

# The Roman Catholic Parishes of

**St. Thomas the Apostle**  
in St. Thomas

**St. Cecilia**  
in Meta

www.stthomasapostle.net

St. Cecilia website still under development

PO Box 146  
St. Thomas, MO 65076

## 15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 12, 2015

**Pastor: Father Jeremy A. Secrist**  
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**School Website:**  
new site coming soon

St. Thomas Parish Office hours: **Tuesdays** 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; **Thursdays** 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

St. Cecilia Parish Office hours: Tuesdays 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

School Office hours during school year: Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**Confessions:** Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. at St. Thomas; Sundays 7:30 - 7:50 a.m. at St. Cecilia;  
or anytime by appointment, just call Father.

### **Saint Thomas the Apostle**

#### **Mass Schedule for the Week of July 12-19:**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – David Suthoff  
Monday 7:45 a.m. – No Mass  
Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – Loreen Volmert  
Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – No Mass (*Summer Schedule*)  
Thursday 7:45 a.m. – Ray Luebbering  
Friday 7:45 a.m. – Ida Schellman  
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – L&D Herman & Gertie Hoecker Fam.  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Jim Reinkemeyer

#### **Your Sunday Offering:**

Offertory Budget for 2015-2016: \$305,000.00  
Offertory Goal Year to Date: \$305,000.00  
Actual Collection for 2015-2016: **\$9,476.25**  
Offertory Difference Year to Date: - \$295,523.75  
Offertory Goal for July: \$25,417.00

#### **Collection in Church:**

July 5	\$5,217.25
July 12	\$
July 19	\$
July 26	\$
<b>Collection Online:</b>	\$4,259.00
<b>July total to date:</b>	<b>\$9,476.25</b>
Difference for July:	-\$15,940.75

#### **St. Thomas the Apostle Expansion & Building Fund**

Total expansion expenses paid: \$2,273,475.34  
Income from parishioners for fiscal year 2015-2016  
(via the yellow "Building Fund" envelope): **\$1,089.00**  
Loan payments to date for fiscal year 2015-2016: \$  
(Principal) \$ (Interest) \$  
Parish Building Expansion Debt remaining: **\$584,053.54**

#### **St. Thomas Cantor / Organist**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. –  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Robyn Schroeder/Jackie

#### **St. Thomas Reader/ Petitions**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Nolan Suthoff  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Larry Lueckenhoff

#### **St. Thomas Altar Servers**

Weekday – Henry Buschjost & Grace Boessen  
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Ely & Dawson Wieberg, Abby Hoecker  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Kenadi Braun, Nicole & Will Otto,  
Dorothy Lackman

### **Saint Cecilia**

#### **Mass Schedule for the Week of July 12-19:**

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Fred Hagenhoff  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Vince & Brad Reinkemeyer

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Regina Heckman

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Lawrence & Scott Otto  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – People of our Parishes

#### **Your Sunday Offering:**

Offertory Budget for 2014-2015: \$60,471.51  
Collection Total for 2014-2015: **\$1,334.00**  
Offertory Goal for June: \$4,651.68

#### **Collection in Church:**

July 5	\$1,334.00
July 12	\$
July 19	\$
July 26	\$
<b>July total to date:</b>	<b>\$1,334.00</b>
Difference for July:	-\$3,317.68

#### **St. Cecilia Collection Counters**

July - Mary & Dominic Plassmeyer

#### **St. Cecilia Reader / Petitions**

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Dorothy Rehagen  
Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Dorothy Rehagen  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Dominic Plassmeyer

#### **St. Cecilia Ushers**

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Mitch & Brendan Stumpe,  
Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Dominic Plassmeyer, Harold Brockes,  
Kenneth Otto, Leon Schanzmeyer

**St. Thomas Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

**July 18-19**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mark Luebbering, Pat Kaiser, Marshall Boessen  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Gilbert & Hermina Strope, Mike & Sheri Wieberg, Jan Carter

**July 25-26**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Betty Schellman, Leeroy Budnik, Carolyn Loethen  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Janet Lueckenhoff, Linda Lueckenhoff, Glenn Prenger, Gilbert & Hermina Strope

**August 1-2**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mark & Barb Graessle, Lora Boessen  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Mike & Sheri Wieberg, Mike & Trish Green, Millie Wieberg

**St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers**

**July 18-19**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Mike Groner & Dave Luebbering  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Mattheuw Prenger & Keith Kliethermes

**July 25-26**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Steve Schellman & Mike Green  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Mike Buschjost & Ryan Buschjost

