I am very grateful to the Lord for bringing me to this wonderful parish. It is hard to believe that I have been here for four years already. These years have been full of promises, growth and great people of faith. As I have grown in my faith I can see more easily how the Lord is blessing our Parish every day.

In the last three years we have made extensive renovations to the Church, Saint Bail’s Chapel and the Parish Center. I hope you are as pleased with the outcome of our renovations as I am.

These accomplishments have happened because of your support financially as well as talents shared. All of these improvements are helpful for the growth of the church here in Bridgewater. The physical buildings are cleaner, brighter and more useful. Now the focus must be on the work of the Church, the worship, the faith-sharing and the growth of our parish.

We have more than 120 wonderfully dedicated religious education volunteer teachers. A good number of Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers and Musicians. We have a vibrant Saint Vincent de Paul Society providing food to our neighbors in need. The Vacation Bible School has had another extremely successful week with 100 children participating. There are also many other great groups such as the Women’s Club and the Knights of Columbus. All of these organizations give to the participants a sense of belonging and an opportunity to express their faith.

There are so many ways for people to be involved in service, worship or faith development. We have a great need for more involvement in youth ministry, service work, music ministry and visiting the home-bound. The needs are great, but the number of people involved is simply not enough for all the work that needs to be done. Our Parish can be so much more than it already is. You can make a difference. I ask that you pray for the growth of our Parish and to also consider how you can get more involved. I urge you to take pride in your parish, and make a difference.

May the Lord bless you, those dear to you and our Parish of Saint Thomas Aquinas.

Yours in Christ,
Reverend Joseph K. Raeke
Religious Education

A visit to our Parish Center during Religious Education class time will find all of the classrooms at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish busy and humming, full of students engaged in the work of learning more about their faith. Our Parish is blessed with a large and vibrant Religious Education Program. Over 1400 children and teens attend class each week from September to April in our Program. To accommodate all of our students classes meet on Sunday mornings, Monday afternoons, Tuesday afternoons and evenings, and Wednesday afternoons. More than 120 men and women from our Parish commit to teach in our program every year. Most of our teachers have taught for many years, new teachers are helped along with a mentoring program that unites experienced teachers with new teachers. Our teachers are dedicated to their students and genuinely enjoy the teaching process. Assisted by their excellent teacher’s guides, our teachers use a number of methods to help their students have a positive experience of Religious Education.

Many more adults are involved in this Catechetical Ministry, we have 35 adults who serve as Hall Monitors who support the work of the catechists. The Hall Monitor will step into a classrooms if the teacher needs to leave for a few minutes, they supervise children going to and from the rest rooms, they help with distribution of materials, and they help us to make St. Thomas a safe environment. We also have numbers of adults and teens who volunteer in our Religious Education Office helping with light office duties. Some of our teens from the Grade 10 Confirmation Program help out by babysitting younger children for parents who are serving as teachers.

We work collaboratively, as staff, educators and parents, to teach our children to know Our Lord and the richness of our Catholic Faith.

Vacation Bible School

Every summer we have a wonderful experience for the children of our parish ~ it is a faith based program teaching them about the bible and how to live their faith every day. This year we had 97 children participating. It would not be possible to have such a great program without the help of many adults and teens who volunteer for the program.

Christmas pageant

At a time when many people are busy with shopping and decorating, as a parish we focus on the story of Jesus’ birth. Many of the children of the parish are involved in our pageant and it helps them as well as those who attend the pageant to focus on “the reason for the season.”
The Edge Program

The Edge is a gathering of children in grades 6-8 who meet every other Friday from 7-9 p.m. in our Parish Center. With the collaborative efforts of our priests, Edge leaders, along with adult volunteers, we provide an array of wholesome activities that are of interest to our youth. These activities are spiritual, cultural, social, athletic and educational by nature.

