



Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

210 R63 Hwy-Indianola, IA 50125

Weekend Mass Saturday 4:30 pm , 8:00am & 10:15 am Sundays

Sunday 8:00 am at Immaculate Conception-St Mary's

Tuesday- 6:00 pm mass

Daily Mass: WEDNESDAY-Friday 8:00 am

1st Tuesday of the Month at Good Samaritan Nursing Home 9:30am

St Thomas Aquinas Staff & Committees

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ROSARY: Please join us in praying the rosary every Tuesday evening starting at 6:30pm in the church as we pray for peace, families and your special intentions.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00 pm-4:30 pm or by appointment.

Liturgy of Baptism: Parents are requested to call the Parish Office to arrange for pre-baptism sessions and must be registered with the church, one sponsor must be Catholic.

Liturgy of Marriage: Call at least 6 months in advance to make arrangements. Pre-Marriage Program is required.

Prayer Chain: Our parish has a prayer chain for special intentions. Requests can be for anyone in need. Prayer requests call Kris Gross 210-0169 , Jackie Ward 515-250-7385 or Debbie McDaniel 240-2029

Care of the Sick & Shut-ins: Call to request the Sacrament of the Sick, the Eucharist or to be placed on the Prayer Chain.

Newcomers/Addresses: Register in person; call the Office for Appointment.

Change of Address: Notify the office when you change your address.

Bulletin Announcements: Information must be in by noon on Wednesday to Steph Bintner-bintners@msn.com/ LeasaGarrett-lcs3garr@yahoo.com

MARCH 3, 2019

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Liturgies Scripture Reading- Cycle C
March 3, 2019- March 10, 2019

MARCH 3

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

84: Sir 27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3, 13-16; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception

8:00 a.m. Mass at Immaculate Conception - Tim Chicoine

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-For Living members of the Konrad & Kerber Families

10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Beverly Krier

5:00 p.m. Mass at Simpson Smith Chapel

MARCH 4

SAINT CASIMIR

347: Sir 17:20-24Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 10:17-27

NO 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas

6:30 p.m. Rosary at Immaculate Conception

MARCH 5

348:Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14,23; Mk 10:28-31

6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Beverly Krier

MARCH 6

ASH WEDNESDAY

219: J1 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6b, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2;

Mk 6:1-6, 16-18

7:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Beverly Krier

7:00 p.m. Mass at Immaculate Conception-Janet Gehringer

7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Ruth Dale

MARCH 7

SAINT PERPETUA AND FELICITY

220: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at St. Thomas

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-

In Thanksgiving for Dave & Jan Slick

MARCH 8

SAINT JOHN OF GOD

221: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6b, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at St. Thomas

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Gary & Vivian Elbert

MARCH 10

SAINT FRANCES OF ROME

222: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

3:30 p.m. Reconciliation at St. Thomas

4:30 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas- Albert Basler

MARCH 10

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

24: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

7:30 a.m. Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception

8:00 a.m. Mass at Immaculate Conception -

Carolyn McElwee

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-Arlene Sumpter

10:15 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas-John & Donna Sereg

1:30 p.m. Rite of Election at St. Ambrose Cathedral

NO 5:00 p.m. Mass at Simpson Smith Chapel

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. (Closed from 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. for Lunch)

Parish Office: 961-3026/ Fax: 961-3458

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Facebook: St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Indianola

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners:

Please welcome Fr. Dave Denny of Cross Culture Outreach. Fr. Denny is a native of Indiana, he moved to Arizona in 1969 and was ordained to the Roman Catholic Priesthood in 1980. He spent time as a missionary in Brazil and has been a visiting professor at Colorado College, teaching the history of Christian mysticism. Because of his experiences in the lives of those from the Middle East and South America, he has insight on their lack of the basic necessities of food, shelter, health care, etc. and our invitation is to make their lives better.

