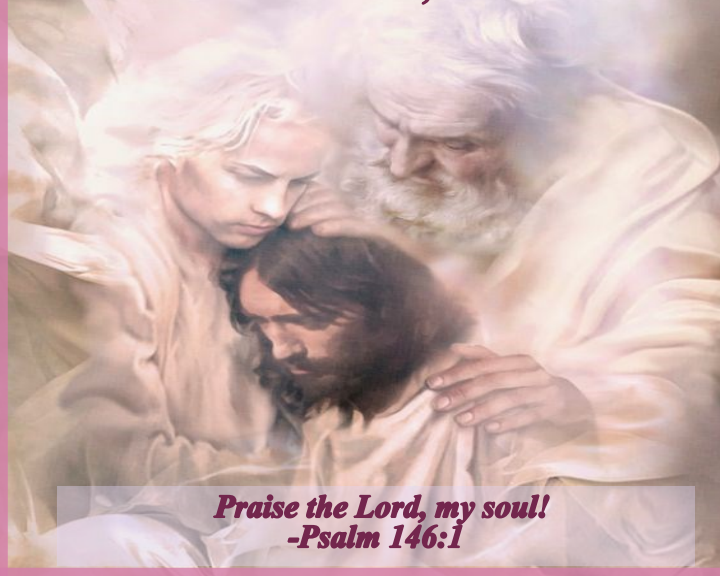


**St. Thomas More Catholic Church  
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
November 10, 2024**



***Praise the Lord, my soul!  
-Psalm 146:1***

**Welcome to St. Thomas More  
Catholic Church**

***Thank you for celebrating with us today!  
We warmly welcome you to our humble place of  
worship, where we hope you have a loving experience  
of God.***

***Our Lord Jesus comes to us in word and sacrament as  
we celebrate his life, death, and resurrection at  
Holy Mass. If this is your first time visiting, we hope  
you find a new spiritual home away from home!***

***Founded in 1964, our parish has a long tradition of  
proclaiming and living the Gospel of Jesus Christ.  
Sustainable only by your contributions, your generosi-  
ty is sincerely appreciated. We welcome you, again,  
and thank you for celebrating with us.***

**Mass Schedule**

Monday through Thursday	8:00 a.m.
Friday (STM School Mass)	8:00 a.m.
Saturday	8:00 a.m.
	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:00 a.m.
	10:00 a.m.
	12:00 p.m. (Español)

**Holy Days of Obligation**

**Day Before Holy Day**

Vigil Mass - 6:30 p.m.

**Actual Holy Day**

8:00 a.m.

6:30 p.m.

(Español)

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

Maggie Briseño - Coordinator

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Cesar Paez & Vicky Smith.

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**Holy Sacraments**

**Reconciliation**

Saturday: 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. or by Appointment

**Baptism**

Parents and God-Parents must attend class prior to the Baptism.

**Celebrated on:**

The 4th Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. (Spanish)

The 4th Saturday of the month at 5:00 p.m. (English)

**Marriage & Quinceañera's**

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**Anointing of the Sick**

Those facing hospitalization, surgery or have a significant illness  
and desire physical & spiritual healing are asked to call the office  
to schedule an anointing.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Friday Adoration after Mass until 5:00 p.m.

Monthly English Holy Hour is the 1st Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m.

La Hora Santa Mensual es el primer Viernes del mes a las 7:00 p.m.

**Religious Education Office**

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**Gospel Meditation:**

Once at an evening Mass as a poor college student, the collection basket was fast approaching, and I only had a ten-dollar bill. I was planning on using that to buy my favorite Chipotle burrito that night for dinner. Should I keep the money? Who would know if I did? If I gave it away, what would I eat? Would I be okay? I kissed my future burrito goodbye, dropped the money in the basket, and winced. But strangely, the rest of the Mass I felt more engaged than usual. I had skin in the game. I left the Mass excited to see how God would take care of me. And he did, in amazing ways.

When the poor widow places two copper coins in the temple treasury, Jesus doesn't pity her. He praises her. He blesses her. He brags about her. He celebrates her as the temple's largest benefactor. Her giving is an act of radical, concrete trust in God. It is as if she is entering a new level of giving that excites Jesus, because she contributes not out of her abundance, but she gives "everything she had."

