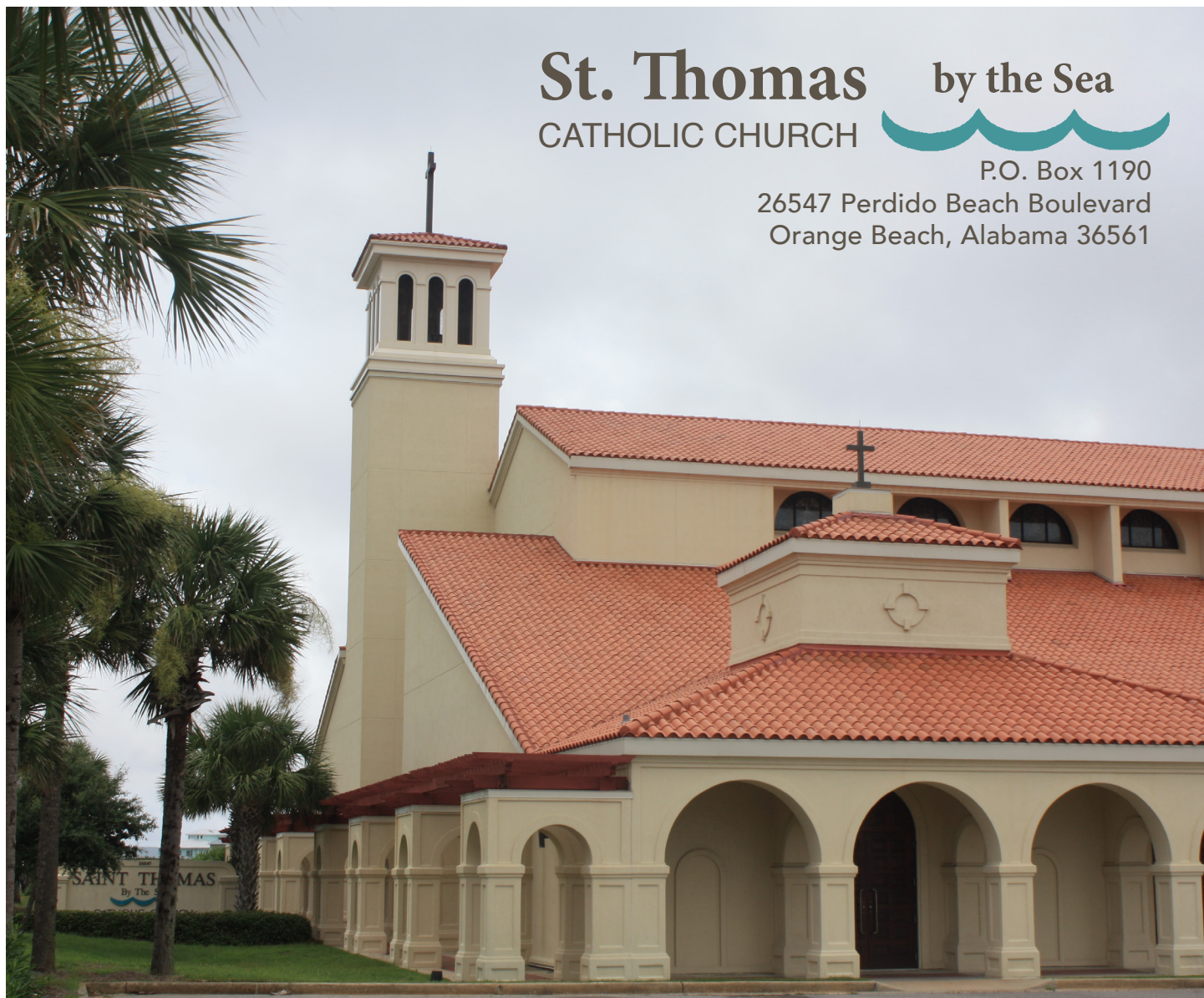


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WELCOME!

