



November 12 2023

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule

Monday-Thursday 8:30 am

Rosary 8 am

Friday 6:30 am

Rosary 6 am

Saturday 4 pm (vigil)

Sunday 7:30 am, 9 am, 11:30 am,
5:30 pm

Confession

Saturday 3:15 pm - 3:45 pm or
by appointment

Our Mission Statement

The people of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Long Beach form a community of faith dedicated to Catholic teaching and tradition. We welcome God's children of all ages to worship with us.

Through prayer, education and formation, we are called by Jesus to bring hope and healing for life eternal to all people. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we strive to use our personal and communal gifts to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Join Our Parish

To join the St. Thomas family, go to www.saintthomaslb.org/register-family-at-st-thomas-the-apostle and complete and submit a registration form. Paper forms can be found in the office or in the back of the church!



My soul
is thirsting
for you,
O Lord.

PSALM 63





Around Our Parish...

ADORATION - Wed., 9am-5pm

BAPTISM CLASS - Last Sat. of every month at 9:30am in the Religious Education Center. Contact Sue Hoffman (228) 313-0157 or psuehoffman@gmail.com to reserve your spot.

BELL CHOIR - Contact Tyler Brandon 228-424-2970 music2@saintthomaslb.org

CHOIR - Small Group Practices. As per Choir Dir.

GOOD SHEPHERD SHOWCASE - Open every other month before and after all masses. By appointment. Call Bitsy (228) 669-3750 or Darlene (404) 630-6624 or email svdp.member@saintthomaslb.org

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Meetings 1st & 3rd Thurs. every month, 7pm - 4th Degree follows the 1st Thurs. meeting

KC BREAKFAST - 3rd Sun., every month, 8am-11am

LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Meetings 3rd Thurs. every month, 7pm

LECTIO DIVINA - Meets every Tues. after Mass to reflect on the following Sunday's readings.

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR - 1st Sun. every month

LUNCHKINS - 2nd Wednesday, every month, 11:30am

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - Every Thurs. 6pm, in the library of the Religious Education Center

QUILTERS - Meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Tues. of the month, 9:30am, Rm 222

SVDP SOCIETY - The office is open to help.

Mon. 9:30am-12:30pm, & Thurs. 9:30am-12:30pm

YOUTH GIFT CARDS (SCRIP) - During office hours, Mon - Fri, 9am - 4pm

Second Collection

November 18 & 19

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 37 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face in bringing permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd.



Parish Family Breakfast



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Sunday, November 19, 2023
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Income

Oct. 28 & 29

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| ACH (electronic draft) | \$1,515.00 |
| E-giving | \$945.00 |
| E-giving Maintenance & Restoration | \$75.00 |
| E-giving Insurance & Utilities | \$0.00 |
| Regular Collection | \$9,706.00 |
| Maintenance & Restoration | \$1,710.00 |
| Insurance & Utilities | \$1.00 |
| Pickle Jar | \$45.00 |
| World Mission Sunday | \$205.00 |
| Total | \$14,202.00 |

SC Society of St. Vincent dePaul \$4,111.00

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Second Collection
Today, November 11 & 12
Insurance & Utilities



KC ladies meeting
Thursday November 16, 7 pm
We will set-up the Angel Tree
and the Senior's Tree



Saint Stanislaus Open House - Potential students and families are invited to our open house on Tuesday, Nov 14 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. You will have the opportunity to attend academic and special interest sessions, meet faculty, administrators, and current students; learn more about academic programs and student life, and tour the campus. More information and registration: ststan.com/open-house/



November 12th – Two Equals One- The goal of “Two Equals One” is for teens to understand that the Eucharistic celebration of Mass is more than a ritual but a ceremony in which we become one with God and are empowered to live sanctified lives that bear fruit for the world.

