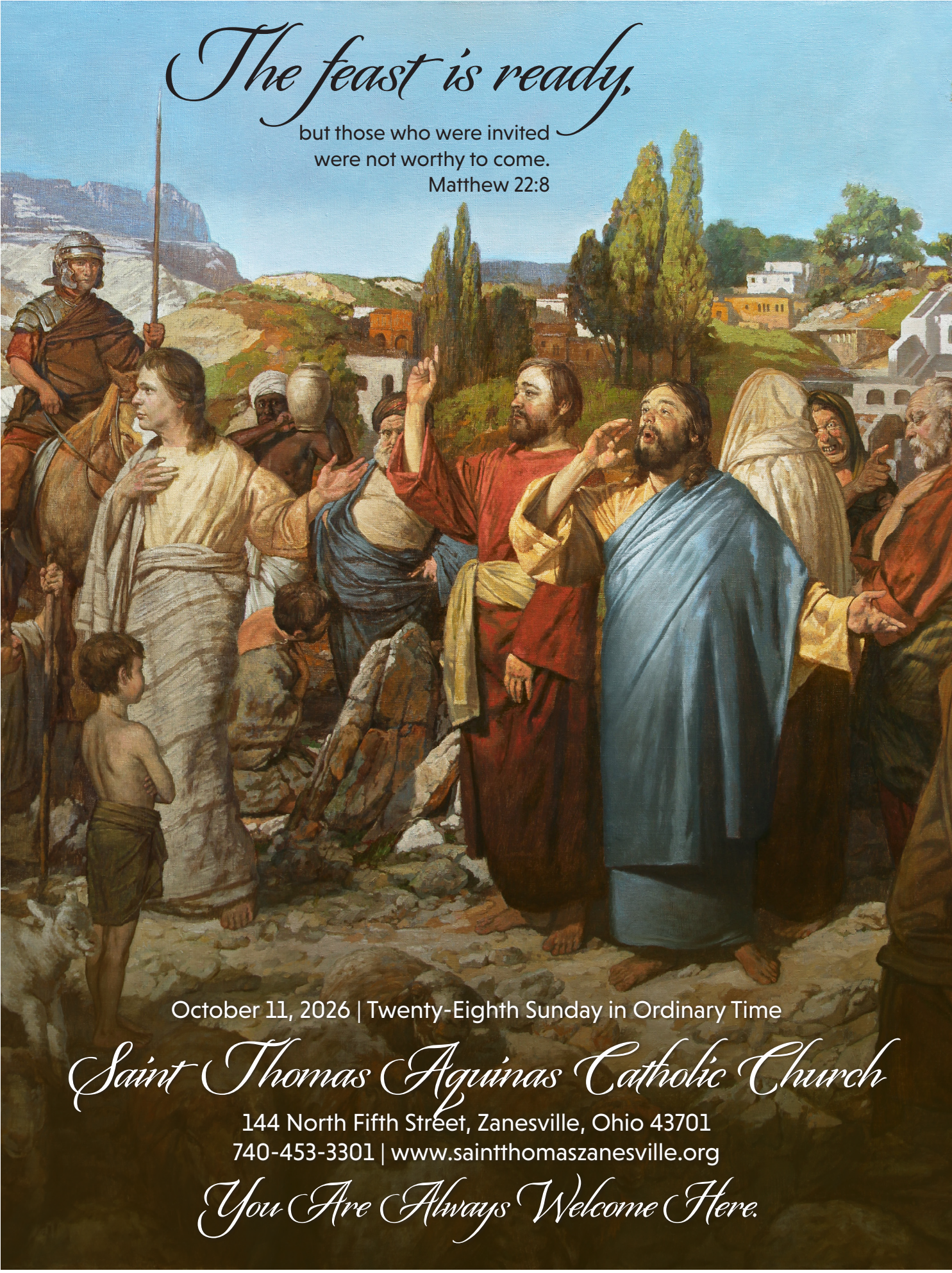




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but those who were invited
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Matthew 22:8

October 11, 2026 | Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Friday: Closed

Additional hours by appointment

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, October 11 – Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scripture Readings: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14

4:30 p.m. Mass (DY) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for ☩ Mary Coates
7:45 a.m. Mass (DY) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for the Living & Deceased
Members of Henry Kuhn 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) for the People of the Parish
5:00 p.m. Catalyst Nights (Bishop Rosecrans High School)

Monday, October 12

Scripture Readings: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32

NO MASS

OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THE HOLIDAY

Tuesday, October 13

Scripture Readings: Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48; Lk 11:37-41

9:00 a.m. Mass (DY) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for ☩ Cecil & Jean Baughman

Wednesday, October 14

Scripture Readings: Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; Lk 11:42-46

9:00 a.m. Mass (DY) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for ☩ Bert & P.J. Haren
10:00-9:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)

Thursday, October 15 – Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Scripture Readings: Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Lk 11:47-54

