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St. Thomas More Catholic Church

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We are St. Thomas More Parish, members of the living Body of Christ, born again in Baptism and strengthened through the Eucharist to promote the Gospel values of our Catholic faith.

Mass Schedule

Saturday (Vigil Mass) - 5:30 pm Sunday - 9:00 am, 11:00 am & 1:00 pm in Spanish Monday & Thursday - 6:00 pm Tuesday & Friday - 7:00 am Reconciliation Thursday 5:30 - 6:00 pm & Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration - Works of Mercy Chapel

2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. - Jn 1:35-37

<u>January 14, 2018</u>



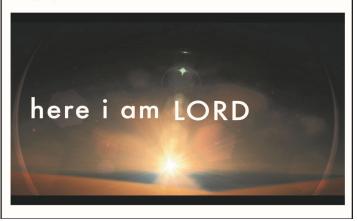
Hear I Am: Answer God's Call

"Speak, for your servant is listening." With those few words Samuel humbles himself and declares his loyalty and obedience to God. There are perhaps, for many of us, challenges in those words. Initially Samuel responds "Here I am," but thinks it was Eli who called him. The idea of being a servant and the willingness to serve are what may be trials for us in terms of how we live.

Samuel does not recognize the voice of the Lord. That, too, may be a problem for us. First we need to be listening. Are we, or are we merely going through the motions? Responding to God with "Here I am" is a magnificent way to react to God. It is not that God does not know where we are, but saving that can serve as a reminder to us that we are stewards, servants to Him, and it implies we are prepared to hear what He wants us to do.

"Here I am" is said numerous times by those in the Old Testament including Abraham, Jacob, Moses, Isaiah, and by Ananias in the New Testament. When Jesus says, "Come follow me," as He does to us, do we hear Him, and even more important do we respond and do we follow?

In order to do that properly we have to be prepared to serve Him and others. Thus, like Samuel, we need to listen, and then we need to serve. At a recent papal audience, Pope Francis said, "Love and charity are service, helping others, serving others. When you forget yourself and think of others, this is love!"





Saturday, January 13

5:30 pm Martha Floyd (d)

Sunday, January 14 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am	Our Parish Family
11:00 am	Roger Wilson (d)
1:00 pm	Mass in Spanish
	Gary Bailey (d)

Monday, January 15

6:00 pm No Mass

Tuesday, January 16

7:00 am No Mass

Wednesday, January 17

12:00 pm Lourdes Hospital Chapel No Mass

Thursday, January 18 6:00 pm Dan Timmons (d)

Friday, January 19

7:00 am Bernie Hermann (d)

Saturday, January 20 5:30 pm Parish Family

Sunday, January 21 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Kay Eckstein (d)
Bill Cash (d)
Mass in Spanish
Harry Don Sidenstricker (d)
& Vickie Cole (d)

Sunday, January 7 2018

Regular Collection	\$28,171.50
Online Collections	\$ 9,768.50
Special Collections	\$ 320.00
Total Collection	\$38,260.00

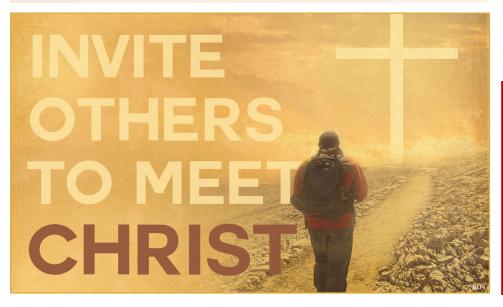
Thank you for your generosity!

Did you know you can sign up for Online giving through the new St. Thomas More website (<u>www.stmore.org</u>)? Just click the "online giving" tab (the last option on the right under the stained glass windows) and scroll down to click on the "WeShare Online Giving" button). Questions? Contact Ellen Anderson at 270-534-9000 or ellen@stmore.org

