

# St. Thomas More Catholic Student Parish

## — PARISH MISSION STATEMENT —

*We, the people of St. Thomas More Parish, gifted and led by the Holy Spirit, are called to build up the kingdom of God among the college communities of Kalamazoo. Diverse, yet one, we are called to be the Body of Christ, to praise and worship our Heavenly Father, to proclaim God's Word, to love and serve others, especially the poor and neglected. We welcome all into our parish family who wish to share in this mission.*

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### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.  
Daily Mass 5:15 p.m.

### SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

RECONCILIATION Wednesdays 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
ADORATION first Friday of each month 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
BAPTISM AND MARRIAGE  
Call the parish office to set an appointment.  
Please note that the period of marriage preparation is at least six months.  
If you know of anyone who is sick or homebound, please call the parish office.

### PASTORAL ASSISTANCE

Staff members are available for appointments.  
Please call the parish office at 381-8917 or call Catholic Charities at 381-9800

### PARISH OFFICE LOCATED AT

1333 W. Lovell St., Kalamazoo

### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Closed 12:00-1:00 for lunch

### PARISH STAFF

Dave Chadderdon - Pastoral Counselor ext. 224  
Pete Chadderdon - Maintenance ext. 234  
Michele Cretsinger - Office Manager, Bulletin Editor ext. 261  
Fr. Dan Hyman - Pastor ext. 264  
Lisa LeVasseur - Campus Minister ext. 272  
Sister Pam Owens, CSJ - Pastoral Associate, RCIA, Liturgical Ministries ext. 273  
Martha Reid - Bookkeeper ext. 266  
Deacon Joe Schmitt - Pastoral Associate, Marriage and Baptismal Preparation, ext. 274  
Deacon Frank Sila - Pastoral Associate, Hospital, Homebound, Jail Ministries ext. 278  
Michael Zutis - Director of Music Ministry ext. 270

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

MONDAY, JUNE 26 — SATURDAY, JULY 1

Monday:	Genesis 12:1-9	Matthew 7:1-5
Tuesday:	Genesis 13:2, 5-18	Matthew 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday:	Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18	Matthew 7:15-20
Thursday:	Acts 12:1-11 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18	Matthew 16:13-19
Friday:	Genesis 17:1, 9-10, 15-22	Matthew 8:1-4
Saturday:	Genesis 18:1-15	Matthew 8:5-17

SUNDAY, JULY 2

2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16 Romans 6:3-4, 8-11

## SACRAMENTAL LIFE

**BAPTISM**

Parents and godparents are expected to participate in a class before the celebration of this sacrament.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION**

Couples planning to marry within the next year need to attend a marriage preparation meeting.

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AT 381-8917 TO REGISTER.

## MASS SCHEDULE

**SATURDAY, JUNE 24** — *The Nativity of St. John the Baptist*

6:00 p.m. † John Paul Zagorski Sr.  
requested by Peggy Zagorski

**SUNDAY, JUNE 25** — *Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:30 a.m. † Ethel Petersen-Kelly mother of Christine Simon  
11:30 a.m. People of the parish  
6:00 p.m. Bishop Paul J. Bradley (living)

**MONDAY, JUNE 26**

5:15 p.m. Priests serving the Diocese of Kalamazoo

**TUESDAY, JUNE 27** — *St. Cyril of Alexandria*

5:15 p.m. Deacon Robert & Pauline Bambrick (living)  
requested by George Hebben

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28** — *St. Irenaus*

5:15 p.m. Refugee families

**THURSDAY, JUNE 29** — *Sts. Peter and Paul*

5:15 p.m. Communion Service

**FRIDAY, JUNE 30** — *The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church*

5:15 p.m. People of Maria Madre de los Pobres

**SATURDAY, JULY 1** — *St. Junípero Serra*

6:00 p.m. Sal Gonzales (living)  
requested by Ben & Josephine Sheldon and James

**SUNDAY, JULY 2** — *Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

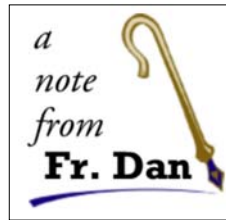
9:30 a.m. † Ethel Marie Bronson mother of Russ Bronson  
11:30 a.m. Bishop Paul J. Bradley (living)  
6:00 p.m. People of the parish

