



NOVEMBER
13
2022

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

*Sing praise to the LORD
with the harp, with the harp
and melodious song.*

– Psalm 98:5

**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.*



Lo, the day is coming,

blazing like an oven,

when all the proud and all evildoers will be stubble.

~ Malachi 3:19

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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.

The Day Is Coming

Who does not get excited when they know that the day is coming? Which day? A wedding day, the birth of a child, the last day of school, the first day of retirement. We all look forward to special days.

Ancient Israel looked forward to the day of the Lord, that day when everything would be set right. Enemies would be scattered, the sick would be healed, the poor would know comfort and all people would experience peace. Even though Israel had suffered terribly, God had made promises to their ancestors, and God always keeps promises. Initially, they expected that day to be one of punishment and retribution for their enemies, while they would enjoy vindication and blessing. Today's first reading asserts that Israel will enjoy no preference. If they sin, they also will face the righteous anger of God.

In the Gospel passage, Jesus describes the terrifying events that will precede the destruction of the temple. This was probably less a prophecy of a future event than it was a warning of the suffering they might have to endure as his followers. Such suffering would pave the way for the fearful day of the Lord. If they persevere, such affliction would be purifying for them rather than punishing. Though the reading does not include mention of the day of the Lord, it would have been in the minds of those who heard Jesus' words. Many would believe that God's ancient promises were about to be fulfilled.

~Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

For Reflection

- God works through people to set things straight. How might God be working through you?
- Reflect on this verse: "By your perseverance you will secure your lives."

Readings for Today

First Reading — There will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays (Malachi 3:19-20a).

Psalm — The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice (Psalm 98).

Second Reading — Paul speaks of his hard work among the Thessalonians (2 Thessalonians 3:7-12).

Gospel — Jesus foretells the destruction of Jerusalem, the persecution of his followers. But their perseverance will be their salvation (Luke 21:5-19).

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Readings for the Week

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Lk 19:45-48 or (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

Reflection on the Readings

As we come to the close of the liturgical year, the focus of our scriptures turns toward the end-times. With the bare trees and the onset of winter temperatures, it seems a natural inclination to ponder the end of all things. As we move through our celebration today, let us pray for the strength to face whatever comes in our future, so that we may be ready for the coming of the Lord.

Presider Schedule November 19-20

Saturday, November 19

4:30 pm: Fr. Bob Colaresi

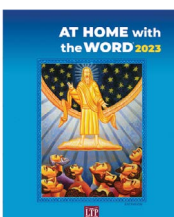
Sunday, November 20

8:00 am: Fr. Bob Colaresi with Deacon Larry Kearney

9:30 am: Fr. Peter Infanger

11:15 am: Fr. Joseph Kappilumakkal

Presider schedule is subject to change.



At Home with the Word for Sale

This book is a great tool for breaking open the Sunday Scriptures at home, helping you to reflect further on God's word and preparing to celebrate the Sunday Liturgy. Regular print is \$9.00 each and large print is \$13.00 each. Cash or check accepted. Available until all copies are sold out. You may find them at the reception desk in the Gathering Area.



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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.

Choir of Angels

Welcome Jesus this Christmas with music. All youth grades 2–6 are invited to join the Choir of Angels on Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24 at the 4:00 pm Mass.

No experience required, just a desire to praise. List of Christmas Carols will be emailed for home practice. In-person rehearsals at St. Thomas the Apostle:

Attend 2 out of 3:

Monday, December 5, 4:30–5:15 pm

Monday, December 12, 4:30–5:15 pm

Monday, December 19, 4:30–5:15 pm

Required:

Wednesday, December 21 4:30–5:30 pm

Contact Samantha Delke at sdelke@stapostle.org to sign up!

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

Patricia Dirienzo

Andrew Piraino

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 13, 2022

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 4:30 pm *Mass of Anticipation*
The People of St. Thomas
- 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

Intentions for this week

Monday, November 14, 2022

Weekday

- 8:30 am †Varghese Paliyath, by Sophia Paliyath

Tuesday, November 15, 2022

Weekday

- 8:30 am †James Maul, by Maul Family

Wednesday, November 16, 2022

Weekday

- 8:30 am Healing for Fr. Don McLaughlin, by John and Felicia Lawlor

Thursday, November 17, 2022

St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

- 8:30 am †Larry Lewis, by Dollie Bajusz

Friday, November 18, 2022

Dedication of the Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul Apostles and St. Rose Philippine Duchsne

- 8:30 am †Ann Battisto, by Battisto Family
†Joseph Trieu Dinh, by Sr. Mary Vianney

Saturday, November 19, 2022

Weekday

- 8:30 am †Jesse Sabado, by Buddy and Mely Mallorca
- 4:30 pm *Mass of Anticipation*
†Joanna Vesper, by Mark Vesper
†Jim Johnson, by Susan Siegfried

Sunday, November 20, 2022

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

- 8:00 am †Darrell Johnson, by Mom and Dad
- 9:30 am †Ann Reische, by Jim and Mary Jo Breen
†Tom de Groh, by Dee de Groh
- 11:15 am For the People of St. Thomas



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.