This past school year The Edge participated in various activities focusing on the areas of Spiritual, Community, and Social. We kicked off with a pizza and getting to know you night, the following months brought an Adoration, a field trip to LIFT, and then over 20 kids made bagged lunches for Main Spring House in Brockton. We had several game nights including both sports and board games. The group hosted a guest speaker from the Mother Theresa Project.

One of the most popular evenings was our bible distribution and blessing; we spent time learning not only bible stories, but how to use the bible in our every day lives.

We encourage all those in grades 6-8 to come and discover the “Edge” and what it has to offer.

“ARISE Together in Christ” is a three-year, parish-centered process of spiritual renewal and evangelization that enables people to develop a closer relationship with Christ, grow in community, and reach out in service to others. We have completed the first two seasons and look forward to the next three. Parishioners have stepped forward to lead groups and they have participated in training with leaders throughout the diocese to prepare for each season. We have a core group of seven people including Fr. Raeke, Estelle Wenson, Lisa Folloni, Meghan Cleary, Claire Marie Hunter, Kathy Palmieri, and Gregory Webber who have been responsible for organizing training, planning, programs and organizing teams. The program is open to anyone who is interested in the following:

The key reasons for signing up to participate in the ARISE Together in Christ process are:

- To know God better. To learn more about God, talk more freely about our faith, and hear how God has impacted other peoples’ lives.
- † To grow spiritually. To see more clearly how the Holy Spirit has touched our lives and become more willing to ask for the Spirit’s guidance.
- † To meet new people. Praying and reading the Bible with others brings people closer. New relationships are formed and deepened.
- † To talk about God. Society and daily pressures offer little opportunity for us to pause and reflect on our spiritual life. Small communities provide the time and support for reflection.
- † To improve ourselves. Wherever we are in our relationship with Christ, there is always room for improvement. Being in a small community offers this opportunity.
- † To put faith into action. Baptism calls us to reach out to others, to help improve the quality of life for all. Small communities assist us in identifying ways to respond to others’ needs. These communities support outreach.
- † To change the way we see the world. Small communities enable us to view the world and all in it with the eyes of Christ. This leads us to become more attuned to the needs, issues, and problems of others.
- † To improve relationships. Being in a small community impacts our relationships with more understanding, tolerance, patience, and love.
- † To experience different prayer styles. The Catholic Church has a rich variety of prayer methods. It is a gift to experience the many ways of communicating with God.
- † To be rejuvenated. Bringing the daily worries, cares, and frustrations, the participants enter into an atmosphere of prayer, reflection, and faith.
Saint Patrick Dance

For those of us who are Irish, and for those who aren’t, this night is the time to enjoy great music, dancing and spending time with friends. Last year we had many people who came for the very first time and promised to come back next year with more friends because they had such a great time.

Lenten Suppers

Each Friday in Lent we have a wonderful tradition; we begin by praying the Stations of the Cross and then we share a potluck supper. It’s a spiritual night that helps us to focus on the true meaning of Lent.

Devotions to Our Lady of Fatima

Our parish has a wonderful tradition of gathering on the 13th of each month from May through October to pray the rosary and hold a candlelight procession to focus on the messages of Our Lady. It is a beautiful way to honor our Blessed Mother and to grow in our faith through our Mother’s teachings.

Golf Tournament

For the past eleven years Mike, Steve and Tom Arrighi have organized and incredible golf tournament that benefits our parish. It’s not only a great fun-filled event but the proceeds have made a huge difference to our parish. We obviously are very grateful to the Arrighi family and all of their friends who support this great event.

Parish Picnic

Each year at Saint Thomas we have a fun filled event called the Parish Picnic. It’s hot dogs, hamburgers and games for the kids, and entertainment for everyone. This is a great way to meet your fellow parishioners.

Thanksgiving Dinner for Seniors

For seniors who don’t have the opportunity to spend Thanksgiving with their family, the confirmation students help prepare and serve a Thanksgiving dinner. It is a wonderful afternoon where both the students and the seniors spend time getting to know one another and sharing a meal in which we all give thanks.

