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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

OCTOBER 1, 2017

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to the chief priests and elders of the people, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering into the kingdom of God before you." Matthew 21:31

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Stewardship at Saint Thomas More

About a year ago a new Stewardship Council was formed under the guidance of Father Brad Whistle and me. This team of hard working and dedicated parishioners has spent several months discerning the role of Stewardship not only in our parish, but also in their own lives. After many discussions, they have recommended that the three pronged stewardship appeal (prayer, ministry and finance) at Saint Thomas More be combined into an annual campaign. In keeping with this, Stewardship Commitment Weekend will be held November 4th and 5th.

Making an annual commitment by all parishioners allows ministries to coordinate and plan activities using a calendar year. It will also simplify bookkeeping for most individuals as their commitment to giving will be on a calendar year as well.

In the coming weeks you will hear from various members of the parish in regard to their own Stewardship experiences. Please take a moment to consider how you can make all aspects of Stewardship a way of life for you and your family.

A special thank you to the following members of the Stewardship Council:

April Baker, Rene Dawson, Joe Hobbs, Bridget Medley, Miranda Richison, Amy Ridley, David Shoulta, Lucy Shoulta and Steve Ybarzabal

Melísa L. Mast

Melisa L. Mast Director of Stewardship and Ministries

Stewardship



Saturday, September 30

5:30 pm	David M. Grief (d)
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Sunday, October 1	26th	Sunday in	Ordinary	Time
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9:00 am	Our Parish Family
11:00 am	Bernie Herrmann (d)
1:00 pm	Mass in Spanish
	Carmen Hernandez (d)

Monday, October 2

6:00 pm	Living & Deceased Members	
	of the Frank & Nancy Burch Family	

Tuesday, October 3

7:00 am Kay Eckstein (d)

Wednesday, October 4

8:40 am	St. Mary High School
9:30 am	Superior Care
	Roger Wilson (d)
12:00 pm	<i>Lourdes Hospital Chapel</i> Predrag Sredl (d)

Thursday, October 5

6:00 pm Bill Cash (d)

Friday, October 6First Friday7:00 amMary Sue Withrow (b)

Saturday, October 7

5:30 pm Wilfred Lee Hagan (d)

Sunday, October 8 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



TEWARD

Sunday, September 24, 2017

Regular Collection\$15,371.00Online Collections\$15,095.00Special Collections\$320.00Total Collection\$30,786.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Did you know you can sign up for Online giving through the new St. Thomas More website (www.stmore.org)? 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 <u>ellen@stmore.org</u>

October 1, 2017

Liturgical Ministers Schedule October 7/8					
	5:30 PM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM				
Sacristan	Lindsay Batts	Camilla Shumaker	John Roof		
Euch.	Sr. Lucy Bonifas	Valerie Kortz	Trish Burks		
Ministers	Mikel Fields	David Langston	Michelle Dunlap		
	Bill Graves	Jill Langston	Barb Larbes		
	Mary Ann Graves Barb Harris Jim Kallaher Mike Polashock	Michael Langston Jeff Mudd Jill Mudd Amy Ridley	Ashleigh Mast David Mast Amy Miller Marianna Romero		
	Holly Shockley David Shoulta Kelly Veatch Dolores Webber	David Roof Rose Ann Walker Craig Willett Kathy Willett	Eileen Segebarth Claudia Smith		
Lectors	Pat Spoden Ann Averill	Jim Shumaker Pam Malast	Sharon Brumlow Keith Cash		
Altar Servers	Caroline Veatch Emily Veatch	Abigail Wurth Erica Wurth	Brandon Trevathan Aryanna Vieitez		
Hospitality Coord.	Lisa Logsdon-Seay	Lynn King	Pat Hobbs		
Greeter Families	Artie Brannon Chris Jones Chris Miller	Bill Sturgis Kevin Wurth Matt Wurth	Jennifer Todd Nadie Vance Samuel York		
Ushers	Chris Bell Sam Bell David Carrico Sam Leone Anthony Milliano Tony Milliano	Linda Carroll Pat Carroll Mike Clark Mike Crider Bill Wurth Marge Wurth	Ann Bongiolatti Cannon LaFont Kyle Rea Mike Rea Kenlin Thomas Kiael Waldon		
Children's Liturgy	Fall Break	Fall Break	Fall Break		

