

SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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August 18, 2013

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Office Hours Monday, Wednesday-Friday 9:00AM-7:00PM Tuesday 9:00AM-5:00PM Closed Wednesday 1PM-3PM

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Summer Office Hours Monday—Thursday 10:00AM-5:00PM

Preschool Office 770 - 432-8579 Ext. 125 **Office Hours** Monday—Thursday 10:00AM - 1:00PM

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Sc	hedule
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



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Vigésimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

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" ${f H}$ e venido a traer fuego a la tierra y ¡cuánto desearía que ya estuviera ardiendo! Pero también he de recibir un bautismo y ¡qué angustia siento hasta que no se haya cumplido! ¿Creen ustedes que he venido para establecer la paz en la tierra? Les digo que no; más bien he venido a traer división." Lucas 12:49-51



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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. • 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

Children's Offering / Ofrenda de los Niños: August 3-4, 2013

Treasure (Tesoro): \$531.95

Time & Talent (Tiempo y Talento): • Fed my dog (Alimenté a mi perro) 🕈 Helped my Mom cook tortillas for Summerfest (Ayudé a Mamá a hacer tortillas para la Kermesse) ♥ I prayed (Recé) ♥ Do laundry (Lavé ropa) ♥ I listen to my Mom and Dad (Hice caso a Mamá v Papá) ♥ Having good sportsmanship (Compañerismo en los deportes) ¥ I finished my summer reading (Terminé mi lectura de verano) ¥ I love Jesus! I love you for being in our hearts. It's important to pray to you (Te amo Jesús! Gracias por vivir en nuestros corazones. Es importante rezarte) ♥ Cleaned my room (Limpié mi cuarto) 🕈 Working (trabajando) ♥ Cleaned the bathroom (Lavé el baño) ♥



Children's Envelopes available in the Commons Area

In Our Prayers / En Nuestras Oraciones

We ask you to pray for the people who are listed on this Bulletin Sick List. 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.

Miguel Roman Sister Jo Ann McAnoy David Maxwell Michael Johnson Assunta Jackson Crystal Jones María E. Mata David Murray Sandy Nolting Atemkeng Family Ester Ascencio Ruth Butler Cathy Crawford Jesús Durán Ruth Galindo Gloria Lascano Teresa Okekpe Doris Rishel María Sesmas

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 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 LT Rogelio Espinosa, 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

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

Endowment Fund



The CATHOLIC FOUNDATION The Parish has an endowment fund to make sure our ministries will grow in perpetuity:

Now that the parish has an endowment fund, many are asking how will it grow? Mainly through the generosity of those who include the parish in their will or estate plans. If this is something you have been putting off doing, the Catholic Foundation has made the process simply for you to plan your will online in the privacy of your home. For exact wording on how to include the parish endowment fund in your will please call the Catholic Foundation.

When you have finished planning your will, simply print out the document and take it to your attorney to complete. Find more information at www.cfngalegacy.org and click on *Plan Your Will*. For additional questions please contact Diane Duquette, Director of Gift Planning at The Catholic Foundation of North Georgia: dduquette@cfnga.org or 404-497-9440.

Altar Flowers Fund

The following families are contributing to the Altar Flowers Fund this weekend:

- Rohan Josly Mathias and Lavina Lourdes Nazareth in thanksgiving for their 3rd wedding anniversary.
- Flowers requested by Hal Bergin and Ken Harper.

Would you like to have a special way to remember a loved one? Are you celebrating an anniversary? Is there someone in your life celebrating a special birthday? For any of these occasions or more, you are invited to request flowers for the altar. Please sign up on the list on the bulletin board in the Commons Area. Suggested donation: \$30.



20th Sunday of Ordinary Time

R.C.I.A. Starting soon, register now!!

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE 18 + WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Was baptized Catholic, but has not completed the Initiation Sacraments?
- Was baptized in another religion and wants to become Catholic?
- Is unbaptized and would like to learn more about the Catholic religion?
- Is Catholic, has been away from the church, and needs a refresher course?

SPONSORS NEEDED!

Become an R.C.I.A. SPONSOR; nurture faith!

