

St. Thomas the Apostle Roman Catholic Church

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Rev. Thomas F. Blind, M. Div., In Residence

PERMANENT DEACONS:

Deacon Albert H. Tizzano • Deacon Dennis J. Besida • Deacon Thomas J. Coyle

EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY

Saturday Eve: 5:00pm

Sundays: 7:30, 9:00,
10:30am & 12:00 Noon

Weekdays: 7:30, & 11:30am

Saturday Mornings: 8:30am Only

Holy Days:
7:30, 11:30am & 7:30pm

Holidays: 8:30am Only

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE FOR
ELEMENTARY CATECHETICS:
Tracey Rennie

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE
FOR PARISH MINISTRY:
Sister Arleen Crimmins, O.P.

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL:
Ms. Joan Ferraer

DIRECTOR OF LITURGICAL
MUSIC MINISTRIES:
Nancy A. Cardone

ASSISTANT LITURGICAL
MUSIC MINISTERS:
Kimberley Mesiti

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE FOR FAMILY
& ADULT FORMATION MINISTRIES:
Robert P. Miller

COORDINATOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY:
Mr. Timothy Dennin

PASTORAL COUNCIL:
Eileen Conte, Chairperson
Jean Barbetta, Vice Chairperson
Michael Pasquale, Secretary

FINANCE CHAIRMEN:
Peter Maulbeck, Finance Council
Patrick DeCotiis, Finance Committee

SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION:
(Penance/Confessions)
Saturday: 11:00am

MARIAN
DEVOTIONS:
Mondays
Novena Prayer
11:30am Mass

LITURGY OF
THE WORD
WITH CHILDREN:
Sundays: 10:30am Mass
September - June

CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY
SERVICES
OFFERING SOCIAL
SERVICE ASSISTANCE
1(800) CCS-7413
Fax: 596-3735

June 20, 2010 . 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses for the Week

Sunday, June 20

Saturday, June 19

5:00 pm John & Louise Piegaro – Son & Family

Sunday, June 20

7:30 am All Fathers Living and Deceased

9:00 am All Fathers Living and Deceased

10:30 am All Fathers Living and Deceased

12:00 pm All Fathers Living and Deceased

Monday, June 21

7:30 am Vincent DeMaio – Family

11:30 am Paul Spera – Daughter & Son-in-law

Tuesday, June 22

7:30 am Donna Budden

11:30 am Lottie Szajkowski – Daughters

Wednesday, June 23

7:30 am Camille & Bill Ricigliano – Daughter

11:30 am Raymond Lynch – Friend

Thursday, June 24

7:30 am Carmine De Croce – Friend

11:30 am John & Mary Walters – Daughter

Friday, June 25

7:30 am Leah & Sam Sedicino- Daughter & Son-in-law

11:30 am Mary Fagan – Family

Saturday, June 26

8:30 am Baby Eli Matthew Ibanga – Friend

Sunday, June 27

Saturday, June 26

5:00 pm Louis Scaglione – Family

Sunday, June 27

7:30 am Peter Rohan, Sr. – Family

9:00 am David & Donald Stefanelli – Mother

10:30 am Constant Montesano – Daughter

12:00 pm For the People of the Parish

PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Mary McEnroe, Nancy Cariani

REST IN PEACE:

Elizabeth Hiel, Goerge Forstenhausler

CANDLE INTENTIONS:

Church: Paul Drobinski

Convent: Sarah Pastore

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Today is Father's Day!



12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*In Christ Jesus
you are all
children of God.*

Gal 3:26



FIRST READING: The horrid death of Jesus in itself did not move many to tears, except for those closest to him. It is the outpouring of a spirit of prayer that would bring forth tears and repentance at the recollection of the terror inflicted on God's only Son. The spirit of prayer invites us into the relationship between Father and Son, enabling us to see in Jesus' death the effects of our sin and the gift of mercy.

RESPONSORIAL: In praying Psalm 63 the Church recognizes the barrenness of life without the presence of God's life-giving spirit.

SECOND READING: The waters of Baptism bring about a profound equality among those immersed in it. Distinctions are washed away as each recipient is clothed in Christ Jesus. It is our relationship with Christ that makes every relationship new; each relationship is made new in a love for all that shows no partiality.

