

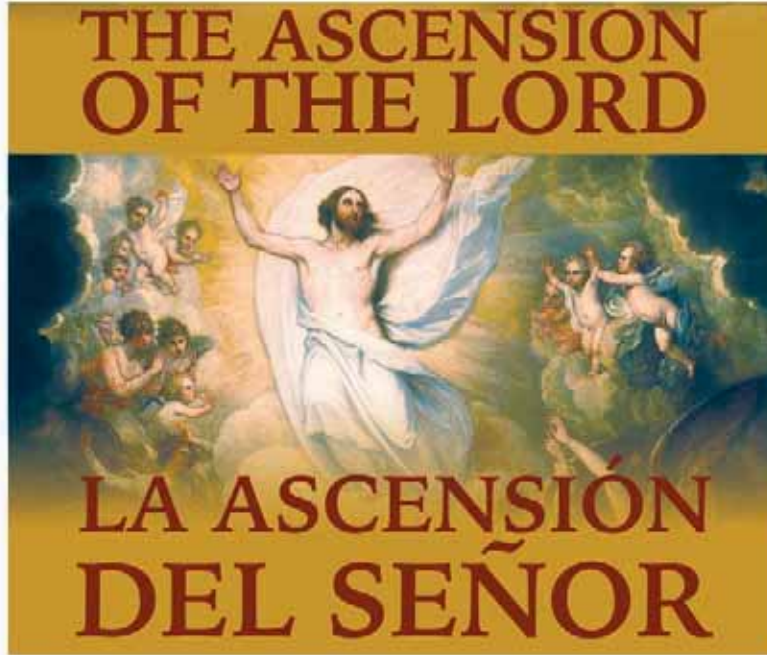


# ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC PARISH

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## Regular Mass Schedule

|  |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| <b>Saturday</b> .....                  | 4:30 PM         |
| <b>Sunday: Masses in English</b> ..... | 8:00 & 10:00 AM |
| Misa en español/Mass in Spanish.....   | 6:30 PM         |
| <b>Monday, Wednesday, Friday</b> ..... | 8:30 AM         |
| <b>Tuesday</b> .....                   | 5:30 PM         |
| <b>Thursday</b> .....                  | 7:30 AM         |

## Confession

**Saturdays**, 3:15–4:10 PM

**Sundays**, 9:00–9:50 AM

## Prayer, Devotion, and Adoration

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help:** Monday after Mass

**Chaplet of Divine Mercy:** Wednesday after Mass

**Morning Prayer:** Thursday after Mass

**Rosario en español:** Thursday, 6:00–7:00 PM

**Rosary in English:** Friday, 8:05 AM

**Adoration:** Monday, 2:00–4:00 PM

Tuesday, 4:30–5:25 PM

Friday, 9:00–10:00 AM

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The Ascension of the Lord  
May 13, 2018

Solemnidad de la Ascensión del Señor  
13 de Mayo de 2018

## From the Desk of Fr. Bart

### Sunday of the Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ

In the Nicene Creed we say, “He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.” The Ascension is a mystery of faith, just like the Resurrection, with which it is closely associated. We see an account of the Ascension in Mark 16:19, Luke 24:50-53, and Acts of the Apostles 1:1-12. The Ascension can be defined as the transfer of Jesus’ risen, glorious body to heaven after a period of time where he was appearing regularly to the Apostles, offering them instructions, and then finally departing. The Ascension means that Jesus, triumphant over death, has begun a new life with God. He has gone to heaven to prepare a place for the elect. On the Last Day, He will return to lead them all to heaven. Thus, for us Christians, today’s celebration is a great source of hope and consolation!



