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Sharing God's Blessings	
Date	Collection
April 27&28	\$1050
By May 4, CSA 2024, we raised \$2765 (56%) Thanks for your support	

CCD Class, May 5th & 19th
Crowning a statue of Mother Mary
will be on May 5th
Children Mass will be on May 19

Walking with Moms in Need
The Pro-life mission doesn't end with saving babies from abortion. It is just the beginning. Women who choose life often need support during and after their pregnancies.
Walking with Moms in Need is a nationwide, parish-based initiative to increase support for pregnant and parenting mothers in need. Our parish established this ministry on April 7, 2024. If you would like to support us, the donation envelop is on vestibule, or donate diapers, baby wipes, baby clothes... Also, if you know some one need help, please introduce them to us as well.
Kari Friend: 304- 690-2001;
Kathy Frame : 304-644-6938;
Amber Green: 304- 678-5100,
Anita Lang: 304-880-8031.



LITURGY SCHEDULE
SATURDAY: 5:00 p.m
SUNDAY 11:00 a.m
WEEKDAY: Tue, Wed, Thu at 5:00 p.m.
Friday at 8:00 a.m
Every 1st Saturday at 9:00 a.m
Holy Day of Obligation at 6:00 p.m
EUCCHARISTIC 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

Mass Intentions for the Week
Saturday May 4
For Hellen Teets –Rq by Phil + Theresa

SUNDAY MAY 5TH
FOR PARISHIONERS OF ST. THOMAS

Tue May 7— MASS AT 8:00 a.m
For Mary Bailey Fisher
Rq by Phil + Theresa
Wednesday May 8- NO MASS
Thursday May 9- NO MASS

Fri May 10—For Hellen Evans
Rq by Phil + Theresa

St. Thomas Parish Yard Sale
We had a successful yard sale this week.
Thank you for your donation and hard works of many people.
We are going to have the second yard sale on May 16th, 17th and 18th From 9:00 a.m—3:00 p.m
We will need :
1) **Donated Items to Sell :** We will be accepting donations now. They can be dropped off, or **if you have a large quantity of items or aren't able to deliver them yourself, we can arrange for them to be picked up. Please give us a stuffs that's gently used in working condition...**
2) **Volunteers** - We will need people to help set up in hall, organize and price items.
3) **Customers** - Please pass the word along that we are having our yard sale this year.
Please contact Altar society or parish—Fr. Thien if you have any concerns. Thanks.

Greetings on this Sixth Sunday of Easter
Dear brothers and sisters,
This week (May 7-9) all the priests of the Diocese will gather with Bishop Mark Brennan at St. John XXIII Pastoral Center for our annual convocation. Our speaker will be Bishop Earl K. Fernandes of the Diocese of Columbus, Ohio. Please pray for us as we spend time in prayer, formation and friendship.
So, the Mass on Tuesday May 7 will be at 8:00 a.m and **THERE WILL BE NO MASS ON Wednesday and Thursday (May 8 & 9)**
It is during May that we highlight our devotion to the Blessed Mother Mary. Catholics renewing our devotion to Mary as the mother of God, looking to her as a model of perfect discipleship, and asking for her intercession with God on their behalf. We also are reminded that Christ gave us His mother from the Cross ***“Woman, behold your son, Son beholds your mother.” (John 19: 26-29),*** and we know that she brings all our cares and worries directly to her Son (think of her words at the Wedding Feast at Cana *“Do whatever He tells you”*).
The ways Mary is honored in May is as varied as the people and cultures which honor her, but one we hold in common is pray the Rosary. At our parish, we pray Rosary before Sunday Mass all year round, but during May, our church is going to pray the Rosary at 10:30 a. m before every Sunday Mass at Mother Mary’s shrine if the weather permits.
Also, “May Crowning” is a traditional Catholic ritual that occurs in the month of May and recognizes Mary as Queen of heaven and earth. May Crowning Day, a wreath of flowers is placed on the statue of Mary. The act of crowning is rooted in the view of Mary as the Queen of Heaven. Crowning a statue of Mother Mary will be on May 5th at our parish.
I pray that you have your families and children be familiar with the Blessed Virgin Mary, to pray Rosary, to help them recognize and turn to Mary as their Heavenly Mother, who fulfills the role of mother perfectly.
~ Fr. Thien



Food Pantry— Help Wanted!
Pick up at Mountaineer Food Bank at 1:00 p.m
Unload + Prepacked
1:45 p.m. on May 8
Distribute
on May 9, 2024
from 9:00 a.m. —12:00 a.m.
There will be about 9000 lb of food to unload and distribute!

Hey Kids! It's time for C.A.M.P 2024!
C.A.M.P. Wade
(Catholic Awareness Midsummer Program) is scheduled **for July 28 - August 3, 2024.**
Please mark your calendars. We look forward to seeing you at this fun, faith-filled week at the Diocesan Camp Property, the old Camp Tygart property, in Huttonsville. Applications are available now. If you are also interested in serving as a volunteer for C.A.M.P., and / or have other questions, please contact Deacon Raymond in the St. Brendan Parish Office, 636-0546, or on his cell number, 304- 642-2279.
The application is at the vestibule.

CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL!
Catholic Sharing Appeal Thanks to the generosity of those who have supported the CSA over the years, we’ve been able to ensure the support needed to enliven our parishes, support our Catholic schools, and expand outreach efforts is there when we need it most. You can contribute by sending your check in to the diocese, or just using the envelopes at vestibule and drop it the envelopes into the collection basket. (But please make all checks out to the Catholic Sharing Appeal.) and St. Thomas in the memo You may also contribute through the DWC Website.
Remember, everything over 50% of our goal comes right back to us!
Last year, CSA helped our food pantry \$10,000; our parish \$5000 for the floor of the Rectory and help Risen Lord Food Pantry \$12,000. **By May 4, CSA 2024, we raised \$2765 (56%) of our goal \$4920.**
Thanks for your support!



Risen Lord
Food Pantry on
April 25
We served 240
Families with
about 16,000 lb
of food
**Thanks all
Volunteers
And
Benefactors**



**At St. Thomas
Yard Sale
Will be on**

**May 2nd,
3rd & 4th
&
May 16th,
17th & 18th**



***"Rivers do not drink their own water;
trees do not eat their own fruit;
the sun does not shine on itself and
flowers do not spread their fragrance
for themselves. Living for others is a
rule of nature. We are all born to help
each other. No matter how difficult it
is...life is good when you are happy;
but much better when others are
happy because of you."* Pope Francis**



**St. Thomas
Food Pantry
on
April 11
We served 103
families.

**Thanks all
Volunteers

And
Benefactors****

