



# SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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October 18, 2015

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Rev. Jaime Molina J., M.N.M.

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Rev. Mr. Earl Jackson

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## NEW Office Hours

Monday—Friday

9:00AM—8:00PM

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## Regular Office Hours

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Tuesday 10:00 AM—5:00 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM—1:00 PM

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## Regular Office Hours

Monday—Thursday

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## St. Vincent de Paul Society

678-626-3939 (English Hotline)

678-626-3949 (Línea en español)

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# TOWN HALL MEETING

## JUNTA DE INFORMACION

### ENGLISH:

Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>

Either Morning Session: 10:30 a.m.

or Evening Session: 7:00 p.m.

Social Hall

### ESPAÑOL:

Lunes, 21 de octubre

7:00 p.m. - Salón Social

See Page 4 for English Information

Ver Página 5 para información en español.



Celebrating 50 years of UNITY in COMMUNITY  
Celebrando 50 años de UNIDAD en COMUNIDAD

**Deacon Mark's Farewell**

God bless Deacon Mark Mitchell and his wife, Karen, as they accepted the Archbishop's assignment to serve at Holy Spirit Parish in Atlanta.

Deacon Mark will be offering a homily here at Saint Thomas the Apostle at the Saturday Vigil Mass in English, on October 24th, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. in view of his departure from his assignment as Deacon here and now onto Holy Spirit Parish.

**All are welcome to come and share in this special Mass of thanksgiving followed by a reception of treats and beverages in the Social Hall.**

Anyone that would like to contribute to making it more special is welcome to contact Father Brian via e-mail: [frbrian@stthomastheapostle.org](mailto:frbrian@stthomastheapostle.org)

We are extremely grateful for the many years of ministry to our parish community by Deacon Mark and his wife, Karen.

We know that this is not a good-bye as they will continue to have occasions to come and be a part of our parish community.

Let's give them a big send off with MUCH GRATITUDE.

**Mass Schedule Change for Monday, October 19th**

This week, on Monday, October 19th, Fr. Brian and Fr. Jaime will be attending a Priests' Study Day at the Chancery.

Fr. Paul and Fr. Jojo will be attending a Chapter of Meetings with their La Salette conference in Orlando, FL.

**Therefore, the usual scheduled Mass at 12 Noon will not be offered. Deacon Michael will offer a Eucharistic Service with the Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion.**

Please pray that more will hear and respond to the call to priesthood and religious life while thanking God for Deacons.

**In Our Prayers / En nuestras oraciones**

We ask you to take a moment 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 below.

The names will be kept in our bulletin for three consecutive weeks.

Ma. de Lourdes Becerra  
Tom Flynn  
Marie Laurent  
John Mitchell  
Tom O'Donnell

Patti Colbert  
Lisa McCrimmon  
Assunta Jackson  
Salvador Ascencio

Diane Brothers  
Ma Concepción Carrillo  
Lucas Dorronsoro  
Teresa Hernández  
Peggy Jorban  
Armando Olvera  
Normand Rainville  
Francisca Salgado

**Prayer Line / Cadena de Oración**

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 / Orando por nuestras tropas**

We remember in our prayers all of those who are serving in the military. Please contact the Parish Office if you have a family member who is serving in the military:

**CDR Dominic R. Lovello, USN • ET2 Carolyn Deacon Brewer, USN  
Ensign Tanner Collins, USN • E5 Spencer Hanemann, USN  
HM2 Kenneth McIntosh, USN • SPC Dakota Nash, USA •  
A1C Johana Tatia, USAF • A1C Earl Zachary Shelton, USAF**

We ask that you call the Parish Office with the names of your loved ones so that we can have a current list. Thanks!

**Regular Mass Schedule / Horario Regular de Misas**

**ENGLISH MASSES**

**WEEKEND SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil: ..... 4:30 PM  
Sunday: ..... 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 5:00 PM

**WEEKDAYS:**

Monday, Tuesday & Friday: ..... 12 Noon  
Wednesday: ..... 6:30 AM & 7:00 PM  
Thursday: ..... 7:00 PM

**Confession:** Saturday: ..... 3:00 PM –4:00 PM  
**Adoration:** Wednesdays: ..... 7:00 AM-6:45 PM

**Misas en Español**

**HORARIO DE FIN DE SEMANA**

Sábado: ..... 6:30 PM  
Domingo: ..... 6:00 AM, 2:00 PM, 7:30 PM

**HORARIO DURANTE LA SEMANA**

Lunes: ..... 7:30 PM  
Jueves: ..... 8:00 PM

**Confesiones:** Antes de Misas, los fines de semana.  
**Adoración:** Miércoles 7:00 AM-7:00 PM / 2do Sábado del mes a las 8:30 PM



**Trunk or Treat:**  
 Safe and fun environment for kids to Trick-or-Treat

Friday, October 30th  
7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Upper Parking Lot

All children are welcome to come dressed as a Saint or in your Halloween costume!  
 The event will begin at 7:00 p.m.  
 There will be Trunk or Treating in the upper parking lot, Food and Games in the Social Hall. Dinner will be available to buy from the Knights of Columbus.  
 There will be loads of candy and treats given out during the event.

