



DECEMBER

25

2022

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

*"Do not be afraid; for behold,
I proclaim to you good news
of great joy that will be
for all the people."*

Luke 2:10

**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.*



Christmas

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 is livestreamed
with an outdoor communion option.

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

The Jesus Stories of Christmastime

Every year, pundits lament the glitter of our commercialized Christmases. Beneath all such trappings, however, our cultural Christmases are really disguised and unrecognized celebrations of God-made-flesh.

“Twas the night before Christmas and all through the house, not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse” is really the story of a Santa-type God who slips into our lives with great generosity, though we seldom notice as we go through life half asleep. “Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer” is about a misfit reindeer with a “wrong-colored” nose who is rejected by the other reindeer and not welcomed into their games. But then he becomes the means of saving a foggy Christmas Eve with his shining light of a nose. Rudolph is like the stone rejected by the builders that becomes the cornerstone — Jesus, who saves us not only at Christmas but all year long. “Frosty the Snowman” brings happiness to boys and girls for a time, but then he begins to melt, only to promise he’ll come again another day — all a hint of the hope offered by Jesus, who continues to come in resurrection and life. And Ebenezer Scrooge, whose withered and crusty spirit is transformed into generosity and love in *A Christmas Carol*, all without his ever realizing what is taking place until, of course, it happens. Then he proclaims he will honor Christmas in his heart the whole year long — a transformation that God brings about in each of us.

Christmas celebrates God-made-flesh in Jesus, something that took place then and echoes now for all of time and in all of life.

~Fr. Joseph Juknialis

Readings for Today

First Reading — All the ends of the earth will behold the salvation of our God (Isaiah 52:7-10).

Psalm — The whole world has seen God’s salvation (Psalm 98).

Second Reading — God has spoken to us through the Son, the very imprint of God’s being (Hebrews 1:1-6).

Gospel — The Word became flesh; from his fullness we have all received grace (John 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]).

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Readings for the Week

Monday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:36-40

Friday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 [12-17]; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18

Sunday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

What All the Waiting Has Been For

The stress of preparation, of waiting, is reflected in both Isaiah and Paul’s letter to Titus. Luke tells us of the exhaustion that Mary and Joseph felt: a young pregnant wife and her husband, forced to travel just as she is about to give birth, unable even to find a room to stay in. It must have been miserable. They must have been afraid. In the midst of this exhaustion, misery, and fear, a child is born, a Son is given. The world is then filled with light and hope, joy and peace. In that moment they, and we, know what all the waiting has been for. *Copyright © J.S. Paluch Co.*

Presider Schedule December 31–January 1

Saturday, December 31

4:30 pm: Fr. Joseph Kappilumakkal with Deacon Joe Cuzzone

Sunday, January 1

8:00 am: Fr. Joseph Kappilumakkal

9:30 am: Fr. Bob Colaresi

11:15 am: Fr. Bob Colaresi with Deacon Jim Breen

Presider schedule is subject to change.

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 the Main Office at 630.355.8980.

On the cover: *The stained glass depiction of the Nativity is part of the 2000 Jubilee mural in the St. Thomas Narthex.*



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Prayer

*Creator all-powerful,
in your wisdom and love,
your Son, begotten before the dawn of time,
became in time a member of our human family.*

*Give to parents the courage
to journey with their children,
seeking always the paths that you point out.
To all of us, daughters and sons,
give the grace of respect
for those who nurtured and protected us.
May we come at last to be sheltered
in the home you have prepared for us.*

*We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
Emmanuel, God with us,
Your Son who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God forever and ever.
Amen.*



Christmas Wishes from the Liturgy Office

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all of YOU who make our Sunday celebrations come to life week after week here at St. Thomas. From all those who serve in liturgical ministries to all who join us for liturgy on Sundays: You are the Church, the Body of Christ, and it's a privilege and honor for us to serve you in ministry. St. Thomas is truly a place where all are welcome and all belong. If we can do anything to help you feel at home here, please don't hesitate to contact us.

May this Christmas be one of blessings and peace for you and your loved ones!