Liturgical Ministers Schedule January 20/21			
	5:30 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Sacristan	Sr. Kateri Kaufman	Yvonne Bosch	Michelle Dunlap
Euch.	Lindsey Batts	Kurt Averill	Trish Burks
Ministers	Sr. Lucy Bonifas	Staci Averill	Tessa Cash
	Mary Carrico	Frank Block	Pat Hobbs
	Bill Graves	Frank Burch	Ronnie Reil
	Mary Ann Graves	Rick Goins	Eileen Segebarth
	Beth Haas	Lynn King	Claudia Smith
	Barb Harris	Nancy Mornar	Hannah Speis
	Vicki Kight	Tony Mornar	Sherri Speis
	Jaclyn Meredith	Amy Ridley	Nadie Vance
	Kelly Veatch	Maria Stuckenborg	
	Shayne Veatch	Lynn Thompson	
Lectors	David Curtsinger	Ray Lane	Amy Sullivan
	Caroline Veatch	Pam Malast	Joe Hobbs
Altar	Brett Haas	Brianna Doran	Isabel Roof
Servers	Bryce Haas	Chiara Doran	Volunteer Needed
Hospitality Coord.	Lisa Logsdon-Seay	Kathy Willett	Joe Hobbs
Greeter	Mary Bumpous	Dennis Sanders	Trish Burks
Families	Marcia Cochran	Stephanie Sims	David Mast
	Jeff Seay	Bill Sturgis	Samuel York
Ushers	David Carrico	Scott Babbs	Keith Cash
	Steve Dannenmueller	Tom Clinton	Kim Cash
	Sam Leone	Craig Jones	Beth Walker
	Ann Morrow	Tom Largent	Clayton Walker
	Brian Morrow	Bill Wade	Meghan Walker
	Joseph Teitloff	Mike Wurth	Steve Walker
Children's	Lesley Crider	Steve Schwetman	Trish Burks
Liturgy	Emily Veatch	Garret Greenwell	Sophie Cook
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Hour of Prayer

Monday: Connie Hermann & Lisa Muiter Tuesday: Marilyn Teitloff & Ana Sredl Wednesday: Earline Wurth & Mark Owens Thursday: Marie Wade & Glenda Bittner Friday: Joyce Holliday & Freda Jett Saturday: Wally & Marylou Elfen



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What	* Happening	
Sunday, Ja		
10:00 am	Coffee & Doughnuts	
4.00	(Parish Hall)	
4:00pm	Youth Group (Parish Hall)	
Tuesday, Ja	anuarv 16	
	Rosary	
	(Chapel)	
6:00 pm	Hispanic Confirmation	
	(Sacred Heart Room)	
Wednesday	/, January 17	
6:15 pm		
	(SMES)	
Thursday,	January 18	
5:30 pm	Reconciliation	
0.00 p	(Chapel)	
6:45 pm	RCIA	
	(Parish Hall)	
7:00 pm		
	(Sacred Heart Room)	
Friday, January 19		
7:00 pm	Hispanic Men's Mtg.	
	(Sacred Heart Room)	
Saturday, January 20		

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4:00 pm	Reconciliation
-	(Church)

Sunday, January 21

 10:00 am
 Coffee & Doughnuts (Parish Hall)

 3:00pm
 Youth Group (Parish Hall)

R.C.I.A

Topic for Thursday, January 18 Season of Lent/Battle of Prayer Meeting time: 6:45 pm in the Parish Hall. All parishioners are welcome to attend any of the RCIA sessions. For more information, please contact Pat Cairney at pcairney@stmore.org.

ADORATION OPENINGS

Wednesday Thursday Friday Friday 1:00am—2:00am 12:00am—1:00am 12:00am—1:00am 4:00pm—5:00pm

Contact Melisa @ mmast@stmore.org for more information.



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STM NEWS

Coughing, Sneezing, Runny Nose!

Many times at Mass some folks may choose not to shake hands during the Sign of Peace. If during the winter time especially you offer someone the "Sign of Peace" by a hand shake and they respond with a smile, a nod of the head, or just the words, "Peace



with you" and not a handshake.....don't be offended. They are not wanting to exchange a handshake of peace because they may know that their hands have germs on them from a cough, sneeze or a runny nose. They are not wanting to spread their germs or possibly get germs from their neighbor. Please use common sense during the cold and flu season. Thank you!!!



