

Church of Saint Thomas More

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August 03, 2014

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WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday thru Friday: 8:00 am and 12:15 pm
Saturday: 8:00 am and 12:15 pm

CONFESSIONS

Monday thru Friday
12:00 pm - 12:10 pm (before Mass)
Saturday 5:00 - 5:30 pm

BAPTISM

1:00 pm on Sunday
(Arrangements must be made in advance)

MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made at least six months prior to the wedding

VISITS TO HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Our clergy are happy to visit.
Call the parish office to arrange.

Parish Trustees

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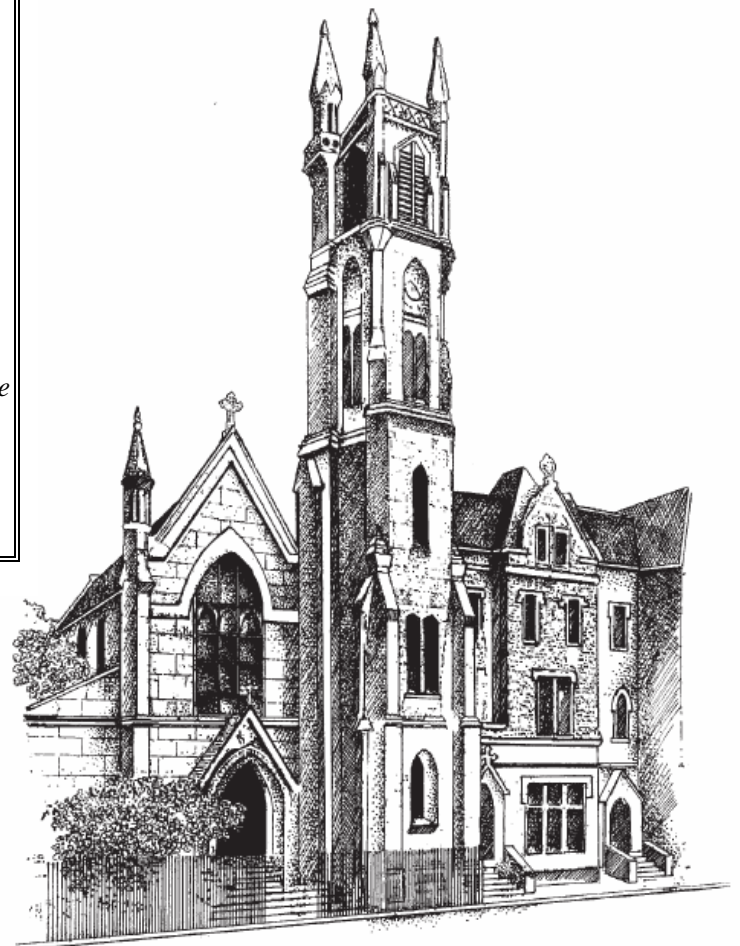
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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 5:45 p.m.
Sunday Morning: 8:30 a.m.
10:00 a.m. (Family Mass)
Families and children are encouraged to attend the Family Mass at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Afternoon: 12:00 p.m. (Choral Mass)
Sunday Evening: 5:45 p.m.



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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme/Call To Worship

Much of our liturgy for today could be summarized simply by Responsorial Psalm 145, "The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs."

Introduction To The Word

Isaiah 55:1-3 1: In the first reading from Isaiah, we hear the prophet speak in God's name: "All you who are thirsty come to the water!" Isaiah then offers divine assurances: "Heed me, and you shall eat well, you shall delight in rich fare." To many of the Israelites, the idea that God would offer them, in their lowly state of exile and captivity, the same "benefits assured to David," probably seemed astonishing (and perhaps foolish).

Romans 8:35, 37-39: In his letter to the Christian community in Rome, Paul asks the rhetorical question: "What will separate us from the love of Christ?" Paul sees neither anxiety and distress, nor cosmic powers and principalities, nor even life and death itself as powerful enough to break the bond between believers and Christ.

Matthew 14:13-21: In today's Gospel, Matthew tells us that Jesus, upon hearing the news of John's violent and senseless death, was given little time to pray and reflect on the life and death of John the Baptist, for he was soon surrounded by a crowd of "about five thousand men, not counting women and children." Rather than incite the crowd to react negatively to the death of John, or take the opportunity to publicly denounce Herod and his wife, Jesus "was moved with pity for them," he "cured their sick," and he miraculously fed this massive crowd. Jesus offered the crowds hope, not revenge, to further highlighting the power of the kingdom of heaven.

