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Comunidad Católica de Santo Tomás el Apóstol

March 16, 2025/ 16 de Marzo de 2025



MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Thursday 8:00 AM

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Weekend Mass

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday/Domingo 8:00 AM

10:00 AM

1:00 PM

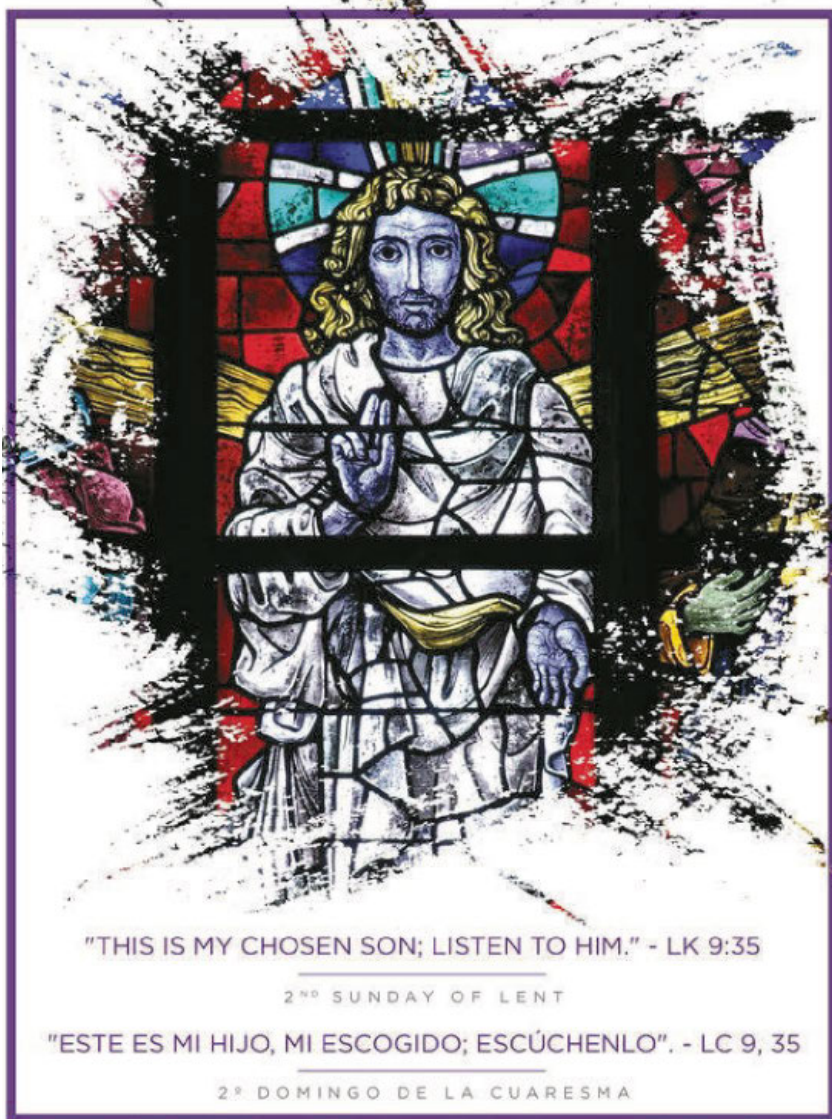
Reconciliation

Saturday 3:15 PM-4:00 PM

Other By Appointment

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday
8:00 AM-4:30 PM



Mission Statement

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Declaración de la Misión

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Prayer & Worship

Mass Intentions

Wednesday, March 19th

7:15 PM

Available

Thursday, March 20th

8:00 AM

Kristen Lafond

Saturday, March 22nd

4:30 PM

Deceased members of Parizek
& Jonasen Families

Sunday, March 23rd

8:00 AM

Available

10:00 AM

Available

Sanctuary Light

March 16th– 22nd

Bill Geigel

March 23rd, 2025

Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15

1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

Luke 13:1-9

What important work could bear fruit
in your life right now if you have more
confidence in God's loving care?

Homebound, Sick, or Elderly...

For a minister of care to bring
Eucharist to your home, please
call the parish office or refer to
the information below.

Sunday Communion Minister
for the homebound for the
week of:

March 23– Patti Schneider

920-629-2729

March 30th–

Annemarie Sohlden

920-901-5796

Dear Folks,

This Sunday we are asked to listen deeply to the story of the Transfiguration of Jesus in the company of Peter, James and John. The gift of this beautiful event is at least two-fold: first, we *experience* who Jesus is with the Apostles before our very eyes. Jesus reveals himself to them in all his divine glory, harking back to his baptism: this is my Beloved Son. Second, we get a glimpse of who *we* are to become. We hear in the First Letter of St. John 3:2: "Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, *we will be like Him*, because we will see Him just as He is." This is such a beautiful consolation. Death is not the end!