**August 1-2**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Gilbert Schellman & Richard Schellman  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Richard Heckemeyer & Jim Lueckenhoff

**St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass**

**July 18-19**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Paul & Jenny Becker  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Keith & Jean Kliethermes

**July 25-26**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Tom & Carol Backes Family  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Randy & Charlene Buschjost

**August 1-2**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Gregg & Susan Boessen Family  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Mike & Kristin Buschjost Family

**Collection Counters:**

July 18-19- Paul Becker & Greg Russell  
July 25-26-Rosalyn Wieberg & Donna Schellman  
August 1-2-Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg

**Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas**

Tuesday 7:25 a.m. – Rose Mary Buschjost – Sorrowful Mysteries  
Thursday 7:25 a.m. – Martha & Celeste – Luminous Mysteries  
Friday 7:25 a.m. – Pat Loethen – Sorrowful Mysteries  
Saturday 4:40 p.m. – Paul Becker – Luminous Mysteries  
Sunday 9:40 a.m. – Tina Stockman – Luminous Mysteries

**Scrip Sales (July 25-26)**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Karen Luebbering  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – April Heckman

**A NOTE OF THANKS**

We would like to thank everyone for the thoughts, prayers, cards, memorial contributions and kind words extended to us during this difficult time. A special thanks to family, friends and neighbors who brought food and helped with the funeral in any way. Your kindness will never be forgotten. **VICTOR OTTO FAMILY**

**MASS INTENTIONS...**

The specific Mass intentions for each scheduled Mass are regularly published in this bulletin and are specifically requested by individual request. Every reasonable effort is made to accommodate particular times and dates, when so requested. However, when on occasion the date or time request cannot be met, the intention will be rescheduled for the next earliest date available.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** Please call Fr. Secrist to schedule a meeting.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION:** Please call Fr. Secrist *at least* six months prior to the desired date.

**MINISTRY TO THE ILL & INFIRM:** If you are preparing for surgery, recovering from surgery, homebound or ill, please let Fr. Secrist (477-3315) and/or MaryPat Luebbering (477-3476) know so that you have the opportunity to receive the Sacraments and pastoral care.

**CATHOLIC MISSOURIAN SUBSCRIPTIONS:** Just a gentle reminder that when you are making out your check for your household's annual subscription to the diocesan newspaper, please make out your check for \$14 to the parish, not to the Catholic Missourian. This will help the checks to be processed and cleared more easily. Thanks to all who have sent along their subscription contributions thus far.

**VISIONS OF FAITH STAINED GLASS WINDOW RESTORATION PROJECT:** The fundraising program to restore the historic stained glass windows at St. Thomas the Apostle is ongoing. Sacristy windows are still available for "adoption". Many thanks to all who have contributed to this endeavor that will enable the restoration of all of the large windows in the nave. Weather permitting, Associated Crafts studios are scheduled to begin work in August. Even if you or your family are not able to adopt a full window, any and all contributions to this project are greatly appreciated. A single commemoration plaque will be created to list the names of all who have contributed to the restoration project. If you have questions, please contact Fr. Secrist.

**PRAYER HOUR WITH MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION** is Tuesday, July 14, 7:00 p.m. at St. Thomas Church.

**St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

**July 18-19**

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Doris Stumpe, Jennifer Even, Betty Hagenhoff  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Gerald & Phyllis Rehagen & Pam Libbert

**July 25-26**

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Dorothy Rehagen, Bonnie Kampeter, Lou Kloepfel  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer, Janice Schanzmeyer

**St. Cecilia Altar Servers**

**July 18-19**

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Joshua & Alex Even, Carson Libbert & Gavin Holterman  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Will & Melina Derkum, Saige & Ava Werdehausen

**Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia**

Wednesday 6:10 p.m. – Florentine Hagenhoff – Glorious Mysteries

Saturday 6:40 p.m. – Alice Hake – Luminous Mysteries

Sunday 7:40 a.m. – Mary Plassmeyer – Luminous Mysteries

**VOTIVE CANDLES:** The requested donation for lighting a votive candle in church is now **\$2.50.**

**IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE  
TO FULFILL  
YOUR LITURGICAL MINISTRY,  
IN YOUR KINDNESS & CHARITY,  
PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT.**

**UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR:**

**St. Thomas Parish Fish Fry** –Saturday, July 18, 2015, serving from 5:00-8:00 p.m in Parish Center.

Adults \$10, children 6-12 \$5.

