PARISH OF ST. THOMAS MORE

St. Thomas More Church – Our Lady of Mercy Church

186 Gordon's Corner Road, Manalapan, New Jersey 07726 (March 16, 2023)

RCIA ADULT SCHEDULE - Cycle A - JUNE 4, 2023 to NOVEMBER 26, 2023 Cycle B - DECEMBER 3, 2023 to MAY 19, 2024

FIRST STAGE – INQUIRY - "CYCLE A" JUNE 2023

Sun. 4 Trinity Sunday (A) -

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM – Church & Adult Ed. Room

Exodus 34:4-6. 8-9 Daniel 3:42-56; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:16-18

Doctrine: *Holy Trinity*, Love of God & Others, Building Christian Community, Social Responsibility, Read Psalm 131 for the Feast of St. Thomas the Apostle

June 5 St. Boniface; June 6 St. Norbert, Bishop; June 9 St. Ephrem of Syria, Deacon & Doctor

Sun. 11 Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) (A) -

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM, Church & Adult Ed. Room

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; John 6:51-58

Doctrine: The Real Presence, Ecclesiology, Personal & Social Sin, Conversion

June 11 St. Barnabas, Apostle; June 13 St. Anthony of Padua; June 16 Sacred Heart of Jesus June 17 Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sun. 18 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) –

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM – Church & Adult Ed. Room

Exodus 19: 2-6a; Romans 5:6-11; Matthew 9:36-10:8

Doctrine: The Mystery of the Church, Sacrament of Orders, Infallibility, Ecclesiology,

Role of Laity, Christian Vocation

June 19 St. Romauld, Abbot; June 20 St. Alban; June 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga;

June 22 St. Paulinus Nola; St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More; June 24 Nativity of John the Baptist

Sun. 20 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) -

Mass & Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Jeremiah 20:10-13; Romans 5:12-15; Matthew 10:26-33

Doctrine: *Persecution & Suffering*, Martyrdom, Christian Hope, Gifts of the Holy Spirit, Courage & Fortitude

June 27 St. Cyril of Alexandria June 28 St. Irenaeus; June 29 St. Peter and Paul;

June 30 First Martyrs of the Church of Rome; July 1 St. Junipero Serra

JULY 2023

Sun. 2 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) -

Mass & Inquiry 8:30 – 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16; Romans 6:3-4, 8-ll; Matthew 10:37-42

Doctrine: Sacrament of Baptism, Call of God, Discipleship, Sacrifice,

Dying and Rising in the Paschal Mystery.

July 3 St. Thomas the Apostle; July 6 St. Maria Goretti

JULY 2023

Sun. 9 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) –

Mass & Inquiry – 8:30 – 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Zechariah 9:9-10; Romans 8:9, 11-13; Matthew 11:25-30

Doctrine: *Chastity*, Faith, Conversion, Discipleship, Mysteries of the Kingdom that have not been revealed, Read Psalm 131; Feast of St. Thomas the Apostle

July 9 St. Augustine Zhao Rong; July 11 St. Benedict; July 13 St. Henry; July 1 Kateri Tekakwitha; July 15 St. Bonaventure

Sun 16 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) –

Mass & Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Isaiah 55:10-11; Romans 8:18-23; Matthew 12:1-23

Doctrine: Sacred Scripture, Parables, God's Word, Hope

July 16 Our Lady of Mt. Carmel; July 18 St. Camillus de Lellis; July 20 St. Apollinarius;

July 21 St. Lawrence of Brindisi; July 22 St. Mary Magdalene

Sun. 23 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) -

Mass & Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19; Romans 8:26-27; Matthew 13:24-43

Doctrine: The Problem of Moral Evil, Last Judgment, Kingdom of God, Humility

July 23 St. Bridget of Sweden; July 25 St. James, Apostle;

July 26 St. Joachim & Anne (Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary); July 29 St. Martha (Sister of Lazarus)

Sun. 30 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) –

Mass & Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12; Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 13:44-52

Doctrine: Kingdom of God, Divine Inspiration, Revelation

July 30 St. Peter Chrystologus; July 31 St. Ignatius of Loyola; Aug. 1 Alphonsus Liguori

August 2 Our Lady of the Angels; Aug. 4 St. John Vianney; Aug. 5 Our Lady of Copacabana;

AUGUST 2023

Sun. 6 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) –

Mass & Inquiry 8:30 – 10:30 AM, Adult Ed. Room

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Daniel 7:9-10; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Matthew 17:1-9

Doctrine: Eucharist as Meal, Miracles, Grace, Social Responsibility

August 8 St. Dominic; August 9 St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross; August 10 St. Lawrence;

August 11 St. Clare; August 12 St. James Frances de Chantal

Sun. 13 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) –

Mass & Inquiry 8:30 – 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:22-33

Doctrine: Revelation, Faith, Faithfulness, Miracles, Discipleship

August 13 St. Pontian and St. Hippolytus; August 14 St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe; August 14 Venerable Michael J. McGivney; **August 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**; August 16 St. Stephen of Hungary; August 19 St. John Eudes

Tues. 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)

AUGUST 2023

20 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) – Sun.