November 19th – Thanksgiving Break

November 26th – Advent Family Night



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Friday, NOVEMBER 17, 2023 at 5:00 PM.
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**... and all others in our parish and community
in need of healing, physical or spiritual.**



Mass Intentions

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| Mon | Nov 13 | 8:30 am | |
| Tue | Nov 14 | 8:30 am | ✙Milton LeBlanc |
| Wed | Nov 15 | 8:30 am | ✙Sharon McKay |
| Thu | Nov 16 | 8:30 am | |
| Fri | Nov 17 | 6:30 am | |
| Sat | Nov 18 | 4:00 pm | ✙Carolyn Seaman ✙Richard Kanup ✙Phillip Antis |
| Sun | Nov 19 | 7:30 am | ✙Sr. Mary Anne O'Brien |
| | | 9:00 am | ✙The people of St. Thomas Parish and Long Beach |
| | | 11:30 am | ✙Clara & ✙J. C. Landry |
| | | 5:30 pm | |

🎂-Birthday ✙-Deceased ❤️-Healing ✨-Special intentions
🕒-Wedding Anniversary 🎓-Ordination Anniversary

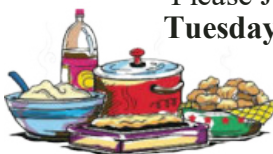


CONDOLENCE COMMITTEE

St. Thomas the Apostle is blessed to have a caring group of parishioners who compose our committee. The main purpose of the committee is to provide and serve food for the family at the funeral reception – an entrée, sides, salad, rolls and beverages. Team members divide the items needed; you may volunteer to provide whatever is most convenient for you. The Condolence Committee has several teams, so the same people are not called upon repetitively. We would be pleased if you would consider joining us in this ministry. Please contact Pam Fallo at 228-918-4523 or email condolence@saintthomaslb.org

LUNCHKINS

Please Join us for Lunch and Fellowship
Tuesday, November 14, 2023, 11:30 am
Note date change
Bring you favorite dish



Pray For Our Clergy

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| Mon | Nov 13 | <i>Msgr. Dominick Fullam</i> |
| Tue | Nov 14 | <i>Father Martin Gillespie</i> |
| Wed | Nov 15 | <i>Father Tomaz Golab</i> |
| Thu | Nov 16 | <i>Father Rofinus Jas S.V.D.</i> |
| Fri | Nov 17 | <i>Father Ignacio Jimenez- Morales</i> |
| Sat | Nov 18 | <i>Father Jeyanthan Jordan</i> |
| Sun | Nov 19 | <i>Father Fintan Kilmurray</i> |



Priest Mass Assignments

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| Sunday | November 12 | 7:30 am | Fr Satish |
| | | 9:00 am | Fr Vincent |
| | | 11:30 am | Fr Vincent |
| | | 5:30 pm | Fr Satish |
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| Tuesday | November 14 | 8:30 am | Fr Satish |
| Wednesday | November 15 | 8:30 am | Fr Vincent |
| Thursday | November 16 | 8:30 am | Fr Vincent |
| Friday | November 17 | 6:30 am | Fr Satish |
| Saturday | November 18 | 4:00 pm | Fr Vincent |
| Sunday | November 19 | 7:30 am | Fr Satish |
| | | 9:00 am | Fr Satish |
| | | 11:30 am | Fr Vincent |
| | | 5:30 pm | Fr Vincent |

A parishioner



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Nov 15, and 29, Dec 6th, & Jan 4th,
6pm Religious Education Center.
Please Join us.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

November 12, 2023, 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lately I've been enjoying the deep meaning of Eastern icons. I love how they express a tapestry of meaning in a way that can surpass the written or spoken word. Today's parable of the ten virgins from Jesus is a good example. Try googling "wise and foolish virgins icon" and you'll see an image of how our Christ meets our heart's deepest needs if we attend to him with the proper attitude.

I'm serious. Take a moment to google and look at it. See how it depicts the risen Jesus behind a closed door with the five wise virgins with lighted lamps. He gazes with them toward the five foolish and lamp-less virgins, symbolizing the outward looking of divine love for the lost. Moreover, the wedding feast is no ordinary one. It takes place in a walled city and garden, indicating it's a new Jerusalem and a return to Eden. The table isn't typical, either. It's a Eucharistic feast. Now we see that the door in Jesus' parable is the way into the church, where Christ is the new light burning amidst the dark midnight of this world.

