

Mission Statement: The Roman Catholic Saint Thomas More Parish Family welcomes and invites every person to join us on our journey in faith and celebration. With the grace and guidance of the Holy Spirit, and through Sacred Scripture and Tradition, we proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all, especially in loving service to those in need. As part of the Universal Church, we affirm the dignity of every person. All this we do to give glory and honor to God.

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Parish Office Staff

Office Hours:

| Monday-Friday ~ 8:00 am-8:00 pm • Saturday ~ 8:00 am-4:00 pm | |
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2011-2012 Pastoral Council Members

| Tom Alexander, Chairperson | Daniel Buksa |
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| Krystal Quagliara | Susan Rousseau |
| Linda Stefanich | Joann Wleklinski |

St. Thomas More School

Pre-School through 8th Grade

Office Hours: Monday– Friday ~ 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

| Web Sitewww.stm-school.co | om |
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| School Phone 836-9151 School Fax | 982 |
| Principal Mr. Chet Nordyke, KHS; Ext. 3 | 328 |
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| School Administrative AssistantMrs. Jennifer Gonzalez; Ext. 3 | 328 |
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| Phone | .836-2660 |
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Sacramental Information

| Confessions | |
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| Saturdays | 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. |
| First Friday | |
| Baptisms | First and Third Sundays at 1:00 p.m. |
| Parents must b | e registered parishioners and regularly at- |
| tending at leas | t six months before the Baptism. At least |
| one of the god | parents must be a practicing Catholic. |
| Pre Baptism Class | 2nd Tuesday 7:00 p.m. |
| Parents must call the | Parish Office to schedule class and/or Baptism. |
| Marriage | lust be a registered, practicing member of the |
| parish at least | six months before beginning the six month |
| preparation pro | ogram for marriage. |
| Communion colle or | d vigite to Hagnitals and Hamahaunds Call |

Communion calls and visits to Hospitals and Homebound: Call the Parish Office for Sacraments at hospital or at home.

New Parishioner Registration

To make it as convenient as possible for you, new parishioners may register at any time in the Parish Office.

St. Thomas More Religious Education

Kindergarten through 8th Grade Office Hours:M-F 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

| Religious Education Phone | 836-8610 |
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| Director | |
| Administrative Assistant | Ç , |
| Grades K through 8 ~ Wednesday or Thurs | sday from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. |

Pastoral Commissions Chairpersons

| Formation/Education | Mrs. Barbara Topete |
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| Parish Life | Mrs. Elaine Herrmann |
| Peace & Social Justice | Ms. Mary Silvasi |
| Spirituality & Worship | Mrs. Kaaren Mashura |
| Stewardship | Mrs. Noreen Bickel |

Parish Organizations

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| Altar & Rosary Society | |
| Elizabeth Ministry | Pam Domasica 838-7940 |
| Holy Name Society | Joe Adams 865-3566 |
| Senior Citizens | Joan Klein 923-5993 |
| Respect Life | Alice Wohler 836-5337 |
| Knights of Columbus | Robert Gozdecki 427-6919 |
| Blue Army | Rose Marie Malburg 836-8779 |
| Finance | Barbara Shaver 838-9200 |
| Planned Giving | |
| Building Maintenance | Bob Ray 924-6472 |
| Boy Scouts | |
| Cub Scouts | |
| Girl Scouts | |
| Catering/Hall Rental | |
| Moms' Group | |
| Ushers Club | Jim Marmalejo 836-1463 |
| Gabriel Project | |
| The Travelers Club | Lois Quinn 836-7902 |
| Career Networking Group | Christine Spencer 836-8610 |

Pentecost Sunday May 27, 2012

Celebrants

Saturday, June 2

5:30 p.m. Fr. Rick Holy Sunday, June 3

6:30 a.m. Fr. Rick Holy 8:00 a.m. Fr. Rick Holy 10:00 a.m. Fr. Mike Yadron 12:00 Noon Fr. Mike Yadron

Servers

MONDAY, May 28 — Memorial Day

9:00 am N. & N. Anglin, C., E. & F. Beckman

MC ~ Alyssa

FRIDAY, June 1

8:30 am M. & T. Zabrecky

SATURDAY, June 2

8:30 am R. Caraher, L. Forszt

5:30 pm T. Beckman, A. & A. Chronowski,

M. Childs, C. Ericson

MC ~ Steven

SUNDAY, June 3

6:30 am C. Burzynski, D. Dy, T. Muta

8:00 am M. & M. Blocher, B. Hanusin, S. Lyons,

M. Nahnson MC ~ Bill

10:00 am A. Hajduch, M. Lee, A. Berkley, M. Boyd,

S. Cloghessy MC ~ Joey

12:00 pm E. Diaz, K. Kennedy, E. Long

MC ~ Ted



Steven Sarnowski • Joyce Wadlow Carole Barsic • Helen Smoter

Sacrificial Offerings for May 20th



Adult \$23,618.00 Loose \$2,700.00 Children \$201.68

TOTAL \$ 26,519.68

Special Collection for Haiti \$ 6,307.00

TIME, TALENT & TREASURE • Thank you for your generosity.

