Church of SAINT THOMAS MORE

A Community of Parish and University Ministry

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July 13. 2025-Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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SUNDAY LITURGIES

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

WEEKDAY MASS

12:10pm Mass on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday Weekday Masses will be in the Student Center-Library

OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tues, Thurs: 9-1pm & Closed Wednesday & Friday

SACRAMENTS

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 (OCIA): 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.

July 13. 2025 Fifteenth 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.

Accompany us on our way, Lord Jesus, as we seek to share our Roman Catholic faith and life in your Spirit.

Several years ago, while driving home from Washington, D. C., I stopped at a small inn. The following notice entitled "To Our Guests" was posted in my room. I asked for a copy so I might share it with you.



To Our Guests

In ancient times there was a prayer for "The Stranger within our gates."

Because this hotel is a human institution to serve people, and not solely a money-making organization, we hope that God will grant you peace and rest while you are under our roof.

May this room and hotel be your "second" home. May those you love be near you in thoughts and dreams. Even though we may not get to know you, we hope that you will be comfortable and happy as if you were in your own house.

May the business that brought you our way prosper; may every call you make and every message you receive add to your joy. When you leave, may your journey be safe.

We are all travelers. From "birth till death" we travel between the eternities. May these days be pleasant for you, profitable for society, helpful for those you meet, and a joy to those who know and love you best.

May each of us receive our guests with similar sentiments...it is a special grace.

Fr. Andrew



Rest your mind, calm your heart.

- Author Unknown

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MASSES & OFFICE HOURS

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Reading I: Deuteronomy 30:10-14 Reading II: Colossians 1:15-20 Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

July 19th-20th; Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I: Genesis18:1-10a Reading II: Colossians 1:24-28 Gospel: Luke 10:38-42



July 12th-13th; Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5pm –

Rathleen Brown
Sunday 9am –

Frank O'Brien
Sunday 11:15am –

Yvon Butler

July 19th-20th; Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5pm – ♥ Noel Austin Sunday 9am – ♥ Victor Piekarski Sunday 11:15am– ♥ Duncan Cullman

STM FAITH FORMATION



LIFE- Living In Faith Everyday

Registrations are now being accepted for all Faith Formation classes for Kindergarten-8th grade for the 2025-26 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.



STM FAITH FORM ON PROGRAMS

LIFE - Living In Faith

CATECHISTS NEEDED

We are looking for Catechists (teachers) & assistants for all grades Kindergarten-Middle School.

Come share your gifts, talents and your faith with our students.

For more information, please contact Ann at 603-868-2666 or email stmfaith@comcast.net





ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD AS A LECTOR AT MASS?

Please contact the Parish office at 603-868-2666 or contact Roberta MacBride at stmpastoralmin@comcast.net (Training will be provided)

Lectors needed for Sundays at the 11:15am Masses.



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BEING A MINISTER OF HOSPITALITY TO WELCOME PARISHIONERS AND

VISITORS TO OUR COMMUNITY?

We are in need of Ushers & Greeters, for all Masses, especially on Sundays at 11:15am. If interested, please contact Ann McGurty at the office at 603-868-2666. Training will be provided.





St. Thomas More goal is \$31,101.00 We have raised \$18,523.00

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 2025 NH Catholic Appeal; drop it in the basket at the entrances of the Church; place it in the collection basket; or go online at www.catholicnh.org/nhca



Our STM Food Pantry and Campus Ministry benefit from the

NHCA contributions.



Thank you for your continual support.

OFFERTORY UPDATE:



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

\$4,370.00 Offertory for June 29, 2025 Offertory for July 6, 2025 \$7,195.00

"Give and it shall be given to you." - Luke 6:38

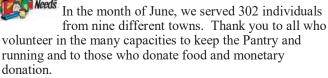
Thank you for your generous contributions.



Food Pantry

Due to excessive heat, Weekday 12:10 Masses (Mon, Tues, & Wed) will be in the Student Center Library

St. Thomas More Food Pantry Update



A special thank you to our new volunteers – five in the past couple of weeks! Our regular group of volunteers are taking some time off so the additional volunteers are very welcome

This week, at the pantry, we have a need for:

- Savory snacks, think pretzels
- Ice tea mix & Tissues

200 CLUB

July is full of fireworks! You could be a winner!

There's plenty of time to become a new member or renew

your membership before the June 29th drawing.

Both enrollment and renewal are easy. As the 200 Club 'year' ends in January, all annual new or renewal subscriptions in June are \$140.

Quarterly and Semi annual subscriptions are available at \$50 and \$100 respectively.

Simply write a check made payable to St. Thomas More Church. Don't forget to also put 200 Club in the memo section. Mail it, along with your contact information [address, phone, and email], to the parish office at

St Thomas More Parish, PO Box 620, Durham NH 03824 For additional member information contact Tom Dolan at tomdolan84@hotmail.com or 603-519-0369.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR **PRAYERS**

Ed Donnelly Barbara Farrington Peter Farrington Dot Meneghin

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

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Gospel Today Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time / Luke 10:25-37

Jesus wants us to open our hearts with love and compassion like the good samaritan in today's parable.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind; and,

Love your neighbor as yourself.





Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"There was a scholar of the law who stood up to test Jesus and said, 'Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'What is written in the law? How do you read it?'...If only you would heed the voice of the Lord, your God, and keep his commandments and statutes that are written in the book of the law, when you return to the Lord, your God, with all your heart and all your soul...it is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts, you have only to carry it out."

At one time people knew the commandments by heart, as Moses provided ten. Jesus helped us, by making them as two - love of God and neighbor. They can be reduced to the positive word 'respect.' Some telephone apps provide quizzes on geography, math or other tests like the scholar of the law. At one time people knew them by memory. Today many would not pass the quiz. What are the ten, two, or where is the respect they call for in my life?

In the gospel of Luke, the parable of the good Samaritan provides the answer for us to carry out and inherit the gift of eternal life, now and in the future. 'To know the Father and the Son whom he has sent.'

HIS WORD TODAY

BY REV. WILLIAM J. REILLY

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS





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