



# St. Thomas More Catholic Student Parish

## — PARISH MISSION STATEMENT —

*We, the people of St. Thomas More Parish, gifted and led by the Holy Spirit, are called to build up the kingdom of God among the college communities of Kalamazoo. Diverse, yet one, we are called to be the Body of Christ, to praise and worship our Heavenly Father, to proclaim God's Word, to love and serve others, especially the poor and neglected. We welcome all into our parish family who wish to share in this mission.*

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Office Located at 1333 W. Lovell Street

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

(Closed Noon - 1:00 p.m. daily)

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 7:30 p.m.

Daily Mass 5:15 p.m.

## SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

Baptism, Reconciliation, Marriage —

Call the parish office to set an appointment. Please note that the period of marriage preparation is at least six months. If you know of anyone who is sick or homebound, please call the parish office.

## PASTORAL ASSISTANCE

Staff members are available for appointments.

Please call the parish office at 381-8917 or call

Catholic Family Services at 381-9800

## PARISH STAFF

Sharon Froom, MA, LLP, Pastoral Counselor

Deacon Pat Hall, Pastoral Team

Sr. Sue McCreary, CSJ, Pastoral Team

Fr. James Richardson, Pastoral Team

Fr. Ken Schmidt, Pastoral Team

Deacon joe schmitt, Pastoral Team

Jerry & Molly Mechtenberg-Berrigan, Youth Faith Formation

Michele Cretsinger, Parish Secretary

Patty Donovan Haley, Religious Education Coordinator, 343-6256

Marianne Lippi, Development Secretary

Martha Reid, Bookkeeper

Lyle Smith, Maintenance

**SACRAMENTAL LIFE****SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND**

July 11, 2010

Deuteronomy 30:10-14      Colossians 1:15-20

Luke 10:25-37

**BAPTISM**—Parents and godparents are expected to participate in a class before the celebration of this sacrament. The next scheduled baptism class is Monday, July 12 at 6:30 p.m. To register for the class or to schedule a baptism call the parish office at 381-8917.

Our next **PRE-MARRIAGE MEETING** will be held on Sunday, August 8, 2010 following the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Couples planning to marry within the next year should plan on attending one of these meetings. You must register before attending. Please call 381-8917.

**MASS SCHEDULE****SATURDAY, JULY 3** — *St. Thomas, Apostle*

6:00 p.m. Peace in the world

**SUNDAY, JULY 4** — *Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:30 a.m. † Grace Kenney requested by Rae Kenney

11:30 a.m. † Elaine Durst requested by Maxine Zolen

7:30 pm. Bishop Paul J. Bradley (living)

**MONDAY, JULY 5** — *St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria*

Church &amp; Parish Office Closed

**TUESDAY, JULY 6** — *St. Maria Goretti*5:15 p.m. † Mildred Trivers  
requested by Irene & Stephen Trivers**WEDNESDAY, JULY 7**

5:15 p.m. Vocations

**THURSDAY, JULY 8**

5:15 p.m. People of María Madre de los Pobres

**FRIDAY, JULY 9** — *St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions*

2:00 p.m. Communion Service at Heartland

5:15 p.m. Men and women serving in the military

**SATURDAY, JULY 10**6:00 p.m. † Thomas J. Sullivan  
requested by the Sullivan Family**SUNDAY, JULY 11** — *Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:30 a.m. † Jennie Greco requested by the Spoerl Family

11:30 a.m. † Mary Ellen Laurent

7:30 pm. Bishop Paul J. Bradley (living)

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION****CLASSES MEET ON SUNDAYS**

10:10-11:10 (English) or 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (bilingual)  
at St. Joseph Catholic Church on Lake Street  
Patty Haley, Religious Ed. Coordinator — 343-6256

Parents should sign their children up for next year's Religious Ed. classes or enroll in one of our Catholic schools. Registration forms for the next fall's Religious Ed. classes (2010-2011) are now available in church or from the church office. The first class is scheduled for **Sunday, September 12, 2010.**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS THIS WEEK****MONDAY, JULY 5 — SATURDAY, JULY 10**

Monday	Hosea 2:16-18, 21-22	Matthew 9:18-26
Tuesday:	Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13	Matthew 9:32-38
Wednesday:	Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12	Matthew 10:1-7
Thursday:	Hosea 11:1-4, 8-9	Matthew 10:7-15
Friday:	Hosea 14:2-10	Matthew 10:16-23
Saturday	Isaiah 6:1-8	Matthew 10:24-33



My name is Francis Marotti and I will be spending the next month or so with all of you here at St. Thomas More. I am a seminarian for the diocese going into my third-year of theology studies, and I am happy to be back home for the summer after a couple years' absence! I have lived in Kalamazoo almost my whole life, and my family has been part of St. Monica Parish ever since I was very young. I attended Thomas Aquinas College in Santa Paula, California, for philosophy and theology studies, after which I taught for a year at St. Philip High School and St. Joseph Parish in Battle Creek. During my time in seminary I have been privileged to be able to spend time with the Missionaries of Charity in Kochi, India, as my summer apostolate, and do apostolic work at an AIDS hospice outside the city of Rome for the past two years. I look forward to meeting all of the faithful here at the parish and offering my time and help in whatever way I am able. I will continue to keep everyone in the parish in my prayers, and I hope you all do the same for me!

