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(Psalm 100:5)



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May 10, 2026 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

SUNDAY MASSES

ENGLISH: Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 9:00am | 12:00pm | 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, 7:30-8:30pm 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
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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
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The church is open **Monday to Friday** 8:00 am -12:00pm
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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. Oramos 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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THIS WEEK IN ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH

Sixth Week of Easter Message

This Sunday's readings remind us that loving Jesus means living His commandments. In the Gospel (John 14:15–21), Jesus promises the gift of the Holy Spirit—the Advocate—who remains with us, guiding and strengthening us each day.

In Acts, we see the power of the Spirit bringing healing and joy to new believers, while Saint Peter encourages us to share our faith with gentleness and respect. This week, let us ask: Do I show my love for Jesus in my actions? Am I open to the Holy Spirit's guidance? May we live with faith, joy, and courage as witnesses of Christ's love. May God bless you all!



Mother's Day Message

On this Mother's Day, we give thanks for all mothers—those who gave us life, those who nurture and guide us, and those who reflect God's love through their care and sacrifice. We ask the Lord to bless them

with strength, peace, and joy. May they be filled with the same faithful love they so generously share with others. We also remember in prayer all mothers who have gone before us, that they may rest in God's eternal embrace. Happy Mother's Day!

Theology on Tap

Looking for a relaxed and meaningful evening? Join us for Theology on Tap: St. Thomas Aquinas on Saturday, May 23 at 6:30 PM in the Main Hall. Come enjoy a welcoming atmosphere with good conversation, light refreshments, and an engaging reflection on our faith. It's a great opportunity to learn, ask questions, and connect with others in the parish. All are warmly invited!

Parish BBQ & Raffle 2026

Join us for our Parish BBQ and Raffle on **Saturday, June 20, from 12:00 PM to 7:00 PM!** Come enjoy a joyful day of food, fellowship, and community fun. Raffle tickets will be available for purchase starting **May 10 after all Masses**. All are welcome—we look forward to celebrating together!

Bible Study – Friday May 15 – 7:30 to 8:30pm

Join us for **Session 13: Exile**, as we reflect on the theme **"Freedom from Bondage."** **Scripture Readings:** *Matthew 18:21–35/Daniel 1–7*. **Catechism:** CCC 2838–2845. This session explores Jesus' teaching on forgiveness through the parable of the unforgiving servant, and how it connects to the meaning of jubilee and the experience of exile. Together, we will deepen our understanding of the importance of forgiveness in our journey of faith.

Through ShareLife you are the light of someone's darkness

Sarah arrived at a Catholic Family Services agency you support through ShareLife, fleeing abuse with her baby and nowhere else to turn. Because of your generosity, they found safety, care, and the support needed to begin again. Today, they are safe and looking toward a brighter future. Many others still need help. Thus far we have raised **\$15,971.60** toward our goal of **\$29,000.00**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Marian Procession & Potluck

Join us for a beautiful **Marian Procession & Potluck** on **Saturday, May 30 at 6:15 PM**. Come together in prayer to honor Our Blessed Mother, followed by a joyful potluck gathering. Please feel free to bring a dish to share. All are warmly invited—come celebrate faith and community with us!

MASS INTENTIONS – May 9th to May 15th 2026

SATURDAY, May 9th – Saturday of the Fifth Week of Easter / 9:00am: +Leonor Zuleta/ +Camillo Sacco/ Birthday Blessings for Joseph and Blessings for all family members/ In Honour and Thanksgiving to Mother Mary, St Anne and All Saints Holy Angels and Blesses/ Blessings for all mothers/ Birthday blessings upon Marthita Maria Ramirez, Rev. Anish & Han Yeaza

5:00pm: +Nestor, Eduardo, Francisco & Brigida Quimson/ +Felix Doydora/ +Rita & Rosina Lavalle/ Mother's Day Blessings for Laura Cirillo

SUNDAY, May 10th – Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00am: +Gilly D'Souza/ +Mafalda Fernandes/ +Stephens & Singh Families/ +Roltena & Shane Wilkinson/ +Francesco and Maria Stranges/ All Souls of Purgatory/ Mother's Day blessings on Anna D'Souza & Charlene Joese/ In Honour and Thanksgiving to the Holy Family, Blessed Trinity, all Saints, Holy Angels and Blesses.