### Happy Mother’s Day!

Abraham Lincoln once said, “All that I am, or hope to be, I owe to my Angel Mother.” We should love and respect our mother every day, but we honor her in special ways on Mother’s Day. If she is still alive, perhaps we can make time to call, write or grace her with the present of our presence. If she has died, we can pray for her or visit her grave. Today, we thank God for our mothers and ask God’s blessing upon them for all they do for our families, especially for the many ways they have brought us closer to Jesus Christ through sharing the gift of faith with us. The special bond between mothers and children comes through a particular blessing from God. God gives mothers strength, wisdom, and patience and an abundance of love to share. May God continue to bless our mothers today and shower His blessings on them each and every day as they share God’s love so freely and selflessly. We are so blessed by all the exceptional women of our STA Parish! May God bless our Mothers, Happy Mother’s Day!

### Pastoral Council and Trustee Elections

#### Next Weekend, May 19 and 20

This Sunday on page 7, we are introducing you to the candidates that have accepted the nomination to be on the ballot for the vacancy on our Pastoral Council. The candidates were nominated by fellow parishioners. I thank all three of these candidates for their dedication to our STA Parish and their willingness to serve as a leader of our parish by serving on the Pastoral Council: Mary Rowlette, Justin Sena, and Jessica Sheridan. The Pastoral Council meets almost every first Tuesday of the Month (except December, July, and August). The Pastoral Council offers feedback and consultation to me as we operate the parish, plan for future events, and make decisions regarding parish life. I value the members’ consultation and willingness to lead by example and service.

We are also holding an election for one of our two Parish Trustee positions. We are required by Canon Law and Diocesan Policy to have an election for the Trustee positions. According to Canon Law, the nominees for Trustee are chosen by the pastor. The term is for two years. The election for each position alternates every other year so we will always have one trustee beginning their second year while the new one begins their first year. I have chosen Jim Rose as the nominee and he is running unopposed, but there is still a parish-wide election and there is a possibility of a write-in candidate. I wish to thank Jim Rose for agreeing to be nominated for our Parish Treasurer Trustee.

*Fr. Bart’s article is continued on the next page*

## Prayer for Life from USCCB

May we treat one another with love  
that reflects the sacredness of human life;  
We pray to the Lord:

Que nos tratemos mutuamente con amor  
que refleje el carácter sagrado  
de la vida humana;  
rogueemos al Señor:



## National Combined Collection

### Next weekend, May 19-20

This collection is combining the following individual collections:

- Black & Indian Missions
- Catholic Promotion of Authentic Human Development
- Catholic Communications Campaign
- Catholic Home Missions
- Catholic University of America
- Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services
- Retirement Fund for Religious

Your help in supporting these collections is critical. Please take this week to pray about the support you can provide. A brochure and envelope will be inserted into the bulletin next weekend for your donation.

## Novena of the Holy Spirit

The novena in honor of the Holy Spirit is the oldest of all novenas since it was first made at the direction of Our Lord Himself when He sent His Apostles back to Jerusalem to await the coming of the Holy Spirit on the first Pentecost. Addressed to the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity, it is a powerful plea for the light and strength and love so needed by every Catholic today.

Please join in praying this Novena to the Holy Spirit each day **beginning on Friday, May 11 and ending on Sunday, May 20:**

“Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.”



## Reflection from Seminarian, Michael Wanta

“The Ascension of Christ is our exaltation, and, where the Head has gone before in glory, the Body is called to follow in Hope.”



Especially in moments when prayer is hard and dry, I sometimes wonder why Jesus ascended into heaven. Why did He have to go? Why couldn't He remain with us here on earth in bodily form? But He tells us “I tell you in truth, it is better for you that I go” (John 16:7). And in fact, He is here in His Church, His Body, and preeminently in the Eucharist!

By His Cross and Resurrection, Jesus refashioned our nature, giving us the power to be free from our burden of sin inasmuch as we are conformed to Him. When He ascended into heaven to sit at the right hand of the Father, Christ did not forsake His humanity, for, by His Incarnation, He has forever joined Himself to our Race. Man is now within God, and we have access to the eternal and loving Father through the Son, Jesus. And now this is the great hope that is revealed in the celebration of the Ascension: we are meant to live with God in the full and perfect moment of eternity.

