

St. Thomas the Apostle Roman Catholic Church

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Rev. Thomas F. Blind, M. Div., In Residence

PERMANENT DEACONS:

Deacon Albert H. Tizzano • Deacon Dennis J. Besida • Deacon Thomas J. Coyle

EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY

Saturday Eve: 5:00pm

Sundays: 7:30, 9:00,
10:30am & 12:00 Noon

Weekdays: 7:30, & 11:30am

Saturday Mornings: 8:30am Only

Holy Days:
7:30, 11:30am & 7:30pm

Holidays: 8:30am Only

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE FOR
ELEMENTARY CATECHETICS:

Tracey Rennie

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE
FOR PARISH MINISTRY:
Sister Arleen Crimmins, O.P.

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL:
Ms. Joan Ferraer

DIRECTOR OF LITURGICAL
MUSIC MINISTRIES:
Nancy A. Cardone

ASSISTANT LITURGICAL
MUSIC MINISTERS:
Kimberley Mesiti

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE FOR FAMILY
& ADULT FORMATION MINISTRIES:
Robert P. Miller

COORDINATOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY:
Mr. Timothy Dennin

PASTORAL COUNCIL:
Eileen Conte, Chairperson
Jean Barbetta, Vice Chairperson
Michael Pasquale, Secretary

FINANCE CHAIRMEN:
Peter Maulbeck, Finance Council
Patrick DeCotiis, Finance Committee

SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION:
(Penance/Confessions)
Saturday: 11:00am

MARIAN
DEVOTIONS:
Mondays
Novena Prayer
11:30am Mass

LITURGY OF
THE WORD
WITH CHILDREN:
Sundays: 10:30am Mass
September - June

CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY
SERVICES
OFFERING SOCIAL
SERVICE ASSISTANCE
1(800) CCS-7413
Fax: 596-3735

November 7, 2010 . 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses for the Week

Sunday, November 7

Saturday, November 6

5:00 pm Josephine Battista (18th Anniv.) – Daughter

Sunday, November 7

7:30 am For the Faithful Departed

9:00 am Claudette Westerfield – Daughter

10:30 am Walter Krebs – Sister-in-law

12:00 pm Beatriz Londono – Family

Monday, November 8

7:30 am Emilio P. Del Guercio – Friend

11:30 am For the Faithful Departed

Tuesday, November 9

7:30 am For the Faithful Departed

11:30 am John P. & Mary Healy – Family

Wednesday, November 10

7:30 am Jose Guerreiro Barroso – Friend

11:30 am For the Faithful Departed

Thursday, November 11

7:30 am Geraldine Guarino – Friends

11:30 am Phyllis Freed – Friend

Friday, November 12

7:30 am Juan Aggabao, Jr. – Family

11:30 am Lena Porsello – Family

Saturday, November 13

8:30 am Maria De Rogatis – Daughter

Sunday, November 14

Saturday, November 13

5:00 pm Cathy Lacognata – Friend

Sunday, November 14

7:30 am Marguerite R. Winans – Family

9:00 am Anna & Charles Sarno – Granddaughter

10:30 am For the People of the Parish

12:00 pm Julius Morthier (20th Anniv.) – Family

PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

John Babula, Lola Raimo, Ricardo David,
Marian Palagano, Lois Cunningham, Barbara Savage,
Delainy Kurbyla-Cell, John Mc Govern,
Rafaela Petallar, Robert Colucci

REST IN PEACE:

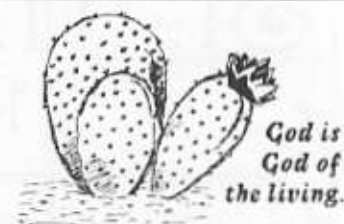
Richard Castillo, John McCrea, Ronald D. Ricca, Sr.

CANDLE INTENTIONS:

Church: Gregory Bowlby

Convent: Joseph Morici

*32nd Sunday
in Ordinary Time*



Eucharist recalls the past, celebrates Christ's presence, and looks to the future; Resurrection faith grants us in the present a share in the risen life of Christ.

FIRST READING: The eloquent testimony of these martyrs, slain in the presence of their mother, challenges the varied and crafty ways in which we rationalize away the demands of our faith. At times, we might fail to see the way in which seemingly peripheral aspects of faith might help to guard and preserve the core of our faith in God.

RESPONSORIAL: In Psalm 16 the Church proclaims her faith in the Resurrection, a testimony to God's fidelity in awakening the just from the sleep of death.

