



# 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

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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Rectory Phone 962-2063

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May 26, 2019

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Liturgies Scripture Reading- Cycle C

May 26, 2019- June 2, 2019

MAY 26

### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

57: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6,8; Rv 21:10-14, 22-23;

Jn 14:23-29

**8:00 a.m. Mass at Immaculate Conception - Ruth Bauer McKim**

**8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Zac Easter**

**10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Florence Lee**

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

MAY 27

### SAINT AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY

291: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a,9b; Jn 15:26-16:4a

**9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Ruth Dale**

**10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Marys Cemetery (Weather Permitting)**

**If not will be at Immaculate Conception Church -Carolyn McElwee**

MAY 28

292: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

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

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

MAY 29

293: Acts 17:15,22-18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15

**8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-James Anderson**

MAY 30

294: Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20

**8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Maggie Seymour**

MAY 31

### THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

572: Zep3:14-18a; (Ps) Is 12:2-3,4bcd, 5-6; Lk 1:39-56

**8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-John & Donna Sereg**

JUNE 1

### SAINT JUSTIN

296: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28

**3:45 p.m. Reconciliation**

**4:30 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Zac Easter**

JUNE 2

### THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

58: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17:23

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

**Francis & Marjean Bussanmas**

**8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Bob Van Aernam**

**10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Zac Easter**

**FROM THE PASTOR**

Dear Parishioners-

I would like to thank Ellen Miller who has served as Youth Minister for the last 19 years for both parishes. She announced her resignation to me last Friday. Ellen has done an outstanding job of initiating the Mission trips throughout the country with all the planning, details, fundraising, Open Discussion nights with various topics/teachings of our Church, brought in Eucharistic Adoration, brought in the Christian Opportunity Center/Genesis for Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Valentine's, and Easter events, Progressive Rosary, Guest Speakers on a wide variety of topics, Question and Answer Sessions, etc. etc. She has laid groundwork for a spiritually successful youth ministry program for St. Thomas Aquinas and Immaculate Conception, St. Mary's. We are grateful for her prayer and efforts that have come into play which brought us many fruits. I have asked Ellen to stay on until September 1, 2019. Hence, she will be involved with the summer activities and the Mission trip to El Paso. We will have a farewell party for her after all the Masses before the fall.

Also, I have asked our Safety Committee Representatives to work on an Emergency Operations Plan before June 30, 2019. This is to be submitted to the Diocese of Des Moines, Iowa. If you have any suggestions/input please let one of the safety committee people know very soon. We are meeting on June 4 (Immaculate Conception) and June 11 (St. Thomas Aquinas) and a joint meeting on the 19th at Immaculate Conception, St. Marys Hall. Thanks for all your input! It is most appreciated!

Finally, but not least, let us remember all those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith and who gave their lives in service to our country this Memorial Day weekend. We will have a 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas and 10:30 a.m. Mass at Immaculate Conception, St. Mary's Cemetery (weather permitting), otherwise, the Church. Please consider attending one of these Masses.

Happy Memorial Day! Blessings and peace! Fr. Chris



**New Altar Server Training**  
 Sunday, June 2nd  
 (Feast of the Ascension)  
 Following  
 10:15 a.m. Mass



All new Second graders are encouraged to attend.



**New Eucharistic Minister Training**  
 Wednesday, June 5th  
 At 7:00 p.m.  
 In the Church



*Ministry Schedule*

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

**4:30 p.m. Mass June 1st**

**Lector:** Debbie Brangers  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** John Shandley, Tim & Kelly Gauger, Matt Coenen, Jeremy Cross, Leasa Garrett & Genie Hansen  
**Ushers:** David & Joyce De Groote, Vivian Winkler & Derry Butler

**8:00 a.m. Mass June 2nd**

**Lector:** Kathy Slinker  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Todd & Johna Clancy & Carol VanAernam  
**Ushers:** Carol Proctor, Kathryn Pierson & Jack Sinker

**10:15 a.m. Mass June 2nd**

**Lector:** Elizabeth Williams  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Brock Elbert, Dianne Funk, Conner Lynch, Anastasia O'Meara, Ally O'Meara & Penny Miller  
**Ushers:** Bob & Julie Ormsby & Ed & Connie Tormey

**Please remember that at least 2 Eucharistic Ministers need to stay after and help clean the Sacred Vessels after each Mass.**

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

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

**May 19th**

**Building Fund:** \$ 1,295.00  
**Sunday Tithe:** \$ 2,535.00  
**Plate:** \$ 490.10  
**Capital Campaign:** \$ 2,280.33



Memorial Day Mass  
 Monday, May 27th  
 At 9:00 a.m.  
 In the church



**Christian Music Concert, June 9**, coming to St. Thomas Aquinas. Calling all music lovers -- We are honored and privileged to have the University of Iowa Newman Singers perform a concert at our church on Sunday, June 9 at 1:30 pm.

In addition to hearing them at our Masses that weekend, we invite everyone to come to the special concert on Sunday afternoon in our church. Our parishioner, Ally O'Meara, is a member of this prestigious choir. The public is invited. Bring friends. You will be touched and inspired by the beautiful, spirit-filled songs and voices.

The concert is free but a free-will offering will be collected to defray the choir's travelling expenses. Their uplifting Christian music is a beautiful way to feel closer to God -- What a wonderful way to start the summer!



Office will be closed  
Monday, May 27th  
Memorial Day  
Holiday



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**

**Support the Annual Diocesan Appeal!**

Goal: \$68,389  
Raised to Date: \$39,525.00

**Amount Still to be Raised: \$ 28,864.00**  
Updated as of 5/17/2019

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

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



**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!



**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.

Visit IowaCatholicRadio.com/events to register for your spot.

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STARS

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

**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



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.

God bless! Fr. Chris

**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](mailto: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!!!

**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](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.

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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