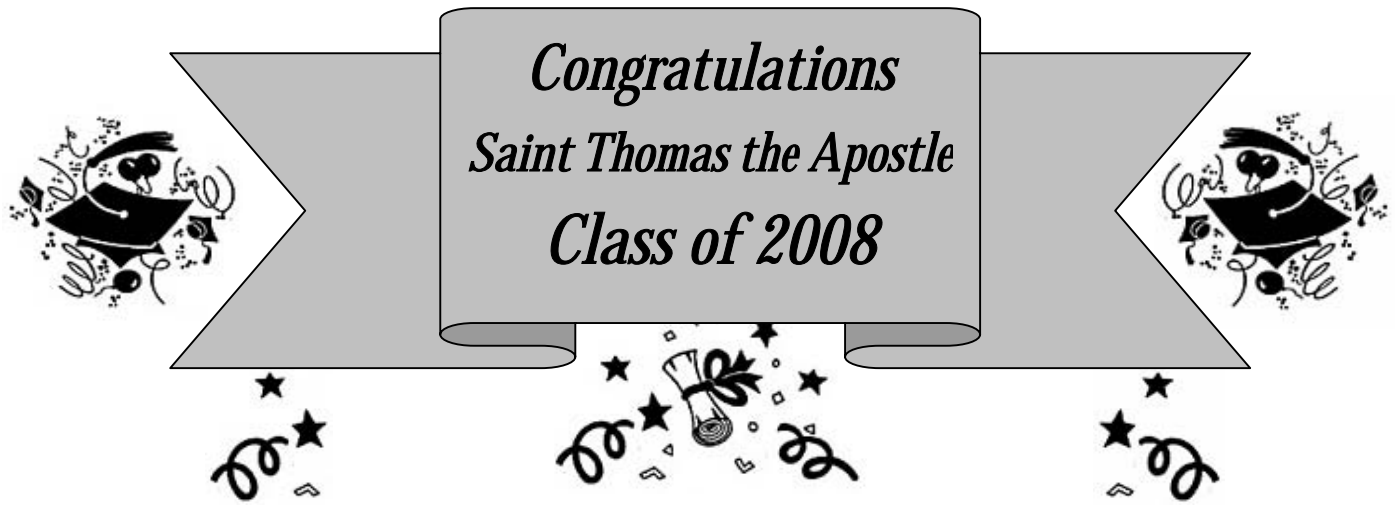


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Congratulations Saint Thomas the Apostle Class of 2008

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Mark Carrione

Andy Cheung

Mykhal Corbitt

John DePinho

Andrew Despotakis

Hannahcrista Elarmo

Sierra Fisher

Alan Gassler

Evan Gerbino

Gina Hassanein

Taylor Ianuzeli

Maura Jones

Daniele Lardiere

Sarah Levine

Nicholas Martinez

Matthew McCreddie

Alexandra McLeod

Caroline Mehra

Kathleen Mulligan

Christopher Nazareno

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Kara Nitkowski

Daniel Perez

Sean Poueymirou

Steven Quinn

Alexander Rogacki

Ryan Sereno

Larry Serquina

Ashley Tumandao

Kevin Vadasserril

Megan Walsh

Kirk Yeo

June 15, 2008

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses for the Week

Sunday, June 15

Saturday, June 14

5:00 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, June 15

7:30 am All Fathers Living and Deceased

9:00 am All Fathers Living and Deceased

10:30 am All Fathers Living and Deceased

12:15 pm All Fathers Living and Deceased

Monday, June 16

7:30 am Gerard Rusillo - Daughter

11:30 am Andrew Molnar (37th Anniv.) - Family

Tuesday, June 17

7:30 am James J. Campbell - Friend

11:30 am John & Mary Walters - Children & Family

Wednesday, June 18

7:30 am Jean Niemi - Friends

11:30 am Francisco & Socorro Yebes - Family

Thursday, June 19

7:30 am Josephine Attalla - Friend

11:30 am Bill Cullen - Friend

Friday, June 20

7:30 am Angelina & Ernest Winters - Family

11:30 am Bill Cullen - Friend

Saturday, June 21

8:30 am Mary O'Hickey - Friend

Sunday, June 22

Saturday, June 21

5:00 pm Mr. & Mrs. Marco Cieri - Brother-in-law

Sunday, June 22

7:30 am For the People of the Parish

9:00 am Bernice Shiel - Friend

10:30 am Janet Besida - Family

12:15 pm Lottie Szajkowski - Family

PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Paul Strickland, Bob Moe,
Nicholas Fasone & Fasone Family

REST IN PEACE

Sr. Lucille Anne Egan, Rev. Edward M. Swierzbinski, Sr.
Frances Winifred Giblin, Ralph DelPizzo

CANDLE INTENTIONS:

Church: Judy, Peter & Ralph Franco

Rectory: Patrick Rusillo

Next Sunday's Readings:

Jeremiah 20:10-13

Romans 5:12-15

Matthew 10:26-33

Happy Father's Day !!