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, May 27 — Pentecost Sunday

6:30 am For Our Parish Family Living and Deceased 8:00 am Helen Lesinski by Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Lesinski 10:00 am Marian Murphy (Ann.) by Husband Peter & Family 12:00 pm Donald Struble (Ann.) by Daughter Shirley

McDunn

MONDAY, May 28— Memorial Day

9:00 am Intention of Celebrant

TUESDAY, May 29

6:30 am William Simants by Simants Family 8:30 am Dennis Biggerstaff by Suzanne Mycka 10:00 am Robert Gregor by Nick & Teresa Flucus

(MASS AT MED-INN CHAPEL, Group 1)

WEDNESDAY, May 30

6:30 am Jack Tobin (Ann.) by Dorothy Tobin & Family 8:30 am Anna Kvasnica (Ann.) by Mr. & Mrs. William

Kvasnica

THURSDAY, May 31— Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30 am Elisa Alikpala by Bill & Dorothy O'Brien 9:00 am Edward Olszewski by Tony & Diana Giordano

FRIDAY, June 1—St. Justin-First Friday

6:30 am William Lynch by Niece

8:30 am Elizabeth Avila by Kennedy Family

SATURDAY, June 2—St. Marcellinus & St. Peter — First Saturday

8:30 am Ronald Lukomski by Family 5:30 pm Mary T. Murphy by Peter Murphy

SUNDAY, June 3 — The Most Holy Trinity

6:30 am For Our Parish Family Living and Deceased 8:00 am Elizabeth Avila by STM Respect Life

10:00 am Eugene Gregoline (Ann.) by Bonita & Frank

Molinaro

12:00 pm Margaret Nowakowski by Bev & Buddy Cascone

Readings for the Week of May 27

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez

37:1-14 or JI 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a,

16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27;16:12-15

Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9/Mk 10:17-27 Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16/Mk 10:28-31 Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25/Mk 10:32-45

Thursday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Lk 1:3

Friday: 1 Pt 4:7-13/Mk 11:11-26 Saturday: Jude 17, 20b-25/Mk 11:27-33

Next Sunday:Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

Pentecost Sunday

When you speak to men and women who have served in the armed forces, one of the things that they often value about their service is the camaraderie that they shared. Those who have been in combat talk about the trust they place in fellow members of their unit, and how important it is to them that they know that someone has always got their back. When that trust breaks down, when another soldier doesn't think that he or she can count on someone else, the ability of the unit to get the job done is at risk. Commanding officers recognize the importance of unit cohesion, as they call it, and part of regular training is to develop and maintain that spirit among those who serve. That spirit, that sense of camaraderie, is always something that many members of the service say they miss when they return to civilian life. On Pentecost we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and upon us! This Spirit of God fills us at our baptism, is confirmed in us at our confirmation, and is nourished and renewed every time we receive the body and blood of Christ in the Eucharist. This Spirit energizes us for our work in the world of spreading the good news of Christ. As Jesus tells us in today's Gospel, we will testify because we have been given the Spirit of truth that proceeds from the Father. The gift of the Holy Spirit is what develops our "unit cohesion" as the body of Christ in this world. The Spirit unites us with Christians everywhere in one communion of love, so that we can complete our mission of bringing others to Christ. That task is so important and so demanding that we cannot do it alone. The Spirit binds us together in a community of faith so that we can be strong in this work. In the Spirit, we can do it!

Please pray for the sick of our parish...

