



St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

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

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 22, 2019

STAFF

Rev. Fred Valone.....Pastor
Felix Ramos.....Permanent Deacon
Kathy Boscarino.....DRE / Y M
Maria Delgado..... Elem. CCE
Marisol Urbina.....Administrative Asst.
Rick Reed.....Music Coordinator
Jill Baker.....Nursery Coordinator
Pat Norfleet.....Bookkeeper
Sylvia Vitela.....Secretary
Laura Puente.....Custodian

Mass Schedules

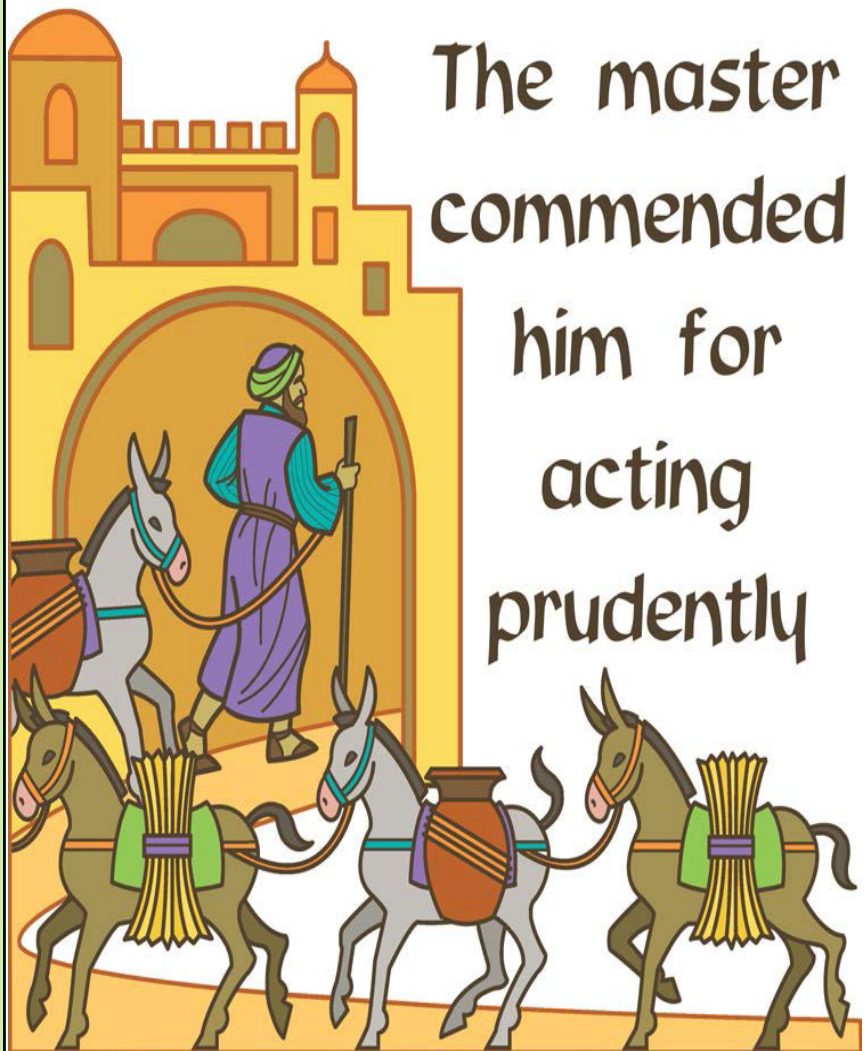
Saturday/ Sabado	5:30 pm English
Sunday/ Domingo	7:45 am English 10:45 am English 12:30 pm Spanish 5:30 pm English
Monday/ Lunes	No Mass
Tuesday – Friday/ Martes - Viernes	7:15 am

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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The master
 commended
 him for
 acting
 prudently

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*The flowers besides the Blessed
 Sacrament are offered in loving memory
 of
 Alfred & Donnie Seidel
 By
 David & Darlene Burris*

