

St. Thomas More Catholic Church

Sunday, May 17, 2026



*LA ASCENSIÓN
DEL SEÑOR*

*THE ASCENSION
OF THE LORD*

Pastor: Rev. Man Nguyen
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Deacons -

Deacon (RET) Timothy M Tate, Sr.
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Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 8:30am - 5:00pm
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St Thomas More Catholic School

Principal: Mrs. Kimberly Gutierrez

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HOME OF THE KNIGHTS

Mass

Saturday

8:00 am, 5:00 pm

Sunday

8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm (Esp.)

Monday - Thursday

8:00 am

Friday

8:00 am (STM School Mass)

Reconciliation

Saturday

3:30 - 4:45 pm or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday

After Mass until 5:00 pm

First Thursday of the month

Monthly English Holy Hour at 6:00 pm

Primer Viernes del Mes

La Hora Santa Mensual a las 7:00 pm

Gospel Meditation / Meditacion del Evangelio

Around holidays, people tend to look fondly back on past celebrations and romanticize old relationships. For some, remembering the past is the best part of their holiday. That is the image we get from the first reading as the apostles look up to heaven after the Ascension.

We too sometimes look at the great feasts of Christmas and Easter in that way. We may dwell on the beauty of the decorations, on the innocence of the baby Jesus, on the horror of his passion and death, or on the wonder of his resurrection. Then when the holy day is over, we go back to our normal routine. Perhaps we need an angel to chide us for "looking at the sky."

The angels were trying to tell the apostles two things. One was that Jesus would return as he left—in glory. This was not a time to say goodbye, but a time of hope; the Lord who had changed their lives so radically would change the world next.

The second thing the angels were telling them was to begin following Jesus' command to spread the Good News to all nations. Because of what the apostles accomplished, we are now Jesus' witnesses to the world. We too have the hope of seeing Jesus come in glory, even as we see him now with the eyes of faith.

-Tom Schmidt

Durante las fiestas, la gente suele recordar con cariño las celebraciones pasadas e idealizar las relaciones antiguas. Para algunos, recordar el pasado es la mejor parte de las fiestas. Esa es la imagen que obtenemos de la primera lectura, cuando los apóstoles miran al cielo después de la Ascensión.

Nosotros también a veces contemplamos las grandes fiestas de Navidad y Pascua de esa manera. Podemos reflexionar sobre la belleza de las decoraciones, sobre la inocencia del niño Jesús, sobre el horror de su pasión y muerte, o sobre la maravilla de su resurrección. Luego, cuando termina el día festivo, volvemos a nuestra rutina normal. Quizás necesitamos que un ángel nos reprenda por estar "mirando al cielo".

Los ángeles intentaban decirles a los apóstoles dos cosas. Una era que Jesús regresaría tal como se fue: en gloria. Este no era un momento para despedirse, sino un momento de esperanza; el Señor que había cambiado sus vidas tan radicalmente ahora cambiaría al mundo.

La segunda cosa que los ángeles les decían era que comenzaran a seguir el mandato de Jesús de difundir la Buena Nueva a todas las naciones. Gracias a lo que los apóstoles lograron, ahora somos testigos de Jesús ante el mundo. Nosotros también tenemos la esperanza de ver a Jesús venir en gloria, y mientras tanto lo vemos ahora con los ojos de la fe.

-Tom Schmidt

Stewardship

Sunday Collection	\$5752.75
Facilities	\$1150.31
STM School	\$5.00
Vigil Candles	\$294.07
Mass Intentions	\$10.00
VBS Donation	\$349.72
Cinco de Mayo Dance	\$75.00
Mothers Day Novena	\$95.00
Donations	\$465.00

Second Collection : May 23 & 24
STM School

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PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father,
From eternity You appointed Your only
begotten Son to be
the High Priest of the human race.
Pour forth Your Holy Spirit upon our
families,
that vocations to the priesthood may
be multiplied.

Lord Jesus, give us holy priests:
To offer up the sacrifice of the Mass;
To lead the little ones to You;
To strengthen the faith of believers;
To preach the Gospel to all peoples;
To bring forgiveness to sinners;
To feed souls the Bread of Life;
To comfort the suffering & dying, and
To spread Your Kingdom in our midst.
Mary, Mother of our High Priest,
pray for us and obtain for us an increase
of holy priests.
Amen



FIRST HOLY
Communion



Congratulations
To all who
received the
Sacrament of
Holy
Communion
this Weekend

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Scripture Readings
For the Week of May 17, 2026

Sunday Seventh Sunday of Easter
Acts 1:12-14; Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a

In those places where the observance of the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord has been transferred to the Seventh Sunday of Easter, the Mass and readings of the Ascension are used.