It is hard to believe that we are at the point of beginning the Lenten Season. Lent means 'length'. In the Northern Hemisphere, the days are getting longer or lengthened. We know that is much more than that. It means taking a reflective look at ourselves and to see how far we have missed the mark, in essence, sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. It is a time to get right before God through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, fasting, through prayer, and through almsgiving. We will have opportunities before weekday Masses one half before Mass, an extended time on Saturday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. During Holy Week, on Monday, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be 6-7 p.m. at Immaculate Conception, St. Marys and one hour before the 6 p.m. Mass on Tuesday April 16th at St. Thomas Aquinas. The other pillar, prayer. I would like to focus on Prayer. Each Wednesday evening, beginning with March 13, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed and reposed. There will be series of 5-10 minute talks on Adoration. What is it? Who needs it? Why do we do it? Who benefits? I would like to encourage our parishioners to prayerfully consider putting away the distractions and the busy-ness of life for a short time with cell phones, Instagram, Facebook, etc. and spend some quiet time with the Lord. Our Lord invited his disciples on the night before he died to spend some time with him. He invites us as well. We might do well to think of it as beginning a friendship with someone and how we are drawn to be near that person-asking them questions about themselves-where he or she works, what are his or her hobbies, what he or she enjoys eating, what he or she likes or dislikes, etc. We are intrigued, we are interested, and we want to get to know this person better. The same is with Jesus. If we truly desire a relationship with Him or friendship, we would want to spend time, get to know him, or more importantly, how we can love Him more, to fall in love with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Let's make it a habit or virtue or discipline to get to know our Lord better during this Lenten Season through Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Please look at the bulletin insert of the list of Lenten Activities. Make sure you put the Lenten Fish Fries on your list for the Fridays of Lent at St. Thomas Aquinas beginning on Friday March 8th and Immaculate Conception, St. Marys beginning of March 15.

Blessings and peace! Fr. Chris Fontanini

Ministry Schedule

Please call someone to replace you if you aren't available to serve

4:30 p.m. Mass March 9th

Lector: Adam Naughton

Eucharistic Ministers: John Schandley, Leasa Garrett, Tim & Kelly Gauger, Jannie Bendon, Matt Coenen & Genie Hansen

Ushers: Don Bendon, Mary Kling, Jeremy Cross & Carol Proctor

8:00 a.m. Mass March 10th:

Lector: Mark Kollasch

Eucharistic Ministers: Martin Konrad, Mike & Terry Schenfeld

Ushers: Slinkers & Kathryn Pierson

10:15 a.m. Mass March 10th:

Lector: Ryan Whitesitt

Eucharistic Ministers: Dave & Judy Hutton, Ed Hallin, Zack Hallin, Cindy Whitesitt, Tristan Grover & Elizabeth Williams

Ushers: Ormsbys & Vanderpools

Money Counters: Duffy & Rose Metz

**Eucharist Minister Please take note:
that at least 2 Eucharist Minister MUST stay and help clean
the Sacred Vessels after EVERY MASS.**

Linens: Peggy Parker, Mary Menke & Judy Kirby

February 24th

Building Fund: \$ 1,170.00

Sunday Tithe: \$ 2,485.00

Plate: \$ 438.50

Capital Campaign: \$ 743.56

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend has something in it for every married couple. The Weekend has value for couples married one year on up to 50 years or more. Register for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend today! Sign up for upcoming weekends to ensure your spot. Gift certificates are available by calling the phone number below. Upcoming dates: Mar 8-10 LaCrosse, WI; Apr 12-14 Ankeny, IA; May 3-5 Dubuque, IA For more information visit our website at: iowa-wwme.org or call 563-608-3305 or email jjwwme08@gmail.com

St. Thomas Men's Choir

Men's Choir will practice Tuesday, March 5 at 7 pm in the Church. They will sing Saturday, March 9th at 4:30 p.m. Mass.

If you are interested in joining the Men's Choir please contact Music Director Tom Shipman. Information is on the front of the bulletin.

