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Sharing God's Blessings

Date	Aug 16 & 17
Collection	205 + 1,127
Seminarians	22 + 155
Mass Attendance	9 & 13 + 44

Thank you for your contribution

Liturgy Schedule

RISEN LORD CHURCH

SUNDAY MASS: **8:30am**

Liturgy Schedule

ST. THOMAS PARISH

ROSARY: Sunday 10:30 a.m.

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 p.m (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY: Tue, Wed, Thu at 5:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 am

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Every Tuesday at 5:00 p.m.
 prior to Mass

RECONCILIATION:

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

HAPPY BIRTH DAY

Risen Lord

Ann Hall – Aug. 29

St. Thomas

Lindsay Harman – Aug. 25

Josh Porto – Aug. 25

Joshua McLaughlin – Aug. 29

Registration for Sunday School 2025-2026

We begin to have registration for the coming year Sunday School. Parents, please pick up the form at the back of the church and fill them out. Thank you very much for your kind cooperation !!!

Parish Picnic 2025

Parish Picnic will be in the Parish Hall on September 14, 2025. A **signup sheet** is in the Parish Hall.

CCD will start on this day and a Blessing will be done for the children during Mass.

Commissioning of Catechists will be during Mass on Catechetical Sunday, September 21, 2025.

OCIA 2025-2026

Will begin on **Sunday, September 7, 2025**

Special Collection for **Gaza Relief** on Sept. 6-7, 2025

*** CCD Teachers and/or part-time Teachers needed. A wonderful way to serve and learn. See Pat please !!!**

August 24th — 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vocation Views:

Will you help gather people to be a part of the reign of God? Pray to be open if God calls you to serve as priest, deacon, brother, or sister.

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Date	Readers	Bring up the Offertory Gifts	Extraordinary Ministers
August 24	Michael Duty	Candy & Tom Teubert	Tom Teubert/ Westley Carpenter
August 31	Dot Shimko	Jane & Ford Dever	Mac Bailes/ Beata Pawlowski
Sept. 7	Jennifer Knowles	Kari & Fred Friend	Candy Teubert & Jennifer Knowles
Sept. 14	Beata Pawlowski	Jane & Ford Dever	Pat McPherson & Westley Carpenter

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time—C

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today's Gospel is from Luke 13:22-30. The conversation from this passage took place when Jesus was on the way to Jerusalem, where he would ultimately offer himself to die for our salvation. There was a person from the crowd who asked Jesus, "Lord, are only a few people going to be saved?" Instead of telling how many people would be saved, Jesus invited the listeners to focus on each person's time and energy, gifts and talents, heart and mind, etc., to seek and work for God's kingdom. The kingdom is for those who persistently and earnestly strive to pursue it. Jesus also warned that those who ate, drank, and heard his preachings, but committed their lives to evil things, against God's teachings, and harming others, would not be able to enter into God's kingdom. However, the kingdom of God is open for all: "People will come from east and west and north and south, and will take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God," Jesus said.

Reflection

1. Are we making daily efforts to pray, learn, and live in God's teachings and blessings with each other, or are we often busy worrying about people's business?
2. Are we walking on the way to salvation?
3. Jesus walked to Jerusalem, just offering his life for salvation. Do we live in thanksgiving for the gift of salvation?
4. Do we experience joy and peace as we are trying to strive with our brothers and sisters around the world to walk and live with faith through the narrow gate to enter into God's kingdom?

SPECIAL RETREAT

As the Church continues to minister to **all survivors of abuse**, the Archdiocese of Washington is offering **retreats for survivors**.

The archdiocese will offer a **women's retreat** on **Sept. 19-21, 2025 and April 25 —26, 2026**.

In partnership with the Archdiocese of Atlanta, a **men's retreat** will be held **June 12-14, 2026**.

This retreat is an occasion for survivors to reflect on God's plan for their lives and for healing through prayer and the sacraments.

For more information go to <https://adw.org/the-way-retreat/>.

To register email: mcdonaldad@adw.org

JUBILEE 2025 17th Gathering of Catholic Men's Conference
HOPE September 13 2025
 12:00 - 1:00 PM Adoration
 Duquesne Un, Power Center, Pittsburgh PA 15282

- Dignity of All Persons - Respecting God's Gift
1:30 PM
- To Believe, To Hope, To Love - Augustine & Modern Man
2:30 PM
- Discipleship - Ground in Love - Never Disappoints
3:30 PM
- Endurance, Character, Hope - Mary as Our Model
4:30 PM (Mass)

Mark Hartfiel
 Michael Gormley
 Jon Leonetti
 Bishop Waltersheid Confessions 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Building Catholic Men's Groups in Our Communities
Join Men from Around the Diocese In Prayer, Planning, Faith-sharing, Networking

RSVP to
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Thank You, Thank You!!!
The Benefactors & Volunteers; Friends & Church Members
who helped to prepare the food packages
on Wednesday, August 13
and to share them
with 81 families at St. Thomas Catholic Church in Gassaway
on Thursday, August 14, 2025.

May God's richest blessings and grace
pour upon you, your families and friends.

