



ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC PARISH

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LOVE GOD. LOVE OTHERS. MAKE DISCIPLES!

We are a Catholic parish where people experience Jesus Christ in a way that changes how they live.

“The Spirit of Truth Proceeds From the Father.”

Jn 15:26



“El Espíritu de la Verdad Que Procede del Padre, él Dará Testimonio de Mí”.

JN 15, 26

Adoration

Monday, 2:00 - 4:00 PM

Tuesday, 4:15 - 5:15 PM

Friday, 9:00 - 10:00 AM

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday, 9:00 - 5:00 PM

Thursday, 9:00 - Noon and 3:00 - 5:00 PM

Friday, 9:00 - Noon

Church and Chapel Hours

Monday - Friday, 7:30 - 5:00 PM

Saturday, 10:00 - 6:00 PM

Sunday, 7:00 - 11:00 AM

Holy Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:30 AM

Tuesday, 5:30 PM

Thursday, 7:30 AM

Saturday, 4:30 PM English

6:30 PM Spanish

Sunday, 8:00 and 10:00 AM

All Masses are livestreamed.

Confession Schedule

Saturday, 3:15 - 4:10 PM

Sunday, 9:00 - 9:50 AM

Misa en español

sábados a las 6:30 PM

Confesiones

Sábados 3:15 - 4:10 PM y

Adoración al Santísimo

Lunes 2:00 - 4:00 PM

Martes 4:15 - 5:25 PM

Viernes 9:00 - 10:00 AM

Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday,

May 23, 2021

Solemnidad de Domingo de Pentecostés

23 de mayo de 2021

Fr. Bart Timmerman

The Solemnity of Pentecost

After Easter Sunday, Christmas is the second-greatest feast in the Christian liturgical calendar, but Pentecost Sunday is not far behind. Coming 50 days after Easter and 10 days after the Ascension of Our Lord (7 days because we observe Ascension Sunday instead of Ascension Thursday), Pentecost marks the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Apostles. For that reason, it is often called "the birthday of the Church." After Christ's Ascension into Heaven, the Apostles knew that He had promised to send His Spirit, but they did not know exactly what that would mean. Given the gifts of the Spirit at Pentecost, however, they were emboldened to speak the Good News to all people. On that first Pentecost Sunday, over 3,000 people were converted and baptized. The example of the Apostles shows that the gifts of the Holy Spirit led to the fruits of the Holy Spirit—works that we can only perform through the assistance of the Holy Spirit. Let us ask the Holy Spirit to help us in our work of evangelization!

"Come Holy Spirit" Prayer

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

V. Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created.

R. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray.

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.

Congratulations to our Confirmation Students!

Last Wednesday evening Bishop Hying came to our parish to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with 44 young people (33 from our parish). The Sacrament of Confirmation is described as a personal Pentecost for each of us who has celebrated this Sacrament because it is when each one Confirmed receives the gift of the Holy Spirit. We were blessed with a beautiful bilingual liturgy and celebration. Seeing our youth receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, fills all of us with hope for the future of our Church and for the world. Please continue to pray for our young people and thank you for your support of our ministries in English and Spanish that serve the youth of our parish and beyond.



Padre Bart Timmerman, Párroco

La solemnidad de Pentecostés

Después del Domingo de Pascua, la Navidad es la segunda fiesta más grande del calendario litúrgico cristiano, pero el Domingo de Pentecostés no se queda atrás. Viniendo 50 días después de Pascua y 10 días después de la Ascensión de Nuestro Señor (7 días porque observamos el Domingo de la Ascensión en lugar del Jueves de la Ascensión), Pentecostés marca el descenso del Espíritu Santo sobre la Santísima Virgen María y los Apóstoles. Por esa razón, a menudo se le llama "el cumpleaños de la Iglesia". Después de la Ascensión de Cristo al Cielo, los Apóstoles sabían que Él había prometido enviar Su Espíritu, pero no sabían exactamente lo que eso significaría. Sin embargo, dados los dones del Espíritu en Pentecostés, se animaron a hablar la Buena Nueva a todas las personas. En ese primer domingo de Pentecostés, más de 3,000 personas se convirtieron y bautizaron. El ejemplo de los apóstoles muestra que los dones del Espíritu Santo condujeron a los frutos del Espíritu Santo, obras que solo podemos realizar mediante la ayuda del Espíritu Santo. ¡Pidamos al Espíritu Santo que nos ayude en nuestro trabajo de evangelización!

