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ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH

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WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY - 5:00 PM

SUNDAY - 7:30 AM (Quiet) & 10:00 AM

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

SATURDAY - 4:00-4:45 PM

OR BY APPOINTMENT

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WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY - 4:00 PM

SUNDAY - 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

8:00 PM (ends Sept. 1)

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AUGUST 11, 2024 - NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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A Word From Fr. Unsworth

Since I am only the temporary Administrator of the Parish, and the Parish news is not as extensive as it is during the rest of the year, I thought I would offer a series of little articles during the Summer months about the 10 Commandments. Each Commandment tells us something about the importance of our relationship with God and our moral responsibility towards one another. I hope you find this short series helpful.



- Fr. Jack

The 7th Commandment "Thou shall not steal."

More than 30 years ago I read a great little book by Robert Fulghum entitled, *"All I Really Need To Know, I Learned In Kindergarten."* He states that as a small child, we all learned to pick up things we dropped, put back things we took, clean up our own mess and don't take things that don't belong to us. The Seventh Commandment, however, is not only about honesty in our own personal behavior, but also in the behavior of corporations, institutions, and governments as well.

If we were to list some of the important sins this commandment forbids they would include: plagiarism, theft, embezzlement and shoplifting. But there are also many subtle ways we break this Commandment. For instance, when we take information from the internet and then try to pass it off as our own work, we are stealing. When we back into someone's car, causing damage, and then drive away without leaving a note, we are taking money from that person who now must pay for the repairs.

Regardless of what form the theft takes, those who take from others damage the harmony of society. In the days of Moses, there were no police or prisons. If a person was caught stealing the donkey or ox belonging to his neighbor, and that neighbor relied on that animal for his livelihood, the thief was often put to death. Even today, in some countries, governed by strict Islamic Law, a thief could lose his or her hand for stealing.

The teaching of our Church is that those who steal, in whatever form it takes, must perform restitution (returning what was stolen). You need to give it back or make it right. The Church also asks us to consider the need of others and not just ourselves. The spirit of the Seventh Commandment is to remember to always be a person of generosity and to believe that the world's goods were intended to be shared by all.

The Seventh Commandment calls us all to be good stewards. That means that we have the will and intelligence to be in charge and not to dominate or overpower, but to create a just and reasonable society, using the earth's resources. It is up to us to see that the goods of the earth are distributed in a just and charitable way to every person in the world.



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Sunday, August 18th from 6-7 PM

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LAST WEEK TO RESERVE!

Wedding Anniversary Celebration

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celebrate your 25th, 40th, 50th or Over 50 years
Wedding Anniversary Celebration
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includes: Mass, renewal of wedding vows,
a personalized certificate and a reception for you
and your guests. Bishop Richard G. Henning
will be the main celebrant and homilist.

Reservations are required, by August 15th.
Forms are available in the parish office.



Married in Christ!
Emily Brockmann and Sean Langley

Congratulations!



Baptized in Christ!
Amleto Achille Salvatore, pictured with godfather
Chadd Rampini, godmother Kaitlin Poplaski,
Deacon Clossick and parents Nick and Alexa.
Amleto is the great grandson of Anne Salvatore.



DIOCESE of PROVIDENCE

OFFICE OF THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

Last week!

Permanent Diaconate Class being called, applications due Thu., August 15

Jesus says: *"Whoever serves me, must follow me, and my servant will be with me wherever I am"* (John 12:24-26). The Permanent Diaconate is a calling to be a servant of Christ and His church. The Diocese of Providence is currently recruiting a new Permanent Diaconate class, for more information as well as how to apply please visit <https://dioceseofprovidence.org/deacon-formation-program> and/or contact Deacon Bud Remillard, diocesan coordinator of Deacon Formation at 401-278-4604 or LRemillard@dpvd.org.

