

# St. Thomas More Mission

October 3, 2021



**Sunday, October 3, 2021**  
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Sunday, October 10, 2021**  
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## LITURGY SCHEDULE

**Weekend:** Saturday Vigil, 4:30 pm  
Sunday, 10:00 am

**Weekday:** Monday-Friday, 12:00 pm  
Saturday, 3:00 pm

### Reconciliation

Saturday, 3:30-4:20 pm

Sunday, 9:30-9:50 am

Thursdays, 1:00-2:00 pm

Also, you may request an appointment with a priest for confession.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursdays, 12:30-2:00 pm

### Devotions

First Friday, 12:00 pm Mass, followed by adoration, First Friday Prayers and the Rosary.

## DEBT REDUCTION COLLECTION

The Debt Reduction collection will be taken this weekend.

## FROM THE BEGINNING

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

*"But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate." Mark 10:6-9*



Those three words, "From the beginning," are key words for our day and age. It is important for people of faith to recognize not only the supernatural gifts God has given us but also the natural gifts. The supernatural gifts are all those gifts given us by the Cross of Christ. His life, death and Resurrection poured forth upon us grace from Heaven and made holiness, salvation and Heaven possible. But there is a whole other order of "gift" that God gave us that we often take for granted. That's the gift of nature. Creation itself, the order of the Universe, our humanity and the natural design of God are all gifts. Science can do much to discover the secrets and mysteries of the natural world, but ultimately a full understanding of even the natural world is mysterious, deep and awe-inspiring.

One aspect of the natural world God gave us is our sexuality. "God made them male and female..." This natural design is part of the glorious wisdom of the Creator and must be understood, loved and respected fully. Being "male and female" is something that is quite obvious and naturally understood. Within each person are certain attributes, desires, tendencies, etc., that go hand in hand with being either male or female. In many ways, the uniqueness and complementarity of the sexes have been challenged and even disregarded at times, especially in our day and age. But deep down we all understand that being male or female is part of who we are. It makes up our very identity as a person and brings with it many blessings. Femininity and masculinity, at times, also can become distorted and confused. But in essence, these attributes of our personhood cannot be discarded or denied. In fact, embracing who we are in our nature is nothing more than being honest and enables us to continue down the road of true natural integrity.

Reflect, today, upon the many ways that being "male and female" are natural blessings from God. Reflect, also, upon the ways that these natural gifts are challenged and undermined in our world today. Embrace who you are, embrace who God made you to be, and let that natural gift from God flourish in your life.

## PARISH INFORMATION

### Parish Office

2825 West 81st St., Chicago, IL 60652  
Phone 773-436-4444 - Fax 773-778-9087  
Email address: stmrc@comcast.net  
Visit our official Facebook page at:  
St. Thomas More Chicago  
Website address:  
<http://stthomasmorecatholicchurch.org/>

### Office Hours

Monday-Thursday - 9:00 am to 4:00 pm  
Friday-Sunday - Closed

### Rectory

Rev. Scott Haynes, Associate Pastor

### Business Manager

Pat Lave

### Coordinator of Religious Ed

Debbie Ksycki

### Registration

New parishioners should register at the parish office.

### Religious Goods Store

Open on the third weekend of the month.

## SACRAMENTS

### Visitations

Hospital or Homebound; Please contact the Parish Office at 773-436-4444 as soon as possible for Communion, Confession or Anointing of the Sick.

### Marriage

Registered and supporting members should call the parish office. A date should not be set until consulting with the Pastor.

### Baptism

Registered parishioners should contact the parish office.

### Funeral

Registered parishioners should contact the parish office.

### Bulletin

Please submit all requests for bulletin announcement on Mondays by 10:00 am.

