# Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy

### Saint Thomas More Parish Parish Ministries and Organizations

To contact any of the following groups call the Parish Office at 850,456,2543

Rev. Father Nicholas Schumm, Pastor

#### Finance Council

John Godlewski, Chairperson Keith Elijah, Representative to Parish Council Mort O'Sullivan

#### **Parish Pastoral Council**

Maureen Hanna, Chairperson, 850.377.5201
Jason Danley, Vice-Chairperson
Pam Clyde, Secretary
Grace Amell
Jim Davis
James Donovan
Becky Edmondson
Kathleen Elijah
Sharon Mandel

Norman Nalepa Anne Smith

Alan Tschirgi

#### Other Parish Groups and Ministries

Sacred Liturgy — Father Schumm
Organist & Sacred Music — Susan Henderson
Ushers — Charlie Dickin
Religious Education — Rachel Avery

RCIA – Father Schumm

Ladies Altar Society — Grace Amell

Knights of Columbus — Jim Davis

Communion to the Sick — Father Schumm

Bereavement — Charlene Grant

Outreach -- Lynn VanNatter

Respect Life — Kathleen Elijah

HOPE Ministry — Nelson Ortiz

Burse Club — Regina Booth

Book Club — Mary Williams

American Heritage Girls — Kathleen Elijah

Prayer Chain — Susan Soule



12 April 2015

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

SUNDAY - April 12th - 8:00 AM

Helen Walsh †

Req. by Mary Williams

SUNDAY – April 12th - 10:00 AM **Pro Populo (For Parishioners)** 

MONDAY – April 13th- 6:40 AM **No Mass** 

TUESDAY — April 14th - - 6:40 AM Irene O'Brien Req. by The Voisinets

WEDNESDAY – April 15th- 6:40 AM
Elizabeth Bromert †
Req. by The Ashley & Judy Pace Family

THURSDAY – April 16th - 6:40 AM Randy Williams † Req. by Mary Williams

FRIDAY – April 17th- 6:40 AM
A.J. Linton

Req. by Fred & Linda Faust

SATURDAY – April 18th - 4:00 PM **Gary Sparks** T Req. by Carolyn Patterson

#### VICTIMS ASSISTANCE

The Catholic Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee is committed to healing the hurting hearts of sexual abuse victims and has established Victims Assistance Coordinators who are experienced and trained counselors. They are available to help persons who have been sexually abused. The Coordinator for the Pensacola/Fort Walton area is Louis M. Makarowski Ph.D., P.A. at (850) 477-7181.

#### Parish Events:

#### **Parish Pastoral Council**

Next Meeting will be held on Thursday, **April 16th**, starting at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Council members sit at the table. Other parishioners are welcome to attend and sit in the row of chairs provided. For more info call Maureen Hanna (850) 377-5201.

#### **STM Ladies Altar Society**

Next Meeting will be this Sunday, **April 12th**, after the 8:00 AM Mass in the Parish Hall. They usually meet on the second Sunday. All women of the parish are welcome. For more info call Grace Amell at (850) 458-3557.

#### Knights of Columbus Father Keating Council #15836

Next business meeting will be on Tuesday, **April 14th**, at 6:00 PM in Parish Hall. For more info call Grand Knight Jim Davis at (850) 380-3993.

#### **American Heritage Girls Troop**

invites Catholic Girls ages 5-18 to join a Christ-centered scouting program. Our troop meets two times per month on a Monday at 6:30 PM in our Parish Hall. For more information contact Kathleen Elijah at (850)457-0358 or Email: <a href="mailto:ashersmom99@yahoo.com">ashersmom99@yahoo.com</a>

**Book Club Meeting** – The next meeting will be on Tuesday, **May 5th**, at 9:30 AM in the Parish Office and Activities Center. The book for May will be "Burying Father Tim" by Tom Robertson.

**HOPE Ministry** stands for "Helping Our Praying Elders." Nelson Ortiz has been authorized to sit with those who are in hospital or homebound to relieve care-givers for a few hours. 456-2543

**Religious Education** classes are held Sundays from 8:50 AM until 9:50 AM. Parents should bring children to R.E. classrooms in the Parish Office and Activities Center at 412 Bayshore Drive.

