

Church of SAINT THOMAS MORE

A Community of Parish and University Ministry

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May 24, 2026-Pentecost Sunday



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SUNDAY LITURGIES

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

WEEKDAY MASS

No 12:10pm Mass Monday, May 25th-Memorial Day
12:10pm Mass Tue, and Wed

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Office Closed Monday, May 25th-Memorial Day
Tuesday & Thursday: 9-1pm & **Closed: Wed & Fri**
Food Pantry-Thursday 4-6pm

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 603-868-2666

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

May 24, 2026

Pentecost Sunday

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.*

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MASSES & OFFICE HOURS

WEEKEND MASSES

**Saturday 5pm
Sunday 9am, 11:15am**

WEEKDAY MASS

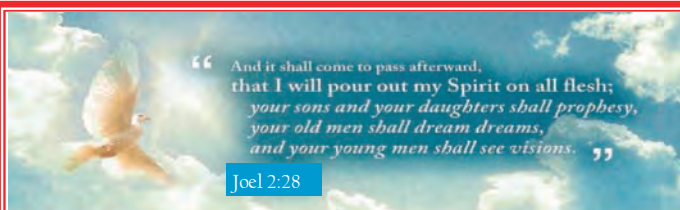
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New Life

There's a freshness in the air. The scent of flowers, the warmth of the sun, the smell of newly mown lawns, the potential for new beginnings. Nature's reminder that the smallest seed has the

potential to bring color and beauty into a garden, even as a small act of kindness can make our world a warmer and more gentle place.

Today we are celebrating

Pentecost— but today's Gospel from John is set on Easter Sunday. This is a wonderful reminder that the Christian Mystery is not a series of chronological distinct steps, but a seamless whole where the Resurrection of Jesus and the outpouring of the spirit are all part of the same action of God, and **that action is always now.**

Jesus says "**Receive the Holy Spirit.**" These words are addressed to the whole company of believers. Sometime today offer as your Pentecost prayer these ageless words of Saint Augustine:

A Prayer to the Holy Spirit

*Breathe in me O Holy Spirit
That my thoughts may all be holy;
Act in me O Holy Spirit
That my works, too, may be holy;
Draw my heart O Holy Spirit
That I love but what is holy;
Strengthen me O Holy Spirit
To defend all that is holy;
Guard me then O Holy Spirit
That I always may be holy.*

St. Augustine of Hippo (AD 354-430)

Have a Blessed Pentecost,
Fr. Andrew

May 23rd-24th: Pentecost Sunday

Reading I: Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11
Reading II: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13
Gospel: John 20:19-23

May 30th-31st: Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity Sunday

Reading I: Exodus 34: 4b-6, 8-9
Reading II: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Gospel: John 3:16-18



May 23rd-24th: Pentecost Sunday

Saturday 5pm —† Deceased McGurty Family Members
Sunday 9am —† Jean Emsley
Sunday 11:15am —† Sandra Ceponis

May 30th-31st: Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity Sunday

Saturday 5pm —† Paul Cardarople
Sunday 9am —† Bob & June Russell
Sunday 11:15am —† James Waldron Haley (First Anniversary)



There will be no 12:10pm Mass and the Parish office will be closed on Monday, May 25th in observance of Memorial Day.



PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Beginning Tuesday, May 26th
Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays 9-1pm
CLOSED Wednesdays & Fridays.



St. Thomas More goal is **\$34,487.97**
As of **May 18th**, we have raised
\$16,541.62

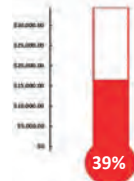
Help us reach our goal!
Thank you to all who have contributed.
Feel free to take an envelope complete it and mail it directly to **NH Catholic Appeal**, drop it in the basket at the entrances of the Church or place it in the collection basket or go online at www.catholicnh.org/nhca

Our Parish number code is 41830.



Our STM Campus Ministry benefits from the NHCA contributions.

Thank you for your continual support.



STM SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM



Many parishioners have asked, how can we help?

We will be purchasing seven thermostats (Google Nest) for the Parish Hall and Student Center.

Each Thermostat costs roughly \$130.00. Please call Patrick Murphy at 603-512-5823 for more details and model if you would like to contribute.



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 9am & 11:15am. If interested, please contact Ann McGurty at the office at 603-868-2666.

Training will be provided.



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@stmdurham.org

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OFFERTORY UPDATE:

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

Offertory for May 18th- **\$3,771.00**

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



200 CLUB

If you are a 200 Club member, your winnings could bloom at our next drawing on May 31st.

Make sure you have a number.

Don't be left out.

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

the **May drawing**.

New/renewal application forms are available at the church entrances. Subscription options are for 3, 6 or 12 months, at a cost of \$50, \$100 or \$200 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!



St. Thomas More Food Pantry Update

We are now partnering with Dollar General in Lee to rescue their donations. We need volunteers to pick up the items, bring them back to the church, weigh, sort and put away. The time is 11:00am on Mondays and Thursdays. We are hoping for eight volunteers so your commitment will be just once a month.

Please let me know if you can help; I can provide the details. Contact me at rasamom3@comcast.net.

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

- Tissues
- Baking soda
- Mustard



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Ed Donnelly **Barbara Farrington**
Peter Farrington **Dot Meneghin**
Greg Thayer

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

Welcome to the Church of St. Thomas More

We are a Community of Parish and University Ministry



SUMMER 2026 WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday, 5:00pm

Sunday, 9:00am & 11:15am

(UNH 5pm Sunday Mass returns September 13th)

Check the Weekly Bulletin at Church or online at stmdurham.org

Call the Office to Confirm

SUMMER WEEKDAY 12:10pm MASS M-T-W

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS *Tuesday, May 26-September 8*

Mon, Tues, Thurs ~ 9am-1pm *Closed Wed & Fri*

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FOOD PANTRY OPEN Thursday 4-6pm

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Gospel Today | Pentecost Sunday | John 20:19-23

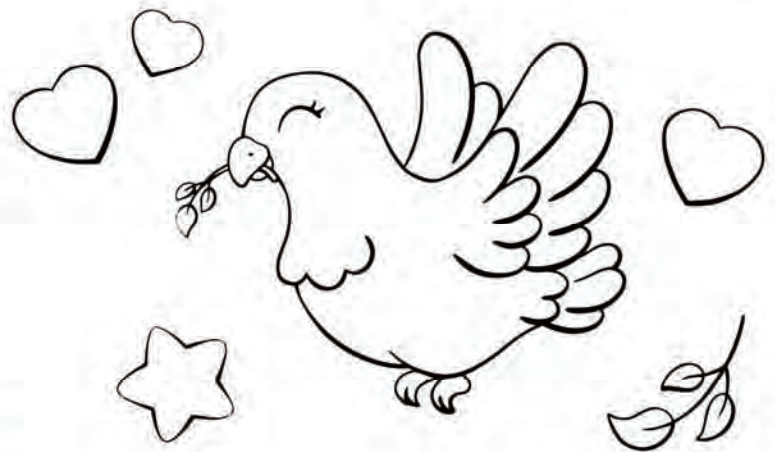
Jesus said "Peace Be With You". Jesus wants us to feel peace within our hearts. He helps us by forgiving us when we do something wrong, as long as we are sorry. Jesus also asks us to forgive others.



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COMMUNICATION IS A BIG WORD!

It means we can talk and interact with people, and understand each other. When the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples, they spoke in different languages and everyone understood. Today is the Feast of Pentecost. The Holy Spirit brings us **PEACE**, **LOVE**, **UNDERSTANDING** and **FORGIVENESS**.



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