

Church of SAINT THOMAS MORE

A Community of Parish and University Ministry

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October 12, 2025-**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



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SUNDAY LITURGIES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am; 11:15 am & **No 5pm Mass**

WEEKDAY MASS

No 12:10pm Mon (Oct. 13th)-Columbus Day

No 12:10pm on Wed Oct 15th-Funeral Mass for Joan Henry 10am

12:10pm Mass on Tues in the Church

OFFICE HOURS

Office is Closed on Monday (Oct. 13th)-Columbus Day

Tues, Thurs: 9-3pm , Wed: 9-1pm & Closed Friday



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Will be offered Friday in the Church 7-8pm

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 603-868-2666

First Communion, First Reconciliation & Youth Confirmation:

Call Director of Faith Formation

For Parish Registration call 603-868-2666 or visit stmdurham.org.

October 12, 2025
Twenty-Eighth 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.*

Remember Mary



Mary is at the heart of everything that unites human instincts with religious - birth, maternity, simplicity and the deepest of natural affections between two persons. An inscription in Greek on a papyrus fragment (ca. 4th century) is believed to be the earliest known prayer to Mary.

"We flee to your protection, O Holy Mother of God. In our needs do not disdain our prayer, but save us at all times from all dangers."

The language of this ancient prayer is much like the popular Medieval prayer known as the **Memorare**:

"Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I turn to you, O virgin of virgins, my Mother. To you do I come, before you I kneel, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions but in your clemency, hear and answer me."

The author of the **Memorare** is believed to be Saint Bernard of Clairvaux (1090 - 1153). The prayer is a vivid testimony to one man's closeness to the Mother of Jesus. May our recitation of this tender prayer transform the lives of those who offer it.

Fr. Andrew

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MASSES & OFFICE HOURS

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Sunday 9am, 11:15am & 5pm -When UNH is in Session

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Reading I: 2 Kings 5:14-17
Reading II: 2 Timothy 2:8-13
Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

October 18th-19th; 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I: Exodus 17:8-13
Reading II: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2
Gospel: Luke 18:1-8



October 11th-12th; 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5pm – ☩ Rich Erickson
Sunday 9am – ☩ Jennifer Swope
Sunday 11:15am – ☩ Noel Austin

October 18th-19th; 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5pm – Laura LaPlante
Sunday 9am – ☩ Rev. Raymond Sweitzer, S.J.
Sunday 11:15am – ☩ Rosemary Maciolek



OFFERTORY UPDATE:

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

Offertory for October 5, 2025 \$5,620.77

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

"I am the Resurrection and the life"

We pray for the repose of the soul of **Joan Henry**
 Funeral Mass will be here at STM on
Wednesday, October 15, 2025 at 10am.

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

St. Thomas More Food Pantry
September Stats

In the month of September, we served 352 patrons from nine towns. So far in 2025, we have had 1160 visits from patrons which helped 1567 adults, 732 seniors and 697 children with their food needs. Thank you for all of your support thus far this year!

This week, at the pantry, we need the following items:

- Pickles
- Herbal teas
- Toothpaste

200 Club

October's bright blue weather is here, and Halloween is on the way! The next 200 Club drawing will be on **October 26th**. Having a number will make sure that you have a ghost of a chance to win!

There's plenty of time to become a new member or renew your membership before the **October 26th** drawing.

Both enrollment and renewal are easy. Annually, Quarterly, & 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 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**

A special note of thanks to all those who have supported and continue to support the club. You have made a difference!!

STM FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES ON SUNDAY, OCT 12TH

For more information please contact
 Ann McGurty stmdurham@stmdurham.org or call
 603 868-2666

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Grades K-5th Classes

Faith Formation Grades K-5 Classes- October 19th

Middle School Youth Ministry

Next Class October 19th

10:00am-Middle School (Grades 6-8) Gym -See MS Calendar

STM FAITH FORMATION
LIFE- Living In Faith Everyday

Registrations are now being accepted for all Faith Formation classes for K-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-formation-kindergarten-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.

Classes have begun, it's not too late to register.

COME AND SEE -OCIA
formerly RCIA)

It's not too late to join us

If you are interested in joining the Catholic Church, and wonder what the Church teaches; *what the Sacraments, especially Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist really mean; and what it means to practice the Catholic faith.*

Contact **Derick Alexandre** (stmunh@stmdurham.org) or **Roberta MacBride** (stmpastoralmin@stmdurham.org) call **603-868-2666** to begin the conversation.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Ed Donnelly
Peter Farrington
Bernadette Komonchak

Barbara Farrington
Dot Meneghin

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



**Christmas
Fair
Volunteers
Needed!**

"Summer is over, fall is here, and before you know it the holidays will be upon us. It is now time to start **planning for the Christmas Craft Fair** which will be on **Saturday, December 6th** this year. The initial planning meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, October 16th, at 6:30pm.**

We are seeking all interested volunteers, both past and present, to please attend if interested. Last year's fair was a huge success and we wouldn't be able to do it without you! If you have any questions, please reach out to Kara Kane (603-767-9837)."



