

St. Thomas Apostle Church

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Reverend Richard A. Mullins, Pastor

Monsignor Andrew R. Wadsworth

Deacon William C. Boesman

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

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

Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

November 1, 2020
All Saints Day

Dear Parish Family,

As election day draws near, we are reminded of our obligations at the ballot box. I encourage everyone to go to the polls and vote. Pope Francis reminds us that we need to participate in the civic process for the common good: "Sometimes we hear: a good Catholic is not interested in politics. This is not true: good Catholics immerse themselves in politics by offering the best of themselves so that the leader can govern."

Our responsibility does not end with the election, no matter how much we might want to put it all behind us. To remain engaged with our elected officials, calling them to accountability on behalf of the truth and for the common good is also the responsibility of faithful citizenship. May we be always mindful to stand up for those who have no voice and to advocate for the poor and the marginalized. May we pray every day for our nation.

Your servant in Christ,

Father Richard

Heavenly Humor - Two guys are walking through a game park and they come across a lion that has not eaten for days. The lion starts chasing the two men. They run as fast as they can and the one guy starts getting tired and decides to say a prayer, "Please turn this lion into a Christian, Lord." He looks to see if the lion is still chasing and he sees the lion on its knees. Happy to see his prayer answered, he turns around and heads towards the lion. As he comes closer to the lion, he hears it saying a prayer: "Thank you Lord for the food I am about to receive."

"Saints are ordinary people who do what they do for the love of Jesus, say what they must say without fear, love their neighbor even when they are cursed by him, and live without regret over yesterday or fear of tomorrow." -- *Mother Angelica*

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, November 2 -

All Souls Day —

8:00 am - All Souls Novena

Tuesday, November 3 -

St. Martin De Porres, Religious —

8:00 am - All Souls Novena

Wednesday, November 4 -

St. Charles Borromeo —

8:00 am - All Souls Novena

Thursday, November 5 -

Weekday —

8:00 am - All Souls Novena

Friday, November 6 -

First Friday —

8:00 am - All Souls Novena

Saturday, November 7 -

First Saturday —

12:00 noon - All Souls Novena

5:00 pm - All Souls Novena

Sunday, November 8 -

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time —

8:30 am - All Souls Novena

10:30 am - All Souls Novena

12:00 noon - All Souls Novena

7:30 pm - All Souls Novena

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.stthomasapostle.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 TO PARISH FAMILY? Welcome! Please complete a registration form from the back of the Church. You 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



TIME TO CHANGE: Sunday, November 1, 2020, **2:00:00 am** clocks are turned **backward** 1 hour.

YOUR PRIESTS PRAY TOGETHER silently every morning from 7:40am until the 8:00am Mass. All are welcome to join us.

POOR BOX: Please be mindful of those in need in these difficult times. The poor boxes are located next to the front doors of the Church. Thank you for your kindness.

COMMEMORATION OF THE DEAD: November is a time that we set aside to pray for the Faithful Departed. There are envelopes available for the All Souls Novena and there is a Book of Remembrance placed at the Sacred Heart Altar where names of those who have died may be added. We will pray for all the names listed in the book.

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.

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.

St. Thomas Apostle Young Adults (STAY)
STAY Mass is on Sunday at 7:30 PM.
Go to www.STAyoungadult.org for more info.
Contact us at STAYdc@gmail.com.

Pillars of the Faith: Living the Good Life Thursdays, Nov. 5, Nov. 12, and Nov. 19 at 7:00 PM

Save the dates for the next installment of our dinner and discussion series, Pillars of the Faith. We will explore how our Catholic faith can help us live the good life even in the midst of difficult circumstances. Masks and social distancing and required. *Email STAYspirituality@gmail.com for more info.*

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.

You can reach us via email

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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