

St. Thomas More Catholic Church

The Transfiguration of the Lord
August 6, 2017

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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***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.***

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Daniel and "The Son of Man"

The Book of Daniel, from which our First Reading is drawn, was written some two centuries before the birth of Christ. This is only significant in that many of the prophets (Daniel is considered one of the major prophets) lived as many as six centuries before Christ. However, regardless the timeline, we need to be moved by and appreciative of the prophecies we find in the Old Testament. In the particular passage in today's reading it states, "The one like a Son of Man received dominion, glory, and kingship."

Today, of course, is the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord, and this reading very much parallels what is portrayed in the Transfiguration.



The interesting point within this reading from Daniel, however, is that it refers to the "Son of Man," which is the term Jesus Himself used most often to describe Himself.

We have referenced this previously. In fact, the term "Son of Man" occurs 85 times in the Gospels, and in 83 of them it is Jesus who uses the term. (It appears 32 times in Matthew; 15 times in Mark; 26 times in Luke; and 12 times in John, and it is in John where it is used twice by someone other than Jesus.)

The important point for us is that Jesus calling Himself the Son of Man explains that He was born of a woman, and He shares in our earthly conditions and sufferings. That fact should make us want to embrace Him as our Savior, our Friend, and our Shepherd even more.

MASS  SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 5

5:30 pm Our Parish Family

Sunday, August 6 *The Transfiguration of the Lord*

9:00 am Susan Wurth (d)
 11:00 am Thomas Brumlow (d)
 1:00 pm Mass in Spanish
 Gary Bailey (d)

Monday, August 7

6:00 pm Wayne Hagan (d)

Tuesday, August 8

7:00 am Ann Smith Ford (d)

Wednesday, August 9

12:00 pm Lourdes Chapel ~ Fr. Brad Whistle
 Bernie Herrmann (d)

Thursday, August 10

6:00 pm Jerry Kight (d)

Friday, August 11

7:00 am Wilfred Lee Hagan (d)

Saturday, August 12

5:30 pm Our Parish Family

Sunday, August 13 *19th Sunday in Ordinary*

9:00 am Floyd Watkins (d)
 11:00 am Dennis & Buna Lowry (d)
 1:00 pm Mass in Spanish
 Living & Deceased Members
 of the Daughters of Isabella



**2016-2017 Disciples Response Fund
 Pledge Report**

Monthly pledge payments for the DRF pledges should be made in the next few days. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our target. Once we have reached target in paid pledges, 50% of the additional funds received will be returned to us for use in our parish.

PARISH TARGET:	\$39,451.89
AMOUNT PLEDGED:	\$64,583.50
AMOUNT PAID:	\$58,151.00
PLEDGES DUE:	\$ 6,432.50
STM REBATE TO DATE:	\$ 9,349.55

Liturgical Ministers Schedule August 12/13			
	5:30 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Sacristan	Debbie Caspar	Sharon Godec	Amy Miller
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What's Happening

- Sunday, August 6**
10:00 am Coffee & Doughnuts (Parish Hall)
- Monday, August 7**
6:00 pm Anointing of the Sick (Chapel)
- Tuesday, August 8**
7:30 am Rosary (Chapel)
6:00 pm Hispanic Confirmation (Sacred Heart Room)
- Wednesday, August 9**
6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal (Church)
- Thursday, August 10**
5:30 pm Reconciliation (Chapel)
6:30 pm Knights of Columbus (Library)
6:45 pm RCIA Inquiry (Parish Hall)
7:00 pm Hispanic Women's Mtg. (Sacred Heart Room)
- Friday, August 11**
7:00 pm Hispanic Men's Mtg. (Sacred Heart Room)

Hour of Prayer

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| Monday:
Tim Whitelock & Frances O'Bryan | Thursday:
Al & Mary McKeown |
| Tuesday:
Mary Bumpous & Theresa Owens | Friday:
Michelle Dunlap & Holly Newton |
| Wednesday:
Pat & Anna Cairney | Saturday:
Wally & Marylou Eifen |

- Saturday, August 12**
7:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast (Parish Hall)
4:00 pm Reconciliation (Church)
6:00 pm Back to School Bash (St. Mary High School)

Catechists Needed

The following volunteers are needed for the coming school year. Please prayerfully consider helping in our Church's very important ministry, the catechesis and instruction in faith of our kids and youth.