Coleen Alexander Margaret Amatulli Doris Aurelio Maria Aurelio Irene Baker John Baker Cody Baldwin Antonio Belmonte Tom Bernacke Michael Berry Michael Blazevich Laverne Blumka Michael Boston Cheryl Bostrom Stephany Burney Dorothy Campbell James Campbell Thomas Cak Al Carollo Carol Carollo Joseph Cwiok Jacqueline Morrow Christian Frank Coman Vincent Corsello John Costa Mike Curtain Margaret Demkovich Lucille Detterline Irene Dettmer Ann DeVoy MaryPat Devoy Irene Dickey Jeanine Doescher Charles Dybel Alex Eiland John L. Estrada Sherlon Evans Virginia Fitzgerald John Forde Phyllis Garber Andrea Garritano Dorothy Gillespie

Margaret Good

Kyle Grady Howard Gralewski James Grunewald Eileen Hasse Amy Hayes Eleanore Heggi Marie Henke Evelyn Hennes Ray Humpfer Steve Izzo Dennis Jablonski Elizabeth Jacob Barbara Jamrose Stanley Jayjack Rosemary Jerzak-Staszel Debbie Kaczka Robert Kalka Margaret A. Kapala Carol Keilman Patricia Kerr Rev. Matthew Kish Josephine Knesek Janet Knight Alice Kolember Dorothy Kovach Miller Krizmanic Jerome Kula Roland Kwasny Debbie Le Monier Gene Leahy Mary Leahy Jo Lisiniewicz Edward Liskiewicz Stanley Liskiewicz Maria Lovell Carole Mackey Charlene Madura Gregory Mahoney Mary Manchak Brady Martin Alex Mau Joseph McShane Fave Meny Sandi Merlo

Stephanie Mueller

Olga Mihalo Andrew Moll Elissa Moll David Moll Jean Narvid Donna Nichols Steven Nowaczyk Valerie O'Donnell Danny Ogren Irene Orzel Ruth Ospalski Audrey Ostroff Johanna Petruch Andrew Pieczyrak Elizabeth Pilones Sylvester Porras Timothy Ribble Kristen Rubin Anthony Saklaczynski Ann Sardella George Sauer Marie Schultz Marianne Schwartz William Schwartz Zachery Scriff James Secviar Iim Seul Renee Shehan Nick Skinner Lydia Skorupa Carolyn Smilev Deborah Stareck Charles Stevens Florence Stevens Georgianne Suto Celine Szczepaniak Rose Theis Gerardo Trevino Anthony Ubuane Julia Vrhanich Pam Wadycki Adele Wall Sue Wass Cecilia Ziegler

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY, May 27

St. Vincent De Paul Food Collection at All Masses

MONDAY, May 28 — *Happy Memorial Day* No School • Parish and School Offices Closed

TUESDAY, May 29

8:30 am All School Mass & Kindergarten Graduation

THURSDAY, May 31

7:00 pm All Seasons Chorale ~ Church

SATURDAY, June 2

9:00 am Pastoral Council ~ Conference Room

Baptisms



Andrew James

Son of

Randall Jorczak & Florence Espiritu

Bradley Michael

Son of Todd & Stephanie Kotecki

Payton

Daughter of Jason & Lisa VanderMeer



My Two Cents

Thoughts on Living Stewardship

Pentecost Sunday

Pentecost marks the end of the Easter season. We focus today on the third person of the Trinity, God the Holy Spirit. The seven gifts of the Holy Spirit are: wisdom, understanding, counsel (meaning right judgment), fortitude (meaning courage), knowledge, piety (meaning reverence), fear of the Lord (meaning wonder and awe in God's presence). Without these we cannot be true followers of Christ. Pray for an increase of whichever you need most.

Andrean Entrance Exam

Wednesday, June 13, 2012 at 8:00 a.m.

Any student interested in joining the Andrean High School family in the fall is invited to take the upcoming Freshmen Entrance Exam. Please bring two #2 pencils and a \$30.00 exam fee.

Enter through Entrance A. The exam should finish at approximately 11:30 a.m. All incoming freshmen are required to take this

exam (students unable to take this exam will not be admitted to Andrean for the 2012/13 academic school year).



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CHURCH!

We celebrate a great event today: the birth of the Church.

On Pentecost, the gifts of the Holy Spirit were poured out onto Mary and the Apostles in the Upper Room. It was something marvelous and something very, very transforming.

For in that one moment, in the twinkling of an eye, those present changed. Where once was fear, there was courage. Where once was doubt, there was conviction. Where once was confusion, there was clarity.

They were a changed people — a new people — forever. Isn't God a marvelous God?

We all have had a share in the Holy Spirit when we were baptized. We have received the fullness of the Holy Spirit when we were confirmed. The Holy Spirit leads us and guides us while we are here on earth, making our way to the Kingdom of Heaven.

