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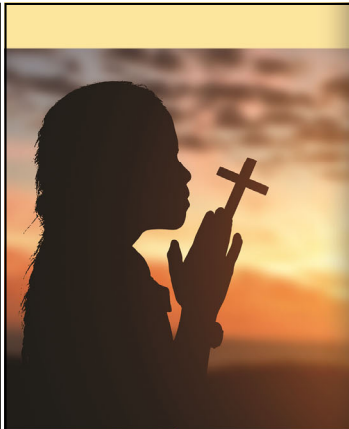
"...there is no inequality of significance amongst us except holiness..."
 "No hay desigualdad de importancia entre nosotros excepto la santidad..."

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 13, 2020

STAFF

Rev. Fred Valone.....Pastor
Felix Ramos.....Permanent Deacon
Kathy Boscarino.....DRE / Y M
Maria Delgado..... Elem. CCE
Rick Reed.....Music Coordinator
Jill Baker.....Nursery Coordinator
Pat Norfleet.....Bookkeeper
Sylvia Vitela.....Secretary
Laura Puente.....Custodian



**Forgive your neighbor's
 injustice;
 then when you pray,
 your own sins will
 be forgiven.**
 — *Sirach 28:2*

Mass Schedules

Saturday/ Sabado	5:30 pm English
Sunday/ Domingo	7:45 am English 10:30 am English 12:30 pm Spanish 5:30 pm English
Monday/ Lunes	No Mass
Tuesday – Friday/ Martes - Viernes	8:30 am



Reconciliation / Reconciliación

Tues/Martes	4:30-5:30 pm
Thurs/Jueves	4:30-5:30 pm

**No Adoration at this time
 No hay Adoración en este tiempo**



*The flowers besides the Blessed
 Sacrament are offered in loving memory
 Of
 Alfred & Donnie Seidel
 By
 David & Darlene Burris*

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Mass Intentions Of The Week

Sat.	09/12	5:30 pm	Parishioners
Sun.	09/13	7:45 am	Josephine Emmett 
		10:30 am	Joshua Bustoz (Birthday)
		12:30 pm	Antero Guijarro 
		5:30 pm	CSC
Mon.	09/14		NO Mass
Tues.	09/15	8:30 am	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Wed.	09/16	8:30 am	Chad Wagamon 
Thurs	09/17	8:30 am	Deacon Joe Vitela 
Fri.	09/18	8:30 am	Mike Hibbison (Birthday)
Sat.	09/19	5:30 pm	Living & Deceased DiStefano Family members
Sun.	09/20	7:45 am	Parishioners
		10:30 am	Alfred & Donnie Seidel 
		12:30 pm	Mateo & Margarita Vazquez (50th Anni.)
		5:30 pm	CSC

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
- Tuesday:** 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
- Wednesday:** 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13; Ps 33:2-5, 12, 22; Lk 7:31-35
- Thursday:** 1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28; Lk 7:36-50
- Friday:** 1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 17:1bcd, 6-8b, 15; Lk 8:1-3
- Saturday:** 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-14; Lk 8:4-15
- Sunday:** Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

Let us pray for the sick

Janice Andrews, Veronica Antwi, James Aubey, Irma Avalos, Gene Barrett, Jordan Bergeron, Chelsea Brown, Phillip Caito, Janet Caywood, Wren Colligan, Beckham Collins, Sunni Cook, Terry Corral, Melanie Davis, Julie Delgado, Kathy Delouche, Colin Dufour, David Duesing, Joe Duffy, James Elliott, Mary Gedelian, Floyd Gruppa, Melba & Leroy Hall, Betty Hodges, Viola Kretzschmar, Edwin Laake, Dorothy Laskoskie, Corrina Lawrence, Paul Legler, Daphne Levey, Al Losack, Katy Losack, A.J. McGee, Sheri McPike, Don Marcotte, Lisa Miller, Michele Miller, Angel Moncada, Wag Donna Moore, Mary Ann Moore, Martin Moreno, Patricia Morrison, Lourdes Mosqueda, Frank O'Donnell, Dawn & Odell Rachal, Virginia Reed, Kelly Robinson, Nina Rozell, Audra Rumfield, Andrea Scheel, Ana Marie Santos, Jerry Seaton, Kayden Bryn Shipley, Cheryl Smith, Glenn Stewart, Kathy Stoltz, Shirley Strubing, Rose Stuber, Victoria Torres, Ray & Christi Townley, Gordan Travis, Lois Ubanoski, Gilbert Urango, Enrique Valadez, Maria Elena Valencia, Kathy Vanecek, Matthew Varnum, Kirt Villareal, Rusty Wallace, Bill & Gaitha Walton, Alma Williams

FORGIVENESS

Nearly ten years before, a son and father had parted ways when the business they shared went bankrupt. The son blamed the father. They did not speak to each other again.

