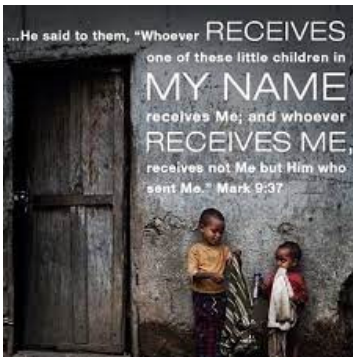


**September 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, 2021**  
**25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church**

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**Office Manager:** Linda M. Hemrich  
**PSR Coordinator:** Pete Pasero  
 Office Hours: 7:30 -11:30 am & 1:00- 4:00 p.m. M-F  
**Masses:** 4:30 pm Saturday; 7 & 10.00 am Sunday  
 8:30 am Wednesday and Friday  
**Reconciliation:** 8-9 am and 3:30 - 4 pm Saturdays

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**St. Thomas Disciples' Stewardship of Treasure**

Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Collection

Envelopes	\$7,964.00
Loose	\$ 148.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 8,112.00</b>
Bldg Fund	\$ 300.00
School Fund	\$ 305.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 605.00</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,717.00</b>

*"St. Thomas the Apostle School admits students of any race, color, sex or national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate based on race, color, sex, or national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarships and loan programs, and athletic and school administered programs. Our schools do reserve all their rights as religious entities in accord with the teachings of the Catholic Church, the protections of the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, and the Illinois Religious Freedom Restoration Act 775 ILCS 35/."*

**This Week in our Parish**

Note: + behind name in Mass intention is for deceased  
**Convocation of Priests This Week in Collinsville**  
**Monday, September 20, St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon**  
 Parish Office Closed – Linda out of town for a funeral  
 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm Visitation for Teresa Hartrich  
**Tuesday, September 21, St. Matthew, Apostle**  
 Parish Office Closed – Linda out of town for a funeral  
**8:30 am** Communion Service St. Mary's  
**10:30 am** Funeral Mass for Teresa Hartrich  
**Wed., September 22, Weekday**  
**8:30 am** Mass (Int: Joe & Brad Bergbower+) Fr. Flach  
**9:15 am** Rosary  
**5:30 pm** Youth Choir  
**6:30 pm** CYO  
**Thursday, September 23, St. Pius of Pietrelcina**  
**8:30 am** Communion Service at St. Mary's  
**Friday, September 24, Weekday**  
**7:00 – 8:00 am** Eucharistic Adoration Holy Hour  
**7:30 am-7:45 am** Morning Prayer  
**8:30 am** All-School Mass (Int: Myrtle Radke+)  
 Rite of Acceptance into Catechumenate  
**Saturday, September 25, Weekday**  
 8:00 – 9:00 am Reconciliation (Confessions)  
**4:30 pm** Mass (For the Parish)  
**Sunday, September 26, 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Parish Appreciation reception hosted by the school after Sunday Masses**  
**7:00 am** Mass at St. Thomas (For Our Parish)  
**8:30 am** Mass at St. Mary's (For Our Parish)  
**10:00 am** Mass at St. Thomas (For Our Parish)

**Disciples' Stewardship of Time**

**St. Thomas Lay Minister Schedule**

**Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30 pm**

**Lectors:**

**E.M.:** Ramon Kocher & Glenda Spiker

**Server:** Hayden Mulvey and ????

**Musicians:** Tammy Page/Ellen Einhorn

**Greeters/Ushers:** Vic Klingler

**Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 a.m.**

**Lectors:** Nikki Bierman; Jill Bierman

**E.M.:** Theresa Volk & Linda Hemrich

**Server:** Katie Bierman and Nathan Bierman

**Musicians:** Jeff Finley

**Greeters/Ushers:** Randy Hemrich/Nick Hemrich

**Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 am**

**Lectors:** Tracey Bower; Ginger Robins

**E.M.:** Renee Gier & Sara Mette

**Server:** Alex Gier and Lauren Gier

**Musicians:** Vicki Mullen

**Greeters/Ushers:** Doug Iffert

**Funeral Arrangements for Teresa Hartrich are:**

Monday Visitation from 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm at St. T.

