

Tuesday, 6:30, Dialogue  
Mass, Main Church, Feast  
of St. Thomas Aquinas.

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...Solemn High Mass, 9:00,  
in honor of St. Thomas--Main  
Church.

### Pursue Intellectual Excellence.

Pope Leo XIII declared St. Thomas Aquinas the patron saint of Catholic schools. The Angelic Doctor lived scarcely fifty years but in that brief life-span he accomplished in the SUMMA THEOLOGICA the greatest single influence on Catholic theological thought. So esteemed was this monumental work that the Council of Trent placed it next to the Bible in the hall of sessions.

St. Thomas also wrote the Office and Mass of the Blessed Sacrament. Intellectual excellence and a love of Christ in the Eucharist—that is the combination that best exemplifies Thomas Aquinas, the poet of the Blessed Sacrament, the scholar, liturgist and saint.

Against parental opposition Thomas entered the Dominican Order. From that day until this he has been the unparalleled glory of the good Friars of St. Dominic....On one occasion in his early youth St. Thomas so fearlessly and courageously conquered a serious temptation against purity that he was singularly blessed by the special grace of being freed for the rest of his life from all temptations of the flesh.

Venerated and revered throughout the entire Catholic world for centuries as perhaps the greatest mind the Catholic Church ever produced, St. Thomas well deserved more than your respectful attention. Pray to him for guidance and assistance in your studies, in your own dogged pursuit of intellectual excellence.

### She Lives Only On Holy Communion.

There was an interesting account in yesterday's Denver Register about Therese Neumann, the Bavarian stigmatic. Rev. Joseph B. Saal of St. Francis's Church, Roy, Oregon, had the personal experience of giving her Holy Communion and of seeing the Host fly from his fingers to her mouth....After Mass he invited her to have breakfast with him. She respectfully declined and said, "A little while ago you gave me all I need until tomorrow.".....For 28 years Therese Neumann has had no other nourishment, not even liquid, other than the Blessed Sacrament.

### "You Gave Me All I Need Until Tomorrow."

Some dull day when you have fifteen empty moments to fill up, list in one column the reasons why you should be a daily communicant. In the second column put down the reasons why you are not. Do something about the predicament. Don't roost the rest of your days on the horns of this dilemma or you'll be crowing for mercy on the Day of Judgment.

### Ol' "No" Got Stuck In The Mud.

That ol' battlewagon has nothing on "deadweight" seniors who have been stuck in the mud since New Year's Eve. As a matter of fact, ol' "No" ought to be con ratulated--she's no longer stuck in the mud. We could call out the Naval Reserve but we prefer letting weary seniors read a bedtime quote from St. Augustine on what he has to say about deathbed repentance:

"Deathbed repentance is very dangerous, for in Scripture we find only one example of it, the Good Thief, who was truly penitent. This one example is given lest we despair; only one is given lest we presume. In the healthy man repentance is healthy; in the sick man, it is sickly; in the dead man, repentance is dead."

Prayers: (deceased) grandmother of Ronald Myrter (Dil); gr'mother of Frank Valente (Mor); Mrs. Annie B. Carrell; relative of Bill Klee (Bad). Ill, friend of John Brennan (Sor); grandmother of B. Roberts (Dil). Special Intentions, 4; Thanksgiving, 2.