



Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

210 R63 Hwy-Indianola, IA 50125

Weekend Mass Saturday 4:30 pm & Sunday 10:15 am

Sunday 8:00 am at Immaculate Conception-St Mary's

Tuesday- 6:00 pm mass

Daily Mass: WEDNESDAY-Friday 8:00 am

1st Tuesday of the Month at Good Samaritan Nursing Home 9:30am

St Thomas Aquinas Staff & Committees

Pastor Fr. Chris Fontanini	961-3026
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Worship/Liturgy: Joyce DeGroote	783-3890
Hall Committee: Steph Bintner, Steve Mc Ginnis, Kristen Hanes, Kevin Parker and Leasa Garrett	

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.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00 pm-4:30 pm or by 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 a 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.

Bulletin Announcements: Information must be in by noon on Wednesday to Steph Bintner- bintners@msn.com/ Leasa Garrett-lcs3garr@yahoo.com

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. (Closed from 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. for Lunch)

Parish Office: 961-3026/ Fax: 961-3458

Rectory Phone 962-2063

Website: stthomasindianola.com

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JANUARY 6, 2019

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 6, 2019

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Liturgies Scripture Reading- Cycle C
January 6, 2019- January 13, 2019

JANUARY 6

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

20: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception

8:00 a.m. Mass at Immaculate Conception -

Ruth Bauer McKim

10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Mary Jo Schreck

NO Mass at Simpson Smith Chapel until Jan 20, 2019

JANUARY 7

SAINT RAYMOND OF PENYAFORT

212: 1 Jn 3:22-4:6; Ps 2:7b-8, 10-12a; m/t 4:12-17, 23-25

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

JANUARY 8

213: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Robert Creighton

JANUARY 9

214: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Gary & Vivian Elbert

JANUARY 10

215: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc,17; Lk 4:14-22a

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Jessie Reynolds

JANUARY 11

216: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Arlene Sumpter

JANUARY 12

217: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

3:30 p.m. Reconciliation at St. Thomas

4:30 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Mary Jo Schreck

Mother of Amy Jo Naughton

JANUARY 13

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

21: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b,9b-10; Acts 10:34-38;
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception

8:00 a.m. Mass at Immaculate Conception - John George

10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Sherman (Skip) Hutton III

NO Mass at Simpson Smith Chapel until Jan 20, 2019

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners:

I subscribe to a homiletic website by Fr. Tony Kadavil. I found this quite interesting as something to ponder and pray for this upcoming year-2019.

7 Ups for the New Year (Adapted from Rev. Walter Schoedel)

1) **WAKE UP**--Begin the day thanking the Lord. It is His day. Rejoice in it.

2) **LOOK-UP**--Open your eyes to the Lord Jesus. Ask for his strength and blessings for the day through the anointing of his Holy Spirit. After all, he is your only Savior.

3) **DRESS-UP**--Put on a smile. It improves your looks. It says something about your attitude. It enables Jesus living within you smile at others.

4) **SHUT-UP**--Watch your tongue. Don't gossip. Don't be judgmental. Say nice things. Learn to listen to others with love. Be sympathetic.

5) **STAND-UP**--Take a stand for what you believe. Resist evil. Do good. Have the courage of your Christian convictions by practicing what you believe.

6) **REACH-UP**--Spend time in prayer by talking to God with your adorations, confessions, thanksgivings and supplications and by listening to Him through attentive reading the Bible and the application of its message to your life.

7) **LIFT-UP**--Be available to help those in need--serving, supporting, and sharing. Try to find Jesus in others and serve him there by serving them.

We welcome Fr. Edward Hurley, my first pastor while serving as an Associate Pastor at St. Francis of Assisi, to St. Thomas Aquinas and Immaculate Conception. He taught me a lot about being a priest, particularly the Ministry of Presence to people. Please give him a hearty welcome this weekend.

This is also the Feast of Epiphany. Jesus manifests himself to the three magi from the East. He manifests himself to us, in His Word, in His Priest, in the People of God--where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there (Gospel of Matthew), and particularly and substantially in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Let us take time this weekend to give God thanks and praise for His Son, who comes into our midst in a variety of ways.

