

Save these Dates!

- **Nov. 11 & 12 - Ministry Fair**

After each service in Parish Halls 1, 2, 3

Check out all the ministries offered at St. Thomas and how you can get involved to help serve. Signup sheets will be available to join a ministry or get more info, and if you are already involved in a ministry be sure to sign up again—there will be a raffle for prizes!

If you are a leader, please contact Jean Adam 913-530-9097 or jean_adam2004@yahoo.com or fill out the Google form included in a recent email or the QR code on right—so we will know if you need a table.



Live out our St. Thomas mission - “Come, Serve, Grow -Make a Difference.”

- **Nov. 12 - Newcomer Lunch**

After the 11:00 service in the Assembly Rm

All new members and visitors are invited to attend a lunch to learn *more about St. Thomas and we can learn more about you.* If you can attend the lunch, please contact Linda Bemis 913-220-8246 cell or lsbemis@comcast.net.

- **Annual Cookie Sale**

Saturday, December 2 in the Parish Hall

Children & Youth

- **Celebrating Our Children & Youth!**

Congratulations to Sean Sullivan whose soccer team got first in their league this season!!

We know your kiddos are up to GREAT THINGS! We want to hear and celebrate with them! Please brag away! Email any special news about your child or youth to Barbara—bmccall@stthomasop.org or Kelly—kdemo@stthomasop.org so that we may add it to our news!

Sunday Morning Christian Education

- **Adult Forum**

Class will not meet on November 5

- **Christian Education for Children & Youth**

On Nov. 5, 9:00am: PreK thru 5th—make Thanksgiving placemats & Crafts; 6th thru 8th—meet with Deacon Fran; The Giving Project will not meet this Sunday.

Special Advent Programs

- **Advent Candlelight Luncheons**

December 6, 13, and 20 from 12-1pm

Did you know each candle of an Advent wreath represents a different aspect of our faith journey? Join Mother Kelly every Wednesday of Advent at noon for a light lunch and a deep dive into the meaning of Advent. We will use a short video series and have time for good conversation.

Altar Flowers

Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and...



* *In loving memory of Suzanne Manoogian Lehnertz. She listened to her heart above all the other voices—from Jay Lehnertz*

* *In memory of Dan Goetz—from Jim and Carole Dykes*

Sign up via the QR code or by entering your name on the flower chart outside the church office.



November 4 & 5 All Saints and Stewardship Weekend

Saturday, 5:30pm

Sunday, 10:00am (one service only)

A Chili Feed will follow each service, and after the 10:00 Sunday service we will have a Balloon Artist for the young ones.

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- 9:00am: Children/Youth Sun School
5-8pm: Parish Hayride, Sharpe's in Bucyrus—You can still register with the QR on right!



Children's Chapel: (geared toward ages 3-10) is available during the Sunday service.

Nursery Care: for children ages 6 mon. thru 4 years on Sundays. However, we are experiencing a staffing transition, so this service may be unavailable. Please see the nursery door or bulletin board for information about Nursery availability, and remember, *all of God's Children at any age are welcome in our worship services!*

All services are live-streamed and available to watch afterward on www.youtube.com/c/stthomasop and www.facebook.com/stthomasop

Daylight Savings Time starts Sun, Nov 12
Set your clocks back an hour the night before!

Outreach at St. Thomas

• Food Pantry at Comanche

2nd Saturdays—Nov 11, 11:30am—2pm
Comanche Elementary, 8200 Grant Ave, OPKS



Scan the QR for more info and volunteer signups.
A link is also found in your weekly email.

• Provide a Thanksgiving Meal box of groceries and help feed Olathe families!

- * Pick up a Box in the lobby and shop through Nov. 13
- * Dropoff at 1st Christian Church, 200 E. Loula St, Olathe
- * Drop off Dates: Nov. 13, 14, & 15 (9am-1pm)

More details are in your “Connecting with You” email or contact *Deacon Fran* at 913-226-0540 / fwheeler@stthomasop.org.

• Next Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, November 21, at St. Thomas



Everyone who donates will get a pair of ELF socks! Sign up by using the QR code on the right!

