

Bible Study -

Tuesday at 7:00pm

Contact: STAYspiritual@gmail.com

Wednesday evening 7:00pm

Contact: 202-362-1466

Brothers of the Little Oratory - A men's group for those interested in learning more about and developing themselves in the spirituality of St. Philip Neri and the Oratory.

Contact Drew Hall at: halld446@gmail.com

Children's Liturgy of the Word - parent-led program for children ages 4 to 12 during Sunday 10:30 am Mass.

Coordinator: Deirdre Bishop,

Deirdre.bishop@gmail.com, 202-248-3476.

Children's Religious Education -

Sundays 11:45 am -1:00 pm

Director: Andrea Miano,

Andrea.miano@gmail.com

Choirs -

Traditional Choir sings at 10:30 am Mass.

Hispanic Choir sings at 12:00 Noon Mass.

Director: Efrain Anaya, 301-933-0221.

Young Adult Choir sings at 7:30 pm Mass.

Director: Karen Clement, STAYchoir@gmail.com

Finance Council - advises pastor on matters of parish finance.

Chair: Patrick Guarnieri, Contact Rectory.

Gardening Committee - Saturdays, in season.

Contact: Valerie Caracelli, 202-262-3095,

CaracelliV@gmail.com

Hispanic Community - promotes religious, educational, pastoral, and social activities among Spanish-speaking parishioners. Contact Rectory.

Knights of Columbus - we are seeking to form a new Council. For information on joining contact Otto Heck, otto.heck@gmail.com, 202-670-6886

Liturgy Committee - plans and coordinates liturgical services.

Chair: Deacon William Boesman, 202-362-1466.

Pastoral Council - fosters parish welfare and mission by discussion, advice to pastor and service.

Chair: Andrea Miano, andrea.miano@gmail.com

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) - spiritual & doctrinal formation for those interested in the Catholic faith and for Catholics not fully initiated. Meets Sunday after 10:30 am Mass in Rectory. Directors: Deacon William and Mary Boesman, 202-362-1466.

Samaritans - help fellow parishioners with physical needs. For help or to volunteer, contact Mary Boesman, 202-362-1466.

STAY - STAY - promotes spiritual, service, and fellowship activities for young adults in their 20s and 30s. www.stayyoungadult.org

Chair: Shannon Hayes, staydc@gmail.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society - assists needy through Poor Box donations.

Chair Peter Brusoe. Contact Rectory.

Social Concerns Committee - education and advocacy for social justice.

Contact: Deacon William Boesman, 202-362-1466.

Sodality of Our Lady - Marian group that sponsors spiritual, social and service activities. Meets the first Sunday of the month after 8:30 am Mass. Contact: Rosemarie Neuner, 202-363- 8831, Rosemarie.Neuner@fda.hhs.gov

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Reverend Richard A. Mullins, Pastor

Monsignor Andrew R. Wadsworth

Deacon William C. Boesman

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil - 5:00 pm

Sunday - 8:30 am, 10:30 am,

12 Noon (Spanish) & 7:30 pm

Vespers and Benediction - 4:00 pm

Weekday Masses:

Mon. - Fri. - 8:00 am

Saturday - 12:00 noon

Holy Days of Obligation:

As Announced

Confessions:

Saturday - 4:00-4:50 pm

Sunday - 7:00-7:25 pm

Infant Baptisms:

Contact Deacon William Boesman, 202-362-1466 for parents' class and date of baptism.

Marriage:

Contact priest at least 6 months before desired date of wedding.

Sacrament of the Sick and Visits to Sick:

Please inform priest when parish members are hospitalized or are sick at home.

Miraculous Medal Novena:

Saturday: After Noon Mass

Funerals:

Consult with priests as soon as possible after death of your loved one before finalizing funeral plans.

*You became a believer because you saw me.
Blest are they who have not seen and have believed. - Jn 20, 29*

THE ST. THOMAS APOSTLE BULLETIN

My soul is thirsting for you,
O Lord my God.

August 30, 2020
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Parish Family,

Each four years, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops issues a document entitled, "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility From the Catholic Bishops of the United States," the document has been offered as a guide to Catholic voters every presidential election year since 1976.

It has been updated and revised at four-year intervals to reflect changes in the issues confronting the country since it first appeared. It is important to note that the document is not a mandate on which candidate for public office to vote for.

As one of the bishops, Archbishop Paul Coakley stated, "Voting is a responsibility to be taken seriously and that requires prudential judgment in determining who can best serve the common good. No candidate will likely reflect all of our values," But I think we need to begin in prayer. We need to know our faith. We need to study our faith. We need to have recourse to the catechism and what it might teach about certain questions. This document is intended to be that, an official guide for the formation of consciences that Catholics can utilize as they weigh these questions."

