



SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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November 26, 2017

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe • *Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo*



MATTHEW • MATEO 25:31-46

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo

SUNDAY CAR TALK

Reflect on your way back home, after Mass.

Let us pray for a spirit of truth,
that we may love and embrace the truth
revealed to us by Christ.

CONVERSACIONES EN EL CARRO

Reflexión después de Misa, de camino a casa.

Oremos por el espíritu de la verdad,
para que amemos y abracemos la verdad
revelada por Cristo.

Clergy Clero

Pastor:

Rev. Brian R. Sheridan, M.S.

678-626-3938

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Parochial Vicars:

Rev. Jojohn Chettiyakunnel, M.S.

678-626-3953

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

770-432-8579 Ext. 0

Rev. Paul Rainville, M.S. (in residence)

678-626-3959

Deacons:

Rev. Mr. Michael Garrett

Rev. Mr. Earl Jackson

Rev. Mr. Richard Searls

Deacons Office

770-432-8579 Ext. 106

Contact & Office Hours

Contacto y Horas de Oficina

Parish Office

Main Phone: 770 - 432-8579

Fax. 770 - 432-8570

Regular Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday—Friday

9:00 AM—8:00 PM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM—5:00 PM

Closed Wednesday 1 PM-3 PM

Religious Ed. Office

770 - 432-5296

Regular Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday

10:00 AM—5:00 PM

Tuesday: 10:00 AM—5:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Closed on Friday & Saturday

Preschool Office

770-293-1267

Regular Office Hours

Monday—Thursday

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

St. Vincent de Paul Society

678-626-3939 (English Hotline)

678-626-3949 (Línea en español)

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

SOLAMENTE CON CITA



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Mass Schedule • Horario de Misas

English Mass Schedule

Monday 12 Noon
Tuesday 12 Noon
Wednesday..... 8:15 AM & 7:00 PM
Thursday 7:00 PM
Friday 12 Noon
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM
11:30 AM & 5:00 PM

Confession

Saturday 3:00 PM

Adoration

Wednesday..... 9:00 AM-6:45 PM

Horario de Misas en Español

Lunes 7:30 PM
Jueves 8:00 PM
Sábado 6:30 PM
Domingo 6:00 AM
2:00 PM & 7:30 PM

Confesión

Sábados 5:30 PM

Domingos..... 1:00 PM & 6:30 PM

Adoración

Miércoles 9:00 AM-6:45 PM

2^{do} Sábado 8:00 PM-6:00 AM

Baptism • Bautismo

Parish families who wish to have a child baptized should be registered in a Catholic parish and take the pre-baptismal class BEFORE making plans for a baptismal date. Classes are offered monthly.

Las familias que deseen bautizar a sus hijos deben estar registrados en una iglesia católica y tomar una plática prebautismal ANTES de hacer planes para una fecha de bautismo. Se ofrecen pláticas mensualmente.

Yolanda Rivera • Abigail Ureña • Patricia Van Buren
770-432-8579 Ext. 0 stthomasga@stthomastheapostle.org

First Eucharist • Primera Eucaristía

Preparation is a two-year process. Enrollment in Catholic school or Parish School of Religion is required the year prior to receiving the Sacrament.

La preparación es un proceso de dos años. Los niños deben estar registrados en Catecismo de la iglesia, o asistir a escuela católica un año antes de recibir el sacramento.

Sue Senecal • Elizabeth Medina
ssenecal@stthomastheapostle.org 770-432-5296 emedina@stthomastheapostle.org

Marriage • Matrimonios

A minimum of six months preparation is required. Additional information will be provided on your first interview with the priest.

Un mínimo de seis meses de preparación son requeridos. Información adicional estará disponible después de la primera entrevista con el sacerdote.

Patricia Van Buren
678-626-3940 pvanburen@stthomastheapostle.org

Reconciliation • Reconciliación

Saturdays at 3:00 p.m. in the Confessional Room or by appointment. Priests handle their own calendars. Please call the parish office for more information.