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MASS *intentions*

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SATURDAY, AUGUST 10th

4 PM – for the soul of Patricia A. Carvalho

5 PM – for the soul of Patricia O'Hara

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11th

7:30 AM – Special Intention ~ Mary Murphy (Living)

8:30 AM – 4th Anniversary ~ James McGovern

10 AM – 1st Anniversary ~ Brenda B. Bolster

11 AM – 60th Wedding Anniversary ~
Robert & Janice Smith (Living)

8 PM – for the soul of Alfonso Norato

MONDAY, AUGUST 12th

9 AM – 1st Anniversary ~ Marc LaBier

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13th

9 AM – Marie Donat

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14th

9 AM – Bernard & Doris Casey, Sr.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15th

9 AM – Rosa Gloria Lema

7 PM – STV – Pro Populo

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16th

9 AM – Special Intention – Nico, Grace & Jack (Living)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17th

9 AM – Birthday Remembrance – Eileen Speight

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17th

4 PM – 4th Anniversary ~ William O'Connell

5 PM – 37th Anniversary ~ Henry Del Monico

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18th

7:30 AM – Joan Cannon

8:30 AM – 7th Anniversary ~ John Saugy

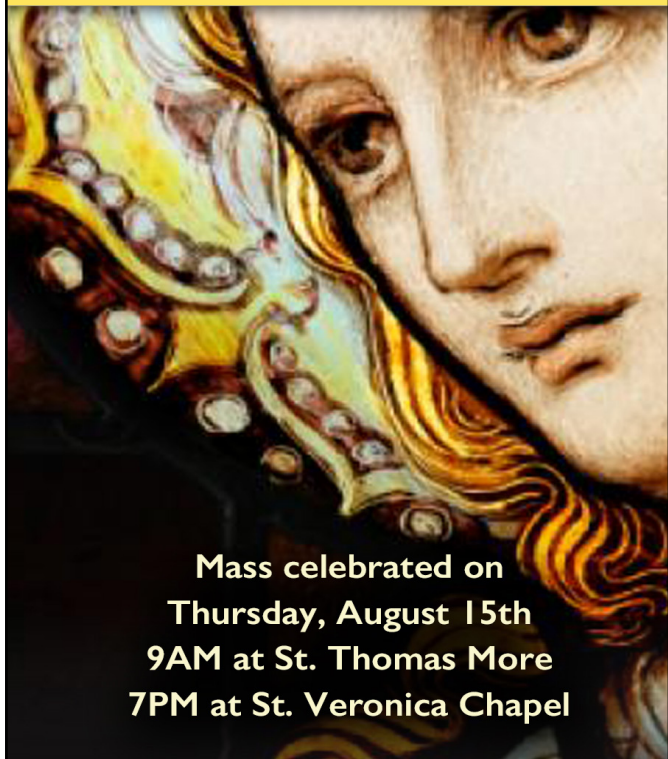
10 AM – 12th Anniversary ~ Eugene Santos

11 AM – 2nd Anniversary ~ William Shields

8 PM – Delaney & Kirwin Families

The parish office will be closed on
Monday, August 12th for Victory Day.

Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Mass celebrated on
Thursday, August 15th
9AM at St. Thomas More
7PM at St. Veronica Chapel

Summer Bible

Tuesdays from 9:40AM - 11:10AM
St. Thomas More Parish Hall

The Apostolic Fathers: Part II

- bring a bible!

Aug. 13:

The Two Earliest Apologies:
Quadratus and Aristides of Athens (120-130 CE)
<https://www.earlychristianwritings.com/>

August 20th:

The First Apology of Justin Martyr to Emperors
Antoninus Pius and Hadrian (ca. 156 CE)

Join via Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81639721805?pwd=DAJsfvqjISFLrlyjsBBZXNykwYYkbs.l>

Meeting ID: 816 3972 1805 / Passcode: 396973

Meeting dates: August 13, 20, & 27

For more information contact Maryann Knag
203-313-4809 or mmknag@aol.com

Happenings around the parish

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 and welcome to join.

Our Lady's Guild

- Our Lady's Guild has meetings at 10AM on the second Wednesday of each month in the parish hall.
- On Mondays after the 9AM Mass, with coffee & refreshments, they meet as an informal gospel reflections group to discuss, read and reflect on the Gospels of the coming week and to share personal insights of those readings.
- The rosary is prayed Monday - Saturday at 8:30AM at St. Thomas More before the 9AM Mass.

All are welcome to join these activities.



