

# St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Community

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 AM-4:30 PM



**23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## HEALED

He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"—that is, "Be opened!" - Mk 7:33b-34

El lo apartó a un lado de la gente, le metió los dedos en los oídos y le tocó la lengua con saliva. Después, mirando al cielo, suspiró y le dijo: "¡Effetá!" (que quiere decir "¡Abrete!"). - Mc 7, 33-34

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The office will be closed  
**Monday, September 6th,**  
in recognition of Labor Day.

### Mass

Thursday, 8:00 AM  
Enter at canopy, door 3.

Saturday, 4:30 PM  
Sundays, 8:00 & 10:00 AM  
Sundays, 1:00 PM—Spanish

### Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:45 PM

### Please visit

the St. Thomas Website at  
[stthomasnewton.org](http://stthomasnewton.org)

or

Facebook at

St Thomas the Apostle Catholic Community  
&  
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### **Mission Statement**

**St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Community exists to be a vibrant faith-filled community, proclaiming with our lives that God is deeply in love with us. Through open hearts, meaningful worship and compassionate service, we model the Spirit of Christ in the world today.**

**September 5th, 2021/5 de Septiembre de 2021**

## Catholic Teaching on Labor

**Question:** As we celebrate Labor Day, can you tell me about Catholic teaching regarding labor?

**Answer:** One of the most important principles of Catholic social teaching is the dignity of work and the rights of workers. Four encyclicals address this foundational social teaching: *Rerum Novarum* (1891) by Leo XIII, *Quadragesimo Anno* (1931) by Pius XI, *Laborem Exercens* (1981), and *Centesimus Annus* (1991) by John Paul II. They address both the theology and dignity of work. In Genesis, God takes the initiative in creating the world, calling forth human beings to be faithful stewards of creation. We are thus formed to share in God's continuing creative activity by partnering with God in finishing the world and helping bring it to completion and fulfillment. From this perspective, work can be spiritually understood in terms of sharing in God's ongoing activity to build, create, and transform the world. Human beings are co-creators with God. This vocation demands self-discipline.

Besides an exercise in self-discipline, work is also the means by which we develop and fulfill ourselves. In work, we shape the world and our environment. Through work, we also shape ourselves. Pope John Paul II summarized this point in *Laborem Exercens* #6, "the value of work is not primarily the kind of work being done, but the fact that the one who is doing it is a person."

Labor Day offers an excellent opportunity to reflect on how we view work in light of our Catholic social teaching.

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## Outdoor Mass Celebration

**Wednesday, September 8th**

at

Mary, Queen of Our Hearts Chapel in Steinthal near Kiel.



In honor of Our Blessed Mother's Feast Day

Rosary begins at **11:00 AM.**

Mass begins at **11:20 AM.**

Please bring a lawn chair.

For questions or more information, call Mary Ann Ristow at 920-894-2107.

## Mass Intentions

**Thursday, September 9th**

8:00 a.m. Elaine Leschke

**Saturday, September 11th**

4:30 p.m. Donald Driscoll

**Sunday, September 12th**

8:00 a.m. John Miller

10:00 a.m. Marvin & Darlene Gries

## Reverse Collection



Beginning next Sunday, the September/October **Reverse**

**Collection** will go to the **Salvation Army**. Collection barrels are found in the corner of the gathering space. Thank you for continuing to share of your blessings to help others in our community.

## Second Collection

In response to the recent earthquake in Haiti, there will be a second collection next weekend, September 11th & 12th, to be sent to the USCCB Bishop's Emergency Disaster Fund. Thank you for sharing as you are able.

## Cemetery Fall Cleanup

Cemetery fall cleanup begins October 15th, so please be sure to have any savable items removed from the sites before then. Winter décor may be placed as of November 15th.

## Homebound, Sick, or Elderly...

For a minister of care to bring Eucharist to your home, please call the parish office (726-4228) or refer to the information below. Sunday Communion Minister for the homebound for the week of

- September 12th is Sean O'Fallon at 920-323-4291.
  - September 19th is Patti Schneider at 920-758-2774.
- Ministers, don't forget to check in before the Mass you attend to receive a blessing before leaving to minister to others.


## Christian Women, Return!

**September 13th**

Join us for our first meeting back together again! Pot luck lunch begins at **11:30 a.m.**

See you there!



