

MASS SCHEDULE

ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH

53 Rockland Street

DAILY MASS

9:00 AM - MONDAY - SATURDAY

WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY - 5:00 PM SUNDAY - 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

SATURDAY - 4:00-4:45 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT

ST. VERONICA CHAPEL

1035 Boston Neck Rd.

WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY - 4:00 PM SUNDAY - 9:00 AM & I I:00 AM

All masses available on Livestream

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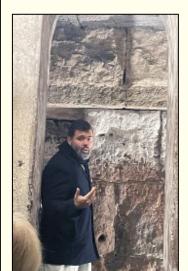
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APRIL 30, 2023 - THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Msgr.Thomas Powers, Rector of the North American College, Rome, Italy.



Fr. Jesse OP, gives a tour underground of Scavi under San Clemente, a third century church containing our fourth Pope Clement, who died in 99 AD.



Mass at Divine Mercy Church with Fr. Joseph Fonti from Brooklyn.

Graces in Rome

April 20th was the 29th Annual Rector's Dinner at the North American College in Rome. I think most of you know that our "own" Msgr. Powers is in his first year as Rector. I was blessed to go to Rome for four days on pilgrimage with people that know Msgr. It was a grace filled few days. I offered Mass for our parish family on two days and was blessed to visit with our seminarians. Seeing the healing and graces given to Msgr. Powers lived out, was nothing less than joyful and a source of grace for all of us. I thought I would share a few highlights.



Upstairs, Saint Clement Basilica



St. Peter's Basilica



Praying at the tomb of Pope Benedict.



Blessed to have Bishop Henning with our six seminarians studying in Rome at the North American College.



Mass with seminarians from the college with a surprise visit from Cardinal Dolan.



The Vatican Library



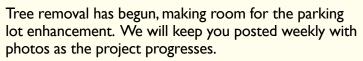
Tomb next to the bones of St. Peter underground in the Basilica.



Corsin Colby from our parish studying abroad, lecturing at Mass.

ST. VERONICA PARKING LOT ENHANCEMENT



















MASS intentions

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY, APRIL 29th (Vigil)

4 PM – 6th Anniversary ~ Thomas F. Murphy

5 PM – 20th Anniversary ~ Robert T. Connaughton

SUNDAY, APRIL 30th

8 AM – for the soul of Stasia Guzik

9 AM – 2nd Anniversary ~ Meghan Kiernan

10 AM – for the soul of Inez Cote

11 AM – 21st Anniversary ~ Clement Palazzo, Jr.

MONDAY, MAY 1st

9 AM – for the soul of David Normandin

TUESDAY, MAY 2nd

9 AM – Birthday Remembrance ~Andimo Vallone

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3rd

9 AM – 2nd Anniversary ~ Allison Fracassa

THURSDAY, MAY 4th

9 AM – for the soul of Lisa Walsh

FRIDAY, MAY 5th

9 AM – for the soul of Inez Cote

SATURDAY, MAY 6th

9 AM - Birthday Remembrance ~ Suzanne O. Carcieri

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY, MAY 6th (Vigil)

4 PM – for the souls of Ralph & Edith Papa

5 PM – for the soul of Maria Pereira

SUNDAY, MAY 7th

8 AM – for the soul of Kevin Mulholland

9 AM – for the soul of Leonito Natale

10 AM - Birthday Remembrance ~ Charles Costello, Jr.

 $11\ AM$ – for the souls of Patrick O'Gara,

Nancy McMahon & Edward Berrigan



Congratulations, baptized in Christ!
Lily Rose Griffin with her parents
Meagan and Mike Griffin, her Godparents,
and Fr. Taillon.

Thank you for your contribution of \$4,149 to Catholic Relief Services via Rice Bowl. 75% goes to World Missions and 25% remains in our Diocese.

2023 Catholic Charity Appeal Currently on-going

Parish Goal: \$130,000

As of April 20th we are at \$66,623 which is 51% of our goal!



The services provided by the ministries supported by the Catholic Charity Appeal range from...

- social service ministries providing direct support to the poor, the hungry and homeless

- immigration and refugee services
- emergency rent and medical aid
- prison ministry
- justice & peace education, to end inner city violence
- social service to State Department of Elderly Affairs
- child care voucher program for low income families
- a youth camp & two youth centers
- grants for ministries outside the diocese like: the RI Food Bank and the Rhode Island Poverty Institute
- grants to "Keep The Heat On," a program for low income emergency heating assistance

Appeal Co-Chairs: Kathy Leonard & Lynn Notarantonio











Jude & Janelle semia sow Siblings Sickle Cell Anemia

Rowan Neuroblastoma Blood & Platelet

Aria
Jaundice at birth
Blood Recipient -

Matthew Sickle Cell Anemi Blood Recipient

thank you for saving lives like theirs!

St. Thomas More Parish Knights of Columbus

Your blood drive had 27 presenting donors.

Resulting in 24 donations

Helping to save up to 72 lives!

Next Drive Date: August, 2023!



























Blessed to welcome Jairon Olmos from St. John's Boston, one of four seminarians from the Diocese of Providence who gave witnesses this weekend at our Masses as part of our Catholic Charity appeal weekend.



Blessed on Sunday to have had all of our Louisiana missionaries back together for a reunion. Sunday Mass followed by a potluck lunch. The future is blessed!



David DelBonis has been helping clean up with painting and small repairs of several pending projects at St. Thomas More. Here he is shown painting a sign in the parking lot.







Recent painting inside the Carriage House at St. Thomas More.