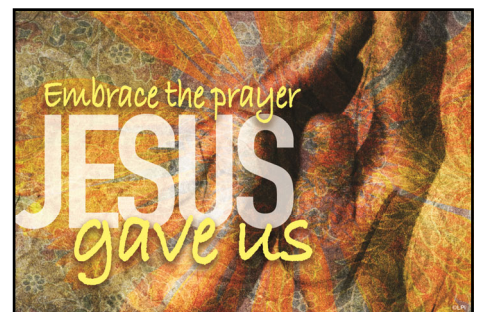
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| 2nd Grade Aide | 5th Grade Catechist and Aide |
| 8th Grade Aide | High School Co-Catechist |
| For inquiries and if interested, please email Ging Smith at paducahfaithformation@smss.org , or call 270-443-0295. | |

- Sunday, August 13**
10:00 am Coffee & Doughnuts (Parish Hall)
10:00 am BP Checks (Hospitality Room)

Altar Society Ministry for August
 Purificators: Gina Fraser
 Robes & Albs: Sharon Brumlow

Safe Environment

The Diocese of Owensboro mandates that adults age 18 and over who serve in ministry, service, or education formation which involves contact with children must receive certification from the Diocese. This includes a background check and the completion of "Shield the Vulnerable", a safe environment online class at www.shieldthevulnerable.org, or you may access it on our website at www.stmore.org and click on Safe Environment in the lower left corner. If you are teaching Faith Formation, Children's Liturgy of the Word or take part in any other ministry that involves children, please be sure your certification is up to date. If you have questions, email lois@stmore.org or call 270-534-9000.





Recent Baptisms

Blessings and congratulations to *Declan Louis and Elowen Louise*, children of Dr. Joseph and Ella O'Bryan, who were baptized at St. Thomas More on Sunday, July 30, 2017.

Blood Pressure Checks

Our parish nurses will hold their next monthly blood pressure checks on **Sunday, August 13** in the Hospitality Room between the 9:00 and 11:00 am Masses. You are invited to stop by for this free service.

Ministry Changes

All Hospitality Ministers - Greeters and Ushers - will be asked to stay after Mass the weekend of **August 19 and 20 or August 26 and 27** to hear about some changes within this ministry.



Mother's Day Out

Mother's Day Out Program is in need of a director and assistants. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Melisa Mast at 270-534-9000 or mmast@stmore.org.

Catholic Women's Retreat: Friends, Faith & Flip Flops August 25-26

Join women from around the Diocese of Owensboro for a women's retreat at Kentucky Dam Village. This is an opportunity to be spiritually and emotionally refreshed. Speakers are Hallie Lord and Cyndi Spivey and Mass with Bishop William F. Medley. Registration is \$40. Learn more and register at owensborodiocese.org/womens-retreat/.



Our Bounty Baskets, located in the Gathering Space, are in need of: St. Vincent de Paul - tooth paste and easy to prepare food for the homeless. PCM-spaghetti and other non-perishable goods. Thank you for your generosity.

Sisters of Service Meet Today

The Sisters of Service annual alumni sending ceremony and officer installation will be held today, **Sunday, August 6** at 2:00 pm at the home of Ashleigh Mast. Please contact Sheri Babbs at 270-832-0958 or sbabbs@comcast.net for directions.

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, August 7**. It will continue on the first Monday of each month.

"The sacrament may be administered to those who are chronically ill, who are facing major surgery, the elderly, to those who suffer from depression and anxiety, those in danger of death or to anyone who truly feels a deep need for the gifts and grace of the Holy Spirit.

This is a wonderful opportunity for yourself or to assist a friend or relative who may be in need of this sacrament.

RCIA Inquiry

Are you, or someone you know, interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? We invite you, as Jesus invited the first disciples, to "come and see." Inquiry sessions will begin **Thursday, August 10** from 6:45-8:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Child care and refreshments will be provided. We ask parishioners to please invite others and/or submit the names of interested persons. Also, we would welcome any parishioners interested in assisting with RCIA, especially as sponsors or with refreshments. For more information, contact Pat Cairney (pcairney@stmore.org) or 270-534-9000, ext. 21.