Funds received the week of August 22nd...		Scrip News
Weekly Budget/Tithe	\$7,800	<b>Scrip Profit...</b> for the week ending 8/22/2021 was \$458.71.  Thinking about some Fall gardening? Why not plan ahead and use Scrip to purchase your Fall flowers and Autumn decorations? Check out the Scrip list of vendors for the greenhouses and stores you regularly shop!
Tithing/Sacrificial Giving	\$4,892	
Difference Between Budgeted & Actual	<b>\$2,908</b>	
Offertory	\$430	
Unrestricted Our Own Needs	\$60	
Our Own Needs 2nd Collection	\$175	
Unrestricted Donations	\$215	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,772</b>	
Capital Improvements	\$95	
Stole Fees	\$20	
Memorials	\$55	
Bulletin Rebate	\$500	
Missionary Coop Plan	\$235	

*Thank you for continuing to support our generous vendors and your parish family!*

**Bulletin Minutes:**

The Finance Council met on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at 6:00 pm. Linda Dassler led us in prayer. The minutes from June were approved as emailed. The June Financial Report was reviewed and discussed. Laurie Jonasen reconciled the bank statements. All is fine. We received an update on the Roncalli Catholic Schools Capital Campaign. The roof project including new gutters with leafguard is scheduled to start on or about August 23. The parking lot project is awaiting quotes. Father Dave is looking for 2 additional members for the Finance Council. We do have someone with a new lawn-mowing business taking care of St. Isidore and St. Wendel cemeteries. No decision on a picnic in 2022 has been made. The Religious Education Endowment fund earned enough money to allow the use of some of the earnings. Likewise, the Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund has finally met and exceeded the state required level of funding, allowing some of the excess earnings to be earmarked for monument and base repairs as long as the Diocese approves the withdrawal of funds. This was referred to the Cemetery Committee. The Finance Council's next meeting will be Thursday, September 16, 2021 at 6:00 PM.

Dear St. Thomas the Apostle,

Thank you so much for welcoming Sisters Karen and Sunita to St. Thomas for the Mission Appeals. We very much appreciate your hospitality and warm welcome. Peace to you all.

Sister Kathy, SSSF Mission Advancement

# CALENDAR EVENTS

**SEPTEMBER**

6th-Office Closed for Labor Day

7th-Cleaning Day  
7:00 PM Men's Bible Study

8th-6:15 PM Parent Meeting

9th-8:00 AM Mass  
6:30 PM Pastoral Council

13th-Cleaning Day  
11:30 AM Christian Women Meeting (with lunch)  
6:30 PM Choir Practice

14th-10:00 AM Bible Study

15th-6:15 PM Grades 1-5

16th-8:00 AM Mass  
6:00 PM Finance Council

19th-9:00 AM Confirmation Class

20th-Cleaning Day

21st-10:00 AM Bible Study  
7:00 PM Men's Bible Study

22nd-6:15 PM Grades 6-9

23rd-8:00 AM Mass

26th-9:00 AM Confirmation Class

27th-Cleaning Day

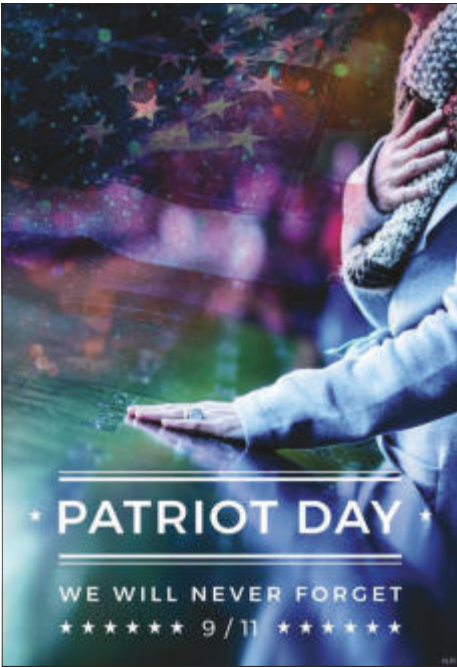
28th-10:00 AM Bible Study

29th-6:15 PM Grades 1-5

30th-8:00 AM Mass

**OCTOBER**

2nd-Laque/Gilcrest Wedding



**Welcome,  
Lipski Family,  
to  
the St. Thomas Family!**

**We are so  
glad you are here!**



**Save the Date!**

for the next  
**St. Thomas the Apostle Blood Drive**  
Saturday, October 9th  
7:30 AM-11:30 AM

Signups are already open at [https://donate.wisconsin.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/207516](https://donate.wisconsin.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/207516)

Plan ahead and make your appointment today!

Question: "I just had a COVID vaccine. Am I still able to donate blood?"

Answer: Individuals who have received the COVID-19 vaccine must wait two days to donate blood or platelets. Vaccination day is "Day Zero", so for example, if they get vaccinated on Monday, they have to wait until Thursday (Monday – 0; Tuesday, Day 1; Wednesday – Day 2; Thursday – Cleared to donate.)

