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*"For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting."
(Psalm 100:5)*



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March 15, 2026 – Fourth Sunday of Lent

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 – UNCTION

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, 7:30-8:30pm 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

Mon, Wed & Fri: 8:30am – 3:00pm
Tue & Thu: 10:30am – 5:30pm
Mon-Fri Office Closed: 12:00-12:30pm

SCHOOLS

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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



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THIS WEEK IN ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH

From The Pastor's Desk

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

What a beautiful story we heard in the Gospel reading of today (John 9.1-41).

The connection between blindness and sin is eye-opening. Please, pray with me, "Lord, I am blind, please restore my sight. Amen".

Marriage Blessing - Third Sunday of the Month

Couples are invited to receive a **marriage blessing** during Mass on the third Sunday of each month. A **5-minute voluntary testimony** may be shared after Communion.

Bible Study – Friday March 20 – 7:30 to 8:30pm

Session 8: Conquest and Judges – Part 1. Readings: 2 Corinthians 10:3-4; Ephesians 6:11-18; 1 Timothy 6:11-12; 1 Peter 2:11 | Joshua 2–3, 6, 8, 14. **Theme: Churches Warfare.** Israel's conquest of the Promised Land foreshadows the church's spiritual battle against the powers of the world. Paul and Peter guide Christians in this struggle, reflect on the weapons God gives us and connect them to Joshua's story.

ShareLife – First Collection for 2026

The first **ShareLife** collection of 2026 will take place on **Sunday, March 22**. Please consider bringing your ShareLife envelope and supporting this important diocesan initiative that assists those in need throughout our community. Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

Youth Passion Play

You are warmly invited to join us on **Saturday, March 28 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Church for our **Youth Passion Play**. Come and support our youth who are working so hard and wholeheartedly preparing to bring this beautiful presentation to life for our parish community and for the glory of God. Their dedication and faith are truly inspiring. A reception will follow in the **Main Hall** — all are welcome to stay for fellowship and light refreshments.

Lent Friday Devotions

During the season of Lent, we invite you to pause, pray, and walk with Christ each Friday evening. We begin with the **Holy Rosary at 6:00 pm**, followed by the **Stations of the Cross at 6:30 pm**, and then **Bible study from 7:30 to 8:30pm**. All are welcome to join us!

Seder Meal – A Holy Week Experience

Saturday, March 21 at 6:30 PM – Main Hall. Join us for a special Seder Meal as we reflect on the Last Supper and its connection to the Eucharist. **Menu:** Lamb, rice, vegetables, and pop. **Cost:** \$40 per person. Tickets are available after each Mass and at the parish office until Tuesday March 17 @ 5:30pm.

Apologies for Phone-related issues

Our office has been experiencing phone and internet issues for a while. Because of this, we have changed service provider, although some outside cable installation still needs to be completed before the service is fully connected. In the meantime, please contact us by emails, as this is currently the most reliable way to reach us. We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your understanding.

MASS INTENTIONS – Mar 14th to March 20th 2026

SATURDAY, Mar 14th – Saturday Third week of Lent

9:00am: +Salvador Gomez/ +Lolita Elvira Cordova Marquez/ Birthday blessings to Lucas Mowatt Monge

5:00pm:

SUNDAY, Mar 15th – Fourth Sunday of Lent

9:00am:

10:30am: +Giuseppe Dodato/ +Giuseppe Nudo/ +Pietro & +Maria Toter/ +Gilberto Rafael Tovar/ +Rosa Esposito Recio/ +Filomena Calitri

12:00pm: +Teresita Agcaoili/

2:00pm: +Mercedes Jimenez/ +Maria Elizabeth Arguello/ +Ana Miriam de Ramirez/ +Elsi Callejas/ +Ana Orsini/ +Claudio & Rina Larosa/ Almas del Purgatorio/ Birthday blessings for Isabela Alvarez Silva & Lucas Diaz Iwamoto

