

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH - AUG. 15, 2010

Scripture Readings, Aug. 14/15

Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab
 1 Corinthians 15:20-27
 St. Luke 1:39-56



Scripture Readings, Aug. 21/22

Isaiah 66:18-21
 Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13
 St. Luke 13:22-30

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE
 IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS:

OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND:



Patsy Keffler, Ann Meyer, Rosemary Brown, Kathy O'Neal, Mary Kramar, Jean Riddle, Gary Huseman, Kate Schmidt, Rod Lancour, Stephanie Brockman-Clark, Marion McKnight, Rusty Sewell, Esperanza Bustos, Jeannette Kaminski, Bill Sharp, Courtney Kelley, Bill Hughes, Dean Dixon & Robert Gulde.

OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN:



Guy Glad, Shawn Finnecey, Brian Britten, Cody and Brandon Keese, Anthony Martinez, Rob Schrock, Vince Zabala, III, Brent Murphy, Keith and Will Barbour, Terry Pevehouse, Jr., Fabian Flores, A. J. Serafin, Jason Boothe, John Clement, Jacob Anderson, Michael Frieri, Conrad Meeks, Apollo Castillo, Matthew Stich, Christopher Schrock, Jason Beltran, Loyd Gerber, Tommy Davenport, Stacy Gerber, David Martinez, Jason Myer, Jakum Scruggs, David Oviedo Cantu, Jacob Sorenson, Ryan Moglia, Tommy Vilbig, Jason Freeby, Jonathan Williams, Jason Allen Eric Anderson, Shelbie Lopez, Brian Husmann, Nick Zanolini, Ryan Herbert, Jeremy Zinsmeyer, Chase Logan, Cruz R. Esparza, Jennifer Cabe, Jeff Cabe, Ricky Ross, Tim Pierce, Kenton Satterwhite, Swasey Brown & Anthony De Hoysos Brown.

ST. THOMAS PRAYER CHAIN:



Do you or someone you know, need special prayers? The Prayer Chain is always taking requests, so just contact Eileen Dolan at 358-2461, Ext. 16.

Our Stewardship

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE
AUGUST 7/8	\$22,000.00	\$21,423.91	(\$ 576.38)
MONTH-TO-DATE	\$44,000.00	\$52,733.91	\$8,733.91

IN TODAY'S SECOND READING, ST. PAUL ENCOURAGES US NOT TO GROW WEARY OR LOSE HEART, BUT TO PERSEVERE IN FOLLOWING JESUS. OUR WILLINGNESS TO GIVE OF OURSELVES, EVEN IN THE FACE OF CONFLICT AND DIVISION, IS ONE WAY TO MEASURE OUR DISCIPLESHIP.

Parish News

FAITH-BOOKING is scrapbooking through the lens of faith. Bring your scrapbooks and photos and enjoy the fellowship of other Christian women as you put your pages together. Join us on Friday, August 27, in the Parish Hall, from 7 p.m. - 11 p.m. Jennifer Lang, a Creative Memories consultant, will be on hand to help you with your scrapbooking needs and will have supplies available for purchase if you need any. For more information, please contact Jennifer at 340-8811.



BAPTISM CLASS will be held Sunday, September 19, in the Parlor, following 11:15 Mass. First-time Parents and/or sponsors are required to attend a class prior to the reception of the sacrament. Please call the Parish Office, 358-2461, to register.

LOOKING FOR SMALL GROUP LEADERS: St Thomas has a new office of Adult Faith Formation. We are wanting to offer more small groups throughout the week for Bible Studies, Book Clubs, Study Groups, Prayer Groups, etc. If you would be interested in facilitating a small group or Bible study, please contact Linda Astuto at 358-2461, ext. 33 or lastuto@stthomasamarillo.org. **DESIRE AND A WILLING HEART ARE THE ONLY REQUIREMENTS!**

STA PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: If you or someone you know are in need of prayers, please let the Prayer Shawl Ministry reach out to you with a Prayer Shawl. You can pick up a shawl in the Religious Education office Mon. through Thurs. between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monetary or yarn donations (three skeins of Lyon Brand Homespun) will be appreciated.



LECTOR BOOKS: New lector books have arrived and are available in the parish office for \$12.00.

