

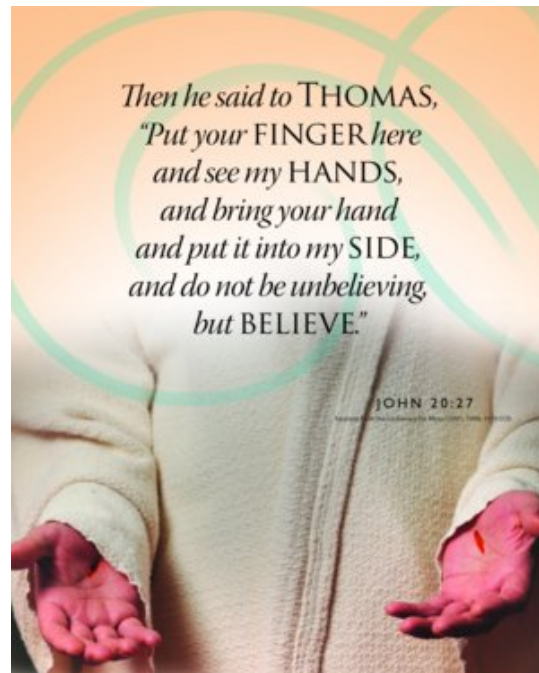
# ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH

APRIL 11th, 2010

2nd Sunday of Easter

Divine Mercy Sunday

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## PASTORS CORNER

My dear family,



This week, I'm doing something different - I'm letting someone else write my column. With all the talk in the media about the Pope failing to act in the case of a Wisconsin priest, I would like you to read The Pope and The New York Times by William McGurn, published recently in the Wall Street Journal:

Unlike the Roman papacy, in certain circles the New York Times still enjoys the presumption of authority. So when the front page carries a story headlined "Vatican Declined to Defrock U.S. Priest Who Abused Deaf Boys," people notice.

Written by Laurie Goodstein and published March 25, the thrust is twofold. First, that the Rev. Lawrence Murphy, a priest who abused children at St. John's School for the Deaf in Milwaukee from the 1950s to the 1970s, went unpunished. Father Murphy, she wrote categorically, "was never tried or this all feeds the kicker: "the effort to dismiss Father Murphy came to a sudden halt after the priest appealed to Cardinal Ratzinger for leniency." In other words, Murphy got off scot-free, and the cardinal looked the other way. (continued on page 2)

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Ms. Goodstein cites internal church documents, which the Times posted online. The documents were provided by Jeff Anderson and Mike Finnegan. They are described as lawyers for five men who have brought four lawsuits against the Archdiocese of Milwaukee."

What she did not tell readers is that Mr. Anderson isn't just any old lawyer. When it comes to suing the church, he is America's leading plaintiffs attorney. Back in 2002, he told the Associated Press that he'd won more than \$60 million in settlements from the church, and he once boasted to a Twin Cities weekly that he's "suing the s--t out of them everywhere." Nor did the Times report another salient fact about Mr. Anderson: He's now trying to sue the Vatican in U.S. federal court.

None of this makes Mr. Anderson wrong or unworthy of quoting. It does make him a much bigger player than the story disclosed. In fact, it's hard to think of anyone with a greater financial interest in promoting the public narrative of a church that takes zero action against abuser priests, with Pope Benedict XVI personally culpable.

Asked about the omissions in an email, Ms. Goodstein replied as follows: "Given the complexity of the Murphy case, and the relative brevity of my story, I don't think it is realistic for you to expect this story to get into treating other cases that these attorneys have handled."

Martin Nussbaum, a lawyer who is not involved in the Murphy case but who has defended other dioceses and churches in sexual abuse suits, emailed me four interesting letters sent to Murphy from three Wisconsin bishops. These documents are not among those posted online by the Times. They are relevant, however, because they refute the idea that Murphy went unpunished. In fact, the letters from these bishops—three in 1993 and one in 1995, after fresh allegations of Murphy's misconduct—variously informed the priest that he was not to celebrate the sacraments in public, not to have any unsupervised contact with minors, and not to work in any parish religious education program.

It's accurate to say Murphy was never been convicted by a church tribunal. It's also reasonable to argue (as I would) that Murphy should have been disciplined more. It is untrue, however, to suggest he was "never" disciplined. When asked if she knew of these letters, Ms. Goodstein did not directly answer, saying her focus was on what was "new," i.e., "the attempts by those same bishops to have Father Murphy laicized."

As for Rome, it did not get the case until 1996, when the archdiocese of Milwaukee informed the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, then headed by Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger. Back then, the CDF handled abuse cases when they involved a breach of confession (Murphy was accused of using the confessional to solicit boys). At that time, too, the only real option for reducing Murphy to the lay state was a church trial. And the bishops in Wisconsin did begin a trial.

