

The Linked  
Roman Catholic  
Communities of

# St. Patrick's & St. Thomas Aquinas

St. Patrick's Church: est. 1838  
St. Thomas Aquinas: est. 1927  
Parishes of the Syracuse  
Diocese on Binghamton's  
Westside



**Sunday, January 21st 2024 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

We welcome you to the linked Catholic community of St. Patrick's & St. Thomas Aquinas on Binghamton's Westside. We are glad you are here with us to celebrate Mass. If you have not registered with a parish, we invite you to do so. Please speak with the priest after Mass or contact the Parish Office.

# Sunday of the WORD OF GOD



**“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God” -Colossians 3:16**

**Mass Schedule**

<b>Saturday Vigil</b>	4:00 pm	St. Thomas Aquinas
	5:15 pm	St. Patrick's
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 am	St. Patrick's
	11:00 am	St. Thomas Aquinas
	4:00 pm	St. Patrick's
<b>Mon-Fri</b>	7:00 am	St. Patrick's
	10:00 am	St. Thomas Aquinas
<b>Saturday Morning</b>	8:00 am	St. Patrick's

**ADORATION CHAPEL AT ST. PATRICK'S:**

**Mon-Sun** 7:30 am-9:00 pm  
Please contact the parish office to register.

**OPEN CHURCH AT ST. THOMAS**

Thursday's after daily mass until 4:30pm.

**RECONCILIATION:**

**Saturdays** 11:30 am St. Patrick's  
3:00 pm St. Thomas Aquinas  
Other times by appointment, please call the rectory.

**DAILY ROSARY**

25 minutes before the start of Mass

**FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONAL PRAYERS:**

First Friday devotional prayers are offered after the 10am Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas

**FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION:**

First Saturday devotion following the 8am Mass at St. Patrick's Rosary, Short Talk, Consecration & Confessions with the Mount St. Francis Hermitage Friars

**St. Patrick's Church** | 9 Leroy St. Binghamton NY 13905 | 607-722-1060 | stpatrick@sta-sp.org  
**St. Thomas Aquinas** | 1 Aquinas St. Binghamton, NY 13905 | 607-797-4015 | stthomas@sta-sp.org  
**Visit us on the web at: [www.sta-sp.org](http://www.sta-sp.org)**

**Live-stream at: <https://www.youtube.com/@sta-sp>** or search on YouTube **St. Patrick's & Thomas Aquinas, Binghamton**  
10am Monday-Friday & 11am Sunday's from St. Thomas Aquinas; First Sunday of each month-4:00 pm from St. Patrick's

# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

ST. PATRICK'S & ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISHES – BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK

# STEWARDSHIP

JANUARY 21, 2024

## Saturday, January 20

**SP 8:00 am** Stanley Stavish req. Evans Family  
**STA 4:00pm** Deceased Members of the St. Thomas Holy Name Society-Joseph McKinney, Joseph Maughan, Kevin McCane, & Sebastian (Buster) Fiacco  
**SP 5:15pm** Kathleen Foley req. Cathy & Michael Haas

## Sunday, January 21 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

**SP 9:00am** Andrew Santacroce req. Bill Devine & Alison Vanek  
**STA 11:00am** Month's Mind Joyce Lane Steed req. Family  
**SP 4:00pm** Memorial Donor Mass: Joseph Mayko, Christopher Mackin, John Whiting, Charles Sauger, Kathleen Foley, Raimondo and Rosalinda DeVincentis, Riccardo DeVincentis, Margaret Kozak, Barbara Donnelly, Andrew Santacroce

## Monday, January 2 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

**SP 7:00am** For Protection of all unborn children  
**STA 10:00am** Ann Marie Donovan req. Mr. & Mrs. John Walker

## Tuesday, January 23 St. Marianne Cope

**SP 7:00am** For the People of St. Patrick's  
**STA 10:00am** Theresa Whalen req. Ron & Kathie Reich

## Wednesday, January 24 St. Francis de Sales

**SP 7:00am** For the faithful departed  
**STA 10:00am** Rev. Thomas Hobbs  
**STA 4:00pm** Mass of Thanksgiving Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital

## Thursday, January 25 The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

**SP 7:00am** For an increase in vocations.  
**STA 10:00am** Frank Curcio req. Daughter Tina Corbin, Lorain & Family

## Friday, January 26 Ss. Timothy & Titus

**SP 7:00am** For an increase in vocations  
**STA 10:00am** David Tarby req. Maureen Lee

## Saturday, January 27

**SP 8:00 am** Magill Madigan req. Maureen & John Ellis  
**STA 4:00pm** 2nd Anniv. Vincent Augostini req. Family  
**SP 5:15pm** Stuart Bumgardner req. Scoville Family

