



This is merely a  
place where we  
wait for God to  
call us to  
Himself.

Therefore, it  
would behoove  
us to use our  
time on this  
world wisely.





"My conscience is captive to the Word of God. I cannot and I will not recant, for to go against conscience is neither right nor safe. Here I stand, I cannot do otherwise, God help me. Amen."

*Martin Luther, facing the prospect of the death sentence before the Holy Roman Emperor in 1521.*



"I die the king's good servant. But God's first."

*St. Thomas More, just prior to his execution at the command of the King of England Henry VIII of England in 1535, who found More guilty of treason for refusing to choose political expediency over divine truth.*

Martin Luther and Thomas More were contemporaries who studied, prayed, wrote, and spoke on opposite sides of the massive transformation of the Church and world we call the Reformation. Though bitter enemies, both were incredibly gifted men who sought to serve the Lord with the whole of who they were, no matter the cost. Their influence on the church and the world remains strong today, as is apparent when we consider that five hundred years later and halfway across the globe, separate Christian congregations are named after both men in the same neighborhood here in Munster.

Five hundred years is a long time even by Biblical reckoning. Global church leaders work tirelessly toward reconciliation. While important differences remain, the spirit of enmity and mutual suspicion that in centuries past marked the relationship between the two church bodies has given way more and more to a spirit of appreciation and desire to work toward greater unity. As the whole world marks the 500th anniversary of the symbolic beginning of the Reformation, how shall the Catholics and Lutherans of this neighborhood memorialize the events of so long ago?

When a member of St. Paul's Lutheran meets a member of St. Thomas More Catholic, both of them are better served if their meeting is between an informed, faithful Lutheran and an informed, faithful Catholic. Odd as it sounds, the truth is that anyone who is honestly interested in reconciliation of the two churches must begin by rededicating themselves to the teachings and practices of their own church.

The best Catholics and Lutherans, be they saints like Mother Teresa of Calcutta, martyrs like Dietrich Bonhoeffer, or artistic geniuses like J.R.R. Tolkien and J.S. Bach, follow the Lord in such a way that both Lutherans and Catholics see Christ at work through them. The Christians of our neighborhood might never be considered great or famous like them, but we are all witnesses to each other of the love, grace, and mercy God showed in sending His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to be our Savior and take away the sin of the world.

So while the whole world marks the historic 500th anniversary of the Reformation, the shepherds of God's flock at St. Paul's Lutheran Church and St. Thomas More Catholic Church join together in urging each of our members to—

Pray for the Truth of God's Word and the unity of God's people to prevail more and more in our lives and throughout the church;

Be civil and respectful regarding areas of continuing disagreement, but to work together wherever possible on areas of agreement;

Rededicate ourselves to regular worship and the teachings and practices of our congregations, so that when we encounter each other, we encounter the best of each other;

Seek to embody living faith in Christ and faithful life in His body, the church, such that all Christians five hundred years from now may be unified in recognizing us as their own.

Rev. Peter Speckhard

Rev. Michael J. Yadron

## St. Thomas More Roman Catholic Church

8501 Calumet Avenue, Munster, IN 46321

**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.*

### Pastoral Staff

Pastor ..... Reverend Michael J. Yadron, KCHS; Ext. 312  
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..... Joseph Stodola, KHS  
..... Daniel Zurawski, KHS  
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Director of Music.....Angie Lorandos; Ext. 338  
Director of Religious Education ..... Emily Hackett; Ext. 332

### Parish Office Staff

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Environment & Art ..... 836-8610  
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Lectors ..... William McDunn 922-9459  
Nursery ..... Kaaren A. Mashura 836-5079  
St. Vincent de Paul.....Michael Martinelli 836-8610  
Vocations Committee.....Mary Kochis 322-7262

### 2017-2018 Pastoral Council Members

Thomas Alexander..... Diane DeSoto  
Deborah Jarvis ..... Wendy Jasinski  
Tim Jevyak..... Jim Kaspar  
Nancy Klawitter, Chairperson..... Paul Liszewski  
Kurt Popovich..... Jim Secviar  
Dwight Reed ..... Cheryl Staniszewski

### St. Thomas More School

Pre-School through 8th Grade

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

Website ..... [www.stm-school.com](http://www.stm-school.com)  
School Phone ..... 836-9151 School Fax ..... 836-0982  
President ..... Noreen Bickel; Ext. 330  
Principal..... Jay Harker; Ext. 328  
Assistant Principal ..... Cynthia Block; Ext. 328  
School Administrative Assistant..... Jennifer Gonzalez; Ext. 328  
School Reception & Office Associate..... Sandra Steele; Ext. 329  
School Parent Association.....Shannon Pischner; (219) 306-7551  
Parish & School Offices Associate ..... Mary Jo Biscan; Ext. 311  
School Admissions ..... Pam Pasyk; Ext. 309

### Weis Center — Preschool & Pre-K

8635 Calumet Avenue ~ Munster, IN 46321

Phone ..... 836-2660  
Fax ..... 836-2655

### Sacramental Information

#### Confessions

Saturdays ..... **3:30 to 4:30 p.m.**

First Friday ..... 1/2 hour before the 6:30 a.m. Mass

**Baptisms** ..... First and Third Sundays at 1:00 p.m.

Parents must be registered parishioners and regularly attending at least six months before the Baptism. At least one of the godparents **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** ..... Must be a registered, practicing member of the parish at least six months before beginning the six month preparation program for marriage.

