

St. Thomas FYI July 14, 2023



Healing Mass

Friday, July 21, 2023 5:00 PM Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church, 216 Saucier Ave. Pass Christian, MS. 39571

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Do you know someone who has never been baptized, but feels the pull of Holy spirit in his or her life?

Do you know someone who is a baptized Christian, but is looking for a more complete participation in the Christian life?

Do you know a baptized Catholic who has not received the

sacraments?

The RCIA stands ready to welcome them. We just need you to show them the way.

We offer an opportunity for seekers to hear our stories and to learn more about the Catholic Faith. Our "No Strings Attached" inquiry sessions begins Monday, September 11th at 7:00 pm.

For more information, personally invite, or bring by the hand, if necessary, any seekers you know to join us for coffee in the St Thomas the Apostle Religious Education Center,

Saturday, Aug 19th, at 9:30 am.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday and Thursday 9:30am – 12:30pm St. Vincent de Paul Society open offering to help.

Tuesday, July 19 - Deo Gloria at OLA

Friday, July 21, 2023 5:00 pm Healing Mass, Our Mother of Mercy, Pass Christian

Monday, July 31 - "New Wine" applications due

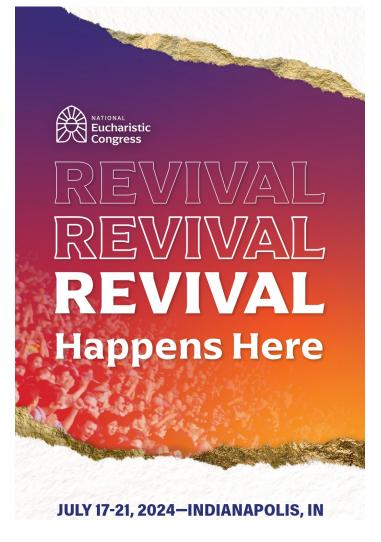
Thursday, August 17, 6:30 pm– Faith Companion Training

Tuesday, August 22, - Deo Gloria at St. Thomas

Contact Dave Gauthier at (228) 596-8835 or at rcia@saintthomaslb.org.



On Friday, July 14th, Fr. Satish, assisted by Deacon Jerry, celebrated Mass to mark the end of the week-long Catholic Kids Camp at St Thomas in Long Beach. During the week participants in the camp explored the Marvelous Mysteries of the Mass, focusing on the meaning of the Eucharist.







ACCOMPANY A NEW CATHOLIC ON HIS FAITH JOURNEY

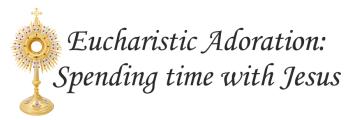
The Diocese of Biloxi is redefining the way new Christians are brought into the Church. Bishop Kihneman writes that in the past we have used a classroom model for new Catholics, but "what is proving to be much more effective is the development of a faith formation plan for each person. . . . Prayer, worship, parish life and Sunday Mass become the real curriculum."

As we move from the classroom model to the parish model for Christian Initiation, we need individuals who will accompany the candidates as personal guides, who will be their companion on their journey. The job description of a Faith Formation Companion is a demanding one. You are charged with three important tasks: (1) Knowing the Candidate, (2) Assisting the Candidate, and (3) Witnessing the Conversion of the Candidate.

Yes, some sacrifice is required. There is a commitment of time and energy on your part to fit into your already busy life. But if we are going to call the candidates to pick up the cross and follow Christ, can we offer them anything less than the best effort we can provide?

If you are ready to be a Faith Formation Companion, attend an information and training session on Thursday, August 17th, at 6:30pm in the Religious Education Center.

To attend the session, or for more information, contact Dave Gauthier 228-596-8835 or Sue Hoffman 228-313-0157, or email at rcia@saintthomaslb.org.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION OPENS THE WAY TO DISCOVER GOD'S PLAN

"There is a need for a youth ministry and a vocational promotion that can open the way to discovering God's plan, above all through prayer, meditation on God's word, Eucharistic adoration and spiritual accompaniment." ~Pope Francis, Message, 31st January 2019

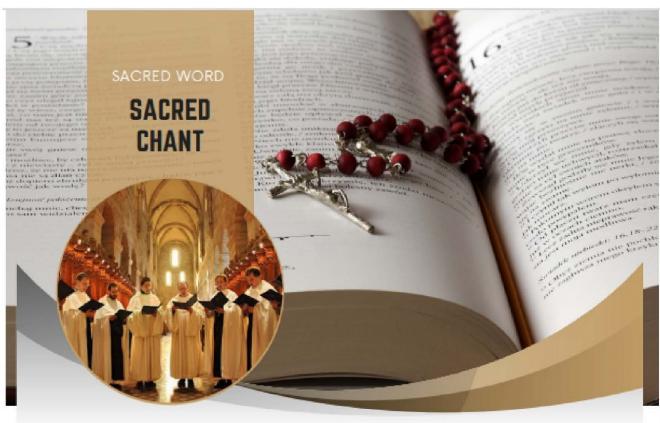
Please join us in letting Jesus know we love Him and are anxious to spend time with Him.

