



# St. Thomas More Mission

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

### Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

### Weekday Masses

Monday: NO MASS

Tuesday - Friday: 12:00 p.m.

### First Friday Devotion

12:00 p.m. Mass, followed by Adoration, Prayers, Confessions and the Rosary

### First Saturday Devotion

8:30 a.m. Mass, 9:00 a.m. Confessions, followed by Marian Prayers and the Rosary

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Friday: 12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Saturday: 8:45 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

(or by appointment)

### Weekly Adoration

Thursdays: 12:45 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Includes Exposition, Adoration and Solemn Benediction

## CHURCH DOORS OPEN

Monday: CLOSED

Tues - Wed: 11:00 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Thurs - Fri: 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

## WEEKEND HYMNS

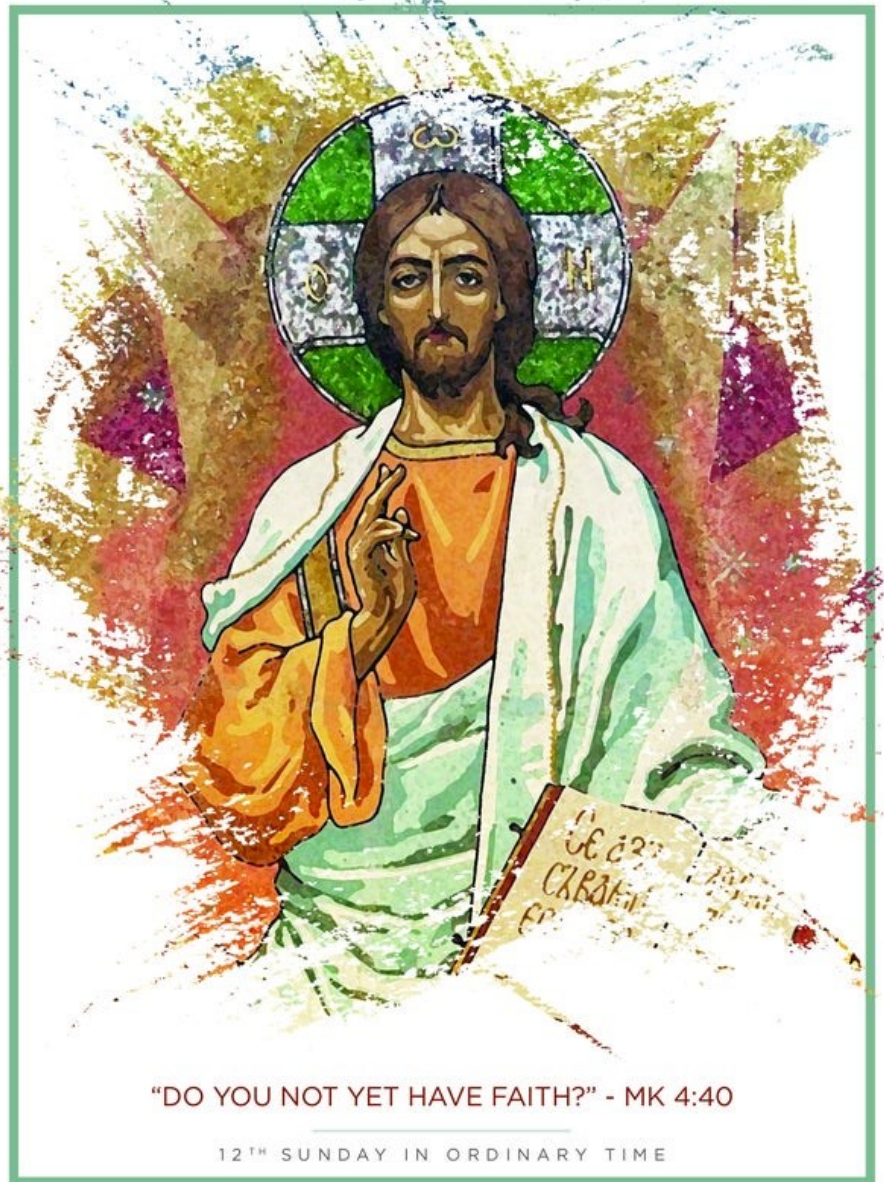
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## Sunday, June 23, 2024



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## SECOND COLLECTION

June 29th & 30th

Peter's Pence

July 6th & 7th

Building Fund

# Church Information

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## Rectory Office

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## Rectory Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm  
Friday – Sunday Closed

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## Social Media

Visit our Facebook page at:  
St. Thomas More Mission  
Website Address:

<https://stthomasmoremision.org>

## Registration for Church Membership

New parishioners should register at the Rectory Office.