SECOND READING: Paul's prayer for the Thessalonians and his request for their prayer for him illustrate his profound trust in God's fidelity in providing what is good to those who call upon him, and in the blessings of Christian fellowship. Mutual prayer for one another's good opens the hearts of all to God and to each other.

GOSPEL: Jesus acknowledges before skeptics his faith in the Resurrection and in angels. Life in the Resurrection is portrayed as a spiritualized existence in which the blessings of earthly existence, such as marriage, give way to blessings beyond our present imagining.

VETERANS DAY November 11, 2010



VETERANS DAY

"Dear Lord Jesus Christ, those whom we honor today are examples of your words:

*"Greater love than this no one has:
that he lay down his life for his friends."*

They gave up their lives in the defense of freedom for their loved ones and their country.

Teach me to appreciate the virtue of patriotism -- a true and Christian love of country. Let me love my country, not to follow it blindly but to make it the land of goodness that it should be. Let my patriotism be such that it will not exclude the other nations of the world, but include them in a powerful love of country that has room for all others too." St. Joseph People's Prayer Book

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS!!!

IMPORTANT MEETING TO BE HELD!

ANNUAL FINANCIAL FORUM

"THE FINANCIAL STATE OF THE PARISH"

This forum is for the Parish Community to come together to discuss the present financial situation that was explained in the Parish Bulletin and at all the Masses on October 24/25.

BRING YOUR QUESTIONS, THOUGHTS, IDEAS, COMMENTS, OR JUST COME TO BE INFORMED

It is important that we all attend this meeting both to educate ourselves, but also, to continue the process of improving the parish's financial well being.

YOUR INPUT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO THE FUTURE OF THIS COMMUNITY

PLEASE MAKE THIS GATHERING A PRIORITY!!!

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11 @ 7:30 pm

St Peter's Room in the Parish Center

SCHOOL, RELIGIOUS ED & SACRAMENTS



*St. Thomas the Apostle School
invites you to join us at our*

24th Annual Fall Event- Beefsteak!!!

*Saturday, November 13, 2010 @ 6:30pm
in Herron Hall*

Our Beefsteak will be catered by *Nightingale's*

*And NEW this year for all to enjoy,
a Cigar Tent*



(The cigar tent will be located behind the school,
at least 25 ft away, rain or shine it is a smoke
free facility, so remember no smoking inside!!!)

*Dance to the music by Ultimate
Entertainment RFLLC*



Tickets are \$35 per person.

***Advanced reservations only!! This event is open to
adults only. Feel free to bring your own beverage!***

Yes I would like to attend STA's 24th Annual Fall Event!

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

I prefer to sit with: _____

____ I would also like to purchase ____ (# of tickets) @ \$35.00
each for a total cost of \$_____

Please return reservation to St. Thomas the Apostle School
no later than November 10th.

Any questions, please email: jake_lina2@yahoo.com

Please make check or money order payable to STA Home and
School Association

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL WILL BE COLLECTING BOX
TOPS FOR EDUCATION AND LABELS FOR EDUCATION. PLEASE
DROP OFF THEM OFF IN THE "BOXTOPS" BOX LOCATED AT THE
BACK OF THE CHURCH



Dear St. Thomas the Apostle Parishioners:

St. Thomas the Apostle School will have the opportunity
to earn cash through Stop&Shop A+ School Rewards
Program.

All you have to do is log on to www.stopandshop.com/aplus
to register online or Dial 1-877-275-2758 to register your
card over the phone

After you register your card, each shopping trip at
Stop&Shop using your Stop&Shop Card earns CASH for
our school each month through March 25, 2011!!! The
amount of CASH awarded will be updated on the
Stop&Shop website. You can track the amount of points
you earn for our school by checking your grocery receipt
and online when you create an account at
stopandshop.com. Our school will receive a check at the
end of the program which can be used for any of our
school's educational needs.

Please be sure to register your card to benefit **St. Thomas
the Apostle School** using ID # 08625.

Session Dates for Baptism 2010

CATECHESIS PREPARATION

St. Thomas Room in the Parish Center
December 5 1:00 p.m.

BAPTISM CELEBRATIONS

November 21 1:30 p.m.
December 12 1:30 p.m.

