

Saint Thomas More Catholic Church

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We exist for one reason: to come to know and be formed by the Word of God and the Message of Jesus. When we gather in prayer and worship, in service and community, we assemble as disciples and friends with the Lord in our midst. Rooted in our Roman Catholic tradition, we are proud of our parish heritage and hopeful for our future.

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time- September 1, 2019

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Parish Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday
9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday Evening: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am and 7:00 pm (*Please note there will be no 7 pm Mass on holiday weekends.*)

Daily Mass: Monday - Saturday 8:15 am

Holy Days: Vigil 7:00 pm; Holy Day 8:15 am and 12:10 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance)

Saturday: 3:30 pm or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Every First Friday of the Month following the 8:15 am Mass and concluding with Benediction at Noon

Additional Sacraments

Baptism: Please call or email the Parish Office. Arrangements should be made at least 8 weeks in advance of the desired date.

Marriage: Please call or email the Parish Office. Arrangements should be made at least one year in advance of the desired date.

Join the St. Thomas More Family

New parishioners can register at any time! Please call or stop by the Parish Office between 9 am - 2 pm, Monday through Wednesday, or send an email to info@stmnj.org. We'd love to welcome you!!



Blast From the Past(or)
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 1, 2019

Conduct your affairs with humility.....

As this day of the Lord coincides with our Labor Day Holiday, we again recognize that the religious always meets the secular, just as sure as culture drives politics, and religion shapes culture. My Labor Day plans include (hurricane permitting) a short visit to my folks' where I will help my dad install his new flagpole. I'm curious as to what happened to the old one, drilled as it was 400 feet into the earth with reinforced, military-grade, bomb-proof titanium, ensconced among infrared lasers and concertina wire. But I am blessed to help Dad on this project. Though I am not so handy, my mom says I have other gifts. Plus, I wear a tool belt like a boss. But anyhow, Labor Day transitions us to a new season and for many a return to 'routine.' In so doing, we pause to thank The Source of the blessings of our labor. Labor Day is an exercise in humility as called for in all of our readings this weekend. Humility means 'close to the ground,' you know, like, 'down to earth.' It is a virtue that recognizes who you are, and who you are not. Humility frees us from pretense and airs, allowing us to see God as He is. And when we see God as He is, we are able to see others as they are. *Humility and trust are what makes a person truly human*, wrote Pope Benedict XVI (*Magnificat*, September 2007). Celebrate your Labor Day by honoring The Source of your gifts. Let us as American Christians embrace a forward-thinking hindsight with all humility. Celebrate your work and its Source, mindful of all that has been and all that is yet to come in Christ Jesus. Now, forgive me, but let me get my 'flux capacitor' (name the film, and for bonus points, name the actor) and set up a flagpole.

God Bless you!!!! And, God Bless America.....!



***Thank You for Your Stewardship of Time,
Talent and Treasure!***

Weekly Collection for August 24-25: \$5,062.25



First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

We hope you'll join us on Friday, September 6 for Eucharistic Adoration beginning with Exposition at 8:30 am and concluding with Benediction at Noon. Whether you can come for hours or even just 10 minutes, all are invited to spend some quiet time with Jesus.



MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Monday, September 2: Blessed John Francis Burté and Companions

8:15 am- Maureen Brodeur

Tuesday, September 3: Saint Gregory the Great

8:15 am- Father Patrick Rice

Wednesday, September 4: Saint Rose of Viterbo

8:15 am- Dr. Carmen Galdieri

Thursday, September 5: Saint Teresa of Calcutta

8:15 am- Claire Gill

Friday, September 6: Blessed Claudio Granzotto

8:15 am- Mary McKee

Saturday, September 7: Blessed Frédéric Ozanam

8:15 am- Margaret Farkas

5:00 pm- Howard Finlay

Sunday, September 8: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am- Mary Jane Milway

11:00 am- Robert Keenan

7:00 pm- Fred Underwood

If you are a family member or friend of the person being remembered at a Sunday Mass, please feel free to approach an usher and offer to bring up the gifts.



