



Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

210 S Wesley STREET- Indianola, IA 50125
Weekend Mass Saturday 4:30 pm, 8:00 am, 10:15 am,
Tuesday- 6:00 pm mass
Daily Mass: WEDNESDAY-Friday 8:00 am
1st Tuesday of the Month at Good Samaritan Nursing Home 9:30 am
Simpson Masses start September

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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. Also Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings the rosary is prayed at 7:40am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation will be by appointment ONLY at this time. Please call the office to schedule an 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.

August 7 **NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

117: Wis 18:6-9 Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22 Heb 11:1-2, 8-19
or 11:1-2, 8-12 Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas— Claire Wiedmaier
10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—Preston Pettit

August 8 **SAINT DOMINIC**

413: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c Ps 148:1-2, 11-14 Mt 17:22-27
see 617: 1 Cor 2:1-10a Lk 9:57-62

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

August 9 **WEEKDAY**

414: Ez 2:8—3:4 Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131
Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

6:00 pm Mass at St Thomas—Betty Ricke
6:30 pm Rosary at St. Thomas

August 10 **SAINT LAWERENCE**

618: 2 Cor 9:6-10 Ps 112:1-2, 5-9 Jn 12:24-26

8:00 am at St Thomas—Pauline Braddock

August 11 **SAINT CLARE**

416: Ez 12:1-12 Ps 78:56-59, 61-62 Mt 18:21—19:1
see 619: Phil 3:8-14 Mt 19:27-29

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas—John & Donna Sereg

August 12 **WEEKDAY**

417: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63 (Ps) Is 12:2-3,
4bcd, 5-6 Mt 19:3-12

8:00 am at St. Thomas— Kierstan Pickens

August 13 **WEEKDAY**

418: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32 Ps 51:12-15, 18-19 Mt 19:13-15

3:30-4:15 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas— Matt Coenen

August 14 **TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

120: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 Ps 40:2-4, 18 Heb 12:1-4 Lk 12:49-53

**8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas— For the people
of the parish**
10:15 am Mass at St. Thomas—Ann & Evon Puetz

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Closed for Lunch Monday-Friday (12 p.m. – 1 p.m.)
Parish Office: 515-961-3026 Rectory Phone 515-962-2063 Website: stthomasindianola.com
Summer Hours-Friday 9:00a.m.-1:00p.m. Facebook: St. Thomas Church, Indianola IA

PASTORS REPORT

My Dear Family,

In 2006, Dos Equis launched an amazing ad campaign featuring "The most interesting man in the world." It was a hilariously simple campaign; it had a man doing absurd things and then the ad would close out with a plug for enjoying the beverage. I'd suggest YouTube it for a bit of a laugh. Channeling my own inner "most interesting man in the world," I tell you: "I don't always write bulletin articles, but when I do, I aim to engage."

I spent last week galivanting through the countryside with the teens and leaders of the St. Thomas Aquinas Teens™ annual Mission Trip. I'll leave the recounting of harrowing tales of daring adventure to our teens who will be sharing at Mass this weekend, but I will say that I was inspired and impressed by how our team carried the Christian standard of service to the people of Rapid City South Dakota.

One of my highlights from the trip was an evening session when the missionaries asked JoAnn and Me their pressing questions. Someone asked about the possibility of life on other planets, and I expressed my hope in the existence of extraterrestrial life primarily so they could supply us with otherworldly culinary delights (ask the teens). It was a great mission trip and could start to earn us the reputation of being "the most interesting parish in the world."

On another note, I'm extremely grateful for the warm welcome you all have shown me. Most especially, I appreciate all the families who have provided me with photos to study so I can get to know you all better. Another way for me to get to know you will be to invite me out for dinner, kayaking, disc golf, etc. The more we engage in activities together the more I will become part of this wonderful St. Thomas Aquinas Family (STAF)^{®i}.

As we wind down the summer months and move into the activities happening this fall, I'm excited for what the future has in store! I'm happy to announce that we are bringing FOCUS to Simpson Campus this fall. I've been praying hard and working with a few individuals since early in the year to make this a reality, and our Simpson students are having their first meeting with one of our FOCUS missionaries as I write this bulletin article.

We also will be participating in a Diocesan Capital Campaign, beginning final preparations for our main phase this month. In the coming weeks our committees will be nailing down some ideas for how to spend our parish's share of the funds we raise. More details to come. As the most interesting man in the world would say, "I don't make announcements often. But when I do, they'll be in the bulletin!"

Stay holy my friends.