STA SOCIETIES, MINISTRIES & EVENTS

"THIS WEEK"

Monday – 11/8

September Club - 11:30am in St. Peter

Wednesday – 11/10

SCC Wednesday/Thursday – 7:00pm in St. Andrew

Thursday – 11/11

Financial Forum – 7:30pm in St. Peter

Friday – 11/12

SCC Friday – 6:30pm in St. Peter

Adult Education Events

MARIAN CONFERENCE

St. Thomas the Apostle will hold a Conference on Saturday, December 4th from 9:30 a.m. to Noon. The topic, **Mary: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow**, will be presented by Maura Hearnden, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Theology at DeSales University. Subject matter includes Mary's role in Salvation History, her role in our prayer life, and Marian dogmas. For more information or to register call Bob Miller at 973.338.9190 x131. A suggested offering of \$15 payable at the door is appreciated.

Please Register:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Wellness Ministry Cares... Assistance Program

The Wellness Ministry phone line is available Mon-Fri, 9am to 8pm. Call the Parish Center **973-338-9190 ext. 120**. 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.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

The main source of operating funds for St. Thomas the Apostle Parish is our weekly offertory contribution. To assist us in being good stewards of God's gift of treasure, our contribution from last weekend is compared below to the amount we need this week to meet our budget. You may have noticed this amount will vary. This is because our budget varies by season, just as yours does.

Collection October 31 18,066

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Want to skip writing checks to St. Thomas each week? Sign up for our electronic giving program. Once a month your gift to the parish is automatically charged to your designated credit or debit card. It's convenient and secure. Call the parish center to request information.



Support St. Thomas' Annual Christmas Concert



Dear Parishioners and Friends:

For the last 15 years our church has been blessed to have an outstanding traditional concert. All have enjoyed the fine musical work of the Garden State Concert Band and their guest vocalists.

We have set it for Saturday, December 11, 2010, 7PM with reception following. To achieve this objective we need to have a Souvenir Program Journal that will raise the necessary funds. Please see the form below and make your contribution check to St. Thomas the Apostle.

Thank you,
PAUL ALONGI

Be a Sponsor for the St. Thomas the Apostle

Annual Christmas Concert & Reception Saturday, December 11, 2010 – 7PM

Featuring the Garden State Concert Band
And guest narrator Father Charles Miller

How – Contribute to the Souvenir Program Journal

- Back Cover - \$400.00
- Inside Back Cover - \$200.00
- Gold Page - \$150.00
- Inside Front Cover - \$200.00
- Full Page - \$100.00
- Half Page - \$75.00
- Quarter Page - \$50.00
- Listing of Name Page - \$25.00

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

I want to contribute _____ for _____ page
or \$25.00 for a name listing.

Make all returns with copy to
Paul Alongi, 21 Leo Terrace, Bloomfield, NJ 07003,
973-338-4665 or to the Parish Center.

JOB SEEKERS GROUP

Don't let your job search get you down. St. Thomas's Work Ministry offers a free, comfortable place to find support, ideas, and inspiration.

We meet on the first and third Thursdays of every month at 7:30 in the Parish Center. Keep checking the bulletin for our programs geared to help in your job search. All are welcome to join us if you are looking for a job or need a person to fill a position. For more info, send an e-mail to workministry@stachurchbloomfield.com

**ROSARY SOCIETY
DECEASED MEMBERS' MASS & MEETING**



We will celebrate Mass for our deceased members on Monday, Nov. 8th at 7:00 p.m. in Church with our meeting immediately after. Please join us at this time. Thank you. Any questions, please call Rosalie Mescall at 973-893-8186.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP NEWS

MEETINGS EVERY SUNDAY NIGHT IN THE PARISH CENTER FROM 7-9PM. ALL HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH ARE WELCOME

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT TIM DENNIN AT tdennin@live.com



RIGHT TO LIFE

For our nation: That our elected officials will be firmly committed to defending all human life, the sanctity of marriage, rights of conscience, and the common good;
We pray to the Lord



The Saint Thomas the Apostle Rosary Confraternity is sponsoring the

Annual Advent Giving Tree

- Gift Tags will be available the weekend of November 20th/21st.
- All gifts must be returned no later than the weekend of December 4th/5th. **
- Please do not wrap gifts – place items in gift bags or plastic bags.
- Original gift tags must be attached to the bags.
- Gift cards (with the gift tag attached) should be placed in the collection basket.

**We have received requests for donations from over 12 local organizations this season. The organizations have requested early pick-up dates in order to prepare for delivery to families and Christmas celebrations. We appreciate your spirit of generosity and look forward to another successful year.



An Extraordinary Evening with Paul And the Potter

**The St. Thomas the Apostle Youth Group
Is pleased to present**

Paul Tate and Ray Boswell

**Sunday Evening November 21st
At 7PM in our church.**

Join us for this final evening of Ordinary Time as we prepare our hearts and minds for the Season of Advent.

