



# SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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January 27, 2013

## 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

## Office Hours

Monday—Thursday

10:00AM—6:00PM

## 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

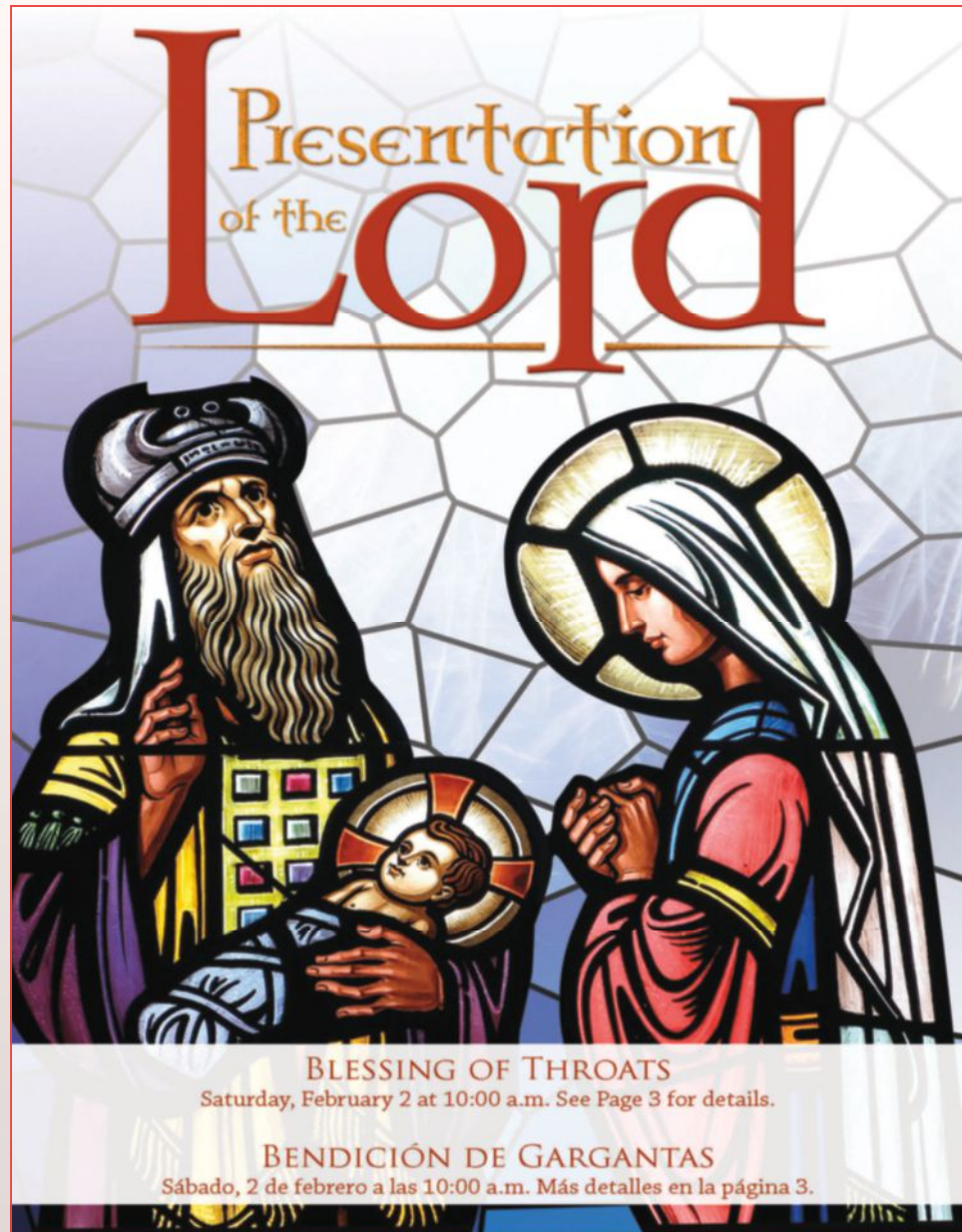
## Horario de Misas en Español

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



## BLESSING OF THROATS

Saturday, February 2 at 10:00 a.m. See Page 3 for details.