Weekly Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal will be said here at Saint Thomas More Parish every Wednesday morning at 7:00 AM following the 6:40 AM Daily Mass.

**Prayer Chain** is a group of parishioners who, upon request, pray for the intentions of others. Requests are communicated to the group via email. If you have a prayer request or would like to join the group please contact Susan Soule. 455-1690 or 4susu8@gmail.com

Upcoming Collection
April 25/26
Catholic Home Mission Appeal



#### April 12, 2015 This Sunday Celebration at Saint Thomas More

Our celebration will be as follows:

Confessions at 2:00PM

Eucharistic Holy Hour 2:30PM

Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy 3:00PM

Benediction 3:30PM

All are invited to join us for coffee and dessert in the parish hall. Please bring a dessert to share if you can.

#### Saint Thomas More Outreach

Anyone interested in volunteering for a diocesan service agency, can contact the agency as follows: \*Alpha Center - 850-479-4391

\*Washburn Center - 850-435-7427 \*St. Vincent's - 850-434-1456

\*St Joseph's Clinic - St. Joseph Parish 850-436-6461

\*Catholic Charities – Assistance, Adoption, Immigration

http://ccnwfl.org/

Any parishioner interested in serving on the St Thomas More Outreach committee, please contact Lynn VanNatter, 850-456-1070 or <a href="mailto:lynnvannatter@yahoo.com">lynnvannatter@yahoo.com</a>. Thank You.

#### OF ONE HEART AND MIND

Reading about the faith of the early Christian believers can be a real inspiration to those of us who have been Christians for a long



time, as well as for those who are newly baptized. Can you imagine people of this world being "of one heart and mind" as was the first community of believers? Today's First Letter of John seems to hold the key to how this can be accomplished. Keeping God's commandments and loving all of God's children seems to be the start of being "of one heart and mind." We live in a world that stresses differ-

ences—differences among religions, among races, between genders, and among economic classes. Today we are summoned to focus on what we all share in common on this fragile planet of ours.

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#### St. John School Sunset Run:

The 32nd annual St. John Catholic School (Pensacola) Sunset 5k Run will be held Sat., May 9, 2015. The 5:30 pm race follows the shoreline of Bayou Grande on a USATF certified course for runners and walkers, followed by a one mile fun run. Registration for the run is available on active.com or by visiting/contacting the school at 325 South Navy Blvd., (850) 456-5218.

#### Saint John Catholic School Open Registration

For new students registration has begun for the 2015-16 school year. Come and join our Saint John family by enrolling your child in our K4-8th grade school. Scholarships are available that may cover all or most of the tuition fees. Class size is limited and registration will secure a student's place. Come visit us at 325 S. Navy Blvd, call (850) 456-5218,



Little Flower Catholic School will be performing Disney's Jr. "Aladdin" Thursday April 24 and Friday April 25. Ticket prices for these two shows will be \$5.00. The performance Saturday April 26 will be a dinner theatre and will cost \$15.00 a person. Reserve your seat now by calling 850-455-4851.

Little Flower Catholic School is accepting applications for the 2015-2016 school year Please contact Mrs. Harden, Principal, at 455-4851 with questions or to schedule a tour.

#### A CHEERFUL GIVER

A cheerful giver does not count the cost of what he gives. His heart is set on pleasing and cheering the one to whom the gift is given. —St. Julian

## Peace

#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

When we imagine the disciples cowering behind locked doors on the first Easter, it is a matter of the greatest urgency that the doors get opened. They are not locked in

as if in prison; rather, they have chosen to marinate in fear. Both the lock and the key stand on their side of the door, in their control. Christ breaks through this significant barrier with a message of "Peace." The risen Lord's word propels them through the door and along the path leading to the consoling image of the community living in harmony in the first reading today. What do we pray for in our tradition? More than anything else, we pray for peace. Every Mass is an earnest prayer for peace with God, with self, with neighbor, and for peace in the world. Yet, curiously, the peace Christ offers is deeper than the mere absence of conflict. Our tradition treasures the memories of saints who were remarkably open to Christ's gift of peace even in the maelstroms of history. St. Edith Stein and St. Maximillian Kolbe, martyrs of the Holocaust, are but two examples. At the eye of a fearful storm, they stand as witnesses to the power of Christ's rising in our lives. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

