

# *SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH*

*Mission: OUR LADY OF MERCY*

St. Thomas Aquinas  
Thomas, West Virginia

Our Lady of Mercy  
Parsons, West Virginia



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Parish Website:

[www.stsite.com](http://www.stsite.com)

## **Sacrament of Baptism:**

Please contact the priest to make arrangements. Instructions for both parents are required.

Sponsors from outside the Parish need a letter of eligibility from their Pastors.

## **Sacrament of Matrimony:**

Arrangements should be made with the Pastor at least six months in advance of the intended date of marriage. Preparation classes with the Pastor are required.

## **Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:**

If you know of anyone who is seriously ill, hospitalized, shut-in, or about to undergo surgery, Please contact the Pastor or the Parish office to let us know

## **Sacrament of Penance:**

Saturday 4:00 – 4:30 p.m., and 30 minutes before all weekday Masses and anytime upon request.

*10th Sunday in Ordinary Time, June 05, 2016*

### THE TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

During the month of **JUNE**, the Tridentine Mass will be offered at the following times and church:

**St. Thomas - 7:30 AM, (Low Mass)** Sunday 06/19/16;  
(Mon., Tues., Thur., Fri. at 7:45 AM)

**(St. Patrick - Weston - 4:00 PM, Sunday 06/12/16.)**  
**(High Mass)**

### PRO-LIFE CORNER

"A word to young people: Pregnancy outside marriage can be prevented by not having sex outside of marriage. Even if you don't get pregnant, if you have sex outside marriage you are violating the law of God and setting yourself up for disastrous consequences. I can't overemphasize the importance and the rewards of sexual purity. But if you've gotten pregnant, realize there's a child there. Don't try to cover one sin by committing a greater sin."

— Randy Alcorn



### CONSECRATION OF THE PARISH

Since the feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus was on Friday, June 3rd and the feast of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary was on Saturday, June 4th, we will be consecrating St. Thomas Aquinas and Our Lady of Mercy Parish to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Sacred Heart of Jesus immediately following our weekend Masses, as is our custom every year.



### CONFIRMATION

Confirmation will be held at St. Brendan's Church in Elkins on Saturday, June 11th at 5:00 PM. Those being confirmed are: Addie Buckley, Alena Lambruno, Andrew Manthiey, Taylor Oldaker and Becca Siler. All are invited to attend. *(Fr. Deviese will be filling in for Fr. Grassi on that date so that he may attend confirmation.)*

### 2016 CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL

St. Thomas.....**\$6,326.00 pledged**  
*(Goal: \$9,910.00) 64% of goal met.*

Our Lady of Mercy ....**\$3,220.00 pledged**  
*(Goal: \$3,065.00) 105% of goal met.*

### FATHER'S DAY MASS INTENTIONS

Please submit the names of living and deceased father's that you would like included on the altar and in the bulletin on Father's Day. As a way to remember our **LIVING** father's, cards can be found in the back of both churches for only \$2.

### ANNUAL 2010 CORPORATION MEETING

All Knights of Columbus members are reminded of this important meeting scheduled today, June 5th at 2:00 PM at the K of C Community Park in Thomas.

### EVENTS ON THE HORIZON!!!

- June 5 - Annual 2010 Corporation Meeting** at the Knights of Columbus Park at 2 PM. All Knights are asked to come!
- June 8 -** Knights of Columbus monthly meeting at 7:00 PM at the St. Thomas Center.
- June 12 -** Our Lady of Mercy Women's Guild meeting immediately following the 11 AM Mass in Parsons.
- June 16 -** 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Meeting in the Mercy Social Hall in Parsons at 7PM.
- June 21 -** Father's Day breakfast after Mass in Thomas and Father's day picnic after Mass in Parsons.

### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR MAY 29, 2016

**St. Thomas: \$2,114.96**

Mt. Calvary Cemetery Collection: 2,087.08

**Our Lady of Mercy: \$1050.50**

### BLACKWATER MINISTRY FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry is in need of "valued" food items. This month we are seeking "**mac n cheese**." Each month we will let you know the items that are most needed. (PLEASE NO OUTDATED ITEMS.)

## FROM THE PASTOR'S HEART

Dear Parishioners,

As the weather begins to get consistently warmer and we put away the winter clothing, it draws my attention to the trend in dressing for the Holy Mass. I am well aware of how hot it can get especially with all of the garments that I wear when offering the Holy Mass, however, some of those garments that I wear are optional and so I do not expect everyone to make the same sacrifices that I choose to make. That being said, I do think that the casual trend in dressing is becoming distressingly apparent and sadly it is becoming a moral issue, namely, the issue of modesty. I think it is important for us to remember that when we come to Mass we are expecting to meet Almighty God and I hope that we would want to dress in such a fashion that would show respect, not only for God, but for others around us.

It is not a matter of showing off one's finery. Some people may attend Mass on their way to or from work which may mean construction clothes or mining clothes. Fine! Never let circumstances out of your control make you feel embarrassed or keep you away from the Sacraments! But one should always wear clothes that are modest and speak of the importance of meeting Jesus.