Sábados y domingos, 30 minutos antes de que empiecen las Misas, en el confesionario. O con cita previa, de acuerdo a la disponibilidad de los sacerdotes.

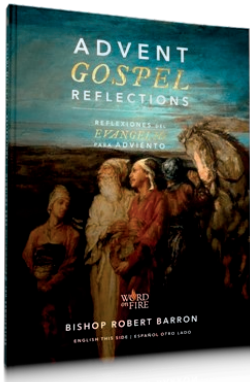
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Sacrament of the Sick • Unción de los Enfermos

Please inform the Parish Office of anyone homebound or hospitalized so that they may receive the Sacraments.

Por favor informar a la Oficina Parroquial si conocen alguna persona que esté enferma o hospitalizada para que reciba la unción.

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Advent is a time to prepare for Christmas.

Join us on Wednesday evenings during Advent to share Bishop Robert Barron's *Advent Gospel Reflections*.

Sessions focus on the four Sunday Advent Gospel readings, reflections from each Gospel, and group faith sharing.

The cost of the booklets is \$4 each. **Only a few spots left!**

Contact Linda Veit at 678-626-3961.

ADVENT: FREE RESOURCES ONLINE

Adviento: Meditaciones GRATIS en línea

Advent will soon be here !! How fortunate are we to have just been energized at our Parish Mission in October. Mike Patin re-awakened our Spirit and just in time for the anticipation and preparation of the Advent Season. Let's nourish those new seeds that Mike planted as a reminder to take time for Jesus through daily prayer, our family and friends, and our discipleship commitment.

Dynamic Catholic is offering a **free online e-mail program called *BEST ADVENT EVER*** to help us settle down and focus on what is really important during this very busy season. **We are offering this program to all our parishioners at no cost, except for a few minutes of your time each day during Advent.**

To sign up simply use your phone, notepad, laptop, or computer and enter: **dynamiccatholic.com/advent**

It's that easy for all of us here at Saint Thomas the Apostle parish to keep watering those seeds and have them be in bloom this Advent and Christmas season. **For more information, please contact Linda in Adult Faith Formation 678 626-3961.**

'TIS (almost)
THE
SEASON

We prepare for everything we consider important in life. And that includes Christmas. Join our parish for Best Advent Ever, a FREE e-mail program that will help you prepare for Christmas in a unique way.

Each day you will receive an e-mail with...

- Short inspirational videos from Matthew Kelly and Dr. Allen Hunt
- Practical tips for your everyday life
- Real-life stories of hope

TO SIGN UP, VISIT

BestAdventEver.com/BeautifulHope

 **Dynamic Catholic**

Christ the King

Theme:

Theme: Jesus' kingdom is a kingdom of actions and deeds, not merely of words.

Question for Children:

Who are the people most in need of help who live around you, and how can you help them?

Question for Youth:

What can you do (alone, with friends, or with your family) to help those who are without food, shelter, or have other needs? When have you seen Jesus in the poor?

Question for Adults:

As you grapple with this very strong, direct and demanding Gospel passage, name the people for whom you have cared personally – or if there are none, those for whom you will offer care in the coming weeks.

Source: Lectionary Link

Children's Christmas Choir Coro Navideño de Niños (en inglés)

What?

Children's Choir to lead music at 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass in English.

For whom?

Children in grades Kindergarten through 8 (Grade level is the determining factor, not age.)

What Is Required?

- Participating children must:
- Attend at least three of the four rehearsals in order to participate on Christmas Eve.
 - BE ON TIME for rehearsal!
 - Arrive for Christmas Eve Mass by NO LATER THAN 3:15 p.m.

Coro Navideño de Niños, para participar en la Misa de Nochebuena en inglés de 4:00 p.m., el domingo 24 de diciembre.

Se invita a niños de Kinder a Grado 8. Deben registrarse con anticipación y asistir puntualmente al menos a 3 ensayos. Espacio limitado.

