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2023

THE TRANSFIGURATION  
OF THE LORD

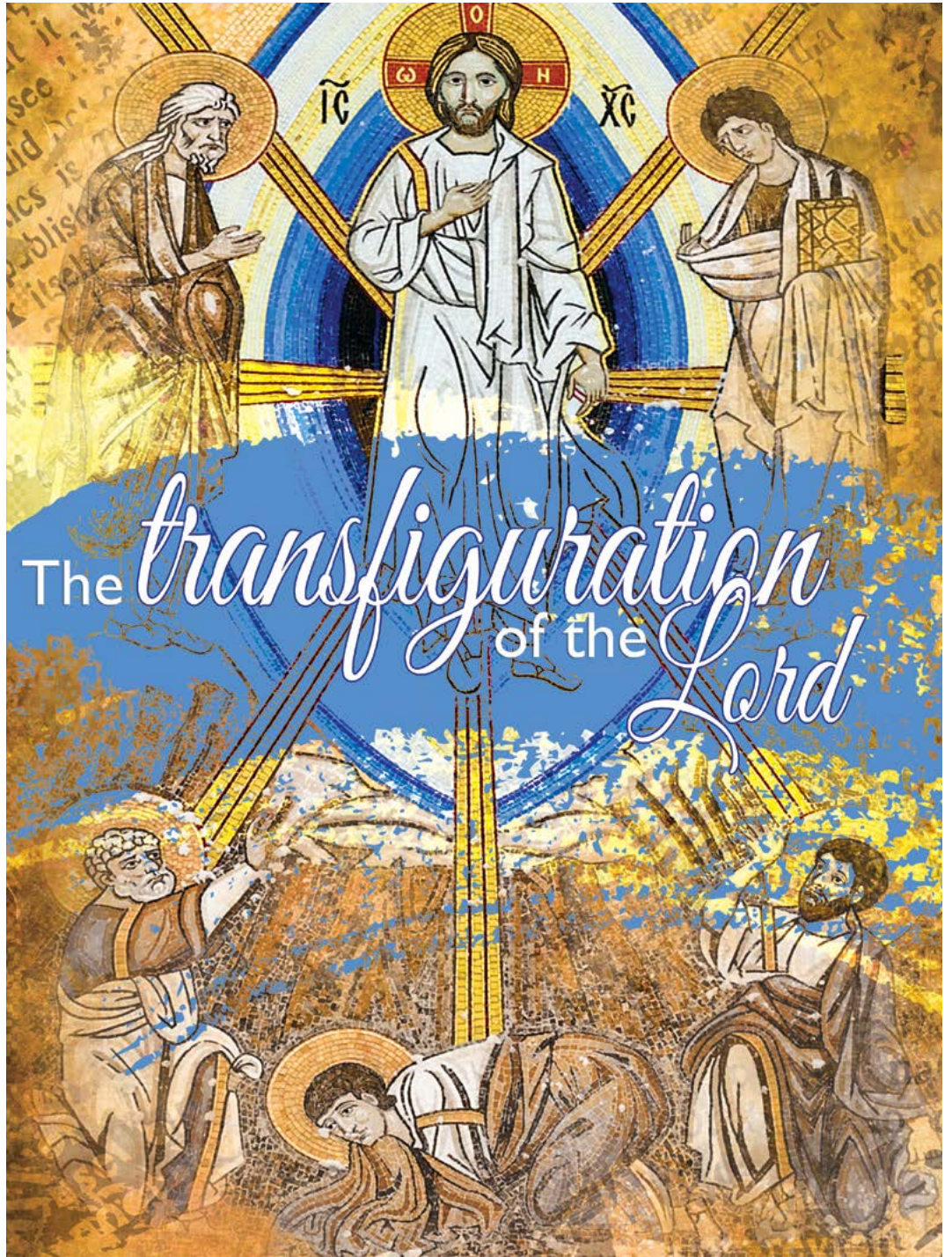
*[Jesus] was transfigured  
before them; his face shone like  
the sun and his clothes became  
white as light.*

Matthew 17:2

**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 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 Gift of Mystery

In life there are moments that some call transcendence, when the divine shines through the human and the veil that seems to cloak another world falls ever so briefly to reveal that there are not two worlds but only one wrapped in mystery. That is what took place on a mountaintop when Peter, James, and John realized that this Jesus with whom they talked and walked and shared meals, this friend, this very ordinary one, was so much more, was extraordinary, was “of God.” While real, it seemed better not to tell anyone about what they had seen.