#### The 40th Annual Convention

#### of the Pensacola-Tallahassee Diocesan Council of Catholic

Women will be held on Saturday, April 25, 2015 at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Pensacola. The theme is "Our Family- Our Future." Dr. Tom Neal, Academic Dean at Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans, will be the keynote speaker. His address is entitled "Hearth of Mercy: Welcoming Divine Compassion into the Family." Also featured will be Sister Margaret Kuntz, ASCJ, Diocesan Office of Faith Formation and Sheila Hopkins, NCCW President-elect. All women of the diocese are invited. For more information, please contact Cynthia Lacour at 492-9911. For reservations, please contact Kay Hale at Sacred Heart at 850.438.3131, ext.13

#### **Catholic Young Adult activities Pensacola:**

Third Thursday Theology on Tap at Goatlips Deli at 7 pm;
First Friday Camp Fire Rosary at St. Anne, Belleview at 7 pm
Every other Tuesday; Bible Study
First Saturday Service at Alfred Washburn Center;
Exalt and Praise and Worship
Monthly Social activities.
Facebook: Pensacola Catholic Young Adults

**Televised Mass** is available in the Pensacola area at 10:30 a.m. Sundays on Cox cable channel 12, (WJTC/UPN Mobile). Following the Mass, Catholic in America, produced by the television ministry at St. Dominic Parish in Panama City, will air. This program uses a newsmagazine format to promote the activities and ministries found at our parishes. Tune in at 11 a.m. (Central) to channel WJTC44. The program is available in the Pensacola, Mobile and Fort Walton Beach areas on local cable networks.



#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-9; Jn 3:1-8 Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36 Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19;

Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9;

1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

#### **SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy

Julian Calendar Easter

Monday: St. Martin I
Wednesday: Income Tax Day
Thursday: Yom Ha-Shoa

(Holocaust Remembrance Day)



#### A Church Fully Alive"

CSA - Catholic Sharing Appeal 2015
Our Parish Goal for this year is
\$40,391.39.

Any overage after we reach the goal will come back to the parish for use in programs and improvements.

Please return your pledge card as soon

as possible or you can make your pledge online by visiting

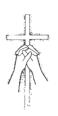
Diocesan Website at www.ptdiocese.org.

#### Safety Concerns at Saint Thomas More Parish

- Please do not park in any areas marked red on the curbs.
   These spaces are kept clear for emergency vehicles only.
- Please secure your vehicles when parking on church property. In your parked cars do not leave purses or items within view.
- The side doors of the church (near the statues of St. Joseph and Our Lady) are locked a few minutes before Mass begins.
   If one arrives late use the front doors of the church (come through the vestibule). This is a recommendation by the Diocesan Insurance and Safety Program.
- Parents: please do not let little children go to the restrooms unattended. Be watchful of your children at all times.

#### Please, pray for our sick parishioners:

Alberta Clarke
Ricky Crowdus
Aloha Georges
Murphy Greene
Charles Hanson
Catherine Henderson
Susan Henderson
Xavier Holm
Margaret Lambert
Barbara Lough
Helen Manley
Albert Mayfield
David Segers
Frank Sylves
Leanne Sylves



If you want a name to appear or to be removed, please call the **parish office 456-2543**.

Edna Thompson

If someone needs the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick—please call the parish office. If no one answers, please leave a message with name and phone # and the priest will call you back.

#### WELCOME to Saint Thomas More

New to the parish? We Welcome You! There are Parish Registration forms in the vestibule, please fill a form out and give it to an usher/greeter, place it in the offertory collection, or stop by the parish office to register .



MASS INTENTIONS ARE AVAILABLE FOR JULY 2015 -- DECEMBER 2015

#### Our parish website:

#### www.saintthomasmore.net

Did you know that we have a Facebook page? On Facebook look up: "Saint Thomas More Parish"

You may use your smartphone to scan this QR Code to donate for offertory, maintenance, and gifts for **Saint Thomas More Catholic Church**.

