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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, October 28

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions
 4:30 p.m. 40 Days for Life Rosary
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
Intention: Bielkiewicz & Dauzat Families

SUNDAY, October 29

7:30 a.m. 40 Days for Life Rosary
 8:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: June Pumford+
 9:30 a.m. 40 Days for Life Rosary
 10:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: All St. Thomas By The Sea Parishioners and John Collins+

MONDAY, October 30

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

TUESDAY, October 31

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

**WEDNESDAY, November 1 – ALL SAINTS’ DAY
 HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

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

THURSDAY, November 2 – ALL SOULS’ DAY

8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: George Mouledoux+

FRIDAY, November 3

8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Mike & Tom Barnett+

SATURDAY, November 4

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions
 4:30 p.m. 40 Days for Life Rosary
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
Intention: Bielkiewicz & Dauzat Families

Please pray for: Leigh Pitchford, Milton and Rita Essig, Dominique DeSanctis, Ann Wilson, Chrissie McKillip, Patrick Rogers, Thomas Cichoski, Tom Powell, Rey Segovia, Elizabeth Von Bergen, Mark Martz, Bill and 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, Melanie Mitchell, Eric Montross, Kylie Herring, Tony Cate, Dina Bazor, Thomas Potts, Hap Archer, Michael Fleshman, and Robin Mendiola.

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

LIFE QUOTES

“O Blessed Mother, at the angel’s word you went in haste to the aid of your cousin Elizabeth. Although pregnant yourself, you placed her needs before your own. By your example of radical solidarity, teach us to reverence and protect those in need, without conditions or expectations.”
 — USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

FATHER PAUL WILL BE AWAY, traveling to the Netherlands and India from October 16 thru November 20, 2023. Please keep Fr. Paul in prayer for safe travels and good health and well being during this time.

Fr. Legaspi (Lillian) and Fr. Chacko (Bay Minette) will celebrate weekday Masses and Fr. O’Connor (Daphne) will celebrate all weekend Masses during Fr. Paul’s time away.

CATHOLIC GUIDE TO END-OF-LIFE DECISIONS: You can ensure that your health care proxy (living will) is in accord with Catholic teaching by getting this document, which explains Church teaching on advance medical directives, euthanasia and physician-assisted suicide. It is issued by the National Catholic Bioethics Center, and includes a health care proxy form. Available on request in the church office.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

You can give electronically wherever you travel! Just get the Vanco, Inc. “Give Plus+” Smart Phone app. Vanco is the company that provides e-giving capability at St. Thomas by the Sea and at more than 25,000 churches nationally. Once you have the app, just look up the Church by Name, City or Zip Code. An immediate e-mail receipt will confirm your gift.



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.



**YOUR GIFTS TO GOD
 on October 22, 2023**

Offertory	\$ 5,670.00
Budgeted	\$ 9,000.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,305.44
Votives and Memorials	\$ 88.00
World Mission.....	\$ 1,188.00

THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR:

ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA BUILDING FUND

Thank you for your generosity!

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.

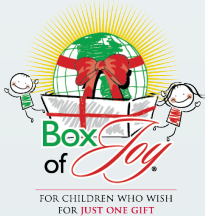
Invitation for all women! **DAUGHTERS OF MARY**, a Faith sharing group for women, meets on Friday mornings after 9:00 a.m. Mass (in Parish Library). Please join us as we read, reflect and share thoughts on the Sunday readings, while growing in faith and community with one another. PLEASE JOIN US!

WALKING WITH A PURPOSE – A new ministry for women. Walking With Purpose (WWP) is a Catholic Bible Study for women. Join us for Opening Your Heart: The Starting Point as we explore the fundamental questions of our Catholic faith and our relationship with Jesus Christ. Learn more about Jesus Christ through scriptures. This group meets weekly on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Thomas By The Sea Library. If interested or any questions, contact Diana D'Angelo at 440-487-4373 or ddangelo17@icloud.com or Marge Keller at 251-709-9861 or margekeller@gmail.com.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN – We will be praying a pro-life Rosary starting 30 minutes before every weekend Mass until November 5th. Please arrive early and join us in praying for an end to the barbaric practice of abortion in our country and in the world.

ALL SOULS DAY envelopes can be found in the Narthex (back of church). This is a great way to remember our Beloved Souls of the faithfully departed. The offerings will all be collected during the remainder of the month of October and placed on the altar for All Souls Day. The envelopes will stay on the altar through the month of November.

SPREAD JOY TO UNDERPRIVILEGED CHILDREN THIS CHRISTMAS by participating in the **Cross Catholic Box of Joy** project! You will find the empty boxes on the table in the Narthex together with a list of suggested gifts. Register on the sign-up sheet, and return your box to the table by the weekend of November 5th. A donation of \$9.00 is requested for shipping and handling cost for each box – either donate online at crosscatholic.org. box-of-joy/online, drop your check in the mail in the envelope provided, or bring it to the office – **DO NOT PLACE YOUR DONATION IN THE BOX.** Thank you for your generosity, and for bringing more Joy into the world!



OPEN POSITION

PARISH SECRETARY POSITION: St. Thomas by the Sea is in need of a Parish Secretary. Please let us know if you are interested. Contact Marge Keller at stthomasbk@gmail.com for more information or call the church office at 251-981-8132.

MINISTRY NEXT WEEKEND – NOVEMBER 4-5

	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	ALTAR SERVER	USHER	SACRISTAN
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Patrick Dalton	Nancy Milton Andree Drouilhet Mary Dalton Peggy Newsome	Tom Drouilhet	Joe Fierro, Jim Johnson, Jay Powell, Van Bielkiewicz, Rob Shine, Denise Jackson	J.R. Bedel
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Bob Barnett	Anne Quinn Betty McDuffie Vicki Brown Sharon Mahne	Carlos DeSanctis	Ouida Turner, Art Yaroch, Luann Yaroch, Robert Turner, Paul Brown, John Neece	Deacon Steve
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Merrie Henderson	Alice Madere Bob Lindley, Kathy Lindley Mary Mercer	NOT FILLED	Steve Kerchner, Lee Barnes, Dan Cummings, Patty Cummings, Richard Mercer	Deacon Steve

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR ALL MASSES
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS, ALTAR SERVERS, LECTORS AND USHERS.
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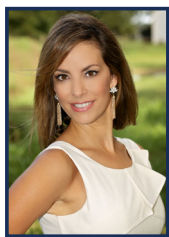
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- St. Benedict School**
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- Winter Visitor Contact**
Ellen Passage.....517-881-6615
- Sacrament of Baptism**
Contact Parish Office at least one month prior251-981-8132
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