Hope Unlimited Bake Sale

The annual bake sale to benefit Hope Unlimited sponsored by Moms group and Couples in Christ will be the weekend of January 27-28. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Job Opening

Paducah Faith Formation is in need of a part time office assistant (10-15 hours/week). Previous experience preferred, but not required. Interested individuals must be a practicing Catholic, highly organized and competent, have the ability to perform duties with minimal supervision; possess knowledge of computers and programs especially Word and Excel; strong interpersonal skills, creative and dynamic, proficient in both oral and written communication skills. The office assistant is responsible to assist Director and volunteer catechists in program and class activities, takes care of registration records and office files, and shares info with parishes. Reply with cover letter, resume, and references to Ging Smith at 377 Highland Blvd, Paducah KY, 42003 or email to paducahfaithformation@smss.org

BLOOD DRIVE

The St. Thomas More Knights of Columbus #11591 will host a blood drive on Sunday, February 11th, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Parish Hall. ALL blood types are desperately needed. You will be able to donate whole blood or platelets. Coffee and donuts will go on as scheduled between Masses. To speed up your wait time, you can fill out all the necessary information by logging on to the Red Cross Rapid Pass (https://www.redcrossblood.org/ rapidpass). For more information, please call Steve Schwetman at 270-331-2616

Just a Reminder...

if you or a loved one is hospitalized, please call the Parish Office at 270-534-9000 to inform us as we cannot obtain information from the hospitals directly.

ETERNAL REST

Phil Corbett, father of Liz Domé, passed away Tuesday, January 2, 2018. Robert Suttles, father of Robin (Bill) Woods passed away Sunday, January 7, 2018

May God welcome them home and comfort their families in their time of sorrow.

OTHER NEWS

SAVE THE DATE! Celebrate Your Marriage **Dinner and Dance** February 10, 2018

6:45 pm Renewal of Vows in St. Thomas More Chapel 7-11pm Dinner and Dance in Parish Hall

> Invite your Friends and Neighbors (They DO NOT have to be a member of STM)

Contact Cindy Butterbaugh at 2promark@comcast.net for more information.



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Bishop Medley in Paducah

Bishop William Medlev will be in his Paducah office at Lourdes Hospital on Tuesday, January 23. Appointments should be scheduled through his Owensboro office at 270-683-1545.

ST. MARY TRIVIA NIGHT

ST. MARY TRIVIA NIGHT #41! SAVE THE DATE!

SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 2018 St. Mary High School Commons

Mark you calendars and plan to attend! *Get a table of six (6) together and join us for a great* night of fun!

\$15.00 per person - \$90/table Doors open at 6:30 PM - Ends around 10:30 PM First Call - 7.30 PM



NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

Opportunities for Life

January 13-14 is the weekend designated for the Annual Collection to support **Opportunities for Life**. Opportunities for Life is a life affirming ministry of the Bishops of Kentucky. The *OFL* ministry is available 24 hours a day 7 days a week to offer confidential, non-judgmental emotional support, and information to those affected by an untimely pregnancy. Please be generous in your support of this ministry. In addition to your generous gift, please pray for the *OFL* volunteers and for those the ministry serves. To learn more about Opportunities for Life, and volunteer opportunities with the ministry, please call 888-496-3638.

Catholic Men's Conference

The Catholic Men's Conference of Western Kentucky is pleased to welcome Christopher West and Doug Barry as the keynote speakers on **Saturday, February 17, 2018**. The event takes place at the RiverPark Center in Owensboro. Tickets and more information are available online by visiting <u>kycatholic.com</u>.

Upcoming Cursillo Weekends

In this Year of Encounter please consider making a Cursillo Weekend at Mount Saint Joseph: March 1-4 (Men); March 8-11 (Women) Cost is \$ 160 (financial assistance available). For more information please contact Fr. Tom Buckman, Spiritual Director, 270-684-4745, <u>frt-om@stpiustenthparish.org</u>; Scott Elliott, Men's Coordinator, 270-302-5660, <u>cursillofe5930@gmail.com</u>; Kim Haire, Women's Coordinator; <u>kim.haire@pastoral.org</u> **Or** 270-314-5876.

