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March 31, 2013

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Religious Ed. Office 770 - 432-5296

Office Hours Monday—Thursday 10:00AM—6:00PM

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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

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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





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Pastor: Rev. Brian R. Sheridan, M.S. (x108) Parochial Vicars: 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 • Deacons Office (x106) Parish Administrator: Mr. Gus Scannapieco (x109)

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

Offertory/Ofertorio March 23-24, 2013

Budgeted (Proyección)	\$38,000.00
Actual (Real)	
Shortfall (Pérdida)	\$8,692.00

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

To Date Budget (Proyección)	\$1,482,000.00
To Date Actual (Real)	<u>\$985,761.00</u>
To Date Shortfall (Pérdida)	\$496,239.00

Operating Financial Statement (7 months) Costos de Operación (7 meses) as of January 1, 2013

\$1,343,879.00
<u>\$1,351,426.00</u>
\$190,815.00
/2013
\$198,362.00
\$1,023,223.00

still owed to Archdiocese from 2010/2013 (Deudas Totales a la Arquidiócesis del 2010/2013)

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

Goal (Meta)	<u>\$5,000,000.00</u>
Pledged to Date	\$3,043,340.00
Compromisos hasta la fecha	
Past Due 12 Payments 12 Pagos atrasados	<u>(\$616,000.00)</u>
Pledges Net of Past Due Compromisos netos	<u>\$2,427,340.00</u>
Collected to Date Recolectado hasta la fecha (Includes monies transferred from Hispanic M	, , , ,
Campaign Expenses Gastos de Campaña	
Net Funds to Date Pagos netos hasta la fecha	<u>\$1,568,201.00</u>
Number of Donors (No. de Donantes))1,301

Archbishop Annual Appeal 201	13 (Week 8)
Llamado Anual del Arzobispo 201	3 (Semana 8)
Goal (Meta)	\$144,515.00
Total Pledged (Compromisos totales)	\$47,896.00
Paid to date (Pagos)	\$29,003.00
Number of Donors (No. de Donantes)	150

In Our Prayers / En Nuestras Oraciones

Please pray for the people who are listed on this Bulletin Sick List.

Retha Ansley Elizabeth Lawal Ras Rhoades Dave Troughton, Sr. Deacon Bob Burton Fr. Luke Kot Sr. Mary Patrick Dennis Pellicano Pamela Smith Meredith Cooper Deacon Ron Comeau Sr. Marilyn Kahl Gerardo Valdez Luisa Fernanda Valdez

Please call the Parish Office to place a name on the list above. The names will be kept in our bulletin for three consecutive weeks.

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

Pray For Our Troops / Oremos por nuestros soldados

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. John R Beuth ANG CWO5 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. Sonjanique Ferrel, USA 2LT Adam Fisk, 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 LT CDR Dominic R. Lovello CW3 Peter Paul Leone, USA LCpl. Gerardo Morales, Jr. USMC HM2 Kenneth McIntosh, II, USN 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 April 7, 2013—Divine Mercy Sunday (2nd Sunday of Easter)



First Reading: Acts 5:12-16 Second Reading: Revelations 1:9-11A, 12-13, 17-19 Gospel: John 20:19-31 For complete list of weekly readings please visit: www.usccb.org/bible/readings

Children's Offering / Ofrenda de los Niños March 16-17, 2013 Treasure (Tesoro): \$521,86



Children's Envelopes available in the Commons Area. Time & Talent (Tiempo y Talento): ♥ No candy or chocolate (No dulces ni chocolates) ♥ I helped my dad work and got money (Ayudé a papa a trabajar y gané dinero) ♥ I helped my mom with the table (Ayudé a mi mamá con la mesa) ♥ Not crying too much (No lloré mucho) ♥ I prayed to God (Recé a Dios) ♥ Keeping my sacrifice during Lent (Mantener mi sacrificio durante la Cuaresma) ♥ I helped my dad outside (Ayudé a papa afuera) ♥ I bought things for the poor (Compré cosas para los pobres) ♥ I was good to my family (Fui bueno con mi familia) ♥ Joanna Valencia cleaned her room (Joanna Valencia limpió su cuarto) ♥ Andy gave me a hand (Andy me dio una mano) ♥ I took care of my brother (Cuidé a mi hermanito) ♥ Thank you Lord for this lovely world (Gracias Dios por este mundo hermoso) ♥



Easter Sunday / Domingo de Resurrección



Palm Sunday Celebration—March 24, 2013





Photos courtesy of S. Bird and P. VanBurer

Hundreds of parishioners gathered for the processions at St. Thomas the Apostle (above) and Jim R. Miller Park (below) to receive the King of Kings on Palm Sunday.



