

Greetings,

It's almost time once again for the annual St. Thomas the Apostle Wine and Cheese Tasting Event. This will be our 23rd year offering this event, and it is a major fundraising event for our Parish. This year's event will be held on Friday, May 8, 2026 at the Franciscan Center for Music at 6751 Calumet Ave., Manitowoc from 6:30pm-10:00pm. To make this event successful, we are seeking donations of merchandise and baskets from area businesses and our own parish family. If you have something to donate for the Silent or Oral Auctions, please bring your donation to the Parish Office beginning in April. Tickets for the event will also be available at the Parish Office and at the Scrip window beginning in April. Ticket prices are \$25.00 in advance and \$30.00 at the door the evening of the event. We will also need volunteers the night of the event to help serve wine and craft beer, as well as help close auction sections. A sign-up sheet will soon be available at the display table in the Gathering Space, along with posters to display in area businesses. Staying true to the mission of our Church, over the past three years, we have also been able to donate a portion of the proceeds to local charities. This year will be no exception. We are proud to partner with *InCourage*, a local organization that supports victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Great news for you! We are lowering the price of the advance ticket price to \$20.00 each with the donation of an item or items on their wish list also posted on this page. When you purchase your ticket at St. Thomas, just include an item or items on the wish list and you will only have to pay \$20.00/ticket. Even if you don't wish to attend, you can still donate items on their wish list. Just drop off your items at St. Thomas. Plan now to attend a wonderful evening to help support St. Thomas and InCourage.

Thanks,

Jim Brunner

Event Coordinator



WISH LIST

Groceries

- Canned mushrooms & olives
- Juice
- Individually packaged snacks
- Cereal
- Eggs
- Pizza sauce
- Hearty soups

Personal Care

- Body wash
- Women's deodorant
- Shaving cream
- Facial tissues
- Hair conditioner
- Hair products for textured hair brushes

Cleaning

- Dish soap
- Dishwasher detergent
- Mopping solution
- All purpose cleaning spray
- Toilet bowl cleaner
- Toilet scrub brushes

Clothing

- Bras & underwear for women (new)
- Leggings / joggers (women's small through XL)

Household Items

- Toilet paper
- Dish towels
- 13-gallon trash bags
- Queen blankets
- Paper towels
- Zip top bags (quart and gallon sizes)

Miscellaneous

- Walmart gift cards
- Piggly Wiggly gift cards
- Kwik Trip gift cards