



Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

210 R63 Hwy-Indianola, IA 50125

Weekend Mass Saturday 4:30 pm , 8:00 am & 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 9:30 am

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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 3:45 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

May 12, 2019

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Liturgies Scripture Reading- Cycle C
May 12, 2019- May 19, 2019

MAY 12

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

51: Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-2, 3,5; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

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

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

10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Robert Creighton

NO 5:00 p.m. Mass at Simpson Smith Chapel

MAY 13

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

279: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3, 43:3-4; Jn 10:1-10

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

6:30 a.m. Rosary at Immaculate Conception

MAY 14

SAINT MATTHIAS

564: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17

6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Martin Siron & James Anderson

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

MAY 15

SAINT ISIDORE

281: Acts 12:24-13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6,8; Jn 12:44-50

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

MAY 16

282: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Bess Bassler

MAY 17

283: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11b; Jn 14:1-6

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Martin Siron & James Anderson

MAY 18

SAINT JOHN I

284: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14

3:45 p.m. Reconciliation

4:30 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Maggie Seymour

MAY 19

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

54: Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

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

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Mike Johnson

10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- John Shean

NO 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)

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Facebook: St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Indianola

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners-

We have two events that are about to come upon us in both communities. First, I would like to call to your attention the 75th Annual Chicken Dinner at Immaculate Conception, St. Marys on Sunday August 4th. Building on from the past since 1944 under the direction of Fr. Hillary Gaul, we would like to make this extra special this year. In order for that to happen, we would need volunteers. Volunteers can come from both parishes. It would be a great opportunity for all of us to come together and build community among our parishes. I would highly encourage St. Thomas Aquinas parishioners to prayerfully consider helping out with the 75th Annual Chicken Dinner. Its going to take us all to make this a success. More details will be forthcoming. The second event is RAGBRAI. As you know RAGBRAI (the Register's Annual Great Bicycle Ride Across Iowa) is coming to Indianola this year on Tuesday, July 23 to Wednesday, July 24th. There will be thousands of bikers traveling, spending time here during the day and the night (including the use of our parking lot and grounds), We will need help setting up in the Hall area for our guests, serve lunch, dinner, and a continental breakfast before they leave town on Wednesday morning, and clean up in order to make this a success. There can be some reciprocity between our two parishes helping each other out with these important events. Again, it would be great seeing our people come together to serve those in our community and beyond. More details will be forth coming.

Last, but certainly, not least. I want to wish all of our Mothers, Grandmothers, Great-grandmothers and beyond, a Happy Mother's Day! I can tell you I have certainly appreciated having a mother who loved me, even when I destroyed her car in an automobile accident on a winter morning in 1979. The first question she asked me: 'Are you OK?' The car was secondary. I got a little bit of the taste of God's love that February day. St. Augustine once stated, 'God loves us more than 100 mothers.' If we think of the love our mothers have for us, think of God's love for each and every one of us who are made in His image and likeness. He loves us uniquely and calls each of us by name.

Happy Mother's Day! Happy Good Shepherd Sunday!
Fr. Chris

Basilica of St. John Altar & Rosary Salad Supper

ANNUAL SALAD SUPPER: The 2019 Basilica of St. John Altar & Rosary Salad Supper is scheduled for Tuesday, May 14 in the Basilica of St. John parish hall (basement of the church), 1915 University Ave, Des Moines (there is an elevator for public use). This longstanding event continues to be a crowd favorite – food, fellowship and fun. Doors open at 5:00pm and dinner starts at 6:30pm. Cost is \$6.00/person. You can purchase your tickets at the door. There will be an extensive salad buffet, door prizes, 50/50 raffle and silent auction. Everyone welcome.

For more information, please contact Chris at 515-279-6774 or the parish office at 515-244-3101, ext. 0.

Ministry Schedule

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

4:30 p.m. Mass May 18th

Lector: Lanny Ward

Eucharistic Ministers: Bill Gross, Josie Schettler, William Sueferer, Carol Van Aernam, Marv & Sandy Sauser & John Schandley

Ushers: Vivian Winkler, Dave Slick, Terri Cooper & Grace Armstrong

8:00 a.m. Mass May 19th

Lector: Kathy Slinker

Eucharistic Ministers: Mike & Terry Schenfeld & Martin Konrad

Ushers: Kathryn Pierson & Jack Slinker

10:15 a.m. Mass May 19th

Lector: Ed Tormey

Eucharistic Ministers: Dave & Judy Hutton, Steph Bintner, Joe Gezel, Nathan Thomason, Kathy Timmerman & Cindy Whitesitt

Ushers: Williams & Vanderpools

Money Counters: Marilyn & Vane Orey

Linens: Peggy Parker, Mary Menke & Judy Kirby

May 5th

Building Fund: \$ 1,475.00

Sunday Tithe: \$ 6,166.00

Plate: \$ 376.86

Capital Campaign: \$ 7,298.00

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Do you know a couple married 60 to 80 plus years? Please nominate them in the Longest Married Couple search sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter. The longest married couple in each state will be recognized and a special recognition is given to the longest married couple in the nation. Go to www.wwme.org or call this special phone number 405-850-4274. Nominations must be received by midnight May 14, 2019.