FREE ADMISSION!  
 Candy Donations welcome!

Mark your calendar now so that you and your children will not miss this special, fun evening!

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED FOR THE SUCCESS OF TRUNK-OR-TREAT!!!**  
 If you are interested in decorating your car/van/truck/SUV for Trunk-or-Treat, donating a cake for the cake walk, or volunteering, please contact Lori Rodgers at **678-626-3955** or e-mail: [lrogers@stthomastheapostle.org](mailto:lrogers@stthomastheapostle.org)

**CANDY DONATIONS WANTED!**  
 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.

**Sign up you car at:**  
[stthomastheapostle.org/category/news](http://stthomastheapostle.org/category/news)

**South Carolina Flood Assistance**

Parts of South Carolina are still recovering from all of the flooding, including the hardest hit cities—Charleston and Columbia.

Flood waters are receding, and many residents are returning to their homes to assess the damage and realizing that they have a long road ahead of them.

**If you would like to help residents in South Carolina, you can make donations to Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Charleston by going to their website [charitiessc.org/donate-now](http://charitiessc.org/donate-now)**

They will be assisting victims of the flood with long term recovery efforts. You can also send a check to:

**Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Charleston**  
 1427 Pickens Street  
 Columbia, SC 29201

**Please mark your check "October 2015 Storm."**

Thank you for thinking of these families during this difficult time.

Coming soon ...

October 17-November 9  
 After all Masses  
 Commons Area  
**Coats 4 All Drive**  
 Helped those in need of a warm coat this winter. See Page 4 for details.

October 23, 2015  
 7:00 p.m.  
 Social Hall  
**Holy Hollywood**  
 Save the date for our next movie presentation. See Page 4 for details.

October 24-November 15  
 After all Masses  
 Main Sanctuary  
**Branches of Remembrance**  
 See Page 4 for more information

October 30, 2015  
**7:00 p.m. (Note time change)**  
 Church Parking Lot  
**Trunk or Treat**  
 A fun and safe way for your children to wear their costumes and collect candy! See this page.



**PARISH "TOWN HALL"  
MEETING**

**Monday, October 26th**  
**Either**  
**Morning English Session: 10:30 a.m.**  
**OR**  
**Evening English Session: 7:00 p.m.**  
**In the Social Hall**

Our pastor, Fr. Brian, invites anyone that would like to discuss "whatever" about the Financial Report that was published and distributed in the bulletin of October 3-4.

The same meeting (English) will be offered twice this day at 10:30 a.m. or at 7:00 p.m. in the Social Hall on Monday, October 26th.

You can access the Financial Report on our parish's web page by visiting:

[stthomastheapostle.org/about/summaries-of-financial-results](http://stthomastheapostle.org/about/summaries-of-financial-results)

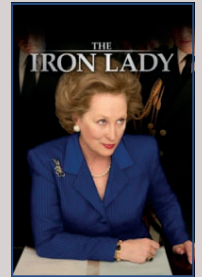
Fr. Brian would welcome you to hear about other concerns (thoughts about the future) that are percolating as to the life and ministries of the parish that time does not permit me to treat in full at our Masses.

If you have questions or concerns that you would like to send ahead of time please email Fr. Brian at [frbrian@stthomastheapostle.org](mailto:frbrian@stthomastheapostle.org)

Thanks!

**Holy Hollywood presents: The Iron Lady**  
**Friday, October 23rd 7:00 p.m. in the Social Hall**

Please join us for the presentation of the 2011 biographical film *The Iron Lady* based on the life of Margaret Thatcher, not only one of the most influential women of the 20th century, but also the longest serving Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of that same century. The film stars Best Actress award winner, Meryl Streep, as she portrays the first and only female Prime Minister of the UK who from out of nowhere smashed through gender barriers and class in a male dominated world.