Mass Intentions Of The Week

Sat.	09/21	5:30 pm	Alfred & Donnie Seidel	
Sun.	09/22	7:45 am	Kathy Vanecek (Special Intention)	
		10:45 am	Tomas Serrerasas Perez	
		12:30 pm	Parishioners	
		5:30 pm	CSC	
Mon.	09/23		NO Mass	
Tues.	09/24	7:15 am	Tom Degnan (Birthday)	
Wed.	09/25	7:15 am	Evan Matthew Epple	
Thurs	09/26	7:15 am	Steve Dunn	
Fri.	09/27	7:15 am	John William & Carmen Heckler	
Sat.	09/28	5:30 pm	Parishioners	
Sun.	09/29	7:45 am	John William & Carmen Heckler	
		10:45 am	Parishioners	
		12:30 pm	Mario Ayala	
		5:30 pm	CSC	

Our gratefulness to God weekly offering

September 1, 2019

Regular Sunday Donations: \$11,935.19
St. Thomas Mission: \$2,344.43

September 8, 2019

Regular Sunday Donations: \$8,142.66
Catholic University: \$1,360.24

September 15, 2019

Regular Sunday Donations: \$8,134.69

*Thank you
for your continued support!*

Do Not Neglect to SHARE What You Have

DSF Report as of September 16, 2019

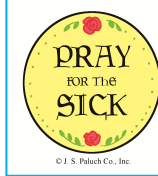
Parish Goal \$37,000.00

Total Amount Paid \$35,242.80

Total Amount Pledged \$38,815.00

Number of Participants 120

Under Goal \$1,757.20



Veronica Antwi, James Aubey, Irma Avalos, Gene Barrett, Jordan Bergeron, Marie Blanchard, Jelen Broun, Chelsea Brown, Phillip Caito, Gary Coker, Wren Colligan, Beckham Collins, Wayne Collins, Sunni Cook, Terry Corral, Melanie Davis, Kathy Delouche, Colin Dufour, David Duesing, James Elliott, Patsy Freeman, Mary Gedelian, Melba & Leroy Hall, Edwin Laake, Dorothy Laskoskie, Corrina Lawrence, Paul Legler, Paige Long, Al Losack, Katy Losack, A.J. McGee, Geno Mancuso, Don Marcotte, Lisa Miller, Mable Milliet, Donna Moore, MaryAnn Moore, Susan Montoya, Martin Moreno, Lourdes Mosqueda, Frank O'Donnell, Brenda Piñeda, Virginia Reed, Marty Reeder, Bob Riley, Kelly Robinson, Nina Rozell, Andrea Scheel, Ana Marie Santos, Jerry Seaton, Kayden Bryn Shipley, Cheryl Smith, Kathy Stoltz, Jean Stow, Victoria Torres, Ray & Christi Townley, Dorothy Townsend, Gordan Travis, Enrique Valadez, Maria Elena Valencia, Kathy Vanecek, Matthew Varnum, Rusty Wallace, Bill Walton, Alma Williams, Nancy Winkler

Readings for the Week

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

Priesthood Sunday Sunday, September 29th

A Future Full of Hope . . We've seen some answered prayers this past summer with our newly ordained men (seven new priests)! More than ever, our priests need your support and prayers. Priesthood Sunday on September 29 provides an opportunity to express how much you appreciate the priests in your parish.

ST. THOMAS BAZAAR 2019

October 20th, 11am – 5pm

Join us for a day of food, fun, and fellowship!

