

July 9th– July 10th, 2022
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

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Pastor: Fr. R. Dean Probst (email: dprobst@dio.org)

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Pawel Luczak

Deacon emeritus: Rev. Mr. Larry Miller

Office Manager: Linda M. Hemrich

PSR Coordinator: Pete Pasero

Annulment Advocate: Debbie Matson

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

Eucharistic Adoration 7:15-8:15 am

w/Morning Prayer 7:30 am Benediction 8:15 am

Reconciliation: 8:00 - 9:00 am Saturdays and request.

St. Thomas School Office:

St. Thomas School Principal: Jill Bierman

School Secretary: Lori Smith

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St. Thomas Disciples' Stewardship of Treasure

July 2-3, 2022 Collection

Envelopes	\$	6,589.00
Loose	\$	459.00
Subtotal	\$	7,048.00
Building Fund	\$	300.00
G.I.F.T.	\$	900.00
Peter's Pence	\$	50.00
School Fund	\$	1,970.00
Subtotal	\$	3,220.00
Grand Total	\$	10,268.00

St. Thomas Church May Tithe

May Tithe Income – \$58,928.00

10% Monthly Tithe Given to Diocese - \$5,893.00

Victim Assistance Contact Information:

Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting & Investigation

Call 217-321-1155.

This Week in Our Parish

Monday, July 11, St Benedict

5:30 pm Mass at St. Mary's

Tuesday, July 12, Weekday

7:15 am Adoration **8:00 am** Rosary at St. Mary's

8:30 am Mass at St Mary's, Ste. Marie.

5:00 pm Evening Prayer

5:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas (Bud & Gert Probst)

Wednesday, July 13, St. Henry

7:00 am drop off **Breakfast items for Honey-Do**

Ministries volunteer breakfast

7:15-8:15 am Adoration w **7:30 am Morning Prayer**

8:30 am Mass (Michael Mulvey+)

9:15 am Rosary Group

2:00 pm Mass(Fr. Don Meehling+)-Newton Care Ctr.

7:00 pm Pastoral Council in Parish Center Mtg Room

Thursday, July 14, St. Kateri Tekakwitha

7:15 am Adoration **8:00 am** Rosary-St. Mary's

8:30 am Mass at St. Mary's, Ste. Marie

5:00 pm Mattoon Deanery Clergy Gathering at
Sacred Heart Church, Effingham.

Friday, July 15, St. Bonaventure

7:15-8:15 am Adoration w **7:30 am Morning Prayer**

8:30 am Mass (Teresa Hartrich+)

Saturday, July 16, Our Lady of Mount Carmel

8:00 – 9:00 am Sacrament of Penance (Confessions)

4:30 pm Mass @ St. Thomas (For the Parish)

Sunday, July 17, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am Mass at St. Thomas (For the Parish)

8:30 am Mass at St. Mary's (For Parish)

10:00 am Mass at St. Thomas (For the Parish)

St. Thomas Parish Ministry Schedule

Saturday, July 16 @ 4:30 pm

Lectors: Mike Hartrich; Beth Ochs

E.M.: Kim/Kaitlyn Ochs, Nikki Earnest, Glenda Spiker

Servers: Alayna Ochs & Jackson Baltzell

Gift Bearers: Matt & Amanda Baltzell

Musicians: Tammy Page & Mallory Bolander

Greeters/Ushers: Five For the One

Sunday, July 17 @ 7:00 a.m.

Lectors: Caroline Frohning; Tony Weber

EM: Linda/Laney Hemrich, Sheryl Brummer

Servers: Madilyn Brummer & Brenly Francis

Gift Bearers: Steve Volk Family

Musicians: Youth Choir

Greeters/Ushers: Chris Bierman

Sunday, July 17 @ 10:00 am

Lectors: Sue Sparks & Aubrey Bergbower

EM: Tony Sparks, Brad & Annie Ochs

Greeters/Ushers: Jacob Jahraus

Servers: Audrey Beals

Gift Bearers:

Musicians: Patsy Leffler & Jeff Finley



Samuel Ochs and Evan Volk were **BAPTIZED** into the **Church as children of God**, at the 4:30 pm Mass Saturday, July 2, 2022. Samuel is the son of Daniel & Bobbi (Petet) Ochs. His Godparents are Phil Ochs and Beth Volk. Evan is the son of

Kevin and Beth (Ochs) Volk. Godparents are Daniel Ochs & Janice Ginder

St. Thomas School Registration.

- July 19th from 8:00 am-1:00 pm
- July 20th from 2:00 pm-6:00 pm

Registration will take place in the St. Thomas Parish Center meeting room. Please contact the school office if you need to make other arrangements. Looking forward to seeing all of you as the new school year approaches!

Non-Discriminatory Policy. St. Thomas Elementary & Grade 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 on the basis of race, color, sex, or national, and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admission policies, scholarships and loan programs, and athletic and school administered programs.