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Monday: Stephanie Sims & Lillie Watson Tuesday: Terri York & Emma Bourgois Wednesday: Rose Freiseis & Michelle Dunlap

Hour of Prayer

Thursday: Al & Mary McKeown Friday: Mary Bumpous & Theresa Owens Saturday: Pat & Anna Cairney

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday: Respect Life Sunday Monday: Holy Guardian Angels Wednesday: St. Francis of Assisi Thursday: Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest Friday: St. Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin Saturday: Our Lady of the Rosary



October 1, 2017 What's Happening

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Sunday, Oc	tober 1	
10:00 am	Coffee & Doughnuts (Parish Hall)	
1:30 pm	Confirmation Class (Parish Hall)	
Monday O	ctobor 2	
<u>Monday, O</u> 1:00 pm	Rosary Garden Keepers	
1.00 pm	(Sacred Heart Room)	
6:00 pm	Boy Scouts	
0.00 pm	(Library)	
6:00 pm	Anointing of the Sick (Chapel)	
<u>Tuesday, C</u>	october 3	
7:30 am	Rosary	
7.00 am	(Chapel)	
10:00 am	Bible Study	
	(Hospitality Room)	
6:00 pm	Hispanic Confirmation	
•	(Sacred Heart Room)	
6:00 pm	Över 50's Potluck	
	(Parish Hall)	
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	<u>/, October 4</u>	
6:15 pm	Faith Formation	
6:30 pm	(SMES) Choir Rehearsal	
0.50 pm	(Church)	
<u>Thursday,</u>		
5:30 pm	Reconciliation	
0.00	(Chapel)	
6:30 pm	Hand Bell Rehearsal	
6:45 pm	(Music Room) RCIA	
6:45 pm	(Parish Hall)	
7:00 pm	Hispanic Women's Mtg.	
7.00 pm	(Sacred Heart Room)	
	<u>ober 6</u> First Friday	
7:00 pm	Hispanic Men's Mtg.	
	(Sacred Heart Room)	
<u>Saturday, C</u>	October 7	
7:30 am	Men's Prayer Breakfast	
	(Parish Hall)	
4:00 pm	Reconciliation	
	(Church)	
Sunday, October 8		
<u>5unday, 00</u> 10:00 am		
10.00 am	Coffee & Doughnuts (Parish Hall)	
10:00 am	BP Checks	
	(Hospitality Room)	
5:00 pm	Bible Study	
•	(Hospitality Room)	

Altar Society Ministry for Oct. Purificators: Sharon Brumlow Robes & Albs: Stephanie Sims

For it is in giving that we receive. - Prayer of St. Francis

October 1, 2017

THIS WEEK AT STM

Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be offered during the 6:00 pm Mass in the Works of Mercy Chapel **Monday, October 2.** It will continue on the first Monday of each month.

Daughters of Isabella Meeting Scheduled

The Daughters of Isabella will meet to pray the Rosary on **Tuesday, October 3** at 6:00 pm with meeting following at 6:30 pm at the KC Hall.

Over 50's Potluck

The next Over 50's Potluck will be **Tuesday**, **October 3** at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Please bring one or two dishes of meat, vegetables, salads or desserts. For more information, please call the Parish Office at 270-534-9000.

Spiritual Direction

Sister Betty Drewes, a Benedictine Sister from Ferdinand, IN comes to Saint Thomas More Parish once a month to provide spiritual direction. If you want to schedule an appointment, please email her at <u>bdrewes@thedome.org</u> or call 812-367-1411, extension 2902. She will be here at the parish **October 3, 4, & 5**.



R.C.I.A

Topic for Thursday, October 5 - The Mass

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.

Men's Prayer Meeting Welcomes Fr. Al Bremer

On **Saturday, October 7** at 7:30 am in the Parish Hall, the Men's Prayer Group welcomes Fr. Al Bremer to St. Thomas More Church! Please join us to thank Fr. Bremer for joining us, where we will enjoy a wonderful breakfast with the Holy Spirit! Fr. Bremer will discuss his journey to the vocation and his special works with the Spanish speaking community and prison ministries. Please take this opportunity to reach out and share your journey to Christ with us!

