

# ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH

St. Thomas More Church

53 ROCKLAND STREET, NARRAGANSETT, RI 02882-3620



St. Veronica Chapel

1035 BOSTON NECK ROAD, NARRAGANSETT, RI 02882

## 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 & 11:00 AM

*All masses available on Livestream*

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

*Pastor*

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SEPTEMBER 24, 2023 - THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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# WE OUR VOLUNTEERS

## *This and That....*

Thanks for all of your support at the mum sale. The Knights of Columbus did a great job to help the Mother of Life Center which practices the pro-life Gospel in such a tangible way.

It is time to register your children/grandchildren for religious education. We have very dedicated and qualified catechists in all grades. We will be lowering our Confirmation to the 9th grade beginning this year and will transition our program this year. I have taught 10th grade for 18 years now and am so impressed by our young people and the goodness that is so obviously in them, fostered at home. Perhaps you can reach out to friends and neighbors who may have fallen off track at Covid and invite them to return to the most important classroom one can have (after Mass!).

The St. Veronica parking lot enhancement is nearing completion. Landscaping is taking place in these days and the last layer of asphalt will be put down this week (in the absence of rain). There will be NO lines for a week or so! I am hopeful that we can remember how to park without the lines until the new pavement lines are in next week. Once this is done we will install gates at the Joy and Carol Lane entrances. In addition, we have ordered dimmers for the lights so we can lower the amount of light needed. We appreciate all the patience and kindness of so many of you have shown to the workers.

Thank you to all who attended and made the "tailgate blessing" such a success. Special thanks to our three co-chairs; Kathy Leonard, Terry McGovern and Nancy Andolfo who did a wonderful job. All of the additional volunteers were so great, and everyone had a wonderful time. And, thanks also to our Stewardship Director Lynn Bamford, who does an outstanding job on so many things that keep our community vibrant.

Speaking of activity, I hope you can join us on Friday, October 13th at the Dunes Club to raise money for the poor of St. Martinsville, Louisiana. As you know, Fr. Champagne and his community came by bus to help minister at the Blessing of the Fleet. Lets rally to help them help the poor.

Msgr. Halloran will be away for the month of October for his annual break. We wish the Lord to bless him on Block Island.

The annual Cigar Dinner to help the poor will be at Sea Craft this Monday, September 25th. Call to reserve if you can make it.

Pray for each other. Jesus is among us in sacrament and our community.

God bless!

*Fr. Taillon*



**Friday, October 13, 2023**  
**at the Dunes Club - 6:00 PM**

A Jazz Night themed event with music, cocktails, dinner, silent and live auctions.

Donations will benefit the February 2024 mission trip to the Community of St. Martinville, Louisiana.

### Tickets



**Tickets will be sold online through the Jazz Night website.**

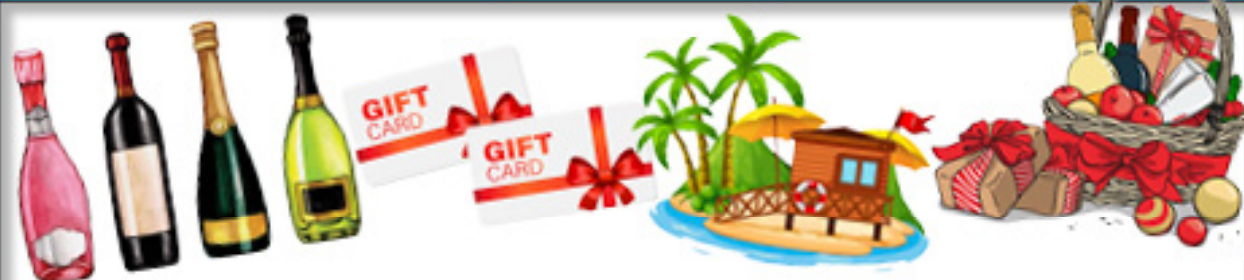
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**Please use the link below or the QR code pictured here.**

(Hold your cell phone camera over the QR image and click on the website link that pops up!)

<https://stthomasmoreri.ejoinme.org/JazzNight>

## baskets, wine & more...



We are seeking donations for our Louisiana Jazz Night silent & live auctions.