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
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, August 23

- 4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions
 4:30 p.m. Rosary
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
Intention: All Parishioners

SUNDAY, August 24

- 7:30 a.m. Rosary
 8:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: June Pumford +
 9:30 a.m. Rosary
 10:00 a.m. Holy Mass
*Intentions: Robert Knebelt + and
 Bluford + & Barbara Fleek +*

MONDAY, August 25

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

TUESDAY, August 26

- 8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Betty McDuffie +

WEDNESDAY, August 27

- 7:00 a.m. Men of St. Joseph
 8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Mike Mahne +

THURSDAY, August 28

- 8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Pat Nicholas +

FRIDAY, August 29

- 8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
*Intention: Mary Murphy + and
 Fr. Francis Cusack +*
 9:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration/Holy Hour

SATURDAY, August 30

- 11:00 a.m. Memorial Mass for Jessie Young
 4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions
 4:30 p.m. Rosary
 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
*Intentions: Sean Flemming + Margaret Schlosser +
 and Dick Armstrong +*

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 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, Stuart Hankins, Sue Creech, Deacon Joe Kurtenbach, Terry Barnett, Joseph Busta, Lori Hourihan King, Mike Handzau, Paul Anderson, Lana Harms, Celly Smith, Loretta Bergeron, Bob Hudson, Leigh Pitchford, Jean Claude Laurier, Tom Powell, Katherleen Atkinson, Bob Klee, Ellie Whitten, Madison Rajek, Tony Anzalone, Sister Julia, Deborah Donin and Malcom Dauzat. ***Please notify the Church Office if you need to add a name or remove a name from this list.***

ST. THOMAS BY THE SEA NEWS: Our new chiller is being delivered on Monday, August 25. The northeast parking lot will be closed but there will be parking in the middle and the southeast lot (by the main front road) as well as the west parking lot. Everything should be back to normal on Wednesday. We want to thank everyone who was involved in this project for their dedication and hard work.

WELCOME BACK TO CCD! All parishioners with children in Grades K-8 are encouraged to register with the Church Office. Classes will run from September 7 to May 3 (First Communion). We are looking forward to learning about the love of our Lord!

SCC (SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES) Our next SCC series begins the week of September 8, 2025. In this 10-week series, we will view and discuss Lectio Peter, available on Formed app. In this series led by Dr. Tim Gray, we continue to grow in knowledge, relationship and service with our God, have faith sharing and fellowship. Please consider joining one of our groups. To get more information or join a SCC group, contact Melissa Sibille at 850-566-1016 or the Parish Office.

ALFRED WASHBURN CENTER, a day care for the homeless in Pensacola (a St. Vincent de Paul Ministry), will be celebrating their 25th Anniversary on Thursday, September 11, from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Bishop Wack from the Diocese of Pensacola will be joining for the celebration. Food will be available. All are welcome. (Volunteers will be appreciated.)

THE LADIES OF THE HOLY SPIRIT BIBLE STUDY GROUP will begin our next study on Wednesday, September 17, from 6:15-8:00 p.m. in the parish library. Our Study will continue with the series Journey through the Scriptures: *The Bible and the Church Fathers* from the St. Paul Center. For more information, contact Diana D'Angelo at 440-487-4373 or Denise Jackson at the Church Office to register. Registration fee is \$30.00. All Ladies are welcome.



*Our Chapel is open for prayer
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 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.*

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August 17, 2025

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ADULT FAITH FORMATION... All are welcome!

- **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.
- **Ladies of the Holy Spirit Bible Study** meet on Wednesday evenings. If you are interested, call Diana D'Angelo at 440-487-4373 or Denise Jackson at 770-337-0704. Our next session will begin on September 17. You can register at the Parish Office.
- **Formed.org:** Sign up free as a parishioner and take advantage of the many Catholic faith-formation resources available.



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MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 30-31, 2025

	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	ALTAR SERVER	USHER	SACRISTAN
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Nancy Milton	J.R. Bedel Nancy Milton Denise Jackson	Al Bedel	Van Bielkiewicz Tim Drouilhet Denise Jackson Dave Bruni	J.R. Bedel
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Melissa Sibille	Vicki Brown – LLM Julie Bennett Marian Smith Neide Hourihan	John Scheel	Paul Brown Neide Hourihan Lynn Tampary Ouida Turner Robert Turner	John Scheel
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Annette Mitchell	M. Henderson – LLM Kathy Lindley Bob Lindley Joanie Pruett Melanie Reece	Steve Fletcher	Dan Cummings Patty Cummings Steve Kerchner Mike Pruett	John Scheel

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Chairperson
Van Bielkiewicz.....225-281-1107

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Suzanne Laurier.....251-981-1918

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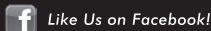
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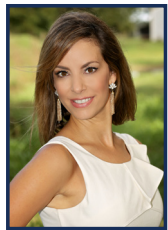
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