

# SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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> Office Hours Monday—Thursday 10:00AM - 8:00PM

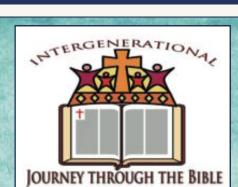
Preschool Office 770 - 432-8579 Ext. 125 Office Hours Tuesday—Thursday

10:00AM - 1:00PM

English Mass					
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Monday:	12 Noon				
Tuesday:	12 Noon				
Wednesday:	6:30 AM &				
	7:00 PM				
Thursday:	7:00 PM				
Friday:	12 Noon				
Saturday Vigil:	5:00 PM				
Sunday:	7:30 AM,				
	9:30 AM				
	11:30 AM &				
	5:00 PM				
Confession:					
Saturdays:	3:30 PM				

Horario de Misas en Español Lunes: 7:30 PM

Jueves:	8:00 PM
Sábado:	7:30 PM
Domingo:	6:00 AM
	2:00 PM &
	7:30 PM
Confesión:	
Sábados:	6:30 PM
Domingos:	1:00 & 6:30 F



# Intergenerational Journey Through the Bible Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Facilitated by Linda Mitchell-Blount

# Bring the WHOLE family and experience sharing:

- Why is Life a Journey?
- What is God's Salvation Plan?
- What books in the Bible show God's Salvation Plan?
- How Catholic Family Evangelization begins with Hearing the WORD
and Sharing the GOOD NEWS!

Register in the Commons Area of the church, e-mail: Imitcblunt@aol.com or call 770-432-8579 Ext. 122 for more information. Breakfast snack and Prizes included. See you there!





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Pastor: Rev. James H. Kuczynski, M.S. (x108) Parochial Vicars: Rev. Pedro Chingandu, M.S. (x106) • Rev. Andrews Kollannoor, M.S.. (x128) • Rev. Jaime Molina J., M.N.M. (x121) • Rev. Paul Rainville, M.S. (in residence x.193) • Deacons: Rev. Mr. Michael Garrett • Rev. Mr. Earl Jackson • Rev. Mr. Mark Mitchell Parish Administrator: Mr. Gus Scannapieco (x109)

# April 22, 2012



Stewardship is... what we DO after we say we Believe

Offertory/Ofertorio April 1	14-15, 2012
Budgeted (Presupuesto)	\$32,692.00
Actual (Actual)	\$29,389.00
Shortfall (Pérdida)	\$3,303.00

Thanks for your generosity! ¡Gracias por su generosidad!

FY 2012 Offertory Projection vs. Actual to Date Ofertorio: Proyección vs. Real

To Date Budget (Proyección)	\$1,373,077.00
To Date Actual (Real)	\$1,185,354.00
To Date Shortfall (Pérdida)	\$187.723.00

#### Update on our Capital Campaign Moving Forward In Hope Campaña Caminando en Esperanza

Goal (Meta)	\$5,000,000.00
Pledged (Compromisos)	\$3,158,888.00
Paid to date (Pagos)	\$998,543.00
Number of Donors (No. de Donantes	s)1.448



# Do everything for the glory of God

#### Archbishop's Annual Appeal 2012 Llamado Anual del Arzobispo 2012

Goal (Meta)	\$131,883.00
Pledged (Compromisos)	
Paid to date (Pagos)	\$29,469.00
Number of Donors (No. de Donante	
*518 Donors out of 6,	810 Registered Families

Our grateful thanks to all of you who have pledged to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal for 2012. We are close to our goal for pledges and pray for the completion of all payments against the pledges.

Nuestro sincero agradecimiento a todos aquellos que han hecho su compromiso para el Llamado Anual del Arzobispo 2012. Estamos a punto de cumplir nuestra meta y rogamos a Dios por que logremos cumplir con los pagos de esos compromisos. Please pray for the people who are listed on this Bulletin Sick List. Call the Parish Office to place a name on the list. Then we ask that you contact us one time per month and tell us how they are doing. They are always in our prayers.

Crista Acosta Brandi Dabney Ricky Carreño Bob Contino Doris Cushing Paula de Jesus Celestine Ekokobe Andrea Galvan Paula García Patiño Lauren Garger Sandy Haynes

**OUR PRAYERS - EN NUESTRAS ORACIONES** 

Teri Reese Hull Cordelia Kelly Gloria Kincer Alan Knieter Linda Laurens Shirley Loggins Frank Madden Kristina McGovern Dorothy Madson Leona Morales Sean O'Brien Rodolfo Proaño Arelys Ramírez Mary Ellen Rizzuto Steve Scheneman Lenna Spencer Bess Sprinkle Kimberly Urióstegui Patricia VanBuren Becky Villon

Here at St. Thomas the Apostle we have a **Prayer Line Ministry**. The members of this ministry are dedicated prayer warriors.