Men's Prayer Group

On **Saturday, August 12** at 7:30 am the Men's Prayer Group will host a breakfast discussing "Catholic Prayer in Poetry: From Thomas Aquinas to Thomas Merton." Michael Leach in The National Catholic Reporter writes, "Poetry evokes what is good, beautiful and true. It imagines the unimaginable, describes the indefinable, and unveils what our senses cannot know or our intellect figure out. Poetry is theology leaping out of the file cabinet and into the heart. It is the Word or words that stir our souls."

Please join us for a hearty breakfast with fellowship and discussion to discover prayer in poetry, where we will be introduced to Joseph Mary Plunkett, St. Teresa of Avila, St. John of the Cross and other Catholic poets in measures of verse.

"Back to School Bash"

The St. Mary "Back to School Bash" and Alumni Soccer Game will be **Saturday, August 12** from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. There will be complimentary burgers, hot dogs, chips and drinks in the high school commons (donations are accepted for our soccer program). At 7:45 pm an alumni group picture will be taken at the soccer field and announcement of alumni and current players before the game begins. All St. Mary soccer alumni please plan to be there and text Lori at 270-210-0693 with your size for a complimentary t-shirt.



Join Us for Catholic Way Bible Study

Catholic Way Bible Study, led via DVD by Lavinia Spirito in Lexington KY, will begin Tuesdays 10:00am-12 noon from September 12th through November 14th. The nine lessons will cover the Apostolic letters of James, 1 and 2 Peter, 1,2,3 and 4 John and Jude. We will watch the video then have discussion. Please consider joining us! Text or email Lori to register or for more info: 270 -210-0693 or lorimeredith7@gmail.com.

15th Annual Rural Life Celebration

You are invited to a celebration of rural life in the air conditioned comfort of the **Owensboro Convention Center** on West Second St and Locust St on **Sunday, August 13**. A free meal will be served starting at 5:00 pm with a short program. This year, special recognition will be given to the lives of service of Bishop John McRaith and Rick Kamuf both of which we lost earlier this year. Come help us honor their contributions to our community. Event sponsored by the Diocese of Owensboro Rural Life Committee.

Parish Missions in Aurora & Cadiz

St. Henry (Aurora) and St. Stephen (Cadiz) parishes will host Michael Cumbie next month as part of their Parish Mission event. St. Henry's parish mission is **August 13-15** from 6:30 until 8:00 pm. This same mission will be at St. Stephen on **August 16-18** also from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Michael Cumbie's focus will be to help understand our Protestant brothers and sisters and how we can share with them about our faith. You can see him on Youtube if you search "**The Journey Home Michael Cumbie.**" All are invited!

MapleFest at the Mount



Mark your calendars for the first MapleFest at the Mount, which is taking place at Mount Saint Joseph on their usual picnic weekend in September. MapleFest will feature crafts, food and other items for sale over a three-day period. Admission is free. The booths are open on **Friday, September 8 from 5:00-7:00 pm; Saturday, September 9 from 8:00 am-7:00 pm, and Sunday, September 10 from 8:00 am-3:00 pm** and will be located on the former picnic grounds. How-to workshops will be offered in the gym. The Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph will have their own craft and raffle booth. Grand raffle prizes are \$10,000, \$3,500, \$1,000, a handmade quilt, \$500, \$250 and \$100. Raffle tickets are \$5 each. Event proceeds will benefit retired Ursuline Sisters. For questions or to order raffle tickets in advance, call 270-229-2009 or email betsy.mullins@maplemount.org. Mount Saint Joseph is located 12 miles west of Owensboro on Hwy. 56. You can find out more online: ursulinesmsj.org/help-the-sisters/maplefest.

Inspiration for the Week

Today our Gospel presents us with the story of the transfiguration of Jesus. We hear God say, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." Because of our baptism, we share in the same intimate relationship with the Father that Jesus has. This intimate relationship we have with God can transform us, just as it transformed Jesus. We, too, can radiate with love and newness of life and then help in transforming and positively impacting the lives of others. How has your relationship with God transformed you?

