

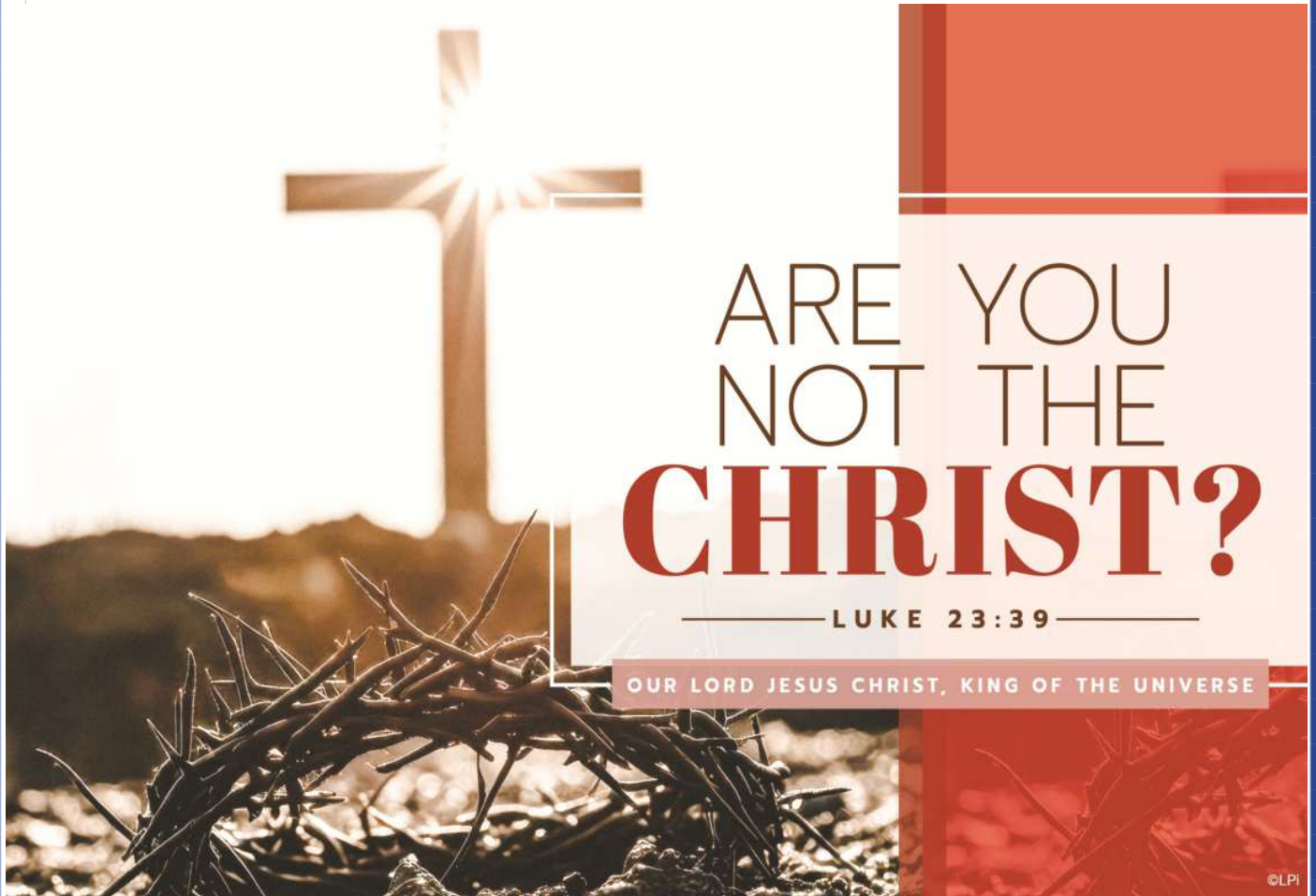


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November 23, 2025



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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Family Mass Every Sunday at 9:00AM.
Adoration Every Monday 6:00PM - 8:00PM

Daily Mass

Monday, November 24

7:00 AM In Celebration of Michelle Charlton's
Birthday
5:30 PM† Anna Bonaddio

Tuesday, November 25

7:00 AM† Rose Festa
5:30 PM NO MASS

Wednesday, November 26

NO MASS

Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 27

9:00 AM In Thanksgiving For All Our Blessings

Friday, November 28

9:00 AM† Louis Taylor

1st Sunday of Advent, Saturday Vigil, November 29

5:15 PM† Mariano David

1st Sunday of Advent, Sunday, November 30

7:30 AM† Francesco Cenatiempo (3rd Anniversary)
9:00 AM† Robert LeBlanc (5th Anniversary)
11:30 AM† For Our Parishioners, Living & Deceased
5:00 PM† Mary Ellen Srneez

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Due to early transmission to our publisher, we do not have the collection figures in time for publication of the bulletin. We will report the collection in next week's bulletin.