Ms. Goodstein's original article said simply that Cardinal Ratzinger's deputy halted Murphy's trial after the priest sent the cardinal a letter saying he was dying and asking for clemency. A follow-up Times article last Thursday clarified that Rome came down the way it did because Murphy had shown "apparent good conduct" for the last 24 years, and "it would be difficult to try him" because "so much time [had] passed between the crimes and the trial."

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In  
Sympathy

## FUNERALS

Please call our Parish Office as soon as possible in order to coordinate liturgical services.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

**Every Sunday after 12:30 Mass.  
Please call our Parish Office.**



At St. John Vianney Mission  
Every 2nd and 4th Sunday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass



#### *1st Banns*

*Stephanie Murchio and Thomas Garrity  
Stephanie Archuleta and Carlos Alcala*

#### *2nd Banns*

*Monica Brady and Randy Mellon*

#### *3rd Banns*

*Michael Garcia and Felicia Garcia  
Patricia Chavez and Joe Hernandez*

Please call our Parish Office four months prior to your wedding day to make arrangements and complete the paperwork.

Plus, his bishops had already stripped Murphy of his priestly faculties, the equivalent of taking a doctor's medical license. Does all this really suggest people callously looking the other way?

A few years later, when the CDF assumed authority over all abuse cases, Cardinal Ratzinger implemented changes that allowed for direct administrative action instead of trials that often took years. Roughly 60% of priests accused of sexual abuse were handled this way. The man who is now pope reopened cases that had been closed; did more than anyone to process cases and hold abusers accountable; and became the first pope to meet with victims. Isn't the more reasonable interpretation of all these events that Cardinal Ratzinger's experience with cases like Murphy's helped lead him to promote reforms that gave the church more effective tools for handling priestly abuse?

That's not to say that the press should be shy, even about Pope Benedict XVI's decisions as archbishop and cardinal. The Murphy case raises hard questions: why it took the archbishops of Milwaukee nearly two decades to suspend Murphy from his ministry; why innocent people whose lives had been shattered by men they are supposed to view as icons of Christ found so little justice; how bishops should deal with an accused clergyman when criminal investigations are inconclusive; how to balance the demands of justice with the Catholic imperative that sins can be forgiven. Oh, yes, maybe some context, and a bit of journalistic skepticism about the narrative of a plaintiffs attorney making millions off these cases.

That's still a story worth pursuing.

Write to [MainStreet@wsj.com](mailto:MainStreet@wsj.com)

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## Upcoming Events

### Special Collection for Sisters of St. Lucy Filippini

After the Masses on April 17th and 18th, our beloved Sisters of St. Lucy Filippini will accept donations for the infirmed and retired sisters in New Jersey. There are approximately 80 sisters who depend upon the generosity of Catholic lay people to help maintain services and health care. Our own sisters will be at each of the church exits to collect contributions after Mass. Checks should be made payable to Religious Teachers Filippini. Thank you for your kindness.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights Of Columbus together with United Blood Services will hold a community **blood drive on Sunday April 25th in Fr. D'Arco Hall from 8AM to 12Noon.** This blood drive will be held in conjunction with the Knights' monthly Pancake Breakfast. Blood donors will be given a complimentary breakfast as the Knights way of saying "Thank You" for your charity and generosity. Every two seconds someone in America needs a blood transfusion. For every person in need of blood, the simple act of giving is an act of heroism.

For the victims of accident or injury or those suffering severe health conditions, the act of making a blood donation can mean the difference between life, death or relief from suffering. To those who donate regularly, our heartfelt "Thanks"; for those who have never donated, please come and be a Hero.

Call Norm Gallegos @ 270-8862 or 892-9539 to add your name to the appointment schedule, or log onto [www.unitedbloodservices.org](http://www.unitedbloodservices.org) and enter Sponsor Code: **STAquin**. We make every attempt to take donors with appointments before "walk-ins".

**I DO NOT PRAY FOR SUCCESS,  
I ASK FOR FAITHFULNESS....** Mother Teresa

## Next Week's Readings

April 11th - April 18th

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19  
Jn 20:19-31  
Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Jn 3:1-8  
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15  
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21  
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36  
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15  
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21  
Next Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Rv 5:11-14/  
Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

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## Liturgical News

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### ADORATION

Said Judas to Mary, "Now what will you do with your ointment so rich and so rare?"  
"I'll pour it all over the feet of the Lord, And I'll wipe it away with my hair," she said,  
"I'll wipe it away with my hair."

"O Mary, O Mary, O think of the poor. This ointment, it could have been sold; And think of the blankets and think of the bread You could buy with the silver and gold," he said,  
"You could buy with the silver and gold."