## Religious Goods Store

Open on the third weekend of the month.

## SACRAMENTS

### Baptism

Contact the rectory office to schedule a baptism.

### Funeral

Contact the rectory office for funeral arrangements.

### Marriage

Contact St. Bede-St. Denis for marriage preparation  
Tel: 773-884-2000.

### Sacramental Records Requests

Contact the rectory office for copies. Cost: \$10 each (cash/check)

### Mass Intentions

Visit the rectory office or mail us your intentions (mark living/deceased) along with a check. Minimum Donation of \$10 each. (3 intentions per mass, cash/check)

### Bulletin Announcements

Must be emailed to [jfitzgibbons@archchicago.org](mailto:jfitzgibbons@archchicago.org) before 12:00 p.m. on Thursdays in order to be approved and printed in the following weeks bulletin. (type "Bulletin Announcement" in the subject line)



## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY, June 23rd

#### 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 a.m. † Irene Buszkiewicz (Phifer Family)  
† Steven J. Dapkus Sr. (Steven & Gerald Dapkus)  
Matthew Nkemeh - Birthday (Kate Aguanunu)

### Monday, June 24th

#### The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

\*\*\* NO MASS \*\*\*

### TUESDAY, June 25th

12:00 p.m. † For the Souls in Purgatory (Gina Cruz)  
Mark Zempich & Family (Mary Tadda)

### WEDNESDAY, May June 26th

12:00 p.m. Sandy Macey - Birthday (Mary Tadda)  
† Richard, Patricia & Dick Roberts (Jack Roberts)

### THURSDAY, June 27th

#### St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

12:00 p.m. Our Lady's Intentions (Sister Maria Paulina)  
Alos Raymond P. Avellana - Birthday (Rosario Avellana)  
William Macey & Family (Mary Tadda)

### FRIDAY, June 28th

#### St. Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr

12:00 p.m. † Don Tadda (Mary Tadda)  
† Richard, Patricia & Dick Roberts (Jack Roberts)  
Diane Zervos (Diane Zervos)

### SATURDAY, June 29th

#### St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles

#### (Vigil Mass)

5:30 p.m. † Julia Verley (Michaelleen O'Neill)  
Malissia and Alex Liceaga & Family (Mary Tadda)  
† William "Bill" Harte (Jim Farrell)



## Readings for the week of June 23, 2024

### Sunday:

Jb 38:1, 8-11/Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29,  
30-31 (1b)/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41

### Monday:

Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/  
Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

### Tuesday:

2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/  
Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11/Mt 7:6, 12-14

### Wednesday:

2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33, 34, 35,  
36, 37, 40/Mt 7:15-20

### Thursday:

2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/  
Mt 7:21-29

### Friday:

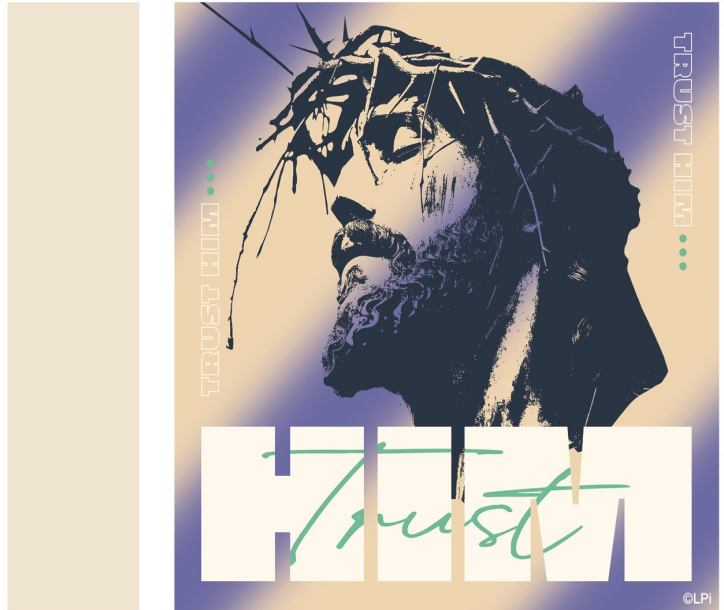
2 Kgs 25:1-12/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/  
Mt 8:1-4