Noon Mass (DA) (Genesis Hospital Chapel)

Friday, October 16

Scripture Readings: Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lk 12:1-7

9:00 a.m. Mass (DY) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for ☩ Lisa Davy

Saturday, October 17 – Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Scripture Readings: Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 12:8-12

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

Sunday, October 18 – Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scripture Readings: Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

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 the Living & Deceased
Members of Denny & Margie Maxwell
9:30 a.m. CCD (Parish Office)
9:45 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)
11:00 a.m. Mass (DA) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for ☩ Brett Peterman

MASS CANCELLED

Thursday, October 15th & 22nd Mass at St. Thomas will be cancelled due to Priest availability. Fr. Donald will have Mass at Genesis Hospital Chapel at Noon if you would like to attend his Mass. Sorry for the inconvenience.

THE APPEAL 2026

Our parish has raised \$33,500.36 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.

PARKING LOT CLOSED

As part of a parking lot improvement project, the downtown Park National Bank parking lots will not be accessible October 10th-12th and October 17th-18th. Please plan accordingly for Mass.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN OF FAITH MEETING**

Please join us for our Euchre Party, faith, fellowship, friendship, and refreshments at our monthly meeting on October 19th, at St. Nicholas Social Hall, beginning at 5:30 p.m. We will have a guest speaker, Genesis Foundation Director, Kelly Ashby, who will talk about the new Genesis Hospice Center. All women ages 16 and older are invited to attend. Please call/text Peggy Hill, 740-607-5833, for more information.

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 a 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.

K OF C BREAKFAST

Please join us on November 1st for the Knights of Columbus Breakfast. Breakfast will be held after the 7:45 and 11:00 a.m. Masses in Rosary Hall. Donations are appreciated!

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Every gift, no matter the size, helps strengthen our parish and supports the work of Christ through St. Thomas Church. If you have not yet enrolled in electronic giving, we invite you to consider this convenient stewardship option.

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October 4	
Mass Collection	\$ 8,699.00
EFT	\$ 0.00
Online/Direct Gifts	\$ 394.67
Total Offertory	\$ 9,093.67
YTD Collected	\$ 141,622.69
YTD Budgeted	\$ 161,538.44
Surplus/Deficit	\$ - \$19,915.75



OCTOBER 17 & 18	ALTAR SERVERS	LECTORS	EMHC	CANTORS
4:30 p.m.	Brian Hunt and anyone else available	Ann Combs	Rose Rath	Christopher Urbiel
7:45 a.m.	Abby/Levi Crum	Sue Maxwell	Debbie Crum	Mary Baker
11:00 a.m.	Paul Hoffman, Robinsons, Maci Clark	Dinah Hoover	Rusty Montgomery Choir Loft: Luci Green	Christopher Urbiel/ Choir



GIFT IDEAS

NOTES & CONSIDERATIONS

This year, Bishop Fenwick is participating in the Box of Joy campaign, along with several other schools throughout our Diocese. Bishop Fernandez is a strong supporter of this wonderful outreach program, which provides Christmas gifts to children in need. Bishop Fenwick will be collecting donations for Box of Joy until October 30th. Items can be placed in plastic totes in the church or dropped off at Bishop Fenwick.

No Monetary Donations.

Personal Notes & Photos

Children love receiving Box of Joy gifts with a personal note, handmade Christmas card, or photo of you or your family. (Parents or teachers should review notes written by children.)

Toys Bring Smiles: While necessities are important, we encourage you to fill each box with toys and fun surprises that bring joy, invite play, and help children feel truly celebrated.

PLEASE DO NOT PACK

- Liquids/gels (shampoo, body wash, lotion, toothpaste, nail polish, hand sanitizer, bubbles, paint, glue, soap, perfume, etc.)
- Food (anything with an expiration date) or beverages
- Chocolate or JOLLY RANCHER® candy
- Medicine or vitamins
- Anything with a battery
- Knives, tools or toy weapons
- Glass or breakable objects
- Cash, checks or gift cards



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Binoculars
Cars or trucks
Craft kits (beads, elastic, etc.)
Dolls

Finger puppets
Handheld toys
Harmonicas or small instruments
Jump ropes
Lego building blocks
Mini board games

Mini puzzles
Small balls (tennis, etc.)
Small plush animals
Slinkys
Unopened fast-food toys
Yo-yos

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Coloring books
Crayons
Erasers
Flash cards
Glue sticks (no liquid)
Notepads
Pencil cases
Pencil sharpeners
Pencils, colored pencils
Pens, markers
Safety scissors
Small board books
Solar calculators
Stickers

APPAREL

Bandanas
Dresses
Flip-flops
Hats
Plastic ponchos
Socks
Shorts
T-shirts
Underwear

ACCESSORIES

Barrettes
Bracelets
Earrings
Hair bands or headbands
Hair ribbons
Combs or brushes
Necklaces
Purses or wallets
Scarfs
Sunglasses
Watches

