

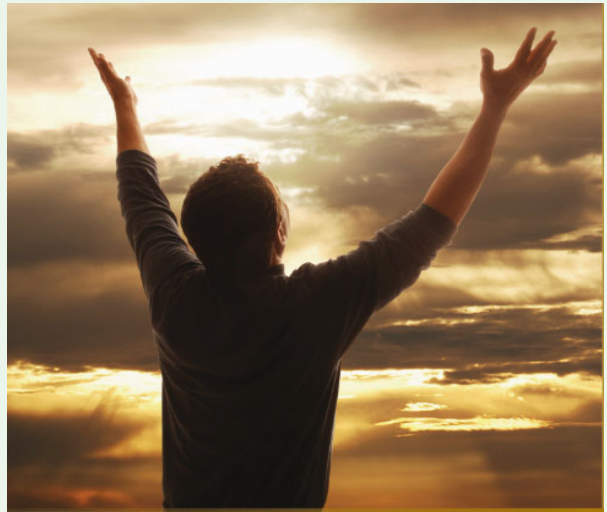
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00pm
Sunday Masses: 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:30am & 5:30pm
Tuesday-Thursday, 8:30am
Friday: 6:30am



Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.
—Matthew 25:13

NOVEMBER 12, 2017—THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Religious Education (SRE): Pre-School-5th Grades, Sundays 10:10-11:20am
6th-12th Grades, Sunday evenings, following the 5:30pm Lifeteen Mass, (September-May)

Baptism: Usually held on the second Sunday of each month. Preparation workshop is required.

Eucharistic Adoration: Every Friday from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm in the Chapel (upstairs in the Office Complex)

Marriage: Call the office at least six months in advance of scheduled wedding date. Attendance at pre-marriage course is required. Wedding policy guidelines may be obtained from office or on website.

Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:15 –3:45 pm (or call 863-1610 for an appointment.)

*We welcome you to St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, Long Beach, MS.
If you are new to the parish, please introduce yourself before or after Mass.
Please pick up a census form located in the back of the church, in the display cases,
or call the parish office.*

SCRIPTURE CORNER

WISDOM

We consider wisdom today. The first reading from the book of Wisdom presents this precious gift as a feminine spirit, a very desirable virtue sought by many and graciously present to all who seek her. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable to illustrate wisdom in a practical, measurable way. The wise will conserve their resources, use them prudently, and mark the passing of time. The foolish, on the other hand, not planning ahead, will be in the dark. Both of these readings tell us how accessible wisdom is to all who simply and honestly seek it.

Paul's words to the Thessalonians are not about wisdom, but describe one result of true wisdom: To the wise person of faith even death holds no terror. Our faith in Jesus' resurrection tells us we will all one day rise to new life in Christ.

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CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Next weekend, the diocese has asked us to take up a collection for Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Envelopes for this purpose (or plain envelopes) may be found on the display cases in Church. CCHD is dedicated to breaking the cycle of poverty by funding community programs that encourage independence. Your donations will give those in poverty the support they need to make lasting changes.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all of the participants and contributors of the Run for your Life. It was a huge success with over 117 participants and raised a total of \$2,315.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10; Lk 17:1-6
 Tuesday: Wis 2:23 — 3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19; Lk 17:7-10
 Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19
 Thursday: Wis 7:22b — 8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25
 Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37
 Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8 or (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33
 Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]



THANKSGIVING MASS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD, 9AM

FEW REMINDERS

****Sat Masses will be at 4pm, effective Nov 11th. Reconciliation will be from 3:15-3:45pm**

- Sun, Nov 12....Following 11:30am Mass, Baptisms
 - Sun, Nov 12....After 5:30 Mass, Life Teens, SVdP food sorting
 - Mon, Nov 13....7pm, RCIA with sponsors, Rm 222
 - Tues, Nov 14....9am, Quilters, Rm 222
 - Thurs, Nov 16....7pm, 2nd Gr Make-up Confirmation Parents mtg, SRE
 - Thurs, Nov 16....7pm, Knights of Columbus meet
 - Thurs, Nov 16....7pm, New Wine, Rm 222
 - Fri, Nov 17.... 8am7pm, Adoration in the Chapel
 - Sat, Nov 18....9-11am, G.I.F.T. meet in the CC
 - Sat, Nov 18....4pm, Vigil Mass
 - Sun, Nov 19....No Classes, PreK-5th (RCIC) SRE, Edge, Lifteen
- Baptism classes will be the last Sat of each month, Rm B222**

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WOMEN'S CURSILLO #271

Nov 30—Dec 3, 2017

The Cursillo weekend is for Catholics who are looking to enrich their faith and prayer life, as well as learn how to live a life of fullness in grace.