Oración "Ven Espíritu Santo"

Ven Espíritu Santo, llena los corazones de tus fieles y enciende en ellos el fuego de tu amor.

V. Envía tu Espíritu y serán creados.

R. Y renovarás la faz de la tierra.

Oremos.

Oh Dios, que por la luz del Espíritu Santo instruiste los corazones de los fieles, concede que por el mismo Espíritu Santo seamos verdaderamente sabios y gocemos siempre de Sus consuelos. Por Cristo Nuestro Señor. Amén.

¡Felicitaciones a nuestros confirmados!

El miércoles pasado en la noche, el Obispo Hying vino a nuestra parroquia para celebrar el Sacramento de la Confirmación con 44 jóvenes; 33 de nuestra parroquia. El Sacramento de la Confirmación se describe como un Pentecostés personal para cada uno de los que hemos celebrado este Sacramento, porque es cuando cada Confirmado recibe el don del Espíritu Santo. Fuimos bendecidos con una hermosa liturgia y celebración bilingüe. Ver a nuestros jóvenes recibir el don del Espíritu Santo, nos llena de esperanza para el futuro de nuestra Iglesia y del mundo. Continúen orando por nuestros jóvenes y gracias por su apoyo a nuestros ministerios en inglés y español que sirven a los jóvenes de nuestra parroquia y más allá.



Make Sundays Special!

Take Time to Chat:

- What is the difference between the peace that Jesus gives and the peace the world gives?
- What is different about someone who allows the Holy Spirit to work in their life?
- How was the Holy Spirit at work in the life of St. Joan of Arc?

Liturgy Link

The priest says, “The Lord be with you!” What do we say in response?

Covid Changes in the Mass

In light of the improving situation with Covid 19, and with increased understanding of how to stay healthy, over the summer we will be carefully incorporating a few changes to our protocols for attending Mass.

- Starting the first weekend of June, we will once again have gift presenters.
- Also, with the help of our ushers, and still being mindful of staying socially distanced, people will once again come forward to receive Holy Communion.
- We will no longer come around to everyone with hand sanitizer before Communion. However, we will still have people with hand sanitizer near the priest and Extraordinary Ministers, in the event that they need to re-sanitize their hands during the distribution of Holy Communion.

Finally, starting in June, you will no longer have to contact the parish office or Terri with your Mass attendance. Until then, please continue let us know if you plan to attend the weekend Masses. Thank you to each and every one of you for being so careful during this past year and a half, and know how grateful we are that St. Thomas Aquinas has been a place where people feel comfortable coming to pray together!

Fr. Bart's 20th Anniversary of Ordination

On May 25, Fr. Bart will be celebrating 20 years of priesthood. We are so grateful for the gift of his presence and pastoral heart. He is a blessing to us all! If you would like to send well-wishes and prayers to Fr. Bart in honor of his anniversary, they may be sent care of the parish.

O God, how good and generous You are for pouring out so many blessings on Your people through the priesthood of Fr. Bart. We ask you to continue to bless him as he ministers to us each day. Make us more and more grateful for the precious gift of this special priest, whose open heart and open hands bring us the gift of Jesus Your Son. May Fr. Bart's generosity be a light that inspires us to say "Yes" to Your call to love and serve, each according to the plan You have for our lives. We make this prayer to You in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

¡Haz del Domingo un Día Especial!

Dedique tiempo para platicar:

- ¿Cuál es la diferencia entre la paz que da Jesús y la paz que da el mundo?
- ¿Qué tiene de diferente alguien que permite que el Espíritu Santo obre en su vida?
- ¿Cómo actuó el Espíritu Santo en la vida de Santa Juana de Arco?

Conexión con la liturgia

El sacerdote dice: “¡El Señor esté ustedes!” ¿Qué decimos en respuesta?