Are there also moments in our lives when the human glows with the divine, when we come to realize more clearly than ever before that there is another power at play in life than you yourself? Most assuredly. While we are powerless to create such experiences of transcendence, more than 100 years ago the psychologist William James described such moments when they do occur. He identified four qualities in such experiences: 1) they seem closer to being emotional than intellectual or cognitive; 2) they tend to bring us new understandings of life and of what is, akin to insights, though they cannot be found in a book or be taught; 3) they tend to be very brief, a few seconds for most people; and 4) there is a sense of being sustained by a superior power. This was the apostles’ experience of the transfiguration, the feast we celebrate today.

~Fr. Joseph Juknialis

### 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 Maria Calvo and Family
- Bob Ferkenhoff
- Krista Klosek and Family
- Michael and Katie Shiffer and Family
- Kristin Thornton and Kevin Keslin
- Carlos Vazquez and Chandler Abrams and Family

#### Would you like to become a parishioner?

Call the Main Office at 630.355.8980.

### Readings for Today

**First Reading:** His clothing was bright as snow, and the hair on his head as white as wool; his throne was flames of fire, with wheels of burning fire. (Dn 7:9)

**Psalm:** The Lord is king, the Most High over all the earth. (Ps 97)

**Second Reading:** When that unique declaration came to him from the majestic glory, “This is my Son, my beloved, with whom I am well pleased.” We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven while we were with him on the holy mountain. (2 Pt 1:17-18)

**Gospel:** And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. (Mt 17:2)

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### Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/  
Mt 14:13-21

**Tuesday:** Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13/  
Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14

**Wednesday:** Nm 13:1-2, 25–14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23/Mt 15:21-28

**Thursday:** 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26

**Friday:** Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21/  
Mt 16:24-28

**Saturday:** Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51/  
Mt 17:14-20

**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14  
(8)/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

### Presider Schedule August 12–13

#### Saturday, August 12

4:30 pm: Fr. Peter Infanger

#### Sunday, August 13

8:00 am: Fr. Alex Lorang

9:30 am: Fr. Bob Colaresi

11:15 am: Fr. Peter Infanger

*Presider schedule is subject to change.*

### Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

St. Thomas the Apostle invites you to celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick Sunday, August 13, at 9:00 am, in the chapel.

As a Catholic community of faith, we have the Holy Sacraments to give us strength, nourishment and healing. Anyone, of all ages, can benefit from the sacrament of anointing — 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.

Please join us for this special celebration.



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## Meet your PPC

Parish Pastoral Council members will be available after Masses August 12–13. Stop by for a meet and greet in the Gathering Area or Gym. If you are feeling the call to lead on the Council or Commissions, submit your name (or the name of someone you think would make a good pastoral leader) to parishcouncil@stapostle.org and look for these upcoming dates:



- **August 20:** Informational meeting for interested leaders after 11:15 am Mass
- **September 13:** Evening of prayer and discernment, 7:00 pm

## Save the Date

### Mass in the Grass – Saturday September 30 4:30 pm Mass

Help us kick off the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary year of St. Thomas with an outdoor Mass with a picnic and concert Saturday September 30 at 4:30 pm. John Angotti and his band will be providing the music with a concert after the Mass. Mark your calendars. More information to come.

## Help Wanted at St. Thomas

St. Thomas is looking for and Associate Director of Music and Liturgy and a Wellbeing and Ministry Coordinator.

Please check [stapostle.org](http://stapostle.org) for more information and job descriptions.



## Cashless?

### Support St. Thomas Using Your Smartphone to Access Online Giving

Look for this QR code in your printed weekend worship aids and check it out using your phone's camera.