May the goal of our lives be heaven, yes, but to become like the one who is *in* heaven: Jesus, to call him by name and live in his peace this Season of Lent.

Our project this Lent is to help the Catholic Relief Service give food and clothing to those affected by the war in the Ukraine. More details to come!

Finally, please know that we are making progress on our Bishop's Appeal goal of \$46,951, collecting gifts totaling \$24,165 as of this writing. Thank you! Again, please pray, as we need to do in all things, and share a gift if you can. Know that I am grateful!

In Christ's Peace, Fr. Dave



Congratulations to our newly confirmed!



Max Andrastek
Elizabeth Backus
Alexa Bieberitz
Eliceli Contreras
Mya Contreras
Joseph DeMeyer
Theodore Dhein
Abigayle Fix

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Jesse Klinzing
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Jasmine Mediano
Samantha Meyer
Douglas Moncada
Heather Oltmanns
Joseph Otte
Yuriana Partida
Preston Peterson
Gunnar Romuald

Funds received the week of March 2nd

Our Own Needs-2nd Collection	\$100	Scrip profit for the week \$535.75	
Ash Wednesday Donation	\$25		
Stole Fee	\$85		
Sacramental Donations	\$90	Tithing- Envelopes	\$6,827
Sanctuary Candles	\$20	Offertory	\$1,182
Easter Flowers	\$120	Capital Improvement	\$90
Unrestricted Donations	\$300	Unrestricted/Our own needs	\$375

Lent seems different than other seasons. Why?

We find ourselves in the season of Lent (a word meaning "spring"). Having begun on Ash Wednesday, Lent is a time for penance and preparation for the solemn and joyful feast of Easter. Lent lasts for six Sundays and forty weekdays and concludes on Holy Thursday with the celebration of the Lord's Last Supper. Many people use springtime as an opportunity to do thorough house cleaning. While Christians are encouraged to pray, fast, and give alms all year long, Lent is a time to really get back to the basics and, in a sense, clean up our faith lives. Oftentimes, for special family occasions, there is a buildup of excitement until we reach the peak of those celebrations. Lent, in comparison, is kind of like that, too. It is a time of preparation for catechumens before Baptism and initiation into the Church. During Lent, not only are the elect called to reflect on their lives, but **all** baptized Christians are called to do the same, to renew through penance and prayer our own baptismal commitment. This commitment to our baptismal call, the acknowledgement that we are God's children and heirs to God's promise of eternal salvation, reminds us of our need to walk the way of the Cross to the glory of the Lord's Resurrection. We walk the way of the Cross through our own trials, maybe by denying ourselves of things we enjoy or maybe by not over-indulging in guilty pleasures, testing our spiritual discipline. It is through this testing that we might suffer a bit and come to understand our own weaknesses. So we offer those sufferings and weaknesses to God along with those of Jesus, together, united as one.

Many of us enjoy music, and during this season of Lent, we at St. Thomas are denying ourselves of some music during our Liturgical celebrations and would like to encourage using that quiet time for reflection. Especially during communion, our time of sharing Eucharist, take the opportunity to truly reflect on what you hear in place of the music. May it be, "**the body of Christ**" followed up by many "**Amens.**" Each time a Eucharistic minister speaks "the body of Christ," may it remind us all that we are truly **all** united as

ONE family, ONE BODY of Christ, together with the Communion of Saints, both in heaven and on earth. And may each "Amen" remind you that each who receives Eucharist is affirming with their whole heart that "**AMEN! YES, I BELIEVE** Christ is present. I believe in the Catholic faith and am part of this royal priesthood. I place my faith and trust in God. Receiving Eucharist is the very source and summit of our lives. May these weeks of silence put our hearts into perspective as we together reflect upon our lives, and as our catechumens eagerly await the celebration of sacraments, to receive communion together with our entire community of faith at the summit.



CALENDAR EVENTS

March

- 17th- Cleaning Day
6:30 PM Choir Practice
- 18th- 10:00 AM **Bible Study**
6:30 PM Women's Bible Study
7:00 PM Men's Bible Study
- 19th-6:15 PM **RE grades 6-9**
7:15 PM Mass
- 20th-8:00 AM Mass
8:30 AM Stations of the Cross
9:00-10:30 AM Confessions
6:00 PM Finance Council
7:00 PM Pastoral Council
- 24th- Cleaning Day
6:30 PM Choir Practice
- 25th- 10:00 AM **Bible Study**
- 26th- 6:15 PM **RE grades 1-5**
7:15 PM Mass
- 27th- 8:00 AM Mass
8:30 AM Stations of the Cross
9:00-10:30 AM Confessions

CEMETERY CLEANUP

Spring cemetery cleanup will begin shortly at all St. Thomas cemeteries.

