



St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

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"...there is no inequality of significance amongst us except holiness..."
 "No hay desigualdad de importancia entre nosotros excepto la santidad..."

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 1, 2018

STAFF

Rev. Fred Valone.....Pastor
 Felix Ramos.....Permanent Deacon
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 Marisol Urbina.....Administrative Asst.
 Rick Reed.....Music Coordinator
 Jill Baker.....Nursery Coordinator
 Pat Norfleet.....Bookkeeper
 Sylvia Vitela.....Secretary
 Laura Puente.....Custodian

Mass Schedules

Saturday/ Sabado	5:30 pm English
Sunday/ Domingo	7:45 am English 10:45 am English 12:30 pm Spanish 5:30 pm English
Monday/ Lunes	No Mass
Tuesday-Friday / Martes-Viernes	7:15 am

Reconciliation / Reconciliación

Tues/Martes	4:30-5:30 pm
Sat/Sabado	4:00-5:00 pm

Adoration/Adoración

Tuesday / Martes	After 7:15 am Mass until 5:30pm
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From Fr. Fred's Desk . . .

A Catholic seminarian was to preach his first sermon in chapel the following day. He was nervous and afraid, and he stayed up all night in preparation. But in the morning, he didn't have a sermon. He stood in the pulpit, looked out at his classmates and said "Do you know what I am going to say?" All of them shook their heads "no" and he said "Neither do I. The service has ended. Go in peace." The dean was not happy and told the seminarian, "I'll give you another chance tomorrow, and you had better have a sermon." Again he stayed up all night but with the same results. So the next morning, he stood in the pulpit and asked "Do you know what I am going to say?" The students all nodded their heads "Yes." "Then there is no reason to tell you" he said. "The service has ended. Go in peace." Now the dean was extremely angry and told the seminarian, "I'll give you one more chance; if you don't have a sermon tomorrow, you will be asked to leave the seminary." Again, no sermon came. He stood in the pulpit the next day and asked "Do you know what I am going to say?" Half of the students nodded "yes" and the other half shook their heads "no." The student preacher then announced "Those who know, tell those who don't know. The service has ended. Go in peace." The seminary dean put his arm over the student's shoulders, and said "Those who know, tell those who don't know. Today, the gospel has been proclaimed." ... Happy Easter! The seminarian's words are important for us Easter People: *those who know, tell those who don't know*. Those words cause the gospel to be proclaimed day after day. Interestingly, the original ending of Mark's gospel has the women visiting Jesus' tomb in order to prepare his body for burial but discover an empty tomb. Their response? *"Then they went out and fled from the tomb, seized with trembling and bewilderment. They said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid."* Obviously they eventually more fully understood the meaning of the empty tomb and shared the Good News with others. Or we would not be celebrating Easter today. We celebrate a great mystery and wonderful news at the same time: the death of death, our most feared adversary. As one saint said: *Let no one fear death, for the savior's death has set us free. He who was held prisoner by death has annihilated it.* The death of death is great news. The mystery is how we will live with this Good News and with whom we will share it. *Those who know, tell those who don't know.* Joyous Easter.

Del Escritorio de Padre Fred . . .

