

JUNE: MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART

SATURDAY 10 JUNE: FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Perry Staples by the Altar Rosary Society*
4:00PM (Saint Joseph: Sunday Vigil): *Adaline Puricelli by Maureen Seymour*
5:30PM (Saint Thomas: Sunday Vigil): *Mario & Anna Cercone by the Family*

SUNDAY 11 JUNE: SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

7:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Andrew Maroney by Jean Maroney*
9:00AM (Saint Thomas): *pro populo*
11:00AM (Saint Thomas): *The Ries Family by Jean Ries*
12:30PM (Saint Joseph): *Suleiman Mansour by the Ireifej Family*

MONDAY 12 JUNE: FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Yolanda Grace Bullock, r.i.p., by Ralph Bullock*
6:30PM (Saint Joseph): *In Thanksgiving to Saint Anthony by Mary Abruscato*

TUESDAY 13 JUNE: MEMORIAL OF SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Special Intention by Melissa Nosenchuck*

WEDNESDAY 14 JUNE: FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Charles Malone, r.i.p., by the Kiernan Family*

THURSDAY 15 JUNE: FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Maurice Downey, r.i.p., by Julia Downey*

FRIDAY 16 JUNE: FERIA

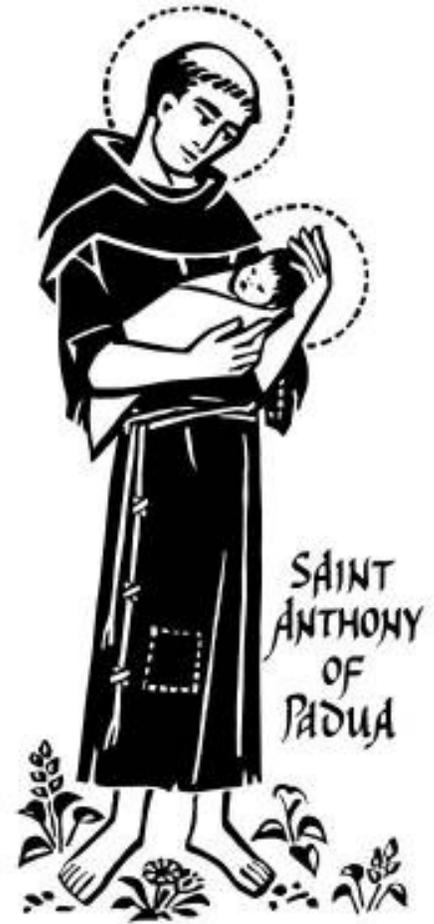
8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Bonnie Ferretti*

SATURDAY 17 JUNE: FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Thomas Campbell by the Crispo Family*
4:00PM (Saint Joseph: Sunday Vigil): *Father's Day Novena*
5:30PM (Saint Thomas: Sunday Vigil): *Father's Day Novena*

SUNDAY 18 JUNE: THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

7:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Father's Day Novena*
9:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Father's Day Novena*
11:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Father's Day Novena*
12:30PM (Saint Joseph): *Father's Day Novena*



r.i.p. (requiescat in pace: rest in peace), *a.i.d.* (ad intencionem donoris: for the intention of the donor)
pro sal. (pro salutem: for health), *pro populo* (for the people)

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING:

Regular Collection: \$10,225.80
Capital Projects: \$2,948.83
Pantry: \$52.75

THIS WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION

Black & Indian Missions

PANTRY NEEDS

Peanut butter, jelly/jam, Bisquick, syrup, canned meals (ravioli, etc.), pasta & rice sides, instant potatoes, tuna, cereal, mayonnaise, jarred pasta sauce, toothpaste, laundry detergent, tissues.



12 MONTHS OF CHRISTMAS DRAWING

June's Prize:

Marquis by Waterford
4 Vintage Jewels Martini Glasses:
MSRP \$69.00
4 Ombre Wine Glasses:
MSRP \$69.00
Vintage Round Pitcher:
MSRP \$59.00



PLEASE!

Check expiration dates before donating food to the pantry.
Volunteers are spending a great deal of time weeding out expired items, which must then be discarded.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Contact Theresa Trella:

[845-667-1772](tel:845-667-1772); hummingbird828@gmail.com

Live Bible Study: The book of *Revelation* contains some strange images and difficult to interpret prophesies. If you would like to understand this book of the Bible better, join the new Bible study which will be led by Deacon Joe on *Monday nights this summer. It will begin on 19 June* at 7 pm in the St. Thomas old school building and continue on through August. There is no cost, but bring your Bible and your curiosity. **Please sign up at the entrance to the church so we will know how many to expect.**

Online Learning: If you and at least 3 others want to do a study, you can access whatever study material you are interested in by registering and buying your workbooks here: www.ascensionpress.com.

PRAYER CHAIN

To place someone on the prayer chain please call Carolyn Mundy at 845-534-9277 or email stsprayerchain@gmail.com



2017 CARDINAL'S APPEAL: As of 6/2/17

Parish Goal: \$116,500.00
Pledged to Date: \$54,250.00
Donors: 188

FATIMA ANNIVERSARY

Tuesday, June 13th will mark the 100th anniversary of Our Lady's second appearance in Fatima, Portugal. Parishioners will commemorate this event by meeting to pray the rosary in front of the Saint Thomas school building by the statue of the Blessed Mother at 7:00PM that day. All are invited!