Mass & Inquiry 8:30 – 10:30 AM, Church & Adult Ed. Room

Romans 11:13-15, 29-32; Matthew 15:21-28 Isaiah 1:6-7;

Doctrine: Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, Ecumenism, Salvation Outside the Church - Non-Christian Religions, Baptism

August 20 St. Bernard Abbot; August 21 St. Pius X, Pope; August 21 Our Lady of Knock (Ireland); August 22 Queenship Of Mary; August 23 St. Rose of Lima; August 24 St. Bartholomew; August 25 St. Louis of France and St. Joseph Calasana; August 26 Our Lady of Czestochowa

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) -Sun 27

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church and Adult Ed Room

Isaiah 22:15, 19-23; Romans 11:33-36; Matthew 16:13-20

Doctrine: Petrine Ministry in the Church, Papacy, Hierarchy, Apostolic Succession,

Christology, Ecclesiology

Aug. 27 St. Monica; Aug. 28 St. Augustin; Aug. 29 Passion of John the Baptist; Sept. 2 St. Andre Grasset

SEPTEMBER 2023

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) -Sun.

Mass & Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 Church & Adult Ed. Room

Jeremiah 20:7-9; Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 16:21-27

Doctrine: The Cross in the Life of the Disciples, Sacrifice, Hope, Paschal Mystery

Sept. 3 St. Gregory the Great; Sept. 8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Sept. 9 St. Peter Claver;

Mon. 4 **LABOR DAY**

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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) - Mass & Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM, Church & Adult Ed. Room

Exodus 33:7-9; Romans 13:8-10; Matthew 18:15-20

Doctrine: Conversion, Prayer, Christian Love and Responsibility, Social Sin, Self Discipline, **God's Graciousness**

Sept. 12 The Most Holy Name of Mary; Sept. 13 St. John Chrysostom; Sept. 14 Exaltation of the Cross Sept. 15 Our Lady of Sorrows; Sept. 16 St. Cornelius and St. Cyprian

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) – Sun. 17

Mass & Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Ed. Room

Sirach 27:30-28:7; Romans 14:7-9; Matthew 18:21-35

Doctrine: Forgiveness, Baptism - Incorporation into the Death/Resurrection of Jesus,

Mercy - Virtue of Christian

Sept. 17 Catechetical Sunday; Sept. 17 St. Robert Bellarmine; Sept. 19 St. Januarius; St. Andrew Kim Taegon and St. Paul Chong Hasang; Sept. 21 St. Matthew; Sept. 23 St. Pio of Pietrelcina

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) -24 Sun.

Mass & Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Isaiah 55:6-9; Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a; Matthew 20:1-16a

Doctrine: Sacrament of Penance, Justice and Charity, Mercy and Forgiveness

Sept. 21 St. Matthew, Apostle; Sept. 25 Sts. Cosmas and Damian; Sept. 27 St. Vincent de Paul;

Sept. 28 St. Wenceslaus and St. Lawrence Ruiz;

Sept. 29 St. Michael, St. Gabriel and St. Raphael, Archangels

OCTOBER 2023

Sun. 1 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) –

Mass & Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:1-11; Matthew 21:28-32

Doctrine: Moral Decision Making, Free Will, Conversion, Penance, Virtue of Humility

Sept. 27 St. Vincent de Paul; Sept. 28 St. Wenceslaus and St. Lawrence Ruiz and his companion;

Sept. 29 Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael; Sept. 30 St. Jerome; Oct. 1 St. Theresa of Lisieux,

Oct. 2 Guardian Angels; Oct. 4 St. Francis of Assisi; Oct. 6 St. Buno; Oct. 6 St. Marie Rose Durocher;

Oct. 7 Our Lady of the Rosary

Sun. 8 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) –

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians: 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43

Doctrine: Divine Justice and Judgment, Prayer, Kingdom of God, Eschaton, virtue of Hope,

Centrality of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus

Oct. 9 St. Dennis; Oct. 11 St. John Leonardi; Oct. 14 St. Callistus I,

Sun. 15 **28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)** –

Mass & Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

REHERSAL FOR RITE OF ACCEPTANCE FOR CATECHUMENS - 9:20 AM

Isaiah 25:6-10; Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20 Matthew 22:1-14

Doctrine: Keep Holy the Lord's Day, Grace, Life of Christian Service, Models of the Church

