

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..."

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 6, 2020

STAFF

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

NEIGHBORLY LOVE

We can never love our neighbor too much. —St. Francis de Sales



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Mass Schedules

Saturday/ Sabado	5:30 pm English
Sunday/ Domingo	7:45 am English 10:30 am English 12:30 pm Spanish 5:30 pm English
Monday/ Lunes	No Mass
Tuesday – Friday/ Martes - Viernes	8:30 am

Reconciliation / Reconciliación

Tues/Martes	4:30-5:30 pm
Thurs/Jueves	4:30-5:30 pm

**No Adoration at this time
 No hay Adoración en este tiempo**



*The flowers besides the Blessed
 Sacrament are offered in loving memory
 Of
 Donna Hebert
 By
 Gayle Hebert*

Mass Intentions Of The Week

Sat.	09/05	5:30 pm	Taylor Brauneis (Birthday)
Sun.	09/06	7:45 am	Parishioners
		10:30 am	San Juana Alvarado ✝
		12:00 pm	Otilia Carreño Godinez ✝
Mon.	09/07		NO Mass
Tues.	09/08	8:30 am	Bob Riley ✝
Wed.	09/09	8:30 am	Gregory Milam (For healing)
Thurs	09/10	8:30 am	Ken Larson ✝
Fri.	09/11	8:30 am	Donna Hebert ✝
Sat.	09/12	8:30 am	Parishioners
Sun.	09/13	7:45 am	Josephine Emmett ✝
		10:30 am	Joshua Bustoz (Birthday)
		12:30 pm	
		5:30 pm	CSC

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; 12; Lk 6:6-11,
Tuesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30;
 Mt 1:1-16, 18-23
Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17;
 Lk 6:20-26
Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38
Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12;
 Lk 6:39-42
Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18;
 Lk 6:43-49
Sunday: Sir 27:30 — 28:7; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;
 Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Our gratefulness to God weekly offering

August 30, 2020

Donations (Basket or office): \$4,225.00

Online Donations: \$1,035.00

*Thank you
for your continued support!*

BRING YOUR GREATEST GIFTS TO THE LORD

DSF Report as of July 16, 2020

Parish Goal \$37,000.00

Total Amount Pledged \$37,430.00

Total Amount Paid \$33,625.00

Number of Participants 116

Let us pray for the sick

Janice Andrews, Veronica Antwi, James Aubey, Irma Avalos, Gene Barrett, Jordan Bergeron, Chelsea Brown, Phillip Caito, Janet Caywood, Wren Colligan, Beckham Collins, Sunni Cook, Terry Corral, Melanie Davis, Julie Delgado, Kathy Delouche, Colin Dufour, David Duesing, Joe Duffy, James Elliott, Mary Gedelian, Floyd Gruppa, Melba & Leroy Hall, Sallie Hodges, Viola Kretschmar, Edwin Laake, Dorothy Laskoskie, Corrina Lawrence, Paul Legler, Daphne Levey, Al Losack, Katy Losack, A.J. McGee, Karen McPike, Sheri McPike, Don Marcotte, Lisa Miller, Michele Miller, Angel Moncada, Wag Donna Moore, Mary Ann Moore, Martin Moreno, Patricia Morrison, Lourdes Mosqueda, Mary Novark, Frank O'Donnell, Dawn & Odell Rachal, Virginia Reed, Kelly Robinson, Nina Rozell, Audra Rumfield, Andrea Scheel, Ana Marie Santos, Jerry Seaton, Kayden Bryn Shipley, Cheryl Smith, Glenn Stewart, Kathy Stoltz, Shirley Strubing, Rose Stuber, Victoria Torres, Ray & Christi Townley, Gordan Travis, Lois Ubanoski, Gilbert Urango, Enrique Valadez, Maria Elena Valencia, Kathy Vanecek, Matthew Varnum, Kirt Villareal, Rusty Wallace, Bill & Gaitha Walton, Alma Williams

To schedule Mass intentions (September-December) please call the parish office.

Para programar intenciones de Misas (septiembre - diciembre) por favor llame a la oficina parroquial.



ST. THOMAS FALL FESTIVAL

Sunday, October 18, 2020

RAFFLE TICKETS

Raffle tickets are now available and will be distributed as noted below. Parishioners are encouraged to purchase or sell \$75 - \$100 of raffle tickets. Twenty-five (25) prizes with a value of \$300 - \$500 each are available.

To accommodate those who are not attending mass, raffle tickets can be picked-up as scheduled below. No need to get out of your car! Drive by the Parish Hall doors, and a parishioner will hand the tickets to you.