FALL VOLUNTEER CLEAN-UP DAY!

We are planning a **Fall Volunteer Workday** on **Saturday, October 18, 2025**, from **9:00 AM to 2:00 PM** rain-or-shine (but you can come for all or part of the event when you can). We will have both indoor and outdoor projects ready and will go with what the weather allows. We will have sign-up lists at the back of the Church during the weekends leading up to the day. The PFC will provide the supplies that will be needed for the tasks.

Many of the cleanup and maintenance projects on the Parish Finance Council's "Big List" of things that need to be done can be done safely and effectively by Parish volunteers under the direction of our Parish Maintenance Director or a qualified designee. Not only will taking on these tasks with members of the Parish improve and beautify our Parish environment, but completing the projects with volunteers will save the Parish the cost of getting these services from outside firms. We have also found that bringing parishioners together to accomplish a common goal provides an opportunity for them to meet one another and strengthen our Parish community. A great by-product also will be increased pride in our shared Parish home.

Thank you in advance. Please come out and join in the fun!



St. Thomas More goal is **\$31,101.00**
We have raised \$21,397.37

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

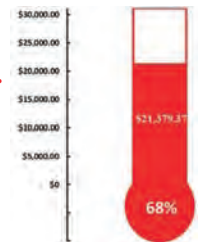
www.catholicnh.org/nhca



Our Parish number code is 41830.

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

Thank you for your continual support.



St. Thomas More has New Emails

Beginning immediately, the following emails are available

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(Please update these Emails in your address book)



ALL SOULS DAY REMEMBRANCE of our deceased parishioners buried from St. Thomas More this past year is included in the Sunday 11:15am Mass on November 2, 2025.

Helen Donnelly

Katharine Muth

Mary Ann Wren

Patricia Craig

Albert Barbour

Patricia Silberblatt

Jeanne Haley

Roger Salava

Christopher McDowell

Shirley Laffler

Ronald Cole

Noel Austin

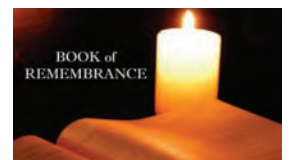
Geoffrey Fitzgerald

Roger Cloitre

Paul Cox

Robert Brown

Joan Henry



BOOK of REMEMBRANCE is enthroned in the Church throughout November.

May our continued prayers bring you and your family comfort and healing.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Week of October 12th-October 18th

WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAY 10/12 **NO STUDENT MASS 5pm**, Columbus Day

TUESDAY 10/14 Men's Group 7pm Lighthouse

Women's Group 7pm Sarah's Apartment- Gables

WEDNESDAY 10/15 CSO All Student Meeting
7pm-MUB 162

THURSDAY 10/16 Food Pantry 2-6pm

FRIDAY 10/17 CSO Board Meeting 5:30-6:30pm
Adoration, 7pm STM Church

DID YOU KNOW?

Let nothing disturb you. Let nothing frighten you. All things pass. God does not change. Patience achieves everything. Whoever has God lacks nothing. God alone suffices

Prayer of St. Teresa of Avila:

Christ has no body now on earth but yours; no hands but yours; no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which the compassion of Christ must look out on the world. Yours are the feet with which He is to go about doing good. Yours are the hands with which He is to bless His people. Amen.

UPCOMING UNH Student Mass Schedule

Sunday, October 12th	HOLIDAY-No Mass/Meal
Sunday, October 19th	5pm
Sunday, October 26th	5pm
Sunday November 2nd	5pm

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Our CSO PowerPoint Night will take place on Friday October 17th. Prepare a fun and quirky topic to entertain your Brothers and Sisters in Christ.



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Saint October 12: St. Carlo Acutis -
Millennial Gamer Teen who said the Eucharist was his Highway to Heaven!
Patron of Internet, Gamers,
Saint October 15 : St. Teresa of Avila -

A Carmelite and the Patron of loss of Parents, Religious, Sickness and Spain.

Saint October 16 : St. Hedwig - a Duchess and Patron of Brides, Death of Children and Germany



UNH Catholic Student Organization News for Fall 2025 Students

If you would like additional information, please contact our

Campus Minister, Derick Alexandre:
stmunh@stmdurham.org

or

Sarah.Hunton@unh.edu , President CSO

Stay tuned for more exciting events happening this semester.

Hope to see you at the next meeting
October 15th at 7:00pm at the MUB 162

Sunday Mass with Supper to Follow
October 19th at 5pm

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