We are all called to this deep, personal relationship with God: Father, Son, and Spirit. And our access point is Jesus the Son because He, God, became man. In His Ascension we are all able to have a relationship with Jesus more easily. His humanity is no longer bound by space and time, indeed He can be with us at all times. All of us can talk to Him at the same time! By leaving us, He has become mysteriously closer to us.

In *Rosarium Virginis Mariae*, St. John Paul II wrote that knowing Christ “is not just a question of learning what He taught but of ‘learning Him’” and “among creatures no one knows Christ better than Mary; no one can introduce us to a profound knowledge of His mystery better than His Mother.” So in this month of May, let us turn to Mary, assumed into heaven, and so contemplate where we are meant to be with Christ.

## Food Sunday Collection

Next weekend our monthly collection benefits the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. When we do our grocery shopping, we have the opportunity to share our purchases with our neighbors.

Some of the most needed items are:

|                          |                       |                     |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Tuna</b>              | <b>Cereal</b>         | <b>Pasta</b>        |
| <b>Hearty soups</b>      | <b>Meals-in-a-can</b> | <b>Olive oil</b>    |
| <b>Peanut butter</b>     | <b>Toothpaste</b>     | <b>Toilet paper</b> |
| <b>Pancake mix/syrup</b> |                       |                     |

*Fr. Bart's article is continued from the previous page*

## Two Important Projects that Need Your Support!

- Please be a part of our Parish Photo Directory. To schedule your appointment:
  - Call **1-866-756-0281** or
  - visit **stamadison.org/parish-directory/**.
- Please ensure the success of our Spring Fundraiser this Saturday, May 12 by attending the event, buying a raffle ticket, making a donation, or becoming a sponsor. All proceeds will go towards our efforts in the New Evangelization! A big “Thank You!” to all those who have helped to make this event possible!

## Parish Phones Out of Service for 2 Hours This Thursday, May 17

This Thursday the phones at St. Thomas Aquinas will be upgraded to new software. During the changeover, you will not be able to reach us by phone for about two hours sometime between 8 AM and noon. The best way to reach us during the outage will be by email at **parish@stamadison.org**. We are sorry for the inconvenience this will cause, and we hope to be running normally again quickly.



## Congratulations Carol Viviani!

STA parishioner, Carol Viviani, was presented with the Madison Catholic Woman's Club Christian Achievement Award 2018! She was chosen as the recipient of this year's award for her extensive work in our community, especially at St. Mary's Hospital with over 3,000 volunteer hours helping patients; and extensive involvement in our Church, especially here at STA Parish. Congratulations, Carol!!

Pictured above: Carol Viviani receiving the award.

Pictured to the right: Dominick Meyer, STA Staff, Carol Viviani, and Terri Koplin, STA Staff at the awards ceremony.





## Mother's Day Crib Fill Concludes

This weekend concludes our Crib Fill project. A sincere "thank you" to all who brought gifts to honor mothers and their young children this year. The gifts will bring many smiles and much joy as they are distributed via our St. Vincent de Paul Conference, Elizabeth House, Pregnancy Helpline and Women's Care Center.

## Young Adult Connections

Open to marrieds and singles in their 20s and 30s, the Young Adult group at St. Thomas Aquinas gathers for conversation and fellowship twice a month (with a few extra fun events). The best way to stay informed is to be on the YA email list. To be added to the list, please **contact Jennifer Ludtke at jennifer@stamadison.org or 833-2606**. You can also stay informed about parish, diocesan and other YA events at **facebook.com/STAMadisonYA**

- Come to the regular first and third Monday night gathering. Join us on Monday, May 21, 7-9 PM in the Gathering Area. We are using a great study called Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible, which provides a helicopter ride through the entire bible. Give yourself the gift of unlocking the mystery of the Bible!

Here's a few other things happening around the diocese. Check out Facebook for more information.

