

# Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## June 21, 2009

### St. Thomas More Catholic Church

CHURCH: 405 NORTH RIVERSIDE DRIVE  
PARISH CENTER & MAILING ADDRESS: 108 McLEAN STREET, IOWA CITY, IA 52246

Parish Web Site: [www.stthomasmoreic.com](http://www.stthomasmoreic.com)

#### PASTORAL TEAM: 337-2173

Rev. Walter Helms – Pastor (ext. 104)

Cheryl Campion – Office Manager (ext. 101)

Judy Duncan – Director of Music Ministry (ext. 113)

Ed Goldsmith – Director of Religious Education (ext. 111)

Lee Gullickson - Finance Administrator (part-time) (ext. 105)

Mary Steffen – Religious Education Secretary (ext. 107)

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(Lisa's email - [icsttmoreym@diodav.org](mailto:icsttmoreym@diodav.org))

#### TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Parish Center Office: 337-2173

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Religious Education Office: 337-4231

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#### EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY

WEEKDAYS: 9:00 A.M. (Except Monday)

WEEKEND: 5:15 P.M. Saturday

8:30 A.M. at Brown Deer Golf Club

(1st Ave North of Holiday Rd in Coralville)

11:00 A.M. Sunday

HOLYDAYS: 9:00 A.M., 6:00 P.M.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: 9:00 A.M. Monday

#### NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you to St. Thomas More. To register please see the Pastor after Mass. At Brown Deer Golf Club, stop by the Welcome Table.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday from 4:30-5:00 P.M. or by appointment.

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The sacrament of Baptism is arranged after Pre-Baptism Class, which is required for all parents, and is held on the second Saturday of every other month; January, March, May, July, September, and November. Baptism will be celebrated the second weekend of the month during Liturgy. Make arrangements by calling the Parish Family Life Office (337-4231).

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Six months are needed for marriage preparation. Please contact Fr. Helms prior to selecting a wedding date.

#### SICKNESS

Please call the Parish Office whenever someone is ill or whenever there is a need for Communion at home. Home Communion calls are scheduled for Fridays.

#### Council Officers

President – Tom Gudenkauf - 351-0802

Vice President – Mark Hingtgen - 356-6398

Secretary – Margaret Kaltefleiter - 358-9930

Steering Committee President - John LePeau: 354-2304

#### Victim Assistance Coordinator – Diocese of Davenport

Alicia Owens, LBSW

P.O. Box 232, Davenport, IA 52722-0004

Phone: 563-349-5002 - email: [vacdav@attglobal.net](mailto:vacdav@attglobal.net)

#### MISSION STATEMENT

*St. Thomas More Parish strives to be a Parish For All Seasons. We are committed to help all, in whatever season of life, to grow closer to God through alive liturgies, support of family life, strong religious education, outreach to the inactive and unchurched, and a keen awareness of social justice.*



**Stewardship – a Way of Life**

**Stewardship of TIME:**

Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Rejoice in God’s mercy!

**Stewardship of TALENT:**

Thank you to the parishioners who are members of the STM Social Justice Commission that recently distributed parish tithing grants to charitable groups (see listing of amounts elsewhere in this bulletin):

Marti Bradbury (co-chair), Kathleen Kamerick, Mary Merchant (co-chair), Kathy Oberley, Keith Staley and Marilyn Wurth.

This tithing grant money comes from the annual Christmas envelope collection. The first half of that collection total is distributed the following January, and the second half is paid out in June to local, national and international charities based on requests submitted by STM parishioners to STM’s Social Justice Commission.

**Stewardship of TREASURE:**

	<u>May 30/31</u>	<u>Year-to-date</u>
Weekly (green) envelopes:		
Needed to meet expenses	\$5,700	\$444,100
Actual collections	\$6,125	\$414,808
Qty of envelopes used	139	143 = wkly avg
Rent for Brown Deer facility:		
Needed to meet expenses	\$225	\$10,800
Actual collections	\$70	\$8,592

**Stewardship Opportunity:**

Distributing parish tithing grants to deserving charities is only one of the many activities conducted by or promoted by STM’s Social Justice Commission.

Other examples are the Shelter House Homeless Overflow project, the free meals served at the Wesley House and the Salvation Army Community Center, the CROP Walk, plus clothing, food & school supplies collections for the needy. To help or to get more information, contact Marti Bradbury (ph#338-4945 [Martha-Bradbury@uiowa.edu](mailto:Martha-Bradbury@uiowa.edu)) or Mary Merchant (ph#337-2314 [Mary-Merchant@uiowa.edu](mailto:Mary-Merchant@uiowa.edu)).