Jim, Samantha and Kay

Liturgy Schedule and Mass Intentions

Intentions for this weekend

Sunday, December 25, 2022

The Nativity of the Lord

- 4:00 pm †Bill and Griffin McCarthy, Family
†Jenni Anderson, by Mom, Dad and Kerri
- 4:15 pm †Florence and Paul Pattermann, Dick and Kay
- 7:00 pm †Tim Updike, by Mom and Dad
- 10:00 pm †Sgt. Jose Carlos Vega, by The Joy Group
- 9:30 am †Gerry M. Kral-Marowski, by Bea Pierquet
- 11:15 am †Fred Gardner, by Elizabeth Castello

Intentions for this week

Monday, December 26, 2022

St. Stephen, The First Martyr

- 8:30 am †Thelma Regis, by Buddy and Mely Mallorca

Tuesday, December 27, 2022

St. John, Apostle and Evangelist

- 8:30 am †Vito Battisto, by Battisto Family

Wednesday, December 28, 2022

Holy Innocents, Martyrs

- 8:30 am †Gene Kilcawley, by Mary Davidowski

Thursday, December 29, 2022

Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

- 8:30 am In thanksgiving for all blessings, by Mulaikal Family

Friday, December 30, 2022

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

- 8:30 am †JennTim Updike, by Mom and Dad

Saturday, December 31, 2022

Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

- 4:30pm †Donna and Casmir Cichocka, by Mark and Agatha Chalupka
†Mary Growney, by John Growney

Sunday, January 1, 2023

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, the Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord

- 8:00 am
- 9:30 am Thanksgiving for the RE catechists and aides
- 11:15 am †Fred Gardner, by Elizabeth Castello



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C.A.R.E CORNER

Catherine of Siena was born in 1347 during a very tumultuous time in the history of Italy that included political and Church upheaval, war and the Black Plague. She spent considerable time in prayer, fervently desiring marriage to God over an arranged marriage.

Her prayer life rewarded her with many visions. Coming to understand that we cannot love God as God deserves, she realized we must show our love for God through loving service to our neighbors. And serve she did – in spite of encountering immeasurable opposition! She became a well-known preacher, something most unusual for a female, especially one so young. She was also unafraid to speak truth to power. Several popes, over the course of a 70 year period, had relocated the papacy to France. Catherine is considered to be one of the reasons that the Pope returned to Rome where she told him he belonged.

Catherine also left us a conversation of the human soul with God in the writing she called *The Dialogue*. She was faithful to her Church and its Traditions, but confident enough in her own religious experiences to understand they were incidences of God inviting her into his divine life of love. Unfortunately Catherine had practiced severe fasting as a spiritual exercise and it caught up with her. She died at the young age of 33. Catherine of Siena was the second female designated as a Doctor of the Church in October of 1970 by Pope Paul VI. Next week we'll take a look at the life of the first female to receive that distinction.



Christmas ...

"An ordinary night with ordinary sheep and ordinary shepherds. And were it not for a God who loves to hook an 'extra' on front of the ordinary, the night would have gone unnoticed. The sheep would have been forgotten and the shepherds would have slept the night away. But God dances amidst the common. And that night, God did a waltz." (Max Lucado)

Wishing you a blessing-filled Christmas!

The Gift of Catechists and Volunteers

Middle school religious education at St. Thomas happens because of a dedicated group of catechists and volunteers. These volunteers include our catechists: Mary Wright, Julie Krupa, Darlene Dionne, Mary Szczap, Susan Brotherly, Joe Pecoraro, Adisah Mahama, Ann Cotner, Ami Joseph, Loula Fernandez, Lisa Shields, Anne Sidio and Brian Laughlin.



On those rare occasions when this dedicated group is unable to be there for class, Chris Baker, John Kennedy, Gina Howley and Amy Duran have stepped up to help. There are also volunteers who are willing to work behind the scenes to ensure our programs run smoothly. These volunteers include Bernard Salzig and Carolyn Vondran.

Thanks to all of these 'ministers' for sharing the gifts of their time and talent with St. Thomas middle school students. Their dedication is a gift to the whole St. Thomas community.



Question of the week

What gift can you give to Jesus?