Cientos de feligreses se reunieron para las procesiones en Santo Tomás el Apóstol (arriba) y en el Parque Jim R. Miller (abajo) para recibir al Rey de Reves, en el Domingo de Ramos.



Find more photos online at: www.flickr.com/photos/stta/sets

E-community

Our Main Website: www.stthomastheapostle.org

Online Giving: A secure and simple way to support our church: www.stthomastheapostle.org/ online-giving

Facebook Page: More than 1,100 members receive daily meditations and parish updates at: www.facebook.com/ stthomastheapostlechurch

Flickr Photo Albums Enjoy hundreds of pictures featuring our parish events at: www.flickr.com/ photos/stta/sets

Video on Demand and Live Stream: Weekend Masses and some events are streamed live at: www.stthomastheapostle.org/ media

Subscribe to our Quarterly e-Newsletter "No Doubt" and learn about recent events in our church: www.stthomastheapostle.org/ *communications/newsletter*

Coming soon ...

April 4 7:00 p.m. Main Sanctuary Healing Life's Transitions Beginning with a Mass at 7:00 p.m. and followed by a special presentation by Fr. Matthew Linn, S.J. See Page 6 for more details.

April 9 7:30 p.m. **Community House Bereavement Group** A journey from grief to healing. All are welcome! See Page 6 for more details

April 16 7:30 p.m. Main Sanctuary Ignite! A special night of music, prayer, scripture, worship and a faith story that will touch your life.

May 18-19

After all Masses Commons Area **Bake Sale** Cakes, breads, cookies and monetary donations are welcome in this spring fundraiser for our church!

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Enter the table-scape competition



Are you CREATIVE? COMPETITIVE?, LOVE to host a party? Then join the fun.... The Women's Auxiliary invites you to participate in a fundraising TABLE-SCAPE COMPETITION, which will be held on Saturday, June 15, 2013 at the Taylor-Brawner Banquet Hall, in Smyrna, GA

Tables will consist of a six-person team and entrance fee is \$150.00 per table. Three Atlanta Designers will be judging the event and awarding trophies.

Get your creative juices flowing, FORM A TEAM, PICK A THEME and hurry as space is limited.

Deadline for registration is May 30th! For detailed information and registration, call Rose Levitan at 770-434-9606.

Church Library

As we celebrate Easter, let us pray for Pope Francis! Come research our encyclical section, memoirs on Pope's John Paul II and John XXIII, and books written by Emeritus Pope Benedict XVI. Get to know how Pope Francis



is a first in many things: The first non-European to be elected in almost 1300 years and a Jesuit, the first member of any religious order in nearly two centuries.

Our library is located in the Adult Faith Formation Building and is open whenever the building is open! Check out books on the honor system and you have two months to return them!

Bereavement Support Group

Join us for an eight (8) week journey from grief to healing open to all.

Meet on Tuesday, at 7:00 p.m. in the Community House, from April 9th through May 28th. For more information, please call Bill Anderson at 770-778-1620 or e-mail: bbanderson66@yahoo.com

Knights of Columbus News

Upcoming Events:

April 4th: General Council Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Community House. This Meeting will include 2013-2014 Officer Nominations

April 18th: Officer's Meeting 7:30 PM Community House April 27th: Fundraiser for Council at St. Joseph's (Help needed for event)

April 29th: First Degree of the Order 7:30 p.m. Community House

Congratulations to our newest full members of the Knights of Columbus! Please keep these men in your prayers as they continue their journey of Knighthood.

- Salvador Ascencio
- Ronald Hein

50/50 Raffle Tickets are available after all Masses. Only \$10 per ticket or 3 for \$25. The February Jackpot was \$250 and the winner was Mr. John Casey! March winner will be drawn on April 1st

Are you interested in joining the Knights of Columbus or have a question? Please contact Membership Director, Joe Yorio, at 678-237-3469 or Grand Knight, John Williams, at 678-485-9384 to get more information.

