

Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish Igreja São Tomé, O Apóstolo Salem Peabody Danvers June 7, 2015

# ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH 3 MARGIN ST. PEABODY, MA 01960



### Our Mission as a parish is:

- To reach out to everyone with the joyful gospel of God's saving love.
- To form one another as disciples who encounter Jesus Christ deeply through word, sacrament and service.
- To live as a Spirit filled, multicultural community of mercy, justice and compassion within the Catholic Church.

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# Mass Intentions...

Saturday June 6

4:00PM Fr. Louis Bourgeois +

Jose Vargas +

Sunday June 7

8:30AM Maria Espinola +

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10:30AM Men's ACTS Return Mass

Saturday June 13

4:00PM Anthony & Genevieve Kolodziej &

families +

Sunday June 14

8:30AM Joseph & Adelaide Amaral +

10:30AM For our Parish Community

Mass cards are available in the Parish Office after all Sunday Liturgies and during the week Mon.- Fri., 9:00 am-12:00 pm

### Scripture for the week of June 7, 2015

7 SUN Ex 24:3-8/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-

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8 Mon 2 Cor 1:1-7/Mt 5:1-12

9 Tue 2 Cor 1:18-22/Mt 5:13-16

10 Wed 2 Cor 3:4-11/Mt 5:17-19

11 Thu Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Mt 5:20-26

12 Fri Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn

19:31-37

13 Sat 2 Cor 5:14-21/Mt 5:33-37

14 SUN Ez 17:22-24/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

### GYM AVAILABLE FOR LEASE

The Eastern Basketball Company is ending their rental of our gym.

We are interested in a new lease with organizations or companies that have need of a gym (Mon-Fri).

We reserve the use of the gym for our parish functions on weekends.

If you or someone you know may be seeking to enter into a lease, please contact Tracy or Sheila at the parish office at Saint Thomas: 978-531-0224 or email: stthomas344p@comcast.net

### **Schedule for Weekend Mass**

Please join us often!

### St. Thomas the Apostle St. John the Baptist

Saturday, 4:00 PM Saturday, 4:00 PM

Sunday, 8:30AM, 10:30AM, Sunday, 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 7:00PM Brazilian Mass 11:30AM(Spanish), 5:00PM

Weekday Masses: Weekday Masses:

Monday & Friday, 8:30 AM Monday - Saturday, 6:45AM

**Reconciliation:** Reconciliation:

Saturdays, 3:15PM Saturdays, 3:00-3:30PM

# Parish Activities

### The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

June 8 8:30AM Mass—Chapel

June 9 6:15PM Girl Scouts Troop#361

June 10 6:15PM Girl Scouts Troop#233

7:00PM Bible Study—S.L.C.

June 11 7:00PM PPC Mtg–SLC

June 12 8:30AM Mass—Chapel



# Upcoming Dates to Remember

June 18 Living Faith—6:30PM June 27 St. Thomas Festival

### **Scripture Reading**

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Please remember Richard Urbanowicz, Richard Comeau, Mary Dooling, William Mailhoit, the deceased of our Parish and those who were buried from St. Thomas Parish during the past weeks. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

### Liturgy Memorials

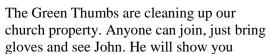
The Altar wine & hosts have been donated for the month of June for the honor and glory of God in memory of Fr. Louis D. Bourgeois by the Keith & Gabriel Families, The Sanctuary Lamp has been donated in memory of Leonard Dunleavy by Nancy Dunleavy & Family and the Candle Oil in memory of John F. Raposo from The Raposo Family.

Thank you to all those who have donated Wine & Hosts, Candle Oil, Sanctuary Lamps and flowers for our Liturgy.

### St. Thomas Children's Closet

We are in need of boys & girls slacks, dungarees, jerseys, blouses sizes 5 to 16. Donations may be dropped off at the closet between 1-3pm on Saturdays.

### **Green Thumbs**



where you can help out. No special training is needed. The Green Thumbs meet every Monday on the church property from 4pm to 6pm.