We count upon the gifts of the Spirit. May we be open to those wonderful gifts and use them to the best of our ability each and every day of our lives.

MEMORIAL DAY

Tomorrow, Monday, May 28, we observe Memorial Day. That is a very special day when we remember all of those who made the ultimate sacrifice, giving of their lives to preserve for us the freedom that we enjoy this day.

We are free.

We are free to worship. We are free to speak our mind. We are free to pursue hopes and dreams. We are free to make a better life for ourselves and our loved ones.

That is a freedom that is not found in some parts of this world and it is a freedom that must be safeguarded on a regular basis.

Sadly, that freedom comes at a cost. It often costs the lives of our brothers and sisters, our mothers and fathers, our sons and daughters who enter the military.

The initial intent of Memorial Day was to honor those who had fallen in war. Since that beginning, Memorial Day has evolved, for many, to a remembrance of all of those who have died.

While we may remember this weekend family and friends who have passed away, let us not forget to say a prayer for those who gave their lives in order to preserve our freedom.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



PLEASE REMEMBER THEM

Please pray for the priests and deacons who have served the Diocese of Gary so faithfully and whose anniversaries of death are this week:

May 27: Rev. Mirko J. Godina, OFM (1983)
May 28: Rev. Clemens L. Koors (1975)
May 29: Msgr. Paul P. Bogovich (2002)
May 30: Rev. Cornelius P. Bergan (1961)
June 1: Rev. Dominic A. Pallone (1983)

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

There was a priest who liked to pull all sorts of stunts in order to get the attention of the congregation.

He decided that Pentecost needed some kind of "dramatic statement". With that in mind, he decided that he was going to purchase a dove and have his maintenance man release it from the choir loft as, during his homily, he invoked the words, "Come, Holy Spirit."



All was set.

He purchased the dove and placed it in a bag and tied it tight so that the bird could not get out.

He gave the bag to his maintenance man and told him to sneak into the choir loft and be ready for his cue. The maintenance man went to the loft and began working the knot but could not untie the bag.

At Mass, the priest began speaking about Pentecost and the outpouring of the gifts of the Spirit. He became louder and more dramatic as his homily built up to "the moment."

When he was ready, he exclaimed, "Come, Holy Spirit," raising his arms and eyes heavenward.

Nothing happened. The maintenance man was working furiously, trying to untie the bag.

He shouted even louder, "Come, Holy Spirit." Nothing.

A third time he shouted, "Father, send us your Spirit!"

At that moment, the congregation saw a bag sailing through the air toward the front of the church and heard a big booming voice say, "You tied the bag too tight. If you want the Spirit, you'll have to untie the bag and let it out yourself!"



Religious Education



Religious Education Registration

Registration for 2012/13 Religious Education classes began in April. As of May 1, 2012, the fees for the upcoming school year increased as follows:

| Children Per Family | Parishioner After May 1, 2012 | Non-Parishioner After May 1, 2012 |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| One Child | 105.00 | 185.00 |
| Two Children | 200.00 | 400.00 |
| Three Children | 295.00 | 590.00 |
| Four Children | 390.00 | 780.00 |

Additional Sacramental Fees

| Confirmation Fee\$ | 30.00 |
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| First Penance & First Holy Communion\$ | 5.00 |
| American Bible (4th Grade & up)\$ | 8.00 |

Correction to Daniel Tabaczynski, a First Communicant, whose name printed incorrectly in last week's bulletin.

The Travelers Club

Join us for our next adventure to Milwaukee, WI on *June 21, 2012 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.* \$50 per person (reservation deadline is June 13th)



Another spectacular trip will be made to tour the Basilica of St. Josephat in Milwaukee, WI. The Basilica is awe inspiring with attention to detail that is reminiscent of the great Cathedrals in Europe

with its Old World Charm. We will also visit the Milwaukee Dome Conservatory, a grouping of gardens that will be of special interest to all those who have a love and appreciation of plants, flowers and interesting landscaping arrangements. The

Domes are actually three glass beehive domes and house distinct climates and exhibit plants in a naturalistic setting; a reminder to appreciate the beautiful gifts that our good Lord has given us. After all this excitement, we will be ready for a wonderful lunch at the famous and highly recommended Mader's Restaurant to enjoy some delicious German cooking, relax and share the impressions of our morning excursion. Sign up for this trip at the STM parish office. Your check will assure you of your reservation. The price includes Cathedral tour, visiting The Dome, lunch, transportation and all gratuities. Please come early. The bus will leave promptly at 7:00 a.m.