Teens with Character

Middle school students ... Teens with Character will meet THIS 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

In our ongoing series on saints, today we cover one of the better known and beloved saints of all time – Francis of Assisi. Francis grew up during the high middle ages in Italy, which was a time of great social upheaval. His father

was a cloth merchant and his family was considered to be part of the new "middle class," so they led a rather comfortable life. At the age of 20, Francis joined the war against the neighboring town, but he was captured and imprisoned. Released one year later, Francis could not bring himself to resume his former lifestyle. Only prayer seemed to bring him comfort.

Francis stumbled into a run down church in nearby San Damiano where he heard a voice tell him to "rebuild my church." So Francis rebuilt the little church there. Francis began wearing a rough brown tunic and walking barefoot. He began begging for alms to use for the rebuilding of churches. He finally felt at peace and he exuded great joy, which attracted people to him. Francis eventually began his own community of friars which came to be known as the Franciscans. He practiced radical poverty and was known for his charitable acts. Francis was particularly drawn to the Incarnation of Jesus and is believed to be the first one to have set up a physical representation of his birth. Most of us today still set up our nativity scene at Christmas time. Francis died in 1226 and was canonized a mere two years later.

Help Fill Care Pantry Christmas Stockings

St. Thomas middle and high school students are filling Christmas stockings for our Care Pantry families. Can you help by donating items to fill the stockings? Donations are needed by December 3 and can be brought to the Gathering Area or given to Dorothy Grantham or Peggy Goralski.

Suggested stocking stuffer items include the following:

- Chapstick
- Stretchy gloves, mittens, hats and socks
- Gift cards (in small amounts) for Starbucks, McDonalds, Dunkin, Taco Bell or Dollar Tree

We appreciate your help!



Question of the week

How can Jesus help you with your worries?

First Reconciliation Parent Enhancement Make-Up Session

The parent enhancement make-up session for First Reconciliation is 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.



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A Prayer for Youth (Teens) and Young Adults

Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, to you we turn in humble prayer.

Look with favor upon all young people, bearers of hope for the Church and the world.

Jesus Christ, companion of youth and young adults, bless the paths of discovery and discernment, through times of joy and experiences of hardship, with the constant love and support of your Church.

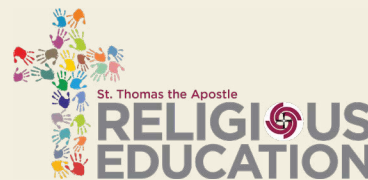
*Jesus Christ, alive in the hearts of all your people, grant that we may "journey together, young and old to nourish our enthusiasm, cause dreams to emerge, awaken prophesies and enable hope to blossom."**

Jesus Christ, Redeemer of all humankind, open our hearts to encounter all young people, to accompany and be in community together, and as one Church, embark upon our holy mission.

Jesus Christ, in the company of the Father and the Holy Spirit, graciously hear our prayer and be with us forevermore.

Amen

*Pope Francis, Christus Vivit, 199



Religious Education Dates

Elementary

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

Middle School

- **November 14:** Monday Middle School RE classes meet
- **November 12:** Saturday Middle School RE classes meet

Middle school RE classes will not meet on Saturday, November 19 and 26 and on Monday, November 21 due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

RE Tuition Angel

Would you like to be a tuition angel for a family attending Religious Education (RE) classes? For some of our St. Thomas families, it is a struggle to pay their RE tuition. If you can help, the fees are: \$145 for one child, \$240 for two children or \$315 for three children. Please make checks payable to St. Thomas the Apostle Church with tuition gift on the memo line and send to the Faith Formation/Religious Education Office, attention Lorraine Katz. Thank you for your generosity.

Food Collection Thanks!

A BIG shout out to the volunteers who worked the food collection at Casey's on October 30.

The collection always yields such an abundance of food. This year was no exception. We collected 437 bags of food which will be included with our Harvest Sunday collection. A Big shout out also goes to Casey's Foods who, each year, allow us to have a presence at their store and work with us to make this food drive such a success.



Feed My Starving Children

For a great start to Thanksgiving week, 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.fmsc.org/get-involved/volunteer>, space down to the 'Looking for a Specific Group' box and enter BWLPY5 as the join code.





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PATH November 15 Zoom Meeting Job Search through the Holiday Season

Tuesday, November 15, 7:00 pm

It is tempting to think that the Holiday season is one where the job search process slows down or even stops. In actuality, many companies use that holiday time to make progress in filling jobs. Work often slows down, giving managers more time to consider open positions they might have. In addition, they often reflect on the work that must be done in the new year and realize that they must make progress in filling positions to be ready to take on that work.

