

Church of SAINT THOMAS MORE

A Community of Parish and University Ministry

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October 26, 2025-**Thirtieth 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.

October 26, 2025
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.*



Holy Souls' Month

Understandably, we feel closer to the dead, whom we celebrate on All Souls, than to the saints, whom we celebrate on All Saints' Day—after all, we have known the

dead when they were with us in the flesh, we have lived or worked close to them.

Our Christian approach to death is wonderfully summed up in the Preface of the Mass of the Dead. The Preface used at a Mass of Christian burial, is full of comfort, compassion and mystery:

"Life is changed, not ended. When the body of our earthly dwelling lies in death, we gain an everlasting dwelling place in heaven." (Christian Death, I)

Saint Paul expresses this wonderful truth when he says: "If Christ is risen, so too are all who die in Christ." So my dear friends, this month we commend to God the souls of those who have been buried from this Church and all who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.

*In the peace of Christ,
Fr. Andrew*

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MASSES & OFFICE HOURS

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5pm
Sunday 9am, 11:15am & 5pm -When UNH is in Session

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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

November 1st-2nd; The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

Reading I: Wisdom 3:1-9

Reading II: Romans 6:3-9

Gospel: John 6:37-40



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.

November 1st-2nd; The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

Saturday 5pm – † John Foley

Sunday 9am – † Brian K. Bain

Sunday 11:15am – † All Souls Mass of Remembrance



OFFERTORY UPDATE:

Average Weekly Regular Offertory Amount
needed to meet our Annual Budget, \$5,192.31

Offertory for October 12, 2025 **\$4,865.32**

Offertory for October 19, 2025 **\$3,554.59**

*"Give and it shall be given to you." - Luke 6:38
Thank you for your generous contributions.*



STM FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

**FAITH FORMATION CLASSES ON
SUNDAY, OCT 26TH**

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 26th

Middle School Youth Ministry

Next Class November 2nd

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

LIFE- Living In Faith Everyday



St. Thomas More Food Pantry Update

We are working with a member of our St. Thomas More Parish chairing the Thanksgiving Baskets outreach. This supports our Food Pantry patrons and other community members. Please see the list published in this bulletin to help with this annual event.

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

- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Seltzers



**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. Please contact me 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."



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!



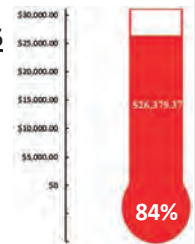
St. Thomas More goal is **\$31,101.00**
We have raised \$26,397.37

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.

Thank you for your continual support.



**Thank you for all who helped
with Fall Clean-up at the
Church/Center last weekend.**

*We couldn't have done it
without you!*

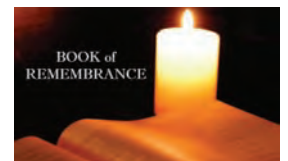


**ALL SOULS DAY REMEMBRANCE of our deceased parishioners
buried from St. Thomas More this past year
is included in the Sunday 11:15am Mass on November 2, 2025.**

*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 26th-November 2nd

WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAY 10/27 OCIA 7pm Student Center

TUESDAY 10/28 Men's, Women's Groups 7pm
Lighthouse (Men's), The Gables (Women's)

WEDNESDAY 10/29 CSO All Student Meeting MUB 162

THURSDAY 10/30 Food Pantry 4-6pm

FRIDAY 10/31 CSO Board Meeting
5:30-6:30pm
Adoration, 7pm STM Church

SATURDAY 11/1 CSO Fall Retreat, 9:00am-4:00pm
STM Student Center

DID YOU KNOW?

The Sedlec Ossuary ("Church of Bones") is a small Roman Catholic Chapel in the Czech Republic. It uses 40,000–70,000 human skeletons as decorations.

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!

SEEK Conference—Columbus, Ohio Jan. 1-5, 2026.
For registration information, go to seek.Focus.org
or contact Derick (dalexandre@outlook.com)



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NOVEMBER 1st— SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS!
-Holy Day of Obligation
NOVEMBER 2nd- FEAST OF ALL SOULS.— a wonderful opportunity to pray for deceased loved ones.

November 3rd-Martin de Porres (d. 1639). Peruvian. One of the first indigenous saints to be canonized. His charity extended to all races. Cared for slaves. Many miracles resulted from his closeness to God.



