



# SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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May 8, 2016

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## Regular Office Hours

Monday—Friday

9:00 AM—8:00 PM

Closed Wednesday 1:00 PM—3:00 PM

Closed on Saturday and Sunday

## Religious Ed. Office

770-432-5296

## Regular Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday

10:00 AM—8:00 PM

Tuesday 10:00 AM—5:00 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM—1:00 PM

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Monday—Thursday

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

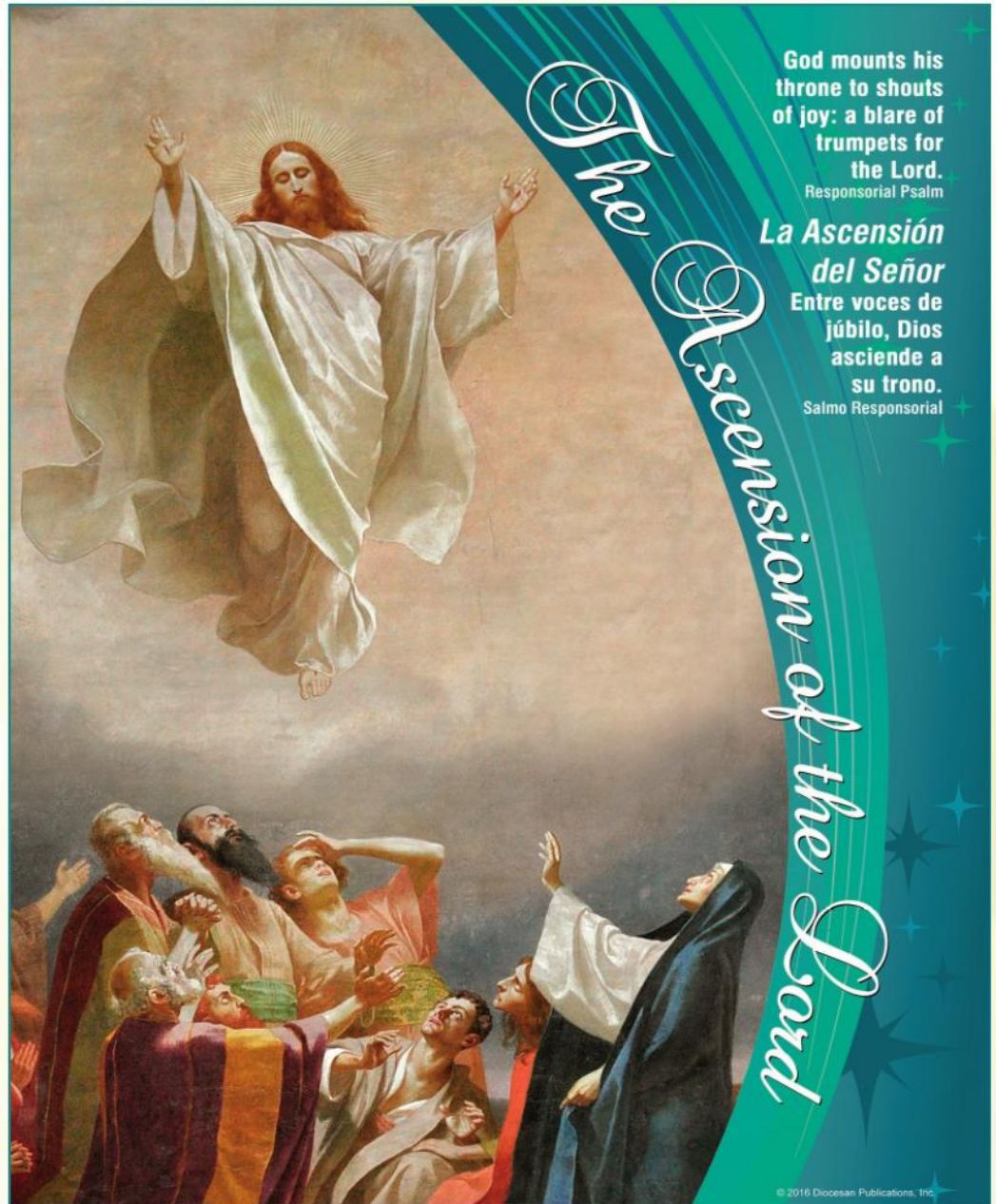
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Celebrando 50 años de UNIDAD en COMUNIDAD

### 7th Sunday of Easter—Ascension Sunday Year C

Today’s Gospel, and the feast of the Ascension, recall Jesus leaving this earth and ascending to his Father in heaven. The second reading from the Acts of the Apostles also contains the promise that Jesus will come again. This Sunday is also Mother’s Day. Be sure to show Mom how special and loved she is!