### Saturday:

*Vigil:* Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/  
Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19

*Day:* Acts 12:1-11/34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/  
2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

## Worship & Meditation



### Gospel Meditation

#### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Right now, you and I are only worried about one of only two things: wind or water. Bear with me. This week we hear the account of the terrified disciples waking Jesus in a sea-storm. He chastises them for their lack of faith, and then, **“rebuking the wind, he said to the sea, ‘Quiet, be still!’”** He rebukes the wind and stills the water. In the Bible wind and water represent the two most fundamental poles of our experience of creation. Wind means heaven, spirit, that which gives identity, unity, order, light. Water stands for earth, variation, potential, that which can be drawn into identity, darkness, chaos.

Too much “wind” is when things get way too rigid, abstract and ideological — when we face oppressive leaders and tyrants, when we get addicted to our own way of doing things, when our attention is too narrowly focused on one thing. Too much “water” is excessive novelty, passivity, indifference, and chaos — when our attention is too broadly diffused on many things, when things seem to be crumbling without direction into the dark abyss. We know both terrifying experiences all too well.

The point of the miracle is that God in Christ is the One who brings final cosmic harmony between these two vital but threatening forces. He ultimately does so from the wood of the cross, when he breathes forth the wind of his spirit and pours forth the water from his side to establish a new creation, filled with harmonious peace. When the wind and water are out of control, trust him.

— Father John Muir

## THE BALANCING ACT of Faith

### Prayer for Inner Peace

Jesus,

Speak your command of “Quiet! Be still!” into the dark recesses of my mind — my fears, concerns, and anxieties. Be with me, at every moment, no matter the storm. Fix my eyes upon you.

Amen.

## ( PRACTICING ) CATHOLIC

### The Perfect Storm

I am writing this on a Saturday morning. Saturdays are my writing days, when my husband takes over the kids and the house and I disappear into the office with an enormous cup of coffee and noise-canceling headphones. Saturdays are sacred — if work can be called sacred.

But Saturday morning is also the only time I'm able to consistently get to confession. Every other time the sacrament is offered in my area during the week, I seem to have unavoidable commitments — but on Saturday morning, all I have is work, and how can I let work come before a sacrament, as much as I might secretly want to?

I've spent a good deal of time being bitter about this, because it's just not convenient, having to carve out time from work to run to the other side of town, especially when I get there and there's a line. I sit there in the sanctuary, waiting my turn, checking the clock, stewing, fretting. Obsessing over forgetting one of my sins. Thinking of how much work I have when I get home.

Saturday mornings: *a perfect storm*, I sometimes call it in my head.

I forge ahead, though. I've never gotten up and dashed back to my desk. I make it into the confessional and I stammer out my pathetic little list and receive absolution. Then I go before the tabernacle to perform my penance.

It's while I am kneeling there that it happens. Always. God awakens, and he cries into the depths of my heart: "Quiet! Be still! Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?"

After teaching all day by the shore of the sea, Jesus asks his disciples to remove him from the crowds. He wants to escape the noise, the clamor, the disquiet. But the clamor follows him, because the world is full of it. Storms crop up wherever we go.

Jesus sleeps through the storm, because he understands what the disciples do not: the storms of the world cannot hurt us. They are only so much noise.

*"Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?" — Mark 4:41*

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

### Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

#### Question:

We are considering homeschooling our children. Does this present a problem when it is time for them to receive the sacraments? What must we do?

