Mission Statement
We are a Catholic family, living our awareness of Christ's presence through 
worship, service, evangelization and community for the benefit of all.

Advent Wreath Prayer
Third Sunday of Advent
(light three candles)

Many families do the lighting of the candles at the main meal in the evening. A suggested prayer for the candle lighting for the third week of Advent is:

Three Candles are Lit
As we draw near You, Lord God, keep us aware of Your presence in all we do. Come with power to enlighten us by Your grace, that we may live in praise and peace all our days. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.”
For Your Information…

New to Saint Thomas Parish?
Being a member means celebrating and making a commitment to Jesus Christ. If you are new to Crystal Lake, or if you have not yet become a member of Saint Thomas, we encourage you to consider joining our community in worship and ministry.

Sacrament of Baptism
Celebrated every Sunday at 1:00 PM. Class, which is held once a month, is required. Parishioners are asked to please call the Parish Secretary at the Parish Office at (815)455-5400 extension 400 to schedule both the Class and Baptism dates. Please note that baptisms are not held during Lent.

Sacrament of Reconciliation—Oak Street Church
Every Saturday, 8:00 AM to 8:45 AM; 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM, Every Monday at 5:30 pm, or anytime by appointment.

Sacrament of Confirmation
Confirmation is celebrated in our parish by the Bishop of the Diocese. There is a two-year preparation for youth 8th grade or older. Contact the Youth Ministry office at (815)455-9037.

Sacrament of Marriage
Couples planning to marry are encouraged to make arrangements at least six months prior to the wedding date. Please contact the Pastoral Center at (815)455-5400 extension 400.

Adult Christian Initiation
If you are interested in RCIA, (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) or learning more about the Catholic Faith tradition, please contact Father Akan Simon at the Pastoral Center (815) 455-5400, ext. 403. Adults interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation can call the Pastoral Center (815)455-5400.

Marian Prayer Group
The rosary is prayed every morning in our Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 7:00 am after Mass. Our Saturday devotion concentrates on our Blessed Mother of Medjugorje with meditation prayer and rosary.

Eucharistic Adoration
Pews in the Holy Hearts Chapel can accommodate approximately 30 people at one time; Every one can come and adore during the hours of 6:00 am to 10:00 pm—Chapel will be open; Security cards will be needed to enter during the hours of 10:00 pm to 6:00 am; If you wish to apply for a security card, please stop in at the Parish Offices to pick up the form; Any questions, please contact adorationchapel@saintthomascatholicchurch.org.

Saint Thomas the Apostle School
Saint Thomas the Apostle School is a Catholic Pre-3 through 8th grade elementary school serving both the parish communities of Saint Thomas the Apostle and Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton. Every student in our Catholic school receives a strong foundation in all core subjects – Religion, Reading, English, Math, Science, and Social Studies, along with regular classes in Spanish, Computer Technology, Music, Art and Physical Education. For more information, contact Gina Houston, principal at (815)459-0496.

Religious Education Classes
Weekly classes are held for pre-schoolers through 6th grade on Tuesday & Wednesday, from mid-fall through April. Preparation for First Eucharist and First Reconciliation is also given under the direction of the Director of Religious Education. For more information on the program, please contact Charlotte Kolodzik at (815) 455-9787.

Junior High & High School Youth Ministry
We offer many opportunities for faith, fun and service. All youth are welcome! For more information, contact Joshua Goodman, Youth Minister, or Lisa Kendzior (Junior High) in the Office of Youth Ministry at (815)455-9037.

Weekly Bulletin Articles
All articles for the Sunday Weekly Bulletin must be turned in Friday, (9 days previous) for consideration of publication in the following Sunday bulletin. Articles should be typed for legibility and accuracy. Insertions may run for a maximum of two weeks consecutively. Please contact Donna Kothera, Parish Secretary, at (815)455-9787.

Hispanic Ministry
Father William Tunarosa offers ministry to the Hispanics of our Parish and of this area. Sunday Masses for the Hispanic are at 9:30 am AND 11:30 am in our Church on Pierson Street. Mass on Thursday evening is at 7:30 pm, AND on Saturday evening at 7:00 pm. Father’s office number 815-356-0860. To schedule baptisms, please call Father Tunarosa at 815-356-0860.
Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

May the coming King guide and strengthen you this week!

Two ne’er-do-wells were both converted by the same means. A wounded soldier asked for some reading to pass the time in bed. He wanted romance novels; he was given the lives of the saints. Another young man was sitting in a park, and he heard children chanting “take and read, take and read!” He did. The first was St. Ignatius of Loyola, the second, St. Augustine of Hippo.

