

Church of SAINT THOMAS MORE

A Community of Parish and University Ministry

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October 19, 2025-**Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



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SUNDAY LITURGIES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am; 11:15 am & 5pm Mass (When UNH is in Session)

WEEKDAY MASS

12:10pm Mass on Mon, Tues & Wed

OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tues, Thurs: 9-3pm Wed: 9-1pm & **Closed Friday**

Food Pantry-Thursdays 4-6pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Will be offered Friday in the Church 7-8pm



SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday, 4:00 - 4:30 pm or by appointment.

Baptism: Call office to register for class & date of celebration.

Marriage: Call office to schedule appointment at least six months prior.

Anointing of Sick: Call office anytime.

Inquiries & Reception in Catholic Faith (OCIA): Call Roberta 603-868-2666

First Communion, First Reconciliation & Youth Confirmation:

Call Director of Faith Formation 603-868-2666

For Parish Registration call 603-868-2666 or visit stmdurham.org.

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Welcome Child of God!

*No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church,
No matter your personal history, age, income, background, gender, race, ethnicity or spirituality, or marital situation,
No matter your own self-image of holiness or virtue,
You belong to Jesus Christ and you belong to us!
You are invited, accepted and respected here at the Parish of Saint Thomas More.*

*Take our hands, Lord Jesus, leading us in courage to confront with courage the forces which oppress and divide.
Take our hearts, Lord Jesus, and open them to the truth which will set others free.
Accompany us on our way, Lord Jesus, as we seek to share our Roman Catholic faith and life in your Spirit.*

From Light to Light

*As I am enveloped in God's light,
So may I be a beacon of light
To those in search of light.
As I take shelter in God's peace,
So may I offer the shelter of peace
To those in search of peace.
As I am embraced by the Presence,
So may I be present to others
with love, justice, and compassion.*

Blessed are You, Lord of Light,
Who shows me Your Way and
Accompanies me on my journey.
May I live the day's unfolding
With compassion and foster faith
In the One Who is All.

Rabbi Rami Shapiro, an award winning poet
and essayist, is a personal favorite of mine.
The above prayer is from his recent book:
Accidental Grace: Poetry,
Prayers, and Psalms.



L'Shalom—in peace,
Fr. Andrew

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MASSES & OFFICE HOURS

WEEKEND MASSES

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October 18th-19th; 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I: Exodus 17:8-13
Reading II: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2
Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

October 25th-26th; 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18
Reading II: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Gospel: Luke 18:9-14



October 18th-19th; 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5pm – Laura LaPlante
Sunday 9am – † Rev. Raymond Sweitzer, S.J.
Sunday 11:15am – † Rosemary Maciolek

October 25th-26th; 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5pm – † Rosemary Maciolek (1st Anniversary)
Sunday 9am – † Pauline Gibbons
Sunday 11:15am – † Rev. Raymond Sweitzer, S.J.



STM FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

**FAITH FORMATION CLASSES ON
SUNDAY, OCT 19TH**

For more information please contact Ann McGurty
stmdurham@stmdurham.org or call 603 868-2666

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Grades K-5th Classes

Faith Formation Grades K-5 Classes- October 19th

Middle School Youth Ministry

Next Class October 19th

10:00am-Middle School (Grades 6-8) Gym -See MS Calendar



St. Thomas More Food Pantry Update

We are pleased to report our Food Pantry has been recertified by the NH Food Bank for 2026. Our partnership is rewarding for all.

This week, at the pantry, we need the following items:

- Relish
- Hot Chocolate packets
- Dish liquid



STM FAITH FORMATION

LIFE- Living In Faith Everyday

Registrations are now being accepted for all Faith Formation classes for K-8th grade for the 2025-26 school year. Registration forms can be found in the magazine rack at the back of the church or online at:

<https://www.stmdurham.org/faith-formation/faith-formation-kindergarten-high-school>

If your child is in need of sacraments or if you need more information, please call Ann McGurty at 603-868-2666 for further information.

Classes have begun, it's not too late to register.



200 Club

October's bright blue weather is here, and Halloween is on the way! The next 200 Club drawing will be on **October 26th**.

Having a number will make sure that you have a ghost of a chance to win!

There's plenty of time to become a new member or renew your membership before the **October 26th** drawing.

Both enrollment and renewal are easy. Annually, Quarterly, & Semi annual subscriptions are available at \$50 and \$100 respectively.

Simply write a check made payable to St. Thomas More Church. Don't forget to put 200 Club in the memo section. Mail it, along with your contact information [address, phone, and email], to the parish office at

St Thomas More Parish, PO Box 620, Durham NH 03824

For additional member information contact Tom Dolan at tomdolan84@hotmail.com or 603-519-0369



A special note of thanks to all those who have supported and continue to support the club. You have made a difference!!

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FAITHFUL



**COME AND SEE -OCIA
formerly RCIA)**

It's not too late to join us

If you are interested in joining the Catholic Church, and wonder what the Church teaches; what the Sacraments, especially Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist really mean; and what it means to practice the Catholic faith.

