



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-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 6, 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

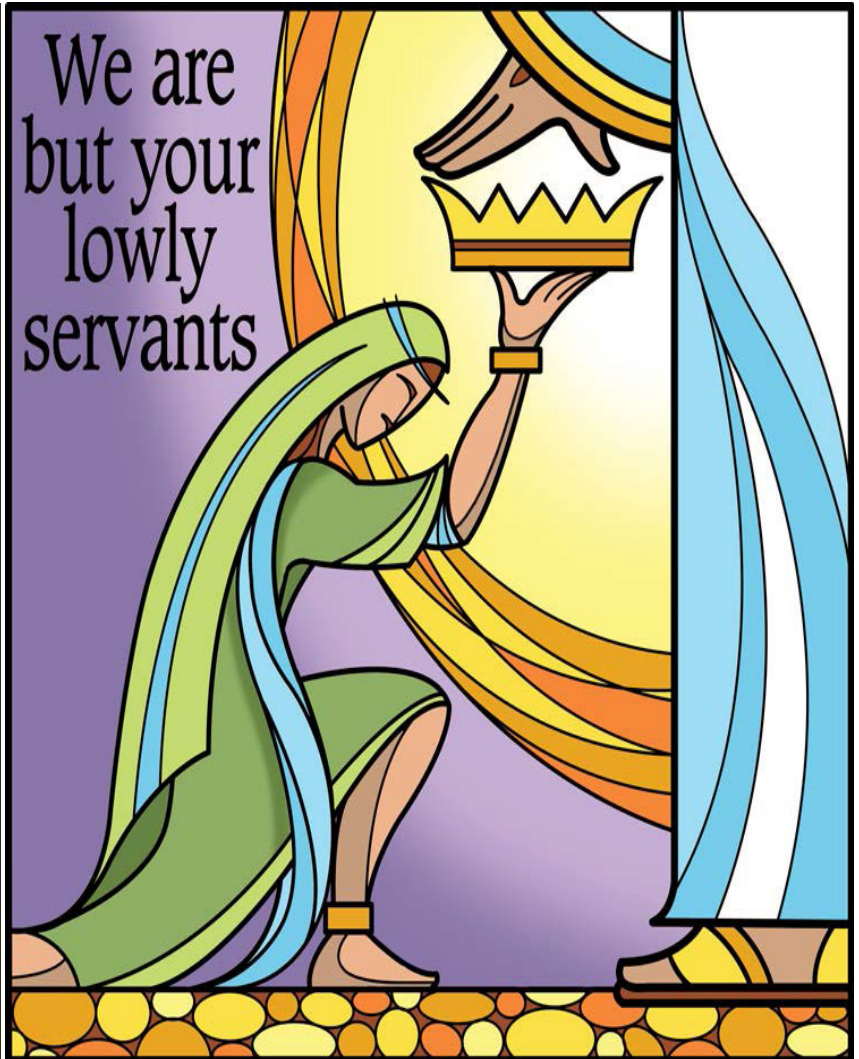
Saturday/ Sabado	5:30 pm English
Sunday/ Domingo	7:45 am English 10:45 am English 12:30 pm Spanish 5:30 pm English
Monday/ Lunes	No Mass
Tuesday – Friday/ Martes - Viernes	7:15 am

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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BAZAAR SUNDAY ... OCTOBER 20th
11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



Mass Schedule for that weekend will be as follows:

Saturday ... 5:30 p.m.

Sunday ... 7:45 a.m.

10:00 a.m. (Outside Mass)

Mass Intentions Of The Week

Sat.	10/05	5:30 pm	Paul Amoako 
Sun.	10/06	7:45 am	Parishioners
		10:45 am	Lewis Bessong Family (Thanksgiving for Blessings)
		12:30 pm	Eva Rodriguez 
		5:30 pm	CSC
Mon.	10/07		NO Mass
Tues.	10/08	7:15 am	Melissa Robinson 
Wed.	10/09	7:15 am	Dick & Majel Anderson 
Thurs	10/10	7:15 am	John William & Carmen Heckler 
Fri.	10/11	7:15 am	Ariel Marie Dunster
Sat.	10/12	5:30 pm	Parishioners
Sun.	10/13	7:45 am	John Marquart (Birthdays) Jessica Marquart Aultz
		10:45 am	Franklin & Ramona Karasek 
		12:30 pm	Gordan Travis (Special Intention)
		5:30 pm	CSC