- Since the 4th Monday in May is Memorial Day, the next social dinner will be the 2nd Monday—May 14 at 7 PM at Taqueria Los Gemelos, 6713 Odana Rd. RSVP to Tyler Holle at t.holle@sbcglobal.net

- 5/24 Theology on Tap

Looking farther ahead...

- During June, July and August the STA young adults will be meeting on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday (to avoid conflicting with the diocesan YA sports league)
- July 22: Attend Concerts on the Square
- August 22: Picnic Point End of Summer Campfire

## Parish Singles Gathering

Join the St. Thomas Aquinas Singles for our monthly dinner at Laredo's Mexican Restaurante, 694 S Whitney Way, Madison on Thursday, May 17 at 6 PM RSVP by Tuesday, May 15 to Jill at 608-604-3070 or jillymoose18@yahoo.com.

## Pastoral Council Elections

Please be sure to look at the bios on page 7 for the candidates running for Pastoral Council members and Trustee this week. **During Mass on May 19 and 20** we will electing new members for the next two year term.

Thank you for your help and support with our Pastoral Council elections.

## Discipleship with Holly Irving

### Charitable Gift Annuities

Guaranteed for life! That is what you get by making a gift in exchange for a Charitable Gift Annuity (CGA). You are guaranteed a certain income for the rest of your life no matter how long you live or what interest rates are. Your gift gives twice first to you in income and possible tax deductions and second to the parish at the end of your life. By endowing your gift it will keep on giving forever.



## 60th Anniversary of the Founding of our Parish!

Tickets go on sale for the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary picnic on Sunday, May 13! **Tickets are \$6 a person / \$30 a couple in advance. \$7 a person / \$35 a family at the door!** Mark your calendar for June 10! We will begin the celebration with Mass at 10:00 AM followed by lunch with refreshments, games, cake walk and much more!

## Weekly Stewardship of Treasure

### May 5/6

|                                |                 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Envelope Offerings.....        | \$14,828        |
| Offertory .....                | \$1,350         |
| Children's Offerings .....     | \$107           |
| <b>Total .....</b>             | <b>\$16,285</b> |
| Building Fund.....             | \$370           |
| Capital Improvement Fund ..... | \$110           |
| Spring Fling .....             | \$800           |
| Lawrence Ordination .....      | \$1,899         |

**Thank you for your generosity and support of our mission at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish!**

### Counters Schedule

#### Monday, May 14

**Don Mahoney and Sara Marx**

#### Monday, May 21

**Phyllis Reindl and Dick Ihlenfeld**

## Justice and Peace Committee Meets

### Monday, May 14, at 6:15 PM

The Justice and Peace Committee will meet on Monday, May 14 at 6:15 PM in the Lower Conference Room. Discussion will center on our focused themes for the year which are designed to educate and inspire action on our rich tradition of Catholic Social Teaching. There will be updates on existing initiatives and discussion on topics we plan to focus on starting in September. All are welcome to join us.

**What is Alpha?** Alpha is a series of gatherings that provide a comfortable, hospitable environment to explore the basics of the Christian faith and the big questions of life. Alpha has been going strong for over 30 years!

**What Does Alpha Look Like?**



**GOOD FOOD**

Each Alpha gathering begins with food and refreshments. This is a time of fun and relaxation in a casual atmosphere.



**ALPHA TALK**

Following refreshments there is a video of a short talk exploring various aspects of the Christian faith.



**DISCUSSION**

Guests break into small groups where everyone is welcome to share thoughts and ask questions in a nonjudgmental and relaxed setting.

**Who should come to Alpha?** Anyone who wants to get to know Jesus and their faith better, or who has questions about their faith. Has it been awhile since you had to explain the basics of what we believe about Jesus and our faith? Do you have a family member or friend who has stepped away? Alpha can help you explain things to them, or give them a place to ask their own questions. Even if you have been Catholic your whole life, it will deepen your appreciation for the way God loves us. Come, and bring a friend!