El día de la Misa deben llegar a las 3:15 p.m. ♪



Limited space! Only the first 50 children registered will be allowed to participate.
Espacio limitado. Sólo los primeros 50 niños que se registren podrán participar.

Register online ▪ Anotarse en línea:
www.stthomastheapostle.org/cc-2017

Children's Choir Rehearsals ▪ Ensayos del Coro Navideño de Niños

Four rehearsals (mark these dates CAREFULLY on your calendar!):

- Monday, December 4 – 5:45 p.m.—6:45p.m. in the Music Room
- Thursday, December 14 – 5:45 p.m.—6:45p.m. in the Music Room
- Monday, December 18 – 5:45 p.m.—6:45p.m. in the Music Room
- Thursday, December 21 – 5:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

For details, contact Patty Smith via email psmith@stthomastheapostle.org or submit your information by phone to Patty at 770-241-9343.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA ▪ DESAYUNO CON SANTA

Includes full breakfast, keepsake photo with Santa and Children's Shopping Spree.

Ticket Prices: \$22 for one adult & 2 children.
\$4 each additional person

Call Priscilla at 404-849-8772 for tickets.

Saturday, December 2
9:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m.
Social Hall



Youth Ministry News

Ministerio de Jóvenes

Save the date for these upcoming events!
 Marca el calendario para los próximos eventos!

EDGE Lock In: MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS



December 8-9, 2017 • Diciembre 8-9, 2017
 Friday 8:00 p.m.—Saturday, 9:00 a.m.

Open to all Middle School Students. Early Bird is \$25. Limited Space.
Abierto a estudiantes de Middle School. Boleto: \$25. Espacio limitado.

Life Teen Christmas Charity Ball: HS STUDENTS



December 17, 2017 • Diciembre 17, 2017
 6:30 p.m.-10:00 p.m. Social Hall

Open to All High School Students. Early Bird Ticket is \$25 until
 12/8/2017. Tickets will be \$30 after that date.
 Includes Dinner, Desserts, Music & Giveaways!

Abierto a estudiantes de High School.

*Boleto \$25 hasta el 8 de diciembre. Después de esa fecha el costo es \$30.
 Espacio Limitado. Incluye cena, postres, música y premios.*

For more information Para más información, contacta a:

Estela Martínez (Youth Minister)

678-626-3936 emartinez@stthomastheapostle.org

"I am thankful to have lived this retreat and I thank you for helping us all live this retreat. Without you, maybe all these teens would not have experienced something amazing. This has been one of the best retreats. Thank you. Chaos will always get in our way, but together we shall believe in our God and let him help us with our chaos."

- Melissa M. 15 yrs old

LifeTeen Retreat Letters—Fall 2017

"During adoration I felt something beautiful that I have never felt before. I've been to several adorations but the one I experienced Saturday night will be unforgettable. I felt like God was right next to me holding my hand, I felt safe. I feel like I truly know who He is. Therefore I would really like to thank you for this experience. If it wasn't for you I would've never felt the way that I feel right at this moment! Thank you so much!"

- Nancy C. 16 yrs old

LifeTeen Retreat Letters—Fall 2017

Cristo Rey

Tema:

El reino de Jesús es un reino de acciones y obras no sólo de palabras.

Pregunta para los niños:

¿Quiénes son las personas más necesitadas de ayuda que viven cerca de ti y cómo las podrías ayudar?

Pregunta para los jóvenes:

¿Qué puedes hacer (tú solo, con tus amigos o con tu familia) para ayudar a aquellos que no tienen alimento, albergue o que tienen otras necesidades? ¿Cuándo has visto a Jesús reflejado en los pobres?

Pregunta para los adultos:

Meditando en el mensaje directo del Evangelio de hoy, mencione algunas de las personas a las que ha cuidado personalmente; o bien, mencione algunas situaciones en las que podría ofrecerse para cuidar a algunas personas en estas semanas.

