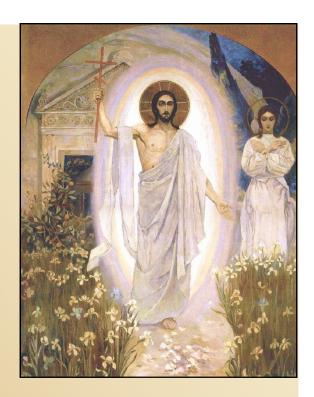
# St. Thomas More Catholic Church

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the lord April 16, 2017

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 **Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration -** Works of Mercy Chapel

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It is Easter! Today is a day of great joy for us as Catholics. The joy is reflected all around us in the way that people are dressed and in the way they approach Mass on this day. The key **for** us today is to carry that joy away from Mass to our celebrations and our lives.

The reading from the Acts of the Apostles reminds us that we, too, bear witness to the risen Lord. The

presence of Christ is within us, making us new, transforming us, turning us into stewards of the Good News. Easter for us should be an encounter with the Risen Lord. We are



We are Easter people. Rejoice! He is risen! Alleluia!

to share the Good News. That is what Mary of Magdala does. Perhaps we have a difficult time talking about the joy we feel at Easter and at other times in the Church. We should not be hesitant; sharing the joy is part of being a disciple of Christ; it is what makes us an "Easter people."

There is no more time for holding grudges, disliking others, seeking vengeance, maintaining old prejudices, or tolerating bias. We are Christ's joy and instruments of his peace. Our world is reordered.

Reflect today on how you are called to let Christ's forgiveness, reconciliation and love permeate your life.



#### Saturday, April 15 Easter Vigil

7:00 pm James E. Curtsinger (d)

#### Sunday, April 16 Easter Sunday of the

Resurrection of the Lord

9:00 am Zoe Bartolo (d)
11:00 am Our Parish Family
1:00 pm Mass in Spanish
Jerry Mason (d)

#### Monday, April 17

6:00 pm John Farrell (d)

#### Tuesday, April 18

7:00 am Bill Cash (d)

#### Wednesday, April 19

8:40 am SMMS ~ Fr. Michael Charles

Dennis Griffith (d)

9:30 am Parkview ~ Fr. Bruce Fogle

12:00 pm Lourdes Chapel ~ Fr. Brad Whistle

Wayne Hagan (d)

#### Thursday, April 20

6:00 pm Charlie Wilson (d)

#### Friday, April 21

**7:00 am** Wilfred Lee Hagan (d) **8:30 am** SMES ~ Fr. Bruce Fogle

#### Saturday, April 22

5:30 pm Mary Lois Hagan (d)

#### Sunday, April 23 Second Sunday of Easter

Divine Mercy Sunday

9:00 am Tom Erickson (d)
11:00 am Our Parish Family
1:00 pm Mass in Spanish

Dr. James Happesey

Dr. James Hennessy (d)

## Sunday, April 2, 2017

Regular Collection\$21,236.00Online Collections\$ 3,551.00Special Collections\$ 511.00Total Collection\$25,298.00

