

# ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH

St. Thomas More Church

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St. Veronica Chapel

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## 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



MAY 5, 2024 - THE THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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## ***ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 2024***

This weekend, at the 5 PM Mass, Bishop Richard Henning, DD, will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for 28 young members of our Parish. We welcome these candidates into full communion in the Church and in our Parish. We hold them and their families in our prayers this week. (*names in Italics are their Confirmation Names*)

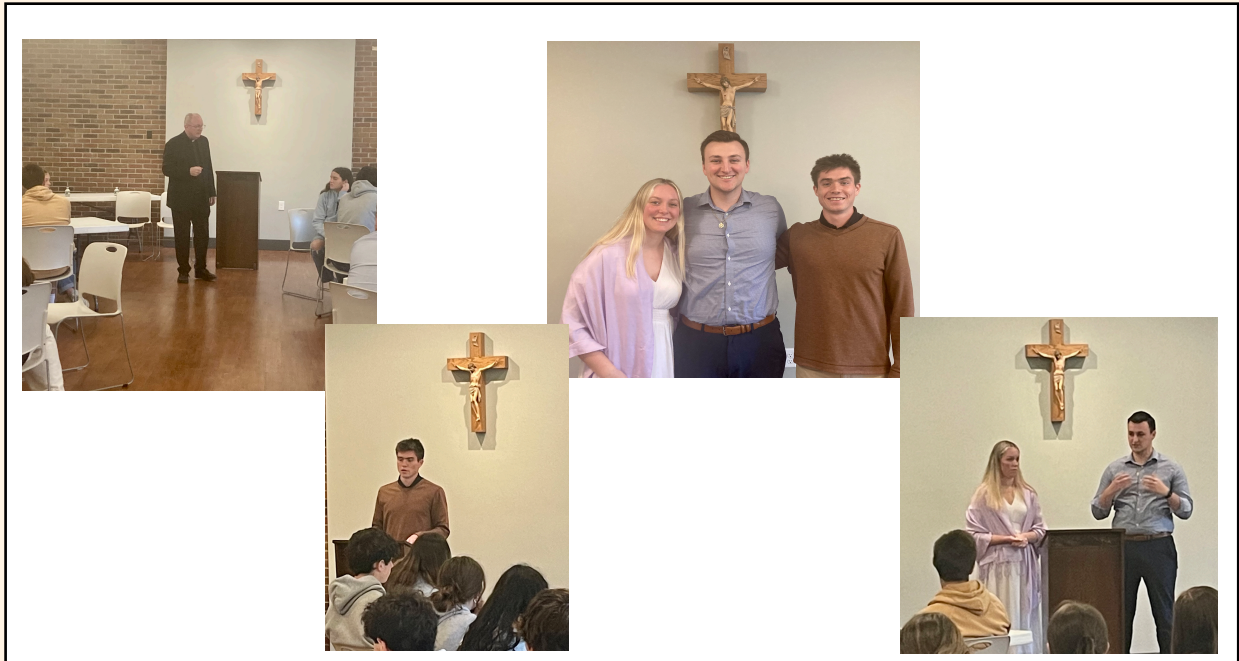
Lillian *Zelie* Baxter  
Evan *Matthew* Boze  
Marcella *Dymphna* DelPonte  
Sofia *Veronica* DiBiasio  
Carly *Stella Maris* Dollarhide  
Jacob *Michael* Ewing-Chow  
Claire *Gemma* Fracassa  
Mackenzie *Cecilia* Giblin  
Harrison *Andrew* Goodwin  
Myles *Vincent Ferrer* Harding  
William *Sebastian* Harris  
Brennan *Luigi Scrosoppi* Hill  
Elizabeth *Adela* Hill  
Maeve *Melangell* Johnson

Miley *Angeline* Keramidas  
Tess *Cecilia* Lucas  
Aaron *Francis of Assisi* Montoya  
Lily *Christina Mirabilis* O'Hara  
Alexa *Faustina* Poirier  
Caroline *Monica* Quilliam  
Cameron *Christopher* Shippee  
Ethan *Anthony* Smith  
Riley *Sebastian* Smith  
Siena *Catherine of Siena* Taliani  
Gabriel *Maximilian Kolbe* Trainor  
Nina *Catherine of Alexandria* Ursillo  
Domenico *Michael* Vacca, III  
Lilianna *Rose of Viterbo* Vitale

In the Sacrament of Confirmation, the bishop anoints the candidate with Holy Oil, called Chrism. It is the only Oil used in the celebration of the Sacraments that is not blessed, it is consecrated. It has a balsam scented perfume added to it. Anointing with Chrism in Baptism, Confirmation or Holy Orders symbolized that a person has been set aside and dedicated to God for a sacred purpose. The prayers used at a Confirmation ceremony often allude to biblical passages in which priests, prophets, and kings were consecrated to God's service. The very name "Chrism" is derived from the word for "the anointed" or "The Christ", which is why those who have been anointed are referred to as "Christians".

May those who receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit and consecrated with Holy Chrism today, truly bear the name "Christian" proudly and be strengthened by the gifts of the Holy Spirit to serve God with faithfulness and joy.

Fr. Jack



Our candidates for Confirmation attended their retreat on Sunday, April 28th with Fr. Jack Unsworth. Seminarian, David Del Bonis, spoke about his vocation to the priesthood and soon-to be married couple, Mackenzie Montoya and Nick Iden talked about their vocation to marriage.



Louis Joseph Robenhymer, baptized in Christ. Pictured with his parents, Nicholas and Giana and Godfather, Fr. Joseph Brice and Godmother, Christina Tucker. Congratulations!



The May Crowning will take place with the First Communicants during the 10 AM Mass on Sunday, May 5th.