Local Help For Those in Need

The St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVDP) is an international ministry with a local council in Des Moines that is supported by the Des Moines Diocese. Parishes in the diocese form conferences of volunteers that work to help the society achieve its goal of serving those in material or spiritual need.

St. Patrick's-Irish Settlement Parish in rural Cumming has formed a conference to help those in our local communities. Volunteers from St. Patrick's are available to assist people in accessing services available thru SVDP and to help those in emergent need of basic necessities. **If you or someone you know needs assistance, contact the SVDP/St. Patrick's volunteers at # 515-204-8047. All contacts are kept confidential.**

Through two locations in Des Moines, SVDP offers food, clothing & household items; emergency assistance with rent/utilities; job prep, tutoring, language & computer training and much more. Volunteers and donations are always welcome. More information can be obtained at www.svdpsm.org.

Support the Annual Diocesan Appeal!

Goal: \$68,389
 Raised to Date: \$35,745.00

Amount Still to be Raised: \$32,644.00
 Updated as of 5/3/2019

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

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



St. Thomas Men's Choir

Practice 1 hour prior to Mass.
 They will sing Sunday, June 9th 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 1 hour prior to Mass.
 Singing: Saturday, July 13th at 4:30 p.m. Mass



Ragbrai 2019 Volunteers needed

Are you available to volunteer July 23rd and 24th? If so please consider helping out at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church. There will be several different volunteer jobs that will need to be filled. There is no job to small. There will be more information coming very soon!



Indianola Knights of Columbus

The Indianola Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who attended our breakfast fundraiser for the InnerVisions HealthCare Clinic. Total donations plus the council match will exceed over \$3,300. The clinic is greatly appreciative of this generous donation and will be put it to good use towards the establishment of the 2nd clinic. Thanks again for your support.



Rosary by the Lake

Rosary by the Lake, Wednesday, May 29, 6-8 pm.
 Join us at the Lake Ahquabi Lodge for prayer, fellowship and good food in a beautiful, natural setting. A great way to start the summer!
 Bring \$5 to help pay for the pulled pork sandwiches or bring a side dish to share. Everything else is provided.
 Email Elizabeth Williams to RSVP so we have enough pork sandwiches at: fjecwilliams@msn.com



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!!!



Remember as God is the giver of all life and blessings, lets go visit Him on Saturday evenings or Sunday mornings while traveling during your Holiday to a local Catholic Church to thank him. He will return many graces to us through his Word and Sacrament to sustain us and nourish us.

Summer hours
 Will start
 May 24th– August 30th
 Summer Hours
 Monday—Thursday 9 a.m.– 4 p.m.
 Friday 9 a.m.– 1 p.m.

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

Iowa Catholic Radio Golf Classic

When: Friday, June 14, 7 am

Where: A.H. Blank Golf Course, Des Moines

Join us for a morning of fellowship and a round of golf. The format will be four-person best shot, as well as a raffle, lunch, and a few extra surprises.

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 ☆ June 4th 7:00 p.m. Bunco @ Steph's House (bring a snack) ☆
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Prayer List


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



Please contact Jackle Ward at 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.

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.



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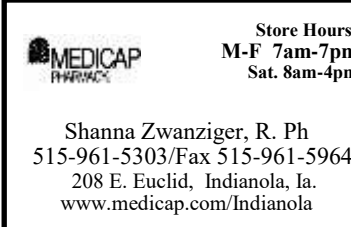
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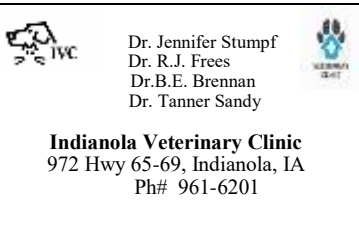
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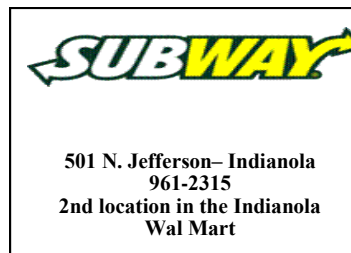
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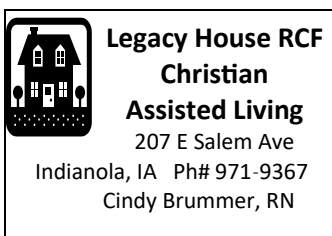


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