Un seminarista católico tenía que predicar su primer sermón en la capilla al día siguiente. Estaba nervioso y con miedo, y se quedó despierto toda la noche en preparación. Pero en la mañana, él no tenía un sermón. Se paró en el ambón, vio a sus compañeros de clase y dijo: "¿Saben lo que voy a decir?" Todos sacudieron la cabeza "NO" y él dijo "Yo tampoco". El servicio ha terminado. Vayan en paz". El decano no estaba contento y le dijo al seminarista: "Te daré otra oportunidad mañana, y será mejor que tengas un sermón". Nuevamente se quedó despierto toda la noche pero con los mismos resultados. Entonces, a la mañana siguiente, se paró en el púlpito y le preguntó: "¿Saben lo que voy a decir?" Todos los estudiantes asintieron con la cabeza "Sí". "Entonces no hay razón para que yo se los diga". Dijo el seminarista, "El servicio ha terminado. Vayan en paz". Ahora el decano estaba furioso y le dijo al seminarista: "Te daré una oportunidad más; si mañana no tiene un sermón, tendrás que irte del seminario. De nuevo, no tenía el sermón. Se paró en el púlpito al día siguiente y preguntó: "¿Saben lo que voy a decir?" La mitad de los estudiantes asintió con la cabeza "sí" y la otra mitad negó con la cabeza. "Entonces el seminarista anunció: "Todos aquellos que saben, díganle a los que no saben. El servicio ha terminado. Vayan en paz". El decano del seminario camino hacia el estudiante, colocó su brazo sobre los hombros del estudiante, y dijo: " Aquellos que saben, les dicen a los que no saben". Hoy, el evangelio ha sido proclamado. "... ¡Feliz Pascua! Las palabras del seminarista son importantes para nosotros, la gente de Pascua: *aquellos que saben, les dicen a los que no saben*. Esas palabras hacen que el evangelio sea proclamado día tras día. Curiosamente, el final del evangelio original de Marcos hace que las mujeres visiten la tumba de Jesús para preparar su cuerpo para el entierro pero descubren una tumba vacía. ¿Su respuesta? *"Entonces salieron y huyeron del sepulcro, sorprendidos por el temblor y el desconcierto. No dijeron nada a nadie, porque tenían miedo !"* Obviamente, finalmente entendieron más completamente el significado de la tumba vacía y compartieron las Buenas Nuevas con los demás. O no estaríamos celebrando la Pascua hoy. Celebramos un gran misterio y maravillosas noticias al mismo tiempo: la muerte de la muerte, nuestro adversario más temido. Como dijo un santo: *Nadie le teme a la muerte, porque la muerte del Salvador nos ha liberado. El que estuvo prisionero de la muerte lo ha aniquilado.* La muerte de la muerte es una gran noticia. El misterio es cómo viviremos con esta Buena Nueva y con quién la compartiremos. *Los que saben, dicen a los que no saben.* Feliz Pascua

Mass Intentions Of The Week

Sat.	03/31	5:30 pm	Parishioners
Sun.	04/01	7:45 am	Helen Malleske 
		10:45 am	Mabel Milliet (For birthday)
		12:30 pm	
		5:30 pm	NO Mass
Mon.	04/02		NO Mass
Tues.	04/03	7:15 am	NO Mass
Wed.	04/04	7:15 am	NO Mass
Thurs.	04/05	7:15 am	Betty Larson (B-Day)
Fri.	04/06	7:15 am	Dawn Everett 
Sat.	04/07	5:30 pm	Jim Docherty (B-Day)
Sun	04/08	7:45 am	Parishioners
		10:45 am	Rosalinda Sandoval (B-Day)
		12:30 pm	Maria Isabel Delgado 
		5:30 PM	CSC

WEEKLY READINGS

Mon	04/02	ACTS 2:14, 22-33 MT 28:8-15
Tues	04/03	ACTS 2:36-41 JN 20:11-18
Wed	04/04	ACTS 3:1-10 LK 24:13-35
Thurs	04/05	ACTS 3:11-26 LK 24:35-48
Fri	04/06	ACTS 4:1-12 JN 21:1-14
Sat	04/07	ACTS 4:13-21 MK 16:9-15
Sun	04/08	ACTS 4:32-35 1 JN 5:1-6 JN 20:19-31

Thought Provoking Statements

“Strive to live content in the midst of those things that cause you discontent. Free your mind from all that troubles you. God will take care of things ... Trust in Him, I beg you, and you will have the fulfillment of what your heart desires.”

