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Comunidad Católica de Santo Tomás el Apóstol

March 23, 2025/ 23 de Marzo de 2025



MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Thursday 8:00 AM

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Weekend Mass

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday/Domingo 8:00 AM

10:00 AM

1:00 PM

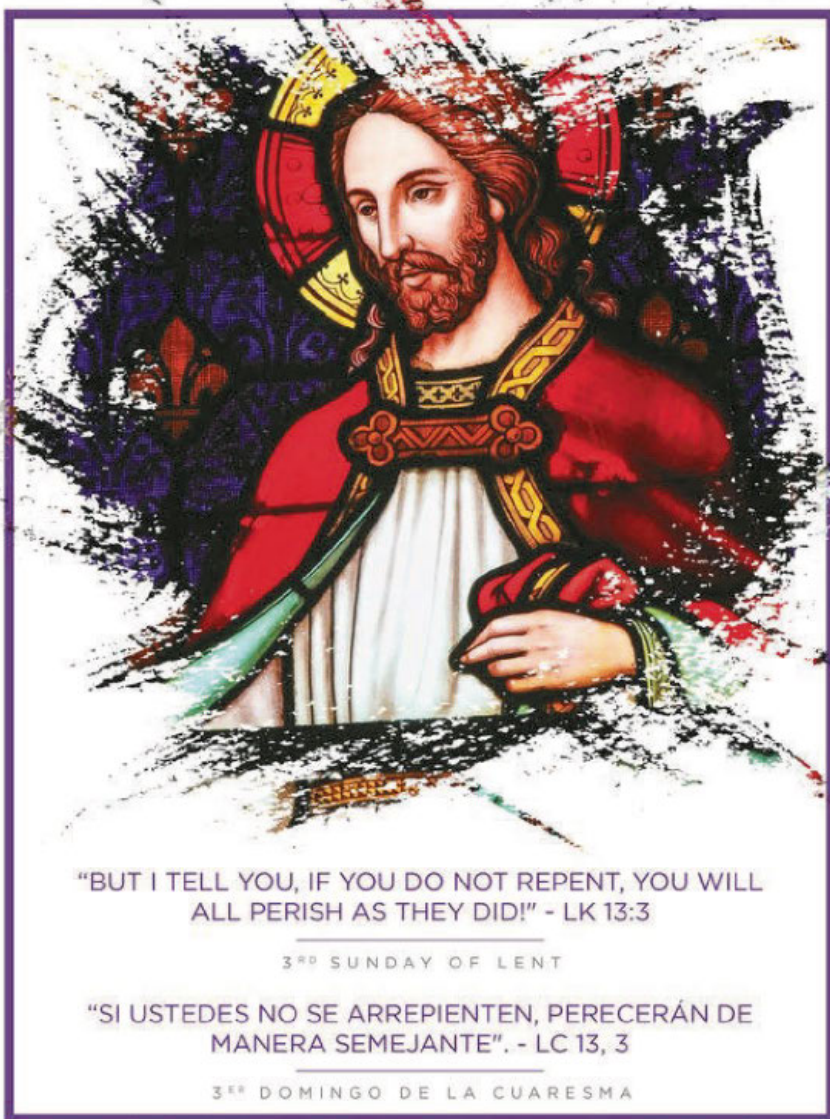
Reconciliation

Saturday 3:15 PM-4:00 PM

Other By Appointment

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday
8:00 AM-4:30 PM



Mission Statement

In the Name of
Jesus Christ,
St. Thomas the Apostle
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Prays
Feeds
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Comforts
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Declaración de la Misión