**Doors to the Social Hall open 6:15 p.m. and the movie will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m.** Soft drinks and snacks will be available however feel free to bring something to eat and/or drink before or during the movie. A group facilitated discussion will be conducted immediately at the end of the movie so please plan to join us.



**Coats 4 All Drive (October 17th-18th through November 8th-9th)**

Our annual Coats 4 All drive is starting this weekend and will run through the weekend of 11/08 and 11/09. There will be collection boxes for your donations of gently used (or new) coats in Commons. Please help us help the needy and homeless with warm coats for the upcoming winter.

*Participa en la Campaña de Recolección de Abrigos Para Todos, organizada por los Caballeros de Colón. A partir de este fin de semana, y hasta el 9 de noviembre, estaremos aceptando donaciones de abrigos de todas las tallas, nuevos o usados (y en buen estado.) Los abrigos serán usados para ayudar a los necesitados y personas indigentes para que se mantengan abrigados durante el invierno. Por favor dejen sus donaciones en las cajas del Área Común.*

**This week in our Parish**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 19**

9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
**12:00 PM EUCHARISTIC SERVICE**  
**SEE PAGE 2**  
 4:30 PM PSR  
 7:00 PM PSR  
 7:30 PM MISA  
 † JUAN TALAVERA  
 † SANTIAGO REYES  
 † MARÍA ASUNCIÓN REYES  
 8:00 PM EVANGELIZATION CHOIR

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20**

9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
 10:00 AM ARISE!  
**12:00 PM MASS**  
 † MELESIA PASCO LABRIAS  
 7:00 PM JUBILEE MEETING  
 7:00 PM BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY  
 7:00 PM CONFIRMATION CLASS  
 7:00 PM SVdP  
 7:30 PM EVANGELIZATION CHOIR  
 8:15 PM APOYO A LA FAMILIA

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21**

**6:30 AM MASS FOR PEACE**  
 7:30 AM ADORATION  
 9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
 6:45 PM BENEDICTION  
 7:00 PM ARISE!  
**7:00 PM MASS**  
 ELMITA LOUISON  
**7:00 PM JUNTA INFORMATIVA**  
 7:00 PM PSR  
 7:30 PM LIFE/TEEN BAND  
 8:00 PM SMALL FAITH COMMUNITIES

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22**

9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
 10:00 AM BIBLE STUDY  
 10:00 AM STORY TIME  
 6:00 PM FIDELES ROSARY  
 7:00 PM BIBLE STUDY  
**7:00 PM MASS**  
**IN THANKSGIVING FOR ALL OF GOD'S GIFTS**  
 7:00 PM PSR  
 7:30 PM FIDELES MEETING  
**8:00 PM MISA**  
 † DUSTIN RIVERA

**All Souls Bilingual Mass**  
**Misa Bilingüe de Todos los Santos**

Monday, November 2nd at 7:30 p.m.  
 Lunes, 2 de noviembre a las 7:30 p.m.

**Branches of Remembrance**

Branches of Remembrance will be placed up behind the Altar as we prepare for All Souls Day, on Monday, November 2nd.

Anyone would be welcome to place a photo of a deceased loved one on the branches.

**We have to limit the size of the photo to no bigger than 5 inches by 7 inches.**

Make a loop to hang the photo or use the materials available in the church to create one.



The branches will be in place for the weekend of October 24th-25th to receive the photos before and after the weekend Masses.

The display will continue until November 15th.

Place your name and phone number on the back of the photo to get the photo back. If not, the photos will receive a proper disposition.

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

**Árbol del Recuerdo**

Este año, nuevamente, en preparación para el Día de Todos los Fieles Difuntos les invitamos a colgar fotografías de sus seres queridos ya fallecidos en las ramas que tendremos disponibles detrás del altar.

**Invitamos a todos a traer fotografías de sus seres queridos ya fallecidos. El tamaño de la fotografía no debe exceder 5x7 pulgadas (12.5x17.5cm)**

Preparen la fotografía en casa, con una cinta para colgarla, o utilicen los materiales que estarán disponibles en la iglesia. Las fotografías pueden ser colgadas en las ramas a partir del 24-25 de octubre y serán removidas hasta el 15 de noviembre.

Por favor anotar el nombre y número de teléfono de su familia detrás de la foto para poder devolverla. Las fotografías no identificadas se desecharán apropiadamente.

Para más informes, por favor llamar al 770-432-8579, Ext. 0.

**JUNTA DE INFORMACION**

**Sesión español:**  
**Lunes, 21 de octubre**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Salón Social**

Nuestro párroco, el Padre Brian, invita a toda la comunidad a una Junta de Información en la que se discutirá el Reporte Financiero que fue distribuido en el boletín del 4 de octubre.