We are grateful for your financial gifts enabling us to continue all of God's good works here at St. Thomas!



## Liturgy Schedule and Mass Intentions

### Intentions for this weekend

#### Sunday, August 6, 2023

*The Transfiguration of the Lord*

4:30 pm *Mass of Anticipation*

†Dolores and Vincent Streff by Family

†John Attak by the Dunn Family

8:00 am

9:30 am †Jerry E Brasseaux by Monica Barres

†Steve Hester by Jim and Mary Jo Breen

11:15 am

#### Monday, August 7, 2023

*Weekday*

8:30 am †Bill McCarthy by Family

#### Tuesday, August 8, 2023

*Saint Dominic, priest*

8:30 am †Marianne Stramaglia by Frank Stramaglia

#### Wednesday, August 9, 2023

*Weekday*

8:30 am

#### Thursday, August 10, 2023

*Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr*

8:30 am †Vito Battisto by Battisto Family

#### Friday, August 11, 2023

*Saint Clare, Virgin*

8:30 am Special Intention for Fr. Andrew Skrobutt by the Skrobutt Family

#### Saturday, August 12, 2023

*Weekday*

8:30 am Special Intention for Leonard Skrobutt by the Skrobutt Family

#### Sunday, August 13, 2023

*Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 am †Simon Mallorca by Buddy and Mely Mallorca

9:30 am †Dan Casey by Audrey Easton

†Leo Foley by Phyllis Cliff

11:15 am

## No Worship Aids

*Please note there will be no worship aids until the Fall when a new Music Director and Liturgist are in place. For songs needing participation, the song leader will announce the page number for the hymnal in the pew. Thank you for your patience and understanding.*



# FAITH AND FORMATION COMMISSION – ADULT

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## C.A.R.E CORNER

In Jewish worship, there were other players in the liturgies in addition to the priests. We have numerous references in the Old Testament to the use of music and instruments in the temple and synagogue worship services.<sup>1</sup> Chronicles 25 and 26 give us some sense of these other ministers. Some were singers, leading the liturgy. Others offered musical accompaniment, typically using lyres, harps and cymbals. There were also trumpeters who called the people to attention. We no longer use trumpets to call us to order and our instruments of choice have changed, but our Church continues to enliven our worship with music.



Keeping the Temple and worship spaces running and orderly also required gatekeepers who manned the doors of the Temple for all Temple business. And of course scribes were necessary to maintain, copy and preserve the sacred writings and scrolls. The Temple also had treasurers – basically financial managers – who oversaw the treasuries of the house of God and took care of all the offerings. You can easily make many connections between these ancient ministers and those who serve in our modern day parish churches.

## Household Care Pack Delivered ... an Update

In February, when Exodus World Service provided the refugee simulation experience for middle school religious education classes, middle school RE students collected supplies for Household Care Packs for refugee families. One of those care packs was delivered to a refugee family from Burma/Myanmar who had arrived in this area from a refugee camp in Malaysia. During a recent second visit, we enjoyed ice cream. Haizang is now working full-time. Jeremiah and Marina finished the school year. Bawi is taking online English classes. Haizang and Bawi and their children are so grateful for the Household Care Pack supplies and the ice cream! Many thanks to the middle school families who made this possible.

*From left to right: Jeremiah (11 years old), Haizang, Marina (7 years old) and Bawi.*



## Preview the Bible School in our Diocese

The acclaimed Biblical Institute in the Diocese of Joliet is registering students for Years 1 and 2 this Fall. For complete information and for a list of preview events, please visit [stapostle.org](http://stapostle.org) and enter "bible" in the search box.

## Celebrate "Fully Alive" at NCYC – National Catholic Youth Conference

We are still taking registrations for NCYC, November 16–19, 2023. We invite all high school teens to experience a high energy conference, meet thousands of teens from across the nation, engage in great workshops, speakers, music and prayer. Learn more at [www.ncyc.info](http://www.ncyc.info). Conference registration is \$285, plus hotel and food. A nonrefundable deposit of \$320 will hold your spot. Contact Dorothy Grantham at [dgrantham@stapostle.org](mailto:dgrantham@stapostle.org) for forms and more information.