Have a blessed week! Please pray for me while on Retreat this week! Fr. Chris

Ministry Schedule

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

4:30 p.m. Mass January 12th

Lector: David DeGroot

Eucharistic Ministers: Joyce DeGroot, Mike Schenfeld, John Shandley, Tim & Kelly Gauger & Jeannie Bendon

Ushers: Don Bendon, Derry Butler & Krapfls

10:15 a.m. Mass January 13th

Lector: Tristan Grover

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Timmerman, Larry & Darla Vanderpool, Cindy Whitesitt, Ann Williams, Elizabeth Williams & Brock Elbert

Ushers: Gezels & Torneys

Money Counters: Duffy & Rose Metz

Linens: Peggy Parker, Mary Menke & Judy Kirby

December 30th

Building Fund: \$ 1,095.00

Sunday Tithe: \$ 1,714.00

Plate: \$ 344.86

Capital Campaign: \$ 7,953.00

St. Francis Middle School Music Director:

St. Francis of Assisi parish in West Des Moines is looking for a person to lead the parish Middle School Choir. The Middle School Choir is made up of 6th-8th students from both public and private school who are parishioners at St. Francis. They meet for a half hour rehearsal each Wednesday evening during the school year and serve at an average of 1 weekend liturgy per month. The Choir Director will be responsible for planning, preparation, choir rehearsal, and liturgies for the Middle School Choir. The person best suited for this job would be able to:

- Read music
- Have experience singing in a choir beyond high school (especially in a church setting)
- Be confident in basic conducting skills
- Have some knowledge of liturgical music
- Be self-motivated with organizational skills
- Communicate well with others

Gifts/charisms that would work well in this position include: music, encouragement, teaching, leadership, administration, and service.

The Middle School Choir Director must be a practicing Catholic and be confident in forming Christ-centered relationships with Middle School students. This position is paid and requires around 3-5 hours per week during the school year. Please contact Emily Schmid, Director of Music at St. Francis of Assisi, at eschmid@saintfrancischurch.org or 515-223-4577.

SAVE THE DATE!!!!

Trivia Night for the Hope Foundation--February 2, 2019!
Location is at St. Thomas in the St. Thomas Hall.



St. Thomas Men's Choir

Men's Choir will practice Tuesday, Jan 8th at 7 pm in the Church. They will sing Saturday, Jan 12th at 4:30 pm Mass.

If you are interested in joining the Men's Choir please contact Music Director Tom Shipman. Information is on the front of the bulletin.

Upcoming dates

Practice: Tuesday, February 5th at 7pm in the Church

Singing: Sunday, February 10th at 10:15 am Mass

VOTIVE CANDLE LIGHTING PRAYER STAND

St. Thomas has been blessed with an additional Votive Candle lighting Prayer Stand. Just a reminder that these candles are purchased with the money that is left in the collection box.

**Please note: 7 day Votive Candles\$ 3.00 each Large Candles
2 hour Votive Candles.....\$ 1.00 each Small Candles**

Please make sure you are placing your money in the collection box every time you light a candle. **Thank You- The Staff**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER !!!!!

Religious Education Corner

Happy New Year!! We hope your Christmas was filled with blessings. It's hard to believe we're entering the second part of our program.

Upcoming Events:

January 23 is Movie Night. All classes (Religious Education and Good Shepherd) will meet at **5:30 pm**. We will meet in the new multipurpose room. Popcorn will be provided. Bring your own water, please. No soft drinks. We'll show the original Mary Poppins movie and it will be finished by 8 pm. Families are invited.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd will meet on Thursday and Sunday that week, but they certainly are invited to attend Movie Night on January 23.

First Confession for the second graders will be **February 13 at 5:30** during regular Wednesday class time. This will be for all Good Shepherd and regular religious education second graders.

March 6 is Ash Wednesday. All classes will be attending the 7 pm Mass that evening.