Are you a fully initiated and practicing Catholic of 18 years or older? Then please consider nurturing faith by becoming a sponsor. For additional requirements see information on the right.

Being a sponsor is very rewarding and many experience the role as a time of personal growth and renewal in faith.

> If interested, call 770-432-8579 Ext. 122 or Ext. 131

Requirements:



a) Certificate of Baptism (for those baptized) - MUST be provided no later than September 30th after which you cannot participate without one.

b) Sponsor:

Each person must have a sponsor 18 years or older. Sponsors are to attend all the preparation sessions in a supportive role. Sponsors must meet the following requirements at the minimum, but should be fully active in their own parishes, and must be able to validly receive Holy Communion each Sunday. If you need help finding a sponsor, please contact the office.

- Must be at least 18 years old;
- Must be fully initiated in the Catholic Church (Baptized, Confirmed, Holy Communion)
- Must not be parent/guardian of the adult
- Is not the spouse or is engaged to the intended participant
- To register please contact:
- Michael Okuto at mokuto@stthomastheapostle.org or 770-432-8579 Ext 122
- Linda Veit at lveit@stthomastheapostle.org or 770-432-8579 Ext 131

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New cycle beginning next month!

"I have called you by name; vou are mine." (Isaiah 43:1). What is the Lord calling you to

now? Consider seeking your life's purpose through a rich spiritual journey focused on connecting compassion with the needs of the world.

Sessions begin September 25th NOTICE NEW DATE

Morning Session: 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon, **Evening Sessions:** 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

The program includes weekly sessions for discussion and prayer; immersion experiences to interact with those in your community who are living in poverty; and an opening retreat.

For more information, contact: The Adult Faith Formation at 770-432-8579 Ext. 122 or Ext. 131

Morning Bible Study



Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. beginning Thursday, August 29th

ALL ARE WELCOME! Come join this small faith group on Thursday Mornings. Find out how you can enhance your Christian Journey by studying the Bible. This 2013-2014 YEAR will include studying: Psalms: The School of Prayer by Jeff Cavins, Sarah Christmyer and Tim Gray. Come journey through this book of the Bible and find YOUR OWN response to God's covenant offer.

Coming soon ...

August 23, 2013 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Social Hall **Holy Hollywood** Presenting the movie: JOSHUA. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and movie begins at 7:15 p.m. See Page 4 for details.

August 29, 2013

10:00 a.m. Adult Faith Formation Building Morning Bible Study See this Page for details. September 16-18, 2013 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Main Sanctuary **Parish Mission** Special Guest: Deacon Gerald "Jerry" Hempstead, BA, MA, DLP. See Page 5 for details.

September 19, 2013 7:15 p.m. Main Sanctuary Feast of Our Lady of La Salette **Multilingual Mass**

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Parish School of Religion (PSR) -**REGISTRATION CLOSED!**

PSR registration has closed for the 2013-14 school year. We will continue to receive forms on a first come first serve basis. If all classes are full, the family may choose to homeschool.

LifeTeen registration has <u>not closed.</u> LifeTeen/ Confirmation Registration forms will be available until August 20th in the RE Office.

Call 770-432-5296 for more information.



Pastoral Council

If you have any concerns, ideas or suggestions about our Parish that you would like to express, please contact Mila Johnson, chairperson of the Pastoral Council at 404-713-9633 or e-mail mila@milacreative.com

El Concilio Pastoral te invita a compartir tus inquietudes, ideas o sugerencias acerca de la parroquia. Contacta a Mila Johnson al 404-713-9633 o e-mail mila@milacreative.com

Apologetics Class

Sundays at 6:30 p.m. in the Community House Beginning September 8th (6 sessions) This will be a group led discussion on what we really believe as Catholics in comparison to what fundamentalists believe. We will cover the most common misconceptions about the Catholic Faith that are held by many Catholics and Protestants. Christ established his Church, which has the fullness of grace, truth and salvation. We should know and live by these truths and proclaim them. Contact Clarence 770-432-5020 or e-mail: burkholder@mindspring.com

Body Recall: Exercise Classes for the over 50's crowd! Body Recall classes begin on Monday, August 26th at 9:30 a.m. in the Social Hall.