Upcoming dates

Practice: Tuesday, April 2nd at 7pm in the Church

Singing: Sunday, April 7th at 10:15 a.m. Mass

Children's Choir

Children's choir will meet each Wednesday from 6:40 to 7:00pm in the St. Thomas room all the Wednesday's of RE. Any child from 3rd through 8th grade are welcome. Those that were already part of the choir under the former director are cordially welcomed back.

Our new children's choir director will be **Cindy Whitesitt**.

We are so excited to begin again. "Let us praise the Lord with song"!

If you have a child that is not in our Religious ED program but would like them in the Children's Choir. Please feel free to send them.



IOWA CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

FAITH FOR THE JOURNEY

"Glorifying God by Your Lives" Iowa Catholic Men's Conference is thrilled to invite you to the 7th annual Iowa Catholic Men's Conference March 30, 2019 at St. Francis of Assisi in West Des Moines. This day of spiritual encouragement will feature National speaker and author, Deacon Harold Burke Sivers, Deacon Randy Kiel, psychotherapist and counselor, and Deacon Tom Bradley, spiritual director and retired Army COL., who will witness to the universal call to "Glorify God by Your Lives".

Bishop Pates will join in a panel discussion with the presenters on "Being Called and S Bishop Pates will join in a panel discussion with the presenters on "Being called and sent".ent".

In addition, a Spanish tract features Ambiorix Padilla, an internationally known speaker. You don't want to miss this event.

Tickets can be purchased on-line. See our website for information and to purchase tickets at www.iowacatholicmensconference.com or www.iowacatholicradio.com

VOTIVE CANDLE LIGHTING PRAYER STAND

St. Thomas has been blessed with an additional Votive Candle lighting Prayer Stand. Just a reminder that these candles are purchased with the money that is left in the collection box.

Please note: 7 day Votive Candles\$ 3.00 each Large Candles 2 hour Votive Candles.....\$ 1.00 each Small Candles

Please make sure you are placing your money in the collection box every time you light a candle. **Thank You- The Staff**



ASH WEDNESDAY
MARCH 6TH
7:00 A.M. & 7:00 P.M.
MASSES & ASHES



Hearing Aids have been Found at Peoples Bank Please call 962-1400



Donut Social
March 24th
Following
8am &
10:15 am
Mass



FREEZER MINISTRY

We are beginning a new ministry at St Thomas Aquinas and would love to have YOUR SUPPORT!!! ALL it takes is some ingredients, love, and friendship!!! We will be preparing freezer meals once a month in the Pastoral kitchen. These meals will be stored in the freezer and whoever needs one can go grab it and go, signing up on the posted sign. This can be your family, a family in need, anyone who needs a hot meal!! If you have a favorite family dish/casserole that freezes well, please let me know- all are welcome to participate!! We will have a SIGN UP to donate ingredients at the back of the church or you can message me at 515-710-6140!

it is in giving we receive"

Blessings,
Angie Elliott

FREEZER MEALS

Meals are frozen and ready for use in the kitchen freezer-no questions asked, but to use as needed :) questions please contact Angie Elliott

Wine and Cheese Social

There will be Wine and Cheese will be served Saturday, March 16th following 4:30 pm Mass in the Gathering Space.



ALL ARE WELCOME !!!!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER !!!!!

Religious Education Corner

God must want your family to have more family time because the weather has not cooperated with Religious Education times. Just to reiterate our policy, if school is called off, we do not have religious education that day. Please practice daily prayers with your children. Talking and listening to God helps build their relationship with their Creator, Lord and loving God.

Upcoming Classes:

March 6: Ash Wednesday Mass at 7 pm for all classes and CGS.

God Bless,
Joann Sayre , Director of Religious Ed



2018-2019-STAT

March	6th:	7:00-8:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Mass
March	13th:	7:00-8:30 p.m.	OD at hosts home TBD
March	20th:	NO STAT- SPRING BREAK	
March	27th:	6:30-8:00 p.m.	COC/Genesis- Game Night at PC
March	30th:	MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISING DINNER	
April	3rd:	7:00-8:30 p.m.	OD at Hosts Home TBD

Policy on Cancellation



When Indianola schools are closed, CGS, RE and STAT WILL NOT have classes.