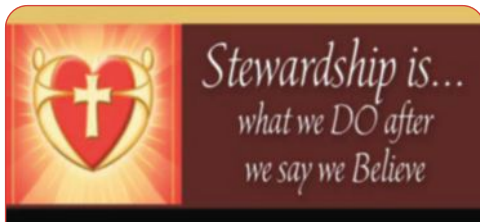
## BENDICIÓN DE GARGANTAS

Sábado, 2 de febrero a las 10:00 a.m. Más detalles en la página 3.



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**Pastor:** Rev. Brian R. Sheridan, M.S. (x108)  
**Parochial Vicars:** 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 January 19-20, 2013**

Budgeted ( <i>Proyección</i> ) .....	\$38,000.00
Actual ( <i>Real</i> ) .....	<u>\$24,871.00</u>
Shortfall ( <i>Pérdida</i> ) .....	<u>\$13,129.00</u>

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

To Date Budget ( <i>Proyección</i> ) .....	\$1,140,000.00
To Date Actual ( <i>Real</i> ) .....	<u>\$756,724.00</u>
To Date Shortfall ( <i>Pérdida</i> ) .....	<u>\$383,276.00</u>



**Operating Financial Statement (6 months)**  
**Costos de Operación (6 meses)**

Revenue ( <i>Ingresos</i> ) .....	\$1,184,392.00
Expenses ( <i>Gastos</i> ) .....	<u>\$1,098,342.00</u>
Assessment Owed to Archdiocese .....	<u>\$217,643.00</u>

*(Deuda con la Arquidiócesis)*

Loss from Operations .....

\$131,593.00  
*(Pérdida por Operaciones)*

Additional Assessments .....

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

Goal ( <i>Meta</i> ) .....	<u>\$5,000,000.00</u>
Pledged to Date .....	\$3,048,675.00
<i>Compromisos hasta la fecha</i>	
Past Due 12 Payments .....	<u>(\$581,000.00)</u>
<i>12 Pagos atrasados</i>	
Pledges Net of Past Due .....	<u>\$2,467,675.00</u>
<i>Compromisos netos</i>	
Collected to Date .....	\$1,725,754.00
<i>Recolectado hasta la fecha</i>	
<i>(Includes monies transferred from Hispanic Ministry)</i>	
Campaign Expenses .....	<u>(\$245,840.00)</u>
<i>Gastos de Campaña</i>	
Net Funds to Date .....	<u>\$1,479,914.00</u>
<i>Pagos netos hasta la fecha</i>	
Number of Donors ( <i>No. de Donantes</i> ) .....	1,306

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

Goal ( <i>Meta</i> ) .....	\$131,883.00
Pledged ( <i>Compromisos</i> ) .....	\$192,964.00
Paid to date ( <i>Pagos</i> ) .....	\$140,270.00
Number of Donors ( <i>No. de Donantes</i> ) .....	947

**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.

Samuel Bright  
Brandi Dabney  
Becky Dillon  
Chris Campbell  
Tara Cantrell  
Ricky Carreño  
Bob Contino  
Doris Cushing  
Paula de Jesus

Richard Gaeta, Sr.  
Lauren Garger  
Sandy Haynes  
Denisse Hernandez  
Mary Howard  
Danielle Jinks  
Cordelia Kelly  
Gloria Kincer  
Alan Knieter

Linda Laurens  
Shirley Loggins  
Dorothy Madson  
Elio Mastrocola  
Leona Morales  
Nakia Natali  
Connie Patrone  
Rodolfo Proaño  
Arellys Ramirez

