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# 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). 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**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11**

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions  
5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass  
*Intention: Mary Lou Peerenboom †  
Kasie Collins †*

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12**

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Mike & Tom Barnett †  
James Prough †*  
10:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Beth Ann LaPlant †  
and All Parishioners*

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13**

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

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14**

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Lori Lee †*  
9:30 a.m. Altar Rosary Society Meeting  
9:30 a.m. Snowbird Coffee & Donuts

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15**

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Tom Cooney †  
& Tom Cranston †*

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16**

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Philip Coco †*  
5:30 p.m. Mary's Shelter Bingo

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17**

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: John Holt †*

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18**

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions  
5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass  
*Intention: Bielkiewicz &  
Dauzat Families †  
and Bill Chambers †*



**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, Bishop Gregory Parks, Lisa Hughes, Claire Hughes, Ron Gray, Chuck Coffey, Pam Rohan, Babe Rohan, Paul Rohan, Mary Newsome, Bob Osterholt, Brenda Lomax, Jane Swain, Bob Pumford, and Sally O'Donnell.

To add someone to the prayer list, please contact the church office.

**OPEN POSITION**

**PARISH SECRETARY POSITION**

St. Thomas by the Sea is in need of a part-time Parish Secretary. Please let us know if you are interested – contact Marge Keller at stthomasbk@gmail.com for more information or call the church office at 981-8132.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Joshua Kumar and Ethan Kumar who will receive the precious Body and Blood of Jesus for the first time this Sunday. We wish them and their family abundant blessings.

**PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL**

Information on our Parish Finance Council, as well 2022 financial reports, is now available online. Go to stthomasbythesea.com, click on "Contact Us," then on the Finance Council tab on the dropdown menu under "About Us." If you have any questions, contact any member of the Finance Council.

**ELECTRONIC GIVING**

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**YOUR GIFTS TO GOD  
February 5, 2023**

Offertory .....	\$10,947.00
Budgeted .....	\$ 8,634.00
Building Fund .....	\$ 2,419.00
Online Giving .....	\$ 1,951.09
Memorials.....	\$ 140.00
Votives .....	\$ 78.00

**THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR:  
ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
Thank you for your generosity!**

This weekend, Mr. Campbell and the SBCS Student Ambassadors will be speaking and distributing SBCS annual fund envelopes to our parishioners. Please help St. Benedict Catholic School by contributing to the Annual Fund Drive. Every donation will help make a difference in the lives of SBCS students. Donate online at <https://jotform.com/72774906109160>.

**LIFE QUOTES**

"A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love. Let us strive to achieve this goal, so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned."  
 – Pope Francis



**Check out the ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RAFFLE FOR MARY'S SHELTER GULF COAST**

A mega raffle is scheduled for March 2023 with a drawing for a prize every day of the month – see the insert for a list of the great prizes! **Tickets are only \$50.00 each** and all proceeds will benefit Mary's Shelter Gulf Coast (MSGC) in Elberta, Alabama. MSGC is the only charitable organization in this five-county area able to offer shelter and support to homeless, pregnant adult women, before and after the birth

of their child. Tickets are being sold in the back of church, the gift shop or in the church office during the week. Please help support Mary's Shelter by buying a ticket today.

The **Altar Rosary Society** will meet next Tuesday, February 14, in the Parish Library after morning Mass. All ladies of the parish, including winter visitors, are welcome to join us,.



**WELCOME HOME**....to all of our Winter Visitors. We invite you to join us and your fellow visitors for SNOWBIRD COFFEE & DONUTS following 9:00 a.m. Mass on Tuesday mornings in the Parish Hall. This snowbird-led activity has been a tradition in our parish for over twenty years!

**WINTER POTLUCK** – Please plan on joining us next Sunday, February 19, at 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The church will provide the meat and drinks; please bring a salad, vegetable or dessert to share. **ALL ARE WELCOME!**



**Mary's Shelter Bingo:** We are back playing Bingo on Thursday evenings, starting with Early Bird Games at 5:30 p.m. Please come join us; it's great fun!

**St. Patrick Catholic School** is seeking a dedicated leader to serve as principal beginning in the 2023-2024 school year. An application packet can be found at [mobarchschoools.org/careers](http://mobarchschoools.org/careers). For additional information, contact [kabreo@mobarch.org](mailto:kabreo@mobarch.org); additional information is on the bulletin board in the narthex.

**MINISTRY NEXT WEEKEND – February 18-19, 2023**

	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Altar Server
Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass	Tina D'Aversa	Jay Powell, Joanne Cranston, J.R. Bedel, Nancy Milton	Joe Fierro, Jim Johnson, Jay Powell, Van Bielkiewicz	Al Bedel
Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass	Bob Barnett	Vicki Brown, Joanne Cranston, Anne Quinn, Betty McDuffie	Paul Brown, Kelley Ouzts, Lynn Tampary, Robert Turner, Ouida Turner	Bill Cranston
Sunday, 10:00 a.m. Mass	Eva McDuffie	Darlene Kerchner, Mary Mercer, Joanie Pruett, Melanie Reece	Steve Kerchner, Richard Mercer, Mike Pruett, Dan Cummings, Patty Cummings	Steve Fletcher

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

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 Suzanne Laurier .....251-981-1918

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 Tina D'Aversa .....678-457-0677

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 Contact Father Paul...251-981-8132

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 September-Easter  
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**St. Benedict School**  
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**Winter Visitor Contact**  
 Ellen Passage.....517-881-6615

**Sacrament of Baptism**  
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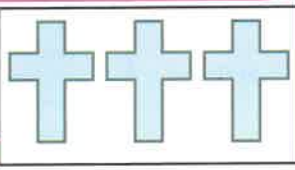
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