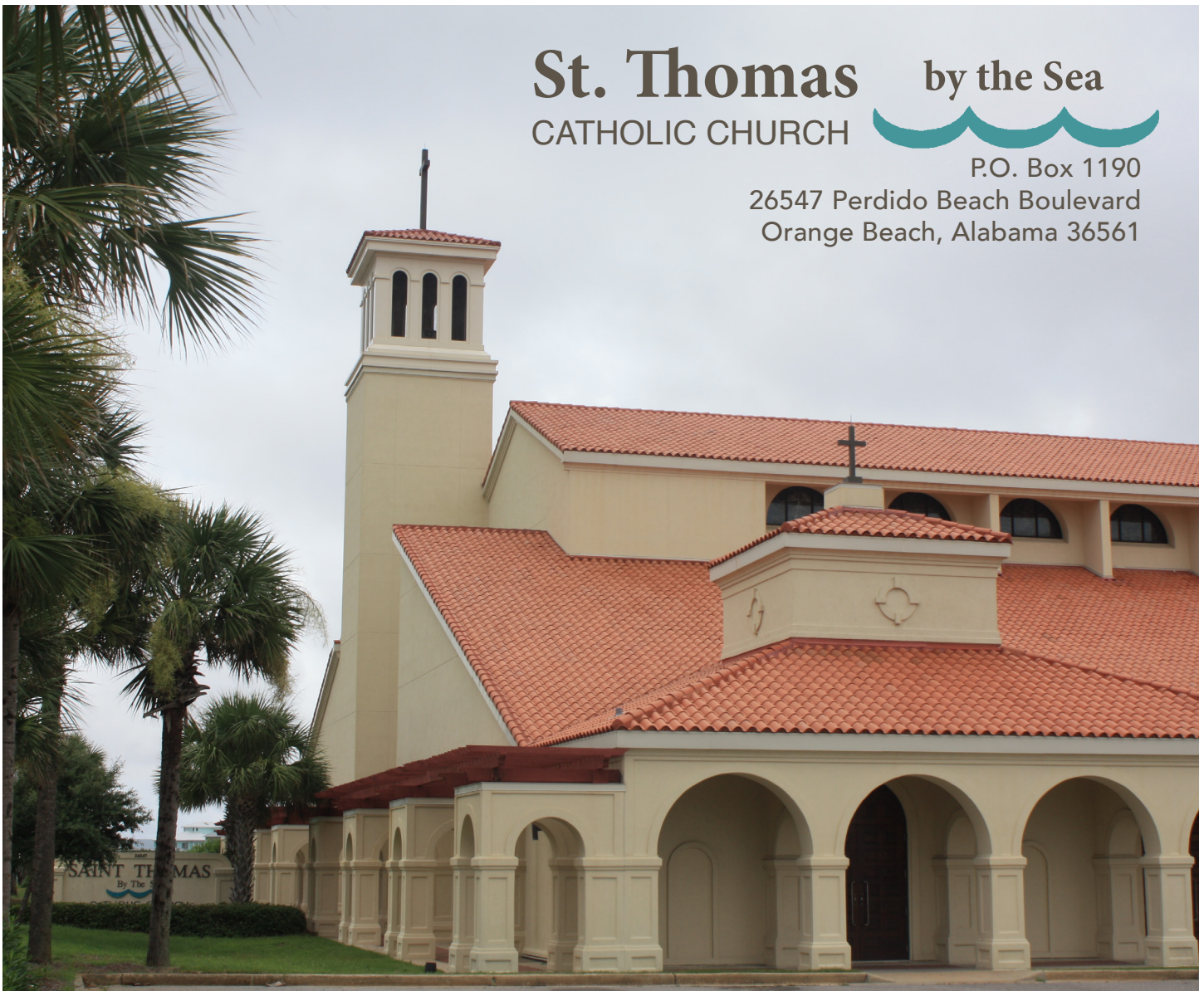


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WELCOME!

On behalf of our church family, we are pleased to welcome you to St. Thomas by the Sea Catholic Church, and to our beautiful gulf beaches. If you are a new parishioner, or a long-term or frequent visitor, please take time to complete a registration form (in the church pamphlet or on our website). We hope you will enjoy your time in Orange Beach.