The document can be obtained for free at www.USCCB.org.

Your servant in Christ,
Father Richard

Heavenly Humor - A man walks into a library and asks for some holy water. The librarian looks at him and says, "This is a library." The man apologizes and whispers, "I'd like some holy water, please."

Have confidence in the compassion of our Creator. Reflect well on what you are now doing, and keep before you the things you have done. Lift up your eyes to the overflowing compassion of heaven, and while He waits for you, draw near in tears to our merciful Judge. Having before your mind that He is a Just Judge, do not take your sins lightly; and having also in mind that He is compassionate, do not despair. The God-Man gives man confidence before God.
- *Pope Saint Gregory the Great*

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, August 31 -

Blessed Juvenal Ancina, Bishop —
8:00 am - Harry Crist Jr. RIP

Tuesday, September 1 -

Weekday —
7:00 am - Isaac Scharbach RIP (Month's Mind)
8:00 am - Mildred Davis RIP

Wednesday, September 2 -

Weekday —
8:00 am - Maria Rota RIP

Thursday, September 3 -

Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor —
8:00 am - Sergio Micheli RIP

Friday, September 4 -

First Friday —
8:00 am - Gordon Mcleish RIP

Saturday, September 5 -

Saint Teresa of Calcutta —
12:00 noon - Mildred Davis RIP
5:00 pm - Pro Populo

Sunday, September 6 -

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time —
8:30 am - Joanna Lessley RIP
10:30 am - Joanna Lessley RIP
12:00 noon - Pro Populo
7:30 pm - Pro Populo

MASS INTENTIONS: If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, living or dead please contact the Rectory at 202-234-1488. Suggested Offering is \$10.00

PLEASE CONSIDER GIVING ONLINE THROUGH PARISHGIVING. To get started, visit <http://www.stthomasapostleedc.org> Parish Giving logo, and follow the registration steps. If you prefer manual enrollment, use the enrollment form in the pew, complete it and drop it in the offertory basket during mass. Contact the Rectory if you have any questions. 202-234-1488

NEW? If you are new to our Parish Family, welcome! Please fill out a Parish registration form from the back of the Church. Parishioners may opt either for online donations or envelopes. If you're leaving the Parish please notify the Rectory so we may update our records.



Bulletin Board



THE PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE follows all guidelines issued by the Archdiocese of Washington in regard to COVID - 19. The guidelines are found here: <https://adw.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2020/05/ADW-Worship-Reopening-Plan-Master-final.pdf>

WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW more about the Catholic Faith or becoming a Catholic? If so, please contact the rectory to speak with one of the priests. We look forward to hearing from you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: If you have a student who will be receiving First Communion or Confirmation this 2020-2021 year, please contact our Director of Religious Education, Andrea Miano, at andrea.miano@gmail.com.

CONFIRMATION: We look forward to welcoming Bishop Campbell, Auxiliary Bishop of Washington, who is coming to confirm our young people on September 24th at 7:00pm.

How to Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, using a set of rosary beads:

1. Begin with an Our Father, Hail Mary, and the Apostles' Creed
2. On the large beads: Eternal Father, I offer You the body, blood, soul and divinity of Your dearly Begotten Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
3. On the small beads: For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
4. At the end, say three times: Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

POOR BOX: Please be mindful of those in need here in our own parish and city. The poor boxes are located next to the front doors of the Church. Thank you for your kindness.

THE ARCHDIOCESAN WEBSITE in response to the coronavirus is updated regularly with information, in English and Spanish, for the Faithful available at adw.org/coronavirus, which includes a link to find a listing of live stream Masses and prayers available at adw.org/live-streamed-masses-and-prayers/. The *Catholic Standard* and the Spanish-language *El Pregonero* newspapers are currently available online at cathstan.org and elpreg.org.

Online Resources:

www.adw.org

This is the website for the Archdiocese of Washington

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcieWwQVnqV1tuamqO5Yelg>

This is the youtube channel we are using for recording the daily St. Thomas Apostle parish Masses each morning at 8:00am.

<https://www.facebook.com/stthomasapostleparish>

On Facebook, you can find the Masses live-streamed from St. Thomas Apostle every morning at 8:00am Seven days a week.

If you need to reach us via email, you can reach out at stthomasapostle.dc@adw.org or you can reach me at MullinsR@adw.org.

<http://stthomasapostledc.org>

Our own website. If anyone wishes to participate in online giving or see what we are doing, you can go to our site.

www.usccb.org

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