Mary Ellen Rizzuto  
Chris Sandoval  
Steve Scheneman  
Lenna Spencer  
Margaret Spencer  
Dani Sullivan  
MaryAnne Sutter  
David Troughton, Sr.  
Kimberly Urióstegui

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 / Oremos por nuestros soldados**

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

Sgt. John R Beuth ANG  
CW05 Kevin Scott Bera, USMC  
Sgt. 1st Class Samuel Bright, USA  
Sgt. Manuel Chico, USA  
Sgt. Christopher Conkel, USMC  
SFC Steve Creason, GaARNG  
SFC Arcelio R. Davis, Jr. USA  
ET3 Carolyn Deacon, USN  
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  
LT CDR Dominic R. Lovello  
CW3 Peter Paul Leone, USA  
LCpl. Gerardo Morales, Jr. USMC

HM3 Kenneth McIntosh, II, USN  
2LT Kyle Pernelli, USA  
PFC Ernest Dean Rivera, USMC  
Specialist Robert H. Roberts, USA  
Major Robert A. Robinson, II USA  
Pvt. Jeffrey Sanborn, USA  
Christopher Sandoval  
CPT Anna Smith, ARNG  
S.Sgt. Michael Throne, USA  
CW4 Anthony Veney, USA

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**

February 3, 2013—Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time



First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:31—13:13

Gospel: Luke 4:21-30

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 January 12-13, 2013**



**Children's  
Envelopes  
available in the  
Commons Area.**

Treasure (*Tesoro*): \$300.36

Time & Talent (*Tiempo y Talento*):

Clean the play room (*Limpié el cuarto de juegos*) ♥ Doing my chores (*Hice mis deberes*) ♥ I was kind to someone who hurt me (*Fui amable con alguien que me hirió*) ♥ Shared necklace with mommy (*Compartí mi collar con mamá*) ♥ I helped my Mommy (*Ayudé a mi mamá*) ♥ To help the world (*Ayudar al mundo*) ♥ I danced for Jesus (*Bailé para Jesús*) ♥ I washed the baby bottles (*Lavé los biberones*) ♥ I ate all my food (*Comí toda mi comida*) ♥ Cleaned my room without being asked (*Limpié mi cuarto sin que me lo pidieran*) ♥ Read 100 books (*Lei 100 libros*) ♥ Cleaned my shoes (*Limpié mis zapatos*) ♥ I prayed at night (*Recé por la noche*) ♥

## Blessing of the Throats / Bendición de las Gargantas

**T**he annual blessing of throats is a traditional sign of the struggle against illness in the life of the Christian.

This blessing is ordinarily given during Mass or a celebration of the word of God on the memorial of Saint Blase.

Saint Blase was the bishop of Sebaste in Armenia during the fourth century. He was a physician before becoming a bishop. He was reputed to have miraculously cured a little boy who nearly died because of a fishbone in his throat. From the eighth century he has been invoked on behalf of the sick, especially those afflicted with illnesses of the throat.

All parishioners are invited to join us this Saturday, February 2nd (Feast of the Presentation of the Lord) at 10:00 a.m. in the Main Sanctuary for the Mass and Blessing of the Throats.



**L**a bendición anual de las gargantas es un signo tradicional de la lucha contra la enfermedad en la vida del cristiano.

Esta bendición se otorga generalmente durante una Misa o celebración de la palabra de Dios en el memorial de San Blas.

San Blas era el obispo de Sebaste en Armenia en el siglo IV. Antes de convertirse en obispo, San Blas era médico. Se dio a conocer después de haber curado milagrosamente a un niño que casi muere debido a un hueso atascado en su garganta. Desde el siglo VIII ha sido invocado en nombre

de los enfermos, especialmente aquellos afligidos por enfermedades de la garganta.

Por favor acompañenos este sábado, 2 de febrero (Fiesta de la Presentación del Señor) a las 10:00 a.m. en la iglesia, a la Misa y Bendición de Gargantas.