## Young Adults Pizza with Fr. Alex

Calling all Young Adults for a night of fellowship and brainstorming. Join us Friday, August 18 at 6:30 pm. Come meet other St. Thomas young adults and be a part of dreaming what Young Adult events, happenings and offerings we can do. Let's get creative to ignite our faith whether it's trivia nights, karaoke, service, bible studies, concerts, prayer opportunities and more for young adults of all stages, college aged, single, married, or married with children.

Contact Dorothy Grantham at [dgrantham@stapostle.org](mailto:dgrantham@stapostle.org) for more information.



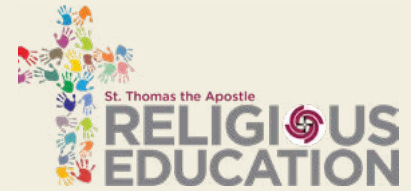
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## Religious Education Registration – Register Today!

It is that time again ... time to register for Elementary and Middle School Religious Education for 2023-24. Registration is open for preschool children age 4 through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Registration packets can be printed on the St. Thomas website or are available in the Gathering Area. Elementary classes on Tuesday can fill up. Register quickly if that is your preferred day.



### Elementary Classes

Tuesday, 4:30–5:45 pm at St. Thomas  
Saturday, 8:30–9:45 am at All Saints Catholic Academy

### Middle School Classes

Monday, 7:15–8:30 pm at All Saints Catholic Academy  
Saturday, 8:30–9:45 am at All Saints Catholic Academy

## Special Note to Parents of a Pre-K4 or Kindergarten Child

Do you have a Pre-Kindergarten or Kindergarten child (age 4 or 5 by September 1)? Religious Education classes are available for your child.

### Pre-K 4 Classes

Saturday 8:30–9:45 am

### Kindergarten Classes

Saturday 8:30–9:45 am at ASCA or  
Tuesday 4:30–5:45 pm at St. Thomas

Registration materials are available in the Gathering Area or blank forms can be printed off of the website. Please also check out the Parent Handbook for more information too. If you have questions, please contact the Religious Education office at 630.305.6318 or REAdmin@stapostle.org.

## High School Faith Formation

Registration for High School Faith Formation for Confirmation Year 1 and 2 is now available online <https://www.stapostle.org/high-school-youth-ministry/>

### Small Group Leaders and Catechists Still Needed for High School

There is a need for freshmen small group leaders at Sunday 4:30 pm, Sunday 7:15 pm and Monday 7:00 pm for the upcoming year of high school youth ministry programs. Perfection is not required. If you have a love of teenagers and are willing to share your faith, you are already qualified! Contact Dorothy Grantham at [dgrantham@stapostle.org](mailto:dgrantham@stapostle.org) to discuss how your skills and talents may be a match for youth ministry.

## All-Catechist Evening

All catechists – from Pre-K through Adult – are invited to the annual Evening of Reflection from 7:00-8:30 pm Tuesday, August 22 in the Lighthouse. The spotlight will be on “Eucharist: The Heart of the Matter” as a participation in the USCCB’s Eucharistic Revival. Bring your memories and a photo of your First Communion to share. Then Deacon Joe Cuzzone will present a reflection on the Eucharist as the central act of our faith as Catholics, its “source and summit.” The evening will conclude with a Communion Service. Come to celebrate with your fellow catechists the Real Presence of Christ among us. Please register for this event at [stapostle.org](http://stapostle.org).

## Kickoff Mass and Social for Religious Education

On Sunday, August 27, the new religious education year will kick off at the 11:15 am Mass. All religious education families (Pre-K through grade 8) are invited to attend that liturgy. Immediately after Mass, there will be a social in the gym and families will have a chance to meet RE catechists and volunteers and socialize with other families.

