



# Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

210 R63 Hwy-Indianola, IA 50125

Weekend Mass Saturday 4:30 pm , 8:00am & 10:15 am Sundays

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

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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 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](mailto:bintners@msn.com)/ [Leasa Garrett-lcs3garr@yahoo.com](mailto:LeasaGarrett-lcs3garr@yahoo.com)

MARCH 24, 2019

### THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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Liturgies Scripture Reading- Cycle C  
March 24, 2019- March 31, 2019

MARCH 24

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30: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception

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

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Florence Lee

10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Ryan Kalitzki

4:30 Confessions at Simpson Smith Chapel

5:00 p.m. Mass at Simpson Smith Chapel

MARCH 25

### THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

545: Is 7:10-14; 8-10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

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

5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Eucharistic Exposition at Immaculate Conception

6:30 p.m. Confessions / Rosary at Immaculate Conception

7:00 p.m. Reposition at Immaculate Conception

7:00 p.m. Mass at Immaculate Conception-Caroline McElwee

MARCH 26

238: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4bc-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

5:30 p.m. Reconciliation at St. Thomas

6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas- John & Donna Sereg

6:30 p.m. Rosary at St. Thomas

MARCH 27

239: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at St. Thomas

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- In Thanksgiving for Ann Bishop

5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration at St. Thomas

MARCH 28

240: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at St. Thomas

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Evelyn Wadle

MARCH 29

241: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11b, 14-17; Mk 12:28-34

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at St. Thomas

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

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross at St. Thomas

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross at Immaculate Conception

MARCH 30

242: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21b; Lk 18:9-14

3:30 p.m. -4:15 p.m. Reconciliation at St. Thomas

4:30 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Ann Puetz

6:00 p.m. STAT Mission Trip Fundraiser

MARCH 31

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

33: Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception

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

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Florence Lee

10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Evelyn Wadle

4:30 Confessions at Simpson Smith Chapel

5:00 p.m. Mass at Simpson Smith Chapel

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](http://stthomasindianola.com)

Facebook: St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Indianola

**FROM THE PAST**

Dear Parishioners-

I have begun to notice that there are some who are leaving Mass right after communion. I realize there are emergencies or work schedules that are required for some of us. That is one thing. However, those that do NOT have any time necessitated schedules related to work and emergencies, I would highly encourage you to consider staying until after the last song is over to continue the tradition of praying for the next person who may die from the parish or out of fairness to our choir and musician. When we are invited over to a family's home, many of us do not leave after we have taken the last bite, but we sit and converse with the host or other guests for a time before getting up to excuse ourselves. Jesus has given us his body, blood, soul, and divinity by paying the high price of his life-his whole self-holding nothing back. Please prayerfully consider staying until the last song is over out of respect for the musicians, choir, the next person to die, but most of all, for Jesus, who loves us beyond our comprehension. Thanks for your efforts and cooperation in this matter. It is most appreciated!

This Monday, March 25, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Annunciation. It is the time when the Angel Gabriel announced to the Blessed Virgin Mother Mary that she would be the mother of the Son of God, the second person of the Blessed Trinity, Jesus Christ. It is a solemnity of the Church, in which both the Gloria and Creed are both recited. There will be two Masses on this day, one at St. Thomas Aquinas at 8:00 a.m. and one at Immaculate Conception, St. Marys at 7:00 p.m. I would encourage us to consider attending this Holy Day (Not a Holy Day of Obligation) Mass. When March 25 falls during Holy Week or the Octave of Easter (which is rare-the last time was 2008), the Solemnity of the Annunciation is transferred to the Monday following Divine Mercy Sunday. March 19 and March 25 are two dates during the Lenten Season when the Gloria is sung or recited.

Blessings and peace! Fr. Chris

**March 29 Friday**

**Widowed, Divorced, or Separated?**

The loss of a loved one through separation, divorce, or death is one of life's most traumatic experiences. Many people who have suffered this loss feel uncertain about their futures. Beginning Experience® is a program intended for those suffering the loss of a love relationship who are ready to come to terms with that loss and begin to move forward with their lives. The program is presented by a team of people who are willing to share their own experiences to help others.

To learn more about Beginning Experience, please come to one of our Open Houses on March 29, April 5, or April 12 from 7:00-8:30 at St. Augustin's Catholic Church at 42<sup>nd</sup> and Grand or contact Father Bob Schoemann at 515-418-1938, Daryl Stahl at 515-480-6617, or Dana Reed at 515-975-3745.

