

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASS SCHEDULE

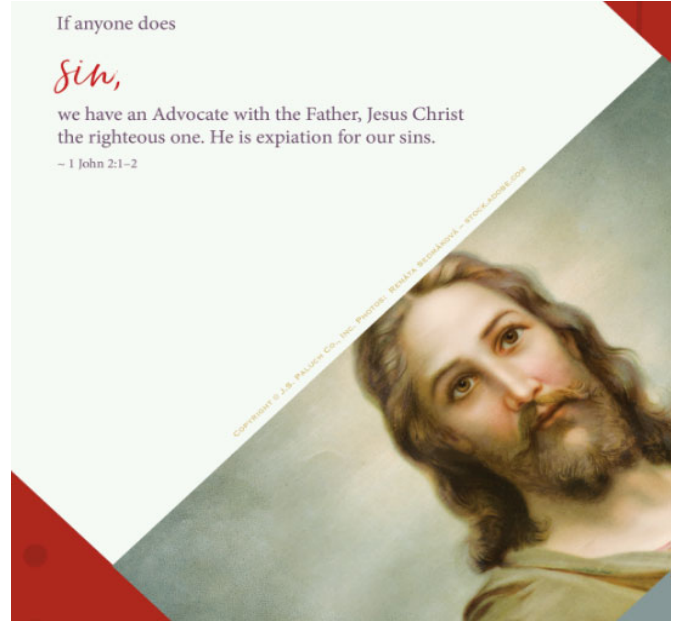
Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00pm
Sunday Masses: 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:30am & 5:30pm
Tuesday-Thursday, 8:30am
Friday: 6:30am

If anyone does

Sin,

we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ
the righteous one. He is expiation for our sins.

- 1 John 2:1-2



APRIL 15, 2018 - THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Religious Education (SRE): Pre-School-5th Grades, Sundays 10:10-11:20am
6th-12th Grades, Sunday evenings, following the 5:30pm Life Teen Mass, (September-May)

Baptism: Usually held on the second Sunday of each month. Preparation workshop is required.

Eucharistic Adoration: Every Friday from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm in the Chapel (upstairs in the Office Complex)

Marriage: Call the office at least six months in advance of scheduled wedding date. Attendance at pre-marriage course is required. Wedding policy guidelines may be obtained from office or on website.

Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:15 -3:45 pm (or call 863-1610 for an appointment.)

We welcome you to St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, Long Beach, MS.

If you are new to the parish, please introduce yourself before or after Mass.

*Please pick up a census form located in the back of the church, in the display cases,
or call the Parish Office to register.*

SCRIPTURE CORNER

BELIEVING IN JESUS CHRIST

Throughout the Easter season, all three of the Sunday readings are taken from the New Testament—the Christian scriptures. Together they explore what it means to believe in Jesus as the Christ, the One who fulfilled the prophecies of the Jewish scriptures.

Today’s selections refer to our human weakness, yet they emphasize the forgiveness and peace that are available to those who put their faith in “Jesus Christ the righteous one” (1 John 2:2). In the Acts of the Apostles Peter invites everyone to “repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away” (Acts 3:19). The First Letter of John calls Jesus Christ “expiation for our sins” (1 John 2:2). Finally, in the Gospel Jesus greets the disciples with “Peace” and urges them to preach “repentance, for the forgiveness of sins” (Luke 24:47).

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“A welcoming family of God seeking to live faithfully, love generously, and share the good news of Jesus Christ”.



Catechumens and sponsors at the Rite of Election at the Cathedral with Bishop Louis Kihneman, III.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30;
Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a;
Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab;
Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20;
Jn 6:44-51
Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
Sunday: Acts 4:8-12;
Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2;
Jn 10:11-18

FEW REMINDERS

Sun, Apr 15....Marian Liturgical Dance Rehearsal
Sat & Sun, Apr 14-15....OLA selling tickets for
Crawfish Festival after Masses
Mon, Apr 16.... 9:30am-12:30pm, SVdP Society,
SRE Bldg
Mon, Apr 16....6:30-8:00pm, Catholics Returning
Home, LifeTeen Room
Mon, Apr 16.... 7pm, RCIA, Rm 222
Tues, Apr 17....9am-1pm, Quilters, Rm 222
Thurs, Apr 19.... 9:30am-12:30pm, SVdP Society,
SRE Bldg
Thurs, Apr 19....7pm, New Wine, Rm 222
Fri, Apr 20....8am-7pm, Adoration, Chapel

