



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We have been blessed to be a blessing.

This simple truth is at the heart of our stewardship reflection this year at St. Thomas the Apostle. Everything we have — our lives, faith, relationships, abilities, opportunities and resources — is ultimately a gift from God.

Recently, we were invited to consider stewardship as part of our discipleship. Rather than beginning with, “*What does the parish need from me?*” we begin by asking:

“How has God blessed me, and how am I called to respond?”

I am deeply grateful for the many ways you already respond. Through your gifts of time, talent and financial resources, St. Thomas celebrates worship, forms people in faith, serves those in need, builds community and helps people encounter Jesus Christ.

Our Annual Impact Report shares some of what your generosity has made possible. We are grateful for what God is doing among us and believe He is calling us to continue growing as a parish that **forms disciples who make disciples**.

Enclosed is our **Faith Commitment Form**. I invite you to spend some time with it this week. Pray about the blessings God has entrusted to you. Consider your present giving and whether God may be inviting you to take another step toward intentional and proportional generosity.

Our circumstances are different. What matters is that our response grows from gratitude, prayer and a desire to participate in Christ’s mission.

Thank you for the many ways you help make St. Thomas a community where people **Believe, Belong and Make a Difference**.

Gratefully in Christ,

Father Peter Infanger
Pastor

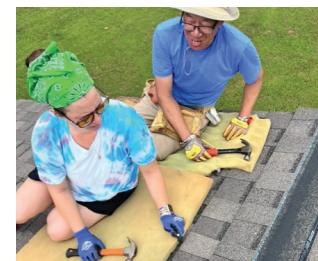
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Growing in Faith

God blesses us with opportunities to encounter Christ, deepen our faith and grow as disciples — from our youngest parishioners to adults entering the Church. Through faith formation, Alpha, Scripture Safari, OCIA, Adult Faith Formation and more, we are continually invited to grow and then share what we have received.

“After confirmation, I want to grow in my faith by being more intentional. Instead of just going through the motions, I want to actually understand what I’m doing and why. I plan to share my time by volunteering when I can, my talents by helping others and being supportive, and my treasures by giving what I can, even if it’s small. Being part of the St. Thomas community means staying connected and giving back, but also taking what I’ve learned and living it out in the real world.”

~ Student recently confirmed



Serving Others

God's blessings are meant to flow through us. Through St. Thomas Cares, the Care Pantry, Habitat for Humanity, Harvest Sunday, Ministers of Care and countless other ministries, parishioners respond to what they have received by sharing their time, talents, resources and compassion with others.

“I’ve been a long-time member of this St Thomas community. As my family grew up, I felt that I had more opportunities to participate in parish activities. I’ve been involved in many ministries from Religious Ed, Care Pantry, Bread Baking and Eucharistic Minister. Our parish offers many opportunities for involvement. I feel privileged to be able to serve my community and always be welcomed.”

~ Deb Otto



A Place to Belong

God blesses us through one another. At St. Thomas, hospitality creates opportunities to welcome, connect and build relationships — from a child's first experience at Little Sheep Club to the New Parishioner Welcome Breakfast and gatherings throughout the year. When we experience belonging, we are inspired to help others experience it too.

“I decided to join Alpha because I was craving a deeper connection with God but wasn’t quite sure how to begin. The program was absolutely wonderful. I was in Table 5, and my group was amazing — everyone was so kind, open, and respectful. I truly feel like I’ve grown closer to God and found a sense of peace.”

~ Xiomara Banos

Gathered in Worship

God blesses us through Word and Sacrament. In our liturgies, music, preaching and celebrations, we gather as a community, are nourished in faith and are sent forth to live the Gospel. Our worship doesn't end when Mass ends — it sends us back into the world to be Christ in the world.

“There is nothing so joyful as hearing the whole church singing!!! Most importantly, I am beyond thankful for the impact St. Thomas’s rich, Spirit-filled, warm, loving liturgies have had on my daughter’s faith journey. Surely, the presence of the Lord is in this place!!!”

~ Margo Stone



God blesses. Disciples respond. The blessing is shared.

Financial Snapshot

2025–2026 Fiscal Year

Offertory Income	\$2,061,561
RE: Tuition Fees/Other	\$65,357
Other Operating Income	\$493,827
Salaries and Benefits	(\$1,456,981)
RE Operating Expenses	(\$322,051)
Other Operating Expenditures and Maintenance	(\$738,939)
Surplus/(Deficit) Excluding Capital Expenditures	\$102,774

Notes:

*We incurred \$313,348 in capital expenditures this fiscal year which were not included in operating expenses. These expenditures include costs associated with replacing A/V equipment and Sound System Equipment, replacing the Air Conditioning Unit in the Church, Chair Reupholstery and partial sidewalk replacement. Including the \$313,348 in capital expenditures would result in a deficit of \$210,574. Additionally, we do not include depreciation as part of operating expense.

Discerning Your New Commitment

Fill out the enclosed Faith Commitment Form and bring it to Mass next weekend or scan this QR code to complete your Faith Commitment Form online.



Fulfilling Your New Commitment



To sign up for Online Giving or to update your current online gift, visit stapostle.org and click on the Giving tab.



Use your offertory envelope and bring it to Mass or mail it to the parish office.



To learn more about making a Planned Gift to St. Thomas the Apostle, contact the main office at 630.355.8980.



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