**MONDAY, JULY 3**

No Service - Church Closed

**TUESDAY, JULY 4**

No Service - Church Closed



We bid farewell to Phil Dezern, Jason Aiello, and Sr. Pam at the end of this month. We are very grateful for the years of leadership they have given our parish in their various ministries; sharing their many gifts with us, helping to make St. Tom's the wonderful place that it is. Please join me in thanking them for all of their hard work and praying for the Lord to continue to bless them in their respective journeys.

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**SUNDAY, JUNE 25**

3:30-5:00 p.m. Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous

**MONDAY, JUNE 26**

12:00 p.m. OA  
1:00 p.m. Issues  
6:00 p.m. Meditation and Centering Prayer  
6:30 p.m. JustFaith Small Group

**TUESDAY, JUNE 27**

9:30 a.m. Yoga  
12:00 p.m. AA/AI Anon

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28**

11:00-12:00 Reach Stretch Relax Class  
6:30-7:30 p.m. Reconciliation

**THURSDAY, JUNE 29**

9:30 a.m. Yoga  
11:00-5:00 MI Blood Drive

**FRIDAY, JUNE 30**

12:00 p.m. AA/AI Anon  
8:00 p.m. Student AA

**SATURDAY, JULY 1**

8:00 a.m. Women's AA  
8:30-10:30 a.m. Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous  
11:00 a.m. AA  
4:30-5:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus  
4:45 p.m. St. Lucy Ministry  
8:00 p.m. Student AA

**SUNDAY, JULY 2**

3:30-5:00 p.m. Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous

**MONDAY, JULY 3 Church and Office Closed****TUESDAY, JULY 4 Church and Office Closed**



# HERE AT ST. TOM'S



### SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION

Mondays, 6:00-6:40 pm in the Chapel, Need some quiet prayer time? Join us for a brief devotional reading followed by 25 minutes of prayer & meditation in shared silence.

### "ISSUES" GROUP

The "Issues" Group meets each Monday at 1:00 pm, but what is the "Issues" Group? It is a thoughtful, open discussion of issues concerning faith, church direction, or whatever question or concerns you may wish to bring forward. Please join us for an hour of informed and inspirational dialogue

### EXPERIENCE THE BENEFITS OF YOGA

Reduce stress, improve awareness, posture, strength, balance and flexibility. Uniting body, mind and spirit with instructor Gena Pezzoli. Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 am. Bring a yoga mat if you have one. Suggested donation of \$5-\$10.

### REACH, STRETCH, RELAX

is a group chair exercise class that targets balance, flexibility, range of movement and breathing. The class meets every Wednesday 11:00 am - Noon in the Cougar Room. This class is appropriate for "every body". Contact Matt Barretta at 343-7857 or 548-6837 for more info.

### PLEASE NOTE

The church and parish office will be closed Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4. No service or activities will take place these days.

## VIRTUS® TRAINING

### TO BE OFFERED AT ST. TOM'S

Wednesday, July 12 at 7:30 p.m., dcn. joe will facilitate a Virtus training session in the Cougar Room. Anyone volunteering with any St. Tom's activity and working with minor children must attend a Virtus Training. You may register online at Virtus.org. There is also a link on our website—www.sttomskazoo.org.

### ST. LUCY MINISTRY

meets on the first and third Saturday, 4:45 to 5:45 for sharing, crafting and prayer. Join us Saturday, July 1 in the Chapel Mary Mother of the Poor. This ministry provides items of comfort or warmth for those in need in our community and beyond.



# Thanks!

from SR. PAM

### What a weekend!

Thank you for sharing it with me and offering me your love, well-wishes, and prayers as my time at St. Tom's draws to a close. At each of the Masses, I tried to absorb the spirit of kindness and caring that exudes from this faith community. Thank you also for the many cards, kind words, and gifts that I have received. I think you can understand how difficult it is for me to say goodbye to such great friends. My heart is heavy, even as I know this is what I am meant to do at this time. You are a blessing. Remember me as loving you.

