



# St. Thomas

**By The Sea**

**CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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## Welcome!

*On behalf of our church family, we are pleased to welcome you to St. Thomas by the Sea Catholic Church, and to our beautiful gulf beaches. If you are a new parishioner, or a long-term or frequent visitor, please take time to complete a registration form (in the church pamphlet). We hope you will enjoy your time in Orange Beach.*

*Rev. Paul Ravi, HGN      Deacon Stephen Seymour*

## Mass Schedule

- Weekends:** Saturday, 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday, 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.
- Weekdays:** Monday, 9:00 a.m.  
Communion Service  
Tuesday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. Mass
- First Fridays:** Morning Mass is followed  
by Holy Hour.

**Our Chapel is open every day for prayer.**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturdays, 4:00-4:45 p.m. (and upon request)


- Altar Rosary Society:** President, Laura Bosarge ..... 251-209-2187
- Driving Service:** Anyone needing a ride to a doctor's appointment or elsewhere can call ..... 205-999-5802
- Hispanic Ministry:** Contact St. Margaret of Scotland ..... 251-943-4009
- Ministry of Care:** (to sick and bereaved) –  
Parish Office..... 251-981-8132
- Respect Life Committee:** Suzanne Laurier ..... 251-981-1918
- CCD:** Contact Father Paul
- Choir Director:** Paul Anderson..... 251-377-7923
- Parish Council:** Chairperson, Anne Quinn ..... 303-324-3526
- Finance Council:** Chairperson, Annette Mitchell ..... 251-978-4067
- Memorials:** Church Office ..... 251-981-8132
- Ministry:** To serve as a Lector or Eucharistic Minister, contact Father Paul
- RCIA:** Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. (September through Easter).  
Contact Father Paul
- St. Benedict School:** Contact Father Paul..... 251-981-8132
- Winter Visitor Contact:** Ellen Passage..... 517-881-6615
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## THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions  
5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass  
*Mass Intention: Peggy Kenyon and Jerry Milton*

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

8:00 a.m. Mass  
*Mass Intention: Mavis Adams*  
10:00 a.m. Mass

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
9:00 a.m. Communion Service

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
9:00 a.m. Mass  
*Mass Intention: Jeanne Samuel*

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

7:00 a.m. Men of St. Joseph  
8:40 a.m. Rosary  
9:00 a.m. Mass  
*Mass Intention: Ron Ludtke*

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
9:00 a.m. Mass  
*Mass Intention: David Seymour*

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
9:00 a.m. Mass  
9:45 a.m. Daughters of Mary  
*Mass Intention: Mavis Adams*

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions  
5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass  
*Mass Intention: Joyce & Stafford Bielkiewicz*

**OUR CHAPEL IS OPEN**

## HURRICANE IDA RELIEF UPDATE

On September 8, 2021, members of St. Thomas by the Sea and the Orange Beach United Methodist church travelled to LaPlace, Louisiana to provide aid to those affected by Hurricane Ida. Our parish graciously provided funding to make this possible. We distributed over \$7,000.00 in cleaning implements, solutions, protective gear, food, toiletries and building supplies. We also picked up additional supplies from Catholic Social Services which aided in this effort. Our thanks to everyone for your generosity!

On Thursday, September 16, the same group of parishioners travelled to LaPlace, Louisiana again to provide additional supplies to assist with their repairs, cleanup and general well-being. Again, THANK YOU to everyone for your generosity in making this effort possible.

## HURRICANE RELIEF COLLECTION

*Your generosity for our Hurricane Relief special collection was \$6,029.00. People are still donating by mail and online donations. St. Thomas by the Sea is proud to support the people of Louisiana in their time of great need.*

## SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR:

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITIES

Please be generous in your donations and Thank you!!

## YOUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory .....	\$ 6,326.00
Building Fund.....	\$ 495.00
Votives .....	\$ 58.00
Burse Club .....	\$ 1,387.00
<i>Thank you for your generosity each and every week!</i>	
Offertory from September 5, 2021 .....	\$ 3,744.61

## STOCK THE PANTRY

**SEPTEMBER** is our month to stock the pantry for the Christian Service Center!!! There will be a collection area in the narthex to leave donations. Items needed: canned meat, tuna or chicken. Ramen noodles, saltine crackers, cereal, mac and cheese, peanut butter and jelly, any toiletries such as toothbrushes/toothpaste, personal grooming items, etc.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Dominique deSanctis, Chad Smith, Rita Michelle Garner, Tim Glennon, Babe Rohan, Lydia Williams, Mark Miller, Deacon Hank Pouliot, Dolores Mills, Sarah Knoll Lammons, Edward O'Brien, Lavonne McCumber, Donna Zepponi, Brandt Quinn, Margaret Smith, Craig Horn, Katheryn Bennett, William Chambers, Frances Gagliano, Anthony Baroco, Kathy Montecio, Stephanie Keeler, Ed Zyniewicz, Daphne Stanford, Karen Kelley O'Brien, Joel Rivera, Susan Berezuk, Bill Sukman, Carly Barrett, Janet & Tommy Pollman, Jenifer Davis, Sally Ashurst, Gene Brymer, Norman Hankins, Mary Schmid, Pat Chambers, Matt Bosarge, Maureen Kiernan, Sue Pizzitola, Ann Wilson, Jane Fleshman, Cecil Young, Marion Waller, Bob Lindley, Rob & Frances Elaine Brown, Pete Hourihan

