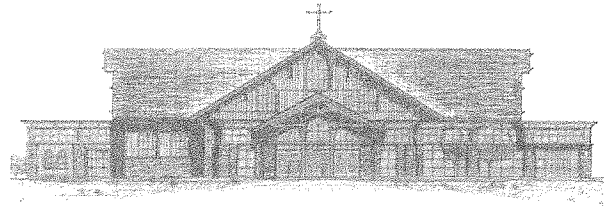


# Saint Thomas The Apostle Catholic Church

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Very Reverend Todd Unger, Pastor



Former Pastors: Fr. Stan Strzyz

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Msgr. William Stone   Fr. Thomas Moore   Msgr. Bernard Keating  
Fr. Leo Weckerle   Deacon Joseph Pickens

**DECEMBER 19 AND 20, 2020 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**DECEMBER 26 AND 27, 2020 – THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH**

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday-Friday 9:00am–5:00pm

Phone: 541.923.3390 - Fax: 541.548.6630 – Rectory: 541.548.3548

St. Thomas Academy: 541-548-3785

Religious Education: 541-923-0597 - Noël Roy, Director and Coordinator Grades K-12

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Pastor : [fathertodd@stthomasredmond.com](mailto:fathertodd@stthomasredmond.com)

## Weekly Schedule - Holy Masses:

M-F 8AM

Wednesdays 8AM & 6PM

Saturdays 5:00PM

First Saturday 8:00AM

Sunday 8AM, 10AM & 12Noon [Spanish]

Christmas Eve, Dec 24: 2:00 pm; 5:00 pm; 7:30 pm

(Spanish); 10:00 pm – OFFICE IS CLOSED

Christmas Day, Dec 25: 8:00 am and 10:00 am – OFFICE IS CLOSED

New Year's Eve, Dec 31: 6:00 pm

New Year's Day, Jan 1: 10:00 am – OFFICE IS CLOSED

## Confession:

Wednesdays at 4:00-5:45 pm and Saturdays at 3:00 to 4:30pm or by appointment.

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Daily 8am – 8pm

Friday, from 12Noon (24hrs) – closes at 12Noon on Saturday.

## Rosary:

Daily – At 7:25am, Before 8:00 am Daily Holy Mass

First Saturday– Before 8:00 am Holy Mass at 7:25 am

Monthly – Before 8:00 am Holy Mass; on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of the month for Respect for Life at 7:25 am

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Call the office to register between 9 AM and 5 PM, Monday-Friday @ 541.923-3390.

**BAPTISMS:** Parents of children to be baptized must be registered members of our parish. A Baptism preparation class is mandatory for both parents and godparents. For more information call the parish office @ 541.923-3390.

*Baptisms in English are scheduled the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month @ Noon and the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month in Spanish. Preparation and completed paperwork are due 2 weeks prior to the Baptism.*

**QUINCEAÑERAS:** Should make an appointment with Fr. Todd, six months before the proposed date. Preparation class is mandatory.

**MARRIAGES:** Couples planning to marry in this parish should call the office to make an appointment with the Pastor, Fr. Todd Unger, at least six months before the proposed date. Marriage Preparation course is mandatory.

**CANDLE INTENTION OPPORTUNITIES:** Beginning in January, Parishioners may request that candles be lit in front of the Sacred Heart, Immaculate Mary and St. Joseph statues. Call the office for more details.

**Parish Pastoral Council** meets 2nd Wednesdays at 6:45pm (September-June) – Parish Center - Conference Room.

(Parish Council Members: Fr. Todd Unger, Angie Ornelas, Faviola Soto, Scott Jackson, Anne Maloney, Jim Manley, Marjorie Joll, Patricia Schulte)

**Finance Council** meets last Tuesday at 7:00pm, Parish Center Conference Room.

(Finance Council Members: Fr. Todd Unger, Scott Jackson, Carol Reichert, Kathryn Sizemore, Gary Williams)

**Knights of Columbus** will not meet until further notice - Grand Knight: Jim Manley

**Altar Society** will meet On Monday, January 11, at 1:00pm in the Church Side Vestibule - President: Marjorie Joll

**St Thomas Academy – SAC;** 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at 6pm. Principal: Patricia Schulte

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK  
DECEMBER 19 – DECEMBER 27, 2020**

**DECEMBER 19, SATURDAY:**  
5:00PM+LAWRENCE KOWALCZYK [ED AND PAM CHEENEY]

**DECEMBER 20, SUNDAY:**  
8:00AM+ALL PARISHIONERS  
10:00AM+KIERAN MADDEN [THE RUCKER FAMILY]  
NOON FAMILIA ROBLES CAMPOS [JOSE AND ERIKA ROBLES]