Fr. Paul Iruthayasamy, HGN
Deacon Stephen Seymour

Mass Schedule

Weekdays: Monday, 9:00 a.m. Communion Service
Tuesday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. Mass
Fridays: Morning Mass is followed by Holy Hour

*Our Chapel is open daily for prayer, Monday-Friday,
8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.*

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays, 4:00-4:45 p.m. (and upon request)



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THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA

SATURDAY, May 3

- 4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions
 4:30 p.m. Rosary
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
Intention: Andrew Svirsky +

SUNDAY, May 4

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Ida Marie Gee +
 10:00 a.m. Holy Mass – Crowning of Mary
Intention: Michael O'Connor +

MONDAY, May 5

- 8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Communion Service in the Chapel

TUESDAY, May 6

- 8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Brit Knowles +

WEDNESDAY, May 7

- 7:00 a.m. Men of St. Joseph
 8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Beverly & Bill Mills (L)

THURSDAY, May 8

- 8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Deacon Hank Pouliot +

FRIDAY, May 9

- 8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
 9:30 a.m. Holy Hour
Intentions: Glazner Family +

SATURDAY, May 10

- 4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions
 4:30 p.m. Rosary
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
Intention: Andrew Svirsky +



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*Office Hours are Monday-Friday
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PLEASE PRAY FOR: Milton & Rita Essig, Dominique DeSanctis, Patrick Rogers, Mary Brabston, Bob Osterholt, Brenda Lomax, Dina Bazor, Thomas Potts, Michael Fleshman, Michael Dalton, Brian Coco, Jordan Dupré, Kathleen Dupré, Larry Cloran, Maureen Cloran, Sal Lupo, Anna Claire McKean, Cecil & Jessie Young, Raquel Coll, Sue Goodman, Mary Lynn Talboy, Bill Cranston, Darlene Kerchner, Daniel Long, Cheryl Robinson, Fr. David Carucci, Julie Champagne, Glenn Walters, Matthew Swope, Sullivan Guy, Cayden Bagwell, Margaret Smith, Claire Hughes, Jeanette Relan, Stuart Hankins, Bob Klee, Sue Creech, Deacon Joe Kurtenbach, Terry Barnett, Joseph Busta, Betty McDuffie, Lori Hourihan King, Mike Handzau, Kay Moody, Paul Anderson, Lana Harms, Celly Smith, Loretta Bergeron, and Bob Hudson. ***Please notify the Church Office if you need to add a name or remove a name from this list.***

OUR PARISH PICNIC AT THE WATERFRONT PARK ON SUNDAY, APRIL 27 was a big success. It was so nice to be able to honor and congratulate Fr. Paul for his many accomplishments. Thank you to everyone who took time to participate. A big thank-you to Tina D'Aversa for organizing this fun event for our parishioners.

SUNDAY, MAY 4, CROWNING OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER MARY WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE 10:00 A.M. MASS.



MOTHER'S DAY is Sunday, May 11, 2025. This is a day to honor all mothers, both living and deceased. The Altar Rosary Society will have Mother's Day Mass cards available in the Narthex after Masses this weekend. Cards and offering envelopes are for the living and offering envelopes for the deceased. The envelopes will be placed on the altar during all Masses on Mother's Day and throughout the weekend.

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY END-OF-YEAR LUNCHEON MEETING will be held on Tuesday, May 13. The ladies will be cleaning the church sacristies, followed by lunch at 11:30 a.m. at GT's. If you are interested in attending this event, please call or email Annette Aucoin at 281-705-5995 or annettebeatty1@gmail.com to make a reservation.



ARCHANGEL RADIO 1410 OR 94.5 SPRING PLEDGE DRIVE on May 6, 7 and 8 with priests from our local parishes. Listen for Fr. Paul on May 6 at 3:00 p.m. – ***Help keep Archangel Radio on the Air.***

CONGRATULATIONS to longtime Parishioners Cecil and Jessie Young, who were recently honored by the City of Orange Beach – see the bulletin board for all information. They are now residing at Sea Grass in Gulf Shores.

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April 27, 2025

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- **Men of St. Joseph:** Men, join in reading and discussing readings for the following Sunday Masses, along with the Wednesday reflections from *Magnificat*. Contact Bob Barnett at 251-979-1573 or rbbtrb@gmail.com.
- **Daughters of Mary:** This Bible Study for women will resume in the Fall.
- **Small Christian Communities:** These groups provide you an opportunity to grow in knowledge and your relationship with God through prayer and fellowship with other parishioners. To get more information or join a group, contact Melissa Sibille at 850-566-1016.
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MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR MAY 10-11, 2025

	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	ALTAR SERVER	USHER	SACRISTAN
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Patrick Dalton	J.R. Bedel Tina D'Aversa (LLM) Mary Dalton Jay Powell	Al Bedel	Van Bielkiewicz Denise Jackson Jay Powell	J.R. Bedel
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Bob Barnett	Julie Bennett Vicki Brown (LLM)	John Scheel	Paul Brown Lynn Tampary Ouida Turner Robert Turner	John Scheel
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Alice Madere	Merrie Henderson (LLM) Karen Locklin Joanie Pruett Cheryl Robinson	Steve Fletcher	Dan Cummings Patty Cummings Steve Kerchner Mike Pruett Tom Winters Mitzi Winters	John Scheel

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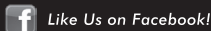
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