"Tomorrow, tomorrow, I'll think of the poor; Tomorrow", she said, "not today; For dearer than all of the poor in the world Is my love who is going away," she said,  
"My love who is going away."

Said Jesus to Mary, "Your love is so deep Today, you may do as you will. Tomorrow, you say, I am going away, But my body I leave with you still," he said,  
**My body I leave with you still."**

### Perpetual Adoration Contacts

Pauline Salata: (Midnight-6 a.m.) at 892-0524  
Louie & Terry Santa Maria: (6-12 p.m.) at 896-0307  
e-mail: flagshipsm12659@msn.com  
Paul & Anise Yarbrough: (Noon-6 p.m.) at 899-0981  
e-mail: yarburro@msn.com  
Pat & Jolyn Murphy: (6 p.m.-12 Midnight) at 892-4931 or e-mail: jpmurphrc@msn.com

**PILGRIM VIRGIN:** To have the Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima in your home, and to receive Her Blessings in your life, call Gerri Hoover 892-0414

**Virgin I: Eleonita Roberts - April 1-15**

**Virgin II: Bob & Gerri Hoover - April 1-15**

**TABERNACLE FLOWERS:** Please contact Betty Larson at 891-3577 or Elaine Jones at 922-9758 to reserve a week for your intentions. The weeks run from Saturday through Friday. The cost this cost with another person for both your intentions. **Adoration Chapel Candles:**



**Church Calendars are still available in the office.**

## CULTURE OF LIFE CORNER

We can take great pride and gain strength in the Primary Thoughts of Wanda Franz PH.D., President of National Right to Life. "Increasing the numbers of pro-life voters" tells us that "For the right to life movement, the obvious lesson is that we must recruit as many pro-lifers as possible for participation in public life." And: "The point is not to make a 'statement' but a difference--more accurately, a *positive* difference." And Don't Forget:

"Supporting the pro-life cause takes lots of work and money. Please do your share." Because of the actions taken in the recent decision in the Health Care Bill and others which may follow, we must stay the course of our pro-life convictions, continue to pray and work even harder, join our organization, and be ready and willing to stand up for what we know is right in the sight of man and God.

Submitted by Charles Griego

### BeFriender Ministry

Do you know of someone who is homebound, in a nursing home or hospital, elderly or lonely? BeFrienders provide pastoral care to people in **difficult and transitional situations**, and are trained to provide a **listening presence** to others. They embody the caring presence of God and of the community and serve as a living reminder of God's love. If you are in need of this caring presence or know of someone in need, please call Gloria at 891-0388. You can pick up a brochure located in the book racks by all the church doors.



### PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION TESTIMONIES

Posted in our Blessings Received Book  
Thank-you:

- For all healings taking place.
- For my daughters pregnancy.
- For everlasting love and mercy.
- For bringing my daughter back to us.
- For being a merciful and loving Father.
- For providing the monies to pay my bills.
- For healing and forgiveness through confession..
- For recovery on my hip replacement and family unity.



Following Jesus calls us to action. It calls disciples to give up their own desires and control. It is costly. It is hard.

## 7 STEPS TO FINANCIAL FREEDOM THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE FOR SPRING 2010 IN RELIGIOUS ED. BLDG.

Class 2

April 15th Session 4

April 22nd Session 5

April 29th Session 6 & Graduation

All classes will be held from 7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

For more information,  
call Parish Office 892-1511 ext. 103

### Bereavement Support Group

St. Thomas Aquinas Bereavement Support Group meets **Mondays at 5:00 p.m. in the St. Lucy Filippini room**, adjacent to the Parish office. For information contact Mary Davidson at 892-9886 or Patricia Furlong 831-5428. If no response within two days, please call back.

**ST. THOMAS AQUINAS COUNSELING CENTER** offers individual, couple, and family counseling with afternoon and evening appointments. A fee is charged for each hour session. For more info call the

Counseling Center, 417-2467  
or Deacon Burns, 892-1511, ext. 113  
or for e-mail go to  
[www.trburnscounselor.mysite.com](http://www.trburnscounselor.mysite.com).

Challenge is a club for girls in virtue and practicing their Catholic Faith. A place to learn about themselves and to make a positive impact for family, friends and the world. **Friday meetings from 4:00 p.m.- 5:30 p.m.** Contact Cathy Casaus at 321-3236 for further information.