Blessings to you all,
Fr. Adam

ⁱ Ok, STAF isn't actually a registered trademark, but it should be.

Ministry Schedule

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

4:30 p.m. Saturday, August 13th:

Lector: Adam Naughton

Eucharistic Ministers: Adam & Amy Jo Naughton
& Jean Park

Ushers: Teri Cooper & Carol Proctor

Cleaning Vessels: Adam & Amy Jo Naughton
& Jean Park

8:00 a.m. Sunday, August 14th:

Lector: Kathy Slinker

Eucharistic Ministers: Martin & Marcia Konrad
& Cathy Krapfl

Ushers: Terry & Cathy Krapfl

Cleaning Vessels: Martin & Marcia Konrad
& Cathy Krapfl

10:15 a.m. Sunday, August 14th:

Lector: Elizabeth Williams

Eucharistic Ministers: Nate & Matt Winjum
& Elizabeth Williams

Ushers: Joe & Dorothy Gezel

Cleaning Vessels: Nate & Matt Winjum
& Elizabeth Williams

Please remember: at least 2 Eucharistic Ministers need to stay after Mass to help clean the Sacred Vessels.

Linens: Judy Kirby

Prayer List

For all those in need.

Larry Vanderpool, Doug A ndreasen, E d Leinen ,
Jean Veasman ,
Mike Metz, Patrick S handley,
Dianne Funk & for the S ouls in Purgatory

Please contact Jackie Ward at jjward71@gmail.com or
515-250-7385,

Kris Gross at 515-210-0169 or

Debbie McDaniel at 515-240-2029

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.

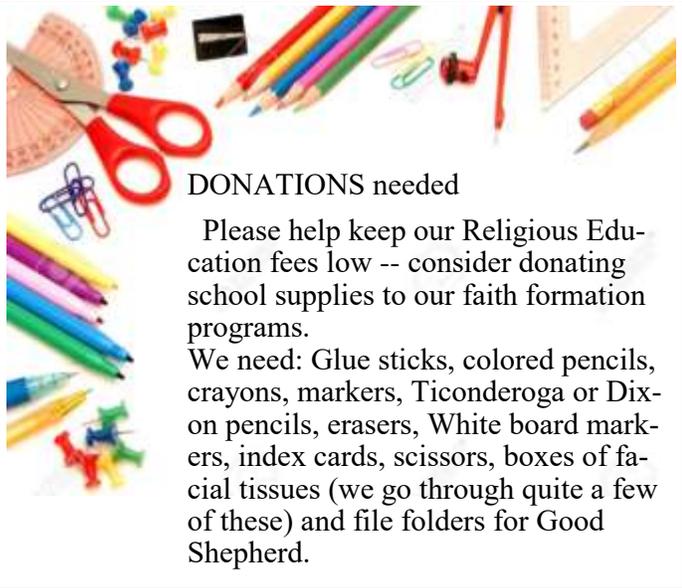
We would like to offer a prayer shawl to parishioners who are ill
or in need of comfort.

The shawls were prayed over when created. Please make your
request through one of the prayer chain leaders.

Please contact Leasa Garrett 515 (961-3026) to add a name

**Prayerfully consider continuing your weekly Tithes ,Building Fund
& monthly expenses will continue to come in.**

**You may drop your envelope off in the Secured Box on the wall
under the Office sign, place it in the mail or there will be a basket
in the back of the Church for you to place your Offerings in as well.**



DONATIONS needed

Please help keep our Religious Education fees low -- consider donating school supplies to our faith formation programs. We need: Glue sticks, colored pencils, crayons, markers, Ticonderoga or Dixon pencils, erasers, White board markers, index cards, scissors, boxes of facial tissues (we go through quite a few of these) and file folders for Good Shepherd.

Support the Annual Diocesan Appeal!

Goal \$66,596
Gifts Paid: \$52,650
Percentage of Goal: 79%



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

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

EXEMPLIFICATION



The Knight of Columbus will be hosting an Exemplification after the 10:15 AM mass today, **August 7**. Any practical Catholic man age 18 and over interested in joining the council is invited to attend. The induction ceremony lasts about 30-40 minutes and families of prospective members are invited to attend, as is the entire parish family. There will be a reception after the ceremony to honor new members and their families.

TODAY August 7th
Immaculate Conception
Chicken dinner from
12:30PM to 5:30PM
Don't miss it!



Gathering Table

The next Gathering Table is **August 15th** from 5:30-6:30. This will be a grab and go meal. Help is always needed! Check...



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