Andy Kaiser presents the proceeds from our **Persons with Intellectual Disabilities Drive (PWID)** this past fall to Nikki Wilson of Dream Makers Youth Foundation.

Over \$1000 was raised for the PWID Drive this year by our Council!



Updated March 25, 2013

PARISH AGENDA—April 1-7, 2013

MONDAY, APRIL 1 NO PSR PARISH OFFICE CLOSED 12:00 PM MASS t Jo Perkinson

TUESDAY, APF	RIL 2
9:00 AM	PRESCHOOL
12:00 PM	Mass
†	Marie Antoinette Mandari
6:00 PM	INEA
	ENGLISH CLASS
6:30 PM	CENTERING PRAYER GROUP
	DISCIPLES CLASS
7:00 PM	PRE-EVANGELIZATION
	EMA CHOIR
	CORO DE NIÑOS
	SVDP
8:15 PM	Apoyo a la Familia

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30 AM	MASS FOR PEACE	9:00 AM	PRESCHOOL
†	Cora Salapare	10:00 AM	BIBLE STUDY
00 AM	ADORATION		STORY TIME
00 AM	PRESCHOOL	6:30 AM	Rosary
30 Ам	JUST FAITH	7:00 PM	CHOIR REHEARSAL
00 PM	Over 50's		KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
45 PM	BENEDICTION		PSR
00 PM	CRACK IT OPEN		THIRSTY THURSDAY
	JUST FAITH	7:30 PM	Mass
00 PM	Mass	8:30 PM	HEALING LIFE'S TRANSITIONS
†	Mary King		(SEE PAGE 6)
30 PM	LIFETEEN BAND	8:00 PM	MISA
30 PM	EVANGELIZED COMMUNITIES	†	Amelia Valdez
		†	Pablo Valdez

Easter Sunday / Domingo de Resurrección

Activities for Kids!

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

Bring your children to Story Time!

Enroll your children in Catechism!

Bring your little ones to Classroom #2 every Thursday at 10:00 a.m. and enjoy magical stories, crafts and snacks! For more information please call 770-432-5296.



Have fun at Vacation Bible School (VBS) 2013!

Save the date for June 10-14, 2013. The theme this year is Kingdom Rock! Call the Religious Education Office for details and registration dates. Call 770-432-5296 for more information.

Supper Club

All families with school age children are welcome! Join us on Saturday, May 18th from 3:00 p.m. until dark at the playground area behind the church. Bring a potluck dish and drinks to share. Let's build community through food, fun and fellowship! For more information contact Melanie Meder medermelanie@yahoo.com or call 678-368-6646.

Preschool Summer Camp

Looking for children ages 3 - 6 (ages as of 9/1/2013) to join the fun! Mark your calendars for: June 17-20, June 24-27, July 8-11 and July 15-18 Cost: \$125 per week—Camp Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Space still available. Please call 770-432-8579 Ext. 125 to sign up your child.

St. Thomas the Apostle Preschool

Interested in getting information about our Preschool program? Contact Monica Signoret at 770-432-8579 Ext. 125 or visit: www.stthomastheapostle.org/preschool

Nursery available on Sunday Masses (9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.)

Space limited to 12 children per Mass. Please contact Maria Smith at 404-579-4150 to reserve a spot for your child or volunteer.



Photo courtesy of Fr. Andrews

Family Stations of the Cross: a success

Thank you to all the families who participated in our Stations of the Cross, on March 15. Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus for their support in making this event a great success. "I was personally moved by how much feeling and compassion the young readers carried out their parts." said Joe Yorio, Lector Coordinator and member of the Knights of Columbus.