Well did St. Josemaria say, “Do not neglect your spiritual reading. Reading has made many saints!”

After the nightly examination of conscience and the morning offering, the next apostolic habit is spiritual reading. Perhaps if you and I lived in monasteries, where everyone is a faithful disciple, and the environment is so Catholic that we may simply listen to those around us and imitate them, perhaps in that situation, we could live without spiritual reading. Alas! Such is not our situation. We live in the world. We have the media with its talking heads. If we spend time listening to them, we must spend time also listening to Christ.

The choice of reading material, and the time spent, will vary from person to person, vocation to vocation, situation to situation. For our purposes, I have in mind the busy parent and professional, who, because of their busy-ness, needs this time more than anyone. The rest of us can adapt and enhance.

As for material, go to the Little Way, and choose something pleasant. This should, in general, be an enjoyable exercise, one to which you can look forward each day. For daily reading, my personal favorite is In Conversation with God by Fr. Fernandez. It offers a couple of pages per day. St. Francis De Sales wrote many letters to wives and mothers on how to be holy in their vocation. Some editions of the New Testament have dates in them, so that you can read a few verses each day. There’s so much out there.

As for amount of time, do not worry, as a beginner, you need not spend more than 5 or 10 minutes in this exercise. But put iron bars around those sacred minutes, and make sure they are undisturbed. Before starting, pray something like, “Come, Holy Spirit, speak to me through these words. Help me read between the lines. Mary Immaculate, who pondered the word in your heart, help me do the same,” and start.

When the time comes to a close, do what I am tempted to do when I walk through a beautiful garden. Pick a flower! I bet there was a line, or a phrase, in your reading that struck you. Pick it! Don’t leave your reading without it!

Soon, you will find life become, if not easy, at least more meaningful. You will catch yourself randomly quoting what you heard to someone in need, making their day. The gift of tongues will come alive in you! Until next week, know that I remain

Yours in the Heart of Christ,

Fr. Evans
**Mass Intentions**

Monday, December 17, 2018
6:30 AM (Oak)  +The Souls of the Faithful Departed
8:30 AM (Oak)  +Tango DouDou Christophe
               Tammy Kohls (Special Intention)

Tuesday, December 18, 2018
6:30 AM (Oak)  +Mr. and Mrs. Halecki
8:30 AM (Oak)  +The Souls of the Faithful Departed

Wednesday, December 19, 2018
6:30 AM (Oak)  +Family of Larry Fortier
7:50 AM (Pierson)  +Aida Guss
                  +Anto Nikic

Thursday, December 20, 2018
6:30 AM (Oak)  +The Souls of the Faithful Departed
8:30 AM (Oak)  +Eugene Baseggi
               +Jerome Kriva

Friday, December 21, 2018
6:30 AM (Oak)  +Dorothy Hill
               +Carol Grivett
8:30 AM (Oak)  +Nicki Fues
               +Joseph and Gertrude Dougherty

Saturday, December 22, 2018
7:30 AM (Oak)  +Jay and Michelle Locascio
               +Emily Gawerecki
4:30 PM (Oak)  +Johannetta Millot

Sunday, December 23, 2018
7:30 AM (Oak)  +Margaret R. Perrone
9:00 AM (Oak)  +Gary Valentine
               +Wayne Macklin
10:30 AM (Oak) The People of St. Thomas the Apostle
               Parish, Living and Deceased
12:00 PM (Oak) +John and Betty Sexton
               +Kay Swiatek
5:30 PM (Oak)  +Agnes Sophia Black
               (child of Robert and Lydia Black)

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday:  Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17;
         Mt 1:1-17
Tuesday:  Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19;
         Mt 1:18-25
Wednesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab,
          16-17; Lk 1:5-25
Thursday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38
Friday:  Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a;
        Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45
Saturday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56
Sunday:  Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19;
        Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

Please pray for all those in our Parish who are sick:
Bill Genzler  Rhett Chance
Mary Stanley  Matthew Padera
Nancy Doyle  Margaret Lucchetti
Tim Hicklin

Please pray for the following members of our community who will marry soon:
Colin Slack and Sarah Cormier (II)

**ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES**
DEDICATED FOR THE PERIOD
Through December 22, 2018
Dorsch Family  Richie Family
Nett Family  Waggoner Family