## Ash Wednesday February 13th

**6:30 a.m.**  
English Mass & Distribution of Ashes

**10:00 a.m. \*NEW\***  
Liturgy of the Word & Distribution of Ashes

**12:00 p.m.**  
English Mass & Distribution of Ashes (Main Sanctuary)

**1:00 p.m.—4:15 p.m.**  
Distribution of Ashes

**4:45 p.m. \*NEW\***  
Children's Liturgy of the Word & Distribution of Ashes

**7:00 p.m.**  
English Mass & Distribution of Ashes

## Miércoles de Ceniza 13 de febrero

**12:00 p.m.**  
Misa en español & Distribución de Cenizas (Salón Social)

**1:00 p.m.—4:15 p.m.**  
Distribución de Cenizas

**4:45 p.m. \*NUEVO\***  
Liturgia de la Palabra para Niños & Distribución de Cenizas (en ingles)

**8:30 p.m.**  
Misa en español & Distribución de Cenizas

**Mass and Blessing of the Throats**  
Saturday, February 2, 2013, at 10:00 a.m.

**Misa y Bendición de Gargantas**  
Sábado, 2 de febrero, 2013, a las 10:00 a.m.

## Coming soon ...

**February 2**

10:00 a.m.

Main Sanctuary

### **Blessing of the Throats**

All parishioners are invited to participate and receive this special blessing. See this page for details.

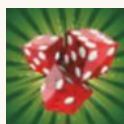
**February 2**

6:30 p.m.

Social Hall

### **Casino Night**

Join in this fun event and help to raise funds for our church.



**February 6**

6:30 p.m.

Social Hall

### **Over 50's**

Bring a dish to share and make new friends!

**February 17**

7:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Social Hall

### **Health Fair**

Blood pressure, glucose and cholesterol screening. Mammogram vouchers also available.



**Plastic Bags Needed / Necesitamos bolsas plásticas**

Our Lenten Food Drive begins next month and we are in need of plastic grocery bags. Check for holes and do not bring damaged bags but recycle instead. Among other things,



these bags are used by the Missionaries of the Poor in Jamaica to distribute food. We will collect bags on Sunday, February 17th. More information on the Food Drive coming soon!

*La Campaña de Alimentos se acerca y solicitamos bolsas plásticas de supermercado. Estas bolsas serán usadas por los Misioneros de los Pobres en Jamaica para distribuir comida. Por favor revisen que las bolsas estén en buen estado y no tengan agujeros. Estaremos recolectando estas bolsas el domingo, 17 de febrero.*



**CASINO NIGHT Saturday, February 2**

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Gaming starts at 7:00 p.m.

Tickets: \$30 at the door.

Includes: \$1000 in chips and Complimentary Appetizers.

All proceeds to benefit our parish.

**Exercise Classes: Body Recall is back!**

Body Recall exercise classes begin this week. The classes are designed to help maintain physical health through stretching and strengthening our bodies and reviewing optimal and safer ways to move as we grow older. The annual membership fee is \$35.00 (includes the excellent reference material that we use, a DVD that deals with the issues of recovering after a fall, and a semi-annual newsletter.) Classes last about an hour and are held Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. For more information call Lynn Farge at 770-739-8247 or just come to the Social Hall THIS Monday, January 28th at 9:30 a.m.

**A New Year's Resolution:**

Why not start the New Year with a resolution to **be more in**



**The Word!** Check out your church library in the Adult Faith Formation Center. We are open whenever the building is open, and you may check out a book on the honor system for two months. You will be surprised by the number of volumes and the breadth of categories.

In addition to books on our Catholic faith, some additional categories are: Families & Parenting, Fiction, Life Issues, Marriage & Divorce, Personal Growth, Poetry, Psychology, and World Religions.