**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:

Monday, Tuesday & Friday — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday & Thursday — 1:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Religious Education Phone ..... 836-8610  
Director ..... Emily Hackett; Ext. 332  
Administrative Assistant ..... Rosemary Strimbu; Ext. 336  
Grades K through 8 ~ Wednesday or Thursday from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m.

### Pastoral Commissions Chairpersons

Formation/Education ..... Allen Blocher  
Parish Life ..... Elaine Herrmann  
Peace & Social Justice..... Mari Casas  
Spirituality & Worship ..... Kaaren Mashura  
Stewardship ..... Noreen Bickel

### Parish Organizations

Altar & Rosary Society ..... Cindy Keilman 923-9862  
Boy Scouts ..... PJ Caraher (219) 838-2943  
Career Networking Group..... Christine Spencer 836-8610  
Circle of Prayer..... Mary Jo Humpfer 836-5002  
Cub Scouts ..... Kevin Ranos [Kevin.ranos@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Kevin.ranos@sbcglobal.net)  
Finance ..... Barbara Shaver 838-9200  
Gabriel Project..... Marilyn Glennon 836-8610  
Garden Club ..... Paul Mazerik 644-8409  
Gifts of Love & Warmth..... Bernadine Nemeth 513-6544  
Girl Scouts..... Renee Whelan 796-6809  
Holy Name Society ..... 836-8610  
Knights of Columbus ..... Jim Landowski (708) 204-4690  
Oblates..... Denise Gard (219)201-4103  
Respect Life ..... Leslie Dernulc (219)741-3739  
Senior Citizens ..... Herb Cleve 670-2982  
The Travelers Club..... Lois Quinn 836-7902  
Ushers Club..... Jim Marmalejo 836-1463  
Venture Crew..... Fr. Ben Ross 322-4505

*Please remember St. Thomas More in your Will and Estate Planning*

## Celebrants

**Saturday, November 4**

5:30 p.m. Fr. Mike Yadron

**Sunday, November 5**

6:30 a.m. Fr. Mike Yadron

8:00 a.m. Fr. Mike Yadron

10:00 a.m. Fr. Jordan Fetcko

12:00 Noon Fr. Jordan Fetcko

## Servers

**TUESDAY, October 31 — All Saints Day Vigil**

4:00 pm S. Szala, E. & T. Zabrecky, M. Caraher,  
H. Hamer/ MC ~ Ricky

**WEDNESDAY, November 1 — All Saints Day**

5:00 pm B. Peters, J. Serrano, M. Slivka, E. Sopko,  
P. Wujek/MC ~ Will

7:00 pm M. & R. Maldonado, O. Lerma,  
M. & S. McDunn/MC ~ Alyssa

**WEDNESDAY, November 2 — Liturgy of Remembrance**

6:00 pm MCs ~ Elizabeth Z., Emmaline & Will

**SATURDAY, November 4**

8:30 am Q. Fehr, L. Fuggar

5:30 pm G. & I. Scalzo, A. Kleszynski/MC ~ Jacob C.

**SUNDAY, November 5**

6:30 am A. Korfiatis, V. & D. James

8:00 am J. Sajin, D. Smith, D. Nahnsen/MC ~ Alyssa

10:00 am M, J. & S. Fuggar/ MC ~ Emmaline

12:00 pm C. & J. Diaz, M. DiCarlo/ MC ~ Mary B.

## MASS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY, October 29**

*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

6:30 am For Our Parish Family Living and Deceased

8:00 am Leslie Garcia (Ann.) by Serrano Family

10:00 am Robert Nowak (Ann.) by Wife & Family

12:00 pm Cyril Moran (Ann.) by Wife & Daughters

**MONDAY, October 30**

6:30 am Intention of Celebrant

8:30 am Intention of Thomas Pancheri by Maryann & James Pancheri

**TUESDAY, October 31**

6:30 am Patricia Burns by Sheila Schmidt

8:30 am Deceased Members of Kazmierski Family by Alice Rokosz

10:00 am Joan Kress by STM Altar & Rosary Society  
(MASS AT MED-INN CHAPEL, Group 4)

4:00 pm Joseph Butynski (Ann.) by Family

**Please note Mass time of 4:00 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAY, November 1 — All Saints Day**

6:30 am For Our Parish Family Living and Deceased

9:00 am Mark Marczak (Ann.) by Slough Family

5:00 pm Robert Pieters by Martin & Diane Pieters

7:00 pm Steven Andrews by Joseph & Carole Janusonis

**THURSDAY, November 2 — All Souls Day**

6:30 am Stella Mary O'Donnell (Ann.)

9:00 am Charlene Madura by Carol E. Elliott

**FRIDAY, November 3 — St. Martin de Porres -First Friday**

6:30 am Michael DeLong by Ogorek Family

8:30 am John Rokosz by Wife Alice & Children

4:00 pm Gorman/McCullough Nuptials

**SATURDAY, November 4 — St. Charles Borromeo**

*First Saturday*

8:30 am Edwin Wolak by Michael Wolak

5:30 pm Asuncion F. Serrano (Ann.) by Serrano Family

**SUNDAY, November 5**

*Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time*

6:30 am Giovanni Iocco by Rose Yothment

8:00 am For Our Parish Family Living and Deceased

10:00 am William Dorcey McDunn by Mr. & Mrs. William K.  
McDunn

12:00 pm Michael Kwiatkowski (Ann.) by Mr. & Mrs. John Gryn



## Baptisms

**Madilyn Elizabeth**

Daughter of Benjamin & Jessica Heighway

## Wedding Banns

**III — Robert Gorman & Emily McCullough**



## Rest in Peace



**Narcissa Castillo**

## Nursery

Due to ongoing construction in the Church, the Nursery *will not* open until further notice. Watch the bulletin for notifications.