The richness continues. We notice, too, that the foolish virgins look *exactly* the same as the wise ones in their clothes, hair, and expressions. The only difference is they departed to buy oil and now they are sadly excluded. We often act like consumers in the marketplace to fulfill our need for love and mercy. We'll *always* end up disappointed if we shop around. Jesus sums up the moral of the story this way: **"Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."** Watch, remain, don't spiritually shop. It is *always* better to quietly remain close to the Eucharistic community of the Church, even if we feel like our oil has run out. This week let's consider placing the icon of the wise and foolish virgins on our phone lock screen or computer desktop to help us remember to stay close to him, especially when life feels dark. ~ Father John Muir ©LPi

Readings for the week of November 12, 2023

Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (2b)/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13
Monday: Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday: Wis 2:23—3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Wis 7:22b—8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 (see 1a)/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

Observances for the week of November 12, 2023

Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
Tuesday:
Wednesday: St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Thursday: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin
Friday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
Saturday: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles;
St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin
Next Sunday: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Veterans Day November 11
Thank You!
Not just today, but every day!

Oh Lord, we thank you for each and every veteran who served our country through the years. Comfort those who struggle in life after war. Help us to honor and care for those who have given so much for us.

"Walking Through Advent with Mary"



Make Jesus your King & Mary your loving Mother this Advent
8:00 a.m. - Mass - Rev. Jacob Matthew Smith, O.F.M.

Prepare your heart for Jesus with Mary this Advent

9:00 a.m. - Meditative Rosary - Donna Bodin

Breakfast hosted by: The Knights of Columbus

Presentation by: Donna Bodin "Understanding the Gift of Mary, Her FIAT, her yes"

Guest Speaker: Donna Bodin a native of New Orleans, Donna has lead Many pilgrimages to Medjugorje and Italy. During that time she developed a deep love for Our Lady. Donna will share how Mary's FIAT, her yes to the divine will of God, can bring us into a richer relationship with Jesus Christ and a greater love for the Eucharist.

Featuring Music By: Karen Storehr & Cody Roth

RSVP to Terri Calhoun 228-671-8063 or
Michelle@stclare-catholic.com

Saturday December 2, 2023

St. Clare Catholic Church
236 Beach Blvd.
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Catholic Trivia

Question: What is an official member of a church community or parish called?

Find the answer somewhere in the bulletin

Last Weeks Catholic Trivia

Q: What is it called when someone prays all 15 decades of a traditional Rosary?

A: The Dominican Rosary

A Journey with the Holy Family

A Special Children's Program

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We will start in Nazareth
with the Annunciation to Mary.

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Mary to greet Elizabeth
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to Bethlehem.

Then with the Holy Family
to Egypt and return to
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For Further Information contact

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Kid's Corner

PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

VIRGINS
LAMPS
FOOLISH

WISE
OIL JARS
BRIDEGROOM

WEDDING
DOOR
WATCH

SHARING THE GOSPEL

Make sure your heart is ready for Jesus. One day Jesus will come back. If your heart is empty and dark - without love - you will be left out. But if your heart is filled with God's love for other people, Jesus will bring you into heaven with him forever.

PRAYER

God, fill my heart with your love. I want to be ready for Jesus.

MISSION

As a family, go through your closets and drawers. Take out all the clothes you don't wear anymore. Then donate them to charity.

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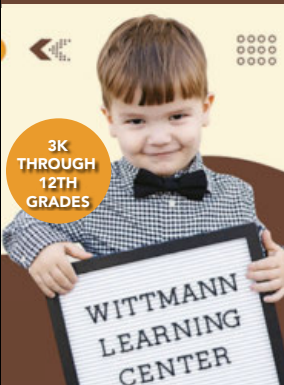
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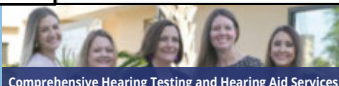
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