Liturgical Schedule

MASS:
Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 8 & 10:30 am
Tuesday-Friday 7:15 am

RECONCILIATION:
Saturday 3:30-4 pm
or by appointment

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:
First Friday of the Month,
Begins at 8 am and concludes
at noon with Midday Prayer
and Benediction

CENTERING PRAYER:
Tuesday 5:30-6:15 pm

BAPTISMS:
First Sundays of the month
during 10:30 am Mass
or at 9 am by appointment
Parish-Wide Discipleship Survey
OPEN NOW - MARCH 1!
During the month of February, St. Thomas More will be participating in a survey about discipleship and we want to hear from you. The survey is conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute as part of the Archdiocesan Synod Process.

Please help us by participating in a 10-15 minute survey. We ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our community’s efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about our community as whole.

This information will be valuable to Archbishop Hebda, Fr. Warren, and our parish as we plan for the future and strive to be the best disciples we can be. The results will arrive this spring, at which time we’ll share what we’ve learned.

If you don’t use a smartphone, tablet, or computer, there will be opportunities to complete the survey after weekend Masses. You can also obtain a paper copy by contacting Nicole in the parish office.

Take the survey: www.morecommunity.org/survey

Scripture Study: Women in the New Testament
8-WEEK STUDY BEGINNING FEBRUARY 4 (8-9:30 AM) LIBRARY
This study of New Testament women engages with women across a variety of connections to Jesus and the apostles and studies them accordingly. Participants will encounter the strengths and needs of these women, but also how being a woman in the holy land during the time of Jesus and the apostles shaped many of the challenges they faced in responding to Jesus. The cost of the study is $20.

More info/sign-up: www.morecommunity.org/scripture-study

Stewardship Update
Thank you for your generosity in 2019! We are extremely grateful to share that stewardship giving increased 17% in 2019 vs. 2018. This increase reflects the energy in this parish and your commitment to this community! Your giving is absolutely critical to ensure the vitality of Saint Thomas More for generations to come. If you are not currently giving, we humbly ask you to think about regularly contributing—even $5 a week would help! It’s easy to set up online—just visit www.morecommunity.org/give and set up a secure account on Our Sunday Visitor.

YEARLY GIVING TOTALS (CALENDAR YEAR):

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We will be providing monthly stewardship updates and quarterly giving totals in an effort to increase communication and financial transparency. Thank you again for helping us be here for you!

Conversations with Friends
Join us in praying for detainees in detention centers. Parishioners are also encouraged to write letters to or visit the following detainees:

Alexis (Mexico), Christian (Ecuador), and Nuradin (Somalia)

Questions? Visit conversationswithfriendsMN.org or contact Brian at bhefer@morecommunity.org
Community & Opportunities

Hearts Aflame: Praise & Adoration
February 6, 7 PM, Church
Hearts Aflame is an evening of space, presence and worship before the Blessed Sacrament every first Thursday of the month. This is a time to pause in your hectic schedule and find refreshment in the presence of the living Christ among fellow seekers of truth, beauty and goodness, aided by sensory experiences of music, candlelight and incense. We start with sung Evening Prayer consisting of hymns, psalms, scripture and prayers. This then flows into a time of silence and contemplation before the Blessed Sacrament, interspersed with meditative singing that draws on the styles of Taize and other contemporary resources.

Adoration/Midday Prayer
February 7, 7:45 AM - 12 PM, Church
Did you know we hold Eucharistic Adoration the first Friday of every month after the 7:15 Mass? You are welcome to sign-up for an hour of prayer, or stop in for a few minutes on your way to work/school drop-off! At 12 pm we have 15 minutes of sung Midday Day Prayer and Benediction.

Free Store Needs
Help! Our most pressing need at this time is YOU! Volunteers are needed to staff the store on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month, from 12-3 pm. There is no need to sign up for every month, but if you can commit to once or twice each season, we will be able to keep this much appreciated community outreach strong! The time commitment is not overwhelming, but we guarantee the rewards are great. You will work alongside amazing volunteers to serve those struggling in our midst. Please take a few minutes to check the Free Store out and join our team!

Questions or interested in volunteering? Visit www.morecommunity.org/free-store, email STMfreestore@morecommunity.org or call Mary at 612-432-2422 or Mary Beth at 708-805-0151

2020 Cana Dinner
February 8, 5:30 PM, School Auditorium
Join us for our 3rd annual Cana Dinner to celebrate Christian marriage! Warm up for Valentine’s Day at this fun parish event. The night will include:
• Social hour with appetizers and beverages
• Dinner catered by Skinners Pub (gluten-free and vegetarian options available)
• DJ spinning tunes for dancing - send your song requests to info@levproductionsonline.com by February 6
• Prize drawing - bring a wedding photo to be entered to win a prize
• Photo booth with photographer
The cost is $40 per couple. You can pay online (select the activities fund), mail a check, drop it in the Sunday collection, or drop it at the parish center.

Interested? To sign up, email Carol at carend@morecommunity.org or call the parish office.
RSVP due by February 3.

