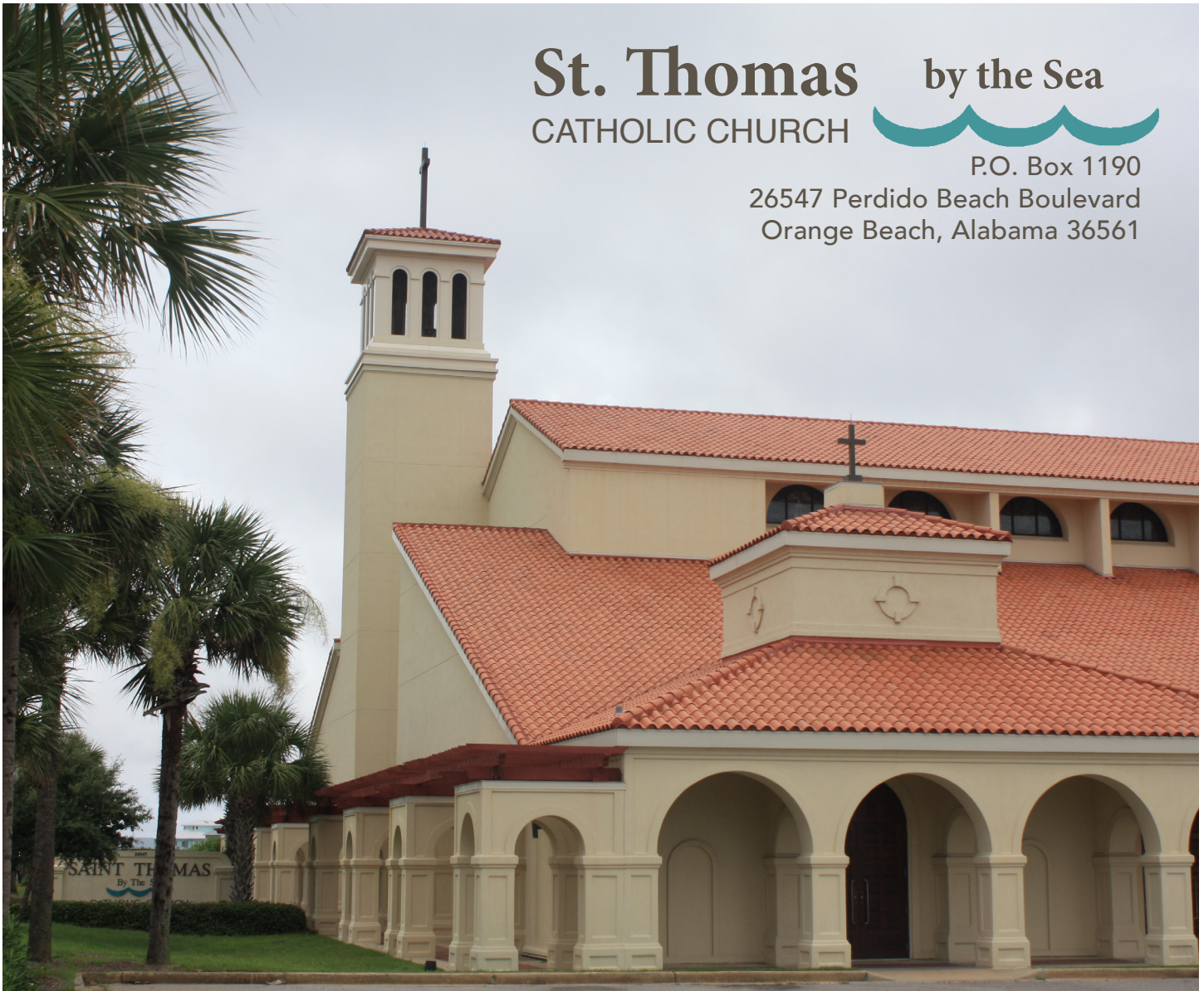


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WELCOME!

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 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
Intention: Sean Flemming +

SUNDAY, August 31

- 7:30 a.m. Rosary
 8:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Joseph Dupré +
 9:30 a.m. Rosary
 10:00 a.m. Holy Mass
*Intentions: Donna Flake +
 All Parishioners*

MONDAY, September 1 – Labor Day – Parish Office Closed

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

TUESDAY, September 2

- 8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Jessie Young +

WEDNESDAY, September 3

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

THURSDAY, September 4

- 8:40 a.m. Rosary
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Patty Hughes +

FRIDAY, September 5 – First Friday

- 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Intention: Mike + & Tom Barnett +
 9:30 a.m. Rosary/Eucharistic Adoration/
 Holy Hour

SATURDAY, September 6

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

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, 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, Katheleen Atkinson, Bob Klee, Ellie Whitten, Madison Rajek, Tony Anzalone, Sister Julia, and Mac Dauzat. ***Please notify the Church Office if you need to add a name or remove a name from this list.***

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 ten-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.

THE ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY will begin meeting again on Tuesday, September 9, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. All ladies are welcome!

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 Monday-Friday from
 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
 Office Hours are Monday-Friday from
 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.*



**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
 ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1,
 IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY.**

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD August 24, 2025

OFFERTORY	\$ 9,529.39
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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.

ALTAR LINEN CARE FOR SEPTEMBER: Marion Smith and Melanie Reece. Thank you, ladies! Anyone who would like to help with weekly laundering of purificators and corporals, contact Merrie Henderson at 850-982-5213. You will be paired with a partner, and only serve one month a year. Training will be provided. This is a great way to serve our Lord and the parish!

St. Thomas by the Sea is in need of a **FULL-TIME CUSTODIAN/MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN**. Please call the Church Office if you are interested.

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– USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities,
"Bridges of Mercy for Healing after Abortion"

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 6-7, 2025

	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	ALTAR SERVER	USHER	SACRISTAN
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Patrick Dalton	J.R. Bedel Mary Dalton Nancy Milton Denise Jackson	Al Bedel	Van Bielkiewicz Dave Bruni Denise Jackson Tim Douilhet	J.R. Bedel
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Bob Barnett	Vicki Brown (LLM) Julie Bennett Neide Hourihan Sharon Mahne	John Scheel	Paul Brown Neide Hourihan Ouida Turner Robert Turner	John Scheel
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Alice Madere	M. Henderson (LLM) Karen Locklin Mary Mercer Melanie Reece Cheryl Robinson	Steve Fletcher	Steve Kerchner Dan Cummings Patty Cummings Richard Mercer	John Scheel

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR ALL MASSES

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

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

Sacrament of Baptism

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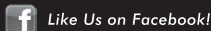
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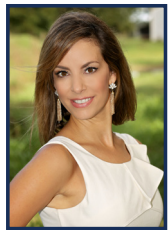
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