

From the  
Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The Lord is risen! He is risen indeed! On this Easter Sunday I wish you and your families all the graces and blessings of our risen Savior. Our celebrations today and this past week were the result of a labor of love for our Lord by many. I thank everyone who contributed their time, talent and treasure in order to give fitting praise to our God. Our parish is blessed in so many ways and all of you play an important part in making St Thomas a unique expression of the Father's love. On behalf of the Dominican Friars and the entire parish staff have a wonderful Easter!

God Bless,  
Fr Luke, OP



MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, April 3 – Easter Vigil**

8:30pm For the RCIA

**Sunday, April 4 – Easter Sunday**

6:30am For the People

8:30am For the People

10:30am For the People

12:30pm For the People

**Monday, April 5**

8:00am Respect Life

5:15pm Dolores Boitnott

**Tuesday, April 6**

8:00am Peggy Lee

5:15pm Margaret McIntyre †

**Wednesday, April 7**

8:00am Deceased Grandparents of  
Matt & Ginger Grimes †

5:15pm Robert Repsher, Sr †

**Thursday, April 8**

8:00am Catherine Wilcox

5:15pm Patrick Rock †

**Friday, April 9**

8:00am Elizabeth Wilcox

5:15pm Michael Tobin †

**Saturday, April 10**

8:30am Deceased of the Dominican Laity †

5:15pm Deacon Frank Veraart †

**Please Keep the Following in Your Prayers**

LTC Michael Devine, Carol Finch, Jacob Ojeda, Oliver Smithdeal, Lionel Fontenette, Arthur Pullam, Jillian Henderson, Steve Ohmer, Martin Ojeda, Judith Underhill's great-granddaughter, Tabitha M Warner, Vanessa Thoms Sprogis, Robert Sprogis, Mel Podwyssocki, Lori Jimenez, Gilbert Maestas, Fr Thomas Seagrave, Rosemary Firer, Michael Mitchell, Consuelo Benson, Victoria Amparo Villar, Matthew Grimes, Patrick Howell, and Anna Mills' granddaughter Wanda Clements — If you or someone you know is ill and would like the prayers of our parish family please call the office. To keep the list current, names will be periodically removed.

**Operation Rice Bowl**

Thank you for your participation in the program this Lent! Your contributions will be used in 100 countries throughout the world and here in the Diocese to help alleviate poverty. To contribute please convert your change to cash bills or a check made out to St Thomas Aquinas and write "Operation Rice Bowl" on the envelope or memo line and drop it in the collection basket.

**Parking Alert**  
The City of Charlottesville has begun to ticket & tow cars parked on Alderman Road & Midmont Lane. Please do not park by the "No Parking" signs.

**Bookstore at St Thomas Aquinas**

Tertia Pars Bookstore is located downstairs near the main entrance. Books, rosaries, and other religious articles are available. Open on Sun, 10-11:30am (closed on Easter). Additional hours available upon request, email [tertiapars@stauva.org](mailto:tertiapars@stauva.org) or phone 293-8081x18. Proceeds will benefit the Dominican Priory building project.

**Readings for the Week of April 4, 2010**

- Sunday: *Easter Sunday*  
Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12
- Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15
- Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18
- Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35
- Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48
- Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14
- Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15
- Next Sunday: *Divine Mercy Sunday*  
Acts 5:12-16/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

PARISH FINANCES

**March 29, 2010**

Budgeted Weekly Expenses.....	\$18,879.78
Offerory.....	17,172.19
Parish Charities .....	1,607.00
Other Income.....	2,172.00

## WORSHIP AND MUSIC

Marta Brannon • 293-8081 x18 • [marta@stauva.org](mailto:marta@stauva.org)

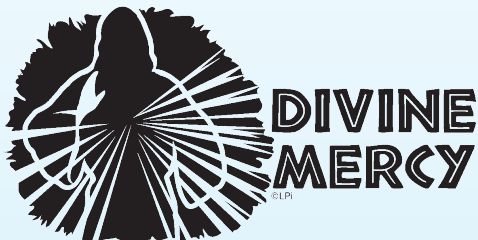
### Charismatic Prayer Meeting

*Light the Fire Within* meets every Tuesday at 7:30pm in St Thomas Hall to praise God in song, formal or spontaneous prayer, silence, even applause or shouts of joy. We are open to hearing God speak through Scripture, teaching, exhortation, charismatic gifts and personal sharing. If you feel the need for a spiritual boost mid-week, come join us.

