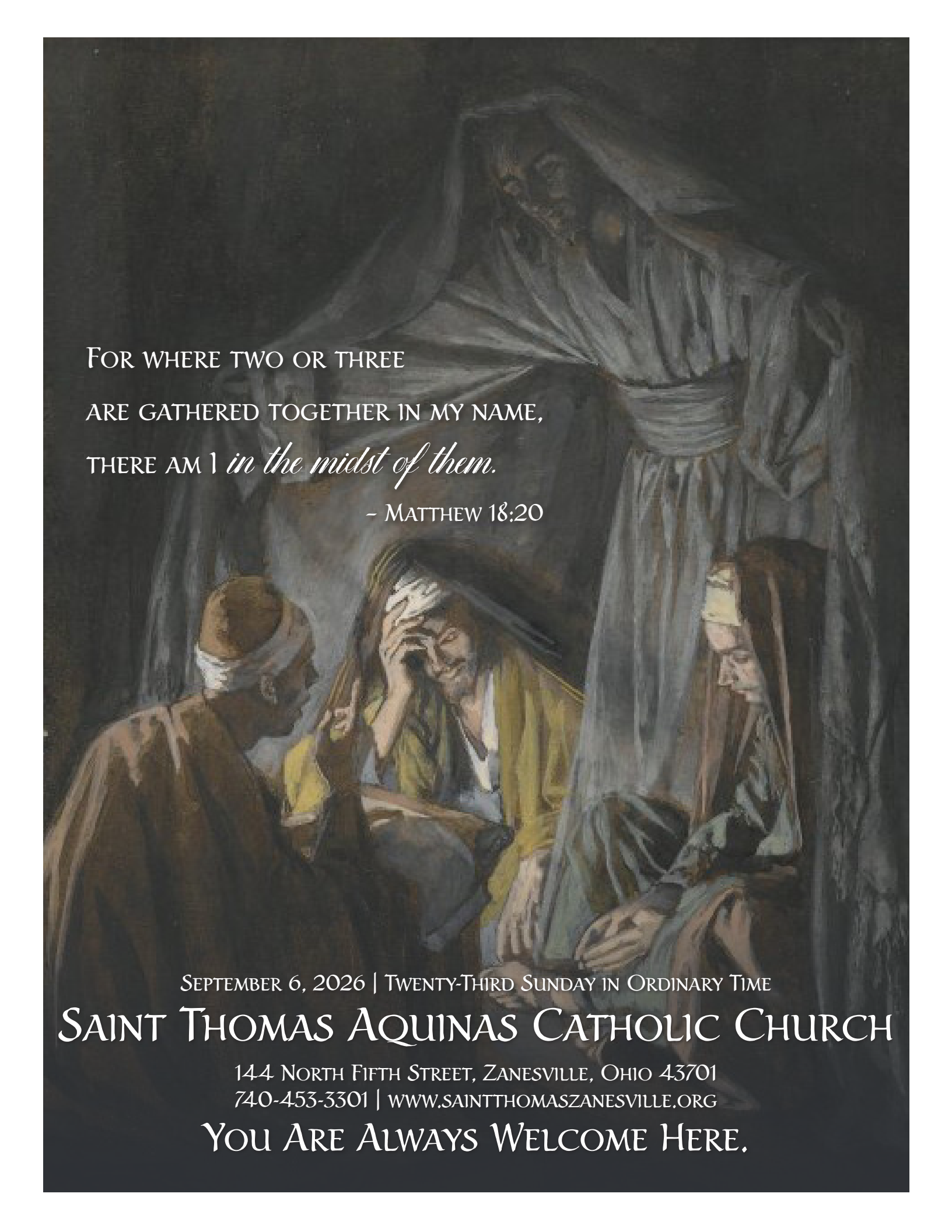




FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE
ARE GATHERED TOGETHER IN MY NAME,
THERE AM I *in the midst of them.*

– MATTHEW 18:20

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 6 – Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scripture Readings: Ezekiel 33:7-9; Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Romans 13:8-10;

Matthew 18:15-20

4:30 p.m. Mass (DA) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for the People of the Parish
7:45 a.m. Mass (DA) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for † John P. Beardsley Jr.
9:45 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)
11:00 a.m. Mass (CT) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for Bishop Rosecrans Team

Monday, September 7

Scripture Readings: 1 Corinthians 5:1-8; Psalm 5:5-6, 7, 12; Luke 6:6-11

NO MASS

Tuesday, September 8 – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Scripture Readings: Micah 5:1-4a or Romans 8:28-30; Psalm 13:6ab, 6c; Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

9:00 a.m. Mass (DA) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for † Larry & Judy Weiner

Wednesday, September 9 – Saint Peter Claver, Priest

Scripture Readings: 1 Corinthians 7:25-31; Psalm 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17; Luke 6:20-26