Pope; Oct. 15 St. Teresa of Avila; Oct. 16 St. Margurite d'Youville; Oct. 16 St. Hedwig;

Oct. 17 St. Ignatius of Antioch; Oct. 18 St. Luke, Evangelist; Oct. 19 St. Isaac Jogues and St. John de

Brebeuf; Oct. 20 St. Paul of the Cross and St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, pg. 129

Sun. 22 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) –

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

RITE OF ACCEPTANCE FOR CATECHUMENS - 8:30 AM Mass

REHEARSAL FOR RITE OF WELCOME FOR CANDIDATES – 9:20 AM

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5; Matthew 22:15-21

Doctrine: "I Am the Lord, There Is No Other," Trinity, Theological Virtues, Church

Oct. 22 World Mission Sunday; Blessed John Paul II, Pope; Oct. 23 St. John of Capistrano;

Oct. 24 St. Anthony Claret; Oct. 28 St. Simon and St, Jude, Apostles

Sun. 29 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) –

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

RITE OF WELCOME FOR THE CANDIDATES – 8:30 AM Mass Church

Exodus 22:20-26; 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10; Matthew 22:34-40

Doctrine: The Two Great Commandments, Conversion, Covenant, Golden Rule

Oct. 28 St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles; Nov. 1 All Saints Day; Nov. 2 Commemoration of All the

Faithful Departed (All Souls); Nov. 3 St. Martin de Porres; Nov. 4 St. Charles Borromeo

Prayer Service (Linda Andrew)

Wed. 1 No Catechumenate: **FEAST OF ALL SOULS (Not a Holy Day of Obligation)**

NOVEMBER 2023

Sun. 5 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) –

Daylight Saving Time Ends - Set clocks back one hour

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 – 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Malachi 1:14 -2:2,8-10; 1 Thessalonians 2:7-9, 13; Matthew 23: 1-12

Doctrine: The Role of the Magisterium, Trinity, Incarnation, Commandments of the Church, Catechesis

Nov. 9 Feast of the Dedication of The Lateran Basilica; Nov. 10 St. Leo the Great;

Nov 11 St. Martin of Tours

Sun. 12 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) –

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Wisdom 6:12-16; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

Doctrine: Perseverance in Prayer, Communion of Saints, Life After Death, Prayer

Nov. 12 St Josaphat; Nov. 13 St. Francis Xavier Cabrini;

Nov. 14 St. John of the Cross; Margaret of Scotland; Nov. 17 St. Elizabeth of Hungary;

Nov. 18 Dedication of Churches of Peter & Paul; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

Sun. 19 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) –

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30

Doctrine: Stewardship, Social Justice, Forgiveness

Nov. 15 St. Albert the Great; Nov. 16 St. Margaret of Scotland; Nov. Nov. 17 St. Elizabeth of Hungary;

Nov. 18 Sts Peter & Paul, Apostles; Nov. 21 Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Nov. 22 St.

Cecilia; Nov. 23 St. Clement, St. Columban, Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro;

Nov. 24 St. Andrew Dung-Lac and his companions; Nov. 25 St. Catherine of Alexandria

Sun. 26 34th Sunday – FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING (A) –

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Ezekiel 14:11-12, 15-17; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46

Doctrine: Our Lord Jesus Christ the King, "To Judge the Living and the Dead," Advent,

The Second Coming, Works of Mercy, Prayer

Nov. 30. St. Andrew, Apostle

NEW LITURGICAL YEAR

SEASON OF ADVENT - "CYCLE B"

DECEMBER 2023

Sun. 3 1st Sunday of Advent (B) –

Mass & Catechumenate 8:30 – 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Isaiah 63:16-17, 19; 64:2-7; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37

Doctrine: Advent, The Second Coming, Works of Mercy, Suffering Servant, Forgiveness, Hope

Dec. 3 St. Francis Xavier; Dec. 4 St. John of Damascus of Damascene

Dec. 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)

Dec. 6 St. Nicholas; Dec. 7 St. Ambrose; Dec. 8 Immaculate Conception; Dec. 9 St. Juan Diego

Fri. 8 Feast of the Immaculate (Holy Day of Obligation)

Sun. 10 2nd Sunday of Advent (B) –

Morning Prayer 8:00 AM - Mass & Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room *Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8*

DECEMBER 2023

Doctrine: *Confession of Sins*, Corporal Words of Mercy, Repentance, Conversion, Discernment, Angels,

Dec. 11. Damascus I (Pope); Dec. 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe; Dec. 13 St. Lucy;