Blood Pressure Checks Next Sunday

Our parish nurses will hold their monthly blood pressure checks next **Sunday**, **October 8** in the Hospitality Room between the 9:00 and 11:00 am Masses. You are invited to stop by for this free service.

A Powerful Study on the Blessed Mother

Join us for *Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother* here at St. Thomas More in the Hospitality Room beginning **Sunday, October 8** at 5:00 pm and continuing for 8 weeks. To register for the study, call Amy Garrett at 270-519-9102 or email <u>amydgarrett@comcast.net</u>.

SACRAMENTAL PREP CLASSES



Confirmation Classes Begin Today

All members who are 9th grade and older who have not been Confirmed are invited to attend the Confirmation Classes beginning on **Sunday, October 1** at 1:30 pm in the Parish Hall. If you have

questions, please contact Melisa Mast at 270-534-9000.

1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion Classes Starting Monday, October 23

All young people who are 2nd grade and older and have not made their First Communion or First Reconciliation are invited to attend sacramental prep classes beginning **Monday, October 23**, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. If you have questions, please contact Melisa Mast in the office at 270-534-9000.

ETERNAL REST

Doris Gill, mother of Judy (Rob) Milford passed away Thursday, September 21, 2017. Sharon Wurth, wife of Kenneth Wurth, passed away Saturday, September 23,2017.

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

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Director of Family Life and Youth Ministry

Saint Thomas More Catholic Church has a job opportunity for a Full-Time Director of Family Life and Youth Ministry that seeks to help every family with children make steps toward a deeper maturity in Christ, by building a ministry that fulfills the mission and values of St. Thomas More. The Director of Family Life and Youth Ministry oversees the strategic vision for families and youth throughout the parish.

Candidates must be a practicing Catholic in good standing, involved in a parish community, and have had previous experience working with youth and/or young adults. Must be able to work flexible hours including evenings and weekends. Bachelor's Degree in Theology, Catholic studies or equivalent experience is preferred.

Contact Details:

Saint Thomas More Catholic Church Parish is an equal opportunity employer that provides a wide range of benefits. All interested applicants may submit a resume and cover letter to: <u>fr.brad@stmore.org</u> Please contact Father Brad Whistle at 270-534-9000 with any questions.

Bounty Baskets... located in the Gathering Space,

are in need of: St. Vincent de Paul - cereal. PCM - spaghetti. Thank you for your generosity.



October 1, 2017

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Nursery Workers Needed!

Your Help is Needed in the Nursery! Many families rely on this important ministry each week! Adult nursery workers, age 18 and up, are needed to work during Masses each weekend. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Ronnie Reil at <u>rreil@hollandstivers.com</u> or Melisa Mast at <u>mmast@stmore.org</u> or 270-534-9000.

Community Kitchen Needs Volunteers

The Community Kitchen is in need of additional volunteers. Many of our parishioners here at Saint Thomas More have been faithful volunteers for years. But as the Community Kitchen has grown so has the need for help! If you are available to help out – whether its once per week, once per month or once per year – please call Melisa Mast in the office at 270-534-9000 or email at <u>mmast@stmore.org</u>

Become a Lourdes Hospice Volunteer

When you're a hospice volunteer, you make an immediate and lasting impact in the lives of patients and their families. Our volunteers use their talents to provide valuable support in many ways.

For information about joining the Lourdes Hospice Volunteer Program, call 270-415-3636 or visit mercy.com/ Paducah.

OTHER NEWS

Why Do We Do That? Catholic Traditions Explained

Question:My coworkers and I have been debating the death penalty and whether or not it should be part of our justice system. Why are so many people who claim to be pro-life believers in favor of it?

Answer: The issues of crime and punishment are never easy because so many factors influence people and how they view problems and solutions. Increased violence, loss of life, cost to taxpayers and the community at large, and the maneuverings of lawyers and courts only add fuel to the fire. When bad things happen in your neighborhood or to your home or to you, you want relief. Any normal person would feel that way. A pro-life view does not insulate anyone from the bad effects of criminal behavior. Innocent people are hurt every day and it may seem as though those who cause the pain get away with it, or get off easy.