What a challenge this is to each one of us! How easy it is to ignore this! But imagine the eruption of the energy of faith, hope, and love that would be unlocked if our financial sacrifices to the Church actually tapped into daily bread and not only our disposable income. I challenge us to try this in some way this coming week and see what happens in our hearts. Even if it costs us a burrito.

— Father John Muir

**Meditación del Evangelio:**

Una vez, en una misa vespertina, cuando era un estudiante universitario pobre, la canasta de la colecta se acercaba rápidamente y solo tenía un billete de diez dólares. Estaba planeando usar eso para comprar mi burrito favorito de Chipotle esa noche para la cena. ¿Debo quedarme con el dinero? ¿Quién lo sabría si lo hiciera? Si lo regalara, ¿qué comería? ¿Estaría bien? Me despedí de mi futuro burrito con un beso, dejé caer el dinero en la cesta e hice una mueca. Pero curiosamente, el resto de la misa me sentí más comprometida que de costumbre. Me jugaba la piel en el juego. Salí de la misa emocionada de ver cómo Dios me cuidaría. Y lo hizo, de maneras asombrosas.

Cuando la pobre viuda coloca dos monedas de cobre en el tesoro del templo, Jesús no se compadece de ella. Él la alaba. Él la bendice. Él se jacta de ella. Él la celebra como la mayor benefactora del templo. Su entrega es un acto de confianza radical y concreta en Dios. Es como si estuviera entrando en un nuevo nivel de entrega que entusiasma a Jesús, porque no contribuye de su abundancia, sino que da "todo lo que tenía".

¡Qué desafío es esto para cada uno de nosotros! ¡Qué fácil es ignorar esto! Pero imagínese la erupción de la energía de la fe, la esperanza y el amor que se desbloquearía si nuestros sacrificios financieros a la Iglesia realmente aprovecharan el pan de cada día y no solo nuestros ingresos disponibles. Nos reto a que intentemos esto de alguna manera la próxima semana y veamos qué sucede en nuestros corazones. Aunque nos cueste un burrito.

— Father John Muir

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**November 3, 2024**

Sunday Collection .....	\$ 7,627.27
Vigil Candles.....	\$ 224.97
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All Saints Day.....	\$ 841.89
Campaign for Human Development..	\$ 373.44
Bulletin Ads.....	\$ 100.00
Helping Hands..	\$ 20.00
Facilities Improvement.....	\$ 20.00

***Second Collection Nov 16 - 17:  
Helping Hands Fund***



**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

*God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons.*

*Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call.*

*May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults.*

*Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.*

*Amen*





**VETERANS DAY**  
**November 11<sup>th</sup>**

Veterans Day is a time for us to pay our respects to those who have served.

For one day, we stand united in respect for our veterans.

Veterans Day was first celebrated as *Armistice Day*,

the day that marked the end of World War I - the "11<sup>th</sup> hour, of the 11<sup>th</sup> day, of the 11<sup>th</sup> month" in 1918.

The name was changed in 1954 to Veterans Day... to include / honor all veterans.

We continue to celebrate the day as Veterans Day, recognizing the original tie with November 11.

Not all Veterans went to war...

Not all veterans paid the ultimate price... but

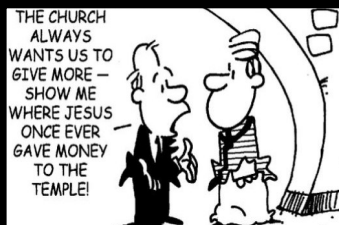
All Veterans did put their name / life 'on the line' to defend our way of life!

If you know someone in the Active Service... or

If you, or someone you know, is a Vet...

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  - Picture ID for all adults in the household
  - Birth certificate for all children in the household
  - Eviction notice and lease
  - Disconnection notice

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(210) 226-6178  
veteran\_relief@maccausa.org

Register Below



**ORA POR LAS VOCACIONES**







## A message from the Holy Souls Sodality in Stockbridge, MASS

During the month of November,  
We honor and give thanks for those who have come before us.  
We offer reparations and suffrages to make up for the sins of those who are in Purgatory... We especially taking advantage of the Mass on All Souls Day to pray for the dearly departed.