## Pastoral Care Ministry

The Pastoral Care Ministry is composed of caring lay ministers whose primary function is to distribute the Eucharist to parishioners. For a visit to a hospitalized or homebound family member, please contact Deacon Kapala: (219) 836-8610, # 315 or [dkapala@stm-church.com](mailto:dkapala@stm-church.com).



## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments."

The law of love. That's what Jesus came to establish. In a religious milieu that was often marked by legalism and scrupulosity, Jesus brought a kind of freedom. He reminded us that the laws of religion are made to serve the ultimate goal of love: love for God and love for neighbor.

Think about the Ten Commandments. This classical summary of God's rules for us can be divided into two types of laws. First come the laws about loving God: have no strange gods; don't take the Lord's name in vain; honor the Sabbath. Then come the laws about loving our neighbor: honor your parents; don't kill; don't commit adultery; don't steal; be honest; and don't covet your neighbor's spouse or property. When we follow the law of love that Jesus preaches today, all of this is taken care of.

If we loved God with our whole heart, mind, and soul, for example, there would be no room left for false gods. There would be no bitterness or apathy leading us to disrespect God's name or to fail to worship him as he has asked. Similarly, if we loved our neighbors as ourselves by following the Golden Rule, then we would naturally respect them instead of lying, killing, coveting, or the like.

Ultimately, all the dos and don'ts of the law are just specific guidelines describing what love looks like. This is very helpful for those times when love doesn't come so easily to us. When we struggle with having our heart in the right place, the Ten Commandments give us direction. But as Jesus instructs us today, the goal is to grow in the kind of love that naturally leads us to want to do what's best.

*Please pray for the sick of our parish...*

Joshua Alvarez  
Margaret Amatulli  
Mary Anhalt  
Doris Aurelio  
Maria Aurelio  
Antonio Belmonte  
Michael Berry  
Michael Billedo  
Michael Blazeovich  
Laverne Blumka  
Cheryl Bostrom  
Linda Braun  
Stephany Burney  
Paul Burns  
Dorothy Campbell  
James Campbell  
Thomas Cak  
Al Carollo  
Janet Cattanaach  
Jacqueline Morrow  
Christian  
Willie Colby  
Vincent Corsello  
Mike Curtain  
Eleuterio Del Real  
Irene Dettmer  
Ann DeVoy  
MaryPat Devoy  
Jeanine Doescher  
Patrick Doran  
Jim D'Orazio  
Alex Eiland  
Sherlon Evans  
John Forde  
Phyllis Garber  
Denise Gard  
Andrea Garritano  
Margaret Geary  
Emily Gibson  
Dorothy Gillespie  
Margaret Good  
Monica Gonzalez  
Howard Gralewski  
Margaret Gray  
Susan Graff  
James Grunewald  
Amy Hayes

Eleanore Heggi  
Marie Henke  
Marisol Hernandez  
Becky Hill  
Mary Jo Humpfer  
Charlotte Hunt  
Betty Ingbertson  
Joseph S. Iwan  
Steve Izzo  
Dennis Jablonski  
Elizabeth Jacob  
Barbara Jamrose  
Stanley Jayjack  
Robert Kalka  
Carol Keilman  
Kelly Jean  
Irene Kerps  
James Klein, Sr.  
Janet Knight  
Susan Kolodziej  
Paul Kostalik  
Isabella Lappo  
Annika LeMonier  
Chris LeMonier  
Debbie LeMonier  
Nicklas LeMonier  
Mike Lewis  
Jo Lisiniewicz  
Edward Liskiewicz  
Stanley Liskiewicz  
Maria Lovell  
Marilyn Madsen  
Brady Martin  
Larkin McKenzie  
Jenny Mendoza  
Faye Meny  
Sandi Merlo  
Erin Meyer  
Ann Miskovich  
Andrew Moll  
Genevieve Mrvan  
Donna Nichols  
Steven Nowaczyk  
Don Noworyta  
Clare O'Brien  
Donna O'Connor

Valerie O'Donnell  
Danny Ogren  
Maryann Pancheri  
James Pancheri  
Marty Pavovic  
Nadine Pelagalli  
Johanna Petruch  
Angelo Petrungaro  
Andrew Pieczyrak  
Elizabeth Pilones  
Ron Plewniak  
Sylvester Porras  
Dennis Powell  
Ronald Prus  
Jerry Reach  
Timothy Ribble  
Jackie Roach  
Ann Sardella  
George Sauer  
Marie Schultz  
Marianne Schwartz  
William Schwartz  
Zachery Sciff  
James Secviar  
Jim Seul  
Renee Shehan  
Ruth Siorek  
Nick Skinner  
Carolyn Smiley  
Deborah Stareck  
Georgianne Suto  
Florence Stevens  
Rose Theis  
Gerardo Trevino  
Kathie Trudgian  
Anthony Ubane  
Tony Vanden Heuvel  
Raymond Vanderbok  
Julia Vrbnich  
James Wachel  
Marilyn (Vrabel) Warda  
Stephanie Wisniewski  
Don Woszczynski  
Josephine Zagrocki  
Cecilia Ziegler  
Cody Ziemkowski

