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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. MassFirst Fridays:Morning Mass is followed by Holy Hour
Our Chapel is open every day for prayer.

Sacrament of Reconciliation <u>Saturdays, 4:00-4:45 p.m. (and upon request)</u>



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THIS WEEK AT **ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA**

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SATURDAY, Febr	uary 3
4:00-4:45 p.m.	Confessions
4:30 p.m.	Rosary
5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass –
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6:00 p.m.	Wine and Cheese Social
SUNDAY, Februar	y 4
	Holy Mass
	Intention: All Parishioners
10:00 a.m.	Holy Mass
	Intention: Sue Goodman (L)
MONDAY, Februa	ry 5
8:40 a.m.	
	Communion Service
TUESDAY, Februa	ary 6
8:40 a.m.	•
9:00 a.m.	Holy Mass
	Intention: Jack Slattery +
9:30 a.m.	Snowbird Coffee
9:45 a.m.	Altar Rosary Meeting
WEDNESDAY, Fe	bruary 7
7:00 a.m.	-
8:40 a.m.	-
9:00 a.m.	Holy Mass
	Intention: Mary Ann Peterson +
6:30 p.m.	Walking with Purpose
THURSDAY, Febr	
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40 a.m.	Rosary
	Intention: Neva Jean Frizzel +
30 p.m.	Mary's Shelter Bingo

FRIDAY, February 9

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9:00 a.m.	Holy Mass
	Intention: Joseph Maren +, and
	Marie Walsh +
9:30 a.m.	(Silent) Holy Hour of Adoration
0:30 a.m.	Daughters of Mary
4:00 p.m.	Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

SATURDAY, February 10

4:00-4:45 p.m.	Confessions
4:30 p.m.	Rosary
5:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass
	Intention: All Parishioners



Friendly Reminder: St. Thomas by the Sea Chapel is open Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.



PLEASE PRAY FOR: Milton & Rita Essig, Dominique DeSanctis, Patrick Rogers, Bill & Mary Brabston, Lori Brabston, Elliott Trahan, Phyllis Peralta, Bob Osterholt, Brenda Lomax, Becky Cate, Mark Cate, Dina Bazor, Thomas Potts, Michael Fleshman, Michael Dalton, Brian Coco, Lorrie Larew, Rebecca London, Jordan Dupre', Joe Mullen, Pat Hutton, Patty Tucker, Jerry Tucker, Eddie Werneth, Larry Cloran, Maureen Cloran, Denny Villano, Sal Lupo, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Gustavo Caceres, and Living and Deceased members of Caceres, Rios, Alonso, SantaCruz families. Please notify the Church Office if you need to add a name to this list.



PARISH SECRETARY POSITION: The Parish is in need of a secretary. Please let us know if you are interested, or if you know someone who would be. Contact Marge Keller at stthomasbk@gmail.com, or call the Parish Office for more information at 251-981-8132.

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14: We will be celebrating two Masses, at 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., with distribution of ashes.

WE ARE IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS to lead a Rosary before each weekend Mass, starting one-half hour before Mass - especially needed for Sunday Masses. If you feel called to this ministry, please contact the Church Office.

THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL CONGRESS will be held in Indianapolis, July 17-21, 2024! Please prayerfully consider if you can attend. A group from our parish is going, so let Fr. Paul or the office know if you can join them.

JOIN US at a Parish Wine & Cheese Social in the Parish Hall this Saturday, after Mass. Join friends and fellow parishioners and share a glass and light hors d'oeuvres. Please feel free to bring a dessert, finger food or treat to share.

THE ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY'S FEBRUARY MEETING DATE HAS CHANGED to February 6th, instead of the 13th, which is Mardi Gras. We will meet at 9:30 a.m. in the Church Library. All ladies (parishioners and visitors) are welcome.

ALL ARE WELCOME to join us for the 2024 WINTER POTLUCK on Sunday, February 25, 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Church provides meat and drinks. Please bring a salad, vegetable or dessert to share.

ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA 2023 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS are available to pick up from the table in the Narthex.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD January 28, 2024	
Offertory	\$ 16,513.00
Budgeted	\$ 10,500.00
Building Fund	\$ 3,100.82
Budgeted	\$ 3,900.00
Memorials	\$ 1,234.00
Online giving	\$ 2,555.77
Votives	\$ 41.90

THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEK IS FOR ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC SCHOOL.

Please support this Fund Drive for our local Catholic elementary school!

Thank you for your generosity

ADULT FAITH FORMATION... All are welcome!

