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## Mass Schedule

All Masses are available on Live Stream

### St. Thomas More Church

Confessions - Saturday 4:00-4:45 PM

Vigil Mass - Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday Mass - 10:00 AM

Daily Mass - Mon.-Sat. 9:00 AM

### St. Veronica Chapel

Vigil Mass - Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday Masses

9:00 AM

11:00 AM

5:00 PM

January 24, 2021 - The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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## A NEW DAY DAWNS

Today we hear how Jonah, sent by God to warn the people, storms through the streets of Nineveh, scaring the citizens out of their wits. And it works! God has a change of heart, seeing “by their actions” how the people turn from evil (Jonah 3:10). A new day dawns.

Next we hear Paul telling the Corinthians, “The world in its present form is passing away” (1 Corinthians 7:31). He calls for a change of heart. Stopping short of telling them to stop carrying out their everyday activities, he urges them—rather mysteriously—to live “as though” they aren’t doing the things they are doing. A new day has dawned.

Finally, Jesus stands on the shore and cries, “The kingdom of God is at hand!” (Mark 1:14). Simon and Andrew abandon their nets—and even their father—and follow him. A new day had dawned. Everyone has to change when a new day dawns: the Ninevites, the Corinthians, the apostles, even Jesus! Didn’t a new day dawn today for us as well?

## SUNDAY’S READINGS

First Reading- The Ninevites turn from their evil ways in response to Jonah’s message (Jonah 3:1-5, 10).

Psalm — Teach me your ways, O Lord (Psalm 25).

Second Reading — The world in its present form is passing away (1 Corinthians 7:29-31).

Gospel — Jesus proclaims, “Repent, and believe in the gospel.” The new disciples abandon their nets and follow him (Mark 1:14-20).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18

Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25

Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

Tuesday: Ss. Timothy and Titus

Wednesday: St. Angela Merici; Tu B’Shvat

(Jewish new year of trees) begins at sunset

Thursday: St. Thomas Aquinas

## FEAST OF FAITH

### The Penitential Rite

Standing together in the presence of the Lord, we acknowledge our weakness, our sins and faults and failings. But the penitential rite is really less about our sins than it is about God’s mercy. It is not a time for individual confession, like a mini-sacrament of reconciliation. It is, rather, a preparatory rite, preparing us to praise the mercy of Christ as we acknowledge our own weakness. When Simon Peter witnesses the miraculous catch of fish—when he realizes who is in the boat with him—he falls at Jesus’ feet with the words, “Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man” (Luke 5:8). We are like Peter. The more aware of the Lord’s presence we become, the more awareness we also have of our sinfulness, our weakness.

The penitential rite of the Mass takes several forms, from the traditional Confiteor or “I confess” to a litany, spoken or sung by the deacon or cantor with responses by the entire assembly. The penitential rite always includes the words Kyrie, eleison; Christe, eleison—Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy. This ancient Greek prayer came to the Roman liturgy from the East, and still echoes in many of the litanies of the Eastern Rite Churches. These words turn our gaze from our own weakness to the gentleness, the kindness, the forgiving love of Christ.

# MASS

## *intentions*

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23rd (Vigil)

4:00 PM – for the soul of John Merlino, Jr.

5:00 PM – Special Intention ~ for Drs. Jacob & Praymol Varghese (LIVING)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24th

9:00 AM – 8th Anniversary ~ J. Joseph Garrahy

10:00 AM – for the soul of John Reardon

11:00 AM – for the souls of Marion, Edward and Michael Vigliotti

5:00 PM – for the soul of Carol Schenk Yoder

MONDAY, JANUARY 25th

9 AM – for the soul of Joan Arrigan

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26th

9 AM – 33rd Anniversary ~ Henry Sullivan

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27th

9 AM – for the souls of Marguerite & George Giusti

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28th

9 AM – for the soul of Helen Leger

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29th

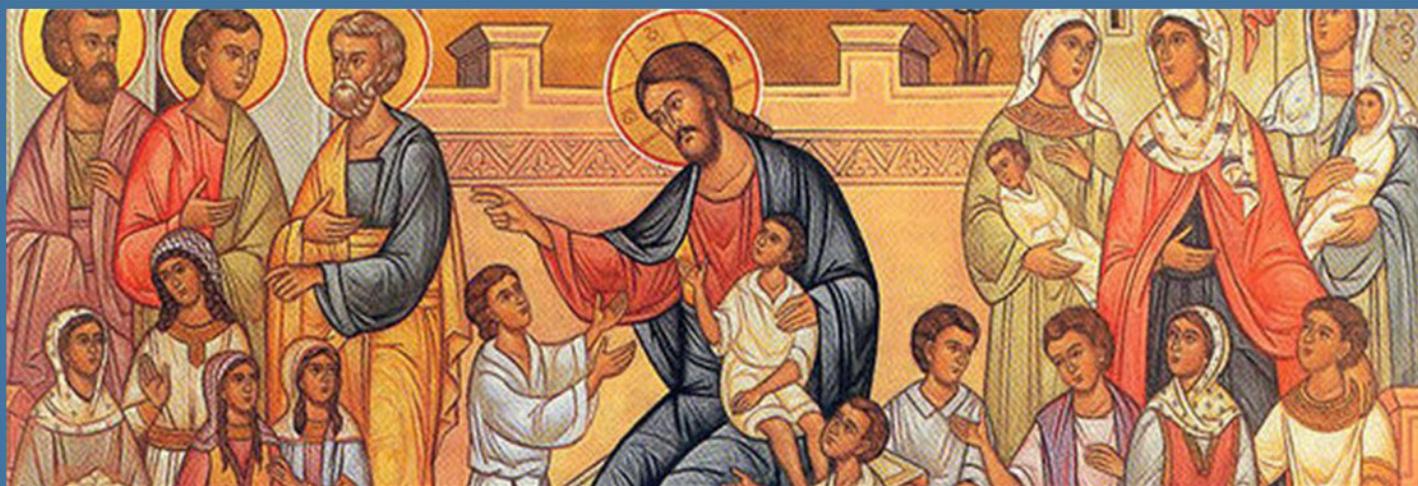
9 AM – for the souls of Eileen & George Botelho