Cambios en la Misa por el COVID

A la luz del mejoramiento de la situación en cuanto al COVID-19, y con una mayor comprensión de cómo mantenerse saludable, durante el verano incorporaremos cuidadosamente algunos cambios en nuestros protocolos para asistir a Misa.

- A partir del primer fin de semana de junio, volveremos a tener presentadores de los dones.
- Además, con la ayuda de nuestros ujieres, y teniendo en cuenta la distancia física, la gente volverá a procesar para recibir la Sagrada Comunión.
- Ya no nos acercaremos a todos con desinfectante de manos antes de la Comunión. Sin embargo, todavía tendremos personas con desinfectante de manos cerca del sacerdote y Ministros Extraordinarios de la Comunión, en caso de que necesiten volver a desinfectarse las manos durante la distribución de la Sagrada Comunión.

Finalmente, a partir de junio, ya no tendrán que ponerse en contacto con la oficina parroquial o Terri para confirmar su asistencia a Misa. Hasta entonces, continúe haciéndonos saber si planifica asistir a las Misas de fin de semana. Gracias a todos y cada uno de ustedes por ser tan cuidadosos durante este último año y medio, y sepan lo agradecidos que estamos de que Santo Tomás de Aquino haya sido un lugar donde la gente se siente cómoda al venir a orar juntos.

Vigésimo aniversario de la ordenación del Padre Bart

El Padre Bart cumple 20 años de sacerdocio el 25 de mayo de 2021. Estamos muy agradecidos por el don de su presencia y corazón pastoral. Es una bendición para todos nosotros. Si desea enviar buenos deseos y oraciones al Padre Bart en honor a su aniversario, pueden ser enviados con atención a la parroquia.

Oh Dios, qué bueno y generoso eres por derramar tantas bendiciones sobre tu pueblo a través del sacerdocio del Padre Bart. Le pedimos que continúe bendiciéndolo mientras nos ministra cada día. Haznos cada vez más agradecidos por el don precioso de este sacerdote especial, cuyo corazón y manos abiertas nos traen el don de Jesús tu Hijo. Que la generosidad del padre Bart sea una luz que nos inspire a decir "Sí" a Tu llamado a amar y servir, cada uno según el plan que Tú tienes para nuestras vidas. Te hacemos esta oración en el nombre de Jesús el Señor. Amén.

Prayer for Life

May the Holy Spirit strengthen God's people to embrace and protect the precious gift of human life; We pray to the Lord:

Prayer for Justice

May the Spirit of Christ embolden all to work for justice in a world fraught with inequities; We pray to the Lord;

Gospel Reflection By Dcn. Jerome Buhman

The human mind works in mysterious and sometimes extremely bizarre ways, and so I will warn you this reflection is going to begin in a strange place: the song "50 Ways to Leave Your Lover" by Paul Simon. (I'm really dating myself here; I think it came out in the mid-70s). Don't worry though, you don't have to know the song to understand this reflection – I'll explain enough to get you through it! The song, which is a real earworm, lists a number of ways (though he never gets to 50) to leave your lover (Just slip out the back, Jack; Make a new plan, Stan...). Anyway, when I sat down to write this reflection, I thought about the word "Pentecost" which means "fiftieth day" or "fifty days," as it comes fifty days after Easter. And then I thought about the ways in which we re-discover the excitement, the enthusiasm, and the evangelizing energy of the members of the early church that we hear about in the readings from the Acts of the Apostles throughout those fifty days. And then my brain hiccupped and I thought: "50 Days to Re-Discover." I mean, the title is a perfect fit for the tune (check it out on Youtube), and in those 50 days there is certainly a lot for us to rediscover about the vibrancy of the early church. In those pages we read about fearless preaching, conversion experiences, healings, and so much more. It is truly an action-packed and exciting read! So, as Ordinary Time begins, I urge us all to take a look at the 50 Days of readings from the Acts of the Apostles and try to find (at least 50) ways to emulate those early evangelizing followers of Christ! "50 Days (Ways) To Re-Discover" (Just go and proclaim, Jane; Pray for the sick, Rick... -- it really just writes itself.

