

# 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, AUGUST 13**

5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass  
*Intention: Bielkiewicz & Dausat Families*

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 14**

8:00 a.m. Mass  
*Intention: Mario Coll*

10:00 a.m. Mass  
*Intention: Kathy Deuman*

**MONDAY, AUGUST 15 – THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

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

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 16**

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
9:00 a.m. Mass  
*Intention: Lucy Burgmeier*

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17**

7:00 a.m. Men of St. Joseph  
8:40 a.m. Rosary  
9:00 a.m. Mass  
*Intention: Mike Mahne*

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 18**

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
9:00 a.m. Mass  
*Intention: Pat Nicholas*

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 19**

9:00 a.m. Mass  
*Intention: Patrick Fuhrman*

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 20**

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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Milton & Rita Essig, Dominique DeSanctis, Sue Pizzitola, Ann Wilson, Chrissie McKillip, Mike Offerle, Patrick Rogers, Thomas Cichoski, Tom Powell, Rey Segovia, Patricia Chambers, Karen Gibson, Elizabeth Von Bergen, Mark Martz, Mary Brabston, Lori Brabston, Cheryl Strockis, Renita Richburg, Elliott Trahan, Rodney Trahan, Phyllis Peralta, Edith O’Rear, Patricia Ann Cassidy, Sarah Tino and Bishop Gregory Parks, Joey Musso, Maureen Kiernan. *To add someone to the prayer list, please contact the church office.*

**HOME VISITS & CONFESSIONS**

Father Paul is available to bless your home. Please call the parish office at 251-981-8132 for appointment. You can also call to schedule the Sacrament of Reconciliation if you can’t come on a Saturday, the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick if you have surgery planned or a serious chronic illness.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Some Electronic Giving parishioners want their young children to see them putting something in the collection basket! The solution is to pick up a booklet of green E-Giving tickets available in the narthex or church office! To give online, go to our website, **stthomasbythesea.com**, and click on the blue Electronic Giving box. Finance Council

**THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION**

is one of the most important feast days of the year and a **Holy Day of Obligation** on the official Roman Catholic Church calendar. By tradition, the holy day is observed every August 15th. This year, the Feast of the Assumption occurs on Monday, August 15, 2022.

Whenever August 15, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin; or November 1, the Solemnity of All Saints falls on a Saturday or on a Monday, the obligation to attend Mass is lifted. The faithful, however, are encouraged to attend Mass on those days.



“Never be afraid of loving the Blessed Virgin too much. You can never love her more than Jesus did.”

– Saint Maximilian Kolbe

**ACCW DEANERY MASS AND LUNCHEON**

The Baldwin-Escambia Deanery/ACCW Quarterly Meeting and Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, August 17, 2022, at Shrine of the Holy Cross in Daphne, AL.

Registration and coffee begin at 8:45 a.m. in the Parish Hall, followed by a business meeting at 9:15 a.m. Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. in Shrine of the Holy Cross Church. Lunch will be served in the Parish Hall at noon. You can make reservations for the luncheon by calling Evelyn Mims at 251-604-7613 or email her at [mimsevelyn@yahoo.com](mailto:mimsevelyn@yahoo.com) by Sunday, August 14, 2022. Guest Speaker of the luncheon will be Sandy Gerth, president of the ACCW: “Call to Convention.”

**YOUR GIFTS TO GOD**

August 7, 2022

Offertory .....	\$ 8,403.00
<i>Budgeted</i> .....	\$ 8,634.00
Building Fund .....	\$ 655.00
<i>Budgeted</i> .....	\$ 2,751.00
Special Collection.....	\$ 1,503.00
Memorials.....	\$ 100.00
Online Giving .....	\$ 2,252.64

**THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR:**

**St. Thomas by the Sea Building Fund**

**Thank you for your generosity**

**KNIGHTS KORNER**

Our next meeting will be September 14th in the Parish Library at 6:00 p.m. All Knights and men interested in learning more about the Knights are welcome. Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity will be conducted on August 14th after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. All are invited. For more information, contact Bob Lindley, 251-978-8147.



**SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES**

begins week of September 11, 2022. In this 10-week series, we will be viewing and discussing Lectio Eucharist, a video program, led by Brant Pitre, available on FORMED.org (Catholic Faith Resource On Demand available through St. Thomas by the Sea for FREE). Groups will meet weekly on Tuesday or Thursday mornings and Sunday or Thursday evenings. These small communities are a part of the wider Church and provide opportunity to grow in knowledge and relationship with God, strengthen faith sharing, prayer and fellowship with others in St. Thomas parish. Look for Sign-up cards in the pews and Narthex, fill out and place in collection basket or return to church office. For more information, contact Melissa Sibille at 850-566-1016 or mldsibille@gmail.com.

**MINISTRY NEXT WEEKEND – August 20-21**

	Lector	Communion	Ushers	Altar Server
<b>Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass</b>	Kathleen Shine	Tina D’Aversa Jay Powell Mary Dalton J.R. Bedel Nancy Milton	Jim and Agnes Johnson Joe Fierro Rob Shine Van Bielkiewicz Jay Powell	Patrick Dalton
<b>Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass</b>	Bob Barnett	Betty McDuffie Marian Smith Bob Lindley Kathy Lindley Anne Quinn	Paul Brown Lynn Tampary JoEllen Karazim Kelley Ouzts Robert Turner Melissa Sibille	Larry Mickwee
<b>Sunday, 10:00 a.m. Mass</b>	Sue Goodman	Joanie Pruet Darlene Kerchner Merrie Henderson Mary Mercer Cheryl Robinson	Lee Barnes Steve Kerchner Darlene Kerchner Dan Cummings Patty Cummings Mike Pruet	Carlos DeSanctis

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR ALL MASSES:  
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