Adapted from Liturgical Publications Inc, Connect! Uniting Word & World, Dr. Daniel J. Scholz

At St. Thomas More This Week

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
08/03	Cocktail Hour – After the 5:45 Mass	
08/04	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
08/05	No Leisure Club Lunch	
	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
08/06	Christian Meditation - Chapel	6:00 pm
08/07	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
08/08	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
08/09	A.A Meeting	2:00 pm

Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule

August 03	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Msgr. Pepe	The Rosses
Sun 8:30 am	Msgr. Pepe	Mary Ellen McEvily
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Diaz	TBD
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Broderick	Nilsa Santiago
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Chris Baldwin

August 10	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Msgr. Pepe	TBD
Sun 8:30 am	Msgr. Pepe	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Madigan	Morriss Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Msgr. Pepe	Jacqueline Ackerina
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	Rory Kelleher

Sunday Collection – July 27, 2014

Weekly Collection – \$6,031.40

Weekly Expenses - \$7,477.85

Adult Attendance – 374

Join the St. Thomas More E-Group

Send an email with your Name and the words

Join the E-Group (Currently 285 members) to
stmbusiness@gmail.com receive the weekly Bulletin
and other important information.

Sunday Coffee Hour: Volunteer for this

important Community Service. We extend our thanks to our volunteer for hosting this gathering, which is a wonderful way for parishioners to meet and get to know one another as well as to share a sweet and a cup of coffee or apple juice for the children. We look forward to meeting you there **after the 10:00 am Mass**.

*The LORD is near to all who call
upon him,
to all who call upon him in truth.*

Christian Meditation The next session
will be held in the Chapel on August 6th.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST
DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE
FOR WEEK OF
AUGUST 03 – AUGUST 09**

Mon. August 04 *St. John Vianney*

8:00 Adelia M. Goncalves (D)

* 12:15 Teofilo Gomez (D)

Tues. August 05 *Dedication of the Basilica of
St. Mary Major*

8:00 Louis Andronico (D)

* 12:15 Shane O'Reilly (D)

Wed. August 06 *The Transfiguration of the Lord*

8:00 Mary Benjamin (D)

* 12:15 Assunta Sommella Peluso (D)

Thurs. August 07 *St. Sixtus II & Companions
St. Cajetan*

8:00 In Thanksgiving to St. Luke

* 12:15 Albert, Regina & Virginia Wojcik (D)

Fri. August 08 *St. Dominic*

8:00 In Thanksgiving to St. Gemma

* 12:15 Adelia M. Goncalves (D)

Sat. August 09 *St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross*

8:00 Mae E. Rooney (D)

* 12:15 Anne Kraynek (D)

Sunday Vigil

5:45 Elizabeth Roach (D)

* **Rosary said after the 12:15 Mass**

WEEKDAY BIBLE READING

08/04 Mon: Jer 28:1-17; Mt 14:22-

08/05 Tues: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22;
Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

08/06 Wed: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19;
Mt 17:1-9

08/07 Thurs: Jer 31:31-34; Mt 16:13-23

08/08 Fri: Na 2:1, 3, 3:1-3, 6-7; Mt 16:24-28

08/09 Sat: Hb 1:12—2:4; Mt 17:14-20

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Dear Parishioners,

I am pleased to inform you that Fr. Richard Broderick has accepted my invitation to come to our parish this weekend and will speak to us about the work being done by **Unbound** (previously know as CFCA), and how this provides a trustworthy way to actively participate in the social outreach of the Catholic Church and answer the Gospel's call to serve the poor.

Founded by lay Catholics, **Unbound** is an organization that has served more than 600,000 children, youth and elderly in 21 developing countries since 1981 – empowering them to make more choices in their lives, live with dignity and reach their potential.

For more information about **Unbound** please see the Bulletin Insert, the literature available in the back of the church call (800)875-6564 or visit www.unbound.org.

Please join me in welcoming Father Broderick to our parish.

**Sincerely yours in Christ,
Fr. Kevin V. Madigan
Pastor**

**Reminder: Donations to the Parish
Made by Check**

Please remember that all contributions made to the parish by check should be made payable to the parish.

Contributions made to a parish should not be made payable to the pastor, administrator, or any parish employee.

Thank You,
Msgr. Gregory Mustaciuolo
Chancellor

This Sunday – August 3rd after the 5:45 Mass,
we will have our parish monthly Cocktail Hour.

It is our hope that this gathering will serve to build up the spirit of parish community. Adults of all ages and their guests are welcome to attend.

No need for reservations.