

# 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 24

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

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Kathy Deuman*  
 10:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: All Parishioners*

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

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

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
 9:00 a.m. Communion Service  
 11:15 a.m. Holy Mass with our Archbishop and Priests  
*Intention: Mike and Tom Barnett*

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

7:00 a.m. Men of St. Joseph  
 8:40 a.m. Rosary  
 9:00 a.m. Communion Service  
 11:15 a.m. Holy Mass with our Archbishop and Priests  
*Intention: Robert Moore*

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

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

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Teri Clark*

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions  
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass  
*Rosemary Lasher, Van & Annette Bielkiewicz 40 years anniversary of Sacrament of Marriage*

### 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, and click on the blue Electronic Giving box. *Finance Council*

### 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, call the Church Office.

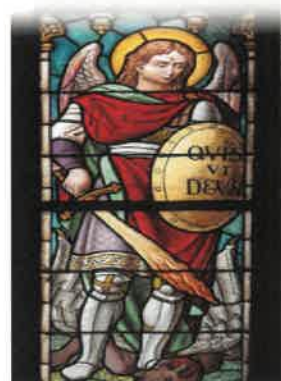


### HOME VISITS AND CONFESSIONS

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 ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

Regular monthly meeting is scheduled for October 11, 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 at 303-324-3526.



**FEAST DAY FOR  
ST. MICHAEL**  
September 29th

### YOUR GIFTS TO GOD

September 18, 2022

Offertory .....	\$11,548.00
Budgeted .....	\$ 8,634.00
Building Fund .....	\$ 750.00
Catholic University .....	\$ 1,168.00
Votives .....	\$ 28.00
Special Collection .....	\$ 100.00
Online Giving .....	\$ 1,395.72
Votives .....	\$ 43.51
Online Giving .....	\$ 1,015.98

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

**ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA BUILDING FUND**

*Thank you for your generosity*



**ADULT FORMATION  
DAUGHTERS OF MARY**

Are you looking for something more? Would you like to journey with other women of faith to a deeper relationship with Jesus?  
Please join us following Mass on Fridays, 9:45-11:00 a.m. (on first Fridays 10:30-11:45 a.m.). We meet in the Parish Library (across from Parish Office.) For more information, contact Andree Drouilhet at a\_drouilhet@yahoo.com.

**DON'T MISS THE SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES**

This is a 10-week series and we will be viewing and discussing Lectio Eucharist, a video program, led by Bryant Pitre, available on FORMED.org (Catholic Faith Resources 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. For more information, contact Melissa Sibille at 850-566-1016 or mldsibille@gmail.com.

**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 who would be interested in donating a prize, please contact Joe Fierro at 251-504-0221, any Knight or the Parish Office.



**MARY'S SHELTER NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

Part of the Mary's Shelter program is for residents to purchase, insure and register their own vehicle so they can successfully transition to independent living. Do you have a car/minivan that you no longer need/use? If so, please consider donating it to Mary's Shelter. Currently, they have three residents who are ready to purchase a vehicle. We do not "give" the vehicle to our resident moms, but rather sell it to them for pennies on the dollar, so they have some "skin in the game," and keep the car in good condition. Please call the Program Director, Shannon Bohan at 251-986-6351 with any questions. Thank you for helping our babies by helping their moms become the woman God intended them to be.

**MARY'S SHELTER GULF COAST THRIFT SHOP...OPENING SOON** The Thrift Store is in desperate need of volunteers to help sort, tag, price and hang clothes. Please call Jo-Ellen at 205-568-1250 to set up a time to help out.

**MINISTRY NEXT WEEKEND – October 1-2, 2022**

	Lector	Communion	Ushers	Altar Server
<b>Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass</b>	Al Bedel	Mary Dalton, Patrick Dalton, Andree Drouilhet, JR Bedel, Jay Powell, Tina D'Aversa	Jim and Agnes Johnson, Joe Fierro, Van Bielkiewicz, JR Bedel, Jay Powell	Tim Drouilhet
<b>Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass</b>	Bob Barnett	Betty McDuffie, Terry Barnett, Anne Quinn, Vicki Brown, Marian Smith	Paul Brown, JoEllen Karazim, Kelley Ouzts, Robert Turner, Ouida Turner, Lynn Tampary	Carlos DeSanctis
<b>Sunday, 10:00 a.m. Mass</b>	Merrie Henderson	Darlene Kerchner, Mary Mercer, Joanie Pruitt, Alice Madere, Melanie Reece	Lee Barnes, Steve Kerchner, Darlene Kerchner, Dan Cummings, Patty Cummings, Mike Pruitt	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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- CCD**  
Contact Father Paul...251-981-8132
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Tina D'Aversa .....678-457-0677
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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**  
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- 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**  
Contact Parish Office at least six months prior .....251-981-8132
- Wedding Coordinators**  
Cheryl Robinson .....251-422-1268  
Nancy Dickhute .....402-980-3258  
Jo-Ellen Karazim .....205-568-1250

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**Meetings**  
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Call **Bob Barnett** at  
**251-979-1573**



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