



St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

523 S. Merrill Street, Fortville, Indiana

“My Lord, and my God”

October 13, 2024

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Pastor: Fr. Aaron Jenkins

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Parish Office 317-485-5101

523 S. Merrill Street, Fortville, IN 46040

• OFFICE HOURS

• Tue - Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

• Mass Schedule

• Saturday 6:00 pm

• Thursday 12:00 Noon

Bible Study Opportunities: Monday's at 6pm in the Rectory & Thursday's 1:00 pm in the Hall.

Rosary Group (Church) Monday's 7:10 pm

St. Thomas Website: www.stthomasfortville.com

Jesus said, “It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” Mark 10:25

Baptism: To schedule a Baptism, email Fr. Aaron Jenkins: fraaronjenkins@stthomasfortville.com

Reconciliation: 1/2 hour before each mass or by appointment.

First Eucharist: Preparation for first Eucharist occurs in the 2nd grade.

Confirmation: Prepared during the Freshman year of High School.

Matrimony: A six month preparation prior to the wedding is required. Please contact the Parish Office.

Anointing the Sick: Please call the Parish Office to request anointing before a surgery or during any serious illness, or to request a hospital or nursing home visit.

Rite of Christian initiation of Adults: RCIA: This program addresses the needs of adults who wish to learn more about the Catholic Faith. Please contact: Fr. Aaron Jenkins at: fraaronjenkins@stthomasfortville.com

Staff

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We would like to extend a warm welcome to you today, whether you are visiting us for the first time or have chosen St. Thomas Church as your parish. We pray that the Lord will continue to bless you as you desire to serve Him.

If interested in becoming a parishioner, please contact Diane Brady in the Parish Office at: 317-485-5101 or secretary@stthomasfortville.com

Mass Intentions

October 17, Thursday 12:00 Noon Mass

Joseph & Clella Doyle by Scott & Eran McCarty

October 19, Saturday 6:00 pm Mass

Marcia Bavender by Dan & Sheryl Vail

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, October 19, 6:00 pm Mass

Ushers *Seth McAlarney, Violeta Watt*
Lector *Leah Sears, Steven Moll*
Server *Teddy Hanna, Maggie Hanna*
Euch. Min. *Rosemary Ritchie*

Activities for the week Oct. 13—Oct. 19

Sunday
Monday 7:10 pm Rosary Group in church
Tuesday 7:00 pm Children’s Choir
Wednesday 6:30 pm Women’s Club
Thursday 12:00 Noon Mass
 1:30 pm Bible Study
 7:00 pm K o f C
Friday
Saturday 8:00 am That Man is You
 6:00 pm Mass
 6:00 –9:00 pm Youth Group

Offerings for the week of October 6, 2024

Weekly Sunday Collection: \$1,414.00
 Weekly Online Giving: \$2,635.50
Total Weekly Giving: \$4,049.50
 Weekly Collection needed for Budget: \$3,965.00

*Thank you for your stewardship to
 St. Thomas the Apostle.*

Online Giving

If you are interested in giving to St. Thomas online, you can sign up for online giving on our website at: www.stthomasfortville.com or scan the QR code below. Once there, you will be able to set up your donation on a one-time or recurring basis.

To scan the QR code, open your phone’s camera and hold it over the code. Once the link appears, click on it and it will take you to the online giving website. If you would like help with this feel free to reach out to Diane in the church office.



Flowers for Mary

Would you be interested in providing flowers for the Statue of Mary for one month? We are looking for people to help out with this ministry. These flowers could be in memory of someone. If interested please contact Stephanie Garst at: 317-407-7257



Prayer Chain

— if you would like to join our Prayer Warriors who pray for those in the parish who need our prayers, please contact Stephanie Garst at sbgarst@gmail.com.

Prayer Request

— If you have a prayer request, please let Stephanie or the church office know and we will begin praying. The prayer chain is done by email. If you want to join but do not have email call Stephanie at: 317-407-7257.

Names remain on the list for appx. two months. You may request a name be added back to the list at any time.

Volunteers the week of Oct. 13—Oct.19

Collection Counters—Team C
 Homebound Minister—Rosemary Ritchie
 TB Nursing Home —Sally Tinnel

Flowers for Mary Month of Oct—by Randy Kerkhoff
In Loving Memory of Kathie Kerkhoff

Let Us Pray, Lord, in your loving mercy please bless your servants who are in need of healing and strength:

Sue Brady, Karen Brennan, Marie & Richard Collins, Jona Dierckman, Bill Garst, Bobby Gehring, Sean Hauser, MaryAnne Jungst, Darcy Lund, Brian Martin, Sherry Massey, Jenni Pettigrew, Terri Runnebohm, Nancy Skillman, June Stanley, Doug Threet

All the sick and suffering from our parish, those serving in the military, and our homebound, hospitalized and nursing home residents.