To learn more about Our Lady's Guild, call Diane at 996-3876 or visit <https://stm-ourladysguild.weebly.com/>

Prayer Chain Ministry

If you know someone who would like or needs extra prayers, we are happy to help. Call Jean at 783-3403 to express your request. New volunteers are always welcome to join this necessary and important ministry.

Remember the Poor

The small donation boxes on the church walls labeled "Remember the Poor" goes to the Mother Teresa Fund, which helps with local rental assistance, utilities, food and prescriptions. Thank you for your generosity.

Rosary Repairs

Drop your broken beads in envelope provided in the box in the foyer at St. Thomas More with your name and contact info. You will be contacted when complete.

St. Vincent dePaul clothing bins

Weekly pick up of clothing & shoes. Bins located at the back of the St. Thomas More parking lot, inside the fence.

WEEKLY PARISH FOOD COLLECTION

Current Needs

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

Collection baskets are located at the entrance of both churches.



**Sister Christina
talks about
prayer and
Padre Pio**





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Information Sessions for Men **Interested in the Permanent Diaconate**

The diocese of Providence is hosting several Information Sessions for all men interested in becoming a permanent deacon. To choose a session go to dioceseofprovidence.org/information-sessioons-permanent-diaconate-program to complete and submit a registration for a particular session. This will help us ensure that we have sufficient material for each Information Session. If a man is married, his wife is cordially invited and encouraged to attend the presentation.

About the Info sessions

Each session will begin with a brief prayer and introduction. There will be a powerpoint presentation covering:

- the history and service of the diaconate
- a description of the Program of Formation
- a description of the Application process.

There will be time for questions and answers. Printed materials and an application will be provided at each session. Attendance at a session will not obligate anyone. The process will begin when a man returns his completed application and required documentation to the Office of Deacons.

We would like all applications **by August 15, 2024** in order to begin scheduling interviews in September.

Summer Bible - July 9 - August 27, 2024

Maryann Knag at 203.213.4809 or mmknag@aol.com

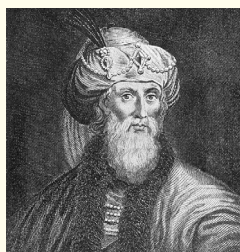
The Bible Group will meet in the Parish Hall on Tuesday mornings from 9:40-11:10 following the 9AM Mass, beginning July 9th. Please bring a bible.

Meeting dates are July 9, 16, 23, & 30; August 6, 13, 20, & 27

Maryann Knag will present the Apostolic Fathers—Part II. Last summer, we took up the letters of two of the disciples of St. John, son of Zebedee Ignatius of Antioch and Polycarp of Smyrna, as well as the accounts of their martyrdoms. This reading was so stirring that many requested more study of the documents of the Early Church. There was also great interest in reading Acts of the Apostles, which we will take up next summer.



St. Justyn Martyr



*Flavius Josephus,
the Jewish historian*

**This full page listing
can be found in our web
version of the bulletin all
summer.**

The Apostolic Fathers: Part II

July 9th:

The Didache: An early Christian handbook for converts (50-120 CE)

July 16th:

The Didache Cont'd. Excerpts from Flavius Josephus (93-100 CE).

Letter of Pliny the Younger to Emperor Trajan and Trajan's Response (111-112 CE)

July 23rd:

Pseudepigraphy and Excerpts from the Epistle of Barnabas (80-120 CE)

July 30th:

Excerpts from the Shepherd of Hermas, a literary witness to a type of Jewish Christianity (100-160 CE)

Aug. 6:

Fragments from Bishop Papias of Heliopolis (110-140 CE)

Aug. 13:

The Two Earliest Apologies: Quadratus and Aristides of Athens (120-130 CE)

August 20th:

The First Apology of Justin Martyr to Emperors Antoninus Pius and Hadrian (ca. 156 CE)

Aug. 27th:

Excerpts from Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyon, who knew Polycarp of Smyrna (175-185 CE)

Links to the readings can be found at www.earlychristianwritings.com.

For more information, please contact Maryann Knag at 203.213.4809 or mmknag@aol.com

Topic: Summer Bible at St. Thomas More Narragansett Digital Access via Zoom. Here are the codes.

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