**Alpha in the Summer, 2018**



**TWO OPTIONS:**

**Tuesday evening 'cocktail hour'**  
 7 pm – snacks, wine, beer, welcome  
 7:20-7:50 video  
 7:50-8:30 discussion

**Thursday morning after 7:30am Mass**  
 8-8:20am breakfast, welcome  
 8:20-8:50am video  
 8:50-9:30am discussion

| Topic                                | date |
|--------------------------------------|------|
| Is there more to life than this?     | 6/5  |
| Who is Jesus?                        | 6/12 |
| Why did Jesus die?                   | 6/19 |
| How can we have faith?               | 6/26 |
| Why and how do I pray?               | 7/10 |
| Why and how should I read the Bible? | 7/17 |
| How does God guide us?               | 7/24 |
| Why and how should I tell others?    | 7/31 |
| Alpha Day Away                       | 8/4  |
| What about the Church?               | 8/7  |

| Topic                                | date |
|--------------------------------------|------|
| Is there more to life than this?     | 6/7  |
| Who is Jesus?                        | 6/14 |
| Why did Jesus die?                   | 6/21 |
| How can we have faith?               | 6/28 |
| Why and how do I pray?               | 7/12 |
| Why and how should I read the Bible? | 7/19 |
| How does God guide us?               | 7/26 |
| Why and how should I tell others?    | 8/2  |
| Alpha Day Away                       | 8/4  |
| What about the Church?               | 8/8  |

**Sign up today!**  
**Contact Jenny Ludtke at 833-2600 or [jennifer@stamadison.org](mailto:jennifer@stamadison.org)**

# St. Thomas Aquinas 60th Jubilee Pictorial Directory

## Make Your Appointment for a Photo Today!

There is no cost to you unless you decide to order photos, but everyone who has their picture taken will receive an 8 x 10 photo of their choice at no cost.



It's easy to schedule a photo session and just as easy to reschedule an existing photo session if a conflict arises: call the Lifetouch number below. It takes very little time for a photo session 10-15 minutes. Everyone who has a photo taken will receive a directory.

## Make an appointment for your photo session in one of two ways:

1. Call 1-866-756-0281 to schedule directly with Lifetouch.
2. Schedule on-line at: [stamadison.org/parish-directory/](http://stamadison.org/parish-directory/)

## Photo Sessions:

| <u>Weeks</u>        | <u>Where</u>          |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| May 15,16,17,18,19  | Upper Conference Room |
| June 19,20,21,22,23 | Small Social Hall     |
| July 10,11,12,13,14 | Upper Conference Room |
| July 24,25,26,27,28 | Small Social Hall     |

| <u>Days</u> | <u>Hours</u>          |
|-------------|-----------------------|
| Tuesdays    | 2:00 PM to 9:00 PM    |
| Wednesdays  | 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM   |
| Thursdays   | 2:00 PM to 9:00 PM    |
| Fridays     | 12:00 noon to 7:00 PM |
| Saturdays   | 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM    |

**All photos will be taken at St. Thomas Aquinas.  
When you arrive look for signs pointing  
to the photography rooms.**

**We have openings daily!  
Friday, May 18, and  
Saturday, May 19,  
have lots of openings.**

Please help us make this a useful directory by getting your photo taken. We want to be able to match names to faces for everyone.



## Pastoral Council Candidates



**Justin Sena**

Here at St. Thomas Aquinas, we have a community that truly knows, loves, and serves God. I am always seeking to serve God by serving His people. I am involved in many ministries, including the Young Adults group, Alpha, adult faith formation, and liturgical ministry. I co-led a video series and discussion that explored the Catholic faith and how it is a call to action. I attend the 4:30 Saturday Mass and I serve as a reader and extraordinary minister.

I studied theology and political science at Notre Dame before earning a master's degree in the social sciences from the University of Chicago. Throughout my faith journey, I have been involved with parish leadership and the spiritual life of my community.