Oración por la Vida

Que el Espíritu Santo fortalezca al pueblo de Dios para abrazar y proteger el don preciado de la vida humana;

Oración por la Justicia

Que el Espíritu de Cristo anime a todos a trabajar por la justicia en un mundo plagado de desigualdades. Roguemos al Señor:

Reflexión del Evangelio

Diácono Jerome Buhman

La mente humana funciona de formas misteriosas y, a veces, extremadamente extrañas, por lo que les advierto que esta reflexión va a comenzar en un lugar extraño: la canción "50 Ways to Leave Your Lover" [50 maneras para dejar a tu amado] de Paul Simon. Me estoy delatando aquí; creo que salió a mediados de la década de los 70. Sin embargo, no se preocupe, no es necesario que conozca la canción para comprender esta reflexión. Les explicaré lo suficiente para que lo entiendan. La canción, que es verdaderamente pegajosa, enumera una serie de formas, aunque nunca llega a las 50, para dejar a tu amante, "vete sigilosamente, Jack; haz un nuevo plan, Stan..." De todos modos, cuando me senté a escribir esta reflexión, pensé en la palabra "Pentecostés" que significa "quincuagésimo día" o "cincuenta días", ya que viene cincuenta días después de Pascua. Y luego pensé en las formas en las que redescubrimos la emoción, el entusiasmo y la energía evangelizadora de los miembros de la iglesia primitiva de las que escuchamos en las lecturas de los Hechos de los Apóstoles a lo largo de esos cincuenta días. Y luego mi cerebro dio un vuelco y pensé: "50 días para redescubrir". Quiero decir, el título encaja perfectamente con la melodía (compruébalo en Youtube), y en esos 50 días ciertamente hay mucho que redescubrir sobre la vitalidad de la iglesia primitiva. En esas páginas leemos sobre predicación intrépida, experiencias de conversión, curaciones y mucho más. Es realmente una lectura emocionante y llena de acción. Entonces, al comenzar el Tiempo Ordinario, les insto a todos a que echemos un vistazo a los 50 días de lecturas de los Hechos de los Apóstoles y tratemos de encontrar, al menos 50, formas de emular a esos primeros seguidores evangelizadores de Cristo. "50 Días (Maneras) de Redescubrir" (Simplemente ve y proclama, Jane; Ora por los enfermos, Rick... , realmente se escribe por sí sola.



Monthly Food Collection Sunday: an STA Tradition...Adjusted!

St. Thomas Aquinas has been collecting food for the Lusser Community Education Center (LCEC) for over 20 years, with each donation averaging nearly 600 to 800 pounds. Your generosity has been amazing and is a great support to the LCEC Food Pantry and our neighbors in need. Now, Covid-19 has created new and different needs at the Food Pantry.

In the past, the LCEC welcomed donations of all kinds of canned foods. One of the major changes this past year is that, thanks to organizations like Second Harvest Foodbank, the shelves remain full of canned foods (especially green beans!).



The parish has been asked to be responsive to the updated needs. Until the end of 2021 the focus of our donations will move more towards cleaning and personal hygiene items with the hopes of only 40% of total donations being food items.

St. Thomas Aquinas, to avoid overstocking unneeded items, is requesting parishioners to donate the following requested items. The list of food items will change depending on greatest need at the time of the collection and will be listed in the bulletin the week before each Food Collection Sunday.

1. Laundry detergent
2. Dish washing liquid
3. Toilet paper
4. Tooth paste/brushes
5. Disposable diapers (sizes 4,5,6)
6. Household cleaning supplies
7. Canned chicken
8. Pasta
9. Pancake mix/syrup
10. Diced tomatoes

As you **MAKE SUNDAYS SPECIAL**, consider reaching out to help support our neighbors. You can show your love for God and others by purchasing these needed items and/or by **volunteering** to help sort and deliver the donated items! Contact Denny and Sara at saradennymarx@gmail.com to learn more or to volunteer.

*For I was hungry and you gave me food,
I was thirsty and you gave me drink,
a stranger and you welcomed me,
naked and you clothed me,
ill and you cared for me,
in prison and you visited me
Matthew 25: 35-36*

Come Holy Spirit!