La Junta será ofrecida en español el día miércoles, 21 de octubre, a las 7:00 p.m. en el Salón Social.

El Reporte Financiero también está disponible en nuestra página web en:

[stthomastheapostle.org/about/summaries-of-financial-results](http://stthomastheapostle.org/about/summaries-of-financial-results)

Durante la reunión podrán compartir sus inquietudes o sugerencias para el futuro de nuestra vida parroquial y ministerios.

Muchas veces no nos da tiempo de tratar estos temas a la salida de la Misa, así que esta es una oportunidad para que compartan sus ideas.

También pueden enviar sus preguntas y comentarios con anticipación al correo electrónico del Padre Brian:

[fbrian@stthomastheapostle.org](mailto:fbrian@stthomastheapostle.org)

Muchas Gracias,

*Calendar updated as of October 12, 2015*

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23**

9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
 12:00 PM **Mass**  
 † **JAQUELINE ANTOINE**  
 6:00 PM SP REHEARSAL  
 6:30 PM ESTUDIANTINA CHOIR  
 7:00 PM CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP  
 7:00 PM HOLY HOLLYWOOD  
 8:00 PM ASAMBLEA DE ORACIÓN

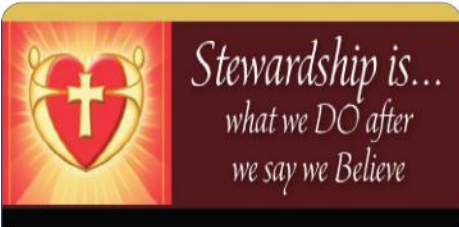
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24**

COATS 4 ALL  
 9:00 AM BAUTISMOS  
 10:00 AM MARIA NIÑA  
 11:30 AM DUEÑAS WEDDING  
 3:00 PM CONFESSION  
 4:00 PM KOFC OCTOBERFEST  
 4:30 PM **MASS**  
 † **BERNARD VENEY**  
 6:53 PM DEACON MARK'S FAREWELL RECEPTION  
 6:30 PM **MISA**  
**DANNY AGUIRRE**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25**

COATS 4 ALL  
 LIFE TEEN FUNDRAISE: COFFEE & DONUT SALE  
 6:00 AM **Misa**  
 † **EFRÁIN DUEÑAS**  
 † **JESÚS RODRIGUEZ**  
 7:30 AM **MASS**  
**PEOPLE OF ST. THOMAS**  
 9:30 AM **MASS**  
 † **WARREN SHAW**  
 † **THEODORA SHAW**  
 9:30 AM PSR  
 11:00 AM LEGION OF MARY  
 11:15 AM PSR  
 11:30 AM **MASS**  
 † **HARRIS DUROSEAU**

2:00 PM **MISA**  
 † **AMBROSIO CHAVEZ**  
 † **GUILLERMINA TAPIA**  
 2:00 PM SP RCIA  
 4:00 PM **ARISE!**  
 5:00 PM **MASS**  
 † **ZEFERINO GALLEGOS**  
 5:00 PM RCIT RITE  
 6:00 PM LEGACY  
 6:00 PM LIFE TEEN NIGHT  
 6:30 PM THE ONE THING IS THREE  
 7:30 PM **MISA**  
 † **DUSTIN RIVERA**



**Offertory Actuals/Ofertorio Actual**  
October 10-11, 2015 vs 2014

|                        | FY 2015-16       | FY 2014-15       |
|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Budgeted .....         | \$35,769         | \$37,500         |
| Weekly Actual .....    | \$34,654         | \$35,109         |
| <b>Shortfall .....</b> | <b>(\$1,115)</b> | <b>(\$2,391)</b> |

**FY2016 Offertory Projected vs Actual to Date**  
**And Last year Comparison**

|                        |                   |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Budgeted .....         | \$536,535         | \$562,500         |
| FYTD .....             | \$517,965         | \$504,678         |
| <b>Shortfall .....</b> | <b>(\$18,570)</b> | <b>(\$57,822)</b> |

**Operating Financial Statement**  
**For the year ended 6/30/2015**

|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Revenue .....          | \$2,672,239       |
| Expenses .....         | (\$2,730,531)     |
| <b>Shortfall .....</b> | <b>(\$58,292)</b> |