If you can't make it on Monday's and would like to help give John Hayes a call at 978-745-0505 and he will give you your own area to spruce up. Come on down and meet your fellow parishioners and get to enjoy the sun, fun and fresh air.



This week, June 7, 2015

The Single collection will be for the parish.

### **May 31st Collection:**

\$4,383.00

Next week the first collection will be for the parish.

The second collection is for the
Fr. Dan Sheehan Spiritual Life Center.

Thank you for your generous sacrifice.

### **Thrift Shop**

Thank you to everyone who has supported the Thrift Shop. We need Jewelry, pots, pans, kitchen wares, small appliances, toys, old tools, rugs, men's toiletries, just about anything you don't need. As usual you can drop things off on Saturdays between 9am to 1pm or call Bob & Sylvia at 978-977-9672 to arrange a time. God's blessing to all of you. Please remember we cannot accept T.V.'s, microwaves, etc.

### It's that time again!

During the hot weather we will be using our large fans in the Church. If the breeze is too much for you, please move to another seat out of its path, as we need to keep the air circulating for the comfort of all.

Thank you!

### Upcoming Liturgical Ministers Schedule

June 13 - June 14: Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	4:00 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Eucharistic Minister	Norma Johnson - 1-Plate Linda Cavallon - 2-Cup Sophia O'Brien - 3-Cup	Millie Moore - 1-Plate Cynthia Victory - 2-Cup Sheila Lynch - 3-Cup	Kevin Shea - 1-Plate Mark Harrison - 2-Cup Suzanne Beaulieu - 3-Cup
Lector	Ed Gates	Peter Victory	Mike Beaulieu
Altar Server	Bob Burke	Kaitlyn McLaughlin	Eddy Staco



...that we might grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. 2 Peter 3:18

Our next session of **Living Faith** will be held on Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> in the Fr Dan Sheehan Spiritual Life Center from 6:30-8:30 PM.

Our sessions this month are:

1. The Companions of St. Paul—Collaboration in the Early Church

Deacon Leo Martin

2. Science and Religion: How the Two Work Together

Seminarian Denis Nakkeeran

3. Transmitting the Faith to This Generation of Youth: Learning the Language You Need to Talk about Faith to Young People

Fr. Steven Clemence

Since the rooms upstairs are small we will cut off the numbers at 15 persons for the groups that meet there.

If you wish, you can pre-register for the presentation of your choice by e-mailing Eloise Gabriel at <u>eloise-gab@yahoo.com</u> or by calling Sr Janelle at the St Thomas parish office (978-531-0224,x14). If you would like to bring some food to share for our supper please contact us!

We look forward to seeing you on the 18<sup>th</sup> of June!

### MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE

The St. Vincent de Paul Society will be holding their monthly Food Drive at all Masses this weekend, June 6th & 7th. Please leave your canned goods, cereals, toiletries, etc. at the entrance of the Church. We thank you for your support and your generosity!



Let's help Godfrey Musabe to make it all the way to ordination!

Did you know that seminarians for the Archdiocese are responsible to "maintain" themselves throughout

their period of formation? This means that the cost of their upkeep and personal needs throughout the period of formation and education is theirs to bear. Yes, they get a stipend, but not enough to cover all these costs. The Pentecost seminary collection goes to the support of the seminaries, not to help seminarians with their personal needs.

As Godfrey leaves our parish in June, can we work together to make a "Love Offering" of money that he will be able to draw on as he continues in seminary rather than give individual gifts to thank him for his wonderful presence with us over the last year? This would help him to concentrate on the pastoral work and preparation he so much wants to receive and we would so much like him to continue with!

Next week we will have envelopes ready for you to use if you choose to join others in this Love Offering to Godfrey Musabe. Please make any checks out to the Parish but with Godfrey Musabe noted on the check. You may put the envelopes in any collection between now and June 13<sup>th</sup>.

Then, on June 14<sup>th</sup> when we gather to bid farewell to both Father Russ Mower and Godfrey, you may bring a card expressing your personal wishes and we will present the combined "Love Offering" to Godfrey (noting our intention, and letting him know the donors and amounts).

