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St. Thomas Aquinas

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"For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting."

(Psalm 100:5)



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December 21, 2025 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

SUNDAY MASSES

ENGLISH: Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 9:00am | 12:00m | 6:00pm
ITALIAN: Sunday 10:30am
SPANISH: Sunday 2:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Saturday 9:00am
First Fridays 7:00pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays 9:30am-11:00am.
First Fridays 7:30pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 4:00pm or by appt.

ANOINTING – UNZIONE – UNCIÓN

First Saturdays of the month at 9:00am.
El primer sábado de cada mes, 9.00am.
Il primo sabato di ogni mese alle 9:00.

BIBLE STUDY SESSION

Fridays, 7:30-9:00pm in the Main Hall.
Refreshments provided. Please enter
through the parking lot side door.

DEVOTIONS

Holy Rosary: 8:30am Mon-Fri before Mass
Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesdays
9:00am Mass

SICK CALLS

Please call the office for visits or
Communion visitations to the sick.

BAPTISM - BATTESIMO - BAUTIZOS

Call the office, **Three months** in advance/ Si
prega di chiamare l'ufficio con **tre mesi** di
anticipo. Con **tres meses** de anticipación.

WEDDING – BODAS – MATRIMONIO

Contact the office **one year** in advance.
Contatta l'ufficio con un anno di anticipo.
Contáctenos con **un año** de anticipación.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

For Initiation, Baptism, First Communion
and Confirmation, please the Parish Office

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday
9:30am-12:00m & 12:30pm-4:00pm

CHURCH HOURS

The church is open **Monday to Friday** 8:00 am -12:00pm
Saturdays 8:00am-6:00pm / **Sundays** 8:00am -7:00pm

FOOD BANK

Tuesdays 12:00m

Anniversary Prayer

Heavenly Father,

We come before you with grateful hearts, Celebrating one hundred years of blessings,
of faith lived and shared, of our community built in Your love.

Bless our parish, Lord and all those who ministered and served in the past hundred years.
Unite us in love, guide us in service and strengthen our faith.

May this anniversary not only honor the past, but renew our zeal and commitment to live
faithfully in the present and the years ahead.

We pray that our centenary may be a true Celebration of Your goodness, A witness to Your
Grace and a beacon of hope for generations to come. Amen

Saint Thomas Aquinas.....Pray for us

Preghiera per il centenario

Padre celeste,

ci presentiamo davanti a te con cuori riconoscenti, celebrando cento anni di benedizioni,
di fede vissuta e condivisa, della nostra comunità costruita nel tuo amore.

Benedici la nostra parrocchia, Signore, e tutti coloro che hanno prestato servizio e ministero
negli ultimi cento anni.

Uniscici nell'amore, guidaci nel servizio e rafforza la nostra fede.

Possa questo anniversario non solo onorare il passato, ma rinnovare il nostro zelo e il nostro
impegno a vivere fedelmente nel presente e negli anni a venire.

Preghiamo affinché il nostro centenario possa essere una vera celebrazione della tua bontà, una
testimonianza della tua grazia e un faro di speranza per le generazioni future. Amen

San Tommaso d'Aquino... Pregha per noi

Oración por el centenario

Padre Celestial,

Nos presentamos ante ti con corazones agradecidos, celebrando cien años de bendiciones,
de fe vivida y compartida, de nuestra comunidad construida en tu amor.

Bendice nuestra parroquia, Señor, y a todos aquellos que han ministrado y servido en los
últimos cien años.

Únenos en el amor, guíanos en el servicio y fortalece nuestra fe.

Que este aniversario no solo honre el pasado, sino que renueve nuestro celo y compromiso de
vivir fielmente en el presente y en los años venideros.

Oremos para que nuestro centenario sea una verdadera celebración de tu bondad, un testimonio
de tu gracia y un faro de esperanza para las generaciones venideras. Amén.

Santo Tomás de Aquino... Ruega por nosotros.

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Christmas Mass Times

Wednesday December 24th

9:00am

Christmas Eve

7:00pm Trilingual Mass

Thursday, Dec. 25th

Christmas Day

9:00am - English

10:30am - Italian

12:00pm - English

2:00pm – Spanish

6:00pm – English

Simbang Gabi / Christmas Novena Masses

Four more days to go! Until Dec.23 All weekday Masses at 7:00 p.m. / Sat. at 5:00 p.m. and Sun. at 6:00 p.m. (Parish Hall)

As we journey through these nine days of prayer, we wait with joyful hope for the birth of Baby Jesus. Come prepare your heart with the light, peace, and expectation of the Holy Season. All are welcome.

