

SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

May 25 - August 31

ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH

53 Rockland Street

DAILY MASS

MONDAY - SATURDAY - 9:00 AM

WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY - 5:00 PM

SUNDAY - 7:30AM Quiet Mass (no music) & 10:00 AM

CONFESSION

SATURDAY - 4:00 - 4:45 PM or by appointment

ST. VERONICA CHAPEL

1035 Boston Neck Rd.

WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY - 4:00 PM

SUNDAY - 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

& 8:00 PM Last Call Mass (July 6- Aug 31)

Fr. Marcel L. Taillon, S.T.L.

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AUGUST 17, 2025 - TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This and that....

As the summer draws to a close, we thank God for all the graces He has bestowed upon us during these last weeks of sun.

We are blessed that Bishop Bruce will be visiting our parish on **Saturday**, **August 30th**, **for the 4:00 PM** Mass at St. Veronica Chapel. I hope many of you can come, so he can receive the encouragement and support he needs as our spiritual father. I know it will be a blessing for you to meet him and welcome him.

Marissa Maroni, our Music Director at St. Thomas More, has informed me that she will be stepping down as our organist/choir director effective August 17th. She and her husband, Derek, have recently welcomed their third child, and with the start of her own business teaching children music and singing, she needs more time with her family. Her voice has been a great blessing to us and many of you during Masses, as well as at funerals and weddings. She hopes to continue helping us with weddings and funerals when her family time permits. Please thank her and pray for her family, and pray that our parish will find the right person for such a central ministry. St. Cecelia, pray for us!

The OCIA program, a journey of faith leading to entry or re-entry into the Catholic Church through the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, and/or Confirmation, should be on the lookout for upcoming program announcements. Do you know someone interested? Please encourage them to contact the parish office or one of the priests.

We will be hosting a Ministry Fair at both churches on **September 6th and 7th** in the parish halls, following all Masses that weekend. We hope you will stop by to learn about our parish and its ministries, and to consider inquiring about joining us. We currently need new lectors and extraordinary ministers, as well as many others. We welcome your involvement and are looking to grow all of our ministries.

We will soon be holding Parish Council elections. We haven't had a council since COVID! I am hopeful now that I am back in town, we can re-establish this historically helpful and creative body to help our vitality and growth.

Fr. Taillon



Welcome

The Most Reverend Bishop Bruce A. Lewandowski, C.Ss.R.

> Saturday, August 30th 4:00 PM Mass

> > St. Veronica Chapel



A meet & greet will follow Mass in Msgr. Halloran hall.

Summer Mission "Visio Divina"

Visio divina "divine seeing" invites us to encounter the divine through images.

Fr. Taillon will be offering a two-night summer mission exploring St. Peter's relationship with Jesus, using artwork from two famous artists;

Rembrandt and Caravaggio.

Please mark your calendars and plan to join him!



St. Veronica Chapel 6:00 PM

Monday, August 25

Be with Peter

Tuesday, August 26th
Stay with Peter
Peter do you love me?







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MASS intentions

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16th

4 PM – for the soul of Richard Inman

5 PM – Anniversary ~ Henry DelMonico

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17th

7:30 AM – for the soul of Dominick Morea

8:30 AM – for the soul of Alfonso Norato

10 AM – 1st Anniversary ~ Joan Hannon

11 AM – 5th Anniversary ~ William O'Connell

8:00 PM – for the souls of Edward & Dorothy DeCamp

MONDAY, AUGUST 18th

9 AM – for the soul of Joan Cannon

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19th

9 AM – Birthday Remembrance ~ Adolfo & Elisa DiBiasio

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20th

9 AM – Anniversary ~ Vincenza Masiello

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21st

9 AM – for the souls of Angela & Mike Ragosta

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22nd

9 AM – for the souls of Jim & James McCormick

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23rd

9 AM – for the soul of Lou Hopkins

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23rd

4 PM – for the deceased members of the Lydon Family

5 PM – for the soul of Patricia O'Hara

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24th

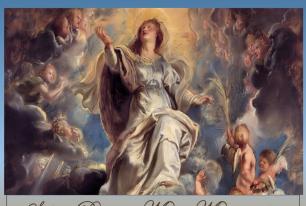
7:30 AM – for the soul of Agnes Bisset

8:30 AM – 4th Anniversary ~ Vincent Sullivan

10 AM – for the soul of Sheridan Darcy

11 AM – for the soul of Susan Aresti

8:00 PM – for the soul of Thomas Sullivan



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ROSARY AT THE BEACH

Sunday August 17 *6-6:45 pm

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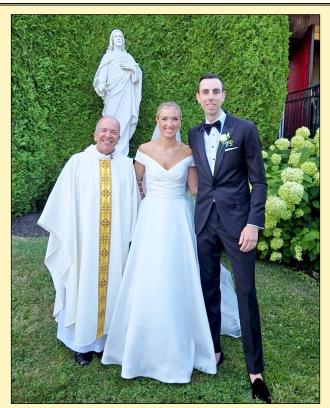
Summer Bible Study with Maryann Knag

"The Holy Spirit Across the Bible"
Tuesday, August 19 - 9:30 am
St. Thomas More parish hall

Readings for August 19th

- 1) Gospel According to Luke 4:16-22 Jesus Begins His Public Ministry in Nazareth
- 10:17-24 Jesus Rejoices in the Holy Spirit at the Return of the 70 Disciples
- 2) Gospel According to Matthew 10:16-20 The Holy Spirit will *Speak Through* the Disciples
- 3) Gospel According to John 3:1-10 Nicodemus Speaks to Jesus at Night
- 4) Gospel According to Mark 3:28-30 The Sin Against the Holy Spirit (also Mt 12:32 & Lk 12:10) Gospel According to John 14:15-26 & 15:26-27 The Last Supper: Farewell Discourse

Happenings around the parish



Congratulations, married in Christ!
Mr. & Mrs. Evan Lerner with Fr. Taillon.