The classes are designed for the over 50's crowd, but people of all ages benefit. Wear comfortable clothes and walking shoes. The class consists of stretching, strengthening and balancing exercises and lasts about an hour. In today's world we want our bodies and minds to be healthy as long as possible and the classes are designed for that purpose. There is no fee for the classes which are held Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Call Lynn Farge for further information at 770-739-8247.

Knights of Columbus



To all practical Catholic male members of St. Thomas the Apostle, age 18 and Older:

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting a First Degree for entry into the order, **Wednesday evening**, **August 28th, at 7:30 p.m. in the Community House.**

Learn how you can become a member of the World's largest Catholic Fraternal organization and actively participate in its Charitable programs aiding Parish and Community. Contact either Joe Yorio at 678-237-3469 or Grand Knight Michael Garrett at 770-319-0351 for further information.

FAMILY POOL PARTY

The Knights of Columbus Council 12386 is sponsoring an "awesome" evening for the entire Family – Food, Fun & Swimming Friday evening, **August 23rd** beginning at 6:00 p.m. untill 10:00 p.m. rain or shine **Lake Laurel Pool** 1201 Cooper Lake Pd. Smurre CA 20082

1391 Cooper Lake Rd, Smyrna GA 30082

The Knights will supply the Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Bratwurst, Buns, Chips, and refreshments. You bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert to share. A lifeguard will be on duty. Contact Brother Paul Bailey at 770-853-9820 for further information.





Holy Hollywood: Friday, August 23rd

Please join us in the Social Hall on Friday night, August 23th for the Holy Hollywood showing of the 2002 film "Joshua."

The film is based on the best-selling novel by Joseph Girzone. It is an inspirational story about a stranger whose mysterious "supernatural" powers inspire a small town. Joshua (Tony Goldwyn) moves to the outskirts of Auburn and awakens the curiosity of the sleepy town. The locals are not sure what to make of him, especially Father Tordone played wonderfully by Academy Award winner F. Murray Abraham. Everyone is wondering what exactly is Joshua up to?

So come everyone and find out exactly what Joshua is up to.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and movie begins at 7:15 p.m. A group facilitated discussion will be conducted immediately following the movie. Soft drinks and snacks will be available; however, feel free to bring something to eat and/or drink before or during the movie. The film runs 90 minutes and is Rated G.

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20th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Save the date!

Marquen su Calendario

PARISH MISSION September 16-18

Misión Parroquial 16-18 septiembre

Parish Mission - September 16th-18th. SAVE THE DATE

Presenter: Deacon Gerald "Jerry" Hempstead, BA, MA, DLP



All are invited to a three day special, informative and faith rejuvenating parish mission. Mission presentation talks are Monday thru Wednesday

> September 16th – 18th 10:00-11:30 a.m. and 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. in the Main Sanctuary.

A multilingual closing Mass to celebrate the feast of our Lady of La Salette will be on **Thursday, September 19th at 7:15 p.m.**

Deacon Jerry will be celebrating mass with us on the weekend of September 14th and 15th where he will share his passion for the Holy Eucharist and enlightenment on Mary, the Mother of God.



Tuesday, September 17th topic: Chasing Mary

May the real Mary stand up! Our Lady of Guadalupe, Our Lady of Fatima, Our Lady of Lourdes, Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Our Lady of the Rosary...who are all these 'Ladys'? Why are they important? Where do the devotions of the medal or the rosary or the brown scapular come from and why do we do what we do as Catholics?

Come on Tuesday, September 17th, and hear the story of the visits of Our Blessed Mother and her instruction to us: "Do what He tells you to do"

Vida Parroquial

Doctrina y Catecismo

La matrícula para 1a Comunión se ha cerrado. La matrícula para Confirmación/ LifeTeen continúa abierta hasta el 20 de agosto. Para más informes llamar al 770-432-5296.