Then the father became seriously ill. The mother called the son and told him he had better come soon. The son walked sheepishly into the hospital room. The father motioned his son to him and whispered: "Did you ever think you could do anything that would keep me from loving you?"

Resentment and anger are foul things, the first reading from Sirach tells us. Remember the last things. Stop hating. Live by the commandments. As St. Paul writes to the Romans, we are to live for the Lord and die for the Lord.

Jesus' parable in today's Gospel reminds us of God's compassion. The immense sin of humanity has been forgiven and stricken from the record. We are to forgive others in the same way.

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To schedule Mass intentions (September-December) please call the parish office.

Para programar intenciones de Misas (septiembre - diciembre) por favor llame a la oficina parroquial.

Perdona la ofensa a tu prójimo, y así, cuando pidas perdón se te perdonarán tus pecados.
— *Eclesiástico 28:2*



ST. THOMAS FALL FESTIVAL

Sunday, October 18, 2020

RAFFLE TICKETS

Raffle tickets are now available and will be distributed as noted below. Parishioners are encouraged to purchase or sell \$75 - \$100 of raffle tickets. Twenty-five (25) prizes with a value of \$300 - \$500 each are available.

To accommodate those who are not attending mass, raffle tickets can be picked-up as scheduled below. No need to get out of your car! Drive by the Parish Hall doors, and a parishioner will hand the tickets to you.

Wednesday, September 9th: 5pm – 6pm (drive-through)

Thursday, September 10th: 12pm - 1pm (drive-through)

Weekend of September 12th: after each mass

VIRTUAL AUCTION

Donations for the virtual auction are needed and will be accepted through Monday, September 28th.

Parish organizations are encouraged to donate a basket. Suggestions include:

Homemade canned jams/jellies/salsas

Homemade decorated cakes

Group dinner/ wine tasting excursions/tours

Event/Sports tickets

Homemade woodwork

Nursery and landscape items

Gift certificates for services and/or meals

Weekend/overnight destination stays

Homemade items (quilts, baked goods, etc...)

Themed baskets (sports, children's, pet care, meals, gardening, tailgating, ice cream, etc...)

Homemade cakes, pies, desserts

Decorated themed wreaths

Spa packages

Golf packages

Signed sports memorabilia

Statues or artwork

Electronics or Appliances

Holiday items

Fire pits

Need help decorating your basket? No problem! We can help! To donate, please contact Charley Sanders (936-577-0835) or Susan Hightower (713-515-9105).

SEPTEMBER DONATION REQUESTS

Monetary donations are being accepted for the purchase of briskets to be served with the BBQ meal. Checks can be made out to: St. Thomas. Please indicate 'brisket' in the memo line.

BBQ MEAL & T-SHIRTS

A BBQ meal will be provided on Sunday, October 18th from 12pm – 3pm and will be available for drive-through pickup only. Details for presale tickets are forthcoming.

Gabriel Project: Volunteers Needed The Office of Pro-Life Activities is seeking phone volunteers to assist with the Gabriel Project, a ministry for pregnant women and mothers in need. Volunteers will assist mothers and answer questions during initial intake calls. Volunteers should be available for at least one (two-hour) shift per week. Calls may be answered remotely. Training will be provided! If you are interested in helping with this important ministry, please contact Cathy McConn at cathymcconn@me.com or call the Office of Pro-Life Activities at 713-741-8728 for more information.



STAY Youth Ministry

7th grade—12th grade
kboscarino@saintthomashuntsville.org
(936)295-8159 office (936)520-6524 cell
Website: <https://saintthomashuntsville.org>



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2020-2021 Faith Formation Begins Sunday September 13, 2020

2020-2021 la formación en la fe comienza el domingo 1 de septiembre de 2020

All classes are online for the Fall/Todos las clases están en línea en el otoño

EDGE (7th –8th grade) Sundays 9:00-10:15

EDGE (7-8 grado) Domingos de 9:00 a 10:15

LIFETEEN (9th–12th grade) Wednesdays begins September 16th from 6:30-8:30

LIFETEEN(9-12 grados) Los miércoles comienzan el 16 de septiembre de 6:30-8:30

REGISTER

Online at <https://saintthomashuntsville.org>

Onsite: Parish Hall: Wed. 8/26 from 11:00-1:00

Onsite: Parish Hall Thurs. 9/3 from 4:00-6:00

♥ Please call the office to reserve a time for onsite Registration. Masks and distancing required