New “Day by Days” now available

Daily devotional booklets, “Day by Day,” are now available in the lobby. These are daily meditations based on scripture readings from the lectionary and available in both pocket-size and large print editions. You can also hear them on a podcast, phone app, and online. Links can be found in your “Connecting” email.

This Week’s Calendar

Sat, Nov 4: Women’s Group, 9-10am, Asbly Rm; Prayer Shawl Sm Grp, 10am, PH 1; Holy Communion, 5:30pm, Nave; Chili Feed in PH 1, 2, 3

Sun, Nov 5: Holy Communion, 10:00 in Nave; Chili Feed in PH 1, 2, 3; Children/Youth Sunday School 9:00am, Educ Wing; Parish Hayride, 5-8pm, Sharpe’s in Bucyrus KS

Mon, Nov 6: Thom’s Helpers, 10:30am-1:30pm, PH 1 & Kitchen, LGBTQIA+ mtg, 6:30pm, Conroy’s on 95th St; Prayer Shawl Sm Grp, 7:30pm, Narthex

Tues, Nov 7: Jo Co Election Day, 7am-7pm, PH 1, 2; Organ reserved, 10am-12, Nave; Voice Lessons, 1-4pm, Asbly Rm; Walking the Mourner’s Path, 6:30-8pm, Narthex; Contemplative Prayer Sm Grp, 7pm, Nave; Sword Guild, 7pm PH 2

Wed, Nov 8: Staff meeting, 10am, Lobby; Thom’s Helpers, 10:30am-1:30pm, PH 1 + Kitchen; Wed. Study Grp, 10:30-12, Asbly Rm; Pinehurst HOA mtg, 6pm, Asbly Rm; Chancel Choir, 7-8pm, Nave

Thurs, Nov 9: New Testament Bible Study, 10:30am, Asbly Rm; PEO mtg, 12:30-3pm, PH 2; Music lesson, 4-4:45pm, Nave; Children’s Choir, 5:15-6pm, Nave; Praise Band, 6:30pm, Nave; Young Adult Sm Grp, 7pm, PH 1; Classics Men’s Sm Grp, 7pm, PH 3; Sword Guild, 7pm, PH 2

Fri, Nov 10: Thom’s Helpers, 10:30am-1:30pm in PH 1 & Kitchen

Meetings, activities, and events must be cleared with Justin Smith in the church office. jsmith@stthomasop.org or 913-451-0512.

Donating to St. Thomas

Give online securely via the QR code or visit the St. Thomas website—<https://stthomasop.org> and click on the “Donate” tab.



Small Groups meeting next week

• Prayer Shawl Small Group

Saturdays, 10am-12pm, PH 1; 1st Mondays, 7:30-9pm

Knit prayer shawls together for those who are ill or have lost a loved one. Contact: Sue Strom susanstrom15@gmail.com

• Women’s Group

Saturday, Nov 4, 9-10:00am, Asbly Rm (1st & 3rd Sats)

Contact: Emily Wilson ewilso28@gmail.com

• LGBTQIA+ Small Group—LGBTQ+ community and allies.

Nov 6, 6:30pm, Conroy’s Public House on 95th St

Contact: John Pfannes john.pfannes@att.net

• Contemplative Prayer Small Group—Prayer & meditation.

November 7 (1st & 3rd Tuesdays), 7pm, in Sanctuary

Contact: Lynn Powell lynne@thechildrensclinic.net

• Classics Men’s Small Group—Retired and semi-retired men.

Nov 8 (2nd & 4th Thursdays), 7pm, in PH 3

Contact: Tom Meyers tmeyers922@gmail.com

• Young Adult Small Group

Nov 8 (2nd & 4th Thursdays), 7pm, in PH 1

Contact: Tim Pullin pullin.tim.a@gmail.com

Thanksgiving Dinner returns!

• November 23, 12-3pm at St. Thomas

No need to cook! Come and enjoy food and fellowship. We will be serving a traditional meal with all the trimmings in our Parish Hall. Come alone or with the whole family. We will also offer our meal to the community. We can use some help all day or for a couple of hours with cooking, serving or clean up.—just sign up with the QR code. No need to RSVP to eat—there will be plenty of food.



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