## Looking Ahead

- Monday, August 28 – Middle School Catechists Meeting, in the Lighthouse, 7:00 pm
- Tuesday, August 29 – Elementary Catechists Meeting, 7:00 pm
- Saturday, September 9 – Elementary and Middle School Saturday RE sessions begin at All Saints
- Monday, September 11 – Middle School Monday RE sessions begin at All Saints
- Tuesday, September 12 – Elementary Tuesday RE sessions begin at St. Thomas



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### Ertha Visit to St. Thomas

#### Next Weekend

Ertha Papillon is a leader in our Haiti Twinning Parish (Ste. Marie-Madeleine) and founder and director of an orphanage and a school in the poorest areas near Duchity.

#### Mission Appeal

Ertha is an approved Mission Speaker in the diocese. She will visit St. Thomas in August and speak at all the Masses the weekend of August 12-13.

#### Ertha's Orphanage Update

There are currently 25 children being cared for at the orphanage. The August 2021 earthquake made the main building inhabitable. It has been torn down. The second unfinished building had major damage. The second building was repaired and finished late in 2022. All the children stay in this building, where the dining room also serves as the boys' bedroom.

#### Ertha's School Update

The 2022 school year did not start until November due to all the troubles in Haiti. The school has over 400 students attending classes from pre-school through grade nine. This is the largest number of students the school has ever received.

### Habitat Mission to Tutwiler, Mississippi



#### St. Thomas has been building Habitat houses in Mississippi for 29 years!

This year a St. Thomas Mission Team of six men and five women traveled to the small rural community of Tutwiler, Mississippi, June 11 and returned June 17. The team stayed in a "dormitory" style building with a kitchen, common area and two sleeping rooms. Mary Ann Rempe, the Habitat facilitator, functioned as the "house mother," with the most important job of preparing the meals.

The team could walk to the home sight each day. Bob Hartman was the foreman. His expertise and quality control was a key factor in allowing quality work to be done by all on the team, from the very experienced to the least experienced. The team worked four full days and had Wednesday afternoon free to experience the rich history of the Tutwiler area.

The Tutwiler community, as they always do, invited the team to a potluck dinner in the community center, for some real southern home cooking. This was a special year. The team met the mom of the family that will move in. She actually worked with them during the week. And the team essentially finished a home!

It was a productive and fun week. Ask any of the team members about their experience. Team members included: Nancy Cocconi, Deborah and Isabella De Rosa, Bob Hartman, Steve Purduski, Mary Ann Rempe, John Rhoads, Susan and Gary Rufo, and Thuc and Jacob Vu.



Habitat home under construction.



Mom of the family that will own the home.

## Refugee Welcome Pack

We are called to welcome the stranger. Today refugees, who are being resettled are the strangers in our midst. How can we welcome refugees into our lives? We heard some answers to that question from Jason Mohn from Exodus World Service last weekend. (To read Jason's talk, go to "Refugee Awareness and Action" on the St. Thomas Home Page.)



### Welcome Pack Nearly Complete!

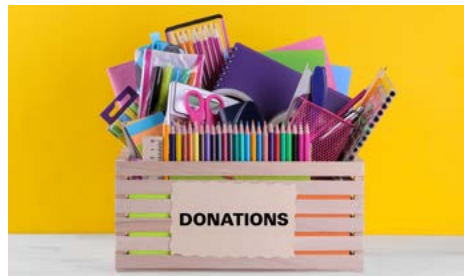
St. Thomas is providing a Welcome Pack for a refugee family. At the time of this bulletin deadline, there are only three items remaining to be provided! You can sign up to provide an item on the St. Thomas website home page or go to [bit.ly/RefugeeWelcome](https://bit.ly/RefugeeWelcome). Thank you St. Thomas!

When the Welcome Pack is completed, we will be assigned a specific family. A visit will be arranged to deliver the items on the day the family is resettled.

## Back to School is Here!

St. Thomas is collecting new school supplies on behalf of its Care Pantry families with school age children. Just purchase items from the list below and drop them off in the clearly marked collection bin in the Gathering Area between now and August 10. Questions? Please contact Michelle at 630.235.2997. Thank you for your generous support!

