



# SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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October 14, 2012

## Parish Office

770 - 432-8579

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## Office Hours

Monday—Friday

9:00AM—5:00PM

Closed Wednesday 1PM-3PM

## Religious Ed. Office

770 - 432-5296

## Summer Office Hours

Monday—Thursday

10:00AM - 5:00PM

## Preschool Office

770 - 432-8579 Ext. 125

## Office Hours

Tuesday—Thursday

10:00AM - 1:00PM

## English Mass

### Schedule

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 PM

# walking for a dream

## Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>

### Silver Comet Trail

See Page 4 for updated information



## Caminando por un Sueño

### Sábado, Octubre 20 - Silver Comet Trail

Ver Página 4 para información de última hora

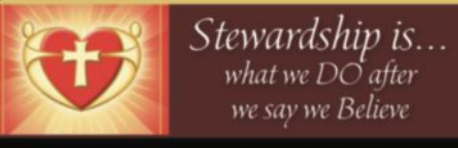


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**Pastor:** Rev. James H. Kuczynski, M.S. (x108)

**Parochial Vicars:** Rev. Pedro Chingandu, M.S. (x106) • Rev. Andrews Kollanoor, 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)



**Offertory/Ofertorio October 6-7, 2012**

Budgeted ( <i>Presupuesto</i> ) .....	\$38,000.00
Actual ( <i>Actual</i> ) .....	\$26,009.00
Shortfall ( <i>Pérdida</i> ).....	\$11,991.00

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

To Date Budget ( <i>Proyección</i> ) .....	\$570,000.00
To Date Actual ( <i>Real</i> ) .....	\$366,545.00
To Date Shortfall ( <i>Pérdida</i> ) .....	\$203,455.00

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

Goal ( <i>Meta</i> ) .....	\$5,000,000.00
Pledged to Date .....	\$3,075,375.00
<i>Compromisos hasta la fecha</i>	
Past Due 12 Payments.....	(\$425,800.00)
<i>12 Pagos atrasados</i>	
Pledges Net of Past Due .....	\$2,649,575.00
<i>Compromisos netos</i>	
Collected to Date .....	\$1,437,121.00
<i>Recolectado hasta la fecha</i>	
Campaign Expenses .....	(\$245,840.00)
<i>Gastos de Campaña</i>	
Net Fund to Date.....	\$1,191,281.00
<i>Pagos netos hasta la fecha</i>	
Number of Donors ( <i>No. de Donantes</i> ) .....	1,365

**Archbishop Annual Appeal 2012**  
**Llamado Anual del Arzobispo 2012**

Goal ( <i>Meta</i> ).....	\$131,883.00
Pledged ( <i>Compromisos</i> ) .....	\$170,450.00
Paid to date ( <i>Pagos</i> ).....	\$97,240.00
Number of Donors ( <i>No. de Donantes</i> ) .....	855

## In Our Prayers / En Nuestras Oraciones

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  | Paula García Patiño | Shirley Loggins    | Sylvia Rojas        |
| Brandi Dabney  | Lauren Garger       | Joe Maknauskas     | Steve Scheneman     |
| Chris Campbell | Sandy Haynes        | Frank Madden       | Lenna Spencer       |
| Ricky Carreño  | Denisse Hernandez   | Dorothy Madson     | Margaret Spencer    |
| Bob Contino    | Cordelia Kelly      | Leona Morales      | MaryAnne Sutter     |
| Doris Cushing  | Gloria Kincer       | Rodolfo Proaño     | Kimberly Urióstegui |
| Paula de Jesus | Alan Knieter        | Arellys Ramirez    | Becky Villon        |
| Robbie Dorough | Linda Laurens       | Mary Ellen Rizzuto |                     |