## 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 ellen@stmore.org



Liturgical Ministers Schedule April 22/23				
	5:30 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM	
Sacristan	Diana Black	Camilla Shumaker	Tim Whitelock	
Euch.	Sr. Lucy Bonifas	Kurt Averill	Lindsay Batts	
Ministers	Mary Evans	Staci Averill	Joe Hobbs	
	Mikel Fields	Frank Block	Pat Hobbs	
	Bill Graves	Rick Goins	Barb Larbes	
	Mary Ann Graves	David Langston	Ashleigh Mast	
	Barb Harris	Jill Langston	David Mast	
	Vicki Kight	Michael Langston	John Roof	
	Sam Leone	David Roof	Claudia Smith	
	David Shoulta	Ron Shoulta	Terry Sullivan	
	Cara Sims	Herb Straub		
	Dolores Webber	Rose Ann Walker		
Lectors	David Curtsinger	Missy Eckenberg	Tracy Wurth	
	Ann Averill	Jim Shumaker	Melisa Mast	
Servers	Claire Carrico	Zachary Althouse	Kenlin Thomas	
	John Ryan Curtsinger	John Holtgrewe	Kiael Waldon	
Greeter	Chris Haas	Craig Jones	Larry Bruce	
Families	Brian Morrow	Paul King	Trish Burks	
	Phyllis Teeters	Stephanie Sims	Samuel York	
Ushers	David Carrico	Mike Clark	Patsy Carroll	
	Aidan Hrdlicka	Andy Gilland	Brenda Caserta	
	Chris Hrdlicka	Bonnie Stewart	Joseph Caserta	
	Colin Hrdlicka	Bill Wurth	Keith Cash	
	Jennifer Hrdlicka	Marge Wurth	Tessa Cash	
	Pat Spoden	Mike Wurth	Brandon Trevathan	
1	Lauren Flint	Steve Schwetman	April Baker	
Liturgy	Caroline Veatch	Meredith Petter	Gracie York	

## Hour of Prayer

Monday: Thursday:

David & Sally Roof Tim Whitelock & Barb Larbes

Tuesday: Friday:

Andy & Suzy Gilland Gaye & Barbara Robinson

Wednesday: Saturday:

Phyllis Kettler & Janet Colgan Freda Jett & Nadie Vance

#### RCIA topic for Thursday, April 20 Reflection on the Vigil/Catholic Living

Meeting time: 6:45 pm in the Parish Hall. All members of the parish are welcome to attend any of this year's RCIA sessions. Each meeting will provide an opportunity for refreshment of your understanding of what the Catholic faith professes. No need to reserve. Just come in if you are interested. For more information, please contact Pat Cairney at pcairney@stmore.org.

#### **Vocation Awareness**

"If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God."

Easter is when we celebrate the most earth shattering event in the history of humanity, when Christ destroyed sin and death and rose from the dead. This glorious mystery of our faith calls us to the greatest hope, eternal life with God. Our vocation is God's plan to get us from earth to heaven. If you have ever felt that God is calling you to the vocation of priesthood, contact the vocations office: 270-683-1545, <a href="www.owensborovocations.com">www.owensborovocations.com</a>, or <a href="mailto:jason.mcclure@pastoral.org">jason.mcclure@pastoral.org</a>.

## What's Happening

#### Sunday, Sunday, April 16

9:00 am Easter Sunday Mass

(Church)

11:00 am Easter Sunday Mass

(Church)

**12:00 pm** Easter Egg Hunt

(Church Grounds)

1:00 PM Easter Mass in Spanish

(Church)

#### Monday, April 17

6:30 pm First Communion Class

(Parish Hall)

#### Tuesday, April 18

7:30 am Rosary

(Chapel)

**10:00 am** Bible Study

(Hospitality Room)

**6:00 pm** Hispanic Confirmation

(Sacred Heart Room)

#### Wednesday, April 19

**9:00 am** Mother's Day Out

(Nursery/Library)

**6:15 pm** Faith Formation

(SMES)

#### Thursday, April 20

5:30 pm Reconciliation

(Chapel)

**6:45 pm** RCIA

(Parish Hall)

7:30 pm Hispanic Women's Mtg.

(Sacred Heart Room)

#### Friday, April 21

7:30 pm Hispanic Men's Mtg.

(Sacred Heart Room)

#### Saturday, April 22

4:00 pm Reconciliation

(Church)

#### Sunday, April 23

10:00 am Coffee & Doughnuts

(Parish Hall)

4:00 pm Middle School Youth

(Parish Hall)





## No Coffee & Doughnuts Today

We will not have Coffee and Doughnuts this weekend. We'll see you next Sunday! Happy Easter!

## First Communion April 30



Our First Communion Class of 2017 will receive the Sacrament of First Eucharist on Sunday, April 30, at the 11:00 am Mass. Please pray for our

children as they take this special and important step along their lifelong journey of faith.

