Contact the Office of Liturgy and Music for more
information.

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

Eric and Jaclynn Johnson
Helen Vaux

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, November 6, 2022

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 4:30 pm *Mass of Anticipation*
†Muriel Sweeney, by Lillwitz Family
†Rupert Malone, by Mary Malone
- 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

Intentions for this week

Monday, November 7, 2022

Weekday

- 8:30 am †Marilyn Pallot, by James Pallot

Tuesday, November 8, 2022

Weekday

- 8:30 am †Rev. Garret Barry, by Sr. Mary Vianny

Wednesday, November 9, 2022

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

- 8:30 am †Thomas Moongamakal, by Mulaikal Family

Thursday, November 10, 2022

St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

- 8:30 am †Jim Rioux, by Ann Rioux

Friday, November 11, 2022

St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

- 8:30 am †William Raef, by Battisto Family

Saturday, November 12, 2022

St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

- 8:30 am †Theresa Mulaikal, by Mulaikal Family
- 4:30 pm *Mass of Anticipation*
The People of St. Thomas

Sunday, November 13, 2022

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am †Jim Wolff, by Mary Ann Wolff
- 9:30 am †Sgt. David Caruso, by Mom and Dad
†Juan Platero, by Francisco Pulgar
- 11:15 am †Joseph C. Galvin, by Mary Wright



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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.

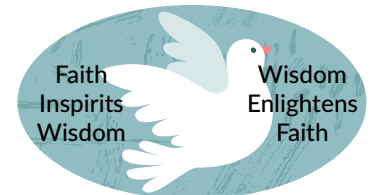
Save the Date

The Men's Retreat Weekend is back! Mark your calendars for January 27-29, 2023. It will be held at the Carmelite Retreat Center in Darien and led by Joel Blunk. Watch for more details to come.

C.A.R.E CORNER

Let's kick off our group of saints who founded Orders with Dominic. Born in Spain to a noble family in 1170, Dominic de Guzman became a priest. From his youth he loved the Scriptures and as a priest, he would spend his nights in contemplation of God's Word. He also delighted in missionary work to proclaim the truth of Jesus Christ. He loved spending his days preaching about God, handing on what he had learned through contemplation. As a youth, he would sell books to buy food for the poor. As a priest, he embraced poverty which won over converts to the faith. St. Dominic envisioned a priestly order dedicated to preaching in order to save souls. He believed preachers should be disciplined in their studies and committed to poverty.

Dominic was a contemporary of Francis of Assisi. Those who followed Dominic became known as the Dominican Order or the Order of Preachers, which won papal approval in 1216. Dominic also founded a community of contemplative nuns. He died at the age of 52 in 1221. This column has already covered other famous Dominicans, including Thomas Aquinas and Albert the Great. Dominic was canonized to sainthood in the year 1234.



Harvest Sunday Food Collection: November 6

Harvest Sunday food collection is **THIS** Sunday, November 6.

If you received an orange Harvest Sunday flyer, remember to leave a bag of food on the curb in front of your home, and Harvest Sunday volunteers will be by to collect it. If you didn't receive a flyer, you can still participate by bringing a bag of food to the St. Thomas drive-through donation drop-off from 4:00-6:00 pm Saturday, November 5, and 9:00 am-5:00 pm Sunday, November 6.



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!



Question of the week

How can you make God a higher priority in your life this week?



First Reconciliation Parent Enhancement Session

The parent enhancement session for First Reconciliation is 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.

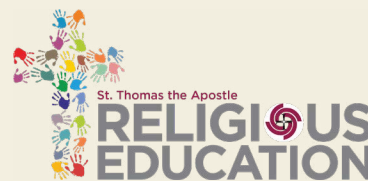
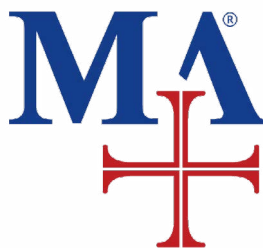
St. Francis High School Open House

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.



Religious Education Dates

Elementary

- **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
- **November 5, 12:** Saturday Middle School RE classes meet

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

Feed My Starving Children

Middle school family and friends are invited to pack meals at Feed My Starving Children Monday, November 21, from 7:00–8:45 pm. To volunteer, go to <https://www.fmssc.org/get-involved/volunteer>, space down to the 'Looking for a Specific Group' box and enter BWLPY5 as the join code. Come for a pre-Thanksgiving opportunity to feed others!