#### Answer:

Homeschooling is legal in all fifty states and like other types of education, has its advantages and its drawbacks. There are many factors to consider, and each family has to decide what the best way to educate its children is. With religious education, many dioceses have a formal policy that outlines procedures and expectations, some of which include more than just academic information. Call the religious education office to find out what they are for your area.

In general, though, an appointment with your parish priest to discuss your situation is the best first step. An opportunity to discuss what is available, what the expectations are for each sacrament, and how you can best prepare your child helps make your time of preparation more effective. The priest can direct you to good catechetical materials, parent information classes, and other choices and possibilities for your child. All parents need to be part of their child's religious education, taking a lead in instilling the values and beliefs of their faith. Communication and information helps us all to teach and preach the Gospel as Jesus did.

# STTMM - JUNE 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		12:45pm Legion of Mary Meeting (Mission Center)				3-5pm Young Adults Bible Study (Quigley Room)  6-8pm Young Adults Spaghetti Dinner (Donlan Hall)
(Fr. Combs)		(Fr. Combs)	(Fr. Combs)	(Fr. Combs)	(Fr. Combs)	(Fr. Combs)
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12-1pm Young Adults Gen. Body Meeting (Mission Center)						
(Fr. Combs)						

## FOOD PANTRY



The **Pro Labore Dei-Feed My Lambs** Food Pantry at St. Thomas More Mission is in need of the items listed below. Non-perishable items can be dropped off via the parking lot by the Mission Center/Convent on **Fridays or Saturdays from 9:00am - 11:30am** or by placing items inside the marked bins located in the vestibule and parking lot entrance of the church.

**Items Needed:** Grocery Bags (*thick plastic like Aldi's*), Canned Goods, Condiments, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Toilet Paper, Gallon Storage Bags, Sandwich Plastic Bags, Plastic Gloves for Food Preparation/Handling, Clear Storage Bins with Lids, **Freezers & Refrigerators are also needed!**

For more information please call **Anne DeAngelis at (708) 502-8424.**

## SAVE THE DATE

**Saturday, June 29th** - The Young Adults will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser from **6:00pm to 8:00pm** in Donlan Hall which is open to everyone. Ticket Sales will begin after Mass over the next three weeks beginning June 8th & 9th. Prices vary - see the ticket sales booth in the vestibule for more information or contact Greg Phifer (gphifer@archchicago.org or by calling 773-436-4444).



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Weekly Volunteers are needed for the **Pro Labore Dei-Feed My Lambs** food pantry.

Wednesday: 12:00pm - 2:00pm  
 Thurs & Fri: 9:30am - 11:30am  
 Saturday: 8:00am - 11:30am

For more information please contact **Anne DeAngelis at (708) 502-8424**



The **Legion of Mary** is hosting meetings in St. Thomas More's Mission Center.

**Every Tuesday after mass at 12:45 pm.**

(enter through garden)

