

Church of SAINT THOMAS MORE

A Community of Parish and University Ministry

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November 23, 2025-Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



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SUNDAY LITURGIES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am; 11:15 am & 5pm Mass (When UNH is in Session)

WEEKDAY MASS

12:10pm Mass on Mon, Tue & Wed

9am Mass Thursday, Nov 27th- Thanksgiving Day

OFFICE HOURS

Mon & Tuesday: 9-3pm & Wed: 9-1pm & **Closed Thurs & Fri**

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

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Call Director of Faith Formation 603-868-2666

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

November 23, 2025
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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.*



**Christ
the
King
Sunday**

The Last Sunday of each Liturgical year has been set aside to celebrate the feast of Christ the King and His all embracing authority. All three readings are chosen to reflect that theme.

It was instituted in 1925, at the close of the jubilee year. At His trial, Jesus was questioned about His claim to be King. He was then in a most unkinglike state.

The enigmatic statement, "My Kingdom is not of this world," throws the focus on the world of the Spirit. Unlike the popular perception of kingship, Jesus' Kingdom is one of service.

Bishop O'Neil used to say that the only power in the Church was the power to serve. To Serve is to love; and Christian love is rooted in the profound mystery of Jesus Christ, the true King of every human heart.

Fr. Andrew

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MASSES & OFFICE HOURS

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Reading I: 2 Samuel 5:1-3
Reading II: Colossians 1:12-20
Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

November 29th-30th; *First Sunday of Advent*

Reading I: Isaiah 2:1-5
Reading II: Romans 13:11-14
Gospel: Matthew 24: 37-44



November 22nd-23rd; *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

Saturday 5pm – † Norman Gee
Sunday 9am – † Katherine Muth (1st Anniversary)
Sunday 11:15am – † Christine Mason

November 29th-30th; *First Sunday of Advent*

Saturday 5pm – † Lorie Cryans Fields
Sunday 9am – † Helen Donnelly (1st Anniversary)
Sunday 11:15am – † Theresa Staples





THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

Join us for Mass on Thursday,
November 27th at 9:00am as we
give thanks for our many blessings.



*Pie pick-up this week at the
Student Center*
Monday, November 24th- 11am-6pm
and
Tuesday, November 25th 11am-6pm.



On Behalf of Fr. Andy,
Fr. John and the
Staff of St. Thomas More,
we wish you and your
family a
Happy
Thanksgiving.



St. Thomas More Food Pantry Update

Thanks to everyone who donated food or funds to support the 100+ Thanksgiving Baskets given out on Nov. 15. Additional gratitude for all the extra help our Pantry volunteers delivered this week.

A special note of thanks to Doris Gianforte for her coordination of this annual effort!

A shout out to the local Service Credit Union for their generous \$500 donation to the Food Pantry.

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

- Body wash
- Brown sugar
- Herbal teas



OFFERTORY UPDATE:

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

Offertory for November 16th 2025 **\$4,261.26**

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



200 CLUB

It's time to be thankful!

*If you have a number, you might be a thankful winner
at the next 200 Club drawing on November 30th.*

There's plenty of time to become a new member or renew your membership before the **November 30th** 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 write **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!!*



St. Thomas More goal is **\$31,101.00**

We have raised **\$26,754.29**

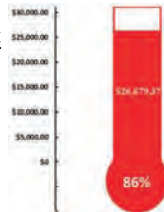
Help Us Reach Our Goal!

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.

Thank you for your continual support.



STM CHRISTMAS 2025 GIVING PROJECT FOR CHILDREN

This year we are working with the Durham Fire Dept in collecting **brand new unwrapped toys and coats** for children (infant-high school) from **Nov 9th -Dec 14th**.

There will be designated boxes between the glass doors at the Student Center for coats and toys. Gift cards are accepted but please bring to the Office.

As always, thank you for your generosity!



Remember your deceased loved ones by recording their names in our Book of Remembrance throughout the month of November.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Ed Donnelly
Peter Farrington
Barbara Farrington

Christine Johnston
Dot Meneghin
Bernadette Komonchak

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



**Annual
DURHAM CHURCHES'
CHRISTMAS FAIR**

Food, fellowship, & fun!

