

ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH

St. Thomas More Church

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St. Veronica Chapel

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Fr. Marcel L. Taillon, S.T.L. | *Pastor, on temporary leave of absence*
Interim Vocation Director, Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA, Washington, DC

Mass Schedule

St. Thomas More Church

Vigil Mass - Saturday: 5:00PM

Sunday Mass: 10:00AM

Daily Mass - Monday - Saturday: 9:00AM

Confession - Saturday: 4:00-4:45PM

St. Veronica Chapel

Vigil Mass - Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday Masses

8:30AM

11:00AM



APRIL 14, 2024 - THE THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

A Word From Fr. Unsworth Our New Parish Administrator



I am sure you are familiar with the old adage, “Everything old is new again.” Well I am a very “seasoned” priest and yet the Bishop feels that I am not too old to start a new adventure in ministry. He has asked me to serve as temporary Administrator while your pastor, Fr. Taillon is away serving the Archdiocese of the Military Ordinariate until his term there ends and he returns to the Parish in December. At first I was reluctant to be called out of retirement and return to bearing the responsibilities of a Pastor, but also I realized that as a priest, my priesthood did not retire when I did. I was called to be a shepherd to God’s people 47 years ago at my Ordination. Now I am reminded that my service as a priest is still needed in our Diocesan Church. I am grateful to Bishop Henning for

his confidence in me and I offer my thanks to Fr. Taillon for the gracious help he has provided for me as I prepare to take over the duties of a temporary pastor in your great parish.

As I mentioned, I have been on the road a long time (as the Irish would say), and I have worked in many ministries. However, my primary work has been as a parish priest, serving as an assistant at St. Mary’s Newport and St. Matthew’s in Cranston. I then was assigned to St. Marys’ Parish in Pawtucket as pastor in 1987 and in 1997 I became pastor of St. Brendan’s Parish in Riverside, where Fr. Taillon, who was only ordained for 6 months, served as my associate pastor. In 2010 I became pastor of St. Bernard’s in Wickford and retired in June of 2020. Since then I have served the Diocese as the Advocate for Retired Priests, making sure that they have a voice with the Bishop and that their needs and concerns are brought to the Diocese. I will continue the ministry to our retired priests as well as serving as the Administrator of St. Thomas More Parish.

For 22 years I served parishes with schools. Education and serving for many on the Diocesan School Board helped me to focus much of my ministry on Catholic education. The most important lesson I learned in those years was that we are all life-long learners. This is especially true of our Religious Education. God is always calling us to know Him better and to live our lives by the model He has shown us. As your “temporary” pastor, I hope to continue keep the strong faith I have already seen among you, to grow even stronger. I have promised Fr. Taillon that when his term with the Military Ordinate ends on December 15th of this year, he will find that I have not done any harm to the Parish and that I will try my best, with the help of our Lord Jesus Christ, to return the parish to him in even better shape.

Please support the good work Fr. Taillon is doing by praying for vocations to the priesthood and religious life so that one day we “senior priests” will be able to retire and stay retired!

May the Lord Bless you,

Fr. Jack Unsworth



Divine Mercy Sunday rosary at the entrance of Narragansett Beach and Adoration at St. Thomas More Church.



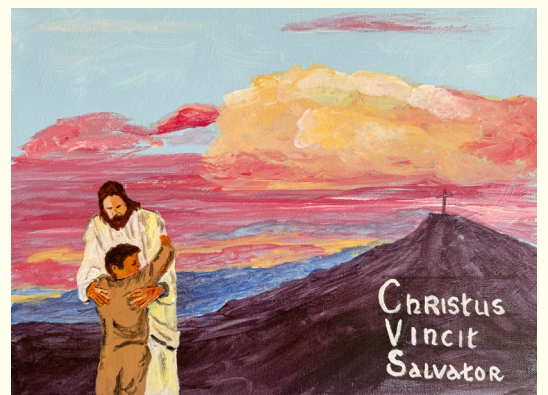
Congratulations, baptized in Christ! On April 6th, parishioners Mark & Molly Christina baptized Michael James and Eliana Grace Christina. Shown here with Fr. Taillon and Godparents.

Fr. Taillon's Send-off Mass and Reception

April 7th at St. Veronica Chapel



Below:
Msgr. Halloran presented Fr. Taillon with a painting he created just for him, CVS - "Christ conquers, Christ reigns, Christ commands"





MASS *intentions*

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY, APRIL 13th

4 PM – for the souls of Charlie & Eileen Brophy

5 PM – for the deceased members of the
McNaughton Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 14th

8:30 AM – for the soul of Anita Collins

10 AM – for the soul of Shelley Renee Gardner

11 AM – 6th Anniversary ~ Gus Andolfo

MONDAY, APRIL 15th

9 AM – Birthday Remembrance ~ Lena Ruscito

TUESDAY, APRIL 16th

9 AM – for the soul of Valerie G. LaCross

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17th

9 AM – 1st Anniversary ~ Juliette Vaccaro

THURSDAY, APRIL 18th

9 AM – for the soul of Marion Gaeta

FRIDAY, APRIL 19th

9 AM – for the soul of Oscar Normandin

SATURDAY, APRIL 20th

9 AM – Birthday Remembrance ~ Robert Costa

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY, APRIL 20th

4 PM – for the souls of Anthony & Rose Salvato

5 PM – for the soul of Carolyn Siravo

SUNDAY, APRIL 21st

8:30 AM – 15th Anniversary ~ Amleto Salvatore

10 AM – 1st Anniversary ~ Julie Varco

11 AM – for the soul of Clement Palazzo, Jr.



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Saint Thomas More Parish
St. Thomas More Church Parish Hall
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SILENT EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Thursday, April 18th

St. Thomas More Church - 6:00 - 7:00 PM
with Exposition and Benediction of
the Blessed Sacrament

~ PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME ~



If angels could be jealous of men,
they would be so for one
reason: Holy Communion.

- ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

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**GOD WAITS
FOR US**

Happenings around the parish

NOTICE TO ALL OF OUR LIVESTREAM USERS

On April 8th, the parish transitioned from livestream.com to Vimeo. All archived footage will be moved to Vimeo over the coming weeks please be patient during this time.

Navigate [here](#) to view any live streams that have taken place after April 8th, or you can use the link or QR code shown.

<https://vimeo.com/stthomasmoreri/collections>



Religious Education

There are no Religious Education classes the week of April 14th for Spring Break.

WEEKLY PARISH FOOD COLLECTION

Current Needs

- ✓ Natural Peanut Butter
- ✓ Low Sugar Jelly
- ✓ Baked/Black/Kidney Beans
- ✓ Whole Grain Cereal/Crackers/Pasta & Jarred Pasta Sauce
- ✓ Brown Rice
- ✓ Canned Fruit in 100% Juice
- ✓ Whole grain wheat flour

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