What a week in the Holy Spirit at St. Thomas Aquinas!

On Wednesday, May 19, we celebrated with all the members of our parish (and a few guests!) as they received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Congratulations to all of the newly confirmed; our prayers are with you as you enter this new phase of your life as fully initiated members of the Church! I would also like to thank all the wonderful people, both staff and volunteers, who helped make the event run smoothly. And, of course, thank you to Bishop Hying!

To those newly confirmed, we are excited to see how the Holy Spirit works in your lives! Celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with you also reminds us of our own need to open ourselves to the Holy Spirit. With that in mind, we also celebrate Pentecost when the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples. We are reminded that we, too, are disciples and are charged with going forth to spread the good news through our words and actions. So as Ordinary Time approaches, let us remember the extra-ordinary gift of the Spirit and go forth, glorifying the Lord with our lives!



¡Ven, Espíritu Santo!

¡Qué semana en el Espíritu Santo en Santo Tomás de Aquino!

El miércoles 19 de mayo celebramos con todos los miembros de nuestra parroquia y algunos invitados la recepción del Sacramento de la Confirmación. Felicitaciones a todos los recién confirmados. Nuestras oraciones están con ustedes al entrar en esta nueva fase de su vida como miembros de la Iglesia plenamente iniciados. También me gustaría agradecer a todas las personas maravillosas, tanto a los miembros del personal como a los voluntarios, que ayudaron a que el evento se desarrollara sin dificultades. Y, por supuesto, ¡gracias al obispo Hying!

Para los recién confirmados, ¡estamos gozosos de ver cómo el Espíritu Santo obra en sus vidas! Celebrar el Sacramento de la Confirmación con ustedes también nos recuerda nuestra propia necesidad de abrirnos al Espíritu Santo. Con eso en mente, también celebramos Pentecostés cuando el Espíritu Santo descendió sobre los discípulos. Se nos recuerda que nosotros también somos discípulos y estamos encargados de salir a difundir las buenas nuevas a través de nuestras palabras y acciones. Así que a medida que se acerca el Tiempo Ordinario, recordemos el don extraordinario del Espíritu y salgamos, ¡glorificando al Señor con nuestras vidas!



Left photo:
Group Confirmed that are from other Parishes in the Madison Diocese.



Bottom photo:
Our Confirmed Parishioners.

Livestream Dream Team!

Looking for a way to serve others AND learn valuable tech skills? Join the Livestream Dream Team and learn how to livestream the Mass for the parish! This is a budding ministry that means so much to those unable to attend Mass and other events in person. You will be trained, and you can schedule yourself according to your own availability. We'd love to hear from you! Contact Katie Bolander at bolander-katie@gmail.com to learn more.

June 5-6: Used Book Sale

One weekend only!

The library committee has trimmed a whole treasure trove of books from the parish library that may be doubles, or perhaps just haven't been checked out enough. There just may be a treasure for you! Donations welcome, but don't let that stop you from taking home a whole armload of books!



Laudato Si' Action Platform Launches on May 25

This past week, "Laudato Si' Week", featured virtual events each day leading up to the introduction of the Vatican's Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development *Laudato Si' Action Platform*. The Platform will outline benchmarks for Catholic organizations to establish to achieve "total sustainability" and encourages all Catholics to consider how they can implement the principles Pope Francis set out in his landmark encyclical.

To learn more, check out Brian Roewe's article in the National Catholic Reporter on May 14, "Catholic action on environment set for massive multiplication this Laudato Si' Week", and watch for updates on May 25.

Thank you for all you are doing to preserve God's creation and protect those on the peripheries who are most impacted by destruction of ecosystems that sustain them and their livelihoods.

Ministers of Hospitality needed!

The goal of an evangelizing parish is to be welcoming! Ministers of Hospitality are needed to help everyone feel welcome. Greeting people at the door, helping to seat people, taking up the collection, and passing out bulletins are part of being a Minister of Hospitality. Ministers of Hospitality are put onto a team and scheduled for a month three times a year. If you can help us make people feel welcomed when they come to our parish for weekend Masses, please contact Holly Irving at holly@stamadison.org or 608-833-2600.