**Additionally...** we may assist those in Purgatory with the following:

**A Plenary Indulgence**, applicable only to the souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful who:

On any and each day from November 1 to 8, devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, *if only mentally*, for the departed;

On All Souls' Day (or, according to the judgement of the ordinary, on the Sunday preceding or following it, or on the solemnity of All Saints), devoutly visit a church or an oratory and recite an Our Father and the Creed.

**A Partial Indulgence**, applicable only to the souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful who,

Devoutly visit a cemetery and at least mentally pray for the dead;

Devoutly recite lauds or vespers from the Office of the Dead or the prayer Requiem Aeternam (*Eternal Rest*) (*Manual of Indulgences, 29, pg 99*).



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light up the darkness."*



## **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC)** and **Lectors**

Training is scheduled for Monday, Nov 18  
at 6 pm in the Church.

**This is for all EMHCs and Lectors...**

*We will review the "Mechanics," the requirements, and  
expectations of these ministries.*

Lectors - The new Lector Workbooks will be available at this meeting.



It is time again for the annual St. Vincent DePaul Thanksgiving meal program. We need your help to provide food for a Thanksgiving meal for up to 125 families. Each family will receive a food bag and a \$50 HEB gift card (for meat and dessert). You can help by making a monetary donation, by donating \$25 or \$50 HEB gift cards or any of the following food items listed below by November 10. Gift cards and monetary donations can be dropped off at SVDP or the church office. Food can be dropped off at SVDP or placed in the blue bins located at the entrances to the church.

### **Needed Food Items:**

Stuffing Mix	Instant Mashed Potatoes
Turkey Gravy	Chicken Broth
Canned Fruit	Canned Cranberry Sauce
Canned Corn	Canned Green Beans



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

The Society of St Vincent de Paul

**This Week at Our Parish**

**Sunday, November 10, 2024**  
 8:30 am KC Breakfast / Guadalupano Bake Sale- *Carolán Hall*

**Monday, November 11, 2024 - St. Martin of Tours/Veterans Day**  
 6:00 pm KC 3Degree Council Mtg - *Carolán Hall*

**Tuesday, November 12, 2024 - St. Josaphat,**  
 5:30 pm Divine Mercy - *Rectory Mtg Room*  
 6:15 pm Guadalupanos Rosary - *Church*  
 6:30 pm Coro Alegria Choir Practice - *Rectory Mtg Room*  
 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion Choir Practice - *Church*

**Wednesday, November 13, 2024 - St. Frances Xavier Cabrini**  
 10:30 am Charismatic Prayer Grp Core Mtg - *Rectory Mtg Rm*  
 7:00 pm Pastoral Council Mtg - *Rectory Mtg Rm*

**Thursday, November 14, 2024**  
 5:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Grp - *Church*  
 6:30 pm CDA Board Mtg - *Rectory Mtg. Rm. 2*  
 7:00 pm OCIA - *Rectory Mtg Room*

**Friday, November 15, 2024 - St. Albert the Great**  
 9:00 am Friday Adoration - *Church*  
 6:30 pm Coro Alegria Guitar Practice - *Rectory Mtg Rm*  
 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion Thanksgiving Dinner - *Carolán Hall*

\*\*\* **MACC Raffle Ticket Sales after All Masses** \*\*\*

**Saturday, November 16, 2024 - St. Margaret of Scotland / St. Gertrude**  
 3:30 pm Cenaculo de la Divina Misericordia - *Rectory Mtg Rm*

**Sunday, November 17, 2024**  
 8:00 am Guadalupano Mass / Meeting- *Church / arolán Hall*

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, November 9, 2024 - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**  
 5:00 pm †Joseph John Weich by Olga Weich & Family  
 †Antonio Gaytan by Isela Cisneros

**Sunday, November 10, 2024**  
 8:00 am **STM Parishioners - Living and †Deceased**  
 10:00 am †Salome H. Briseno & Carolina B. Briseno by Morales / Briseno Family  
 †Adelfa Ramirez by Edward Ramirez  
 12:00 pm †Jesus Manuel & Juan Manuel Ortiz by Amalia Ortiz  
 †Kathryn Marie Sweet by Maria T. Sweet