-St. Vincent de Paul

Instruments of God's Mercy 2018 Diocesan Services Fund

Parish Goal	\$37,000.00
Total Amount Paid	\$17,525.75
Total Amount Pledged	\$26,562.00
Number of Participants	71
Under Goal	\$19,474.25



Judy Adib, Veronica Antwi, James Aubey, Irma Avalos, Brad & Carmen Bachman, Gene Barrett, Jordan Bergeron, Chelsea Brown, Fidelis Burton, Phillip Caito, Wren Colligan, Sunni Cook, Sabrina Coronado, Terry Corral, Melanie Davis, Colin Dufour, Mary Gedelian, Ingrid Gonzalez, Mike Hillman, Patrick Hogan, Dorothy Jordan, Sandra Kilgore, Isabel Kirwin, Kevin Kretschmar, Edwin Laake, Corrina Lawrence, Paul Legler, Al Losack, Katy Losack, Edward Lucas, Don Marcotte, Sam and Marie Martinez, Mable Milliet, Donna Moore, Floyd & MaryAnn Moore, Susan Montoya, Lourdes Mosqueda, Mike Phillips, Brenda Piñeda, Kathy Price, John Raia, Nina Rozell, Ana Marie Santos, John Sarlay, Kenny Sechelski, Kayden Bryn Shipley, Nathan Shroyer, Linda Skains, Cheryl Smith, Kevin Smith, Kathy Stoltz, Jean Stow, Ray Townley, Dorothy Townsend, Matthew Varnum, Maria Elena Valencia, Shirley Villareal, Rusty Wallace, Bill Walton, Alma Williams, Charlotte Rose Winkler, Nancy Winkler



**Alleluia!
Christ
is
risen!**

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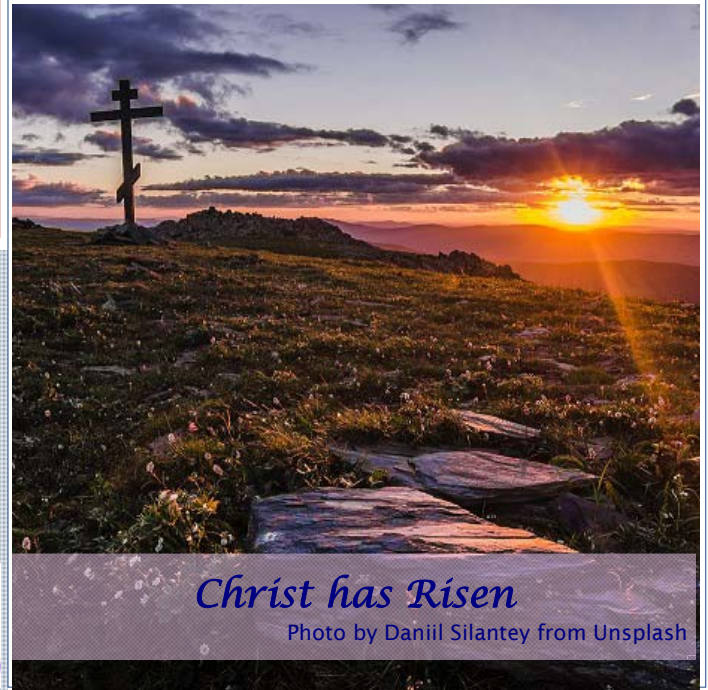


What's Up in **Edge**—April 2018

1st (Sunday) Happy Easter! No Edge
 8th(Sunday) Edge 9:05-10:20 Parish Hall
 15th (Sunday) Edge 9:05-10:20 Parish Hall
 22th (Sunday) Edge 9:05-10:20 Parish Hall
 29th (Sunday) Edge 9:05-10:20 Parish Hall
 May 6, 2018 Last day of Edge.
 Edge will return September 9th



*Happy
Easter*



Christ has Risen

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S.T.A.Y. Ministry
Youth 7th -12th Grade

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I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works. Psalm 139:14



A new look for the potted plants in front of the Children's Education Building. Thanks goes to Antonio, Tania and Benjamin from STAY Youth



What's Up in Life Teen—April 2018

4/1 (Sunday) Happy Easter!
4/4 (Wednesday) STAY Youth Night 6:30 –8:30
4/8 (Sunday) Homeschool 9:05-10:20
Confirmation 2018 9:05-10:20
4/11 (Wednesday) STAY Youth Night 6:30-8:30
4/18 (Wednesday) STAY Youth Night 6:30-8:30
4/25 (Wednesday) STAY Youth Night 6:30-8:30

AYC (Archdiocesan Youth Conference)
July 20-22, 2018
Sign Up Now! Don't Miss It!