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Prayer & Worship

Mass Intentions

Wednesday, March 26th

7:15 PM

Available

Thursday, March 27th

8:00 AM

Available

Saturday, March 29th

4:30 PM

Richard & Rosella Schroeder

Sunday, March 30th

8:00 AM

Deceased members of the
Steve & Sally Wagner family

10:00 AM

Deceased members of the
Richard & Anna Muench family

Sanctuary Light

March 23rd-29th

Sue Meyer

Dear Folks,

This Sunday our catechumens Oceanna and Claudia, together with all of us, share the Scrutinies. As the time of their Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist approaches at the Easter Vigil, we will *experience* three great Scriptures from the Gospel of John: the Woman at the Well, the Man born Blind, and the Raising of Lazarus from the Dead. We are all invited to look deep in our hearts, confronting our sinfulness and finding hope in Jesus as the Living Water for whom we thirst, in Jesus as the Light come into the world to heal our blindness, in Jesus who is our Life, raising us from the dead. May we truly repent, apologizing for the ways we have hurt others and our world, and lavishing the forgiveness of Christ upon those most in need of God's mercy.

May the goal of our lives be heaven, yes, but to become like the one who is *in* heaven: Jesus, to call him by name and live in his peace this Season of Lent. Our project this Lent is to help the Catholic Relief Service give food and clothing to those affected by the war in the Ukraine. More details to come!

Finally, please know that we are making progress on our Bishop's Appeal goal of \$46,951, collecting gifts totaling \$26,575 as of this writing. Thank you! Again, please pray, as we need to do in all things, and share a gift if you can. Together we can make this goal! Know that I am grateful!

In Christ's Peace, Fr. Dave



March 30th 2025

Joshua 5:9a, 10-12

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

When have you been generous enough
to forgive someone who hurt you
deeply?

Homebound, Sick, or Elderly...

For a minister of care to bring Eucharist to your home, please call the parish office or refer to the information below. Sunday Communion Minister for the homebound for the week of:

March 30th– Patti Schneider
920-629-2729

April 6th– Pattie Schneider
920-629-2729

April 13th– Wayne Wallander
920-946-9002

As noted in Father Dave's bulletin message two weekends ago, his goal is to establish a Knights of Columbus Council for the men of St. Thomas the Apostle. During last weekend's Masses, you heard the invitation to men aged 18 and older to join Council 710, as a next step in getting enough men to form the St. Thomas Council. Near the end of our message, we asked the following: If not you.....who? If not now.....when? For more information about the Knights of Columbus, please call Tony Holzinger (920-629-8802) or Joe Debilzen (920-629-1601).



Finance Council Meeting Bulletin Minutes: February 20, 2025 at 6:00 pm. Laurie Jonasen led us in prayer. The minutes from January were approved as emailed. The December Financial Reports were reviewed and discussed. Bonny Jacky reviewed all bank and investment statements. Everything is in order. January Financials will be reviewed next month. Fr. Dave gave us an update on the One by One Parish Investment. The Bell Tower is scheduled for installation April 8th. Next meeting will be March 20, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

SCRIP News

A HUGE THANK YOU goes out to Marge Engelbrecht and her Scrip helpers and you, our Scrip buyers. Together, St. Thomas has received \$18,000 back in credits since July 2024!

OTIS Chili Sale
April 12th & 13th
at all Masses



Funds received the week of March 9th

Mass Stipends	\$180
Stole Fees	\$10
Sacramental Donation	\$40
Easter Flowers	\$585
Unrestricted Donation	\$25
Grant Donation	\$250
Scrip Profit Donations	\$18,000

Scrip profit for the week
\$684.38

Tithing- Envelopes	\$6,317
Offertory	\$1,037
Capital Improvement	\$110
Unrestricted/Our own needs	\$320

Next weekends second collection will be for the World's Poor.

CALENDAR EVENTS

March

24th- Cleaning Day
6:30 PM Choir Practice
25th- 10:00 AM Bible Study
26th- 6:15 PM RE grades 1-5
7:15 PM Mass
27th- 8:00 AM Mass
8:30 AM Stations of the Cross
9:00-10:30 AM Confessions
31st- Cleaning Day
6:30 PM Choir practice

