

# SAINT THOMAS

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 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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# THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA

## SATURDAY, JULY 22

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions  
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass  
*Intention: Bielkiewicz & Dauzat  
 Families and Lee and  
 Celia Cuicchi+*

## SUNDAY, JULY 23

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: All St. Thomas by the  
 Sea Parishioners*  
 10:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Wally Hughes*

## MONDAY, JULY 24

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

## TUESDAY, JULY 25

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

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

7:00 a.m. Men of St. Joseph  
 8:40 a.m. Rosary  
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Tom Seymour+*

## THURSDAY, JULY 27

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: C.B. Barnett+*

## FRIDAY, JULY 28

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: David Cranston+*

## SATURDAY, JULY 29

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions  
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass  
*Intention: Bielkiewicz & Dauzat  
 Families and Doris and  
 Marcos Zappi+*

**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, Bill & Mary Brabston, Lori Brabston, Cheryl Strockis, Elliott Trahan, Phyllis Peralta, Edith O’Rear, Patricia Ann Cassidy, Ron Gray, Chuck Coffey, Pam Rohan, Babe Rohan, Paul Rohan, Bob Osterholt, Brenda Lomax, Jane Swain, Sally O’Donnell, James Hess, James Rudolph, Melanie Mitchell, Eric Montross, Kylie Herring, Tony Cate, Dina Bazor, Kathleen Dupre’ and Jayden Thompson.

*Please contact the church office to add to or update list.*

### LIFE QUOTE

“Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together....That power to create a new life with God is at the heart of what spouses share with each other.”

USCCB “Married Love and the Gift of Life”

**FRIENDLY REMINDER:** The St. Thomas by the Sea Chapel is open every day for prayer, Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.



The **Angels of Joy Gift Shop** is open after all weekend Masses. We appreciate your patronage as we support many charities through your purchases. We currently have for sale books of coupons for local restaurants and businesses, to benefit St. Benedict School; available for \$20.00.

### YOUR GIFTS TO GOD on July 16, 2023

Offertory .....	\$ 9,935.00
<i>Budgeted</i> .....	\$ 9,000.00
Building Fund .....	\$ 1,021.00
<i>Building Fund Budgeted</i> .....	\$ 4,000.00
Online Giving .....	\$ 1,567.51
Memorials .....	\$ 100.00
Votives .....	\$ 36.00
Missionary Co-op .....	\$ 1,737.36

**THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR:**  
**ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA BUILDING FUND**  
**NEXT WEEKEND’S SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR:**  
**FOOD FOR THE POOR**

**Thank you for your generosity!**



**CONFIRMATION STUDENTS** – Tenth graders considering the Sacrament of Confirmation to the Catholic Church, please contact the church office to register for Confirmation classes beginning this September.

**SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES GROUPS** will resume this September. If you have been a past member of Small Christian Communities Group or you are considering joining a Small Christian Community Group, please join in a Potluck Social, Sunday, August 13, 2023 after 10:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Hall. We will share our Fall series topic and have opportunity to sign up. These small groups provide opportunity for strengthening our faith, growing in knowledge and relationship with God and fellowship with others.

**JULY** is St. Thomas by the Sea’s month to help **stock the Food Pantry** at Catholic Social Services. Needed items are: Canned Chili, Ravioli, Beef Ravioli, Beanie Weenies, Vienna sausages, Spam, Canned Meats – Tuna/Chicken, Hearty Soups, Canned Fruit, Pork and Beans. Monetary donations are gratefully accepted, as well (Checks payable to CSS, tax deductible). Please place donated items in boxes in Narthex. Thank you for your help and support.

**FOOD FOR THE POOR** – Next weekend, July 28th and 29th, please join in welcoming Father Glen Baptiste who will share personal witness about Food For The Poor’s mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another. Our Second collection that weekend will be for Food For The Poor Ministry. Please see this weeks bulletin insert for more information and ways you can assist through prayer and giving. Thank you for your generosity.

**JERUSALEM GIFTS**, a nonprofit organization whose main goal is to help our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land, will be here at St. Thomas by the Sea August 5th and 6th selling religious articles from the Holy Land. Proceeds assist Christians in the Middle East that are facing persecution on a daily basis. They will have items available to purchase on the west side of the church under portico. Please stop by after Mass.

Celebrating a **milestone wedding anniversary** this year? Our Archdiocese would like to invite Couples celebrating 1st, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th or 50+ wedding anniversaries to special Milestone Wedding Anniversary Masses and receptions. These will be held in September.

- On September 2, 10:00 a.m. at St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Auburn
- On September 16, 10:00 a.m. at Holy Redeemer Parish in Eufaula
- On September 23 10:00 a.m. at St. Margaret of Scotland Parish in Foley
- On September 23 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary Parish, Mobile

Please register by August 27, 2023 at [mobarch.org/milestone-anniversary](http://mobarch.org/milestone-anniversary)

**MINISTRY NEXT WEEKEND – JULY 29-30**

	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	ALTAR SERVER	USHER	SACRISTAN
<b>Saturday, 5:00 p.m.</b>	Patrick Dalton	J.R. Bedel, Nancy Milton, Peggy Newsome, Tina D’Aversa	Tim Drouilhet	Joe Fierro, Van Bielkiewicz, Jim Johnson, Jay Powell, Rob Shine, Denise Jackson	J.R. Bedel
<b>Sunday, 8:00 a.m.</b>	Melissa Sibille	Anne Quinn, Vicki Brown, Sharon Mahne, Marian Smith	Carlos DeSanctis	Lynn Tampary, Paul Brown, Ouida Turner, Robert Mercer, Art Yaroch, Luann Yaroch	Deacon Steve
<b>Sunday, 10:00 a.m.</b>	Alice Madere	Darlene Kerchner, Cheryl Robinson, Mary Mercer, Merrie Henderson	<b>NOT FILLED</b>	Steve Kerchner, Richard Mercer, Dan Cummings, Patty Cummings, Lee Barnes	Deacon Steve

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

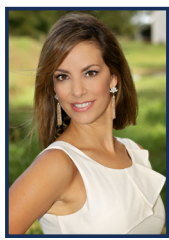
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- Sacrament of Baptism**  
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