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Mt 28:16-20

Monday Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5 and 7; Jn 21:20-25

Sunday Pentecost Sunday
Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

Lecturas de las Escrituras
Para la Semana del 17 de Mayo de 2026

Domingo Séptimo Domingo de Pascua
He 1, 12-14; Sal 26, 1. 4. 7-8a; 1 Pd 4, 13-16; Jn 17, 1-11

En aquellos lugares donde la observancia de la Solemnidad de la Ascensión del Señor se ha trasladado al Séptimo Domingo de Pascua, se utilizan la Misa y las lecturas de la Ascensión.

He 1, 1-11; Sal 39, 2 y 4ab. 7-8a. 8b-9. 10; Ef 1, 17-23; Mt 28, 16-20

Lunes He 19, 1-8; Sal 67, 2-3ab. 4-5acd. 6-7ab; Jn 16, 29-33

Martes He 20, 17-27; Sal 67, 10-11. 20-21; Jn 17, 1-11

Miércoles He 20, 28-38; Sal 67, 29-30. 33-35a. 35bc-36ab; Jn 17, 11-19

Jueves He 22, 30; 23, 6-11; Sal 15, 1-2a y 5. 7-8. 9-10. 11; Jn 17, 20-26

Viernes He 25, 13-21; Sal 102, 1-2. 11-12. 19-20ab; Jn 21, 15-19

Sábado He 28, 16-20. 30-31; Sal 10, 4. 5 y 7; Jn 21, 20-25

Domingo Domingo de Pentecostés
He 2, 1-11; Sal 103, 1ab y 24ac. 29bc-30. 31 y 34; 1 Cor 12, 3b-7. 12-13; Jn 20, 19-23 o Jn 14, 15-16. 23b-26

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 16, 2026 -
Saturday 5:00 pm: **STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased**

Sunday, May 17, 2026 - The Ascension of the Lord
8:00 am †Harvey Gitan By Family
†Catalina Barrera By Barrera Family
†Paubla Escobedo By Barrera Family
Special Intention Cecilia Barrera By Barrera Family
Special Intention Linda Garcia By Barrera Family

10:00 am: †Tencha Martinez By Family

12:00pm † Lillian Vasquez & Juan Arredondo By Martha A
† Oscar Ortega By Laura Armijo
† Enterno decanso de Floriano Cisneros By Familia

Monday, May 18, 2026 - St. John I
8:00 am † Enterno decanso de Floriano Cisneros By Familia

Tuesday, May 19, 2026 -
8:00 am † Ruby Moreno By Barrera Family

Wednesday, May 20, 2026 - St. Bernardine of Siena
8:00 am †Alice Romero By Barrera Family

Thursday, May 21, 2026 -St. Christopher Magallanes
8:00 am Alice Logue special Intention By Barrera Family

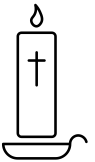
Friday, May 22, 2026 - St. Rita of Cascia
8:00 am † San Juana Elvia Reyes by Family

Saturday, May 23, 2026 -
8:00 am Special Intention Ashely Powell By Barrera Family
5:00 pm †Rebecca Perez By Richard and Dorothy Perez
†Thelma Joeris By Barrera Family
Special Intention Gloria Moreno By Barrera Family
Special Intention Ursula Villagomez By Barrera Family

Sunday, May 24, 2026 - Pentecost Sunday
8:00 am †Olga Charron

10:00 am **STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased**

12:00pm † Oscar Ortega By Laura Armijo
† Carlos Cardenas By Hernandez Family
† Huberto Valentine Hernandez By Hernandez Family



Liturgical Roles

Saturday, May 23, 2026

5:00 pm Altar Servers - Volunteers
Eucharistic Ministers- Dcn Tim, R.Saldiva, B.Trevino, T. Garza, R. Alvarado
Lector - T. Garza

Sunday, May 24, 2026

8 am Altar Servers - Max.Planchon
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rolando , E. Nunez, A. Garza , P. Klar, Y. Cione
Lector - Y. Cione

10 am Altar Servers -M. Pereida ,C. Lawson, M. Lawson
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Dennis , CDA
Lector -CDA

12 pm Altar Servers - S. Obregon, E. Ruiz,M. Gonzales
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Dennis , D+F Malacara, C.Hernandez, A. Chavez, H. Gomez , F. Hernandez

Lector - D+F Malacara



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