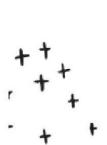
Please call Sue Hoffman at 228-313-0157 to let her know what hour you wish. Reminders will be sent every Tuesday afternoon. You are also welcome to drop in anytime on Wednesday to spend whatever time you can in adoration.



"New Wine" is open for applications.

The next "New Wine" lay ministry formation program by the Diocese of Biloxi will begin in August 2023. "New Wine" is for lay Catholics who want a basic foundation in theology and pastoral skills or who seek to be leaders in ministry. The program consists of 94 weekly two-hour classroom sessions over three years. Applications must be made through the parish and approved by the pastor. The program costs, \$300 a year, are shared between the participant and the parish. Completed applications are due July 31 st. For more information contact Ann Marie McIntyre at (228) 860-8749.









Tuesday, July 19, 2023, 7PM Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church 228 South Beach Blvd Bay St Louis, MS 39520 Tuesday, August 22, 2023, 7PM St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church 720 East Beach Blvd Long Beach, MS 39560

FREE TO ATTEND!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A BEAUTIFUL EVENING OF THE WORD, ANCIENT HYMNS & CHANTS & ADORATION OF OUR LORD IN THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

LIFETEEN AND EDGE NEWS



16 COME SPEND A WEEK SERVING JULY 16 THE MOUND BAYOU COMMUNITY 18 IN THE MISSISSIPPI DELTA 22

TEXT TO REGISTER (228)236-4899

\$150 PER PERSON TURN IN NOTARIZED FORM

RISING FRESHMAN TO GRADUATED SENIORS



WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF HELP WITH SPONSORING TEENS ON OUR MANY RETREATS, SPONSORING A MEAL, OR SPONSORING THE ACTIVITIES WE DO THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. DONATIONS CAN BE MADE AT ANY TIME TO ST. THOMAS LIFETEEN! DONATIONS HELP US BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO DO ALL OF THE EVENTS WE PROVIDE FOR OUR TEENS!

CORE TEAM

IF YOU LOVE RELATIONAL MINISTRY AND DISCIPLESHIP, THIS IS THE TEAM FOR YOU! WORK CLOSELY WITH OUR HIGH SCHOOL OR MIDDLE SCHOOL TEENS ON SUNDAY EVENINGS. IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR OUR TEENS TO HAVE ADULTS WALKING WITH THEM IN THEIR FAITH JOURNEYS. COME JOIN OUR TEAM AND SHARE THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST WITH OR TEENS!

HELP ST. THOMAS LIFETEEN

WE KNOW SUMMER HAS JUST BEGUN
BUT WE ARE ALREADY PLANNING AND
PREPARING FOR NEXT YEAR!! THERE
ARE SO MANY WAYS TO HELP OUR
MINISTRY AND GET INVOLVED! CHECK
OUT THE DIFFERENT WAYS YOU CAN
SUPPORT SAINT THOMAS LIFETEEN!
TO GET INVOLVED OR ASK
QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR
YOUTH MINISTER, KAITLYNN, AT
YOUTHMINISTRY@SAINTTHOMASLB.ORG
OR (228)236-4899

PRAYER TEAM

PRAYER IS AN ESSENTIAL MINISTRY FOR LIFETEEN & EDGE! IT MAKES A HUGE DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF OUR TEENS. SIGN UP FOR THIS TEAM IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE CONTACTED TO PRAY DURING SPECIFIC TIMES AND EVENTS FOR OUR PROGRAM.

FOOD TEAM

EACH WEEK WE FEED ALL OF OUR
TEENS AFTER LIFETEEN & EDGE! SIGN
UP TO HELP PREPARE AND SERVE
MEALS! GREAT FELLOWSHIP HAPPENS
OVER SHARING A MEAL AND THIS
MINISTRY IS ESSENTIAL TO OUR
PROGRAM!!

Helping You Find Peace, Power, and Passion After Your Divorce

Surviving Divorce was created to bring hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. It is for the newly separated and divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. It will help them find answers to their questions, restore hope,

and begin authentic healing. Developed and hosted by Rose Sweet, *Surviving Divorce* features experts Dr. Ray Guarendi, Ph.D., Fr. Donald Calloway, M.I.C.,

Fr. Steve Porter, S.T.L., Fr. Mitch Pacwa, S.J., and Christopher West. It also includes personal testimonies of Catholic men and women who have experienced the breakdown of their families. They courageously share their stories with heart, humor, and wisdom. As they witness to their pain and the healing power of Christ in their lives, participants will laugh, cry, and identify with their journeys from heartache to healing.

For Men and Women Seeking Healing from Divorce

Surviving Divorce will help you:

- Work through the emotional upheaval of separation and divorce.
- · Find personal healing and hope.
- Discover a deeper understanding of God's love for you.
- Gain wisdom and comfort from experts and others who share your experiences.
- Navigate new concerns like custody, court hearings, and finances.

Dates/Times/Location

Wednesday's:July 19 through September 27 6:00 PM- 7:30 PM

Catholic Charities of South Mississippi 1450 North Street Gulfport, MS 39507

Registration

Online at catholiccharitiesofsouthms.org Click on the "Counseling" tab

OR

Email meleuterius@biloxidiocese.org for registration

For More Information

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