



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

St Thomas Aquinas Staff & Committees

Pastor Fr. Chris Fontanini	961-3026
Deacon Dave O'Brien	961-3026
Deacon Ed Miller (Retired)	
Office Manager Steph Bintner	961-3026
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Pastoral Council, Chair: Mimi Kelly	515-321-4286
Finance Council, Chair: Bart Brummer	961-8174
Social Concerns: Kris Gross	210-0169
Knights of Columbus: Steve Garrett	419-1929
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Parish Relations: Kim Delay	681-7526
Worship/Liturgy: Joyce DeGroote	783-3890
Hall Committee: Steph Bintner, Steve Mc Ginnis, Kristen Hanes, Kevin Parker and Leasa Garrett	

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.

November 25 2018

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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Liturgies Scripture Reading- Cycle B
November 25, 2018- December 2, 2018

NOVEMBER 25

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161: Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93:1-2,5; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

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
NO 5:00 p.m. Mass at Simpson Smith Chapel

NOVEMBER 26

503: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 21:1-4

NO 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas
6:30 p.m. Rosary at Immaculate Conception

NOVEMBER 27

504: Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11

6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Donna Sereg
6:30 p.m. Rosary at St. Thomas

NOVEMBER 28

505: Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3,7-9; Lk 21:12-19

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Dave Barnes

NOVEMBER 29

506 Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 9:1-3,9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28

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

NOVEMBER 30

SAINT ANDREW

684: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 4:18-22

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Gary & Vivian Elbert

DECEMBER 1

508: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7; Lk 21:34-36

3:30 p.m. Reconciliation at St. Thomas

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

DECEMBER 2

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

3:Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception

8:00 a.m. Mass at Immaculate Conception - Jim Boyd

10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Arlene Sumpter

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

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.

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

Rectory Phone 962-2063

Website: stthomasindianola.com

Facebook: St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Indianola

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners-

I would like to thank the anonymous donors of the beautiful Divine Mercy Canvas which is placed above the candle stands on the east area of the worship space! It is most appreciated!

I also want to thank Steve Bintner, Steve Garrett, and Joe Gezel for their countless hours and efforts in helping the staff move last week. It is most appreciated! This coming Sunday is the Feast of Christ the King. Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 to counteract the atheism and secularism of the day. It is a reminder for us that this king was the Servant King, who laid down his life for his church, the bride as both spiritual and biological fathers are called to do for the church, the bride and for their wives. We know that Jesus did not sport a royal crown but a crown of thorns, he was not adorned in royal purple, but left on the cross-cold, naked, empty, isolated, and experienced abandonment. He was not seated on a throne, but given the task to carry his heavy wooden cross about six hundred to his destination at Calvary and then laid out on a cross with nails in his hands and feet. He was not given the red-carpet treatment with adulation and cheers by the crowds but mocked, ridiculed, spat on, etc. He was unlike any other king, but one who came to serve, not to be served. It is a reminder of what I am supposed to be for you. Yes, I come up far short as the 'alter Christus' or other Christ, yet, nevertheless called to strive and progress to be in his image and likeness. Let us give thanks to God on this Feast of Christ the King for his Son, Jesus, who modeled true kingship for all leaders.

Last, but not least, on Wednesday December 12, the Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe, we invite all parents of Religious Education Students to attend the Christmas Cookie and Hot Cocoa Social in the Hall beginning at 5:30 p.m. It will be a time to meet, greet, and socialize with other parents of the Religious Education program-for those whose students are in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, STAT, and the Religious Education program. Let's have some Pre-Christmas fun with our fellow faith community members.

Happy Feast of Christ the King! Fr. Chris



Through the intercession of our Lady, Health of the Sick, a special rosary will be said at St. Thomas on Tuesday, November 27 @ 6:30 pm for the intention of Lori Smith. Please join us in praying for her healing.



Remember as God is the giver of all life and blessings, lets go visit Him on Saturday evenings or Sunday mornings while traveling on vacation to a local Catholic Church to thank him. He will return many graces to us through his Word and Sacrament to sustain us and nourish us.

God bless! Fr. Chris

Ministry Schedule

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

4:30 p.m. Mass December 1st

Lector: Dave DeGroote

Eucharistic Ministers: Joyce DeGroote, John Schandley, Tim & Kelly Gauger, Jeannie Bendon, Matt Coenen & Mike Schenfeld

Ushers: Don Bendon, Derry Butler & Slinkers

10:15 a.m. Mass December 2nd

Lector: Joe Brommel

Eucharistic Ministers: Ed Hallin, Dve & Judy Hutton, Zach Hallin, Nathan Thomason, Kathy Timmerman & Ann Williams

Ushers: Torneys & Gezels

Money Counters: Bill & Kella Wadle & Vicky Vorwald

Linens: Peggy Parker, Mary Menke & Judy Kirby

Building Fund: \$ 1,310.00

Sunday Tithe: \$ 1,915.00

Plate: \$ 339.02

Capital Campaign: \$ 1,965.86



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 , The Staff



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!