## Weekly Schedule

**SUNDAY, October 29**

*St. Vincent de Paul Food Collection at All Masses*

**MONDAY, October 30**

5:30 pm Handbells (until 6:45 pm) ~ Church  
6:30 pm Marian Rosary ~ Chapel  
7:00 pm Schola ~ Church

**TUESDAY, October 31**

No Eucharistic Adoration

**4:00 pm Vigil Mass for All Saints Day**

**WEDNESDAY, November 1 — All Saints Day**

*All Saints Day Masses: 6:30 & 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 & 7:00 p.m.*

9:00 am Bible Study ~ Conference Room

*No Religious Education & RCIC Classes*

**THURSDAY, November 2**

*No Religious Education Classes*

**6:00 pm All Souls Day Remembrance Liturgy ~ Church**

6:15 pm Scripture Study ~ Conference Room

6:45 pm All Seasons Chorale ~ Church

**FRIDAY, November 3**

9:00 am Gifts of Love & Warmth ~ Conference Room

**SATURDAY, November 4**

8:00 am First Saturday Rosary ~ Church

*Altar & Rosary Holiday Bazaar — 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. -Gym*

**SUNDAY, November 5**

*Altar & Rosary Holiday Bazaar — 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. -Gym*

## Readings for Week of October 29

Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40  
Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2, 4, 6-7ab, 20-21/Lk 13:10-17  
Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-6/Lk 13:18-21  
Wednesday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a  
Thursday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-6/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40  
Friday: Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6  
Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18/Lk 14:1, 7-11  
Next Sunday: Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/Ps 131:1-3/1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12

## Sacrificial Offerings

**October 22, 2017**

Adult	\$ 20,327.00
Automated	\$ 2,683.00
Loose	\$ 2,699.00
Children	\$ 132.69
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 25,841.69</b>

**Special Collection**  
*Mission Sunday...\$ 3,305.00*



*Thank you for sharing your treasure with our parish!*

### THE SAINTS

**"God creates out of nothing. Wonderful you say. Yes, to be sure, but he does what is still more wonderful: he makes saints out of sinners."**

~ Soren Kierkegaard

This week, we celebrate the Feasts of All Saints and All Souls. They are intrinsically related and, one might even say, one and the same. For, after all, any soul who gets to heaven is a saint. We do not need to wait for the Church to proclaim someone a saint. That happens as soon as that soul goes home.

The Feast of All Saints helps us to focus upon the victory won for each and every one of us in the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus. All saints participate in that victory completely. They are triumphant. They have "arrived". They are home.

While their earthly sojourn may have been fraught with struggle or trials of many kinds, they have remained faithful to the Lord. God, who looks upon the deeds that we do, was pleased with their lives and invited them to live forever with Him. The soul who longed to be with God for eternity sings out with joy at that invitation and enthusiastically accepts what we all long to have.

The Feast of All Souls brings our attention to all of those who have passed away. We think, especially, of our own loved ones: our mothers and fathers, our wives and husbands, our daughters and sons, our grandmothers and grandfathers, and all those special people in our lives who have died and gone before us.

The Feasts of All Saints and All Souls, then, remind us of some very basic things:

- Our humanity. We are all born into this world. Our souls are in corporeal shells that will be cast off one day when we die.
- Our fragility. These bodies are prone to disease. They can be the cause of anxiety, consternation, and even pain.
- Our promise. We know that we will not be in this world forever. This is merely a place where we wait for God to call us to Himself. Therefore, it would behoove us to use our time on this world wisely.
- Our example. Like it or not, we learn that what we say and do has ramifications. We can encourage other people to embrace the Lord or chase people away from the practice of the faith by our speech and actions.

Be living examples of the faith this day!

**FAITH ACTION:** Make a list of all those you wish to remember in prayer this week. Share their stories with family and friends.

*In. Mike*



### 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:

October 29: Rev. Walter S. Pawlicki (1980)  
Rev. Leo J. Armbruster (1994)

### A HALLOWEEN BLESSING



On Tuesday, October 31st, our **Vigil Mass for All Saints Day, a Holy Day of Obligation, will be at 4:00 p.m.** instead of the normal 5:30 p.m. time. This is due to the fact that trick-or-treat in Munster is from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. that evening.

Bring your child dressed in costume so that you can be on your way to trick-or-treat immediately after Mass. We will give your child a blessing and his or her first treat of the evening at that time.

Masses on the Holy Day — Wednesday, November 1st — are 6:30 and 9:00 a.m. as well as 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.

### ADORATION ON OCTOBER 31

**There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday, October 31st. This is due to the activity that will be going on at the church and school as well as the shortened day for the Vigil Mass for All Saints Day.**

Why were the saints, saints?

Because they were cheerful when it was difficult to be cheerful and patient when it was difficult to be patient.

Because they pushed on when they wanted to stand still, and kept silent when they wanted to talk.

Because they were agreeable when they wanted to be disagreeable.

That was all.

It was quite simple and always will be.

### ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

Q: What room does a ghost never enter in a haunted house?

A: The living room!

Q: How do ghosts open the door to their haunted houses?

A: With a skeleton key!

Q: How do you mend a broken Jack-o-lantern?

A: With a pumpkin patch!







