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of your testimony to our Lord, but bear your share of hardship  
for the gospel with the strength that comes from God.

– 2 Timothy 1:8

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October 5, 2025 | The Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**Emergency Anointing:** In a medical emergency, call the Parish Office and at the prompt, press 4. This automatically routes your call to our Sacramental Emergency Line. For non-emergencies, call the office to schedule an anointing.

**Prayer Line:** Call any one of the following numbers; your request will be passed along to the entire team.

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday-Thursday: 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Friday: Closed

Additional hours by appointment

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## WEEKLY CALENDAR

**Sunday, October 5**

**Scripture Readings:** Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

4:30 p.m. Mass (SUB) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for the Deceased  
Souls of the Nguyan Family

7:45 a.m. Mass (SUB) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for the People of  
the Parish

9:30 a.m. CCD (Parish Office)

9:45 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)

11:00 a.m. Mass (SUB) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)

✠ Ron & Grayce Welsch

**Monday, October 6**

**Scripture Readings:** Jon 1:1-2:1-2, 11; Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8; Lk 10:25-37

**No Mass at St. Nicholas or St. Thomas**

**Tuesday, October 7**

**Scripture Readings:** Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42

9:00 a.m. Mass (DY) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for ✠ Scott Williams

**Wednesday, October 8**

**Scripture Readings:** Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4

**No Mass at St. Thomas**

10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)

6:30 p.m. OCIA (St. Nicholas Parish Office)

**Thursday, October 9**

**Scripture Readings:** Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 11:5-13

9:00 a.m. Mass (DY) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for ✠ Charles Reilly

**Friday, October 10**

**Scripture Readings:** Joe 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26

**No Mass at St. Thomas**

**Saturday, October 11**

**Scripture Readings:** Joe 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28

3:30 p.m. Confessions (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)

**Sunday, October 12**

**Scripture Readings:** 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4; 2 Tim 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

4:30 p.m. Mass (DY) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for the Living &  
Deceased Members of the Heil Family

7:45 a.m. Mass (DY) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for the Living &  
Deceased Members of the Musselman Family

9:30 a.m. CCD (Parish Office)

9:45 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)

11:00 a.m. Mass (DY) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) the People of  
the Parish

**IN SYMPATHY**

Ed Bucknam passed away on September 15th. Debra Stockwell passed away on September 27th.  
*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

**NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN:**

National Life Chain is this Sunday, October 5. We will meet at 2:15 p.m. at Heartbeats on Maple Avenue.

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE**

Due to priest vacations, we will not have Mass on Monday, October 6 at either Church. Tuesday, October 7th Mass will be celebrated at St. Thomas Only. Wednesday, October 8th Mass will be celebrated at St. Nicholas Only. Thursday, October 9th Mass will be celebrated at St. Thomas Only. Friday, October 10th Mass will be celebrated at St. Nicholas Only.

**GUARDIANS OF THE EUCHARIST**

We are seeking Guardians of the Eucharist at Bishop Rosecrans High School. On Mondays and Fridays throughout the school year, we are looking for adorers to sit with the Eucharist in the Bishop Rosecrans Chapel. Students will rotate into the chapel throughout the day for Adoration. Your only responsibility as a Guardian is to make sure the Blessed Sacrament is not left alone during your one-hour time slot. To be considered for a Guardian, you will need to complete Protecting God’s Children class and have a background check with fingerprints taken (paid for by the Parish). Times are flexible and you do not have to commit to the same time each week or even commit every week. The students of Bishop Rosecrans and Bishop Fenwick need you to ensure that this vital program continues! Please contact the Parish Office at 740-453-3301 to register.

**THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

St. Nicholas and St. Thomas eighth graders who wish to be Confirmed on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, should attend the Confirmation Retreat on Sunday, October 12th at 6:30 p.m. in Rosary Hall. Parents must also attend. Registration for Confirmation will take place at this retreat. Please enter the church basement using the door on the alley.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

St. Nicholas and St. Thomas second graders who wish to make their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 9, 2026, should attend the First Communion Retreat on Sunday, November 2nd at 6:00 p.m. in Rosary Hall. Parents must also attend. Registration for First Holy Communion will take place at this retreat. Please enter the church basement using the door on the alley.