Bazaar

Many parishes have the tradition of an Annual Bazaar, but in all humility I would say that ours is one of the best. In order to have a successful bazaar, there is a core group of people who work for many months putting craft items together, procuring raffle items and planning for the success of this great parish event. It truly is a community builder.

This is the loyal cleaning crew who get together at least once a week to clean the church, and make it a worthy place for Our Lord. Pictured, left to right, Carol Hathaway, Ilda Coelho, Ray & Marie Perry, Anita Pincolini and Fr. Joe. Tony Coelho was not available for the picture.
Women’s Club

One of the hardest working groups in our parish is our Women’s Club. Throughout the year they have meetings for their members which are spiritual as well as social in nature. They are also very involved in our Parish Bazaar as well as holding several rummage sales throughout the year. The proceeds from these rummage sales benefit both our parish and high school seniors who receive scholarships from the Women’s club. They are a great blessing to the parish.

St. Vincent De Paul Society

The mission of the St. Vincent De Paul Society is to serve the poor. This mission is carried out at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish by the St. Vincent De Paul Society Food Pantry. A group of 22-25 volunteers from the community, as well as members of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, carry out the mission to help the less fortunate. We supply the needy of Bridgewater with both perishable and nonperishable groceries on a weekly basis. At the current time we are servicing approximately 600 persons per month (inclusive of singles, couples, small and large families.)

During the major holidays, Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter, we give holiday baskets to each family in addition to their regular pick up. We also donate money towards Christmas gifts for the children who are less fortunate. All foods and monies are donated by individuals, food banks and local businesses.

MOMS

Ministry of Moms Sharing (MOMS.) is an eight week course that facilitates and enriches the spiritual and personal growth of mothers of all ages. MOMS involves small group discussions and journaling exercises that are designed to develop and strengthen each woman's personal relationship with Christ, their relationship skills and self-esteem.

The St. Thomas MOMS ministry offers two sessions each year in the spring and in the fall. Groups range in size from ten to thirteen women and meet on Friday mornings or Sunday evenings. Each participant receives a personal journal to help guide them through the various topics.

If you would like more information on MOMS ministries at St. Thomas, please contact Karen Geraghty: (email at smakgeraghty@yahoo.com or by phone at (508) 697-2823) or Amy Bracken (at avbracken@gmail.com or by phone at (508) 697-7234.)

Knights of Columbus

There are numerous events that the Knights of Columbus host throughout the year. They include a community blood drive, basketball shootout for the youth, the Tootsie Roll drive that benefits the special needs program, dances and dinners. One of the most successful events is the Palm Sunday Breakfast. The event is geared to families, particularly those with small children but its great fun for everyone who comes.
The Financial Report

This section of the annual reports comments on the financial condition of the entire parish including St. Thomas Church, Cemetery, St. Basil Chapel and the Life Teen Program. It is important to me to have our Parishioners clearly see how their contributions are being put to use. We have made improvements over past years but we still have a lot of work to accomplish to bring our financial condition to where it should be.

Numerous improvements have been made over the past years. St. Thomas upper church has been fully remodeled, the stairs have been rebuilt and our parish center has been renovated. The portion of the work completed this fiscal year cost just over $140,000, which includes final payments on the stairs, and all the expenses to renovate the Parish Center. The community at Saint Basil’s painted the Chapel and various meeting rooms, renovated the kitchen and started the process of replacing the boiler with a much more energy efficient system which will be completed in early fall of 2009. Those projects had a cost of nearly $35,000 for this fiscal year. This work needed to be done to keep our facilities useful, and now we make the last payments associated with this work.

The remaining principal balance of the parish loans is nearly $486,000. If the sale of the cemetery land becomes a reality then we will be able to increase the cemetery perpetual care fund by $50,000 and reduce the loan balance by approximately $300,000.

Our combined operating cash is $43,240. The capital fund now has $65,586 and the perpetual care cemetery fund is $66,383.