Fuente: Lectionary Link

Fellowship Sunday • Convivio Parroquial de domingo

**Sunday, December 10 in the Social Hall
 from 7:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

Come and enjoy some fellowship, some *Dough in the Box* doughnuts, and learn more about the Stephen Ministry, a support group for those who may be in a crisis (loss of job, divorce, new to the area, bereavement, hospitalization, etc.).

**For more information about this event, please contact:
 Lauren Russell 404-319-1761**

**FREE
 Coffee and Doughnuts
 for everybody!**



**Sunday, December 10
 7:15 a.m.—11:30 a.m.
 Social Hall**



LAST WEEK TO DONATE!

- Take one or more ornaments from the Giving tree and use them as gift tags.
- Buy the gifts listed on the tags.
- Wrap the gifts.
- Securely attach the ornament gift tag on the present.
- Place the wrapped gifts beside the Giving Tree no later than December 2-3.

Your gifts will be distributed to grateful recipients through selected organizations, which serve the poor and neglected in our area.

ULTIMA SEMANA PARA DONAR

- Toma uno o más adornitos del Árbol y úsalos como colilla de regalo
- Compra los regalos listados en los adornitos.
- Envuelve los regalos y asegúra firmemente la colilla.
- Coloca los regalos debajo del Árbol, a más tardar el 2-3 de diciembre.

Stephen Ministry Ministerio de Apoyo



Going through a tough time—emotionally or spiritually? Struggling with a crisis in life? Or simply feeling down?

Consider letting a Stephen Minister help!

Trained to listen, care, encourage, pray, and walk alongside you during difficult times. It's confidential, free, and very helpful.

Contact our Stephen Leader:

Lauren Russell at 404-319-1761 or Nina Delk at 770-722-3409.

Adopt a family for Christmas Adopta a una familia para las Navidades

Enhance and bless your Christmas spirit by sharing your material blessings with others. This program runs until December 11.

For more details please contact:
Don Sabbarese at 770-435-3024.



Intensifica y bendice tu espíritu de la Navidad compartiendo tus bendiciones materiales con otros. Hay tiempo hasta el 11 de diciembre.

Para más detalles favor de llamar a Don Sabbarese al 770-435-3024.

St. Vincent de Paul Society—Pantry Donations Donaciones para Despensa de San Vicente de Paúl

PANTRY DONATIONS:

The following donations are needed:
Toothpaste, shampoo & conditioner, body soap bars, cooking oil, mustard, ketchup, instant potatoes, pancake mix, pancake syrup and canned fruit.

Please leave donations in the plastic bins located in the Commons Area.

DONACIONES PARA LA DESPENSA:

Solicitamos las siguientes donaciones:
Pasta de dientes, champú y acondicionador, jabón de tocador, aceite de cocinar, mostaza, cátsup, papas instantáneas, mezcla para panqueques, sirope para panqueque y fruta enlatada.

Por favor dejar sus donaciones en los botes del Área Común.



This Week in our Parish

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

9:00 AM PRESCHOOL
12:00 PM MASS
† MARIE PAULE BURKE
4:30 PM PSR
6:30 PM MONDAY NIGHT CHOIR
7:00 PM PSR
7:00 PM RCIA
7:00 PM ROSARIO
7:00 PM STEPHEN MINISTRY
7:30 PM CREDO CHOIR
7:30 PM MISA
8:00 PM EVANGELIZATION CHOIR

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28

9:00 AM PRESCHOOL
12:00 PM MASS
GABRIELA NOLASCO
7:00 PM CONFIRMATION CLASS
7:00 PM CREDO CHOIR
7:00 PM KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
7:00 PM MARIA NINA CHOIR
7:00 PM RCIT
7:00 PM SVDP
8:00 PM ESTUDIANTINA CHOIR
8:00 PM EVANGELIZATION CHOIR
8:15 PM MINISTERIO DE APOYO