## Sunday, January 28 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**SP 9:00am** Living Intention - Judge Frank Caprio req. Kendall  
**STA 11:00am** Fred Griffen req. Tony & Alicia Ramage  
**SP 4:00pm** Brian Kozel req. Eileen & Mike Smalt



*Let us remember and pray for all the faithful departed, who died recently. May their souls and the souls of all of our faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen*

*The sanctuary lamp at St. Patrick's burns for: Protection of All Unborn Children and at St. Thomas Aquinas for: Vincent Augostini*



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## Stewardship Thought

*"Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." Jesus' call to "follow me" is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are "ready" or have everything in order. When things aren't going according to our schedule, remember God has a much better plan for each of us!*

Our Offering for:

	St. Patrick's	St. Thomas
Envelopes:	\$ 2,565.00	\$ 3,770.00
Loose:	625.00	314.00
Online:	\$ 1,672.00	\$ 1,968.00
Total:	\$ 4,862.00	\$ 6,052.00

Please know that you may place your envelope in whatever parish Mass you attend and it will be matched with your proper parish.

Have you considered giving your gift to your parish online? Hit the "Online Giving" button on the parish website: [Joint Parish website: www.sta-sp.org](http://www.sta-sp.org)

Mass Intention offering is \$15.00 and Sanctuary Lamp Intention suggested offering is \$5.00.  
Please call or stop by the parish office to schedule.

## Family Perspective

*It must have been difficult for Zebedee to watch his sons walk away and follow Jesus. It was the end of "Zebedee & Sons Fishing, Inc." Our children were never ours. They are only on loan to us. We raise them to let them go.*

## Words to live by from St. Francis de Sales

*"Have patience with all things, but chiefly have patience with yourself. Do not lose courage in considering your own imperfections, but instantly set about remedying them – every day begin the task anew."*

*"Never be in a hurry; do everything quietly and in a calm spirit. Do not lose your inner peace for anything whatsoever, even if your whole world seems upset. What is anything in life compared to peace of soul?"*



Our parishes support  
**THE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OF BROOME COUNTY**  
607-231-4149  
[www.csbsaints.org](http://www.csbsaints.org)

# ST. PATRICK'S & ST. THOMAS CALENDAR; PCA EVENTS

ST. PATRICK'S & ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISHES – BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK

JANUARY 21, 2024

## The Week Ahead

### Sunday, Jan 21 Word of Life Sunday

**Faith Formation Classes** 10:10am SP School **PLUS Winter Fun GYMBOREE** to follow 11:10-12:30pm SP Gym

### Monday—Friday, Jan 22-26

**Outreach Ministries** 10am—12:30 pm SCM Convent

**Sandwich Ministry** 11am—12:30pm at SP Hall rear door

### Monday, Wednesday & Friday, Jan 22, 24, 26

**CHOW Pantry** 11am—1 pm St. Patrick's Oak St Entrance

### Tuesday, Jan 23

**Liturgy Committee** 6:30pm STA Cebula Room

### Wednesday, Jan 24th

**Wednesday Morning Bible Study** 10:30am STA Cebula

**Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital Mass of Thanksgiving with Bishop Lucia** 4:00pm STA Church followed by reception in Parish Gymnasium

### Thursday, Jan 25

**Open Church** 10:30am —4:30pm STA side chapel

### Mass of Thanksgiving with Bishop Lucia

4:00pm Wednesday, January 24th

St. Thomas Aquinas Church

followed by reception in the Parish Gymnasium



### Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians Div.1 Simple Soup Supper on Ash Wednesday

February 14th 4-6pm. AOH Hall 148 Main St, Binghamton.

#### Pre-order for Takeout Only.

**Broccoli Cheddar or Minestrone** served with artisan bread and a "sweet surprise". **\$8.00**

**Order up your pints by February 7th!** Phone or text orders to: Kathy at (607)760-4297, or Maureen at (607)206-2963



**Adoration**  
with Praise & Worship  
**NIGHT**  
at Our Lady of Sorrows  
801 Main St, Vestal

Live Music † Scripture † Prayer † Reflection

**Sunday, January 28**  
**6:30 – 7:30pm**



### Answering Your Kids' Toughest Questions: A Webinar with Julianne Stanz.

Raising a Catholic family can be challenging, especially when it comes to discussing faith with our children. Sometimes we all need a little encouragement and tips on how to address issues of faith respectfully, honestly, and accurately. Join us for a webinar with author and mother Julianne Stanz, on

**January 25, 2024 11:00am– 12:00pm**

Julianne will share wisdom, strategies, and tools to help parents, grandparents, catechists, and other caring adults respond to children's questions about Catholic beliefs, ethics, morality, and faith practices in a manner that will resonate with them.