#### Praying Together

When you complete your conversation about the week’s Gospel lesson, plan to attend a weekday Mass as a family. This can be difficult because of work and school schedules, but with a little planning and a sacrifice of time, it can be done. After the Mass, spend time together in church praying silently.

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### Feast of the Ascension

#### Why do Catholics celebrate the Ascension of the Lord as a solemnity?

Solemnities are the highest-ranking holy days in the Roman liturgical calendar and are usually reserved for the most important mysteries of faith, including the Ascension of the Lord. New Advent’s Catholic Encyclopedia explains the Ascension celebrates “the completion of the work of our salvation, the pledge of our glorification with Christ and his entry into heaven with our human nature glorified.”

As the Catechism explains: “Christ’s ascension marks the definitive entrance of Jesus’ humanity into God’s heavenly domain, whence he will come again (Acts 1:11) “Jesus Christ, the head of the Church, precedes us into the Father’s glorious kingdom so that we, the members of his body, may live in the hope of one day being with him forever” (665-667).

### In Our Prayers En Nuestra Oraciones

#### Bulletin Sick List

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.

- |                                    |                |                 |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| M <sup>rs</sup> de Lourdes Becerra | Ellen Casey    | Carolynn Goerke |
| Kat Doyle                          | Zed Chukwujama | Larry Orsak     |
| Francis Muoman                     | Jamie Martin   | Mercedes Rojas  |
| Kevin Pinto                        | Joan Telottle  | Kitty Sweeney   |
| Laura Marie Santamaria             | Earnie Waldrup |                 |

#### 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

#### Praying for our Troops / Orando por Nuestras Tropas

We also 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 currently serving in the military:

- ET2 Carolyn Deacon Brewer, USN • PVT Derek Collins, USA • Ensign Tanner Collins, USN • LCPL Manuel Kendrick, USMC • CDR Dominic R. Lovello, USN • HM2 Kenneth McIntosh, USN • SrA Earl Zachary Shelton, USAF

### Regular Schedule of Masses / 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  
or by Appointment
- 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

# Celebrating Unity in Community



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# Celebrando Unidad en Comunidad

## Conclusion of our Parish Jubilee Year (1966-2016)

Conclusión de nuestro Año de Jubileo Parroquial (1966-2016)



### Jubilee Mass

Sunday, June 5th at 10:30 a.m.  
MableHouse Amphitheatre  
**PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF TIME!**

Archbishop Wilton D. Gregory will celebrate this Mass in thanksgiving for the 50th anniversary of our parish.

### Misa de Jubileo

Domingo, 5 de junio a las 10:30 a.m.  
MableHouse Amphitheatre  
**POR FAVOR NOTEN EL CAMBIO EN LA HORA**

El Arzobispo Wilton D. Gregory celebrará esta Misa en Acción de Gracias por el 50 aniversario de nuestra parroquia.



### Golden Gala

Saturday, June 11th  
Renaissance Waverly Hotel

A formal Dinner & Dance Celebration will wrap up our Jubilee Year!  
Delicious dinner options to choose from!

See Page 4 for details.

### Gala Dorada

Sábado, 11 de junio  
Renaissance Waverly Hotel

Cena formal y baile para clausurar este Año del Jubileo.  
¡Deliciosos platillos para cenar y muchas sorpresas!

Ver página 4 para más detalles.

## Biblical Migration Tuesday, May 10th

The true spirit of Christianity  
is 'movement'



### BIBLICAL MIGRATION PRESENTATION

Tuesday, May 10th  
7:00 p.m.

(Room location to be advised)

PRESENTER: Kat Doyle,  
Director of Justice and  
Peace Ministries, from the  
office of the Archdiocese  
**LIMITED SEATING:**  
Sign-up Required –  
Available in Commons  
through May 8th.

Salvation, forgiveness,  
unconditional love of God,  
are just some of the many  
themes found in the Bible.  
One theme stands out as a  
central since it has been  
with us since the beginning  
of time – **MIGRATION**.  
Migration is the term for the  
movement of people  
between different countries.  
One of today's issues is that  
of immigration, which is not  
a new issue, and certainly  
not an issue only in the  
United States.