Dec. 14 St. John of the Cross

Sun. 17 3rd Sunday of Advent "Gaudete (Rejoice!) Sunday (B) –

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24; John 1:6-8, 19-28

Doctrine: Discernment, Conversion, Confession of Sins, Repentance, Incarnation

Dec. 17 Mary Sings the Magnificat; "O" Antiphons begin at Evening Prayer see page

Dec. 21 St. peter Canisius; Dec. 23 St. John of Kanty

Sun. 24 4th Sunday of Advent (B) -

Mass & Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8-12, 14-16; Romans 16:25-27; Luke 1:26-38

Doctrine: *Incarnation*, Walk through the Mass, Mary-Model Disciple, Revelation, Church-Discerning Community,

Dec. 25 The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas);

Dec. 26 St. Stephen; Dec. 27; Dec. 28 The Holy Innocents; Dec. 29 St. Thomas Becket;

Dec. 30 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Mon. 25 CHRISTMAS DAY (B) – Holy Day of Obligation

No Catechumenate

Isaiah 52:7-10; Hebrews 1:1-6; John 1:1-18

Doctrine: Incarnation, Christmas, Salvation, Church as Sacrament

See all Feast days December 20th (4th Sunday of Advent)

Sun. 31 FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY (B) -

No Catechumenate

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Colossians 3:12-21; Luke 2:22-40

Doctrine: The Fourth Commandment - Responsibilities and Gifts of Family Life

Dec. 31 St. Sylvester I

JANUARY 2024

Mon. 1 FEAST OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF GOD (B)

No Catechumenate

Holy Day of Obligation

Numbers. 6:22-27; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:26-21

Doctrine: The Fourth Commandment: Responsibilities and Gifts of Family Life

Jan. 2 St. Basil, bishop & doctor; St. Gregory, bishop & doctor; Jan. 3 Most Holy Name of Jesus;

Jan. 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton; Jan. 5 St. John Neumann; Jan. 6 St. Andre Bessette

Sun. 7 FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (B) – MaryAnn Preuster

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12

Doctrine: Epiphany, Journey, Magi, Gift Conversion, Walk through the Mass

Jan 7 Epiphany; Jan. 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton; Jan. 7 St. Raymond of Penafort

JANUARY 2024

Mon. 8 **BAPTISM OF THE LORD (B)** –

Mass & Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mark 1:, 7-11

Doctrine: Sacrament of Baptism and Mission Service, Epiphany, Sacraments of Initiation

Jan. 12 St. Marguerite Bourgeoys; Jan 13 St. Hilary of Poitiers, France

Sun. 14 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) –

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM, Church & Adult Ed. Room

1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19; 1 Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20; John 1:35-42

Doctrine: Vocations - Sacrament of Holy Orders, Universal Church of Holiness,

Walk Thru the Mass

Jan. 17 St. Anthony; Jan. 20 St. Fabian, Jan. 21 St. Agnes; Jan. 22 St. Vincent, Martyr

Sun. 21 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) –

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Jonah 3:1-5, 10; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20

Doctrine: Sin and Repentance, Sacrament of Marriage and Universal Call to Holiness 9:30 AM Tour of the Church

Jan. 23 St. Vincent of Sargossa and St. Marianne Cope; Jan 24 St. Francis de Sales;

Jan 25 Conversion of Paul; Jan. 26 Sts. Timothy and Titus; Jan 27 St. Angela Merici;

Jan. 28 St. Thomas Aguinas

Sun. 28 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) –

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Deuteronomy 18:15-20; 1 Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28

Doctrine: Jesus as Prophet, Teacher and Lord, Prophets, Spiritual Direction, Conversion an on-

going Call, Four Faces of Jesus, Explain the Bible, Sacrament of Reconciliation,

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Jan. 31. St. John Bosco; Feb. 1 St. Bridgid of Kildare; Feb. 2 Presentation of the Lord;

Feb. 3 St. Blasé (Linda will do blessing of the throats)

FEBRUARY - 2024

Sun. 4 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) –

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

Job 7:1-4, 6-7; 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23; Mark 1:29-39

Doctrine: The Problem of Evil, Sacrament of the Sick, Spiritual Healing, Forgiveness, Suffering

Feb. 5 St. Agatha; Feb. 6 St. Paul Miki & Companions; Feb. 7 Blessed Pius IX;

Feb. 8 St. Jerome Emiliani; Feb. 10 St. Scholastica

Sun. 11 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) –

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

REHEARSAL FOR RITE OF SENDING - CATECHUMENS & SPONSORS

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Corinthians 10:31; 11:1; Mark 1:40-45

Doctrine: Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, Spiritual Healing, Creed, Faith,

Fast and Abstinence

Feb. 11 Our Lady of Lourdes; Feb. 17 Ash Wednesday; Feb. 14 St. Cyril, (St. Valentine did not win a spot in the universal church calendar); Feb. 17 Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