**Stewardship thought for you:**

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“Then he asked them, ‘Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?’” --Mark 4:40

It takes great faith and trust to believe that, just as He calmed the storm and quieted the waves, our God will always provide us with all that we need, if we trust Him enough to give to Him first.

Sun	June 21	8:30 AM - For The People 11:00 AM - Tom Brown
Mon	June 22	NO MASS
Tue	June 23	9:00 AM - Ethel Sladek
Wed	June 24	9:00 AM - Willard Last
Thur	June 25	9:00 AM - John F. Neuzil
Fri.	June 26	9:00 AM - Jeal L. (Aver Reece)
Sat.	June 27	5:15 PM - For The People
Sun	June 28	8:30 AM - Bessie Campion 11:00 AM - Dr. Bob Brown

**Father Wally’s Weekly Homily Preparation Group**

**What:** An hour long meeting where parishioners share insights on the upcoming Sunday Scriptures.

**When:** Tuesdays, 9:45-10:45 in the church lower level - coffee is on!

**How:** Parishioners need only to show up. Participation is most welcome!

**St. Thomas More New Season Update:**

The new building is progressing rapidly. Grading of the lot and paving of parking areas as well as the roof and siding make the move to the new church seem closer every day.

Changes in the coming weeks at the current STM are removal of the west side pews and the Altar, Ambo (stone lectern), Stone Chairs, and the Tabernacle for remodeling. For ministers and acolytes, the sacristy will be moved after June 1 to the room by the northwest entry. The library has been packed and stored preparatory to the move. Furniture and items we will not need are being identified for resale.

As we continue to complete our plans for the move to our new church, there are opportunities for parishioners to give of their time and talents. Please check this space weekly for new opportunities you can be a part of without ever attending a meeting. Some are easy, some more difficult, but there will be something that just suits your time and abilities.

Opportunities:

- Gardeners
- Calligraphers
- Carpenters
- Furniture refinishers or restorers
- Preparing for auctions

Please contact Kathy Donnelly

(preferably at [kadonne@msn.com](mailto:kadonne@msn.com) or by phone 319-338-6629) to explore options. You will find more opportunities and updates on the move in this space.

**Reading for the week of June 21, 2009**

Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41  
 Monday: Gn 12:1-9/Mt 7:1-5  
 Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18/Mt 7:6, 12-14  
 Wednesday: Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80  
 Thursday: Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 or 16:6b-12, 15-16/  
 Mt 7:21-29  
 Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Mt 8:1-4  
 Saturday: Gn 18:1-15/Mt 8:5-17  
 Next Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/2 Cor 8:7, 9,  
 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43



**Parish Council Elections** - We have moved the election to **July 3/4**. Watch the gathering space and the bulletin next week for information on the candidates.



Please call Cheryl at the Parish Office (337-2173) with questions.

**Wedding Announcement.**

We anticipate the wedding of **Sam Huff** and **Tessa Harper** of our parish on **Saturday, June 27**, at St. Mary-St. Mathias Parish in Muscatine, their home town.

**No Nursery Service available at the 11:00 AM Mass on Sunday, June 21, 2009.**

**Construction Update – As of June 4**

Outside work: The stone base for the parking lot has been laid. Paving will occur later in the summer or in the early fall. The geothermal field is being laid in.

Building exterior: The roof is complete. The brick-work and siding is going on.

Building interior: This is the real center of activity – HVAC, plumbing, electrical, interior walls, insulation all in progress.

John LePeau  
 Chair, Relocation Project Steering Committee

**SAVE THE DATE – NOVEMBER 14, 2009**  
**CHURCH DEDICATION AND**  
**“CELEBRATION WITH FRIENDS” EVENT!**

We are pleased to announce that November 14 will be the dedication Mass of our new Parish Home! Activities will include a mass of dedication with Bishop Amos, followed by a “Celebration with Friends” formal dinner and silent/live auction fundraiser at Brown Deer. Remember St. Thomas More on your summer vacation this year and bring back something that we could auction off. Wine from California, hand blown glassware, paintings from an art festival!! We will need many hands to make this evening a success. Please fill out and return the form in back of church to let us know how you would like to serve! Any questions or concerns can be directed to Deacon Ed and Connie Goldsmith – 337-4231 or [redirector@stthomasmoreic.com](mailto:redirector@stthomasmoreic.com).