Stevie Rhodes & Mary Argent, St. Thomas the Apostle Librarians

**Rise & Dream—Movie Presentation on February 7th**

Founded by lay Catholics acting on the Gospel call to serve the poor, the *Christian Foundation for Children and Aging* (CFCA) has helped families all over the world to hope and dream of a life free from poverty. Join us for a special screening of the CFCA documentary film *Rise & Dream*, on **Thursday, February 7th at 7:00 p.m. in the Social Hall**. Contact Michael Okuto at 770-432-8579 for more information.



**PARISH AGENDA—January 28-February 3, 2013**

Updated January 20, 2013

**MONDAY, JANUARY 28**

- 9:00 AM PRESCHOOL
- 9:30 AM EXERCISE CLASS
- 12:00 PM **Mass**
- † **Gustav Floodquest**
- 4:30 PM PSR
- 6:00 PM INEA
- 6:30 PM GOOD NEWS PEOPLE
- 7:00 PM 1ST RECONCILIATION
- EMA CHOIR
- PSR
- 7:30 PM **Misa**
- 8:00 PM EVANGELIZATION CHOIR

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 29**

- 9:00 AM PRESCHOOL
- 12:00 PM **Mass**
- † **Mario & Lucy Cavaliere**
- † **Jackie O'Connor**
- 6:00 PM INEA
- 6:30 PM CENTERING PRAYER GROUP
- 7:00 PM EMA CHOIR
- CORO DE NIÑOS
- REMEMBER THEIR SACRIFICE
- 7:00 PM SVDP
- 7:45 PM APOSTLES CLASS
- 8:15 PM APOYO A LA FAMILIA

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30**

- 6:30 AM **Mass**
- 7:00 AM ADORATION
- 9:00 AM PRESCHOOL
- 9:30 AM EXERCISE CLASS
- JUST FAITH
- 6:45 PM BENEDICTION
- 7:00 PM **Mass**
- 7:00 PM JUST FAITH
- PSR
- 1ST RECONCILIATION
- 7:30 PM LIFE/TEEN BAND
- 8:00 PM LIVING STATIONS PRACTICE
- 8:30 PM EVANGELIZED COMMUNITIES

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 31**

- 9:00 AM PRESCHOOL
- 10:00 AM BIBLE STUDY
- STORY TIME
- 6:30 PM ROSARY
- 7:00 PM CHOIR REHEARSAL
- THIRSTY THURSDAY
- BIBLE STUDY
- PSR
- 1ST RECONCILIATION
- 7:00 PM **Mass**
- 8:00 PM **Misa**



**FREE English classes for adults!**

**Registration:**

Tuesday, February 5th and  
Friday, February 8th  
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Classroom #5

**Please bring your driver's license or other US ID.**

The class will meet on Tuesdays and Fridays from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

For more information please call the Parish Office at 770-432-8579 Ext. 0

**¡Curso de inglés GRATUITO para adultos!**

**Inscripciones:**

Martes 5 y el viernes 8 de febrero del 2013, de 6:00 p.m. a 8:00 p.m. Clase #5

**Por favor traiga su licencia de conducir o cualquier otra identificación de los Estados Unidos.**

Las clases serán los martes y viernes de 6:00 p.m. a 9:00 p.m.

Más informes al 770-432-8579, Ext. 0.

**2013 Archbishop's Annual Appeal: "The greatest of these is love."**

Parishioners should be receiving a letter from Archbishop Gregory asking for a pledge to the 2013 Archbishop's Annual Appeal, which funds essential ministries of the wider church in our archdiocese—ministries that, in many cases, are of service to our parish. Your financial support for the work of our parish, and of the wider church in our archdiocese and the world is, in fact, one way to share your love with your community. After we reach our parish Annual Appeal goal of \$144,000.00 the archdiocese returns 100% of each additional dollar received from our parishioners to the parish. Last year we received \$7,855 in rebates. This year, we will commit our parish rebates to pay down debt to Archdiocese towards last year's assessment. Please respond to the Archbishop's request and make a generous pledge. All pledges will be billed in ten monthly instalments. Thank you in advance for your support.