### Eucharistic Adoration

**Please take note of changes effective as of April:**

If you are an adorer already committed to the Wednesday 8:30am through Thursday 8:00am hours then you will need to contact Sylvia Lobo at [srmlobo@hotmail.com](mailto:srmlobo@hotmail.com) if you have any questions or cannot make it to Adoration. If you fall in the time range of Thursdays 8:30am through 5:00pm please contact William Kurtz at [wkurtz@virginia.edu](mailto:wkurtz@virginia.edu). If you are a Friday adorer please contact Charlotte Burns at [charlieburns@hotmail.com](mailto:charlieburns@hotmail.com). For anyone looking to sign up for the first time, kindly contact the person depending on the day that you wish to commit to.



### Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11th

Holy Hour from 3-4pm. The Divine Mercy Novena begins at 3pm on Good Friday. Prayer Pamphlets will be available for those who wish to participate in this wonderful opportunity to experience God's mercy, be filled with grace, and then radiate God's love and mercy to others. Our Lord's Mercy grants forgiveness of all sins and punishment on the Feast of Divine Mercy, Mercy Sunday, mercy for even the most hardened sinners!

*The women who had come from Galilee with Jesus took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. — Lk 24:1b-3*

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## ADULT EDUCATION

Chris Gilbert • 293-8081 x15 • [dre@stauva.org](mailto:dre@stauva.org)

### Catholicism 101 Foot Prints of God Series

This is a video presentation on Salvation History set in actual Holy Land sites and filmed on location with Stephen Ray. Each presentation is a stand alone session. The study group meets on select Saturdays at 10am in the Community Room. The next meeting is Apr 17. For information contact [sackandpam@comcast.net](mailto:sackandpam@comcast.net).

### Natural Family Planning

Our next STM class series will be held on April 15 and 22, at 7pm. To register, contact [chvillenfp@yahoo.com](mailto:chvillenfp@yahoo.com). For information on all classes offered, please see [www.stauva.org/nfp](http://www.stauva.org/nfp). Check out our changing offering of brochures on NFP—on the brochure rack on the kitchen side of the Link near the TV, as well as our facebook page.

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

### What is the Dominican Laity?"

To find out please consider joining us for breakfast and our meeting! Our next meeting will be on Sat, Apr 10, immediately following the 8:30am Mass. We will begin with the recitation of the Rosary and Morning Prayer. Please RSVP - to ensure that we have enough food to share - Marta Brannon at 293-8081 or [marta@stauva.org](mailto:marta@stauva.org) or Lori Donlon at 293-3873 or [lorianned@gmail.com](mailto:lorianned@gmail.com).

### Knights of Columbus

Knights are Catholic men who engage in camaraderie, community service, support of our Church, enhancing our faith, and advancing the culture of life. We invite Students and Men of our Parish to join our college council. For further information please contact Bob Savino, Grand Knight ([rmsavino@comcast.net](mailto:rmsavino@comcast.net)), pick up a brochure in the Link, or see the Knights website ([www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)). The next meeting will be held in Classroom 12, Chapel side, on Wed, Apr 7, with the Rosary at 6:45pm and General Meeting at 7pm.





## RELIGIOUS ED / YOUTH MINISTRY

PreK-5 • Chris Gilbert 293-8081 x15 • dre@stauva.org  
Gr 6-12 • Michael Balazs 293 8081x16 • michael@stauva.org

### Lifeteen, EDGE, & Elementary Education

No sessions on Easter Sunday (Apr 4). We will meet again on Apr 11.

### SCRIP Goes ONLINE

Support our Youth Ministry online at [scrip.stauva.org](http://scrip.stauva.org) and earn points on your Credit Card! Thanks to all your generous support we have reached \$70k in sales. Since we have had such success with this program we have taken it online! You can purchase Gift Cards for your favorite stores online by Credit Card, eCheck or Paypal and pickup the cards after each Sunday Mass. Before placing a new order, be sure to check the latest stock availability on the updates page. If you have any questions, please contact us at [youth@stauva.org](mailto:youth@stauva.org).

**Special Notes:** Orders placed by Friday 10am can be picked up the following Sunday. There is 3% tax-deductible handling fee for online purchases. Please note, in the unfortunate event we don't have the card you ordered on hand, you may pick a different card of equal value or pick up your card the following week when we receive new stock.

## SENIOR MINISTRY

For parishioners aged 60 and older  
Barbara Brodie • [bb9w@virginia.edu](mailto:bb9w@virginia.edu)

### Mark Your Calendars Now

**Coffee Break:** Wednesday, April 14, 10am till Noon

**Day of Recollection:** Wednesday, May 12, 9am till 1pm (lunch included)

**Spring Luncheon:** Saturday, June 19, 11:30am – 1:30 pm

Watch this space for more details on the May and June events.