Come and welcome  
Kat Doyle as she takes us  
on a migration journey  
starting at the beginning of  
the Bible and bringing us to  
where we are today. Learn  
more about the biblical  
history of migration and how  
we are called as Christians  
to respond.

Call Linda Veit for more  
information at  
678-626-3961.

For more information about our Jubilee Celebration please visit:  
Para más información acerca de la celebración del jubileo, visiten:

**Jubilee.StThomasTheApostle.org**

## Ignite: Tuesday, May 17th at 7:30 p.m. (Dinner at 6:15 p.m.)

### Tuesday, May 17th at 7:30 p.m. (Dinner begins at 6:15 p.m.)



**DINNER:** Since it's the month of May please join us for a continuation of *Cinco de Mayo* as we share a meal from Los Bravos Restaurant that includes quesadillas, beans, rice, chips and salsa, and a beverage – cost \$5.00 per person. Dinner begins 6:15 pm. In the Social Hall.

**PROGRAM:** The Ignite! program begins at 7:30 p.m. It'll be a Spirit-filled evening as we pray together, sing together with music led by our Life Teen Band, a personal faith story offered by one of our parishioners, and lots more. The program will conclude around 9:00 p.m.

**DESSERT and CONVERSATION:** And THEN... BRING A SNACK OR DESSERT to share after the program during time for chatting with Ignite! friends, new and old.

THE SOCIAL EVENT OF THE YEAR  
EL EVENTO SOCIAL DEL AÑO

# GOLDEN JUBILEE GALA

50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION & DINNER/DANCE CELEBRATION  
CENA/BAILE DE GALA CELEBRANDO NUESTRO 50 ANIVERSARIO

**JUNE 11, 2016**  
11 DE JUNIO DEL 2016

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FOLLOWED BY AN ELEGANT DINNER IN THE HABERSHAM BALLROOM  
SEGUIDO DE CENA FORMAL EN EL SALÓN HABERSHAM.

DINNER CHOICES: SEARED SALMON OR GRILLED FILET MIGNON  
OPCIONES DE CENA: SALMÓN BRASEADO O FILET MIGNON ASADO

MUSIC AND DANCING THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT AND "SURPRISES"  
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TICKETS SALES BEGINNING - MAY 7-8      BOLETOS A LA VENTA A PARTIR DEL 7-8 DE MAYO.

## Eventos Parroquiales

### Pentecostés 2016

15 de mayo

A partir de las 9:00 a.m.  
Mable House Amphitheatre  
Donación: \$10

*Tema:*

*Me levantaré y volveré a Casa de mi Padre.*

Se cancela las Misas en español en la iglesia, a las 7:30 p.m.

### Misa del jubileo

Domingo, 5 de junio

**10:30 a.m. (Nueva Hora)**  
MableHouse Amphitheatre

### Cena de Gala Dorada

Sábado, 11 de junio

Renaissance Waverly Hotel  
Ver recuadro.

## This Week in our Parish

### MONDAY, MAY 9

9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
12:00 PM **Mass**  
**LAWRENCE ORSAK**  
7:00 PM 1ST EUCHARIST PRACTICE  
7:00 PM PASTORAL COUNCIL  
7:30 PM **Misa**  
**WENDY SOTO**  
7:30 PM PROLIFE MINISTRY  
8:00 PM CREDO CHOIR  
8:00 PM EVANGELIZATION CHOIR

### TUESDAY, MAY 10

9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
12:00 PM **Mass**  
**† VIRGINIA BACCAY**  
7:00 PM 1ST EUCHARIST PRACTICE  
7:00 PM BIBLICAL MIGRATION  
(SEE PAGE 3)  
7:00 PM SVdP  
8:00 PM ESTUDIANTINA  
8:00 PM EVANGELIZATION CHOIR

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

6:30 AM **MASS FOR PEACE**  
7:00 AM ADORATION  
9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
12:00 PM PRESCHOOL BLESSING  
6:45 PM BENEDICTION  
7:00 PM KofC 4TH DEGREE  
7:00 PM **Mass**  
7:30 PM LT BAND  
8:00 PM ROSARY FOR LIFE  
8:30 PM SMALL FAITH COMMUNITIES

### THURSDAY, MAY 12

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**  
**TOM & MARY STEINBOCK**  
7:30 PM FIDELES MTG  
8:00 PM **MISA**  
**† AMELIA HUACUJA**  
**† JUANA RUIZ**

## Pantry Needs Despensa

### Pantry Items needed

Please support the efforts of our Saint Vincent de Paul Food Pantry by bringing the following donations:

- Jelly
- Canned Fruit
- Laundry Detergent
- Toilet paper
- Ketchup
- Mashed Potatoes
- Spaghetti sauce.