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED CATHOLIC**

**CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS 2018**
We are accepting monetary donations for flowers for our Church altar during the Christmas Season. The suggested donation is $10 or more. Please place in an envelope marked, “Christmas Flower Donations 2018,” no later than December 17. Please place envelope in the Sunday collection basket or drop off at the Parish Office, with your name and address. Thank you for helping to beautify our Churches during this Christmas Season.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED CATHOLIC**

Agnes Sophia Black
(child of Robert and Lydia Black)

**WEDDING BANNS**
Please pray for the following members of our community who will marry soon:
Colin Slack and Sarah Cormier (II)

The Parish Center Office will be closed:
Saturday, December 22, 2018
Sunday, December 23, 2018 (Oak Office)
Monday, December 24, 2018
Tuesday, December 25, 2018

Merry Christmas!
CHRISTMAS CONFESSION SCHEDULE
We are offering special Communal Penance Services to help everyone make a good, holy Confession to prepare for the Feast of Christmas.

Communal Penance Services will be
- **Tuesday, December 18**, at St. Thomas the Apostle Oak St. Church at 7:00 pm;
- **Wednesday, December 19**, at St. Margaret Mary Church in Algonquin at 7:00 pm;

**Individual Confessions here at St. Thomas Oak Street Church will be on:**
- **Monday, December 17**, from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm;
- **Thursday, December 20**, from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm;
- **Saturday, December 22**, from 8:00 am to 9:00 am; and 3:00 pm to 4:15 pm.

(This concludes our Confession Schedule)

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE
**Oak Street Church**

**Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24th**
- (No 6:30 am and 8:30 am Masses)
  - 4:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m., and 7:30 p.m. (in Church)
  - (Mass also at 4:00 p.m. in the Community Center)
  - Caroling at 11:30 p.m.
  - Midnight Mass (12:00 a.m.)

**Note:** Hispanic Mass will be at the Oak St. Church at 9:00 pm on Christmas Eve.

**Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25th**
- 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 12:00 p.m.
  - (No 5:30 p.m. Mass)

**Note:** Hispanic Mass on Christmas Day will be at the Pierson St. Church at 11:00 am.

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CELEBRATE THE SEASON WITH MUSIC
Please join us as we celebrate our faith through song at our **Music Ministry Concert at the Oak St. Church**. The Concert will provide a variety of Advent and Christmas selections and sing-a-longs!

**Friday, December 21, 2018—7:00 pm**
- **Traditional Concert**
  - (Music provided by the 9:00 am Choir, Handbells, Children’s Choir and Contemporary Ensemble)

  (Cookie reception following in the Community Room)

CD RACK
Oak St. Church
Our CD Rack in the Narthex at the Oak St. Church has a variety of CDs for you to purchase. Please take a moment after Mass and look over the selection. These make wonderful gifts for Christmas and other occasions. Cost is $4.00 per CD.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIALIZE
Would you like to memorialize your loved one in a special way? Please consider sponsoring one of our brass or string players in honor/memory of a loved one at one of our Christmas Masses or at the Christmas Concert. The bulletin or concert program will have the memorial to your loved one, e.g. “The instrumentalist at our 9:00am Mass was sponsored by the Smith Family in honor of John Smith”. The fee for an instrumentalist is $100 per Mass. If you are interested in memorializing your loved one please contact Julie Hermann at 815-455-5400 x416 for more information.
¡REGOCÍJATE!

El día de hoy se le ha llamado tradicionalmente “Domingo Gaudete” o de la “Alegría”. El nombre latino se deriva de la petición de Pedro en la segunda lectura de “alégrense siempre en el Señor”, y del texto de la Misa en latín en el que está basada esta lectura. La ironía y paradoja de esta alegría cristiana se manifiesta en el hecho que Pablo escribió esas palabras en la prisión. Pero desde allí podía ver el progreso de la obra de Dios.

¿Nos parece obvio a nosotros? Sentimos que este no es un tiempo para la alegría cuando hay tanto sufrimiento e inmoralidad. Es interesante, entonces, que la primera lectura sea del profeta Sofonías, que está casi exclusivamente preocupado con sombrías visiones del Día del Juicio. Hoy la Iglesia selecciona la única parteoptimista de Sofonías, donde el profeta es tocado por el espíritu del gozo. Esta es, se nos asegura en todas partes, “la temporada de la alegría”. Recuperemos ese espíritu de alegría en nuestra vida y que se refleje en los que no tienen ese gozo.