OTHER USEFUL ITEMS

Lip balm
Manicure kits
Nail clippers or emery boards
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2027 MASS INTENTION GUIDELINES

Similar to how we are able to intercede for others by our personal prayers, the Church is able to intercede for us through the celebration of the Mass. As the Eucharist is the “source and summit of the Christian life,” the Mass has a power beyond that of our personal prayers. When a priest celebrates Mass, he offers each celebration of the Eucharist for a particular intention. By doing so, he applies special graces from God upon that intention. An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a special wedding anniversary or birthday), or as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. At Saint Thomas Aquinas Parish, there are many requests for Mass Intentions. To accommodate these requests in a reasonable manner, the following is our policy:

- We accept intentions for only one calendar year at a time. Requests for the calendar year open the last Monday in October of the year prior. **Beginning October 26, 2026, we will accept Mass intentions for January-December 2027. Please complete the Mass Intention Request Form for all requests.** You may submit your request in one of three ways:
 - **Place your completed request form in the offertory basket. You may place your form in the basket the weekend prior (October 24/October 25) to ensure it is received that Monday morning.**
 - Stop by the parish office October 26 or thereafter to place your request in person.
 - Call the parish office October 26 or thereafter to place your request via phone.
- Requests will be honored on a **first-come, first-served** basis in the order in which they are received. Mass intention requests received throughout the year will be considered serious obligations and every effort will be made to schedule them as soon as possible; however, we cannot guarantee that Mass requests will be celebrated immediately.
- At this time, we will accept **no more than 4 (four) intentions per registered household per year;** and of those four, **no more than 2 (two) Sunday intentions.** A Sunday intention is defined as either the Saturday Vigil Mass or the two Sunday morning Masses. We pledge to fulfill these intentions here at Saint Thomas during the 2027 year. Additional intentions can be sent to retired diocesan priests or the Diocesan Missions Office to be fulfilled or may be available here at Saint Thomas Aquinas later in the year.
- A \$10.00 stipend as determined by Diocesan policy is to accompany each Mass request. Checks may be made payable to “Saint Thomas Aquinas Church;” please put the words “Mass Intention” in the memo portion of the check. Cash is also accepted but we suggest that cash be limited to in-person or offertory basket submissions and not be sent through the mail.
- Please note the following:
 - Only one intention per Mass may be scheduled.
 - One Mass every Sunday and Holy Day is required to be reserved for the intentions of our parishioners known as “Pro Populo” (For the People) as required by Canon Law and diocesan statute.
 - Mass intentions may be scheduled for individuals, married couples or entire families.
 - Mass requests will be granted as close to the requested date and time as possible. If it is not possible to comply with the primary request, the next closest date and time will be scheduled. If we must move a request to a different date and/or time, we will notify you of the change. Please print your phone number and/or e-mail address CLEARLY. Extenuating circumstances may at times require us to cancel a Mass. If an intention is scheduled, we will notify you and try to find another date for the originally scheduled intention to be celebrated. If no date is available, we will send the intention to a retired priest or the Missions Office.

Canon Law does not permit us to keep Mass Intentions beyond those that we are able to schedule in a year’s time. Because of this, some intentions may need to be sent to the Diocesan Missions Office or to retired priests who will be able to celebrate these Masses more expeditiously.



2027 MASS INTENTION REQUEST FORM – PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY

Name: _____ Today's Date: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

If my requested date is not available, I prefer you to select a Mass (please check one)

☐ on the same day of the week as requested (i.e., Tuesday, Sunday at 11:00 a.m.)

OR

☐ on the closest date available, regardless of the day of week or time of Mass.**FIRST REQUEST:**

Intention:	Circle One: Living Deceased Living/Deceased Members of the Family
Requested Date:	Requested Mass Time:

SECOND REQUEST:

Intention:	Circle One: Living Deceased Living/Deceased Members of the Family
Requested Date:	Requested Mass Time:

THIRD REQUEST:

Intention:	Circle One: Living Deceased Living/Deceased Members of the Family
Requested Date:	Requested Mass Time:

FOURTH REQUEST:

Intention:	Circle One: Living Deceased Living/Deceased Members of the Family
Requested Date:	Requested Mass Time:

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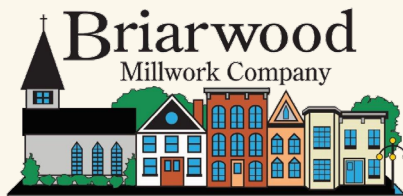
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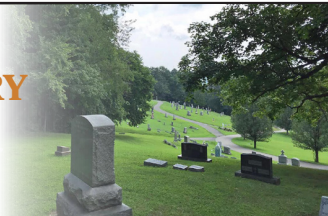
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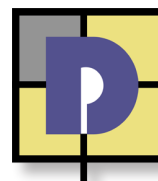
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