### Artículos de Despensa

Les invitamos a apoyar los esfuerzos de nuestra Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl la cual ayuda a personas necesitadas. Se solicitan los siguientes artículos para la despensa:

- Jalea
- Fruta Enlatada
- Detergente de ropa
- Papel higiénico
- Salsa de tomate "ketchup"
- Puré de Papas
- Salsa de espagueti

## Vacation Bible School (VBS) —June 6-10: Save the Date Escuela Bíblica de Verano—6-10 de junio: Marquen sus calendarios

### CAVE QUEST: Following Jesus, the Light of the World

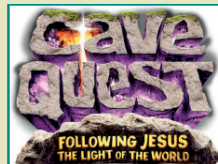
Monday, June 6 through Friday, June 10th  
from: 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Cost: \$40.00 per child  
VBS Music CD: \$7**

All children who were 3 years old before September 1, 2015 through grade 5 are welcome!

Registration ends on Friday, May 20th (limited space!)

Forms available in the Rel. Ed. Office.  
For more information call the PSR office at 770-432-5296.



### CAVE QUEST: Siguiendo a Jesus, Luz del Mundo

Lunes, 6 de juni al viernes, 10 de junio  
De 9:30 a.m. a 1:00 p.m.

**Costo: \$40.00 por niño(a)  
CD con música de VBS: \$7**

Abierto a niños con de 3 años (cumplidos el 1° de septiembre de 2015) a 5to Grado.

Deben registrarse a más tardar el 20 de mayo (espacio limitado)

Formas de registro disponibles en la Oficina de Catecismo. Informes al 770-432-5296.

## Preschool Summer Camp Campamento de Verano para niños en edad preescolar

Looking for children ages 3 – 6 (ages as of 9/1/2015) to join the fun!

Mark your calendars for:

**June 20 – 23 "The World of Eric Carle"**  
**June 27 – 30 "Celebrate America"**

Cost: \$125 per week  
Camp Hours: 9:00 am – 12:30 pm  
(A minimum of 8 children must be enrolled to offer the camp)

The campers can enjoy two weeks of fun activities which will include: arts and crafts, music, dramatic play, stories, and plenty of outdoor active play. The children bring lunch from home. Snack will be provided.

Registration forms are available online, in the Preschool office and in the church commons. Call the Preschool Office at 770-432-8579 Ext. 125 with any questions.



## This Week in our Parish

Updated on May 3, 2016

### FRIDAY, MAY 13

9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
9:30 AM EVANG. FOLLOW UP  
**12:00 PM MASS**  
† GEORGE PATRICK GARGER  
**6:00 PM RODRÍGUEZ WEDDING**  
7:00 PM CHARISMATIC PRAYER  
7:30 PM EVANG. FOLLOW UP  
8:00 PM ASAMBLEA DE ORACIÓN

### SATURDAY, MAY 14

8:00 AM SUNDAY AM CHOIR  
8:00 AM ULTREYA  
9:30 AM FIRST COMMUNION C  
1:30 PM FIRST COMMUNION D  
3:00 PM CONFESSIONS  
**4:30 PM ENGLISH MASS**  
4:30 PM ESTUDIANTINA CHOIR  
5:00 PM CATEQUESIS DE ADULTOS  
**6:30 PM MISA**  
DERREN AGUIRRE

### SUNDAY, MAY 15

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**  
**6:00 AM MISA**  
† JUANITA MARTÍNEZ  
† ALTA GARCÍA MARTÍNEZ  
† OLIVA TORRES  
**7:30 AM MASS**  
**9:30 AM MASS**  
† ELIO MOND ACCILLEN  
11:00 AM LEGION OF MARY  
**11:30 AM MASS**  
† JOHN PETER MICHUKI  
† ROY NICHOLAS MICHUKI  
12:30 PM AFRICAN PARISHIONERS ORG  
12:30 PM ESTUDIANTINA CHOIR

