# Church of

SAINT THOMAS MORE

A Community of Parish and University Ministry

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June 30, 2024 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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#### **SUNDAY LITURGIES**

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:15 am

#### **WEEKDAY MASS**

12:10 Mass on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

#### **SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**

Monday, Tuesday & Thurs: 9-1pm

**Closed Wednesday & Friday** 

<u>SACRAMENTS</u>
Reconciliation: Saturday, 4:00 - 4:30 pm or by appointment.
Baptism: Call office to register for class & date of celebration.
Marriage: Call office to schedule appointment at least six months prior.
Anointing of Sick: Call office anytime.
Inquiries & Reception in Catholic Faith (RCIA): Call Roberta ext. 115.
First Communion, First Reconciliation & Youth Confirmation:
Call Director of Faith Formation at ext. 110.
For parish registration call 603-868-2666 or visit stmdurham.org.

#### June 30, 2024 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Welcome Child of God!

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church,
No matter your personal history, age, income, background, gender, race, ethnicity or spirituality, or marital situation,
No matter your own self-image of holiness or virtue,
You belong to Jesus Christ and you belong to us!
You are invited, accepted and respected here at the Parish of Saint Thomas More.

Take our hands, Lord Jesus, leading us in courage to confront with courage the forces which oppress and divide.

Take our hearts, Lord Jesus, and open them to the truth which will set others free.

The Fourth of July is a time of nostalgia, families and good old-fashioned fun. James Agee expresses all this beautifully in *Knoxville: Summer of 1915*:



"On the rough wet grass of the backyard, my father and mother have spread quilts. We all lie there, my mother, my father, my uncle, my aunt, and I, too, am lying there... They are not talking much; and the talk is quiet, of nothing in particular, of nothing at all in particular, of nothing at all. The stars are wide and alive, they seem each like a smile of great sweetness; and they seem very near. All my people are larger bodies than mine... One is an artist, he is living at home. One is a musician, she is living at home. One is my mother, who is good to me. One is my father, who is good to me. By some chance, here they are, all on this earth; and who shall ever tell the sorrow of being on this earth, lying on guilts, on the grass, on a summer evening, among the sounds of the night. May God bless my people; my uncle, my aunt, my mother, my good father; oh, remember them kindly in their time of trouble; and in the hour of their taking away."



Summer Blessings, Happy Independence Day! Fr. Andrew

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#### **MASSES & OFFICE HOURS**

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#### June 29th-30th; 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I: Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24 Reading II: 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

Gospel: Mark 5:21-43

#### July 6th-7th; 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I: Ezekiel 2:2-5
Reading II: 2 Corinthians 12-7-10

Gospel: Mark 6:1-6a



#### June 29th-30th; 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5pm − † Rich Erickson Sunday 9am − † Andrew Cryans, Sr. (15th Anniversary) Sunday 11:15am− † Evelyn M. Cryans (6th Anniversary)

#### July 6th-7th; 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5pm – † Philip & Maggie Nicoloff Sunday 9am – † Arthur & Mary Lou MacBride Sunday 11:15am– † Jeffrey H Cryans (10th Anniversary)



In observance of Independence Day, the Parish office will be closed on Thursday, July 4th

#### STM FAITH FORMATION

LIFE- Living In Faith Everyday

Registrations are now being accepted for all Faith Formation classes for the 2024-25 school year. Registration forms can be found in the

magazine rack at the back of the church or online at: https://www.stmdurham.org/faith-formation/faith-formationkindergarten-high-school

If your child is in need of Sacraments or if you need more information, please call Ann McGurty at 603-868-2666 for further information.

Faith Formation Calendar will be provided in early September.

#### COME AND SEE (RCIA)

Are you searching for meaning in life? Do you feel a longing for a relationship with God? Have you ever wanted to know more about what the



Catholic Church really teaches? Have you thought about receiving Baptism, Confirmation, and First Eucharist but don't know where to begin?

For more information, please call the parish office at 603-868-2666 and ask for Derick Alexandre or Roberta MacBride or email <a href="mailto:stmpartoralmin@comcast.net">stmpartoralmin@comcast.net</a>.

#### STM SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM



Many Thanks to all who contributed to our 2 heat pumps.
It is up and running.
Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



Donations are still being accepted.