Readings for the Week

- Monday:** Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-17/Mt 14:13-21
- Tuesday:** Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-7, 12-13/Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14
- Wednesday:** Nm 13:1-2, 25--14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23/Mt 15:21-28
- Thursday:** 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-9/Jn 12:24-26
- Friday:** Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-16, 21/Mt 16:24-28
- Saturday:** Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51/Mt 17:14-20

Second Friday Fish Fry



Rosary Chapel Catholic Church, 711 Ohio St. in Paducah, will be hosting their next Friday Fish Fry on **August 11**, from 4:30 to 6:30 pm and will continue on the 2nd Friday of each month through November 10, 2017. Baked or fried fish with trimmings included in dinners. Price \$10. Dine in or carry-out. Call 270-444-6383.

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:

- Sunday:** 1:00 - 2:00 am
3:00 - 4:00 am
4:00 - 5:00 pm
- Monday:** 1:00 - 2:00 am
1:00 - 2:00 pm
11:00- Midnight
- Tuesday:** 1:00 - 2:00 am
2:00 - 3:00 pm
6:00 - 7:00 pm
- Wednesday:** 1:00 - 2:00 am
- Thursday:** Midnight - 1:00 am
- Friday:** Midnight - 1:00 am
4:00 - 5:00 am
- Saturday:** 1:00 - 2:00 am
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.

Saints & Special Observances

- Monday:** St. Sixtus II, St. Cajetan,
- Tuesday:** St. Dominic
- Wednesday:** St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
- Thursday:** St. Lawrence
- Friday:** St. Clare

Hold your eyes on God and leave the doing to him. That is all the doing you have to worry about.

--St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Remember in Prayer...

Parishioners: Faye Alexander, Mary Gertrude Barkett, Trent Bongiolatti, Pat Brockenborough, 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, Jodi Hayden, Ann Heavrin, Joyce Holiday, Kay Hosbach, Alan Hughes, Phyllis Kettler, David Kimble, Buzz LaGesse, Thomas & Janet Montgomery, Sandy Morrow, Ella O'Bryan, Karen Paxton, Charity Peters, Gaye Robinson, George Shaw, John Shaw, Nancy Stearns, Monty Thompson, Ann Vaughan, Ann Watkins, Linda Wilson, Katherine Wise

Assisted Living: Velma Bohle-Carlton & Terry Carlton, Opal Cooper, Myrtle Dorris

Homebound: Randy Hand, Mike & Lorna Roper, Gertrude Yopp

Nursing Home: Carol Baugh, Jeanette Elliott, Joe & Betty Falconite, Martha Floyd, Mary Galvin, Hester Geuss, Vonnie Howard, Ken McCauley, John Metcalf, Delphine Operle, Mary Riedfort, Carolyn Webb, Charles Woods

Non-Parishioners: Ada Cruce, Matthew Shoulta, Elizabeth Pritchett, Margaret Whitney, Jimmy Kaphammer, Don Manning, Wayne Batts, Susie Taylor, Renate Master-son, Toni Masterson, Vickie Boggess, Jarod Hardin, Shirley Hudson, Melanie Sisco, Dennis Walsh, John Kraus, Charlie Proctor, Joanie Cooper, Nanette Love, Chloe Nesbitt, Dennis Walsh, Jardod Har- din, Johnetta Taylor, Marvin Willett, Margaret Whitney, Becky Bowling



Justin Lamb, Chris McCoy, Timothy Lowman, Kurtis McClain, Zachary Grimes, Kurt Bell, Jeremy Copeland, Eric Gast, Aaron Conover, Brian Clayton, Hannah Wilson, John Davis, Emily Lane Rockne, Corey Carnes, Clay Mag- ers, Tyler Shumaker, Jeff Perry, Ty- ler Scott Dickson, Logan Hatton, Nathan Phipps, Kelly Scott- Nevonon, Greg Nevonon, Cameron Grueninger, Michael Renfro, Jason Smith, Alec McMahan