Tuesday 10:30 am Morning Mass at St. Thomas

**THANK YOU** from Andrew Hansen to Mrs. Waldhoff & 3<sup>rd</sup> grade youth, Fr. Dean, Michael & Lisa Geier, Sara Barthelme, & Annie Beverlin, for assisting with Diocesan Video on Confirmation/First Communion.



**Holy Matrimony:** Congratulations! **Scott & Maura (Cummins) Mammoser** married Saturday, September 11, 2021 at St. Thomas Church with Fr. Joe Molloy presiding. May they live a happily married life in faith!

**St. Thomas CYO** meets on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm in the St. Thomas Parish Center. We look forward to seeing everyone again next week!

**Upcoming Activities:**

**National Life Chain – 2 pm** Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> Newton Square  
**St. Thomas Annual Harvest Picnic Games/Cookie Walk** – Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm

## St. Thomas School News

### *This Week at St. Thomas School*

#### **Monday, September 20**

Garage Sale Set-up Continues  
8:00 am-6:00 pm items can be dropped off

#### **Tuesday, September 21**

Garage Sale Set-up Continues  
8:00 am-6:00 pm items can be dropped off

#### **Wednesday, September 22**

Garage Sale Set-up  
6:00 pm Booster Club Mtg

#### **Thursday, September 23**

8:00 am-6:00 pm Garage Sale begins  
Ballard Nature Center Field Trip (2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> grades)

#### **Friday, September 24**

8:00 am-6:00 pm Garage Sale Continues

#### **Saturday, September 25**

8:00 am- 11:00 am Garage Sale followed by clean-up

#### **Sunday, September 26**

Hosting Parish Appreciation reception after Masses

**It's HERE!!! Join us for St. Thomas' Cash Bingo, 7:00 pm Friday, Sept. 17, 2021. Doors open at 6 pm.**

All Proceeds benefit St. Thomas School. Don't miss out on the chance to win the \$4,600.00 Lightning Round. MUST Be 18 Or Older To Play!

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### **PLANNING AHEAD: MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

**Confirmation/First Reception of Holy Communion** has been scheduled with the Bishop at the Cathedral for November 6, 2022 for those who are properly prepared and living the faith.

## St. Thomas Annual Harvest Picnic

Sunday, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>

4:00 pm – 8:00 pm



### GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE:

**John Deere 1025R Loader Tractor** with attachment Mower Deck or Tiller or \$10,000 cash

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$1,000; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$500**

**KC Style Chicken Dinner, Basket Stand, Games for the kids sponsored by CYO, Quilt Raffle**

**Sunset Scene playing from 4:00 pm-7:00 pm,**

### **St. Thomas Picnic Basket Stand - Baskets Wanted!**

Value of baskets is a minimum of \$25.00. You are welcome to drop off your basket in the church's meeting room next to the church office.

**Game Prizes Wanted!** CYO is asking for donations of individual chip bags, candy and drinks for the games that they are providing for the picnic. Thanks for supporting our youth and the picnic. Items can be dropped off at the church.

**Raffle Tickets are available in the Church foyer.**

**10% of proceeds will benefit the Family Life Center – Newton**

## Right to Life Updates

### **Fall Festival Parade Family Life Center Float.**



**Family Life Center Life Banquet.** St. Thomas only has a few seats left at the second table that our parish is hosting. Please contact the parish office ASAP if you would like to reserve a seat. Thanks to those who have already reserved their seat and plan on attending! This Family Life fundraiser will be held on Thursday, September 23. Dinner @ 7:00pm.

**National Life Chain - Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 pm.** Join the St. Thomas CYO on the Newton Square as we gather in prayer for the sanctity of human life.

**40 Days of Prayer Campaign for Life.** With so many activities impacted by Covid-19, we can take courage in knowing that *nothing* can stop our **PRAYERS!**

**Oct. 12** for St. Mary's. **Oct. 27** for St. Thomas Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction

# St. Thomas & St. Mary Parish

## WELCOME...

to the parishes of **St. Thomas the Apostle**, Newton, and **St. Mary of the Assumption**, Sainte Marie.