For more information contact Michelle Fleming at 236-7307 or michelle2694@gmail.com.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2017-2018 School Calendar



Nov 13-16...Prek3 leads Prayer & Pledge
Nov 15....Reading Fair Display in gym
Nov 16....Student of the Month recognition
Nov 17.... Thanksgiving Mass, led by Kindergarten
Nov 18-26 school closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday
228-222-6003

Www.svdpcatholicsschool.org

Children's Choir Rehearsals...6:15pm, Wed,
 music rehearsal room (except last Wed of month)

Liturgical Choir Rehearsals for 9am
Mass....7:15pm, Wed, (except last Wed of
 month)

Christmas Midnight Mass rehearsals....Thurs
 at 7:15pm until Christmas

"Testify" Preteen Choir Rehearsals....4pm,
 Most Sundays, music rehearsal room

DON'T FORGET TIME CHANGE TO 4PM FOR SATURDAY MASS, EFFECTIVE NOV 11TH!!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

COUNCIL #4898
Upcoming Events

Nov. 16....7pm, meeting
NO NOVEMBER BREAKFAST

For more information on membership or any questions, contact Ben DiLorenzo, Grand Knight, at 596-3379
LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!



Carnival Association of Long Beach Upcoming Event Presents:



The Woman-less Beauty Pageant

Sat, Nov 18, at St. Vincent de Paul School
Doors open at 6pm; show at 7pm
\$20. per person includes dinner & drinks
Must be 21 or older

Supporting the Walker-Frost Team
2017-2018
King Shane Walker &
Queen Linda Nguyen Frost



Contact:
Angie Johnson 228-897-9298
queenrosalie16@gmail.com

2017 • 2018



40th Anniversary Lumen Christi AWARD



Darlene and Mike Barry received the Lumen Christi Award for St. Thomas the Apostle, Saturday at the Cathedral from Bishop Kihneman.

Darlene & Mike work tirelessly for St Thomas. They both are members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, where Darlene serves as President. Mike is on the Pastoral Council. Both are Eucharistic Ministers.
Congratulations Mike & Darlene.



“He did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him.” (Mat 1:24)

God chose Joseph for a very special mission. Out of all of humanity, God chose Joseph to teach Jesus what it meant to be a man. Pope Francis calls St Joseph “the model for dads.”

As we prepare for Christmas, join us as we look at this man entrusted with the care and protection of God’s own son.

**ADVENT SCRIPTURE STUDY
St. Joseph—A Father Like No Other**

The study of Matthew Chapters 1,2 will be on Wed, Nov 29, Dec 6, and Dec 13 at 7pm on the 2nd floor, St Thomas Parish Office Complex. For more information call or text Dave Gauthier at 228-596-8835. No registration is required.



**ST. THOMAS YOUTH MINISTRY PARTY &
RAFFLE**

Mark your calendars for “Cocktails and Confetti” New Year’s Eve Party and Raffle sponsored by the St Thomas Youth Ministry. An awesome band is lined up, as well as champagne, breakfast, and tons of fun to ring in the New Year together. Ticket pricing and more information to come soon.

A NOTE FROM FATHER LOUIS LOHAN

Come visit me in Ireland and tour my beautiful country in April 2018, Spring, one of the most colorful months of the year. It promises to be a wonderful holiday on the Emerald Isle. Visit quaint little towns and villages along the way. The Irish are delighted to have you come and visit. We will be in “The Quiet Man” country side. Enjoy a cruise on the River Shannon. Pray and celebrate Mass at Ireland’s beautiful place of Pilgrimage, the Basilica at Knock Shrine where Our Lady appeared in 1879

Mass will be celebrated in my home church – St. Patrick’s in Newbridge, County Galway, and then lunch at my home on the family farm. Every evening we will retire to the very best hotels along The Wild Atlantic Way. Completely take over the elegant 14th Century Markree Castle, with a two - night stay, where an entertaining yet touching performance of an Immigrants Tale will be enjoyed. You will see Ireland at its best, with beautiful green, lush country side only matched by the warm and inviting hospitality of its people.

I would love to have you join me on this trip. Send me an email and I’ll give you all the information you need. Thanks, and God bless. With Love, Father Louis Lohan. Irelandwelcomesyou@gmail.com

**THE TIME IS DRAWING NEAR!!
SVdP THANKSGIVING HOME
GIVEAWAY**



Society of St. Vincent de Paul Members will be selling tickets this week-end for the Home Give Away.

How to Help

BUY A TICKET... You can buy 1 ticket, or... up to 50 tickets. Limit of 50 tickets per person. The raffle will end on Nov 24, 2017.