Peace, love, and joy,  
Sister Pam

**Congratulations!**

to all our June  
**WMU and K College graduates!**

We are so proud of your hard work and accomplishments during your time in Kalamazoo and will greatly miss those of you who will be moving away from the area.

**Sister Parish**  
SCHOLARSHIP UPDATES

Please prayerfully think about being an "Angel on Earth" for our scholarship students in El Salvador by participating in Plan A, B or C.

As of June 19, 23 of 30 High School Students have been sponsored, 28 of 47 University Students are sponsored and we have raised \$50,256.50\* of \$66,580.

**BROCHURES CAN BE FOUND IN THE NARTHEX.**

**MI BLOOD DRIVE**

WE WILL HOST A MI BLOOD DRIVE ON  
**THURSDAY, JUNE 29 FROM 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM.**

Register to donate blood online at <http://www.miblood.org/>  
Or sign-up in the narthex.

Sign-up sheet also available to help or bring food.

**Michigan Blood**  
MI blood saves lives.™

**THE OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT IS LOOKING FOR INDIVIDUALS INTERESTED IN BECOMING FACILITATORS FOR VIRTUS PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN SESSIONS.**

Virtus facilitators are a vital part of our safe environment programs at our schools and parishes. This is not a large time commitment, so it's a great role for people who are only able to volunteer on an as-needed basis. If you would like more information on the upcoming July 25-26 training (held at the Diocesan Pastoral Center) please reach out to Marina Hentz, Associate Director of Safe Environment by phone 269-903-0171 or email [mhentz@diokzoo.org](mailto:mhentz@diokzoo.org).

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**FR. KEN IS OFFERING A PRESENTATION ABOUT TRAUMA RECOVERY**

One portion will be an introduction to understand the impact of childhood trauma, and how to address recovery. The second portion will be an introduction to the work of Trauma Recovery Associates, a nonprofit for which he is the cofounder and Executive Director. All are welcome to attend at St. Catherine's in the Marian Hall.

Thursday	July 6	6-8 pm
Monday	July 17	6:30-8:30 pm

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Saturday, July 15, 2017  
**PURSE BINGO**  
St Mary Fr. Bart Hall  
939 Charlotte Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49048  
(Doors open at 5:00 pm - Bingo begins at 6:00 pm)  
Tickets are on sale now for \$12 each!  
Food, Fun, Friends & Purses!  
for information/tickets call St. Mary Office: (269) 342-0621  
tickets will also be sold at the door

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SW Michigan Sierra Club will host  
**TAPPED THE MOVIE** at Portage Library, Austin Lake Room, 300 Portage Lane, on Wednesday, June 28, 6:30-8:30 pm. Questions and answers following the movie. Tapped examines the role of the bottled water industry and its effects on our health, climate change, pollution, and our reliance on oil.. Free admission. No reservation required.

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A report of sexual misconduct can be initiated at the Diocese of Kalamazoo's Sexual Misconduct Question and Reporting Line: (877) 802-0115. A caller will be requested to provide his or her name and telephone number. All calls regarding sexual misconduct will be returned, usually within one hour. This toll-free telephone number has been established as a part of the Diocese's effort to protect children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. This line is for reporting suspected sexual misconduct or child abuse within Diocesan institutions and ministries only. If you have some other concern about Diocesan schools, parishes or ministries, please contact the appropriate Diocesan school, parish or office directly.

### MIGRANT MINISTRY

We are now accepting clothing, food, linens, and household items for use by migrant families in our area. Clothing is needed for men, women, and children. Articles should be suitable for warm weather and for field work for adults (jeans, shorts, short & long sleeve cotton or cotton blend shirts, and work boots or tennis shoes). Children's and infant clothing should be washable play type clothes (no dress clothing or dry cleanable clothes). Food items needed are: rice, flour, sugar, cooking oil, and canned tomatoes. Kitchen items that are most useful are; glasses, dishes, and large pots & pans. Other items that can be used are: infant and toddler car seats, strollers, and highchairs. Please no microwaves or tv's. Items may be brought to the parish office garage at 1333 West Lovell St. (corner of Monroe and Lovell). We will be collecting donations until August 4. If you have questions, please call the parish office at 381-8917.