<p>COUNTRY STORE</p> <p>Crafty? Like to sew? Canning? Like to make homemade breads?</p> <p>Please consider sharing your talent and/or bounty with the Country Store.</p> <p>Liz: (713) 824-5932</p>	<p>DONATION ENVELOPES</p> <p>Bazaar Angel donation envelopes are available in the back of the church.</p> <p>Monetary donations help offset expenses for various areas, such as the Children's Games, inflatables, Mystery Card Booth, Lottery Ticket Tree (to be auctioned) and other areas.</p>	<p>LIVE & SILENT AUCTIONS</p> <p>Donations of new items and/or services valued at \$50 and more are being accepted.</p> <p>All items must be received no later than Tuesday, October 15th.</p> <p>Charley (Silent Auction): (936) 577-0835 Susan (Live Auction): (713) 515-9105</p>
<p>BOOK NOOK</p> <p>Accepting content-appropriate books. Donations may be dropped-off in the indicated box in the Parish Hall.</p>	<p>PLANT BOOTH</p> <p>Gardeners - start some clippings!</p> <p>The Plant Booth will need many plants of all sizes and varieties.</p> <p>Pots and soil are available.</p> <p>Betty: (936) 439-5159 Nancy: (936) 295-2293</p>	<p>MISC DONATIONS</p> <p>Scratch-off lottery tickets in any denomination.</p> <p>Gift cards not to exceed \$25 in value</p> <p>2-liter soft drinks and bottled water</p> <p>10" compartmental plates</p> <p>New reusable grocery bags</p> <p>Empty egg shells</p> <p>Prizes for the children's games (not to exceed \$25 in value)</p>
<p>Say "YES" when the Cake Lady calls!!</p>		
<p>GROCERY WHEEL</p> <p>The Bazaar Committee is asking for assistance with donations for the Grocery Wheel. Please donate goods according to the schedule listed below. A container will be available in the back of the church and in the Parish Hall.</p> <p>September 21st and 22nd: paper goods such as paper towels or napkins, toilet paper, kleenex, trash bags, or wrapping paper.</p> <p>September 28th and 29th: canned goods of any kind, noodles, spaghetti sauce, beans, rice, mac & cheese, etc...</p> <p>October 5th and 6th: baking items such as flour, sugar, shortening, oils, cake mixes, frosting, etc....</p> <p>October 12 and 13th: snack items such as cookies, crackers, popcorn, chips, etc....</p>		<p>ARTISTS and CRAFTERS</p> <p>...who work in the following mediums are needed to supply items for the Country Store, Silent and Live Auctions:</p> <p>Jewelry</p> <p>Stationary/Paper goods</p> <p>Sewn goods</p> <p>Clothing and apparel</p> <p>Stained glass</p> <p>Ceramics</p> <p>Metal work</p> <p>Woodworking</p>

Help us spread the word! . . Check us out on Facebook!! A public calendar event for the Bazaar has been created. You can find it listed under 'Events' for October 20th. Respond to the event, and then share it on your Facebook page. Be sure to invite your friends!

STAY Youth Ministry

7th -12th grades

Kathy Boscarino, DRE/YM

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Welcome/Bienvenido

STAY Edge

When/Cuando: Sundays/ domingos
Time/Hora: 9:05-10:20
Where/Donde: Parish Hall/salón parroquial
9/08/2019 Class/Clase
9/15/2019 Class/Clase
9/22/2019 Class/Clase
9/29/2019 Class/Clase

STAY Lifeteen

When/Cuando: Wednesdays/Los miercoles
Time/Hora: 6:30 pm—8:30 pm
Where/Donde: Parish Hall/salón parroquial
9/11/2019 Class/Clase
9/18/2019 Class/Clase
9/25/2019 **NO Class/ NO Clase**
Confirmation 2019 Mass/
Misa de Confirmación 2019

STAY Sacramental Prep

When/Cuando: Tuesdays/ martes
Time/Hora 6:00 pm-7:30 pm
Where:/Donde: Youth bldg./edificio de juvenil
9/17/2019 Parent Mtg/reunión de padres
9/24/2019 Class/Clase

STAY RCIA

When/Cuando: Sundays/Los miercoles
Time/Hora: 3:45-5:15
Where/Donde: Youth bldg./ edificio de juvenil
9/15//2019 Class/Clase
9/22/2019 Class/Clase
9/29/2019 Class/Clase

STAY Homeschool

When/Cuando: Sundays/domingos
Time/Hora: 9:05-10:20
Where/Donde: Youth bldg./edificio de juvenil
9/15/2019 Parent Mtt/reunión de padres
10/13/2019 Class/Clase

STAY Confirmation 2020

When/Cuando: Sundays/los miercoles
Time/hora: 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
Where/Donde: Youth bldg./edificio de juvenil
9/22/2019 Class/Clase
10/06/2019 Class/Clase
10/20/2019 Bazaar Service

For I know well the plans I have in mind for you; plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope.
Jer. 29:11



Season III of *ARISE Together in Christ* will take place this fall, beginning the week of October 6, 2019. There will be six faith sharing sessions that invite us to journey "In the Footsteps of Christ". The first session challenges us to see life's journey through the eyes of faith. Over the next 5 weeks we will explore the meaning Catholic Social Teaching by asking such questions as: how are we to be instruments of the Good News in our world today? The social teaching of the Church is an essential part of our Catholic faith. Join us in our small communities to pray and share faith with one another.