10:30pm: +Giuseppe Dodato

12:00pm: Parishioners of STA

2:00pm: +Bernardino Perez Lopez/ +Filomena Pacheco/ +Ana Orsini/ +Claudio & Rina La Rosa/ All Souls in Purgatory/ Birthday blessings on the 1st year old Selena Fonseca/ Birthday Blessings upon Ariana Belen Tejada & Rosita Elvira Pacheco

6:00pm: +Giuseppe Sparaco/ +Levi Lag-ang/

MONDAY, May 11th – Monday of the Sixth Week of Easter

9:00am: +Pedro Balderas Hernandez/ +Efrain Rodas/ +Peter Andersen & Vincent Tuong

TUESDAY, May 12th – Tuesday of the Sixth Week of Easter

9:00am: +Domenico, +Elisa, +Lucia, +Maria/ +Cecilia & +Lisimaco Castaño/ +Vincent Nguyen & Maria Dinh/ Birthday blessings for Lyda Castaño

WEDNESDAY, May 13th – Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Easter

9:00am: +Vincent Nguyen & Maria Dinh

THURSDAY, May 14th – Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter

9:00am: +Clelia & +Pedro Pablo Sevilla/ +Giuseppe

Macri/ +Marina Carlota Moz/ Birthday blessings for Valeria Plante & Sergio Osvaldo Arevalo Jr.

FRIDAY, May 15th – Friday of the Sixth Week of Easter

9:00am: +Pedro Rivera Hernandez/ Birthday blessings for Kiara Mowat Monge, Christopher Lee McEwen & Abigail Gomez

Thank you for your Generosity!
May 3, 2026 – Regular: \$5,264.85

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Messaggio della sesta settimana di Pasqua

Le letture di questa domenica ci ricordano che amare Gesù significa vivere i suoi comandamenti. Nel Vangelo (Giovanni 14,15-21), Gesù promette il dono dello Spirito Santo — il Consolatore — che rimane con noi, guidandoci e rafforzandoci ogni giorno. Negli Atti degli Apostoli vediamo la potenza dello Spirito che porta guarigione e gioia ai nuovi credenti, mentre San Pietro ci incoraggia a condividere la nostra fede con dolcezza e rispetto. Questa settimana chiediamoci: mostro il mio amore per Gesù con le mie azioni? Sono aperto alla guida dello Spirito Santo? Possiamo vivere con fede, gioia e coraggio come testimoni dell'amore di Cristo. Che Dio vi benedica tutti!



Messaggio per la Festa della Mamma

In occasione della Festa della Mamma, rendiamo grazie per tutte le mamme, segno dell'amore di Dio. Il Signore le benedica con forza, pace e gioia. Ricordiamo anche le mamme defunte, perché riposino nel suo abbraccio eterno. Buona Festa della Mamma!

Teologia al bar

Cerchi una serata rilassante e significativa? Unisciti a noi per "Teologia al bar: San Tommaso d'Aquino" sabato 23 maggio alle 18:30 nella Sala Principale. Vieni a goderti un'atmosfera accogliente con piacevoli conversazioni, un rinfresco leggero e una riflessione coinvolgente sulla nostra fede. È un'ottima occasione per imparare, porre domande e stringere legami con gli altri membri della parrocchia. Siete tutti calorosamente invitati!

Barbecue parrocchiale e lotteria 2026

Unitevi a noi per il nostro barbecue parrocchiale e la lotteria sabato 20 giugno, dalle 12:00pm alle 7:00pm! Venite a godervi una giornata gioiosa all'insegna del cibo, della fratellanza e del divertimento in comunità. I biglietti della lotteria saranno in vendita a partire dal 10 maggio dopo tutte le messe. Tutti sono i benvenuti: non vediamo l'ora di festeggiare insieme!

Studio biblico – Venerdì 15 maggio – dalle 7:30 alle 8:30

Sessione 13: **Esilio – «Liberazione dalla schiavitù»** Letture: Matteo 18, 21-35 / Daniele 1-7. CCC 2838-2845. Rifletteremo sul perdono alla luce della parabola del servo spietato e sul suo legame con il giubileo e l'esilio nel nostro cammino di fede.