## HOME VISITS & CONFESSIONS

Father Paul is available to bless your home. Please call the parish office at 251-981-8132 for an appointment. You can also call to schedule the Sacrament of Reconciliation if you can't come on a Saturday.

## DONATIONS FOR HURRICANE IDA VICTIMS

We will be collecting items needed for our neighbors in La Place, Louisiana. Items that are needed are: Cleaning supplies, toothbrushes and toothpaste, diapers, food and cases of water. Tarps and nails, brooms, and many more items. Your donations will be delivered to the St. Joan of Arc Catholic church and Ascension of our Lord Catholic church for distribution to the local community in the coming weeks. Your generosity is appreciated!

## SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES

Fall series begins September 19, 2021. In this 7-week series, we will focus on *The Search*, a video and discussion program available on FORMED.org. (Catholic Faith Resource on Demand available thru St. Thomas by the Sea for FREE) Groups will meet weekly on Monday or Thursday mornings and Sunday, Monday or Thursday evenings. These small communities are a part of the wider sharing, prayer and fellowship with others in St. Thomas parish. Look for sign-up cards in the pews and on tables at entrances. Please fill out and place in collection basket or basket at rear of church. For more information, contact Melissa Sibille at 850-566-1016 or midsibille@gmail.com.

## VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR:

### ALTAR LINEN CLEANING

Call Merrie Henderson at 850-980-5213 or church office.

## ANGELS OF JOY GIFT SHOP

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## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR ALL MASSES – EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, USHERS, LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS. Training is provided. Please call the church office at 251-981-8132 or speak with Fr. Paul.

## CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS

For children's Liturgy on Sunday mornings! If you would like to share the faith with Little Ones during the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays, call Jean Marzullo at 251-599-1643 to volunteer. Crayons provided.

## CCD REGISTRATION

If you *have not* signed up for CCD classes for 2021/2022, please complete a registration for your children for this year's CCD classes. There are forms on the website. (You can find CCD under the Ministries tab). For more information, call the church office at 251-981-8132 or Jean Marzullo at 251-599-1643. We look forward to seeing your children.

## MINISTRY NEXT WEEKEND

**Saturday, 5:00 p.m. (9/25/21)**

*Lector:* Jean Marzullo

*Communion:* Mary & Pat Dalton, Jay Powell, Tina D'Aversa

*Altar Servers:* Pat Dalton

*Ushers:* Jim & Agnes Johnson, Oliveth Archer, Joe Fierro

**Sunday, 8:00 a.m. (09/26/21)**

*Lector:* Eva McDuffie

*Communion:* Marian Smith, Bette McDuffie, Jane Quinn,

Vicki Brown

*Altar Servers:* Carlos DeSanctis

*Ushers:* JoEllen Karazim, Kelley Ouzts, LuAnn & Art Yaroch,

Paul Brown, Robert Turner

**Sunday, 10:00 a.m. (09/26/21)**

*Lector:* Merrie Henderson

*Communion:* Joanie Pruett, Mary Mercer, Alice Madere,

Cheryl Robinson

*Altar Servers:* Steve Fletcher

*Ushers:* Steve & Darlene Kerchner, Dan Cummings, Lee Barnes,

Ron Slovinski

*Deacon Steve and his lovely wife, Bobbi will be celebrating their 47th wedding anniversary on Monday, September 20th 2021. Congratulations on many more happy and blissful days of marriage!*

## ACCW CONVENTION

The 85th Annual ACCW Convention will be held on October 31st, thru November 1st & 2nd, 2021. The event will take place at the Perdido Beach Resort in Orange Beach, AL. To register, contact Barbara McGonigle at 251-228-2303 or email bargon65@gmail.com. **NOTE: Registration deadline is September 30th.**

*When you think of the condition the world is in now, you sometimes wish that Noah had missed the boat.*

—Fulton Sheen

## SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

St. Benedict is recruiting substitutes for all their classrooms! For more information or to apply, email Dr. McCool at kmccool@saintbenedict.net or call the school at 251-986-8143

## JOB OPENING

St. Benedict Catholic School is now looking to hire for the following part-time positions: Spanish, Music and Counselor. We are looking for enthusiastic individuals who are ready to work with a variety of ages to teach music and Spanish and to conduct school counseling. Certification is not required for these part-time positions. For more information, please call the school at 251-986-8143, or email Dr. McCool at kmccool@saintbenedict.net.

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