

# 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

**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.

**SATURDAY, JULY 29**

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

**SUNDAY, JULY 30**

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Eubie Stedham+*  
 10:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Wally Hughes+ and All St. Thomas By The Sea Parishioners*

**MONDAY, JULY 31**

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

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 1**

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Ed Carroll+*

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2**

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

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 3**

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

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 4**

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Mike & Tom Barnett+*  
 9:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration & Holy Hour

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 5**

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



**LIFE QUOTE**

“A woman with an unexpected pregnancy may have any number of fears and challenges: facing judgment from her friends and family, losing her job or housing, or being abandoned by the father of her child. Following Mary’s example, we can ask ourselves how to better know these mothers, listen to them, seek understanding, and help them obtain the necessities of life for themselves and their children.”

USCCB “Called to Serve Moms in Need”

**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 23, 2023**

Offertory .....	\$ 9,571.00
<i>Budgeted</i> .....	\$ 9,000.00
Building Fund .....	\$ 2,981.00
<i>Building Fund Budgeted</i> .....	\$ 4,000.00
Online Giving .....	\$ 2,410.19
Memorials .....	\$ 40.00
Votives .....	\$ 18.00

**THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR:  
 FOOD FOR THE POOR MINISTRY**

**NEXT WEEKEND’S SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR:  
 CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA**

**Thank you for your generosity!**

**ALTAR LINEN CARE FOR AUGUST:** Merrie Henderson and Darlene Kerchner. Thank you, ladies!

**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 next 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.



† For blessings on Robert Shine who will be baptized here this weekend, and his parents and Godparents: that this time of grace may fortify their journey of faith.

**FOOD FOR THE POOR** – This weekend, we take up a second collection for Food For The Poor Ministry. Food For The Poor’s mission is to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another. Please see this week’s bulletin insert for more information and ways you can assist through prayer and giving. Thank you for your generosity.

**JERUSALEM GIFTS**, a non-profit 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 & 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 on the west side of church under the portico. Please stop and browse after mass.

**CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA** – Next weekend, August 5th and 6th, the second collection will be for Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult terrain and a shortage of priests all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

**MINISTRY NEXT WEEKEND – AUGUST 5-6**

	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	ALTAR SERVER	USHER	SACRISTAN
<b>Saturday, 5:00 p.m.</b>	Al Bedel	Nancy Milton, Andree Drouilhet, Tina D’Aversa, Jay Powell	J.R. Bedel	Joe Fierro, Jim Johnson, Tim Drouilhet, Van Bielkiewicz, Rob Shine, Agnes Johnson	J.R. Bedel
<b>Sunday, 8:00 a.m.</b>	Jean Marzullo	Anne Quinn, Vicki Brown, Betty Mcduffie, Sharon Mahne	Carlos DeSanctis	Lynn Tampary, Paul Brown, Art Yaroch, Luann Yaroch, Ouida Turner, Robert Turner	Deacon Steve
<b>Sunday, 10:00 a.m.</b>	Annette Mitchell	Darlene Kerchner, Melanie Reece, Cheryl Robinson, Mary Mercer	<b>NOT FILLED</b>	Steve Kerchner, Richard Mercer, Lee Barnes, Dan Cummings, Patty Cummings, Mike Pruett	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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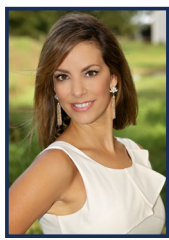
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