Happenings around the parish

Easter 2023



Sharing a note we received from Fr. Michale Champagne of Community of Christ Crucified, St. Martinville, Dear Fr. Taillon and Parishioners of St. Thomas More and St. Veronica Chapel,

Grace and peace in this joyful Easter Season! What a blessing it was for me to be with you for your Lenten Mission and to have your youth and chaperones in Louisiana to help us work for Christ in the poor!

Thank you so much for your hospitality and the generosity you showed with our little community of Jesus Crucified in the love offering and sharing your lives with us.

As Mother Teresa woud say, "What I can do, you cannot do; what you can do, I cannot do; but together we can do something beautiful for God!"

In Jesus Christ Crucified Fr. Michael Champagne, J.M.J.

Gospel Reflections Group

All are welcome to join our informal discussion group which meets on Mondays from 10-11:30 AM in the parish hall. Over coffee & refreshments, we read and reflect on the Gospels of the coming week and share our personal insights of those readings.

Men's Bible Study

Our parish has a very active group of men who meet each Saturday morning in the parish hall at 7:30 AM to discuss the Sunday scripture readings. This is very informal and all are invited to join.

Pennies for the Poor

The small donation boxes on the church walls labeled "Pennies for the Poor" goes to the Diocesan Dire Emergency Fund in South County, which helps with rental assistance, utilities and prescriptions. Thank you.

Prayer Chain Ministry

If you know someone who would like extra prayers, please call Jean at 783-3403 to express your request. Volunteers are needed and welcome to join this important ministry.

Faith Direct



Visit faithdirect.net and enter our parish code: R1147. Donations can be easily changed one-time, weekly or monthly.

Online giving is very easy!



Pray the Rosary

The rosary is prayed Monday - Saturday after the 9:00 AM Mass at St. Thomas More. All are welcome.

Rosary Repairs

Drop broken beads in the box in the foyer using the envelope provided. Include your name and contact info. You will be contacted within a few weeks when your repair is complete.

St. Vincent dePaul clothing bins

Accepts clothing and shoes. Bins located at the back of the St. Thomas More parking lot, inside the white fence.

Relevant Radio "Morning Air" Show

Join Fr. Taillon at 550 AM every Wednesday at 8:00 AM or listen on relevantradio.com

Weekly Parish Food Collection

Current Needs

- √ Natural Peanut Butter
- √ Low Sodium Canned Veggies
- √ Low Sugar Jelly
- √ Canned Fruit in 100% Juice
- √ Baked/Black/Kidney Beans √ Healthy Snacks
- √ Whole Grain Cereal/Crackers/Pasta 🛊 Jarre∂ Pasta Sauce

Collection baskets are located at the entrance of both churches



Music for Minis

WITH MISS IZZY

Ages 18mos - 2yrs

Time: Mondays or Wednesdays, 9:30am, 40 min

Ages 2yrs - 3yrs

Time: Mondays or Wednesdays, 10:20am, 40 min

6 Week Class: Week of 7/8 to 8/14

Cost: \$135.00

Location: 172 Beacon Dr, North Kingstown, RI

Help develop fine and gross motor skills and boost brain development in this fun, interactive class. A socialization opportunity for both guardians and kids, Music for Minis will allow students to learn to play basic instruments and sing along with familiar songs. Students will have a blast using their imagination to create rhythm and tunes.

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- Group Voice -Broadway Singing

AGES 8-10

6 Week Class: 5/8 to 6/19 (no lesson 5/29)

Time: Mondays, 5:00pm, 50 min

Cost: \$135.00

Students will learn vocal technique and improve their acting skills with fun and exciting musical theatre songs. Whether you want to get cast in your school's musical or improve your singing voice, this class will leave you feeling more confident in your performing than ever before.

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Instructor Abigail McNulty is a music major with a concentration in voice from Rhode Island College. McNulty has studied voice under Lisa Medici Buckley. Her focus now is studying Bel Canto voice with the Metropolitan Opera Singer, Lori Phillips. She has performed in various straight plays and musicals including, Consuelo in "West Side Story," Oona in "Chaplin: The Musical," Gargoyle in "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" and Ali in "Mamma Mia!"



St. Thomas More ENDOWMENT FUND



When someone returns to God, they leave a physical void in the parish and their family. When someone makes a planned gift to the endowment fund, there is a perpetual reminder of their importance to the faith community. It is a way to continue to support the parish they loved in life even after death.

Memorial and planned gifts to a parish endowment* have more than a one-time impact. Because they are endowed, these gifts help generations of parishioners -children, families, elderly. The value of these gifts extends beyond the initial monetary amount. The true value of these gifts is the fact that it will affect real lives whether it be the funding of religious education programming, assisting local ministries, mission trips to third world countries, or improvements to the physical parish plant and facilities.

We are called by God to be stewards of the gifts He has given us – our time, our talent and our treasure. When we include the parish in our estate plans, we commit ourselves to further the Kingdom of God. By helping to secure the long-term financial security of the parish family, our treasure is used to serve future generations. This is stewardship. This is evangelization. This is faith.

Keep the faith and the memories alive. Consider a personal designation to the St. Thomas More Parish Endowment Fund. For more information about memorial donations and legacy giving, please contact Lynn Bamford, Director of Stewardship 401-789-7682 or stmbamford@gmail.com.

^{*}An endowment is when monies are deposited into a fund never to be withdrawn. The beneficiary receives interest earned each year to fund various projects. All funds are secure and protected in perpetuity.

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