The accompanying page displays a condensed chart of the operating income and expenses. As you can see we are still operating at a deficit but with the continued guidance from the Finance Council and the support of all of our parishioners I hope to correct that in the new fiscal year.

In addition to paying off our loans, in order to make us a viable parish, we need to start looking to the future in terms of what our parish will need. The number of clergy already in their seventies and soon to retire is very large. There may not be an available priest in the archdiocese to be the parochial vicar if Fr. Kim were to become a Pastor. Most parishes now hire a pastoral associate to assist the Pastor with communion and sick calls, etc. We have no one that is trained in this area. Most parishes have a Business Manager at least on a part time basis as well as a parish secretary. Some of our dedicated staff are nearing retirement and new employees will be needed. College Campus Ministries do not have priests available to assign to the chapel and we will need to hire outside clergy to assist with Mass coverage especially if we no longer had a parochial vicar. It is no longer unusual for a Pastor to service multiple parishes. This would also add to the need of additional lay staff to spread the work load of the pastor for the administrative details. Our cemetery perpetual care fund should have a higher balance to cover the cost of running the cemetery once all the grave sites are sold.
You can see that we need to start saving funds for whatever changes might come our way. I would ask that you prayerfully reflect on the amount of your weekly offertory and if possible try to increase it.

This report illustrates some of the many people that have taken pride in the parish through the various volunteer ministries and programs. As always, your donations of time, talent, and treasure are greatly appreciated.

~ Rev. Joseph Raeke and the Finance Council

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### Income

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### Expenses

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**Net Income or Loss**

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The Bridgewater Portuguese Holy Ghost Society is honored and pleased to present this report to Saint Thomas Church. The Society has been in existence for over 80 years and has been committed to the devotion of the Holy Spirit and its traditions related to the annual festival. This sacred tradition started during the reign of the King of Portugal, Dom Dinis and his wife, Queen Elizabeth during the 12th century, specifically to help and feed the poor of their country. These traditions were then brought over to the Azores Islands where they are celebrated annually during Pentecost Sunday and the following Sunday of Trinity.

When Azoreans began to immigrate to the United States, they brought with them a great devotion to the Holy Spirit. In addition, the immigrants often brought crowns with them that had become part of their families. Many of these crowns, which are privately owned, sat in different homes throughout the year. It was during these times that a discussion amongst Portuguese parishioners thought the tradition should continue here in this country in praise of the Holy Spirit. Today this festival is celebrated across the country. The Bridgewater Holy Ghost Society begins its three day festivities during the second week of June which coincides with Father’s Day. Our celebration brings other Societies from near and far to celebrate this day with us ~ members from Hudson, Taunton, East Providence, RI and East Hartford, CT among others. The societies arrive Sunday morning at the grounds and prepare to march to Saint Thomas Aquinas church.

The procession enlists the help of many old and young members. The procession has Portuguese marching bands, flags and banners that represent each society and its members, followed by crowns that represent families and churches from the Azores and the mainland. The local members surround the Queen as they march to the church. She is then led to the altar and is later blessed and crowned at the end of a special Mass dedicated to the Holy Spirit.

Following the Mass the procession then marches back to the Holy Ghost Club, which is located on Broad Street, Bridgewater. An offertory meal which includes soup, wine, soft drinks and sweet bread is then served to all as a continuation of the Holy Spirit’s tradition and dedication.
Ministry Volunteers that take pride in their Parish

**Altar Servers**
- Kaitlyn Burchill
- Josh Cannon
- Emily Crosby
- Tyler Ervin
- Sarah Geraghty
- Adam Gingras
- Lauren Hubbard
- Brian Kunz
- Jeffrey Luck
- Jimmy Lysko
- James MacArthur
- Kendra McMasters
- Jasmyn Nee
- Patrick Nee
- Savannah Nee
- Christopher O'Leary
- Peter O'Leary
- Katelyn Peterson
- Nolan Raymond
- Amanda Thomas
- Adam Wigley
- Cynthia O'Leary
- Evelyn Pezzulich
- Jack Phaneuf
- Colleen Price
- Matt Putnam
- Nancy Querzoli
- Linda Raymond
- Mary Taylor
- Aime Vacher
- Herb Wolfer
- Anthony Zonfrelli