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

7:00 AM FIDELES ROSARY
8:15 AM MASS
† GEORGE GARGER
9:00 AM ADORATION
9:00 AM PRESCHOOL
6:45 PM BENEDICTION
7:00 PM ADVENT PROGRAM
7:00 PM MASS
† GLADYS McDONALD
7:00 PM PSR
7:30 PM LIFE TEEN BAND
7:35 PM ROSARY FOR LIFE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30

9:00 AM PRESCHOOL
10:00 AM BIBLE STUDY
5:00 PM SP REHEARSAL
7:00 PM ADULT CHOIR
7:00 PM FAITH COMMUNITY
7:00 PM MASS
† ELLIOT SAVARY
7:00 PM PSR
8:00 PM MISA
EDGAR & PAULINA CATALAN
8:30 PM EUCHARISTIC MIN. SPANISH

MONASTERY GOODS SALE: ONE WEEKEND ONLY = December 9-10
Venta de Pasteles del Monasterio

Stock up on **biscotti, fudge, fruit cake, Monk's coffee and honey** that you will love. Buy more and give away as Christmas gifts!

Remember, the sale is one weekend only (December 9-10) so don't miss your opportunity to buy these specialty gifts from the Monastery!

Your purchase helps the Knights support our parish activities, and 67% of the profit goes to the Monastery of the Holy Spirit in Conyers, GA.

This is the second largest fund raiser each year by your Knights of Columbus. Last year, \$4,667 of our fund raising money came back to our Parish in the form of Mother's Day flowers, Father's Day medals, First Communion cards and pins, Altar Server's outing and Edge retreat donation.

Please help the Knights help Saint Thomas the Apostle!

Compra productos que te encantarán tales como **biscotti, pastel navideño de frutas, café de los Monjes y miel.** ¡Lleva más, para dar regalitos en Navidad!

Recuerda, de venta sólo una semana (9-10 de diciembre) ¡así que no pierda la oportunidad de comprar estos regalos especiales del Monasterio!

Con tu compra ayudarás a los Caballeros a apoyar nuestras actividades parroquiales, y el 67% de las ganancias se destina al Monasterio en Conyers, GA.

Esta es la segunda recaudación de fondos más grande de los Caballeros. El año pasado, \$4.667 de las ventas regresaron a nuestra Parroquia como flores para el Día de la Madre, medallas para el Día del Padre, tarjetas y broches de 1a Comunión, paseo para Servidores de Altar y patrocinio de retiros Edge. ¡Ayuda a los Caballeros a ayudar a Santo Tomás Apóstol!

Pastoral Council
Consejo Pastoral



Congratulations to the new members of our Pastoral Council

- Kathy Boehm (Chairperson)
- Paul Bailey (Vice Chairman)
- Mara Luna (Secretary)
- Bob Argent
- Bill Gruszka
- Brian Hannafey
- Miguel Mendoza
- Chidozie Onwuliri
- Arnold Peluso
- Pam Peterman
- Blanca Rojo
- Bill Russell
- Frances Wachuku

Advisors:

- Fr. Brian Sheridan, M.S.
- Deacon Rich Searls

DECEMBER 9-10 ONLY
DE VENTA EL 9-10 DE DICIEMBRE

This Week in our Parish

Updated on November 17, 2017

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

- 9:00 AM PRESCHOOL
- 11:30 AM ROSARY
- 12:00 PM MASS**
 NATALIA GONZALEZ
- 4:30 PM GOMEZ QUINCEANERA
- 6:00 PM SP REHEARSAL
- 7:00 PM CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP
- 7:00 PM MARIA NIÑA CHOIR
- 7:00 PM MATRIMONIOS MEETING
- 7:30 PM PLÁTICA PREBAUTISMAL

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

- 9:00 AM RINCON BAPTISM
- 9:30 AM BREAKFAST WITH SANTA
- 10:00 AM MARIA NIÑA
- 11:00 AM MARIA NIÑA CHOIR
- 11:30 AM QUINCEAÑERAS
- 2:00 PM JIMENEZ WEDDING
- 3:00 PM CONFESSION
- 4:30 PM MASS**
 † ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY
 † MIGUEL ROMAN
- 5:00 PM ESTUDIANTINA CHOIR
- 6:30 PM MISA**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