Come and enjoy an evening of Music and Inspiration. All are Welcome

The Men of Cornerstone invite you to join them after all of the Masses on November 20 and 21 for...Cider, Coffee, donuts and plain old HOSPITALITY. Reminder - Paul Tate, world renowned singer will be at all of the Masses that weekend to enhance our spiritual journey as we prepare for advent.

REGISTRATION FOR ST. THOMAS PARISH

Did you know



If you are presently not on our mailing list, receiving envelopes and the various parish mailings, the chances are that you are not a registered member of our parish. You are not automatically a registered member because you were married here or even if you were brought up here and lived in the parish with your parents or went to school here. Membership is by formal registration only. Just call the Parish Center at (973) 338-9190 and let us know that you wish to register and the registration form will be mailed to you. Thank you.



**JUNIPERO SERRA
ANNUAL
COMMUNION BREAKFAST**

The St. Thomas Holy Name Society will join Serra Inter-national District 22 for a vocation communion breakfast on **Sunday, Nov. 14** at Seton Hall Student Center Chancellor's Suite (after mass)

SPEAKER: Father Mariusz Eugene R. Koch, CFR
Former Vocation Director of Newark Archdiocese
MASTER OF CEREMONIES: Father John Gabriel
Current Vocation Director of Newark Archdiocese

ALL ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THIS FABULOUS MEAL FEATURING INTERESTING TALKS CENTERED ON SPIRITUAL GROWTH.

Mass is optional: Either at St. Thomas with Holy Name members (to be announced later) or Our Lady of Sorrows Church, 217 Prospect Ave., S. Orange, at 11am.

Cost is \$25.00 per adult or \$15.00 for Students
Children under 12 years of age \$12.00

Call John Rennie at 973-338-4615 for reservations.

MINISTRY OF SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

**Before the Holidays Begin
DAY RETREAT**

**Saturday November 13, 2010
9:00am - 3:00pm**

Though the holidays bring many graces and blessings they often bring pressure, disappointment and anxiety for many of us.

Come this day and prepare your heart and attitude to celebrate the holidays as well as every day.



**Presentations & Prayer
Quiet Reflection
Group Spiritual Direction
Healing Prayer Service**

"May the God of peace preserve you whole and entire body, mind & spirit." (1Thess 5:23)

Coffee & bagels, etc Anna - (973) 338-9538
Please bag a Lunch Offering \$20
Please Register Helpful by Nov 11

<http://www.stachurchbloomfield.com/ministries/spiritualdirection/>



Moving? Please let us know.

Within the parish - to update new address
Out of parish - to discontinue mailings

Call the Parish Center at (973) 338-9190

Rev. Michael Joseph Kreder



**25th Anniversary
of Priestly Ordination
November 16, 1985**

With praise and thanks to Almighty God for all His graces and countless gifts - especially His call to those He wishes to share in His Son's One True Priesthood, we rejoice in the 25th Anniversary of the Ordination of Reverend Michael Joseph Kreder Pastor of the Church of Saint Mary and ask the Lord to bless him and all who assisted, supported and enabled him to reach his Silver Jubilee of Priestly Service in Word and Sacrament.

Father Mike and the Parish Community of Saint Mary would be honored by your presence at a special Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving which will be offered at two-thirty in the afternoon on Sunday, November 21, 2010 the Solemnity of Jesus Christ our King.

*A luncheon reception will follow the Mass at the parish. R.S.V.P. By November 10, 2010
rcansmr@aol.com 201-438-2200 ext. 111*

ST. VINCENT'S NURSING HOME AUXILIARY

Presents

SLEIGH BELL IN PARIS

TUESDAY, DEC. 2, 2010

A Luncheon & Fashion Production
Mayfair Farms, West Orange, NJ

RESERVATION: \$50 PER PERSON

So, grab your passport & head for Sleigh Bell in Paris! A Gift & Jewelry Boutique with the latest from NY wholesaler opens at 10 am. Luncheon follows at noon, culminating in a musical Fashion Production with this year's theme "Happy Together".

Event proceeds help to continue the Auxiliary's Mission to enhance the lives of the residents of St. Vincent's Nursing Home, Cedar Grove, NJ. This is accomplished by the Auxiliary funding opportunities for the residents to go on field trips, shopping excursions, restaurant trips, as well as providing grants for social events, enrichment activities & relaxation programs, even a harpist & massage therapy!

The deadline for reservations is November 18.
Please call Patricia Braum at 973-744-4619.