



# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

## Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 7, 2017  
 4:00 PM Albert Capeto

Sunday, October 8, 2017  
 8:30 AM Rita Lamontagne

11:00 AM Elsie A. Gardullo &  
 Sharon May Durant –Month's Mind

Daily Mass this week will be held on  
 Tuesday through Thursday at 8:00 AM

Monday, October 9, 2017  
 NO MASS AND OFFICE CLOSED  
 HOLIDAY –COLUMBUS DAY

Tuesday, October 10, 2017  
 8:00 AM

Wednesday, October 11, 2017  
 8:00 AM Anna Meyer & Annette Trombley

Thursday, October 12, 2017  
 8:00 AM

Friday, October 13, 2017  
 NO MASS

## Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 14, 2017  
 4:00 PM People of the Parish  
 Cecelia & Francis Reis – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 Anniversary

Sunday, October 15, 2017  
 8:30 AM Joseph F. Foley, III

11:00 AM Dr. Eduardo Leonardo – Birthday  
 Remembrance

### ALTAR BREADS & ALTAR WINE FOR OCTOBER

Is in memory of  
**Mr. & Mrs. Lionel Gagnon &  
 John Pacheco, Jr.**

### OCTOBER – MONTH OF ROSARY

The month of October, is traditionally a time to **honor Mary**. We encourage you to pray the rosary. The statue of Mary has been placed in front of the sanctuary for the month of October. The Rosary is prayed each morning before the daily Mass.



### ANNUAL COLLECTION

These donations will be used for the church renovation fund. Please drop your Annual Collection donation envelope in the collection basket. **Checks should be made payable to St. Thomas More Church**. Extra reports and envelopes are available at the entrances of the church. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

### Today's Hymns

Entrance: #727 Alleluia, Sing to Jesus  
 Preparation: #423 How Great Thou Art  
 Communion: #324 Gift of Finest Wheat  
 Meditation: #693 Holy is His Name  
 Recessional: #30 Immaculate Mary

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekend Collection	\$ 2,461.00
Renovation Fund	\$ 1,311.00
Annual Collection	\$ 4,620.00
Church Organ Donation	\$ 25.00
Church Organ Donations to date	\$23,905.00

The Second Collection this weekend will be for the Renovation Fund. Thank You for your continued support.

### ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY 15<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL DRIVE

From October 7 - October 30, *Hats, Mittens, and Scarves* will be collected for the needy before the harsh winter arrives. **And, for one weekend only, coats for all school age children through teenage will be collected at all Masses on the weekend of October 28-29.** If you would like to donate a coat, please bring it on this last weekend only.

**SVDP meeting scheduled  
 for October 17th 6:00 PM.**

### ST. THOMAS MORE RETIREES CLUB

There will be a meeting of the St. Thomas More Retirees Club on **Thursday, October 19, 2017 at 1:00PM in the Parish Center**. New members are always welcome.

**Cathedral Church of St. Mary** making history on **November 5, 2017 @ 3:00 PM** with a special ecumenical prayer service to mark the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the beginning of the Protestant Reformation. Bishop Edgar da Cunha will preside at the service and Bishop James Hazelwood of N.E. Synod Evangelical Lutheran Church will preach. Protestants and Catholics are welcome.

## **FAITH FORMATION**

### **Religious Education 2017-2018**

Classes begin **9:20 AM through 10:30 AM**

*The schedule for 2017 – 2018 can be seen on the website.*

#### **Attention Parents**

**Reminder – there will not be any Religious Education Classes this Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup> due to the Columbus Holiday. Classes resume on Sunday, October 15.**

### **FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAM**

All children who will be entering First Grade in September must register for Religious Education Classes to begin in the fall. This is a two-year program that begins with First Grade and ends with the reception of the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in Second Grade.

### **CONFIRMATION PROGRAM**

This is a two year program for both Catholic and Public School parishioners. Students need to register in Grade 9 to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in Grade 10.