**DECEMBER 21, MONDAY:**  
8:00AM+MARILYN FRERES [PAUL FRERES]

**DECEMBER 22, TUESDAY:**  
8:00AM COLLEEN ROSEBROCK [TIM KRUGH]

**DECEMBER 23, WEDNESDAY:**  
8:00AM THE KEVIN AND LISA CHRISTIAN FAMILY [BILL AND GABRIELLA BORCHARD]  
6:00PM+JANE GORMAN [TOM GORMAN]

**DECEMBER 24, THURSDAY, CHRISTMAS EVE:**  
2:00PM VIRGINIA KLEIDOSTY [DENISE KLEIDOSTY]  
5:00PM+ROBERT AND PAULINE UNGER [UNGER FAMILY]  
7:30PM SOCORRO BUSTAMANTE [RON AND DONNA JENSEN]  
10:00PM STEPHEN MEYER [CHUCK MEYER FAMILY]

**DECEMBER 25, FRIDAY, CHRISTMAS DAY:**  
8:00AM+FRANK LEITHAUSER [SHIRLEY CARPENTER]  
10:00AM ELZENA HUFF [HER FAMILY]

**DECEMBER 26, SATURDAY:**  
5:00PM PAM CHEENEY [ED CHEENEY]

**DECEMBER 27, SUNDAY:**  
8:00AM ALL PARISHIONERS  
10:00AM+TOM NAGY [RAY AND JOANN BRAUN]  
NOON+MARIA deJESUS PARRA [MARIA ALTAMIRANO]

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK  
DECEMBER 26, 2020 – JANUARY 3, 2021**

**DECEMBER 26, SATURDAY:**  
5:00PM PAM CHEENEY [ED CHEENEY]

**DECEMBER 27, SUNDAY:**  
8:00AM ALL PARISHIONERS  
10:00AM+TOM NAGY [RAY AND JOANN BRAUN]  
NOON+MARIA deJESUS PARRA [MARIA ALTAMIRANO]

**DECEMBER 28, MONDAY:**  
8:00AM+FRANCES CUPPER [HER FAMILY]

**DECEMBER 29, TUESDAY:**  
8:00AM ELISE MEYER [CHUCK MEYER FAMILY]

**DECEMBER 30, WEDNESDAY:**  
8:00AM+BEATRIZ OREGON APARICIO [KRYSTNA SHIPMAN]  
6:00 PM ELZENA HUFF [HER FAMILY]

**DECEMBER 31, THURSDAY, NEW YEAR'S EVE:**  
8:00AM+ERIKA RISING [KAITLIN AND HAILI CARROLL]  
6:00PM+JIM AND JOHN BAUER [CAROLYN HOUGHTON]

**JANUARY 1, NEW YEAR'S DAY AND FIRST FRIDAY:**  
10:00AM DAVID WISE [DAVID AND CAROLYN RIEGER]

**JANUARY 2, FIRST SATURDAY:**  
8:00AM+FATHER LEO WECKERLE [CECILIA WECKERLE]  
5:00PM RON LAMOUREUX [DON AND MARY LEHNERTZ]

**JANUARY 3, SUNDAY:**  
8:00AM+ANN HAVELOCK [RAY HAVELOCK]  
10:00AM ALL PARISHIONERS  
NOON FAMILIA ROBLES CAMPOS [JOSE AND ERIKA ROBLES]

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF MARGARET O'CONNELL, A PARISHIONER OF ST. THOMAS, WHO PASSED AWAY IN DECEMBER.**

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**Thursdays 10 am to 2pm**  
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**How You Can Help Us Help Others:**  
**\*Consider Volunteering at Our Thrift Store or Food Pantry**  
**\*Donate Canned or Packaged Food at Our Food Pantry**



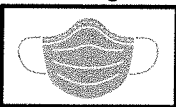
**PROMISE TO PROTECT AND PLEDGE TO HEAL  
BELIEVE IN THE POSSIBILITY OF HELP AND HEALING. THERE IS HOPE**  
**Your local Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to help you or anyone who has been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church. We will listen to your needs and support you. We will help you make a formal complaint and arrange a personal meeting with the bishop, or his delegate, if desired. We encourage you to come forward and speak out.** The Victim Assistance Coordinator in the Diocese of Baker is: Angelina Montoya, MD Phone: 541-678-5652; Contact Information for Coordinator Protection of God's Children: Leah Bickett Email: [leah@dioceseofbaker.org](mailto:leah@dioceseofbaker.org); Reporting Misconduct (sexual or otherwise) involving Adults: Very Rev. Richard O. Fischer, V.G Phone: 541-891-9015 Email: [rfischer@dioceseofbaker.org](mailto:rfischer@dioceseofbaker.org)