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."



Dear St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners:

This is Fr. Chris Fontanini, The STARS annual **Cookie Walk** is coming December 1st- from 8:00am-11:00am we are asking each St. Thomas Family to donate 6-8 dozen festive holiday cookies or candies.

Please bring your goodies to the Pastoral Center on:

Wednesday, November 28th from 5:30pm- 8:00pm

Thursday, November 29th from 9:00am- 4:00pm

Friday, November 30th from 9:00am-7:00pm

When you drop off your treats, you will receive, in appreciation for your efforts \$1.00 off coupon to be used at the Cookie Walk on December 1st. Don't hesitate to share this event on your face book.

We will also be accepting Credit and Debit cards this year as another payment option.

Thanks, Fr. Chris & St. Thomas Altar & Rosary Society



Support the Annual Diocesan Appeal!

Goal: \$67,050.00
 Raised to Date: \$41,091.00
Amount Still to be Raised: \$25,959.00
 Updated as of 11-5-2018

Pledging to the Diocese today helps St. Thomas by supporting:

- Priest's Retirement
- Marriage & Family Life Programs
- Catholic Charities
- Catholic Schools
- Vocations

60%
\$41,091.00

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Wine and Cheese Social

There will be Wine and Cheese will be served Saturday, December 8th following 4:30 pm Mass in the Gathering Space.

ALL ARE WELCOME !!!!

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 in the Pastoral kitchen. 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**
Meals are frozen and ready for use in the kitchen freezer-no questions asked, but to use as needed :)
questions please contact Angie Elliott

FREEZER MEALS

Indianola Knights of Columbus

Country Style Breakfast
 Sunday, November 25 Serving from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM
 Pancakes, Sausage, Ham, Egg Bake, Hash-Browns, Biscuits & Gravy, Coffee, Milk & Juice.
 Adults & Carry-outs \$5.00 Children (6 to 12) \$3.00 Children (5 & under) Free
 Take the day off and let us cook a delicious meal for you, your family and any weekend guests.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

The holidays are coming! Give your spouse the perfect gift, the gift of quality time with you for an entire weekend. Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends allow couples private time to focus on their relationship and rediscover the one they fell in love with. Sign up for upcoming weekends to ensure your spot. Gift certificates are available by calling the phone number below/ Upcoming dates: Mar 8-10 LaCrosse, WI; Apr 12-14 Ankeny, IA; May 3-5 Dubuque, IA For more information visit our website at: iowa-wvme.org or call 563-608-3305 or email jjwvme08@gmail.com

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☆☆ November 30th: Holiday Extravaganza & Lighted Parade ☆☆

☆☆ December 1st : Cookie Walk 8:00 am-1:00 pm in the hall ☆☆

☆☆ **Please note times to drop off cookies on the pervious page!** ☆☆

☆☆ December 6th: 6:00 pm Christmas Party at Annelise Winery ☆☆

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER !!!!!

Religious Education Corner

We are now entering the new year of the Church and the season of Advent – a time of preparation to more fully receive Christ in our hearts and our lives.

The days are getting darker and we are waiting for the Light of the World to lead us out of darkness.

If you have an Advent wreath at home, please pray with children before your evening meal.

The 3rd grade class will be making an Advent craft they can use at home.

We will have regular RE and Good Shepherd classes until December 19. Then we will resume on Sunday, January 6; Wednesday, January 9 and Thursday, January 10.

2018-2019-STAT

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
 December 19th: 6:30-8:00 COC/Genesis– Christmas Bingo at PC
 December 26th: NO STAT– CHRISTMAS BREAK

SAVE THE DATE!!!!

Trivia Night for the Hope Foundation--February 2, 2019!
 Location is at St. Thomas in the St. Thomas Hall.

facebook

Like us on Facebook so you can follow what is happening at St. Thomas Aquinas Church Indianola. This will also have the updated cancelations for Masses and RE!!!

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

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Please contact Jackle 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.

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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.

 <p>David & Heidi Klodd 515-229-1299</p> <p>15110 Hwy 92 Indianola</p>	 <p>400 S. J. Indianola, Ia. 515-961-2781 Tim McConnell</p>	 <p>Propane • Heating • Cooling</p> <p>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</p> <p>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 Physician</p> <p>214 West Salem Avenue Phone (515) 961-6202 Indianola, IA 50125 FAX (515) 961-0608 email: chirodrees@aol.com</p>
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 <p>Work well. Play well. Live well. 217 Center Road</p> <p>Matt DeWall, M.P.T., C.S.C.S. 1507 N. 1st Street (515) 961-7435</p>	 <p>Layne R. Henry 'FLOORING'</p> <p>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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