

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

If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.

September 6, 2020
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Parish Family,

Happy Labor Day weekend! I hope Labor Day is a time of rest and reflection for you.

Each year we are happy to have the service of Dominican Brothers who come to the parish and assist us in education, liturgy and faith formation. In addition to Brother Isaiah Beiter, OP, who was ordained a deacon in March, we are blessed to have the assistance of Brother Bartholomew Calvano. He was raised, along with an older sister and younger brother, in an itinerant family, his father being in the Air Force. After his father retired, the family settled in Chesapeake, VA where they are members of the Parish of St. Stephen Martyr. Brother Bartholomew then attended Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, where he graduated with a B.A. in Molecular Biology and Biochemistry/Mathematics/Computer Science and a minor in Chemistry. For two years before entering the Order of Preachers, he worked with The Brotherhood of Hope in campus ministry at Northeastern University in Boston. "Deeply drawn to contemplation but also recognizing a clear call from God to evangelize, the mixed life of the Order of Preachers, most elegantly expressed by the motto, 'contemplari et contemplata aliis tradere,' immediately attracted me." Welcome Brother Bartholomew to our parish.

Your servant in Christ,
Father Richard

Shortly after tying the knot, a young married couple started arguing over who should make the coffee. Being a good Christian woman, the wife went to the scriptures for her answer. She said that the Bible specifically stated that men should be the ones to make the coffee. Puzzled, the husband asked her where in the Bible it said that. Very confidently, the wife opened up her Bible and said: "It's right here—HEBREWS."

The proof of love is in the works. Where love exists, it works great things. But when it ceases to act, it ceases to exist. -*St. Gregory the Great*

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, September 7 -
Weekday —

8:00 am - George Helow RIP

Tuesday, September 8 -
The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary —
8:00 am - Maria Rota RIP

Wednesday, September 9 -
St. Peter Claver, Priest —
8:00 am - Irene L. Novak RIP

Thursday, September 10 -
Weekday —
8:00 am - Arthur Mullins

Friday, September 11 -
Weekday —
8:00 am - First Responders

Saturday, September 12 -
The Most Holy Name of Mary —
12:00 noon - Maria Rota RIP
5:00 pm - Pro Populo

Sunday, September 13 -
Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time —
8:30 am - Clarissa Tardiff
10:30 am - Louise Manganiello
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.stthomasapostledc.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



ORATORIAN COMMUNITY: On Monday of this past week, the Feast of Blessed Juvenal Ancina of the Oratory, Benjamin Schulte received the habit of St Philip as a novice in our Oratorian community. Brother Benjamin will be around in the parish and involved with a number of activities, please take the opportunity to introduce yourself and welcome him to St Thomas, Apostle.

CATECHESIS: It is that time of the year when we begin preparation for those who are going to receive Sacraments for the first time next year. So we can organize sessions and catechists, please let us know if your son or daughter wishes to prepare for First Holy Communion or Confirmation, or if you are an adult who wishes to be confirmed or received into the full communion of the Catholic Church. If you are an adult who wishes to be baptized, we will be able to organize your preparation for the RCIA either individually or with others. Please speak to a member of the Oratorian community or ring the rectory and leave a message with your phone number.

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.

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.

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>

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://stthomasapostle.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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