**HELP WANTED:** St. Thomas Academy is seeking candidates for the position of Substitute Teacher for grades Preschool through Middle School. Must have prior education experience. If you would like to apply, please email Patty Schulte with your interest at [schulte@redmondacademy.com](mailto:schulte@redmondacademy.com) or call the school office for more details: 541-548-3785.



**ST. THOMAS ACADEMY MASK SALE:** \$5 EACH OR Family 4 pack for \$15 available in the Academy Office, the Church office and scrip counter. All proceeds will benefit the 2020-21 P@STA Fund.



**MASKS/FACE SHIELDS:** COVID viral spread is affected by: (1) distance from someone not wearing a face covering. (2) Sneezing and coughing which increases the number of virus particles near you. (3) Singing or speaking forcefully which releases more virus than speaking quietly. **Mass attendees at St. Thomas can respect others by socially distancing (6 feet in all directions) and properly wearing face masks or face shields in the manner recommended by the CDC; that is, covering the nose and mouth.**



#### **ANNUAL RETIREMENT COLLECTION**

began in our Diocese on the weekend of **December 12-13** to correspond with all other dioceses across the nation as we have typically done in years past. Last year our Diocese collected \$118,447 during this collection, and religious institutes, as well as our own Diocesan priests who have served our Diocese, benefited from it. Because of our large unfunded pension liability, the Diocese will again retain the majority of this collection. We will continue to support the religious sisters and brothers who have served in our Diocese by sending a significant gift to the national office. I urge you to continue to support this important and necessary collection. **If you have not yet received your invitation letter and contribution envelope in the mail, please call the office for assistance.**



**2020 BABY BOTTLE DISBURSEMENTS:** If you are interested in reviewing how the proceeds of the 2020 baby bottle drive were distributed, **please turn this page over.**



**ALTAR SOCIETY COOKIE SALE & RAFFLE:** Thank you for your support. The net sale and raffle proceeds in the amount of \$962.93 will help with Altar Society projects. Congratulations to Sue Fero who won the Raffle. Thank you also to our St. Thomas Gift Shop for donating the beautiful Nativity Statue plus \$25.00 gift certificate for the Raffle. Thanks to Marjorie Joll & Mary Lehnertz for coordinating the Cookie Sale & Raffle. Those who helped with set-up and clean-up, and those who donated cookies and other goodies, and bought or sold cookies or raffle tickets added so much to the success of this year's event. St. Thomas is blessed with great bakers, we had a beautiful and yummy array, and everything sold.



**THE ST. THOMAS BOOK CLUB:** The Saint Thomas Book Club is currently reading **All In: Why Belonging to the Catholic Church Matters** by, Pat Gohn. Pat shares her insight on how church teachings have made a deep impact on her life and driven her to be "all in" when it comes to the Catholic Faith. To participate please order the book at available bookstores or from Ave Maria Press at 800.282.1865 or [avemariapress.com](http://avemariapress.com) (Paperback \$15.95). Please complete a faith formation questionnaire found on the table in the back by the bulletins for planning and to receive the discussion questions. **Additional questions please contact Leah Bickett at 541.884.4031.**



*Continue the Journey...*

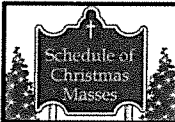
Check out the **Adult Bible Studies** available to you in our Parish Library!



**CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS:** Once again **YOU** can donate a poinsettia for our Christmas décor in honor of a loved one! See the flyers in the back of the church. Donations are due December 20.



