



Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

210 R63 Hwy-Indianola, IA 50125

Weekend Mass Saturday 4:30 pm & Sunday 10:15 am

Sunday 8:00 am at Immaculate Conception-St Mary's

Tuesday- 6:00 pm mass

Daily Mass: WEDNESDAY-Friday 8:00 am

1st Tuesday of the Month at Good Samaritan Nursing Home 9:30am

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ROSARY: Please join us in praying the rosary every Tuesday evening starting at 6:30pm in the church as we pray for peace, families and your special intentions.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00 pm-4:30 pm or by appointment.

Liturgy of Baptism: Parents are requested to call the Parish Office to arrange for pre-baptism sessions and must be registered with the church, one sponsor must be Catholic.

Liturgy of Marriage: Call at least 6 months in advance to make arrangements. Pre-Marriage Program is required.

Prayer Chain: Our parish has a prayer chain for special intentions. Requests can be for anyone in need. Prayer requests call Kris Gross 210-0169, Jackie Ward 515-250-7385 or Debbie McDaniel 240-2029

Care of the Sick & Shut-ins: Call to request the Sacrament of the Sick, the Eucharist or to be placed on the Prayer Chain.

Newcomers/Addresses: Register in person; call the Office for Appointment.

Change of Address: Notify the office when you change your address.

November 4, 2018

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Liturgies Scripture Reading- Cycle B
November 4, 2018- November 11, 2018

NOVEMBER 4

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

152: Dt 6:2-6; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28b-34

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception

8:00 a.m. Mass at Immaculate Conception- Ruth Bauer McKim

10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Edwin & Hildred Ford

5:00 p.m. Mass at Simpson Smith Chapel

NOVEMBER 5

485: Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1-3; Lk 14:12-14

No 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas

6:30 p.m. Rosary at Immaculate Conception

NOVEMBER 6

486: Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26-32; Lk 14:15-24

9:30 a.m. Mass at Good Samaritan

6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Mary Cunningham

6:30 p.m. Rosary at St. Thomas

NOVEMBER 7

487: Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 14:25-33

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Anna Weis

NOVEMBER 8

488: Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Arlene Sumpter

NOVEMBER 9

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

671:Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Bob VanAernam

NOVEMBER 10

SAINT LEO THE GREAT

490: Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 8-9; Lk 16:9-15

4:00 p.m. Reconciliation at St. Thomas

4:30 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas-

Sister Mary Antione Murphy &

Mary Jo Schreck Mother of Amy Jo Naughton

NOVEMBER 11

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

155: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception

8:00 a.m. Mass at Immaculate Conception-Carl Nehring

10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Ryan Kalitzki

5:00 p.m. Mass at Simpson Smith Chapel

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. (Closed from 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. for Lunch)

Parish Office: 961-3026/ Fax: 961-3458

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Website: stthomasindianola.com

Facebook: St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Indianola

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners:

After months of searching, we have now hired a part time Director of Music for St. Thomas Aquinas. Her name is Elizabeth McRae. She is sophomore at Simpson College studying Vocal Performance and Music Education. She has worked in her parish at Cedar Falls, Iowa, assisting with the music there. Please welcome her. Here is her information: "I grew up in Cedar Falls, IA and graduated from Cedar Falls High School in 2017. I am the eldest of four children, with one younger brother and two younger sisters. I am the only graduate from my class to attend Simpson. I chose to attend Simpson College because of its amazing undergraduate opera program and reputable alumni. My voice teacher back in Cedar Falls was a graduate of the music program and her skills as a musician continue to amaze me. Aside from studying music, I have been a part of my community theater back home for almost a decade. This summer I completed my seventeenth production, playing Frenchie in Grease! Some dreams for the future music at St. Thomas include: more involvement with children in the parish and a possible high school choir! Mass is where I first learned to read music and my curiosity became my career choice!"