We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.



The Sanctuary Candle near our Tabernacle burns this week:

In Memory of Marcia Bavender
By Jonnie Gehring



If you would like to have the 14 day Candle dedicated for someone living or deceased, or for a special intention, please contact the Parish Office. The offering is \$10.00



Thanksgiving Community Food Boxes

The Christians Unite Ministerial Committee will be collecting food for "Thanksgiving Boxes". St. Thomas Church will again be in charge of collecting 200 boxes of stuffing. If you would like to help with this, we will be taking donations now through Nov. 9th.



October is the Month of the Rosary

We will be praying the Rosary 25 minutes before the 6pm Mass during the month of October.

Bible Study



Monday Night Bible Study will not be meeting on Monday, Oct 14th and will resume on Oct. 21st with a study of 1 & 2 Corinthians. All are welcome to join in person in the Rectory or online. Contact Jon Smith for more details at jws633@gmail.com

TREATS ON MAIN F.A.R.M COMMUNITY FAIR

Saturday, October 26th 10am to 2pm

Engaging our Neighbors.... Serving our Community

Come join the downtown merchants and Fortville Area Resource Mission (FARM) at this free, fun, family event in downtown Fortville.

- Costume Contest
- Games & Treats for the kids
- Fall Photo Opportunities
- Antique Tractors
- Connect with Organizations that Serve our Community.



All Saints Day Mass
Friday, Nov. 1st 6:00 PM St. Thomas

All Souls Day Mass
Saturday, Nov. 2nd 11:00 AM Mass at Park Cemetery/Greenfield

In Loving Memory

Memorial Book

We have placed a Memorial Book on a table at the front of church, near the St. Thomas Statue. Please feel free to write the names of any deceased persons that you would like remembered during the month of November.

Crop Day Sponsored by the Women's Club
Saturday, November 2nd 9am—5pm

Cost \$20

Comfortable work space, vendors, door prizes, food and beverages provided.

Work on your scrapbooks, greeting cards, or get an early start on graduation scrap books or other projects.

Make checks payable to: St. Thomas Church and please write Crop Day in memo. You can mail or drop off your check to the office.

For more information contact: Sheryl Vail 317-430-7998

Happy Birthday

- **Sunday, October 13:**
- **Monday, October 14:** Jenny Campbell
- **Tuesday, October 15:**
- **Wednesday, October 16:**
- **Thursday, October 17:** Mike McCaul
- **Friday, October 18:** Lori Wallace
- **Saturday, October 19:** Tina Alexander

College student care packages

For the last couple of years the Evangelization team has sent monthly care packages to college students and college age students in the military. Do you have a child or grand child who would enjoy receiving a monthly package? Do you have a heart for our young adults and would like to volunteer to send something one month? Please send names and addresses of youth to Diane at the parish office at secretary@stthomasfortville.com Thank you!

Is God calling you...

outside of the box?

Consecrated Life Workshop

Saturday, November 2, 2024

Our Lady of the Greenwood Catholic Church
335 S Meridian St, Greenwood, IN 46143

8:30 am Mass: Our Lady of the Greenwood Chapel
9:00 am-Noon Workshop: Madonna Hall

Registration is FREE. RSVP is requested.
This will be a hybrid event offering in-person and virtual attendance. To register by phone, call the Archdiocese of Indianapolis Vocations Office at 317-236-1490. To register online, click on this link: <https://heargodscall.com/outside-of-the-box>

Exploring lesser known vowed consecrated life vocations in the Catholic Church:

- Eremitic Life
- Consecrated Virgins and Widows
- Secular Institutes
- Societies of Apostolic Life and new forms

Presented by Fr. Michael Keucher, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Indianapolis

With a special presentation on private vowed life by Fr. Eric Augenstein, Director of Seminarians, Archdiocese of Indianapolis

Chicken & Noodle Dinner

With Dessert Corner and Silent Auction

When: Sunday, October 27, 2024

Time: 11 am—6 pm

Where: St. Thomas Parish Activity Center

523 S. Merrill Street, Fortville IN

Open to All! Please come join us for a good meal!



Dessert Corner



Bloodmobile will be in the parking lot from 12-5 accepting blood donations. Walk-ins welcome.

Scan QR Code to schedule or visit versiti.org/IN



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