CPR Training

We will be offering blended CPR training at St. Thomas Aquinas. By blended, I mean that you will receive training videos a week before the testing and then come to STA to be tested by our certified CPR instructor, Judy Harms. Testing will be held the week of June 21 – 25. The cost for this is \$40. The parish will cover the cost of any Minister of Hospitality getting certified. If you would like to learn or get recertified in CPR, please contact Holly Irving at 608-833-2600 or holly@stamadison.org.

In Thanksgiving

We appreciate the thoughtfulness of parishioners who have requested that St. Thomas Aquinas Parish be the recipients of their Memorial Gifts. We especially want to thank the family of Leenar Halbleib.

Ann McBride & Elizabeth Estes
Marvin and Judy Siegert
Jane Hart
Fred and Martha Jaeckle
John and Joyce Slatner
Matred and Anita Taylor
R. Taber
David and Jeanie McMillan



In Thanksgiving

A few times throughout the year, it is important to celebrate and give thanks to those who have remembered St. Thomas Aquinas parish with a planned gift. Thank you to Robert and Virginia Kraft who named our parish as a recipient of their planned gift.



Registration for Totus Tuus 2021 Is Open!

Registration for Totus Tuus Summer Vacation Camp (at Holy Name Heights) the week of July 12-16 is now open. For a flyer with more information and a registration form, see stamadison.org/totus-tuus-2021/. For questions, please contact Lorianne Aubut at lorianne@stamadison.org

Campamento de Verano Totus Tuus para niños

El registro para el Campamento de Verano de niños para la semana del 12-16 de julio está abierto. Vea los detalles del Campamento Totus Tuus y la hoja de registro a stamadison.org/totus-tuus-2021/. Para preguntas contacte a Lorianne Aubut lorianne@stamadison.org

Church Art and Environment

During the past 26 years, we have all been blessed by the multitude of gifts which Ismael shared with our parish community. With his retirement, comes the need for us to ask for help from our parishioners to develop a team of people with varying interests and abilities, to help care for, plan, and create beautiful Art and Environment throughout our building, but particularly in the church itself where we celebrate the Paschal Mystery. This new team of individuals will help to craft and oversee specifically, the Liturgical Environment and Décor in the church. This is no small task! Some of these tasks overlap with the role of a Sacristan, and this team will work together with our staff! Here are some specific areas and skills which we are hoping to find among our parishioners:

Liturgical Art and Church Documents: The care and decoration of Altar and the church environment requires a working knowledge of some of the documents of the Church. There are specific requirements, guidelines, and restrictions that we follow throughout the year, working to highlight our liturgical seasons and the Holy Mass, which is our primary celebration as Catholics.

Decorators/Designers: Along with knowledge of liturgical art and Church documents, those who are skilled at designing and arranging our environment are extremely important. This is more than just arranging flowers, although that skill is helpful. With an eye to what we celebrate, those who can vision and help to create a welcoming space that draws the assembly into the action of the Mass, are a must in this area. We strive for our whole community to come together in prayer, and our environment helps us to do this in a beautiful and meaningful way.



Fabric Care: We have a lot of fabric and materials that we use in the church, from Altar Cloths, to banners, to fabric to place around flowers, etc. All this material needs to be laundered, ironed, and organized. Many of the fabric pieces have unhemmed edges which will need some attention to clean them up as well. In addition, we are looking for folks whose sewing skills are top-notch and will be able to help us create new Altar Cloths, banners, etc. in the future.



*As each one has received a gift,
use it to serve one another as
good stewards of
God's varied grace*

1Peter 4:10

Flower/Plant Care: We also use a lot of plants and flowers throughout the year in our decorations. Some plants are purchased seasonally, like Poinsettias and Easter Lillies. These need regular watering during those seasons. Other plants we keep throughout the year, introducing them into the liturgical environment seasonally or for special events, which need weekly watering and care throughout the entire year.



Candle Care: We use a lot of candles during our prayer. Altar candles are always used during the celebration of the Mass, and they require regular attention and care. We also have votive candles in racks in the church and the chapel, which require care each week. And for special events, like Easter Vigil, we also use taper candles which we light from the Easter Candle, shining the Light of Christ!

