

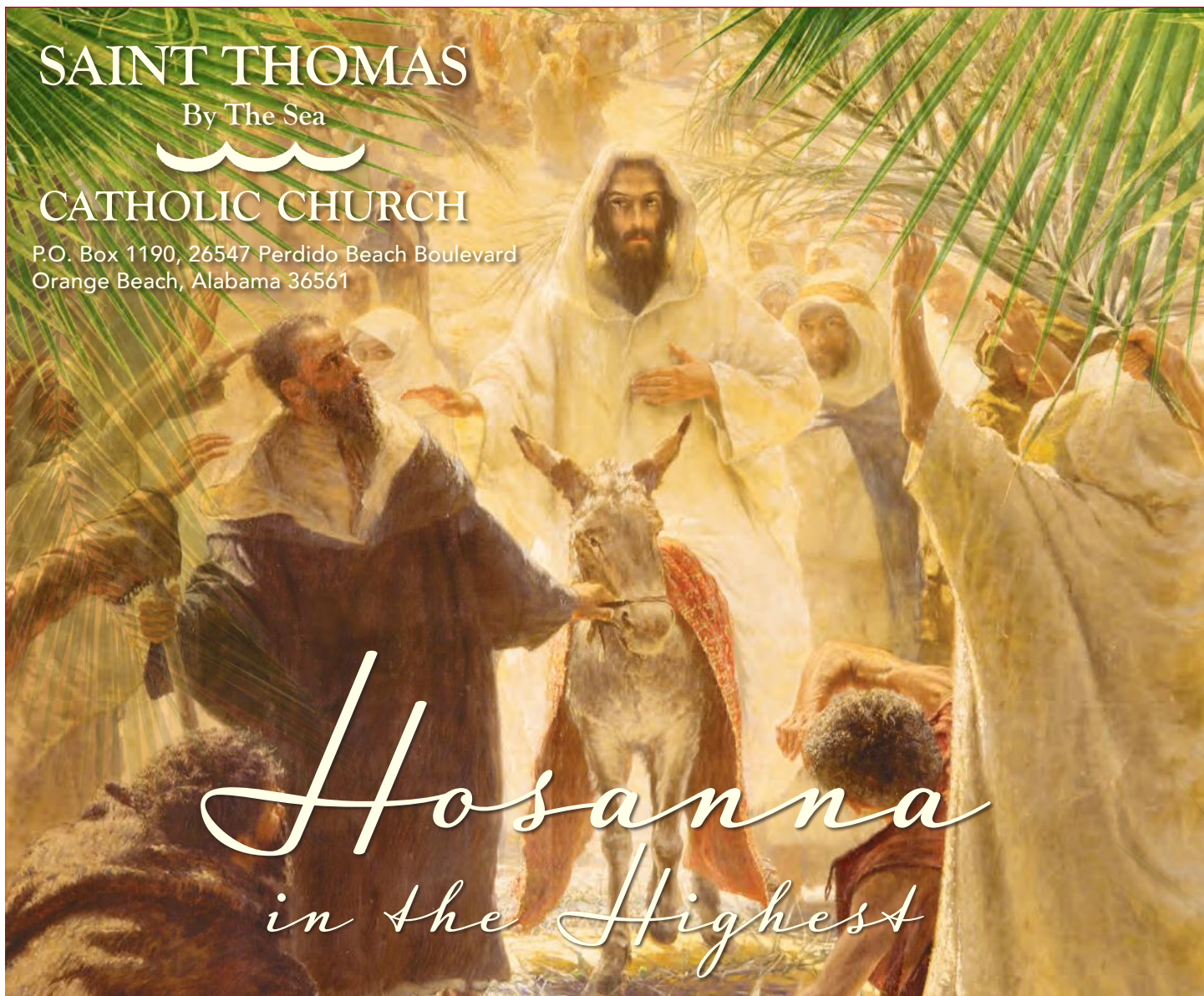
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By The Sea



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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, APRIL 1

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions
 4:30 p.m. Rosary for Life
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
Intention: Bill Parry +, Bielkiewicz and Dauzat Families

SUNDAY, APRIL 2 – (Palm Sunday)

7:30 a.m. Rosary for Life
 8:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: St. Thomas by the Sea Parishioners
 10:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Joseph C. Dupre' +

MONDAY, APRIL 3

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 4

8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Joyce Trowbridge+

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 6 (Holy Thursday)

6:00 p.m. Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper
 7:00 p.m. Adoration until 10:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 7 (Good Friday)

9:00 a.m. Adoration until Noon
 12:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Outside Weather Permitting)
 3:00 p.m. The Passion of the Lord

SATURDAY, APRIL 8 (Holy Saturday)

7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday Mass 6:00 p.m., followed by Adoration until 10:00 p.m.
Good Friday, 9:00 a.m. to Noon – Adoration
 12:00 noon – Stations of the Cross (outside, weather permitting)
 3:00 p.m. – The Passion of the Lord
Holy Saturday, 7:30 p.m. – Easter Vigil
Easter Sunday, Mass – 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon

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, Lisa Hughes, Claire Hughes, Ron Gray, Chuck Coffey, Pam Rohan, Babe Rohan, Paul Rohan, Mary Newsome, Bob Osterholt, Brenda Lomax, Jane Swain, Bob Pumford and Sally O'Donnell, James Hess.
To add someone to the prayer list, please contact the church office.