Do Not Neglect to SHARE What You Have

DSF Report as of September 30, 2019

Parish Goal	\$37,000.00
Total Amount Paid	\$35,855.86
Total Amount Pledged	\$38,890.00
Number of Participants	121
Under Goal	\$1,144.14

SPEAKING OF GOD . . . Almost everything said of God is unworthy, for the very reason that it is capable of being said. —St. Gregory the Great

Our gratefulness to God weekly offering

September 29, 2019

Regular Sunday Donations: \$8,319.44

*Thank you
for your continued support!*



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,, 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, Dawn & Odell Rachal, 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, Theresa Wheeler, Alma Williams, Nancy Winkler

Readings for the Week

Monday: Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

ST. THOMAS BAZAAR 2019

October 20th, 11am – 5pm

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

RAFFLE TICKET RE-MINDER!

As you sell or buy your raffle tickets, please return the ticket stubs and money to as soon as you can. They should be placed in an envelope, marked "Raffle Tickets" and left with someone in the church office or put in the offertory basket at Mass.

DONATION ENVELOPES

Bazaar Angel donation envelopes are available in the back of the church.

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.

LIVE & SILENT AUCTIONS

Donations of new items and/or services valued at \$50 and more are being accepted.

All items must be received no later than Tuesday, October 15th.

Charley (Silent Auction): (936) 577-0835
Susan (Live Auction): (713) 515-9105

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!

Add a sentence to your email signatures to let people know about our event. Try something like this: "Join me at the St. Thomas Church Bazaar on Sunday, October 20th".

Flyers will be available in the bulletin in October. Ask everyone you know to promote our Bazaar by posting a flyer.

BOOK NOOK

Accepting content-appropriate books. Donations may be dropped-off in the indicated box in the Parish Hall.

Say "YES" when the Cake Lady calls!!

PLANT BOOTH

Gardeners - start some clippings!
The Plant Booth will need many plants of all sizes and varieties.
Pots and soil are available.

Betty: (936) 439-5159
Nancy: (936) 295-2293

MISC DONATIONS

Scratch-off lottery tickets in any denomination.
Gift cards not to exceed \$25 in value
2-liter soft drinks and bottled water
10" compartmental plates
Empty egg shells
Prizes for the children's games (not to exceed \$25 in value)
Non-returnable props for the Photo Booth

GROCERY WHEEL

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.

October 5th and 6th: baking items such as flour, sugar, shortening, oils, cake mixes, frosting, etc....

October 12 and 13th: snack items such as cookies, crackers, popcorn, chips, etc....

COUNTRY STORE

Crafty? Like to sew? Canning? Like to make homemade breads?
Please consider sharing your talent and/or bounty with the Country Store.
Liz: (713) 824-5932

ARTISTS and CRAFTERS

...who work in the following mediums are needed to supply items for the Country Store, Silent and Live Auctions:

Jewelry
Stationary/Paper goods
Sewn goods
Clothing and apparel
Stained glass
Ceramics
Metal work
Woodworking

LIVING A FAITH . . . 'Tis not the dying for a faith that's so hard—every man of every nation has done that—'tis the living up to it that's difficult. —William Makepeace Thackeray

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



This Sunday, October 6th, is National Life Chain Sunday, 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Join thousands of pro-lifers across the United States in this peaceful public witness. It is the 32nd Life Chain since Roe v Wade. Signs will be provided such as "Pray to end abortion", Honk if you are pro-life, etc. Stand on both sides of the street in front of Sam Houston Museum, 1836 Sam Houston Avenue from 20th to 15th St. Do not stand in front of an open business. Parking at Sam Houston Museum parking lot, Walker Education Center. Info: Stella Milam, 936-291-7064, Karen McPike 936-661-6540

Café Catholica Lite The Café Catholica program seeks to help young adults (ages 18-39) encounter Christ and his Church at different locations around the Archdiocese for a talk, followed by time in prayer and fellowship. The next Café Lite will be on Thursday, November 7 at St. Laurence Church (3100 Sweetwater Blvd, Sugar Land, TX) from 7:00-9:00 p.m., with an optional prayer hour from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Our speaker will be Meg HunterKilmer, who calls herself a "hobo missionary." Her topic will be "A Thousand Paths to Holiness: How the Saints Teach Us to Follow God without Leaving Ourselves Behind." For more information contact the Office for Young Adult and Campus Ministry at www.archgh.org/cafecatholica.

