

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE
CATHOLIC CHURCH
1720 NW 19TH STREET
REDMOND, OREGON 97756**

**The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 24, 2025**



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WEEKLY HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays 8:00am
Thursday, 6:00pm (Spanish)

Weekends
First Saturday 8:00am
Saturday Vigil 5:00pm
Sunday 8:00am and 10:00am
Noon (Spanish)

Confessions
Thursday 4:00pm-5:30pm
Saturday 3:00pm-4:30pm
or by appointment

ROSARY

Rosary recited before all weekday and
First Saturday Masses at 7:25am. Respect for Life Rosary
recited on the 22nd of each month

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Mon-Tues from 9am until 9pm
Weds from 9am until 8pm, Thursday from 9am until 6pm
Friday 24 hours from Noon until Noon on Saturday

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Parish Office Hours- Mon-Th 9AM-5PM

Friday- 9am-Noon- 541-923-3390

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August 24, 2025- Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 117:1,2: "Go out to all the world and tell the Good News."

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30: "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" He answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough."

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 23

5pm Terri & Scott Isom

Sunday, August 24

8am +Gerardo Octavio Robles

10am All Parishioners

Noon +Jorge & Bruna Gomez

Monday, August 25

8am +Helen Reichert

8am +Linda Bolf

Tuesday, August 26

8am +Bob Lunsford

Wednesday, August 27

8am +Tom Lippert

Thursday, August 28

8am +Clarence Kuper

6pm Belen Banuelos

Friday, August 29

8am +Ann Havelock

St. Benedict's Lodge Annual Women's Retreat

September 5th-7th

St. Benedict's Lodge and Retreat Center

McKenzie Bridge

"Love is Lord of Heaven and Earth"

with Father Emmerich Vogt, O.P.

Cost is \$250 per person and includes a dorm room
to register contact us weekday mornings at
541-822-3572 or emailstbenedictretreat@gmail.com

St. Benedict's Lodge Annual Men's Retreat

September 19th-21st

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Is Jesus calling you to come closer to Him? We need more adorers and substitutes to sub or take a regularly scheduled time in the Adoration Chapel. Please email Carol at curlytop18@gmail.com if God is calling you in this way.

Week of August 17, 2025

Offertory Collected 9657.00

Building Fund \$6541.00

Building Fund Total \$446,154.00

Weekly Need \$15,750.00

New Mortgage Balance is \$869,395.61

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."

1 Peter 4:10

Semana del Agosto 17 de 2025

Ofertorio recaudado \$9657.00

Fondo de deudas \$6541.00

Total recaudado de Deuda \$446,154.00

Necesidad Semanal \$15,750.00

El saldo de la nueva hipoteca es de \$869,395.61

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1 Pedro 4:10

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St. Thomas Fall Bible Study

"Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible"

An 8-PART BIBLE STUDY FEATURING

JEFF CAVINS

When & Where:

Wednesday September 24th, 9:30-1130am

Thursday, September 25th, 7-9pm

Location: St. Thomas Church, Fireside Room

Cost- Registration

Call, Text or Email Charlotte Curtis

541-279-9978, or caalec@outlook.com

Please order your workbook, "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible", from Ascension press.com or call at 1-800-376-0520

Many Catholics want to read the Bible but get bogged down by the long stretches that seem not to make sense or get lost among the sea of Old Testament names and places. Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible, an eight-part Bible study, helps you uncover the story woven throughout Scripture, so you can get the "big picture" of the Bible and understand what it's all about. Aided by a unique color-coded order, Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible will help you pick up the Bible with confidence and understand how you fit into God's plan.

Interested in Becoming Catholic?

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is a process by which adults can learn more about our faith.

OCIA takes place in stages, with each stage expressing a further development or deepening of one's faith. During the first stage the potential converts are presented with an overview of Catholicism and its teachings and practices. The next stages consist of further instruction, which includes breaking open the Word for discussion, learning and growth.

The sessions run from Fall thru Spring, with full initiation occurring at the Easter Vigil. Sessions after Easter provide further instruction as well as insight for the ongoing journey.

Sponsors Needed!

OCIA is actively looking for parishioners interested in becoming a sponsor. A sponsor is a fully initiated, active Catholic. He/she acts as a personal link between the convert and the community, providing encouragement, sharing faith stories and prays with and for the convert. A sponsor tries to attend the OCIA sessions (subject to availability). Please prayerfully consider this important and rewarding ministry.

Not sure if this is right for you or have questions?

Email: OCIA@stthomasredmond.com

Pastor Vacation & Retreat

Father Saji will be out of town from August 25th thru September 12th. Father will enjoy some vacation time and a CMI Retreat. Safe travels



Father Saji!



Eucharistic Minister Training

Are you feeling called to serve our parish in a deeper way? Please consider becoming a Eucharistic Minister. Join us for our upcoming training session to learn more about this sacred ministry and how you can assist in distributing the Body and Blood of Christ at Mass and/or to the sick and homebound. It's a wonderful way to grow in faith and serve the Lord.



**Wednesday, September 10th
at 6pm in the Church**

Please call the Church Office with any questions at 541-923-3390

St. Thomas Religious Education Enrollment

(DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS 9/18/25)

It's time to register for Religious Education classes for the 2025-2026 year! This year ALL classes will be held on Wednesdays beginning October 1st. Please pick up a registration form located on the table in the the church. We are looking forward to an awesome year! If you have any questions, please call Rocio at 541-923-3390 ext. 208.

- **Faith Formation** - Wednesdays 3:30-5pm
 - Kindergarten-5th grade
- **Sacrament Classes**- Wednesdays (Holy Communion, Confirmation) 4-5 pm
 - To be eligible for sacrament classes, students need to have completed a full year of Faith Formation last year OR attended a Catholic School last year.
- **Youth Group**- 6th grade-12th grade- Wednesdays 6:00-7:15pm

VOLUNTEERS WANTED:

We are recruiting volunteers to help with Religious Education and Youth Group this year. If you love our faith, enjoy kids and are curious about volunteering, give Rayna a call @ 541-923-3390 ext. 206.



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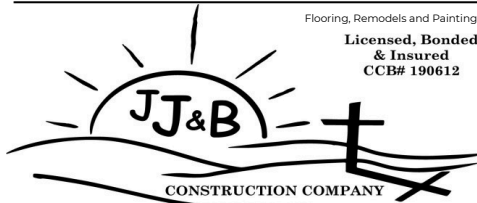
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