Please consider a donation and/or items such as:

- Live Auction items:
  - vacation homes, concert/sports tickets, weekend get-aways, etc.
- wines, spirits, and bar accessories
- coffees, teas, olive oils, non-perishable specialty food items
- gift cards & gas cards
- or pick something from our [Amazon Wish List](#)

Go to Amazon.com/Accounts & Lists/Find a List or Registry/

Search by name: St. Thomas More Narragansett/Search by: choose Gift Registry

All donations are appreciated but please keep to new items in good condition.

Please drop off in the parish office. Thank you for your support!





*Become a part of  
our mission...*

St. Thomas More Parish needs \$50,000 to provide transportation, supplies and outreach to the poor of the Christ Crucified local community.

Be listed in our program and on our social media platforms as we host 250 guests at The Dunes Club on October 13th.

#### SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

In Memorial - \$25 - \$50

St. Thomas More Patron - \$100

Friend Sponsor - \$250

Angel Sponsor- \$500

Archangel Sponsor- \$1000

Corporate Sponsorships are also available  
please call the parish at 789-7682.

*Thank you!*



## GOSPEL MEDITATION

September 24, 2023

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Once I gave my three-year-old niece a certain toy for Christmas. When she opened it, she was happy. Shortly thereafter her five-year old sister opened another present from me: the same toy, along with some play jewelry. The three-year-old cried out: "That's not fair! Why'd she get the jewelry, too?!"

Let's face it: there's something about God's grace in our religion which bugs us. We love to look at others' blessings and cry out: "That's not fair!" Catholicism is not fair in the sense that it is a religion founded on God's grace which is unmerited favor. God pours his mercy, love, and divine life upon us not because we're good but because He is infinitely good.

If you think the "not fair" quality of grace is easy to accept, consider how typically angry we get when we hear the parable of the workers who get paid way more than they deserve. The hyper-generous landowner says to the indignant hard workers, "Are you envious because I am generous?" Well, yes, they are, and so are we! Therefore, we have to reckon with this painful truth in order to move into the divine sphere of gifts, which is the world of Christ and his Church. Then we are able to move beyond a tit-for-tat world and into one where gifts are poured forth on those who don't deserve it — namely, upon us.

— Father John Muir

# Cigar Night with the "Knights"

**THIS MONDAY**

**Monday September 25, 2023**

**@ 6:00 PM**

Sea Craft • 113 Ocean Road • Narragansett, RI

Join the Knights of Columbus and Father "T"  
for this fundraising event.

Proceeds will directly benefit our **Coats for Kids**  
program, providing new winter coats for deserving  
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**Tickets are \$80 per person.**

Includes 3 course meal & 3 premium cigars.  
Cash bar & raffle available.