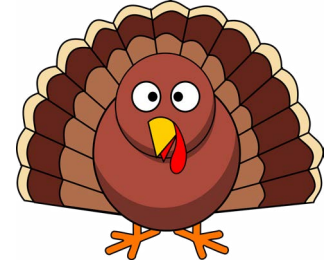


Our next PATH meeting addresses the job search during the holiday season. It will be led by Dr. Suzane Edgar, formerly with Right Management. Dr. Edgar will offer some practical tips for continuing your job search during the holidays.

If you would like to register for this webinar, please email path@thecompass.net. You will receive the Zoom meeting information in a confirmation email.

Thanksgiving Turkey Collection Please Bring a Turkey! Next Weekend

Next weekend, November 19–20, is the annual Thanksgiving turkey collection for Care Pantry families. Turkeys are also provided to St. Nicholas Pantry, St. Patrick’s Residence, Marie Wilkinson pantry and St. Patrick’s Church in Joliet, where Fr. Dof is the pastor. This year’s goal is 700 turkeys.



The truck will be in front of the church Saturday from 4:00–6:00 pm and until about 12:30 pm on Sunday. Someone will be there on Sunday to collect turkeys until 1:00 pm.

This year, it was quite difficult to find turkeys to purchase in bulk. In addition, the bulk price for turkeys is much higher than previous years, so we did not purchase as many. As you are able, please bring a turkey or multiple turkeys to the collection. There is a particular need for donations of turkeys.

While our preference is to collect actual turkeys, if it is easier for you to make a donation, you can do so at the turkey truck and a turkey will be purchased for you. Take home a reminder card this weekend!

Hesed House PADS December Food Donation Sign-Up

St. Thomas Hesed House PADS Ministry serves the homeless at Hesed House in Aurora the first Thursday of every month throughout the year. The ministry prepares and serves dinner and breakfast ... and provides a bag lunch.



How to Donate Food for Hesed House

If you are willing and able to provide food for Thursday, December 1, you can sign up on the St. Thomas website home page at stapostle.org for specific items. If you enjoy cooking, you can sign up to prepare the entrée or the dessert. Recipes and pans are provided. If cooking is not your greatest gift, there are many other items needed. Please deliver all items to the St. Thomas Gathering Area on Thursday, December 1, before 4:00 pm. Thanks to all who are able to help.



Harvest Sunday = Abbondanza!

Abbondanza is an Italian word meaning abundant. That word can certainly be used to describe this year’s Harvest Sunday efforts. It takes so many people to make Harvest Sunday happen. Volunteers responded abundantly. Thank you so much to those who covered neighborhood routes, those who were the St. Thomas presence at Casey’s asking for donations and those who offered their time to help sort and pack. Thank you also to those who donated food. You are the hands and feet of Christ in our world. Although final numbers are not available yet, all of the ‘abbondanza’ of Harvest Sunday will be shared in the coming weeks.

Solidarity Coalition Mission Statement

In light of Jesus's words and the call of our faith to be God's love in the world, we aim to stand in solidarity with all those who are marginalized by differences of any kind and who as a result experience discrimination, hatred, persecution and exclusion from the communities in which they live.

- *We will advocate for justice and respect for all these sisters and brothers.*
- *We will work to educate ourselves about their experiences, recognize unintentional hurtful attitudes and assumptions that contribute to a climate of divisiveness and share those insights with the St. Thomas community.*
- *We will strive to witness by our words and actions that God calls us to live together in peace and to move beyond tolerance toward empathy for each other's pain.*
- *We will welcome and work toward cooperation with all individuals and groups who share these goals.*

A Letter to the Community of St. Thomas the Apostle from the Solidarity Coalition

Five years ago, a group of St. Thomas members came together in the wake of the white nationalist demonstration in Charlottesville, Virginia, to ask how we could counter this expression of racial hatred and division that was revealing itself in our country.

After a year of study and discernment, this meeting took the form of the Solidarity Coalition. A mission statement was written expressing our aims to become more knowledgeable about this threat and challenge to our faith and to share what we learned with the St. Thomas community.

In spite of the restrictions that the COVID pandemic imposed, this small group produced the year-long project "10 Ways to Fight Hate." We worked to share different voices being raised in concern for racism and other forms of exclusion, marginalization and discrimination. We wrote letters of support for those who had become targets of prejudice in our city and nation. We planned to create, when COVID restrictions lifted, opportunities for personal discussion within our parish and in connection with other faith communities and civic groups.

Now those goals have taken renewed form in the Inclusive Justice Initiative (IJI) at St. Thomas. The Solidarity Coalition's Mission Statement merges with IJI's expanded expression of concern and so we no longer need to exist as a separate ministry. We thank you for supporting Solidarity's past work. We urge all members of St. Thomas to join in IJI's initiatives, deepening and broadening our commitment to a world where God's love takes concrete expression in our human interactions.

