



St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

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214-827-2044

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214-821-3360 Ext 236
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214-821-3450

School Offices

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214-826-0566
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214-823-8493

Youth Ministry

Mrs. Angela Ausmus Gill
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214-821-3360 Ext. 251

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Rev. Mr. Ken Reisor
Director
214-515-0354
Mr. Tim Koscheski
Associate Director
214-821-3360 Ext 234

Mass Schedule

Weekends: Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.
12:00 noon, 5:00 p.m.

Weekdays: 6:30 a.m. Monday through
Friday & 8:00 a.m. Saturday (Latin)
8:00 a.m. Monday through Wednesday
and Friday (English)
Communion Service Thursday 8:00 a.m.

Confessions: Saturday 2:45 to 3:45 p.m.

Church Office Hours

M - Th 9 a.m. - 12n & 1 - 5 p.m.
Fri 9 a.m. - 12n & 1 - 4 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday Noon, in writing

Visit Our Website

www.stthomasaquinas.org

Diocesan Information Hotline

214-339-6365

Religious Book & Gift Shop

Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Welcome to our Parish You are invited to register and become an active member of our parish family. Complete a Registration Form (*found in the vestibule*) and return it to the church office. You may register if you live outside parish boundaries. Please notify the church office of changes of address and telephone number.

Sick and Shut-ins Please contact the church office so that arrangements can be made for them to receive the Sacraments.

Baptisms Baptisms are on the first and third Sundays of each month at 2:00 p.m. If not previously done, parents and godparents are required to attend a Preparation Class, offered on the SECOND SATURDAY of each month, 10:00 a.m. in St. Joseph Room. Call the church office to make reservations for Baptisms and the Class. Most couples find it more convenient to attend the class before the birth of the child.

Weddings Either the bride or groom must be a registered parishioner. Both must be free to marry in the Catholic Church. Wedding dates are set at the first meeting with the priest or deacon, at least four months before the wedding.

Nursery Care Provided for children 3-months to 2 years old, in Preschool building during the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. To register, call Sara Casner, 214-826-5975.

Counseling Professional and confidential counseling is offered by Souad Shrimme, M.S., L.P.C., N.C.C., Professional Counselor. For appointment call 214-821-3360, ext 242 or 214-502-8678.

Choirs Anyone interested in participating in any choir may contact Michael Lindner, at the church office, for more information.

Parish Organizations

Altar Society

Angela Rust
214-691-7247

Apostleship of Prayer

Salem McLean
214-692-5105

Book Club

Rose Elsom
214-739-8887

Grief Ministry

214-821-3360, x 241

Holy Name Society

Dennis Larkin
214-696-6567

Knights of Columbus

Sam Zurawel
214-827-3408

Legion of Mary

Mary Wilson
214-660-8268

Little Flower Mission Society

Mary Ann Lopresto
214-826-1076

Mothers' Association

Adrienne Menchu
214-324-0934

Parish Council

Terry O'Brien
214-341-3907

Pro-Life Organization

Kassie Marks
972-675-3896

St. Vincent de Paul

Message Center
214-823-4645

School Board

Jim Ryan
214-327-1880

School Parents' Association

Kelly Buechler
214-824-7962

Boy Scouts

Jim Krieger
214-827-1546

Cub Scouts

Maroy Merino
214-824-9993

Girl Scouts

Joan Kimber
214-828-1175

Scripture Study

Louis Freitas
214-340-5692

Senior Club

Lorraine Lastelick
214-823-6570

STA Booster Club

David Vandeven
214-378-9990

STACS (Singles)

Ana Devora
214-341-6649

Ushers

David Dozier
214-324-3562

Funeral Ushers

Mike Piacquadio
972-495-5490

Young Marrieds

Michael & Colette Murray
214-887-4919





SUNDAY	10:00am	People of the Parish
	12:00pm	Mark Anthony Marino †
MONDAY	8:00am	Communion Service
TUESDAY	8:00am	Communion Service
WEDNESDAY	8:00am	Communion Service
THURSDAY	8:00am	Communion Service
FRIDAY	8:00am	Ed & Rose Skrehot †
SUNDAY	12:00pm	Bertha Koegl †

REST IN PEACE

In your charity please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Erika Moore, Rosalee Piece, and Danny Barrett (father of Marie Shaw)



ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on our altars this weekend have been given in memory of Dr. Catalino Cruzcosa, by his daughter Kathy Cruzcosa Hanifen.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

A special Book of Remembrance is placed on the altar. To include the name of a loved one, friend, or associate affected by the terrorist attacks, or to remember one who is being placed in harm's way by military service, please turn in the name, in writing, to the church office. The book on the altar is a reminder at every Mass of all those fellow Americans who need our prayers during this time.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY APPEAL 2002

The annual Catholic Community Appeal Campaign 2002, which funds the work of the Church in Dallas, continues. The campaign goal for the Diocese is \$4,655,000 and our parish goal is \$120,000. To date we have received 250 pledges totalling \$38,435. If you have not yet made a gift or a pledge, please turn yours in so that we may reach our goal. Extra cards are available in the vestibule.

