St. Thomas Catholic Church

MASSES - St. Thomas

Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m.
Saturday Evening 4:00 p.m. | Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Summer Mass 8:30 a.m.

MASS - Holy Cross

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

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Welcome to the Parish

If you are new in the area, be sure to register at the Rectory or pick up a registration form at the entrance of the church, fill it out and place it in the collection basket.

CLERGY OF THE PARISH

Rev. Przemyslaw "Shemek" Lepak , Pastor
Rev. Peter J. Gower, Asst. Senior Priest
Rev. Mr. John J. Natalizia, Deacon

PARISH SECRETARY ~ Ms. Angela Boulay ***BUSINESS MANAGER*** ~ Mr. David Cote

PARISH LIFE COORDINATOR ~ Mrs. Julie Moura

DIRECTORS OF MUSIC

Mrs. Julie Mayhew (St. Thomas) T. Kevin Morgan (Holy Cross)

ST. THOMAS REGIONAL SCHOOL

15 Edendale Avenue, Providence, RI 02911
Mrs. Mary DiMuccio, Principal - 401-351-0403

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents must be members of the Parish and attend Mass weekly for a least three months before their child can be baptized. Parents and Godparents must attend the required class.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples should call the Rectory one year before the date desired.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call the Rectory for any serious illness or anticipated surgery, or hospitalization.

MASS Intentions

Saturday, August 8th
4:00pm In memory of Anthony Pontarelli
Req. by Family
Sunday, August 9th
HC 9:30am Birthday rem. Patricia Catoni
Req. by Husband & family
In memory of Joyce Donahue
Req. by her sister Helene
In memory of Ralph & Gail
Req. by Holy Cross family
STC 8:30am Ann. Rem. Richard Laboissonniere
Req. by Family
10:30am In memory of Carmine Vallese
Req. by his wife Barbara
In memory of Edward Zarski
Req. by his wife Kathy
In memory of George Marfeo
Req. by his wife Jeannette
Monday, August 10th
7:30am For all those who are homebound
Tuesday, August 11th
7:30am No intention
Wednesday, August 12th
7:30am No intention
Thursday, August 13th
7:30am No intention
Friday, August 14th
7:30am No intention
Saturday, August 15th
4:00pm *The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary*
Birthday rem. Gerald Carpinone
Req. by Family
Sunday, August 16th
HC 9:30am In mem. of Donna Tirocchi
Req. by Sciarra family
Birthday rem. Alfred DeAngelis
Req. by Wife & children
8:30am No intention
10:30am Birthday rem. Cheryl Ascenzi
Req. by her friend Beverly
5th Anniversary rem. Thomas Caparo Req. By Wife

Candles

Sacred Heart: In memory of
Frank Gallo -wife Jean
St. Thomas: In memory of
Richard Laboissonniere -Family
St. Teresa: In memory of
Gena & Michael Barone -Family
St. Joseph: Birthday remembrance
Arthur Riendeau
-granddaughter Gloria Fleurant

Last WEEK Collections

thank you

Weekend Collections

St. Thomas

- Parish Collection: $2,198
- Parish Giving: $1,040

Diocesan Collection

- Peter's Pence: $214

Holy Cross Church

- Parish Collection: $1,485

Diocesan Collection

- Peter's Pence: $120

A Note About Our Parish Envelopes at St. Thomas

After a challenging season in which our parish envelopes were sometimes delayed or unavailable due to printing issues, we have decided to move to a new envelope printing company. We hope this change will provide more reliable and consistent service for our parishioners. We appreciate your patience and understanding during the recent difficulties and thank you, as always, for your continued generosity and support of our parish.

Dear Parishioners,

In this Sunday's Gospel Peter has the courage to step out of the boat and walk toward Jesus. As long as his eyes are fixed on the Lord, he moves forward. But when he becomes distracted by the wind and the waves, fear takes over and he begins to sink. He cries out, "Lord, save me!" and immediately Jesus reaches out His hand.
We all experience our own winds and waves: worries, illness, uncertainty, loneliness, and the struggles of everyday life. The Gospel reminds us to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus.
One of the greatest ways we do that is through the Eucharist. At every Mass, Jesus comes to us in His Real Presence to strengthen us and remind us that we never walk alone.
For those who are unable to come to Mass because of illness, age, or physical limitations, we want to bring that same presence of Christ to them. Beginning in September, we will strengthen our homebound ministry at St. Thomas and Holy Cross. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be available to visit and bring the Eucharist to those who cannot join us for Mass.
If you or someone you know is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office.
Whatever storms we may face, may we keep our eyes on Jesus and always remember: His hand is never far from us.

God bless you,
Fr. Shemek

Feast of the Holy Cross Dinner

Sunday, September 13 • 1:00pm
Silvio's Restaurant
Join us for an afternoon of fellowship as we come together to celebrate this special feast day
Adults $35 - Children 5 & under free

SAVE THE DATE!
OKTOBERFEST!

Sunday, October 4, 2026
1pm—5pm
Mark your calendars and plan to join us for an afternoon of food, fun, and friendship.
More details coning soon!

Our Sincere Thanks

The generosity of our parish family has been truly inspiring. Your thoughtful donations have kept our Food Pantry shelves filled and helped us continue serving our neighbors in need. Thank you for your kindness and your faithful support.
We are sincerely grateful.

The Office of Marriage Preparation & Enrichment is hosting the annual Wedding Anniversary Celebration to honor couples of the diocese of Providence who will be observing their 25th, 40th, 50th and OVER 50 years wedding anniversaries in 2026.
The celebration will be held on
Sunday, October 18, 2026 @ 1:00 pm,
Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Providence.
It will include Mass, renewal of marriage vows, a personalized certificate for each couple and a reception for the couples and their families.
The Most Reverend Bishop Bruce A. Lewandowski will be the main celebrant and homilist.
Please call the office @ 401.272.7118 for a registration form. The registration form must be submitted through the office and signed by Fr. Shemek.
We must receive registration forms by September 11th in order for the attendees to have their names and anniversary published in the Mass booklet.

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