**Totus Tuus Summer Camp** – July 18-24, 2015 – At St. Cecilia & St. Thomas Parishes. \$15 per child for the whole week. **Volunteers are still needed provide snacks for evening junior and high school program and assist with daytime activities with 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade program.** Thus far 50 children from our two parishes have registered. Blue signup sheets are still available near the entrances to church.

The 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade day program begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 2:15 p.m. at St. Thomas; before and after care is available. The program for 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades runs from 7:00 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. at St. Cecilia.

On Wednesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, there will be a **5:30 p.m. potluck meal for all parishioners and Totus Tuus participants at the St. Thomas cafeteria.**

**St. Thomas Parish Blood Drive** is Sunday, July 19, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 (Noon) at the St. Thomas K of C Hall.

**St. Thomas Parish Picnic** – August 16, 2015

**St. Thomas CYO Breakfast** – August 23, 2015

**St. Thomas Parish Fall Fantasy** – October 24, 2015

**ST. THOMAS CYO** will meet on Monday, July 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

**ST. THOMAS PSR PLANNING MEETING** is Thursday, July 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the Vitae House

**ST. THOMAS PARISH SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING** is Thursday, July 16 at 6:00 p.m. in the Vitae House.

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL** is now accepting registrations for the fall of 2015-2016 enrollment for **Preschool through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.** Please call the school office to register at 573-477-3322.

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL** would like to thank the Missouri State Council Knights of Columbus for awarding a \$500.00 grant to the school.

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE YARD SIGNS & WINDOW STICKERS:** Show your support for our local Catholic school by purchasing a sign for your front yard and a window sticker for your vehicle, boat or tractor. Yard signs and window stickers are \$5.00 each. Please contact the School Office at 573-477-3322.

**BOX TOPS:** Please continue to save Box Tops for Education, Coke Points & Best Choice labels.

**SCRIP:** During the Summer months, SCRIP will only be sold after Mass every other weekend. Please watch the bulletins as to when scrip will be sold. You may contact Lindsay Luebbering at 573-680-4920 or Karen Luebbering at 573-301-5834 for additional sales. In September we will begin selling scrip after every Mass.

**ST. CECILIA BIBLE STUDY GROUP** meets for one hour (6:00-7:00 p.m.) in the Parish Center basement, twice a month. *All are invited and welcome to attend.* The upcoming meeting is: **July 23, August 6 & 20.**

**THE NEXT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING** is Tuesday, July 14, at 7:30 p.m. A rosary will be prayed at 7:15 p.m. Please read the July newsletter attached to the bulletin.

**ST. THOMAS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS/META BLOOD DRIVE** is Sunday, July 19, 8:00 a.m. to noon at the St. Thomas K of C Hall. To make an appointment visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) Sponsor keyword: StThomasParish

**OATS BUS:** The Oats Bus that provides rides to Jefferson City from the Meta & St. Thomas area is in need of more riders. The OATS Bus runs twice a month on Tuesdays for doctor appointments and grocery stores. If interested, please contact either Leota Logan at 573-229-4274 or Martha Strope at 573-477-3583 or Bill Bess (driver) at 573-353-2866.

**UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE AREA**

**ST. STANISLAUS PARISH PICNIC** is Sunday, July 19, serving fried chicken & roast beef dinners from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Adults \$11.00, children 6-12 \$6.00. Quilt auction at 5:00 p.m.

**WKCSO FALL SOCCER SIGN-UPS** will be held at the Westphalia KC hall on July 20, 21 and 22 from 5-7 PM each night. All kids ages 3-14 welcome. Please no late sign ups! Email [wkcsoccerclub@gmail.com](mailto:wkcsoccerclub@gmail.com) with any questions

**ST. THOMAS PARISH PARK BOARD:** Mark your calendar for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual, “**Family Night Under the Stars**” on **Saturday, August 29** sponsored by St. Thomas Parish Park Board. The event will include concessions, games and a fireworks show. Also, new this year, we will be holding a glow run/walk at dark! The course will be 3.1 miles through the town of St. Thomas. T-shirt and glow accessory guaranteed to those who pre-register for the glow run/walk by August 15. Pre-registration fees are \$20 for ages 15 and over and \$15 for ages 14 and under. Bring out your brightest side and win a prize for best lit outfit! Registration forms for the run/walk are available at B&K or email [gluebbering@gmail.com](mailto:gluebbering@gmail.com).