VOCATION AWARENESS WEEKEND

Next weekend, November 10 & 11, is Vocation Awareness weekend at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish. Our guest homilist at all Masses will be Father Doug Deshotel. Father served here from 1983-88 and is currently the Vice Rector of Holy Trinity Seminary.

COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND FOR SEMINARY BURSE

The second collection at all Masses next weekend, November 10 & 11, will be for our St. Thomas Aquinas Parish Seminary Burse which supports the education of priests for our Diocese of Dallas. Please be generous.

PARISH SOCIAL TODAY

Everyone is invited to the Parish Social in the school cafeteria after 10:00 am Mass, for coffee, doughnuts and juice, served by the Holy Name Society.



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for those who are ill: Msgr. John, Ernest Piccola, Jim Mentgen, Yvette Carson, Baby Boy Wier, and Lawrence Salerno.

NEWEST CATHOLIC

We welcome into the Church Rachel Page Manak, daughter of Paul and Meredith, who was baptized on October 28, 2001.



THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, November 4, 2001 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am Mothers' Association portraits - St. Maron Room
- 8:00 am Pansy Pick-up - South parking lot
- 8:45 am CCD Classes grades 1-12 - School
- 10:00 am Preschool CCD & Sunday Nursery - Preschool
- 11:00 am Parish Social - School Cafeteria
- 11:00 am STACS Meeting - St. Maron Room
- 12:00 pm Knights of Columbus Corporate Communion
- 2:00 pm Baptisms - Church
- 3:00 pm Family Eucharistic Adoration - Church
- 4:00 pm St. Cecilia Choir - St. Therese Room
- 5:00 pm Youth Choir - St. Therese Room
- 6:00 pm Booster Club Men's Basketball League - Gym

Monday, November 5

- 6:30 pm St. Vincent de Paul Society - St. Matthew Room
- 7:00 pm Youth Group - Church, Gym, St. Margaret Room
- 7:00 pm Grief Recovery - St. Maron Room
- 7:00 pm Booster Club - St. Joseph Room
- 7:30 pm St. Francis de Sales Choir - Church
- 7:30 pm Mothers' Association Board - Teachers' Lounge

Tuesday, November 6 Election Day

- 9:00 am Queen of Peace Circle Meeting - St. Matthew Room
- 1:00 pm St. Catherine Circle Meeting - St. Matthew Room
- 6:30 pm St. Mary & St. Joseph Choir - St. Therese Room
- 7:00 pm Mothers' Night Rosary - Church
- 7:30 pm Little Rock Scripture Study - Cafeteria
- 7:30 pm E.S.L. Classes - St. Therese Room
- 7:30 pm Parents' Association Board Meeting - St. Maron Room

Wednesday, November 7

- 10:30 am Senior Club Trip - meet in St. Matthew Room
- 6:30 pm Athletic Board Meeting - St. Margaret Room
- 7:00 pm 3rd Grade Play - Drama Room
- 7:00 pm NFP Class - St. Maron Room
- 7:00 pm Legion of Mary - St. Margaret Room
- 7:00 pm Chess Club - Cafeteria
- 7:00 pm St. Thomas Aquinas Choir - Church
- 7:30 pm Book of the Month Club - St. Matthew Room

Thursday, November 8

- 6:45 am Men's Prayer Group - St. Joseph Room
- 10:00 am Mesquite Children's Choir Concert Grades 4-8 to attend - Church
- 12:30 pm Early dismissal time St. Thomas Aquinas School
- 5:00 pm Parent/Teacher Conferences 5-8 pm by appointment
- 7:30 pm R.C.I.A. Class - Drama Room
- 7:30 pm E.S.L. Classes - St. Therese Room

Friday, November 9

- No classes St. Thomas Aquinas School
- 9:00 am Parent/Teacher Conferences 9am-4 pm by appt.
- 9:30 am Mothers' Rosary - Church
- 10:00 am Little Rock Scripture Study - St. Matthew Room

Saturday, November 10

- 10:00 am Baptism Class - St. Maron Room

PICK UP YOUR PANSIES TODAY



The St. Thomas Aquinas Cheerleaders remind you to pick-up your pansies this weekend, on Sunday, November 4, 8 am-1:30 pm in the STA South Parking lot. Thank you for your support of the Cheerleaders!