**HELP DECORATE THE CHURCH:** Monday, December 21. Please arrive by 9:00 am.



**CHRISTMAS EVE:** 2:00PM; 5:00PM; 7:30PM (Spanish); 10:00PM

**CHRISTMAS DAY:** 8:00AM and 10:00AM.

**NEW YEAR'S EVE:** 6:00PM. **NEW YEAR'S DAY:** 10:00AM  
**PLEASE WEAR MASKS TO PROTECT THE VULNERABLE AND MAINTAIN 6 FEET OF DISTANCE. THE SOCIAL DISTANCING WILL LIMIT THE NUMBER OF ATTENDEES.**



**DECEMBER FLOWERS** by Carol Mitchell



**JANUARY/FEBRUARY FLOWERS** (from the Baptism of the Lord to Ash Wednesday) by Judy Newport



**Register at [FORMED.ORG](http://FORMED.ORG)**  
– Parishioners, click on St. Thomas, Redmond.

## DISBURSEMENTS FROM 2020 BABY BOTTLE DRIVE

Center for Family and Human Rights/Austin Ruse	500.00
Cardinal Newman Society/Defending Catholic Education	100.00
Human Life International/Education, Outreach, Advocacy	100.00
FRC Action/Defending Religious Freedom	100.00
St. Maurus Mission Appeal/Water Project for Tanzania	100.00
The Catholic Thing/Catholic Periodical	100.00
Casa de Angeles/Guatemalan Catholic Orphanage	500.00
Human Life Foundation/Oldest Pro-Life Quarterly	100.00
Uganda Catholic Mission Orphanage/Sisters of Mary	500.00
LifeSiteNews.com/Catholic Pro-Life Website	250.00
Oregon Right to Life	100.00
TOTAL	\$\$\$ 2,450.00

Your donations for our 2020 Respect for Life Appeal generated \$3,400.00. We will, in addition to the above disbursements, be donating \$500.00 next Spring to the local Knights of Columbus Uganda Orphanage collection, which will bring our total disbursements to \$2,950.00. Thank you to all of you who participated in the 2020 campaign and may you all have a blessed and peaceful Christmas Season!

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## Changes or Additions to Parish Records

- ☐ I am a new parishioner and would like to register
- ☐ I've moved ~ My new address, phone and email are shown below
- ☐ I'm Moving. Please remove me from St. Thomas Parish
- ☐ Please contact me regarding envelopes, online giving or parish directory

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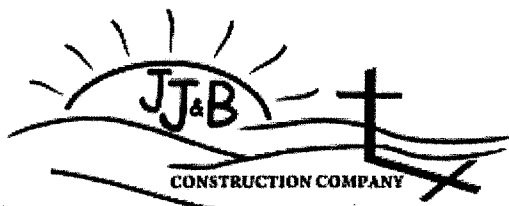


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### CANDLE INTENTIONS:

**St. Joseph Statue:** Fr. Leo Weckerle & The Souls in Purgatory  
**Blessed Mother Statue:** For All Bishops and All Priests  
**Sacred Heart Statue:** In Reparation and for Fr. Todd Unger



# *Christmas Poinsettias*

Once again YOU can donate a poinsettia for our Christmas decor! The poinsettia(s) will be purchased from a local supplier and displayed in the church starting Christmas Eve. What a loving memory of a loved one!

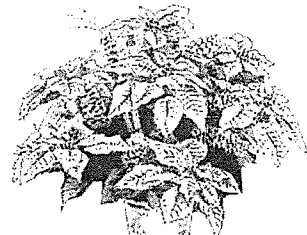
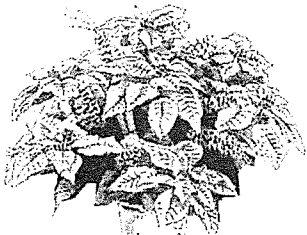
Prior to December 20th please fill in the below information and return it, along with your donation, to the office or drop it in the collection basket .

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In honor of : \_\_\_\_\_

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(Suggested amount — \$20/poinsettia)





### Letter of Gratitude

Saint Vincent de Paul, Redmond Conference extends a heartfelt thank you to our business and individual sponsors and volunteers. Your continued support made it possible to **serve 16,729 people** this past year. **Volunteers donated 5,212 hours** of service to help SVDP provide **240,000 meals** and critical monetary assistance to our neighbors in need.

#### October 2019 - September 2020

Food / Meals	\$305,385
Clothing/Household	\$144,988
Rent	\$47,726
Utilities	\$ 24,328
Other Assistance	<u>\$ 15,945</u>
<b>Total Assistance</b>	<b>\$538,372</b>

Deschutes County families showed a tremendous outpouring of generosity to the regional fire victims through donations of **26,838 pounds of food, 4 truckloads of clothing and household items, and \$45,000 in monetary support and store gift cards.** Your donations to date have helped **500 fire victims.**

During a year of uncertainty, the kindness and concern for others shines through as a beacon of hope relieving suffering for those in need. May God bless you abundantly for your generosity.

*St. Vincent de Paul Redmond Conference*