This year, we will again add a personal touch to our beautiful fireworks display. If you would like to make a donation to the fireworks display in honor or in memory of a loved one, in thanksgiving for our military, or just in celebration of life, please feel free to. All names/reasons will be on display as well as mentioned prior to the lighting of the fireworks. For questions, please contact Lora Boessen at 477-3737 or send donation along with name/reason by **August 22**, to Lora Boessen, 15214 Rt. B, Meta, MO 65058. Please make checks payable to St. Thomas Park Board. Thank you!

**ST. CECILIA PARISH PICNIC THIS SUNDAY, JULY 12, Fried chicken & roast beef dinners will be available from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Adults \$11.00, children 6-12 \$6.00. Quilt Auction at 5:00 p.m.**

## Diocesan Mission Collection Appeal

July 18-19, 2015

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Just a couple of weeks ago I had the honor of ordaining three men to the priesthood. One of them, Father Cesar Anicama, has obvious ties to our missions.

He is from a parish in Pisco, Peru with which we began a mission partnership after the 2007 earthquake. His pastor, Father Jose Sanchez, helped him discern for the priesthood, just as one of our missionaries, the late Monsignor Ralph Keyes, helped Father Sanchez many years before. He told me that he urged Cesar to come here because of the deep missionary spirit of our people.

What happened in our missions some 40 years ago is still affecting lives today. We have to believe that what we continue to do in our mission commitment not only serves people now but will also be a channel of God's love for many years to come.

When we help parishes nourish the lives of families, we assure another generation of caring disciples to serve their communities. When we offer food to hungry children or medicines to the destitute, the lives we touch may well pay it back one hundred fold to others. When we preach a Gospel of justice and hope, we empower people to work together to change the world in which they live.

Mission is not about getting more priests or any other benefits. It is about a living expression of our faith and about sharing the love of Jesus with those who need it most. The fact is, though, that the more we do this, the greater the blessings we find.

Our other ordinands were Father Simeon Etonu from Nigeria and Father Geoffrey Brooke, Jr., whose mother is from Ecuador. We have been truly blessed by these and others with links to the mission world. Next weekend is our Diocesan Mission Collection. It is our turn to give back. Please be generous.

Sincerely yours in Christ, **Most Reverend John R. Gaydos, Bishop of Jefferson City**

### **ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH FISH FRY WORKLIST SATURDAY, JULY 18, 2015 SERVING 5:00 – 8:00**

#### **FISH FRYERS 3:30 to 8:00**

Norbert Veit  
Gregg Boessen  
Mark Boessen  
Paul Becker  
Randy Buschjost  
Simon Strobe  
Mark Luebbering

Chad Luebbering  
Nick Luebbering  
Antone Luebbering  
Pat Schellman  
Marlan Schaefer  
Shane Verslues

#### **CASHIERS 4:30 to End**

Jason Buschjost  
Marian Buschjost  
Charlene Buschjost

#### **SERVING LINE 4:45 TO END**

Lora Boessen, Chairman  
Roseanne Boessen  
Kim Akin  
Jenny Schellman  
Emma Boessen  
Kelley Buschjost

#### **SET UP 3:00**

Alan Reinkemeyer, Chairman  
James Reinkemeyer  
Ryan Buschjost  
Al Carter  
Lauri Luebbering (food preparation)

#### **GENERAL HELP 5:00 to END**

Larry Lueckenhoff  
Brian Schulte

#### **JUICE, COFFEE, TEA 4:30 to End**

Barb Graessle, Chairman  
Mark Graessle  
Jan Carter

#### **DISHWASHERS 6:00 TO END**

Tiffany Lackman, Chairman  
Linda Lueckenhoff  
Lynne Reinkemeyer  
Betty Ann Luebbering

#### **BUS TABLES 5:00 to 8:00**

Olivia Boessen  
Madison Boessen  
Kenadi Braun  
Madilyn Buschjost

#### **SERVING SECONDS 5:15 to 8:00**

Samantha Schulte  
Lori Schaefer

#### **CLEAN UP 8:00 to End**

Justin Schulte, Chairman  
Phil Akin  
Eric Boessen  
Keith Boessen  
Bob Schellman

#### **CARRY-OUTS 4:45 to END**

Katrina Schellman  
Gilbert Schellman  
Renee Braun

#### **BEER 4:45 to END**

Andy Luebbering  
Steve Schellman

**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO WORK  
YOUR SHIFT, PLEASE FIND A  
REPLACEMENT, THANK YOU!**