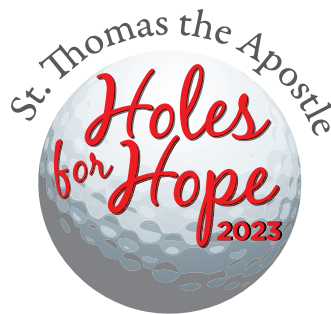
- Pencils — #2-packs of 8 to 12
- Crayons — packs of 24
- Washable Markers — Classic Colors (8 count)
- Black Pens — packs of 10 to 12
- Colored Pencils — packs of 12
- Glue Sticks — packs of 2
- Notebooks — Wide Ruled or College Ruled – 70 to 100 sheets — Please only plain colored covers
- Paper — Wide Ruled or College Ruled-70 to 100 sheets



## Holes for Hope Golf Outing And the Results Are ... \$30,058

The tenth Holes for Hope Golf outing raised just over \$30,000 for St. Thomas Cares! How did it happen?

On June 19, 168 people attended the Holes for Hope Golf Outing. The Knights of Columbus partnered with OSJ to make the event a success. Many others participated in other ways: sponsoring the event, soliciting and donating items for the silent and live auctions, donating to the Wall-of Wine and purchasing Wall of Wine raffle tickets, and providing a monetary donation. There were five members on the Golf Committee and 27 volunteers on the day of the event. Thanks to all!



## Food Donations for Care Pantry

Bring donations to St. Thomas Tuesday, August 8 from 9:00–10:00 am or 5:00–6:00 pm. Place the items in the trunk or the back of your vehicle, stay in your vehicle, and we will remove the items for you. Items will be collected outside Door C, which is across from the labyrinth.

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

- Pasta
- Pasta sauce
- Mac-n-Cheese
- Side Dish
- Jiffy Mix
- Cereal
- Canned vegetables
- Peanut butter

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



## Caregivers' Support Group

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.

The upcoming meeting will be August 10.

Meetings are held at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church, 2220 Lisson Rd., Naperville. Enter in the back 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

## The St. Thomas Senior Connection Visitation and Phone Ministry

**What is it?** A ministry of care

**For whom?** All who cannot come to St. Thomas physically

**Where?** In homes, care centers, assisted living

**How?** Personal visits or phone calls

The goal of the Visitation and Phone Ministry is to ensure that no member of our faith community is forgotten and to encourage a sense of belonging and connection.

- Do you know someone who would benefit from this ministry?
- Would you like to learn how you can help?

Please call the Pastoral Care Office at 630.355.8980, x124 or email akubalanza@stapostle.org. Training will be provided.

## From the Behavioral Health Ministry Domestic Violence – Things to Know

Domestic and family violence includes economic, physical, sexual, emotional and psychological abuse of children, adults or elders.

### If you are a victim of domestic violence here are 5 things to know:

- You do not deserve to be abused – You have the right to be safe.
- It is not your fault – You are not the cause of someone else's violent behavior.
- We are afraid for you (and your children) – We know that domestic abuse escalates over time, and we believe it will only get worse.
- You are not alone – Nearly one-third of women report being physically or sexually abused by a husband or boyfriend at some point in their lives.
- Help is available – You have the right to make your own choices. You do not have to go through this alone; support is available for you.

### Mutual Ground

Aurora  
630.897.0080

### Family Shelter Services

DuPage County  
630.469.5650

Source: St. John Neumann Parish, St. Charles, IL. [www.sjnstcharles.org](http://www.sjnstcharles.org)



BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
St. Thomas the Apostle

## Sign up NOW for the "Grief to Growth" Support Group Starting September 17, 2023

For adults of any age who have experienced the death of a spouse, significant other, parent, adult child, grandparent, sibling or friend. Understand that what you are going through is a natural response to loss, and that you are not alone. Share your story, honor your loved one's memory, learn healthy strategies to move through sadness, and at some point, begin to move forward again. This is a small (only 8 participants), confidential and safe ministry group (not therapy group) facilitated Paula Kosin, a licensed clinical professional counselor who is also a parishioner. One hundred percent of the participants in six groups so far have said that by Week 6 they felt confident or very confident about their ability to move forward.



