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Mass Schedule

Chapel

Monday & Tuesday..... 7:30 a.m.
 Thursday & Friday 12:10 p.m.
 Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Church

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday 2:30 p.m.
 or by Appointment
 Mondays during Lent..... 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Holy Hour (Chapel)

Tuesday (for vocation)..... 11:00 a.m.
 Thursday (with Benediction)..... 11:00 a.m.
 Eucharistic Adoration 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Miraculous Medal Novena (Chapel)

Tuesday..... 7:00 p.m.

Sponsor Certificates

Sponsor Certificates are available in the sacristy of the Church or the rectory office. You must be an active parishioner, registered with our parish for 6 months or more. The use of the envelope system assists in verifying that you are an active parishioner.

Baptism

Parents are asked to contact Jean Moriarty at the rectory to arrange for a Baptism.

Marriage

The Archdiocese requires a minimum of 6 months for marriage preparation. Couples should contact Fr. Nick at the rectory.

RCIA - The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

If your faith journey has led you to think about the Catholic Church or to receive the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation, please join us in the RCIA. For more information contact Sr. Marie Roccapriore, M.P.F. at the Convent.



SATURDAY, JUNE 17

4:00 Joe, Debra & Jennifer, req. by Bernice Schaaf

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

7:30 Margaret and George Pepi, req. by Richard and Beth
10:00 Robert and Jeanne Plourd, req. by their daughter

MONDAY, JUNE 19

St. Romuald

7:30 Anthony and Luigi Renzi and Michael Volpe, req. by Maria LaPorta

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

7:30 Emily Rose, req. by the Baldwin family

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

St. Paulinus of Nola, SS. John Fisher and Thomas More

12:10 Michaelangelo and Luigia Palazzo, req. by family
6:00 WEDDING: Beth Malvezzi Szulczewski and Matthew Crowley

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

12:10 Albert and Mary Gasecki, req. by family

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

8:00 Parishioners of St. Thomas Church
4:00 Julia Casale, req. by family

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

7:30 Bette Longo-15th Anniversary, req. by Tony, Nancy and Bill
10:00 Ralph Parlapiano-15th Anniversary, req. by his family

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome! We are delighted to have you join our parish. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Nick after Mass. Parish registration forms are available in the sacristy after Mass or at the rectory office during the week.

BULLETIN

All bulletin announcements must be submitted *in writing* no later than the **Monday** prior to publication. It is best to send by email to stchurchre@gmail.com. Submitting well in advance is greatly appreciated.

ST. THOMAS PRAYER LINE MINISTRY

To make a request for prayer contact the rectory at 860-628-4713 or, the Sisters at the Convent: 860-621-1904.

BULLETIN ADVERTISERS

Please remember to support the businesses who advertise on the back of the weekly bulletin. We wish to thank our advertising sponsors for making this publication possible.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The floral arrangements in our sanctuary enhance our liturgical setting. The donation for the flowers is \$100. If you would like to be a sponsor or dedicate the flower arrangements in memory of someone, please contact the rectory. The dedication or donation will be acknowledged in the bulletin that week.



FATHER'S DAY

SPIRITUAL BOUQUET ~ MASS REMEMBRANCE

DECEASED:

Jacob Hanecak	Robert Plourd	Norman R. Cyr
Landon Golmon	Nicola Faraone	Albert Aldi, Sr.
Francis E. Sweeney	Martin Burava	John Czerwienski
Jon Beauchene	Dr. John E Cockayne	Percy Cockayne
Bartholomew Fitzgerald	Arthur Martino	Vincenzo Angelillo
Edward Chmura	Albert Tutino	William Palumbo
Richard Barbieri	Antonio Barbieri	Walter Collyer
Albert Collyer	Thomas C. Nedjoika	Charles A. Nedjoika
Francis J. Galliher	Anthony Vecchio	Gaetano Sabino
Giuseppe Ragozzino	Giovann Battista Sabino	Rene Pepin
Donald Richardson	Fernand Pepin	Funzey Cusano
John Lalla	Albert Gasecki	Evo J. Mongillo, Sr.
Anthony Renzi	Michael Volpe	Frank Casale
All Fathers	Carmen Giammatteo	Thomas Lessor
John DiCaprio	Louis Longo, Jr.	Michael Longo
Louis Longo, Sr.	Richard Bednarczyk	Philip Pomposi
Frank Albrycht	Michael Cassella	Bruno Brunalli
Robert A. Kane, Sr.	Frank Nevelos	Raymond Allaire
Euclide DeVeau	Joseph J. Dlugos	Albert Torello
Dom Mongillo, Sr.	Dom Mongillo, Jr.	Frank Zumbolo
Thomas Zumbolo	Daniel Kirby	James DeGeorgia
Anthony P. D'Agostino	Robert Furia	Arnold Furia, Sr.
Arnold Furia, Jr.	Stephen Suchar, Sr.	Stanley Siemiatkoski
Pasquale Latino	Daniel P. Vendetti	Michael Salzillo
Angelo DelSanto	Ferdinando Simone	Louis Coscia
Eugene Manware	Joseph Zacchio	Alfonso Fragola
Nicola Sabino	Adolph J. Billings, Sr.	Adolph Petro, Sr.
Jean Dupuis	Harry Hayes	Pasco Carbone
Francesco Barbato	Giuseppe Barbato	Alfred T. Gioia, Sr.
Frank J. Lamb	Anthony E. Kupcho	Walter F. Buczak
Vincent Mulligan	Raymond F. Derynioski	F. Jay Martin
Daniel V. Martin	Pat Maiorano	Ernest W. Wright
Edward Sieruta	Joseph S. Labrie	Marvin Oshia
Anthony J. Suchan	Joseph Fiore, Sr.	Frank Forges
John Marks	Stephen K. Elliott, Sr.	Raymond C. Lemire
Neil Burr	John R. Morgan, Sr.	Otto T. Besescheck
Carl P. Verderame, Sr.	Anthony Cusano	Nicholas R. Grego
Robert W. Baldwin	Harold James	