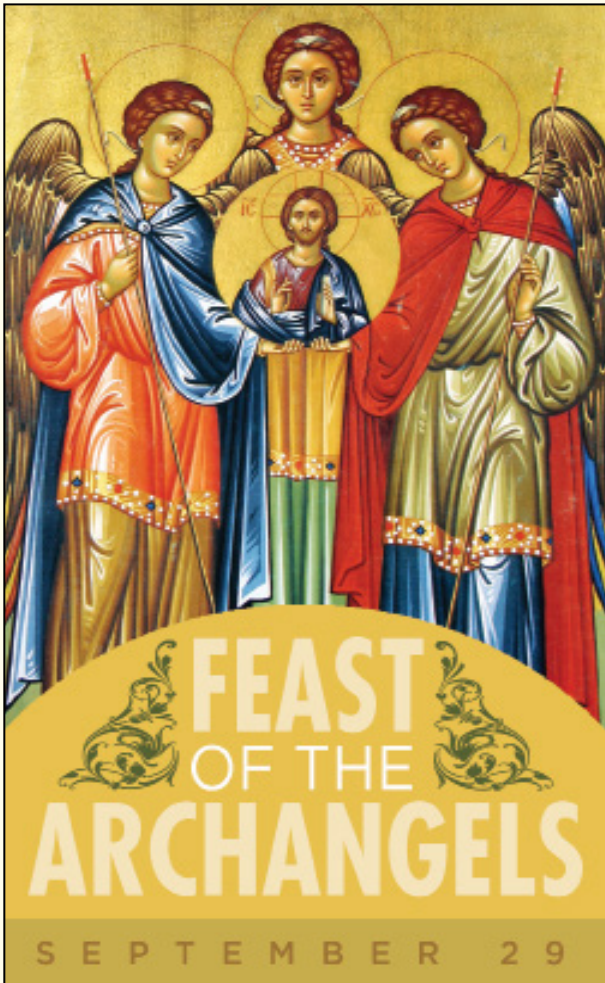


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Questions? Call Joe V. 401-265-6918



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parishioners for a peaceful and prayerful vigil in front of Planned  
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More parking lot at 10AM, or you can meet us there.



# MASS *intentions*

## THE TWENTY- FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd (Vigil)

4 PM – for the soul of Joanne Rapoza

5 PM – for the soul of Jane McNaughton

SUNDAY, SEPTMEBER 24th

8 AM – for the soul of Brian Hein

9 AM – for the soul of Albert Alba, Sr.

10 AM – for the souls of the living and deceased members  
of the Providence College Class of 1967

11 AM – for the soul of Rose Primavera

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25th

9 AM – for the souls of Brian & Marian Gillcrest

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th

9 AM – for the soul of Mary Ann Cozzolino

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th

9 AM – for the soul of Pasquale “Pat” Cozzolino

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th

9 AM – for the soul of Michael Quigley

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29th

9 AM – Special Intention ~ Fr. Michael Andrew Colello  
(Living)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th

9 AM – for the soul of Irene LaVallee

## THE TWENTY- SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th (Vigil)

4 PM – for the soul of Carol O'Neill

5 PM – for the soul of Shelley Renee Gardner

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1st

8 AM – Birthday Remembrance ~ Rosamond Duggan

9 AM – Birthday Remembrance ~ Alfred Johnson

10 AM – for the deceased members of the DePetrillo &  
Ruscito families

11 AM – Birthday Remembrance ~ Robert Riccio

### 2nd Collection

The 2nd collection next weekend, Oct. 1st  
will be for the Seminary.



### Will you answer the call?

The Seven Sisters Apostolate  
has a simple mission to pray  
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Holy Hour before the

Tabernacle in any church, wherever you may be.  
Our priests do so much for us and without them  
there is no Eucharist and without the Eucharist  
there is no Church.

Please prayerfully consider being part of this  
privileged group of women praying for our priests.  
Should you discern a calling to this apostolate  
contact, Mary Ann Soscia at 401-243-5026.

[sevensistersapostolate.org](http://sevensistersapostolate.org)

### Saint Thomas More Lazarus Bereavement Support Group



**September 27th - 6:00-7:00**  
**St. Thomas More parish hall**

Anyone is welcome to join, we meet  
on the last Wednesday of each month.

For more info contact Dennis Dillon at

[dennisdillon1@gmail.com](mailto:dennisdillon1@gmail.com)



# Happenings around the parish

## 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.

## 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](http://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 & Jarred Pasta Sauce |                              |

Collection baskets are located at the entrance of both churches.

## Religious Education

### First Penance & First Holy Communion

#### Parent & Student Session

Sunday, September 24th  
10 AM Mass at St. Thomas More  
followed by a session in the parish hall.

#### Grades 1 - 4 on Sunday mornings

will start on Sunday, **October 1st**

#### Grades 1 - 4 on Monday afternoons

will start on Monday, **October 2nd**

#### Grades 5 - 8 on Wednesday evenings

will start on Wednesday, **October 4th**

## Knights of Columbus

Interested in joining the Knight of Columbus?

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Please contact Bernie Casey at 617.293.9201



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When donating, please be sure to use parish Sponsor Code 0626.

Thank you to the many new families who have signed up for Faith Direct to support our ministries. Your support allows us to continue to serve the spiritual and corporeal needs of our parish and wider community. And, thank you to our many virtual parishoners who continue to support us, we appreciate your support too!



St. Thomas More Parish counts on your prayers and support and we truly appreciate your continued generosity during this difficult time.

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