The death penalty is not excluded by Church teaching. The state has the right to impose penalties that are commensurate with the crime as well as to defend itself from further harm (Catechism of the Catholic Church, §2266). When possible, punishment should help correct the offender, offering a chance of redemption, which is why the pope and bishops have called for an end to the death penalty. For more information, visit the Human Life and Dignity section of the USCCB's website (www.usccb.org).

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

Coming Soon:

Mark your calendar for Scripture Sunday 2017 in the Diocese of Owensboro! In Pope Francis' apostolic letter, *Misericordia et misera*, he explained that



the Year of Mercy reminds us that mercy isn't only for a specially-designated year, but is part of the ongoing life of the Church. He said it would be a good idea if "every Christian community, on one Sunday of the liturgical year, could renew its efforts to make the Sacred Scriptures better known." Following up on Pope Francis' suggestion, Bishop William F. Medley has designated the third Sunday of October as Scripture Sunday in the Diocese of Owensboro. This year it falls on **Sunday, October 15**. Stay tuned for more information, and be sure to visit owensborodiocese.org/scripturesunday.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for Healing the Wounds of Abortion

A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for Healing the Wounds of Abortion will be offered the weekend of November 10-12, 2017 in the Diocese of Owensboro. Kentucky. Participation in this retreat is open to any woman or man who has been involved, or touched by, abortion. If you have lost a child or grandchild, or a sibling, nephew or niece, to abortion, or if you have at any time in your life been involved in an abortion, then the Lord Jesus would like to offer you both healing and peace! Both Catholics and non-Catholics are welcome to participate, and our retreat is conducted with absolute confidentiality. For more information, visit our website: <u>HopeAfterAbortionKY.com</u>, or call Debbie at (270) 570-4717 or Jennifer at (931) 242-5506.

100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima

 October 10 ~ "The 13th Day" film and veneration of relics of St. Francisco & St. Jacinta ~ 6:30 pm ~ St. Joseph Parish Hall ~ Mayfield, KY



- October 11 ~ "The 13th Day" film and veneration of relics of St. Francisco & St. Jacinta ~ 7:00 pm ~ St. John the Evangelist ~ Paducah, KY
- October 13 ~ Presentation by Bishop Medley, Crowning of Our Lady of Fatima Statue, Candlelight Procession, Confessions, Benediction ~ 6:00 - 9:00 pm ~ Diocesan Shrine of Mary ~ Bowling Green, KY
- October 14 ~ Public Square Rosary ~ 12 Noon ~ Dolly McNutt Plaza ~ Paducah, KY ~ For information contact Kitty Anderson ~ 270-554-0886
- October 14 ~ Marian Retreat Day ~ 9:00 am-2:30 pm ~ Mount Saint Joseph ~ Call 270-229-0269

October 1, 2017

Open Adoration Hours

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a time for quiet prayer and also a great service to our community to help keep Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Unfilled Adoration hours are:

Monday:	1:00 - 2:00 am
Tuesday:	1:00 - 2:00 am
Wednesday:	1:00 - 2:00 am
-	1:00 - 2:00 pm
Thursday:	Midnight - 1:00 am

Readings for the Week

Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-23, 29/Mt 18:1-5, 10 Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-7/ Lk 9:51-56 Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-6/ Lk 9:57-62 Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/ Ps 19:8-11/Lk 10:1-12 Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9/ Lk 10:13-16 Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-37/Lk 10:17-24

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



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, Morgan Eggemeyer, Bill Ford, Gina Fraser, Rose Freiseis, Margaret Hagan, Carl Harper, Amy Harris, Ann Heavrin, Cleo Higdon, Joyce Holliday, Kay 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, Ann Vaughan, Beth Walker, Ann Watkins, Linda Wilson, Katherine Wise, Noel Wise

Assisted Living:

Velma Bohle-Carlton & Terry Carlton, Opal Cooper, Myrtle Dorris <u>Homebound:</u> Randy Hand, Mike & Lorna Roper, Gertrude Yopp

<u>Nursing Home:</u> Carol Baugh, Jeanette Elliott, Joe & Betty Falconite, Mary Galvin, Hester Geuss, Vonnie Howard, Ken McCauley, John Metcalf, Mary Riedfort, Carolyn Webb, Charles Woods