- 6:00 AM Misa**
 † ALFONSO PUGA
 † ZENAIDA MARTINEZ
 † AURELIANA CALZADA
- 7:30 AM MASS**
- 9:00 AM RCIA**
- 9:30 AM MASS**
 † WILLIAM CHUA TAN
- 9:30 AM PSR
- 11:00 AM FIRES
- 11:00 AM LEGION OF MARY
- 11:15 AM PSR
- 11:30 AM MASS**
 CHIOMA UWADIE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3 (CONT)

- 1:00 PM ENGLISH BAPTISM**
- 2:00 PM MISA**
 † ANTONIO GONZALEZ
 † JESUS IZAGUIRRE
- 2:30 PM CONFIRMATION CLASS
- 4:00 PM DIVINA VOLUNTAD
- 5:00 PM MASS**
 PEOPLE OF ST. THOMAS
- 6:00 PM 33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY
- 6:00 PM LIFETEEN NIGHT
- 7:30 PM MISA**
 † ROBERTO GARCIA
 † CRISTIAN CARRANZA
 † FRANCISCO GARCIA

Weekly Donations Report

Reporte de Donaciones Semanales

Offertory Actual /Ofertorio Actual
November 11-12, 2017 vs. Last Year

	FY 2018	FY 2017
Budgeted	\$38,462	\$36,750
Actual.....	<u>\$39,219</u>	<u>\$37,620</u>
Surplus.....	\$757	\$870

FY2018 Offertory Projected vs Actual to Date
And Last year Comparison

Budgeted	\$769,240	\$735,000
Actual.....	<u>\$748,655</u>	<u>\$720,193</u>
Surplus/(Shortfall) (\$20,585)		(\$14,807)

Operating Financial Statement
For the 3 months ending 9/30/17

Operating Revenue.....	\$809,724
Operating Expenses	(\$718,867)
Operating Revenue over Expense	\$90,857
Total Assessments	\$940,000
still owed to Archdiocese as of 9/30/17	

Archbishop's Annual Appeal 2017 (Week 43)
Llamado Anual del Arzobispo 2017 (Semana 43)

Goal (Meta).....	\$162,200
Total Pledged (Compromisos totales)	\$343,559
Paid to date (Pagos recibidos)	\$176,256
Surplus to Goal	\$14,056
Percent Paid to Goal (Porcentaje pagado).....	109%
Number of Donors (No. de Donantes)	1,420



If you still have a pledge balance to the 2017 Archbishop's Annual Appeal, please complete your payments as soon as possible. For IRS purposes, gifts must be postmarked by December 31, 2017 in order to be included in your 2017 tax letter.

Si aún no ha terminado de pagar su compromiso a la Campaña Anual del Arzobispo, por favor haga su pago tan pronto como sea posible. Sus donaciones deben ser entregadas a más tardar el 31 de diciembre del 2017 para que sean incluidas en el reporte de impuestos del 2017.

DONATE ONLINE

Haz tu donación en línea

www.appeal.archatl.com



Job Opening
Oportunidad de Empleo

Accounts Payable/ Human Resources Coordinator

Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church is seeking a **full-time Accounts Payable and Human Resources Coordinator**. Qualified candidates must be proficient in Microsoft Office, especially Word, Excel and Outlook, and be able to quickly learn new software applications. Requirements include strong organizational and communication skills, attention to detail, and the ability to multi-task and work independently.

Five to ten years of related work experience is required. Bilingual (English/Spanish) is a plus.

Responsibilities include: complete processing of accounts payable, including coding invoices, preparing checks, maintaining supporting documentation, and preparing 1099's for vendors; posting financial transactions from weekly receipts to parish database; assisting with implementation and administration of all human resource policies, procedures and functions for parish personnel; processing new employee documents, employee changes and terminations; screening parish volunteers and processing volunteer applications and background consent forms; and coordinating parish liability and property insurance and workers' compensation.