Sacramentos para Adultos

Personas adultas que necesiten uno o más sacramentos. Las clases inician en septiembre! Adultos que ya han sido bautizados necesitan presentar su certificado de Bautismo para registrarse. Para más información llamar a Miguel Mendoza al 678-350-1394 o

Misión Parroquial

3 días de meditación en comunidad con el Diácono Gerald "Jerry" Hempstead, BA, MA, DLP. Septiembre 16-18 a las 10:00 a.m. y 7:30 p.m. Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de La Salette: 19 de septiembre. Misa a las 7:15 p.m.

MASS INTENTIONS—August 19-August 25, 2013

MONDAY, AUG	SUST 19	
12:00 PM	ENGLISH MASS	
	Bradley Angelo Louison	
7:30 PM	MISA EN ESPAÑOL	;
†	Salvador Gonzalez	
TUESDAY, AU		
12:00 PM	ENGLISH MASS	
†	Dane Thomas Kollannoor	
WEDNESDAY,	AUGUST 21	
6:30 AM	ENGLISH MASS	
†	Mark Whelan	
7:00 PM	ENGLISH MASS	;
†	Francis Thomas Perera	
THURSDAY, A	UGUST 22	
7:00 PM	ENGLISH MASS	
†	Dane Thomas Kollannoor	

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23 12:00 PM ENGLISH MASS † Harold "Buck" Kight SATURDAY, AUGUST 24 5:00 PM VIGIL MASS Joseph Bickett Jo Ann Bickett 7:30 PM MISA **Apolonio Sanchez** Maria de Jesus Ignacio Perez SUNDAY, AUGUST 25 6:00 AM MISA EN ESPAÑOL Valente Garcia 7:30 AM English Mass Maggie Duffy †

9:30 AM English MASS Marilyn Dos Santos 11:30 AM English MASS **Edward Jarjue** Elizabeth Jarjue George Jarjue 2:00 PM MISA EN ESPAÑOL Zenaida Martinez Alfonso Puga 5:00 PM **English MASS** People of STA 7:30 PM MISA EN ESPAÑOL **Ruth Valdez** Arcadio Garcia **Rafael Martinez**

Mass intentions updated as of August 12, 2013

Complete calendar of events is available online at: www.stthomastheapostle. org/calendar



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Gospel Reflection

Today's Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

Reflection for Families:

Sometimes we have to take an unpopular stand against the ideas of others. When we say "no" to someone who wants to hear "yes," division is created. Parents make decisions that serve a purpose and guide the formation of their children. Friends may say "no" to each other creating division. Of course, healing and reconciliation are vital to the growth of all relationships; and this is basically the same concept as today's Gospel. There will be hard and unpopular acts associated with following Jesus. As a loving parent, God won't compromise the plan. As loving family members, we also understand God's motive!

Bringing the Gospel Into Your Family

Find a family movie that illustrates this Gospel message: Doing something that's right even though it's difficult and sometimes unpopular. One possibility is from Lion King when Simba decides to return home. Share your ideas about what was hard for Simba in his decision. Who helped him? Who suffered because of his decision? Who benefited? What divisions were evident and what reconciliations took place? Think about ways our own lives are like this and share your ideas with one another.

Discussion Starters

- One place where I have seen the results of the fire Jesus lit on earth is
- When someone challenges my religious beliefs, I generally . . .
- One very hard decision I had to make but knew it was the right one happened when

Reflection courtesy of: RCL Benziger

Papal monthly prayer intentions

Pope Francis requests that we include these intentions in our personal prayers:

- For Parents and Teachers. That parents and teachers may help the new generation to grow in upright conscience and life.
- For The Church in Africa. That the local Church in Africa, faithfully proclaiming the Gospel, may promote peace and justice.

Around the Archdiocese

The Way for Men - September 6th-8th, 2013 (Register by August 26th)

A 3-day retreat for adult male survivors of abuse

Offered by the archdiocese of Atlanta's Victim Assistance Program on September 6th-8th, 2013 at Carmel retreat Center in Hoschton, GA. Registration deadline is August 26, 2013. Please contact Sue Stubbs at 404-920-7554 or e-mail: sstubbs@archatl.com for more information.



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