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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)



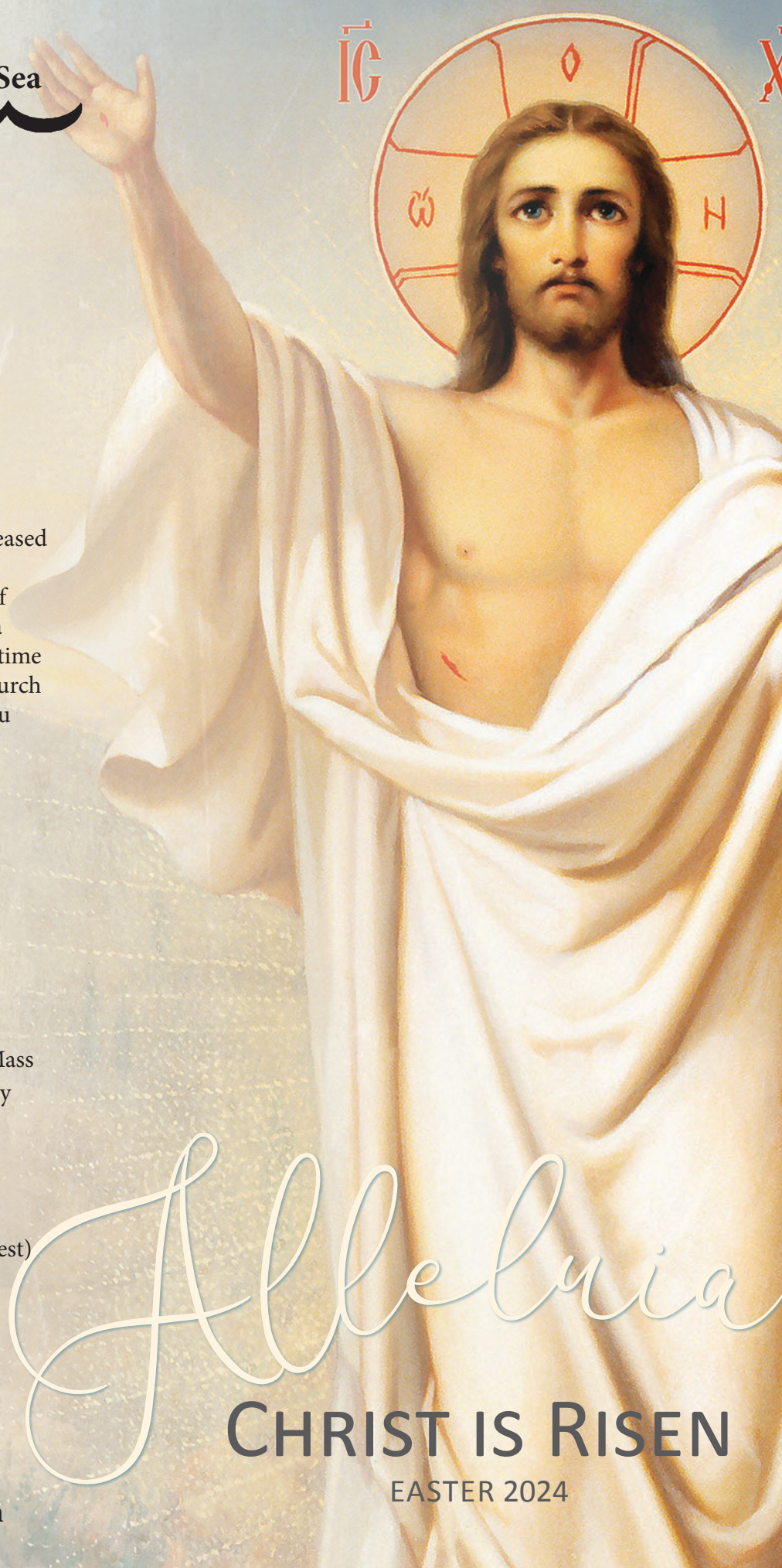
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EASTER 2024



THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA

SATURDAY, April 6

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions
 4:30 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
Intention: Little Sisters of the Poor

SUNDAY, April 7

7:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet
 8:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Margaret Kurtenbach+
 9:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet
 10:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Little Sisters of the Poor

MONDAY, April 8

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

TUESDAY, April 9

8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Darlene & Steve Kerchner (L) Anniversary

WEDNESDAY, April 10

7:00 a.m. Men of St. Joseph
 8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Ric Sampson (L)

THURSDAY, April 11

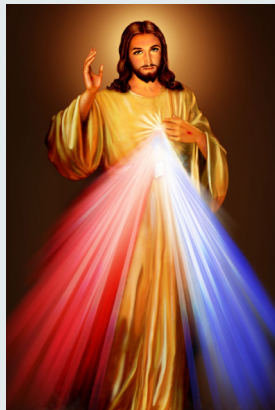
8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Mary Newsome +

FRIDAY, April 12

8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Elaine & Kirk Kerchner+
 9:30 a.m. Silent Holy Hour
 10:30 a.m. Daughters of Mary

SATURDAY, April 13

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions
 4:30 p.m. Rosary
 5:00 p.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Walton Smith



JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU

A reminder that our Chapel is open for prayer Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 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 Dupré, Kathleen Dupré, Joe Mullen, Patty Tucker, Jerry Tucker, Eddie Werneth, Tommie Werneth, Larry Cloran, Maureen Cloran, Denny Villano, Sal Lupo, Brandi McKean, Anna Claire McKean, Cecil & Jesse Young, Raquel Coll and Sue Goodman. *Please notify the Church Office if you need to add a name or remove a name from this list.*

WE OFFER OUR CONDOLENCES to the families of Phyllis Peralta and of Todd Tobiasen, who died recently. Pray for the repose of their souls.