Thank You

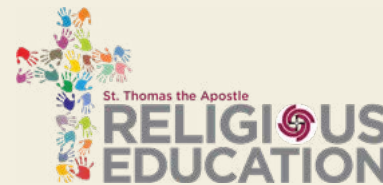
Thank you to all our volunteers with the Family Faith Event, December 11 after all Masses celebrating St. Nicholas, Our Lady of Guadalupe, helping families with crafts, reading books and filling shoes!

A special thanks goes to Joe Howley, who dressed up as St. Nicholas, and Taylor Cottingham, who was Our Lady of Guadalupe, for the event. They are pictured with Fr. Peter.

Thank you to all the families who participated and had fun!



St. Thomas the Apostle Pastor Fr. Peter Infanger with Saint Nicholas and our Lady of Guadalupe.



Religious Education Dates

Elementary

We are on break but here are the classes in January.

- **January 14, 21:** Saturday Elementary RE sessions at All Saints Catholic Academy.
- **January 10, 24, 31:** Tuesday Elementary RE sessions at Brookdale Elementary School.

Middle School

- It's Christmas break for middle school RE. Monday middle school RE classes will resume January 9. Saturday middle school RE classes will resume January 14

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. Please write tuition gift on the memo line of the check. Please send it to the Faith Formation/Religious Education Office, attention Lorraine Katz.

Thank you for your generosity with being a tuition angel. It is greatly appreciated.

Elementary RE Catechist Formation Meeting

Mark your calendar now! The Elementary Religious Education Catechist Formation Meeting is Wednesday, January 11, 2023, at 7:00 pm.

Please note: Tuesday Religious Education classes start up Tuesday, January 10 at Brookdale Elementary School.

Teens with Character

Middle school students ... do you want to get the new year off to a great start?

Then, come to the January Teens with Character meeting Sunday, January 8, 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!





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St. Nicholas Parish Gift to St. Thomas Our Lady of Guadalupe Re-Enactment

On Saturday, December 10, the 4:30 pm Mass included a special celebration in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe. St. Nicholas (our twinning parish in Aurora) celebrated with us. During the homily time, members of Grupo Xoxhiquetzal from St. Nicholas performed a dramatization of Mary's appearance to Juan Diego on December 9, 1531, in Mexico. Aztec dancers, also from Grupo Xoxhiquetzal, participated in the Mass processional and recessional.

The reenactment of Our Lady's apparition to Juan Diego and the miracle of the tilma was a holy and beautiful prayer. The effort made to provide the story in English just for our community was a wonderful blessing. Recording the re-enactment words with some background music was a very creative way to assure that all could understand the fullness of the story. We have heard many wonderful comments from our community.

To view Grupo Xoxhiquetzal's re-enactment of the Our Lady of Guadalupe apparition, visit the St. Thomas website home page.

Our community is also still talking about the Aztec Dancers. The dancing during the procession at the beginning of Mass was inspirational and energizing, but also spiritual in nature. And in the gym afterwards, the more than 150 people clearly enjoyed and appreciated the skillful, energetic and enthusiastic dancing, depicting authentic Aztec culture.

We are blessed in our relationship with St. Nicholas Church. We look forward to many more shared activities between our communities.



Aztec Dancers



Our Lady of Guadalupe



Juan Diego and the Miracle Tilma

Special Christmas Gift: Car Donation Needed Single Mom with Three Young Children

Mary is a single mom trying to take care of her three young children. She has a housing choice voucher, which lowers her rent, and receives food stamps that helps with food. She receives \$650 a month in SS disability. She has a minor learning disability that limits the work she can do, but she has been able to increase her income by making food deliveries in her vehicle. That has allowed her to support her family. Mary makes every effort to make a healthy home for her children. They are doing well in school.

However, her vehicle, with over 225,000 miles on it, has stopped running and is not repairable. She is in desperate need of a donated vehicle to be able to continue to support her family.

If you are considering a car donation, contact Mike Ryder at mryder@stapostle.org or 630.355.8980, x121. Donate your car to St. Thomas OSJ. The OSJ Office will make any needed repairs to the donated car and enable the title transfer.

Coming Soon!