**Monday, November 11, 2024 -**  
 8:00 am †Louis & Mary Biemer by Fabien Biemer & Family

**Tuesday, November 12, 2024 -**  
 8:00 am †Anna Belle Biemer by Fabien Biemer & Family

**Wednesday, November 13, 2024**  
 8:00 am †Diana Aguillon Ramirez by Family

**Thursday, November 14, 2024**  
 8:00 am †Louisa Garza by Acosta Family  
**All Ordained Clergy and Religious**

**Friday, November 15, 2024**  
 8:00 am †Roland Rendon by Family

**Saturday, November 16, 2024 -**  
 8:00 am †Edward & Lorena Shortner by Fabien Biemer & Family  
 5:00 pm †Camila Sandoval by Dorothy & Richard Perez  
**STM Parishioners - Living and †Deceased**

**Sunday, November 17, 2024**  
 8:00 am **†Deceased Guadalupanos** by Elda Garcia  
 †Ralph W. Garcia by Elda Garcia  
 10:00 am †Larry Evancho by Evancho Family  
 †Steven lee Waldron by Mom  
 12:00 pm †Dolores Gallegos by Jardon / Quevedo Family  
 †Emelia Zavala & Jose Guadalupe Cisneros by Guadalupe Soria

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**Lecturas de la Semana del 11 - 17 Nov**

**Lunes:** Tit 1:1-9; Sal 23:1-6; Lc 17:1-6  
**Martes:** Tit 2:1-8,11-14; Sal 36:3-4,18,23,27,29;  
 Lc 17:7-10  
**Miércoles:** Tit 3:1-7; Sal 22:1-6; Lc 17:11-19  
**Jueves:** Flm 7-20; Sal 145:7-10; Lc 17:20-25  
**Viernes:** 2Jn 4-9; Sal 118:1,2,10,11,17,18;  
 Lc 17:26-37  
**Sábado:** 3Jn 5-8; Sal 111:1-6; Lc 18:1-8  
**Domingo:** Dn 12:1-3; Sal 15:5,8-11; Heb 10:11-14,18;  
 Mc 13:24-32

**Readings for the week of Nov 11 - 17**

**Monday:** Ti 1:1-9; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 17:1-6  
**Tuesday:** Ti 2:1-8,11-14; Ps 37:3-4,18,23,27,29;  
 Lk 17:7-10  
**Wednesday:** Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1-6; Lk 17:11-19  
**Thursday:** Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25  
**Friday:** 2Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1,2,10,11,17,18;  
 Lk 17:26-37  
**Saturday:** 3Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8  
**Sunday:** Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5,8-11; Heb 10:11-14,18;  
 Mk 13:24-32



**Sanctuary Light Intention:**  
**Michael McDonald**

**Liturgical Roles**

**Saturday, November 16, 2024**  
 5:00 pm **Altar Servers** - Volunteers  
**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Tim, E.Guerrero, M.Fisher,  
 S.Trimm, T.Garza  
**Lector** - L.Trimm

**Sunday, November 17, 2024**  
 8 am **Altar Servers** - Mem.Planchon, Max.Planchon  
**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Rolando, E.Garcia,  
 M.Nguyen, W+M.Torres  
**Lector** - O.Weich

10 am **Altar Servers** - A.Mata, A.Hartsfield, C.Hartsfield  
**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Rolando, N.Rodriguez,  
 Sr.Eucharía, Sr.Faustina, A.Fuentes, N.Lawson,  
 L.Gifford  
**Lector** - J.Cantu

12 pm **Altar Servers** - S.Obregon, A.Gomez, A.Llanas  
**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Tim, C.Hernandez, M.Pina,  
 R.Gomez, A.Chavez, D+F.Malacara  
**Lector** - L.Lopez / E.Obregon



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**The Dominguez Family**



In Memory  
 of  
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**Joseph (Joe) Galvan**  
 &  
**Billy Sheridan**  
 on behalf of  
**The Family**

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Monthly Meeting:  
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In Memory of  
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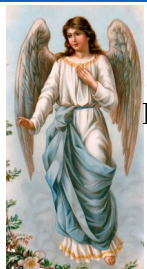
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 FORGOTTEN SOULS IN  
 PURGATORY**



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 of Joe Canales  
 On behalf of  
 The Canales Family  
 Love Always



In Loving Memory  
 Of  
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**Louise Baiza Garza,**  
**Robert Garza**  
 &  
**Mr. & Mrs.**  
**Ruben Rodriguez Sr.**



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