**Saturday
Dec 6th
9am-2pm**

Raffle, Silent & Online Auctions

St. George's Famous Felt Birds

Children's Activities, Puzzles & Cookie Walk

Wreaths & Christmas Decor

Jewelry & Gifts

Soups, Comfort Food & Baked Goods

Come visit ALL of our Downtown Churches
...within walking distance!



Echo Thrift Shop will be open!



**Christmas Fair
Volunteers
Needed!**

**STM Christmas Fair
Saturday, Dec 6, 2025**

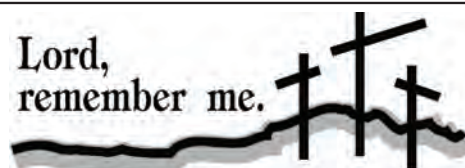
The STM Christmas Fair is one of our biggest Fundraisers for the parish and **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

The Christmas Fair is in need of volunteers for the various tables and activities at the fair: White Elephant, Bake Table, Basket Raffle, Pets, Jewelry, Accessories, Crafts, Set-up and Clean-up, etc... We are also looking for someone who would be interested in assisting with advertising/ promotion. Please contact **Kara Kane directly at 603-767-9837** if you are able to assist with one of these roles.

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

If you are able to help with raffle prize donations and/or gift baskets, all donations will be greatly appreciated. **Please drop off all Gift Baskets by Thursday, Dec 4th.** Monetary gifts are also accepted as we can use these to purchase raffle items. Many businesses will donate items at this time of year, so please check to see if your company participates in charitable giving. **THANK YOU!**

Lord,
remember me.




**Flower
Donations**

Last year during the Advent/Christmas season (2024) we collected **\$1,882.00**. Expenses were **\$1,507.00** on the greens, wreaths, and flowers.


Donations for the Lent/Easter season (2025), we collected **\$1,480.00**. Expenses were **\$1,289.00** for palms and Lily's

Thank you for your generous donation toward our flowers & Church environment.

Thank you, thank you, thank you to all of our parish family members and the Durham community for your generous support this year for our Thanksgiving Food Baskets! Our cups runneth over and you warmed our hearts with one of the largest donations we have ever received.

Have a blessed Thanksgiving with your family and friends and again, thank you!

It is Greatly Appreciated!

**ADVENT CHRISTMAS
FLOWERS & ENVIRONMENT**

Honor or remember a loved one with a donation to our Advent/Christmas flowers & environment. Names of those remembered will be listed in the bulletin during the Christmas Season. Envelopes are available in the church; you can stop by the office, or you can mail your names/donations to:

St. Thomas More, Box 620, Durham, NH 03824



**OUR LORD
JESUS
CHRIST,
KING OF THE
UNIVERSE**



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Week of November 24th-30th

WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAY 11/24 OCIA 7pm Student Center

NO OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK!!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

DID YOU KNOW?

The Blessed Virgin Mary, under the title of the "Immaculate Conception," is patroness of the United States. She was proclaimed unanimously on May 13, 1846, by the Catholic bishops of the United States under that title. Pope Pius XI affirmed that decision July 2, 1847.



November 27th: Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal.. Our Lady appeared to St. Catherine Laboure in 1830 and asked her to promote this medal for the mediation of special

graces.

November 30-Saint Andrew. One of the Twelve. Brother of Simon Peter. Martyr. First to preach in modern Ukraine and Russia. Crucified on an X-shaped cross.



UPCOMING UNH Student Mass Schedule

Sunday, November 30 Thanksgiving Break
Sunday, December 7th 5pm
GOOD LUCK WITH FINALS!!!!
MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

A Homecooked meal to follow Student Masses!

PIE PICK-UP DATES:

Monday, November 24th, 11:00am-6:00pm
Tuesday, November 25th 11:00am-6:00pm



UNH Catholic Student Organization News for Fall 2025 Students

If you would like additional information, please contact our **Campus Minister**,

Derick Alexandre—unhstm@gmail.com or
Sarah Hunton—Sarah.hunton@unh.edu

Stay tuned for more exciting events happening this semester.

Hope to see you at the next meeting
December 3rd at 7:00pm at the MUB 162

Sunday Mass with Supper to Follow
December 7th at 5pm

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