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**SAINT THOMAS BY THE SEA
CATHOLIC CHURCH**



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THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA

SATURDAY, MAY 6

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
Intention: Thomas Poole and Chris and Kerry Canton

SUNDAY, MAY 7

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Nick Johnson and Olivia Davis and St. Thomas by the Sea Parishioners
 10:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Kathryn and Chalmers Kerchner+

MONDAY, MAY 8

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

TUESDAY, MAY 9

8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Living and Deceased Members of St. Thomas by the Sea Altar Rosary Society

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

7:00 a.m. Men of St. Joseph
 8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Perer Hourihan+

THURSDAY, MAY 11

8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Bill Chambers+

FRIDAY, MAY 12

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

SATURDAY, MAY 13

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
Intention: Rosemary Lasher+ 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, Bob Osterholt, Brenda Lomax, Jane Swain, Bob Pumford, Sally O’Donnell, James Hess, James Rudolph, Melanie Mitchell, Grayson Karazim, Eric Montross and Kylie Herring.

Please contact church office to add or update list.

LIFE QUOTES

Without a foundational, practical formation, it is difficult for our consciences to guide us well in concrete situations. As Catholics, we have the immense gift of the teaching authority of the Catholic Church and can turn to it for help forming our consciences. For example, learning about Christian moral principles, reading the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, or researching what the Church says about a challenging teaching will help us grow in knowledge of the truth.

– Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, Understanding Conscience



Archbishop Thomas Rodi will be celebrating Mass with us at St. Thomas by the Sea on Wednesday, May 17th at 9:00 a.m. followed by blessing of the Prayer Garden on the east side of church. His visit will conclude with a small reception in our parish hall. Please join in celebrating the addition to our Holy Grounds at St. Thomas by the Sea Church.



MOTHER’S DAY is next Sunday, 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 this weekend. 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 on Mother’s Day weekend.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

You can give electronically wherever you travel! Just get the Vanco, Inc. “Give Plus+” Smart Phone app. Vanco is the company that provides e-giving capability at St. Thomas by the Sea and at more than 25,000 churches nationally. Once you have the app, just look up the Church by Name, City or Zip Code. An immediate e-mail receipt will confirm your gift.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD on April 30, 2023

Offertory	\$ 6,028.25
<i>Budgeted</i>	\$ 9,000.00
Building Fund	\$ 1,725.00
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Online Giving	\$ 1,692.96
Memorials	\$ 120.00
Votives	\$ 33.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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





ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY will meet Tuesday, May 9, 2023 in the Parish Library following morning Mass. We will not meet during the summer and resume meeting on September 12, 2023. Following the May 9th meeting, we will meet at GT's on Canal Road at 11:00 a.m. for May luncheon. We have invited guests. Each member is responsible for her own lunch. Please text or email Anne Quinn at PH 303-324-3526 or anne@aspen group.org. by May 7th if you plan to attend.

KNIGHT'S KORNER. The next Knights of Columbus meeting will be Wednesday, May 10th at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Library. All Knights as well as men interested in learning more about the Knights of Columbus are welcome.

"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 afternoons and want to join this group, please call the church office at 251-981-8132 for more details and time. Fr. Paul and others meet at Catman Trail off of Orange Beach Blvd.

ALFRED-WASHBURN DAY CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS

Clients at AWC are always in great need of men's and women's casual shoes in all sizes, as well as men's jeans (especially in smaller sizes), and women's jeans and pants in all sizes. They always need disposable razors and batteries (all sizes) and flashlights. Anything you can do to help is much appreciated. Bring your donations to the Church, to be taken to the Center. Monetary donations are also gratefully accepted. God bless you for your generosity!

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 \$18.00 to benefit Fr. Maher Scholarship Fund. If you would like one, please contact our church office at 251-981-8132 to order.



Next time you renew your Alabama vehicle tag, please consider paying an extra \$50.00 to get the Choose Life tag. This specialty tag will identify you as being pro-life, and you can even personalize it at no extra cost. The extra money is distributed once a year to pro-life agencies in Baldwin County – Mary's Shelter currently gets about \$7,000.00 a year from this effort.

May 13-14	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Altar Server
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Tina D'Aversa	Jay Powell, Andree Drouilhet, J.R. Bedel, Tina D'Aversa	Joe Fierro, Jim Johnson, Jay Powell, Van Bielkiewicz, Rob Shine, Agnes Johnson	Tim Drouilhet
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Eva McDuffie	Vicki Brown, Sharon Mahne, Bob Lindley, Kathy Lindley, Anne Quinn	Paul Brown, Art Yaroch, Luann Yaroch, Robert Turner, Kelly Ouzts, Lynn Tampary	Carlos DeSanctis
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Alice Madere	Mary Mercer, Joanie Pruett, Merrie Henderson, Cheryl Robinson	Richard Mercer, Mike Pruett, Dan Cummings, Patty Cummings, Lee Barnes	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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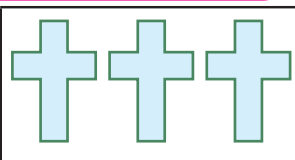
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