If you have a prayer request that you would like to place in the care of the Prayer Line, contact Valerie Panditaratne at 770-438-9078 or Email: vpandit@emory.edu

#### **Pray For Our Troops**

We remember in our prayers all of those who are serving in the military, especially: / Recordamos en nuestras oraciones a todos aquellos que se encuentran sirviendo en el ejército, especialmente:

Sgt. Manuel Chico, USA Sgt. Christopher Conkel, USMC SFC Steve Creason, GaARNG SFC Arcelio R. Davis, Jr. USA ET3 Carolyn Deacon, USN Sgt. Sonjanique Ferrell, USA Sgt. Mark Gallant, USA LCpl. Quinn Gordon, USMC SFC Charles Granke, USA PFC Ronald Griffin, Jr., USA Sgt. William Scott Haney, ARNG E3 Spencer Hanemann, USN PFC Brian Harris, USA Maj. Marise James, USAF HMC Damian J. Lovello LT CDR Dominic R. Lovello CW3 Peter Paul Leone, USA CPT Michael McDonald, USMC HM3 Kenneth McIntosh, II, USN 2LT Kyle Pernelli, USA Specialist Robert H. Roberts, USA Major Robert A. Robinson, II USA Pvt. Jeffrey Sanborn, USA Specialist Brian Sanders, USA CPT Anna Smith, ARNG MSG Donald Smith, USA S.Sgt. Michael Throne, USA CW4 Anthony Veney, USA Sgt. Richard Whelan, USMC

Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to add a family member who is serving in the military.

What our children at St. Thomas gave to God... El regalo de nuestros niños a Dios...

# ♥ April 7-8, 2012 ♥ ♥ Treasure (Tesoro) \$294.43 ♥

#### Time & Talent (Tiempo y Talento)

♥ I play with my brother (Jugué con mi hermano) ♥ I was good (Fui buena) ♥ I helped my aunt make food for Easter (Ayudé a mi tía a preparar la comida para el Domingo de Resurrección) ♥ Love gradma and grandpa (Amar a mis abuelitos) ♥ Made my parent's bed (Tender la cama de mis padres) ♥ Be nice (Ser amable) ♥ I gave my mom a ring (Le dí un anillo a mi mamá) ♥ I am not going to fight with my brother (No voy a pelear con mi hermano) ♥ I didn't talk back to my mother (No le respondí a mi mamá) ♥ I helped my mom (Ayudé a mi mamá) ♥ I Shared with my cousin (Ayudé a mi primo) ♥ Donating (Donar) ♥ I helped my mom with my sisters (Ayudé a mi mamá con mis hermanas) ♥ Giving money to the church and listening to mama (Dar dinero a la iglesia y escuchar a mamá) ♥ I helped my mom vacuum (Ayudé a mi mamá a aspirar) ♥ I washed the dishes (Lavé los platos) ♥ I cleaned up my toys (Recogí mis juguetes) ♥ Getting good grades (Sacar buenas notas) ♥ Caring for each other (Cuidarmos mutuamente) ♥

## Adult Faith Formation in action!

#### ear Parishioners,

As we come close to the end of our parish fiscal year, the Adult Faith Formation (AFF) department wishes to say THANK YOU for the time, talent, and treasure you have committed to the success of the programs we offer. Our goals would not be attainable without volunteers to help, financial support or attendance at the programs we offer.

Since I came to this position a couple of years ago, I am pleased with the progress we have made, however I am still grateful to my predecessor Maria Cressler for the great core team and volunteer group she left in place as well as the solid programs I have continued.

The goal of the AFF department is to form adults who actively cultivate a lively baptismal and Eucharistic spirituality with a powerful sense of mission and apostolate. I am elated to say that we are on target in achieving this goal. Our Ignite, Just Faith, Bible Study, Holy Hollywood and Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) have not only grown in terms of participants, but also in fostering small Christian communities of people ready to live their faith through prayer and mission.

Through **RCIA**, the parish welcomed, by full or partial initiation, about 60 new members this year. The program also continues as an avenue for a refresher course for practicing Catholics. In the coming year, we hope to work with some renowned theologians who teach at Ignatius House or at the Aquinas Center for Theology at Emory University. A crucial new ministry has been born into the parish through **Just Faith** sessions and the commitment of its graduates. The ministry feeds the homeless in the Bankhead/Hollowell parkway area. Our **Bible Study** group has been inspired by their use of the Great Adventures Bible study program to live the call to charity and justice by supporting this new ministry.