GOSPEL: Peter's proclamation of Jesus' identity as the Messiah was immediately followed by Jesus' announcement of the nature of his mission and of those who would accept his call to discipleship. As Jesus' identity and mission were inseparable, so too for his disciples. In self-emptying love, our identity and mission as disciples of Jesus are made manifest.



**CURRENTLY ACCEPTING
REGISTRATION FOR THE
2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR**

**Please call the School Office
at 973-338-8505 to schedule a tour**
Pre K3 through 7th grades
Middle States Accredited
Full-Day or Half-Day Pre K 3 & 4
Full-Day or Half-Day Kindergarten
BeforeCare & AfterCare programs
Advanced Technology
Jr. High Science / Synergistics Program
Physical Education for all grades
Spanish & Italian Classes
Art & Music Classes
Wide Variety of Extra-Curricular Activities

*We welcome into our Community of Faith
With our prayers and good wishes,
Our newly Baptized...*



David Michael Collins
Parents: Geraldine (LaSala) & Michael Collins

Auston Taylor Connell
Parents: Krisztina (Kiss) & Ryan Connell

Liam Robert Cook
Parents: Mary (Neville) & Michael Cook

Devon Andrew De Cicco
Parents: Alyssa (Dondero) & Paul De Cicco

Aubrie Elizabeth Del Russo
Parents: Tracey (Hansen) & John Del Russo

Daniel Christopher Jentsch
Parents: Lori (Wendelken) & William Jentsch

Javin Ty Magat
Parents: Fatima (Santillan) & Juanito Magat

SUMMER-BREAK PRAYER

Lord, what about you and me?
I don't want to forget you
just because I'm off my normal school-year routine.
Keep close to me, Lord, and remind me
that my relationship with you
should never take a break.

STA 2010 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



St. Thomas the Apostle Parish is once again offering its very popular Vacation Bible School program. This year's program is called Son Quest Rainforest. Through storytelling, arts & crafts, music, and play, the children are introduced to New Testament stories.

KEY INFORMATION:

- Eligibility:** Children ages 4 through 12
- Dates:** Mon., June 28th - Fri., July 2nd
- Time:** 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
- Place:** St. Thomas the Apostle School
- Registration:** Pre-registration only. One form per child, completed, and registration fee must be submitted to the Religious Education Office, located in the basement of St. Thomas School, by June 11th. Registration forms are available at the Religious Education Office or may be downloaded from www.stachurchbloomfield.com. If your child is coming with a friend and they want to be together, please write a note, "My child would like to be with..." Children from all parishes and schools are welcome!
- Registration Fee:** \$50 per child (includes t-shirt, daily arts & crafts materials and snack). \$10 late fee will be charged after June 11th
- Volunteers:** The program is run by volunteers. Please sign up for all or part of the week.
- Nursery:** Provided only for parents working as volunteers in the program.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

CALL THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE (973) 338-7400.
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN JUNE!

Registration Form -- Please print -- One form per child

CHILD'S NAME: _____

PARENT'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE #: _____ **PRESENT GRADE:** _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT PHONE: _____

KNOWN ALLERGIES/MEDICAL CONCERNS: _____

PLEASE CHECK ONE:

- YES!** I AM WILLING TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE CALL ME.
- SORRY!** I AM UNABLE TO VOLUNTEER.

Checks payable to: **St. Thomas the Apostle**

STA SOCIETIES, MINISTRIES & EVENTS

"THIS WEEK"

Monday – 6/21

September Club – 11:30am in St. Peter

Wednesday – 6/23

SCC Thursday – 7:00pm in St. Matthew

Friday – 6/25

SCC Friday – 6:30pm in St. Peter

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

The main source of operating funds for St. Thomas the Apostle Parish is our weekly offertory contribution. To assist us in being good stewards of God's gift of treasure, our contribution from last weekend is compared below to the amount we need this week to meet our budget. You may have noticed this amount will vary. This is because our budget varies by season, just as yours does.

COLLECTION JUNE 13, 2010: \$18,991
AMOUNT BUDGETED: \$20,500

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Want to skip writing checks to St. Thomas each week? Sign up for our electronic giving program. Once a month your gift to the parish is automatically charged to your designated credit or debit card. It's convenient and totally secure. Call the parish center to request information.



EYEGLASS COLLECTION DRIVE

A member of the local Boy Scout Troop # 22 is sponsoring a collection drive of used eyeglasses for his Eagle Scout service project. Glasses donated will be given to New Eyes for the Needy, a non-profit organization whose mission is to improve the vision of poor children and adults in the United States and throughout the world. Last year, over 200,000 pairs of recycled eyeglasses were shipped to medical missions and international charitable organizations in 24 developing nations.