### Plenary Indulgence during this time of Eucharistic Revival and Jubilee celebration of St. Thomas Aquinas

One may make pilgrimage to a church or oratory under the patronage of St. Thomas Aquinas to obtain this indulgence. By making a visit during this special double jubilee period, continuing now through January 28th 2025. One may obtain a plenary indulgence each day for their own soul or for a soul in purgatory under the three usual conditions:

Sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, and offering prayers for the pope's intentions.

Or by making pilgrimage / visit to St. Thomas Aquinas church and spend a considerable amount of time in prayer concluding with the Lords Prayer, The Creed and Invocation to the Blessed Mother and St. Thomas Aquinas. Open Church with Eucharistic Adoration available on Thursday's 10:30am—4:30pm in the side chapel.

# SPIRITUALITY AND PRAYER

ST. PATRICK'S & ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISHES – BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK

JANUARY 21, 2024

Sunday of the Word of God  
January 21, 2024



«REMAIN IN MY WORD»  
(Gospel of John 8,31)

## WORD OF GOD SUNDAY

is celebrated on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

On September 30, 2019, on the liturgical memorial of St. Jerome, Pope Francis announced that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time would be celebrated as the Sunday of the Word of God. As in the words of St. Jerome: *“Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ”*

Word of God Sunday is the reminder that *“In the beginning<sup>s</sup> was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be. What came to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race; the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.”*

All are invited to Enthroned the Bible in Your Home.  
Blessing leaflets with the enthronement prayer are available at the church entrances. Make 2024 your year to explore what the Word has for you!

### Prayers for Seminarians

Let us pray for vocations and our seminarians. This week especially for Douglas Villanella. He is in Theology II. He is residing at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary.

Contact Fr. Jason Hage at  
315-470-1468 or at  
vocations@syrдио.org



### Fisherman's Club Continues!

For college-age and young adult men who are thinking about the priesthood; FC is about fraternity among young adult Catholic men and assist them in the discernment of their vocation. The next meeting is:

**Tuesday, February 6th at 6:30pm**

**Christ the King Retreat House in Syracuse.**

Meetings begin with Mass at 6:30pm and conclude with dinner and time for fellowship and conversation and end at 8:30pm. Contact: vocations@syrдио.org

**Future dates: Mar.5, Apr. 9**

### Attention All Current & Potential Volunteers:

**We are dedicated to providing a safe environment for all God's children, especially vulnerable persons.**

All employees and regular volunteers are required to take the Safe Environment trainings. All parents are welcome and encouraged to take the training which is provided for free.

#### Safe Environment Recommendation:

Parents, it is best to accompany your child to public restrooms, even ones in familiar locations.

#### Local Safe Environment Trainings

##### Initial training

10am Thurs, Feb 1st Catholic Charities, Binghamton  
2pm Thurs, Feb 29th St. Thomas Aquinas, Binghamton

##### Recertification Training

10 am Tues, Mar12th St. Francis of Assisi, Binghamton  
10am Sat, May 4th St. Thomas Aquinas, Binghamton

#### Pre-registration is a must for all sessions!

The complete schedule of training sessions and registration:

<https://syrusediocese.org/safe-environment/>

FMI: Contact Safe Environment Program 315.470.1421 or email at: [safeenvironment@syrдио.org](mailto:safeenvironment@syrдио.org)



*Come let us adore Him!*

**Adoration Chapel** - Hours for the Divine Mercy Eucharistic Adoration Chapel are as follows: **7:30am—9pm every day of the week.**

All those who wish to come and adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament should register with the parish office. Please contact St. Patrick's by phone 722-1060 or email: [stpatrik@sta-sp.org](mailto:stpatrik@sta-sp.org).

**St. Patrick's 'Prayer Chain'** - St. Patrick's Prayer Chain Members would be pleased to pray for your intentions or to welcome you as a prayer warrior. Contact Patricia Glazier at [muzzyg@stny.rr.com](mailto:muzzyg@stny.rr.com) or 607-722-6036 or call the rectory.

**St. Thomas Aquinas 'Prayer Network'** - We are privileged to pray for your need. To send in your prayer request or to join our prayer network, please email [prayer@sta-sp.org](mailto:prayer@sta-sp.org) or contact the parish office:797-4015.