Grand Prize

Single Family Residence Valued at \$250,000. \$50,000 will be paid toward taxes making the total prize worth \$300,000. Designed by Darrell Bell, 15021 Dismuke Drive, Biloxi, MS 39532. 2,110 Sq. Ft Living Space, 240 Sq. Ft Porch, Elevator, Custom Cabinets, Central Heat & Air, Granite Countertops. All Appliances Included and MORE...

Other Prizes

Purchasers will qualify in the Drawing of Other Gifts & Door Prizes
(Details Will Be Available as More Prizes Are Donated)

Tickets

Tickets are \$100 and can be purchased at St. Thomas Church Office or online at: svdphomegiveaway.com



Both Middle and High School Students gather after the 5:30pm Life Teen Mass. Edge Nights (6th—8th grade) will gather upstairs in the Youth Room and Life Nights (9th –12th grade) will gather upstairs in the R.C.I.A. / Balcony area. The sessions will begin at 6:30pm and end at 8pm. Attendance will be taken each Sunday evening!

November

12th....Edge—”Blessing Bags and Corporal Works of Mercy” - The middle school youth will learn about the corporal works of mercy and prepare Blessing Bags to distribute to the homeless.

Life Teen—Night of Service—The high school students will help the SVdP Society prepare Thanksgiving food baskets to distribute to the needy.

19th....**NO EDGE OR LIFE TEEN DUE TO THANKSGIVING BREAK**

Ashlie Moran, youthministry@saintthomaslb.org
863-1610

SUPPORT FOR YOUTH SCRIP GIFT CARDS: ARE YOUR TAILGATING SUPPLIES GETTING LOW?

Please consider purchasing a gift card for your preferred retailer from St. Thomas to replenish your tailgating supplies and football parties! For athletic and sportswear, we offer Academy, Belk, Dillard's, Footlocker, J C Penney, Kohls and Marshalls, just to name a few. For tailgating supplies, (including takeout) we offer Subway, Buffalo Wild Wings, Winn-Dixie, WalMart and Target.

Find a gift card that perfectly matches your sports fan style! Stop by and purchase a gift card from the Support Our Youth Group Scrip Gift card sales table in the east foyer after Mass or at the Parish Office during the week. Remember, when you buy the gift cards from St. Thomas, our proceeds to youth programs that not only benefit our church, but the whole community. Thank you for your continued support!

ADVENT BEGINS DECEMBER 3RD.

PreK-5th Grade & RCIC Calendar (2017-2018)

CLASSES MEET ON SUNDAYS FROM 10:10 – 11:20am

***SAINT MOVIE SUNDAYS BEGIN AT 11:30 AM
MOVIE FEATURED ON Dec 3—The Fourth Wise Man”. A fictional story set in Biblical times and told in comic terms and based on Henry van Dyke’s classic, The Story of the Wise Man. More details to follow in next bulletin.

- Nov 12..... SRE Class– Safe Environment
- Nov 19.....NO SRE Class/Thanksgiving Holidays
- Nov 26.....SRE Class

SRE "SAFE ENVIRONMENT" CLASS

The Diocese of Biloxi is committed to providing a safe environment to all children entrusted to our care and assisting each child to grow in grace and wisdom. Please note that the classroom component of this diocesan program will be offered for lower grades on Sun, Nov 12. The children will be separated into boy groups and girl groups and the lessons will be taught for 30 minutes during SRE class time. This program was begun several years ago by the Diocese of Biloxi in an effort to raise awareness among children and parents about the signs of various forms of abuse. The Diocese’s policy concerning the abuse of minors can be found on the diocesan website: www.biloxidiocese.org. Materials of the safe environment lesson will be emailed to parents. Questions... please call or email Sr. Cecilia.

If you have children enrolled in the 9th, 10th, or 11th grade and have not received an email message from Sr. Cecilia regarding the Sacrament of Confirmation, please email Sr. Cecilia so you can be added to our Confirmation email list (ReligiousEducation@SaintThomasLB.org).

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT REHEARSALS

Rehearsals will begin on Sunday, November 26 from 12:45 pm to 2:00 pm in the church. If you have children in Pre-K to 5th grade and would like to participate, please email Sr.Cecilia for more information (ReligiousEducation@SaintThomasLB.org). This year our Christmas Pageant will be on Sunday, December 24 at 3:30pm prior to our Children Christmas Mass at 4pm.