### List of DVD's

- 5 Mass, November 27, 2008—**Thanksgiving Day**
- 9 Mass, December 24, 2008-- **Christmas Eve & Midnight Mass**
- 7 Mass, December 14, 2008—**3rd Sunday of Advent**
- 1 Mass, December 28, 2008—**The Most Holy Family**
- 4 Mass, January 4, 2009-- **The Epiphany of the Lord**
- 2 Mass, January 11, 2009—**The Baptism of the Lord**
- 7 Mass January 18, 2009—**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 8 Mass, January 25, 2009—**Mass of Parish Patron: St. Thomas Aquinas**
- 1 Mass, January 30, 2009—**(St. Paul (Fr. Michael DePalma)**
- 9 Mass, February 1, 2009—**4th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Fr. Michael DePalma, Homilist)**
- 7 Mass, February 22, 2009—**7th Sunday in Ordinary Time (1st Mass Fr. Jeffrey N. Steenson)**
- 8 Mass, March 1, 2009—**1st Sunday of Lent (Fr. Michael DePalma, Homilist)**
- 8 Mass, March 8, 2009—**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Msgr. Doug Raun)**
- "Introduction to Church History" six talks (over 12 hours of teachings) given by Msgr. Raun DVD album form for \$30.00.

High School and Life Teen Justin Bucalo 896-8097

Justin.Bucalo@stanm.org



Confirmation class will meet every Monday in April.

Life Teen Summer Camp!! We will be attending **summer camp this JULY 19-24 in Prescott, AZ.** It is open to all high school aged teens (incoming freshmen through newly graduates) for more information contact the Life House at 896-8097

Young Adults Catholic Group Deacon Little

890-6574 Deacon.Dave@stanm.org

Meets the **2nd and 4th Fridays** of the month. We meet each month at **my house**. We appreciate RSVPs so we know how much food to prepare. For more information, call 890-6574. The Young Adult Group We will meet again **April 23rd**.

Children's Religious Education

Phone - 892-1497 CRE@stanm.org

#### CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Is on the **1st, 2nd and 3rd Wednesday**, of the month  
**4 p.m. to 5 p.m. In the Church.**

**NO pre-sign up required. Just show up.**

**Ages 3 and older.**

#### "PRO LIFE ROSARY"

Come pray with us for our most vulnerable brothers and sisters, the pre Born **sidewalk in front of the Planned Parenthood office in the NW corner of the Target mini mall West of Hwy 528.** We always pray the **last Saturday of the month from 10:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m.**

#### ONGOING WEEKLY MEETINGS

(Religious Education Building)

**Blue Army:** Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m.; Kathy-898-5591, Joann-899-9647. (Call Kathy or Joann with your prayer petitions.)

**Prayer for Vocations/Chaplet of Divine Mercy:**

**Wednesdays, after 9 a.m. Mass**

**Al-Anon:** Thursdays, Noon, rm. 6

**Charismatic Prayer Meeting:**

**Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. (St. Lucy Filippini Room)**

**St. Peter's Men's Apostolic Ministry**

**Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office**

**Rosary Makers:** Fridays, 10:00 a.m.,

rm. 6, Religious Ed. Bldg., 896-6127

**Bible Study:** Jeannette, 892-1511 x104

Adult Ministries Jeannette Schlicher

892-1511 x104

AquinasAM@yahoo.com

#### UPCOMING GREAT ADVENTURE

##### BIBLE STUDIES:

**FIRST CORINTHIANS** (11 sessions), **Fridays, beginning 4/9, 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m., in the St. Lucy Filippini meeting room** (Panorama Plaza, 1594 Sara Road, SE, Suite J). Optional--but highly recommended--**study kit, \$16.**

**You will need a Catholic Bible and a Catechism of the Catholic Church.**

Please contact Jeannette at 892-1511, x104, or AquinasAM@yahoo.com, to register.

##### NEW DAY-TIME

##### BIBLE STUDY GROUP FORMING!

"Adventures in Matthew," a 24-session **Great Adventure Bible study (GABS)**, will begin on **Friday, April 23rd, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**, in the St. Lucy Filippini meeting room (Panorama Plaza, 1594 Sara Road, SE, Suite J), and will run through 10/1/10. Participants will need a **Catholic Bible** and a **Catechism of the Catholic Church**. The optional, but strongly recommended study kit will cost \$20, payable at the first class. This group is strictly limited to 16 participants, so pre-registration *is* required.

Please contact Jeannette, 892-1511, x104, or

AquinasAM@yahoo.com.

##### WOMEN OF GRACE STUDY GROUP FORMING

This eight-session women's study uses Sacred Scripture and the **Catechism of the Catholic Church** to help women to grow in knowledge of their faith, deepen their prayer life, and teach all women to embrace their gift of authentic femininity and their true dignity as daughters of God. It will meet on Thursdays, 5/6/10-6/24/10, 7:30 p.m., in the Religious Education Bldg., Room 9. Recommended book and study guide: **Full of Grace: Women and the Abundant Life**, cost \$40. Please contact Marguerite at 892-1558, or Marggallegos@aol.com, to pre-register and order materials.