### Please pray for the sick, for God's peace and healing touch...

Violet App, Helen Asbury, Olivia Behanick, Linda Bosch, Pam Campbell, Mary Louise Campos, Judy Chandanais, Nick Chianese, Noralynn Collins, Carol Ann Conrad, Ellen Cook, Susan Corner, Daniel Correll, Jacob Devries, Dc. Les Distin, Julia Dwyer, Samuel Edwards, Lincoln Elizabeth, Trish Ervay, Maria Evans, Patrick Fallin, Anita Finch, Karen Flynn, Eugenia Margarita Cubillan Florez, Brian Ford, Michele Giblin, Matt Grasgruber, Caroline Hall, Bill Harendza, Pat Harnan, Debbie Hogan, Sharon Jakowski, Xavier Lake, James Lee, Tim Leonard, Peter M. Jared Mace, Christina McBrayer, Christine McCane-Gonyean, Michael McCormick, Hedy Martin, Stephanie Merenda, Donna Mooney, Goretti Mugambwa, Joseph Munson, Boniface Owino, Carolyn Pappas, Connor Peck, Kathleen Powers, Jeanette Raffa, Gabriele Reo, Lois Rutter, Harry Silberberg, Teresa Slavetsky, Sally Starkweather, Sara Marie, Logan Stirr, Terry Telfer, Elizabeth Vannoy, Dina Velasquez, Dr. Dan Walsh, Matt Walsh, Maureen Walsh, Jennifer Wasser, Patrick Weathersby, Yutain Jack Wang, Joe & Betty Zdimal.

**New names are bolded when added to the list. To add or remove a person's name, please call the**

# FAITH FORMATION ~ A LIFE LONG JOURNEY

ST. PATRICK'S & ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISHES -BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK

JANUARY 21, 2024

## Looking at the Faith Formation calendar....

All classes are from 10:10am – 11:10am;@ SP school with early dismissal for 11am Mass attendees

### January- Month of the Holy Name of Jesus

- 20th Celebration of First Reconciliation
- 21st FF Classes **with Winter Fun Gymboree to follow**
- 28th FF Classes

### February- Month of the Holy Family

- 4th FF Classes (Communion & Confirmation direct prep)
- 11th FF Classes **with Mardi Gras Gymboree to follow**
- 18th No classes Presidents Day holiday weekend
- 25th FF Classes (Communion & Confirmation direct prep)

Don't forget CYO Open Gym after classes on the Sunday's with faith formation classes!

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE 9AM MASS SUNDAY'S AT ST. PATRICK'S**

### Attention all Faith Formation Parents-

Sitting in your car waiting for your child while they attend their faith formation class?  
Getting home after dropping your child off for faith formation only to turn right around and come back?

### We have a special option for you- The Parents Café

Offering assortment of coffee, teas and hot chocolate.  
Open during the faith formation class times.  
Corner room just inside the faith formation office.  
(The former K-1 grade faith formation room.)  
The K-1st grade faith formation class outgrew the space so we turned it into an opportunity for parents! All parents and guardians are welcome!



## QUO VADIS Catholic Leadership Experience

Quo Vadis is a one day Catholic Leadership Camp.  
Quo Vadis means: "Where are you going?"

It is open to all young people (co-ed) ages 13-18 from the Diocese of Syracuse and will be held on **Saturday, March 2 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm at Immaculate Conception Church in Fayetteville.**

The Leadership Camp is filled with dynamic talks, small group discussion, prayer experiences, and plenty of fun.

The main task for us all is that of a new evangelization aimed at helping younger generations to rediscover the true face of God, who is Love.

To you young people, who are in search of a firm hope, I address the very words that Saint Paul wrote to the persecuted Christians in Rome at that time: "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit" - Rom 15:13

### Wednesday Morning Bible Study

**Lectio: Unveiling Scripture and Tradition—Evangelization**  
(From the Augustine Institute)

10:30am in the Cebula Room St. Thomas Aquinas Church. All are welcome.

### Please call the parish office with your Sacramental needs:

**Baptisms:** Parents should inform the parish of the birth of the child and to make arrangement for Baptism. Through the gift of our Baptism we begin to live a new life with God by becoming members of the Church, the Body of Christ.

**RCIA or RCIC:** Interested in becoming Catholic? Interested in having your children make their Sacraments? For inquiries regarding Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults or for Children, please call the parish office.