If you would like to become a participating member of either parish, please call the particular parish office.



**Please pray for the Sick**, especially Anne Ochs, Greg Dennis, Glen Schafer, Sharon Ghast, Bruce Fisher, Don Ochs, Mona James, Karen Shamhart, Margaret Prentice, Evelyn McCreery, Monica

Murphy, Seth Weber, Deana Schafer, and George Dallmier; and those listed in Book of Requests. **REST IN PEACE:** Please pray for the repose of the Soul of Teresa Hartrich, parishioner; wife of Mike Hartrich and mother of Michelle (Dusty) Wright.

John A. Bennett, father of John Bennett;  
Marie Ketterman, Linda Hemrich's Aunt

For **Anointing of the Sick** before surgery or in severe illness, or in danger of death for the **last rites and apostolic pardon**, call Fr. Dean Probst **217-494-6326**.

### Scheduling a Baptism at St. Thomas or St. Mary's:

**Parents are to return filled-out Baptismal information sheet** and the Godparent-Sponsor affidavit forms to the parish office **before scheduling a date for the baptism of infant**. Then **call or text Fr. Dean 217-494-6326 to schedule baptism**.

**Baptisms** are normally scheduled during Mass so that the child/person can be welcomed into the Church family.

**The next Pre-baptismal class is scheduled for 8:45 a.m. Sunday, November 7** at St. Thomas Church. To register, please call St. Thomas parish: 618-783-8741.

**Emergency responders, public invited to Blue Mass at Cathedral** - Praying for their safety and continued diligence in their work and to thank them for their selfless commitment to taking care of people in our communities, Bishop Thomas John Paprocki will celebrate a Blue Mass for emergency responders on Tuesday, **Sept. 28** at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield. All emergency responders, their families, and the public are invited to come. The day begins at 9 a.m. as emergency responders will assemble in the Cathedral. At 9:15 a.m., there will be the posting of the colors, following with 9:30 am Mass.

### St. Thomas Gigantic Garage Sale

- September 23rd, 2020 8:00 am - 6:00 pm
- September 24th, 2020 8:00 am - 6:00 pm
- September 25th, 2020 8:00 am - 11:00 am

All proceeds go to St Thomas School

## This Week's Scripture Readings:

<b>Monday:</b>	<b>Ezr 1:1-6</b>	<b>Lk 8:16-18</b>
<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>Eph 4:1-7,11-13</b>	<b>Mt 9:9-13</b>
<b>Weds.:</b>	<b>Ezr 9:5-9</b>	<b>Lk 9:1-6</b>
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>Hg 1:1-8</b>	<b>Lk 9:7-9</b>
<b>Friday:</b>	<b>Hg 2:1-9</b>	<b>Lk 9:18-22</b>
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>Zec 2:5-9,14-15a</b>	<b>Lk 9:43b-45</b>
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>Nm 11:25-29</b>	<b>Jas 5:1-6</b> <b>Mk 9:38-43,45,47-48</b>

### RESPECTFUL SILENCE:

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** is available Tuesday through Friday from 7:00 am – 8:00 am. Please come and join in prayerful silence and/or common prayer before the Lord Jesus, present in the Blessed Sacrament.

The Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer is prayed at 7:30 am with the St. Meinrad Abbey Psalter provided for your use.

**NOTE:** Tuesday & Thursday is at St. Mary's Church and Wednesday and Friday at St. Thomas Church.

### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

**The following youth have signed up to be prepared for Confirmation and Holy Communion:**

**Duncan Miller, Dean Hopson, Trevor Keller, Natascha Alblinger and Daniel Ubeginer**

**Parent Meetings are scheduled for 9 am and 2 pm** on the first Saturday of the Month. Sign up for either time. Next meeting: October 2 at St. Thomas Church. Future sessions are November 6, December 4, January 8, February 5 and March 5. Mark your Calendars.