THIRD STAGE - LENT - PURIFICATION AND ENLIGHTENMENT

The following is a list of Lenten Rites/Rituals, Masses, Prayer Services & Rehearsals

Wed. 14 **ASH WEDNESDAY** (Check Sunday Bulletin for Masses and Services)

Rite of Sending-Rite of Election: 1st Sunday of Lent St. Robert Bellarmine, Freehold (Catechumens)

Confessions: Saturdays 3:30 to 4:15 PM

Stations of the Cross, Friday Evenings: St. Thomas More 7:00 PM

Penitential Rite: 2nd Sunday of Lent (Candidates & Sponsors)

Scrutinies: 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent (Catechumens & Godparents)

Chrism Mass: Monday of Holy Week - St. Robert Bellarmine, Freehold

Penitential Prayer Service for Community: Wednesday of Holy Week

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 PM

Veneration of the Cross Prayer Service: Good Friday, 3:00 PM

Easter Vigil Mass 7:00 PM Brief rehearsal before Mass

Sun. 18 1st Sunday of Lent (B) –

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church and Adult Ed. Room

RITE OF SENDING 8:30 AM Mass – St. Thomas More Church – Elect & Godparents

RITE OF ELECTION - 3:00 PM - St. Robert Bellarmine Church, Freehold - Elect & Godparents

REHEARSAL FOR PENITENTIAL RITE - CANDIDATES 9:30 AM

Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15

Doctrine: Baptismal Covenant, Lent, Reflection on the Rite of Sending, Sacrament of Reconciliation,

How to Make a Good Confession, 10 Commandments

Feb. 21 St. Peter Damian; Feb. 22 Chair of Saint Peter; Feb. 23 St. Polycarp

Sun. 25 2nd Sunday of Lent (B) –

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM, Church & Adult Ed. Room

PENITENTIAL RITE FOR CANDIDATES & SPONSOR 8:30 AM Mass

REHEARSAL FOR THE SCRUTNIES IN CLASSROOM (Elect)

Genesis 22:1-18; Romans 8:31-34; Mark 9:2-10

Doctrine: Sacrifice, Transfiguration, Reflect on the Penitential Rite, 10 Commandments

Feb. 27 St. Gregory of Narek; 3 St. Katharine Drexel

MARCH 2024

Sun. 3 3^{rd} Sunday of Lent (A) –

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM, Church & Adult Ed. Room

1ST SCRUTINY FOR CATECHUMENS "The Woman at the Well" (Cycle A)

ADULTS, TEENS, CHILDREN AND GODPARENTS

Exodus 17:3-7; Romans 5:1-2, 5-8; John 4:5-42

Doctrine: Reflect on the 1st Scrutiny, Faith as a Gift, Grace, Nicene and Apostles Creed,

Examination of Conscience, Repentance

March 4 St. Casimir; March 7 St. Perpetua & Felicity; Mar. 8 St. John of God; Mar. 9 St. Frances of Rome

Sun. 10 4th Sunday of Lent (A) – Marianne O'Reilly

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 to 11:00 AM Church & Adult Ed. Room

(Daylight Saving Time Begins – turn clock ahead 1 hour)

2ND SCRUTINY FOR CATECHUMENS "The Man Born Blind" (Cycle A)

ADULTS, TEENS, CHILDREN AND GODPARENTS

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Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; **Ephesians 5:8-14**; John 9:1-41

Doctrine: Reflect on the 2nd Scrutiny, Original Sin and Social Sin, How to Make A Good Confession, **Examination of Conscience**,

March 14 St. Patrick

5th Sunday of Lent (A) -Sun. 17

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 – 11:00 AM, Church & Adult Ed. Room

3RD SCRUTINY FOR CATECHUMENS "Lazarus" (Cycle A)

ADULTS, TEENS, CHILDREN AND SPONSORS

Ezekiel 37:12-14; Romans 8:8-11; John 11:1-45

Doctrine: Reflect on the 3rd Scrutiny, Paschal Mystery in the Sacraments, First Eucharist,

The Real Presence

March 19 St. Joseph Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Mar. 24 Oscar Romero – Anniversary of his death

PASSION/PALM SUNDAY (B) -24 Sun.

Mass and Catechumenate 8:30 TO 11:00 AM, Church & Adult Ed. Room

Mark 14:1-15, 47 Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11;

Doctrine: Reflect on Passion/Palm Sunday, Holy Week, Gift of Perseverance, Redemption

March 25 Annunciation of the Lord

Mon. 25 Chrism Mass – 7:30 PM, St. Robert Bellarmine, Freehold

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - 7:30 PM Wed. 27

EASTER TRIDUUM BEGINS Thurs, 28

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER 7:30 PM (be here at 7:00 PM)

RCIA TEAM, ADULTS, TEENS, CHILDREN GODPARENTS & SPONSOR

Fri. 29 GOOD FRIDAY - Veneration of the Cross Prayer Service - STM, 3:00 PM

Stations of the Cross: STM, 7:30 PM

FOURTH STAGE - RECEIVE THE SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

EVENING EASTER VIGIL Sat.