Non-Parishioners: Ada Cruce, Matthew Shoulta, Margaret Whitney, Jimmy Kapfhammer, Don Manning, Wayne Batts, Dennis Walsh, John Kraus, Charlie Proctor, Nanette Love, Chloe Nesbitt, Dennis Walsh, Jardod Hardin, Johnetta Taylor, Margaret Whitney, Becky Bowling, Frances Lamar, Suzanne Coomes, Cooper & Mary Margaret Mattingly

Military:

Justin Lamb, Chris McCoy, Timothy Lowman, Kurtis McClain, Zachary Grimes, Kurt Bell, Eric Gast, Brian Clayton, 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

"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 Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen."



Saturday, September 30 Jean Blackston, Julie DuPerrieu Sunday, October 1 Joey Bray, Mary Brucker, Rich Eggemeyer, Burton Gregory, Irasema Hernandez, Collins Martin, Anna Todino, Heather Wadley Monday, October 2 Ann Bongiolatti, Jacob Eckstein, Wally Elfen, Bridget Leet, Lisa O'Rourke Tuesday, October 3 Kim Bruce, Ashley Ciallella, Paul King, Cesar Machaen. Ann Morrow. Sara Neihoff, Dick Strauss Wednesday, October 4 Sadie Cook, Mark Edwards, Mariana Hernandez, Emma Kerr, Madeline Kerr. Luis Lopez. Bailev Von Bokel. Bella Von Bokel, Blair Von Bokel, Abigail Wurth Thursday, October 5 Anthony Ciallella, Barry Clark, Beth Haas, Kyndal Hite, Andrew Katz, Celeste Kimble, Gary Lamb, Bill Wurth Friday, October 6 Britney Hernandez, Ryan Howell, Rosa Palacios. Mariane Puertollano. Bobbie Wilson Saturday, October 7 Mollie Bremer, Sheila Gay, Rowan LaFont, Ken Olsen, Catryna Phelps, Peggy Rodeghero Sunday, October 8 Yenifer Chavez, Charles Collier, McCoy Gregory, Meghan Walker, Kati Woeltz Saturday, September 30 David & Gina Fraser 17 yrs.

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Sunday, October 1			
Mike & Darla Sims	24 yrs.		
Ben & Jamie Von Bokel	6 yrs.		
Terry & Amanda Anderson	6 yrs.		
Monday, October 2			
Paul & Shelley Byrne	13 yrs.		
Wednesday, October 4			
Jeff & Lisa Seay	20 yrs.		
Scott & Keshia Hitchings	5 yrs.		
Brian & Theresa Medlin	17 yrs.		
Friday, October 6			
Brent & Jenny Johnson	16 yrs.		
Saturday, October 7			
Michael & Jennifer Todd	10 yrs.		
Wesley & Beverly Wilson	11 yrs.		
Sunday, October 8			
Tom & Cindy Butterbaugh	34 yrs.		



Our Parish Picnic is Just Around the Corner Join us for our new take on a Saint Thomas More Favorite

very year, Saint Thomas More hosts our Parish Picnic here on the church campus. It is a great opportunity to meet fellow parishioners, enjoy some fantastic food, have fun with your children and be part of the Saint Thomas More Community.

You may be wondering why we are talking about the picnic now since it normally happens in August. This year, we decided to move the picnic to late October - which is just around the corner.

While August was a great time for the picnic, it was often miserably hot and because of that, many parishioners would eat and leave, missing the chance to share some fellowship. Now that we have moved the event to late October, we are hoping that a cool fall day will entice folks to hang around a little longer.

Since we are now hosting the picnic in

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October, we took that a step further and decided an October Fest theme would be the way to really kick off this new event. We will have many old favorites - such as inflatables and bingo - along with some new activities.

We invite you and children to join us on a good old-fashioned hay ride or maybe you want to take a break in our beer garden, where we will feature regional and craft beer tastings.

There will be activities for everyone and we hope you will make plans to be at the picnic on Sunday, October 22, beginning with lunch at 2 p.m.

We look forward to seeing you all! After the event, we welcome your feedback. Let us know what you thought. You can easily send staff an email by going to the staff section on the Saint Thomas More Mobile App or by visiting our website at www.stmore.org.



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