**May is the Month of Mary!**

Here are 3 ideas of how to honor Mary this month:

**2. Give someone a Marian Gift:**

Great gift ideas to honor Mary include a Marian Medal or a Marian Scapular.

**1. Celebrate May Crowning:**

May Crowning is celebrated by crowning a statue or image of Mary with a wreath of flowers to honor her as Queen of Heaven and the Mother of God.

**3. Pray the rosary:**

Consider participating in a group rosary at your parish or with friends/family!



## Ascension Thursday May 9th



Holy Day Mass Schedule:  
9AM - St. Thomas More  
7PM - St. Veronica Chapel



## "The Last Supper" along the Bayou



A team of 21 missionaries traveled to St. Martinville, LA for the 3rd year to serve the poor with the Community of Jesus Crucified. Each year, the team embarks for an afternoon swamp tour along the Atchafalaya Basin where "The Last Supper" painting resides. The painting was in disrepair from years in the swamp's inclement weather conditions. The generous donations from parishioners and friends of St. Thomas More, enabled us to fund the restoration of the painting with an extremely durable paint and a coat of UV sealer so that it will last much longer than the original. For the many local residents and tourists who visit Cajun Country, they will now see this beautiful and bright painting of "The Last Supper" as they travel along the Bayou.





Mother of Life  
Pregnancy  
Center



# ROSE SALE FOR LIFE

Long-stem roses will be available  
after all Masses on Mother's Day Weekend.

Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> &  
Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>

The suggested donation is \$3 per rose.

All proceeds from the sale will benefit Catholic, Pro-Life Mother of Life Pregnancy Center in Providence. The Center provides free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, counseling, client advocacy, parenting classes, material goods for babies & moms, and much more. Contributions in addition to or in lieu of rose purchases will also be gratefully accepted. Thank you for your generous support!

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

# MASS *intentions*

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY, MAY 4th

4 PM – for the souls of Mario & Angelina Rosati

5 PM – Special Intentions ~ Confirmation Candidates

SUNDAY, MAY 5th

8:30 AM – for the soul of Nita Natale

10 AM – for the soul of Mary Pat Bamford

11 AM – 22nd Anniversary ~ Paul Dignan

MONDAY, MAY 6th

9 AM – for the souls of Marion & Brian Gillcrist

TUESDAY, MAY 7th

9 AM – Birthday Remembrance ~ Thomas DePetrillo

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8th

9 AM – for the soul of Kevin Kane

## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

THURSDAY, MAY 9th

9 AM – for the soul of Rose Marie Sidoti

7 PM – Pro-populo

FRIDAY, MAY 10th

9 AM – for the soul of Lucy Iovino

SATURDAY, MAY 11th

9 AM – for the soul of Fran Doherty

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY, MAY 11th

4 PM – for the soul of Helen Petit

5 PM – 2nd Anniversary ~ Joseph G. Dery

SUNDAY, MAY 12th

8:30 AM – for the soul of Helen Petit

10 AM – for the soul of Rita Travis

11 AM – Special Intentions ~ Delaney &  
Kirwan Families (Living)

## ~ Holy Sacraments ~

Please keep in your prayers the students  
who were confirmed on  
**Saturday, May 4th**  
and those who will be receiving their  
First Holy Communion on  
**Saturday, May 11th.**



# May Breakfast

## Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup>

**Msgr. Halloran Hall, St. Veronica Chapel**

**Continuous seating starts at 8:00 AM**

Take-away meals also available



*Come & enjoy fellowship!*

Tickets will be available at the door,  
and at both churches before & after  
Masses May 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>

Proceeds directly benefit Pope Pius XII charities, particularly programs for  
adults with disabilities, Habitat for Humanity, and fighting food insecurity.



## NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

Jesus Is Calling Us Deeper  
**HE PROMISES TO RESTORE  
AND RENEW HIS PEOPLE**

Our world is hurting. We all need healing, yet many  
of us are separated from the very source of our strength.  
Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and  
summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist.  
The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to  
restore understanding and devotion to this great  
mystery here in the United States by helping us renew  
our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

# 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 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 and welcome to join.

## **Our Lady's Guild**

All are welcome to join, for information call Diane at 777-7777 or visit [www.ldfj;asdkjf;sdlijfasldjf](http://www.ldfj;asdkjf;sdlijfasldjf)

## **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.

## **Pray the Rosary**

The rosary is prayed Monday- Saturday after 9:00AM Mass at St. Thomas More. All are welcome to join.

## **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 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**

Accepts clothing and shoes. Bins located at the back of the St. Thomas More parking lot, inside the white fence.



**PLEASE  
UPDATE YOUR  
CONTACT INFO**

Over time, things change, and in an effort to stay current, St. Thomas More is requesting your to help to update your contact information.

**Please send us an email with your name/s, addresses, phones and emails**  
[stmoffice53@gmail.com](mailto:stmoffice53@gmail.com)

## **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](http://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 materisal 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 introcution. There will be a power Point 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 wttll 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 appications by August 15, 2024 in order to begin scheduling interviews in September.

## **PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. JOSE September 22 -October 8, 2024**

Please join Fr. Jose Parathanal on a pilgrimage to the magnificent cultural and spiritual sites of Incredible India! The tour begins in the ancient cities of Delhi (Sacred Heart Cathedral), Agra (Taj Mahal), Jaipur (Pink City), Kolkata (Mother Teresa) and Goa (St. Francis Xavier). The itinerary also includes the beautiful scenic state of Kerala in South India, where the famous shrines of St. Thomas the Apostle, the tombs of St. Kuriakose Chavara, St. Alphonsa and many other saints are located. For more details, contact Bernie Corpuz at 323-547-6618 or email at [bcorp1114@gmail.com](mailto:bcorp1114@gmail.com).