Weekend of September 5th: after each mass
Wednesday, September 9th: 5pm – 6pm (drive-through)
Thursday, September 10th: 12pm - 1pm (drive-through)
Weekend of September 12th: after each mass

VIRTUAL AUCTION

Donations for the virtual auction are needed and will be accepted through Monday, September 28th. Parish organizations are encouraged to donate a basket. Suggestions include:

Homemade canned jams/jellies/salsas	Homemade cakes, pies, desserts
Homemade decorated cakes	Decorated themed wreaths
Group dinner/ wine tasting excursions/tours	Spa packages
Event/Sports tickets	Golf packages
Homemade woodwork	Signed sports memorabilia
Nursery and landscape items	Statues or artwork
Gift certificates for services and/or meals	Electronics or Appliances
Weekend/overnight destination stays	Holiday items
Homemade items (quilts, baked goods, etc...)	Fire pits
Themed baskets (sports, children's, pet care, meals, gardening, tailgating, ice cream, etc...)	

Need help decorating your basket? No problem! We can help! To donate, please contact Charley Sanders (936-577-0835) or Susan Hightower (713-515-9105).

SEPTEMBER DONATION REQUESTS

Monetary donations are being accepted for the purchase of briskets to be served with the BBQ meal. Checks can be made out to: St. Thomas. Please indicate 'brisket' in the memo line.

BBQ MEAL & T-SHIRTS

A BBQ meal will be provided on Sunday, October 18th from 12pm – 3pm and will be available for drive-through pickup only. Details for presale tickets are forthcoming.

NEIGHBORLY LOVE We can never love our neighbor too much. —St. Francis de Sales

AMOR AL PRÓJIMO Nunca podemos amar al prójimo demasiado. —San Francisco de Sales



STAY Youth Ministry

7th grade—12th grade
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2020-2021 Faith Formation Begins Sunday September 13, 2020

2020-2021 la formación en la fe comienza el domingo 1 de septiembre de 2020

All classes are online for the Fall/Todos las clases están en línea en el otoño

EDGE (7th –8th grade) Sundays 9:00-10:15

EDGE (7-8 grado) Domingos de 9:00 a 10:15

LIFETEEN (9th–12th grade) Wednesdays begins September 16th from 6:30-8:30

LIFETEEN(9-12 grados) Los miércoles comienzan el 16 de septiembre de 6:30-8:30

REGISTER

Online at <https://saintthomashuntsville.org>

Onsite: Parish Hall: Wed. 8/26 from 11:00-1:00

Onsite: Parish Hall Thurs. 9/3 from 4:00-6:00

♥ Please call the office to reserve a time for onsite Registration. Masks and distancing required

REGISTRARSE

En línea en: <https://saintthomashuntsville.org>

En el sitio: Salón parroquial miércoles 26 de Agosto de 11–1

En el sitio: Salón parroquial, Jueves 3 de septiembre de 4-6

♥ Llame a la oficina para reservar una hora para el registro en el sitio. Require mascararas y distanciamiento



Encourage one another and build one another up.
1Thessalo-
nians 5:11

CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE – DONORS

WHEN: SATURDAY, 9/12/20

WHERE: First PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1801-19TH ST. (across from Gibbs)

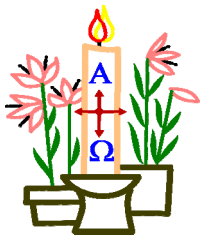
TIME: 8:00 AM – 2:30 PM

REQUIRED: APPOINTMENT, Face Mask,
Distancing
Sanitizing will be available

PARKING and ENTRANCE in back of Church.

Because only appointments are honored, no need to come early – NO WALK IN'S. It should NOT take more than an hour without Walk In's. At this time, open appointments begin 9:45 AM.

Cheryl Cummings 936-581-0451 &/OR Karen McPike 936-661-6540 will be glad to make an appointment for you OR YOU can make your own appointment. WILL NEED FOOD to go with the Chicken. ST Ladies will buy for Workers Lunch. SIGN-UP SHEETS OUTSIDE CHURCH



RCIA 2020-2021
Is now forming

RCIA is the *Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults* and is for adults over the age of 18 (no longer high school age) who wish to prepare for and receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist)

This includes:

1. Those who have not Baptized
2. Those who have been Baptized in another Christian faith
3. Those who have been Baptized Catholic but have not received neither the Sacraments of Confirmation nor Eucharist.

Each inquirer should have a desire to get to know and love Christ, follow the teachings of the Church and the commitment to do so.

For more information, please contact

Kathy Boscarino at

kboscarino@saintthomashuntsville.org or at the church office 936-295-8159.



RCIA 2020-2021
Ahora se está formando

RICA es el Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos y es para adultos mayores de 18 años (que ya no están en la escuela secundaria) que desean prepararse y recibir los Sacramentos de Iniciación (Bautismo, Confirmación y Eucaristía)

Esto incluye:

1. Los que no han sido bautizados
2. Los que han sido bautizados en otra fe cristiana.
3. Los que han sido bautizados católicos pero no han recibido ni los sacramentos de la confirmación ni la Eucaristía.

Cada investigador debe tener el deseo de conocer y amar a Cristo, seguir las enseñanzas de la Iglesia y el compromiso de hacerlo.

Para obtener más información, póngase

en contacto con Kathy Boscarino a kboscarino@saintthomashuntsville.org o a la oficina al 936-295-8159.