Live the Liturgy ~ **Inspiration for the Week** 

Alleluia, the Lord is risen! Mary of Magdala went to Jesus' tomb and found that it was empty. She was the first witness of the Resurrection and announced the empty tomb to other disciples. We are called to be witnesses too. Can you imagine the joy the disciples experienced when they realized that Jesus was actually raised from the dead? Sometimes our faith in the Resurrection can run lukewarm. We don't fully doubt that Jesus was raised but we aren't fully convinced either. Once we become convinced our lives, no matter where our roads take us, will automatically radiate with joy. Like Mary, we are called to then share that joy with others so that they may realize that it is the Lord and come to believe.



### Nomination Process for Pastoral Council

The nomination process for four Pastoral Council positions plus one Alternate position is now underway. Any parishioner 18 years or older may be nominated by another parishioner, by the Pastor, or by self-nomination. Nomination forms will again be available in the pews during all Masses the weekend after Easter. Forms are also available in the parish office, or nominations can be submitted by contacting Lois Bell by phone or e-mail at 270-534-9000 or lois@stmore.org. The deadline for submitting the nominations is Monday, April 24th. Please prayerfully consider your nomination. St. Thomas More uses the Leadership Discernment process for selecting new Pastoral Council members.

## Middle School Youth Group

Sunday, April 16 - We will not be meeting today. Happy Easter!!



Sunday, April 23 - Get your team of 4 together and join us at Super Bowl in Metropolis from 4:00 – 5:30 pm for bowling fun! FREE!! 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome! PLEASE RSVP Terry Sullivan at 270-519-1614.

## 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.

## Bishop William Medley to lead a Pilgrimage to Greece

This pilgrimage will be in the footsteps of St. Paul in the form of a Greek Isle cruise, with Bishop Medley as spiritual director. The pilgrimage takes place October 25-November 4, 2017. The cost is \$4,299 per person from Louisville, KY. This includes air fare, all accommodations at first-class hotels in Athens, Delphi, Kalambaka, and Thessaloniki. All meals provided on cruise ship and most while on land. There will be Mass daily and shore excursions including Ephesus, at the house of the Virgin Mary, and Patmos, at the Monastery of St. John. For more information, a sample day-by-day itinerary, and answers on how to book this pilgrimage, please visit www.pilgrimages.com/bishopmedley/ or call 1-800-206-8687.

> Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and halleluiah is our song. --St. John Paul II

#### Catholic School Position Available STS. PETER & PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

is currently seeking applications for the position of

## School Principal

Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year

Description:

PreK-8

155 Students

Located in Hopkinsville, KY

Requirements:

**Practicing Catholic** 

Four years teaching experience (elementary preferred)

Master's Degree

Kentucky administration certificate or a minimum of 15 hours toward certification and continuing to work toward completion

Excellent administration/communication skills

Send resume to the following address:

Rev Richard Meredith

Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church

902 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street

Hopkinsville, KY 42240

crmeredith@stsppchurch.org

## Our Lady of Fatima Statue in Diocese

The Diocese of Owensboro will be host to the traveling replica of the statue of Our Lady of Fatima on Monday, April 24 through Wednesday, April 26. This event is in celebration of 100 years since Our Lady of Fatima's apparition to three shepherd children in Portugal in 1917.

The statue will arrive in Bowling Green at St. Joseph Parish at approximately 9:00 pm with a procession into the church. To learn more, visit

fatimatourforpeace.com.

## **Ouilt Show Luncheon**

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church is having their annual Quilt Show Luncheon & Display Thursday, April 27 and Friday, April 28 from 10:30 am - 2:00 pm. Come and browse our Quilt display, enjoy a delicious meal and take a chance to win a beautiful hand-made quilt!