This year also saw an increased participation in our Holy Week activities. The **Holy Thursday** pilgrimage had over 600 walkers. The evening preceding the pilgrimage was the **Gospel Without Borders** session featuring Auxillary Bishop Zarama and Dr. Marie Friedmann as the guest speakers. The attendance of over 300 parishioners at this session on immigration issues superseded expectations.

Our **Parish Mission**, directed by Fr. William Jerema, will begin Monday, April 30 and conclude Wednesday May 2. (See Page 4 for more information). It my hope that all of you will participate in our parish mission and in all the other programs the AFF department offers.

Thank you again and I hope this coming fiscal year will see a continued improvement in the interest and participation in the programs we offer. Always remember, without you and your support, the AFF department has no reason to exist in the parish! The AFF department always welcomes your suggestions and ideas. Please feel free to contact our office by calling (770) 432-8579 ext 122 or 131.

Michael Okuto Director of Adult Faith Formation mokuto@stthomastheapostle.org



Rev. Jaime Molina, M.N.M., Most Rev. Luis Zarama and Rev. Jim Kuczynski, M.S. at Gospel without Borders, on March 29, 2012



Members of Just Faith distribute food to the poor on Saturdays (John Cressler, Johanna Baldwin, Shirley D'Sousa, Frank Madden and Pauline Bullard-Moore)



Holy Week 2012—Pilgrimage for Immigrants



Parishioners Patty Smith and Estela Martínez participated in the Washing of the Feet during the Holy Week 2012 Pilgrimage for Immigrants

## Help us keep your information updated!

Are you changing address or phone number? We seek to keep our records updated at the Church.

Please call the Parish Office at 770-432-8579 Ext 130 or send an e-mail to jcasey@stthomastheapostle.org so we can keep our records updated.

You may also go online to fill out an Address Update Form at: www.stthomastheapostle.org/update-my-info



### ¡Ayúdanos a mantener tu información actualizada!

Si cambias de dirección o teléfono por favor informa a la Oficina Parroquial.

Llama al 770-432-8579 Ext. 0 o envía un correo a jcasey@stthomastheapostle.org

También puedes actualizar tus datos en línea llenando la forma disponible en: www.stthomastheapostle.org/update-my-info

## Women's Day of Reflection THE GRATEFUL HEART

Sunday, May 6 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Ignatius House

Presented by Maria Cressler Followed by Mass and Dinner

Sign up in Commons the weekends of April 15th, 22nd & 29th

- \$25.00 per person
- Car Pooling can be arranged.

# **ENRICH YOUR LIFE (Enriquece tu vida)**



organizational addictions/dysfunction, and an eclectic approach to healing, wholeness and well-being. Read more about our Parish Mission speaker at: http://www.stthomastheapostle.org/parish-mission-2012.

Child care available for children ages 18 months to 4 years old.

.Call Maria Smith 404-579-4150 to register your child. Limited space available.

CATHOLICISM: Journey Around the World and Deep into the Faith is an engaging and interesting formational program which uses art, architecture, literature, music and all the treasures of the Catholic tradition to illuminate the timeless teachings of the Church. The series continues on Thursdays, from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. in the Adult Faith Formation Building. This week's topic is The Mystery of the Church's Sacraments and Worship. Next session: April 19th. You may still register at: www.stthomastheapostle.org/ catholicism or call Michael Okuto at 770-432-8579 Ext. 122 for more information.

#### Register now for a 33-day preparation for Consecration to Jesus through Mary

Sessions of 6 weekly meetings begin Sunday, April 29th at 6:30 p.m. in the Community House. The model follows four great Marian giants: St. Maximilian Kolbe, Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, Blessed John Paul II and St. Louis de Montfort.

Remember: When we consecrate ourselves completely to Mary, she will take our live into her motherly hands and teach us peace and love, and draw us closer to the Heart of Jesus. To register Call Clarence 770-432-5020 or E- Mail burkholder@mindspring.com

Let us continue praying for our priests and the success of the General Chapter of the Congregation of the Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette that is currently taking place in Willimantic, CT.