Members of Troop 22 will be at the Church exits today handing out flyers and again on June 27th to collect your used eyeglasses. There is also a collection box in the back of the Church. Every donation is appreciated. Thank you for your participation.

Wellness Ministry Cares... Assistance Program

The Wellness Ministry phone line is available Mon-Fri, 9am to 8pm. Call the Parish Center 973-338-9190 ext. 20. A return call will be made within 24 hours. A Parish Nurse will provide limited confidential health counseling & referrals to Community health resources & services. Volunteers are available for errands, home visits and phone contacts.

WOMEN'S CORNERSTONE

The new team for Women's Cornerstone VI will meet Monday, June 21st at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center. We are grateful to all the women who have said "Yes!" to being part of the Retreat Team. Any questions, feel free to call Sister Arleen at (973) 338-9190 ex. 34.

Listening Committee

John Paul II stated that the parish is "the family of God, a fellowship afire with a unifying spirit," "a familial and welcoming home." Let us work together to enhance our parish life. We welcome your comments, suggestions and concerns.

Send email to:

pastoralcouncil@stachurchbloomfield.com or

Mail your letter to:

St. Thomas the Apostle Church

ATTN: Pastoral Council - Listening Committee

60 Byrd Avenue, Bloomfield, NJ 07003

All correspondence will be held in strict confidence.

RIGHT TO LIFE



For all families, and most especially, fathers: that through the intercession of St. Joseph and the Holy Family they will remain centered on Christ and find in his love their source of joy and peace;

We pray to the Lord

St. Thomas the Apostle Mission Statement

The Roman Catholic faith community of St. Thomas the Apostle recognizes God's call to be a sign of His Kingdom in the communities we serve. We respond to this call by:

- † Leading people to a deeper relationship with Christ by providing opportunities for spiritual growth, renewal, education, the celebration of the Sacraments, and the worship of God in the sacred liturgy;
- † Encouraging a commitment to justice and to service of those in need;
- † Promoting good stewardship of our time, talent and treasure;
- † Building a community of hospitality and support in the daily living out of Christian ideals by nourishing mutual respect and understanding within our Church, our families, our community, and other faith traditions.

**Ministry of Spiritual Direction
Summer Directed Retreat by the Ocean**

**Thurs June 24 – Sun June 27 or
Thurs July 1 – Sun July 4**



**The Upper Room Spiritual Center
West Bangs Ave, Neptune, NJ
Exit 100B off the Garden State Parkway**

*"I HAVE COME THAT YOU MAY HAVE LIFE
AND HAVE IT TO THE FULL!" (Jn.10:10)*

- Home cooked meals
- Air conditioned building
- Beach just 7 minutes away
- Peaceful surroundings
- Private daily meetings with a Spiritual Director
- Those generous surprises from God

**For information call: Anna Graziano - 973-338-9538
Offering -\$250 (Reservations limited)**

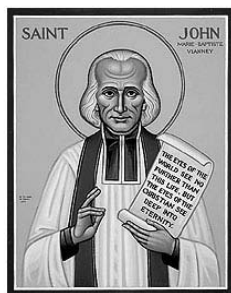
Prayer for The Year for Priests

O Jesus, I pray for Your faithful and fervent priests; for Your unfaithful and tepid priests; for Your priests laboring at home or abroad in distant mission fields; for Your tempted priests; for Your lonely and desolate priests; for Your young priests; for Your dying priests; for the souls of Your priests in purgatory.

But above all, I recommend to You the priests dearest to me; the priest who baptized me; the priests who absolved me from my sins; the priests at whose Masses I assisted and who gave me Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion; the priests who taught and instructed me; all the priests to whom I am indebted in any other way.

O Jesus, keep them all close to Your heart, and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity.

Amen.



*St. John Vianney, pray for us;
obtain for us
many and holy priests.*

JOB SEEKERS GROUP

Looking for a job? Come to a meeting of the St. Thomas the Apostle Job Seekers on the first and third Thursdays of every month at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center where you will get a chance to network, get some advice, and pray with other members of the parish who are searching for a job. For information, send an email to: workministry@stachurchbloomfield.com

Going Fishing

Wednesday, July 7, 2010

On the Mi – Jo II Atlantic Highlands, NJ



**Cost: \$50 per person -
includes bait, rod and reel**

Send your check payable to St. Thomas the Apostle with your name(s) and phone number and drop off at Parish Center. Reserve your spot now as space is limited

For further information, please call Jim McKittrick (973) 338-3145 or Frank Diveny (973) 748-0519.





