



For the Honor and Glory of God

Our Beautiful Church

will rise from this foundation ↗



Minimum Campaign Goal, \$350,000

What's in store at St. Thomas More?

- ▶ At last, we can build for Almighty God a fitting home in St. Thomas More Parish. With a minimum of sacrifice, we can complete the beautiful new church we need so badly. Let's make our dream come true--NOW! Let's work together, pray together, worship together.

Now, some facts about our church

- ▶ It will be one of the most beautiful and prominent buildings in northern Virginia. Viewing it, you will see a beautiful structure, cruciform in arrangement (shaped like a cross), constructed of tinted brick and marble to lend added charm and beauty to the existing parish school, convent, and rectory. Light and graceful in appearance, the church is keynoted by the slender windows soaring nearly to its full height. Atop the junction of the cross, a gold dome fittingly crowns the entire church.
- ▶ The ground level will be raised so you'll not be able to see what has been our church for so many years, although window wells will be left to bring natural light to the former "basement church."
- ▶ Step inside this beautiful House of God. From the front entrance, you're struck with the altar at the junction of the cross. You'll see a three-sided sanctuary with communion railings all around. The nave will seat about 900 comfortably--but that's not all. The two wings of the cross, with spacious pews facing the altar from the sides of the sanctuary, each will seat about 300 persons, for a total capacity of about 1,500--and everyone will be closer to the altar than in the present, temporary church. Not a pillar will obstruct the view of the altar! The "crying room" will be elevated, and will not even be seen by those seated in the church proper.
- ▶ What about the things you can't see? First, the new St. Thomas More Church will be air-conditioned! And you'll be able to see better, because of the excellent lighting system. Downstairs? (That's where we "go to church" now, you know!) Well, this "basement church" will still be available for overflow Masses (if ever required), but easily convertible in part to parish meeting halls (thus freeing the present school hall for more badly needed classrooms in the future).
- ▶ When will construction begin? In just a few months, God willing. That will be about next March, when the winter weather "breaks".

And this is how we'll do it!

- ▶ In the near future, you will be visited by two campaign workers, who will explain in detail the campaign plans and will answer all your questions. You will be asked to sign a pledge card on which you will indicate your pledge for our new St. Thomas More Church.
- ▶ In consideration of your pledge remember that you may pay it in monthly installments over a two-year period. This is for your convenience. If you have been blessed by Almighty God with a more generous share of His material gifts, your pledge should reflect your deep gratitude for all that God has given you.
- ▶ You will be asked to make a moderate initial payment on your pledge by the campaign workers. Regular monthly payments will begin in January. Payment reminder envelopes will be sent to you according to the time payment schedule you prefer.

To those of our parishioners who have been blessed by Almighty God with a more generous share of His material gifts, as well as those who are willing to make a sacrifice for His honor and for the benefit of our parish, we address a request for participation in our memorial program.

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| Main Altar | \$10,000 |
| Canopy over Main Altar | 2,500 |
| Sanctuary | 5,000 |
| Sanctuary Light | 1,000 |
| Altar Rail | 1,000 |
| Pulpit | 1,000 |
| Sculptured Grill | 1,000 |
| Credence Table | 500 |
| Sedilia | 700 |
| Ambry | 500 |
| High Mass Candlesticks, Set of Two | (each) 400 |
| Low Mass Candlesticks, Set of Two | 360 |
| Candleabra (4) | (each) 360 |
| Flower Vases, Gold (4) ... | (pair) 400 |
| Missal and Stand | 360 |
| Altar Charts | 360 |
| Sanctus Bells | 400 |
| Sanctuary Rug, Oriental | 2,500 |
| Monstrance | 800 |
| Main Altar Crucifix | 800 |
| Blessed Virgin's Altar | 1,500 |
| Blessed Virgin's Statue | 800 |
| Crucifix | 400 |
| Candlesticks, Set of Two . | (each) 360 |
| Low Mass Candlesticks, Set | 360 |
| Tabernacle | 800 |
| Missal and Stone | 360 |
| Altar Charts | 360 |
| Credence Table | 360 |
| St. Joseph's Altar | 1,500 |
| St. Joseph's Statue | 800 |
| Tabernacle | 800 |
| Crucifix | 400 |
| Candlesticks, Set of Two . | (each) 360 |
| Low Mass Candlesticks, Set | 360 |
| Missal and Stand | 360 |
| Altar Charts | 360 |
| Credence Table | 360 |

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| Private Chapel Altar | 1,500 |
| Statue | 800 |
| Crucifix | 400 |
| Candlesticks, Set | 360 |
| Missal and Stand | 360 |
| Altar Charts | 360 |
| Credence Table | 360 |
| Priests' Sacristy | 2,000 |
| Crucifix | 360 |
| Vestment Case | 600 |
| Holy Water Font | 360 |
| Prie Dieux | 360 |
| Sacrarium | 360 |
| Altar Boys' Sacristy | 1,000 |
| Crucifix | 360 |
| Holy Water Font | 360 |
| Cassock Lockers | 400 |
| Stations of the Cross (14) .. | (each) 700 |
| Stained Glass Windows (14) | (each) 900 |
| Confessionals (4)..... | (each) 800 |
| Baptistry..... | 2,000 |
| Baptismal Font | 1,000 |
| Baptistry Table | 400 |
| Holy Water Fonts (6) | (each) 500 |
| Mothers' Room | 800 |
| Main Vestibule | 1,500 |
| Main Entrance Shrine | 1,000 |
| Narthex Screen | 1,000 |
| Votive Light Stands (4) | (each) 500 |
| Choir | 2,500 |
| Organ | 5,000 |
| Music Cabinet | 400 |
| Main Entrance Doors (3) .. | (each) 500 |
| Side Entrance Doors (2) ... | (each) 400 |
| Exterior Statue, Front | 1,000 |
| Exterior Statue, Rear | 600 |

Seldom in a lifetime is one presented with such an unusual opportunity. As long as St. Thomas More Church will stand, your memorial will be an indication of your love for God and your spirit of sacrifice. Those who give a memorial pledge will have the name of the person in whose memory it is given, as well as the name of the donor, inscribed on a bronze tablet in the Shrine of Remembrance.

Shrine of Remembrance



Here are enshrined with love and gratitude
The names of all who generously sacrificed
To make this Church possible
We beg for them and their loved ones
A remembrance in your prayers

Pictured here you see a unique and beautiful Shrine which will occupy a place of prominence and honor in the north transept of our new Church. It will be called "The Shrine of Remembrance," and will be dedicated to the Sacred Heart. On a beautiful stained glass window which forms the background of this Shrine will be legibly etched the names of those benefactors who have fulfilled a pledge of only \$250 (\$10 per month for the two-year pledge period). On the pedestal of the statue there will appear the inscription you see at the right of the picture.

Surely, here is a most unusual opportunity since with only a moderate sacrifice it brings within the reach of all parishioners the possibility of a memorial for themselves and their loved ones for as long as the new St. Thomas More Church will stand.

This Is YOUR Part:

- ▶ DO read this brochure carefully.
- ▶ Welcome your fellow-parishioners--the campaign workers--when they visit you. Give them time to review with you the entire campaign plans and answer all your questions.
- ▶ Remember that each wage earner in our parish should do his part. Our campaign will not be a success without YOUR pledge.
- ▶ Be an enthusiastic parishioner. Give your pledge. Your example will encourage others.
- ▶ Pray each day for the success of the campaign.