### SUNDAY, MAY 15 (CONT.)

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**  
**2:00 PM MISA**  
PEOPLE OF STA  
4:00 PM ESTUDIANTINA CHOIR  
**5:00 PM MASS**  
GEORGINA TRENTI  
6:30 PM CONSOLING THE HEART OF JESUS

## Weekly Donations Report

### Reporte de Donaciones Semanales

#### Offertory Actual /Ofertorio Actual April 30-May 1, 2016 vs. 2015

	FY 2016	FY 2015
Budgeted .....	\$35,769	\$37,500
Weekly Actual .....	\$38,495	\$45,704
Surplus/(Shortfall) .....	\$2,726	-\$8,204

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

Budgeted .....	\$1,573,836	\$1,687,500
Actual .....	\$1,634,112	\$1,484,082
Surplus/(Shortfall) .....	\$60,276	(\$203,418)

#### Operating Financial Statement For the 9 months ending 3/31/2016

Operating Revenue .....	\$2,252,885
Operating Expenses .....	(\$2,011,178)
Operating Revenue over Expense .....	\$241,707

Total Assessments ..... \$1,137,272  
still owed to Archdiocese as of 3/31/16

#### Archbishop Annual Appeal 2016 (Week 15) Llamado Anual del Arzobispo 2016 (Semana 15)

Goal (Meta) .....	\$157,700
Total Pledged (Compromisos totales) .....	\$279,316
Paid to date (Pagos recibidos) .....	\$89,495
Surplus/(Shortfall) to Goal .....	(\$68,205)
Percent Paid to Goal (Porcentaje pagado) .....	57%
Number of Donors (No. de Donantes) .....	1,194

#### Children's Offertory Ofertorio de los Niños April 30-May 1, 2016

Total .....\$913.11

♥ I shared with my friends (Compartí con mis amigos) ♥ I helped my friend with his homework (Ayudé a mi amiguito con su tarea) ♥ I picked up my toys (Recogí mis juguetes) ♥ I gave money to help buy bottles and diapers for babies (Doné dinero para ayudar a comprar biberones y pañales) ♥ I built garden boxes (Construí cajas de jardín) ♥ I tried to hit the ball in baseball (Traté de pegarle a la bola en beisbol) ♥ Being respectful to my elders (Fui respetuoso con las personas mayores) ♥ Taking care of my Mom because my Dad passed away (Cuidar a mi mamá porque mi papá falleció) ♥ Give God my heart and my life (Dar a Dios mi corazón y mi vida) ♥ I listened to papi (Hice caso a Papi) ♥ I didn't fight with my brother (No peleé con mi hermano) ♥

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!

## Around the Archdiocese of Atlanta

### Eventos en la Arquidiócesis de Atlanta

#### St. Joseph Catholic School: Now accepting applications for 2016-2017 school year

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#### Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, June 24th-26th, 2016

Do you live with the self-condemnation of abortion?  
Do you think there is no forgiveness?  
Do you live with anxiety, fear, panic, and depression?

Good News! God desires you to be healed and whole.

He wants you to be joyful again. Good News! We can help. Come to the next Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, June 24th-26th. The weekend long retreat is facilitated by PATH (Post Abortion Treatment and Healing) where broken hearts can be rebuilt, renewed, redeemed. Give yourself the gift of Freedom.

For more information visit our website at [healingafterabortion.org](http://healingafterabortion.org) or call 404-717-5557.

#### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Helping couples to look deeply into their relationship with each other and with God. Next available weekend: June 10-12. For more information and to apply, visit our website at <http://gatn-wwme.org> or call 678-242-WWME.

#### Pray for a stop to Human Trafficking

Traffickers are opportunistic hunters and see major sporting events, and the thousands of people who flock to sports venues, as an opportunity for huge profits with little risk of penalty or punishment. Human trafficking is a business, and traffickers will take advantage of what they perceive to be good business opportunities – including national and international sporting events.

For more information, please visit the U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking at [sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org)

#### Couples celebrating 50th and 60th Wedding Anniversaries

Archbishop Wilton D. Gregory would like to honor couples married in 1966 and 1956 with an invitation to a Golden/Diamond Wedding Anniversary Mass on Saturday, October 1, 2016 at 12:00 noon at Saint Brigid Catholic Church. A reception will follow the Mass for the anniversary couples and their families. Space is limited.

Please go to <http://tiny.cc/anniversarymass> to RSVP for this event and for additional information.

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