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IDAY, APRIL	. 5
9:00 AM	PRESCHOOL
9:30 AM	BODY RECALL
12:00 PM	EASTER VIGIL MASS
†	Ben Orsak
4:30 PM	CARVAJAL BAPTISM
5:30 PM	RAYO REHEARSAL
6:00 PM	ENGLISH CLASS
	INEA CLASS
7:30 PM	PREBAUTISMALES
8:00 PM	ASAMBLEA DE ORACIÓN
	GIRL SCOUTS

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11:00 AM	RAYO WEDDING
1:00 PM	CONVALIDATIONS
	FILIPINO DANCE PRACTICE
3:00 PM	CONFESSIONS
4:00 PM	REUNIÓN SECTOR AUSTELL
5:00 PM	CATEQUESIS DE ADULTOS
5:00 PM	VIGIL MASS
†	Mark Whelan
6:30 PM	PRE-EVANGELIZATION
7:30 PM	EASTER VIGIL MASS
+	Fidencio Sánchez

SUNDAY, AF	PRIL 7
2ND SUNDAY	OF EASTER
NO PSR	
6:00 AM	MISA
	People of STA
7:30 AM	MASS
†	Donna Grandstaff
9:30 AM	Mass
†	Tracy Benden
9:30 AM	RCIA
11:00 AM	LEGION OF MARY
11:30 AM	Mass
†	Providencia Morales
12:30 PM	SPANISH RCIA

PRE-EVANGELIZATION
ENGLISH BAPTISMS
DIVINE MERCY
Misa
Ramona Mazariego
LEGACY COLLEGE MINISTRY
Mass
Mortimer O'Sullivan
MISA
Sotero Ríos

Adult Faith Formation / Formación Religiosa para Adultos

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Healing Life's Transitions

Each passing year and season awakens within us both a fear and a hope for the future. What if you could relive this past year, what would you change? What might you want to experience again?

Father Matthew Linn, S.J., a world renowned speaker and author on healing, is coming to help us focus on the hurts of this past year so that we might be more fully alive to experience the year ahead of us.

Join us for an evening of healing on Thursday, April 4th, beginning with a Mass at 7:00 p.m. followed by a talk in the Main Sanctuary.

Mark your calendar for this event.

Confirmation Classes: May 5th – June 30th

Who may apply? Baptized Catholic adults 18+ who do not have any other impediments to receiving the Sacraments (such as irregular marriage/need for annulment).

Required Documents:

<u>Certificate of Baptism – MUST be</u> <u>provided on the first day of class without</u> <u>which you can not participate</u>. There are no exceptions! Contact the parish (or diocese) where your Baptism took place and request a certificate in time before class date.

Sponsor:

Each person must have a sponsor, and it must only be one (1) person. Each sponsor is to attend all the preparation sessions in a supportive role.

For more information:

Michael Okuto 770 432-8579 Ext. 122 mokuto@stthomastheapostle.org OR Linda Veit 770 432-8579 Ext. 131 lveit@stthomastheapostle.org **Quién puede aplicar?** Católicos mayores de 18 años que ya hayan sido bautizados y que no tengan impedimentos (matrimonio irregular o anulación)

Documentos requeridos:

<u>Certificado de Bautismo – deben traerlo el</u> <u>primer día de clases (5 de mayo).</u> No excepciones. Contacte a su iglesia de bautismo y solicite una copia de este certificado con anticipación para que lo tenga a tiempo para la clase.

Padrinos:

Cada persona debe traer un padrino o madrina (sólo uno). El padrino debe asistir a todas las clases.

Para más información:

Michael Okuto 770 432-8579 Ext. 122 mokuto@stthomastheapostle.org OR Linda Veit 770 432-8579 Ext. 131 lveit@stthomastheapostle.org



4th annual Catholic Earth Day: Join us to reflect on simple acts to care for God's creation.



Join us on **Sunday, April 21, 2013 from 2:00-6:30 p.m.** at Ignatius House Retreat Center, (6700 Riverside Dr. NW, Atlanta) for a Catholic Earth Day of reflection.

All are welcome to reflect on the diverse actions taken by local churches and religious activists to address climate change through stewardship, advocacy, spirituality, and justice.

Mass will be celebrated at 5:00 p.m., followed by a reception. **Register at http://bit.ly/UYIWKs** (case sensitive) or find resources about "caring for creation" by exploring our Facebook page at **www.facebook.com**/ **CatholicsCaringforCreation**.

Event is free and open to all; space is limited so pre-registration and carpooling are encouraged.

View these Sponsors and more @ TheCatholicDirectory.com





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