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 [vpandit@emory.edu](mailto: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        | PFC Ronald Griffin, Jr., USA    | 2LT Kyle Pernelli, USA            |
| Sgt. Christopher Conkel, USMC | Sgt. William Scott Haney, ARNG  | PFC Ernest Dean Rivera, USA       |
| SFC Steve Creason, GaARNG     | E3 Spencer Hanemann, USN        | Specialist Robert H. Roberts, USA |
| SFC Arcelio R. Davis, Jr. USA | PFC Brian Harris, USA           | Major Robert A. Robinson, II USA  |
| ET3 Carolyn Deacon, USN       | Maj. Marise James, USAF         | Pvt. Jeffrey Sanborn, USA         |
| Sgt. Sonjanique Ferrell, USA  | LT CDR Dominic R. Lovello       | CPT Anna Smith, ARNG              |
| Sgt. Mark Gallant, USA        | CW3 Peter Paul Leone, USA       | S.Sgt. Michael Throne, USA        |
| LCpl. Quinn Gordon, USMC      | LCpl. Gerardo Morales, Jr. USMC | CW4 Anthony Veney, USA            |
| SFC Charles Granke, USA       | HM3 Kenneth McIntosh, II, USN   |                                   |

Please contact the Parish Office if you have a family member who is serving in the military.

## Next Sunday's Readings / lecturas para el próximo domingo

October 21, 2012—Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Reading: Isaiah 53:10-11  
Second Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16  
Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

For complete list of weekly readings please visit: [www.usccb.org/bible/readings](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings)

## Children's Offering / Ofrenda de los Niños

September 29-30, 2012



**Treasure (Tesoro): \$329.66**

**Time & Talent (Tiempo y Talento):** ♥ I was

good at school (Me porté bien en la escuela) ♥ I behaved well with my mom (Me porté bien con mami) ♥ I took care of my sister (Cuidé a mi hermanita) ♥ I prayed the rosary (Resé el rosario) ♥ I helped my mom (Ayudé a mi mamá) ♥ I'm going to be nice (Voy a ser amable) ♥ Help people out (Ayudar a los demás) ♥ I cleaned my room (Limpié mi dormitorio) ♥ I helped my sister clean up our room (Ayudé a mi hermana a limpiar nuestro dormitorio) ♥ Obey my mom (Obedecer a mi mamá) ♥ Prayed to Virgin Mary (Le resé a la Virgen María) ♥ Act really good (Actuar super bien) ♥ Give donation to the poor kids (Dar donativo para los niños pobres) ♥ I helped around the house (Ayudé con los queaseres de la casa) ♥ I will be good to my family (Ser bueno con mi familia) ♥ I helped preparing food and washed dishes (Ayudé a cocinar y a lavar los platos) ♥

Children's Envelopes available in Commons Area.

### St. Thomas' Trunk or Treat

Friday, October 26th  
6:30—8:30 p.m.



It's a family affair! Come dressed as a Saint or in your Halloween costume. The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the upper parking lot. Join us in the Social Hall for lots of games, a cake walk, dinner will be available to buy and loads of candy and treats will be given out. Trunk or Treat is a safe and fun environment for kids to trick or treat. **Mark your calendar now for this fun evening.** You and your children will not want to miss this special, fun evening.

**If you are interested in decorating your car/van/truck/SUV or donating a cake for the cake walk, volunteering, please contact: Lori Rodgers at 770-432-5296 or lrodders@stthomastheapostle.org.**

We are also looking for individually wrapped candy donations and game prize donations. The candy and prizes can be turned into the Religious Education Office.



### The Good News People Program

As part of the Year of Faith, the Adult Education department is offering a new program beginning in late October.

The Good News People Program is a hope-filled and enriching, small group, parish-based program inviting us to new ways of understanding our faith, ourselves, and the needs of the world around us. The program is a dynamic 14-session process (7 sessions in the Fall and 7 sessions in the Spring). Each session includes prayer, reflection on sacred scripture, teachings from the Catechism, stories of "Good News" people, discussion and sharing as well as a specific focus on a particular virtue for each week.

Participants will engage in a process designed to assist them in becoming more familiar with the biblical witness of Jesus and the call to discipleship through prayer, reflection, and action. Sign up now – and invite friends to join you. Our parish will have multiple groups of 10 people each.

For details, please contact the Adult Faith Formation Office at 770-432-8579 Ext. 122 or Ext. 131.

### A Call To Serve

An Altar Server Training session for those wishing to serve at the English masses will be held on Tuesday, **October 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** in the church.



We are looking for boys and girls, teens, men and women from Grade 4\* to 99 to serve the people of St. Thomas every week at mass. There is a urgent need for servers at the 11:30 a.m. and the 5:00 p.m. Sunday Masses.