**If you would like something to be considered for the bulletin you can email me at Jeannie.Pinel@stanm.org**

##### TO ALL USHERS

Thanks so much for your continued service to the church. I will be hosting a **monthly meeting the third Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the church.** Deacon Dave 890-6574

##### **"DO YOU NEED A PLACE FOR A RECEPTION, A BIRTHDAY, OR FOR A MEETING?"**

The Knights of Columbus in Rio Rancho rent out their hall for your receptions, meetings, birthday parties, and family gatherings. Please call 896-5599 or 792-0663 for more info.



# Mass Intentions

Monday      April 12th Monday Weekday

9:00 a.m.    † Sofia & Demetrio Gabaldon  
by Walter & Sandy Klevesahl  
† John-Lillian-Sachacki, Gene-Lillian-Sachcki  
by Paul & Helen Cywinski  
Pat Shannon happy birthday by Jeanie Marecki

6:00 p.m.      Greg Torrez by Linda & family  
† Mary Ellen Schnieder by Don & Dolores Schnieder  
† Mildred Burns by the Little family

7:15 a.m.      @ STAS    That we will see Christ in all

Tuesday      April 13th Tuesday Weekday

9:00 a.m.    † Gabriel Quiñones by Walter & Sandy Klevesahl  
† Francis Swinarsky by Larry & Carol Larson  
Helen Ortiz for her health by son Gilbert Ortiz

6:00 p.m.      Greg Torrez by Linda & family  
For all priest of the parish at STAC  
† Virginia Sullivan by Henry

7:15 a.m.      Matthew Walden baptism anniversary  
@ STAS      by Phil & Cecilia Kahle

Wednesday      April 14th Wednesday Weekday

9:00 a.m.    † Kathy Chávez by Rose Chávez  
Tommie Lambert by Walter & Sandy Klevesahl  
† Agnes Maddy for healing

6:00 p.m.    † Edward Madden by Jo Madden  
† Greg Torrez by Linda & family  
Agnes Maddy for healing

8:15 a.m.      @ STAS    those who have less then us

Thursday      April 15th Thursday Weekday

9:00 a.m.    † Karoline Talty by husband Tommy  
† Joe, Andrian, Flavio López by Merinda Salazar  
† Mary Anne Dotts by Walter & Sandy Klevesahl

6:00 p.m.      Greg Torrez by Linda & family  
† Dorothy Ensminger by George & Janice Stark  
Pat & Don Weidner for intentions by McCluskey family

7:15 a.m.      @ STAS    For all our teachers and helpers

Friday      April 16th Friday Weekday

9:00 a.m.    † Earl Yont by wife Elaine  
Pat Shannon happy birthday by Larry & Carol Larson  
† Carl Derr by Yarbrough family

6:00 a.m.      Greg Torrez by Linda & family  
† Ernest Jake Perea by Carol & Chuck Ring  
Msgr. Douglas A. Raun birthday  
by Clara Gallegos-Patron

8:15 a.m.    † @ STAS    Stefania Gray by 6A



**It is important to understand the reverence and love we should have for our priests. This is the year for priests and it is a difficult time we are living in, we must pray for our priests as much as we pray for ourselves and our families.**

Saturday      April 17th Saturday Weekday

9:00 a.m.      Gods blessing for Milo Hurst & Ranoli  
by the Niemczak family  
Gods blessing for Adrian Fuss Mink & family  
by the Niemczak family  
Leo & Annie Luchini by Carrie

5:00 p.m.    † Salvatore & Carmela LiRosi  
by Philip & Josephine LiRosi  
† Joseph Carbajal rest in peace  
by Angela & Sofi Gonzales & family  
† Thelma Trail by friends of the family

4:00 p.m.      For the good of all

Sunday      April 18th— 3rd Sunday of Easter

7:00 a.m.    † Peter Daniel Moyna by the Moyna family  
† Francis Jeffrey Moyna by the Moyna family  
† Gerald & Mary Oakford by Juchar family

9:00 a.m.      For the People of the Parish  
† John Steven Crane by Jeannette and Rex Schlicher  
† Kathy Chávez by Rose Chávez

11:00 a.m.    † Uvaldo"Waldo" Armijo by Armijo family  
† Emmanuel Dezio by Tim & Mary Davidson  
Greg Torrez by Linda & family

12:30 p.m.    † Christine Sena by Juanita Lovato & family  
† Bertha Perez by Anna Rivera  
Blessings for all our customers by ISM technology