**STM Social Action Commission distributed tithing grants** at their meeting last week. The following received funds:

Hope and Healing – Committed to Freedom:

2 scholarships funded	\$600.00
Johnson County Free Medical Clinic	\$600.00
Humility of Mary House of Davenport	\$1000.00
Free Lunch Program	\$300.00
Common Fund	\$500.00
Food Bank/Crisis Center	\$500.00
Shelter House	\$600.00
Discretionary Fund	<u>\$400.00</u>
	\$4500.00

**Fundraising Update**

Since our new fundraising efforts were first announced to you two months ago in April, we have raised an additional \$62,000 in new and increased pledges. Importantly, because of these new pledges, installation of the elevator in our new building has now been authorized.

All pledges for the New Season campaign now total almost \$1,900,000. With your continued support we hope to announce soon that we have reached our Celebration Goal of \$2,000,000 in gifts and pledges. Thank you all for your generosity.

John LePeau  
 Chair, Relocation Project Steering Committee

Looking for a giving opportunity for your faith community? **ToGather Together is a local project that benefits school students in Johnson County and the Iowa City Community School District.**

ToGather Together provides needed school supplies to students without resources to provide their own. Donations of school supplies for the 2009-10 school year (see list below) as well as money to buy school supplies are needed. Checks can be made out to "CRC"; (please write "ToGather Together" in the memo line).

School Supplies List

pocket folders (plain colors)  
#2 pencils  
glue sticks  
rulers (with metric side)  
pens (black, blue, red)  
wide-ruled notebook filler paper  
1" 3-ring binders  
70-page wide-ruled spiral notebooks  
composition notebooks  
12-ct colored pencils  
24-ct crayons  
8-10 ct washable markers  
There is a box located in back of church for your donations.

**ATTENTION ALL LITURGY MINISTERS !!!!**

Before our first Mass at the new church, we will hold training sessions for **all current ministers** – Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Mass Sacristans and Ushers. You will need to attend one of these training sessions to remain on our ministers lists. The dates we have set for this training are either Sunday, November 1 or Tuesday, November 3. Please save one of these dates so that you will be able to attend one of the sessions. You will only need to be in attendance for the ministry that you are involved with. Please watch future bulletins for the schedule. Please note that this will *not* be training for new ministers but current ministers only.

**Calling all St. Thomas More Student**

**Orchestra!** We'll be playing our instruments on a float in the Coralville parade at 10:00 AM on Saturday, July 4! Please see Judy Duncan after mass or email her at: [music@stthomasmoreic.com](mailto:music@stthomasmoreic.com) for more information and music packets.

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**Hope and Healing Ministries** is a ministry that offers healing retreats with counseling services, counseling referrals, toll-free hotline, support groups, mentoring, and educational seminars to women and men (including family members) who are struggling with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion or sexual abuse. Services were created to help one experience the mercy, compassion, and love of God while providing an opportunity to surface and release feelings of anger, shame, guilt and grief in a safe setting. For information contact Maria Bain, 563-322-1645.

**Rachel's Vineyard Retreat:** July 24-26, Rock Island, IL. This confidential, supportive retreat is for anyone seeking spiritual and emotional healing after abortion. For more information, to donate, or volunteer please call 563-322-1645, or email [hopeandhealingtoday@gmail.com](mailto:hopeandhealingtoday@gmail.com). Scholarships are available. You can also visit [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org), or call a toll-free hotline at 1-877-896-HOPE.

Use **SCRIP** gift cards to make a smile while making a difference!

**Regina Jr-Sr High School has the following positions available:**

Health / PE Instructor - Part-time  
Volleyball Coaches - Freshman, Sophomore &  
Junior Varsity

Please send credentials to Glenn Plummer  
Regina High School  
2150 Rochester Avenue  
Iowa City, IA 52245  
Or [glenn.plummer@regina.pvt.k12.ia.us](mailto:glenn.plummer@regina.pvt.k12.ia.us)

**Regina Elementary has the following openings for the 2009-2010 school year-**

5th/6th resource teacher  
Kindergarten teacher  
K-6 computer/technology teacher  
Kindergarten aide/building associate

Please send interest letter, resume, and credentials to-  
Celeste Vincent, Principal  
Regina Elementary  
2120 Rochester Ave.  
Iowa City, Iowa 52245