2026 Offertory Envelopes

Offertory envelopes are now available for pickup in the room next to the sacristy. They are organized alphabetically by last name. If you need help locating your envelope, please speak with the sacristan, an usher, or Father.

If you would like to start using envelopes, please contact the Parish Office and we will prepare a set for you.

We would greatly appreciate it if you could pick up your envelopes as soon as possible, so we can free up the space in the church before Christmas. Thank you for your support!

100th Anniversary Announcement

DO YOU WISH TO HELP WITH OUR PLANNING? You can join any of our Centenary Planning Subcommittees: **1.Commemorative Book Production:** Put our story together in three languages, with photos and words. Skill-set: Order, Computer and Design. **2.Photography & Videography:** Taking excellent photos and videos for present and future use. Skill- set: Order and professional. **3.Decorative & Visual Beauty:** Make our Church and surroundings look amazing. **4.Sound System:** Contribute technical expertise for best effect. **5.Website & Social Media:** Technical know-how for inputting and accessing data efficiently and timely: Skill level: Advanced. **6.Fundraising:** Gifted fundraiser with efficient ideas that have worked before. **7.Reception:** Early planning and mobilizing for the reception of our key events.

Thank you for your generosity!

Dec 14, 2025

Regular Collection \$4,645.00

MASS INTENTIONS – Dec 20th to Dec 26th 2025

SATURDAY, Dec 20th – Third Saturday of Advent

9:00am: + Erminia & Vincenzo Mattachione/ +Catherine

D'Ambrosio/ +Vincent Nguyen & Maria Dihn

5:00pm: +Giovanni & Vincenzo Tuzi/ +Tala Nicholson/ Salvatore

Adelina/ +Carmene D'Ambrosio/ +Gianni Romanys Zyn/ +Mario

Guadiardi/ Healing of Jacob Acedo/ 12pm Choir, lectors and

Altar Servers

SUNDAY, Dec 21th – Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:00am: +Maria Filomena Tavassos/ +Manuel Cafua/ +Joao

Cafua/ +Ambrosina Tavassos/ +Milma Callippi/ +Maria

Merenda

10:30am: Parishioners of STA

12:00pm:

2:00pm: +Teresa Rosalia Bonilla/ +Elisa Lucia Santos/ Birthday

blessings for Zofia, Omar Conde & Ercio Alvarez Hidalgo/

6:00pm: Healing of Jacob Acedo/ 6pm Choir, Handmaids &

Bisaya Group

MONDAY, Dec 22th – Advent Weekday for December 22

9:00am: +Vincent Nguyen & Maria Dihn/ +Peter Andersen &

Vincent Toug

7:00pm: Healing of Jacob Acedo/ Ushers, Hospitality Ministry

TUESDAY, Dec 23th – Advent Weekday for December 23

9:00am: +Francesco & Maria Stranges/ All Souls in Purgatory/

+Victor Ramiro Medalle/ +Fr. Pier Giorgio Di Cicco/ + Krenija

Poljak/ Birthday blessings for Giovanni

7:00pm: Healing of Jacob Acedo/ Circle of Prayer, Simbang Gabi

and Black Nazarene Committee

WEDNESDAY, Dec 24th – Advent Weekday for December 24

9:00am: +Gustek, +Stanislawa, +Zofia & Stanislaws Misco/

+Vincent Nguyen & Maria Dihn/ Birthday blessings for Vanessa

Monge Sandoval/ Healing of Jacob Acedo/

7:00pm:

THURSDAY, Dec 25th – Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

9:00am: +Robert & Gilly D'Douza/ +Thomas & Mafalda

Fernandes/ +Rodolfo Devera/ +Herminio & Bejamin Arizo

10:30am:

12:00pm: Healing of Jacob Acedo/

2:00pm:

6:00pm:

FRIDAY, Dec 26th – Feast of St. Stephen, The First Martyr

9:00am: Birthday blessings for Mauricio Rides & Avan Ayala/

ITALIAN & SPANISH COMMUNITIES

Orari delle Messe Natalizie

Mercoledì 24 dicembre - 9:00am

Vigilia di Natale

7:00pm Messa trilingue

Giovedì 25 dicembre - Giorno di Natale

9:00 - Inglese

10:30 - Italiano

12:00 - Inglese

14:00 - Spagnolo

18:00 - Inglese

Horarios de las Misas en Navidad

Miércoles 24 de diciembre - 9:00 a. m.