### Rite of Acceptance into the Catechumenate:

**Isaiah Bergbower** with sponsor Sara Bergbower will be inducted into the Catechumenate at the All-School Mass, September 24. He will share in sacramental preparation leading to Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil, 2022.

**Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** is a process of welcoming non-Catholics into full communion of the Catholic Church. If you or someone you know may be interested in learning more about the Catholic Church and/or entering into the sacramental life of the Church, please call the parish offices and/or Fr. Dean Probst (217) 494-6326.

The next meeting is **6 pm Thursday, September 30**.

**PSR Begins 6:30 pm Wednesday, September 29 at St. Mary's Parish Center, Sainte Marie, IL.**

**September 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, 2021**  
**25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**St. Mary of the Assumption Church**

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**Deacon emeritus:** Rev. Mr. Larry Miller

**Office Manager:** Denisse Ochs

**PSR Coordinator:** Marie Wagner

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 3 p.m. Tues-Wed.-Thurs.

**Masses: 8:30 am SUNDAY,**

Tuesday and Thursdays:

7:00 am – 8:15 am Eucharistic Adoration

7:30 am – 7:45 am Liturgy of Hours: Morning Prayer

8:00 am – Rosary

8:30 am – Holy Mass

**Reconciliation:** As scheduled or by request and

8 – 9 a.m. & 3:30 – 4:00 pm Saturdays at St. Thomas

**This Week in our Parish**

**Monday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, St Andrew Kim Tae-gon**

Father Dean will be gone to Priest Convocation

**Eucharistic Adoration will not be held this week.**

**Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, St Matthew**

8:00 a.m.- Rosary

8:30 a.m. – Communion Service

**Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, Weekday**

**Thursday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, St Pius of Pietreicina**

8:00 a.m. - Rosary

8:30 a.m. – Communion Service

**Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, Weekday**

11:00 a.m. Ken Kocher funeral mass

**Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, Weekday**

**Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 26th Sunday in Ord. Time**

**8:30 a.m. – Mass (Int: For the Parish)**

**St Mary's Disciples' Stewardship of Treasure**

**Collection for the week of**

**September 12, 2021**

Envelopes	\$ 1065.00
Loose	80.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1145.00</b>

**Ministers for 8:30 a.m. – September 26, 2021**

**Ushers:** Ben Ochs, Jake Semple

**Server:** Brianna Zwilling

**Lectors:** Beth Hartrich/Becca Ochs

**Eucharistic Minister:** Maria Zumbahlen

**Lay Ministers Needed:** We are updating our lists and are in need of **Lectors** and **Servers**. A **training for new servers will be held on September 29<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm, before the start of PSR**. To become a server, you must be Confirmed and have received your first Holy Communion. If you are interested, please call or e-mail the office. Call the office if you would be willing to share of you time and talent!!

**184<sup>th</sup> Pre-Labor Day Picnic**

**MANY THANKS!!** To the Picnic committee for all the work they did preparing for the picnic. To all the workers who gave of their time. To the ones who came to the picnic and supported the church. You are all awesome and did a great job!! Thank you!!!

The Picnic netted approximately \$16,000+. A report will be provided next week after all receipts are collected and bills paid.

**PSR SIGN-UP/REGISTRATION:** There is still time to enroll in the PSR program for this Fall! It begins on **SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup> at 6:30 pm., St Mary's Parish Center**. Registration forms are still available in the entrances at either church or the parish offices. The fee is \$15 per child.

**SACRAMENTS OF CONFIRMATION and FIRST HOLY COMMUNION.** PLEASE note those requesting preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation. Parent meeting with youth candidate are scheduled on the First Saturday of the month at St. Thomas Church. Attend either one of the sessions: 9:15 am or 2:00 pm session on October 2, November 6, December 4, January 8, February 5 and March 5. Mark Calendars.

**Family Life Center Life Banquet Sept. 23** at Keller Convention Center, Effingham, IL  
St. Mary's will be hosting a table: Sign up in church or parish office to attend the free dinner at 7 pm.  
Learn about the Newton Family Life Center!