The Race Card Project at St. Thomas

What can you say in just six words? To date, over 500,000 people worldwide have participated in The Race Card Project by sharing their sometimes funny, sometimes poignant, always revealing thoughts on race, and using only six words to do so.



at St. Thomas

The Race Card Project at St. Thomas will be available beginning with the Feast of the Epiphany and continue through March. In the coming weeks, you will be hearing more about ways you can join the conversation.

The St. Thomas Inclusive Justice Initiative believes, and we hope you agree (!) that there is value at getting a peek at varied views about race. We want to honor and give voice to your and others' thoughts about race. There is value in sharing even when we don't all feel the same way or have the same experiences. Indeed, that is the richness of this project. We hope that these six-word thoughts will encourage reflection and spark further productive dialogue.

To start your creative juices flowing, consider some race cards that have been shared at <https://theracecardproject.com>:

I am not wrong, I'm different

One mirror with many different reflections.

Stories should be told, not hidden.

Wishing for a happily ever after.

We hope that, come January, you will add your voice to the conversation!



Christmas Message from the Outreach and Social Justice Office

May angel joy be abundant in your celebration of the birth of Jesus. You bring joy to others all year through your Outreach Justice and your Social Justice actions. We send a prayer for peace. May the Light of the Christ Child guide your path and fill you with rejoicing.

Mike
Anne
Sally



Christmas Swaddling Project

The St. Thomas Respect Life Ministry Swaddling Project is ongoing through mid-January. Multiple area pregnancy centers will benefit, including Birthright, Waterleaf and Avenue Women's Center.

Swaddling Bags with a list of items most needed are available in the Gathering Area — or you can provide your own bag. Items requested include: diapers (newborn, sizes 3, 5 and 6), pull-ups, baby wipes, baby wash or shampoo, diaper cream, baby board books, pacifiers and onesies.

Gift cards to Walmart, Target and grocery stores in denominations of \$20 or \$25 also accepted, as well as monetary donations. Make checks out to St. Thomas OSJ with "Swaddling Project" in the memo.

Please return all donations to the playpen in the Gathering Area by Sunday, January 15, 2023.

Thank you for your support!





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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH St. Thomas the Apostle

Office of Behavioral Health Ministry Attention Caregivers

All caregivers, relatives and friends of those who struggle with anxiety, depression, bipolar, eating disorder or self-injury, please join us for an evening of prayer, discussion and reflection.

There are two upcoming meetings – Thursday, January 12 and Thursday, January 26 – from 7:00–8:00 pm.

Meetings are held at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church, 2220 Lisson Rd. Naperville. Enter the back entrance of the church as the main entrance may be locked. Check the “event board” by the lower level entrance for the room number.

Please email welisten2017@gmail.com or call Joe at 630.569.1635 with any questions

Save the Date – Soup for the Soul

Plan to come and warm up your Spirit and Soul with a bowl of some warm soup while speaker Jennifer Brasfield from the Riverwalk Adult Services provides some thoughts on the topic of isolation. The event is Tuesday, January 17 from 10:00 to 11:30 am in the St. Thomas Lighthouse. More detailed registration information will follow in January.

Music, Memory and the Brain: A Neurological Perspective

Mark your calendar for Wednesday, January 25, 2023, at 6:30 pm in the Lighthouse as Mary Helen Ekstam, MT-BC, CDP, will join us. Mary Helen is a board certified music therapist and certified dementia practitioner. With expertise in neurological rehabilitation, hospice, palliative care and music therapy, Mary Helen has presented over 3,000 musical programs throughout the United States on the neurological implication of music, memory and the brain as well as other end-of-life topics. Mary Helen has resided in Naperville the last 30 years and continues to hold a private practice in music therapy.



Mary Helen Ekstam

Email REAdmin@stapostle.org to RSVP.

PrimeTime Christmas Party

Our December 13 Victorian Christmas Party was a Full (Light) House filled with joyful conversation, delicious food prepared by the PrimeTime committee members, a generous assortment of raffle gifts and spirited song led by the Lola Bard Carolers! God’s love was shining brightly on us as we celebrated in-person fellowship, friendships and all our many blessings. A huge thank you to all who attended and/or contributed to this lovely PrimeTime holiday event! PrimeTime wishes you a Christmas filled with peace, hope and good health.



