

Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

July 9, 2017/14th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

PASTOR'S CORNER

In the Gospel this weekend we hear another parable about someone sowing seeds. In last week's, it was about seed that never came to maturity, for various different reasons. In this week's, it's about bad seed mixed in with the good. After the true farmer sows good seed, his enemy walks through his field at night



and sows bad—the result being that they grow up alongside each other—the weeds (or tares) being camouflaged until it's too late. The servants of the Lord of the harvest ask if they should go out and pull up the weeds, but the Lord wisely cautions against it: they will pull up many good stalks of wheat along with the bad if they do. So wait, and at the harvest they can be separated. And in his explanation Jesus explains that the enemy is the devil, who deliberately sabotages, or attempts to sabotage, the good that God intends to bring about. He can't plant good wheat, for he hasn't the power to give life, but he is a counterfeiter and can fool some of the people some of the time. So, in this age, the good are mixed in with the bad, and Jesus says that this is not outside of God's providence. Most of us are like the eager farmhands who want to go and start ripping up the weeds, not minding if we pull a few stalks of wheat. We secretly hope for the destruction of the evil and perhaps our own personal enemies—never thinking for a moment that in asking God to punish the evil now, we might just be asking for punishment on ourselves. God has something better in mind: the perfecting of the good by having them tested and strengthened through struggle. And giving evil people a chance to repent. For his power is shown more by drawing us away from sin to new life in him than by punishment.

—Fr. Peter

NEW SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Beginning in August
Saturday 5:00 p.m. (same)
Sunday 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.

SAVE THE DATE:

Sunday, August 13, 2017, 11:00 AM
Mass with Bishop Frederick Campbell



*to welcome Fr. Jan Sullivan as pastor of
St. Thomas Aquinas
and bid farewell to the
Dominican friars*

Contemplating the Mass A Conference at St. Therese's Retreat Center Thursday, August 24, 2017

Want to get more out of your Sunday (and weekday) attendance at Mass? Here's your chance. Fr. Dan Dury, pastor of St. Catharine of Siena parish in Bexley, will be giving a talk at the Catholic Laywomen's Retreat League's third annual Evening of Reflection Thursday, August 24, 2017 from 6-9 p.m.

Held at St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad Street in Columbus, this presentation will consist of two conferences by Fr. Dury, before and after a prime rib dinner. The event closes with evening prayer in the chapel at the retreat center. Unlike the league's weekend retreats, this event is not a silent one.

Cost is \$25 and the deadline is August 1. Space is limited and will fill long quickly. The registration form, along with more detailed information, is available at retreatleague@gmail.com or by calling CLRL Secretary Sharon Gehrlich at (614) 882-1946. Phone reservations cannot be accepted.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, July 23

16th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

5:00 pm Bob & Bette Mattingly (+)
7:00am People of the parish
9:00am Marcia Dunkle (+)
11:00am Ted Paulus

Monday, July 24

9:00am Shirley Davy (+)

Tuesday, July 25

ST. JAMES, APOSTLE (F)

9:00am John & Peg Mattingly (+)

Wednesday, July 26

Ss. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the B. V. M. (F)

9:00am Eulalia Bleichner (+)

Thursday, July 27

9:00am William Heil Family

Friday, July 28

9:00am Fallen away Catholics

Sunday, July 30

17th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

5:00 pm Mr. & Mrs. James Hamme (+)
7:00am People of the parish
9:00am Jacob Iczkowski
11:00am Sam Rosta (+)

Please pray for the home-bound of the parish...

Margaret Gladys Abbott, Nancy Arledge, William & Jan Barry, Mary Batteiger, Gertrude Bell, Madelyn Bronkar, Mathilda Clark, Bart & Josephine Cooper, Mary Cowden, Herman Crock, Michael Curtis, Evelyn DiVincenzo, Shirley Echemann, Betty Fedor, Frances Feerick, Beverly Foley, Mary Ellen Grafton, Sandra Honeywell, Patricia Huck, Eileen Johnston, Mike Kline, Dorothy Loewendick, Henry Long, Nancy Longstreth, David Macenko, Dolores Mahon, Josephine Marshall, Charles & Patricia Perone, George Phillis, Alice Pitcock, Mary Polascak, Mary Postlewaite, Mary Rosta, George and Barb Ridenour, Joe and Barbara Ritchey, Regina Ritchey, Mardy Ryan, Mary Lou Scott, Barbara Schumacher, Loretta Silfko, Terri Woods

*Please remember Saint Thomas Aquinas
Church in your will*

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, July 24

7:00 p.m. Scouts (Parish Center)

Tuesday, July 25

600 p.m. Rosary for Life (church)

7:00 p.m. M.V.R.L. Meeting (Parish Office)

Wednesday, July 26

Eucharistic exposition following noon Mass

7:00 p.m. Benediction

7:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal (church)

Thursday, July 27

6:30 p.m. Bible Study (Parish Office)

PARISH FINANCES

Weekend of July 16

Main collection total \$6,224.23*

Weekly Budget 11,538.00

This week's deficit -4,214.48

Thank you!