SENIOR CLUB

The Senior Club will go to the Biblical Arts Center; meet in the St. Matthew Room at 10:30 am. All Seniors are invited. Plan now to attend the December 12 Feast of Guadalupe Marian Advent Day of Reflection at the Mt. Carmel Center. It will begin with Mass at 9:30 am and end at 1:30 pm. Bring a lunch. For information please call Lorrie Lastelick (214.823.6570).

ATTENTION MEN OF ST. THOMAS

All men of our parish are invited to join Deacon Ken each Thursday morning at 6:45 am in the St. Joseph Room. We will read the Scriptures for the upcoming Sunday and discuss and pray about how those Scriptures pertain to our everyday life. We will talk about "guy things" as they relate to our spiritual journey. There is no registration, no dues, and no book (except your Bible, of course.) So, if you miss a week, or two, or three...you won't be lost when you come back the next time.

KC BLOOD DRIVE

The St. Thomas Aquinas Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a blood drive to be held on Sunday, November 18, 2001. Blood donations will be accepted in St. Anne's Hall throughout the day. Please make every effort to donate, as blood is in short supply around the holidays.

YOUNG MARRIEDS

The Young Marrieds Group will be attending the SMU/Fresno State football game on Saturday, November 10. Tickets will cost approximately \$15/person. We will meet in the St. Thomas parking lot at 12:45 for the 2:00 pm game. If you'd like to attend please RSVP to Christine and Michael Kobeck (214.321.1585) by Monday evening, November 5.

TOWN HALL MEETING

The St. Thomas Aquinas School Advisory Council will host a Town Hall meeting for school parents on Monday, November 19, from 7-9 pm in the Drama Room. The meeting will be presented by the Advisory Council, the Parents' Association, Mrs. Fraunheim and Father Bierschenk.

OUR LADY'S ALTAR SOCIETY

Arboretum Speaker Mr. Charles Russ will speak at this month's meeting on November 20 at 1:00 pm in the St. Anne Hall. Make plans now to attend. You need not be a member to come and join in on the fun. See you there!

FAMILY COUNSELING HERE AT ST. THOMAS

The St. Thomas Aquinas Family Life Office offers our parishioners professional counseling here at the Church. Souad Shrime, a nationally certified and licensed professional counselor, will be available to provide personal and confidential counseling for an affordable fee. You can set up an appointment by calling 214.821.3360, ext. 242 or you can call 214.502.8578.

CONTRIBUTING PARISHIONER TUITION STATUS

The tuition rate for the 2002-2003 school year at St. Thomas Aquinas School will be determined by Sunday church contributions from January to December 2001. To receive contributing parishioner status, a family must have a record of contributing at least once each month or have a contribution total of \$600 or more.

A NOTE OF THANKS

We would like to thank the parishioners and especially the nurses and doctor who came to Leo's aid when he fainted at the 8:00 am Mass on Sept. 30.

- Ann and Leo Moynahan

STAR IN THE BRADY CENTER VARIETY SHOW BENEFIT

Show your talents and that you care at 4th Annual Brady Center Holiday Benefit. STA student, Carina Chavarria-Chairez and Junior Girl Scout Troop 2158 present a Variety Show on Sunday, November 11 from 2-4 pm in the STA School Drama Room. Featuring family entertainment—moms, dads, boys and girls-join us! Dallas pianist and recording artist, Jon Dahlander, singer and recording artist Amy Crenshaw with STA daughter Madeleine, plus an amazing showcase of STA students! Don't miss it! Only one performance! Admission will be peanut butter and jelly for the Brady Center pantry. New Christmas gifts of toys and winter garments of all sizes are also needed for 1,000 youngsters. Show you care and love your neighbor! Call 214.381.7001 for information.