**Justice & Peace Exposition—February 5**



How Are You the Hands of Christ? Come & See at the first Archdiocesan Justice & Peace Exposition. Meet reps from more than 30 ministries and organizations that are reflective of some aspect of the Church's social teaching – an integral part of our Catholic faith. The Exposition will be held from 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m., and 4:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 5th, at the Chancery, 2401 Lake Park Drive in Smyrna. Contact: 404-920-7895 or [justpeace@archatl.com](mailto:justpeace@archatl.com)

**Faith in Action: Sixth Annual Catholic Day at the Capitol**



The Archdiocese of Atlanta and Diocese of Savannah invite Georgia Catholics to the State Capitol in Atlanta to exercise our baptismal call as advocates for public policy that protects those who are vulnerable and promotes the common good. Join us for a legislative briefing on Monday, January 29th (8:30 a.m.) at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, meet your legislators and have lunch on your own. The event is free, but registration is required so that we can communicate last minute changes. Please contact Joy Place at 404-920-7346.

**"God speaks in the silence of the heart.  
Listening is the beginning of prayer."**

Mother Teresa

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1**

9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
9:30 AM EXERCISE CLASS  
**12:00 PM MASS**  
† **Vera Becks**  
6:00 PM INEA  
7:30 PM PREBAUTISMALES  
8:00 PM ASAMBLEA DE ORACIÓN

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2**

9:00 AM AMODIA BAPTISM  
10:00 AM BLESSING OF THE THROATS  
10:00 AM RECOVERY INT.  
MARÍA NIÑA  
11:30 AM RIVAS QUINCEAÑERA  
1:00 PM GIRL SCOUTS  
2:00 PM MELESIO WEDDING  
**3:30 PM CONFESSIONS**  
**5:00 PM MASS**  
† **Ben & Eileen Harding**  
6:30 PM CASINO NIGHT  
7:30 PM **Misa**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3**

**4TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**  
**BONE MARROW**  
**6:00 AM MISA**  
**7:30 AM MASS**  
† **Roger Kimpel**  
**9:30 AM MASS**  
† **Donna Spencer Grandstaff**  
9:30 AM PSR  
RCIA  
11:00 AM LEGION OF MARY  
11:15 AM PSR  
**11:30 AM MASS**  
**People of St. Thomas**  
12:30 PM SPANISH RCIA

**PRE-EVANGELIZATION**

1:00 PM BAPTISMS  
**2:00 PM Misa**  
3:00 PM MINI CORE MTG  
**5:00 PM MASS**  
† **Richard Yoo**  
5:00 PM EVANGELIZATION CHOIR  
6:30 PM LIFE NIGHT  
CONSOLING THE HEART OF JESUS  
**7:30 PM Misa**  
† **Beatriz Vázquez**



Today's Gospel:  
Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

### Reflection for Families

Children are really all the things listed in what Jesus read from Isaiah. They are poor because they really depend on parents for their every material need. They are not free because they are too young and inexperienced to live on their own. While they're not completely blind, much of what they do see has been shaped by their parent's vision. When we think of all parents do for their children, it becomes clearer all that Jesus is for us.

### Bringing the Gospel into Your Family

Who are the oppressed people in your community, neighborhood, or parish? Is there another family carrying a heavy burden right now? Reach out to that family in hospitality. Perhaps you could invite them over for an evening of cards or board games, or send them a "thinking-of-you" card. Be sure to keep them in our family's daily prayers.

### Discussion Starters

- One thing I was really blind to once was . . . The person who helped me see was . . .
- One way I set captives free is by . . .
- One way I could try harder to bring Good News to others is by . . .

*Gospel Reflection courtesy of RCL Benziger*



Question of the Week:

What do you believe that the anointing you received at Baptism requires you to do?



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