

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**  
**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

June 25 Monday	Louis Maciulla	7:15 AM Thomas
June 26 Tuesday	-	No Mass
June 27 Wednesday	-	No Mass
June 28 Thursday	-	No Mass
June 29 Friday	Patty Helmick	5:00 PM Thomas
June 30 Saturday	-	No Mass
<b>June 30 SATURDAY VIGIL</b>	Zadell, Tekavec & Bland Families	5:00 PM Thomas
<b>July 01 SUNDAY</b>	Connie DeLauder	9:00 AM Thomas
<b>July 01 SUNDAY</b>	People of the Parish	11:00 AM Parsons

**THOMAS**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u>	<u>READERS</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>
06/30	Kathy Supak	Beth Spencer	Any available
07/01	Kaitlyn Simmons	Matt Hinkle	Drew Simmons

**PARSONS**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u>	<u>READERS</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>
07/01	Addie Buckley & Lillian Plumley	Kathy DiBacco	Any available

Cleaning: 06/24: - 06/30: Cindy Long & Betty DiBacco

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is committed to the protection of its children and young people. The Diocese complies with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People by maintaining an Office of Safe Environment. To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact the West Virginia Bureau for Children and Families/Child Protective Services by calling the Child Abuse Hotline at 800.352.6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 888.434.6237, (toll free) or 304.233.0880: Sister Ellen Dunn, ext. 264; Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Msgr. Frederick Annie, ext. 267, or Msgr. Anthony Cincinnati, 270. For more information on the Diocese's Office of Safe Environment, please go to [www.dwc.org](http://www.dwc.org), then click the "Diocese" tab, then click "Office of Safe Environment" under the "Offices" menu. To learn more about the Catholic Church's efforts in preventing sexual abuse of children in the United States, please visit <http://www.usccb.org>. Under "Issues and Action," click "Child and Youth Protection" from the drop down menu.

**THE TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS**

During the month of July, the Tridentine Mass will be offered at the following times and church:  
 St. Thomas - 7:30 AM,  
 (Low Mass) Sunday 07/08/18  
 Our Lady of Mercy - 12:30 PM,  
 (Low Mass) Sunday 07/15/18.

**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)

*Let us remember in prayer all of our sick and shut-ins:*

Champ Sedmock, "Sob" Gennantonio, Eleanor James, J. Pat Nichols, Vincent DiBacco, Mary Johnson, Joanne Michael, Leo Pase Jr., Scott Hinkle, Jean Sagace, Stan and Darlene Sedmock, Ed Kepner and Martha Wolf.

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.

**TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, June 24, 2018**



St. Thomas Aquinas Thomas, West Virginia



Our Lady of Mercy Parsons, West Virginia

**SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH**  
**Mission: OUR LADY OF MERCY**

Pastor: Rev. Timothy J. Grassi, P.O. Box 300, Thomas, WV 26292 Tel: 304-463-4488 [www.sttsite.com](http://www.sttsite.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 - 4:50 p.m., and 30 minutes before all weekday Masses and anytime upon request.

**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.*

## PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN!

Alabaster Theatre is looking forward to presenting PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN at St. Thomas Aquinas Center on Wednesday, July 4 at 7:00 pm. Alabaster is a private non profit Christ centered performing arts ministry based in Greensburg, PA. They have performed at Catholic schools and parishes across the region, as well as public schools, prisons, nursing homes and theatres. This event is free to the public.

## MOUNTAINEER DAYS!

Come and support the Knights of Columbus food booth on June 30th during Mountaineer days. They will be selling their delicious Italian Sausage and pulled pork barbecue sandwiches. Proceeds will go to youth activities and the Knights of Columbus community park. All Knights are encouraged to come and help.

## WVU SEASON TICKETS!

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a RAFFLE FOR TWO PAIR of WVU FOOTBALL SEASON TICKETS for a \$5 donation. See a Knight and get your RAFFLE TICKETS NOW! Drawing is 2 weeks before the first home game.