Holy Water & Fonts: While we have one main Baptismal Font in the church, we also have smaller fonts at the church entrances where we dip our fingers and make the sign of the cross in blessing, as well as Holy Water that parishioners can take home for their personal use. All these receptacles of this Sacramental sign of Holy Water require regular cleaning, care, and filling.

Heavy Lifters: We are always in need of those who can assist to move flowers and plants, but also for special occasions, those who can do some heavy lifting are essential. This might include climbing ladders to hang fabric banners, carrying in and putting up the Christmas trees and lights, setting up the crèche or the baptismal font, and adjusting lights, etc.



We are grateful to all our parishioners for their support of our parish community, especially during these past months! If you may be able to assist in any of these areas, please let us know. Many hands make light work. And as we continue to develop this new need and ministry, we pray that our prayer as a community of faith will be strengthened by your generosity and goodness. Please contact Greg Buchberger at greg@stamadison.org or 608-833-2600 to volunteer or for more information!





Pray for Our Loved Ones

SERVING WITH THE ARMED FORCES

CW4 Steve Artz
A1C Margarita Clayton
A1C Colin Donovan
Captain Alex Harms
SSGT Mark Jurakovich
SSGT Mike Levesque
Major Stuart Mark Slattery
SSG Jack Vilim
SSG Michael Bosold
SFC Enrique Andres Cervantes
Major Tim Doll
A1C Brianna Herreid
A1C Nicholas Jones
LT Bradley Kirschbaum
Steven Thomas
1st Lt. Christian Waechter
Colleen Virgil
PVT Benjamin Litchfield
Nicolas Rojas Ceron, WI Army National Guard
Colleen Virgil, Army Military Police

Thank you to all active and non active military members and their families that serve our country. We hold you in our heart and thank you for your service.

Please let Clarice (833-2600) know if there has been a change to the status of your family member.

Resources for Human Needs

SVdP Conference: St. Vincent du Paul Conference (food, rental assistance, school supplies, utilities) Phone messages only 608-205-8276
www.momhelps.org/: Middleton Outreach Ministry (food, rental assistance, utilities, clothing, rides, home chores)
www.womenscarecenter.org/Madison.html: Women's Care Center (counseling, ultrasound, baby items, parenting class)
www.catholiccharitiesofmadison.org/: Catholic Charities (adoption, aging services, developmental disabilities, counseling, alcohol - drug abuse treatment, adult day care)
www.cmcmadison.org/: Catholic Multicultural Center (meals, health services, education, job development, immigration legal help)
abuseintervention.org/: Domestic Abuse Intervention Service (crisis response, emergency shelter, support groups)
www.silentnomoreawareness.org: Abortion recovery help and awareness campaign
hopeafterabortion.com: Project Rachel (resources for abortion recovery)
Madison AI-Anon Hotline: for people troubled by someone else's drinking or drug use - 608-258-0314—confidential and anonymous
www.elizabethhousedane.org: Care Net Pregnancy Center of Dane County (residential maternity and parenting program)
National Suicide Hotline: 800-273-8255
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Memorial Day at the Parish

There will be no Mass or Adoration at St. Thomas Aquinas on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30. You are invited to Mass at 10 AM at Resurrection Cemetery with Bishop Hying.

The parish office and building will be closed all day. The parish will close after Mass on Sunday, May 30 after Mass and will remain closed until Tuesday at 9:00 AM.

Conmemoración de los soldados caídos en la Parroquia

No habrá Misa ni Adoración en Santo Tomás de Aquino el Día de la Conmemoración de los soldados caídos, el lunes, 30 de mayo. Están invitados a la Misa a las 10 AM en el Cementerio Resurrection con el Obispo Hying.

La oficina parroquial y el edificio estarán cerrados todo el día. La parroquia cerrará después de la Misa del domingo 30 de mayo y permanecerá cerrada hasta el martes a las 9:00 AM.

