



St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

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“My Lord, and my God”

April 6, 2025

5th Sunday of Lent



Pastor: Fr. Aaron Jenkins

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(after hours emergency, please call: 317-462-4240)

Parish Office 317-485-5101

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• **OFFICE HOURS**

• Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm; Wednesday 1:30-4:30 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

Website: www.stthomasfortville.com

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will never die. John 11

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

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

Director Of Liturgy & Choir: Stephanie Garst
317-407-7257 sgarst@stthomasfortville.com

Secretary/Bookkeeper: Diane Brady
317-485-5101 secretary@stthomasfortville.com

Youth Ministers: Steven & Ruth Moll
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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 you are interested in becoming a Parishioner here at St. Thomas, Please contact the Parish Office at: 317-485-5101 or secretary@stthomasfortville.com

Mass Intentions

April 10, Thursday No Mass, No Stations of the Cross

April 12, Saturday 6:00 pm Mass

Kathie Kerkhoff by Randy Kerkhoff

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, April 12, 6:00 pm

Ushers Seth McAlarney, Violeta Watt
Lectors Jon Smith, Kathy Kennelly
Servers Leticia Mabura, Trayvon Mabura
Euch. Min. Teddy Hanna

Activities for the week of April 6—April 12

Sunday Canned Food Sunday
Monday 6:00 pm Bible Study in the Rectory
7:10 pm Pray the Rosary in church
Tuesday 7:00 pm Adult Choir
Wednesday
Thursday 1:00 pm Bible Study
Friday 5:00 pm Friday Night Fish Fry
Saturday 8:00 am That Man Is you
6:00 pm Mass

Offerings for the week of March 30, 2025

Weekly Sunday Collection: \$1,088.00
Weekly Online Giving: \$1,945.00

Total Weekly Giving: \$3,033.00

Weekly Collection needed for Budget \$3,965.00

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



Fr. Aaron will be in D.C. with 8th graders from St. Michael next week. There will not be Mass or Stations of the Cross on Thursday, April 10th. If you have a sacramental emergency, please call the parish office. for after office hours, please call 317-462-4240.

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. If interested please contact Stephanie Garst at: 317-407-7257



Volunteers the week of April 6— April 12

Collection Counters—Team B
Homebound Minister—Eran McCarty
PV Nursing Home—Sue Metzger
TB Nursing Home —Stephanie Garst

The Sanctuary Candle near our Tabernacle burns this week:

*In Memory of Kathie Kerkhoff
By Randy Kerkhoff*



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 Church considers the Mass the greatest possible prayer of intercession. If you would like to offer a Mass for a special intention, in thanksgiving or for the repose of the soul of a loved one, please contact the parish office. This offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass allows infinite graces to be obtained.

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

Anne Barr, Donald Bowling, Sue Brady, Karen Brennan, Lettie Mae Campbell, Marie & Richard Collins, Cailyn Hurst, Mary McIntire, Sheryl Miller, Marlene Pulsford, Nancy Skillman, Rosie Winans

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.





Confirmation Student of the Week

Corey Moll is the daughter of Steven & Ruth Moll. She attends Pendleton Heights High School. Corey has 2 brothers, Aaron and Samuel and two sisters, Mary and Stella. Corey was born in Indiana and has visited Minnesota & North Carolina. Corey's favorite food is pizza rolls. She enjoys show choir, reading, and basketball. When asked what she likes best about St. Thomas, Corey said, "The people". Corey is an altar server and is involved in youth group and children's choir. She would like her legacy at St. Thomas to be that she is always willing to help when needed. Corey sees her role after confirmation as staying connected to her parish. Please keep Corey and all of our confirmation candidates in your prayers as they continue their journey toward the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

'Way of the Cross for Justice' set for April 18

Persons of all faith traditions are invited to join the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, for this year's Way of the Cross for Justice program, scheduled for 11 a.m.-noon on Good Friday, April 18, in the Church of the Immaculate Conception. Spend an hour recalling Jesus' road to the cross and unite it with justice struggles of today. There is no cost to attend. For more information, call 812-535-2952 or email provctr@spsmw.org.



Dessert Donations Needed

Donations of desserts are needed for Friday Fish Fry's during Lent.



We would prefer homemade desserts such as, pies, cakes, (like Carrot, Red Velvet, German Chocolate) and Cheesecakes. If you are able to help with this, please call Gally Tinnel at: 317-922-8021.

Disabilities Awareness Mass

Sunday, April 27 at 10 a.m. at SS Peter and Paul Cathedral Archbishop Thompson: Principal Celebrant and Homilist Reception to follow at the Assembly Hall, Catholic Center.

For questions, please Contact Jenny Bryans at jbryans@archindy.org or call 317-236-1448



Disabilities Ministry
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St. Thomas Vigil Mass on Saturday at 6:00 pm

St. Michael Vigil Mass on Saturday at 4:00 pm

St. Michael Sunday Masses: 8:30am & 11:00 am



St. Thomas Church

Holy Thursday Mass 7 p.m. with Adoration after Mass until Midnight. Look for the sign-up sheet in back of church or call the parish office.

Good Friday Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m. followed by Veneration of the Cross

Easter Sunday Masses 8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.

St. Michael Church

Holy Thursday Mass 7p.m.

Good Friday Service 3 p.m.

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass 8:45 p.m.

Easter Sunday Masses 7, 9 & 11 a.m.

Last Fish Fry for Lent
2025 is Friday, April 11



The St. Thomas-Deacon Anthony Lewis Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry Dinners will be each Friday during Lent. This is a Drive-Through Fish Fry from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the St. Thomas parking lot. Dinners are \$10 each and include an Atlantic Cod Fish Sandwich, Crinkle Fries, Coleslaw, and a Dessert. Desserts are freshly made pies, cakes, and cookies made by the Women's Club. Proceeds are used to sponsor scholarships and charitable giving.

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Faith -Based Mental Health Support Groups

Come encounter Jesus Christ through community, support, and scripture in a safe and confidential environment. We will be able to share our experiences and process challenges through the lens of Scripture and Catholic teaching. A group will consist of up to 6-8 adults including a mental health professional.

UPCOMING GROUP

WHEN: Thursdays April 24 - May 29, 2025
7:00 - 8:30 pm

WHERE: Christ the King Catholic Church
5884 N. Crittenden Ave Indianapolis, IN 46220



Register by emailing Brie Anne Varick, Director of Office of Human Life and Dignity bvarick@archindy.org or 317-236-1543 or by website www.archindy.org/humanlifeanddignity/mental-hope.html

Easter Egg Hunt

The K of C invites all children of the parish ages pre-school through 5th grade, to participate in the Annual Easter Egg Hunt on:

Easter Sunday, April 20th following the 8:30 am Mass

Donuts, Milk & Juice will be served in the Parish Hall.

All are welcome.



40 Pounds for 40 Days

The St. Thomas Deacon Anthony Lewis Knights of Columbus Council #15712 are collecting non-perishable food items during Lent to be donated to the Fortville Area Resource Mission (FARM). Thank you to everyone who has donated, so far we have collected 371 pounds! If you are able to help, donations can be dropped off at the back of church or to the parish office. Pick up is also available by calling the parish office. 317-485-5102



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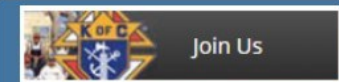


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