La temporada III de *LEVANTATE Juntos en Cristo* se llevará a cabo este otoño, comenzando la semana del 6 de octubre del 2019. Habrá seis sesiones de intercambio de fe que nos invitarán a caminar " Siguiendo los pasos de Cristo ". La primera sesión nos reta a ver el viaje de la vida a través de los ojos de la fe. Durante las próximas 5 semanas exploraremos el significado de la Doctrina Social Católica haciendo preguntas como: ¿cómo vamos a ser instrumentos de las Buenas Noticias en nuestro mundo de hoy? La enseñanza social de la Iglesia es una parte esencial de nuestra fe católica. Únanse a nosotros en nuestras pequeñas comunidades para orar y compartir la fe unos con otros.



RCIA is Now Forming

If you or someone you know would like to learn more about the Catholic Church or to complete their Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist), please contact

Kathy Boscarino, DRE/YM at 936-295-8159 or kbocarino@saintthomashuntsville.org



RICA ahora se está formando

Si usted o alguien que usted conoce le gustaría aprender más sobre la Iglesia Católica o completar sus Sacramentos de Iniciación (Bautismo, Confirmación y Eucaristía), comuníquese con Kathy

Boscarino, DREYM, kboscarino@saintthomashuntsville.org o (936)295-8159.

Virtus, Protecting God's Children

The CMG Safe Haven online training has replaced VIRTUS, protecting god's children.

All training is online <https://galvestonhouston.cmgconnect.org/> Those taking the training for the first time or renewing their training may go to their CMG Connect account. They may log on using their VIRTUS user ID and 1234 as the password. They may change their password once they log in.

If they do not remember their user ID, they may contact one the following:

1. Kathy Boscarino @ (936) 295-8159 or kboscarino@saintthomashuntsville.org
2. CMG at cmgconnect@catholicmutual.org

New users will register as a "new user" Please do not create an account of you have been trained before. The following individuals below will now be required to complete Safe Haven online training as well:

1. Individuals who have never attended training.
2. Individuals who are currently due for refresher training and had not attended VIRTUS training.
3. Individuals who are out of compliance or past due

After approval the certification will be good for 5 years

Protegiendo a los hijos de Dios

La capacitación en línea de CMG Safe Haven ha reemplazado a VIRTUS, que protege a los niños de Dios.

Todo el entrenamiento está en línea <https://galvestonhouston.cmgconnect.org/> Aquellos que tomen el entrenamiento por primera vez o la renueven pueden ingresar a su cuenta de CMG Connect, pueden iniciar sesión con su ID de usuario de VIRTUS y 1234 como la contraseña. Si no recuerdan su identificación de usuario, pueden comunicarse con las siguientes:

Kathy Boscarino @ (936) 295-8159 o kboscarino@saintthomashuntsville.org

CMG, cmgconnect@catholicmutual.org

Después de la aprobación, la certificación será válida por 5 años.

Los nuevos usuarios se registrarán como un "nuevo usuario". No cree una cuenta en la que haya recibido capacitación anteriormente.

Ahora se requerirá que las siguientes personas a continuación completen la capacitación en línea de Safe Haven también:

1. Personas que nunca han asistido a la formación.
2. Las personas que actualmente deben recibir una capacitación de actualización y no hayan asistido a la capacitación de VIRTUS.
3. Personas que están fuera de cumplimiento o vencidas

TIMING . . . It is never the wrong time to do the right thing. —Anonymous

OPORTUNIDAD . . . No hay momento inoportuno para hacer el bien. —Anónimo

The Fire of Your Love: The Eucharist

By Will Oliver

The *Baltimore Catechism* is still one of the best sources of our faith because it is both simple and direct. When it asks the question: “What is the Holy Eucharist?” the answer is: “The Holy Eucharist is the Sacrament which contains the body and blood, soul and divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ under the appearances of bread and wine.” Nice!

The Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church also has a good answer to the question: “The Eucharist is the very sacrifice of the Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus which he instituted to perpetuate the sacrifice of the cross throughout the ages until his return in glory. Thus he entrusted to his Church this memorial of his death and Resurrection. It is a sign of unity, a bond of charity, a paschal banquet, in which Christ is consumed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us” (271).

