

**St. Thomas Aquinas Parish** Established July 1, 2014  
**Joining The Parishes of**  
**St. Thomas Aquinas (1922-2014)**  
**& St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (1976-2014)**

**ST. THOMAS**

601 Bristol Pike  
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**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM  
Sundays: 9:00 AM (SETON)  
and 11:00 AM (St. Thomas)

Monday-Friday: 8:30 AM  
(Chapel at 126 Walnut Ave.)

Holydays: 8:30 AM, 12 noon  
AND 7:00 PM  
(St. Thomas)



**SETON**

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**CONFESSION  
SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 3:30-4:00 PM  
(St. Thomas)

**Served By:**

**Rev. David A. Fernandes, Pastor**

**Rev. Michael J. Lonergan, Pastor Emeritus, (Former St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)**

**Deacon John J. Gallagher**

**MARRIAGES**

By Diocesan policy, a six month advance notice is required to allow sufficient time for the necessary marriage paper work and preparation. Deacons are permitted to witness marriages which are not celebrated during Mass.

**BAPTISMS**

First and Third Sundays of the month after 11:00 AM Mass. Attendance at Pre-Jordan class, on the 3rd Tuesday each month at 7:30PM, in the Cares Meeting Room (enter by rear door) at 121 Belmont Avenue, is a requirement. You must pre-register by calling the Parish Office at (215)788-2989.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP**

In order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation and Matrimony, and/or to receive a Letter of Eligibility to be a Godparent or Sponsor it is necessary for you to be registered in our parish and practice the Catholic Faith. Contact the Parish Office as soon as you move into our parish to schedule a registration meeting. Please call the Parish Office if you move, or change your address or phone number.

**PARISH DEVOTIONS**

Miraculous Medal Novena: Saturdays after 9:00 AM Mass (Chapel)  
Rosary: Weekdays before 8:30 AM Mass (Chapel) and Saturday before 9:00 AM Mass  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays 9:00 AM -3:30PM with Benediction at 3:30 PM (Chapel)  
(September to May)

*January 7, 2018*

*Come and Celebrate  
The Patronal Feast Day of Our Parish*



*Sunday, January 28, 2018  
The Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass  
11:00 AM*

*The Most Reverend Michael Fitzgerald  
Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia*

*St Thomas Aquinas Church  
601 Bristol Pike  
Croydon, PA 19021*

*Light Refreshments to Follow*

January 7, 2018

*Mass Intentions*  
*for the Week*

**Monday January 8, 2018**  
8:30 AM Helen Culp req by Chet Mikos

**Tuesday January 9, 2018**  
8:30 AM Fred Lang req by Tony & Lois Cinkutis

**Wednesday January 10, 2018**  
8:30 AM Anita Fratantaro req by Tom Carmody

**Thursday January 11, 2018**  
8:30 AM Robert Gallagher req by Gallagher Family

**Friday January 12, 2018**  
8:30 AM Shirley Brackett req by Don & Marta

**Saturday January 13, 2018**  
4:30 PM Joseph J Gergo req by Joe & Helen Gergo

**Sunday January 14, 2018**  
9:00 AM Brigido Castano req by Jet Jabla  
11:00 AM Genevieve Mitchell req by Dom & Barbara Squillace

*Weekend Offerings*

12/23	4:30 PM	\$ 2,662.00
12/24	9:00 AM	\$ 1,220.00
12/24	11:00 AM	\$ 1,177.00
Christmas		\$14,089.50
Christmas Flowers		\$ 1,064.75
Mail Ins/Parish Giving		\$ 739.00
Debt Reduction		\$ 141.00
Winter Maintenance		\$ 117.00
Other Collections (Parish)		\$ 35.00
Other Collections (Archdiocese)		\$ 0.00
Candles		\$ 34.00
Poor Box		\$ 90.00
TOTAL for Parish for December 24, 2017		\$21,369.25
TOTAL for Other Collections (Archdiocesan)		\$0.00