Total Assessments .....\$1,309,098  
still owed to Archdiocese as of 06/30/15

**Archbishop Annual Appeal 2015 (Week 37)**  
**Llamado Anual del Arzobispo 2015 (Semana 37)**  
Goal (Meta).....\$149,300  
Total Pledged (Compromisos totales) .....\$272,585  
Paid to date (Pagos recibidos) .....\$145,802  
Percent Paid to Goal (Porcentaje pagado).....98%  
Number of Donors (No. de Donantes).....1,212  
**Shortfall to Goal (Pérdida).....\$3,498**

**Children's Offertory**  
**Ofertorio de los Niños**  
October 3-4, 2015

Total .....\$944.03

I was nice (Fui bueno) ♥ I was ready and dressed for English school and my mom was happy (Me alisté a tiempo para la clase de inglés y mi mamá se puso contenta) ♥ Teach English (Enseñé inglés) ♥ I did good at school (Fui bueno en la escuela) ♥ Helped my mom preparing meals for the family (Ayudé a mamá a preparar comida para la familia) ♥ I did my chores (Hice mis deberes) ♥ I didn't get mad at my biological sister (No me enojé con mi hermanita biológica) ♥ I behaved at school (Buen comportamiento en la escuela) ♥ I prayed every night (Recé todas las noches) ♥ I helped a friend with her chores (Ayudé a una amiga con sus tareas) ♥ Helped cleaning the house (Ayudé a limpiar la casa) ♥ I fed my cat (Le di de comer a mi gato) ♥ I helped Andy with homework (Le ayudé a Andy con la tarea) ♥ I emptied the trash bins in the bathrooms (Saqué la basura de los baños) ♥ I helped my family (Ayudé a mi familia) ♥

Offering envelopes are available in the Commons Area. Ask your child to write his/her good deed of the week and encourage him/her to deposit the envelope in the special basket near the altar, during the offertory. Plant the seeds of a generous heart!

Pope Francis Monthly Prayer Intentions

**Universal:** That human trafficking, the modern form of slavery, may be eradicated.

**Evangelization:** That with a missionary spirit the Christian communities of Asia may announce the Gospel to those who are still awaiting it.



**Around the Archdiocese**

**40 Days for Life: Campaign to save lives continues!**

September 23rd—November 1st (410 Villa Rica Way Marietta GA 30064)

Our community will join with hundreds of other cities participating in 40 Days for Life, a life saving campaign made up of three components: Prayer & fasting, Community Outreach and Peaceful Vigil to protect mothers and babies. Vigil Prayer takes place from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. during those 40 days. For more information, visit: [www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com)

**Career Quest: A Job-Seeker Ministry**

Meetings at the Catholic Church of St. Ann (Marietta) at 6:30 p.m.

For more information visit: <http://st-ann.org/career-quest/home>.

**PLAN YOUR CHILD'S FUTURE AT SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

Information Sessions and Open Houses (81 Lacy Street, Marietta, GA 300602)

- Kindergarten Sneak A Peek: Oct 20th @ 10am
- Open House #1: Nov. 6th @ 2-3:30pm
- Kindergarten Sneak A Peek: Dec. 2nd @ 10am
- Open House #2: Jan. 9th @ 2-4pm

Find our more and RSVP to our information sessions visit the Admission page of our website at [www.stjosepschool.org/discover](http://www.stjosepschool.org/discover)

To schedule a tour or have any questions, please reach us at 770/428-3328 or [info@stjosepschool.org](mailto:info@stjosepschool.org)

**Weekend of Inspiration, Healing and Renewal**

October 23-24, 2015 Wyndham Hotel Atlanta Galleria

Would you like a closer walk with the Lord? Come and enjoy a weekend of teaching, healing, and spiritual renewal, sponsored by Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services. For registration and full schedule of events, visit [www.atccr.org](http://www.atccr.org) or call 678-464-9008 or 770-931-2533.

**Engaging Spirituality (21-week program by Just Faith Ministries)**

Monday, October 26th at Ignatius House Jesuit Retreat Center

The twenty-one week journey includes centering prayer, guided meditation, scripture reading, and a true deepening of relationships as the group looks at today's world and the critical realities of our day. For more information contact Maria Cressler, Executive Director of Ignatius House, at [mcressler@ignatiushouse.org](mailto:mcressler@ignatiushouse.org)

**Second Collection next weekend: Georgia Bulletin**

The Georgia Bulletin, the official newspaper of the Archdiocese of Atlanta, strives to inform, form, inspire, educate, and strengthen the religious identity of the members of the Catholic community of North Georgia. Your donation to the second collection will continue to support this ministry of our Archdiocese.






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