ShareLife: Grazie a te, sei la luce nell'oscurità di qualcuno

Sarah si è rivolta a un'agenzia dei Catholic Family Services sostenuta da ShareLife, in fuga da abuso con il suo bambino. Grazie alla tua generosità, oggi sono al sicuro e stanno ricominciando. Molti altri hanno bisogno di aiuto. Finora abbiamo raccolto **\$15,971.60** su **\$29,000.00**. Dona in parrocchia, online o su sharelife.org/donate.

Processione mariana e pranzo in comune

Unitevi a noi per una bellissima processione mariana e un pranzo in comune sabato 30 maggio alle 6:15pm. Riuniamoci in preghiera per onorare la Beata Vergine Maria, seguiti da un gioioso pranzo in comune. Sentitevi liberi di portare un piatto da condividere. Siete tutti calorosamente invitati: venite a celebrare la fede e la comunità con noi!

Mensaje de la Sexta Semana del Tiempo de Pascua

Las lecturas de este domingo nos recuerdan que amar a Jesús significa vivir sus mandamientos. En el Evangelio (Juan 14, 15-21), Jesús nos promete el don del Espíritu Santo —el Defensor— que permanece con nosotros, guiándonos y fortaleciéndonos cada día. En los Hechos, vemos el poder del Espíritu trayendo sanación y alegría a los nuevos creyentes, mientras que San Pedro nos anima a compartir nuestra fe con gentileza y respeto. Esta semana, preguntémosnos: ¿Muestro mi amor por Jesús en mis acciones? ¿Estoy abierto a la guía del Espíritu Santo? Que vivamos con fe, alegría y valentía como testigos del amor de Cristo. Bendiciones!



Mensaje por el Día de las Madres

Con motivo del Día de la Madre, damos gracias por todas las madres, signo del amor de Dios. Que el Señor las bendiga con fuerza, paz y alegría. Recordemos también a las madres fallecidas, para que descansen en su abrazo eterno. ¡Feliz Día de la Madre!

Teología en la barra

¿Buscas una velada relajada y enriquecedora? Acompáñanos en «Teología en la barra: Santo Tomás de Aquino» el sábado 23 de mayo a las 6:30pm. en el salón principal. Ven a disfrutar de un ambiente acogedor con buena conversación, refrigerios ligeros y una reflexión interesante sobre nuestra fe.

BBQ y Rifa Parroquial 2026

¡Acompáñanos en nuestra barbacoa y rifa parroquial el sábado 20 de junio, de 12:00 pm. a 7:00pm! Ven a disfrutar de un día alegre de comida, compañerismo y diversión en comunidad. Los boletos para la rifa estarán disponibles para su compra a partir del 10 de mayo después de todas las misas. Todos son bienvenidos; ¡esperamos celebrar juntos!

Estudio bíblico – Viernes 15 de mayo – de 7:30 a 8:30 p. m.

Session 13: **Exilio – «Liberación de la esclavitud»** Lecturas: Mateo 18, 21-35 / Daniel 1-7. CCC 2838-2845. Reflexionaremos sobre el perdón a la luz de la parábola del siervo implacable, y su relación con el jubileo y el exilio en nuestro camino de fe.

ShareLife: Gracias a ti, eres la luz en la oscuridad de alguien Sarah acudió a una agencia de Catholic Family Services apoyada por ShareLife, huyendo de una situación de abuso con su bebé. Gracias a tu generosidad, hoy están a salvo y comenzando de nuevo. Muchos otros aún necesitan ayuda. Hasta ahora hemos recaudado **\$15,971.60** de **\$29,000.00**. Dona en la parroquia, en línea o en sharelife.org/donate.

Procesión mariana y comida compartida

Acompáñanos en una hermosa procesión mariana y comida compartida el sábado 30 de mayo a las 6:15 p. m. Reúnanse en oración para honrar a Nuestra Santísima Madre, seguido de una alegre reunión con comida compartida. No dude en traer un plato para compartir. Todos están cordialmente invitados: ¡vengan a celebrar la fe y la comunidad con nosotros!

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