Please remove any items you would like to keep prior to April 1st.

Any items that remain after April 1 will be discarded. After May 15, you may begin placing items back in the cemeteries.

Thank you.



Liturgical Ministry Schedule March 22nd & 23rd

	4:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
Server(s)	Olivia Grotegut Ella Grotegut	Bob Wallander Haleigh Wallander	Victor Anzia Joseph Anzia
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Sacristan	Nancy Robison	Volunteer Needed	Shelly/Tom Wery

**OTIS will have a
Chili Sale
April 12th and 13th**



Hispanic Comunidad

Queridos amigos,

Este domingo se nos pide que escuchemos profundamente el relato de la Transfiguración de Jesús en compañía de Pedro, Santiago y Juan. El don de este hermoso acontecimiento es al menos doble: primero, experimentamos quién es Jesús con los Apóstoles ante nuestros propios ojos. Jesús se revela a ellos en toda su gloria divina, remontándonos a su bautismo: éste es mi Hijo amado. Segundo, vislumbramos quiénes vamos a ser. En la primera carta de San Juan 3,2 escuchamos: «Queridos, ahora somos hijos de Dios y aún no se ha manifestado lo que seremos. Sabemos que cuando Él se manifieste, seremos semejantes a Él, porque lo veremos tal como Él es». Este es un hermoso consuelo. ¡La muerte no es el final! Que la meta de nuestras vidas sea el cielo, sí, pero llegar a ser como aquel que está en el cielo: Jesús, llamarlo por su nombre y vivir en su paz en este Tiempo de Cuaresma.



Nuestro proyecto de esta Cuaresma es ayudar al Servicio Católico de Ayuda a dar comida y ropa a los afectados por la guerra en Ucrania. ¡Pronto les daremos más detalles!

Por último, sepan que estamos avanzando en nuestra meta de la Campaña del Obispo de \$46,951, y que al momento de escribir este artículo estamos recaudando donaciones por un total de \$24,165. ¡Gracias! Nuevamente, por favor oren, como debemos hacer en todas las cosas, y compartan una donación si pueden. Sepan que estoy agradecido.

En la paz de Cristo, Padre Dave

San Patricio

¡Ruega por nosotros!



GLPI

Inspirar el espíritu de Cristo en los jóvenes de St. Thomas the Apostle a través de una comunicación, organización y dirección efectivas del vibrante grupo de jóvenes OTIS - Optimistic Teens Improving Society – (Adolescentes Optimistas Mejorando la Sociedad). El objetivo es servir como las manos y los pies de Jesús y construir una relación de fe más cercana con Dios. Trabaja en colaboración con líderes adultos voluntarios y miembros del personal en un espíritu colegial; promueve el intercambio de dones individuales a la comunidad católica de St. Thomas the Apostle; lidera con el ejemplo, con cuidado y amor genuinos, demostrando flexibilidad, iniciativa, confidencialidad, adaptabilidad y confianza; al mismo tiempo que se asegura de que la Iglesia local se mantenga fiel a su misión.



8 datos que todo católico debe saber sobre la Transfiguración del Señor

Por Jimmy Akin aciprensa.com

1. Transfiguración significa “cambio de forma” La palabra “transfiguración” proviene de las raíces latinas trans (“a través”) y figura (“forma, aspecto”). Por lo tanto, significa un cambio de forma o apariencia. Esto es lo que le sucedió a Jesús en el evento conocido como la Transfiguración: su apariencia cambió y se volvió gloriosa.

2. El Evangelio de Lucas pronostica la Transfiguración

En el Evangelio de Lucas 9:27, al final de un discurso a los doce apóstoles, Jesús agrega, misteriosamente: “Pues de verdad os digo que hay algunos, entre los aquí presentes, que no gustarán la muerte hasta que vean el Reino de Dios”. Esto a menudo se ha tomado como una profecía de que el fin del mundo ocurriría antes de que la primera generación de cristianos muriera. Sin embargo, la frase “reino de Dios” también puede referirse a “la expresión externa del reino invisible de Dios”. El reino está encarnado en Cristo mismo y, por lo tanto, podría “verse” si Cristo lo manifestara de una manera inusual, incluso en su propia vida terrenal, así como lo fue el evento de la Transfiguración. El Papa Benedicto XVI afirmó que Jesús “argumentó convincentemente que la colocación de este dicho inmediatamente antes de la Transfiguración lo relaciona claramente con este evento”. “A algunos, es decir, a los tres discípulos que acompañan a Jesús a la montaña, se les promete que presenciarán personalmente la venida del Reino de Dios ‘en el poder’”, agregó.