Please send cover letter (with salary requirements) and resume to **Theresa Southwood** at tsouthwood@stthomastheapostle.org or **Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, 4300 King Springs Rd SE, Smyrna, GA 30082.**

**Faith is a great life companion,
allowing us to feel
the presence of a
Father who never leaves
His creatures alone.**

Pope Francis



@Pontifex

**La fe es una gran compañera
de vida: nos permite sentir
la presencia de un
Padre que nunca deja
solas a sus criaturas.**

Papa Francisco

Prayers and Devotions ▪ Oraciones y Devociones

Altar Flowers ▪ Flores del Altar

The Altar Flowers this weekend are being offered by:

- Jan Maerz, in memory of her mother, †Virginia Wegel.

Las flores del altar este fin de semana las ofrecen:

- Jan Maerz, en memoria de su madre, †Virginia Wegel.



- Charlene Nendza, in memory of her parents, †Henry & Charlotte Melting.

- Charlene Nendza, en memoria de sus padres, †Henry & Charlotte Melting.

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.

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| Gilberto Camuñez | Carolyn Goerke | Betty Collins |
| Jose Salgado | Patrick Kidd | Rosa Delmi Cruz |
| John Wilt | Lilian Odumodu | Leonardo Espinoza |
| | Blanca Petitone | Ramatoulie Jallow |
| | Manuelita Tan | Fr. Rodrigo Vega |

Prayer Line / Cadena de Oración

Saint Thomas the Apostle has 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:

- FA Austin Cyr, USCG - SN Rachel Cyr, USCG - PVT Derek Collins, USA - LTJG Tanner Collins, USN
- ET2 Carolyn Deacon, USN
- CAPT Chisom Ezeoke, USAF
- E-4 Spc Jose Martinez, USA
- HM2 Kenneth McIntosh, USN
- LT Jeff Ramey, USMC

Readings for next weekend:

First Sunday of Advent ▪ Primero Domingo de Adviento

Reading I <i>Primera Lectura</i>	Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7 <i>Isaías 63, 16b-17, 19b; 64, 2-7</i>
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We have not seen any God like you!
¡No hemos visto a un Dios como tú!

Reading II <i>Segunda Lectura</i>	1 Corinthians 1:3-9 <i>1 Corintios 1, 3-9</i>
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He will strengthen you to the end.
Él los mantendrá firmes hasta el fin.

Gospel <i>Evangelio</i>	Mark 13:33-37 <i>Marcos 13, 33-37</i>
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Para más información, por favor llamar a **Yolanda Rivera** **678-626-3964.**

**St. Thomas the Apostle Preschool**

Preschool registration for the 2018-2019 school year will take place as follows:

Currently enrolled families: January 22-26

Active parishioners: February 5-9

Non-Parishioners: February 12 until classes are full.

Preschool Tours: 10:00 a.m. on the following dates:

- Wednesday, November 29
- Wednesday, December 6
- Wednesday, January 10, 17 and 24,



Please note that the preschool will be closed for Christmas and New Year's break December 18, 2017 through January 3, 2018.

Our Preschool program serves children from 18 months through young five.

Tuition fees for the 2018-2019 school year will be available the week of January 22 at **www.sttapreschool.org** or in the commons area of the church.

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**Thursday, December 7
Friday, December 8**

English Masses

Thursday, December 7

- 6:30 p.m.

Friday, December 8

- 6:30 a.m.
- 8:15 a.m.
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Jueves, 7 de diciembre

- 8:30 p.m.

Viernes, 8 de diciembre

- 8:30 p.m.

**GUADALUPE
CELEBRATION**

**Monday, December 11
Tuesday, December 12**

Spanish Mass

Jim R Miller Park

Monday, December 11

- 10:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, December 12
(St. Thomas Church)**

- 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**CELEBRACION
GUADALUPANA**

**Lunes, 11 de diciembre
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- 10:30 p.m.

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