

# 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, NOVEMBER 12**

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

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13**

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Mike & Tom Barnett † & All Parishioners*  
 10:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Jane Fleshman †*

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

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

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15**

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Juliana Szentes †*

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16**

7:00 a.m. Men of St. Joseph  
 8:40 a.m. Rosary  
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Billy & Pam Eggers (L)*

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17**

8:40 a.m. Rosary  
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intention: Jane Fleshman †*

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18**

9:00 a.m. Holy Mass  
*Intentions: Mike & Tom Barnett †*  
 9:30 a.m. Daughters of Mary

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19**

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

**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, Mary Brabston, Lori Brabston, Cheryl Strockis, Elliott Trahan, Phyllis Peralta, Edith O’Rear, Patricia Ann Cassidy, Sarah Tino, Bishop Gregory Parks, Lisa Hughes, Claire Hughes, Ron Gray, Chuck Coffey, Pam Rohan, Babe Rohan, Paul Rohan, Mary Newsome and Sally O’Donnell

*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 an appointment. You can also call to schedule the Sacrament of Reconciliation if you can’t come on a Saturday.

**PALM TREE MEMORIALS...**You may have noticed the new palm trees planted along the West side of the church property. Each of these trees is available as a memorial or honorific, at a cost of \$600.00. A plaque will be affixed on or near your tree with your name and the name of your loved one. If interested, fill out form in the narthex. Brick and flower memorials are also available.



Information on our **Parish Finance Council**, as well as Annual & Quarterly Financial Reports, are available online through our website. Go to [www.stthomasbythesea.com](http://www.stthomasbythesea.com), click on “Parish Ministries,” then “About Us”, to find the latest financial information. If you have any questions, contact any member of the Finance Council.

Are you wondering what’s going on with the construction on the east side of the church? This will be the St. Thomas by the Sea Prayer Garden. Our prayer garden will have a water fountain, St. Michael Statue, gardens, seating, etc. It will also serve the purpose of addressing the erosion that has taken place on the west side of the retention pond. Construction should be complete in 3-4 months. We are very excited about this new addition to our Holy Grounds at St. Thomas by the Sea.



**PRAYER FOR THE DECEASED**

Remember, Lord, those who have died and have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, especially those for whom we now pray. May these, and all who sleep in Christ, find in Your presence light, happiness and peace. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

<https://www.facebook.com/littleprayers1>

Remember to pray for All Souls in the month of November.

**YOUR GIFTS TO GOD**  
 November 6, 2022

Offertory .....	\$12,438.00
Budgeted .....	\$ 8,634.00
Building Fund .....	\$ 5,244.39
Archdiocese of Military Services.....	\$ 365.00
Memorials.....	\$ 2,690.00
Votives .....	\$ 42.00
Online Giving .....	\$ 1,219.34

**THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR:**  
**ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA CATHOLIC CHURCH BUILDING FUND**  
*Thank you for your generosity*





**ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RAFFLE FOR MARY'S SHELTER GULF COAST**

A mega raffle is scheduled for March 2023 with a drawing for a prize every day of the month! **Tickets are only \$50.00 each** and all proceeds will benefit Mary's Shelter Gulf Coast (MSGC) in Elberta, Alabama. Please buy a ticket to support this worthy cause. MSGC is the only charitable organization in this five county area able to offer shelter and support to homeless, pregnant adult women, before and after the birth of their child. Tickets are being sold in the back of church, the gift shop or in the church office during the week. Please help support Mary's Shelter by buying a ticket today.

All parishioners please pick up your box of offertory envelopes in the Narthex today.



**NOT TOO LATE...**The Box of Joy has been a huge success. If you were unable to get a box to fill to "spread joy" to the underprivileged children this Christmas, you can still participate through the Cross Catholic website by going to [www.boxofjoy.org](http://www.boxofjoy.org). Our parish filled 52 boxes this year. Thanks to all for your generosity.

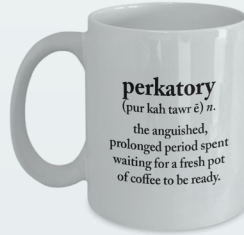


**"HOLY ROLLERS" BICYCLE CLUB**

Want a great opportunity to keep physically and spiritually healthy while getting to know each other better? If you are free on Fridays at 3:00 p.m. and want to join this group, please call the church office at 251-981-8132 for more details. Fr. Paul and others meet at Catman Trail off of Orange Beach Blvd.

**WELCOME HOME...**to all of our Winter Visitors. We certainly missed you.

Please join us for **COFFEE WITH THE PASTOR** following 9:00 a.m. Mass on Thursday mornings. It is a great time for fellowship and fun in the Parish Hall.



**Friendly Reminder:** The St. Thomas by the Sea Chapel is open every day for prayer Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.



**MINISTRY NEXT WEEKEND – November 19-20, 2022**

	Lector	Communion	Ushers	Altar Server
<b>Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass</b>	Al Bedel	Mary Dalton, JR Bedel, Jay Powell, Tina D'Aversa	Jim and Agnes Johnson, Joe Fierro, Van Bielkiewicz, Jay Powell	Patrick Dalton
<b>Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass</b>	Bob Barnett	Betty McDuffie, Terry Barnett, Anne Quinn, Vicki Brown, Marian Smith	Paul Brown, Kelley Ouzts, Robert & Ouida Turner, Art & Luann Yaroch	Larry Mickwee
<b>Sunday, 10:00 a.m. Mass</b>	Merrie Henderson	Darlene Kerchner, Joanie Pruett, Mary Mercer, Bob & Kathy Lindley	Lee Barnes, Steve Kerchner, Dan & Patty Cummings, Mike Pruett, Richard Mercer	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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**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**  
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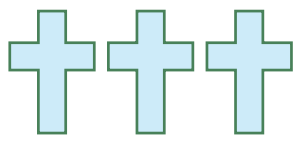
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