**BISHOP FENWICK SCHOOL IS SEEKING SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS**

Do you enjoy working with children and supporting Catholic education? Bishop Fenwick School is building our substitute teacher list. This is a wonderful opportunity for retired teachers, aspiring teachers, and qualified individuals who feel called to serve in our Catholic school community! If you or someone you know is interested, please complete our online application or email gmurrell@cducation.org to further discuss substitute requirements. Apply online <https://www.bishop-fenwick.com/Careers/>.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL COACHES NEEDED**

Bishop Fenwick is looking for Middle School Boys & Girls Basketball Coaches! This is an exciting opportunity to mentor young athletes, build skills, and share the love of the game. Please contact Seth Thompson at 740-452-7504 or [sthompson@cducation.org](mailto:sthompson@cducation.org)

STEWARDSHIP <i>(Our fiscal year is July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026)</i>	
September 28, 2025	
Mass Collection	\$ 6,756.00
EFT	\$ 0.00
Online/Direct Gifts	\$ 0.00
Total Offertory	\$ 6,756.00
YTD Collected	\$ 134,682.80
YTD Budgeted	\$ 143,000.00
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**WELCOME**

This week we welcome Brendan Devine, our new seminarian who will be spending a pastoral year with us. Born in Connecticut, he found the Catholic faith in elementary school and was received into the Church at age seven. Brendan attended Cornell University in New York and Oxford in Great Britain studying Economics and History. He worked for ten years in corporate finance in the oil and gas industry before answering a call to the priesthood. Following two years at a French seminary, Brendan joins us in our parish to discern with the Diocese of Columbus.

**JOIN US IN SAYING THE ROSARY**

We warmly invite you to enrich your spiritual journey by joining us in reciting the Rosary before Mass. This beautiful tradition offers a moment of peace, reflection, and unity as we prepare our hearts for the celebration of the Eucharist. To make it easy for you to participate, we’ve provided a simple way to sign up. Go to the website <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0C4CACAE2BABF94-57251916-stthomas> to choose a time and date that works best for you. Whether you’re a seasoned devotee or new to the Rosary, all are welcome. We look forward to praying with you and sharing sacred time together. Thank you for being a part of our faith community, and may the Rosary bring peace and blessings to your heart.



OCTOBER 12	ALTAR SERVERS	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	CANTORS
4:30 p.m.	Brian Novotny, Connor Novotny	Linda Baugman	Rose Rath	Kim Chupka
7:45 a.m.	Abby/Levi Crum	Brent Mirgon	Debbie Crum	Mary Baker
11:00 a.m.	Rob Rodgers, Iggy Rodgers, Max Rodgers	Ruth Ann Lynn	Jerry Lynn, Lucy Green	Choir



# Oktoberfest





**CALLING ALL SINGERS**

The Saint Thomas Aquinas Choir is looking for new members. We would be very happy to welcome you to our Sunday morning rehearsal at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday. We sing music of various periods and styles, while providing a friendly environment to learn and grow in musical ability. If you love to sing, please consider serving the community in this important ministry. If you are interested, please stop by the Choir Loft after Mass, or contact Christopher Urbiel at 740-453-3301, ext. 122 or curbiel@saintthomaszanesville.org.

**BAPTISM PREP CLASS**

Families seeking to get their children baptized will need to attend a Baptism Prep Class. The class will only be held if someone is preregistered. Please do not show up without preregistering for the class. The next scheduled Baptism Class will be held November 18th at 7:00 p.m. The meetings typically last 1.5 hours and will be held at St. Nicholas Parish Office. To register, please contact the St. Nicholas Parish Office at 740-453-0597.



**THE APPEAL 2025:**

Our parish has raised \$37,028.00 and pledged \$41,200 of our \$64,726.28 goal. As we approach reaching our parish goal for the 2025 Appeal, remember that anything above our goal that is collected will be returned 100% directly to our parish to support our own parish projects and ministries. We can accomplish this goal if, after prayerful consideration, everyone gives what they can. Our response to The Appeal is one way to share our blessings with our neighbors and to express our gratitude for all the blessings that our most loving God has bestowed on us.



**FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITY:**

We are once again offering an annual subscription to parishioners at a group discounted rate for the *Magnificat*. *Magnificat* is designed for daily use to follow along with the Mass, and also contains essays on the lives of the saints, meditations, and articles giving insight to masterpieces of sacred art. The regular subscription rate is \$50.00, but Saint Thomas parishioners can receive this lovely pocket-sized enrichment guide once a month for a full year for only \$39.00. Interested? Please complete the form below and send it in an envelope, along with payment, to Keri Dailey no later than October 19. Checks may be made payable to Saint Thomas Aquinas Church; please write the words “Magnificat” in the memo portion of the check. The booklets will be delivered to the Parish Office each month.

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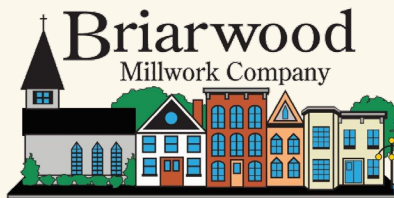
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