

# SAINT 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 or on our website). We hope you will enjoy your time in Orange Beach.

Fr. Paul Iruthayasamy, 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)

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# THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA



**Please pray for:** Leigh Pitchford, Milton & Rita Essig, Dominique DeSanctis, Sue Pizzitola, Ann Wilson, Chrissie McKillip, Patrick Rogers, Thomas Cichoski, Tom Powell, Rey Segovia, Patricia Chambers, Elizabeth Von Bergen, Mark Martz, Bill & Mary Brabston, Lori Brabston, Cheryl Strockis, Elliott Trahan, Phyllis Peralta, Edith O’Rear, Patricia Ann Cassidy, Lisa Hughes, Claire Hughes, Ron Gray, Chuck Coffey, Pam Rohan, Babe Rohan, Paul Rohan, Bob Osterholt, Brenda Lomax, Jane Swain, Sally O’Donnell, James Hess, James Rudolph, Melanie Mitchell, Grayson Karazim, Eric Montross, Kylie Herring and Tony Cate, Kathleen Dupre.

Please contact the church office to add to or update list.

**SATURDAY, MAY 27**

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions  
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass  
*Intention: Bielkiewicz and Dausat Families*

**SUNDAY, MAY 28**

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Mike & Tom Barnett+ and all St. Thomas by the Sea Parishioners*  
 10:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Jean & Tony Marzullo, Anniversary*

**MONDAY, MAY 29**

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

**TUESDAY, MAY 30**

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Mark Karazim+*

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 31**

7:00 a.m. Men of St. Joseph  
 8:40 a.m. Rosary  
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Mavis Adams+*

**THURSDAY, JUNE 1**

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Peter Hourihan+*

**FRIDAY, JUNE 2**

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Mike & Tom Barnett+*  
 9:30 a.m. First Friday Holy Hour

**SATURDAY, JUNE 3**

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions  
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass  
*Intention: Bielkiewicz and Dausat Families*

**LIFE QUOTE**

“Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.”  
 – USCCB “Day for Life Greeting”

**THANK YOU**

Thanks to all who helped make **Fr. Paul’s birthday celebration** such a success – by organizing, baking (that cake!), cooking, serving, setup and cleanup, etc. We wish Fr. Paul continued blessings and hope we will get to celebrate his birthday for many years to come!

**HOME VISITS & CONFESSIONS**

Father Paul is available to bless your home – call the church office at 251-981-8132 for an appointment. You can also schedule the Sacrament of Reconciliation if you can’t come to church on a Saturday, or the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick if you have a serious chronic illness or will be having surgery.

Today, as we celebrate **Pentecost**, we commemorate the coming of the Holy Spirit to the first disciples, to the early church. After having witnessed the killing of Jesus, the early disciples lived in fear. Jesus had promised that the Spirit, the advocate, would come – and indeed He did! Pentecost is a reminder that we all have God-given gifts. Pentecost is also a reminder that the Holy Spirit is still manifesting in the church today, in the people. What are *your* God-given gifts?

**YOUR GIFTS TO GOD  
 on May 21, 2023**

Offertory .....	\$ 9,878.85
<i>Budgeted</i> .....	\$ 9,000.00
Building Fund .....	\$ 3,064.10
<i>Building Fund Budgeted</i> .....	\$ 4,000.00
Online Giving .....	\$ 2,648.46
Votives .....	\$ 195.01

**THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR:  
 CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN**

Supporting communication campaigns both locally and nationally.  
 Fifty percent of money collected stays in our Archdiocese!

**Thank you for your generosity!**



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**

The St. Thomas Council would like to say “thank you” to all parishioners, visitors and neighboring churches who supported the raffle for Mary’s Shelter Gulf Coast. We raised over \$26,000.00 for the Shelter and distributed 31 prizes worth almost \$10,000.00 to the lucky winners. We could not have done it without your support and the generosity of the local businesses and community members who donated prizes, and the efforts of our brother Knight Joe Fierro for leading the effort.

The **Angels of Joy Gift Shop** is open after all weekend Masses. We appreciate your patronage as we support many charities through your purchases. We currently have for sale books of coupons for local restaurants and businesses, to benefit St. Benedict School; available for \$20.00.

**ALTAR LINEN CARE** for June: Marian Smith and Pauline Poole. Thank you, ladies! Anyone who would like to help with weekly laundering of purificators and corporals, contact Merrie Henderson at 850-982-5213. You will be paired with a partner, and only do it one month a year. Training will be provided. This is a great way to serve our Lord and the parish!

**DAUGHTERS OF MARY** will not be meeting over the summer months. We will resume meetings in September. All women interested in journeying with other women of faith to a deeper relationship with Jesus are welcome to join us. We meet on Fridays after morning Mass, in the church Library. For more information, contact Andree Drouilhet, a\_drouilhet@yahoo.com.

**MARY’S SHELTER NEEDS HELP!**

MS’s Thrift Shop in Elberta is looking for someone who could, using the Shop’s vehicle and trailer, pick up donated furniture for delivery to the Thrift Shop in Elberta. If you are interested, please contact Kay Trattles at [gulfcoastthriftstore@gmail.com](mailto:gulfcoastthriftstore@gmail.com).

**CATHOLIC GUIDE TO END-OF-LIFE DECISIONS:**

You can ensure that your health care proxy (living will) is in accord with Catholic teaching by getting this document, which explains Church teaching on advance medical directives, euthanasia and physician-assisted suicide. It is issued by the National Catholic Bioethics Center, and includes a health care proxy form. Available on request in the church office.

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	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	ALTAR SERVER	USHER
<b>Saturday, 5:00 p.m.</b>	Kathleen Shine	Mary Dalton, Nancy Milton, Andree Drouilhet, J.R. Bedel	Al Bedel	Joe Fierro, Jim Johnson, Van Bielkiewicz, Rob Shine, J.R. Bedel, Tim Drouilhet
<b>Sunday, 8:00 a.m.</b>	Melissa Sibille	Anne Quinn, Sharon Mahne, Mariana Smith, Betty Mcduffie	Carlos Desanctis	Lynn Tampary, Ouida Turner, Art Yarocho, Luann Yarocho, Kelley Ouzts, Robert Turner
<b>Sunday, 10:00 a.m.</b>	Merrie Henderson	Joanie Pruett, Melanie Reece, Kathy Lindley, Bob Lindley	Steve Fletcher	Darlene Kerchner, Steve Kerchner, Lee Barnes, Mike Pruett, Dan Cummings, Patty Cummings

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR ALL MASSES:  
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS, USHERS, LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS.  
Training is provided – please call the church office at 251-981-8132 to volunteer.**

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To serve as a Lector or Eucharistic Minister,  
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- St. Benedict School**  
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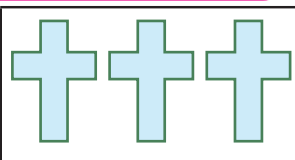
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