Spring Women's Retreat: Martha and Mary

"Essential Questions: What Martha and Mary Can Teach Us" is the theme of a March 16-18 spring women's retreat at Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center (located 12 miles west of Owensboro on Hwy. 56). Most discussions of these two Gospel women focus on the frazzled worker Martha compared to her guiet, prayerful sister Mary. We will consider these stories from a different approach. During presentations that peel back the layers of the Gospel stories, guiet reflection, group sharing and celebration of the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist, retreatants will explore the links between Mary and Martha and their own lives. The retreat leader is Ursuline Sister Cheryl Clemons, Vice President for Academic Affairs/Academic Dean for Brescia University. The \$180 fee includes meals and accommodations. Commuters can attend for \$130. Take 10 percent off if paid in full by Feb. 16. To register, contact Kathy McCarty, 270-229-0206 or e -mail kathy.mccarty@maplemount.org. A brochure can be found at ursulinesmsj.org.

OTHER NEWS

Why Do We Do That? Catholic Traditions Explained

Question: The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins on January 18, and ends on January 25, the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. What does one have to do with the other?

Answer: The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity consists of eight days beginning January 18 (at that time the feast of the Chair of Peter), and ending on January 25, the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. The Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, founded in the early twentieth century in Graymoor, NY, sought to promote unity among Anglicans and Roman Catholics. Paul James Wattson, a former Episcopalian priest, founded the community, which was formally accepted into the Catholic communion. The idea for Christian unity soon began to catch on, and by the 1930s, more and more Christians welcomed such a focus. Suggestions for prayer and education are distributed each year, emphasizing a jointly chosen theme. The 1964 Vatican II document on ecumenism, "Unitatis Redintegratio," gave a great boost to the octave, so that today many Christians worldwide promote and participate in the octave time of prayer.

The emphasis on both Peter and Paul aptly fits into the rationale of the octave. Peter is seen as the source of unity within the Christian tradition. Paul is highlighted due to his vision of bringing all to Christ. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an ideal opportunity to pray for and promote respect, understanding, and, hopefully, eventual unity among Christians. To learn more, visit geii.org.





Catholic bookstores, shrines and Catholic religious supply stores often have holy water available. You can also obtain some from your local parish. Many churches even have a waterspout designated holy water.

Bless your children with holy water at bedtime or before they leave for school in the morning.

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Sprinkle holy water in your child's room. (This is a tangible way for children to remember that God is watching over them.)

Place holy water in a special bowl on a table by the entryway, or install a small holy water basin next to the door and bless your comings and goings.

Bless yourself with holy water at prayer or after a stressful day.

Bless your spouse with holy water as a sign of Christ's enduring presence in your relationship.

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Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mk 2:18-22 Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28 [21a]/Mk 2:23-28 Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 [1]/Mk 3:1-6 Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13 [5b]/Mk 3:7-12 Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11 [2a]/Mk 3:13-19 Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23 -27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

Saints & Special Observances

Monday: Martin Luther King, Jr. Dav

Wednesday: St. Anthony, Abbot Saturday: St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr

Special Care Numbers

St. Mary School System 270-442-1681 Faith Formation (CCD) 270-443-0295 Mt. Carmel Cemetery(John Bufford) 270-331-1006 Bereavement (Cathy Trussell) 270-519-3779 **Inclusion Representative** (Stacy Jones) 270-210-0351 Hope Unlimited 270-442-1166 **Opportunities for Life** 800-822-5824 Merryman House 270-443-6001 SVdP Budget Store 270-442-9351 SVdP Assistance 270-575-1008 Paducah Cooperative Ministry 270-442-6795

> Holiness grows so fast where there is kindness. -St. Teresa of Calcutta

Remember in Prayer...

Parishioners: Faye Alexander, Mary Gertrude Barkett, Judy Bufford, Margie Bunte, Celine Crane, Rebecca Crider, Pat Cvengros, Teresa Davis, Pat Dotson, Francie Duncan, Dakota Durrett, Elizabeth Edwards, Morgan Eggemeyer, Gina Fraser, Rose Freiseis, Carl Harper, Amy Harris, Ann Heavrin. Joyce Hollidav. Kav Hosbach, Alan Hughes, Sr. Kateri Kaufman, Phyllis Kettler, David Kimble, Buzz LaGesse, Thomas/Janet Montgomery, Sandy Morrow, Ella O'Bryan, Charity Peters, Gaye Robinson, George Shaw, John Shaw, Nancy Stearns, Monty Thompson, Cathy Trussell, Leigh Ann Turner, Ann Vaughan, Beth Walker, Ann Watkins, Linda Wilson, Katherine Wise, Noel Wise, Marge Wurth