6:00 p.m.    † Don Carson by Bonnie & John Snowden

8:00 a.m.      @ SJV For our Priests

10:00 a.m.    @ SJV For the People in the Parish

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS**

**April 12th** - Rev. Andrew J. Pavlak, Pastor,  
San Miguel, Socorro

**April 13th** - Rev. Ulric Pax OFM

**April 14th** - Rev. Binu Joseph Pazhayaveetil O Praem.,  
Hospital Chaplain, Albuquerque

**April 15th** - Rev. Thomas Pesaresi MM, Chaplain

**April 16th** - Rev. David Phillipson

**April 17th** - Rev. Santan Pinto SOLT

**April 18th** - Rev. Jerome Plotkowski, Judicial Vicar,  
Catholic Center, Albuquerque

**Also remember in prayer those priests who have died.**

**A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS**

O my Jesus, I beg you on behalf of the whole Church: Grant it love and the light of your Spirit and give power to the words of priests so that hardened hearts might be brought to repentance and returned to you, O Lord. Lord give us holy priests; you yourself maintain them in holiness. O Divine and Great High Priest, may the power of your mercy accompany them everywhere and protect them from the devil's traps and snares which are continually being set for the souls of priests. May the power of your mercy, O Lord shatter and bring to naught all that might tarnish the sanctity of priests, for You can do all things. I ask You for a special blessing and for light, O Jesus, for the priests before whom I will make my confessions throughout my lifetime. ("Prayer of St. Faustina" from her Diary 1052)



St. Thomas Aquinas School

Sr. Anne Louise Abascal 892-3221

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Where Faith & Knowledge Meet

Sr. Anne Louise Abascal, Principal 892-3221

### Team Up With St. Thomas Aquinas School

There are many ways to support our Catholic school and one way you can help is by shopping at Smith's grocery store. This school year, Smith's will donate \$1,000,000 to local participating schools!

When you enroll in the Smith's Earn & Learn program and use your Fresh Values Card each time you shop, St. Thomas Aquinas School benefits. Smith's will donate a percentage of sales to St. Thomas Aquinas School at the end of the school year. To enroll you'll need your fresh values Card and an enrollment barcode.

You can print out a copy of the enrollment barcode by visiting [www.stasnm.org](http://www.stasnm.org) or you can call the school office at 892-3221 and request a copy.

The mission entrusted to us as teachers of the faith consists in recalling, in the words of the Apostle of the Gentiles, that our Savior "desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth"

(1 Timothy 2:4). This, and nothing else, is the purpose of the Church: the salvation of individual souls.

Pope Benedict XVI, Address to Brazilian Bishops.

## HE IS RISEN

St. Thomas Aquinas Roman **Catholic Homeschoolers (STRCH)** meets for field trips, playgroups and First Friday Mass and Fellowship. Please join us at

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/STRCH-RRNM>

for our full calendar of events or

contact Andrea Bass at 323-9222

[LactationRN@yahoo.com](mailto:LactationRN@yahoo.com).

### Frassati Academy

A new concept in Catholic homeschooling, **We will be having a gathering to share our schedule for the fall with homeschooling families on Wed., April 14'th at 12:30 at Village Pizza in Corrales.** For more information

call Janice Martinez at 352-0698 or

Chris LaLonde 891-1488.

## Character Counts Recognition

"Communities everywhere sparkle with exemplars of good character — children and adults who show *trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring* and *citizenship*.

Those who go beyond what is compulsory or convenient to help others, who overcome obstacles and live with integrity..." (Mrs. Muldrow) (From the National Character Counts website).



(Kelli)



*St. Thomas Aquinas School is proud to announce our 2010 Character Counts honorees, Mrs. Ida Muldrow, Extended Care Director, and Kelli Reagan, STA eighth grader. Well done, Mrs. Muldrow and Kelli!*

## OUT OF THE MOUTH OF BABES

One day, a little girl is sitting and watching her mother do the dishes at the kitchen sink. She suddenly notices that her mother has several strands of white hair sticking out in contrast on her brunette head. She looks at her mother and inquisitively asks, "Why are some of your hairs white, Mom?"

Her mother replied, "Well, every time that you do something wrong and make me cry or unhappy, one of my hairs turns white."

The little girl thought about this revelation for a while, and then said, "So, Momma, how come ALL of grandma's hairs are white?"

## Enrollment Openings

St. Thomas Aquinas School has a limited number of **openings in kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 5th, and 7th grades.** Interested families should contact Rosanne Sloan, school registrar at 892-3221, ext. 37 for more information on the enrollment process. All incoming students are given placement tests. Please visit the school's website at [www.stasnm.org](http://www.stasnm.org) for information on tuition costs and other facts about the school.