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Ertha's Orphanage Sad News

We are very sorry to report that Edeline Jean, one of the children in Ertha's orphanage, passed away from injuries suffered in a motorcycle accident. Edeline was 17 years old. She and her twin brother were abandoned by their mother at the orphanage when they were very young. The mother then disappeared.

Recently, the mother was found in Camp Perrin, a larger town down the mountain from the orphanage. Edeline wanted to visit her mother and that visit was arranged. She was due to return to the orphanage for school in late September, but with all the demonstrations and road blockages and with school not opening, she remained for longer. She was returning on Sunday, October 23, when the motorcycle taxi she was riding was involved in a bad accident. She later died in the hospital.

Please keep Ertha, Edeline's brother, and all the children of the orphanage in your prayers.

This is 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)

Election Day: Tuesday, November 8

Catholic Social Teaching

"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."

~ US Conference of Catholic Bishops

Are you frustrated by all the negative political ads? Doesn't matter! You still should exercise your voting duty! We urge you to educate yourself on the candidates (beyond the negative ads) and the issues in the light of Catholic Social Teaching ... and then vote on November 8.

OSJ Office



Sanctity of Life Voting Booth

"We believe that every person is precious, that people are more important than things, and that the measure of any institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person."

~ Catholic Social Teaching, US Conference of Catholic Bishops

A very important election is just days away. As Christians, we have a duty to educate ourselves on the candidates and understand their positions on the sanctity of life from conception through natural death.



The goal of Illinois Right to Life Action is to promote a culture of life in Illinois by working to transform the political culture in Springfield to one less threatening to life ... one more open to protecting the most vulnerable members of our state. Visit illinoisrighttolifeaction.org for more information. Illinois Right to Life does not endorse any candidate

In the recent past, Illinois has passed expanded taxpayer funding of abortion, the Reproductive Health Act (which allows abortion throughout all nine months of pregnancy, allows abortion clinics to regulate themselves, and much more) and, the repeal of our Parental Notice of Abortion Law.

Please educate yourself on all candidates. Please vote.

~ St. Thomas Respect Life Ministry

Anti-Trafficking Legislation Advocacy Opportunity – Send Message to Senators

On July 26, 2022, the U.S. House of Representatives passed H.R. 6552, the Frederick Douglass Trafficking Victims Prevention and Protection Reauthorization Act of 2022, in a vote of 401 to 20. Three months have passed, but the Senate has so far failed to act on this bipartisan bill.

H.R. 6552 would do a number of things to combat the scourge of human trafficking, including:

- Reauthorize various programs under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000.
- Reauthorize the U.S. Advisory Council on Human Trafficking.
- Authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to carry out a Human Trafficking Survivors Employment and Education Program.
- Authorize grants for programs that prevent and detect trafficking of school-age children.

"This legislation is critical for continuing and bolstering our nation's efforts to eradicate human trafficking and assist human trafficking survivors," said Bishop Mario Dorsonville, USCCB Committee on Migration Chairman.

Use the link below for more information and to send your message to Senators Durbin and Duckworth. <https://www.votervoice.net/BroadcastLinks/LNQWc2RbEw3Awr0bk3SOpA>



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" on Thursday, November 10, at 6:30 pm 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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Blood Pressure Screening This Weekend After All Masses

Nurses will be available after all Masses this weekend to take blood pressures with the digital Omron Blood Pressure Monitor as used exclusively in clinics today. They will also instruct participants on heart health. Nurses will be available in the Deacon's Office, in the West Wing, as well as the Gathering Area, across from the RE office.

Visit the nurses and hear the importance of a healthy blood pressure without the complications of heart attacks, stroke and dementia. Know your numbers.

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.illinois.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/5593884

Questions? Contact Felicia Lawlor, RN, Parish Nurse, at flawlor@stapostle.org or 630,355,8980, x104.



PrimeTime

Our October 18 Oktoberfest gathering was filled with fellowship, great food and fun (above photo). More than 40 people were in attendance to hear Fr. Bob Colaresi's experience in Oberammergau, Germany and the history of the Passion Play performed there every year.

Get Ready for November!