# Religious Education

## November Schedule

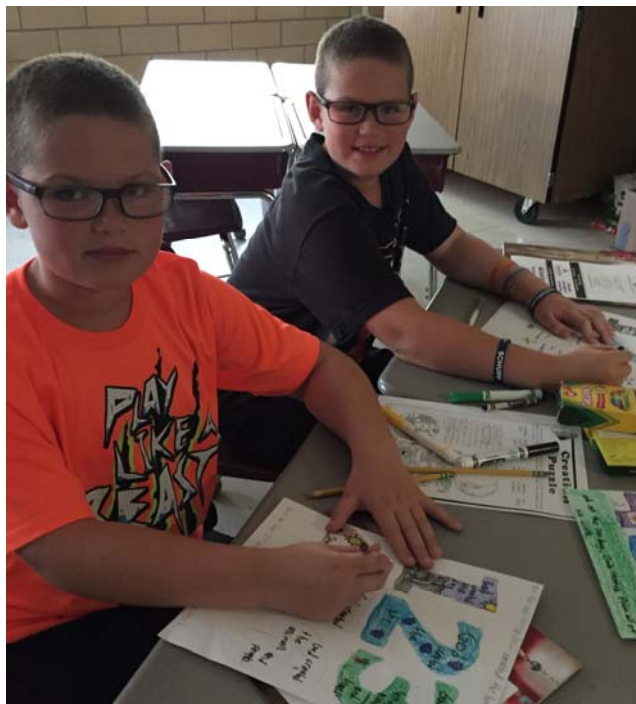
1/2	No Class—All Saints Holy Day of Obligation
8/9	Class
15/16	Class
22/23	No Class — Thanksgiving Break
29/30	Class

## December Schedule

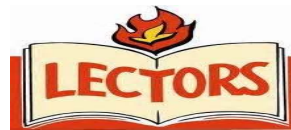
5	Confirmation Retreat for All 8 <sup>th</sup> Graders <i>STM Gym from 8:15 a.m. –2:30 p.m.</i>
6/7	Class
13/14	Class
20/21	No Class — Christmas Break
27/28	No Class — Happy New Year!



Mrs. Kenning's 4th grade Wednesday class read the creation story in the *Bible* and then did a 7-day creation project, drawing pictures for each day of creation.



## Lectors & Greeters for the Week



**Tuesday, October 31**

*Vigil —All Saints Day*

**4:00 pm Mass**

Jayne Gardner &  
Jesse Montenegro

**Wednesday, November 1**

*All Saints Day*

**5:00 pm Mass**

Bill McDunn & Hope Terzo

**7:00 Mass**

Don Dulkoski &  
Timothy Jevyak

**Saturday, November 4**

**5:30 pm Mass**

Steve & Gloria Pestikas

**Sunday, November 5**

**6:30 am Mass**

James Landowski &  
Micki Richter

**8:00 am Mass**

Kristen Ball & Judy Buksa

**10:00 am Mass**

Kevin Connelly &  
Irma Hernandez

**12:00 Noon Mass**

Julie Blanford &  
Cheryl Staniszewski



**Sunday, November 5**

**6:30 am Mass**

Main: Leilani Suchanuk  
Chapel: Tom & Linda Brady

**8:00 am Mass**

Main: Dennis & Karen McNeil  
Chapel: Mary Silvasi

Choir: Rosemary Barker

**10:00 am Mass**

Main: Pastor Family  
Chapel: Miller Family  
Choir: Joe Arent

**12:00 Noon Mass**

Chapel: Susan Anglin

**Saturday, November 4**

**5:30 pm Mass**

Main: Bill & Chris Retseck

Chapel: Don & Carol  
Kopenec

Choir: Ed Lebryk &  
Judy Millsbaugh

## Bulletin Deadlines

Submit bulletin articles 2 weeks in advance: [bulletin@stm-church.com](mailto:bulletin@stm-church.com).

## Liturgy of Remembrance

*Thursday, November 2, 2017*

6:00 p.m. in the Church

November is a special time of year for the Catholic Church. It commemorates in special ways those who have gone before us as it celebrates the Feasts of All Saints and All Souls.

The month dedicated to remembering the faithful departed. Remembering our loved ones is an important way to deal with our feelings and help us grieve and heal.

On behalf of the entire parish community of St. Thomas More, we invite you to participate in our Memorial Service on All Souls' Day with us in the church. Please feel free to invite friends and family to share in this memorial liturgy with you. After the service, join us in the Cafeteria for refreshments and fellowship.

Please bring a photo of your departed loved one with you to be displayed at the memorial service.





## Red Ribbon Week Observed at STMS

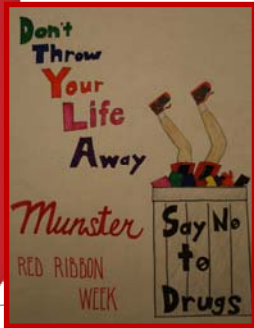
Each year St. Thomas More School participates in the annual Red Ribbon Week, a nationwide event focused on students. Activities during the week emphasize the importance of living a drug-free and bully-free life.

Students participate in a number of ways throughout the week, including classroom discussions and instruction about safe life-practices, and take part in some fun activities, as well, like a crazy hat and sock day.

Locally, D.A.R.E. Officer James Ghrist of the Munster Police Department coordinates a poster contest for Munster schools.

This year, we are proud to announce that the overall winner of the 2017 poster contest is our very own 8th

grade student, Noah Sanchez. Noah's winning design was the top pick from seven local schools and his theme "Don't Throw Your Life Away" resonated with the selection committee. Congratulations, Noah, and thank you Officer Ghrist for all that you do to promote safe habits for the youth of Munster.



St. Thomas More School Assistant Principal, Cindy Block with winner, Noah Sanchez and Officer James Ghrist.



## "FALL" IN LOVE WITH ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL

### KIDS PARTY

It's Free! It's Fun!