Thanks for even considering this possibility; we think it will be a wonderful way to thank him, and a practical way to help Godfrey as he moves toward ordination for our diocese!

### **ACTS**

Join us for our next ACTS Retreat! It is a weekend to enrich your faith journey or maybe begin one. Give yourself or a teen you know, the gift of getting closer to our God by saying "yes" to joining us on an ACTS weekend. Applications are available at the doors of the church or for more information contact:

John Stueve @ 978-857-7185 or Trish Stueve @ 978-979-7271.

Women's Retreat – June 11-14 Teen Retreat – June 25-28

### Preparing for the Pastoral Visit of Pope Francis to the United States

In September of this year, our Holy Father, Pope Francis is coming to the United States. During his visit, he will be received by President Obama at the White House, address the U. S. Congress and also speak to the United Nations. The eyes and ears of Catholics and other Americans will focus on this shepherd of our Church as a man who speaks to the world of the gospel and its relevance not only to people of faith but to all men and women who seek to live in that peace and dignity in which God calls us to olive.

As we look forward to this momentous occasion for our church and our country I encourage you to open the doors of your soul and mind and heart to him. We can begin now to pray for the success of his visit. This 'success' cannot be measured merely by the number of people who attend papal events or the kind of press he gets. Yes, it will be wonderful that millions of people will see him and hear him live or via the media. But the real measure of any preaching and evangelization is the degree to which minds and hearts and souls are turned to Christ and to the gospel. Please pray that his words and his presence among us will stir up a deep and lively faith in the Lord and a commitment to the daily living of the gospel with joy and hope.

In his writings, addresses and pastoral visits, Pope Francis repeatedly invites us to follow in the footsteps of Jesus: to include or "encounter" one another, especially those of us that society typically ignores, undervalues or "excludes". Most of us don't do this very often: open ourselves up to people different from ourselves, to hear their stories and share our own. The Holy Father then invites us to take the next step: from seeing all people as part of God's family, to acting together to bring about a world that respects everyone's dignity. That's what he means by "solidarity".

I want to tell you about another way we can prepare to welcome Pope Francis. Recently, Cardinal Oscar Rodriguez Maradiaga of Honduras, a friend and advisor to Pope Francis on reforms in the church, came to Philadelphia to address community organizers from around the states, including priests and laity from the North Shore. Today I invite you to participate in the fruits of that meeting in anticipation of the papal visit. Parishes all over the United States will be entering a 6 session discussion series called *A Year of Encounter with Pope Francis*.

Locally there will be two opportunities for us to enter into this program with other Catholics. The sessions **in Spanish** will take place Sunday evenings from 6:00 to 7:30 on June 7, June 14, July 5, July 19, August 2, and August 16. The first session on June 7<sup>th</sup> will be held at Immaculate Conception in the church basement. The subsequent sessions will alternate between Immaculate Conception and St. John's. We will end the series with a mass of celebration. Please contact Maria Madera at 978-430-0159 with questions and to register. The sessions **in English** will be hosted by our two Peabody-Salem parishes, Saint John's and Saint Thomas', and by two Lynn parishes: Saint Mary and Sacred Heart. The dates, times and locations will be announced soon.

Pope Francis will no doubt be pleased that many of us Americans and Catholics will turn out to see him here in our own country, along with other Americans and Catholics. But the Pope has made it clear that his visits and preaching are meant to do something more. He intends them to stir us to "go forth" in both a spiritual and physical sense, to leave our place of comfort with the status quo of social issues such as poverty, injustice, racism and abortion. This going forth involves our encountering our brothers and sisters, our neighbors and fellow citizens in our own communities, to share our personal stories of faith and devotion but also of struggle with the imbalances in our society" of rich and poor, of blacks and whites, of all kinds of people who need to feel undervalued in our country and in our cities.

Pray for this initiative: A Year of Encounter with Pope Francis. Learn more about it. Even better, come and meet your neighbors who want the gospel and our Holy Father's words to us to bring us closer to one another and to those in need of our friendship in pursuit of justice and the promotion of human dignity.

God bless. Fr. John

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