As we continue to become an evangelizing Church, I believe it is necessary for us to continue our efforts with Alpha and Relit, and to focus on service, education, and outreach to encourage growth in the Catholic faith as well as form strong communities across all parishioners. As we bring others (new converts and fallen away Catholics) into the flock, we should create a welcoming community that supports them on their spiritual journeys.



**Mary Rowlette**

It has been a blessing to be part of this welcoming, faith-filled and vibrant parish for 9 years. At St. Thomas Aquinas I have served as a reader, commentator, Eucharistic Minister, and have facilitated several small groups at the parish. Outside the parish, I provide pastoral care to St. Mary's Care Center residents and enjoy visiting and caring for my grandson. Prior to retirement, I was employed as a teacher in the Middleton School District.

I am running for our Pastoral Council to serve God for the many blessings He has given me. It is vital to our Catholic faith that evangelization and faith-based initiatives engage parishioners of all ages to live out their Catholic faith and apply God's truths to their lives. This is something I would work diligently to promote for it is the future of our Catholic faith. I would like to help support the parish in these and other areas where

there is a need and feel humbled to be nominated as a candidate.



**Jessica Sheridan**

This summer marks our family's 6th year at Saint Thomas Aquinas. I was born and raised Catholic and attended Catholic schools in Mid-Michigan. When my husband Gabe and our two kids moved to Madison in 2012, we fell in love with the community at St. Thomas and felt a strong calling from the Holy Spirit to participate in the parish ministry here. I am so honored to be nominated for Parish Council!

Our family often greets the community here as ministers of hospitality. I have taught 3rd and 5th grade catechesis for 3 years, and facilitated the confirmation preparation classes since 2015. I was also active in the STA Young Adult formation and have been assisting in the Alpha program here at the parish.

I am very excited about the parish's 5-year plan for evangelization. The spirit has given me a passion for sharing the love of Christ. It has been a joy watching this community bear fruit, and I would be humbled and honored for the opportunity to utilize my personal experiences, motivation and enthusiasm to assist Father Bart and this community in the mission to Love God, love others and make disciples here at Saint Thomas.

## Trustee-Treasurer Candidate

**Jim Rose**

As a parish member since 1978, it's been my privilege to work with our pastors, staff and fellow parishioners in support of our parish community. While I currently serve as a Parish Trustee, and as chair of the Finance Commission, I feel especially blessed to participate in Mass when assisting as an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion. I've enjoyed the opportunity to serve on the Pastoral Council; to play a leadership role in raising funds for our building expansion; to greet fellow parishioners as an usher; and to serve as a dishwasher at parish events. My life has been deeply enriched through my experiences at St. Thomas Aquinas, and I welcome the opportunity to continue serving as a Trustee and steward of our Parish.



**Our election will be NEXT WEEKEND, May 19 and 20, during the Masses.**

# In Honor of Mary and All Mothers, Happy Mothers Day!



10:00 AM Mass, Mary Crowning



6:30 PM Mass, Mary Crowning

## Prayer For Mothers

Heavenly Father,  
from the beginning you have chosen  
to entrust the human person  
to mothers in a special way.

We thank and praise you  
for the gift of mothers;  
for their tenderness, care, and  
compassion, for their intuition and  
encouragement, for commitment  
and sacrifice.

Bless all mothers this day.

Keep, strengthen, and refresh them  
in your loving care.

May they be blessed by our  
open-hearted love and gratitude.  
Amen.