“If two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.” — *Matthew 18:19*

“Si dos de ustedes se ponen de acuerdo para pedir algo, sea lo que fuere, mi Padre celestial se los concederá”. — *Mateo 18:19*

The Fire of Your Love: Anti-Catholicism

By Will Oliver

Dear Students,

In the past several columns, I have addressed some of the things you might encounter as you return to your studies this fall. The first column was on Multiculturalism, the second on Progressivism, and this last one is on Anti-Catholicism. And, yes, unfortunately, Anti-Catholicism is still alive in America today, an especially pernicious problem, especially among elites.

Philip Jenkins authored a book on Anti-Catholicism in 2002 which was subtitled, “The Last Acceptable Prejudice.” It seems nothing has changed since 2002 for in today’s world where so many things are considered prejudiced, Anti-Catholic rhetoric still gets a free pass. It is not uncommon to encounter Anti-Catholic humor in our entertainment on television and movies, as well as our news media today, including newspapers and 24-hour news-casts. In fact, it can be found in every form of media available. There is also a good chance you may hear it from your non-Catholic friends and, sometimes, even other Catholics. What is perhaps most frustrating (outside of the discretion of churches, another form of Anti-Catholicism), is to hear these lies, half-truths and falsehoods from people who are supposed to be educators.

In these cases, it generally comes in the form of long held beliefs against the Catholic Church including: Catholics are not Christians, The Church is Anti-Semitic, that it suppressed certain Gospels, imposed the Dark Ages upon the world, committed unprovoked wars on Muslim countries during the Crusades, committed butchery during the Inquisition, does not believe in science and tossed Galileo Galilei in prison, gave its blessings to the institution of slavery, and did nothing during World War II to help the Jewish people. Much ink has been spilt to propagate these lies by repeating the same old tired canards. The only problem is, all of these, and more, have been used to try and bring down The Church (Although there is no space here to offer evidence of these lies, a good starting place is Rodney Stark’s new book: *Bearing False Witness: Debunking Centuries of Anti-Catholic History*, Templeton Press, 2016).

So, how does one respond to attacks on our Catholic faith? The first recommendation is always to stay calm, and do not fall into the trap of getting into an irrational and heated argument. The second recommendation is to make sure you are prepared to defend your faith. That was the whole point of Confirmation—to become a Soldier of Christ ready to defend the faith—and educating yourself on the faith does not stop with Confirmation, rather, that was only the beginning. Another recommendation is for much needed prayer; pray for those who issue Anti-Catholic statements, attack you for your Catholic faith, and have turned their backs on the Lord.

Perhaps the best recommendation I can give comes from Jesus himself. It is the advice he gave to his disciples when he sent them out into the world, knowing full well they were going to be persecuted for being his followers. Now, we are those disciples:

“Behold, I send you as sheep in the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of men; for they will deliver you up to councils, and flog you in their synagogues, and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear testimony before them and the Gentiles. When they deliver you up, do not be anxious about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will deliver up brother to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But he who endures to the end will be saved” (Matthew 10: 16-22).

UN MENSAJE DE AMOR

En los versículos finales de la lectura del Evangelio de hoy Jesús dice que cuando dos o tres están reunidos en su nombre, “ahí estoy yo en medio de ellos” (Mateo 18:20). Así entendemos que siempre se aplica la corrección fraternal cuando hacemos presente a Jesús.

De igual manera, alentar lo bueno en otros no sólo es actuar rectamente, sino que es una necesidad. El Señor dice al profeta Ezequiel que si él “no amonesta” al malvado para que se aparte del mal camino, entonces Dios le pedirá cuentas.

Vivimos en la era en que “cada quien hace lo suyo” y se suele ignorar la objetividad moral. Claramente, cuando el mensaje que compartimos con otros es un mensaje de amor, nuestros motivos no pueden ser mal interpretados. Como escribe san Pablo: “Quien ama su prójimo no le causa daño a nadie, Así pues, cumplir perfectamente la ley consiste en amar” (Romanos 13:10).

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St. Thomas Youth (STAY)

T-Shirt Order Form

Deadline: Thursday, October 1, 2020

Name _____

Phone _____

Make checks payable to: St. Thomas. Please indicate 'T-shirt' in the memo line.

STAY shirts are only available in purple.

Please indicate quantity.

Short-Sleeve Adult T-Shirt: \$10

S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ 2XL _____

Total order: \$ _____



*Logo will be placed
In top-left of shirt.*

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Please indicate color choice and quantity:

Short-Sleeve Adult T-Shirt: \$10

Cardinal Red: S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ 2XL _____

Carolina Blue: S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ 2XL _____

Short-Sleeve Adult T-Shirt: \$15

Cardinal Red: 3XL _____ 4XL _____ 5XL _____

Carolina Blue: 3XL _____ 4XL _____ 5XL _____

Short-Sleeve Child T-Shirt: \$8

Cardinal Red: XS (2-4) _____ S (6-8) _____ M (10-12) _____
L (14-16) _____

Carolina Blue: XS (2-4) _____ S (6-8) _____ M (10-12) _____
L (14-16) _____

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