O Lord, fill the La Salette Missionaries with Your Spirit once again, just as you did for the apostles. Let your Spirit move the La Salette Missionaries; shake them; enlighten them; enliven them, and equip them to spread your gospel. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

# PARISH LIFE (Vida Parroquial)



**HELP WANTED ON MONDAYS AND FRIDAY MORNINGS** to assist the Pew Angels straightening up envelopes and missals in our pews. Stop by the Parish Office at 10:00 a.m. If you can help. **AYUDANOS A LOS ANGELITOS DE LAS BANCAS** que acomodan materiales en las bancas los lunes y viernes en la mañana. Pasa a la oficina parroquial a las 10:00 a.m. si puedes ayudar.



**REMEMBER THEIR SACRIFICE Military Ministry (RTS)** serves the needs of the military families within our parish. Contact Roger Landry at 770-333-9904 for more information.

**EI MINISTERIO MILITAR (RTS)** apoya a las familias que tengan seres queridos sirviendo en el ejército. Para más información por favor contactar a Juan Morales al 678-524-1947.



#### COOKING FOR OUR CLERGY:

Do you like to cook? Why not sign up to bring a Sunday meal to our priests? Directions are listed on the sign up sheet which is available on the bulletin board in the Commons. Happy Cooking! COCINANDO PARA NUESTROS SACERDOTES: Si te gusta cocinar, anótate en la lista del Área Común y encuentra instrucciones para ofrecer una comida en día domingo para nuestros sacerdotes.

# Activities For Kids Actividades para NNos



#### - Enroll your children in Catechism:

Parish School of Religion (PSR) NEW registrations will be accepted after July 1. Registration forms for enrolled students were sent out on April 9<sup>th</sup>. For more information please call 770-432-5296 or visit: www.stthomastheapostle.org/education/psr

#### Registra a tus niños en Catecismo:

El Departamento de Doctrina (PSR) abrirá matrícula para NUEVOS estudiantes a partir del 1º de julio. Hojas de registro para estudiantes activos serán enviadas a casa a partir del 9 de abril. Para más información llamar al 770-432-5296.

#### • Story Time:

Bring your little ones to Classroom #2 every Thursday at 10:00 a.m. and enjoy magical stories, crafts and snacks! Story time stops on May 24<sup>th</sup> and resumes in September 2012.

#### Hora del Cuento (en inglés)

Trae tus pequeños al Salón #2 todos los jueves a las 10:00 a.m. y disfruta de historias mágicas, manualidades y merienda! Haremos una pausa a partir del 24 de mayo y continuaremos con La Hora del Cuento a partir de Septiembre 2012.

• **Preschool Summer Camp:** June 18th – June 21st and June 25th – June 28th Looking for children ages 3 – 5 (ages as of 9/12/2012) to join the fun! Call 770-432-8579 Ext. 125 for more information or register by May 1, 2012 at: www.stthomastheapostle.org/preschool-summer-camp-2012

**Campamento de Verano:** el 18-21 de junio y 25-28 de junio. Matrícula Abierta para para niños de 3 a 5 años de edad Llama al 770-432-8579 Ext. 125 para más información o registrate en línea antes del 1º de mayo en la página: www.stthomastheapostle.org/preschool-summer-camp-2012

 Vacation Bible School (VBS): June 11-15, 2012. See inset on the right. Escuela Bíblica de Verano: Junio 11-15, 2012. Ver información al lado.



Totally Catholic Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Get ready for the adventure of a Lifetime... The Sky's the Limit!

New friends \* Amazing Experiments \* Wild Games \* Lip smacking Snacks \*

\* Surprising Adventures \*

\* Incredible Music \*

June 11-15 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Registration forms are available in the PSR office or online at: www.stthomastheapostle.org/vbs2012

For more information call the PSR Office at 770-432-5296

Invitamos a todos los niños de Santo Tomás a participar en la Escuela Bíblica de Verano (VBS)

¡Una semana llena de diversión, juegos, experimentos, nuevos amigos, deliciosas meriendas y música increíble!

> SKY (Cielo) 11 al 15 de junio 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Hojas de registro disponibles en la oficina de catecismo o en la página web: www.stthomastheapostle.org/vbs2012

> Para más información llama a la Oficina de Catecismo al 770-432-5296

## **Today's Gospel Reflection**

#### Read Sunday's gospel, Luke 24:35-48.

#### **Reflection for Families**

Changes take place in all of us that prevent people who have not seen us for some time from recognizing us. When friends and relatives see our children after a long absence, they almost always comment on the changes in size, height, hair color, voice, and mannerisms. While Jesus appeared changed to the disciples and we have never even seen him at all, we still know he is with us. Each week at Eucharist, Jesus appears to us. Sometimes it is we who have to change in order to recognize Jesus and receive the joy he brings us in the Eucharist.