## DIAPER DRIVE

Thanks to all who so generously donated diapers and wipes to our Diaper Drive from Mother's day to Father's day. Your support is greatly appreciated.  
~ The Pregnancy Care Center

## EVENTS ON THE HORIZON!!!

July 01 - "ASK FATHER" immediately following the 11 AM Mass.

July 03 - Society of St. Thomas Women meeting CANCELLED this month due to 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

July 04 - Alabaster Theater Production at 7 PM in the St. Thomas Center.

July 11 - Knights of Columbus meeting at 7 PM in Parsons

## PRO-LIFE CORNER

Our goal is to make it as safe, legal, and normal to protect the innocent from murder as it is now safe, legal and normal to kill them.

~~ Joseph Lapsley Foreman, co-founder of Operation Rescue ~~

## 2018 CSA

St. Thomas.....\$6,711 pledged  
(Goal: \$11,715) 57% of goal met.

Our Lady of Mercy.....\$4,075 pledged  
(Goal: \$4,395) 93% of goal met.

## CONTRIBUTIONS FOR JUNE 17, 2018

St. Thomas: \$1,769.08

Our Lady of Mercy: \$740.00

## FOOD PANTRY

**BLACKWATER MINISTERIAL FOOD PANTRY:** The Food Pantry is in need of valued food items.

This month we are seeking sloppy joe mix. In subsequent months we will let you know what items are needed and ask your assistance in this need for our community.

## Alaska Mission Trip

The Alaska Missionaries arrived safely in Fairbanks almost two weeks ago with only a few set backs, lost luggage and housing issues. The airline lost Miranda and Jacob's luggage but it was finally returned to them a couple of days after arriving. The house that was offered to them, free of charge, was in shambles and in unlivable conditions. They are currently staying with Melody's family until they can find a place to live. On the spiritual side of things they have met with the local parish priest who already assigned them the job of preparing a little girl for her first communion. They met several families at a parish picnic and they plan to visit and speak at several other catholic churches in the surrounding area. THE ADVENTURE HAS BEGUN!!! Please continue to pray for the Alaska Missionaries. If you would like to follow the Alaska Mission on Facebook please use the following address:

<https://www.facebook.com/Alaska-Mission-329066907582258>

## 10 WAYS TO LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

There are a lot of lonely people out there who are in need of love, in our communities, in nursing homes, even in our own churches. As Christians, God has called us to love our neighbors.

1. Invite one neighbor over for dinner each month.
2. If someone is new in town, invite them to join your plans for the weekend.
3. Organize a walking group or running club.
4. When someone tells you they have an upcoming job interview, a test, or a doctor appointment, mark it on your calendar. Follow up on the big day with a note of encouragement to let them know you are praying for them, or ask them how it went afterward. Better yet, do both!
5. If you see someone moving in, bring them dinner, cookies, or basic supplies they might need before they unpack, like paper towels, toilet paper, and hand soap.
6. Ask your neighbor to be their friend on Facebook. This is a great way to find common ground and things to talk about the next time you see them.
7. Practice random acts of kindness. Take your neighbor's trash out, or put their trash can away after pick-up. Mow their lawn "just because."
8. Use your kids as an ice breaker. Invite a fellow mom and her kids over for a play date and get to know her over a tall glass of ice tea.
9. Get outside the walls of your house. You'll meet neighbors as you walk the dog, take walks, work in your yard, or hang out at your neighborhood pool. Don't just wave; be intentional about saying hello and getting to know them.
10. Organize a neighborhood get-together so that your neighbors can meet each other.

You can't love your neighbor well if you live an overscheduled life. The key is leaving margin in your life so that when the opportunity to love your neighbor arises, you're available. Zach, from Atlanta, found himself with the day off during a major snow storm in January. He decided to bring hot chocolate to stranded motorists on a nearby highway, and ended up making national news. He didn't set out to be on the TODAY Show, all he wanted to do was show love for people on an otherwise bad day. It's the small gestures that make the biggest impact.

## PARISH ROSARIES PRAYED

Total Rosaries for 2 weeks.....584  
Total Rosaries for the year.....14,978  
(since May 2016)

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.