Oil Spill Prayer

Our LORD, Creator, Sustainer, and Redeemer,
 You alone are sovereign over creation.
 You alone created the heavens and the earth.
 You alone sustain and hold all things together.
 You alone are the redeemer and re-creator.

We praise You for Your wonderful creation,
 But now plead with You for your intervention.
 In the face of great tragedy, we turn to You.
 We ask that You step in with works of restoration.

Be with the families of those who were killed.
 May they be comforted with Your peace.
 Be with those who were injured.
 May they experience Your healing.
 Be with those whose jobs are affected.
 In an already tough economy,
 May they receive Your provision.
 Be with those who are working to contain and clean up.
 May they be guided and directed.

What a shame that Your creatures should suffer!
 Lord, please protect and heal them.
 What a shame that Your creation should be damaged!
 Lord, please protect and restore it.

As we ourselves are somewhat complicit in this tragedy,
 Forgive us for our role in this crisis.
 Teach us to reduce our own consumption,
 That we might better care for and protect Your creation.

We again acknowledge Your sovereignty.
 We pray that Your restorative work would be manifest,
 That Your kingdom come
 and Your will be done here and now,
 That Your name might be glorified in all the earth.

We pray all this in the name of our LORD,
 The Creator, Sustainer, and Redeemer of all things.

Amen.

ARE YOU GOING INTO THE HOSPITAL? DO YOU HAVE A FAMILY MEMBER IN THE HOSPITAL?



We would like to visit our parishioners who are home-bound, in the hospital or other health care facility. Because of patient confidentiality laws, however, the only way we can know is if someone informs us. Call the Parish Center at (973) 338-9190, leaving your name and number so we may return your call, or you may leave the information at the Parish Center Desk.

BLOOMFIELD RESIDENTS

Public Health Nursing - www.bloomfieldhealth.org
 Appointments required, please call 973-680-4058.

Free Vaccine for Adults Program

The Bloomfield Department of Health & Human Services is pleased to offer a new vaccine program for Bloomfield residents, specifically those age 19 years and over. Our office has qualified to receive stimulus funds and now have the ability to protect our adult population against certain vaccine-preventable diseases.

Vaccines Include:

TDaP - Tetanus, Diphtheria, acellular Pertusis
 - Now is used instead of Td as a 10-year booster

Target Population -

- *Anyone age 19-64 years who has never received TDaP
- *New mothers that have never received a dose of TDaP
- *To receive protection against tetanus following a severe cut or burn

TDaP is NOT recommended for anyone age 65-years and over. Current recommendations include administering one dose of TDaP. Future booster doses should be Td.

Pneumovax 23 - Pneumococcal vaccine; protects against 23 different types of pneumococcal bacteria

Target Population -

- *Adults age 65-years and over
- *Adults age 19-64 years taking a drug or treatment which lowers the body's resistance to infection
- *Adults age 19-64 years that have a disease or condition that lowers the body's resistance to infection
- *Adults age 19-64 who have long-term health problems
- *Adults age 19-64 smokers and/or have asthma

Dose #2 is recommended for those age 65 years and over if dose #1 was administered before age 65.

Dose #2 is recommended for those age 19-64 diagnosed with specific immuno-compromised conditions.

In both cases, dose #2 is to be given 5 years after dose #1

Gardasil - HPV - Human Papilloma Virus
 - Consists of a 3-dose series

Target Population -

- *Females: can prevent most cervical cancers
- *Males: can prevent genital warts
- *Females and Males: age 19 through 26 years

Menactra - Meningococcal vaccine
 - Meningococcal disease is a serious bacterial illness
 - Is the leading cause of bacterial meningitis

Target Population -

- *Anyone age 19-55; mandatory for younger adults residing in a college dormitory

Requirements for this program:

- a. Must be age 19 and over and a Bloomfield resident
- b. Can be insured, uninsured, or underinsured
- c. Vaccine is FREE but there is a one-time registration fee-\$15 plus administration fee-\$10 per appointment
- d. Vaccines will be administered by appointment only