*Thank you for your generosity.*  
*May the Lord bless you.*

*Lectors*

**January 13, 2018**  
4:30 PM R Fallon & J Wallover

**January 14, 2018**  
9:00 AM R Daubert & E Callery  
11:00 AM M Kelly & R Kelly

*Extraordinary Ministers*

**January 13, 2018**  
4:30 PM K Schafer & D Schafer

**January 14, 2018**  
9:00 AM T Cinkutis & L Cinkutis  
11:00 AM A Scheck & R Powers

*Altar Servers*

**January 13, 2018**  
4:30 PM Lawrence Gabriel, Chasity Gabriel,  
Chaston Gabriel

**January 14, 2018**  
11:00 AM Erin Moyer, Kelly Moyer,  
Bailey McCormick

**Sunday Scriptures January 7, 2018**

Reading I: Isaiah 60:1-6 (20ABC)  
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13  
Reading II: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6  
Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

## Remember In Your Prayers



### Our men and women in the military:

Many of our parishioners have family members serving in dangerous assignments around the world. **Please keep them in your prayers.**

**Our Sick:** Helen Amato, Lou Balot, Terry Barner, Ynes Bruno, Stephanie Burris, Kathy Cameli, Bill Campanelli, Tama Cary, Dolores DeBeaumont, Linda DeLuccia, Tony DiTommaso, Ruth Donnelly, George Doran Jr., Dolores Doran, Greta Duczkowski, Richard Fieramosca, Marcella Ghost, Joseph Hailstone, Jean Hennessey, Catrina Hudome, Tom Hynes, Luisa Jabla, Janet Jackson, Ruth Lang, Tara Lessard, Duncan Lewis, Connie Lombardo, Debbie Lyons, Kathy Maddaloni, Margaret McGrory, Gladys McLean, Carletta Minor, Gen Morrin, Richard Powers, Mary Beth Rea, Dawn Marie Rogers, Eileen Ryan, Jimmy Simon, Amanda Tees, John Tobar, Kim Vickers, Jack Williams, Jermaine Williams, Denise Wilson, Elaine Wilson, Erin Wright, and all their relatives and friends.

**Our Deceased:** Denise Hughes, Dolores Chapman and all the deceased members of our parish and their relatives and friends.

We are collecting your old palm.  
Please feel free to drop off your palm  
at the Parish Office  
during normal business hours.

The Parish Office will be closed on  
Monday, January 15, 2018  
in observance of  
Martin Luther King Jr

The 2018 Mass Book will open  
on Tuesday, January 16, 2018  
to schedule Masses for  
June to December 2018

## St Thomas Aquinas Lottery Ticket Fundraiser

The results for Dec 22nd to Jan 2nd are as follows:

Date	Winning #	Winners
Dec 22	222	Unsold Ticket
Dec 23	881	Unsold Ticket
Dec 24	180	Unsold Ticket
Dec 25	867	Unsold Ticket
Dec 26	554	Unsold Ticket
Dec 27	549	Unsold Ticket
Dec 28	463	Unsold Ticket
Dec 29	375	Joe Quigley
Dec 30	790	Unsold Ticket
Dec 31	107	Sandra Bejo
Jan 1	389	SETON Seniors
Jan 2	253	Chuck Worden



Congratulations to the following couple who  
celebrated the Sacrament of Matrimony

Brian Derby and Amanda Moseley  
December 29, 2017

# Parish Calendar of Events

The **Bucks County Scottish American Society** meets the first Sunday of every month at **2:00 PM** in the Church Hall. Their next meeting will be on **Sunday, January 7, 2018**. New members are always welcome. If you are interested in joining the Society or would like more information, please contact Pam Hynd at (267) 770-1131.

St Thomas Aquinas **Prayer Shawl Ministry** is a combination of prayers and knitting for the ministry of others. We strive to bring God's love to folks in need, through the comfort and warmth of our handmade shawls. Our next meeting will be on **Monday, January 8, 2018 at 7:00 PM** in the Parish Meeting Room. If you cannot attend but would like to make shawls for our ministry, please call Eileen Brown at (215) 785-6132.

The **Croydon Civic Association** will hold their next meeting on **Wednesday, January 9, 2018 at 7:00 PM** in the Parish Meeting Room. For more information, please contact Donna Cuttle at (215) 788-7728.

The **STA Conference of St Vincent de Paul Society** will hold their next meeting on **Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at 7:00 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. For more information, please call (267) 554-7109.

The **Women's Bible Group** meets every other Thursday at **7:00 PM** in the Parish Meeting Room. Their next meeting will be on **Thursday, January 11, 2018**. For more information, please contact Marie Kelly at (215) 788-3331.