Yours in Christ Jesus  
Francis Marotti

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

The gospel today is clear: Peace comes to a "household if a peaceful person lives there." Peace starts with your ability to forgive, to correct without attacking, to accept the ways of others and to recognize a different opinion is not a personal rejection. It is actually your own peace which you give to your family.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**MONDAY, JULY 5** Church and Parish Office Closed  
6:15 p.m. Migrant Camp Visit

**TUESDAY, JULY 6**  
12:00 p.m. AA/AI Anon  
6:15 p.m. Migrant Camp Visit  
8:00 p.m. Student AA

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 7**

**THURSDAY, JULY 8**  
6:30-8:00 p.m. Beacon Group  
8:00 p.m. Student AA

**FRIDAY, JULY 9**  
12:00 p.m. AA/AI Anon

**SATURDAY, JULY 10**  
8:00 a.m. Women's AA  
12:00 p.m. AA

**HERE AT ST. TOM'S**

**Migrant Ministry Camp Visits, Monday and Tuesday evenings.** Volunteers gather to carpool behind the parish office for a 6:15 p.m. departure and return about 10:00 p.m. For more information call the parish office, 381-8917. **Also we are accepting clothing, food, linens, and household items for use by migrant families in our area.** Clothing is needed for men, women, and children. Articles should be suitable for warm weather and for field work for adults (jeans, shorts, short & long sleeve cotton or cotton blend shirts, and work boots or tennis shoes). No dress clothing or dry cleanable clothes. Items may be dropped off at the parish office garage.

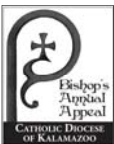
**Music Ministry** — meets the hour before each Mass to prepare for that liturgy. Drummers, guitar players, string and wind players are always welcome, along with singers.

**SISTER PARISH NEWS**

“Stay in the same house and eat and drink what is offered to you.” This time of year we are going to many peoples’ houses for graduation parties and after the congratulations and the gift giving, you are usually invited to enjoy some food. Our brothers and sisters in El Salvador celebrate when they graduate too because for them it is an achievement against many odds. Perhaps the celebration is not as exorbitant or expensive as ours, but the joy of accomplishment is still there. You can help make this happen by sponsoring a high school or college student of *Maria Madre de los Pobres*. There is information about the scholarship program in the narthex.

Also we are looking for delegates to go to our sister parish in November— among many things that we do we always have a big celebration with all the students, especially those who are going to graduate! Please contact Jerry Pahl at 372-7937 for more information.

**BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL GOAL UPDATE AS OF 6-28-2010**



**247 Pledges totaling \$77,736**  
**79% of our goal of \$97,949**  
**48% Participation to date**

<i>JUNE 2010</i>	Growing in the Spirit	
	Sunday Collection	Mortgage Fund
Weekly Target	\$ 12,550.00	\$ 3,350.00
6/6	8,650.26	695.00
6/13	9,213.68	1,040.00
6/20	8,127.86	1,135.00
6/27	7,987.05	1,060.00
Electronic gifts	16,993.50	2,901.75
Total gifts to date for June 2010	50,972.35	6,831.75
Operating budget to date for June 2010	50,200.00	13,400.00
Difference in June 2010	772.35	(6,568.25)
Fiscal year to date (+/-)	(2,090.05)	(90,593.91)

**ELECTRONIC GIVING**

**We have an established process for electronic giving here at St. Tom's.**

This is available for all types of donations - Capital Campaign, Salvadoran Scholarship, Mission Endowment Fund, regular Sunday donations, and special collections.

The process helps to eliminate the need for envelopes and reminder notices.

Your donations can be automatically transferred semi-monthly, weekly, monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually. This can be limited to a specific timeframe - or continue until you wish to change.

**If you would like to have your donations or pledges filed automatically call Martha Reid at the parish office, 381-8917, ext. 266 or email her at [martha.reid@sttomskazoo.org](mailto:martha.reid@sttomskazoo.org)**

**AREA HAPPENINGS**

**Theology on Tap 2010 is underway!** Young adults (20's and 30's, married and single) are invited to join in this four week speaker/discussion series, which will kick off on Friday, July 9 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at TGIFridays, NE corner of US 131 and West Main St. (exit 38), Kalamazoo. Fr. Larry Farrell will facilitate a discussion on "The Grace of Mercy and Forgiveness – Confession." with Sr. Maxine McGee, CSJ. For more information contact the Office of Evangelization, Catechesis and Initiation at (269) 349-8714 x 226.

**Hackett and O'Brien High Schools Class of 1965 45<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion September 18, 2010** More information at Hackett website: [www.hackettcc.org](http://www.hackettcc.org) or call 269 345.8433

**Hospice Care of Southwest Michigan** is seeking volunteers to provide companionship and respite care to individuals and families who are coping with terminal illness, with dying and with loss. Training will take place this summer beginning July 17 through August 4. Training consists of three live sessions, two Saturday's 8:30 am—1:30 pm and one Wednesday evening 6:00-9:00 p.m. For more information on how you can make a difference, please contact Donna Rook at 269-488-3935 or email [donna.rook@hospiceswmi.org](mailto:donna.rook@hospiceswmi.org).

**Making a Report of Sexual Misconduct**—report of sexual misconduct may be initiated at the Diocese of Kalamazoo's Sexual Misconduct Question and Reporting Line: (877) 802-0115. A caller will be requested to provide his or her name and telephone number. All calls regarding sexual misconduct will be returned, usually within one hour. This toll-free telephone number has been established as a part of the Diocese's effort to protect children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. This line is for reporting suspected sexual misconduct or child abuse within Diocesan institutions and ministries only. If you have some other concern about Diocesan schools, parishes, or ministries, please contact the appropriate Diocesan school, parish, or office directly.

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