Mass Cards

Having a Mass offered is a wonderful way to remember a deceased loved one, celebrate a birthday or anniversary, or for any special intention you may have. Mass Cards can be obtained by visiting the Parish Office Monday, Tuesday or Thursday between 9:00 am and 2:00 pm.



Prayers for the Sick

Please join us in praying for all who are ill in our community, and in a particular way for Phil Barrett, Bob Bass, Karen Cutaneo, Fred Donikowski, Florence Kearney, Eileen O'Brien, Christopher Popp, Edmond Sherry and Frank Sweeney. May God bring them and their families His healing, comfort and peace. If you would like to have your name or that of a loved one included in the request for healing prayers in our weekly bulletin, please send an email to Sue Marshall at smarshall@stmnj.org.



Religious Education *It's Registration Time Again!*

We're in the process of firming up the details of our Religious Education program for this fall. To help us plan, we ask parents to please register your children online at our parish website as soon as possible. *Please note, all children who would like to participate need to be registered for this coming year, even if they were part of the program in the past.* The registration form can be found in the "Religious Education for Children" section under the "Faith Formation" tab.



Annual Parish Picnic

Save the Date- our Annual Parish Picnic is coming! Always a favorite community festivity, this year's picnic will be held on Saturday, September 28 from 2:00 - 5:00 pm and conclude with an outdoor Mass at 5:00 pm. Sign-up sheets will follow as the date gets closer. We are asking everyone to please bring your favorite dish to make this a more personalized event. For more information, please email the Parish Office. Hope to see you there!



"A Night at the Museum" Gala

Don't forget to stop by after Mass to buy your Gala 50/50 raffle ticket. Tickets are \$50 each and one winner will take home the grand prize!!

All parishioners should have now received a Gala invitation in the mail. If you're planning to attend or would like to separately make a donation or purchase a Gala journal ad, please mail your response card back to the Parish Office enclosing either a check or credit card information.

As an update on Gala transportation, please note a complimentary bus will be leaving St. Thomas More at 4:45 pm to bring attendees to the Newark Museum and will be leaving the museum at 10:45 pm to return to the church.

For additional information, please contact:
Sharon O'Neil: 973-462-5102
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NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS

In order to offer office hours later in the week, the **Parish Office hours have changed and will now be *Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9 am to 2 pm.*** There will no longer be Wednesday hours. If you need assistance outside of these hours, please call the parish number at 973-267-5330 or email Father Tom at tfallone@stmnj.org for an appointment.



Women's Guild

St. Thomas More Women's Guild was founded in 1972. Over the years the fine women of our parish have continued this guild and its dedication towards service, fellowship and furthering the mission of our parish. The group meets every 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m., except January, February and March, when the meetings are at 1:00 p.m. Dues are \$15 per year. In addition to two bake sales benefiting the parish each year as well as annual donations to two different charities, the group enjoys a special luncheon together in December and June. At each meeting throughout the year there is an activity or a speaker and always a lot of fun!

The new year of the Women's Guild will be commencing in September. The full schedule for the year is below:

- September 24: First Organizational/Introductory Meeting
- October 22: Mass followed by Octoberfest
- November 19: Wine and Cheese Gathering
- Weekend of November 23 - 24: Fall Bake Sale
- December 11: Christmas Luncheon
- January 28 (1 pm): Bingo
- February 25 (1 pm): Mardi Gras
- March 24 (1 pm): Lenten Program
- April 28: Annual Birthday Party
- Weekend of May 2 - 3: Spring Bake Sale
- May 26: Play
- June 10: End of Year Luncheon

As shown above, the guild will have its first, organizational meeting on Tuesday, September 24 at 7:00 pm in the basement meeting room. All women of the parish are most welcome!

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 2 in honor of Labor Day. Wishing everyone a safe and blessed holiday weekend!