Meet other families from our community.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>

11:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

Lots of fun fall activities, games and a snack for children, age 2 to 5. Siblings are welcome, too!

Join us at the St. Thomas More School Weis Center

8635 Calumet Avenue • Munster  
(next to the Munster Public Library)

Please RSVP to Marcie Burzynski by Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

(219) 836-2660 or [mburzynski@stm-school.com](mailto:mburzynski@stm-school.com).

A great social event for parents, too!





## Position Available at STM

### *Development Director*

The Development Director will report to the President and is responsible for planning, coordinating and directing activities to attract the support needed to provide sufficient resources for the parish and achieve its vision. The ideal candidate is an experienced person who has the skills to raise funds and build a network of supporters. To start, this is a part-time (25 hours/week) position. For additional information, go to Employment Opportunities on the school website at: <http://www.stm-school.com/why-stms/employment-opportunities.cfm>



### **Parish Building Maintenance**

**Responsibilities:** Maintenance & repair of the St. Thomas More church and school buildings and grounds with experience in electrical, plumbing, construction & HVAC.

**Requirements:** Reliable transportation & valid driver's license.

**Hours:** Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.  
(some weekends/after-hours).

Please send resume to: [jobopenings@stm-church.com](mailto:jobopenings@stm-church.com)  
or in person at

St. Thomas More: 8501 Calumet • Munster, IN 46321

## Vocations Committee

Our Holy Father reminds us that "every vocation is a gift from God and must be implored by prayer and merited by the witness of a holy life." That, of course, includes prayer.

## Thank You from Our Scouts!

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade St. Thomas More Girl Scout troop would like to thank the parishioners who attended the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. Although we only had 3 girls collecting, we will be able to send 69 "gifts of caring" to our troops serving abroad because of the generosity that was expressed at that Mass. We have a wonderful and patriotic parish and our girls are very proud to be part of this fantastic faith community. Thank you!



## Oblates of St. Benedict

**Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon in the STM Conference Room  
All are welcome: *Bring the kids, your family & your neighbors!*  
Lectio Divina with Biblical discussion  
Reference Book: *Wisdom from The Tradition*

Start your Christmas shopping this weekend at the Bazaar!  
You'll find something for everyone on your list...even  
a little something for yourself!

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY'S

# Holiday Bazaar

ST. THOMAS MORE

Crafts • Jewelry • Raffles • Food • Something for Everyone!

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY**

**November 4 & November 5**

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the St. Thomas More School Gym

### **Vendors & Artisans Needed:**

Artists, crafters, photography art & home businesses.

For an application or more info about this year's Bazaar, contact  
Kaaren Mashura: (219) 836-5079 or [kaarenann@aol.com](mailto:kaarenann@aol.com).



## Senior Citizens

We welcome all senior parishioners to join us for information, fun & fellowship by attending any of our meetings or luncheons. All meetings are held at 1:00 p.m. in the Community Room of Kish Funeral Home, located at 10000 Calumet in Munster, unless otherwise noted.

### Monthly Monday Luncheon

Join us for another delicious lunch and great conversations as we meet for our October luncheon.

**Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.**

Gabe's Place

9 East Main Street in Glenwood, IL

No reservations needed. See you there!

**Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**

Business Meeting

Guest Speaker: Ellen Kapitan

Representative from Tall Tree Arboretum in Valparaiso, IN

**Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>**

Social Gathering — "Bingo Bonanza"

## St. Vincent de Paul

Help fuel area parents and children as cooler months are upon us. Ensure that all in our area, young and old, have enough food to sustain them and help them flourish.

You can do this by contributing to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Panty. To learn more about the SVDP Society at St. Thomas More, or to become a volunteer, please contact SVDP President Mike Martinelli at (219) 836-8610.

We would love your help to further our mission to help others!



**Thanksgiving is coming!**

**Please support the SVDP Pantry:**

Peanut Butter • Jelly Crackers • Soup • Mac & Cheese  
Tuna • Canned Meats • Canned Fruit  
Laundry Soap • Toilet Paper • Shampoo  
Tooth Brushes & Toothpaste for Children & Adults

## Circle of Prayer

The STM Circle of Prayer ministry needs and welcomes more members to respond to our many prayer requests.

A phone call or email from a member and private prayer is all that is required. If interested in joining, or to learn more, please call Mary Jo Humpfer at (219) 836-5002.

## Volunteers Needed

**Play Bingo at Med-Inn in Munster**

Volunteers are needed for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month from 10:15 a.m. to 12:00 Noon. The residents need you!

**Pray the Rosary**

Pray with members of Hartsfield Village in Munster on the last Monday of the month.

Your time will be greatly appreciated by those you are helping. To volunteer, please call Mary Jo Humpfer at (219) 836-5002.

## Holy Name Society

All men of the parish, young and old, are encouraged to join us!

**Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 p.m. in the Solar Room

Join us to pray, study our faith and share fellowship.

Our next meeting will focus on our upcoming Fish Fry & Raffle.

As usual, we will conclude with pizza and beverages.

**Save the Date**

Annual Fish Fry & Raffle will be Friday, February 23, 2018!