Ministers of Holy Communion

Our parish is still in need of Ministers of Holy Communion for the 12:00 Noon Masses on Sundays and Holidays.

The requirements are simple:

Be a member of our parish • Be a Catholic in good-standing Have received all of the Sacraments of Initiation.

If you can help, please contact Deacon Dan Zurawski at (219) 742-6005 or email: danrxman@msn.com.

St. Vincent De Paul Requests

The St. Vincent De Paul Pantry is once again low or completely out of the following items:

Cereal • Pancake Mix • Meal Helpers
Canned Peas • Peanut Butter • Jelly
We would appreciate your time to check all expiration dates on items that you donate from your own pantry. We cannot give out food that is past its expiration date. Your consideration in this matter will help us greatly. Thank you.



Pastoral Care Ministry

If a friend or loved one would like to receive Communion at home, call the Pastoral Care Office at 836-8610, #315.

Lectors

Monday, May 28

Memorial Day 9:00 am Mass Alice Wohler

Saturday & Sunday
June 2 & 3

5:30 pm Mass

Ann Harkenrider &
Joe O'Brien

6:30 am Mass

Mark & Gabriella Bittner

8:00 am Mass

Kevin Connelly & Michael Madura

10:00 am Mass

Chris Greenberg & John Kovach

12:00 pm Mass

Chris Balbo & Keesha Hardaway

Greeters

Saturday & Sunday
June 2 & 3

5:30 pm Mass

Main: Nancy & Dick Hemingway Chapel: Charles & Chris Shearman Choir: JoAnn & Bill Karr

6:30 am Mass

Chapel: Marilynne Ciric Choir: Karen & Tim Rutz

8:00 am Mass

Main: Karen & Dennis McNeil Chapel: Art & Mary Halpin Choir: Lois Quinn

10:00 am Mass

Main: Mike, Ben & Sam Mellon Chapel: The Miller Family Choir: Sam & Bev Maravilla

12:00 Noon Mass

Main: Diane Grawlewski Chapel: Susan Anglin

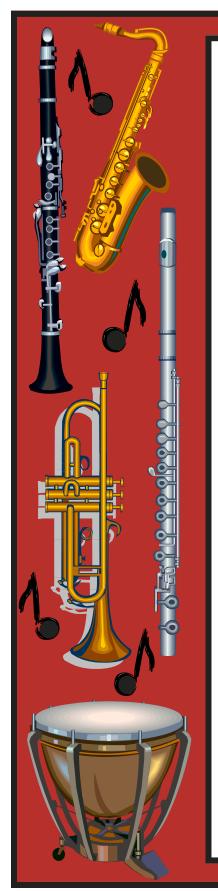
Festival Early Bird Raffle

Festival Early Bird drawings will take place every Monday until the festival. Return tickets to the Parish Office, mail or place in the collection basket. May 21st winner:

Congrafulations
Vera Paunicka-\$100

St. Thomas More School









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Spring Band Concert



May 3rd at the annual Spring
Band Concert.
Under the direction of Mr. Rick
Mlynarski, the concert was
outstanding, as usual, and
featured many well-known
songs, as well as a few
surprises. Kudos to both our
Intermediate Band and our Senior

nearly 100 students.
Another great performance!
Practice really does make perfect!

Band, who combined total













Special Father's Day Collection

Your donation to Catholic Charities helps people in our Diocese who are in need. Some who come to us need assistance with an emotional or family problem, others come seeking food for their hungry children. Whatever the reason, Catholic Charities is there to provide help and create hope. Please join us in our works of charity with a contribution during the second collection on Father's Day June 17th. You can make a difference. Visit www.catholic-charities.org to learn more.

Taizé Prayer Service

Do you need time to be still, quiet and pray?

Join us at 6:00 p.m. for our next *Taizé Evening Prayer Service*

tonight, Sunday, May 27th
in the Church.
Experience the beauty of this
meditative prayer service
as we invoke the Holy Spirit to dwell in
us and kindle the fire of God's love
within us.



Respect Life Corner

What a Blessing!

The earnest endeavor of the well-known Birth Choice Pregnancy Counseling Center continues as the new Women's Care Center at 7121 Indianapolis Blvd., Hammond, IN 46324. With tremendous gratitude to the Dorothy Abel Purcell Pro-Life Foundation & Catholic Charities of the Gary Diocese for giving a new start to this facility, clients can now see their baby's movements by means of ultrasound, as well as receive personal counseling and baby supplies necessary for an infant.

