

**Blood Drive sponsored by Eagle Catholic, This Sunday
March 27th – 9am - 1:00pm**

**March 27, 2022
Fourth Sunday of Lent**

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March 13th Collection: \$8,013.00
Direct Deposit: \$2,513.75
Online \$720.00

Upcoming Second Collections
 March 27th Catholic Relief Services
 April 3rd Building Fund
 April 10th No Second Collection
 April 15th, Good Friday - Holy Land
 April 17th No Second Collection
 April 24th Catholic Home Missions

Mass Schedule
 Confessions: Sat. 4:45 – 5:15 PM or by apt.
 Vigil: Sat.–5:30 PM Sunday 8AM, 10:15 AM, 6:00PM
Weekday Masses:
 Mon. – 5:30 PM, Tues. NOON, Wed. – 6:00 PM,
 Thur. & Fri. – 8:15 AM
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Sacred Heart Mass Schedule: Vigil: Sat. – 4:00 PM,  
 Sunday 8:00, 10:30 AM & 4:00 PM; 1:30 PM in Spanish  
Holy Rosary Mass Schedule: Sunday: 9:00 AM  
St. Fabian Mass Schedule: Vigil: Sat. – 4:00 PM,  
 Sunday: 10:00AM



Psalm 34:1

I will bless the Lord  
 at all times:  
 His praise shall continually  
 be in my mouth



Upcoming Holy Week events



**SEDER MEAL - Wednesday, April 13 at 7:00pm** The focus of the Seder observance is to bring awareness of the Jewish roots of the Bible to the Body of Christ. Please bring a covered dish to share. The parish will provide traditional lamb and wine. Seating is limited to 100. **Reservations are required (see below).**

**LIVING ROSARY - Thursday, April 14 at 6:45pm** This is an outdoor group Rosary in which each participant is like a "bead", taking a turn to recite a prayer, which is given on a cue card. No Rosary experience is required, and children are encouraged. Registration is not required but is helpful.

**FAMILY DAY OF SERVICE - Good Friday, April 15 8am-12pm**

All ages from babies to seniors are encouraged to be the hands and feet of Christ on this community outreach day. We will have a variety of places and projects from which to match your abilities and interests. We will end with cheese pizza and testimonies.

To register for any of the Holy Week events, call the office at 601-264-5192 or go to our website and click on this link:

<https://form.jotform.com/220815680142046>

**KC Lenten Fish Fry**  
Each Friday, 5:30 – 7:00 PM during Lent, the Knights of Columbus will host a Fish Fry. Cost of the dinner is \$10.00 per plate. Fried catfish, fish tacos, and boiled shrimp plates are available, with fries and coleslaw. Dine-in or Take-out.

**HELP US FIND HEROES**

**St. Thomas Catholic Church**

Sunday, March 27, 2022  
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Bloodmobile  
3117 W. 4th St.  
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Register at [efant.org](http://efant.org) or call us at 877-259-4625

Word Drive Code: St.ThomasCatholic



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**St Vincent de Paul needs hygiene items for the homeless.**

Small items such as toothpaste & brushes, soaps, shampoo, deodorants, and any usable towels and wash cloths. Thank You for helping those in need.

**Lenten Schedule 2022**

**Weekday Masses**

|                |                |
|----------------|----------------|
| Monday         | 5:30 PM        |
| <b>Tuesday</b> | <b>12 NOON</b> |
| Wednesday      | 6:00 PM        |
| Thursday       | 8:15 AM        |
| Friday         | 8:15 AM        |

**Stations of the Cross**

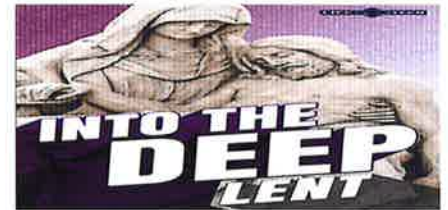
Fridays 5:30 PM

**KC Fish Fry**

Fridays 5:30 – 7:30 PM

Join us for **MASS ON THE GRASS**, Wednesday, March 30th at 6pm at the front of campus in the district. Bring your own chair or blanket for Mass.

**Note: we will not have Mass at 6:00 PM at St Thomas.**



**LIFE TEEN** - On Sunday, March 27th 4:30-5:45pm we return from Spring Break with *Into the Deep — Lent*. As Catholics, we are familiar with ashes, giving something up, and meatless Fridays, but do we know the “why” behind these things? This Life Night helps teens understand the history, beauty, and opportunity of this season.