### The April Coffee Break

Wednesday, April 14 from 10am till Noon. This will be the last meeting of the academic year, because we're having a Day of Recollection in May and our Spring Luncheon in June. At this Coffee Break, we'll use our meeting time (10:45 – 11:15) to plan for next year, so bring your ideas and your enthusiasm (as well as any goodies you'd like to share) and help us make the Senior Ministry just what you want it to be! As always, there is no charge to attend.

## CAMPUS MINISTRY

Michael Horsey • [mlh6r@virginia.edu](mailto:mlh6r@virginia.edu)  
John Hopke • [johnhopke@stauva.org](mailto:johnhopke@stauva.org)

### St Anselm Institute Faculty/Student Lunch

On Friday, April 16, 12:00-1:30pm, the St Anselm Institute will host its final Doctors of the Church faculty/student lunch seminar on the irascible hermit/cardinal Doctor St Jerome (c.347-420). No prior experience needed, but student reservations are required due to space limitations. Email the Institute at [info@stanselmminstitute.org](mailto:info@stanselmminstitute.org) and visit [www.stanselmminstitute.org](http://www.stanselmminstitute.org) for details.

### Adopt-a-Student

Interested in connecting with the undergraduates at UVA? CSM and St Thomas have recently started a student adoption program to bring families and students together for the duration of the student's undergraduate years. Please contact Christine Gallagher with questions and interest at [cmgllghr@gmail.com](mailto:cmgllghr@gmail.com)

### Are You in Need of a Babysitter?

Catholic Student Ministry will provide a responsible student. For more information contact Kristina Wolf at [kmw8z@virginia.edu](mailto:kmw8z@virginia.edu).

## YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY (YAM)

For parishioners aged 21-35  
Stephanie Zilora • [smz5c@virginia.edu](mailto:smz5c@virginia.edu)

### Young Adult Retreat

Sponsored by the Office for Black Catholics. June 4-5 at Shalom House, Montpelier, VA, for Young Adults Aged 18-40. Retreat Leaders: Ansel Augustine and Brian Greenfield. Register by Apr 26. For more information please contact Pam Harris, (804) 622-5104 or [pharris@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:pharris@richmonddiocese.org).

### Attention Grad Students and Young Adults

YAM is a ministry at St Thomas Aquinas geared toward all people ages 21-35. Our goal is to offer young adult Catholics a community of faith and friendship devoted to spirituality, society, service, and study. If you are interested in being more involved with YAM or if you would like to be added to the e-mail list, contact Stephanie Zilora at [smz5c@virginia.edu](mailto:smz5c@virginia.edu).

### Ongoing Events

For info, contact Erin, [ejg7h@virginia.edu](mailto:ejg7h@virginia.edu), or Will, [wbk2e@virginia.edu](mailto:wbk2e@virginia.edu).

- Join us at the 5:15pm Mass the first Friday of the month, followed by dinner out.
- Meet in the Link to join us for brunch on the third Sunday of every month after the 11:30 Mass.
- Rosary Group meets downstairs in the Youth (green/blue) room every Wednesday at 7:30pm.
- Weekly Bible study meets on Thursdays at 7:30pm, in the library.

## PEACE AND JUSTICE

**The Haitian Station**

*St Thomas Parish—Twinned with St Michel Parish, Saltadère*

**Saltadère Update:** As we celebrate the resurrection of Our Lord, let us continue to pray for our brothers and sisters in Haiti. On our recent trip to Saltadère, we interacted with children and families who have returned to Saltadère from Port-au-Prince. This addition to the local population is putting a strain on scarce resources there. Your continued support is much appreciated. **Water Pump-Irrigation Project:** Our hope for this project is to enhance the established agrarian economy of the village of our twin parish. Information on the project and on how to donate is available at the Haiti Table on the lower level or at [www.saltadere.org](http://www.saltadere.org). Also at the table, view latest pictures from the February trip. **Sponsorship Opportunity:** Many thanks to all who have sponsored a child or have renewed a sponsorship. There are still children who await a sponsor. To learn more, stop by the Haiti table or contact [sponsorshipprogram@gmail.com](mailto:sponsorshipprogram@gmail.com). **Haitian Health Care Foundation of the Diocese of Richmond Fundraiser Apr 23:** If you are interested in the work of this diocesan effort directed toward health care in the Central Plateau, or if you would like to provide financial support, contact Anne Knasel at [anne@stagebridge.net](mailto:anne@stagebridge.net). **Bi-Parish Haiti Committee:** To learn more about the Bi-parish committee, e-mail Paul Harnois at [lphmch@embarqmail.com](mailto:lphmch@embarqmail.com).



## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**St Anselm Institute for Catholic Thought**

Fri, Apr 9, 4pm in UVA's Monroe Hall. University of St Thomas Law Professor Elizabeth Schiltz's lecture: "Taking the Complementarity Principle Seriously: A Catholic Approach to Gender Differences, Feminism, and Public Policy." All are welcome to attend this public event.

**The Walk for Life 2010**

Sat, Apr 17, 9am at the Student Activities Building, UVA. Help women choose life for their babies! It's a fun morning and easy Walk -- many people bring strollers for their littlest ones. Free food, face painting, balloons, music and a moonwalk. For info call the Pregnancy Center of Central Va at 979-4516.

**PACEM's 2010 Volunteer Recognition Event**

Sun, Apr 18, 4-6pm, The Haven at 1st & Market Sts (sanctuary). PACEM wants to thank you for contributing to our community homeless shelter through stormy cold nights. Enjoy food, music, & friendship. Questions and replies: [marie@pacemshelter.org](mailto:marie@pacemshelter.org).

**Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for Healing**

From abortion and its lasting effects will be held Apr 9-11 at the Benedictine Abbey in Richmond. The retreat helps women and men to uncover deep wounds buried in secrecy and shame. Call Marie & Joe Geiger at 804-330-3137.

**Even Keel: Peer Run, Spiritually Based Support Group**

For persons who have dealt with or are currently struggling with depression. Meets on the 1st & 3rd Fri, 7:30-9pm in room 20 at Incarnation. Contact Patricia Pollock 434 296-7031.

**Support Group for Separated and Divorced Catholics**

Meets 1st & 3rd Mon, 7-9pm, in room 21 at Incarnation. Contact Mary Moster, [mary.moster@gmail.com](mailto:mary.moster@gmail.com) or 540-246-9125.

**Charlottesville Catholic School (CCS)**

**Admissions:** We continue to accept applications for pre-K through 8 while in the process of considering applicants. We anticipate having limited openings, so please contact us soon. **Pre-K Note:** In the fall, we will offer a Pre-K Extended Day Program. (Mon-Thur, 12-3pm for students attending CCS Pre-K.) If interested in learning more about CCS, please call, Ann Michel, at 964-0400. Appointments for tours may be made Monday through Friday. **Employment at CCS: Immediate Opening:** Part-time evening janitor position. **2010-2011 Positions:** See CCS website [www.cvillecatholic.org](http://www.cvillecatholic.org) for a listing. **CCS Golf Tournament:** Join the fun and community of Charlottesville Catholic School by fielding a foursome, signing up as an individual player or sponsoring our 8th Annual Gene Corrigan Golf Tournament. The tournament will be held at Spring Creek Golf Club on Mon, Apr 19, beginning with warm-up and lunch at 11am. Log on to [www.cvillecatholic.org/golftournament2010](http://www.cvillecatholic.org/golftournament2010) for more info or to register (required).

**Full-Time Justice & Peace Regional Coordinator**

Is being sought by Commonwealth Catholic Charities for the Roanoke Office. The Roanoke Office will have a specialized focus on Respect Life. A Bachelor's degree in theology or ministry required, Master's preferred & 2-5 years of social justice/parish ministry experience. Send resume and cover letter to [Human.Resources@cccovfa.org](mailto:Human.Resources@cccovfa.org).

**2010 National Medjugorje Conference at Notre Dame**

May 21-23. Have you wanted to go to Medjugorje or been & need a re-charge? This is a great way to experience Medjugorje! Ivanka, one of the alleged visionaries will be at the Conference along with other speakers. More info in the Link.

**Books for Prisoners**

We are still collecting books for the local jail & state prisons. If you are getting rid of some of your books, please donate them downstairs in the Catholic Student Ministry room. Thank you!

**Yarn for the Homebound**

Please place any extra yarn you have downstairs near the food collection. Your donation will be given to Meals on Wheels to distribute to the homebound in Charlottesville, Crozet, and Scottsville. Thank you!

**Justice for Immigrants**

The US Conference of Catholic Bishops has launched a postcard campaign to Congress in support of immigration reform. If you missed filling out the postcards last weekend in the link and wanted to participate visit [www.justiceforimmigrants.org](http://www.justiceforimmigrants.org) and click on the action button. This is an important public policy issue which impacts individuals and families in our Church and we encourage you to participate in the campaign.

**IMPACT**

We had 50 STA folks at the Action! The City & County Police Depts & Regional Jail committed to solutions in the area of Interpretative Services agreeing to creation & implementation of Limited English Proficiency plans. The City & County school board members present committed to expand & improve access to publicly funded Pre-K programs.

**Lenten Food Collection**

Thank you for contributing 197 bags to the Emergency Food Bank this Lent! The contributions will help provide a 3 day supply of food to people in the area who are in need.