#### St. Thomas More Feast Day Cookout



Our St. Thomas More Feast Day Cookout was a great success! It was great to see so many parishioners gather to celebrate our parish community. Thank you to everyone who helped prepare and clean-up, brought delicious side dishes and desserts, It was delightful! Many Thanks to Alberto, Ron and

their team for helping to organize this event. Have ideas for more activities? Want to help?

Contact alberto.manalo@comast.net

#### **OFFERTORY UPDATE:**



Average Weekly Regular Offertory Amount needed to meet our Annual Budget, \$5,192.31

#### Offertory for June 23rd \$4,262.00

"Give and it shall be given to you." - Luke 6:38 Thank you for your generous contributions.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

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For all our homebound and residents of our local nursing homes and care facilities.

### Food Pantry Needs

#### St. Thomas More Food Pantry Update

With summer in full swing, our regular volunteers will be taking some time away to refresh and renew. Our greatest need for the summer is our Thursday sessions. If you

just have time to volunteer once, that is okay with us! On Thursdays, our session begins at 2:00pm with set up and at 3:45pm through 6:00pm for the time with our clients; 6-6:30pm is the clean-up. Contact Regina at rasamom3@comcast.net with your availability.

This week, at the pantry, we have needs for summer refreshment:

- ice tea mix
- water bottle mix ins
- · seltzers

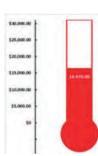




St. Thomas More goal is \$31,105.00 As of June 17th, we have raised \$16,470.00

Help us reach our goal!

Thank you to all who have contributed. Feel free to take an envelope complete it and mail it directly to NH Catholic Appeal, drop it in the basket at the entrances of the Church or place it in the collection basket or go online at www.catholicnh.org/nhca



#### Our Parish number code is 41830.

Our STM Food Pantry and Campus Ministry benefit from the NHCA contributions.

Thank you for your continual support.



"The Lord called me from birth." Listen with an open heart, and pray for the vocation that the Lord is calling you to. Could it be as a priest, sister, or brother? Talk to your priest or reach out to Fr. Matt Mason, the Vocations Director at 603-663-0196 or mmason@rcbm.org.



## Gospel Today Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 5:21-43

Large crowds were following Jesus and He continued to heal those who had great faith in Him.

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### Faith is...

Belief and trust in God

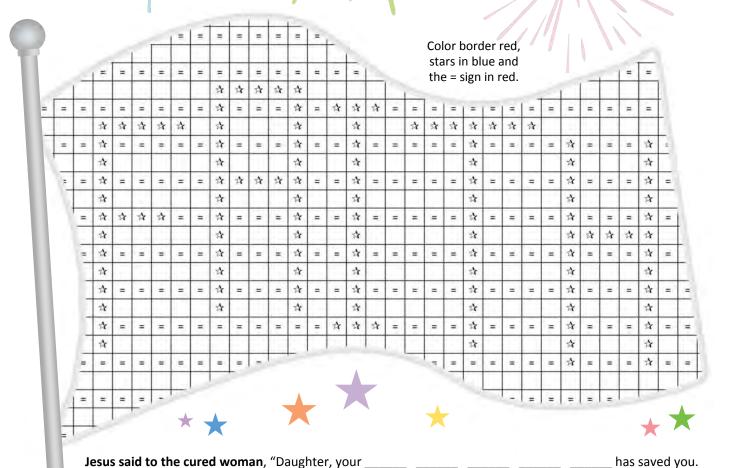
Strong religious belief

Belief in truth

Go in peace and be cured of your affliction." - Mark 5:34

**To Jairus, Jesus said**, "Do not be afraid, just have

Jesus crossed the water in a boat and another crowd came looking for healing. Color the blocks on the flag to see what Jesus' message in today's gospel says we must have.



#### THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Brothers and sisters, as you excel in every respect; in faith, discourse, knowledge, all earnestness, and in the love we have for you, may you excel in this gracious act also. For you know the gracious act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. Not that others should have relief while you are burdened, but that as a matter of equality your abundance at the present time should supply their needs."

Imagine Saint Paul telling the first Christians, to recognize the needs of others, and do something to ease their burden. All of us have been blessed in so many ways. The same virtues and gifts of which he spoke to the Corinthians he expects to put into practice. If that was expected of them, how much more for us, so blessed, must we act when we discover countless people in need around us in our world. How many refuges, displaced persons, the suffering, sick and poor, are asking us to respond because we have faith, knowledge, and the love of Jesus Christ. Decide today how you will respond.

#### **HIS WORD TODAY**

BY REV. WILLIAM J. REILLY

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS





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