#### Bringing the Gospel into Your Family

Bring a globe or world map to your family praver table or area. Try to name as many places as you can where the Good News has reached the people of the world. Share your ideas with one another about what this means to us Christians and Catholics. How are we united throughout the world? What work still lies ahead for us? How can we help accomplish that work? Conclude vour discussion by praying for our church and its missionaries.

#### **Discussion Starters**

- I have helped bring the Good News into the world by...
- One way I see the breaking of the bread build up the family of our parish is by...
- One of the best examples I have recently seen (or heard of) where someone shares the Good News is...

Gospel Reflections courtesy of RCL Benziger



# This week in our parish

, APRIL 23		THURSDAY, AP	RIL 26
AM PRE PM MA3 † Her PM 1 <sup>ST</sup> PM MIS	<b>Try Hanemann</b> Eucharist Practice Group A	8:00 AM 9:30 AM 10:00 AM 6:30 PM <b>7:00 PM</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> <b>8:00 PM</b>	EVANGELIZATION PRESCHOOL BIBLE STUDY STORY TIME ROSARY MASS † Gary Salapare BIBLE STUDY MISA Alfredo & Martha Pecina

#### **TUESDAY, APRIL 24**

MONDAY,

9:30

12:00

7:00 7:30

9:30 AM		PRESCHOOL
12:00 PM		Mass
	t	Thomas & Evelyn O'Donnell
5:30 PM		INEA
6:30 PM		CENTERING PRAYER
		ENGLISH CLASS
7:00 PM		<b>1ST EUCHARIST PRACTICE GROUP B</b>
		CHILDREN'S CHOIR
		DISCIPLES CLASS
		REMEMBER THEIR SACRIFICE
7:30 PM		SVdP
7:45 PM		DISCIPLES CLASS

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR B

6:30 AM		Mass	9
	t	Matthew Minyono & All Souls	10
7:00 AM		ADORATION	
9:30 AM		JUST FAITH	
		PRESCHOOL	11
6:45 PM		BENEDICTION	11
7:00 PM		Mass	12
		Rodolfo & Angelica Proaño	2
7:00 PM		CRACK IT OPEN	3
		JUST FAITH	5
		KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	
7:30 PM		LIFETEEN BAND	5
8:30 PM		SMALL FAITH COMMUNITIES	
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#### FRIDAY, APRIL 27 9:30 AM PRESCHOOL 12:00 PM MASS † Gloria Vigne Gavion 6:00 PM INEA **ENGLISH CLASS** 6:30 PM WINE & CHEESE SOCIAL 7:00 PM CHILDREN'S CHOIR INSTRUMENTAL 8:00 PM EVANGELIZATION FOLLOW UP GIRL SCOUTS

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 28

9:00 AM		BAUTISMOS
10:00 AM		INTERGENERATION BIBLE STUDY
		Maria Niña
		RECOVERY
11:00 AM		CHILDREN'S CHOIR
11:30 AM		SANDOVAL QUINCEAÑERA
12:00 PM		CHILDREN'S GUITAR CLASSES
2:00 PM		COMMUNITY WEDDINGS
3:30 PM		CONFESSIONS
5:00 PM		Mass
		In honor of St. Anthony
5:00 PM		CATEQUESIS DE ADULTOS
		INEA GRADUATION
7:30 PM		MISA
	t	Jose Valdia Ponce



FIRST READING: ACTS 4:8-12 SECOND READING: I JOHN 3:1-2 GOSPEL: JOHN 10:11-18

MISA	4:00 PM
People of St. Thomas and	5:00 PM
Immigration Reform	
Mass	6:00 PM
† Roseline Viola	7:30 PM
MASS	
† Joseph Downey	
NURSERY AVAILABLE	
LEGION OF MARY	
MASS	
† Carmino Sais	
NURSERY AVAILABLE	
MISA	
† Francisca Valdivia	
† Micaela Martinez	
Nursery Available	
	People of St. Thomas and Immigration Reform Mass † Roseline Viola Mass † Joseph Downey † Helen Downey NURSERY AVAILABLE LEGION OF MARY MASS † Carmino Sais NURSERY AVAILABLE MISA † Francisca Valdivia

#### 5:00 PM MASS † Eileen Sullivan 6:00 PM

7:30 PM MISA

#### LIFE TEEN MOVIE NIGHT

DIVINA VOLUNTAD

† Miguel Angel Caballero

Dates and times as of 04-16-12





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