Elizabeth McRae
Simpson College '21

Vocal Performance B.M./ Music Education B.M.
Choral Music UGA I Interfaith Fellow I MSK Music Chair
Second, we are in the mid-term elections in our country. I will tell you, I cannot tell you how to vote, but I strongly encourage you to vote with an informed Catholic Church teaching conscience. I am attaching, 'Faithful Citizenship,' which covers a wide variety of moral issues that the Catholic Church has teaches and believes. I am going to give you all a homework assignment before Tuesday. I would ask that you prayerfully read over this document, study the issues in depth (what does this church teach on this and why) and then make an informed decision at the polls. We need to pray and fast for our country at this moment. There is great violence, hatred, and divisions that are not of the Spirit of God, but of the evil one. We have witnessed the tragedy of the Synagogue shooting in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and threats of intimidation sent to various political representatives and others of both parties over the last several months. This does need to stop!
Third, I will be meeting with the Pastoral Council for input on the Christmas Mass Schedule on November 8th. After consulting, I will have the times posted on our website, in the bulletin, and as a Mass Announcement.
Last, we will have the Book of the Dead out for the month of November to remember all the loved ones who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. Please write the names down. They are in my daily intercessory prayers.

Blessings and peace! Fr. Chris Fontanini

FREEZER MINISTRY

We are beginning a new ministry at St Thomas Aquinas and would love to have YOUR SUPPORT!!! ALL it takes is some ingredients, love, and friendship!!! We will be preparing freezer meals once a month-Nov 4 at 3:00 in the Pastoral kitchen is our first go at it!!! These meals will be stored in the freezer and whoever needs one can go grab it and go, signing up on the posted sign. This can be your family, a family in need, anyone who needs a hot meal!! If you have a favorite family dish/casserole that freezes well, please let me know- all are welcome to participate!! We will have a SIGN UP to donate ingredients at the back of the church or you can message me at 515-710-6140!

it is in giving we receive" 

Blessings,
Angie Elliott

Ministry Schedule

Please call someone to replace you if you aren't available to serve

4:30 p.m. Mass November 10th

Lector: Lanny Ward

Eucharistic Ministers: Jean Park, Carol Proctor, Kathy Slinker, Carol VanAernam, Mike Schenfeld & Tim & Kelly Gauger

Ushers: Brennans, Terri Cooper & Carol Proctor

10:15 a.m. Mass November 11th

Lector: Justin Nostrala

Eucharistic Ministers: Dianne Funk, Penny Miller, Steph Bintner, Joe Brommel, Joe Gezel & Ed & Zach Hallin

Ushers: Huttons & Tormeys

Money Counters: Marilyn & Vane Orey

Linens: Peggy Parker, Mary Menke & Judy Kirby

Building Fund: \$1,435.00

Sunday Tithe: \$ 2,294.00

Plate: \$ 304.04

Capital Campaign: \$ 690.56



Please have any Mass Announcements in to the office NO LATER than NOON on Tuesdays.

If it is received after NOON on Tuesdays it might not make the Mass Announcements .

Thank you , Staff

National Vocations Awareness Week



As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life.

Some remain as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God's call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. Today begins National Vocation Awareness Week. During this week, please pray about how God is calling you to live your vocation more deeply. Encourage the young people in your life—children, grandchildren, students, and friends—to be open if God calls them to priesthood or consecrated life. For more information, go to VocationsOnline.org or call 515-237-5050 and ask for Father Ross Parker.

Pilgrimage to Greece & The Greek Isles: "In the Footsteps of St. Paul"

Come along Nov. 5-15, 2019, to some truly beautiful and holy places! We'll visit many of the great sites where St. Paul wrote his Epistles, including Athens, Corinth, Crete, Santorini, Ephesus, Thessaloniki and more. We will also take a three-day cruise to the Greek Isles! Mass each day in great Churches and Cathedrals along the way. Cost is \$3,759 with departure from Omaha. For a brochure and more information, contact Fr. Dan Guenther, St. Mary's Parish, 311 - 4th St. N., Humboldt, Iowa 50548 or call 712-899-6870 or email frdanguenther@gmail.com

ST. PATRICK CRAFT & BAKED GOODS AUCTION

St. Patrick's Craft and Baked Goods Auction to aid those in need during the Holiday Season.
Sunday, November 4th at 1PM. 3396 155th Street; Cumming. Refreshments will be served. Please come and bring a friend!