3. La Transfiguración fue presenciada por los tres discípulos principales

La Transfiguración ocurrió en presencia de los apóstoles Juan, Pedro y Santiago, los tres discípulos principales. El hecho de que Jesús solo permitió que tres de sus discípulos presenciaran el evento pudo haber provocado la discusión que rápidamente se produjo sobre cuál de los discípulos fue el más grande (Lucas 9:46).

4. El lugar donde ocurrió la Transfiguración no se conoce con exactitud

San Lucas declara que Jesús llevó a los tres a “la montaña para orar”. A menudo se piensa que esta montaña es el Monte Tabor, en Israel, pero ninguno de los evangelios lo identifica con exactitud.

5. La Transfiguración sirvió para fortalecer la fe de los apóstoles

Según el Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica: “La Transfiguración de Cristo tiene por finalidad fortalecer la fe de los apóstoles ante la proximidad de la Pasión: la subida a un ‘monte alto’ prepara la subida al Calvario. Cristo, Cabeza de la Iglesia, manifiesta lo que su cuerpo contiene e irradia en los sacramentos: ‘La esperanza de la gloria’”.

6. El Evangelio de Lucas es el que da más detalles de este evento

San Lucas menciona varios detalles sobre la Transfiguración que otros evangelistas no hacen. Por ejemplo, anota que esto sucedió mientras Jesús estaba orando; menciona que Pedro y sus compañeros “estaban dormidos y cuando despertaron vieron su gloria y los dos hombres que estaban con él”. También menciona que Pedro sugirió poner tiendas mientras Moisés y Elías se iban.

7. La aparición de Moisés y Elías representan la Ley y los Profetas

Moisés y Elías representan los dos componentes principales del Antiguo Testamento: la Ley y los Profetas. Moisés fue el dador de la Ley y Elías fue considerado el mayor de los profetas.

8. La sugerencia de San Pedro fue errónea

El hecho de que la sugerencia de Pedro ocurra cuando Moisés y Elías se están preparando para partir revela un deseo de prolongar la experiencia de la gloria. Esto significa que Pedro se está centrando en lo incorrecto. La experiencia de la Transfiguración está destinada a señalar los sufrimientos que Jesús está a punto de experimentar. Está destinado a fortalecer la fe de los discípulos, revelándoles la mano divina que está trabajando en los eventos que Jesús sufrirá. Pedro pierde el punto y quiere quedarse en la montaña, al contrario del mensaje que Moisés y Elías han estado exponiendo. Como una reprensión aparente de esto, ocurre una teofanía: “Una nube vino y los cubrió con su sombra; y tuvieron miedo cuando entraron en la nube. Y una voz salió de la nube, diciendo: ‘Este es mi Hijo, mi Elegido; ¡Escúchenlo!’”.



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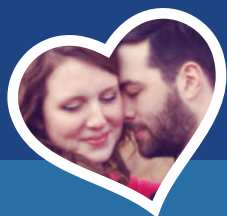
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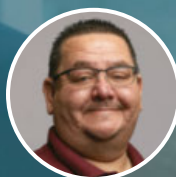
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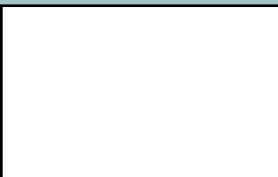
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**APRIL 17
2025**

8:30 P.M.-MIDNIGHT

7:00 P.M. Mass of the Lord's Supper
St. Francis Xavier Cathedral
140 S. Monroe Ave., Green Bay

8:30 P.M. Leave St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

9:05 P.M. Arrive at St. Pius X Parish
500 W. Marquette St., Appleton

10:35 P.M. Arrive at the National Shrine
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11:40 P.M. Return to Cathedral

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We are Looking for a Youth Ministry Coordinator

Inspire the spirit of Christ in the youth of St. Thomas the Apostle through effective communication, organization, and direction of the vibrant OTIS - Optimistic Teens Improving Society —Youth Group. The focus is to serve as the hands and feet of Jesus and to build a closer relationship of faith with God. Works collaboratively with volunteer adult leaders and staff members in a collegial spirit; promotes the sharing of individual gifts to the St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Community; leads by example, with genuine care and love, demonstrating flexibility, initiative, confidentiality, adaptability, and trust; while ensuring that the local Church remains true to her mission.



St. Thomas the Apostle Wine & Cheese Tasting Event Silent & Oral Auction

Franciscan Music Center Manitowoc, WI

Friday, May 9, 2025

6:30 PM– 10 PM

\$25 in advance \$30 at the door

Price of admission includes Wine & Cheese Tasting



Donations of silent auction items and gift baskets will be needed