Together, we can find resources to support each other in hope and effort toward that goal to which we are all called. May the courage and peace of the Holy Spirit be with us all!

In gratitude,
The Solidarity Coalition of St. Thomas the Apostle



Rev. Dr. Geneace Williams St. Thomas Reflection Speaker

This weekend, St. Thomas the Apostle welcomes Geneace Williams. She will provide her personal witness and reflection at all the Masses.

Geneace is the senior Pastor at Coppin AME Church in Chicago. She is also Naperville's first Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Manager. Geneace is leading Naperville's work toward creating an inclusive community that values diversity.

Geneace has a career that spans law practice, business leadership, academia, the faith community and executive level Board leadership. Her expertise includes corporate defense law, diversity equity and inclusion (DEI), ethics, strategic planning and leadership development.



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ST. THOMAS BLOOD DRIVE

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 November Event

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. Please no food items. Thank you for your support!

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.



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St. Thomas the Apostle

STEWARDSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION



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The Week Ahead

Monday, November 14

6:30–9:00 pm Knights of Columbus, Lighthouse
 7:00–8:30 pm Confirmation Class, Youth Center
 7:15–8:30 pm Middle School RE at All Saints Academy

Tuesday, November 15

10:00 am–12:00 pm PrimeTime, Lighthouse
 4:30–5:45 pm RE at Brookdale School
 7:00–8:30 pm Voices of Faith, Church
 7:00–9:00 pm Finance Committee, Cana

Wednesday, November 16

9:15–11:15 am Wednesday Bible Study, Senior Center
 6:00–9:00 pm Diaconate Deanery, Lighthouse
 6:30–8:30 pm Pro-Life, Judea
 7:00–9:00 pm PPC, Cana

Thursday, November 17

9:15–11:15 am Thursday AM Bible Study, Senior Center
 10:00 am–12:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry, Emmaus
 6:30–8:30 pm YM Life Team, Gym and Youth Center
 7:00–8:30 pm First Reconciliation Parent Meeting, Lighthouse
 7:30–9:00 pm Thursday PM Bible Study, Senior Center

Friday, November 18

Saturday, November 19

9:00–10:30 am Saturday Men's Group, Cana
 9:00–1:30 pm Blood Drive, Gym
 3:30–4:15 pm Reconciliation, Chapel

Sunday, November 20

9:00 am–12:30 pm Liturgy of the Word, Ministry Center
 9:30–11:30 am RCIA, Senior Center

Weekly Sunday Offertory

November 6, 2022

Sunday Collection Offering*	\$9,535
Credit Card Online Giving (for November)	\$17,506
Automatic Direct Debit (5 th and 20 th each month)	\$20,408
Mailed in and stock donations	\$3,046
Total for the week	\$50,495
*Based on Collection Counters Reports prior to bank confirmation	
Fiscal Year (7/1 to 6/30)	\$616,523
Weekly Average 7/1/2021 to date	\$32,449
Offertory Goal Year to date	\$640,373
Over/(short) of goal to date	(\$23,849)
Goal for Fiscal Year 7/1 to 6/30	\$1,752,599
Percent of Annual Sunday Offertory Goal	35%
Remaining for this fiscal year goal	\$1,136,076

This week, the Sunday collection is \$23,849 below goal so far this year. Capital needs restricted gifts were \$505 this past week. We are grateful to those who recognize the need and responded.

Diocesan Appeal 2022

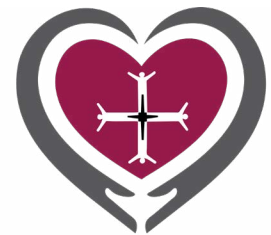
Parish Appeal Goal	\$189,200
Pledges Received	\$145,844
Percent of Goal pledged to date	77.08%
Unpaid pledges	\$4,166
Paid to Date	\$141,678
Percent of goal paid to date	74.88%

Part-Time Director of Pastoral Care

Position goal: To continue the healing mission of Jesus

Promote holistic health (physical, psychological and spiritual) by providing leadership in identifying and responding to the holistic health needs of the parish. Work collaboratively with ministry leaders, other departments and volunteers to ensure volunteers are trained, developed and supported in their ministry roles. Oversee preparation and administration of the department budget. Meet with individuals seeking support in their holistic needs and provide professional referrals as needed.

This position is a 25-hour-per-week, non-benefited, salaried position reporting to the pastor. The ideal candidate has supervisory experience, is a servant-leader and practicing Catholic grounded in the spiritual values of service and compassion. College degree required and experience in social work preferred. Please send resume and cover letter to jsimmons@stapostle.org.



PASTORAL CARE

St. Thomas the Apostle



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