REHEARSAL FOR EASTER VIGIL 7:00 PM

"EASTER VIGIL MASS" 8:00 PM

APRIL 2024

No Catechumenate Sun. 31

EASTER SUNDAY - "CYCLE B"

1st Reading Genesis 1:1-2, 2; 2nd Reading Genesis 22:1-18; 3rd Reading Exodus 14, 15:15 1;

4th Reading Isaiah 54:5-14; 5th Reading Isaiah 55:1-11; 6th Reading Bar 3:915, 32:4-4

7th Reading Ezekiel 36:16-28; Epistle Romans 6:3-11

Doctrine: Resurrection

Feast Day(s); Apr. 21 St. Anselm

FIFTH STAGE - MYSTAGOGY - "CYCLE B"

2nd Sunday of Easter (B) – Deacon Jim Davis Sun.

Mass and Mystagogy 8:30 to 11:00 AM, Church & Adult Ed. Room

Acts 4:32-35: 1 John 5:1-6: John 20:19-31; Mystagogy Source p. 69-70

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Doctrine: The Challenge of Peace, Lord's Prayer, Holy Spirit, Faith, Ascension Thursday Reconciliation, Forgiveness

April 8 Annunciation of the Lord; April 11 Divine Mercy Sunday; April 11 St. Stanislaus; Apr. 13 St. Martin I;

3rd Sunday of Easter (B) Sun. 14

No Mystagogy

Acts 3:13-19, 17-19; 1 John 2:1-5; Luke 24:35-48; Mystagogy Source p. 71-72 Doctrine: Evangelization (Bearing Witness), Death & Resurrection, Mary, Rosary Ascension Thursday, Holy Days of Obligation:

April 17 St. Kateri Tekakwitha

APRIL 2024

4th Sunday of Easter (B) -Sun. 21

Mass and Mystagogy 8:30 to11:00 AM, Church & Adult Ed. Room

Acts 4:8-12; 1John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18; Mystagogy Source p. 73-74

Doctrine: Trinity, Images of God in the Old and New Testament, Universality of Christ, Ecumenism

April 21 St. Anselm; Apr. 23 Sts. George and Adalbert Apr. 25 St. Mark, Evangelist

5th Sunday of Easter (B) -Sun. 28

Mass and Mystagogy 8:30 to 11:00 AM, Church & Adult Ed. Room

Acts: 9:26-31: 1 John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8; Mystagogy Source p. 75-76

Doctrine: The Church as Body of Christ, Discipleship, Petition Prayer

Apr. 28 St. Peter Chanel and St. Louis Mary de Montford; Apr. 29 St. Catherine of Siena;

April 30 Pope Pius V; May 1 St. Joseph the Worker; May 3 Sts. Philip & James; 12 Sts. Nereus and Achielleus and Pancras

MAY 2024

6th Sunday of Easter (B) -Sun. 5

No Mystagogy – Mother's Day

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17; Mystagogy Source p. 77-78 Doctrine: Love, the Soul of an Apostolate, Holy Days of Obligation, Death & Resurrection, Mary, Rosary, Martyrs and Saints, Ascension Thursday

May 31 Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sun. 12 7th Sunday of Easter - ASCENSION OF THE LORD (B) – Diana Saverino

Mass and Mystagogy 8:30 to 11:00 AM, Church & Adult Ed. Room

Ephesians 4:1-13; Mark 16:15-20; Mystagogy Source p. 79-80 Acts 1: 1-11;

Doctrine: Hierarchical Nature of the Church, Morality

May 13 Our Lady of Fatima; May 14 St. Matthias, Apostle; May 15 St. Isidore the Farmer;

May 25 St. Bede the Venerable; St. Gregory VII (Pope); St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi;

May 18 St. John I Pope; May 20 St. Bernadine of Siena Magallanes; May 21 St. Christopher Magallanes;

PENTECOST VIGIL (B) – 5:00 PM Mass for Candidates Sat. 18

Exodus 19:3-8a 16-20b; Genesis 11:1-9; Ezekiel 37:1-4; Joel 1-5;

Epistle - Romans 8:22-27; Gospel – John 7:37-39

MAY 2024

Sun. 19 PENTECOST SUNDAY (B)