### **CONFIRMATION TEACHER NEEDED!**

**TEACHER ASSISTANTS & SUBSTITUTES** are also needed to assist with St. Thomas More Faith Formation Program. Consider volunteering for this critical mission. We need you! Training is available. See Msgr. Fitzgerald or Michael Fitzpatrick if you can assist in any way.

### **Attention Parents of Grades 1-4!**

**For safety reasons please pick up your children in the Parish Center at the end of class and drive slowly to avoid any mishaps.** The parking lot is quite congested at dismissal. Thank you for your support.

### **St. Thomas More Retirees Group**

The Retirees' next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 19, 2017 at 1:00 PM.

### **Catholic High School Open Houses**

**Bishop Connolly** – Wednesday, October 28, 2017 from 5 – 8 PM and Sunday, November 12, 2017 from 1 – 3 PM. Call #508-676-1071 Ext. 333 for information.

**Coyle Cassidy** - Sunday, October 22, 2017

Noon – 2:30 PM. Applications can be found on the website [www.coylecassidy.com](http://www.coylecassidy.com) or call #508-823-6164 for more information.

## **CHURCH ORGAN DONATION**

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners we are still making strides to reaching our goal of \$32, 000 and to date we have collected \$23,905.00. Anyone willing to make a donation of any size as a gift or as a memorial in memory of a loved one is asked to do so; it is most welcomed and appreciated. The memorials and contributions will be posted at a later date. Thank you to those who have already donated. Envelopes marked Church Organ Fund are available at the entrances of the church.

### **FLU CLINIC**

On Sunday, **October 22<sup>nd</sup>** from 8:15 AM to 11:00 AM Rite Aid Pharmacist and parishioner, Jacqueline Ferreira will be here to offer flu shots to those who would like to get one. **You will need to have some form of identification, your medical insurance card information and a completed screening questionnaire consent form, which is available at the entrances of the Church.**

**Please join with Bishop da Cunha as he observes The 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Final Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima on Friday, October 13, 2017 at Bishop Connolly H.S., RAIN OR SHINE**

1:00 PM – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Auditorium

1:30 PM – Confessions begin in the Gym – Rosary throughout the afternoon

4:00 PM – Bishop da Cunha – Closing Benediction Auditorium

### **New E-Giving Website Connection**

Electronic Weekly Offerings

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**View Donor Portal**

For those who are already a member, click onto **Donor Portal** to view your E-Giving account. After you sign-in you will have access to make any changes to your donation schedule or even to update your credit card information. Call the rectory if you need assistance navigating through this new set-up. Due to this new upgrade, the company did not deduct at least two weeks' worth of donations. Any member or non-member wishing to help make up the shortage of contributions can sign-in and make a one-time donation. Thank you.

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# Ministries at St. Thomas More Church

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Dear Parishioners,

This is the second in our series of “information sheets” on the various pastoral ministries at our church. This sheet describes our Eucharistic Ministers—the men and women who assist the celebrant in distributing Holy Communion.

If you would like to become involved in any of the parish ministries, I invite you to speak with me after mass or at the rectory. I look forward to exploring your interest in the richly rewarding work of our church ministries.

## Eucharistic Ministers

At St. Thomas More Church, our Eucharistic Ministers (also known as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion) perform two vital pastoral functions. First, they assist in dispensing Holy Communion to the congregation during weekend masses and on holy days. Second, they bring Communion to St. Thomas More parishioners who are in nursing homes or who are house-bound due to infirmity, injury, or other cause.



Candidates for the Eucharistic Ministry must meet certain Diocesan requirements (Msgr. Fitzgerald can provide details on these requirements). Also, candidates must attend a brief (approximately one-hour) training session that is held each spring at several churches around the diocese.

Typically, Eucharistic Ministers are assigned to serve at one mass every five or six weeks, and they are always assigned to the mass they regularly attend. For those Eucharistic Ministers who will be bringing Holy Communion to the infirm, additional training is provided on how to perform home visits.

If you think you might like to be a part of this very rewarding ministry, please speak with Monsignor Fitzgerald after mass or stop in at the rectory to discuss your interest.