2018-2019-STAT

November 7th: 7:00- 8:30 pm Open Discussion at Host Home
November 14th: 6:30-8:30 pm COC/Genesis- Thanksgiving Gathering at PC
November 21st: NO STAT—THANKSGIVING BREAK
November 28th: 6:30-8:00 p.m. Confessions at Church
December 5th: 7:00—8:30 p.m. Open Discussion at Host Home TBD
December 12th: 6:30-8:30 p.m. STAT Pizza & Life Teen at PC



Wine and Cheese Social

There will be Wine and Cheese served after 4:30 pm Mass on November 9th!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS TO ATTEND!

March for Life



The Indianola Knights are offering to sponsor 2 individuals to go to the 2019 March for Life in Washington, DC. The buses leave Des Moines on Wednesday, January 16 and return on Sunday January 20. The march is on Friday, January 18. Individuals under 18 must travel with a chaperone. Registration deadline is November 1 to secure a seat.

Call Steve Garrett at 515-419-1929 if you are interested.

Fall Fish & Chicken Dinners
The Indianola Knights will be hosting their Fall Fish & Chicken Dinners on Friday, November 2, 9 & 16. Serving from 5:30 to 7:00 PM each evening

OPERATION CHRISTMAS

"Operation Christmas is a group of lay people from several Indianola churches who have come together for the past 30 years to distribute food & gift vouchers to qualified people in Warren County in need at Christmas. This year we need volunteers on Sunday, December 9th to help with the gift distribution. We need about 30 people to help at Wal-Mart. There are 2 shifts--1 at 5:45 to 7:00 pm; 1 from 7-8:00 PM. You can work 1 shift or both shifts. We will also be having a special collection to contribute money to help with buying the gifts for the children. If you write a check, please make it payable to THE HELPING HAND and in memo section state Operation Christmas. To volunteer to help work or if questions, please contact Debbie McDaniel at 515-240-2029 by November 27th."

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

The Social Concerns Committee will host its annual Part D Check-up Nov. 17 & 18. Mark it on your calendar and watch for sign-up later this month.



PILGRIMAGE 2019 Invitation to Medjugorje! If you've felt a call to journey to this holy place, 2019's group from Des Moines is forming now. Ellen and Marilyn are making our 15th pilgrimage to Medjugorje June 2. An optional Rome add-on will be offered, based on interest. Join Father Chris Reising, Msgr. Frank Bognanno and all of us. Please hurry! Space is limited. Contact: marilynlgane@gmail.com ecosmo@mchsi.com Experience the Joy and Peace!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER !!!!!

As we settle in to our classrooms and atria, you can just feel the Holy Spirit alive in our Religious Education classes. The pre-kindergarten, kindergarten and first graders and the second and third graders in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) are learning how to make a beautiful environment for God. They are also learning about the land of Israel where Jesus lived, vessels used in Mass, symbols of Baptism and God's beautiful, careful, loving plan for His creation.

2nd Grade: The children are starting to prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation which will be in mid-February.

3rd Grade: The theme is The Rosary this year. The third graders are learning the prayers of the Rosary and next week will be watching the dramatic movie about Our Lady of Fatima. Later, they'll learn the Mysteries of the Rosary.

4th Grade: Starting with the Old Testament, the fourth grade is seeing how Jesus fulfills the promises of the Old Testament and then they will study the life of Jesus and His teachings, with an emphasis on His miracles and parables.

5th Grade: Sacraments. The fifth graders are finishing Baptism and are starting to study the Sacrament of Reconciliation. They'll explore the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist in December.

6th Grade: The sixth graders are concluding the first three commandments that specifically concern our relationship with God (ask them what they are).

