



St. Thomas FYI

July 28, 2023

All are Welcome!



All parishioners are invited to join us as we celebrate the installation of Father Satish Adhav as Pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle, by Bishop Kihneman. The Installation will take place at St. Thomas, 11:30 Mass on August 20, 2023.

Immediately following Mass, a parish sponsored reception will be held in the Community Center. Your assistance with set

up or clean up or perhaps a cash donation or food, would be greatly appreciated. Please let us know what you would like to do to make the celebration a wonderful, memorable event, by texting or calling Stella Wolf 228 760 0591.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday & Thursday

9:30am - 12:30pm

St. Vincent de Paul Society open offering to help.

Saturday & Sunday, July 29-30,

Second Collection for

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Friday, August 11

"New Wine" applications due

Thursday, August 17, 6:30 pm

Faith Companion Training

August 20, 2023

Installation of Father Satish

Tuesday, August 22,

7:00 pm - Deo Gloria

Saturday, August 19,

9:30 am - Coffee for RCIA

Sunday, September 10,

10:10 am - SRE classes begin

Monday, September 11,

7:00 pm - RCIA inquiry sessions begin



Sr. Mary Anne served Saint Thomas from 1990 to 2018 in many capacities including pastoral associate, counseling, prison ministry and nursing home ministry as she shared her strong faith with our parishioners. She was a longtime member and supporter of St. Vincent De Paul Society. She has been diagnosed with kidney failure and we know she would love to hear from the people that she served. Please pray for her during her difficult time.

Sr. Mary Anne O'Brien
Catherine's Residence
2039 North Geyer Rd
St. Louis MO 63131-3399



*Eucharistic Adoration:
Spending time with Jesus*

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IS A POWERFUL WEAPON AGAINST EVIL

"God's word invites us clearly to 'stand against the wiles of the devil' (Eph 6:11) and to 'quench all the flaming darts of the evil one' (Eph 6:16). These expressions are not melodramatic, precisely because our path towards holiness is a constant battle. Those who do not realise this will be prey to failure or mediocrity. For this spiritual combat, we can count on the powerful weapons that the Lord has given us: faith-filled prayer, meditation on the word of God, the celebration of Mass, Eucharistic adoration, sacramental Reconciliation, works of charity, community life, and missionary outreach." ~Pope Francis, Rejoice and Be Glad, 162

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 welcome to drop in anytime on Wednesday to spend whatever time you can in adoration.



SECOND COLLECTION JULY 29-30, 2023

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Hearing the Gospel, we can trust that God knows our love and good deeds, and that he will mercifully gather us into his kingdom. This week, please say a special prayer for the poor and forgotten in our parish. Sunday the Second Collection is for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. We appreciate your support to help us help others in our local community.

PLEASE WRITE CHECKS PAYABLE TO ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY.



Love Your Neighbor

Please bring non-perishable grocery items to restock the Long Beach Food Pantry to the Masses on the weekend of August 5-6 and leave them in the East foyer.



“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 AUGUST 11.

For more information contact Ann Marie McIntyre at (228) 860-8749.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS



*Interested in learning more
about the Catholic faith?*

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Non-Catholics interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or in joining the Church, and baptized Catholics in need of completing the Sacraments of Initiation, that is, Eucharist and Confirmation are invited to "Come and See", an introduction to RCIA. It will be held at the Religious Education Center on Saturday morning, August 19th at 9:00am. Evening Classes begin Monday, Sept 11th. at 7:00pm. For more information contact Dave Gauthier at 228-596-8835 or rcia@saintthomaslb.org.



*Would you like to accompany a
new Catholic on his faith journey?*

Join the RCIA Team

There are two ways you can be part of the team welcoming persons into the Church, either as a Faith Companion or as a Classroom Catechist.

Meeting and training for Faith Companions will be held on Saturday, August 17th in the Religious Education Center.

For more information on being an RCIA Catechist, or on Faith Companion, contact Dave Gauthier at rcia@saintthomaslb.org.



Your Child Belongs in Religious Education

Registration is open for the School of Religious Education for Grades PreK through 5th Grade.

If your child attended SRE last year, you need to do nothing at this time.

Watch for an email to validate contact information for your child and information on how to pay the registration fee.

If your child has not attended SRE, complete the registration form at

[REGISTRATION FORM - RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMS, 2023-2024](#)

Registration fee is \$25 per child, or \$40 per family.

CLASSES WILL BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10.

Contact Dave Gauthier (228) 596-8835 religiouseducation@saintthomaslb.org



It is that time of year again! We will be kicking off our year for Lifeteen and Edge on September 10th and we cannot wait! Before we meet again, please register your teen for the year by filling out our google form. You can register your pre k-12th grade children all at once on this form and it includes getting them registered for confirmation!

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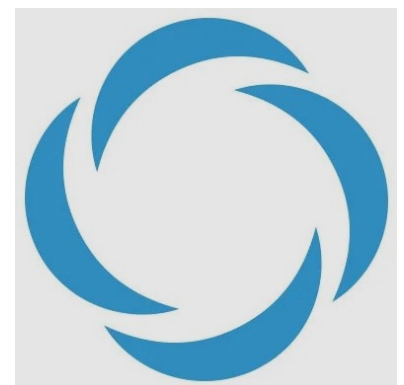
Contact Kaitlynn Claret 228 236-4899 youthministry@saintthomaslb.org

We are looking forward to another exciting year ahead!



LIFETEEN AND EDGE NEWS

Our teens and adults spent a week finishing food pantry and thrift store in Mound Bayou, MS that they have been working on the last few summers! This will help the Mound Bayou community for years to come and we are so grateful our teens were such a huge part of this project! At the end of the week, they were able to attend the ribbon cutting of the building they have worked so hard on the last few summers! The board members for the Saint Gabriel Mercy Center were in attendance. We want to give a special thank you to Pat and Rachelle Huey and all of our other parishioners that have contributed to this project!



SACRED WORD

SACRED CHANT



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GLORIA



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**

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.

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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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228-701-0555

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