This 6-session program meets at St. Thomas Sundays from 10:45 am (after the 9:30 am Mass) until 12:15 pm. Dates: September 17, 24, October 1, 15, 22 and 29. There is no cost, but you must register. Because we form a trusting community, we ask you to commit to all six sessions.

Is this the right time for you – or do you know a friend or family member who might benefit?

Call or email Annette Kubalanza, Director of Pastoral Care, NOW to discuss your interest or to sign up: 630.355.8980, x124 or akubalanza@stapostle.org.

# 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.

## Weekly Sunday Offertory

July 30, 2023

Sunday Collection Offering*	\$11,158
Credit Card Online Giving (reported monthly)	none this week
Automatic Direct Debit (5 <sup>th</sup> and 20 <sup>th</sup> each month)	none this week
Mailed in and stock donations	\$6,313
Total for the week	\$17,471
*Based on Collection Counters Reports prior to bank confirmation	
Fiscal Year (7/1 to 6/30)	\$129,884
Weekly Average 7/1/2022 to date	\$25,977
Offertory Goal Year to date	\$164,680
Over/(short) of goal to date	<b>(\$34,796)</b>
Goal for Fiscal Year 7/1 to 6/30	\$1,745,600
Percent of Annual Sunday Offertory Goal	7%
Remaining for this fiscal year goal	\$1,615,716

This week, the Sunday collection is **\$34,796** below goal so far this year. Capital needs restricted gifts were \$321 this past week. We are grateful to those who recognize the need and responded.

## Diocesan Appeal 2023 (as of July 23, 2023)

	2023	2022	Inc/Dec
Parish Appeal Goal	\$168,000	\$189,200	<b>(\$21,200)</b>
Pledges received	\$176,333	\$139,024	<b>\$37,309</b>
% of goal pledged to date	104.96%	73.48%	<b>31.48%</b>
Unpaid pledges	\$20,658	\$11,107	<b>\$9,551</b>
Paid to Date	\$155,675	\$127,917	<b>\$27,758</b>
% of goal paid to date	92.66%	67.61%	<b>25.05%</b>
Number of Donors	551	437	<b>114</b>

## Thank You!

Thank you to all who participated in our Blood Drive July 22 by giving the gift of life. We are happy to report that we surpassed our goal!!

Thanks also to members of the Knights of Columbus, Harry for recruiting our volunteers and Don, Dave, Joe, Pat and John who were on-site checking people in and providing encouragement and support to donors.



## The Week Ahead

### Monday, August 7, 2023

7:00–9:00 pm Buildings and Grounds, Judea  
7:00–8:30 pm OCIA Team, Senior Center

### Tuesday, August 8, 2023

9:00–10:00 am Care Pantry Donations, Outside  
5:00–6:00 pm Care Pantry Donations, Outside

### Wednesday, August 9, 2023

7:00–8:30 pm Wedding Ministry Team, Galilee

### Thursday, August 10, 2023

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

### Friday, August 11, 2023

### Saturday, August 12, 2023

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

### Sunday, August 13, 2023

9:00am–1:00 pm Pancake Breakfast, Gym  
9:30–10:30 am OCIA, Senior Center

Office of Catechesis and Evangelization | **DIocese of JOLIET**

# 1ST ANNUAL RETREAT FOR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

There will be **TWO** sessions from which to choose. Registration is required; space is limited.

SEPTEMBER

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OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

8404 SOUTH CASS AVENUE  
DARIEN, IL 60561

1 9 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. BEGINNING WITH 9 A.M. MASS

2 1:30 P.M. – 4:30 P.M. ENDING WITH MASS AT 4:30 P.M.

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### Church Office and Building Hours

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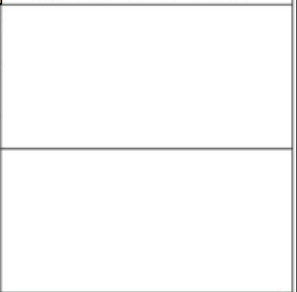
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