## Confirmation Saturday, May 5



**Congratulations to all the young people who were confirmed by Bishop Morlino last weekend!**





## We Pray for Our Loved Ones

SERVING WITH THE ARMED FORCES

- CW4 Steve Artz, brother of Sue Ziegler and Judy Rossa
- SSG Michael Bosold, nephew of Sharon Michel
- Owen Carle, grandson of Glynn and Shirley Rossa
- SFC Enrique Andres Cervantes, cousin of Maria McHugh
- A1C Margarita Clayton, Sister of Tina Hutchison
- Anthony Church, grandson of Clara Church
- Major Tim Doll, nephew of Jerry and Mary Ann Doll
- A1C Colin Donovan, cousin of Pat Korger
- A1C Charles (Gus) Dorais, grandson of Mary Kay Dorais
- Lt. Colonel Michael Everton, brother of Jennifer Doering
- Captain Alex Harms, son of Bruce and Judy Harms
- Airman First Class Brianna Herreid, granddaughter of Ken and Joyce Niesen
- SPC Shalice Hood, friend of Alyssa Rivera
- A1C Nicholas Jones, grandson of Mary and Gordon Samuelsen
- SSGT Mark Jurakovich, brother of Gina Levesque
- LT Bradley Kirschbaum, grandson of Tom and Sally Ellis
- SSGT Mike Levesque, brother of Chad Levesque
- CPL Alyssa Rivera, cousin of Fr. Bart Timmerman
- Major Stuart Mark Slattery, grandson of Thomas & Loretta Slattery
- Steven Thomas, brother of Linda Galang
- SGT Jack Vilim, nephew of Mary Crave
- A1C Blake E. Westbrook, grandson of Diane Genske
- SGT Ian Bush, nephew of Patrick and Kathy Taddy
- SGT Jason Voss, nephew of Gary and Nancy Kubat

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## This Week at St. Thomas Aquinas

### Sunday, May 13

Mothers Day Crib Fill ends

### Monday, May 14

Justice and Peace Meeting, Lower conference Room.....6:15 PM

### Tuesday, May 15

SVdP Conference Meeting, Lower Conference Room ..... 6:30 PM

Photo Sessions, Upper Conference Room..... 2:00 - 9:00 PM

### Wednesday, May 16

Toddler Time, Nursery and Upper Conference Room.....9:00 AM

Lectio Divina.....9:15 AM

Photo Sessions, Upper Conference Room..... 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

### Thursday, May 17

Photo Sessions, Upper Conference Room..... 2:00 - 9:00 PM

Spanish Rosary.....6:00 PM

Choir Rehearsal, Social Hall.....6:30 PM

### Friday, May 18

Wild Goose, Library.....9:00 AM

Photo Sessions, Upper Conference Room..... 12:00 - 7:00 PM

### Saturday, May 19

Photo Sessions, Upper Conference Room..... 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

STACKS, RE Wing Room 102. - 104.....1:00 PM

Confessions.....3:15 PM

Alpha preview, Chapel..... After the 4:30 PM Mass

### Sunday, May 20

Confessions.....9:00 AM

Graduation Mass, Church..... 10:00 AM

### Care Facility Liturgies This Week

**Oakwood:** Friday, May 11 , Mass

**Brookdale:** No liturgies this week

**Sebring:** Sunday, May 13, Word and Communion

### Resources for Human Needs

[www.momhelps.org/](http://www.momhelps.org/): Middleton Outreach Ministry (food, housing, utilities, clothing)

[www.womenscarecenter.org/Madison.html](http://www.womenscarecenter.org/Madison.html): Women's Care Center (counseling, ultrasounds)

[www.catholiccharitiesofmadison.org/](http://www.catholiccharitiesofmadison.org/): Catholic Charities (adoption, aging services, developmental disabilities, counseling, substance abuse treatment, etc.)

[www.cmcmadison.org/](http://www.cmcmadison.org/): Catholic Multicultural Center (food, health services, education, job development, immigration legal help)

[abuseintervention.org/](http://abuseintervention.org/): Domestic Abuse Intervention Service (crisis response, emergency shelter, support groups)

[www.silentnomoreawareness.org](http://www.silentnomoreawareness.org): Abortion recovery help

[hopeafterabortion.com](http://hopeafterabortion.com): Project Rachel (Abortion recovery help)

**Madison Al-Anon Hotline:** support for families and friends troubled by someone else's drinking or drug use—608-255-5181

[www.elizabethhousedane.org](http://www.elizabethhousedane.org): Care Net Pregnancy Center of Dane County (free residential maternity and parenting program)