"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, August 5

Trista Bryant, Opal Cooper, Jennifer Hodges

Sunday, August 6

Emily Curtsinger, Earl Sanders, Heather Wurth

Monday, August 7

Maria Cristobal, Cathy Elliott, Taelor Orazine, Mack Shannon

Tuesday, August 8

Pat Cairney, Jerome de la Rosa, Jose Hernandez, Ethan Schaaf, Marilyn Wurth

Wednesday, August 9

Harper Barabas, Megan Bunte, Abby Crouch, Miranda Farris, Christian Lopez, Nathan McNichols

Thursday, August 10

Blanca Bartolo, Lisa Johnston, Amy Miller, Angel Nackley, Lorenza Perez, Liliana Venegas, Luke Wilson

Friday, August 11

Gabe Crider, Helen Farrell, Suzy Gilland, Jennifer Lorch, Maria Mangino, Nicole Nelson, Isabel Roof

Saturday, August 12

Ray Fields, Mary Galvin, Madison Johnson

Sunday, August 13

Debbie Bray, McKenna Brownfield, Janet Colgan, Olivia Escalera, Michael Lurtz, Bill Wade



Sunday, August 6

John & Cathy Elliott	41 yrs.
Dean & Tammy Cowell	40 yrs.
Pat & Sandy Lipford	40 yrs.
James & Bridget Medley	6 yrs.

Monday, August 7

Matt & Abby LaFont	18 yrs.
Richard & Pat Heflin	47 yrs.
Wayne & Teresa Armbruster	37 yrs.
James & Claire Hunt	5 yrs.

Thursday, August 10

Carl & Kay Marshall	32 yrs.
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Friday, August 11

Chris & Wanda Carnes	38 yrs.
David & Sally Roof	33 yrs.

Saturday, August 12

Dan & Laura Todino	22 yrs.
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Sunday, August 13

Mark & Theresa Owens	41 yrs.
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Why Do We Do That? Catholic Traditions Explained

Question:

On August 10 we celebrate the feast of St. Lawrence. Can you tell us a bit about him?

Answer:

Little is known about Lawrence other than he was a deacon during the reign of Emperor Valerian from 253-259. In 258, Valerian began a persecution of the Roman Church. Lawrence was in charge of the purse for the church of Rome. Roman officials demanded that the riches of the church be handed over to them. Lawrence asked for a few days to gather them.

Lawrence took the money he had charge over and distributed it to the poor of Rome. Then he gathered all the homeless and poor together. When the officials came again demanding the riches of the church, Lawrence pointed to the destitute and homeless, saying that these were the true riches of the church. For this he was imprisoned and tortured, and put to death by burning on a gridiron. It is said that as he was dying, he told his executioners to turn him over because he was done on one side and needed to be fully cooked for the Lord.

Lawrence continues to be a model for us today. The church needs continual reminders that its riches are the people. The primary purpose and mission of the church is to be continually sensitive to the needs of all God's people, most especially the least of our brothers and sisters.



School Year Begins This Week

St. Mary "Meet the Teacher" Set for Monday



As we prepare for opening day at St. Mary Schools, we want to thank Saint Thomas More parishioners for their support and belief in Catholic education. It is our privilege to help "train up" our young people both spiritually and academically. We thank you for your prayers as we enter a new school year and we invite you to join us for upcoming events:

Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.
-- Proverbs 22:6



- **Meet the Teacher: Monday, August 7, 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.**
Stop by to meet your child's new teacher and see the elementary school's new playground! It is not too late to enroll for the upcoming school year and this is a perfect opportunity to stop in and learn more about what makes St. Mary different!
- **Back-to-School Bash and Alumni Soccer Game: Saturday, August 12, 6 p.m.**
Come enjoy a meal with other St. Mary families and alumni in the high school commons. After dinner and fellowship, join us for our annual alumni soccer game with past players competing with our current soccer teams at 7:45 p.m. There is no charge for food and everyone is welcome!
- **Holy Day Mass:**
Please join us for our first system wide Mass of the school year on **Tuesday, August 15th at 9:00a.m.** at the High School.

For more information on any of these events, please contact our school office at 270.442.1681.



St. Mary teachers recently attended the "Celebration of Catholic Schools Mass" in Henderson, KY at Holy Name Church. All the faculty of Catholic Schools in the Dioceses attended and prayed together for our students and the upcoming school year.

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