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**By The Sea**

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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

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Contact Church Office at least one month prior

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Contact Church Office at least six months prior

**Wedding Coordinator:** Cheryl Robinson ..... 251-422-1268  
Nancy Dickhute..... 402-980-3258

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## THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

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

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3

8:00 a.m. Mass – Fr. Vernon Huguley  
10:00 a.m. Mass

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 4

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

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
9:00 a.m. Mass  
*Mass Intention: Delores Covey*

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6

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

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
9:00 a.m. Mass  
*Mass Intention: Mario Coll  
Don & Phyllis Graf –  
60th Wedding Anniversary*

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
9:00 a.m. Mass  
9:45 a.m. Adoration  
*Mass Intention: Mike Mahne*  
Daughters of Mary will meet after Adoration

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions  
5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass  
*Mass Intention: David Cranston*

## GRIEF IS A JOURNEY

Beginning Tuesday, October 12, 2021 we will begin a new Ministry to recognize the need to help anyone going through the loss of a loved one.

We will meet at 4:00 p.m. in the Library on Tuesday, October 12, 2021. Your leader will be Jo-Ellen Karazim. If you have any questions, you can contact the church office. All are welcome!

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Building Fund..... \$ 2,801.25  
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Thank you for your generosity each and every week!

Please remember Deacon Steve & Bobbi in your prayers as he undergoes surgery.

## OUR SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEK IS FOR: ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA BUILDING FUND

We appreciate your generous donations and stewardship!

**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 Zeponi, Brandt Quinn, Margaret Smith, Craig Horn, Kathryn 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, Maureen Kiernan, Sue Pizzitola, Ann Wilson, Jane Fleshman, Cecil Young, Marion Waller, Bob Lindley, Rob & Frances Elaine Brown, Pete Hourihan, Maria Luiza



**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

The Fall 40 Days for Life prayer campaign will run from September 22nd to October 31, 2021. As most of you already know, no one is now legally permitted to pray in front of or near the abortion center in Pensacola, where the prayer vigils usually take place. Instead, many parishes are holding special pro-life services during the campaign. Please continue to pray for an end to abortion. The following is an easy prayer to memorize and pray daily: *“Father, You created people in Your own image. You desire that not even the least among us should perish. In Your love for us, You entrusted Your only son to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Now, in Your love, protect against the evils of abortion those little ones to whom You have given the gift of life. Amen.”*

**FLOWERS FOR A SPECIAL OCCASION**

You can donate the weekend altar flowers for a special occasion, or in honor of a loved one. You can also donate a memorial bouquet in the Virgin Mary or St. Joseph alcove. Contact Cheryl Robinson to select a date at 251-422-1268.

**HELP NEEDED WITH ALTAR CARE**

We need help with weekly laundering of purificators and corporals. Contact Merrie Henderson at 850-982-5213 if you can help. 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!

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR ALL MASSES**

*EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS, USHERS, LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS*

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**MINISTRY NEXT WEEKEND**

**Saturday, 5:00 p.m. (10/09/21)**

*Lector:* Patrick Dalton

*Communion:* Mary Dalton, Jay Powell, Tina D’Aversa

*Altar Servers:* Pat Dalton

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

**Sunday, 8:00 a.m. (10/10/21)**

*Lector:* Melissa Sibille

*Communion:* Terry Barnett, Marian Smith, Bette McDuffie, Vicki Brown

*Altar Servers:* Larry Mickwee

*Ushers:* Jo-Ellen Karazim, Kelley Ouzts, LuAnn & Art Yaroch, Paul Brown, Lynn Tampary

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

*Lector:* Mark Dickhute

*Communion:* Darlene Kerchner, Alice Madere, Cheryl Robinson, Merrie Henderson

*Altar Servers:* Steve Fletcher

*Ushers:* Steve Kerchner, Dan Cummings, Lee Barnes, Ron Slovinski

**NEW ENVELOPES**

In the narthex you will find your new envelopes beginning with October. Please pick up your envelopes. If you are new to the church and need envelopes, please call the church office to request them at 251-981-8132. If your address has changed, please notify the office. Thank you!

**RESPECT LIFE**

Here’s an easy way to keep up to date with abortion and other Life issues: go to the Bishop’s website (usccb.org), click on Issues & Action, and then on Contact Public Officials. There you will be able to sign up for email alerts that will easily allow you to make your views known to our elected representatives. And, as always, please continue to pray for an end to abortion.

**LOVE BURDENS ITSELF WITH THE WANTS AND WOES AND LOSSES AND EVEN THE WRONGS OF OTHERS.**

**– FULTON SHEEN**

**THE 85TH ANNUAL ACCW CONVENTION**

The 85th Annual ACCW Convention will be held on October 31st, through 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 October 4th.**

**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, 251-986-8143. St. Benedict is also needing Housekeeping help at the school. The pay is \$15.00 per hour with flexible hours, no more than 28 hours per week. Interested? Contact Dr. McCool at the school.



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