Please remember St. Thomas Church in your wills, memorials, life insurance, stocks, annuity, living trust and other planned gifts. Thank you

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND SPECIAL MASS INTENTIONS: AUGUST 16-22

Monday	16th	7:00 a.m.	NO MASS
Tuesday	17th	7:00 a.m.	+George McDonald - Mary Britten
Wednesday	18th	7:00 a.m.	+Walter Piskun - Genevieve Bak
Thursday	19th	7:00 a.m.	Spec. Int. of Steve & Elizabeth Wilcox - Dick & Pat Wilcox
Friday	20th	7:00 a.m.	+Dave Roberts - Jane Roberts
Saturday	21st	5:00 p.m.	+Carl Kleuskens - Dennis Gibson & Family
Sunday	22nd	7:30 a.m.	MEMBERS OF THE PARISH FAMILY
		9:00 a.m.	+Frank Sabine - Steve & Rosalie Chontos
		11:15 a.m.	+ "Bus" & Dorothy Burnes - Simon & Martha Wright

SOCIAL CONCERNS

“Joy is the echo of God’s life in us.”

Blessed Columba Marmion, O.S.B.

RCIA

RCIA SPONSORS: Sponsors play a crucial part of the initiation of adults into the Catholic Faith. Journeying with a candidate or catechumen is a faith-filled and rewarding experience. No expertise is necessary, just fellowship and support while traveling with the candidate as he/continues to walk in God’s presence.

HOSPITALITY TEAM: Hospitality is at the heart of the RCIA process. Welcoming those who are seeking to learn about the Catholic faith, is a response to God’s call to share His presence in the community. Like the Sponsors, those who serve in this ministry give witness to the candidates that the people of St. Thomas community welcome and support them on their journey of faith. Responsibilities include setting, serving and cleaning up refreshments and mingling with the candidates before each session and during the refreshment time. Ideally, if there are 8 volunteers on the team, each individual would need be available only once a month.

If you feel called to participate in either of these important ministries, or, if you would like more information, please contact Eileen in the Religious Education Office, 358-2461, ext. 16.

RCIA for CHILDREN

The Children’s Catechumenate (RCIC) is the formation process of older children Grades 3 and up

- Who have not been baptized
- Who have been baptized but have had no formation
- Who have been baptized in another denomination and are seeking full communion with the Catholic Church

Registration for this process will take place with the regular Religious Education Program. If you have questions regarding this process of formation, please call Eileen in the Religious Education Office, 358-2461, ext. 16.

CATECHIST UPDATE: Thank to all who responded to our plea for Catechists. However, there are still several openings for teachers and assistants in our Religious Education Program for next year. They are as follows: 4 year olds at 9:00 (1); 2nd Grade (1 assistant); 6th Grade (2 catechists, 2 assistants); 7th Grade (1 assistant); 8th Grade 1 assistant. If you feel called to serve the youth of St. Thomas, please call Eileen or Teresa in the RE office.

MORE HELP NEEDED: We need assistance shelving books and straightening the Parish Library. If you have some free time during the week and can help us out, please let us know. Thank you.

REGISTRATION for Religious Education will take place in the Gym after all the Masses the weekend of August 21– 22, August 28—29. There will be NO REGISTRATION LABOR DAY weekend.

New Youth Schedule for 2010

STAY Strong Ministries

“THE DWELLING”

S.T.A.Y. >>> St. THOMAS THE APOSTLE YOUTH

Middle School Program (Starts Sunday, September 12)

Sundays, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

High School Program (Starts Wednesday, September 15)

Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

F.A.S.T. >>> Future Apostles of St. Thomas

4-5th Grades | First Sundays of the Month, 5:00-6:30 PM
(Starts Sunday, October 3)

CEILING TILES in the Basement

We are in the process of **RENOVATING** the Youth Area. The plans include removing the current ceiling -- If there is a ceiling tile you would like to have, please contact Bryan ASAP. Pictures of ALL the tiles have been taken for a very special art project in the new space... Thanks!

Contact Information -- NEW Cell Phone Number

Bryan Webb, Youth Director, (806) 358-2461, ext 12 [office], (806) 570-6930 [cell] / Email: bwebb@stthomasamarillo.org

St. Thomas The Apostle

Young Adult Ministry of Amarillo

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‘Amen, I say to you, whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it.’

-- Mark 10:15 --

We meet at St. Thomas every Thursday at 6:30 PM for a variety of social gatherings and prayer experiences. We hope that you will join us weekly in our endeavor to bring both a deeper sense of spirituality and community to the young adults of Amarillo. All are invited and all are welcomed to attend! We begin every Thursday by gathering in the Youth Room (Basement).

- 1st Thursdays - Rosary
- 2nd Thursdays - Dinner & Movie Night
- 3rd Thursdays - Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- 4th Thursdays - Social Activity & Dinner
- 5th Thursdays - Mystery Night

SEE MUCH MORE AT:



www.STAYouth.org