**Eucharistic Ministers**
- Thomas Aiello
- Joyce Benoit
- Arthur Bowen
- Amy Bracken
- Jean Brennan
- Victor Carreiro
- Janet Chuki
- Helen Cleary
- Jeanne Cote
- Leo Cote
- Janet Crosby
- Theresa Figueiredo
- Thomas Fitzgerald
- Linda Fitzgibbons
- Shawn Flaherty
- Karen Geraghty
- Rita Giammanco
- Timothy Hanley
- Carol Hathaway
- Brina Healy
- Patty Hennessey
- Richard Hennessey
- Janine Higgins
- Marie Howard
- Clairemarie Hunter
- AnnMarie Landers
- Barbara Landers
- Steve LeClair
- Shirley Lessard
- Jeanne Marchisio
- Mary McDermott
- Christine McMasters
- Walter Morin
- Robert Morse
- Paul Mullaney
- Paul Murphy
- Cindy O'Leary
- Nicholas Palmeiri
- Ray Perry
- Beth Peterson
- Monica Querzoli
- Charles Ranahan
- Kim Silva
- Leslie Soccorsino
- Noel Soccorso
- Katherine Soderbom
- Peter Sotera
- Sally Stewart
- Rick Timmerman
- Ginny Timmerman
- Doreen Zeller

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- Linda Bowen
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- Nick Palmeiri

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- Francine Bell
- Meaghan Cleary
- Tony Esposito
- Lisa Folloni
- Richard Lombardi
- Kathy Palmeiri
- Ginny Timmerman
- Gregg Weber
- Estelle Wenson
Our Parish community is so very fortunate to have a wonderful building that serves as home to our Parish Religious Education Program and many other activities as well.

Our parish center is conveniently located next to the church and the rectory. This building has been completely renovated and boasts a beautiful kitchen complete with granite counter tops and new appliances.

All of our classrooms have been fully renovated with new wallboard and wall to wall carpeting. The colors in the Parish Center are warm and inviting. Tan and blue walls and blue carpeting throughout give our students a true sense that they are invited and called to learn more about our Lord.

Our Parish Center truly serves the people of our parish community in the name of Jesus. Our center is used for two Alcoholics Anonymous meetings each week, it is home to our very large St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry which supplies more than 140 households with food each week as well as supplying seven additional food pantries with food.

Basketball leagues for men, women and youth use our ample gymnasium each week. Bible studies for men, women and teens meet weekly in the Center.

The Women’s Club meets monthly, and has a special room to house all of the donated items to be sold at these sales.

Life Teen holds an “Open Gym” each week where teens can gather and shoot some hoops and enjoy some pizza with our teen ministers.

World Wide Marriage Encounter reunions are held in our Center, and Brownie troops meet in the center also. Our Parish Center is home to families who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Luncheons often take place in our Parish Center following funerals.

All in all our Parish Center is a building that is very well utilized. We thank God for the good works that go on in our Parish Center.

Cardinal O’Malley’s visit to our parish

On a beautiful summer evening, Saturday, June 13, St. Thomas Aquinas Parish was privileged to welcome his eminence Sean Cardinal O’Malley OFM, Cap. as its guest speaker for the monthly Candlelight Rosary Procession in honor of Our Lady of Fatima. A large congregation welcomed the Cardinal who came with Rev. Jonathan Gaspar. The Cardinal edified us all with his words of love for Our Lord and His Holy Mother and Our Lady of Fatima. Musicians enhanced the service with their accompaniment, and the congregation, led by the Rosary leader, Anthony Zonfrelli, joined in prayer and candlelight procession, asking Our Lady of Fatima’s intercession for all their needs. The service concluded with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. A blessed service was enjoyed by all.

Take pride in our Parish Center

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