If you or anyone you know is interested please plan on attending the training session on Tuesday, October 16th at 6:30 p.m.

\*You must have received 1st Eucharist to be an Altar Server.

Questions Call – Gregg Senecal at 404-697-4961 or e-mail: [greggsenecal@bellsouth.net](mailto:greggsenecal@bellsouth.net)

### Living Your Strengths Journey

Explore your unique God-given talents during a 6-week group study, beginning Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>.  
More information on Page 5.



### Coming soon ...

**October 20**  
6:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Silver Comet Trail  
**WALKING FOR A DREAM**  
Register after Masses.  
Return donations no later than Sunday, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>.  
See Page 4 for details.

**October 26**  
6:30 p.m. (NEW time!)  
Social Hall & Parking Lot  
**TRUNK OR TREAT**  
A safe and fun environment for kids to trick or treat.  
See Page 3 for details.

**November 10**  
1:30 p.m.  
Main Sanctuary  
**EMBRACE**  
Have you lost a child through miscarriage, still-birth and infant death?  
See Page 4 for details about a Memorial Mass.

**November 11**  
9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Mass  
**HONORING VETERANS**  
All veterans and families are encouraged to attend. Breakfast served after Mass.  
See Page 4 for details.







Get your walking shoes ready!

Walking for a Dream, our parish Walk-A-Thon, is only days away. It's sure to be a family-fun event through which we'll move yet a little closer to our goal of building a new church.



**Infant Loss Remembrance**

Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m.

Have you or your family experienced the lost of a child through miscarriage, stillbirth and infant death? These painful events in our lives cause a grief that is most often ignored by society. We, at St. Thomas the Apostle, want to change this pattern and celebrate the lives of these saints.

On Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. we will celebrate a special memorial Mass in our parish for all families who have lost a child due to one of these devastating events.

After the Mass, we will proceed to the Memorial Garden for a ceremony where, if you choose, you will be able to name your child, which will be placed in a Book of Life that is kept in the archives of the Archdiocese of Atlanta.

For more details, please contact Deacon Mark Mitchell at [mmitchell@stthomastheapostle.com](mailto:mmitchell@stthomastheapostle.com) or call the parish office.

**ESPECIALLY NOTE IMPORTANT CHANGES (highlighted in BLUE)**

WHEN: Saturday, October 20th

**REGISTRATION TIME:** 6:00 a.m. until 12noon (You can continue to complete your walk throughout the day, but STA volunteers will not be present after 12:00 p.m.)

**STARTING POINT:** St. Thomas the Apostle parking lot (transportation to the Silver Comet Trail will be provided)

**BRING:** Water, snacks, cell phone

**COLLECTING PLEDGE MONEY:**

**Saturday, October 20 – day of Walkathon. No money collected.**

You may turn in your donations after weekend Masses throughout the month of October; (please do not bring donations to the church office.)

If you have not already signed up and are interested in participating, contact Maddie Deleski at 770-435-2331 or Yolanda Luna at 404-723-3183.

**¡Prepara tus zapatos de caminar!**

Ya se acerca el día de la caminata “Caminando por un Sueño”. Todos los fondos recolectados serán destinados a la construcción de nuestra nueva iglesia. La Caminata será el 20 de octubre. **NO SE RECIBIRAN DONACIONES EL DIA DEL EVENTO.** Por favor entregar listas de patrocinio y donaciones después de las Misas de fin de semana, hasta el 28 de octubre. Para más información, llamar a Elías Villatoro al 770-329-0626.

**PARISH AGENDA—OCTOBER 15-OCTOBER 21, 2012**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 15**

JAMAICA MISSION TRIP  
 9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
 9:30 AM EXERCISE CLASS  
**12:00 PM Mass**  
 † **T.J. McDonald**  
 4:30 PM PSR  
 6:00 PM INEA  
 6:30 PM SP RECONCILIATION  
 PARENT PREP  
 7:00 PM PSR  
 EMA CHOIR  
**7:30 PM Misa**  
 8:00 PM EVANGELIZATION CHOIR