One of the trends that I think is getting especially out of hand is the distinction between beach or island wear and clothes that are modest and speak of one's desire to meet Jesus. When I was growing up we had "Sunday outfits" that we were strictly taught to wear because they were clothes that were not only modest but respectful and they spoke of going to meet the Most Special Person. We would return home from Sunday Mass and change into our "play clothes." Obviously, I am dating myself, but I think there was a great lesson in that for me. Without belaboring the issue, I feel obligated to mention that regardless of the styles of society, there are certain styles that are never acceptable at Mass. The following is a list of some of the things that I am seeing more frequently that can be disrespectful or immoral.

- **boys wearing hats during Mass.**
- **pajamas (usually just the bottoms, but sometimes the tops as well)**
- **pants so baggy that they are nearly at the thigh level and boxer undershorts showing.**
- **Tank tops, spaghetti straps, strapless, tube tops (Shoulders and bellies should always be covered!)**
- **Necklines should not be plunging and they should be modest.**
- **Clothes should not be "shrink wrapped" onto a body.**
- **hemlines should be respectable when standing and sitting.**
- **flip-flops are great for the beach but sandals are appropriate for Mass.**

This is not an all inclusive list, but it is some of the most popular trends that are becoming the "norm." I am not trying to be overly sensitive, but I think that we all could strive to be respectful in the presence of our Blessed Lord and one another. As I always say, modesty is never "out of style."

Thank you!

*Fr. Grassi*

### PARISH ROSARIES PRAYED

*Total Rosaries for 2 weeks.....322*

*Total Rosaries for the year.....842*

Please pray the Rosary remembering reparation for sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and For the Consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and for all those serving in our armed forces.

***MASSES FOR THE WEEK***  
***10th Sunday in Ordinary Time***

Jun 06 Monday	Paul DeFuria	7:15 AM Thomas
Jun 07 Tuesday	-	No Mass
Jun 08 Wednesday	-	No Mass
Jun 09 Thursday	-	No Mass
Jun 10 Friday	Alice, Joseph & Michael Fortini	5:00 PM Thomas
Jun 11 Saturday	Frances & Arlie Mason	9:00 AM Parsons
<b>Jun 11 SATURDAY VIGIL</b>	Vivian Bozic	<b>5:00 PM Thomas</b>
<b>Jun 12 SUNDAY</b>	People of the Parish	<b>9:00 AM Thomas</b>
<b>Jun 12 SUNDAY</b>	Merce & Joe Gummerson	<b>11:00 AM Parsons</b>

<b>THOMAS</b>	<b>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</b>	<b>READERS</b>	<b>ALTAR BOYS</b>
06/11	Rita Johnson	Kathy Supak	
06/12	Mary Sagace	Michelle Snyder	Wesley Snyder

<b>PARSONS</b>	<b>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</b>	<b>READER</b>	<b>ALTAR BOYS</b>
06/12	Addie Buckley & Dee Oldaker	Betty Jane DiBacco	Any and all Available!
<b>Cleaning:</b>	06/05 - 06/11: Pat Usnik & Christine Rosenau		

**PRAYER LINE**  
**If you would like to place someone on our prayer line call Mary Frances Evans - Thomas (463-4413)**  
**Paula Siler - Parsons (478-4104) or Cindy Long - Parsons (478-4833)**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
 Monthly meeting on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. daylight savings time, (6:00 p.m. standard time), alternating in the Knights of Columbus room Thomas, and Social Hall, Parsons. Visit us at: [thomaskofc2010.org](http://thomaskofc2010.org)  
**OUR LADY OF MERCY WOMEN'S GUILD**  
 Meetings are held the second Sunday of the Month immediately after Mass in the Parish Hall.  
**SOCIETY OF ST. THOMAS WOMEN**  
 Every woman of the parish is a member of the Society. Monthly meetings are the first Sunday of the month (except Jan., Feb., March) in the Parish Center after the 9:00 AM Mass. **Cookbooks are still available. \$10.00**

**HOLY COMMUNION:** *We welcome to the Holy Mass all who share our faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. While all are welcome here, we cannot extend to all an invitation to receive Holy Communion. This is not for lack of Christian hospitality. Rather, it is the recognition by the Catholic Church that real divisions of faith and practice do sadly exist among Christians. Practicing Catholics who go to Confession whenever needed are invited to receive Holy Communion. Non-Catholic Christians and those Catholics who should not receive Holy Communion (including those married outside the church and those in need of the sacrament of Penance) are asked to pray for a spiritual communion with the Lord Jesus and for the unity of His Church. Those who are not receiving Holy Communion but who would like to receive a blessing are invited to indicate this desire by crossing their arms across their chests as they approach the priest in the Communion procession.*

***Let us remember in prayer all of our sick and shut-ins:***  
 Champ Sedmock, "Sob" Gennantonio, Eleanor James, J. Pat Nichols, Mary Moore, Vincent DiBacco, Dan Ingram, Mary Johnson, Joe Sagace, Jim Willis, Russ Perando, Jo Ann Michael, Sherry Burns, Edith DiBacco, Edward Brobst and Frank Hoffner.

**We offer a hearty welcome to all of our visitors! If you would like to make a contribution to our parish, please use the visitor's envelope in the pew.**