The 2025 Giant Tag Sale has netted \$27,626.00. This is \$654.03 over last year's sale.

Thank you all who donated their items, all those who participated in any way during the weeks leading up to the sale weekend, & all those who worked at the sale. You are too many to list!

A special thank you to our co-chairs, Lauren Stoops & Pat Hill!! They run the sale with precision & their efforts pay off year after year.

Wrapping of Thanksgiving Bread

Tuesday, November 25th, 4:30 pm, in the Parish Center gym.

***** Volunteers Needed *****

100 LOAVES TO WRAP! The more of us the better!

We are excited to invite **everyone** to join us for our annual wrapping of the bread that will be blessed at our Thanksgiving Mass! We will be getting **100** fresh baked loaves of bread from Stew Leonard's the morning of Tuesday, 11/25. We will decorate the pre-packaged bread with cellophane, ribbon, & special message tags. The bread will then be blessed and distributed at the Thanksgiving Mass at 9am.

Please RSVP to

stthomasreledoffice@gmail.com.

Service Hour forms will be provided for our 6th & 7th grade Volunteers!

And don't forget to join us for the Thanksgiving Mass at 9am!



*The Sanctuary Candle burns
November 23rd through November 29th in
memory of Anthony & Carmella Carlucci.*



2025 ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL

We have raised 215 gifts worth \$48,428 bringing our parish to 77.11% of its \$62,800 goal. Any and all gifts are greatly appreciated.
Thanks to all who have already given or pledged!



Rectory:

Rev. Ralph Segura
Pastor (ext. 12)

Rev. Michael Lyons
Parochial Vicar (ext. 19)

**Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday, & Friday 9 - 4**

Closed Wednesday, Saturday, & Sunday

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Website:

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Student Singers and Instruments wanted for Christmas Eve 4:00 PM Family Mass!

Please contact Music Director, Marge Kelley, if you would like your child to sing in the Christmas Choir (Grades 1-12) and/or play an instrument (Grades 5-12). Rehearsals will take place in the church following the schedule below. Sign-up options:

- Parents can speak to Marge Kelley after the 5:15PM, 9:00AM, and 11:30AM Masses to complete a paper copy of the sign-up sheet and to ask questions.
- Parents can complete the online form or provide the information required in the form and email to stthomasmusicdir@gmail.com typing Christmas Eve Family Mass in the subject line.

YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL SCHEDULE: in St Thomas the Apostle Church.

Parents may choose either the Wednesday or Thursday rehearsal each week. The same music will be covered at both rehearsals.

WEDNESDAYS: DECEMBER 3rd, 10th, and 17th, from 4:30-5:15PM

THURSDAYS: DECEMBER 4th, 11th, and 18th, from 4:30-5:15PM

DRESS REHEARSAL: Tuesday, December 23, 4:00-5:00: all instruments and singers

YOUTH INSTRUMENT REHEARSALS: in St Thomas the Apostle Church.

will be by individual appointment with Music Director Marge Kelley at a mutually agreeable time. Instrument players will join the Youth Choir for dress rehearsal on Monday, December 23rd, from 4:00-5:00PM. Children who wish to play an instrument for the 4:00PM Family Mass should be 10-18 years of age, currently taking lessons on their instrument either at school or with a private teacher and have at least two years of playing experience.

ADDITIONAL OPTION FOR HIGH SCHOOL /COLLEGE STUDENTS: High school and college students may participate at either the Christmas Eve Family Mass on December 24th, at 4:00PM or the Adult Choir Christmas Mass on December 25th, at Midnight Mass or 11:30AM Mass. Please fill out the youth choir form as directed above. A separate schedule will be provided to parents of students who wish to sing with adult choir. Adult choir rehearsals take place on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving Day 9:00am Mass is a great way to start your holiday. Come give praise & thanks for all that God has given us as a parish and individually.

Blessed bread for your dinner table will be provided for each family.

Thanksgiving Holiday Hours

The offices will be closed Wednesday, 26th through Friday, November 28th reopening on Monday, December 1st.

The Food Pantry will be closed on Saturday, November 29th & Tuesday, December 2nd.

The Thrift Store will be closed on Thanksgiving, November 27th.

ANNUAL WREATH SALE TO BENEFIT BOY SCOUT TROOP 222

AFTER ALL MASSES November 29th & 30th

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Our Boy Scout Troop will be selling beautiful double sided balsam wreaths, decorated with a red velvet bow and pinecones - door sized \$25.

