Rooted in the Gospels and formed by Ignatian spirituality, the mission of the Catholic Community of Saint Thomas More is to glorify God by our lives.
**Community & Opportunities**

**Catholic Services Appeal Foundation**
The deadline to donate to the Catholic Services Appeal Foundation is March 8. You may also donate online or learn more at [www.GiveCSAF.org](http://www.GiveCSAF.org). Thank you for your generosity!

**Pat Williams Funeral**
Former STM Pastoral Care Associate, Pat Williams, died March 2. Her funeral will be March 9 at 11 am with 9 am Visitation at St. Thomas Beckett in Eagan, MN.

Join us in praying: Lord, in your mercy, bring the light of Christ’s resurrection to this time of testing and pain as we pray for the soul of your servant, Pat Williams, whom you have summoned from this world. Call her to be numbered in the fellowship of Your saints. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**STM Care for Creation Meeting**
**MARCH 10, 7 PM, PARISH CENTER LIBRARY**
STM Care for Creation will meet this Tuesday in the parish center. All are welcome to attend!

**Questions?** Email Lorraine at delelor@gmail.com.

**STM ACCL Meeting**
**MARCH 11, 4:30 PM, PARISH CENTER**
Please join our A Community Caring for Life (ACCL) group at our next meeting!

**Questions?** Email Carol at carend@morecommunity.org or call the parish office.

**Stations of the Cross**
**FRIDAYS DURING LENT AT 5 PM**
Join us for Stations of the Cross from 5-5:30 every Friday during Lent. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered at 4:30 pm prior to Stations.

**Sponsor A Student**
**NOW THROUGH MAY 2**
Our students need your help! We find ourselves in an energizing and beautiful period of growth at Saint Thomas More. We have grown a reputation for being respectful of and serving the unique academic, social, and emotional needs of our individual students. We have proudly become one of the most diverse schools in the archdiocese. Many of our students qualify for tuition assistance. We never want to turn a single child away because of financial need. Our goal is to make sure students of ALL backgrounds know they are welcome here. If we don’t invest in our young people today, what will our Church look like tomorrow?

To fund tuition assistance sustainably, we are fundraising to create a dedicated tuition assistance fund. We urgently need $81,000 to meet the needs of our students for this school year! We are currently at 17% of our goal (as of 3-5-20). We ask you to please prayerfully discern sponsoring a student’s tuition. Give the invaluable gift of a strong Jesuit, Catholic education. Join a giving circle by donating one of the amounts below.

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We have created a GoFundMe for this fundraiser, but you can also donate by check, or through our online giving platform (OSV). Don’t wait, donate today!

Please share this fundraiser with your friends, family, and all supporters of Catholic education! Share on social media! Share the GoFundMe campaign or our campaign video which can be found on our Facebook page (@StThomasMoreStPaul)!

**More info:** [www.morecommunity.org/sponsorastudent](http://www.morecommunity.org/sponsorastudent)  
GoFundMe: [www.charity.gofundme.com/stthomasmore](http://www.charity.gofundme.com/stthomasmore)
Lenten Fish Frys
**MARCH 13 & MARCH 27 (5:30-8 PM) SCHOOL CAFETERIA**
Join us for one or all of our Lenten Fish Frys! Meals include all-you-can-eat fried cod, mashed potatoes, french fries, macaroni and cheese, coleslaw, dinner rolls, cookies, and lemonade. Beer, wine and soda will be available for purchase. The cost is $12 for adults, $6 for ages 5-12, and free for ages 4 and under. All are welcome!

We need volunteers! Please find the link to sign up at www.morecommunity.org/fishfrys.

Interfaith Climate Solutions for St. Paul
**MARCH 15, 12:15-2:15 PM, GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH**
Interfaith Creation Care-St. Paul and Gloria Dei Lutheran Church Caring for Creation invite you to this exciting event with J. Drake Hamilton, Fresh Energy’s Science Policy Director! She will provide background on climate change and provide solutions especially focused on the city of St. Paul and on faith communities. There will be a light “food justice” lunch provided by Loaves & Fishes starting at 12:15.

Please sign up ahead of time so that we can have a count for the lunch at http://bit.ly/interfaith-climate-event.

Knitting/Crocheting Group
**MARCH 16, 7-9 PM, PARISH CENTER**
Our STM knitting and crocheting group makes prayer shawls for our community members experiencing difficulties and blankets for children baptized in our parish. We meet on the third Monday of every month! Knitters of all abilities are welcome. There are experts who can guide you.

Questions? Call Carol in the parish office or email Mary Pat at jmclysdale1@gmail.com.