** This figure includes envelope and loose amounts. It does not include automatic electronic donations.*

Upcoming special collections

Aug 6 The Church in Latin America

Aug 27 Trinity Dome/Basilica of the National Shrine

The Dresden Knights of Columbus will hold their annual ice cream social Saturday, August 12th, at St. Mary's in Mattingly Settlement, at the Church Shelter House, from 3:00-7:00 p.m. There will be sandwiches, noodles, baked beans, macaroni salad, and other picnicky food items, along with Tom's Ice Cream and assorted drinks. For more information contact Ron House at (740) 452-9446.

The Basilica & National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, Carey, Ohio invites you to come and pray during the Novena of Our Lady, August 6th-14th at 8 p.m. Fr. Paul Gawlowski will be the Novena preacher. Join us on this journey of faith, hope and healing. For more information call (419) 396-7107 or look us up at olcshrine.com.

A WORD ABOUT THE LIBRARY: a few dedicated parishioners have been compiling a library slowly, that will be set up in Rosary Hall, as soon as the cleaning is done and the floor is repaired. Most of their acquisitions have come to us courtesy of Catholica Bookstore in Westerville, which is closing down. The owner, Jennifer Blackmer, when she heard that we were on the lookout for books, gave us many of their unsold inventory. Many thanks to Catholica and Jennifer!



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RUMMAGE SALE

AND BAKE SALE!

August 4, 11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

August 5, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

August 6, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

All proceeds go to the Beauty of the Feminine Catholic Women's Conference October 7th.

We are seeking clean/sellable items including: toys, baby stuff, kid's clothes, adult clothes, household items, decorations, tools, furniture etc.

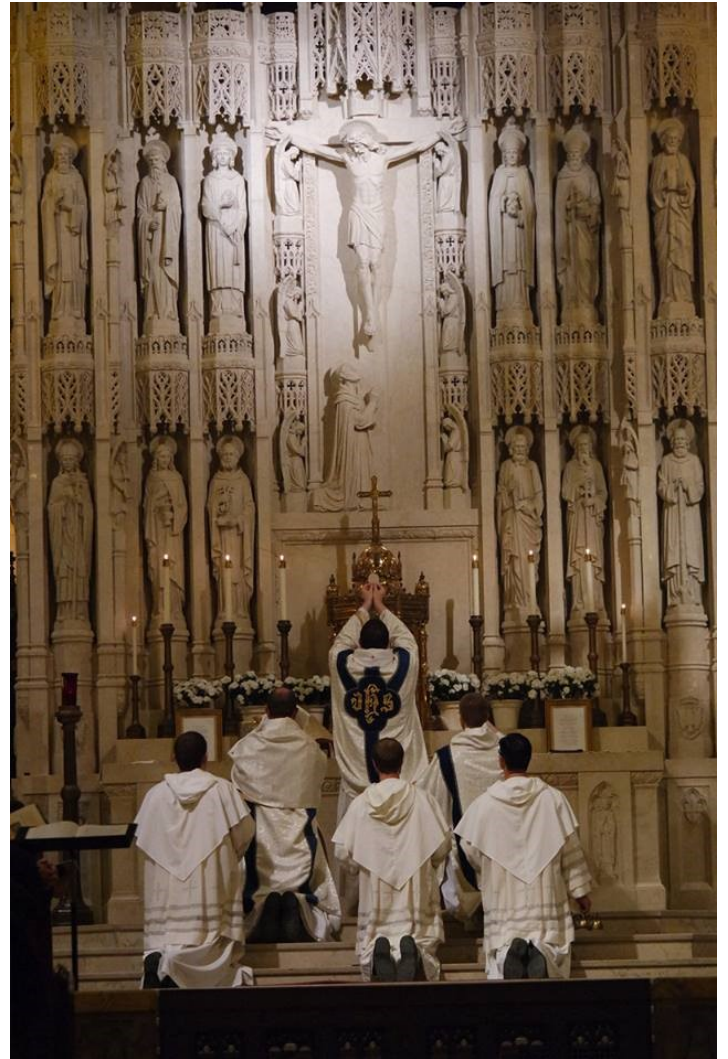
Donation Days/Times:

- All weekends in July after the 5:00 p.m. Saturday, 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses
- Wednesday, July 26 (4:00-6:00 p.m.)

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESS!

- Donate a baked good to be sold
- Set up, Thursday, August 3 (5:00 p.m.)
- Sign up for a 2-hour shift August 4, 5, or 6
- Breakdown/clean up Sunday, August 6 (afternoon)

Contact Cate at (740) 705-0982, or Laura at (740) 221-9997, or email thebeautyofthefeminine@gmail.com



Dominican Rite

Mass of Saint Dominic

St. Patrick's Church cordially invites you to a Missa Cantata (Sung Mass) celebrated in Latin according to the Dominican Rite (the extraordinary form of the Mass proper to the Dominican Order) in honor of St. Dominic, Friday, August 4th, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. St. Patrick's is located at 280 North Grant Avenue, Columbus, Ohio. Latin-English worship aids will be provided. After Mass, light refreshments will be served in the parish hall. *(Until the Second Vatican Council, August 4th was the feast of St. Dominic. Now it is August 8th.)*

...we who have taken refuge might be strongly encouraged, to hold fast to the hope that lies before us. This we have as an anchor of the soul..."
Hebrews 6:18,19

The Beauty of the Feminine Catholic Women's Conference

ANCHORED IN HOPE

Saturday, October 7, 2017

St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Zanesville, OH

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