

Saint Thomas More -

International Catholic Chaplaincy Bonn

SUNDAY November 30th 2025. 1st Sunday of Advent Mass 9:30 a.m.



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Today's Mass Intention: For the Parishioners				
Today's readings	GATHER: No. 879			
Order of the Mass	GATHER: No. 134 onwards			
ENTRANCE HYMN	THE ADVENT OF OUR KING			

1 The advent of our King Our thoughts must now employ; Then let us meet him on the road

With songs of holy joy.

3 In glory from his throne Again will Christ descend,

And summon all who are his own

To joys that never end.

2 The co-eternal Son A maiden's offspring see; A servant's form Christ putteth on, To set his people free.

4 Our joyful praises sing To Christ, who set us free; Like tribute to the Father bring. And Holy Ghost, to thee.

Penitential Rite

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our

KYRIE: sung

FIRST READING Isaiah 2:1-5

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (sung)

R. LET US GO REJOICING TO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD.

Romans 13:11-14 SECOND READING:

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia - sung

SHOW US, LORD, YOUR LOVE; AND GRANT US YOUR SALVATION.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia - suna

GOSPEL: Matthew 24:37-44

CREDO: recited

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

TODAYS PRAYER RESPONSE sung:

WAIT FOR THE LORD, HIS DAY IS NEAR. WAIT FOR THE LORD, BE STRONG, TAKE HEART.

OFFERTORY HYMN

MARIA DURCH EIN DORNWALD GING

1.Maria durch ein Dornwald ging, Kyrie eleison. Maria durch ein Dornwald ging, der hat in sieben Jahrn kein Laub getragen. Jesus und Maria.

2. Was trug Maria unter ihrem Herzen? Kyrie eleison. Ein kleines Kindlein ohne Schmerzen, das trug Maria unter ihrem Herzen. Jesus und Maria. 3. Da haben die Dornen Rosen getragen, Kyrie eleison. Als das Kindlein durch den Wald getragen, da haben die Dornen Rosen getragen. Jesus und Maria.

SANCTUS:	sung:	GATHER 306

Memorial Acclamation (sung):

We Proclaim your Death O Lord and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.

The Lord's Prayer (sung)				
LAMB OF GOD	sung	GATHER 312		
COMMUNION HYMN 1:	A VOICE CRIES OUT, verses 1,2,5	GATHER 343		
COMMUNION HYMN 2:	WAKE, O WAKE AND SLEEP NO	O LONGER		

- 1. Wake, O wake, and sleep no longer, for he who calls you is no stranger: awake, God's own Jerusalem!
 Hear, the midnight bells are chiming the signal for his royal coming: let voice to voice announce his name!
 We feel his footstep near, the Bridegroom at the door Alleluia! The lamps will shine with light divine as Christ the saviour comes to reign.
- 2. Zion hears the sound of singing; her heart is thrilled with sudden longing: she stirs, and wakes, and stands prepared. Christ her friend, and lord, and lover, her star and sun and strong redeemer

- at last his mighty voice is heard.
 The Son of God has come
 to make with us his home: sing Hosanna!
 The fight is won, the feast begun;
 we fix our eyes on Christ alone.
- 3. Glory, glory, sing the angels, while music sounds from strings and cymbals; all humankind, with songs arise! Twelve the gates into the city, each one a pearl of shining beauty; the streets of gold ring out with praise. All creatures round the throne adore the holy One with rejoicing: Amen be sung by every tongue to crown their welcome to the King.

FINAL HYMN

READY THE WAY

1.Ready the way of the Lord, Ready the way of the Lord. A voice cries out in the wilderness: Ready the way of the Lord.

2.Let every valley be filled, Let every valley be filled. Let every mountain be humbled, Let every valley be filled.

Ref.: Here is your God, coming with your vindication.

Look and behold the saving power of God.

3. Desert and waste land will bloom, Desert and waste land will bloom. Glory and splendor will fill the land, Desert and waste land will bloom.

4. Those who are blind will then see, Those who are deaf will then hear. Those who are lame will then leap for joy, Those who are mute will then sing.

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5. Strengthen the ones who are weak, Strengthen the ones who are weak. Say to the frightened: "Have courage." Strengthen the ones who are weak.

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ARE YOU NEW?

If you are new to our Saint Thomas More Catholic Chaplaincy, we are glad to have you with us this morning. Please fill in a Newcomer Registration form so that you can receive copies of our occasional email news bulletin and other communications. Newcomer Registration forms can be found on the table at the back of the church at the end of the middle aisle. Please put your filled-out forms in one of our collection baskets or pass them to the ushers or directly to our parish secretary. For reasons of data protection we ask that you may not leave your filled out registration forms in the church but rather hand them to us personally. If you need any assistance, please feel free to contact our secretary via email or personally after our Sunday Mass.

Religious Education in our Chaplaincy



Catechism classes after our Sunday Mass. At STM, we offer classes from Kindergarten (4+) to First Holy Communion and Confirmation. We have an active post communion class that includes children aged 7 upwards.

If you are interested in learning more or signing your child up, please contact Martina or Cheryl at office@stmbonn.de, or ask an usher for a registration form.



Calling all our children and young adults!

Practice continues today for the children and youth Advent Mass.

Reminder! Special children and youth Mass is scheduled for the third

Sunday of Advent, December 14 2025.

This mass will be followed by a small celebration in the rectory with snacks and goodies. All are welcome!

WEEKDAY MASSES ARE ON TUESDAY AND ON THURSDAY AT 7PM IN OUR RECTORY



Eucharistic Adoration

Come and spend time with the LORD, truly present in the Eucharist.

When: 4th December 2025 from 8.30 pm to 9.30 pm

Where: St. Andreas Church, Andreasstr.1, Bonn Rüngsdorf

An hour of prayers, meditations and chants in English.

"Our Lord invites us to an audience of grace and love.

He is waiting for us; he is longing for us."

St. Peter J. Eymard

- Coming Sunday, December 7th 2025 9:00 am Rosary before our Sunday Mass
- Monday, December 8th 2025 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Mass at 7 pm in the church
 - Sunday 14th December Special Advent mass for our children and youth

<u>Christmas donations sought for homeless women in Bonn</u>



Given the success of last year's Christmas charitable initiative by our Community at Saint Thomas More, we would like to appeal for your support again for **the Frauenhaus**, **Maria Königin** who house homeless women and their families in Bonn.

The **Frauenhaus** is once again aiming to distribute more than 120 Christmas parcels to homeless women in and around the city and would like our help in making this happen!

Donations in the form of non-perishable foods and toiletries have

been requested.

Donations should be put together in a shoe box wrapped in Christmas Decorations! As you can see on the photo.

IF YOU REQUIRE BOXES PLEASE COLLECT THEM IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH AFTER MASS.

A large carton for collecting the various packages will be at the back of the church <u>after</u> <u>Holy Mass on Sunday</u>, <u>the 7th and 14th December.</u>

Should you prefer to return the prepared present packages earlier than that, please feel free to do so.

The packages are handed over to the Frauenhaus on 16th December 2025.

They will hand out the presents to the ladies and the children before Christmas.