SERVICE & EVANGELIZATION OPPORTUNITY WITH THE CFR FRIARS

Join the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal in helping to make Newburgh beautiful, inside and out!
Saturday, June 17th; 9:30AM - 4:00PM

St. Mary of the Assumption Friary
180 South Street, Newburgh, NY

For more info/RSVP:

Luigi.Manente@archny.org or Facebook Invite

CONGRATULATIONS & BLESSINGS

to Tyler Ricci who received the Sacraments of Communion and Confirmation at the 11:00AM Mass on Pentecost Sunday!



PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

The newly formed Finance Council of the St. Thomas – St. Joseph Parish is pleased to announce that we have commenced work looking at ways to make our parish remain strong and viable for years to come.

The members that comprise the council come from a broad spectrum of backgrounds. The council, as well as the parish trustees include parishioners that were members of the individual Finance Councils at both parishes.

As mentioned during the introduction announcement, our hope is that the council and the parish can have a collaborative relationship, providing us with an understanding of what is important to you, as well as fulfilling our responsibility to the parish.

We look forward to working with you, and for you to help make our parish a stronger place for all.

Susan Hall Dottie Oberle
Jeff Hookey Fran Teague
Brian Kelly Bill Trainor
Jeff Maxson

THEOLOGY ON TAP FOR YOUNG ADULTS: EVANGELIZATION IN THE WORKPLACE

Sponsored by: *The Catholic Corp*
Tuesday, June 13th; 6:30PM-9:00PM
The Captain's Table
547 Route 17M, Monroe, NY
Cost: **FREE!**

Speakers: Sr. Mary Naccarato PBVM
& Matthew Juliano

For more info: TheCatholicCorp@gmail.com or Facebook Invite



RESPECT LIFE

"A society will be judged on the basis of how it treats its weakest members;

and among the most vulnerable are surely the unborn and dying.”

Saint John Paul II

THE HOLY TRINITY & THE EUCHARIST

by Father Doughty

There are certainly common traits that the Catholic Faith shares with all religions. The Catholic Catechism notes, for instance, that many other religions refer to the god they worship as “Father”. A belief in some kind of life after death seems universal. Everything finds its origin in God’s creative act.

What makes Christianity singular is its central mystery: that God in himself exists as - in the best description the Church has come up with - a Trinity. This mystery of God in himself was revealed to us by God himself when he became one of us, Jesus Christ, and taught the world about how much He loves us by giving His only begotten Son over to death on a cross.

The same Jesus, born of the Virgin Mary in Bethlehem, who announced the kingdom, and suffered his passion and death, all to reveal the truth about God is the very same Jesus we meet in the Eucharist.

If the mystery of the Father dwelling in the Son, and the Son in the Father, and both in the Holy Spirit, seems strange and inaccessible to us, and a reason for doubt, then one need only come to the Lord in Communion, at Mass, and before Tabernacle, and in those special moments of prayer when the Blessed Sacrament is exposed on the altar to be drawn more deeply into the mystery and belief.

J. R. R. Tolkien, the author of *The Lord of the Rings*, a daily communicant, once wrote to his son, Christopher (who became a priest), that “the only cure for sagging or fainting faith is Communion.” Christopher had complained of irreverence at Mass, on the part of both priest and people, we can gather. He found it a strain to think that at the Mass we enter into the very presence of God the Father, in Jesus His Son, through the Holy Spirit. Tolkien advice was to exercise the faith by seeking out the Blessed Sacrament as often as we can. “Frequency is of the highest effect,” he wrote. “Seven times a week is more nourishing than seven times at intervals.” He even suggested making one’s communion in precisely those circumstances his son found

challenging: “a snuffling, gabbling priest..., the usual bourgeois crown, ill behaved children, open necked and dirty youth [who yawn the moment the tabernacle is open].” He imagined that it could not have been much different (or worse) than when Jesus fed the Five Thousand to teach about the “feeding that was to come.” Indeed, Tolkien suggested it might be better than attending a mass said by a “visibly holy man, and shared by a few devout and decorous people.” “Out of the darkness of my life,” he wrote, “so much frustrated, I put before you the one great thing to love on earth: the Blessed Sacrament.... There you will find romance, glory, honor, fidelity, and the true way of all you love on earth, and more than that....”

We come to Mass to be strengthened in our faith in the presence of Christ himself, who brings us into the presence of His Father, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Next Sunday, on that feast of Corpus Christi, devoted to the commemoration of the mystery of our Holy Communion with Him, the parish will, with the Church around the world, honor our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament with a procession around the parish, that will end in Benediction (the Lord’s Blessing) with the Eucharist: a remedy for sagging or fainting faith, an encouragement for us in a world of unbelief.



CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY CELEBRATION!

“If angels could be jealous of men, they would be so for one reason: Holy Communion.” - St. Maximilian Kolbe

Next Sunday, the Church the world over celebrates the Solemn Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

Our parish will mark the celebration at the 11:00 AM Mass with a special procession of the Blessed Sacrament

around the Church with blessings of the Eucharist given at stations along the route. The Blessed Sacrament will be placed upon the altar at St. Thomas Church afterward for private prayer and adoration.