## Cultural Workshop | June 6-8, 2017

The Diocese is pleased to host a workshop this summer addressing the challenges of evangelization in a multicultural Church, how to interact and communicate effectively with other cultures, obstacles including racism and stereotypes, and how to maneuver toward ecclesial integration versus assimilation in the Church. The workshop cost is \$30 and lodging is available at Mount St. Joseph Conference & Retreat Center for \$30/night. To attend, please visit owensborodiocese.org/bicmworkshop/.

## Readings for the Week

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33;

Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11;

Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41;

Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22;

Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10;

Ps 105:1-4, 6-9;

Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26;

Ps 8:2, 5-9;

Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12;

Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27;

Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21;

Ps 118:1, 14-21;

Mk 16:9-15

## **Open Adoration Hours**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a great opportunity for quiet prayer time 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:** 

Sunday: 1:00 - 2:00 am

3:00 - 4:00 am

4:00 - 5:00 pm Monday: 1:00 - 2:00 am

Tuesday: 1:00 - 2:00 am

2:00 - 3:00 pm

Wednesday: 1:00 - 2:00 am 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Thursday: Midnight - 1:00 am

Friday: 4:00 - 5:00 am

Midnight - 1:00 am

1:00 - 2:00 am Saturday:

3:00 - 4:00 am

4:00 - 5:00 am

3:00 - 4:00 pm

To participate, please call:

Claudia Smith at 270-443-4913 or claudia stevesmith@comcast.net or Angie Nelson at 270-210-6339 or tnelson007@comcast.net.



Easter Egg Hunt Today Following the 11:00 am Mass



## Remember in Prayer...

Parishioners: Fave Alexander, Mary Gertrude Barkett, Trent Bongiolatti, Judy Bufford, Margie Bunte, Celine Crane, Teresa Davis, Pat Dotson, Francie Duncan, Dakota Durrett, Morgan Eggemeyer, Lance Fleming, Gina Fraser, Rose Freiseis, Margaret Hagan, Amy Harris, Jodi Hayden, Ann Heavrin, Joyce Holliday, Kay Hosbach, Alan Hughes, Sr. Kateri Kaufman, Stephen & Phyllis Kettler, David Kimble, Paul Kortz, Buzz LaGesse, Thomas & Janet Montgomery, Sandy Morrow, Cynthia Owen & her unborn babies, Charity Peters, Ronnie Reil, Gaye Robinson, George Shaw, John Shaw, Roscoe Shoulta, Nancy Stearns, Monty Thompson, Ann Vaughan, Ann Watkins, Linda Wilson, Katherine Wise

Homebound: Elizabeth Edwards. Randy Hand, Mike & Lorna Roper, Lucienne Willett, Gertrude Yopp

Nursing Home: Carol Baugh, Opal Cooper, Rose de Leo, Jeanette Elliott, Joe & Betty Falconite, Martha Floyd, Mary Galvin, Hester Geuss, Carl Harper, Bernie Herrmann, Vonnie Howard, Ken McCauley, Catherine McManman, John Metcalf, Delphine Operle, Mary Riedfort, Bill Walker, Carolyn Webb, Charles Woods

Non-Parishioners: Matthew Shoulta, Holly Randall, Michael Curtis Hobbs, Gwen Allen, Ada Cruce, Carmen Mosier, Dennis Walsh, Rose Lowery, Virgen Ramos, Martha Hardin, Ann Neely, Emily Parker Vila, Larry Weitlauf



Justin Lamb, Chris McCov, Remember Timothy Lowman, Kurtis Our Military McClain, Zachary Grimes, Kurt Bell, Jeremy Copeland,

Eric Gast, Aaron Conover, Brian Clayton, Hannah Wilson, John Davis, Emily Lane Rockne, Corey Carnes, Clay Magers, Tyler Shumaker, Jeff Perry, Tyler Scott Dickson, Logan Hatton, Nathan Phipps, Sam Herrmann, Charles Soward, 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."

**Bounty Basket Needs...** 

Our Bounty Baskets, located in the Gathering Space, are in need of: Cereal, shampoo & conditioner for St. Vincent de Paul, spaghetti for PCM and other non-perishable goods.