Funeral Dinner Manager Wanted. Sue Dickerson is looking for someone to take over organizing the funeral dinners. This is a very important ministry for our parish, and we are fortunate to have so many volunteers already involved! Sue has all the information and is happy to share it. Something to consider...if two parishioners are interested in doing this together as a team that would be great, too! Just give the parish office or Sue Dickerson a call if you are interested.

St. Thomas Pictorial Directory plans are underway! *Please contact the parish office if you would be interested in helping create and develop our directory.* Jennifer with Jafa Photo will be handling our photo sessions, and we look forward to working with her. We are not quite ready for sign-ups but dates have been set, so start thinking about which dates and times will work best for you and your family.

- Oct. 3, 2022 – 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm
- Oct. 4-6; 1:00 pm – 8:00 pm
- Nov. 26-27; 9:00 am - 9:00 pm

St. Thomas & St. Mary Parishes

WELCOMES...

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.

This Week's Scripture Readings:

Monday:	Is 1:10-17	Mt 10:34-11:1
Tues.:	Is 7:1-9	Mt 11:20-24
Weds.:	Is 10:5-7,13b-16	Mt 11:25-27
Thursday:	Is 26:7-9,12,16-19	Mt 11:28-30
Friday:	Is 38:1-6, 21-22,7-8	Mt 12:1-8
Saturday:	Mi 2:1-5	Mt 12:14-21
Sunday:	Gn 18:1-10a Col 1:24-28	Lk 10:38-42

Please pray for the Sick, especially Matilda Hemrich, Peggy Mulvey, George Roth, Gary Griffith, Mary Bergbower, Karen Shamhart, Flo Barker, Diane Bunton, Greg Dennis, Amber Wakefield, Geneva Barber, Don Ochs, Seth Weber; those in healthcare facilities and those in our Book of Requests.

The next pre-baptismal class will be held Sunday, August 7 at 8:45 am at St. Thomas Church. To register, please call the St. Thomas parish office: 618-783-8741.

The next Class will be on November 6 at 8:45 am at St. Thomas Church.

**St. Thomas School Presents
Our 10th Annual DUCK RACE 2022
Sunday, August 14th**

11:00 a.m. at the Newton Aquatic Center
Free swimming following until noon

Ducks can be purchased for \$5.00 at:
St. Thomas School or Church, Peoples State Bank,
Medicine Shoppe

Ducks will be sold after each St. Thomas Mass!!

1st place duck: \$600.00

2nd place duck: \$250.00

3rd place duck: \$100.00

**BRING A LAWNCHAIR & A FRIEND!
DOOR PRIZES! (MUST BE PRESENT)**

**ALL PROCEEDS BENEFITS
ST. THOMAS SCHOOL**

For more info call St. Thomas School @ 783-3517

****Choose the right number and be the LUCKY DUCK to win a special BLUE Duck and a \$25 gift certificate to a local business.****



Our parishes welcomed Father Pawel “Paul” Luczak as their Parochial Vicar on July 1, 2022. You are invited to join him at this weekend’s welcome reception at St. Thomas July 10; and then next Sunday at St. Mary’s, July 17.

Fr. Pawel was born and raised in Radzymin, just outside Warsaw, Poland. He first had an inkling that he might be called to the priesthood when he was about 10 years old.

“We were talking in school one day about what kind of professions we would have in the future, and suddenly the thought came to me that maybe I should be a priest.” Fr. Pawel says of that moment, “And that idea just stuck in my head from then on...”

Though he was drawn to the priesthood from early on, Fr. Pawel would soon discover that God had many other adventures in store for him before he started along that path. In 2006, he joined the Pallottine order as a novice, but later decided that he was not yet ready for the seminary. Instead, he became a customer service representative for the Orange Network, a European mobile service provider.

About five years later, a friend in the United Kingdom offered him a job working in a laundry. Fr. Pawel happily accepted this new adventure abroad. He later worked in another customer service role there, as well as in a plastics factory.

Fr. Pawel’s years in the U.K. provided him with two other important opportunities – 1) immersive time for improving his English and 2) the chance to witness a kind of priesthood unlike one he had never before encountered.

“I saw what the model of priesthood looks like in the U.K. where the pastor really has a relationship with the people.” Fr. Pawel says. “In Poland, it is much more formal and strict –there is not shaking hands after Mass or inviting priests for a meal. When I saw how it looked in the U.K., I really liked that and realized it was more for me.”

With this in mind, on the advice of a friend who had studied in Michigan, Fr. Pawel began a course of studies at Ss. Cyril & Methodius Seminary at Orchard Lake, Michigan. Following two years of seminary studies, Fr. Pawel spent his last year in pastoral formation at Our Savior Parish in Jacksonville, under the guidance of pastor Fr. Tom Meyer.

Fr. Pawel served as parochial vicar of St. Peter’s Parish, Quincy, Illinois following his ordination to the priesthood on May 2, 2020. Monsignor Leo Enlow is the pastor of that parish.

Fr. Pawel hopes to become a pastor next year.