7th Grade: The seventh graders had the opportunity to go on a field trip to see a life-size replica of The Tabernacle that Moses had in the desert. And they learned how the Israelites' experiences in the desert foretold the coming of Christ.

8th Grade: The eighth graders are exploring where God is. Next week, they'll learn how to find God in the poor. The class will be making breakfast casseroles for the Salvation Army and having a "Hunger Meal".

Thank you to everyone who works to make our CGS and RE program such a success. Please keep praying for the children and catechists in our program.
God Bless,
JoAnn



Prayer List

We offer this list for current parishioners of St Thomas Aquinas Church Only.
Doug Andreasen, Ed Leinen, Jean Veasman, Loretta Petersen, Rick Orey, Mary Pat Miller, Bryan Bradley & Bob Pool



Please contact Jackie Ward at jjward71@q.com or 515-250-7385, Kris Gross at 210-0169 or Debbie McDaniel at 240-2029 to put someone on the Prayer Chain. They will notify the rest of the group to start immediate prayers for you or your loved one in need.

We would like to offer a prayer shawl to parishioners who are ill or in need of comfort.

The shawls were prayed over when created. Please make your request through one of the prayer chain leaders. Please contact Leasa Garrett (961-3026) to add a name to the list published in the bulletin. Names will remain on the list for a month unless you indicate otherwise.

STARS

TAKE ACTION:
Please sign-up to help with the Simpson Meals and/or the October Rosary!
Thanks!
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d44a8a72ca0f49-simpson1>
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d44a8a72ca0f49-october1>
November 8- 6:00 p.m.. Fall into Financial Planning
Bring an appetizer to share
Sessions on Writing a wills, funeral planning, and general financial planning

 <p>David & Heidi Klodd 15110 Hwy 92 Indianola</p>	 <p>400 S. J. Indianola, Ia. 515-961-2781 Tim McConnell</p>	 <p>Propane • Heating • Cooling P.O. Box 95 Milo, Iowa 50166 (641) 942-6320</p>	 <p>1512 E. 1st Avenue -Indianola Finish Carpentry Steve Bintner, Owner Cell # 515-229-9605 Home# 515-961-7217</p>
 <p>Kim Tierney Keller 453-5320</p>	<p>St Thomas Pastoral Center Available for your wedding receptions, family reunions, fundraisers. Call Steph Bintner 961-3026</p>	<p>LOREY COMPANY Carl M Lorey, Jr. Your Paperman 914-28th Street Des Moines, IA 50312 515-255-7190 Email: LOREYPAPER@MCHSL.COM</p>	 <p>Dr. Cory R. Drees C.S.C.S. Chiropractic Physiatrist 214 West Salem Avenue Indianola, IA 50125 Phone (515) 961-6202 FAX (515) 961-0668 email: chirodrees@aol.com</p>
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 <p>Work well. Play well. Live well. Matt DeWall, M.P.T., C.S.C.S. 1507 N. 1st Street (515) 961-7435</p>	 <p>Layne R. Henry 'FLOORING' Laying-Sanding-Finishing-Refinishing 1416 E. Euclid Ph: 515-961-6424 Indianola, Ia. 50125 Cell: 988-0705</p>	<p>Volunteers needed to help to clean the hall, bartend, pour wine etc Call Leasa Garrett 961-3026 It's an easy way to give back to your church!</p>	 <p>1203 North E Street-Indianola (515) 961-7458 www.wesleylife.org Join us for Mass at the Village Every third Tuesday 9:30am</p>
 <p>Legacy House RCF Christian Assisted Living 207 E Salem Ave Indianola, IA Ph# 971-9367 Cindy Brummer, RN</p>	<p>Contact the office And have Your ad Placed here!!!!</p>	 <p>Grocery: 961-5643 Market: 961-5872</p>	 <p>501 N. Jefferson- Indianola 961-2315 2nd location in the Indianola Wal Mart</p>
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