### MIGRANT CAMP VISITS WILL BEGIN ON TUESDAY JUNE 27!!!

We will be off the following week due to July 4th but then will resume on July 11 every Tuesday evening



until our Fiesta on August 15. Please wear old clothes and shoes, the only thing you need to bring is your amazing spirit and your power to welcome people who are different than you! We meet at 6 pm behind the church office in the parking lot, although we can't park there, we load the vans and are on our merry way by 6:15, we get to our camp in Decatur by 7:00, play until 8:30 pm, stop for ice cream at the Sugar Bear in PawPaw on our way home (to bond with the other volunteers and talk about our experiences) then we are home by 10 pm. An amazing evening in which you will receive far more than you give! All are welcome! Questions call Ree Millard 720-0510. We will look forward to seeing your bright shiny faces on the 27th!

### REFUGEE FAMILY NEEDS

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR CONTACTS TO HIRE MEN WHO HAVE SKILLS**, fortitude, persistence, but may be lacking in English. Bronson Hospital recently hired two Syrian men along with a temporary translator, and they are very satisfied with the new hires! Do you know an employer who may be willing to give some refugees a chance?



Your employer? You? Let's talk!

### CAN YOU HELP FIND AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR OUR NEW NEIGHBORS?

There are several refugee families in this situation.

We need help finding adequate housing. Any ideas? Investors? Rental home owners? Real estate agents with unique funding? Open to suggestions!

Contact **Elsie Romano** for info about Refugee Family needs. 269-373-4348 [elsieromano@att.net](mailto:elsieromano@att.net).

**SYRIAN REFUGEE FATHER** with over 19 years of experience is looking for a construction job. Please contact Karyn Medendorp at 269-366-0496 if you can help with this job search.

### TOILET PAPER MINISTRY

We continue to collect toilet paper for those in need. Bring it in anytime and put it in the alcove in the narthex hallway. Thank you everyone for your donations to this much needed ministry.



### MINISTRY WITH COMMUNITY HAS MADE A REQUEST OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY.

Each Sunday they invite church groups to serve lunch. They have asked if St Tom's could serve the 4th Sunday of each month. It would run from 12:45 to 2:45 including set up and clean up. If anyone is interested in helping feed the hungry in this serving way please contact me (deacon joe) at 269-327-1822 or email at [jhschmitt@charter.net](mailto:jhschmitt@charter.net) and I will try to coordinate. It would take 8 - 12 people to carry this off efficiently. I know we can do this, contact me



### THE KALAMAZOO GOSPEL MISSION IS IN NEED OF HELP

On June 27 and 28, help maintain their education facility by participating in a deep clean team. For more details contact Tim Keith, Volunteer Coordinator Kalamazoo Gospel Mission [volunteer@kzoogospel.org](mailto:volunteer@kzoogospel.org) or phone 269.345.2974 ext. 201

### GOSPEL MISSION

Each month on the 3rd Tuesday from 4:30 -7:00 pm. St. Tom's is signed up to help serve and make meals. Tuesday, July 18 is our next scheduled date. Contact dcn. joe schmitt by email at [jschmitt@sttomskazoo.org](mailto:jschmitt@sttomskazoo.org) or 269-381-8917, ext. 274.

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### BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL



Update as of June 19, 2017

230 pledges totaling \$ 78,955  
58% of our goal of \$ 135,831  
Difference of \$ -56,876  
Participation 30%

You can now sign up and make your pledge and payments online. If you exercise this option, you do not need to turn in a pledge card to the parish and the information will be passed to us in a report. The link is below. <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/867>.

### JUNE 2017 SUNDAY COLLECTION

Weekly Target	\$ 14,830.00
6/4	9,844.23
6/11	9,540.74
6/18	7,862.15
6/25	
Electronic gifts for June 2017	20,623.58
Total gifts to date for June 2017	\$ 47,870.70
Operating budget to date June 2017	44,490.00
Difference in June 2017	3,380.70
Fiscal year to date (+/-)	\$ (20,726.84)