Expenses continue for these services and financial contributions are needed. Please send contributions to the Women's Care Center at the address above. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Vocations Committee



Please take it seriously when you hear God's call to the Priesthood and answer the call!

Servant Prayer

Gracious God, in response to your request to be the mother of Jesus, Mary, out of love, with courage & in faith, let go of her fears and questions and said "yes" to an unknown future and an awesome responsibility. As I try to follow your will in my life, let Mary's strength sustain me in my own fears and questions. I ask you for the love, courage and faith of Mary so that I can say freely and confidently with her, "Let it be done to me as you say." I make this prayer in Mary's name, through her Son in his Spirit. Amen



Career Networking Group

* 80% of Jobs are Unadvertised *75% of Jobs are Found through Networking

Our June meeting has been canceled due to the St. Thomas More Festival. We look forward to seeing you at next month's meeting.

Where: St. Thomas More Weis Center 8635 Calumet Avenue, Munster, IN

When: 3rd Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m.#

E-Mail: STMCareerGroup@gmail.com

Free! Open to All!

For those who are unemployed (in transition), new to the job market, employed or who can offer employment opportunities through their current professional connections. Have your Cover Letter, Resume or Thank You Note critiqued by a professional.

Student Choir

ALL parish students in grades 3 and higher are invited to join the student choir to sing twice a month at the Saturday
5:30 p.m. Mass. Rehearsals take place at 4:30 p.m. in the Conference Room immediately preceding the Mass.
The upcoming dates for the Student Choir are:
June 9 • June 30 • July 14 • July 28.

Please contact Angie Lorandos at *alorandos@stm-church.com* or (219)836-8610, x338 for info.



2012 Catholic Services Appeal Go, make a difference!

The 2012 CSA is coming to a close. If you have made a pledge, the Diocese will be mailing the first monthly invoice to you on June 4th. If you would like to participate in the campaign, please call the Parish Office with your pledge.

Thank you for helping the Diocese and St. Thomas More make a difference!

Holy Name Society

Save the date for Tuesday, September 25, 2012 to join us for

An Evening of Reflection

At the Carmelite Shrine in Munster.

In the meantime, have a wonderful and relaxing summer.

We'll see you in the fall when we resume

meeting on August 20th.

Eventy in the Area...

Memorial Day Mass

Everyone is invited to the St. John/St. Joseph Diocesan Cemetery's Annual Outdoor Memorial Day Mass on Monday, May 28th at 10:30 a.m. Mass will take place on the cemetery lawn next to the office, located at 1547-167th Street in Hammond. Call (219) 844-9475 for more information.

Notre Dame Club Sports Night

The Notre Dame Club of NWI will hold its Sports Night 2012 on Wednesday, June 13th at Villa Cesare in Schererville. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with dinner to follow at 6:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be Kerry Cooks, UND Assistant Defensive Football Coordinator. The evening will feature raffles to benefit Summer Service Students Projects. For tickets and information, contact Harry Howisen at (708) 704-2424 or hhowisen@yahoo.com or Jana Lacera at (219) 805-8722 or lacerajana@sbcglobal.net.

Spring Luncheon

The Calumet College of St. Joseph Women's Guild will hold the Spring Luncheon on Saturday, June 9th at Dynasty Banquet Hall in Hammond. Social Hour will be from Noon to 1:00 p.m. with lunch to follow. Raffles and door prizes. Tickets are \$30. For information, please contact Marge Gorby at (219) 659-2433.

SHIP Program

The SHIP (State Health Insurance Assistance Program) volunteers are desperately needed due to the influx of new and current Medicare beneficiaries. Training will be taking place on June 4, 5, 11 & 12 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. with openings in Munster, Hammond, Dyer and Crown Point.

You must attend all four sessions.

For info, or to sign up, call (219) 791-4763.

Camp Lawrence Summer Schedule

Camp Lawrence in Valparaiso will be holding 5 week-long camping sessions beginning on June 17th and ending on July 28th. Camp rates are \$225 per week (first week discounted to \$200). A \$30 discount may be applied to weeks 2 to 5, if registration and \$100 deposit are postmarked by May 31, 2012. Call the CYO at (219) 736-8931 to learn more.

Spring Rummage Sale

Our Lady of Grace Church is holding a Rummage Sale on Tuesday, June 12th from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and on Wednesday, June 13th from 9:00 a.m. to Noon in the OLG school cafeteria on 3025 Highway Avenue in Highland. Please enter through the North Cafeteria entrance. Wednesday is "Dollar a Bag Day". Questions? Please call (219) 838-8664.