Mass Intentions for This Week

Saturday, May 22

4:30 PM Martin Ballweg ☩
6:30 PM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners

Sunday, May 23: Pentecost Sunday

8:00 AM Ruth Little ☩
10:00 AM Duane, Jerry, Emil, and Bernadine Lauber ☩

Monday, May 24: Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

8:30 AM Florence Wrobel ☩

Tuesday, May 25: St. Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, Virgin

5:30 PM Joan Sorenson ☩

Wednesday, 26: St. Philip Neri, Priest

8:30 AM Kazimiera Sak and Helena Szylow ☩

Thursday, May 27: St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

7:30 AM Robert Quinn ☩

Friday, May 28

8:30 AM Paul and Margaret Kelley ☩
10:00 AM Fr. Donald Murray ☩

Saturday, May 29

4:30 PM Yolanda Busse ☩
6:30 PM Sofia Arenas ☩

Sunday, May 30: The Most Holy Trinity

8:00 AM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners
10:00 AM June Melder ☩

Monday, May 31: Memorial Day

No Mass today; parish closed all day

Readings for the Week of May 23

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/
Ps 10:1-2, 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 107:2-9/
Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or
Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/
Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23 [23b]/Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17/Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13/Mk 10:32-45

Thursday: Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 10:46-52

Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Mk 11:11-26

Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20/Ps 19:8, 9, 19, 11 [9ab]/Mk 11:27-33

Next Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22/
Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

Weekly Offertory Update

Week Ending	Income*	Monthly Budget Projection	Make Disciples Capital Campaign (MDCC)	MDCC Endowment
Jan Total	\$107,426	\$89,283	\$127,315	\$10,412
Feb Total	\$84,118	\$83,433	\$18,739	\$9,025
March Total	\$112,758	\$100,693	\$36,537	\$421
April Total	\$105,478	\$106,313	\$39,433	\$839
May 3	\$13,738		\$984	\$30
May 10	\$13,035		\$6,605	\$465
May 17	\$16,382		\$26,345	\$3,500
May 26				
May Total	\$43,156	\$101,623	\$33,934	\$3,995
*Envelopes, stock gifts, PayPal Credit/Debit and ACH online, ACH monthly withdrawals, plus Loose Offertory (cash)				
Counters Schedule				
Monday, May 24: Dick or Mary Ann Ihlenfeld				
Monday, May 31: Bernice Bariola and Dan Gronemus				

Memorial Day Mass with Bishop Hying

Monday, May 31 at 10:00 AM

Resurrection Cemetery in Madison.

All are invited. In preparation for Memorial Day, your cemetery crew has been working hard to make the grounds beautiful. Resurrection Cemetery is grateful to the Marine Corps League 351 and Boy Scouts from Troops 15 and 102, who have placed a flag at each veteran's grave. Originally known as Decoration Day, it is a perfect time for decorating the graves of loved ones. It is also a good time to pray the *Order for Visiting a Cemetery*. You can find this one-page prayer, suitable for individuals and groups, at madisondiocese.org/cemeteries.



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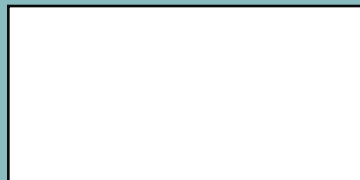
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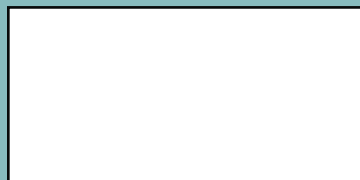
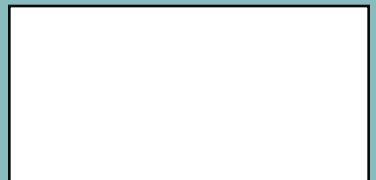
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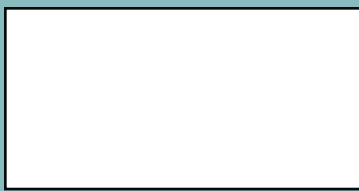
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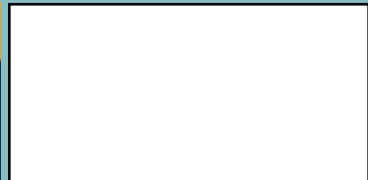
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