### SUNDAY, October 3

#### Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am For the Parishioners

### MONDAY, October 4

#### St. Francis of Assisi

12:00 pm Francisco Viramontes (Carmen & Jim)  
Larry Laundry (Burke Family)

### TUESDAY, October 5

#### Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

12:00 pm Arlene Burke (Burke Family)  
For the Intentions of Franciscan Sister Servants of Redemptive Love (Sr. Maria-Paulina)

### WEDNESDAY, October 6

#### St. Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin

12:00 pm Mike Lindell (Ron & Luann Bloom & Lucille Jaskolski)  
Jim & Stella Wolf (Burke Family)

### THURSDAY, October 7

#### Our Lady of the Rosary

12:00 pm Bloom & Jaskolski Novena Intentions  
Intentions of Dolores Pogor (Friend)

### FRIDAY, October 8

12:00 pm Lynn Joda (Family)  
Michael & Winifred Burke (Burke Family)

### SATURDAY, October 9

#### St. Denis, Bishop & Companions, Martyrs; St. John Leonardi, Priest; BVM

3:00 pm All Cardinals, Bishops & Fremanson/Bildenbergers  
(Ron & Luann Bloom & Lucille Jaskolski)  
Bill & Sue Ascroft (Burke Family)

### (Vigil Mass)

4:30 pm Bob Dapkus (Family)  
Donald Jaskolski, Jr. (Lucille Jaskolski)

- DePaul Center for Marriage/Family Counseling  
Fr. Bob Rohrich, 212 E. Custer St., Lemont, IL  
630-257-9235
- Catholic Charities:  
General Number 312-655-7000  
Counseling Center: 312-655-7725
- Catholictherapists.com
- <http://www.purityispossible.com/>
- Project Rachel (post-abortion healing): 888-456-4673
- Suicide Prevention: 800-273-8255

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL FOR THE SICK



Janet Abramic  
Sandy Badke  
Crispin Bofinger  
Joseph Carrabotta  
Sarah Dalton  
Elaine Eberhardt  
Diane & Jim Flaherty  
Sandra Halper  
William & Theresa Jendzio

Daniel Jiminez  
Maria Jiminez  
Rebecca Jiminez  
John Kniecik  
Cathy Lahart  
Mike Lave  
Kenneth Novickis  
Celeste Phifer  
Louis & Jeanine

Dolores Pogor  
Tricia Quasthoff  
Walter Quasthoff  
Len Reilly  
Pat Sheehy  
Phyllis Spizzirri  
Mary Tadda  
Ken Watterson

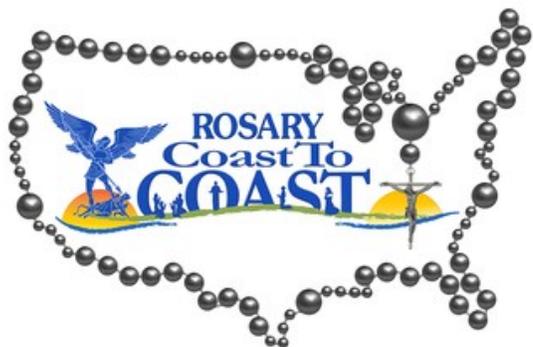
*Omnipotent and eternal God, the everlasting Salvation of those who believe,  
hear us on behalf of Thy sick.*



Everyone is invited to join the Altar Guild for the Rosary in the Garden on Sunday, October 3rd, following the 10:00 am Mass to honor Our Lady of the Rosary.

## ROSARY RALLY—COAST TO COAST

**October 10**  
**RosaryCoastToCoast.com**



Rosary Coast to Coast takes place on Sunday, October 10 at 3pm CST. Rosary rallies are encouraged to be in public places and pray the Rosary simultaneously across the country.

Try to grow your group, but even two people constitutes a "group." Those who cannot gather in public are encouraged to join in from wherever they are.

Go to [rosarycoasttolcoast.com](http://rosarycoasttolcoast.com) to register your October 10 "Rosary Rally." "Are you guys ready? Let's Roll."