**Mini-Library:** Our latest new, small, and uplifting book, is “Mother Angelica’s Guide to the Spiritual Life,” edited by Brandon McGinley, published by EWTN. In her typical entertaining but uncompromising style, Mother will, in her most profound and timeless advice, tell you how you can grow in holiness and achieve your ultimate purpose - to spend eternity with Jesus. She’ll identify the many common flaws and obstacles to spiritual growth and share with you the strategies the saints employed to conquer their temptations.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS  
**GOOD FRIDAY 15 April**

**FAMILY DAY OF SERVICE**  
PROJECTS FOR ALL AGES & ABILITIES. CHILDREN ENCOURAGED.  
8:00 AM - MEET IN THE PARISH CENTER TO CHOOSE ASSIGNMENT  
12:00 PM - END WITH CHEESE PIZZA & TESTIMONY

**Irish Italian Festival**

*Thank you so much for all of the hard work and help to make this year's Irish Italian Festival such a fun evening! We have Festival T-shirts available in the office if you didn't get yours at the festival.*

## **Adoration**

### **Monday Adoration:**

Hours are 2PM-9PM. Starting at 4:45PM the Patriotic Rosary will be prayed during Adoration, led by Noelanne Bennett. After the Rosary we will pause Adoration to prepare for the 5:30PM Mass. Adoration will resume when Mass is over and will continue until 9PM. St. Pope John Paul has stated "Jesus awaits us in this Sacrament of Love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet Him in Adoration..." **Currently we need help with the 7PM hour.** To offer your help for a weekly hour or for information please contact Pat Peterson at 601-549-4620 either by phone or text. Visitors are always welcome.

### **Tuesday Adoration**

from 9:00 AM after daily Mass until 12:00 noon. Please consider spending an hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Please be sure to sign in so we know the hours are covered.

### **Thursday Adoration**

begins after the 8:15 AM Mass and goes until 9:00 PM in the church. At that time Our Lord is moved into the Adoration Chapel and adoration continues through the night until Friday Mass. **We currently need help with the 1am hour.** To offer your help or for information please contact Patricia Burchell at 601-270-4068.



## **Business Sponsor Spotlight**

We would like to thank Dr. Okorie from St. Michael's Urgent Care for supporting the parish bulletin. You can reach him at 601-602-2014.



The next Men's Cursillo will be held at the Sacred Heart Retreat Center in Dedeaux May 12-15, 2022. What is a Cursillo you ask? The Spanish word "Cursillo" means "short course" or "little course". The full title is "a little course in living what is fundamental for being a Christian, but everyone simply calls it "Cursillo." For more information you can contact Felix Diaz or Shelby Miserendino in the church office. De Colores!!

### **Family Day of Community**

**Outreach** ~ For our Good Friday community outreach day we are seeking suggestions for nonprofits, elderly, disabled, and individuals who might need help with manual labor projects or visitors to pray with them. Please submit names and contact information to Renee' Lichenhan at 601-329-6075.

### **Volunteer help needed:**

We are looking for some volunteers to help with some minor projects around the church when needed. This would be an occasional "call for help". If you have any questions or are available, please call Kathy Schimel. Thank you in advance.

### **Wedding Banns**

Sarah Elizabeth Hyde and Jon David Hirsch will be married on April 2, 2022, at the St. Joseph Chapel on the campus of Spring Hill College.

## **Mass Intentions**

M-Mar 28th Kerry Goldsmith – Sp. Int.  
T-Mar 29th Steve Cairrone – Sp. Int.  
W-Mar 30th Diaconate Classes of 2022 & 2025 (Joe, Calvin & Felix)  
T- Mar 31st Charles Graves – RIP  
F- Apr 1st Joey, Hillary & Jude Moreland – Sp. Int.  
Sat-Apr 2nd Nick Bellicini – Sp. Int.  
Sun-Apr 3rd  
8:00 Stacy Ansardi – RIP  
10:15 Parish  
6:00 Joe Lichtenhan – BD

### **Readings March 28<sup>th</sup> – April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

M Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54  
T Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16  
W Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30  
T Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47  
Fri Wis 2:1a,12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10,25-30  
Sat Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53  
Sun Is 43:16-21/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

### **March Lector Schedule**

26<sup>th</sup> 5:30 Roger Smith  
27<sup>th</sup> 8:00 Rich Mohn  
10:15 Shirley Hendricks

### **APRIL LECTOR SCHEDULE**

2<sup>nd</sup> 5:30 Debbie Boyer  
3<sup>rd</sup> 8:00 Evelyn Ruckstuhl  
10:15 Pam Bigelow  
9<sup>th</sup> 5:30 Lector David Williams  
Passion Carmen Robinson  
10<sup>th</sup> 8:00 Lector Chris Brown  
Passion Reggie Blackledge  
10:15 Lector Shirley Hendricks  
Passion Italo Subarrao

14<sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM Rich Mohn

15<sup>th</sup> 3:00 PM Lector Kathy Schimel  
Passion Renee Brett

16<sup>th</sup> 8:00 RCIA

17<sup>th</sup> 8:00 Malia Lewis  
10:15 Shelby Miserendino

23<sup>rd</sup> 5:30 Roger Smith  
24<sup>th</sup> 8:00 Julie Calvetti  
10:15 Valerie Acocella

30<sup>th</sup> 5:30 Noel Anne Bennett



Life Teen's next meeting is this Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 – 5:45pm.

### **The Brothers in Christ**

Brothers in Christ is a men's study and prayer group open to all men. Meetings are each Tuesday beginning with breakfast at 6:30am.



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