Christmas Eve Prayer

Loving God, Help us remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds, and worship of the wise men. Close the door of hate and open the door of love all over the world. Let kindness come with every gift and good desires with every greeting. Deliver us from evil by the blessing which Christ brings, and teach us to be merry with clear hearts. May the Christmas morning make us happy to be thy children, and Christmas evening bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts, forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus’ sake. Amen.

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The Week Ahead

Monday, December 26

Offices Closed Christmas Holiday

Tuesday, December 27

Wednesday, December 28

9:30–11:30 am PrimeTime Planning Team, Judea

Thursday, December 29

Friday, December 30

Offices Closed for New Year's Holiday

Saturday, December 31

Sunday, January 1

Make Year End Donations Before January 1

Parish families are reminded that because December 31 this year is on a Saturday, all donations to St. Thomas must be received in the collection basket by Saturday, December 31, 2022, in order to be acknowledged as tax-deductible for the current year.

The Internal Revenue Service does not allow St. Thomas to accept back-dated checks after December 31 as Year 2022 donations. The effective date of the gift is the date on which the donation is RECEIVED at St. Thomas, or the date on which it is *postmarked* by the postal service. So, for your donation to be counted, please mail early enough or drop your gift into the collection basket by December 31. If you expect you may be out of town you may want to consider bringing your final Year 2022 donation to the general office during the week of December 27–29.

Thanks for your understanding that we must comply with IRS regulations.

Weekly Sunday Offertory

December 11, 2022

Sunday Collection Offering*	\$12,456
Credit Card Online Giving (November 30)	\$745
Automatic Direct Debit (5 th and 20 th each month)	\$20,521
Mailed in and stock donations	\$12,504
Total for the week	\$46,225
*Based on Collection Counters Reports prior to bank confirmation	
Fiscal Year (7/1 to 6/30)	\$776,101
Weekly Average 7/1/2021 to date	\$32,338
Offertory Goal Year to date	\$808,892
Over/(short) of goal to date	(\$32,791)
Goal for Fiscal Year 7/1 to 6/30	\$1,752,599
Percent of Annual Sunday Offertory Goal	44%
Remaining for this fiscal year goal	\$976,498

This week, the Sunday collection is \$32,791 below goal so far this year. Capital needs restricted gifts were \$365 this past week. We are grateful to those who recognize the need and responded.

Diocesan Appeal 2022

Parish Appeal Goal	\$189,200
Pledges Received	\$151,699
Percent of Goal pledged to date	80.18%
Unpaid pledges	\$2,742
Paid to Date	\$148,957
Percent of goal paid to date	78.73%



2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Closing Report

The 2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) Closing Report is now available. To view a copy online, please visit stapostle.org/2022-cmaa-closing-report/



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Stay up to date with the latest happenings at St. Thomas by signing up for any of our emails at stapostle.org.

Baptism: Parents are required to attend a Baptismal awareness and renewal session prior to the Baptism. Call the Main Office a few months in advance to make arrangements.

Reconciliation: Reconciliation is available Saturday, 3:30–4:15 pm, in the Reconciliation Room of the Chapel. Our priests are available during the week by appointment.

Matrimony: A couple planning on being married at St. Thomas should contact the church six months to a year in advance. Either the bride or groom, or their parents, must be a registered parishioner at least three months before setting a date. Call Diane McQueen, x101, to schedule.

Anointing: Call 630.355.8980.

Communion for the Homebound: Call 630.355.8980 to receive prayer/Eucharist from a Minister of Care.

Funerals: Call Samantha Delke, x120, for pre-planning or immediate need.

Religious Education: Call 630.305.6318 to register.

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults): Any person wanting to learn more about the Catholic Faith should call Chari Rosales, x138.

Counseling Resources: Call 630.355.8980.

Our Outreach Twinning Parishes:

St. Thomas the Apostle has an ongoing twinning relationship with the following parishes:

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Reservation, Manderson, South
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St. Nicholas in Aurora, Illinois

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