Eucharistic Revival – a mission for you and your family begins NOW - You are invited to join

Catholics in our diocese by participating in nationwide movement to grow into a deeper understanding and devotion of the holy Eucharist. This movement of Catholics, called Eucharistic Revival, is about healing, conversion, formation, and becoming a unified Body of Christ by focusing on encountering the real Body of Christ, present to us in the Eucharist.

Visit www.dio.org to learn more about this mission.

Jasper County Honey-Do Ministry Week July 11-15, 2022

St. Thomas/St. Mary’s hosting breakfast for volunteers on **Wednesday, July 13**. Please drop off breakfast items by 7:00 am at the Grace Methodist Church. Breakfast casseroles, sweet rolls, fruit, etc. will be graciously accepted. Thank you for your support again this year!!

St. Louis Cardinals Chaplain shares stories from



the ballpark - It is a dream come true for Father Chris Comerford, pastor of St. James and Patrick in Decatur. A huge baseball fan, he has been combining two

of his loves, the sport and our faith, for more than 12 years as Chaplain for the St. Louis Cardinals. Fr. Chris shares funny stories, players he has gotten to know, and what it’s like ministering in Busch Stadium in St. Louis. Go to dio.org/podcast to listen or search “Dive Deep” on all the major podcast platforms.

Catholic Times’ Build a Church Lego Contest!

Catholic Times is hosting a free contest to see what young architect/builder can create the most impressive church from scratch out of Legos! Winners receive \$100! Go to www.dio.org/buildchurch for more information, the rules, and how to submit pictures of your creations. Sponsored by O’Shea Builders of Springfield.

One-day women's retreat in Springfield - Join women from across the diocese to experience the power of Christ in Scripture and Sacrament. Elena Tejada and Father Ervin Caliente will be presenting on Broken Vessels. This one day event will be hosted at Villa Maria Retreat Center in Springfield on July 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The cost is \$35. To register for the event go to, www.dio.org/vessels.

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St. Mary of the Assumption Church

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

Masses: 8:30 am SUNDAY,

Tuesday and Thursdays:

7:15 am – 8:15 am Eucharistic Adoration

7:30 Morning Prayer-8 am Rosary-8:30 am Holy Mass

Reconciliation: 8:00 am – 9:00 pm Saturday at

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7:15 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. – Eucharistic Adoration

7:30 am – Morning Prayer 8:00 a.m. – Rosary

8:30 a.m. – Mass: (Int: Richard Hunzinger+)

Wednesday, July 13th, St. Henry

Thursday, July 14th, St. Kateri Tekakwitha

7:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. – Eucharistic Adoration

7:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer - 8:00 a.m. - Rosary

8:30 a.m. – Mass: (Int: Renee Ochs+)

Friday, July 15th, St. Bonaventure

Saturday, July 16th, Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Sunday, July 17th, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Welcome for Fr Paul after mass

Welcome to Fr Paul Luczak, muffins and drinks will be served after mass on July 17th, weather permitting it will be held outside, if not it will be in church. Please join us to give a warm welcome to Fr Paul.

Calendar for the Parish:

July 17th – Welcome after mass for Fr Paul Luczak!

July 19 – Finance Council Meeting @ 7 pm

July 26 – Pastoral Council Meeting @ 7 pm

Area Events

July 11-15 – Totus Tuus & Catholic Bible School

St Isidore Parish Center, Dieterich, IL

July 17th – St Michael Church Picnic, Sigel, IL

Serving Chicken and Ham dinner – 11am – 7pm.

Entertainment for the whole family!

Ministers for 8:30 am – July 17, 2022

Ushers: Roger Hemrich, George Semple,
Alex Kaufmann

Servers: Ellie Ochs/Ashtyn Ochs

Lectors: Becca Ochs/ Ron Zwilling

Gift Bearers: Randy & Mary Sue Reis

Eucharistic Ministers: Maynard Kaufmann,
Jeanne Johnson, Bridget Kaufmann

St Mary's Disciples' Stewardship of Treasure

Collection for the week of July 3, 2022

Envelopes	\$ 2075.00
Loose	609.00
Sub Total	\$ 2684.00
Peter's Pence	95.00
Priest Retirement	40.00
Haiti	85.00
Total	\$ 2904.00

St Mary's Church May Tithe

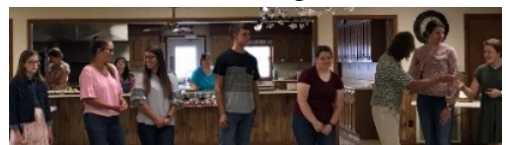
May Tithe Income - \$11189.00

10% Monthly tithe Given to Diocese - \$1119.00



Welcome into the Church: Kadence Elizabeth Ochs, who was baptized at the Mass, July 3. She is the daughter of Aaron & Tiffany Ochs. Her godparents are Christy Frohning and Joshua Ochs.

Congratulations to our 2022 graduates, honored



on June 26 with a breakfast held in the parish center. They are Brianna and Nick Zwilling, Claire, Cynthia & Veronica Griffith, Kayla Kocher and Jenna Ochs. We wish them all the best for a bright future.