No Mystagogy

Acts 2:1-11; 1 Corinthians 12:3-13; John 20: 19-23; Mystagogy Source p. 83-84

Doctrine: Holy Spirit, Sacrament of Confirmation

May 22 St. Rita of Cascia; May 25 Venerable Bede; George VII, Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi;

Sun. 26 HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY (B) -

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church and Adult Ed Room

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40; Romans 8:14-17; Matthew 28:16-20

Doctrine: The Holy Trinity, Prayer of the Church As Proclamation of Its Teaching, Creed

May 26 Philip Neri; May 27 Augustine of Canterbury

May 27 St. Augustine of Canterbury, bishop; May 29 Body and Blood of Christ; May 31 Visitation of the Virgin Mary to Elizabeth; June 1 St. Justin;

JUNE 2024

Sun. 2 BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (Corpus Christi) (B) -

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed Room

Exodus 24:3-8; Hebrews 9: 11-15; Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

Doctrine: The Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, Passover, Passover Meal,

June 2 Sts. Marcellinus and Peter; June 3 Sts. Charles Lwanga and companions; June 5 St. Boniface; June 6 St. Norbert; June 7 Sacred Heart of Jesus; June 7 Sermon on the Mount;

Fri. 7 Sacred Heart of Jesus

Sun. 9 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) –

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 – 10:30 AM Church and Adult Ed Room

Genesis 3:9-15; 2 Corinthians 4:13, 5:1; Mark 3:20-35

Doctrine: Creation and the Fall, Promise of Redemption, Journal Keeping

June 9 St. Ephrem; June 11 St. Barnabas the Apostle; June 12 The Immaculate Heart of Mary

Sun. 16 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) -

Doctrine: The Church and the Kingdom of God, Christian Hope

Closing Prayer: Psalm 92

June 19 St. Romuald; June 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga; June 22 St. Paulinus of Nola; June 22 St. John Fisher, Bishop and St. Thomas More

Sun. 23 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time -

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed Room

Job 38:1, 8-11 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 Mark 4:35-41

Doctrine: *The Power of God*, Formation of Scriptures, History of the Gospels, Scripture in Liturgy, Trust in God in Our Lives

June 24 Birth of St. John the Baptist; June 27 St. Cyril of Alexandria, Blessed Nykyta Budkaand Vasyl Velychkowski, bishops; June 28 St. Irenaeus, bishop; June 29 Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles

JUNE 2024

Sun. 30 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time -

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 – 10:30 AM Church and Adult Ed Room

Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24; 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mark 5:21-43

Doctrine: Sanctity of Human Life, Healing, Prejudice and Pride, The Power of Jesus,

The Anointing of the Sick, Reconciliation

June 30 First Martyrs of the Church of Rome; July 1 St. Junipero Serra, priest; July 3 St. Thomas the Apostle; July 4 St. Elizabeth of Portugal; July 5 St. Anthony Zaccaria, priest; July 6 St. Maria Goretti;

JULY 2024

Sun. 7 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time -

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church and Adult Ed Room

Ezekiel 2:2-5; Corinthians 12:7-10; Mark 6:1-6

Doctrine: *Prophecy*, Divinity and Humanity of Christ, Discipleship, Pain of Rejection,

Witness, Truth

July 9 St. Augustine Zhoa Rong and companions, Our Lady of Italy; July 11 St. Benedict, abbot; July 13 Henry II, Holy Roman Emperor, St. Teresa of Andes; July 14 St. Camillus de Lellis, priest; St. Henry

Sun. 14 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed Room

Amos 7:12-15; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:7-13

Doctrine: *Election and Mission*, Christian Call to Mission, Discipleship, Holy Orders, Ministry in the Church, Stewardship

July 15 St. Bonaventure, bishop; July 16 Our Lady of Mount Carmel; Mother and Queen of Chili; July 18 St. Camillus de Lellis, priest; July 20 St. Apollinaris of Ravenna

Sun. 21 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 – 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed Room

Jeramiah 23:1-6; Ephesians 2:13-18; Mark 6:30-34

Doctrine: *Pastoral Ministry in the Church*, The Compassion of God, Love for Others, Christian Justice, Suffering

July 21 St. Lawrence of Brindisi, priest; July 22 St. Mary Magdalene; July 23 St. Birgitta, St. Sharbel Makhluf, priest; July 25 St. James, Apostle, July 26 Sts. Joachim and Anne, parent of Mary

Sun. 28 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 – 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed Room

2 Kings 4:42-44; Ephesians 4:1-6; John 6:1-15

Doctrine: *Unity of the Church and Ecumenism*, Eucharist, Social Justice, Responsibility to the Poor, World Hunger, Corporal Words of Mercy, Poverty