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“A KNIGHT TO REMEMBER” FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2017 OAK CREST MANSION INN

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School will host their annual inaugural fundraiser. There will be food, drinks and dancing to a jazz swing band along with live and silent auctions, and a few surprises! The theme is “Roaring 20’s” and dressing up is strongly encouraged. All proceeds support Catholic education costs and students’ growth.

Event tickets are \$35 ea or \$60 per couple. Raffle tickets are \$25 each. The grand prize is \$3500 tuition credit to any school in the Biloxi Diocese or \$3,000 cash! You do not need to be present to win.

For additional information you may contact Kristina LaMarca May at MayMomx3@gmail.com



CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME (An open door for Returning Catholics)

No matter how long a person has been away and no matter the reason, we issue this invitation to all non-practicing Catholics to consider renewing your relationship with the Catholic Church. Please come or invite someone you know to participate. All meetings begin at 6:30 p.m.

- Apr 16 The Church Today*
- Apr 23 “The Mass” Explained*
- Apr 30 Explanation of the Sacrament of Penance*
- May 7 The Creed: What Catholics Believe*

The meetings are at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church Admin. Office Building (upstairs)
For more details call Cindy Vogt, Coordinator at 860-5250, or cynanne6@yahoo.com

ULTREYA!

St. Thomas Catholic Church
720 East Beach Boulevard, Long Beach
Monday, April 16 ~ 7:00 P.M.
Second Floor, Room 203B



Lay Speaker: Dori Cantrelle, Most Holy Trinity,
Pass Christian
Spiritual Speaker: Norman Cantrelle,
Most Holy Trinity, Pass Christian

Ultreya is the reunion of Cursillistas, but all are invited to learn more about the Cursillo Movement of South Mississippi.

REDISCOVER JESUS

If there is one person that we should each get to know in a deeply personal way, it is Jesus, the carpenter from Nazareth, the itinerant preacher, the Son of God, the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords, the Lamb of God, the new Adam, the Messiah, the Alpha and the Omega, the Chosen One, the Light of the World, The God-Man who wants good things for us more than we want them for ourselves, the healer of our souls.

Are you ready to encounter Jesus in a new and different way?

When: Sunday evenings for 6 wks starting Apr 15th, or Tues mornings for six weeks starting Apr 17th.

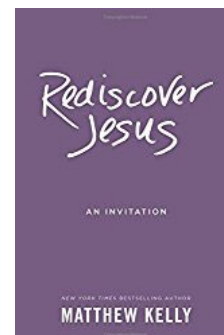
Time: Tues at 9am (After morning Mass), or Sundays at 7pm (after 5:30 Mass)

Where: South Lobby

Cost: \$3 for a copy of Matthew Kelly’s book, or bring your own.

Information: Call or text Linda Linder at 816-289-4967

Go to the Parish Web Site to indicate your interest in either the Tuesday or Sunday session.



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MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR SR. CECILIA & SR. MARY

*Please plan to attend
Sr. Cecilia's Celebration
25th Anniversary of Pro-
fession of Vows and Sr.
Mary's Thanksgiving
Celebration of Final
Vows here at St. Thomas
the Apostle.*



CELEBRATING CHILDREN AT ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH



Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's House. Sit toward the front where it's easier to see and hear. Quietly explain the parts of the Mass. Sing the songs, pray and say the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you.

Feel free to leave Mass with your child if you need to, but please come back! The way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the church, to God, and to Jesus. Let them know they are at home in this liturgical gathering.

To the members of the parish...