6th Annual Boy Scouts Pancake Breakfast
February 9, 9 AM - 1 PM, School Cafeteria
Come and enjoy breakfast, fellowship, and raffle with FUN prizes! The cost is $5 dollars per person or $20 per family. This fundraising event supports the activities and leadership development of Troop 45 and its members. Please invite friends - all are welcome!
Upcoming Young Adults Events

**THEOLOGY ON TAP - FEBRUARY 12, 6:30 PM, BILLY’S ON GRAND**
Fr. RJ Fichtinger will be giving a talk on *Jesuit Spirituality and Anxiety*. Drinks/social will begin at 6:30 pm and the talk will begin at 7:30 pm followed by a Q&A. More info at [www.morecommunity.org/young-adults](http://www.morecommunity.org/young-adults)

**LENT RETREAT - BEGINS FEBRUARY 19, 7 PM, PARISH CENTER**
Feb. 19, March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1, 8 & 15
This year's Lenten retreat is from David Shields, S.J. from Casa Romero Renewal Center. You are asked to commit to weekly small group meetings and to pray with the material provided to you for 20-30 minutes a day. The cost to participate is $10 per person. For more information and to sign up, visit [www.morecommunity.org/lent-retreat](http://www.morecommunity.org/lent-retreat)

**Lent Small Group Ignatian Retreat**
**WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?**
This year’s Lenten retreat is from David Shields, S.J. from Casa Romero Renewal Center, an urban bilingual retreat center located on Milwaukee. He established Casa Romero in 2001 and currently serves as the center’s Director of Spiritual Ministries. Fr. Shields has been directing and preaching retreats for over 30 years.

This small group retreat offers you an opportunity to experience the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola in a modified format. You are asked to commit to weekly small group meetings and to pray with the material provided to you for 20-30 minutes a day. The cost to participate is $10 per person.

- **Tuesday Afternoons (12-1:30 pm)**
  Feb. 25, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 and April 7 & 14

- **Wednesday Evenings (7-8:30 pm)**
  Feb. 19, March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1, 8 & 15

Signup: [www.morecommunity.org/lent-retreat](http://www.morecommunity.org/lent-retreat)

**ACOLYTE TRAINING**
**FEBRUARY 22, 9-11 AM, CHURCH**
The ministry of the acolyte is a key role in our liturgical celebrations as they assist the priest and other ministers in the prayer and overall flow of our communal worship. This ministry is intergenerational and open to those in Grade 5 and beyond!

**Interested?** Email liturgyschedule@morecommunity.org or call Lucas Tomlinson in the Parish Office
**Mass Intentions**

Saturday, February 1  - † Charlotte M Shaffer
Sunday, February 2  
8 am - STM Community  
10:30 am - † Ralf Andes  

Tuesday, February 4  - † Mary Ellen Sarafolean  
Wednesday, February 5  - † Theodore Charles Kay  
Thursday, February 6  - † Susan Mary DeBruycker  
Friday, February 7  - † John e. McManus  
Saturday, February 8  - STM Community  
Sunday, February 9  
8 am - † John Anthony Judge  
10:30 am - † Nilda Weber

**Quick Contacts**

General Questions - parish@morecommunity.org
Sacraments - bhefer@morecommunity.org  
Bulletin/Website - aharmon@morecommunity.org  
Calendar - njohnson@morecommunity.org  
Free Store - stmfreestore@morecommunity.org  
Liturgy Schedule - liturgyschedule@morecommunity.org  
Prayers/Pastoral Care - carend@morecommunity.org  
Preschool - blarkin@morecommunity.org  
STM School - info@morecommunity.org  
STM Synod Team - synodambassadors@morecommunity.org  
Weddings - carend@morecommunity.org  
Women's Group - womensgroup@morecommunity.org  
Young Adults - youngadults@morecommunity.org

**Environmental Tip from Care for Creation**

Go green in the kitchen! Replace plastic garbage bags with compost-able liners, plastic food bags with reusable containers (preferably glass or metal), and plastic wrap with bees wrap. If you need to use disposable food coverings, stick with foil or wax paper (make sure to check this as many brands use a plastic coating instead of wax).

www.morecommunity.org/care-for-creation

**Offices**

**Parish Center & Church**
1079 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55105-3004  
8 am-4 pm, Monday & Friday  
TEL 651-227-7669 (Nicole Johnson)  
parish@morecommunity.org  
www.morecommunity.org

**Saint Thomas More School**
1065 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55105-3004  
7:30 am-3:30 pm, Monday-Friday  
TEL 651-224-4836 (Carol Ney)  
info@morecommunity.org  
www.school.morecommunity.org

**Calendar**

Saturday, February 1  
Free Store Donation Drop-Off  12-1 pm  
Free Store Open Hours  1-3 pm  
Reconciliation  3:30-4 pm  
Mass  4:30 pm  

Sunday, February 2  
Mass  8 am  
Mass  10:30 am  

Tuesday, February 4  
Mass  7:15 am  
Scripture Study Begins  8 am  
Centering Prayer  5:30 pm  

Wednesday, February 5  
Mass  7:15 am  
School Mass  8:30 am  

Thursday, February 6  
Mass  7:15 am  
Hearts Aflame  7 pm  

Friday, February 7  
Mass  7:15 am  
Eucharistic Adoration  7:45 am  
Benediction  12 pm  

Saturday, February 8  
Reconciliation  3:30-4 pm  
Mass  4:30 pm  
Cana Dinner  5:30 pm  

Sunday, February 9  
Mass  8 am  
Scouts Pancake Breakfast  9 am - 1 pm  
Mass  10:30 am  

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612-545-9700
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