UNH Catholic Student Organization News for Fall 2025 Students

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

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

Stay tuned for more exciting events happening this semester.

Hope to see you at the next meeting
October 29th at 7:00pm at the MUB 162

Sunday Mass with Supper to Follow
November 2nd at 5pm

Jesus told a parable about one man who thought he was better than another man. Two men were in the temple praying. The pharisee exalted himself, boasting to God of how much better he was than the tax collector. Meanwhile, the tax collector stood alone, with bowed head, and humbly prayed that God would forgive his sins.

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Who did Jesus have mercy on and forgive?

The pharisee who thought he was without sin, or the sinful tax collector who was sorry for his sins.

Circle your answer then complete the puzzle below...

"O God, be merciful
to me a sinner."

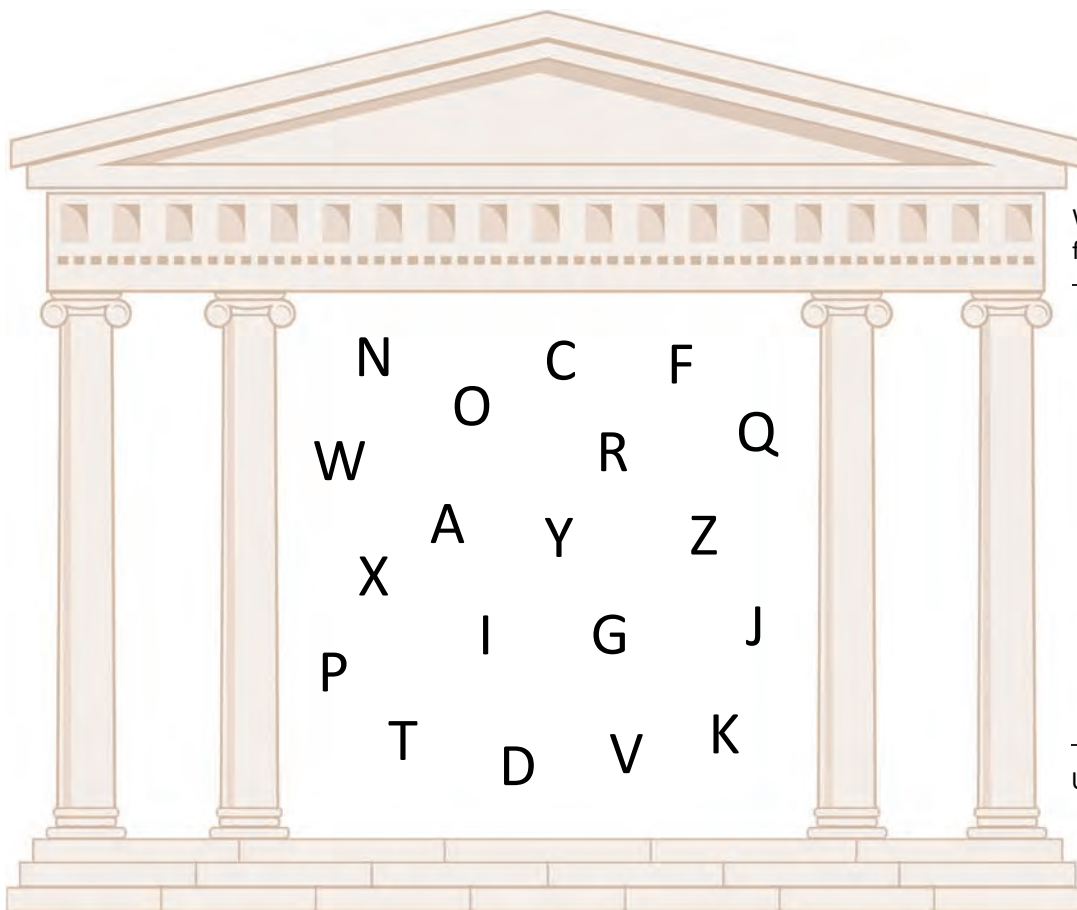
Luke 18:13

- Tax Collector -

"O God, I thank you that I am not
like the rest of humanity."

Luke 18:11

- Pharisee -



Write the alphabet letters not
found in the temple.

Unscramble the letters
above and fill in the blanks
to complete the sentence
below.

Jesus said, I tell you, the latter (tax collector), went home justified, not the former (pharisee); for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who _____ himself will be exalted."

Luke 18:14

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