St. Paul Area Interfaith Immigrant Rights Coalition - Community Book Conversations
You are invited to join with folks from STM and with members of the other St. Paul Congregations who provide or support Sanctuary efforts. It is a great opportunity to read this book, and discuss from an interfaith perspective what we have learned. This is not a book about the politics of immigration but rather about homelessness, not in the traditional sense but in the unsettled, unmoored (continued)
Give Up Waste for Lent: Week 2

**THEME: THE LINK BETWEEN WASTE AND GLOBAL INEQUALITY**

The April 24, 2013 Rana Plaza collapse focused stark attention on poor working conditions in developing countries, commonplace in the fashion industry. Along with other businesses, the complex housed clothing factories producing for brands such as Prada, Gucci, Versace, the Children’s Place, J.C. Penney & Walmart. After building cracks were discovered, other businesses closed immediately, but the factory owners ignored warnings to close down and ordered garment workers to return. 1,138 were killed and over 2,500 were injured upon collapse.

Pope Francis asserts that power centers “being located in affluent urban areas, are far removed from the poor... They live and reason from the comfortable position of a high level of development and a quality of life well beyond the reach of the majority of the world’s population...a true ecological approach...must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.”

When thinking about our environmental impact, rarely do we consider our clothing choices. The US generates 25 billion tons of textile waste per year which is an average of 82 pounds per person. Immense human & natural resources are expended to produce what quickly becomes trash. How do we use our resources to glorify God? This week please consider how your clothing habits are linked to global impacts.

**Readings:** *Laudato Si* : 29-31, 48-49, 62-64, 92-94, 203-204

**Questions for reflection/discussion:**

1. Besides functionality/aesthetics/fit/cost, what else do you consider in your purchases? Do your purchases take into consideration the working conditions/circumstances of the garment workers?
2. How do your clothing choices reflect needs versus wants? Do your clothing habits line up with your values/priorities?

**Specific Suggestions:**

1. Know how your clothing was produced. Seek out information about sourcing & production on the brand’s website. If your favorite brands are not so transparent, engage with them on social media to champion social responsibility & environmental priorities.
2. Extend the life of your clothing by buying the best quality clothing within budget & practicing appropriate garment care including repairs/alterations.
3. Take advantage of the clothing surplus & buy 2nd hand. Aside from brick & mortar thrift/consignment stores, there are many online options.
**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, February 7** - Gloria Wilkie (return to health)

**Sunday, March 8**
8 am - † Mary Ellen Sarafolean
10:30 am - STM Community

**Tuesday, February 10** - † Bernie Kohler

**Wednesday, February 11** - Gloria Wilkie (return to health)

**Thursday, February 12** - † Richard Meister

**Friday, February 13** - † Thomas McLeod

**Saturday, February 14** - STM Community

**Sunday, March 15**
8 am - Gloria Wilkie (return to health)
10:30 am - † Fr. Jonathan Haschka, SJ

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**Mass Schedule**

**Saturday, March 7**
- Synod Listening Session: 9 am-12 pm, Mpls
- Feed My Starving Children: 11 am-12:30 pm, Eagan
- Reconciliation: 3:30-4 pm, Church
- Mass: 4:30 pm, Church
- Junie B. Jones Jr. Musical: 7 pm, School

**Sunday, March 8**
- Mass: 8 am, Church
- Mass (with Midwest Providence): 10:30 am, Church
- Junie B. Jones Jr. Musical: 2 pm, School

**Tuesday, March 10**
- Mass: 7:15 am, Church
- Centering Prayer: 5:30 pm, Church

**Wednesday, March 11**
- School Mass: 8:30 am, Church

**Thursday, March 12**
- Mass: 7:15 am, Church

**Friday, March 13**
- Mass: 7:15 am, Church
- Stations of the Cross: 5 pm, Church
- Lenten Fish Fry: 5:30-8 pm, School

**Saturday, March 14**
- Reconciliation: 3:30-4 pm, Church
- Mass: 4:30 pm, Church

**Sunday, March 15**
- Mass: 8 am, Church
- Mass: 10:30 am, Church

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**Liturgy Schedule**

**Mass**: Saturday, 4:30 pm, Sunday, 8 & 10:30 am.
Tuesday-Friday, 7:15 am; during the school year, an 8:30 am Mass is also celebrated on most Wednesdays.

**Reconciliation**: Saturday, 3:30-4 pm or by appointment.

**Eucharistic Adoration**: First Friday of the Month, flowing from 7:15 am Mass, concluding 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 (no baptisms offered during Lent or Advent).