**Marriage:** Couples should call the parish secretary at least six months in advance. The celebration of marriage is also a liturgical act, appropriately held in a public liturgy at church. Catholics are urged to celebrate their marriage within the Eucharistic Liturgy.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. PATRICK'S & ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISHES, BINGHAMTON, NY

JANUARY 21, 2024

Who: **The Binghamton Philharmonic Orchestra**

What: **Mozart Requiem**

When: **Sunday, Jan 28, 2024 at 3:00pm**

Where: **Broome Co. Forum Theatre,**

Tickets: \$25-\$65 For more information :

[www.binghamtonphilharmonic.org](http://www.binghamtonphilharmonic.org),

[info@binghamtonphilharmonic.org](mailto:info@binghamtonphilharmonic.org) (607)723-3931

## World Marriage Day Celebration

**41st Annual World Marriage Day February 11th,  
2:00pm, at the Cathedral  
of the Immaculate Conception in Syracuse.**

The Most Reverend Douglas J. Lucia will celebrate Mass and invite all couples in attendance to renew their commitment to Holy Matrimony. He will specially honor couples who will celebrate their 25th, 50th, and beyond 50 anniversary in 2023.

**If you are celebrating your 25th, 50th, or 50+ anniversary in 2024, please contact the parish office**

## Pastoral Care is available for Homebound, Hospital and Nursing Home Visitation

Please inform the rectory if you have someone in the hospital or Nursing Home who would like a visit by our Pastoral Care Staff. Also, please let us know if you or someone you love is homebound so we can make contact. We are also happy to mail a copy of the bulletin upon request. If you would like to help, please call the parish office.

## Church of the Holy Family Ladies Guild

is planning a trip to Lancaster, PA to see a new show **DANIEL** on May 8, 2024. The cost is **\$180**, which includes bus ride, ticket to the show, lunch after the show, and gratuities. This is a great holiday gift. Please call Ann at (607)754-8727 for questions and reservations.



'MyParish' App is available for St. Patrick's or St. Thomas Aquinas. Wonderful Catholic content and parish information at your fingertips. Download for free today!

## Hope Appeal 2023

We ask you to join in support of this year's HOPE Appeal. Our parish pledges / goals:

**\$30,924 of \$32,749 goal or 94.4% for SP**

**\$42,477 of \$28,707 goal or 147.9%+ for STA**

All gifts we receive above our goal will be returned directly to our parish. Thank you to everyone donating to HOPE Appeal! If you are still prayerfully considering your pledge, it's not too late to return your envelope. Forms available at the entrances or donate **online at [www.syrdio.org](http://www.syrdio.org)**.

## Liturgical Ministries, An opportunity to express love for the Holy Eucharist & Community

In this special time of Eucharistic Revival, we extend a special invitation to all parishioners to consider serving any of the liturgical ministries.

The focus this month is on **Altar Serving  
Youth and Adult Altar Serving**

Girls and boys in grade 3 and above

Please call or email the parish office with your interest. You may serve at either or both parishes.



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## LEADERSHIP & STAFF

### CLERGY & RELIGIOUS

#### Pastor

Rev. Msgr. John P Putano

#### Parochial Vicar

Rev. Stephen Ogaro

#### Priests in Residence

**SP** Rev. Augustine Okwuzu,

**STA** Rev. Paul Machira, Rev. Thomas Macauley, OP

#### Deacons

Rev. Mr. Les Distin, emeritus

Rev. Mr. Adeolu Ademoyo

#### Pastoral Associates

Sr. Mary Jane Atheino, LSOSF

#### Religious In Residence

**SP** Daughters of Divine Love

**STA** Little Sisters of St. Francis

### LAY LEADERSHIP

#### Parish Trustees

**SP** Susan Burtis & Rusty Grace

**STA** Kevin McKeown & Sue Roessner

#### Finance Council Chairs

**SP** John Burtis, **STA** Vincent Pasquale

#### Parish Pastoral Council Chairs

**SP** Sarah Campbell, **STA**

### STAFF

#### Music Ministry- Organist/Musician

**SP** James Apicella, Andre Toussaint

**STA** Angel DeLap

#### Music Ministry- Music Directors

**SP** Hilary Rozek, **STA** Steven Nanni

#### Music Ministry- Cantors

**SP** Hilary Rozek, **STA** Steven Nanni

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#### Special Events & Outreach Ministries

### Parish Secretaries

**SP** Marie Evans, Carolyn Scoville, Erika Grimminger

**STA** Mickey Carbo, Kathy Strong,

### Joint Coordinator of Family & Children's Ministry

Peg Gaska

### Faith Formation Associate

Kurt Hoover

### Joint Youth Ministry Caretaker

Karen Leighton

### Joint Technology Caretaker

Fred Kelley

### Joint Communications Specialist

Angel DeLap

### Building & Grounds Caretakers

**SP** Jim Foley, Jim Brown,

**STA** David Blaine, Alexander Wixsom, Deb Harendza

### Joint Rectory Caretaker

Mary Peck

### Joint Parish Administrator

Danita Fiacco