## Madison Diocesan Choir Concert

### For All the Saints

The Madison Diocesan Choir will present its annual spring concert on Friday, May 18, at 7 PM at Holy Name Heights (formerly the Bishop O'Connor Center). This year's program, *For All the Saints*, features music and readings based on writings, poetry and hymns composed by the great saints of our Church such as Saint Augustine, Saint Patrick, and many others. The choir will sing music from Gregorian chant to polyphonic compositions of our own day. Congregational hymns will be sung, accompanied by the newly-refurbished Schmelzer Organ and the St. Raphael Brass Quintet and Timpani. The concert is free. A freewill offering will be taken to support the ministry of the Diocesan Choir. Holy Name Heights is wheelchair accessible. **For more information go to [diocesanchoir.org](http://diocesanchoir.org) or call 608-821-3081**

## Madison Area Food Pantry Gardens

The Madison Area Food Pantry Gardens, a network of gardens in Dane County, exist to grow healthful fruits and vegetables for distribution through local food pantries and meal programs. Work is already underway for this season and volunteers are key to the success of the gardens. Gardening reduces tension, provides an opportunity to exercise while being outside in the fresh air, and allows you to work on a team while helping to reduce hunger in our community with fresh produce. If you are interested in learning more, go to [foodpantrygardens.org](http://foodpantrygardens.org). If you are willing to help, **please contact Peg O'Donoghue at [pegodonoghue@gmail.com](mailto:pegodonoghue@gmail.com) or 217-649-7210.**

## St Mary's Care Center Vigil Team Volunteers Needed

Our Vigil Team is a program to bring compassionate presence to the bedside of our long-term care residents during their last few days of life. A vigil volunteer can offer kindness and comfort that only another human being can provide. This service is especially designed for residents without family or friends available to be with them at their end-of-life journey. We will provide two days of training in early June. If you are interested or have any questions contact Kim Beuerman, Pastoral Care Director at St Mary's Care Center, 3401 Maple Grove Dr. Madison. **Please call 608-845-0591 or email [Kim.Beuerman@ssmhealth.com](mailto:Kim.Beuerman@ssmhealth.com).**

If you ever feel distressed during your day -

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**Mary, Mother of Jesus,  
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Saint Teresa of Calcutta



## Mass Intentions for This Week

**Saturday, May 12: Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs;  
St. Pancras, Martyr**

4:30 PM David Peterson ☩

**Sunday, May 13: The Ascension of the Lord;  
World Communications Day; Mother's Day**

8:00 AM Rosemary Johnson ☩

10:00 AM Carolyn Lee Anderson ☩

6:30 PM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners ☩

**Monday, May 14: St. Matthias, Apostle**

8:30 AM Frank and Al Weitz ☩

**Tuesday, May 15: St. Isidore**

5:30 PM Andrea Garcia ☩

**Wednesday, May 16**

8:30 AM Christopher Kubat and Deceased Members of the Voss  
and Kubat Families ☩

**Thursday, May 17**

7:30 AM Roy McCormick ☩

**Friday, May 18: St. John I, Pope & Martyr**

8:30 AM Gerald Kiwak ☩

**Saturday, May 19**

4:30 PM Laura Acker ☩

**Sunday, May 20: Pentecost Sunday**

8:00 AM Marvin Frisch ☩

10:00 AM Ray and Marian Genin ☩

6:30 PM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners ☩

## Readings for the Week of May 13

**Sunday:** Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or  
4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

**Monday:** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/Jn 15:9-17

**Tuesday:** Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/Jn 17:1-11a

**Wednesday:** Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab [33a]/Jn  
17:11b-19

**Thursday:** Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Jn  
17:20-26

**Friday:** Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab [19a]/Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday:** Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [7b]/Jn 21:20-25

**Next Sunday:**

Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/  
Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/

Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 52, 53, 55, 56 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/

Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jl 3:1-5/

Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/

1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or

Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15



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