### Saints & Special Observances

Sunday: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the

Lord

Monday: Income Tax Day

Saturday: Earth Day

## Why Do We Do That? Catholic Traditions Explained Question:

What the difference between candidates and catechumens? is Answer:

People who come to the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) have various backgrounds. Some come to find out about faith; others are baptized in another Christian denomination and are seeking full communion with us; and still others come already knowing they want to be baptized. Those already baptized, who seek full communion with us, are called candidates. Their formation in faith has already begun and they have knowledge of Jesus, the Gospels, and what it means to be a believer. Those who are not baptized need to be formed in faith and develop a relationship with God. They are called catechumens. We do not want to diminish the importance of faith formation by making the RCIA another study session of the catechism. Other elements of church life are also important: community, spirituality, traditions, Scripture, personal commitment to faith, etc. All of these things are discussed and experienced in the RCIA as part of the initiation into the church community. As such, the whole parish becomes part of that process as we invite and welcome people to join us and our church.



Saturday, April 15

Ashley Brantley, Elena Galvan, Jose Posadas, Sharon Scheer

Sunday, April 16

Chris Bell, Nancy Burch, Mike Clark, Aaron Storev

Monday, April 17

Andrea Alvarez, Joseph Caserta, Steve Dannenmueller, Elizabeth Mason

Tuesday, April 18

Holly Newton

Wednesday, April 19

Luis Amador, Cathie Powell, Carol Sutherland

Thursday, April 20

Carlos Alvarez, Elliott Bray, Jonathan Erickson, Adrianne Gleeson, Alejandra Gonzales, Antonio Pastor, Lynda Peters, Adrian Villarreal

Friday, April 21

Robert Alcantara, Bret Avra, Morgan Eggemeyer, Bailey Ellingsworth, Betty Falconite, Mel Gonzales, Melany Gonzales, Jessica Lamb, Reagan Miller, Cole Urhahn

Saturday, April 22

Art Azar, Alejandro Gembe, Jr., Shannon Lurtz, Chris Matras, William North

Sunday, April 23

Mary Ruth Maggard, Sydney Peters



Saturday, April 15				
Octavio & Alma Machaen	14 yrs.			
Sunday, April 16	·			
Jose & Maria Velazquez	12 yrs.			
Monday, April 17				
Skip & Lillie Grief	15 yrs.			
Louis & Dianna Durbin	46 yrs.			
Tuesday, April 18				
Eric & Jackie Long	8 yrs.			
Chris & Katie Matras	8 yrs.			
Thursday, April 20	·			
Joshua & Colleen Moore	4 yrs.			
Friday, April 21				
Heath & Angela Schipp	16 yrs.			
Saturday, April 22				
Raymond & Lilli de la Rosa	22 yrs.			
Jim & Shelly Eason	22 yrs.			
Sunday, April 23				
Bill & Carol Baugh	40 yrs.			



## Have You Visited Our Website?

## Schedules, Information, Giving and More



ver the last several months, we have been putting the finishing touches on our new website. If you have haven't yet bookmarked our site, take a few minutes and visit www.stmore.org and put us in your favorites.

The new website is updated constantly and contains everything from schedules to daily prayer reflections.

In addition, for many of our events that require reservations or registration (such as our recent Lenten Lunches) you can RSVP online through our website.

Plus, for things like Youth Ministry trips that have a small fee, you not only can register online, but also pay the fee directly through the website.

In the next few weeks there will be even more opportunities to

connect with us. After Easter, we will be launching our smart phone app. The app has the same functionality as the website with additional features such as a list of common prayers, the Mysteries of the Rosary, news from St. Thomas More and even general Catholic news from the Vatican News Service. The app will also help keep you connected to parish ministry schedules and special events with the notification feature.

We want our website and the upcoming phone app to be your church companion. The one place you can go when you have a question about St. Thomas More. We hope you enjoy it and make it one of your daily online stops, just as you would Facebook or your favorite news site.