SUNDAY 10:00 AM NURSERY

November 4		November 11	
Baby Nursery:	2-year-olds:	Baby Nursery:	2-year-olds:
Cathy Bain	Jamie Stevenson	Valerie Eckardt	Hilda Brewer
Ashley Black	Tina Theodore	Nina Humrichhouse	Karen Finch
Scott Dunkerley	Margaret Weighter	Kim Maher	Kelly George
Janet Dunkerley		Deb Peterson	



TODAY'S LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday, November 3:		
4:00 pm Lorraine Lastelick Joe Chairez	Kim Campise Frank LaBarba Jo LaBarba	Millerann Jockel Elizabeth Peacock Kenneth Peacock
Sunday, November 4:		
8:00 am Jeff Patterson Barbara McCumber	Jim Parkerson Mary Bosworth Bob Bosworth	Mary Gangel Sarah Gatens Whitney McCumber
10:00 am Mary Elizabeth Parra Mary Beth Harrington	T. V. Mangelsdorf Barbara Pittman David Pittman	Katy Harrington Rose Davis Hannah Davis
12:00 pm Amy Zielke Jennifer Massoud	Grace Davidson Ann Lerner Jerry Lerner	Briar Carter Kirby Kimber Kate Bost
5:00 pm Martha Sease Michaela Conway	Julia Murad David Uzee Beth Storm	Brittany Frank Hayley Martin Elizabeth Garner

DISABLED MINISTRY

The Diocese of Dallas has sponsored a survey in order to identify the needs of the deaf and disabled in the Catholic Community. The surveys are available in the vestibule. We sincerely ask for your participation, as it is the goal of the Diocese as well as our parish to involve all of the members of our community. We strongly encourage those deaf or disabled, their family and friends or volunteers who are interested in Disabled Ministry, to take part in this issue that will benefit all of us. Please take the time to fill out this survey and return it in the pre-stamped envelopes attached to the survey. Thank you for your time.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS SPAGHETTI & LASAGNA DINNER

Court Mary Immaculate #1719, Catholic Daughters of the Americas invites everyone to a benefit charity Spaghetti and Lasagna Dinner (with salad, garlic bread, coffee or tea, and dessert) today, Sunday, Nov. 4, 12 pm-6 pm at the KC Hall, 10110 Shoreview. Tickets adults \$8.50, children \$4.00.

HOPE FOR THE HOLIDAYS - COPING WITH LOSS

The University of Dallas Parents Association invites you to *Hope for the Holidays; Creating New Memories: Coping with Loss*. The presentation, for anyone going through a life-changing experience, will be Sunday, Nov. 4 at UD's Gorman Faculty Lounge from 2-4 pm. Refreshments provided.

BISHOP DUNNE OPEN HOUSE

On Sunday, November 11 from 2 to 4 pm Bishop Dunne will host an Open House for prospective students. For admissions information, please call Mario Root (214.339-6561, ext 292).

URSULINE HOLIDAY BAZAAR

The 2001 Ursuline Academy Holiday Bazaar, benefiting the Ursuline Faculty Endowment and Faculty Needs Fund, will be held Saturday, November 17 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm at Ursuline Academy, 4900 Walnut Hill Lane. Admission is \$3 at the door.

BISHOP LYNCH HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Bishop Lynch High School invites all interested seventh and eighth grade students and their parents to attend BL Sunday Open House on Sunday, Nov. 18 at 2:00 pm. Sessions include information on curriculum, tuition and financial aid, college advising, the admissions process and opportunities for students with learning differences. For more information, call the Admissions Office (214.324.3607 ext. 127).

MEN, JOIN YOUR FRIENDS!

They're taking off Thursday evening November 29 for a Parish Men's Advent Retreat at Montserrat. It'll be a relaxing weekend of peace and quiet. Good rest, good food, inspiring talks to bring you closer to Christ. Phone your reservation to Robert Ransone (972.239.1333) or call Montserrat (940.321.6020).

MASS ATTENDANCE last Sunday: 3,221

Slow m e d o w n , L o r d !

E a s e the p o u n d i n g o f m y h e a r t
b y the q u i e t i n g o f m y m i n d .

S t e a d y m y h u r r i e d p a c e
w i t h a v i s i o n o f the e t e r n a l r e a c h o f t i m e .

G i v e m e , a m i d the c o n f u s i o n o f the d a y ,
the c a l m n e s s o f the e v e r l a s t i n g h i l l s .

B r e a k the t e n s i o n s o f m y n e r v e s a n d m u s c l e s w i t h the
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o f s l o w i n g d o w n to l o o k a t a f l o w e r ,
to c h a t w i t h a f r i e n d , to p a t a d o g ,
to r e a d a f e w l i n e s f r o m a g o o d b o o k .

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