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## Parish Directory

Pastor (Ext. 107).....	Rev. Msgr. Douglas A. Raun
Vicar (Ext. 110).....	Rev. Fr. Scott Mansfield
.....	Rev. Fr. Michael DePalma, in residence
Deacons.....	Rev. Mr. Roger Ayers, James Baca, Tom Burns, .....Kenneth Hill, David Little, Leroy Sanchez, Frank Smith
Business Manager (Ext. 101).....	Martin Sedillo
Accountant (Ext. 108).....	Ana Martinez
Acct Asst (Ext. 111).....	Jeannie Pinel
Acct Asst (Ext. 109).....	Liz Large
Adult Ministries (Ext. 104).....	Jeannette Case Schlicher
Ayuda Español (Ext. 360).....	Deacon James Baca
Bulletin Editor (Ext. 111).....	.....
Catholic Social Action (Ext. 112) .....	Deacon Frank Smith
Communications & Development (Ext. 115).....	.....
Funeral Notices.....	Extension 353
Maintenance (Ext. 129).....	Gilbert Garcia & Manuel Fernandez
Marriage & Family Life (Ext. 103).....	Deacon Ken Hill, Director
Associate Director.....	Deacon Frank Smith
Music & Liturgy (Ext. 105).....	Steven Woodbury
Receptionist.....	Maria Harrington
Religious Education (892-1497) .....	Sr. Alma Blume MPF
Administrative Asst (892-1497).....	Laura Smith
Sacristan.....	Anne McCluskey
Secretary to the Pastor (Ext. 107).....	Kathy Girón
Special Mass Schedule.....	Extension 350
Weather Closures/Cancellations.....	Extension 359
Web Site.....	www.stanm.org
Youth Ministries (896-8097).....	Justin Bucalo
Assistant (896-8097).....	Rita Montano

## Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday (fulfills Sunday obligation).....	5:00 p.m.
Sunday .....	7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. ..... 12:30 p.m. (Bilingual) & 6:00 p.m. (Life Teen)
Monday - Saturday .....	9:00 a.m.
Monday - Friday .....	6:00 p.m.

## Eucharistic Adoration

**24 hours each day in the Adoration Chapel  
located on the west side of the Church**

## Mission Church St. John Vianney

1000 26th Ave N.E., Rio Rancho

### Mass Times

Saturday.....	4:00 p.m.
Saturday Confessions .....	3:00 p.m.—3:45 p.m.
Sunday.....	8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Religious Education	11:15 a.m.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday - Friday.....	8:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
Saturday.....	8:30 a.m., 3:00 - 4:30 p.m., 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

## Around the Archdiocese

**April 11th**

**10th Annual Feast of Divine Mercy  
Mass Celebrated at 3:00 p.m.**

**By: Archbishop Michael J. Sheehan**

Rev. Stephen Imbarrato, Rev. James Marshall, Deacon Jose de Jesus Cervantes and Deacon Gonzalo Calderon.

**Our Lady of Sorrows**

**301 Camino del Pueblo, Bernalillo**

**WINGS MINISTRY - APRIL 18TH**

**Risen Savior Catholic Community**

**7701 Wyoming Blvd. NE**

**12:30 p.m.**

Pot Luck Lunch - Main entrée provided

Please bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share.

**Wings ministry invites those who are physically or mentally challenged, blind, hard of hearing, and their families, friends and caregivers. Please RSVP at 821-1571**

### Catholic Singles

**The Catholic Singles of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe will Sponsor a scripture study on Isaiah presented by Ben Baran. Sunday, April 18th, 2010. Place: Catholic Center in Albuquerque. Time: 1:30 p.m. Cost: \$3.00/person.** For more information and/or registration, call Family Life, 831-8117, in Albuquerque

**ALBUQUERQUE AFRICAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY**  
**Will celebrate its 18th Anniversary with Mass, SUNDAY, APRIL 18TH AT 12:00 Noon at the Catholic Center, 4000 St. Joseph Place. Please call 836-3627 for more information**

### The Wonder of Myself

A special one-day class for mothers and their adolescent daughters ages 10 to 12, designed to emphasize the beauty and gift of human sexuality. Self esteem, friendships, peer pressure, the physical and emotional changes of adolescence, reproductive systems, the menstrual cycle, reproductive hygiene, decision making, and chastity will be discussed in a relaxed and comfortable atmosphere.