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Orders are now being taken!

We can deliver, if requested. Wreaths will be available the week of Thanksgiving. Text Kim at (203) 981-0437 or email kimwholey@gmail.com for any orders or questions.

Please Support Our Boys with your Purchase!

For more information about Boy Scout Troop 222 please text or email Kim.



PRAY For Our Men and Women Serving our Country

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Sfc. Ramil Penserga, US Army
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UT2 PO2 Edward Skeen, US Navy
SSG Sgt. Jesse Skeen, US Army
Spc. Daniel Gonzales, US Army
MIDN 4/C Tatiana V. Arias, US Navy
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OUR HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS WILL BE THE RECIPIENTS OF OUR
CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE.

Tags may specify "woman" or "man", age, size (if you choose to buy an article of clothing),
and suggested gift. A list of suggested items are below, as well.

If you know of a St. Thomas family that could use some help please contact the Rectory
Office so we can add them to the giving tree.

PLEASE place in a gift bag or wrap the gift and attach the tag.

Return it to the Church during any mass - weekday or weekend - or to the Rectory Office
during regular business hours.

DO NOT LEAVE YOUR PACKAGE IN THE CHURCH DURING UNATTENDED TIMES.

PLEASE return by Sunday, December 7th.

Thank you in advance for your generosity. Call (203) 866-3141 if you have questions.

Facility employees and aides have suggested gifts that can be enjoyed at home since a lot
of them don't really leave their apartments. They've suggested the following gift ideas:

Blankets	Grooming Kits	Shampoo & Conditioner
Body Lotion	Large print books	Music CDs
Body Wash	Large print coloring books	Long or short sleeved undershirts
Coloring Pencils	Large print crossword and activity books	Slippers
Crayons	Pajamas	(Fuzzy) Socks
Deodorant	Robes	Sweaters

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(203) 416-1307

MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Calling all St. Thomas Parishioners!

We are inviting you to become a Lector or Eucharistic Minister for the Sunday Masses.

As a Lector, reading the Word of God at Mass can be a very profound and personal way to learn about the Bible.

As a Eucharistic Minister you will enjoy the honor and privilege of giving the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ to others at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

You will need to have received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation and qualify with a Background Check but it's worth it!
We need you!

You can volunteer according to your personal schedule.
Please refer to the Parish Website or call the Parish Office.



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If you would like to add or remove a name from this prayer list, please email or call the office.

Please pray for the sick of our parish that they may be restored to health and that all who ASSIST and CARE for them will be given the strength to continue their Christian service. Please remember the following in your prayers:

Tim/Debbie Reddock	James Amrich	Theresa Buono	Linda Lima	Merina Deluc	George Travers
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Vicki	Betty Lou Heffernan	Joan Kennedy	Chuck Scott	John Lima	Denise Cassin
Ginny DeMarco	1 st Sgt. Joe Toscano (Ret.)	Alessandro Fornara	David R.	Robert Podlaski	Paul Rohan
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David Franco	Christine DiCorato	Joe Garrity	Frank & Ellen Tuttle	Tim Brosnan	Mary Anne Lagana
Lazarus Massey	Paul T.	Joan Milone	Tim Cole	Fran DeBease	Mary Chaloupa
Terry H.	Boguslaw Gorczynski	Hildegard Noonan	David Jakaj	Matthew Cronin	Michael Kelly
Eric Odle	Morgan Galdenzi	Charlie Kraiger	Ray Eramo		



DID YOU KNOW...you must complete your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Holy Eucharist, & Confirmation) in order to be a sponsor for Baptism & Confirmation? Do you, or someone you know, want to join the Catholic Church? Then the OCIA (Order of Christians Initiation for Adults) program is for you!! Just call the parish office at (203) 866-3141 for more information.

Procedure for Baptisms & Weddings

Please go to the homepage of our website, click on Parish Registration and Sacramental Requests. Choose the fillable form that you need and follow the instructions at the top of the webpage.

To reserve the church for your desired wedding date, please contact the parish office at least 9 months to 1 year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Rectory anytime.

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 4:00 - 4:30 PM

Weekdays: By appointment

Prayer Requests!

Please contact the St. Thomas Prayer Ministry. Call Sue Wegiel at (203) 838-4088 with your prayer request or email her at wegiesj@hotmail.com. If you cannot reach Sue, please call the office at (203) 866-3141.

The Food Pantry is open

Tuesdays 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM

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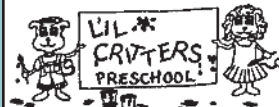
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