6:00pm: Parishioners of STA

MONDAY, Mar 16th – Monday of the Fourth Week of Lent

9:00am: +Margarita Escovar/ +Timothy Ian Francis Alvarez/ +Peter Andersen & Vincent Tuong/ Birthday blessings on Shane Alynette Asuncion

TUESDAY, Mar 17th – St. Patrick, Bishop - Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Lent

9:00am: +Pauline Annette Dixon/ +Vincent Nguyen & Maria Dihn/ Birthday blessings for Rocio Reina & Ana Dolores Rivera

WEDNESDAY, Mar 18th – St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor - Wednesday of the Fourth Week of Lent

9:00am: +Carlos Alfredo Recinos/ +Vincent Nguyen & Maria Dihn/ +Joaquin Guzman/ Birthday blessings for Arturito Gonzalez & Camila Gotlik & Ruben Garcia/

THURSDAY, Mar 19th – Solemnity of St. Joseph - Thursday of the Fourth Week of Lent

9:00am:

FRIDAY, Mar 20th - Friday of the Fourth Week of Lent

9:00am:

Thank you for your Generosity!

Mar 1, 2026 - Regular Collection: \$5,478.00

Mar 8, 2026 - Regular Collection: \$5,333.20

ITALIAN & SPANISH COMMUNITIES

Dalla Scrivania del Pastore

Cari fratelli e sorelle in Cristo, che bella storia abbiamo ascoltato nella lettura del Vangelo di oggi (Giovanni 9,1-41). Il legame tra cecità e peccato è illuminante. Pregate con me: «Signore, sono cieco, ti prego, ridammi la vista. Amen».

Benedizione matrimoniale - Terza domenica del mese

Le coppie sono invitate a ricevere la benedizione matrimoniale durante la Messa della terza domenica di ogni mese. Dopo la Comunione è possibile condividere una testimonianza volontaria di 5 minuti.

Studio della Bibbia - Venerdì 20 marzo - dalle 19:30 alle 20:30

Sessione 8: Conquista e Giudici - Parte 1. Letture: 2 Corinzi 10:3-4; Efesini 6:11-18; 1 Timoteo 6:11-12; 1 Pietro 2:11 | Giosuè 2-3, 6, 8, 14. Tema: La guerra delle chiese. La conquista della Terra Promessa da parte di Israele prefigura la battaglia spirituale della chiesa contro le potenze del mondo. Paolo e Pietro guidano i cristiani in questa lotta: riflettete sulle armi che Dio ci dà e collegatele alla storia di Giosuè.

ShareLife – Prima raccolta fondi del 2026

La prima raccolta fondi ShareLife del 2026 avrà luogo domenica 22 marzo. Vi preghiamo di portare con voi la vostra busta ShareLife e di sostenere questa importante iniziativa diocesana che aiuta i bisognosi della nostra comunità. Grazie per la vostra generosità e il vostro sostegno.

Passione giovanile

Siete tutti invitati sabato 28 marzo alle 18:30 alla nostra Passione giovanile. Venite a sostenere i nostri giovani, che stanno lavorando con tutto il cuore per preparare questa bellissima rappresentazione per la nostra comunità. La loro dedizione e fede sono davvero fonte di ispirazione. Seguirà un rinfresco nella sala principale; siete tutti invitati a rimanere per godervi la compagnia e un piccolo spuntino.

Devozioni del venerdì di Quaresima

Durante il periodo quaresimale, vi invitiamo a fermarvi, pregare e camminare con Cristo ogni venerdì sera. Iniziamo con il Santo Rosario alle 6:00pm, seguito dalla Via Crucis alle 6:30pm e poi dallo studio della Bibbia dalle 7:30pm alle 8:30pm. Tutti sono invitati a unirsi a noi!

