

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

Today is the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time. In the gospel reading from Matthew 5:17-37, Jesus explains that he has not come to abolish the laws given to the Israelites in the Torah, but to fulfill and complete them. He shows us that God's laws help us live more closely with God. By fulfilling the Law, Jesus encourages us to follow God's commandments and live with integrity, so we can one day share in God's kingdom.

Jesus also addresses important topics such as anger and murder, lust and adultery, divorce and remarriage, and the making of oaths.

The Law forbids murder, but Jesus goes further and warns against anger. The Law forbids adultery, but Jesus also warns against lustful thoughts. Through his life and teachings, Jesus shows us God's will, which goes beyond social and legal rules. He reveals God's laws written in our hearts. This is the truth we seek. By following God's laws, we can experience healing, forgiveness, and peace. We can then honor God and treat everyone with respect and dignity.

Let us pray that people everywhere continue to live by God's teachings and guidance. May we keep growing in God's ways and stay open to the wonderful things God reveals to us on our faith journey. May we always be grateful for the blessings and lessons God gives us through the Word and the Church, guided by the Holy Spirit. Amen.



ST. THOMAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Gassaway, West Virginia

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — A

FEBRUARY 15, 2026

Gospel

Matthew 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33

Jesus said to his disciples:
"I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

"You have heard that it was said to your ancestors,
You shall not kill; and whoever kills will be liable to judgment.

But I say to you,
whoever is angry with his brother
will be liable to judgment.

"You have heard that it was said,
You shall not commit adultery.
But I say to you,
everyone who looks at a woman with lust
has already committed adultery with her in his heart.



"Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors,
Do not take a false oath,
but make good to the Lord all that you vow.

But I say to you, do not swear at all.
Let your 'Yes' mean 'Yes,' and your 'No' mean 'No.'

Anything more is from the evil one."

Readings of the week:

Monday	Tuesday	Ash Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	1st Sunday of Lent
James 1:1-11	James 1:12-18	Joel 2:12-18	Deuteronomy 30:15-20	Isaiah 58:1-9a	Isaiah 58:9b-14	Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7
Psalms 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76	Psalms 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19	Psalms 51:3-6ab, 12-14 and 17 2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2	Psalms 1:1-4 and 6	Psalms 51:3-6ab, 18-19	Psalms 86:1-6	Psalms 51:3-6, 12-13, 17 Romans 5:12-19
Mark 8:11-13	Mark 8:14-21	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18	Luke 9:22-25	Matthew 9:14-15	Luke 5:27-32	Matthew 4:1-11

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Sharing God's Blessings

Date	Feb 7 + 8, 2026
Collection	185 & 1390
Missions in the U.S.	30
Mass Attendance	14 + 4 & 36

Thank you for your contribution

Liturgy Schedule
RISEN LORD CHURCH

SUNDAY MASS: **8:30am**
Liturgy Schedule

ST. THOMAS PARISH

ROSARY: Sunday 10:30a.m.

WEEKEND MASSES:

Sat: 4:00 p.m. (Sunday Vigil)
Sun: 11:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY: Tue & Wed: 4:00p.m.
Thu & Fri: 8:00a.m.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Every Tuesday at 4:00p.m.
 prior to Mass

RECONCILIATION:

- Any time 30 minutes before or after daily Mass, After Sunday Mass
- *Other days by appointment*

HAPPY BIRTH DAY

Dylan Cogar — Feb. 14
 Dot Shimko — Feb. 16

Ash Wednesday

February 18
 Mass & Distribution of Ashes 6:00 pm

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday at 6:00 pm
 beginning February 20

Rite of Election for Confirmation Candidates

Sunday, February 22 @ 3:00 pm
 at the Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Charleston, WV

Lenten Penance Service

Sunday, March 15, 2026
 Soup & Bread lunch after 11:00 Mass,
 followed by Penance Service
 with Fr. John Finnell and Fr. Dominic

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Vocation Views:

'You have heard that it was said...'
 Jesus challenges His disciples to a deeper embrace of His teachings. Embrace His teachings with your whole heart, mind and soul.

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Date	Readers	Bring up the Offertory Gifts	Extraordinary Ministers
February 15	Candy Teubert	Jane & Ford Dever	Freddie Friend/ Mac Bailes
February 18 Ash Wed. Mass	Pat McPherson	Kari & Fred Friend	Candy Teubert / Tom Teubert
February 22	Dot Shimko	Candy & Tom Teubert	Pat McPherson/ Fred Friend
March 1	Connie Moore	Harmans	Mac Bailes/ Westley Carpenter

RISEN LORD

FAMILY NIGHT

February 12, 2026



CCD

Sunday, February 15
 & February 22, 2026

OCIA

February 19, 2026
 at 2:30pm

**PARISH COUNCIL &
 FINANCE COUNCIL
 MEETING**

After today's Sunday Mass
 in Parish Hall

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

After Mass
 Sunday, February 22, 2026

Easter Flower donation —
 ongoing until Palm Sunday

Community Lenten Luncheons / Ecumenical Services 3/30 - 3/31 - 4/1 Locations and time TBA

Holy Thursday — April 2 — 6:00 pm
Washing of the Feet:
 Need 12 volunteers

Good Friday — April 3 — 6:00 pm

Holy Saturday/ Easter Vigil —
 April 4 — 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday — April 5 — 11:00 am
Easter Egg Hunt following Mass
 for the children



St. Thomas Food Pantry
Special Thanks!!!
to Benefactors & Volunteers
for St. Thomas Food Pantry
February 12, 2026:

Marian Agostino, Kathy Bronkhurst, Pat McPherson,
 Louise & Dale Elwood, Connie & John Moore,
 Candace & Tom Teubert, Kari Friend,
 Erica Mauldin, Scott Lazur, Michael Marcum,
 Dot Shimko, Rick Allen.

Your sacrifice and service made it possible for
 our brothers and sisters from **101** families and
20 Moms to experience the warmth of God's love and
 community love during this freezing weather.

*May God's abundant grace and blessings
 continue to pour upon you,
 your families and friends*

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