## STM Career Networking Group

*80% of Jobs are Unadvertised*

**82% of Jobs are found through Networking**

*15% Found through Search Firms*

*10% Found through Want Ads*

*4% Create Their Own Jobs • 2% Blindly Send Resumes*

**Thursday, November 16, 2017**

**7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

**Maintaining Resilience  
During a Job Search**

*By: Carol Urban of Telaperformance*



Where: STM Weis Center

8635 Calumet Avenue • Munster

When: The 3rd Thursday of Every Month

Time: 7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

Email: STMCareerGroup@gmail.com

**Regular Meetings are Free! Open to All!**

For those who are *unemployed* (in transition), new to the job market, employed but changing careers or those who can offer employment opportunities through their current professional connections. Have your cover letter, resume or thank you note critiqued by a professional.





## Bishop Noll

### *Reach for the Stars Fall Raffle*

Help Bishop Noll's single most important fundraising initiative of the year by purchasing a ticket to their annual raffle.

The \$20,000 grand prize drawing will take place November 28, 2017. Other cash prizes will also be awarded. Winner need not be present but

must be 18 or older. Raffle tickets are available in the St.

Thomas More Parish Office or contact

Juli Sandoval in the Advancement Office at

219-932-9058 or [jsandoval@bishopnoll.org](mailto:jsandoval@bishopnoll.org)

for more info. Gaming license #142304.



### *Open House*

**Sunday, November 5**

12:00 Noon to 2:00 p.m.

Visit BNI and explore our new technology-based curriculum.

Bishop Noll offers STEM, Project Lead the Way,

1:1 iPads and other tech initiatives along with challenging college level courses, a variety of arts and athletic programs.

Ask questions and get to know Noll.

For more information:

(219) 932-9058 or [admissions@bishopnoll.org](mailto:admissions@bishopnoll.org).

## Andrean High School Events

All prospective students are invited to attend one of our upcoming Entrance Exams.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

### *Entrance Exams*

**Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 a.m.

**Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 a.m.



If you have questions regarding these events, please feel free to call Andrean's Director of Enrollment Management, Jim Nohos, at 219.887.5959, ext. 260 or visit [www.andreanhs.org](http://www.andreanhs.org).

## Planting Possibilities

### *Socially Connected?*

In addition to helping our many fundraising events, we are also appreciative of your Planting Possibilities support through social media: Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram. Simply "like" and share our posts with your social media friends.

### *Like to shop?*

You can support Planting Possibilities when shopping online at Amazon by signing on to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and selecting Planting Possibilities to receive a percentage of your purchase total or purchase a Carson's Community Day booklet containing awesome coupons valid

November 8- November 11. Booklets are available at the Parish Office for only \$5, or contact us at

[admin@plantingpossibilities.org](mailto:admin@plantingpossibilities.org) for more information. All proceeds from booklets sold go directly to Planting Possibilities.

### *Need Help at Your Business?*

If you own or hire for a business and are open to working with us in job-training or employing our young adults, learn more at [www.plantingpossibilities.org](http://www.plantingpossibilities.org) or contact Mark at 219.237.9353.

## Events in the Area...

### **Wounded Healers**

Wounded Healers, a non-denominational grief support group for those dealing with the loss of a friend or loved one offers separate sessions for those dealing with the loss of a spouse/significant other, parent, sibling or friend, or a child or grandchild. Beginner and advanced healing groups available.

Meetings are held on Wednesday nights from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at St. James the Less Church in Highland.

Final fall session meeting is: **November 8 (speaker)**

Join us on **November 19<sup>th</sup>** for a special meeting from

2:00-4:00 p.m. when our guest speaker discusses ways to ease your grief and cope during the holiday season. A meaningful candle-lighting ceremony and refreshments will follow.

(219) 924-5577 or go to: [www.woundedhealers-nwi.com](http://www.woundedhealers-nwi.com).

### **LOSS Meetings**

LOSS (Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide) offers a monthly program at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 9292 Broadway in Merrillville on the third Monday of each month from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Support for adults grieving the loss of a loved one to suicide with trained facilitators to help you through the process in a safe, non-judgmental, non-denominational environment.

(312) 655-7284 or Mary at (219) 241-2732.

### **Pierogi Sales**

St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church offers delicious pierogis weekly. Orders must be called in by Thursday at 9:00 a.m. and picked up on Friday between 12:00 Noon and 3:00 p.m. at the church. Leave your name & quantity/flavor on answering machine at (219) 838-9811. Potato, kraut, cheese or prune.

\$9/dozen or \$5/half-dozen.

Volunteers are also needed to help on Thursday and/or Friday mornings between 8:00 a.m. & Noon. Call the church to sign-up.

### **Share Foundation Gala**

Share Foundation continues its work for Sharing Meadows, a community for other-abled adults in Rolling Prairie, IN.

To support this mission they are hosting *Share Our Dreams* Gala Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Croatia Banquet Hall in Merrillville.

Contact: (219) 778-2585/[share@sharefoundation.org](mailto:share@sharefoundation.org) for tickets.

### **Legally Blonde-the Musical**

Marian Theater Guild at Marian Memorial Auditorium, 119<sup>th</sup> Street & Lincoln Ave in Whiting, IN presents

*Legally Blonde the Musical*.

**Saturdays: November 4, 11, 18 at 8:15 p.m.**

**Sundays: November 5, 12, 19 at 3:00 p.m.**

Tickets: Adults \$16; Seniors/Students \$14 Credit cards accepted.




Reservations: (219) 473-7555 starting Monday 10/23 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Dinner theater available for Saturday shows.

### **Hospice Holiday Gift Boutique**

Join us on Saturday, November 11, 2017 at Cloister in the Woods at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 1101 Park Drive in Munster.

Doors open at 9:30 a.m. Shop until 4:00 p.m. All-day complimentary coffee and cookie café and holiday music performed by the Lyrical Flutes and piano selections by Mike Stevens. All proceeds of the event will benefit Hospice of the Calumet Area.