**12:00 PM MASS**  
**Samson Edem**  
 6:00 PM INEA  
 6:30 PM ALTAR SERVERS  
 CENTERING PRAYER GROUP  
 7:00 PM BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY  
 EMA CHOIR  
 1ST RECONCILIATION  
 PARENT PREP  
 GOOD NEWS FACILITATORS  
 7:30 PM SVdP  
 7:45 PM APOSTLES  
 8:15 PM APOYO A LA FAMILIA

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17**

JAMAICA MISSION TRIP  
**6:30 AM MASS**  
 † **Margret Hoelzer**

7:00 AM ADORATION  
 9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
 9:30 AM JUST FAITH  
 EXERCISE CLASS  
 6:00 PM INEA  
 6:45 PM BENEDICTION  
 7:00 PM PSR  
 CRACK IT OPEN  
 JUST FAITH  
 MFIH MEETING  
 STA CAFÉ MEETING  
**7:00 PM MASS**  
 LIFE TEEN BAND  
 7:30 PM SMALL EVANGELIZED  
 8:30 PM COMMUNITIES

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18**

9:00 AM PRESCHOOL

10:00 AM BIBLE STUDY  
 STORY TIME  
 6:00 PM INEA  
 6:30 PM ROSARY  
 7:00 PM BIBLE STUDY  
 7:00 PM CHOIR REHEARSAL  
**7:00 PM MASS**  
 7:00 PM PSR  
 THIRSTY THURSDAY  
 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
**8:00 PM Misa**  
 † **Amelia Romero**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19**

8:00 AM MOMS IN PRAYER  
 9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
 9:30 AM EXERCISE CLASS  
**12:00 PM MASS**

Ministerio de Apoyo a la Familia

El grupo de Apoyo a la Familia está dirigido a mujeres de la comunidad católica de nuestra parroquia. Se tratarán temas psicológicos de interés para la mujer, para la familia y para la comunidad en fe.

Participa en las reuniones, todos los martes de 8:15 p.m. a 9:45 p.m. en el Salón #6, a partir del 16 de octubre. Cupo limitado.

Entre los temas a tratar están: La estructura de la familia y los valores, educación de los hijos en la fe Cristiana, comunicación en la familia, disciplina en la parroquia y en casa, etapas del desarrollo de los hijos, negligencia, violencia doméstica, abuso infantil, etapas de desarrollo de la pareja, crisis de la pareja, alcoholismo y drogadicción.

Para más información llamar a Amelia Turrubiates\* al 678-575-1812.

\* **Amelia Turrubiates** es miembro activa de la parroquia, **Consejera, Terapeuta y Psicóloga**



Living Your Strengths



Last Saturday, our parish had a workshop facilitated by Lisa Aslinger, an expert on life long Catechesis and Stewardship.

Lisa invited us to explore the potential for our lives that lies in the uniqueness of God's gifts to us, and to recognize the unique strengths of others.

Come, discover your strengths and live the journey with us!

Six-week group study begins on November 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

Call Adult Faith Formation Office for more information: 770-432-8579 Ext 122 or 131.



No-Doubt Newsletter—Fall Edition 2012

The second issue of our parish newsletter is now available! Don't miss this new edition which includes photos of our latest parish events, spotlight on ministries, updates on our capital campaign and more!

Subscribe today at: [www.stthomastheapostle.org/communications/newsletter](http://www.stthomastheapostle.org/communications/newsletter)

Attention Veterans!

The Remember Their Sacrifice Ministry is pleased to announce that **the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, November 11th, Veterans' Day, will be offered in thanksgiving to all Veterans who have served to protect our home and our freedom. ALL Veterans are encouraged to attend this liturgy.** In addition, the Knights of Columbus have graciously volunteered to prepare a breakfast immediately following the liturgy. In order to assure that enough food is prepared, all veterans wishing to attend the breakfast following the Mass need to contact Juan Morales at 678-524-1947 on/or before November 4th.




Retreat at Ignatius House: October 19th-21st

**RETREAT, REFLECT and REIGNITE** your faith and personal relationship with God on a retreat at Ignatius House. For more information and to register visit [www.IgnatiusHouse.org](http://www.IgnatiusHouse.org), call 404.255.0503, or email: [smachek@ignatiushouse.org](mailto:smachek@ignatiushouse.org) (A \$50 advance deposit is required.)