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HORARIO POSADAS
Sábado 15 de Diciembre 6:00 pm
Domingo 16 de Diciembre 6:00 pm
Lunes 17 de Diciembre 7:30 pm
Martes 18 de Diciembre 7:30 pm
Miércoles 19 de Diciembre 7:30 pm
Jueves 20 de Diciembre 6:00 pm
Viernes 21 de Diciembre 7:30 pm
Sábado 22 de Diciembre 6:00 pm
Domingo 23 de Diciembre 6:00 pm

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA
Lunes: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Sal 72 (71):1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17
Martes: Jer 23:5-8; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25
Miércoles: Jue 13:2-7, 24-25a; Sal 71 (70): 3-4a, 5-6ab,16-17; Lc 1:5-25
Jueves: Is 7:10-14; Sal 24 (23):1-6; Lc1:26-38
Sábado: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lc 1:46-56
Domingo: Mt 5:1-4a; Sal 80 (81):2-3, 15-16, 18-19;Heb 10:5-10; Lc 1:39-45

EL DOMINGO 23 DE DICIEMBRE-6:00 PM
Parroquia Santo Tomás Pierson St.
¡Ven y vive más profundamente esta época de Navidad con tus hermanos del Coro Santo Tomás, Coro Misionero y El Coro de la Misa del Sábado a las 7:00 pm!

Horario Misas de Navidad y Año Nuevo
24 de Diciembre 9:00 pm. Misa de Víspera de Navidad Parroquia St. Tomás Oak St.
25 de Diciembre 11:00 am. Misa de Navidad Parroquia St. Tomás Pierson St.
31 de Diciembre 7:00 pm. Misa de Víspera de Año Nuevo St. Tomás Pierson St.
1 de Enero 11:00 am. Misa en Honor a María Madre de Dios St. Tomás Pierson St.
FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY
Begins Monday, January 14, 2019
For 9 weeks
If you want to reduce stress, strengthen your marriage and get the financial traction that can give you opportunities to pay your bills with confidence, save for your future, and give like no one else, please consider joining our next Financial Peace University (FPU) class. FPU is a 9 week course that walks you through many aspects of financial prudence, including budgeting, saving, paying down debt, insurance, and more. The St. Thomas class starts on Monday January 14th, 2019.

Hope to see you there! For more details please call, text, or email Mark Hryniewicz at 815-355-2774 (mark.hryniewicz@bairdwarner.com) or go right to the website and register (daveramsey.com). It is best to contact me directly and I can send you a link for the class and you will receive a discount on the materials.

2019 JUNIOR HIGH SUMMER CAMP
Registration for our 2019 Junior High Summer Camp is now open! All who are currently in grades 6-8 are invited to attend our summer camp themed, Into the Deep.

Camp is four days (three nights) of games, swimming, rock climbing, archery and so much more all while growing in faith. More details can be found on the Youth Ministry website: stthomascl.church/ym.

Tuesday, January 1, 2019
Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
Mother of God
World Day of Peace
New Year’s Day
Holy Day of Obligation
for all Catholics

The schedule of Masses for the Holy Day at the Oak St. Church is:
  Monday, December 31, 2018:
    4:00 pm
    5:30 pm
    (note: 5:30 pm confessions will not be held)
  Tuesday, January 1, 2019:
    9:00 am
    10:30 am
    (note: the 6:30 am and 8:30 am morning Masses will not be held)
THANK YOU

The Knights of Columbus Fr. McCormick Council #3880 thanks St Thomas the Apostle Parish for their support of the Council’s Advent wreath and Christmas tree sales. Because of your support the Council will be giving away more money to local charities this year than we have in the past. The Council also thanks Father Evans as well as our chaplain Father Simon for their support. The Knights of Columbus wish you all a blessed Christmas season. Merry Christmas!

CAN YOU HELP?

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AT THE CRYSTAL LAKE FOOD PANTRY

As one of their many activities, the Knights of Columbus Council #3880 volunteer at the Crystal Lake Food Pantry (42 East St., Crystal Lake) on the third Thursday of each month from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. The Knights are in need of more volunteers (age 16 and older) to assist them. The 2019 dates are: January 17, February 21, March 21, April 18, May 16, June 20, July 18, August 15, September 19, October 17, November 21, and December 19. If you would like to sign up to help the Knights, please go to the webpage: www.stthomascl.church/kofcfoodpantry. Thank you your help and assistance.