Catholic Cruise to the Eastern Caribbean

Come and sail away on an 8-Night Catholic Eastern Caribbean Cruise with Fr. John Dorn from December 1-9, 2012 on the Carnival Freedom. Departs from Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Ports of Call: Grand Turk, San Juan, Puerto Rico, St. Maarten, and St. Thomas. Daily Mass and Rosary offered. Space is limited. For more information, contact Doug or Eileen at (860) 399-1785 or email: dpayttc@aol.com.

It's Still Not Too Late!

If you were unable to attend our previous *Moses the Musical* meetings don't despair! Anyone interested in a solo or speaking part should contact Angie Lorandos or see her before/after Mass this weekend to pick-up an audition packet.



Auditions for solo & speaking parts will be on Wednesday, May 30th at 7:00 p.m. in the Solar Room OR on Saturday, June 2nd at Noon in the Cafeteria.

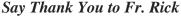
A Callout Meeting for those interested in non-solo/on-stage parts can come anytime between 7:00 & 9:00 p.m. in the Solar Room on Monday, June 4th.

Full Cast & Crew Meeting for *all* participating will be at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 6th in the Gym.

Please contact Angie Lorandos at (219) 836-8610, ext. 338 or *alorandos@stm-church.com* with questions or more information. Join us and discover the joy of being part of our inaugural St. Thomas More parish-wide theatre production.

Save the Date!

After all Masses on Saturday & Sunday, June 16th & 17th, our parish family is invited to



before he leaves us to begin his next assignment in Knox, IN.

Watch future bulletins for more information.



Family Night Out!

Join St. Thomas More's newest ministry to welcome and mentor new families to our Parish.

What is the commitment? One dinner, one match and done!

Top 10 Reasons Why You Should Participate:

- 10. A great opportunity to Give Back to Your Parish!
- 9. Embrace the *Diversity* of new parish members.
- 8. Help to *Build* a stronger *Community* with new parishioners.
- 7. Drive a long lasting *Impression* with new parishioners by being their resource to our St. Thomas More community.
- 6. Easy: STM will match you up with new parish members.
- 5. *Flexible*: Meet with families when it's convenient for you with no set weekly or monthly meetings.
- 4. Share your St. Thomas More stories!
- 3. Make New Friends with the new parish members.
- 2. Spend *Quality Time* with your family and friends.

...and the Number One Reason why you should join the Welcoming Ministry...

You are invited to a free dinner for mentors and new parish members/families.

Help us make all new families feel welcomed and at home in the St. Thomas More Parish community. We can't do it without you!! Questions? Please email Theresa Hawryszkow at welcome@stm-church.com. Thank you in advance!

St. Thomas More Fun Days—June 20 to June 24, 2012 Festival Volunteer Sign-Up

| Name: | | | | | | e Phone _ | | | | | | |
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| E-mail: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Best time to call: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| our assistance is needed for the parish community, to contribute thurch office. If you have any Just fill in | e to the fest questions, c | ival, and to h | ave fun a Oon Kope | t the same t nec at 922- | ime. Place 6091. | completed i | form in the | colle | ction bas | ket or re | | |
| | Wednesday | | | | Friday | | Saturday | | | Sunday | | |
| | 5:45 | 8:15 | 5:45 | 8:15 | 5:45 | 8:45 | 1:45 | 5:45 | 8:45 | 1:45 | 4:45 | 7:15 |
| Bingo | X | X | О | О | О | О | О | О | О | О | О | О |
| Cash Raffle | О | О | О | О | О | О | О | О | О | О | О | О |
| Casino/Wheel | X | X | О | О | О | О | О | О | О | О | О | О |
| Children's Games | О | О | О | О | О | X | О | О | X | О | О | Χ |
| First Aid | O | O | O | O | O | O | O | О | O | О | О | O |
| Grounds Clean-up | O | O | O | O | O | O | O | О | O | O | О | О |
| Pull/Peel Tabs | X | X | О | О | О | О | О | О | O | О | О | О |
| Ride/Ticket Booth | O | O | О | O | O | O | O | Ο | O | O | О | O |
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| Wherever needed | O | O | О | О | O | О | О | О | О | О | О | О |
| Beer Garden Tickets | O (5:3 | 30-11:00) | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | Ο(| 5:00- | 10:00) |
| Construction | Electrical | | | Set- | Set-up | | | Take Down | | | | |
| | Join Fes | tival Comr | nittee as | s a Chair | man or C | o-Chairn | nan | | | | | |

Thank you, ahead of time, for your willingness to make our annual festival a success!