To all our special Dads,
Granddads, Uncles, & Godfathers
from your St. Thomas family.



In today's Gospel, Jesus sends out the disciples to meet the needs of others. His admonition to them is the same challenge he makes to us: "The gift you have received, give as a gift."

HOSPITALITY

Everyone is invited down to the parish center today (Sunday) after the 9:00am and 10:30am Masses for some coffee and delicious snacks. Our hosts will be our Lectors.

Pray For Vocations



"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." Each person in the church universal is bound toward vocations. Today's Gospel reminds us of the duty held by those who do not have a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life: prayer that more young people respond to that blessed call. Christ does not stop calling people when there is a shortage—people stop responding. Prayer to the master of the harvest is one sure point in eliminating this shortage. If you would like to assist in any way—whether your vocation is religious, single or married—volunteers and donors are always need. Contact the Office of Vocations at kellybar@rcan.org or 973.497.4365.



Right to Life

For little children and for their teachers: that a love for life from conception to natural death might fill our schools with Christian hope;

We pray to the Lord



PLEASE NOTE

beginning next Sunday, June 22nd,
our Sunday 12:15 p.m. Mass will b
PERMANENTLY CHANGED
to 12:00 Noon.

Wellness Ministry Cares... Assistance Program

The Wellness Ministry phone line is available Mon-Fri, 9:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Call the Parish Center at 973-338-9190 ext. 20. A return call will be made within 24 hours. A Parish Nurse will provide limited confidential health counseling & referrals to Community health resources & services. Volunteers are available for errands, home visits and phone contacts.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING – This Weekend

Blood pressure screenings will be held this weekend, Saturday, June 14th, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass and Sunday, June 15th, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

This will be the last scheduled blood pressure screening until September.

~ ~ September Club Travel ~ ~

For the perfect get-away, join us at the...
ROCKING HORSE RANCH in Highland, NY



September 22nd through 26th, 2008

Price... \$484.00 DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

For reservations call Diana Del Vecchia 973-338-8545 or Grace Giangrande 973-773-1990.

ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS OF THE WOMEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT TEAM

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

First meeting Monday, June 16th in the parish center - St. James Room 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. for Women's Cornerstone Retreat March 20-21, 2009. We're looking forward to being with you! -Sr. Arleen & Marty Levine

"THIS WEEK"

Monday – 6/16

September Club – 11:30am in St. Peter
Women's Cornerstone Meeting - 7:30pm in St. James
Men's prayer and Bible Study – 7:30pm in St. Matthew

Tuesday – 6/17

Men's Cornerstone Meeting - 7:30pm in St. Peter

Thursday – 6/19

SCC Thursday – 7:00pm in St. Matthew

Friday – 6/20

SCC Friday – 7:00pm in Church

Sunday – 6/22

Father Peter's Farewell Mass & Reception!!

SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL

Accepting registrations for 2008-09 now!



FULL- DAY KINDERGARTEN
Grades Pre-K 3 through 7
Before & After School Programs

Pre-K options include full-day and/or half-day sessions

(Minimum requirement of two sessions per week)

For more information: Phone: 973-338-8505
or Email: staoffice@catholic.org

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Session Dates for Baptism for 2008

CATECHESIS PREPARATION

In the St. James Room in the Parish Center

July 6	1:30pm
Sept 7	1:30pm
Oct 12	1:30pm
Nov 2	1:30pm

BAPTISM CELEBRATIONS FOR 2008

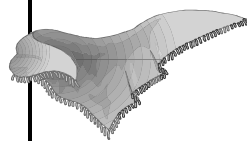
June 29	1:45pm
July 20	1:45pm
Aug 10	1:45pm
Aug 31	1:45pm
September 14	12:15pm
October 26	1:45pm
November 16	1:45pm
December 7	1:45pm

**St. Thomas' Bereavement
LEARNING TO LIVE WITH YOUR LOSS**

June 15, 2008 – 1:30-3:00 p.m.
in the Parish Center

Our theme will be:
A FATHER'S LOVE CANNOT BE MEASURED

The Prayer Shawl Ministry



During this vacation time, let us remember to pray for those making shawls and those who receive them.

Our summer meetings are Sundays June 15th, July 20th & Aug 17th at 1:30 p.m. Also Wed. evening @ 7:30 on Aug 6th. Come join us in this satisfying Ministry. If you need a shawl please call Sr. Arleen @ the Parish Center or Alicia @ 973-473-6633

Visit our website at www.stachurchbloomfield.com

Adventure at the County Fair 2008 Vacation Bible School

This summer, St. Thomas the Apostle Parish will again be offering its very popular Vacation Bible School program. Through storytelling, arts and crafts, music, and play, the children will be introduced to stories from the New Testament. The program this year, Son Harvest County Fair, promises to be exciting for all ages.