NEXT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5, 2019
7:30 A.M. TO 12:30 P.M.
COMMUNITY CENTER, OAK ST. CHURCH
Call John Orso, Jr. at 815-477-1048

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL POLISH DINNER
SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 2019
Doors open at 6:00 pm
Dinner served at 6:30 pm

Mówimy Po Polsku?? Well, get your Polish ready St. Thomas! It’s that time again. The Annual Fr. McCormickski Knights of Columbus Council 3880 Polish Dinner is coming. Every year we fill the Community Center and have a great time. We’re getting ready to serve up all of the scrumptious Beef Barley Mushroom soup, Roast Pork, Polish Sausage, Pierogi, Golabki, Kopytka, Bigos and Blintzes plus a dessert table. Entertainment will include Polinia Dance Ensemble and live music. Doors open at 6:00 pm.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, January 12th and get your tickets ASAP. Find a Knight after mass or call Matt Carzoli at 815-216-1391.

Prices are $20.00 per adult and $10.00 per child under 12. Tickets will go on sale starting at the Knights breakfast on December 16. "Nie będzie późno"

GRADE R.E. CLASSES

Grade R.E. Classes will not be held December 18/19 through January 8/9. Classes will resume on January 15/16.

R.E. Family Catechesis Classes will be held on Wednesday, January 16. Wishing you and yours a very blessed Christmas and New Year.

Time - Talent - Treasure

Thank you for your generosity to Our Lord and to your Parish

Our Parish Income (Oak St. Church) for Sunday, December 9, 2018 was $49,609.25
Our Parish Income (Pierson St. Church) for Sunday, December 9, 2018 was $3,135.00

Our Parish Income (Oak St. Church) for Immaculate Conception Holy Day was $5,402.00
Our Parish Income (Pierson St. Church) for Immaculate Conception Holy Day was $662.00

Our Parish Tithe this week will go to St. Joseph Church in UmonOkon, Nigeria (Father Simon’s Church).

CHILDREN AND MONEY: Too often we fail to understand that Christian instruction about money is one of the best opportunities we have to teach our children about God’s love for us, and his ownership of all things. The way we use money is the extension of our personal characteristics. By teaching our children the Christian use of money, affording them control of money and the need to make decisions about money, we also confront them with the meaning of discipleship and Christian stewardship.
Parish Calendar
Third Sunday of Advent, December 16, 2018
Knights of Columbus Breakfast with Santa
9:00 AM R.C.I.A. Class (Oak St. Church)
10:00 AM R.C.I.A. Class (Lower Level-Oak St. Church)

Monday, December 17, 2018
10:00 AM Monday Bible Study (Lower Level-Oak Church)
10:30 AM MMP Rosary Group (Pierson St. Church)
5:30 PM to 6:30 PM Confessions (Oak St. Church)

Tuesday, December 18, 2018
No R.E. Classes
7:00 PM Reason to Believe (Lower Level-Oak St. Church)
7:00 PM Communal Penance Service (St. Margaret Mary Church, Algonquin)

Thursday, December 20, 2018
3:30 PM to 4:30 pm Confessions (Oak St. Church)

First Friday, December 21, 2018
St. Peter Canisius
9:00 AM St. Monica Guild (Lower Level– Pierson Church)
7:00 PM Traditional Choir Concert (Oak St. Church)
8:00 PM Concert Reception (Community Room)

Saturday, December 22, 2018
Parish Center Office Closed
8:00 AM to 9:00 AM Confessions (Oak St. Church)
8:00 AM Women’s Endow Group (Parish Library)
8:15 AM Men’s Saturday Group (Lower Level-Oak Church)
3:00 PM to 4:15 PM Confessions (Oak St. Church)
Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 23, 2018
Oak St. Church Office Closed
NO Coffee and Donuts /NO R.C.I.A.

Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24th
(No 6:30 am and 8:30 am Masses)
4:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m., and 7:30 p.m. (in Church)
(Mass also at 4:00 p.m. in the Community Center)
Carol at 11:30 p.m.
Midnight Mass (12:00 a.m.)
Note: Hispanic Mass will be at the Oak St. Church at 9:00 pm on Christmas Eve.