Nochebuena

7:00 p. m. Misa trilingüe

Jueves 25 de diciembre - Día de Navidad

9:00 a. m. - Inglés

10:30 a. m. - Italiano

12:00 p. m. - Inglés

2:00 p. m. - Español

6:00 p. m. - Inglés

Simbang Gabi / Messe della Novena di Natale

Ancora quattro giorni! Fino al 23 dicembre. Tutte le messe feriali alle 7:00pm. Sabato alle 5:00pm e domenica alle 6:00pm (Sala parrocchiale). Durante questi nove giorni di preghiera, attendiamo con gioiosa speranza la nascita di Gesù Bambino. Venite a preparare il vostro cuore con la luce, la pace e l'attesa del Santo Periodo. Tutti sono i benvenuti.

Buste per le offerte 2026

Le buste per le offerte sono ora disponibili alla stanza accanto della sacrestia. Sono organizzate in ordine alfabetico per cognome. Se avete bisogno di aiuto per trovare la vostra busta, rivolgetevi al sacrestano, a un usciere o al parroco.

Se desiderate iniziare a utilizzare le buste, contattate l'ufficio parrocchiale e vi prepareremo un set.

Vi saremmo molto grati se poteste ritirare le vostre buste il prima possibile, in modo da liberare spazio nella chiesa prima di Natale. Grazie per il vostro sostegno!

ANNUNCIO DEL CENTENARIO

DESIDERATE AIUTARCI NELLA PIANIFICAZIONE? Potete unirvi a uno dei nostri sottocomitati per la pianificazione del centenario:

1. Produzione del libro commemorativo: raccogliere la nostra storia in tre lingue, con foto e testi. Competenze richieste: ordine, informatica e progettazione. 2. Fotografia e videografia: scattare foto e girare video eccellenti da utilizzare ora e in futuro. Competenze richieste: ordine e professionalità. 3. Decorazioni e bellezza visiva: rendere la nostra chiesa e i dintorni meravigliosi. 4. Impianto audio: contribuire con competenze tecniche per ottenere il miglior effetto possibile. 5. Sito web e social media: competenze tecniche per inserire e accedere ai dati in modo efficiente e tempestivo: livello di competenza: avanzato. 6. Raccolta fondi: talentuoso fundraiser con idee efficienti che hanno già funzionato in passato. 7. Accoglienza: pianificazione anticipata e mobilitazione per l'accoglienza dei nostri eventi chiave.

Simbang Gabi / Novena de Navidad

¡Quedan cuatro días más! Hasta el 23 de diciembre. Todas las misas entre semana a las 7:00pm - Sábados a las 5:00pm y domingos a las 6:00pm, (Salón parroquial). Mientras recorremos estos nueve días de oración, esperamos con alegre esperanza el nacimiento del Niño Jesús. Venga a preparar su corazón con la luz, la paz y la expectación de la temporada sagrada. Todos son bienvenidos.

Sobres para las ofrendas del año 2026

Los sobres para ofrendas ya están disponibles en el salón que está al lado de la sacristía. Están organizados alfabéticamente por apellido. Si necesita ayuda para encontrar su sobre, hable con el sacristán, un usher o con el Padre. Si desea empezar a utilizar los sobres, póngase en contacto con la oficina parroquial y le prepararemos una caja. Le agradeceríamos mucho que recogiera sus sobres lo antes posible, para que podamos liberar espacio en la iglesia antes de Navidad. ¡Muchas gracias!

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¿DESEA AYUDAR CON NUESTRA PLANIFICACIÓN? Puede unirse a cualquiera de nuestros subcomités de planificación del centenario:

1. Producción del libro conmemorativo: Recopile nuestra historia en tres idiomas, con fotos y textos. Habilidades necesarias: Orden, informática y diseño. 2. Fotografía y videografía: Tomar excelentes fotos y vídeos para su uso presente y futuro. Habilidades necesarias: Orden y profesionalidad. 3. Decoración y belleza visual: hacer que nuestra iglesia y sus alrededores tengan un aspecto increíble. 4. Sistema de sonido: aportar conocimientos técnicos para obtener el mejor efecto. 5. Sitio web y redes sociales: conocimientos técnicos para introducir y acceder a los datos de forma eficiente y oportuna: nivel de habilidad: avanzado. 6. Recaudación de fondos: recaudador de fondos con talento y con ideas eficaces que hayan funcionado anteriormente. 7. Recepción: planificación temprana y movilización para la recepción de nuestros eventos clave.

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