What is it like being a woman in the Armed Forces? In honor of our all of our veterans, we will have a guest speaker, Captain Jennifer Slown, in the Marine Reserves, who will give us her perspective on being a woman in the Armed Forces. A Marine since 2009, Captain Slown was deployed to Afghanistan in 2011–2012 and the Horn of Africa, Djibouti in 2013–2014.

The event is Tuesday, November 15 from 10:00–11:30 am in the Lighthouse. Light refreshments will be served. Please RSVP to Diane McQueen at dmqueen@stapostle.org or 630.355.8980, x101.

Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans Collection Drive

Last call! The Collection for Homeless Veterans sponsored by PrimeTime ends November 18. A designated bin can be found in the Gathering Area. For a list of needed items, please visit helpaveteran.org/services. Thank you!

Grief Support Group

A six-session in-person Grief Support Group will begin after the holidays. The group will meet from 10:45 am–12:15 pm on the following Sundays: 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.

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, November 7

- 7:00–9:00 pm Buildings and Grounds, Judea
- 7:00–8:15 pm Confirmation Class, Senior Center
- 7:00–8:15 pm Journey Group, Youth Center
- 7:00–8:30 pm Handling Grief during the Holidays, Lighthouse
- 7:15–8:30 pm Middle School RE at All Saints Academy

Tuesday, November 8

- 10:00–11:00 am Care Pantry Food Distribution, Outside
- 7:00–9:00 pm Elementary Catechist Meeting, Ministry Center
- 7:00–8:30 pm Voices of Faith, Church
- 7:00–9:00 pm Worship Commission, Lighthouse

Wednesday, November 9

- 9:15–11:15 am Wednesday Bible Study, Senior Center
- 7:00–8:30 pm First Reconciliation Parent Session, Lighthouse
- 7:15–8:30 pm Faith Formation Commission, Cana

Thursday, November 10

- 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 11

*Offices Closed for Veteran's Day
Building Closed after 8:30 am Mass*

Saturday, November 12

- 8:30–9:45 am RE at All Saints Academy
- 9:00–10:30 am Ensemble Rehearsal, Church
- 9:00–10:30 am Saturday Men's Group, Cana
- 11:00 am–6:00 pm Art Fair, Gym
- 3:30–4:15 pm Reconciliation, Chapel

Sunday, November 13

- 9:00 am–12:30 pm Liturgy of the Word, Ministry Center
- 9:00 am–1:00 pm Art Fair, Gym
- 9:30–11:30 am RCIA, Senior Center
- 4:30–6:00 pm Teens with Character, Gym
- 4:30–5:45 pm Confirmation Class, Lighthouse
- 7:00–8:15 pm Confirmation Class, Lighthouse and Senior Center

Weekly Sunday Offertory

October 30, 2022

Sunday Collection Offering*	\$8,956
Credit Card Online Giving (<i>reported monthly</i>)	none this week
Automatic Direct Debit (<i>5th and 20th each month</i>)	none this week
Mailed in and stock donations	\$10,976
Total for the week	\$19,932
*Based on Collection Counters Reports prior to bank confirmation	
Fiscal Year (7/1 to 6/30)	\$566,028
Weekly Average 7/1/2021 to date	\$31,446
Offertory Goal Year to date	\$606,669
Over/(short) of goal to date	(\$40,641)
Goal for Fiscal Year 7/1 to 6/30	\$1,752,599
Percent of Annual Sunday Offertory Goal	32%
Remaining for this fiscal year goal	\$1,186,571

This week, the Sunday collection is \$40,641 below goal so far this year. Capital needs restricted gifts were \$65 this past week. We are grateful to those who recognize the need and responded.

Diocesan Appeal 2022

Parish Appeal Goal	\$189,200
Pledges Received	\$144,649
Percent of Goal pledged to date	76.45%
Unpaid pledges	\$4,693
Paid to Date	\$139,956
Percent of goal paid to date	73.97%



Fr. Peter Infanger (left) congratulates Deacon Chuck Lane (center) on 22 years of service to God's people as a deacon. Also pictured is Deacon Chuck's wife, Sue.



PARISH INFORMATION



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Thank you for joining us.

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8:30 am–4:30 pm Monday–Friday.
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9:00 am–4:30 pm Friday; and
9:00 am–1:00 pm Saturday.

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