The Holy Eucharist IS the body and blood of Jesus Christ. Let me repeat that: the Holy Eucharist IS the body and blood of Jesus Christ. This is what we believe; this is our faith.

Now, if someone asked you the following survey question, how would you answer?:

“Which best describes Catholic teaching about the bread and wine used for Communion?”

“A. They actually become the body and blood of Jesus.

“B. They are symbols of the body and blood of Jesus.”

The answer is, of course, “A,” they actually become the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Why do I bring this up? As Father mentioned a few weeks ago, in a recent Pew Survey of self-professed Catholics, 69% of those answering the question picked “B” – they thought the Eucharist was a symbol. Only 31% answered correctly.

Further questions were asked of those who said “symbols” in regard to their knowledge of what the Church teaches. Of the 69%, 43% thought the Church taught it was a symbol, 4% were unsure, 1% refused to answer, and 22% knew the Church teaching on transubstantiation, but still refused to believe it.

The same question was asked of the 31% who answered correctly, and while 28% explained they knew the Church teaching about transubstantiation, two percent thought the Church taught they were symbols and 1% did not know – meaning 3% just guessed the right answer.

Who did best on the survey? Men and women did about the same. Whites did slightly better than Hispanics. Those 60+ did much better than anyone younger, and those with a college education did better than those with less education. Still, the number one factor was, not surprisingly, how often the person attended Mass. Of those who went “seldom” or “never,” only 13% believed in the real presence. Of those who went “yearly” or “monthly,” 25% believed. And for those who went to Mass “weekly or more,” 63% believed the bread and wine becomes the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

There has been much hand-wringing over this poll, many dismissals, and some justifications. The two most important take-aways for me were: 1) those who recognize that as a Catholic they are required to attend Mass every Sunday (every Sunday is a holy day of obligation after all) are the same ones who are most likely to know the teachings of the Church *because they live the faith!* And 2) because the Eucharist is at the center of what it means to be a Catholic, we need to use every opportunity to remind ourselves, our fellow Catholics, other religious, and non-religious alike, that we as Catholics believe what Jesus told his disciples on Holy Thursday:

“This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me” (Luke 22:19).

DIOS ESTÁ DEL LADO DE LOS POBRES Dos de las lecturas de hoy ponen muy en claro que Dios está del lado de los pobres. Amós describe en detalle el abuso de los pobres y necesitados. El Salmo repite que Dios actúa en beneficio de los pobres y los humildes. Pero Lucas pone las cosas de cabeza, contando una historia de un mayordomo en conflicto, a punto de ser despedido, que demuestra astucia y es recompensado. Como la comunidad a la que Pablo escribe en Timoteo, estas lecturas son personales, dirigidas a los creyentes, miembros de las comunidades judías y cristianas que tienen dificultades con elecciones personales de cómo conducir sus vidas. Ofrecen un bosquejo de cómo Dios desea que vivamos en un mundo tan complicado y tan confundido como el nuestro. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

My Own Church Parish

To Register yourself or update your family information go to <https://galveston.parishsoftfamilysuite.com>
If you have any questions please contact Kathy Boscarino by email at kboscarino@saintthomashuntsville.org

CHURCH SECURITY INFORMATION

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

Mi Propia Iglesia

Para registrarse o actualizar su información familiar vaya a: <https://galveston.parishsoftfamilysuite.com>
Si tiene alguna pregunta, contáctese con Kathy Boscarino por correo electrónico kboscarino@saintthomashuntsville.org

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 tomo medidas para garantizar la seguridad de los feligreses de Santo Tomás. El primer paso fue de restringir el acceso a la Iglesia durante los servicios litúrgicos. Cuando haya comenzado la misa, **todas las puertas de la iglesia estarán cerradas** de adentro con la excepción de las puertas dobles que dan a la calle 16. **Personas que lleguen tarde a misa solo podrá entrar a través de las puertas de la calle 16. Los feligreses podrán salir a través de cualquiera de las puertas cerradas. Se colocarán letreros alrededor del edificio de la iglesia para recordar a los feligreses de las puertas cerradas.** El personal de la Iglesia Santo Tomás toma muy en serio la seguridad de todos los feligreses. Estamos seguros de que los pasos tomados minimizarán incidentes problemáticos.