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CATHOLIC CHURCH**



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THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
Intention: Kateri & Tim Klein and Bielkiewicz and Dauzat Families

SUNDAY, APRIL 23

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Joseph C. Dupre+
 10:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: St. Thomas by the Sea Parishioners

MONDAY, APRIL 24

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 25

8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Max Gee+

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

7:00 a.m. Men of St. Joseph
 8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Eva & Ligia Gonzalez+

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Tom Cranston+

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Jerry Milton+
 9:30 a.m. Daughters of Mary

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
Intention: Peter Spaulding + and Bielkiewicz and Dauzat families

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, 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, Mary Newsome, Bob Osterholt, Brenda Lomax , Jane Swain, Bob Pumford, Sally O’Donnell, James Hess, Peter Hourihan, James Rudolph, Melanie Mitchell, Bill Cranston and Grayson Karazim.

Please contact church office to add or update list.

LIFE QUOTES

Virgin of Guadalupe, Patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child at risk of abortion.... Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no voice. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.

Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, A Prayer of Our Lady of Guadalupe



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER will be observed on Sunday, April 30, 2023 also known as “Good Shepherd Sunday.” The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord’s instruction to, “Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest” (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord’s call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes. Resources for promoting vocations can be found on the USCCB website. Please join us for a special Holy Hour on Friday, April 28th following morning Mass where we will be praying The Good Shepherd Rosary for all of the priests of the Archdiocese of Mobile as well as praying the Good Shepherd Rosary 30 minutes prior to all weekend Masses on April 29th and 30th.

**YOUR GIFTS TO GOD
 on April 16, 2023**

Offertory	\$12,481.00
Budgeted	\$ 9,000.00
Building Fund	\$ 2,755.26
Online Giving	\$ 1,474.15
Votives	\$ 43.00

Thank you for your generosity!

**THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR:
 ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA BUILDING FUND!**



THE SHROUD OF TURIN – A fascinating presentation on the Shroud of Turin, exploring the authenticity and scientific facts behind the burial cloth of Jesus will be presented by Jim Bertrand, Tuesday, April 25th at 6:00 p.m. at St. Margaret’s of Scotland in the Banquet Hall at the Parish Center. Jim has presented all over the world, has worked with over 31 nationally recognized scientists and has been on EWTN. He is from Lincoln, Nebraska and will be in our area on the above date. We hope you will join.

PARISH PICNIC was a huge success and well attended this past Sunday... A very special Thank You to our Parish Council for planning and organizing the event and also to Jessie and his team from Bon Temps restaurant for catering the event and providing the outstanding food.



MOTHER'S DAY is May 14, 2023. This is a day to honor all mothers, both living and deceased. The Altar Rosary Society will have Mother's Day Mass cards available in the Narthex after Masses during the two weekends prior, on April 29 and 30 and May 6 and 7. Cards and offering envelopes are for the living and offering envelopes for the deceased. The envelopes will be placed on the altar during all Masses and on Mother's Day and throughout the weekend.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Our next Parish Breakfast will be after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on April 30. The Knights offer this at No Charge and sincerely invite everyone to attend.

TRIBUTE TO FATHER MAHER. Fr. Patrick Maher was our Pastor here at St. Thomas by the Sea from 1998 to 2002. He died in 2018, having spent his final years at St. Columba Parish in Dothan, AL. As memorial to his life, the Knights of Columbus of that parish have published a 20-page booklet of his famous "sayings," with many photos of him. These booklets are selling for \$15.00 to benefit Fr. Maher Scholarship Fund. If you would like one, please contact our church office at 251-981-8132 to order.

SAINT BENEDICT GERMAN FESTIVAL: Celebrating 50 years! Join Saturday, April 29th, 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the school campus located at 12786 Illinois Street in Elberta, AL. Enjoy delicious German sausages, food, baked goods, arts and crafts vendors, entertainment and more. Raffle tickets for \$10,000.00 Grand Prize and \$10.00-\$200.00 prizes are available online at www.saintbenedict.net. You must be present to win the smaller prizes but not the \$10,000.00 grand Prize.



ST. BENEDICT SCHOOL has some exciting job opportunities for the 2023-2024 academic year. Various positions available including an elementary teacher, a middle school math and science teacher and a part-time counselor. To apply, please contact the school at 251-986-8143 or kmccool@stbenedict.net to express interest or request an application.

"HOLY ROLLERS" BICYCLE CLUB

Want a great opportunity to keep physically and spiritually healthy while getting to know each other better? If you are free on Fridays at 4:00 p.m. and want to join this group, please call the church office at 251-981-8132 to receive text messages on Fridays that Fr. Paul will lead the ride. Fr. Paul and others meet at Catman Trail off of Orange Beach Blvd.

April 29-30	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Altar Server
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Tina D'Aversa	J.R. Bedel, Tina D'Aversa, Jay Powell, Andree Drouilhet	Joe Fierro, Jim Johnson, Jay Powell, J.R. Bedel, Denise Jackson	Tim Drouilhet
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Nancy Milton	Betty McDuffie, Annie Quinn, Vicki Brown, Sharon Mahne	Paul Brown, Art Yaroch, Luann Yaroch, Kelly Ouzts, Ouida Turner, Robert Turner	
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Annette Mitchell	Joanie Pruett, Alice Madere, Cheryl Robinson, Suzanne Laurier	Steve Kerchner, Darlene Kerchner, Patty Cummings, Dan Cummings, Merrie Henderson, Mike Pruett	Steve Fletcher

**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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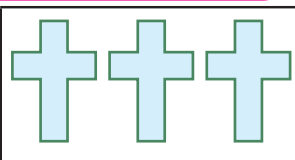
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