Assisted Living:

Velma Bohle-Carlton & Terry Carlton, Opal Cooper, Myrtle Dorris

<u>Homebound:</u> Randy Hand, Mike/ Lorna Roper, Gertrude Yopp

Nursing Home: Norita Clements, Jeanette Elliott, Joe/Betty Falconite, Vonnie Howard, Ken McCauley, John Metcalf, Mary Riedfort, Carolyn Webb Non-Parishioners: Ada Cruce, Matthew Shoulta, Jimmy Kapfhammer, Wayne Batts, Nanette Love, Frances Lamar, Cooper/Mary Margaret Mattingly, Susan Woods, Shirley Hudson, Mary & John Papp, Karen & Robert Schopp, Kim Mosier, Jerry Mouser, Chloe Whittaker, Lisa Buchanan, Billy Brown, Kellie Kissel, Randy Eckstein, Jennifer Hercules, Delmon/Mary Ann Casey, Don Manning, Paul Fugua, Mason Reynolds Military: Justin Lamb, Chris McCoy, Timothy Lowman, Zachary Grimes, Kurt Bell, Eric Gast, Brian Clavton, Hannah Wilson, John Davis, Emily Lane Rockne, Corey Carnes, Clay Magers, Tyler Shumaker, Jeff Perry, Tyler Scott Dickson, Nathan Phipps, Kelly Scott-Nevonen, Greg Nevonen, Cameron Grueninger, Michael Renfro, Jason Smith, Alec McMahon, Michael A. Polashock "Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us

in our time of need. And give us

peace. I ask this in the name of Je-

sus, our Lord and Savior. Amen."



Saturday, January 13 Kenny Hunt, Megan Morrow, Isabelle Speis, Brooke Von Bokel, Gene Roof. Karen Wadlev Sunday, January 14 Elizabeth Austin, Darren Becker, Jr., Kelly Butts, Lilly Coiner, Donald Durrett, Cooper Richison, Gretchen Thompson Monday, January 15 Pat Cafferty, Jemma Duffey, Kaitlyn Hobbs, Emma Newton Tuesday, January 16 Martha Argotte-Thomas, Todd Butts, Nick Christiansen, Steve Hagan, Don Higdon, Lucas Lea Wednesday, January 17 Anita Fleenor-Ford, Brad Haas, Kate Morrow, Mia Thompson Thursday, January 18 Alexa Hart, Martha Hernandez Friday, January 19 Eva Johnson, Jason Mills, Jared Morris, Jack Roof, Cecil Smith, Sherri Speis Saturday, January 20 John Elliott, Gio Escalera, Kyle Johnson, Kay Puertollano, Sophie Schoot Sunday, January 21 Terri Drake, John Smith





Do you know a future priest



Family Life Ministry Gets Rolling Keep an eye on this page for details



ur Director of Family Life and Youth Ministry, Chris Tyson, is now settled into his new role and is gearing up for a great year of activities

Saint Thomas More Church Family Life Ministry

for youth, young adults and families. Each week on a portion of this page of the bulletin, we will include details of upcoming events, inspirational messages and more.

Of course, if you have questions about anything you read here or questions about our Family Life Ministry, give Chris a call at 270.534.9000 or email him at ctyson@ stmore.org. 🕀

Upcoming Youth Activities

<u>Opening Ceremonies - Olympic Style!</u>

Sunday, Jan. 14 4 p.m. - 6 p .m.

Join us for our Opening Ceremonies. We will create flags, play some "minute-to-win-it" games and kick off the new year with a great time.

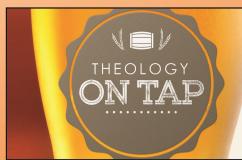
For Middle and High School Students

<u>New Year - New You!</u>

Sunday, Jan. 21

Don't let past faults define your future. Let's learn how we can be better people this year.

Middle School Students 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. High School Students 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.



Join us for an informational meeting.

Thursday, Jan. 18 6:30 p.m

Hospitality Room



Look for our Youth 2000 Flyer in this weeks bulletin for details about this upcoming Eucharistic Retreat.

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