St. Thomas More Catholic Student Parish
421 Monroe Street | Kalamazoo, MI 49006

THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR MASS
Daily - Monday through Friday - 5:15 p.m.
Saturday - 6:00 p.m.
Sunday - 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Reconciliation
Saturday & Sunday 5:00 - 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

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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.
SUNDAY, JUNE 28 — SUNDAY, JULY 5

SCIENTIFIC READING

SUNDAY, JUNE 28 — St. Cyril of Alexandria
6:00 p.m. †Dorothy Walters by Bazali-Walters family

SUNDAY, JUNE 29 — Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 a.m. † Joseph Ebenhoeh father of Guy
6:00 p.m. † Mary Etter

MONDAY, JUNE 29 — Ss. Peter and Paul
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5:15 p.m. Deacon & Mrs. Robert Bambrick by George Hebbin

THURSDAY, JULY 2
5:15 p.m. Andrea Allemon (living)

FRIDAY, JULY 3 — St. Thomas
5:15 p.m. †David Cutler by Ann Kealy

SATURDAY, JULY 4 — Independence Day
6:00 p.m. †Rev. Tom Truby by dcn. Joe & Becky Schmitt

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MASS INTENTION

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WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF ST. THOMAS MORE AND OUR MINISTRIES.

JUNE 2020 SUNDAY COLLECTION

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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JUNE 28, 2020

Dear parishioners,

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Part of Elisha’s travels takes him through Shunem in northern Israel. Elisha is welcomed into the home of an influential woman. Her influence is more spiritual than social or financial. She has been searching for a real holy man of God. She discovers Elisha. She has found someone who will truly nourish her spiritual hunger. Because of this, she and her husband make a small room for Elisha anytime that he may pass through Shunem. The point: This family doesn’t want to lose any opportunity to listen to God’s word.

Out of her respectful kindness, Elisha would like to thank her in some way. The passage omitted in today’s readings tell of her declining any offer of gain from the king or from an office of the army. She didn’t invite the prophet for worldly gain. However, Elisha offers her what alone God can give. She has no son to provide for her should her aged husband die. Elisha announces that within a year she will have a son. Her desire for spiritual nourishment from the prophet has brought life into her home.

The woman was looking for spiritual nourishment more than anything else. She found this nourishment from the holy prophet Elisha. In our time, we have holy men and women. They can be esteemed authors, well known religious figures or the person next door. Pray this week that God will give us the sight to see the holy people that He has put in our lives. The easier we see them, the more we may be able to seek them for our spiritual development and, like the woman of Shunem, draw ever closer to God.

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