

# 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, SEPTEMBER 3**

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

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**

8:00 a.m. Mass  
*Intention: All Parishioners*  
 10:00 a.m. Mass  
*Intention: Patty Hughes*

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 Labor Day**

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

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**

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

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**

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

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
 9:00 a.m. Mass  
*Intention: Philip Coco*

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9**

9:00 a.m. Mass  
*Intention: Bill Barnett*

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**

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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

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, Sarah Tino and Bishop Gregory Parks, Joey Musso, Lisa Hughes, Ron Gray, Chuck Coffey, Pam Rohan, Babe Rohan, Paul Rohan  
*To add someone to the prayer list, please contact the church office.*

**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](http://stthomasbythesea.com), and click on the blue Electronic Giving box. Finance Council

**NEW CCD REGISTRATION**

CCD will begin September 11. If you are new to St. Thomas by the Sea, please call the church office to add your child to the program. There will be a parent meeting at 6:00 p.m. on September 8 in the Parish Hall.

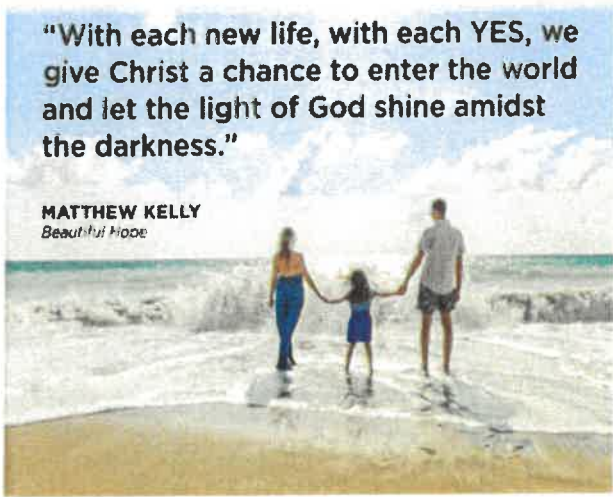
**PALM TREE MEMORIALS ARE BACK**

Have you noticed the new palm trees planted along the west side of the church property? These trees are available as memorial or honorific at a cost of \$600.00 each. A plaque will be affixed on each tree with your name and name of your loved one. If interested, please fill out a form in the narthex or call the Church Office. Brick and flower memorials are also available.



**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

**Small Christian Communities** begins week of September 11, 2022. In this 10-week series we will 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](mailto:mldsibille@gmail.com).



**YOUR GIFTS TO GOD**  
 August 28, 2022

Offertory .....	\$ 6,891.00
<i>Budgeted</i> .....	\$ 8,634.00
Building Fund .....	\$ 4,238.00
<i>Budgeted</i> .....	\$ 2,751.00
Memorials.....	\$ 20.00
Votives .....	\$ 52.00
Online Giving .....	\$ 1,244.34

**THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR:**  
*The St. Thomas By The Sea Building Fund*  
 Thank you for your generosity

**ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY**

The **Altar Rosary Society** will resume our regular monthly meetings on September 13, 2022. We will meet in the library after Tuesday Mass. All ladies are invited to join us. We think you'll find a loving and caring group of ladies who support the many activities and endeavors of St. Thomas by the Sea. Please know that you are both wanted and welcomed to become a part of your team. We do hope to see you there. For more information please call Ann Quinn 303-324-3526

**KNIGHT'S KORNER**

The next K of C meeting will be on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 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.



We will begin our Parish Breakfasts on September 25 after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. There will be no charge for the breakfast.

The Silver Rose will be presented at the 10:00 a.m. Mass on September 4. We will share the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe by promoting the dignity of all human life and honoring Our Lady. The journey of the Silver Rose begins each year in March and ends on December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. During that time, Silver Roses travel from town to town along eight routes throughout North America.

**THE ACCW 86TH ANNUAL CONVENTION**

will be in Mobile on October 2, 3, 4, 2022. It will be held at Mobile Holiday Inn, Downtown Historic District. Hotel reservation deadline is September 12, 2022. Call the hotel at 251-694-0100 and request the ACCW room rate of \$128.82 per night. The theme for the convention is "The Rosary is Our Spiritual Weapon for Peace." Please call Anne Quinn at 303-324-3526 for more information.

**ST. THOMAS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FUNDRAISER FOR MARY'S SHELTER**

A mega raffle is scheduled for March 2023 with a drawing for a prize every day of the month! All proceeds will go directly to Mary's Shelter to care for homeless pregnant women choosing life for their babies. We are currently seeking sponsors. If you know a business owner or individual who would be interested in donating a prize please contact Joe Fierro 251-504-0221, any Knight or the Parish Office.

**ALTAR LINENS**

Altar Linen care for September: Melissa Sibille and Melanie Reece. Thank you ladies!

**MINISTRY NEXT WEEKEND – September 10-11**

	Lector	Communion	Ushers	Altar Server
<b>Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass</b>	Tina D'Aversa	Nancy Milton, Mary Dalton, J.R. Bedel, Jay Powell, Tina D'Aversa	Jim and Agnes Johnson, Joe Fierro, Van Bielkiewicz, J.R. Bedel, Jay Powell	Al Bedel
<b>Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass</b>	Melissa Sibille	Betty McDuffie, Terry Barnett, Sharon Mahne, Mike and Rhonda Shell	Paul Brown, Lynn Tampary, JoEllen Karazim, Kelley Ouzts, Robert Turner	Carlos DeSanctis
<b>Sunday, 10:00 a.m. Mass</b>	Alice Madere	Darlene Kerchner, Merrie Henderson, Cheryl Robinson, Eva McDuffie, Mary Mercer	Lee Barnes, Steve Kerchner, Darlene Kerchner, Dan Cummings, Patty Cummings, Richard Mercer	Steve Fletcher

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR ALL MASSES:**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS, USHERS, LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS**

**Training is provided – please call the church office at 251-981-8132 to volunteer.**

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**Ministry of Care to Sick & Bereaved**  
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Suzanne Laurier ..... 251-981-1918

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Contact Father Paul ..... 251-981-8132

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**Ministry**  
To serve as a Lector or Eucharistic Minister ..... Contact Father Paul

**RCIA**  
Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.,  
September – Easter  
Contact Father Paul ..... 251-981-8132

**St. Benedict School**  
Contact Father Paul ..... 251-981-8132

**Winter Visitor Contact**  
Ellen Passage ..... 517-881-6615

**Sacrament of Baptism**  
Contact Parish Office at least one month prior ..... 251-981-8132

**Sacrament of Marriage**  
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**Wedding Coordinators**  
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