Prayer List

We offer this list for current parishioners of St Thomas Aquinas Church Only.
Doug Andreasen, Ed Leinen, Jean Veasman, Loretta Petersen, Mary Pat Miller & Bryan Bradley



Please contact Jackle Ward at jjward71@gmail.com or 515-250-7385, Kris Gross at 210-0169 or Debbie McDaniel at 240-2029 to put someone on the Prayer Chain. They will notify the rest of the group to start immediate prayers for you or your loved one in need.

We would like to offer a prayer shawl to parishioners who are ill or in need of comfort.

The shawls were prayed over when created. Please make your request through one of the prayer chain leaders.

Please contact Leasa Garrett (961-3026) to add a name to the list published in the bulletin.

Names will remain on the list for a month unless you indicate otherwise.

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STARS

- March 5th: 7:00 p.m. **BUNCO** in the Multi Purpose Room
 - April 18th: 6:00 p.m. Girls Night Out Place TBD
 - June 4th 7:00 p.m. Bunco @ Steph's House (bring a snack)
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 <p>David & Heidi Klodd 515-229-1299</p> <p>15110 Hwy 92 Indianola</p>	 <p>400 S. J. Indianola, Ia. 515-961-2781 Tim McConnell</p>	 <p>Propane • Heating • Cooling</p> <p>P.O. Box 95 Milo, Iowa 50166 (641) 942-6320</p>	 <p>1512 E. 1st Avenue -Indianola Finish Carpentry Steve Bintner, Owner Cell # 515-229-9605 Home# 515-961-7217</p>
 <p>Kim Tierney Keller 453-5320</p>	<p>St Thomas Pastoral Center Available for your wedding receptions, family reunions, fundraisers. Call Steph Bintner 961-3026</p>	<p>LOREY COMPANY Carl M Lorey, Jr. Your Paperman</p> <p>914-28th Street Des Moines, IA 50312 515-255-7190 Email: LOREYPAPER@MCHSL.COM</p>	 <p>Dr. Cory R. Drees C.S.C.S. Chiropractic Physician</p> <p>214 West Salem Avenue Phone (515) 961-6202 Indianola, IA 50125 FAX (515) 961-0608 email: chirodrees@aol.com</p>
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 <p>Work well. Play well. Live well. 21st Century Rehab</p> <p>Matt DeWall, M.P.T., C.S.C.S. 1507 N. 1st Street (515) 961-7435</p>	 <p>Laying-Sanding-Finishing-Refinishing 1416 E. Euclid Ph: 515-961-6424 Indianola, Ia. 50125 Cell: 988-0705</p>	<p>Volunteers needed to help to clean the hall, bartend, pour wine etc. Call Leasa Garrett 961-3026 It's an easy way to give back to your church!</p>	 <p>1203 North E Street-Indianola (515) 961-7458 www.wesleylife.org Join us for Mass at the Village Every third Tuesday 9:30am</p>
 <p>207 E Salem Ave Indianola, IA Ph# 971-9367 Cindy Brummer, RN</p>	 <p>Dacni Gabel Counseling, LLC Find your peace. dacni@dacnigabelcounseling.com 515-721-8830</p>	 <p>Grocery: 961-5643 Market: 961-5872</p>	 <p>501 N. Jefferson- Indianola 961-2315 2nd location in the Indianola Wal Mart</p>
<p>Heartland Computer Company 515-961-6326 Winston Sayre, Owner Sales, Service, Repairs Free In shop diagnostics</p>	 <p>110 E. Boston Indianola, IA 50125 KURT E. WELLS Owner (515) 961-4924</p>	<p>St Thomas Pastoral Center Available for your wedding receptions, family reunions, fundraisers. Call Steph Bintner 961-3026</p>	<p>Wiegert Disposal Inc. Trash Service for Residential-Commercial-Industrial</p> <p>Dumpsters-Roll Offs Call for Free Estimates 515-764-2389 800-728-4908</p>