9:00 a.m. Mass (DY) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for the Living & Deceased
Members of Herbert L. Durant Sr. Family
10:00-9:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)

Thursday, September 10

Scripture Readings: 1 Corinthians 8:1b-7, 11-13; Psalm 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24;

Luke 6:27-38

9:00 a.m. Mass (CT) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for Maria Lennon
Noon Mass (DA) (Genesis Hospital Chapel)

Friday, September 11

Scripture Readings: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22b-27; Psalm 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12; Luke 6:39-42

9:00 a.m. Mass (CT) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for Brenton Childs

Saturday, September 12

Scripture Readings: 1 Corinthians 10:14-22; Psalm 116:12-13, 17-18; Luke 6:43-49

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

Sunday, September 13 – Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scripture Readings: Sirach 27:30—28:7; Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Romans 14:7-9;

Matthew 18:21-35

4:30 p.m. Mass (CT) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for † Shirley Echemann
7:45 a.m. Mass (CT) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for the Living & Deceased
Members of Francis & Monica (Howell) Metzger Family
9:45 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)
11:00 a.m. Mass (DY) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for the People of the Parish

CALLING ALL BAKERS

We need your wonderful desserts for the Octoberfest again this year. The Octoberfest will be held on Saturday, September 19, and you may drop off your delectable delights to the Saint Thomas Activity Center beginning at noon. You may pre-pack them if you like, or we can do it for you. If you have any questions, please contact Melanie Von Gunten. Thank you so much for your continued generosity!

MASS INTENTIONS

We are no longer accepting Mass Intentions for 2026, our book is currently full. The Mass Intention book for 2027 will be available for scheduling in October. Please watch for the guidelines and form in the October Bulletin. If we receive a Mass Intention for 2026 the Intention will be sent to the Dioceses Missions Office. Canon Law does not permit us to keep Mass Intentions beyond those that we are able to schedule in the current year’s time. Because of this, intentions will need to be sent to the Diocesan Missions Office or to retired priests who will be able to celebrate these Masses more expeditiously.

OCIA/RCIA

For those interested in learning more about the Catholic Church - Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. beginning September 9, 2026. These sessions are for those who are interested in becoming Catholic and for those who are simply interested in learning more about the faith. All meetings are held at the St. Nicholas Parish Office, 955 E. Main Street. Preregistration is not required. For more information, please contact the parish office at 740-453-3301, ext. 404.

CCD ENROLLMENT UNDERWAY

Registration for religious education classes at Saint Thomas Aquinas is underway. Classes begin September 13th and are held on Sundays through May from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in the Parish Center for students in Kindergarten (five years old by September 30) through 8th grade. CCD meets the faith formation needs of students in our parish who are attending public schools, non-Catholic private schools, or who are homeschooled – but everyone is welcome! Students in second grade prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, while 8th grade students are prepared for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Registration forms are available at the church entrance and exit doors or in the Parish Office. You may register all of the children in your family using this one form. You will receive confirmation of enrollment with further details approximately one week prior to our kickoff. Registration for Sacrament Preparation is included in the packet.

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(Our fiscal year is July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027)

August 30	
Mass Collection	\$ 8,250.00
EFT	\$ 0.00
Online/Direct Gifts	\$ 346.61
Total Offertory	\$ 8,596.61
YTD Collected	\$ 87,585.02
YTD Budgeted	\$ 103,846.14
Surplus/Deficit	\$ - \$16,261.12

THE APPEAL 2026

Our parish has raised \$24,861.69 of our \$68,115.40 goal. As we approach reaching our parish goal for the 2026 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.



CATHOLIC WOMEN OF FAITH MEETING

Please join us for faith, fellowship, friendship, and refreshments at our monthly meeting on September 14th, at St. Thomas Rosary Hall, beginning at 5:30 p.m. All women ages 16 and older are invited to attend. Please call/text Peggy, 740-607-5833, for more information.

K OF C BREAKFAST

Please join us on October 4th for the Knights of Columbus Breakfast. Breakfast will be held after the 7:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses in Rosary Hall. Donations are appreciated!

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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 Josh Dziatkowicz	Jerry Lynn Choir Loft: Tim Perry	Debbie Apperson/ Choir

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 September 29th at 6:30 p.m. The meetings typically last 1.5 hours and will be held at St. Nicholas Parish Office. To register, please contact the Parish Office at 740-453-3301.

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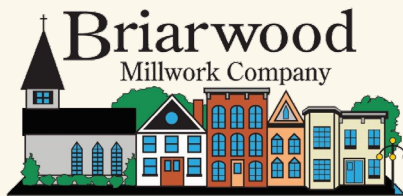
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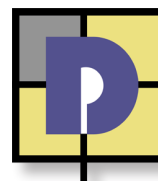
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