ONLY \$50 When purchased efore June 15, 2012

Festival MegaPass

\$60 (CASH/CREDIT ONLY) When Purchased June 20—24, 2012

MegaPass Good for the Entire Festival · June 20-June 24, 2012 · All Rides · Ride All 5 Days During All Hours of Operation

| Name | Pass #1 for (Name) | | | |
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| Address | Pass #2 for (Name) | | | |
| City State Zip | Pass # 3 for (Name) | | | |
| Phone | Pass #4 for (Name) | | | |
| | # of Additional Passes | | | |
| CREDIT CARD INFORMATION: Usa MasterCard | MegaPasses are Total # of Passes | | | |
| Name on Card | non-replaceable, and X (\$ Amount) non-refundable. | | | |
| Billing Address | Pre-sale cut-off date: Total Amount Enclosed | | | |
| City State Zip | June 15, 2012 | | | |
| Credit Card # Exp. Date | Make checks payable to: St. Thomas More Festival Mail to: 8501 Calumet Avenue • Munster, IN 46321 | | | |
| | or drop off at the Parish Office during regular business hours. | | | |

Passes can be picked-up at the St. Thomas More Fun Days. Rider must be present at time of pick-up with either their photo ID or the purchasing adult with photo ID.

All MegaPasses will require a photo which will be taken AT THE FESTIVAL!



June 20 - 24, 2012_***

Wednesday, June 20 - 6:00 - 11:00 PM
Thursday, June 21 - 6:00 - 11:00 PM
Friday, June 22 - 6:00 - midnight
Saturday, June 23 - 2:00 - midnight
Sunday, June 24 - 2:00 - 10:00 PM

Get your MEGAPASS now!

Ride Every Ride on Every Night

for only \$50!*

Check today's bulletin for MEGAPASS order form and volunteer forms



*\$50 MEGAPASS available until June 15 at 5:00 PM. \$60 MEGAPASS (cash or credit card only) on sale from June 20-24

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|---|
| *** | | | JU | NE 2012 * * | 1 | 9:00 am Pastoral Council Conference Room |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| | MARKET DAY PICK-UP—GYM 5:00-6:00 PM 7:00 pm Blue Army Chapel 7:00 pm Parish Life Conference Room 7:00 pm Vocations Sacristy | 9:15 am-6:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration Chapel 1:00 pm Prayer/Vocation Chapel 6:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet Chapel 7:00 pm Festival Committee Solar Room | | | | |
| 10 | 7:00 pm Blue Army Chapel 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus Solar Room | 12 9:15 am-6:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration Chapel 1:00 pm Prayer/Vocation Chapel 6:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet Chapel 7:00 pm Baptism Preparation Conference Room | 13 6:30 pm St. Vincent De Paul Conference Room 7:00 pm K of C Squires Solar Room | 14 | 15 6:30 pm 4-H Solar Room | FR. RICK'S RECEPTION AFTER 5:30 PM MASS |
| | New Alta | ar Server Training | g from 9:00 a.m. t | o 12:00 Noon in ti | ne Church | |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| FR. RICK'S RECEPTION AFTER ALL MASSES 6:00 pm Taize Prayer Church | 7:00 pm Blue Army Chapel | 9:15 am-6:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration Chapel 1:00 pm Prayer/Vocation Chapel 6:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet Chapel | FESTIVAL 6:00-11:00 pm WRISTBANDS \$20.00 | FESTIVAL 6:00-11:00 PM BINGO 6:30-11:00 PM WRISTBANDS \$20.00 7:00 pm Career Networking Weis Center Canceled Due to Festival St. Thomas More | FESTIVAL 6:00 PM-MIDNIGHT BINGO 6:30-11:00 PM NO WRISTBANDS | FESTIVAL 2:00 PM-MIDNIGHT BINGO 4:00-11:00 PM WRISTBANDS 2:00-6:00 PM \$10.00 |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| FESTIVAL 2:00-10:00 PM BINGO 3:00-9:00 PM WRISTBANDS \$22.00 St. Vincent de Paul Food Collection All Masses STM Festival | 7:00 pm Blue Army Chapel 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus Solar Rm | 9:15 am-6:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration Chapel 1:00 pm Prayer/Vocations Chapel 6:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet Chapel | 6:30 pm St. Vincent De Paul Conference Room | * | | |
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