**Support the Annual Diocesan Appeal!**

Goal: \$ 68,389.00  
 Raised to Date: \$ 5,596.00  
**Amount Still to be Raised: \$ 62,793.00**  
 Updated as of 3-8-2019

Pledging to the Diocese today helps St. Thomas by supporting:

- Priest's Retirement
- Marriage & Family Life Programs
- Catholic Charities
- Catholic Schools
- Vocations



*Ministry Schedule*

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

**4:30 p.m. Mass March 30th**

**Lector:** Debbie Brangers  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Matt Coenen, Leasa Garrett, Lanny Ward, Josie Schettler, William Seuferer, Mary Kling & Carol Proctor  
**Ushers:** DeGrootes, Jeremy Cross & Terri Cooper

**8:00 a.m. Mass March 31st**

**Lector:** Mark Kollasch  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Todd & Johnna Clancy & Martin Konrad  
**Ushers:** Slinkers & Kathryn Pierson

**10:15 a.m. Mass March 31st**

**Lector:** Tristan Grover  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Dave & Judy Hutton, Ann Williams, Elizabeth Williams, Ben Brackney, Brock Elbert & Dianne Funk  
**Ushers:** Tormeys & Gezels

**Money Counters: Bill & Kella Wadle & Vicky Vorwald**

**Linens:** Peggy Parker, Mary Menke & Judy Kirby

**March 17th**

**Building Fund: \$ 1,145.00**  
**Sunday Tithe: \$ 4,004.00**  
**Plate: \$ 322.05**  
**Capital Campaign: \$ 1,686.67**

**Eucharist Minister Please take note:  
 that at least 2 Eucharist Minister MUST stay and help clean the Scared Vessels after EVERY MASS.**



**NPM Cantor Workshop**

Cantors and liturgical song leaders: Please join the Des Moines Diocese Chapter of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians (NPM), Saturday, April 6, 2019, at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 7075 Ashworth Rd, West Des Moines, IA, for a workshop to develop and enhance your cantor skills. Check-in and refreshments, 8:30 a.m.; Program 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Free-will donation. Lunch provided.

Program includes guidance on leading liturgical song, musicality, voice techniques, "master class" skills enhancement, copyright provisions and information on NPM's Basic Cantor Certification. Come enjoy a day of guided instruction and the opportunity to network with other musicians from around the diocese.

RSVP and pre-register with Dodie Bauman, Chapter Secretary, at [dotesmuse@aol.com](mailto:dotesmuse@aol.com) or 515-988-4302.



Next week March 31st, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection, and **help Jesus in disguise.**


**Mary's Meal Run**

"Join us for the 2019 Mary's Meals Run 5K / 10K on Saturday, May 11 at 9 a.m. This year's race starts and ends at Holy Trinity Catholic Church and School! As always, your registration – whether 5K or 10K, walking or running – feeds one hungry child in Malawi for the entire school year through Mary's Meals. Fun and upbeat music at the start and Hurt's Donuts at the finish line. Register today and follow us on Facebook! [www.MarysMealsRun.com](http://www.MarysMealsRun.com)"




There are several of our parishioners that have gone to ACH to save money, we have removed you from the Tithe Envelope mailings. Don't worry there will be envelopes in the back of the church for your Easter & Christmas Flower collections.  
 If you don't use your tithing envelopes please consider contacting the office and having your name removed from the mailings as well.  
 The mailings cost the parish \$ 450 every other month or \$2,700 a year.  
 Thank you, STAFF

**Knights of Columbus Scholarship Information:**  
 The St. Thomas Aquinas Knights of Columbus Council is offering higher learning scholarships to graduating high school seniors and undergraduate students.  
 For scholarship information, go to [www.stthomasindianola.parishesonline.com](http://www.stthomasindianola.parishesonline.com) or contact Marin Konrad at 961-0329.  
 Applications must be received at the correct email or mailing address by May 3, 2019.




**St. Thomas Men's Choir**  
 Men's Choir will practice Tuesday, April 2nd at 7 pm in the Church. They will sing Sunday, April 7th at 10:15 a.m. 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, May 7th at 7pm in the Church  
 Singing: Saturday, May 11th at 4:30 p.m. Mass


**Children's Choir**  
 Children's choir will meet each Wednesday from 6:40 to 7:00pm in the St. Thomas room all the Wednesday's of RE. Any child from 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome. Those that were already part of the choir under the former director are cordially welcomed back.  
 Our new children's choir director will be Cindy Whitesitt. We are so excited to begin again. "Let us praise the Lord with song!"  
 If you have a child that is not in our Religious ED program but would like them in the Children's Choir. Please feel free to send them.



**Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord  
 And let perpetual lights shine upon him.**  
 Our deepest condolences go out to the Evelyn Wadle family. Evelyn will be greatly missed by our parish communities. Please remember her as well as the family in your prayers.




**Upcoming Indianola KC Events**



Lenten Fish Fries Every Friday during Lent  
 Serving from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM  
 Adults \$10 Children (ages 6 to 12) \$5  
 Children 5 and under are free.  
 Sunday March 24 Coffee & Rolls after both Masses  
 KC's will serve after the 8:00 AM Mass  
 STARS will serve after the 10:15 Mass  
 Next KC Breakfast will be on Palm Sunday, April 14  
 Serving hours are 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM  
 All proceeds will be donated to the InnerVisions Health Clinic.  
 Watch for more details.