For further information, please contact: Sarah Hankins at 219.922.2732 or email at [shankins@hospicecalumet.org](mailto:shankins@hospicecalumet.org).

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>November 2017</div> <div></div> <div>Please Note: Vigil Mass for HolyDay 4:00 p.m.</div>			1 <b>November 1 Holy Day of Obligation Masses</b> <b>6:30 &amp; 9:00 a.m.</b> <b>5:00 &amp; 7:00 p.m.</b>  <b>9:00 am</b> Bible Study Conference Room	2 <b>6:15 pm</b> Scripture Study Conference Room  <b>6:45 pm</b> All Seasons Chorale Church  <b>6:00 pm</b> All Souls Day Remembrance-Church	3 <b>9:00 am</b> Gifts of Love/Warmth Conference Room	4 <b>8:00 am</b> First Saturday Rosary Church  <b>9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.</b> <b>Altar &amp; Rosary Holiday Bazaar Gym</b>
No Religious Ed/RCIC Classes						
5  <b>9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.</b> <b>Altar &amp; Rosary Holiday Bazaar Gym</b>	6 <b>5:30 –6:45 pm</b> Handbells Church  <b>6:30 pm</b> Marian Rosary-Chapel  <b>7:00 pm</b> Schola-Church	7 <b>9:15 am-6:30 pm</b> Eucharistic Adoration Chapel  <b>1:00 pm</b> Prayer/Vocations Chapel  <b>6:00 pm</b> Divine Mercy Chaplet Chapel  <b>7:00 pm</b> RCIA Conference Room	8 <b>9:00 am</b> Bible Study Conference Room  <b>4:30-6:00 pm</b> Religious Formation Classes  <b>7:00 pm</b> St. Vincent de Paul Conference Room	9 <b>4:30-6:00 pm</b> Religious Formation Classes  <b>6:15 pm</b> Scripture Study Conference Room  <b>6:45 pm</b> All Seasons Chorale Church	10 <b>9:00 am</b> Gifts of Love/Warmth Conference Room	11 <b>10:00 am</b> Oblates Conference Room
12	13 <b>5:30 –6:45 pm</b> Handbells Church  <b>6:30 pm</b> Marian Rosary-Chapel  <b>7:00 pm</b> Schola-Church  <b>7:00 pm</b> Peace/Social Justice Conference Room  <b>7:30 pm</b> K of C—Solar Room	14 <b>9:15 am-6:30 pm</b> Eucharistic Adoration Chapel  <b>1:00 pm</b> Prayer/Vocations Chapel  <b>6:00 pm</b> Divine Mercy Chaplet Chapel  <b>7:00 pm</b> RCIA-Conference Room  <b>7:00 pm</b> Baptism Prep Class Teachers' Lounge	15 <b>9:00 am</b> Bible Study Conference Room  <b>4:30-6:00 pm</b> Religious Formation Classes	16 <b>4:30-6:00 pm</b> Religious Formation Classes  <b>6:45 pm</b> All Seasons Chorale Church  <b>7:00 pm</b> Career Networking Weis Center  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> <b>STMS Play School House Rock Live! Jr. Gym</b>	17 <b>9:00 am</b> Gifts of Love/Warmth Conference Room  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> <b>STMS Play School House Rock Live! Jr. Gym</b>	18  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> <b>STMS Play School House Rock Live! Jr. Gym</b>
19 <b>2:00 p.m.</b> <b>STMS Play School House Rock Live! Jr. Gym</b>	20 <b>5:30 –6:45 pm</b> Handbells Church  <b>6:30 pm</b> Marian Rosary Chapel  <b>7:00 pm</b> Schola-Church  <b>7:00 pm</b> Holy Name Solar Room	21 <b>9:15 am-6:30 pm</b> Eucharistic Adoration Chapel  <b>1:00 pm</b> Prayer/Vocations Chapel  <b>6:00 pm</b> Divine Mercy Chaplet Chapel  <b>7:00 pm</b> RCIA Conference Room	22 <b>9:00 am</b> Bible Study Conference Room  <b>7:00 pm</b> St. Vincent de Paul Conference Room	23 <b>A Blessed Thanksgiving to All</b> <i>Mass at 9:00 a.m.</i> 	24	25
No Religious Ed/RCIC Classes						
STMS-No School •Parish Office Closed						
26 <i>St. Vincent de Paul Food Collection After All Masses</i>  <b>1:00 p.m.</b> <b>Opening of Forty Hours</b>  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> <b>Closing of 40 Hours</b>	27 <b>9:15 am-7:00 pm</b> Eucharistic Adoration  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> <b>Closing of 40 Hours</b>	28 <b>9:15 am-7:00 pm</b> Eucharistic Adoration  <b>1:00 pm</b> Prayer/Vocations Chapel  <b>6:00 pm</b> Divine Mercy Chaplet Chapel  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> <b>Closing of 40 Hours</b>	29 <b>9:00 am</b> Bible Study Conference Room  <b>4:30-6:00 pm</b> Religious Formation Classes  <b>7:00 pm</b> Religion Formation/ Education Speaker Damian Rico on Hospice Solar Room	30 <b>4:30-6:00 pm</b> Religious Formation Classes  <b>6:45 pm</b> All Seasons Chorale Church  <b>7:00 pm</b> Gabriel Project Teachers' Lounge		
Forty Hours Devotions: Speaker Fr. James Meade						