"I wholeheartedly endorse the Novena for Our Nation and the Rosary Rally... I urge as many as are able to participate in these great spiritual works for the sake of our entire nation." (Cardinal Raymond Burke)

"May there arise a new movement of people who courageously will pray the Rosary in public places. May "Rosary Coast to Coast" bring to all citizens of the United States, to the people people with governmental responsibilities, to all faithful Catholics, to priests and bishops a spiritual grace-filled rain of roses." (Bishop Athanasius Schneider)

## FOR ALL WHO SERVE IN THE MILITARY INCLUDING:



PFC Michael Chesna, Marines  
MSG Kevin Daley  
Cpl. Brian Husum  
AZ2 Marcellus J. Lane - R.I.P.  
PVT. Andy Oziemkiewicz  
PFC. Luis Rosales  
LCPL. Xavier Rosales

**THANK YOU FOR OUR FREEDOM!**

## OUR FINANCES ~ *Your Gifts Matter*

### COLLECTIONS

9/19/21	\$2,704.00
9/26/21	\$3,039.10
Seminary	\$684.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

## FEAST OF THE HOLY ROSARY (OCTOBER 7)

Fr. Scott Haynes

On this Feast of the Holy Rosary, let us consider the story of how the Shrine of the Holy Rosary at Pompeii, Italy, was established, for it shows how the Rosary is Mary's chosen weapon for defeating evil and restoring our Catholic faith. The man that Mary chose to establish her Shrine at Pompeii would be the man least likely to be chosen by any parish committee. Our Lady, like her Son, seems to prefer to choose the unlikely to accomplish heaven's goals. Just as Our Lord chose St. Paul, a man virulently opposed to Christianity, to spread the Gospel to the Gentiles, so too, Mary's hand-picked man, Bartolo Longo, a lawyer from Naples, hated the Church.

Bartolo had fallen away from the faith while attending University of Naples, where he was plunged into anti-Catholic demonstrations. Dissenting priests flocked to Naples, many becoming professors, proclaiming a democratic church for a "new age" and a liberated code of conscience. These ex-priests warred against celibacy, chastity and "old-fashioned" morality. Bartolo wrote, "I, too, grew to hate monks, priests and the Pope...and in particular the Dominicans."

Following the crowd and succumbing to peer pressure, Bartolo went to occult meetings which led him into apostasy. In time, he was consecrated a Satanic priest, promising his soul to a demon, saying Black Masses and performing many evil acts. Spiritual war ensued. Bartolo's family, determined to intervene, prayed for help. God answered. Vincenzo Pepe, a fine Catholic and a University professor, began to meet with Bartolo. At the right time, Pepe made his move. He asked Bartolo, "Do you want to die in an insane asylum and be damned forever?" By God's grace, Bartolo realized his desperate state. After much prayer and patience, on May 29, 1865, Pepe persuaded Bartolo seek reconciliation with Christ and the Church. In a month's time Bartolo was exercised and finally received absolution, returning to the sacraments.

As St. Theresa of Avila once said, "Patience obtains all things." Of all the saints, Mary is the most patient. And Mary's faith is the most fruitful, for before she conceived the Incarnate Word of God in her womb, she conceived Him in her heart. Mary's faith in Bartolo was great and her patience for him was remarkable. Mary had waited a long time for her dear Bartolo. But, at last, one day in 1872, while doing legal business for a client in Pompeii, the Blessed Mother called Bartolo to heaven's task. She inspired him to bring souls back to the true faith by teaching them the Rosary

Bartolo said, "I set out for the Valley of Pompeii...arriving in the role of a lawyer but was instead, through the plans of God, setting out as a missionary. I was still a blind man and a youth, and Providence took me by the hand..." Bartolo gave families rosaries and taught them to pray. He arranged Marian festivals, processions, and taught catechism. Bartolo once said, "The clergy have the Divine Office, the people have the Rosary. Like Dante's *The Divine Comedy*, the Rosary is a trilogy: it recalls the joys, sorrows, and triumphs of Jesus and in perfect symmetry, for each part it has five chants, and each chant in turn is an episode...The Rosary is a poem that takes its lively but simplistic hues from the pure palette of the Gospel; while at the same time it draws its logical ties, its harmonious responses, its entire intimate dialectic from the highest theology."

As Bartolo gradually saw the people recover their faith through the Rosary, the people began living virtuous Christian lives. Just as Mary had faith in Bartolo, she has faith in you and in me to accomplish great things as God's little instruments. What might we do for God if we would work with patient endurance? Dear friends of Jesus and Mary, as we begin now the year of Faith in the month of the Holy Rosary, let us not only deepen our own faith by meditating upon the life of Christ, but let us, like Bartolo, be men and women who bring souls back to faith in God.