BENEFITS OF CONFESSION: The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) strengthens our will. Every time we experience the Sacrament, God strengthens our will and our self-control to be able to resist the temptations that confront us in our lives. We become more resolute to follow God's will and not our own whims. Our parish offers Reconciliation at 4:00 p.m. on Saturdays, and at other times by appointment with Fr. Paul.

LIFE QUOTES:

Despite our best efforts, it can sometimes be difficult to recognize the profound value of human life when we see its full weakness and fragility. Yet, the faithful care of human life until its natural end is entrusted to every person.

Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, The Witness of the Good Samaritan

Altar Linen Care for April: Darlene Kerchner and Alice Madere. Thank you ladies!

Adoration: As you can see from the Easter schedule, we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Holy Thursday, after Mass and until 10:00 p.m., and on Good Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. There is a sheet in the Narthex for you to sign up for one hour of Adoration on those days, to ensure that there will be a constant presence in front of the Blessed Sacrament. If you are unable to commit to spending one hour, stop by for a short visit and sit with our Lord Jesus.

The **Angels of Joy Gift Shop** is open after all weekend Masses. We appreciate your patronage as we support many charities through your purchases.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD on March 26, 2023

Offeratory	\$ 9,113.67
Budgeted	\$ 9,000.00
Building Fund	\$ 2,390.06
Online Giving	\$ 1,845.71
Votives	\$ 79.00

THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR:

AID TO THE CHURCHES IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE AND AFRICA.

Thank you for your generosity!

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION (April 7)

Our Parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called on to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on this collection for their lives.

A Pontifical Collection, requested by the Pope, the "Annual Good Friday Collection" offers a direct link for parishioners to be witnesses of peace and to help protect the Holy Places. When you donate on Good Friday, you are supporting Christians in the Holy Land.



FASTING AND ABSTINENCE: On Good Friday, you are required to fast and abstain (age 18-59). Fasting means that you eat only one meal in a day with no food in between. It is understood the other two meals, if one eats three meals a day, should not total one full meal. To abstain is to not eat meat. Its purpose is to be an act of penance – an act of sacrifice. The Church encourages you to try to fast and abstain through sunset on Holy Saturday.

Parishioner photos for new Parish Directory: The new church directory is in progress. If you were not able to have your photo taken by the professional photographer, you are welcome to submit a family photo by email to stthomasvolunteers@gmail.com. Please include your name(s), address, telephone number(s) and email(s) as you want them to appear in the directory. The deadline is April 10th.

Altar Rosary Society: All ladies of the parish (and visitors) are welcome to attend the April meeting of the ARS on Tuesday, April 11 after morning Mass. The ladies are responsible for altar linen care, operate the religious articles shop, and perform many other functions in our parish, as well as provide support for charitable organizations.

SAVE THE DATE! The **Annual Parish Picnic** is Sunday, April 16th starting at 12:00 noon at Orange Beach Waterfront Park on Canal Road. Bring your lawn chairs. The church is providing Cochon de lait (Cajun Pig Roast) and Barbeque Chicken, sides and Iced Tea. ALL Parishioners are invited to join in this afternoon of fellowship, food and fun.

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul 21st Annual Gala benefiting the Alfred Washburn Day Center for the Homeless takes place Friday, April 21st at 5:30 p.m. at Sanders Beach Community Center – 913 South I Street, Pensacola, FL 32502. Contact Tim or Leslie via email at svdpcpt@gmail.com or by phone at 850-434-6615, ext. 3. We may be able to get a full table for our parish.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES THRIFT STORE in Robertsdale, AL is seeking to fill a part-time (28 hours/ week) Thrift Store Clerk position. For more information, please contact Angela Gore Hickey at 251-947-4058.

A very special **THANK-YOU!** To Brian Freeman and **Gulf Electric** for donating their time and some of the materials for the Lighting project in our Church and Parking Lot. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

April 6-7	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Altar Server
Holy Thursday, 6:00 p.m.	Kathleen Shine	Andree Drouilhet, Vicki Brown, J.R. Bedel, Tina D'Aversa	Rob Shine, Paul Brown, Steve Kerchner, Jay Powell, Melissa Sibille	Tim Drouilhet
Friday, 12:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross				
Friday, 3:00 p.m. Good Friday	Tina D'Aversa			

April 8-9	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Altar Server
Saturday, 7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil	Bob Barnett	Mary Dalton, Tina D'Aversa, Jay Powell, J.R. Bedel	Jim Johnson, Joe Fierro, Jay Powell	Patrick Dalton
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Eva McDuffie	Vicki Brown, Betty McDuffie, Rhonda Shell, Mike Shell	Paul Brown, Lynn Tampary, Art Yaroch, Luann Yaroch, Kelley Ouzts	Carlos DeSanctis
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Alice Madere	Darlene Kerchner, Mary Mercer, Joanie Pruett, Richard Mercer	Steve Kerchner, Patty Cummings Dan Cummings, Lee Barnes, Richard Mercer, Mike Pruett	Steve Fletcher
Easter Sunday, 10:10 p.m. April 9	Jean Marzullo	Cheryl Robinson, Merrie Henderson	2 FROM SANCTUARY	
Sunday, 12:00 p.m. Easter	Annette Mitchell	Suzanne Laurier, Melanie Reece, Bob Lindley, Kathy Lindley	Ouida Turner, Robert Turner, Jackson Denise	

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR ALL MASSES:
EUCARISTIC MINISTERS, USHERS, LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS.
Training is provided – please call the church office at 251-981-8132 to volunteer.**

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