



St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

523 S. Merrill Street, Fortville, Indiana

“My Lord, and my God”

October 6, 2024

27th 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

“Amen, I say to you, whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it.” Mark 10:15

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 10, Thursday 12:00 Noon Mass

Carolyn Reed by Faith Martinez

October 12, Saturday 6:00 pm Mass

Carolyn Reed by The Women's Club

Activities for the week Oct. 6—Oct. 12

- Sunday** Canned Food Sunday
- Monday** 6:00 pm Bible Study in Rectory
7:10 pm Rosary Group in church
- Tuesday**
- Wednesday**
- Thursday** 12:00 Noon Mass
1:30 pm Bible Study
- Friday** 7:00-11pm K of C Mini Monte Carlo
- Saturday** 8:00 am That Man is You
6:00 pm Mass
7:00 pm Dinner hosted by the Confirmation Class

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, October 12, 6:00 pm Mass

- Ushers** Joanna Flora, Amy Flora
- Lector** Diane Doty, Marvin Massey
- Server** Ben Lowder, Joshua VanSickle
- Euch. Min.** Faith Martinez

Offerings for the week of September 29, 2024

Weekly Sunday Collection:	\$1,228.00
Weekly Online Giving:	\$ 985.00
Total Weekly Giving:	\$2,213.00
<i>Weekly Collection needed for Budget: \$3,965.00</i>	

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



Volunteers the week of Oct. 6—Oct. 12

- Collection Counters—Team B
- Homebound Minister—Rick Garst
- TB Nursing Home —Stephanie Garst

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

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.

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, Darcy Lund, Brian Martin, Sherry Massey, Jenni Pettigrew, 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



The Knights of Columbus Mini Monte Carlo Night will be on Friday, October 11th from 7-11 pm. Cover charge is \$30 per couple / \$20 singles. Please invite your family and friends to this fun evening or make it a date night. Cover charge includes food and drinks. This fundraiser generates most of our annual income so that we can support all the charities we do, especially at Christmas. License # 014977



CYO BOYS BASKETBALL Registration for boys in grades 4-8 is now open for CYO basketball at St. Michael in Greenfield and is due by Sunday, October 13. A current physical, fee of \$75, and a signed Athletic Handbook with Code of Conduct forms are due by the first practice. Register on the St. Michael parish website at www.stmichaelsgrfld.org. CYO is open to all students who attend St. Michael and St. Thomas regardless of school affiliation.

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.

Happy Birthday



Sunday, October 6:
 Monday, October 7: Kate Sears
 Tuesday, October 8: Lawrence Ciasto
 Wednesday, October 9:
 Thursday, October 10: David Bwambok, Jillian Dierckman
 Friday, October 11: Tambra Bauchert, Matthew Dickerson Jr., Janice Stank
 Saturday, October 12: Brianna Eastman, Becky High

Pro Life

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024
 Join us in the Prayer Garden here at St. Thomas for Life Chain 1:00-2:00 pm.

Come pray in silence for 1 hour for respect for all life from conception to natural death. We will gather around the Prayer Garden in silent prayer. You may join the prayer for part of the time or the full hour.



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

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



Breakfast for Dinner
 HOSTED BY THE CONFIRMATION CLASS
 Saturday, OCTOBER 12TH following Mass

Our Confirmation students will be preparing a delicious breakfast for dinner. Everyone is welcome! This is a free will offering event.

Please join us!



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!

Silent Auction needing items and or themed basket donations for the Chicken & Noodle Dinner on October 27th

If you have any items you would like to donate, please bring them to the church office no later than October 12th. Due to limited indoor space, we ask that no big items be donated. We are also accepting monetary donations, if you would like us to shop and put a basket together for you.



For more information, contact Stephanie Garst 317-407-7257

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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