KEY INFORMATION:

- Eligibility:** Children ages 4 through 12
Dates: Mon., June 23rd through Fri., June 27th
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Place: St. Thomas the Apostle School
Registration: Pre-registration only. All completed forms (one per child) and the registration fee must be submitted to the Religious Education Office (located in the basement of St. Thomas School) on/before June 6th, 2008. Extra registration forms are available at the Religious Education Office or may be downloaded from our website, www.stachurchbloomfield.com. If your child is coming with a friend and they want to be together, please write a note on the top of the registration form, "My child would like to be with..."
Registration Fee: \$50 per child (includes t-shirt, daily arts & crafts materials and snack). **A \$10 late fee will be charged after June 6th.**
Volunteers: The program is run by volunteers; please sign up for all or part of the week.
Nursery: Provided only for parents working as volunteers in the program.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

CALL THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE (973) 338-7400.
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN JUNE!

Vacation Bible School Registration Form (Please print – one form per child)

CHILD'S NAME: _____
 COMPLETE ADDRESS: _____
 PHONE # : _____ PRESENT GRADE: _____
 DATE OF BIRTH: _____
 EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME: _____
 EMERGENCY CONTACT PHONE: _____
 KNOWN ALLERGIES/MEDICAL CONCERNS: _____

CIRCLE ONE...

T-SHIRT SIZE: **YOUTH S (6-8)** **M (10-12)** **L (14-16)**

PARENTS NAME: _____

1 YES! I AM WILLING TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE CALL ME.

1 SORRY! I AM UNABLE TO VOLUNTEER.

Return form with \$50 non-refundable fee to the Religious Education Office **by June 6th or a \$10 late fee will apply.**

Please make checks payable to **St. Thomas the Apostle**

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel we enter into a section that marks a shift in Matthew's focus. This second discourse centers on Jesus who is preaching to the disciples about his mission.

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Lectionary

■ **GOSPEL:** The center of the readings is found in Matthew's account of the Twelve disciples (all of them being named together for the first time). They are sent by Jesus to expel demons and cure sickness. He gives them detailed instructions about this mission, exhorting them to give the gift that they themselves have received.

■ **FIRST READING:** Moses goes to the top of the mountain, where the Lord once again speaks to him. He is to remind the Israelites of how the Lord saved them from the Egyptians. Further, he is to entreat them to keep the covenant. Then will they be God's dearest possession - a holy nation, a kingdom of priests.

■ **Responsorial PSALM:** The refrain of Psalm 100 sings with joy that we are God's people.

■ **SECOND READING:** The Second Reading is from St. Paul's letter to the Romans. Here we hear the well-known assertion that it is rare enough for anyone to lay down his or her life for a just person. Yet it is precisely in this that God proves his love for us.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY 2008 RETREAT - TIME TO PLAN



Now is a good time for all returning STA retreatants and other interested STA men to plan for our 2008 retreat. This year our retreat is October 24-26, 2008, at San Alfonso, "Where God and Sea Come Together".

The Theme for 2008 is: Matthew Matters - "Keys of Life". Talks will cover; the keys of relationships, the keys for a good confession and the keys for mission.

Sign-up begins in September. The Photo above of HNS Retreatants smiling angelically is from the 2006 retreat.

Ministry of Spiritual Direction



**Summer Directed
Retreat by the Ocean**
Thurs June 26 – Sun June 29 or
Thurs July 3 – Sun July 6

The Upper Room Spiritual Center
West Bangs Ave, Neptune, NJ
Exit 100B off the Garden State Parkway

Come and experience the healing power of
God's unconditional loving presence and the gift
it holds for restoring your sense of well-being.

For information call: Anna Graziano – (973) 338 -9538
Offering -\$225 (Reservations limited)

Pastoral Council

Thank you to Mark Santasieri and Orly Tris for
completing their 3 year term on the Pastoral Council.

The new members of the council are Eileen Conte,
Dominick Ferrara, Jo-Anne Leider, and Mike Pasquale.

Please keep the Pastoral Council in your prayers as we
keep you in ours.

Tom Rossano - Chairperson

**SAVE THE DATE
FOR**

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE'S
SECOND ANNUAL PICNIC CARNIVAL**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th 2 to 7pm

**FOOD-DRINKS-GAMES AND RIDES
WITH A COUPLE OF NEW ATTRACTIONS**

Last year was our first and it was very successful. We
will be tweaking our program to fit all ages. Please
come-it is a great way to celebrate our community
spirit. More announcements to come but for the time
being- have a great summer.

