

The St. Thomas a'Becket library index is now on line!

Over the summer we began to reorganize our parish library and put the index on line. You can explore our library from your phone, tablet or laptop. You can search by any word in the title, author or subject. Once you have found a book you like, you can find it on the shelf by the Dewey number (yup, that Dewey Decimal number you remember from high school!). The shelves are all in numerical sequence (with number and topic shelf markers).

For example, suppose you are interested in a book about the Gospel of Mark. You would type "Mark" into the search bar. A number of selections come up, including the book "The Gospel of Mark" by Dr. Mary Healey. Click on that entry and you will see the detailed information page, including a picture of the cover and a summary of what the book is about. Make a note of the Dewey number (226.3077) and look for the 226 section on the shelves. Follow the numbers along and you should find the book there!

If you are just browsing in the library, you can find where books on a topic are shelved. They are in order by the number: so 226 would come first, then 226.05, 226.150, 226.9 and so on. Since the books are in order by topic and not author, books by the same author may not necessarily be together – that is why you need to look in the index first.

Here is a link to the index: <https://cloud.collectorz.com/388342/books>  
Just open it in your browser and start looking – have fun!