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Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25th
7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 12:00 p.m.
(Note 5:30 p.m. Mass)
Note: Hispanic Mass on Christmas Day will be at the Pierson St. Church at 11:00 am.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES Sat./Sun. December 22 and 23, 2018

Altar Servers:
4:30 PM: H. Benard, M. Bucci, C. Dunlea, A. Smith
7:30 AM: A. Kobeluch, L. Schaffer, W. Standley, L. Tabat
9:00 AM: T. Dolter, J. Hronick, D. Hronick, A. Tinkham
10:30 AM: O. Arza, A. Krallitsch, E. Piemont, I. Pollastrini
12:00 PM: A. Arliskas, M. Carzoli, B. Telmanik, F. Wolff
5:30 PM: K. Piwnicki, L. Polston, D. Sankot, J. Simms

Lectors:
4:30 PM: T. Hicklin, B. Blazier
7:30 AM: E. Schaffer, B. Williams
9:00 AM: M. Chmiel, T. Walters
10:30 AM: B. Tuszyński, T. Harold
12:00 PM: Mike Jasinski, S. Reckamp
5:30 PM: N. Carpenter, P. Godfrey

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:
4:30 PM: #1 R. Heuel, #2 Volunteer Needed, M. Caliendo, D. Dunlea, B. Flynn, B. Frey, V. Hill, G. Marmol, S. Smith, 1 Volunteer Needed
7:30 AM: #1 F. Moczułowski, #2, M. Turk, C. Clark, V. DeLance, M. Genzler, A. Kumar, M. Przybylski, D. Schaffer, P. Slowey, L. Tevyaw
10:30 AM: #1 J. Arza, #2 J. Pollastrini, R. Ellis, J. Fedyski, M. Johnson, M. Klepitsch, K. Krallitsch, C. Krambeer, J. Thompson, T. Tumer
12:00 PM: #1 J. Majewska, Sister Appolonia, H. Wilkinson, 1 Volunteer Needed
5:30 PM: #1 I. Carlino, C. Benkert, J. Ladd, Jr., D. Talaga

Celebrants: Mon., Dec. 17, 2018 thru Dec. 22, 2018
12-17-18: 6:30 am Fr. Evans; 8:30 am Fr. Simon
12-18-18: 6:30 am Fr. Evans; 8:30 am Fr. Simon
12-19-18: 6:30 am Fr. Koutnik; 7:50 am Fr. Simon
12-20-18: 6:30 am Fr. Koutnik; 8:30 am Fr. Simon
12-21-18: 6:30 am Fr. Koutnik; 8:30 am Fr. Evans
12-22-18: 7:30 am Fr. Koutnik

Celebrants— December 22 and 23, 2018
4:30 PM   Father Akan Simon
7:30 AM   Father Jerome Koutnik
9:00 AM   Father Jerome Koutnik
10:30 AM  Father John Evans
12:00 PM  Father John Evans
5:30 PM   Father Akan Simon
Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church
451 W. Terra Cotta Avenue (Route 176 & Oak St.)
Crystal Lake, Illinois  60014

St. Thomas Pierson St. Church:  
453 Pierson Street, Crystal Lake, IL

Saint Thomas the Apostle Pastoral Office:  
272 King Street  
Crystal Lake, Illinois  60014  
Office Telephone:  815-455-5400  
Fax — 815-455-2733

Web-Site  
www.saintthomascatholicchurch.org

Pastoral Center (272 King St.):  
Monday - Thursday:  8:00 AM to 8:00 PM  
Friday - 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM  
Saturday:  9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Oak St. Church Office (in Parish Library) Hours:  
Sunday  8:30 AM - 1:30 PM  
Office Telephone:  815-455-5400

Mass Schedule:  
Daily Mass:  6:30 AM (Oak Street)  
8:30 AM (Oak Street—Mon/Tues/Thurs/Friday)  
7:50 AM (Pierson St.—Wednesday)  
Sunday:  7:30 AM (Oak Street)  
4:30 PM (Oak Street)  
12:00 PM, 5:30 PM (Oak Street)

Spanish Mass (Pierson St. Church):  
Thursday — 7:15 pm  
Saturday — 7:00 pm  
Sunday — 9:30 am and 11:30 am

Reconciliation:  
Every Saturday (Oak St. Church):  
8:00 AM—8:45 AM and 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM  
Every Monday:  5:30 pm – 6:30 pm (Oak St. Church)  
or anytime by appointment

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING COUPLE:  
ALFONSO (815-236-7905) and MARGARITA (815-245-5427) MARTINEZ (NFP.FOXYVALLEY@GMAIL.COM)

LITTLE CHRISTOPHER RESALE SHOPPE:  
469 LAKE STREET, CRYSTAL LAKE, IL  
(815) 459-9442

ST. THOMAS OUTREACH:  
469 LAKE STREET, CRYSTAL LAKE, IL  
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