IT’S NOT TOO LATE TO RETURN YOUR GROCERY BAG FOR SVdP THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKET. SUNDAY IS THE LAST DAY TO RECEIVE THE BAGS.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Tues, 11/14 8:30am + All Souls
Wed, 11/15 8:30am + All Souls
Thurs, 11/16 8:30am + All Souls
Fri, 11/17 6:30am + All Souls
Sat, 11/18 4:00pm + All Souls
Sun, 11/19 7:30am + All Souls
 9:00am + All Souls
 11:30am + All Souls
 5:30pm + All Souls

PETITIONS OF PRAYER

Barbara Munson, Barbara Sicotte, Brenda Woods, Effie Violanti, Ernest Necaize, Estelle Papania, George Frazer, James Byrnes, Jimmy DiLorenzo, Kenneth Necaize, L.J. St. Pierre, Linda Mignor, Mae Higgins (Jan Hansen's mother), Mike Kurowski, Nita Gross, Rene McDonald, Ron Mauffray, Ruby Morton, Tiffany Dawn Underwood, Vicki Weinstein, and all others in our parish and community in need of healing, physical or spiritual.

October Nuptials

Brian Beeman and Leslie Rutlege



Steve Coleman and Chelsea Bybee



REPOSE OF SOULS

† Bernard McMurphy
 † Martin Acosta

NEXT WEEKEND'S LAY MINISTERS

Nov 18 & 19

<u>4:00 PM Mass</u>	<u>7:30 AM Mass</u>	<u>9:00 AM Mass</u>	<u>11:30 AM Mass</u>	<u>5:30 PM Mass</u>
L Beverly Leslie	Blair Ryle	Brenda Allen	Rose Marie Ginn	L1 Felicity Madigan
C <u>Billie Lee</u>	<u>Michelle Schuyler</u>	<u>Annette Williams</u>		<u>L2 Faith Ponte</u>
<i>HOST</i>	<i>HOST</i>	<i>HOST</i>	<i>HOST</i>	<i>HOST</i>
EM1 Chris Johnson	Connie McKay	Mike Barry	Anne Scafide	Jerry Dubuisson
2 Priest	2 Priest	2 Priest	2 Priest	2 Priest
3 Patti Salvador	Jane Storey	Susan Paternostro		Murph Fortenberry
4 Susan Samson	Dan Pepper	Bob Vogt		Sharon Perez
<i>CHALICE</i>	<i>CHALICE</i>	<i>CHALICE</i>	<i>CHALICE</i>	<i>CHALICE</i>
1 Linda Carden	Tommy McKay	Darlene Barry	Brenda Boney	Suzanne Gibson
2 Charlotte West	Laura Pepper	Martita Pierce	Andrew Ribar	Greg Cuevas
3 Jerry West	Nita Gross	Paige Stinson		Julie LaFontaine
4 <u>Sr. Consilio Buckley</u>	<u>Ron Gross</u>	<u>Cindy Vogt</u>		<u>Ashlie Moran</u>
AS1 Christina Parry (K)	Riley Pepper (P)	Jayden Cooley (P)	Nathan Ribar (K)	Faith Ponte
2	Secilia Gundlach	Abby Stephens (P)	Blake Shaw (P)	Hope Ponte
3	Maria Schuyler (S)	Jack Mullins (S)	<u>Bradley Shaw (S)</u>	
4	<u>Sofia Schuyler (S)</u>	<u>Hayes Johnson</u>		
Gr E Nathan/Carol Paola		Carol Garrett	Amanda Merrell	
Gr S Patti Salvador			Brenda Boney	
Gr W <u>Heather Neale</u>		<u>Joyce Smith</u>	<u>Bob Boney</u>	

LAST WEEKEND'S OFFERINGS TOTALS

Envelopes, \$13,210.00
 Loose Money, \$1,165.00
 Children's Pickle Jar, \$55.00
 Electronic Giving, \$8,696.00

HURRICANE PRAYER

We ask Mary our Mother to join with us in praying that God will protect us and our neighbors during this hurricane season from the dangers and ravages of storms. We pray to the Lord. *Amen*

FEATURED AD OF THE WEEK

JACK BEATTIE'S

House of Carpet

Custom Drapery

Imported Tiles & Wood

864-6856

RECURRING AROUND THE PARISH...

St. Vincent de Paul Society...9:30am-12:30pm, Mon & Thurs, open to help
St. Joseph's Helping Hands...Work day is every first Sat of the month; mtg is every 4th Thurs
Adoration in the Chapel...8am-7pm, Fri
Youth Gift Cards (Scrip) sales...After all Masses & during office hours, 9am-4:30pm weekdays
Lunchkins....11:30am, Second Wed of month, Bring covered dish, CC
Knights of Columbus, Council #4898...7pm, every 1st & 3rd Thurs of the month

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