APRIL

1st- 10:00 AM Bible Study
6:30 PM Women's Bible Study
7:00 PM Men's Bible Study
2nd- 6:15 PM RE grades 6-9
7:15 PM Mass
3rd- 8:00 AM Mass
8:30 AM Stations of the Cross
5th- Easter Egg Hunt
7th- Cleaning Day
2:00 PM Coping with Grief
6:30 PM Choir practice
8th- 10:00 AM Bible Study
9th-- 6:15 PM RE grades 1-5
7:15 PM Mass
10th- 8:00 AM Mass
8:30 AM Stations of the Cross
9:00-10:30 AM Confessions
6:00 PM Living Justice
6:30 PM Seder Meal

Distribution of Holy Communion under Both Kinds

1. In keeping with the Liturgical Norms and Directives promulgated and contained within the Church's various liturgical books and documents, and in consideration of the aforementioned liturgical principles, the Diocesan Practice of Holy Communion under Both Kinds is that Distribution of Holy Communion from the Cup may only take place and is *encouraged* on the following liturgical celebrations:

- All the faithful who participate in the Easter Vigil, particularly the newly baptized;
- Christmas Mass During the Night (Midnight Mass);
- Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper.



All weekend Masses on:

- Divine Mercy Sunday;
- The Solemnity of Pentecost;
- The Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity;
- The Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ (Corpus Christi);
- The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

It is, furthermore, *left to the discretion of each Pastor* to distribute the Precious Blood to the faithful present at the following celebrations:

- First Holy Communion (Only First Communicants);
- Wedding Mass (Only Bride and Groom);
- The Mass celebrating the patronal feast of each oratory, church, parish, or mission;
- The anniversary Mass celebrating the dedication of each church.

2. Although the practice of intinction is allowed in the General Instruction of the Roman Missal, it is not to be considered an acceptable form of distribution of Holy Communion in the Diocese of Green Bay.



St. Thomas catechumens and leaders celebrated the Rite of Election with Bishop Ricken on 3/2/2025.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule March 29th & 30th

	4:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
Server(s)	Carter Hochkammer Kaeden Mills	Charlotte Hartfield Mark Stock	Kyle Krupka Luana Krupka-Erdmann
Hospitality	Therese Gries Dan Gries Shari Lipski Scott Lipski	Ron Boldt Trudy Boldt Diane Lesperance Wayne Wallander	Karl Koch Jeanne Koch Michele Vogel Jerry Vogel
Cross Bearer	Daryl Wetenkamp	Ava Vetter	Ani Neuser
Proclaimers	Matt Wagner Dick Backus	Pat Mayer Everette DeRoche	Pat Carey Renee Siikarla
Eucharistic Minister	Ken Jacky Bonnie Jacky Dcn. Steve Zimmer	Debbie Stock Gemma Ulness Greg Schmidt	Lyle VanderWyst Donna VanderWyst Tanya Hady
Sacristan	Bonnie Jacky	Joann Otte	Nancy Robison

Hispanic Comunidad

Queridos amigos,

Este domingo nuestras catecúmenas Oceanna y Claudia, junto con todos nosotros, comparten los Escrutinios. Al acercarse el momento de su Bautismo, Confirmación y Primera Eucaristía en la Vigilia Pascual, experimentamos tres grandes Escrituras del Evangelio de Juan: la Mujer en el Pozo, el Ciego de nacimiento y la Resurrección de Lázaro de entre los muertos. Todos estamos invitados a mirar en lo profundo de nuestros corazones, confrontando nuestra pecaminosidad y encontrando esperanza en Jesús como el Agua Viva de la que tenemos sed, en Jesús como la Luz que viene al mundo para curar nuestra ceguera, en Jesús que es nuestra Vida, resucitándonos de entre los muertos. Que nos arrepintamos de verdad, pidiendo perdón por las formas en que hemos herido a los demás y a nuestro mundo, y prodigando el perdón de Cristo a los más necesitados de la misericordia de Dios.



Que el objetivo de nuestras vidas sea el cielo, sí, pero para llegar a ser como el que está en el cielo: Jesús, para llamarle por su nombre y vivir en su paz este tiempo de Cuaresma. Nuestro proyecto para esta Cuaresma es ayudar al Catholic Relief Service a dar comida y ropa a los afectados por la guerra en Ucrania. Más detalles próximamente.

Por último, por favor, sepan que estamos progresando en nuestra meta de la Campaña del Obispo de \$46.951, recogiendo donaciones por un total de \$26.575 en el momento de escribir esto. Gracias a todos. Una vez más, por favor oren, como necesitamos hacer en todas las cosas, y compartan una donación si pueden. ¡Juntos podemos alcanzar esta meta! Sepan que estoy agradecido.

En la paz de Cristo, P. Dave



**TERCER DOMINGO
DE CUARESMA**

Inspirar el espíritu de Cristo en los jóvenes de St. Thomas the Apostle a través de una comunicación, organización y dirección efectivas del vibrante grupo de jóvenes OTIS - Optimistic Teens Improving Society – (Adolescentes Optimistas Mejorando la Sociedad). El objetivo es servir como las manos y los pies de Jesús y construir una relación de fe más cercana con Dios. Trabaja en colaboración con líderes adultos voluntarios y miembros del personal en un espíritu colegial; promueve el intercambio de dones individuales a la comunidad católica de St. Thomas the Apostle; lidera con el ejemplo, con cuidado y amor genuinos, demostrando flexibilidad, iniciativa, confidencialidad, adaptabilidad y confianza; al mismo tiempo que se asegura de que la Iglesia local se mantenga fiel a su misión.



La Samaritana. ¿Qué dice el texto?

Por catequesiscadizyceuta.wordpress.com/

Dentro de nuestro camino cuaresmal hoy se nos propone una escena conocida: la samaritana. El pozo en la literatura bíblica, es un lugar de encuentro, un espacio donde descansar y compartir.

Un pozo, una mujer y Jesús encuadran el Evangelio de este domingo... La vida de aquella mujer había transcurrido entre maridos y entre viajes al pozo para sacar agua. La insuficiencia de un afecto no colmado (los seis maridos) y la insuficiente agua para calmar una sed insaciada (el pozo de Sicar), nos llevan a pensar en la otra insuficiencia: la de una tradición religiosa que aun teniendo rasgos de la que Jesús venía a culminar con su propia revelación, si faltaba Él era incompleta.



Por eso en el evangelio de Juan, el Señor se presentará como el Agua que sacia y como el Esposo que no desilusiona. Cuando no daban más de sí nuestros esfuerzos y empeños y seguíamos arrastrando todas las insuficiencias, lo que representa también en nosotros los maridos y la sed, el desencanto y la fatiga, ha venido a nuestro lado como esposo, como amigo, como agua... el Mesías esperado.

Desde todas nuestras preguntas, afanes y preocupaciones, desde nuestra aspiración a habitar un mundo más humano y fraterno que el que nos pinta la crónica diaria, Dios se nos acerca en nuestro camino, se sienta junto al brocal de nuestros pozos y cansancios, para revelárenos como nuestra fuente y nuestra sed. Ojalá que también nosotros podamos contagiar a nuestras gentes como aquella mujer lo hizo con los de su pueblo, y también nuestros contemporáneos puedan testimoniar: «ya no creemos por lo que tú dices, nosotros mismos lo hemos oído y sabemos que Él es de verdad el Salvador del mundo».

MEDITACION

- «Dame de beber» La sencilla petición de Jesús es el comienzo de un diálogo, mediante el cual Él, con gran delicadeza, entra en el mundo interior de una persona a la cual, según los esquemas sociales, no habría debido ni siquiera dirigirle la palabra. Jesús cuando ve a una persona va adelante porque ama. No se detiene nunca ante una persona por prejuicios. Jesús la pone ante su situación, sin juzgarla, haciendo que se sienta considerada, reconocida, y suscitando así en ella el deseo de ir más allá de la rutina cotidiana. (Papa Francisco)
- Jesús tenía necesidad de encontrar a la samaritana para abrirle el corazón: le pide de beber para poner en evidencia la sed que había en ella misma. La mujer queda tocada por este encuentro: dirige a Jesús esos interrogantes profundos que todos tenemos dentro, pero que a menudo ignoramos. (Papa Francisco)
- También nosotros tenemos muchas preguntas que hacer, ipero no encontramos el valor de dirigirlas a Jesús! La cuaresma es el tiempo oportuno para mirarnos dentro, para hacer emerger nuestras necesidades espirituales más auténticas, y pedir la ayuda del Señor en la oración. El ejemplo de la samaritana nos invita a expresarnos así: «Jesús, dame de esa agua que saciará mi sed eternamente». (Papa Francisco)
- Había ido a sacar agua del pozo y encontró otra agua, el agua viva de la misericordia, que salta hasta la vida eterna. ¡Encontró el agua que buscaba desde siempre! Corre al pueblo, aquel pueblo que la juzgaba, la condenaba y la rechazaba, y anuncia que ha encontrado al Mesías: uno que le ha cambiado la vida. Porque todo encuentro con Jesús nos cambia la vida, siempre. Es un paso adelante, un paso más cerca de Dios. Y así, cada encuentro con Jesús nos cambia la vida. Siempre, siempre es así. (Papa Francisco)
- Estamos llamados a redescubrir la importancia y el sentido de nuestra vida cristiana, iniciada en el bautismo y, como la samaritana, a dar testimonio a nuestros hermanos. Testimoniar la alegría del encuentro con Jesús, porque todo encuentro con Jesús nos cambia la vida, y también todo encuentro con Jesús nos llena de alegría, esa alegría que viene de dentro. Así es el Señor. Y contar cuántas cosas maravillosas sabe hacer el Señor en nuestro corazón, cuando tenemos el valor de dejar aparte nuestro cántaro. (Papa Francisco)

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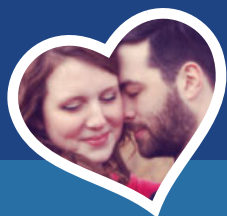
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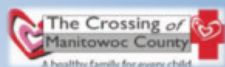
I will never be able to say enough thank-yous for our ultrasound machine and the training you provided me.

Recently, because of your support, we were able to help a vulnerable young woman who wasn't sure an unplanned pregnancy was something she could navigate. We discovered that she was having more than one baby and in seeing her children on the screen she made a commitment to parent. We provided her with images of her babies and the ability to keep video recordings of them. This proved to be more valuable than I realized, as shortly after our visit she lost her babies. The ultrasound became more than a tool, but also a comfort in her grief.

Thank you will never be enough.

With heartfelt thanks- Joyce

Our Council led the fundraising project to donate a new 3D/4D ultrasound machine for The Crossing in 2023, provided training to Joyce Price and needed upgrades to their facility to support the new ultrasound.



Save the Date!

**St. Thomas the Apostle
Blood Drive
April 12, 2025**

https://donateblood.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/11537941

We are Looking for a Youth Ministry Coordinator

Inspire the spirit of Christ in the youth of St. Thomas the Apostle through effective communication, organization, and direction of the vibrant OTIS - Optimistic Teens Improving Society —Youth Group. The focus is to serve as the hands and feet of Jesus and to build a closer relationship of faith with God. Works collaboratively with volunteer adult leaders and staff members in a collegial spirit; promotes the sharing of individual gifts to the St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Community; leads by example, with genuine care and love, demonstrating flexibility, initiative, confidentiality, adaptability, and trust; while ensuring that the local Church remains true to her mission.



CEMETERY CLEANUP

Spring cemetery cleanup will begin shortly at all St. Thomas cemeteries.

Please remove any items you would like to keep prior to April 1st. Any items that remain after April 1st will be discarded. After May 15th, you may begin placing items back in the cemeteries. Thank you.



St. Thomas the Apostle Wine & Cheese Tasting Event Silent & Oral Auction

Franciscan Music Center Manitowoc, WI

Friday, May 9, 2025

6:30 PM– 10 PM

\$25 in advance \$30 at the door

Price of admission includes Wine & Cheese Tasting



Donations of silent auction items and gift baskets will be needed