- Small Christian Communities: Our current series began the week of January 14, but it's not too late to join a group. As the church continues to focus on the National Eucharistic Revival Mission in 2024, over seven weeks most of the group will be reading together and discussing our Christmas gift book, *Beautiful Eucharist*. Winter visitors are welcome. Contact Melissa Sibille at 850-566-1016.
- **Men of St. Joseph:** Men join in reading and discussing readings for the following Sunday Masses, along with the Wednesday reflections from *Magnificat*. Contact Bob Barnett at 251-979-1573 or rbbtrb@gmail.com.
- Walking with Purpose: This Bible Study group for women meets on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Contact Diana d'Angelo at 440-487-4373 or ddangelo17@icloud.com.
- **Daughters of Mary:** These women meet on Friday mornings at 10:30 a.m. to read and reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings, growing in faith and community with one another. Contact Andree Drouilhet at 610-202-5997, or at a_drouilhet@yahoo.com.

ALTAR CARE FOR FEBRUARY: Raquel Coll and Kristen Coll. Thank you, ladies!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY is this Friday, 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Serving fried fish, coleslaw, french fries and hush puppies, with tea or lemonade. All proceeds go to local charities. See you then!

OUR PARISH IS IN NEED of a golf cart-type vehicle for transporting materials, tools, etc. around the campus. If anyone has one they no longer use, we would appreciate your donation. Call the Parish Office at 251-981-1981.

MARY'S SHELTER BINGO is on Thursdays, starting with Early Bird games at 5:30 p.m. Regular gamews start at 6:30 p.m. Join us for a fun evening! Food is available for purchase.

MARY'S SHELTER *BE MY VALENTINE IV:* Tickets are on sale for the 2024 \$10,000.00 Drawdown Extravaganza on February 18, 2024, Noon to 4:00 p.m., at Our Lady of the Gulf Parish Hall. Event includes drawdown, door prizes, lunch and a live "Elvis" performance. Tickets are \$100.00, only 500 will be sold; call Shannon at 251-986-6351. Mary's Shelter is our local home for pregnant, homeless women; this is its major yearly fundraising event. Your support is appreciated!

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK HOODS HOME CENTER



WORD OF LIFE: "Walk with each other. Do not be afraid to embrace God's gift of life. Whatever storms or trials we face, we are not alone. He is with us. 'Behold I am with you always, until the end of the age' (Matthew 28:20)."

> – USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion"

	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER	ALTAR SERVER	USHER	SACRISTAN
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Jean Marzullo	J.R. Bedel Tina D'Aversa Jay Powell Sharon Mahne	Tim Drouilhet	Joe Fierro, Jay Johnson Jay Powell Van Bielkiewicz Denise Jackson, Rob Shine	Andree Drouilhet
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Melissa Sibille	Anne Quinn Joanne Cranston Bill Cranston Vicki Brown	Carlos DeSanctis	Ouida Turner, Art Yaroch Luann Yaroch, Robert Turner Paul Brown, Lynn Tampary	Mike Shell
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Merrie Henderson	Alice Madere Sandy Tryles Cheryl Robinson Darlene Kerchner	John Scheel	Steve Kerchner, Lee Barnes Patty Cummings Dan Cummings June Murray, Mike Pruett	Deacon Steve

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR ALL MASSES EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, ALTAR SERVERS, LECTORS AND USHERS. Training is provided. Please call the Church Office at 251-981-8132.

ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA CATHOLIC CHURCH PARISH DIRECTORY

Altar Rosary Society
Anne Quinn303-324-3526

CCD Contact Parish Office251-981-8132

Choir Director/Organist David Baker.....251-284-4563

Church Bookkeeper Marge Keller.....251-981-8132

Driving Service Anyone needing a ride to a doctor's appointment or elsewhere can call the Parish Office......251-981-8132

Finance Council Steve Kerchner251-981-8132

Hispanic Ministry Contact St. Margaret of Scotland......251-943-4009

IT Consultant Daniel Sadlis......251-597-5094

Knights of Columbus Bob Lindley......251-978-8147

Memorials Parish Office.....251-981-8132

Ministry To serve as a Lector or Eucharistic Minister, Contact Parish Office......251-981-8132

Ministry of Care to Sick & Bereaved Parish Office......251-981-8132

Parish Council Chairperson Tina D'Aversa678-457-0677

RCIA Tuesday at 7:00 p.m., September-Easter Contact Parish Office251-981-8132

Respect Life Committee Suzanne Laurier.....251-981-1918

Sacrament of Baptism Contact Parish Office at least one month prior251-981-8132

Sacrament of Marriage Contact Parish Office at least six months prior251-981-8132

St. Benedict School Contact Parish Office251-981-8132

Wedding Coordinator Cheryl Robinson.....251-422-1268

Winter Visitor Contact Ellen Passage517-881-6615

MINISTRY NEXT WEEKEND – FEBRUARY 10-11, 2024