A smile of encouragement and a kind word are always welcome to parents with small, active children.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #4898 IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Apr 15....Breakfasts are being served
following morning Masses
Apr 19....7pm, Meeting

For more information on membership or any
questions, contact Ben DiLorenzo,
Grand Knight, at 596-3379
LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2017-2018 School Calendar



Mon, Apr 16-Thurs, Apr 19....Prayer & Pledge,
Kindergarten
Fri, Apr 20....Mass, 8:30am, Holy Family Church,
3rd & 4th Gr. Leaders

Visit the website: svdpcatholicschool.org

RED CROSS "GO BAGS"

Audrey Coughlin from our AHG troop is collecting items to create "go bags" for the Red Cross. The goal is to put together 100 bags. We are in need of trial size shampoo, toothpaste, lotion, and washcloths. Cash donations are welcome too! Please drop donations in the collection bin in the east foyer of the Church. We will be collecting through Sun, Apr 29th. Please consider donating this Easter season in honor of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

RECURRING AROUND THE PARISH...

St. Vincent de Paul Society...9:30am-12:30pm,

Mon & Thurs, open to help

St. Joseph's Helping Hands....Work day is every first
Sat of the month; mtg is every 4th Thurs

Adoration in the Chapel....8am-7pm, Fri

Youth Gift Cards (Scrip) sales...After all Masses &
during office hours, 9am-4:30pm weekdays

Knights of Columbus, Council #4898....7pm, every
1st & 3rd Thurs of the month

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Both Middle and High School Students gather after the 5:30pm Life Teen Mass. Edge Nights (6th—8th grade) will gather upstairs in the Youth Room and Life Nights (9th—12th grade) will gather upstairs in the RCIA / Balcony area. The sessions will begin at 6:30pm and end at 8pm. Attendance will be taken each Sunday evening!

APRIL

15th— **EDGE**— “Rules! Rules! Rules!”- To help the middle school youth understand that morality is not about following a set of rules, but rather it is a response to God’s call for us to be in a relationship with Him.

LIFETEEN— “Purity and Chastity What?”- The goal for this night is to help the teens understand God’s plan for sexuality and the need for chastity in thoughts, words and actions. This night will give the teens practical ways to be chaste and modest in all of their relationships and live with purity of heart.

Ashlie Moran, youthministry@saintthomaslb.org
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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Vincent de Paul Community Pharmacy is actively seeking additional volunteers to serve as eligibility screeners at its Hancock County Extension Site. The group meets on the first Monday of each month at the MSU Extension Center in the Bay St. Louis Annex Building. Hours of service are 8:30am -11am. Anyone interested can call the Pharmacy Office at 228-374-9097.

PARISH PICNIC

The Parish Picnic will be on Sunday, May 20 starting at 11:30am in the Pavilion. Our parish will provide hotdogs, hamburgers, chips, egg-rolls and drinks.

Please bring a dish to share if your last name begins with: A-G = please bring a main dish, H-M = bring a salad, N-Z = bring a dessert. Don’t forget to bring your own picnic chair or blanket!!!



PREK-5th GRADE & RCIC CALENDAR (2017-2018)

Classes Meet On Sundays from 10:10 – 11:20am
***Saint Movie Sundays begin at 11:30am

CLASSES MEET ON SUNDAYS FROM 10:10 – 11:20 am in the School of Religious Education (SRE) Building

Apr 15....SRE Class

Apr 22....SRE Class

****Apr 28....First Holy Communion Day of Prayer/
Rehearsal, 9:30am to 2pm (Church/SRE Bldg.)

Apr 29....SRE Class

“Parade Around the Our Father – June 11-15”

Registration for Vacation Bible School (**VBS**) will continue until May 11 during SRE. Registration Forms are also located in the display cabinets in the church and in the cabinet outside the parish office. Children in Pre-K4 to 6th grade are invited to join our week and fun!!! Register early to reserve your spot!!!

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Leslie Edler
Erik Merz

Lydia O’Leary
Miranda Pitts

ST. TIMOTHY AWARD RECIPIENTS

Kaleigh Bates and Bryce Warden were presented the St. Timothy Award at The Diocese of Biloxi’s 2018 Youth Celebration on March 23-25 at the Mississippi Gulf Coast Coliseum and Convention Center.

Congratulations both of these young parishioners!