The next **Pre-Jordan Class** will be held on **Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 7:30 PM** in the Parish Meeting Room. Parents and Godparents must attend. For questions or to confirm your attendance please contact the Parish Office at (215) 788-2989.

**Separated/Divorced Support Group** will meet on **Thursday, January 18, 2018 at 7:00 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. For more information, please contact Peg Duffy at (215) 788-1947.

The **Ladies of the Knights of Columbus** will hold their next meeting on **Monday, January 29, 2018 at 7:00 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. For information, contact Marie Kelly at (215) 788-3331.



God of all  
Be our daily star that guides our lives as we search for your love,  
May we always follow your light of truth in all that we do,  
Forever trusting, hoping and believing in your word,  
Lift our eyes to the heavens  
so we too may follow your guiding star  
As we travel home to you.  
Amen

St Raphael Assembly Knights of Columbus is holding a **Calendar Lottery for 2018**. Tickets with a 3 digit number are being sold for \$25.00 each and are good for all 365 days (01/01/18 through 12/31/18). Each night the PA Daily Lottery drawing will be used to determine the winner for that day. Payout is as follows: Each time your number is drawn, you will receive \$30 (there is no limit to the number of times you can win). If your number is drawn on New Year's Day, Easter Sunday or Independence Day, you will receive \$50.00. If your number is drawn on Thanksgiving Day, you will receive \$150. If your number is drawn on Christmas Day, you will receive \$300. These are great inexpensive gifts, stocking stuffers, etc. Checks to the winners will be mailed every Friday. Proceeds will go to the St Raphael Assembly Color Corps for uniforms and the start of the St Raphael Assembly Scholarship Fund. For tickets or additional information, please call Jim Berna at (215) 788-7004.

**Archbishop Ryan High School 7th and 8th Grade Dance** on **January 20, 2018** from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM. Permission forms available online. Appropriate Dress Required. No backpacks allowed. Cost is \$5.00 at the door. D.J., Raffle Prizes, Giveaways, Water/Soda/Snacks Provided, Fun Games/Activities. In order to register, complete the online permission form, please go to the Archbishop Ryan website. For questions/additional information call Mr Matt Beyerle (Asst Principal for Student Affairs) at (215) 637-1800.

**Father Judge High School Winter Open House** on **Thursday, January 25, 2018** from 6:30—8:30 PM. Pre-register at fatherjudge.com for a free gift. Mandatory **8th Grade Placement Test**. All students applying to Father Judge must take the Placement Test. Must pre-register at fatherjudge.com. Test Dates are **January 13th and January 20th** at 8:00 AM.

Christ the King Parish is offering the **Pre-Cana Program** on **Friday, January 26, 2018** and all day **Saturday, January 27, 2018**. Engaged couples of neighboring parishes who are planning to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony are welcome. For information, please contact rgreen@christthekingparish.net

**Flame of Love Event - Candlemas Day** on **Friday, February 2, 2018** at St Charles Seminary. Begins at 6:00 PM—Mass at 8:30 PM. Celebrant and Homilist is Father James Blount, SOLT.

**Day of Recollection for Married Couples** on **Saturday, February 10, 2018** at 10:30 AM concluding with renewal of vows at 5:15 Mass. Sponsored by St Augustine Parish, 240 N. 4th Street (4th & Vine Sts) Philadelphia, PA 19106. The day, based on Pope Francis' Reflections on "Love in Marriage" will include reflections by married couples, opportunity for discussion and quality time with each other. Lunch will be provided. There is no charge for the day (free will offering welcomed). For further information go to St Augustine's website at [www.augustinechurch.com](http://www.augustinechurch.com). Limited availability. Registration is required. To register email [pastorstaugustine@gmail.com](mailto:pastorstaugustine@gmail.com). Let the love of your life know you would do it all over again.

Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage! Is your marriage going down the right road...or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? **Retrovaille** can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you to learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. The next program begins on the **weekend of February 16** at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

**Maternity BVM Pre-Cana Session** is required for all engage couples preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony. Maternity BVM is located at 9220 Old Bustleton Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19115. They will be holding their Spring Pre-Cana on **Saturday, February 24, 2018**. Advance registration is necessary. To register, call (215) 673-8127.

Consider becoming a member of the *Northeast Serra Club*. The group meets on the second Sunday of the month, beginning at 9:00 AM at Our Lady of Ransom. Refreshments are served. For more details, call Joann at (215) 941-4583. All are welcome!

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