

With your fatherly blessing, Lord, strengthen these servants of yours in their resolve to dedicate themselves as catechists. Grant that they will strive to share with others what they themselves derive from the Word of God and studying the church's teaching. And let them gladly join those they teach in glorifying your name. We ask this through Christ our Lord. *amen.* Book of Blessings

Catechetical Sunday



Parents are truly
the primary catechists of their children.

They prepare the soil and plant the first seeds of faith. On Catechetical Sunday, we not only highlight the work of catechists in parishes and schools, but we also commend parents and guardians and encourage them to take seriously their role of making their Catholic households a place where faith is passed on to the next generation.

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**September 10, 2023 DONATIONS****General Funds**

Regular/Loose..... \$1,670.00
School Support \$500.00
Hall Rental \$400.00
Total..... \$2,570.00

Cemetery \$15.00
Building Fund \$50.00
Food Pantry \$60.00
Religious Education \$75.00

Mass Schedule**Saturday, September 16th**

4:00pm/Frank Noble

Sunday, September 17th

10:30am/Ervin & Everett Krueger

Tuesday, September 19th

5:30 pm at St. Joseph

Wednesday, September 20th

8:00 am/Joy O'Neal

Thursday, September 21st

8:00 am at St. Joseph

Friday, September 22nd

8:00 am/Nolan Easton

Saturday, September 23rd

4:00pm/Ina Mae Eckstein

Sunday, September 24th

10:30am/For the People of the Parishes

Father Pat's Office Hours

Father Pat will not be holding regular office hours. If you would like to speak to him, please call the Rectory at 217-485-1224 or email frpkoneal@yahoo.com

Confession Schedule

Saturday: 3:15-3:45pm Anytime by appointment. Please call the Rectory 217-485-1224

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**Saturday, September 16th @4:00 pm Mass**

Lector: Randy Wojan

Ushers: Rick Bates, Mike Wishall

EMHC: Annette Wishall, Becky Hand

Gifts: Volunteers

Sunday, September 17th @10:30 am Mass

Lector: Brian Barnes

Ushers: Trevor & Travis McCarter

EMHC: Marlene Breen, Carol Miller

Gifts: Volunteers

Money Counters: Beth Erwin, Mike Miller

Hospital Rules

Please note that if you or a loved one are in the hospital and would like the priest to visit, you will have to notify Father directly. Due to the HIPPA laws, the hospital will not notify the priest directly. This also applies to nursing homes and assisted living places. Please call Father Pat at 217-485-1224 if you need to have him come for a visit.

Prayer Requests Please remember the following people in your prayers this week: Reese Baird, Nancy Brown-Smith, Mary Humer, Patty Kirby, Miss Barbara Kleiss, Frank Norton, Cathryn Pfeffer, Zoey Smith, Jay Warfel, Jeff Holt, Helen Birtcher, Katelyn Humer, Theresa O'Brien, Tammy Mayer, Jo Church, Becky Benson, Debra Bialeschki, Joann Hesselmann-Smith, Sue Millikin, Ron Adams, Robert Smith, Maggie Grimm, Sharon Oakes, Randy Wojan, Loretta Taylor, Madison Riley Houser, Ernie Goode, Ferrell & Anita Strack, Joseph William Baird, John Henry Baird, and requested prayer intentions.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

On Sunday, October 8th there will be a meeting at the parish hall after the 10:30 am mass. This will be a parish-wide meeting to discuss the results of Round Two of the "Growing Disciples" program.

All are encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be provided.

ALTAR & ROSARY NEWS

To purchase bags of fresh pecan halves at \$10/bag, please call Marlene Breen, 217-485-6500.

Mark your calendars for November 5th, for the annual chili supper and raffle. Raffle tickets for gift card prizes from Olde Time Meat and Deli are in the vestibules of the church. Take some to buy and some to sell.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Beginning September 16th, we will have a box in the west vestibule to collect items for the St. Nicholas on Wheels ministry. The box will remain for two weekends.

They are currently in need of toiletries (shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, and wipes), laundry detergent, cleaning products, dish soap, sponges, and gift cards.

For more info there are fliers in the vestibules or you can visit ccdop.org.

FAITH COMMUNITY NURSING**Topic: Emergency Preparedness**

Emergencies strike seemingly out of nowhere. Our ability to survive is often determined by our level of preparation. Help take some of the unknowns out of the unknown by preparing a disaster kit today.

Learn what you should include and more about specific emergencies here: Ready.gov:

Plan ahead for Disasters <https://www.ready.gov/>

Ready.gov: Build a Kit <https://www.ready.gov/kit-Community>

Wellness and Faith Community Health Services at Carle connects you and your faith community to needed healthcare and wellness support, taking a whole-person approach to health.

To learn more about bringing healthcare and wellness resources to your faith community, call (217) 902-3160 or email FaithCommunityHealth@carle.com.

DONUTS

Sorry there will be no donuts after mass this Sunday. We had a conflict of activities at the parish hall.

ST. THOMAS MORE NEWS**STM Job Opportunities**

STM is currently seeking applications for a Head Girls Soccer Coach, Head Boys Swimming Coach, and a Bus Driver. If interested email Sr. M. Bridget at srmbridget@hs-stm.org, Mr. Corapi at acorapi@hs-stm.org and Jon Marston, Athletic Director at jmarston@hs-stm.org.

Save the Date

Mother Son Superhero Dance, Friday, September 29, 2023 6:30 to 8:30 PM at The High School of St. Thomas More. \$30 Per Mom. Boys up to 8th grade free. Event Sponsor: STM Parent Association. Contact: Becky Leibach 217.202.0998 or leibach@gmail.com for questions. Go to https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1w1ymfja1IPJeH5vW3lhBHLKuwVCbmF4hUh17NctZaXY/viewform?edit_requested=true to register.

Bowl Making

The Empty Bowls Supper and Saber Showcase which benefits a local food pantry is Friday, November 3! Three bowl making nights that are open to anyone are Wednesday, Sept. 27th, Tuesday Oct. 10th and Tuesday, Oct. 20th. Come to STM anytime between 4pm and 7pm. These handmade bowls will be sold at the event. Please reserve a spot with Mrs. Pagel at dpagel@hs-stm.org so we are sure to have enough supplies and help!

Alumni - Join us at the high school for Homecoming on Saturday, October 7th at 1 PM as STM takes on Metro East Lutheran. Bring your families with you and enjoy the game. We will have an alumni tent set up through halftime for check-in and for a meeting place. We will especially recognize the Class of 2003 on their 20th anniversary. Questions? Email alumni@hs-stm.org.

Fall Open House

CHECK US OUT! STM will host its Fall Open House at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 18. Families of students in grades 7 & 8 are invited to meet our administration team, learn about our sports, clubs, and activities, and take a tour of the school.

2023 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

The 2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal is now underway in our parish. Thank you to all who have already pledged to the appeal. No gift is too small, and our parish is trying to reach 100% participation. If you received your pledge card in the mail, please complete it and mail it back. If you have not, there are pledge cards in the pews. Every dollar raised over our assessment of \$19,332 will be returned to our parish to help us.