REGISTRARSE

En línea en: <https://saintthomashuntsville.org>

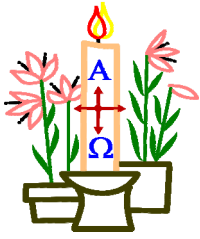
En el sitio: Salón parroquial miércoles 26 de Agosto de 11–1

En el sitio: Salón parroquial, Jueves 3 de septiembre de 4-6

♥ Llame a la oficina para reservar una hora para el registro en el sitio. Require mascararas y distanciamiento



Encourage one another and build one another up.
1Thessalo-
nians 5:11



**RCIA 2020-2021
Is now forming**

RCIA is the *Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults* and is for adults over the age of 18 (no longer high school age) who wish to prepare for and receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist)

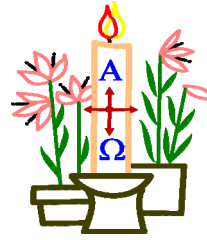
This includes:

1. Those who have not Baptized
2. Those who have been Baptized in another Christian faith
3. Those who have been Baptized Catholic but have not received neither the Sacraments of Confirmation nor Eucharist.

Each inquirer should have a desire to get to know and love Christ, follow the teachings of the Church and the commitment to do so.

For more information, please contact

Kathy Boscarino at
kboscarino@saintthomashuntsville.org or
at the church office 936-295-8159.



**RCIA 2020-2021
Ahora se está formando**

RICA es el Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos y es para adultos mayores de 18 años (que ya no están en la escuela secundaria) que desean prepararse y recibir los Sacramentos de Iniciación (Bautismo, Confirmación y Eucaristía)

Esto incluye:

1. Los que no han sido bautizados
2. Los que han sido bautizados en otra fe cristiana.
3. Los que han sido bautizados católicos pero no han recibido ni los sacramentos de la confirmación ni la Eucaristía.

Cada investigador debe tener el deseo de conocer y amar a Cristo, seguir las enseñanzas de la Iglesia y el compromiso de hacerlo.

Para obtener más información, póngase en contacto con Kathy Boscarino a kboscarino@saintthomashuntsville.org o a la oficina al 936-295-8159.

Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Católico/USA MFCC/USA

¿Que es el MFCC? . . . Es una agrupación de familias cristianas a nivel muncial que unen sus esfuerzos para promover los valores humanos y cristianos de la familia.

¿Que ofrece el MFCC . . .

- Comunicación y dialogo entre esposos y padres e hijos
- Desarrollo de un estilo de vida familia, de acuerdo Con los valores humanos y cristianos

¿Que oportunidades ofrece el MFCC para crecer? . . .

El MFCC ofrece a sus miembros oportunidades (vida espiritual, personal, familiar y social) que juntas son el camino para lograr la verdadera transformación de la familia, y a través de ellas de la sociedad en su conjunto.

Para más información y poder formar parte de una agrupación que cambiara su familia por favor hable con Dagoberto Avila (936)581-3355 o Elizabeth Avila (936) 581-2501.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats The Office of Pro-Life Activities will offer the next *Rachel's Vineyard* retreat of post-abortion healing on the weekend of October 23-25. This retreat is part of the Project Rachel ministry. All inquiries and registrations are strictly confidential. To register or for more information, please contact the Office of Pro-Life Activities at 713-741-8728 or 713-440-3443 or email at jfritsch@archgh.org.

La Oficina de Actividades Pro-Vida ofrecerá el retiro *El Viñedo de Raquel* para mujeres y hombres que sufren después del aborto provocado. El retiro será el fin de semana del 13-15 de noviembre. Este retiro es parte del ministerio del Proyecto Raquel. Todas las consultas e inscripciones son estrictamente confidenciales. Para registrarse o para más información, comuníquese con la Oficina de Actividades Pro-Vida al 713-440-3443, o mande un mensaje electrónico a zgonzalez@archgh.org.

The Fire of Your Love: Fruit of the Vine

By Will Oliver

“Wherever the Catholic sun doth shine,
There’s always laughter and good red wine.
At least I’ve always found it so.

Benedicamus Domino!”

— Hilaire Belloc

Having written a column on the Church and beer, I would be remiss if I did not write one on wine. Although I am not a wine lover, even I cannot ignore the greater relationship the Church has with wine.