**It's that time again, and snow removal volunteers are needed!**

We are planning ahead seeing the seasons change quickly. If you are able and willing to help out with snow removal at St. Thomas during the winter months, please let Father Dave or Vickie know. The more

people willing to help, the less burden on a few. Please consider sharing your time on a **rotational basis.**



**Liturgical Ministry Schedule  
September 11th & 12th**

	4:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
<b>Server(s)</b>	Hannah Dvorak Ella Grotegut	Halleigh Wallander Bob Wallander	Vic Frauenfeld
<b>Hospitality</b>	Mark Heinzen Debbie Heinzen Laurie Jonasen	Dale Barnes Jan Larson Brandy Wallander	Jeanne Koch Karl Koch Ryan Jacques Hillary Jacques
<b>Cross Bearer</b>	Laurie Jonasen	David Backhaus	Ryan Fischer
<b>Proclaimers</b>	Barb Backus Joe Janowski	Ann Hansen Annette Backhaus	Dale Birenbaum Patti Bertsche
<b>Sacristan</b>	Kris Shoop	Joann Otte	Joan Fessler/Vickie

## Bible Study...What Does It Mean to Be Chosen?

Held in the St. Thomas the Apostle  
Social Hall  
Tuesdays  
Sept. 14—Nov. 9

10:00-11:30 a.m.

Textbook: *What Does It Mean to Be Chosen?: An Interactive Bible Study Volume One* by Amanda Jenkins ISBN#: 08307882680  
Order on Amazon.com or any other site.



Contact Pam Fischer at 920-726-4228 or [pfischer7662@gmail.com](mailto:pfischer7662@gmail.com) for more information.

## ITS NEVER TOO LATE!

Here's an opportunity for ALL adults with a desire to be confirmed in the Holy Spirit **or** even for those already confirmed and wishing to learn more. Father Dave will lead participants through the *Four Pillars of the Catholic Catechism*.  
(Creed, Sacraments, Morality, & Prayer)



October 6, 13, 20, 27  
&  
November 3

6:15 PM-7:45 PM

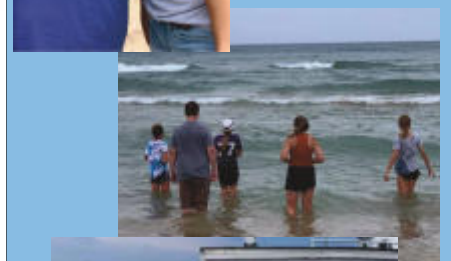
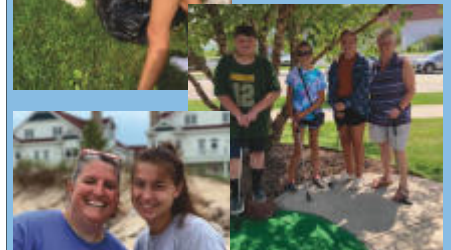
Register today by contacting Pam Fischer at 920-726-4228 or [pfischer7662@gmail.com](mailto:pfischer7662@gmail.com)

## St. Thomas the Apostle OTIS Youth Group

Did you know...that an average pencil has enough lead to draw a line 35 miles long or write 45,000 words?

God bless you all as you go back to school. Stay tuned for the Fall schedule!

OTIS is an acronym for **Optimistic Teens Improving Society** and is St. Thomas the Apostle's youth group. We would love for you to join us if you are in grades 6 through 12!



Service \* Reflection & Worship \* Fun

**PUZZLE:** Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

GALILEE	TOUCH	SPIT
DEAF	FINGERS	TONGUE
TALK	EARS	AMAZED



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### 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1: Isaiah 35: 4-7a  
Reading 2: James 2: 1-5  
Gospel: Mark 7: 31-37

When has your faith in Jesus enabled you to speak out on an issue of importance?

### 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1: Isaiah 50: 4-9a  
Reading 2: James 2: 14-18  
Gospel: Mark 8: 27-35

Why should faith always lead to good works?

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J	K	S	P	I	T	S	A	U	I
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### Elegir la sordera

Si eres padre, sabes que las evaluaciones auditivas generalmente se realizan en el examen físico anual de un niño comenzando alrededor de los cuatro años. La personita se sube a la mesa de examen, se le coloca un par de auriculares especiales, y luego deben levantar la mano cuando escuchan un sonido.

Apuesto a que todos los padres que nos hemos sometido a una de estas pruebas con un niño en edad preescolar, especialmente uno de voluntad fuerte, hemos experimentado un momento en el que nos preguntamos: ¿Me pregunto si hay algo mal en su audición? ¿Es por eso por lo que ella no me escucha? "Ven aquí, ponte los zapatos, recoge tus juguetes, termina tus zanahorias, no toques eso", ella no está siendo traviesa, ¡simplemente no puede oírlo!

Y luego ese momento, para aquellos de nosotros cuyos hijos pasaron la prueba de audición con gran éxito, se derrumbó en la realización de que, sí, pueden escuchar muy bien. Simplemente eligen la sordera.

Pero ¿cómo podemos realmente enojarnos cuando recordamos que le hacemos lo mismo a Dios todos los días? A menudo me pregunto si Dios, sentado en Su Cielo, se cansa de llamarnos de la misma manera que los padres jóvenes se cansan de dar instrucciones desatendidas a sus hijos pequeños. Ayuda a esa persona. Oye mi voz. Abre tu corazón. Entrégate de ti mismo aquí. Háblame.

¿Cuál es el llamado que Él desea que escuches hoy? ¿Puedes oírlo? ¿Estas escuchando? - Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS © LPi

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