Chair Person, Paul Alongi



THE SUMMER MONTHS ARE AMONG US!
IT'S TIME TO KICK BACK AND RELAX!

THE FOLLOWING MINISTRIES WILL NOT BE MEETING
OVER THE SUMMER. MEETINGS WILL RESUME IN
SEPTEMBER.

- MEN'S PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY - Last Meeting, June 23rd. Next meeting September 8th.
- MINISTRY TO THE SEPARATED, DIVORCED AND WIDOWED - Last meeting, June 13th. Meetings to resume in the fall.

*We welcome into our Community of Faith
With our prayers and good wishes,
Our newly Baptized...*



Hayden Olivia Jaucian Barrett

Parents: Joanne M. (Jaucian) & Shawn A. Barrett

Ava Nicole Brinley

Parents: Julianna L. (Mardo) & Bryan C. Brinley

Landon Joseph Cupoli

Parents: Elizabeth (Archetti) & Todd R. Cupoli

Gianluca Morello

Parents: Daniela (Lisnic) & Paul Morello

3 For 1 Scholarship Fund Drive

June 28 and June 29

Sponsored by the Saint Thomas the Apostle
Respect Life Committee

To benefit The Children of the Roman Catholic
Mission Turks Caicos Islands Holy Family Academy

The Catholic Church in the Turks & Caicos Islands;
established and staffed by the Archdiocese of Newark.
It's mission is to bring the Word of God to the more than
5000 Catholics living in the islands.

**A CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN THE
TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS**

A Scholarship Fund has been set up to assist families in
need to register their children at HOLY FAMILY
ACADEMY. The cost to sponsor one child is \$ 2,850. The
local government guarantees the sponsorship of two
children at the school for each child that the Catholic
School is able to secure. It is our hope that Holy Family
Academy will benefit local children and their families with
a high level of education.

Thank you for your generous response to
our 2007 Fund Drive.

**MASS & HEALING SERVICE at
St. Peter's R. C. Church
155 William's St., Belleville, NJ**

**Saturday, June 21, 2008 at 11:00 a.m.
CELEBRANT: Rev. John F. Campoli, I.V. DEI**

Fr. Campoli, a member of Institute Voluntas Dei, has conducted Healing Services, Missions and retreats around the world. During the Healing Service, Fr. John will lead us in prayer for healing in mind, body and spirit. This experience affords us a time for united prayer for God's blessings for ourselves as well as for our loved ones.

**DON BOSCO PREPARATORY
HIGH SCHOOL**

2008 Ironman Football, Basketball, Baseball, and Lacrosse Camps to be held throughout the summer.

Ironman Football Academy for boys ages 7-18.

- Three sessions: June 24-27, June 30- July 3, July 7-10 (DBP Freshmen)

Ironman Basketball Camp for boys grades 2-9.

- Three sessions: July 7-11, July 14-18, July 21-25

Vision Lacrosse Camp for boys ages 7-18.

- Three sessions: July 21-25, July 28-Aug 1, Aug 4-8

Ironman Baseball Camp for boys ages 9-14.

- One session: July 14-17

For more information, please call during the daytime, 201-327-8003, ext. 104 or evenings, 201-444-9497 for football; 201-722-0885 for basketball; 201-925-4255 for lacrosse and 201-384-6418 for baseball.

Lacordaire Academy hosts Alumni Event



Lacordaire Academy is hosting Cocktails, Camaraderie and Catching Up" for its Elementary Alumni & Secondary Alumnae 6:00 PM, Thursday, June 19th at the Upper Montclair Country Club, 177 Hepburn Rd, Clifton. Reservations are \$30 per person.

Mingle with class-mates, faculty and new Head of School, Brian Morgan. Share memories and learn about the exciting new happenings at the Academy. For more information, contact the Advancement Office at LacoAcad@aol.com, 973-744-1156 x 27 or visit the web at www.lacordaire.net.

Rutgers University-Newark will be running its 17th annual Summer BASKETBALL Program for children ages 7-17.



The program is July 14-18, July 28-August 1, & August 4-8, 2008 from 8:30 to 3:30pm. The cost for one week is only \$150. Discount rates if you attend two or three weeks. For more information / brochure call Joe Loughran at 973-353-1483.



**ANY ADVERTISEMENTS
FOR THE JULY 6TH BULLETIN MUST
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10:30 A.M. FRIDAY, JUNE 27th**

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Praise, Worship, Inspirational Speakers,
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Sunday-Tuesday June 22-24

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This year's guest speakers: with special sharings on Forgiveness & Healing.

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- Richard Lane Catholic Convert, radio talk show host and lay evangelist. Son of NFL legend Dick "Night Train" Lane, focuses on reconciliation & healing to those fallen away from the church. Fr. Bill Halbing Exciting & dynamic speaker, Pastor of St. Antoninus Church, Newark, NJ
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