THIS WEEKEND IS SUNDAY OF THE DIVINE MERCY. The devotion focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial and Resurrection. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed starting twenty minutes before all weekend Masses.

THE ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC is scheduled for Sunday, April 14, 12 Noon at Orange Beach Waterfront Park on Canal Road. Food provided by Parish and Moe's BBQ. All Parishioners are invited to join in this afternoon of fellowship, food, and fun. Bring your lawn chair!

THE GERMAN FESTIVAL AT ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC SCHOOL in Elberta will be held on Saturday, April 27 (see the poster on the bulletin board for more information). **Our Bookkeeper, Marge Keller, will be selling raffle tickets in our Narthex after Masses this weekend.** Also, remember to get your coupon book that benefits the school. The cost is \$20.00, available in our gift shop after Mass. It has discounts to numerous local restaurants and other businesses.

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.

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 at 251-422-1268.

NINE-MONTH NOVENA: Cardinal Burke has asked that all Catholics pray a nine-month novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe, until December 12, 2024, for our Country and for peace in the world. It is not too late to get started – you can find a copy of the Novena on the table in Narthex, or go to novena.cardinalburke.com.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD
March 24, 2024

OFFERTORY	\$ 22,157.29
BUILDING FUND	\$ 4,480.00
HOLY LANDS	\$ 1,158.00
VOTIVES.....	\$ 109.00

*This weekend we welcome the Little Sisters of the Poor.
 The second collection will be taken up in support of their Ministry.*

Thank you for your generosity.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION... All are welcome!

- **Small Christian Communities:** To join a group, contact Melissa Sibille at 850-566-1016. Visitors are welcome.
- **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.
- **Daughters of Mary:** These women meet on Friday mornings at 10:30 a.m. to read and reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings. Contact Andree Drouilhet at 610-202-5997, or at a_drouilhet@yahoo.com.
- **Formed.org:** Sign up free as a parishioner and take advantage of the many Catholic faith formation resources available.

ALTAR LINEN CARE FOR APRIL: Alice Madere and Darlene Kerchner. 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!

THE ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY will meet on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 in the Parish Library following morning Mass. All ladies (including visitors) are invited to join this loving, caring group of ladies who support many activities and charitable works at St. Thomas by the Sea. For more information, text or email Anne Quinn at 303-324-3526, anne@aspen group.org.

ALFRED-WASHINGTON DAY CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS: Clients at AWC are always in great need of batteries (AA, AAA, C), reading glasses, small-size deodorant, flashlights, men's and ladies' sports socks, men's boxer shorts, women's underwear, and disposable razors. Anything you can do to help is greatly appreciated. Please bring your donations to the Church to be taken to the Center. Monetary donations are also gratefully accepted. God bless you for your generosity.

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WORD OF LIFE:

If you or someone you know has had an abortion, be assured that it is never too late to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Additionally, other confidential, compassionate help is available. Select "find help" from the menu on www.hopeafterabortion.org to find the diocesan Project Rachel Ministry near you.
– USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 13-14, 2024

	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	ALTAR SERVER	USHER	SACRISTAN
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Jean Marzullo	Tina D'Aversa Andree Drouilhet Peggy Newsome Jay Powell	Tim Drouilhet	Van Bielkiewicz, Joe Fierro Denise Jackson Jim Johnson, Jay Powell Rob Shine	John Scheel
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Melissa Sibille	Raquel Coll Anne Quinn Marian Smith	Carlos DeSanctis	Lynn Tampary Ouida Turner Robert Turner Art Yaroch Luann Yaroch	Mike Shell
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Merrie Henderson	Darlene Kerchner Joanie Pruett Melanie Reece Cheryl Robinson	John Scheel	Lee Barnes, Dan Cummings Patty Cummings Steve Kerchner Richard Mercer, Mike Pruett	Aracelly Cain Smith

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR ALL MASSES
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS, ALTAR SERVERS, LECTORS AND USHERS.
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David Baker.....251-284-4563

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Marge Keller.....251-981-8132

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Loretta Bergeron
Denise Jackson.....251-981-8132

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

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Daniel Sadlis.....251-597-5094

Knights of Columbus
Bob Lindley251-978-8147

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Tim McGrath
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Parish Office.....251-981-8132

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Chairperson
Van Bielkiewicz.....225-281-1107

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

Respect Life Committee
Suzanne Laurier251-981-1918

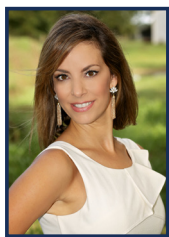
Sacrament of Baptism
Contact Parish Office at least one month prior251-981-8132

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

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