## The Fifteen Promises of Mary Granted to those who Recite the Rosary

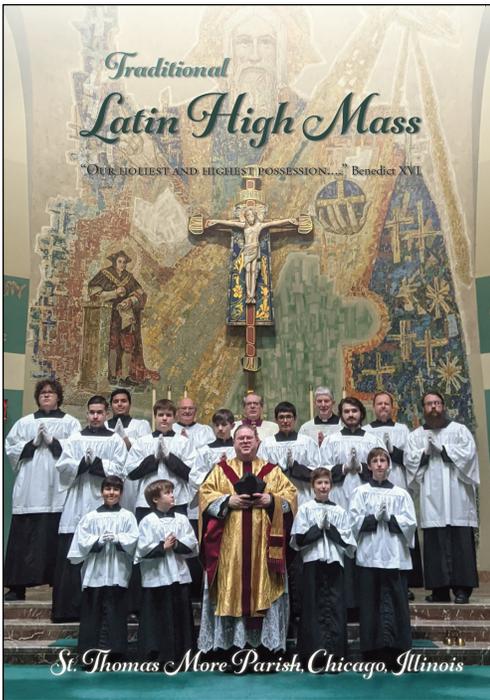
Imparted to Saint Dominic and Blessed Alan

*The Blessed Virgin Mary promised to Saint Dominic and to all who follow that "Whatever you ask in the Rosary will be granted." She left for all Christians Fifteen Promises to those who recite the Holy Rosary.*



1. Whoever shall faithfully serve me by the recitation of the Rosary, shall receive signal graces.
2. I promise my special protection and the greatest graces to all those who shall recite the Rosary.
3. The Rosary shall be a powerful armor against hell, it will destroy vice, decrease sin, and defeat heresies.
4. The Rosary will cause virtue and good works to flourish; it will obtain for souls the abundant mercy of God; it will withdraw the hearts of men from the love of the world and its vanities, and will lift them to the desire for eternal things. Oh, that souls would sanctify themselves by this means.
5. The soul which recommends itself to me by the recitation of the Rosary, shall not perish.
6. Whoever shall recite the Rosary devoutly, applying himself to the consideration of its sacred mysteries shall never be conquered by misfortune. God will not chastise him in His justice, he shall not perish by an unprovided death; if he be just he shall remain in the grace of God, and become worthy of eternal life.
7. Whoever shall have a true devotion for the Rosary shall not die without the sacraments of the Church.
8. Those who are faithful to recite the Rosary shall have during their life and at their death the light of God and the plenitude of His graces; at the moment of death they shall participate in the merits of the saints in paradise.
9. I shall deliver from Purgatory those who have been devoted to the Rosary.
10. The faithful children of the Rosary shall merit a high degree of glory in Heaven.
11. You shall obtain all you ask of me by the recitation of the Rosary.
12. All those who propagate the Holy Rosary shall be aided by me in their necessities.
13. I have obtained from my Divine Son that all the advocates of the Rosary shall have for intercessors the entire celestial court during their life and at the hour of death.
14. All who recite the Rosary are my sons and daughters, and brothers and sisters of my only Son Jesus Christ.
15. Devotion of my Rosary is a great sign of predestination.

## DVD VIDEOS PROJECT COMPLETE



The DVD editing is complete. DVDs are now available. Musica Pacis is glad to present two special DVD productions featuring the final Latin Mass at our parish, and Msgr. Zborowski's final Mass, celebrating the 75th Anniversary of St. Thomas More.

We made extras, so if you have not placed an order it's not too late. For more information, please contact Fr. Scott Haynes at:

[president@musicapacis.org](mailto:president@musicapacis.org)

### 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Thomas More Parish

1946 - 2021



*Rt. Rev. Msgr. Richard M. Zborowski, Pastor*

## Join Fr. Scott A. Haynes on a 10-day pilgrimage to Bavaria and Austria!

*Itinerary highlights include:* Vienna ~ Salzburg ~ Neuschwanstein ~ Oberammergau

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