St. Thomas Lenten Project
Community Fish Pond
 Cost: \$2,500

When did we see you hungry and feed you?"

"A fish pond provides a steady source of protein, improving nutrition and health for a community. It also irrigates crops to give farms a boost, especially in times of drought. " CRS

"What you did to the least of my brothers and sisters you did it to me" Matthew 25'

Please help. Pick up a brown envelope at the back of the church. Place the amount of money it indicates inside the envelope and put it in the Sunday collection basket or bring to the church office. Watch the bulletin to keep track of the money raised to feed the poor.



Check out how much we raise for the fish pond here! **\$8,465.00**



Proyecto de Cuaresma de Santo Tomás
Estanque de peces de comunidad
 Costo: \$2,500

"Cuándo te vimos hambriento y te alimentamos?"

"Un estanque de peces proporciona: Fuente constant de proteínas, mejorando la nutrición y la salud de la comunidad. También irriga los cultivos para impulsar los granjas, especialmente en tiempos de sequía. " CRS

"Lo que le hiciste al menos de mis hermanos y hermanas me lo hiciste a mi" Mateo 25'

Por favor ayude. Recoga un sobre marron en la parte posterior de la iglesia. Coloque la cantidad de dinero que indica dentro del sobre. Coloque el sobre en la colección del domingo o tráigalo a la oficina de la iglesia. Mire el boletín para mantener un registro del dinero recaudado para alimentar a los pobres.



Echa un vistazo a la cantidad realmente recaudada para el estanque de peces aquí. **\$8,465.00**

CHURCH SECURITY INFORMATION

Following the church shootings last year near San Antonio the parish's Security Committee has begun to take steps to ensure the safety of all St. Thomas the Apostle parishioners. The first step will be to restrict access to the church during liturgical services.

Effective April 7th and 8th, 2018, once Mass has begun, all doors into the church will be locked from the inside with the exception of the double doors facing 16th Street. **Anyone arriving late for Mass will only be able to enter the church through the 16th Street doors. Parishioners will be able to exit the church through any of the locked doors as well as the doors facing 16th Street.** A panic bar will be installed on the wooden, double doors facing west similar to the panic bar on the glass door by the sacristy. These doors will allow exiting at any time simply by pushing the bar. Regarding the door by the baptismal font in the sanctuary, this door has a door knob lock that, when locked, allows exiting from the inside but does not allow entry from the outside.

Signs will be posted around the church building to remind parishioners of the locked doors.

The staff at St. Thomas the Apostle Church takes the safety and security of all the parishioners very seriously. We are confident that the steps taken at this time will minimize any problematic incidents.

INFORMACION DE SEGURIDAD DE LA IGLESIA

Después de los tiroteos de la iglesia el año pasado cerca de San Antonio, el Comité de Seguridad de la parroquia ha comenzado a tomar medidas para garantizar la seguridad de todos los feligreses de la Iglesia de Santo Tomás Apóstol. El primer paso será restringir el acceso a la Iglesia durante los servicios litúrgicos. A partir del 7 y 8 de abril del 2018, una vez que haya comenzado la misa, todas las puertas de la iglesia estarán cerradas desde adentro con la excepción de las puertas dobles que dan a la calle 16. **Cualquier persona que llegue tarde a misa solo podrá entrar a la iglesia a través de las puertas de la calle 16. Los feligreses podrán salir de la iglesia a través de cualquiera de las puertas cerradas, así como las puertas que dan a la calle 16.** Se instalará una barra antipánico en las puertas dobles de madera orientadas hacia el oeste, similar a la barra antipánico en la puerta de vidrio junto a la sacristía. Estas puertas permitirán salir en cualquier momento simplemente presionando la barra. En cuanto a la puerta por la fuente bautismal en el santuario, esta puerta tiene un bloqueo del botón de la puerta que, cuando está bloqueado, permite salir desde el interior, pero no permite la entrada desde el exterior.

Se colocarán letreros alrededor del edificio de la iglesia para recordar a los feligreses las puertas cerradas.