Cena pasquale – Un'esperienza della Settimana Santa

Sabato 21 marzo alle 6:30pm – Sala principale. Unitevi a noi per una speciale cena pasquale mentre riflettiamo sull'Ultima Cena e sul suo legame con l'Eucaristia. **Menu:** Agnello, riso, verdure e bibite. **Costo:** 40 dollari a persona. I biglietti sono disponibili dopo ogni Messa e presso l'ufficio parrocchiale. La scadenza per l'acquisto dei biglietti: il 17 marzo alle 5:30pm.

Avviso dell'ufficio: problem con il telefono

Il nostro ufficio ha avuto problem con telefono e internet per un po'di tempo. Per questo, abbiamo deciso di cambiarsi fornitore, anche se alcune installazioni esterne non sono completate. Nel frattempo, contattateci via email. Grazie per la comprensione.

Desde el Escritorio del Párroco

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo: Qué hermosa historia hemos escuchado en la lectura del Evangelio de hoy (Juan 9, 1-41). La conexión entre la ceguera y el pecado es reveladora. Por favor, recen conmigo: «Señor, estoy ciego, devuélveme la vista. Amén».

Bendición matrimonial: tercer domingo del mes.

Se invita a las parejas a recibir una bendición matrimonial durante la misa del tercer domingo de cada mes. Después de la comunión, puede compartir un testimonio de 5 minutos.

Estudio bíblico: viernes 20 de marzo, de 7:30 a 8:30 p. m.

Sesión 8: Conquista y jueces - Parte 1. Lecturas: 2 Corintios 10:3-4; Efesios 6:11-18; 1 Timoteo 6:11-12; 1 Pedro 2:11 | Josué 2-3, 6, 8, 14. Tema: La guerra de las iglesias. La conquista de la Tierra Prometida por parte de Israel presagia la batalla espiritual de la iglesia contra los poderes del mundo. Pablo y Pedro guían a los cristianos en esta lucha: reflexiona sobre las armas que Dios nos da y conéctalas con la historia de Josué.

ShareLife – Primera colecta de 2026

La primera colecta ShareLife de 2026 tendrá lugar el domingo 22 de marzo. Por favor, considere traer su sobre ShareLife y apoyar esta importante iniciativa diocesana que ayuda a los necesitados de nuestra comunidad. Gracias por su generosidad y apoyo.

Pasión Juvenil

Todos invitados el sábado 28 de marzo a las 6:30pm, a la nuestra Pasión Juvenil. Vengan y apoyen a nuestros jóvenes, que están trabajando con todo su corazón para preparar esta hermosa presentación para nuestra comunidad. Su dedicación y fe son verdaderamente inspiradoras. A continuación habrá una recepción en el salón principal; todos están invitados a quedarse para disfrutar de la compañía y un refrigerio ligero.

Devociones de los viernes de Cuaresma

Durante la temporada de Cuaresma, les invitamos a hacer una pausa, rezar y caminar con Cristo cada viernes por la tarde. Comenzamos con el Santo Rosario a las 6:00 p. m., seguido del Vía Crucis a las 6:30pm y luego el estudio de la Biblia de 7:30 a 8:30pm. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

Cena del Séder: una experiencia de Semana Santa

Sábado, 21 de marzo, a las 6:30pm. Acompañenos en una cena especial del Séder para reflexionar sobre la Última Cena y su conexión con la Eucaristía. **Menú:** cordero, arroz, verduras y bebida. **Precio:** 40\$ por persona. Entradas a la venta después de cada misa y en la oficina hasta el 17 de marzo@5:30pm.

Aviso de la Oficina – Problemas con el servicio telefónico

Nuestra oficina ha tenido fallas en el servicio telefónico e internet durante un tiempo, por lo que no hemos podido recibir llamadas y algunos emails. Ahora se ha cambiado de proveedor, pero aún se debe completar algunas instalaciones de cableado exterior. Por favor contactenos por correo electrónico, mientras que tenemos servicio telefónico nuevamente. Lamentamos cualquier inconveniente. Gracias por su comprensión.

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