Annual

Wedding Anniversary Celebration

to honor couples of the Diocese of Providence who will be observing their 25th, 40th, 50th and OVER 50 years wedding anniversaries in 2025

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The Most Reverend Bishop Bruce A. Lewandowski, C.Ss.R
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The celebration includes: Mass, renewal of marriage vows, a personalized certificate for each couple and a reception for couples and their families.

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using a <u>registration form</u>, available here or in the parish office, which must be signed by the pastor & submitted by the parish.



~ Save the date ~ October 10, 2025

Dunes Club Fundraiser to support
College Students & Young Adults from our parish
to attend the SEEK Conference
this January in Columbus, Ohio. Details to follow.

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The Holy Spirit Across the Bible

Maryann Knag 2025

Old Testament:

Readings for July 8th:

1) Genesis - 1:1-5 "Wind/ Spirit/Breath" hovering over the waters" 2: 4-7 "Breath of life" 41:1-40 Pharaoh's Question

2) Exodus - 31:1-11 The Calling of Bezalel & Oholiab to craft the Ark, the Mercy Seat and the Tent of Meeting.

3) Numbers 11:1-25 The Call of the 70 Elders

Readings for July 15th:

1) Numbers - 24:1-9

Balaam, a Gentile diviner, recognizes the God of Israel

2) Judges - 3:7-11 Anointing in the Spirit of Othniel as Judge 6:33:35 Anointing in the Spirit of Gideon Judge Judge 11:1-8, 29-33 Anointing in the Spirit of Jepthah as Judge 13:2-7, 24 & 25 Anointing in the Spirit of Samson as Judge

3) 1 Samuel 10:1-13 The Anointing of Saul by the Prophet Samuel 16:1-13 The Anointing of David by the Prophet Samuel 19:18-24 The Spirit of God confuses King Saul

Readings for July 22nd:

- 1) 2 Samuel 23:1-4 King David's Last Words to his son Solomon
- 2) 2 Chronicles 15:1-12 The Reforms of King Asa of Judah 24:17-22 Exhortation of Zechariah the Priest
- 3) Job32:6-10 Elihu, a younger friend friend, speaks 33:1-12 Elihu son of Barachel Answers Job
- 4) Psalms 33:4-9 The "Breath of the Mouth of the Lord" 51:10-12 Penitential Petition —the Holy Spirit 104:27-30 Source: Prayer to the Holy Spirit
- 5) Isaiah 11:1-5 Source: The 7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Readings for July 29th:

1) Isaiah 42:1-7 1st Servant Song 61:1-3 "The Spirit of the LORD is Upon Me." 63:7-11 God's Judgment & Isaiah's Lament

Ezekiel 8:1-4 The Spirit in a Vision brings Ezekiel from
 Babylon to Jerusalem
 11:1-25 The Spirit Returns Ezekiel to the Exiles in Babylon
 36:22-27 "A New Heart & a New Spirit"
 37:1-14 The Spirit of the Lord in the Valley of Dry Bones"

- 3) Daniel 4:18 Daniel Said to Have the Spirit of the Holy God
- 4) Joel 2:25-29 An Oracle of Promise for Israel

New Testament

Readings for August 5th:

Gospel According to Luke 1:5-17 The Annunciation to Zechariah

1:26-38 The Annunciation to Mary 1:39-45 The Visitation to Elizabeth 1:67-79 Zechariah's Song 2:25-32 Simeon's Prophetic Song

Readings for August 12th:

- 1) Gospel According to Luke 3:1-17
 The Proclamation of John the Baptist
- 2) Gospel According to Matthew 1:18-25 The Annunciation to Joseph
- 3) Gospel According to John 1:24-34 The Baptism of Jesus (also Mt 3:13ff, Mk 1:4ff & Lk 3:21ff)
- 4) Gospel According to Luke 4: 1-13 The Temptation of Jesus (also Mt 4:1ff & Mk 1:12ff)

Readings for August 19th

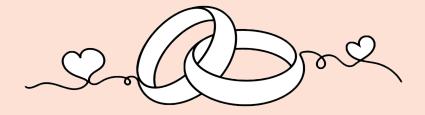
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Readings for August 26th:

- 1) Gospel According to Matthew 28:16-20
 The Great Commission
- 2) Acts of the Apostles 1:1-2:8 Pentecost: the Descent of the Holy Spirit
- 3) Acts of the Apostles 11:1-18
 Peter at the House of Cornelius
- 4) St. Paul's 1st Letter to the Corinthians 6:19 Prostitutes vs.Temples of the Holy Spirit
- 5) St. Paul's 2nd Letter to the Corinthians 13:14 Closing Prayer/ Trinity Explicit
- 6) Book of Revelation: 1:9-19 St. John the Divine "in the Spirit" on the Island of Patmos



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