# GROWING Gospel

WITH THE

CYCLE B

## PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

BLESSED	ROCK	KEYS
SIMON	BUILD	KINGDOM
PETER	CHURCH	HEAVEN

J P E C S L R D K E B  
 L D S H E A B U I L D  
 R I E U M Y I O N S U  
 O A N R O C K F G H J  
 F W T C H A E S D S I  
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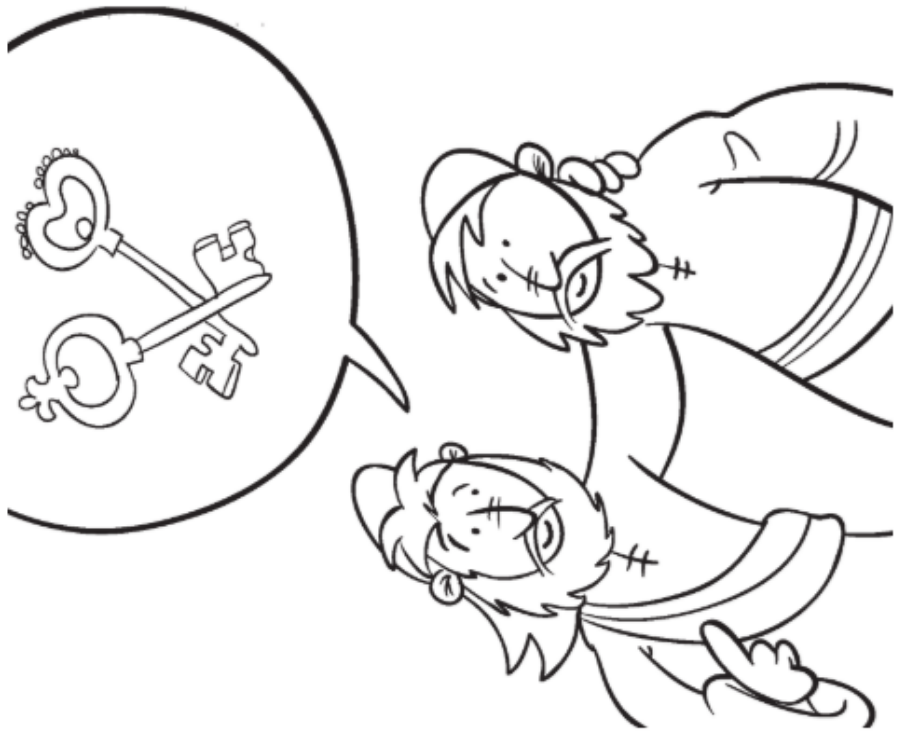
## MISSION

God has given your parents the key to your house. Always let your parents open the door to your home. Let them welcome your friends.



## COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



BECAUSE VIBRANT CHURCHES MATTER

Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles • Matthew 16:13-19

# PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL FOR THE SICK



Johanna Adas  
 Martha Anderson  
 Rose & Kevin Cahill  
 Dave Carlson  
 Sarah Dalton  
 Peggy Dwyer  
 Rosina Grieshaber  
 Sandra Halper  
 William & Theresa Jenzio

Janice Mangan  
 James McCarthy  
 Chris Oleksyn  
 Robert Oleksyn  
 Walter W. Quasthoff  
 Chuck & Barbara Richards  
 Carol Rossi  
 Sergio Rubalcava  
 Brian Small

Phyllis Spizzirri  
 Joni Stawski  
 Sister Maria-Paulina Sterling

*Omnipotent and eternal God, the everlasting Salvation of those who believe,  
 hear us on behalf of Thy sick and their caregivers.*

**To add a name to the prayer list please contact the Rectory Office at (773) 436-4444.**  
 (Names will stay on list for only three months unless an extension is requested)

## FOR ALL WHO SERVE IN THE MILITARY INCLUDING



PFC Michael Chesna, Marines  
 MSG Kevin Daley  
 Cpl. Brian Husum  
 PO2. Marcellus J. Lane, Navy  
 Cpl. Noah Mackiewicz, Marines  
 PFC. Luis Rosales  
 LCPL. Xavier Rosales



**THANK YOU FOR OUR FREEDOM!**

### Suicide Prevention

If you or someone you know is having thoughts of suicide or experiencing a mental health or substance use crisis, 988 provides 24/7 connection to confidential support. There is hope. You are not alone. **Just call or text 988 or chat [988lifeline.org](https://988lifeline.org)**, 988 will connect you with a trained crisis counselor who can help.



### Catholic Resources

Please view the following websites for daily Mass, prayers and spiritual support:

- [www.archchicago.org](http://www.archchicago.org)
- [www.DomesticViolenceOutreach.org](http://www.DomesticViolenceOutreach.org)
- [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)
- [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)
- [www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com)
- [www.relevantradio.com](http://www.relevantradio.com)

## SUNDAY COLLECTION

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## BUDGET & FINANCE

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**Sunday, June 2, 2024**

### Weekly Collection:

Envelopes:	\$2,391.00
Loose Change:	\$1,226.00
Retired Priest:	\$25.00
Peter Pence:	\$25.00
Building Fund:	\$645.18
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$4,312.18</b>

### Special Collections to Date:

Poor Box to Date:	\$285.48
Building Fund to Date:	\$11,061.82

**We sincerely appreciate your generosity!**



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