Contact **Derick Alexandre** (stmunh@stmdurham.org) or **Roberta MacBride** (stmpastoralmin@stmdurham.org) call 603-868-2666 to begin the conversation.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Ed Donnelly
Peter Farrington
Bernadette Komonchak**

**Barbara Farrington
Dot Meneghin**

For all our homebound and residents of our local nursing homes and care facilities

Pray Always





Christmas Fair Volunteers Needed!

"Summer is over, fall is here, and before you know it the holidays will be upon us. It is now time to start **planning for the Christmas Craft Fair** which will be on **Saturday, December 6th** this year. . We are seeking all interested volunteers, both past and present, to please attend if interested. Last year's fair was a huge success and we wouldn't be able to do it without you! If you have any questions, please reach out to Kara Kane (603) 767-9837."



St. Thomas More has New Emails

Beginning immediately, the following emails are available

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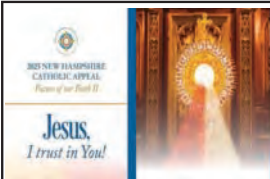
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(Please update these Emails in your address book)



St. Thomas More goal is **\$31,101.00**
We have raised \$21,397.37

Help us reach our goal!

Thank you to all who have contributed. Feel free to take an envelope complete it and mail it directly to **2025 NH Catholic Appeal**;

drop it in the basket at the entrances of the Church; place it in the collection basket; or go online at www.catholicnh.org/nhca



Our Parish number code is **41830**.

Our STM Food Pantry and Campus Ministry benefit from the NHCA contributions.

Thank you for your continual support.



Thanksgiving Baskets

DONATIONS NEEDED:
For Thanksgiving Baskets!

It's that time of year to open our hearts and share our bounty...

ABSOLUTELY NEED:

- 110 CANS of Pie Filling
- 55 Brownie mixes AND 55 Cake Mixes with Frosting
- 60 Jars of Pickles AND 60 jars of Olives
- 170 Jars or cans of Turkey Gravy
- 110 Bottles of Salad Dressing
- 160 Boxes of Stuffing
- 80 Aluminum Roasting Pans & Napkins (Thanksgiving Themed if possible)
- Candy- We make 100 bags!

ALSO NEED: Cash or gift cards (for fresh food, etc.)

The front doors of the Student Center are always open and ready for donations!

WE could use your donations ASAP to ensure enough food for all of the basket requests this year. We appreciate all donations by **Sunday, November 9**.

THANK YOU!

2024: 101 baskets were made thanks to your generosity!



ALL SOULS DAY REMEMBRANCE of our deceased parishioners buried from St. Thomas More this past year is included in the Sunday 11:15am Mass on November 2, 2025.

*Helen Donnelly
Katharine Muth
Mary Ann Wren
Patricia Craig
Albert Barbour
Patricia Silberblatt*

*Jeanne Haley
Roger Salava
Christopher McDowell
Shirley Laffler
Ronald Cole
Noel Austin*

*Geoffrey Fitzgerald
Roger Cloitre
Paul Cox
Robert Brown
Joan Henry*



BOOK of REMEMBRANCE is enthroned in the Church throughout November.

May our continued prayers bring you and your family comfort and healing.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Week of October 19th-October 25th

WEEKLY EVENTS

TUESDAY 10/21 Men's Group 7pm Lighthouse
Women's Group 7pm Sarah's Apartment

WEDNESDAY 10/22 CSO All Student Meeting 7pm-MUB 162

THURSDAY 10/23 Food Pantry 4-6pm

FRIDAY 10/24 CSO Board Meeting 5:30-6:30pm
Adoration, 7pm STM Church

SATURDAY 10/25 Halloween Hootenanny 7pm Student Center

DID YOU KNOW?

Brazil has more Catholics than any other country with close to 127 million, or 11.7% of the world's Catholic population. It is followed by Mexico (96 million), the Philippines (76 million), the U.S. (75 million), Italy, (49 million), Columbia (38 million), France (38 million), Poland (35 million), Spain (35 million), and the Democratic Republic of Congo (31 million).

UPCOMING UNH Student Mass Schedule

Sunday, October 26th	5pm
Sunday, November 2nd	5pm
Sunday, November 9th	5pm
Sunday, November 16th	5pm

A Homecooked meal to follow Student Masses!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS-

The Halloween Hootenanny will take place on Saturday October 25th in the student center. Come for dancing, games, costumes, and food!



UNH Catholic Student Organization News for Fall 2024 Students

If you would like additional information, please contact our **Campus Minister**,

Derick Alexandre—unhstm@gmail.com or
Sarah Hunton-CSO President
sarah.hunton@unh.edu

Stay tuned for more exciting events happening this semester.

Hope to see you at the next meeting
October 22nd at 7:00pm at the MUB 162

Sunday Mass with Supper to Follow
October 26th at 5pm

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October 23rd— John of Capistrano (d. 1456).
Soldier Saint. Scourge of Heretics.

October 24th- Saint Anthony Mary Claret (d. 1870). Archbishop, Missionary, Confessor to the Spanish Queen Isabella II.

Founder of the Claretian Missionaries.

October 26th—Peter of Alcantara (d. 1562) Part of the Spanish Counter-Reformation. Avid penitent and founder of the Alcantarine branch of the Franciscans. Confessor to Teresa of Avila.



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