July 29 St. Marth;, July 30 St. Peter Chrysologus, bishop; July 31 St. Ignatius of Loyola, priest Aug. 1 St. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori, bishop; Aug. 2 St. Eusebius of Vercelli bishop; St. Peter Julian; Eymard, priest

AUGUST 2024

Sun. 4 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed Room

Exodus 16:2-4; Ephesians 4:17, 20-24; John 6:24-35

Doctrine: *Eucharistic Celebration*, Worship, Incarnation and Conversion, Economic Pastoral, Greed, False Gods

AUGUST 2024

Aug. 4 St. Jean Vianney, priest; Aug. 5 Dedication of the Basilica di Santa Maria Maggiore; Blessed Frederick Janssoone; Aug. 6 Transfiguration of the Lord; Aug. 7 St. Sixtus II,

pope and companions; St. Cajetan, priest; Aug. 8 St. Dominic, priest; Aug. 9 St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross; Aug. 10 St. Lawrence, deacon;

Sun. 11 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed Room

1 Kings 19:4-8; Ephesians 4:30, 5:2; John 6:41-51

Doctrine: Eucharist as Sacrifice and Sacrament, Humanity and Divinity of Christ, Eucharistic Presence, Liturgy and Spirituality

Aug. 11 St. Clare; Aug. 12 St. Jane Francis de Chantal; Aug. 13 St. Pontian, pope; St. Hippolytus of Rome, priest; Aug. 14 St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe, priest; Aug. 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Aug. 16 St. Stephen of Hungary; St. Rocco, priest;

Sun, 18 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed Room

Proverbs: 9:1-6; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58

Doctrine: The Continuing Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, Prayer, Ecumenism

Aug. 18 St. Alberto Hurtado

Sun. 25 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed Room

Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17; Ephesians 5:21-32; John 6:60-69

Doctrine: Faith, Dogma, Eucharist, Relationship with the Lord and Moral Decision Making, Why People Leave the Church and Why People Return to the Church

Aug. 26 Blessed Ceferino Namuncura; Aug. 27 St. Monica; Aug. 28 St. Augustine of Hippo, bishop;

Aug. 29 The Beheading of St. John the Baptist; Aug. 30 St. Rose of Lima

SEPTEMBER 2024

Sun. 1 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed Room

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8; James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Doctrine: Principals of Morality, Christian Growth, Spirituality, Church Laws and Religious

Practices, Rites and Rituals, Church Authority, Tradition

Sept. 3 St. Gregory the Great, pope; Sept. 4 Blessed Dina Belanger

Sun. 8 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed Room

Isaiah 35:4-7a; James 2:1-5; Mark 7:31-37

Doctrine: Catholic and Social Teaching, Healing, Prejudice, Miracles and Compassion to the Handicapped, Discipleship, Revelation

Sept. 8 Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Sept. 9 St. Peter Claver, priest,; Sept. 12 Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Sept. 13 St. John Chrysostom, bishop; **Sept. 14 Triumph of the Holy Cross**

Sun. 15 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church and Adult Ed Room

Isaiah 50:5-9a; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35

Doctrine: What is a Profession of Faith, Christology, Suffering Servant, Paschal Mystery,

Faith and Good Works, Death and Dying

SEPTEMBER 2024

Sept. 15 Our Lady of Sorrows; Sept. 16 St. Cornelius, pope; St. Cyprian, bishop, Sept. 17 St. Robert Bellarmine, bishop; Sept. 18 Our Lady of Mercy; Sept. 19 St. Januarius, bishop; Sept. 20 St. Andrew Kim Taegon, priest; St. Paul Chong Hasang and companions; Sept. 21 St. Matthew the Evangelist, Apostle;

Sun. 22 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church and Adult Ed Room

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; James 3:16, 4:3; Mark 9:30-37

Doctrine: The Call to Service, Stewardship, Ministry, Servant Leadership,

Death and Fear of Death

Sept. 23 St. Pio of Pietrecina, priest; Blessed Emilie Tavernier Gamelin, Sept. 26 St. Cosmas and St. Damian; Sts. John de Brebeus, Isaac Jogues and companions; Sept. 27 St. Vincent de Paul, priest; Sept. 28 St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence Ruiz and companions;

Sun. 29 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass and Inquiry 8:30 to 10:30 AM Church & Adult Ed Room

Numbers 11:25-29; James 5:1-6; Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Doctrine: Catholic Social Teaching, Ecumenism, Social Justice, Materialism,

Bishops' Pastoral on the Economy, Afterlife, Heaven and Hell, Eschatology

Sept. 29 Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, archangels; Sept. 30 St. Jerome, priest;

Oct. 1 St. Therese of the Child Jesus; Oct. 2 Guardian Angels; Oct. 4 St. Francis of Assisi;

Oct. 6 St. Bruno, priest, Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher