

APRIL 27TH, 2025 - SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

St. Thomas More Parish with St. Bernadette Mission



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Please Pray For those who are sick, especially:
George Korcsok, John, Margaret Lechelt, Divina,
Jacob, Sandra Pilipinko, Fr. Ron Meyer, and Anna
Please pray for those who have died, especially:
Rev. Fr. Leo Coughlin and Msgr. John Pearson
and Fr. Amado Vanio

MASS SCHEDULE

ST. THOMAS MORE RECTORY CHAPEL

WEDNESDAY 5:00PM

THURSDAY & FRIDAY 10:00 AM

ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH, MILLBROOK

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM

APRIL 26TH - For the intentions of
Garth Beebe & Charlene Rostkowski on
their 40th Anniversary

SUNDAY: 9:00 AM

APRIL 27TH - For the Eternal rest of Pope Francis

ST. BERNADETTE, NESTLETON

SUNDAY: 11:00 AM

APRIL 27TH - For the People of the Parish

***** IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER *****

Sunday, April 27 -	Divine Mercy Celebration at St. Thomas More Church starting at 2:45 pm. (refreshments follow)
Saturday, May 10 -	St. Thomas More CWMC meeting 9:30 a.m. in the hall - all welcome
Sunday, May 11 -	Coffee Sunday. (Mother's Day)
Saturday, May 24 -	Annual Spring Clean-up. Church and Rectory Property
Sunday, June 15 -	Coffee Sunday. (Father's Day)
Sunday, June 29 -	Fr. Tony's Retirement Celebration including Mass - Donauschwaben Park, Nestleton



Jubilee Year 2025 – Events Schedule:

https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/get-involved/jubilee-year-2025-events-schedule.aspx?_mid_=35659

Quote of the Week: "Rivers do not drink their own water. Trees don't eat their own fruit. The sun does not shine on itself and flowers don't spread their fragrance for themselves. Living for others is a rule of nature. We are all born to help each others, no matter how difficult it is. Life is good when you are happy, but much better when others are happy because of you." (+Pope Francis)

Pope's Prayer intention for the month of May: For working conditions; Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

PLEASE VISIT THE DIOCESE OF PETERBOROUGH WEBSITE FOR UPDATES AND LINKS TO ON-LINE MASSES

<https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/index.aspx>

St. Thomas More Parish offers eGive.

Enroll: <https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/get-involved/donate.aspx>

FR. TONY'S MESSAGE FOR THIS WEEK

Dear sisters/brothers; parishioners of St. Thomas More and St. Bernadette,

Theme: "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.."

Our Readings:

First Reading: Acts 5: 12-16; "The Apostles preached and great numbers were added both men and women and they carried their sick into the streets, in order that Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he came by."

Psalm Response: "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his steadfast love endures forever."

Second Reading: Revelation: 1. 9-11a, 12-13, 17-19: "the vision of John the beloved disciple, the voice telling him;" "Do not be afraid, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I was dead, but see, I am alive forever and ever. Now write what you have seen, what is, and what is to take place after this."

Gospel: John 20: 19-31; " Do not doubt but believe. Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God."

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Please do not forget our Divine Mercy celebration this Sunday, April 27. We will start around 2:45 PM with some songs in preparation for the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be chanted by the different participating prayer groups. A short reading about the devotion will be read and some prayers from the Divine Mercy booklet. After the prayers a simple refreshment will be served in the church hall from whatever some groups will be bringing for the potluck snacks. Thank you for sharing your gifts and any donation will be appreciated to cover the use of the hall. May God bless you and your loved ones. Let us also offer this special celebration for the eternal rest of Pope Francis and we also pray for all the cardinals that the Holy Spirit will guide them in their election of a new Pope according to the will of God.

Another diocesan pilgrimage is planned also to culminate the year of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in Trout Creek on June 27. The celebration will start with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the morning with silent adoration and confession is available to those who want the sacrament, and the mass will be at 3:30 PM with Bishop Miehm as the main celebrant. The diocese of Peterborough is also planning for a diocesan wide pilgrimage to the Martyr's Shrine in Midland on September 20. To visit a shrine is also suggested and what are these? Shrines are erected either to protect relics or to commemorate the presence of God in a particular place at a particular time. The Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy says that they can also have a deep significance as 'signs of cosmic harmony and reflections of divine beauty because of their physical positioning' (paragraph 263). Some are placed over the grave of a saint, while others, like the Oratory of St. Joseph in Montreal, are built on the faith of a visionary. These can be privileged places to ask for God's help or to give thank for favours received. They are often the object of pilgrimage.

A BLESSED AND HEALTHY EASTER TO ALL PARISHIONERS

Fr. Tony

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FRIENDS OF HONDURAN CHILDREN FUNDRAISER

Thank you for your generous response to Fien Vandenberg's Homemade Apple Pie fundraiser. Our parish ordered 26 pies, and raised \$390.00, all of which goes directly to support the volunteer relief work she and her team provide yearly to children in Honduras.

These delicious pies are available year round. To order, please text Fien at 705-933-8152. She's already working on Mother's Day orders!!

UPCOMING COFFEE SUNDAYS

MAY AND JUNE COFFEE SUNDAYS are traditional and special events! Please join us after 9 a.m. Mass
SUNDAY, MAY 11 - Annual Mother's Day Breakfast. All families and parishioners are invited to a delicious breakfast, prepared and served by the menfolk of St. Thomas More. You'll want to bring your appetite, because these men sure can cook!

SUNDAY, JUNE 15 - Annual Father's Day Breakfast, a delicious buffet for all parishioners, hosted by the women of our parish. No competition here...just lots of smiles, great food, and fellowship with each other.

***Our April Coffee Sunday was a fun gathering, with a great turn out, and a chance to meet and chat with some new parishioners. Thanks to all who joined in, brought along some tasty treats, and offered their helping hands in the kitchen and hall.*

HELP US TO CELEBRATE FR. TONY'S RETIREMENT

Share your memories of Fr. Tony on the occasion of his farewell from
St. Thomas More & St. Bernadette.

Contact Fr. Tony for details about arranging baptisms, marriages,
birthday or anniversary announcements or blessings, or mass devotions.