LIVING:

Rev. John E. Cockayne	Jeffrey M. Daddio	Marty R. Cusano
Bruce Bailey	Mark Gannon	Paul Torneo, Jr.
Joseph Sukatski, Sr.	Bob Yorski	Michael McHenry

BREAD FOR LIFE


St. Thomas Church has been assigned this week, **June 19-23rd** for the Bread for Life Soup Kitchen. We need two people per day from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Also, **donations of milk and fruit are needed.** If you are able to assist in the kitchen or help with a donation, please call Marie, 860-621-7615. Please consider giving the gift of your time one day during our assigned week.

FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM

Fortnight for Freedom 2017 will be celebrated June 21—July 4th. Visit www.usccb.org/freedom for daily reflections and information celebrating our religious freedom.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for some volunteers to help set up for Fr. Nick's reception in the school cafeteria on Saturday, June 24th at 2pm and clean-up after the event on Sunday, June 25th. If you are able to spend 20-30 minutes of your time helping out with your fellow parishioners, it would be greatly appreciated. Many hands make light work! Donations of baked goods may also be dropped off at this time on Saturday afternoon.



The Church Sanctuary Candle is offered this week in memory of the **Deceased Members of the Cinquedita Family**, requested by Angie and family.

UGANDA AUCTION EVENT 2017

Income from ticket sales, program ads, donations and the Auction event on May 5th produced a net income of \$23,680. Additionally, we received donations in 2016 in the amount of \$4,365 for a total of \$28,045 raised since our first fund raising event in October, 2015. As stated, two matching gifts of \$25,000 each will be added to the figure for a grand total of \$78,045. We wish to thank the Auction committee members, the businesses and individuals who donated items or placed an ad as well as those who attended the auction. Sharing our time, talent and treasure enables our parish to support the people of Saint Peter and Saint Francis parishes and the Clare Nsenga Clinic in the Kisoro District of Uganda.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION—HELP NEEDED

We have been so blessed with many catechists offering their time and talent each week through the instruction of our youth in Religious Education. A special thanks to all of them! May God reward them with blessings in abundance! For the next school year, however, we will need two more teachers in the faith formation of students in the primary grades who meet on Mondays from 4:15pm to 5:30pm. Consider: Is God calling YOU to be an instructor of the Faith with our youth? We invite anyone who would be willing to assist us during the new school year to contact Sr. Marie at the convent at 860-621-1904.

RECEPTION FOR FATHER NICK MELO

The Parish is having a reception luncheon for Fr. Nick on **June 25, 2017**, following the 10:00 Mass at the Southington Catholic cafeteria. **Please indicate below your name and # of people who plan to attend in your family/group so we can estimate on how much food, etc... to order.** If you would like to contribute a dessert, you may bring it to the cafeteria on Sat., June 24th at 2pm. Please respond by phone to the rectory at 860-628-4713, by email to stthomassouthington@gmail.com or by dropping this form into the collection basket at any Mass.

Name

Number attending
YOU MUST RESPOND BY MONDAY, JUNE 19TH.



We wish to congratulate the parents of **Rose McKenna Adams** who was baptized at St. Thomas Church last weekend.

BRAKE THE CYCLE OF POVERTY

On Tuesday, June 27 at the Church of St. Dominic in Southington, the Brake the Cycle of Poverty team will present their ongoing mission to spread awareness of poverty to others. That day will be the fourth day of the Brake the Cycle team's weeklong bike ride throughout Connecticut to increase the awareness of poverty. Did you know that the poverty rate in Connecticut is 10.5% which translates to close to 366,000 people living in poverty in the richest state in the richest country in the world? Since 2003, Brake the Cycle has traveled throughout the state to various parishes bringing their message about the pervasiveness of poverty in this wealthy state. Come and see how you can make a difference to feed the hungry and shelter the homeless. Everyone is welcome. This is not a fundraising event.

ARCHDIOCESE OF HARTFORD TO SEND DELEGATES TO HISTORIC CHURCH CONVOCATION

Your Prayers are Needed

Guided by the missionary vision of the Holy Father's Apostolic Exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium* or Joy of the Gospel, the Archdiocese of Hartford is sending delegates to participate in the Convocation of Catholic Leaders. The purpose of the national meeting is to discuss the issues facing Catholics in the 21st Century, and to ultimately equip delegates with tools and resources they can use to evangelize in their respective dioceses. The convocation will take place in Orlando, FL from July 1-4. Archbishop Leonard P. Blair, who as the chairman of the USCCB's Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis played an important role in planning the historic gathering, will lead a delegation of 25 people from throughout the Archdiocese. "My hope is that these delegates will bring back to the Archdiocese innovative and creative ideas to share with parishioners. For a parish to grow and thrive, the challenge is for every parishioner to realize that being Catholic also means being evangelical, a missionary, and a witness for the faith. This is what Pope Francis is asking of all of us," says Archbishop Blair. The Archbishop asks everyone to pray for the success of the convocation and for the Archdiocesan delegation who will be participating. For more information about the *Convocation of Catholic Leaders* visit: usccb.org.

Readings for the Week of June 18, 2017

- Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Ps 147:12-15, 19-20/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58
- Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3-4/Mt 5:38-42
- Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-9a/Mt 5:43-48
- Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-4, 9/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-4, 7-8/Mt 6:7-15
- Friday: Dt 7:6-11/Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 10/1 Jn 4:7-16/Mt 11:25-30
- Saturday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80
- Next Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33