In the New Testament alone, wine is mentioned no less than 40 times. The very ministry of Jesus Christ started at his mother’s urging when the wine ran out at the Wedding Feast of Cana—there, Jesus turned water into fine wine (John 2:1-11). When asked why his disciples did not fast, Jesus replied to them, new wine is not “put into old wineskins; if it is, the skins burst, and wine is spilled, and skins are destroyed; but new wine is put into fresh wineskins, and so both are preserved” (Matthew 9:17). At the Last Supper, of course, he took the chalice of wine and said to his disciples: “This is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly, I say to you, I shall not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God” (Mark 14:24-25). Then, when he reached the place of the skull, “they offered him wine to drink, mingled with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it” (Matthew 27:34), thus fulfilling his promise. However, since we know he entered the Kingdom of God, perhaps he was able to partake once again?

The Church also has a number of saints to drink wine with throughout the year:

Saint Vincent of Saragossa – Patron Saint of Winemakers, Feast Day January 22

Born in Saragossa, in Spain, he became a martyr for the faith under the persecution of Roman Emperor Diocletian. French winemakers adopted him as their patron saint because his first name is close to vino.

St. Amand of Masstricht – Patron Saint of vine growers and vintners, Feast Day February 6

Born to a noble family in France in 584 A.D., he fled his high society family for a monastery at the age of 20, hiding from them in a monastic cell for 15 years, living off just bread and water. After it was safe to come out, he did missionary work in the wine-making (and beer-making!) regions of France.

Saint Trifon (or Tryphon) “the Pruner” – Bulgarian Patron Saint of vineyards, Feast Day February 14

Living in the 3rd century in Phrygia (Modern Turkey), Trifon was a healer and a preacher. He became a martyr after he was beheaded for practicing his faith. Because of his work in the vineyards, his image is usually depicted with pruning shears.

St. Urban of Langres – Patron Saint of barrel makers and vintners, Feast day April 2

Born in 327, he became the bishop of Langres in 375. Soon after, while trying to escape persecution, St. Urban hid in a vineyard in France. While there, he converted many of the vineyard’s workers.

St. Morand of Cluny – the Patron Saint of wine growers, Feast Day June 3

Born near Worms in Germany, he also left a wealthy family to join a monastery, where it is said he survived one Lent by living off a solitary cluster of grapes.

Saint Martin of Tours – Patron Saint of wine growers and wine makers, Feast Day November 11

Born in Hungary in the early 4th century, he grew up in Italy and became the Bishop of Tours, France. Riding a donkey through a monastery’s vineyard, Martin sampled the wine, while his donkey chomped the grapes. Where the donkey ate, the grapes grew well the next season; thus was invented pruning!

In honor of the Church and its close association with wine, raise a toast tonight with the fruit of the vine—I’ll stick to the juice of the barley!

PERDÓN . . . Unos diez años antes, un padre e hijo se distanciaron cuando el negocio en el que eran socios se fue a bancarrota. El hijo culpó al padre. No se hablaron más.

Entonces el padre se puso gravemente enfermo. La madre llamó al hijo y le dijo que viniera a verlo pronto. El hijo entró con vergüenza a su habitación en el hospital. El padre hizo un gesto para que se acercara y susurró: “¿Acaso pensaste que podrías hacer algo que me hiciera dejar de amarte?”

El rencor y la cólera son abominables, nos dice la primera lectura de Sirácide. Piensa en tu fin. Deja de odiar. Vive conforme a los mandamientos. Como escribe san Pablo en Romanos, para el Señor vivimos y para el Señor morimos.

Sin embargo, la parábola de Jesús en el Evangelio de hoy nos recuerda la compasión de Dios. El inmenso pecado de la humanidad ha sido perdonado y borrado del libro. Tenemos que perdonar a otros de igual manera.

St. Thomas Youth (STAY)

T-Shirt Order Form

Deadline: Thursday, October 1, 2020

Name _____

Phone _____

Make checks payable to: St. Thomas. Please indicate 'T-shirt' in the memo line.

STAY shirts are only available in purple.

Please indicate quantity.

Short-Sleeve Adult T-Shirt: \$10

S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ 2XL _____

Total order: \$ _____



*Logo will be placed
In top-left of shirt.*

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Please indicate color choice and quantity:

Short-Sleeve Adult T-Shirt: \$10

Cardinal Red: S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ 2XL _____

Carolina Blue: S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ 2XL _____

Short-Sleeve Adult T-Shirt: \$15

Cardinal Red: 3XL _____ 4XL _____ 5XL _____

Carolina Blue: 3XL _____ 4XL _____ 5XL _____

Short-Sleeve Child T-Shirt: \$8

Cardinal Red: XS (2-4) _____ S (6-8) _____ M (10-12) _____
L (14-16) _____

Carolina Blue: XS (2-4) _____ S (6-8) _____ M (10-12) _____
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