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 ☆ STARS ☆  
 ☆ Date to be Announced 6:00 p.m. Girls Night Out Place TBD ☆  
 ☆ June 4th 7:00 p.m. Bunco @ Steph's House (bring a snack) ☆  
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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER !!!!!**  
 Religious Education Corner  
 Lent is such a special time to help us get closer to God. We hope the parents of children in our religious education program will participate in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the church on Wednesdays, anytime between 5:30 pm and 8:30 pm. The amount of time you spend in Adoration is up to you.  
 This is simply a time to quiet our hearts and listen to what Jesus has to say to us.  
 Brief 10-minute presentations to explain a little about Adoration will be offered each Wednesday at 5:40 and again at 7:10, if you'd like to learn a little more about Adoration. Each week will offer a slightly different perspective. Please come! This is open to everyone in the parish.  
 No Good Shepherd or Religious Education classes on March 17, 20, 21 during Spring Break.  
 We will still have Adoration in the church on March 20 from 5:30-8:30 pm. Come spend some quiet time with Jesus. You'll be glad you did.  
 First Communion: April 28  
 Last day of Religious Education: May 1  
 Confirmation: May 3  
 God Bless,  
 Joann Sayre, Director of Religious Ed




**2018-2019-STAT**

March 27th:	6:30-8:00 p.m.	COC/Genesis- Game Night at PC
March 30th:		<b>MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISING DINNER</b>
April 3rd:	7:00-8:30 p.m.	OD at Hosts Home TBD
April 10th:	6:30-8:30 p.m.	STAT Pizza & Life Teen at PC
April 17th:	6:30-8:00 p.m.	COC/Genesis- Easter Egg Hunt at PC
April 21st:		<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>
April 28th:	6:30-8:30 p.m.	Progressive Rosary & Speaker Justin White
May 1st:	7:00-8:00 p.m.	Confirmation Practice at Church
May 3rd:	5:30 p.m.	Confirmation at the Church

**facebook** 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!!!

**Prayer List**  
 We offer this list for current parishioners of St Thomas Aquinas Church Only.  
 Doug Andreasen, Ed Leinen, Jean Veasman & Loretta Petersen,




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Please contact Jackle Ward at [jjward71@gmail.com](mailto:jjward71@gmail.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.

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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.



 <p>David &amp; Heidi Klodd 515-229-1299</p> <p>15110 Hwy 92 Indianola</p>	 <p>400 S. J. Indianola, Ia. 515-961-2781 Tim McConnell</p>	 <p>Propane • Heating • Cooling</p> <p>P.O. Box 95 Milo, Iowa 50166 <b>(641) 942-6320</b></p>	 <p>1512 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue -Indianola Finish Carpentry <b>Steve Bintner, Owner</b> Cell # 515-229-9605 Home# 515-961-7217</p>
 <p>Kim Tierney Keller 453-5320</p>	<p>St Thomas Pastoral Center Available for your wedding receptions, family reunions, fundraisers. Call Steph Bintner 961-3026</p>	<p><b>LOREY COMPANY</b> Carl M Lorey, Jr. Your Paperman</p> <p>914-28th Street Des Moines, IA 50312 515-255-7190 Email: <a href="mailto:LOREYPAPER@MCHSL.COM">LOREYPAPER@MCHSL.COM</a></p>	<p>Drees Family &amp; Sports Chiropractic</p> <p><b>Dr. Cory R. Drees C.S.C.S.</b> Chiropractic Physiatrist</p> <p>214 West Salem Avenue Phone (515) 961-6202 Indianola, IA 50125 FAX (515) 961-0608 email: <a href="mailto:chirodrees@aol.com">chirodrees@aol.com</a></p>
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 <p>Work well. Play well. Live well. 21<sup>st</sup> Century Rehab</p> <p><b>Matt DeWall, M.P.T., C.S.C.S.</b> 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 <a href="http://www.wesleylife.org">www.wesleylife.org</a> Join us for Mass at the Village Every third Tuesday 9:30am</p>
 <p><b>Legacy House RCF</b> <b>Christian Assisted Living</b> 207 E Salem Ave Indianola, IA Ph# 971-9367 Cindy Brummer, RN</p>	 <p>Dacni Gabel Counseling, LLC Find your peace. <a href="mailto:dacni@dacnigabelcounseling.com">dacni@dacnigabelcounseling.com</a> 515-721-8830</p>	 <p><b>Grocery: 961-5643</b></p> <p><b>Market: 961-5872</b></p>	 <p>501 N. Jefferson- Indianola 961-2315 2nd location in the Indianola Wal Mart</p>
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