FEATURED AD OF THE WEEK



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MASS INTENTIONS

Tues, 4/17	12noon	+Emilie Nunnelee
Wed, 4/18	8:30am	
Thurs, 4/19	8:30am	+Drew Garrett (Anniversary)
Fri, 4/20	6:30am	
Sat, 4/21	4:00pm	+Roland Samson +Austin Barker
Sun, 4/22	7:30am	+Caden DiLorenzo
	9:00am	St. Thomas Parish Family
	11:30am	+Louis & +Johnnie Mae Borzik
	5:30pm	+Bob Pallister

PETITIONS OF PRAYER

Bishop Joseph Howze, Bobbie McIntyre, Breanna Halley, Carolyn Mink, Chris Papania, Eileen Smith, Fionnuala Wilson, Frank Violanti, Gail Stopson, George Lestrade, George Sheridan, Jackie Crawford, Jimmy DiLorenzo, Joe Castiglia, John French, Lois Dawson, Lois Garrett, Louise Rishel Ray, Lyla Dubuisson, Milton LeBlanc, Nicole and Ryker Ponthieux (mother & son), Nita Gross, Patrick Pierce, Reece Bentz, Rosemary Gremillion, Sally Blake, and all others in our parish and community who are in need of healing, physical or spiritual.

PHOTOGRAPHS ARE HERE

If you ordered just the free photograph when the photographers were here, you can pick up your photograph from the parish office anytime from 9am to 4pm during the week.

TOTAL OFFERINGS FOR MAR 31 & APR 1

Envelopes	\$18,492.50
Loose Money	2,109.50
Pickle Jar	260.50
Electronic Giving	8,578.00

TOTAL OFFERINGS FOR APR 7 & 8

Envelopes	\$10,193.00
Loose Money	1,386.00
Pickle Jar	73.50
Electronic Giving	1,512.00
We appreciate your generosity!	

MARCH BAPTISMS

Blair Allen Holder

Ashton Monroe Watros



NEXT WEEKEND'S LAY MINISTERS

Apr 21&22

4:00 PM Mass

L Billie Lee

C Heather Neale

HOST

EM1 Norman McDonald

2 Priest

3 Lisa Starita

4 Susan Samson

CHALICE

1 Judi Matsuba

2 BeverlyLeslie

3 Patti Salvador

4 Bitsy McDonald

AS1 Christina Parry (K)

2 Charlie Starita (S)

3 Sammy Starita (P)

4

Gr E Joyce/Jim Delinski

Gr S Ginny Miner

Gr W Heather Neale

7:30 AM Mass

Frank Castiglia

Jerry Levens

HOST

Richard Donald

2 Priest

Linda Shirk

Jennifer Schmidt

CHALICE

Barbara Donald

Timm McCaffrey

Cindy Levens

Mary Levens

Ada Shirk (P)

Samuel Shirk (S)

Jenna Shirk (P)

9:00 AM Mass

Michele Ponte

Brenda Allen

HOST

Paige Stinson

2 Priest

Ginny Macken

Mike Barry

CHALICE

Novaline Shirley

Robert Shirley

Candi Mauffray

Darlene Barry

Jack Mullins (S)

Hayes Johnson

Jackson Pearce (P)

Theo. Kallinikos (P)

Helen Bristol

Evon Womack

Carol Garrett

11:30 AM Mass

Sue Hoffman

HOST

Anne Scafile

2 Priest

Kelly Ribar

Andrew Ribar

CHALICE

Kelly Ribar

Andrew Ribar

Samuel Ribar (K)

Julia Ribar (K)

AthanAlexander(P)

Amanda Merrell

Brenda Boney

Bob Boney

5:30 PM Mass

L1 Andrew Mayer

L2 Alyssa Pepper

HOST

Pat Holliday

2 Priest

Candy Dubuisson

Sharon Perez

CHALICE

Doc Holliday

Geri Richards

Jennifer D. Thomas

Murph Fortenberry

Leah Tuminello

Bryce Warden



IN REPOSE

†Nell "Nan"
Partridge

†Gregory Morgan
(husband of Lesa
Morgan)

†Lucy Nell
Harrington Welch

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