El personal de la Iglesia Santo Tomás Apóstol toma muy en serio la seguridad de todos los feligreses. Estamos seguros de que los pasos tomados en este momento minimizarán cualquier incidente problemático.

Registro Parroquial De Mi Propia Iglesia

Mi Propia Iglesia: 3 Pasos Simples

1. presiona el botón
2. crear tu cuenta
3. Ver y actualizar su información

Santo Tomás ahora tiene un nuevo sistema llamado My Own Church para actualizar su información familiar.

iniciar en: <https://connectnow.parishsoft.com/galveston/>

El personal de Santo Tomás aprobará su cuenta y podrá actualizar su información familiar, incluidos nombres, direcciones, números de teléfono y correos electrónicos.

Podrá ver el directorio ilustrado de Santo Tomás, cargar su foto familiar favorita (u otra información) visible para otros miembros que hayan iniciado sesión, o puede mantener cierta información privada y solo disponible para la administración de la iglesia.

¡Por favor, recuerde revisar My Own Church pronto! Con su información actualizada, podremos contactarlo cuando lo necesitemos para que no se pierda nada importante.

My Own Church Parish Census Registration

My Own Church: 3 Simple Steps

1. Hit the Button
2. Create your Login
3. View and Update your Information

St. Thomas now has a new system called My Own Church for updating your family information.

Log-in at: <https://connectnow.parishsoft.com/galveston/>

St. Thomas Staff will approve your account and you'll be able to update your family information including names, addresses, phone numbers, emails.

You will be able to view the St. Thomas pictorial directory, upload your favorite family photo and choose whether you want that photo (or other information) visible to other members who have logged in - or you can keep some information private and only available to church administration.

Please remember to check out My Own Church soon! With your updated information, we will be able to contact you when we need to so you won't miss anything important.



Baby Supply Drive
Sponsored by the SHSU Knights
of Columbus Council 8374
April 2, 2018 to May 4, 2018

We need everything you can think of for newborns. Diapers, baby wipes, formula, baby food, toys, etc. Boxes for donations will be in the foyer and at the Catholic Student Center. All donations go to the Care Center of Huntsville.
... please no babies. Only supplies.

Ladies, You Are Invited! . . . St. Thomas Ladies will have their April meeting and pot luck dinner on Thursday, April 5th, at 5:00pm in the church hall. All ladies of the parish are always welcome and encouraged to attend.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations Sunday, April 22

The Office of Vocations invites you to pray from 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. for a generous response to God's call to all vocations especially to priesthood and religious life. No matter your location, go to our Facebook page at facebook.com/houstonvocations to join us in prayer. A copy of the prayer will be posted.



OFFICE MEMO:
The parish office will be closed Easter Monday
April 2, 2018

The Fire of Your Love

by Will Olive

Last week I addressed the first precept of The Church. Precepts are the laws of The Church that every Catholic must follow to remain in good standing with The Church. The first precept was to attend Mass every Sunday and on Holy Days of obligation, and to refrain from working on those days.

The second precept of The Church is "to **confess one's sins, receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation at least once each year.**"

We must go to confession at least once a year, but remember, that is the minimum. We really should go far more often. If a Catholic only goes once a year, they are highly encouraged to make that confession during the season of Lent. So, now is the right time to go to Confession if you have not been in a year.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is not just about confessing your sins to the priest and having them forgiven. The real reason for the sacrament is that through that forgiveness we can be healed. I know it can be a hard sacrament to embrace. I have a hard time embracing it. But, like many things in life, once we show up and attend, we actually find it to be more enjoyable than we ever thought it would be. Yes, reconciliation can be enjoyable, after all, at least for a short period of time, we are back to enjoying God's grace.

The authority for the sacrament is derived from Jesus when he heals the paralytic (Mark 2:1-12; Matthew 9:1-8). Some of the scribes were watching and Jesus knew what they were thinking, so he asked them, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk?'" Then just to show him he can do both, he told the paralytic to rise and walk, and he rose and walked!

The sacrament was then handed down to the disciples after Jesus was resurrected. When he appeared before them, he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained" (John 20:22-23).