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† Fr. Ronaldo Abrera
6:00 PM INEA
8:00 PM ASAMBLEA DE ORACIÓN
WALKATHON MEETING
<b>SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20</b>
STA CAFÉ AFTER MASSES
6:00 AM WALKING FOR A DREAM
9:00 AM RCIA RETREAT
10:00 AM RECOVERY INTERNATIONAL
10:30 AM ELIAS MEMORIAL
2:00 PM BARAJAS QUINCEAÑERA
3:30 PM CONFESSIONS
5:00 PM CATEQUESIS DE ADULTOS
RITE OF ACCEPTANCE
<b>5:00 PM MASS</b>
† Bonnie Wade
<b>7:30 PM MISA</b>
† Humberta Galeno



Dates and times as of 10-08-12

<b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21</b>		TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B	
STA CAFÉ AFTER MASSES			
<b>6:00 AM Misa</b>		<b>11:30 AM Mass</b>	<b>Noemi Georges</b>
<b>7:30 AM Coro de la Mañana</b>		<b>12:30 PM</b>	<b>NURSERY AVAILABLE</b>
<b>9:30 AM Mass</b>			SPANISH RCIA
† Teri Reese Hull			APO MEETING
<b>9:30 AM Mass</b>		<b>2:00 PM Misa</b>	
<b>People of St. Thomas</b>		<b>5:00 PM Mass</b>	<b>Arturo, Bianca &amp; Larissa López</b>
<i>NURSERY AVAILABLE</i>		† Zeferina Gallegos	
<b>9:30 AM PSR</b>		<b>2:00 PM</b>	LT EUCHARISTIC MIN TRAINING (AE)
<b>RCIA</b>		<b>3:30 PM</b>	LT EUCHARISTIC MIN TRAINING (MS)
<b>11:00 PM</b>	<b>LEGION OF MARY</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>	LIFENIGHT
<b>11:15 AM</b>	<b>PSR</b>	<b>7:30 PM</b>	<b>Misa</b>
	<b>PARENT BAPTISMAL CLASS</b>	† Ruth Valdez	
		† Rafael Martínez	
		† Arcadio García	

# Year of Faith

October 11, 2012 - November 24, 2013



Learn more about  
**The Year of Faith at:**

The United States  
Conference of Catholic  
Bishops webpage at:  
[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)

Direct link:  
(case sensitive)  
<http://bit.ly/NtRTCN>



*Each year our parish welcomes many adults entering the Catholic Church, or those just thinking about it, they follow a process known as the R.C.I.A. — the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Each week, the Adult Faith Formation office continues trying to explain what is involved in the R.C.I.A. process and help parishioners understand more about the program and appreciate ways to journey with those going through the program.*

## The Period of the Catechumenate

### Acceptance into the Catechumenate

On October 20th 2012 at the 5:00P.M mass, our RCIA class after a time in retreat, will celebrate the Rite of Acceptance. The Rite of Acceptance into the Catechumenate is the first of the public rites celebrated in the RCIA. During this important ritual the inquirers publicly declare their intentions to continue their journey toward full initiation into the Catholic Church. This rite can be celebrated at various times during the year depending on need, and can be adapted for those already baptized as Catholics or in another Christian denomination.

### Purpose

The period of the RCIA called the Catechumenate is an extended period of time for catechumens and candidates during which they receive suitable formation in the faith and life of the Church. Since the process of conversion varies for each individual there is no fixed amount of time for this period. It should be long enough for the conversion and faith of the catechumen and candidate to become strong. The Rite states that since the duration of the Catechumenate depends upon the grace of God, no specific time can be determined in advance, but that it “should be long enough – several years if necessary” for conversion to take place.

### Catechetical Method

There are four elements in the Catechumenate Period, which together are meant to bring about maturity in commitment to the Catholic Faith. They are:

1. Catechesis
2. Familiarity with the Christian way of life
3. Liturgical rites
4. Apostolic works.

"The 'door of faith' (Acts 14:27) is always open for us, ushering us into the life of communion with God and offering entry into his Church."

- Pope Benedict XVI



## Adult Faith Formation Office

Michael Okuto 770-432-8579 Ext. 122 [mokuto@stthomastheapostle.org](mailto:mokuto@stthomastheapostle.org)

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