

## 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.

**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
<b>Driving Service:</b> Anyone needing a ride to a doctor's appointment or elsewhere can call205-999-5802
Hispanic Ministry: Contact St. Margaret of Scotland 251-943-4009
Ministry of Care (to sick and bereaved) – Parish Office
Respect Life Committee: Suzanne Laurier
CCD: Contact Father Paul
Choir Director: Paul Anderson
Parish Council: Chairperson, Anne Quinn
Finance Council: Chairperson, Annette Mitchell 251-980-5529
Memorials: Church Office
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
Winter Visitor Contact: Ellen Passage517-881-6615
Sacrament of Baptism: Contact Father Paul at least one month prior
Sacrament of Marriage: Contact Father Paul at least six months prior

Wedding Coordinator: Contact the Church Office....... 251-981-8132

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#### THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS-BY-THE-SEA

#### **SATURDAY, APRIL 17**

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions

5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

Mass Intention: Jennifer Hagel

#### **SUNDAY, APRIL 18**

8:00 a.m. Mass

Mass Intention: Tom Jorden

10:00 a.m. Mass

#### **MONDAY, APRIL 19**

8:40 a.m. Rosary

9:00 a.m. Communion Service

#### **TUESDAY, APRIL 20**

8:40 a.m. Rosary

9:00 a.m. Mass

Mass Intention: Bill Cubell

#### **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21**

7:00 a.m. Men of St. Joseph

8:40 a.m. Rosary

9:00 a.m. Mass

Mass Intention: Alice Barnett

#### **THURSDAY, APRIL 22**

8:40 a.m. Rosary

9:00 a.m. Mass

Mass Intention: David Cranston

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 23

8:40 a.m. Rosary

9:00 a.m.

Mass Intention: Phil Jablunovsky

Daughters of Mary 9:45 a.m.

#### **SATURDAY, APRIL 24**

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions

> 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

#### ONLINE GIVING

For those of you who would like to contribute online, just go to our website (www.stthomasbythesea.org), then click on the blue box for online giving. Please call the office should you have any questions. Thank you.

#### PARISH SECRETARY NEEDED - PART-TIME

St. Thomas by the Sea Catholic Church in Orange Beach is seeking an experienced secretary with strong computer and organizational skills, Pastoral compassion and care, and a welcoming smile. Please contact Marge Keller at margemkeller@gmail.com to apply. Thank you!

#### ALFRED-WASHBURN DAY CENTER

The Alfred-Washburn Day Center for the homeless is in great need of men's and women's tennis shoes in all sizes, as well as men's jeans (especially in smaller sizes). They always need disposable razors, batteries (all sizes) and flashlights. Anything you can do to help is much appreciated. Bring your donations to the Church, to be taken to the Center. God bless you for your generosity.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR: Dominique deSanctis, Chad Smith, Rita Michelle Garner, Tim Glennon, Babe Rohan, Lydia Williams, Hank Pouliot, Mark Miller, 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, Scott Mason, Brian, Patrick Rogers, Marjorie Bradford, Suzie Keener, Linda Bingham, Eddie Werneth, Dorothy Mason, Mike Mahne, Carly Barrett, Marie Kuffskie, Janet & Tommy Pollman, Jenifer Davis, Sally Ashurst, Gene Brymer, Norman Hankins, Mary Schmid and Pat Chambers.

#### **FAKE EMAILS**

If anyone receives an email from Fr. Paul asking for gift cards or any other kind of money, please delete immediately. His email has been HACKED, and he is changing his password to eliminate this problem. Thank you!

## IF LIFE WERE A DO-IT-YOURSELF PROJECT, GOD WOULD NOT HAVE LEFT INSTRUCTIONS!

## SIDEWALK ADVOCATES FOR LIFE TRAINING

Every week in Pensacola, an average of 30 children are lost to abortion, leaving another mother, father and family wounded by a choice they can never take back. If your heart aches when thinking of these innocent lives lost, you can learn how to peacefully and effectively offer loving, life-affirming alternatives to those entering the Pensacola abortion facility. SAL does not advocate protesting, yelling or condemning, but rather on how to become prayerful servants of God peacefully reaching out to women in need with help and resources.

Consider joining us on Saturday, April 24, 9:00-2:00 p.m., at Our lady of the Gulf Church in Gulf Shores. There is no charge for this training, and all materials and lunch will be provided.

To register, contact Aine Canning, at <u>aine.connelly@eccfl.org</u> or call 850-377-1657. If you would like to carpool from our church, call Suzanne at 251-981-1918. Hope to see you there!

#### **SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES**

at St. Thomas by the Sea

We had our introductory meeting this week, but it is not too late to sign-up.

These communities are part of the wider church, providing a way to grow in knowledge and relationship with God, strengthen faith sharing, prayer and fellowship within the parish.

For more information, contact Andree Drouilhet at a\_drouilhet@yahoo.com and Melissa Sibille at mldsibille@gmail.com.

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#### **WORD OF LIFE**

"Christ invites us to trust in his invisible grace that prompts us to the generosity of supernatural charity, as we identify with everyone who is ill: 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.' (Mt 25:40)"

Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith "Samaritanus bonus: On the Care of Persons in the Critical and Terminal Phases of Life." (c2020) Libreria Editrice Vaticana.

## ST. BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL GERMAN FESTIVAL

The St. Benedict's Catholic Church German Festival is set for Saturday, April 24, from 10-3p.m. The event will include German Food Desserts, the Raven Run as a "Virtual" event and the "Raffle" which will highlight the event.

For full details on German Festival, please go to their school website (www.SaintBenedict.net) and follow the link.

#### COMMUNICATIONS COMMUNITY

Father Paul would like a team of 7-10 parishioners who can help facilitate and develop a communications program for St. Thomas-by-the-Sea. We envision utilizing all forms of communication (phone calls as well as the latest technology) to help bring our wonderful parish together, so everyone is aware of what is going on in the parish, the archdiocese, with our parishioners (local and distant) and within our community. If you are willing to contribute your time and talents, please contact Mike Bosarge at mbosarge@me.com or 251-583-0278.

#### CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH

**Second Collection** 

We welcome Father Frank Iacona of Cross Catholic Outreach who is speaking this weekend at all Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries.

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