**April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**Cost \$15.00 per person**

Call Family Life to Register 831-8117, Albuquerque

**A Day of Prayer for Women** 18 years and older on Saturday, April 24th. "OASIS" will take place at Villa Walsh, the mother house of the Filippini sisters in Morristown, New Jersey. For more information contact Sr. Joan DiRienzo at (718) 236-1560 or e-mail at oasis.mpf@gmail.com

Please join Archbishop Michael Sheehan and the Friends of the Friars for the **2nd Annual Fundraiser Matanza in Belen** (70 Andres Sanchez Rd.) on **Saturday, April 24th. 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** The proceeds will benefit the renovation of the new Albuquerque friary for the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal (CFRs). Food, Music, silent auction, and door prizes. **Advance tickets are \$25.00/Adults; \$10.00/Child.** For more information call 417-9669.

## St. Thomas Aquinas Ministries

**Altar & Rosary Society:** Saralee Wisner - 792-5516  
**Altar Servers:** Cindy Keaveny - 892-5649  
**Apostolate Our Lady of Fatima:** Gerri - 892-0414  
**BeFriender:** Gloria Hultine - 891-0388  
**Bereavement:** Mary Davidson - 892-9886 or  
Patricia Furlong 831-5428  
**Caring 4 Kids:** Victoria at 261-1488  
**Catholic Daughters of America:** Mary Chambers - 896-0256  
**Charismatic Prayer Group:** Nila Baker  
**Counseling Center:** 417-2467 or Dn. Tom Burns - 892-1511, ext. 113  
**Elizabeth Ministry:** Rhonda Neel - 899-3817  
**Eucharistic Adoration:** Ben & Gaylene Bitonel - (806) 676-0333  
**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**  
Doug & Karen Taylor - 896-7985  
**FAMILIA:** Phil & Cathy Casaus 890-3222  
**Finance Council:** 892-1511 ext.101  
**Home & Hospital Ministry:** Eileen Walling - 891-1775  
**Catholic Homeschoolers:** Andrea Bass - 323-9222  
**Girl Scouts:** Joyce Sypher - 896-1205  
**Holy Cross Association:** John & Penny Marselle - 400-7245  
**Knights of Columbus #6696:** William M. McCarty II - 681-0570  
**Lectors:** Maria Burns—771-2005  
**Life Teen Liturgical Coordinator:** Jeanette Mata - 250-5489  
**Natural Family Planning:** José & Elvira Guillén - 892-5783  
**Nursery:** Chanelle Leonhardt 239-2866  
**Parish Social Committee:** Debbie Hanko - 379-0561  
**Pastoral Council:** Coleen Maddy - 404-1392  
**Pre-Cana:** Michael & Michelle Beglau 270-6137  
**Public Affairs Committee:** Felicie Truscio - 891-1304  
**Respect Life:** Felicie Truscio 891-1304  
**Rosary Makers:** Jim Tauer - 896-6127 or Jane Ricci - 892-9260  
**Venture Scouting:** Mike Jacobs — 962-2126

**St. Peter's Men's Apostolic Ministry:** Brad Hayden, 890-3151  
**Usher/Greeter:** Deacon David Little 890-6574  
**Welcoming Team:** John & Mecki Kahrs - 890-6534  
**Young Adult Catholics:** Deacon Dave Little - 890-6574

## Crisis & Immediate Help

**Albuquerque Rape Crisis Center:** 266-7711  
**All Faith's Receiving Home:** 271-0329  
**Catholic Charities:** 724-4670  
**Child Abuse/Neglect:** 841-6100 or 1-800-797-3260  
**Haven House:** 896-4869 or 1-800-526-7157  
**Missing Children's Hotline:** 1-800-587-4357  
**National Runaway Switchboard:** 1-800-621-4000  
**S.A.F.E. House** 247-4219  
**Suicide Crisis Hotline:** 247-1121 or 266-7711

## Support & Other Groups

**AIDS Hotline:** 1-800-342-2437  
**Ala Teen or Al Anon:** 262-2177  
**Alcoholics Anonymous:** 266-1900  
**Birthright Rio Rancho:** 891-1430  
**Blue Star Mother:** 792-4552  
**Boy Scouts:** Cathy or Rick Dobbins at 896-2447  
**Children, Youth & Families:** 841-4482  
**Concerned for Disabled:** 892-6467  
**Consumer Credit Counseling:** 884-6601  
**Cub Scouts:** Bob Schick at firnum@aol.com  
**Gamblers Anonymous:** 260-9899  
**NAMI (Mental Illness):** Betty Rivera 867-1087 or Lee Stevens 792-8871  
**NM Commission for the Blind:** 841-8844  
**Overeaters Anonymous:** 896-1359  
**St. Felix Pantry:** 891-8075 - Food & Clothing Support  
**St. Thomas Aquinas Counseling Center:** 417-2467 or 892-1511 ext. 113  
**Society of St. Vincent de Paul:** 892-0526  
**United Way Information & Referral Help Line:** 247-3671  
**Venture Scouts:** Mike Jacobs 962-2126