Blessings,
JoAnn



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- January 9th: 7:00-8:30 p.m. Come & Chill with Jesus...see what Our Lord has in store for you.
- January 16th: 7:00-8:30 p.m. Open Discussion at Host Home
- January 23rd: 6:30-8:30 p.m. COC/Genesis- Movie Night at Movie Theater

Like us on Facebook so you can follow what is happening at St. Thomas Aquinas Church Indianola. This will also have the updated cancelations for Masses and RE!!!



Wine and Cheese Social

There will be Wine and Cheese will be served Saturday, January 12th following 4:30 pm Mass in the Gathering Space.

ALL ARE WELCOME !!!!



FREEZER MINISTRY

We are beginning a new ministry at St Thomas Aquinas and would love to have **YOUR SUPPORT!!!** ALL it takes is some ingredients, love, and friendship!!! We will be preparing freezer meals once a month in the Pastoral kitchen. These meals will be stored in the freezer and whoever needs one can go grab it and go, signing up on the posted sign. This can be your family, a family in need, anyone who needs a hot meal!! If you have a favorite family dish/casserole that freezes well, please let me know- all are welcome to participate!!

We will have a **SIGN UP** to donate ingredients at the back of the church or you can message me at 515-710-6140!

it is in giving we receive"

Blessings,
Angie Elliott

Meals are frozen and ready for use in the kitchen freezer-no questions asked, but to use as needed :)



Indianola Knights of Columbus

Upcoming Events

Sunday January 6 Country Style Breakfast
Serving from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Adults \$5.00 Children \$3.00



Thursday January 10 Monthly Meeting

2019 Religious Calendars are available compliments of the Indianola Knights of Columbus. May you have a Merry Christmas and Blessed New Year.

Prayer List

We offer this list for current parishioners of St Thomas Aquinas Church Only.

- Doug Andreasen, Ed Leinen, Jean Veasman,
- Loretta Petersen, Mary Pat Miller & Bryan Bradley



Please contact Jackle Ward at jjward71@q.com or 515-250-7385, Kris Gross at 210-0169 or Debbie McDaniel at 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 (961-3026) to add a name to the list published in the bulletin.

Names will remain on the list for a month unless you indicate otherwise.

 ☆ STARS ☆
 ☆ January 10th: 6:30 pm- Kick your Faith off in the New Year!
 ☆ ⇒ We provide light snacks and drinks
 ☆ ⇒ Amanda Zwanziger The Paralyzed Movement
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 <p>Work well. Play well. Live well. 217 Center Road</p> <p>Matt DeWall, M.P.T., C.S.C.S. 1507 N. 1st Street (515) 961-7435</p>	 <p>Laying-Sanding-Finishing-Refinishing 1416 E. Euclid Ph: 515-961-6424 Indianola, Ia. 50125 Cell: 988-0705</p>	<p>Volunteers needed to help to clean the hall, bartend, pour wine etc Call Leasa Garrett 961-3026 It's an easy way to give back to your church!</p>	 <p>1203 North E Street-Indianola (515) 961-7458 www.wesleylife.org Join us for Mass at the Village Every third Tuesday 9:30am</p>
 <p>Legacy House RCF Christian Assisted Living 207 E Salem Ave Indianola, IA Ph# 971-9367 Cindy Brummer, RN</p>	<p>Contact the office And have Your ad Placed here!!!!</p>	 <p>Grocery: 961-5643 Market: 961-5872</p>	 <p>501 N. Jefferson- Indianola 961-2315 2nd location in the Indianola Wal Mart</p>
<p>Heartland Computer Company 515-961-6326 Winston Sayre, Owner Sales, Service, Repairs Free In shop diagnostics</p>	 <p>110 E. Boston KURT E. WELLS Indianola, IA 50125 Owner (515) 961-4924</p>	<p>St Thomas Pastoral Center Available for your wedding receptions, family reunions, fundraisers. Call Steph Bintner 961-3026</p>	<p>Wiegert Disposal Inc. Trash Service for Residential-Commercial-Industrial</p> <p>Dumpsters-Roll Offs Call for Free Estimates 515-764-2389 800-728-4908</p>