

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - June 21, 2020



St. Thomas Aquinas - Thomas, West Virginia



Our Lady of Mercy - Parsons, West Virginia

SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH

Mission: OUR LADY OF MERCY

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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. at St. Thomas Aquinas Church, and 30 minutes before all 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.*

CONSECRATION OF THE PARISH



This weekend, June 20 and 21 we will consecrate both St. Thomas Aquinas and Our Lady of Mercy Parishes to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary immediately following all Masses.



YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED

Please continue to pray for Deacon Justin Golna as he prepares for his ordination to the priesthood on June 27th in Wheeling.

BIBLE STUDY

Deacon Phillip Szabo will continue having his weekly bible study on Tuesday, June 23rd following the 5pm Mass in Thomas and on Wednesday, June 24th following the 9am Mass in Parsons. All are invited and encouraged to attend.

QUILT & STAINED GLASS RAFFLE TODAY

The quilt and stained glass raffle drawing will take place today, June 21st immediately following the 11am Mass in Parsons.

THE CATHOLIC SPIRIT IS NOW AVAILABLE BY E-MAIL

This is being made available to enhance communication, but at the same time cutting the cost of printing. You are invited to join our new e-list to receive The Catholic Spirit by e-mail. Joining the e-list gives you the option to receive The Catholic Spirit by e-mail only and to be removed from the list to receive the print version if you choose. To be added to the e-list, send an e-mail to crowan@dwc.org with "The Catholic Spirit e-list" in the subject line. Please let us know your preference saying: "E-mail only, and remove me from print mailing list" or "I would like both print and e-mail versions."

By joining the e-mail list, you will receive an e-mail on each issue date of The Catholic Spirit with a link to the full issue. Issue dates are the first and third Friday of each month. This is a day earlier than mail delivery of the print version.

Beginning with the June 5, 2020, the electronic version of every issue of The Catholic Spirit will now be available under "Downloadable Spirit" at thecatholicspiritwv.org.

When Jesus was a baby,
Satan prompted the
government to murder
babies. New government
same old demons.

#demonic
Mark Driscoll

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

At Thy feet, O my Jesus, I prostrate myself and I offer Thee the repentance of my contrite heart, which is humbled in its nothingness and in Thy holy presence. I adore Thee in the Sacrament of Thy love, the ineffable Eucharist. I desire to receive Thee into the poor dwelling that my heart offers Thee. While waiting for the happiness of sacramental Communion, I wish to possess Thee in spirit. Come to me, O my Jesus, since I, for my part, am coming to Thee! The love embrace my whole being in life and in death. I believe in Thee, I hope in Thee, I love Thee. Amen.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR June 14, 2020

St. Thomas: \$1,911.42
Our Lady of Mercy: \$1,035.00

PASTORAL SOLIDARITY FUND FOR THE CHURCH IN AFRICA

The Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa the Subcommittee on the Church in Africa provides grants to finance pastoral projects that support the maintenance and growth of the Church in Africa. Funded projects include outreach programs, schools, evangelization, and education of clergy and lay ministers.

HONORING THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

June 19, 2020 is the day the Church honors The Sacred Heart of Jesus with a Mass. The entire month of June is especially dedicated to His Sacred Heart. We are asking all the Servants of Jesus and Mary's devotees to recite the following prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, to battle the devil's temptations.

Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

(St. Alponus Liguori for perseverance)

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, living and life-giving fountain of eternal life, infinite treasure of the Divinity, and glowing furnace of love, Thou art my refuge and my sanctuary. O adorable and glorious Savior, consume my heart with that burning fire that ever inflames Thy Heart.

Pour down on my soul those graces which flow from Thy love. Let my heart be so united with Thine that our wills may be one, and mine may in all things be conformed to Thine. May Thy Will be the rule of both my desires and my actions. Amen

Our Lord made the following *Twelve Promises* to Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque beginning on December 27, 1673 and ending in 1675. She had been selected by Our Lord to spread the devotion to all those who would honor His Sacred Heart.

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
2. I will establish peace in their families.
3. I will comfort them in their trials.
4. I will be their secure refuge during life, and, above all, in death.
5. I will shed abundant blessings on all their undertakings.
6. Sinners will find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Lukewarm souls will become fervent.
8. Fervent souls will rapidly grow in holiness and perfection.
9. I will bless the homes where an image of My Sacred Heart shall be exposed and honored.
10. I will give priests the power to touch the most hardened hearts.
11. The names of those who promote this devotion will be written in My Heart, never to be blotted out.
12. The all-powerful love of My Heart will grant to all those who shall receive Holy Communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months the grace of final repentance, they shall not die under My displeasure, nor without receiving their Sacraments; My Divine Heart shall be their assured refuge at the moment of death.

We all should desire to have this in our inventory of devotions that we collect throughout our lives to gain the merits of heaven. This is our number one goal and purpose for being on earth, to know, love and serve God.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jun 22 Monday	Bernhardt Lancsa	7:15am Thomas
Jun 23 Tuesday	MaryAnn Quattro	5:00pm Thomas
Jun 24 Wednesday	V.J. Horowitz	9:00am Parsons
Jun 25 Thursday	*George & Helen Lynch	5:00pm Thomas
Jun 26 Friday	Matthew "Loupie" Lambruno	5:00pm Thomas
Jun 27 Saturday	J. Pat Nichols	9:00am Parsons
Jun 27 SATURDAY VIGIL	Frank Hoffner	5:00pm Thomas
Jun 28 SUNDAY	Mr. & Mrs. J. Pat Nichols	9:00am Thomas
Jun 28 SUNDAY	People of the Parish	11:00am Parsons

THOMAS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u>	<u>READERS</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>
06/27			
06/28			

PARSONS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u>	<u>READERS</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>
06/28			

Cleaning: 06/21 - 06/27

**THE
TRADITIONAL
LATIN MASS**

During the month of May,
the Tridentine Mass
will be offered at the following
times and church:
St. Thomas - "PENDING"
(Low Mass) 06/14/20
Our Lady of Mercy - "PENDING"
06/21/20 only when
requested in advance

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; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; or Rev. Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304-230-1504. For more information on the Diocese's Office of Safe Environment, , please go to 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.

If you would like to place someone on our prayer line call:
Susie Gutshall (304) 478-3217
Or Cindy Long (304) 478-4833

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

"Sob" Gennantonio, Mary Johnson,
Jean Sagace, Joyce Arnold, Donna
Mason, Elaine Watson, Paula Siler,
Anne McVicker, Jerry & Madonna
DiBacco, & Paul Wojtkowski.

**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.**