Bayou Awakening Bayou Awakening is a retreat for college-age young adults (18-25) that focuses on deepening your relationship with Christ. Join us for a great weekend of spiritual renewal! Bayou Awakening will be held on November 15-17, at Christian Renewal Center in Dickinson, TX. Deadline to register is November 4. Registration information is available online at www.archgh.org/bayouawakening. For information contact the Office for Young Adult and Campus Ministry at yacm@archgh.org or 713 741 8778.

New Life Retreat The New Life Retreat is a unique marriage formation program focusing on the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony and the skills necessary for successful Christian marriage. The program was designed for couples creating a new blended or step-family; re-marriages of divorced or widowed couples. Join us as we pilot our updated, new and improved New Life Retreat! The retreat is a day and a half (Friday night – Saturday) with one overnight stay at Cameron Retreat Center. Retreat dates: October 11-12. Cost is \$125. For more information contact Teresita at email tjohnson@archgh.org or 713-741-8776. Register here: <https://archgh.cvent.com/NewLifeRetreat>

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

HABLANDO DE DIOS . . . Casi todo lo que se dice de Dios es indigno, por la razón de que puede ser dicho.
—San Gregorio Magno

The Fire of Your Love: “Male and Female He Created Them”

By Will Oliver

*“God created mankind in his image;
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.”*

—Genesis 1:27

Over the summer, the Vatican’s Congregation for Catholic Education released a document for instructional purposes titled, *“Male and Female He Created Them”*: *Towards a Path of Dialogue on the Question of Gender Theory in Education*. Needless to say, those who adhere to secular morality were shocked that The Church under Pope Francis would issue such a document, while faithful Catholics applauded it, stating the document was sorely needed in our times.

The document deals with something that has reached crisis levels not only in mainstream education, but in Catholic education as well. Many Catholic students are being taught “gender theory,” something that runs entirely counter to our Catholic beliefs. The document opens with this sobering statement: “It is becoming increasingly clear that we are now facing with what might accurately be called an educational crisis, especially in the field of affectivity and sexuality. In many places, curricula are being planned and implemented which ‘allegedly convey a neutral conception of the person and of life, yet in fact reflect an anthropology opposed to faith and to right reason’” (p. 3). Many are being taught that people can choose their gender lifestyle, that they can be any gender they want to be. Our Catholic faith, however, informs us this goes beyond God’s plan for us, it goes against our faith, and it goes against reason. The introduction highlights that much of the blame for this comes from our modern culture, and that what is needed is a better understanding of our Catholic faith. The congregation offers this document to instruct those responsible for teaching our children, so they may be taught properly.

The document provides background on when and why the culture changed, and how these changes have made their way into the classroom. It then instructs on the many concepts that are freely taught in today’s schools such as “transgenderism,” being “queer,” and “polyamory.” The document does try to demonstrate that there is some common ground over these issues, such as the call for “equal dignity of men and women,” that we must “respect every person,” and the value of women and femininity in our society. This is then followed by a critique of those beliefs that run counter to our faith and the rational arguments for what our faith believes. This includes the recognition that God made humans male and female, that there are differences between the two, not the least of which is our chromosomes, and that males and females are physiologically complementary which “assures the necessary conditions for procreation” (p. 14). The document simply reaffirms what is taught by The Church: “Everyone, man and woman, should acknowledge and accept their sexual identity. Physical, moral, and spiritual difference and complementarity are oriented toward the goods of marriage and the flourishing of family life. The harmony of the couple and of society depends in part on the way in which the complementarity, needs, and mutual support between the sexes are lived out” (CCC 2333).

The document is available on-line and is only 31-pages long. It is a document that every Catholic should read, but especially those who are in any way responsible for teaching our children – our future depends on their knowing the truth and our Catholic faith – but I repeat myself.

UN POCO DE FE . . .

Hoy nuestras lecturas acerca de la fe, la frustración y cuánto es suficiente. El profeta Habacuc es un quejoso que tiene una discusión con Dios. Timoteo está animando a una comunidad desafiada por la cobardía y los apóstoles quieren más fe de la que tienen. Las cosas no suceden lo suficientemente rápido para ninguno de ellos. Todos ellos y nosotros queremos que Dios haga algo mucho más antes que después y queremos que Dios nos dé una razón para creer que todo saldrá bien. ¿Qué es lo que quiere Dios? Dios se lo devuelve a ellos, y a nosotros, diciéndole a Habacuc que describa el mundo que él quiere; diciéndole a los apóstoles hacer más de lo que se espera. Haciendo más con menos es una frase muy conocida hoy y un recuerdo que un poco de fe puede ser suficiente incluso en los momentos difíciles. 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

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

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.

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.