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30th

9 AM – Birthday Remembrance ~ Calvin Pepe, Jr.

Rest in Peace





## Religious Education ~ January Schedule

Grades 1-4 (10:05-10:55 AM) | St. Veronica Chapel

Class on Sunday, January 24th & 31st

Confirmation Class for Grades 9-10 6:00-7:15 PM | St. Veronica Chapel

Class on January 24th | NO Class on January 31st

Grades 1-4 (4:10-5:00 PM) | St. Thomas More

Class on January 25th

Grades 5-6 (5:45-6:45 PM) | St. Veronica Chapel

Class on January 26th

Grades 7-8 (5:45-6:45 PM) | St. Veronica Chapel

Class on January 27th

*“Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Amen, I say to you, whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it.”*

*~ Mark 10:14-15*

## *happenings around the parish*

Next weekend there is a second collection for the Church in Latin America. All donations can be placed in the boxes at the entrances of both churches, you can mail your donations, drop them off at the parish office or they can be made directly through Faith Direct.

### **St. Thomas More will be hosting the Missionary image of Our Lady of Guadalupe Thursday, January 28th**



St. Thomas More will be hosting the Missionary image of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Thursday, January 28th. Please join us at 9:00 a.m. for Mass followed by the Rosary at 9:30 a.m. with veneration of the image, Adoration, and Benediction until 1 p.m.

The image will be visiting various parishes throughout the Diocese of Providence from January 7-30th.

To view the full schedule, visit the [dioceseofprovidence.org](http://dioceseofprovidence.org).

### ***Rhode Island Catholic's annual Subscription Drive is underway!***

In March 2020, COVID-19 changed everything and your diocesan newspaper responded immediately moving all publishing online to the RI Catholic website, [TheRICatholic.com](http://TheRICatholic.com). As the pandemic unfolded, we continued to bring you the news of the diocese online, eventually returning to print biweekly, and finally back to weekly in this New Year.

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Due to the ongoing pandemic online payments, checks or money orders are preferred (made payable to Rhode Island Catholic).

*Thank you!*

*happenings around the parish*

**RCIA** Rite of Christian  
Initiation for Adults



**RCIA INFORMATIONAL MEETING**

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26TH - 7:00 PM - ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH HALL

*Who is this for?*

- ~ For those who have been baptized in another denomination and wish to join the Catholic faith.
- ~ For baptized Catholics who have not yet received First Communion or Confirmation and who wish to return to the full practice of their religion.
- ~ Classes will be held twice a month on Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm.
- ~ For more information or to register, please contact Fr. Taillon at [fathermtaillon@gmail.com](mailto:fathermtaillon@gmail.com) or call the parish office at 789-7682.



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**Third Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
January 24, 2021**

The kingdom of God is at hand.  
Repent, and believe in the gospel.

— Mark 1:15

**ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH MISSION**

Prepare your heart for Lent

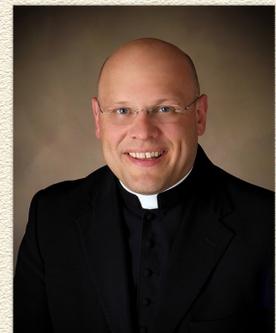


**“Encountering Jesus More”  
February 14th, 15th & 16th**

Msgr. Thomas Richter, *Diocese of Bismarck*

- Night 1 - “The True God of the Encounter”
- Night 2 - “The Daily Place of the Encounter”
- Night 3 - “Today’s Unique Obstacle to the Encounter”

St. Veronica Chapel - 7:00 PM



# happenings around the parish



Please join Fr. Taillon on Relevant Radio at 550 AM every Wednesday at 8AM on “Morning Air”

- listen on your computer: <http://relevantradio.com>
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- listen on your radio: AM 550 in the Providence area

## Pennies for the Poor DO add up!

Thanks to all who make “change”, “change” the world! Near the parking lot entrances of both churches, there are small boxes on the wall labeled “Pennies for the Poor”.

Feel free to place your extra pocket change as these donations go to the Diocesan Dire Emergency Fund in South County, which helps with rental assistance, utilities and prescriptions.



## Men's Bible Study

Our parish has a very active group of men, who meet each Saturday at 7:30AM in a “round table” format to discuss the Sunday scripture readings. It is very informal and attended by some scholarly and some not-so-scholarly folks. It's rewarding and even some fun. Please feel free to join us-wear your mask, bring your coffee and come on over to St. Thomas More parish hall! *For more info call Bill at 916-372-6139*



The St. Vincent dePaul clothing bins are open and accepting clothing and shoes. Bins located at the back of the St. Thomas More parking lot. Thank you!



## Rosary Repairs

In the foyer at the side entrance, you will see a new box on the wall for rosary repairs. If you have rosary beads in need of repair, please put them in an envelope provided on the side of the box with your name and contact info, and drop them inside. The box will be checked regularly and you will be contacted when your repair is complete. This is a complimentary service, provided by an anonymous parishioner.

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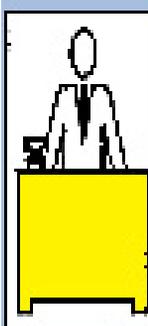


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