

# SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE

### CATHOLIC CHURCH

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August 12, 2012

## Parish Office 770 - 432-8579

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#### Office Hours

Monday—Friday 9:00AM—5:00PM Closed Wednesday 1PM-3PM

#### Religious Ed. Office

770 - 432-5296

#### **Summer Office Hours**

Monday—Thursday 10:00AM - 5:00PM

#### **Preschool Office**

770 - 432-8579 Ext. 125 Office Hours

> Tuesday—Thursday 10:00AM - 1:00PM

## English Mass Schedule

12 Noon

Tuesday: 12 Noon Wednesday: 6:30 AM & 7:00 PM Thursday: 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:

Monday:

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





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#### Offertory/Ofertorio August 4-5, 2012

Budgeted (Presupuesto)	\$38,000.00
Actual (Actual)	
Shortfall (Pérdida)	

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

Budgeted (Estimado)	\$228,000.00
To Date Actual (Real)	
Shortfall (Pérdida)	\$82.071.00

Thanks for your generosity! ¡Gracias por su generosidad!

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

Goal (Meta)	\$5,000,000.00
Pledged (Compromisos)	\$3,129,485.00
Paid to date (Pagos)	\$1,271,105.00
Number of Donors (No. de Donantes	)1,497

#### **Archbishop Annual Appeal 2012** Llamado Anual del Arzobispo 2012

Goal (Meta)	\$131,883.00
Pledged (Compromisos)	\$168,124.00
Paid to date (Pagos)	
Number of Donors (No. de Donante	s)845

What our children at St. Thomas gave to God... El regalo de nuestros niños a Dios...

> July 28-29, 2012 **▼ Treasure (Tesoro):** \$328.21 **▼**

Time & Talent (Tempo y Talento) ♥ I cleaned my room (Limpié mi cuarto) ♥ Doing good (Haciendo el bien) ♥ I did what I was told (Hice caso) ♥ I read a book with Alberto (Leí un libro con Alberto) ♥ I will be good at school (Seré bueno en la escuela) ♥ Do my homework (Hacer mi tarea) ♥ I helped my mom (Ayudé a mi mamá) ♥ I played with my brother (Jugué con mi hermanito) ♥ Helped my parents (Ayudé a mis padres) ♥ I praised the Lord by dancing (Alabé al Señor con mi danza) ♥ I ate my food (Comí mi comida) ♥ I am nice with my Mommy (Me porté bien con Mami) ♥ I shared and helped Dad at work (Comparti y ayudé a Papá en su trabajo) ♥ Make my bed (Tendí mi cama) ♥ Kept my room clean (Mantuve mi cuarto limpio) ♥ I shared my rocking horse with my two friends (Compartí mi caballito con dos amigos) ♥ I I help my Mom with my sister (Ayudo a mama con mis hermanas) ♥ I am obedient (Soy un niño obediente)

## **OUR PRAYERS - EN NUESTRAS ORACIONES** Please pray for the people who are listed on this Bulletin Sick List. Call the Parish Office to place a name on the list. Then we ask that you contact us one time per month and tell us how they are doing. They are always in our prayers. Crista Acosta Jessica Hernandez Rodolfo Proaño **Brandi Dabnev** Teri Reese Hull Arelys Ramírez Ricky Carreño Cordelia Kelly Mary Ellen Rizzuto

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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 770-438-9078 or Email: vpandit@emory.edu

#### **Pray For Our Troops**

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. Manuel Chico, USA Sat. Christopher Conkel. USMC SFC Steve Creason, GaARNG SFC Arcelio R. Davis, Jr. USA ET3 Carolyn Deacon, USN Sgt. Sonjanique Ferrell, 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 HMC Damian J. Lovello LT CDR Dominic R. Lovello CW3 Peter Paul Leone, USA HM3 Kenneth McIntosh, II, USN 2LT Kyle Pernelli, USA Specialist Robert H. Roberts, USA

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

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### FAITH FORMATION (Formación de Fe y Catecismo)

#### **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

Any questions, contact:

Michael Okuto at Ext. 122, mokuto@stthomastheapostle.org or Linda Veit at Ext. 131, lveit@stthomastheapostle.org



#### **DATE CHANGE: PLEASE NOTE!**

Due to scheduling conflicts and close timing between our August and September Ignite, our August Ignite is cancelled and moved to September 11th. And yes you are right, that is 9/11!! Please join us

for this exceptional evening of prayer, music, scripture and Faith stories. We will also take some time to remember and reflect on the events of that day as we strengthen each other in faith. Dinner is served at 6:15 p.m. in the Social Hall. Ignite! Begins promptly at 7:30 p.m. in the Main Sanctuary. Come uplift your community in faith.

RCIA is starting soon; register now!! Are you someone who.... 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 but wants to become Catholic? Is not baptized and would like to learn more about the Catholic religion? Is Catholic and has been away from the church and could use a refresher course?



There are 3 EASY ways to register:

- 1. Call the Adult Faith Formation Office 770-432-8579, Ext. 122 or 131.
- 2. Come to the Adult Faith Formation Building on August 26th at 11:00 a.m. to register for classes in English.
- 3. Come to the Social Hall on August 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. to register for either English or Spanish classes.

Favor de ir al Salón Social el día, 27 de Agosto, a las 7:00 p.m. si necesita alguno de sus Sacramentos. Registrese para la clase ese día.

#### Become an RCIA Sponsor!

Are you a fully initiated and practicing Catholic of 18 years of age or older? Then please consider nurturing the faith and becoming a sponsor:



- ♣ Come to the Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass with your candidate
- ♣ After the Mass attend the sessions from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- ♣ Accompany your Candidate through the Rites and Retreats
- Become a mentor to your candidate by being a bridge between the Candidate and the rest of the parish community

**Library—Grand Re-opening:** September 1-2, 2012. See more details on Page 4.

**Attention all members of Renew Groups:** The Adult Faith Formation Office is planning a new seven week program for the Advent and Lenten seasons. We invite current and former facilitators and any new members of Renew Groups to please register for this faith nurturing program.

JustFaith starts in September. More information on Page 4

#### **PSR**

Any questions, contact: **Sue Senecal** 770-432-8579, Ext. 112 ssenecal@stthomastheapostle.org

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# SE BUSCAN Agentes Secretos de Dios (Catequistas para Doctrina 2012)

Misión: compartir la fe y ser testigos del evangelio, una hora a la semana desde Septiembre hasta Abril.

Entrenamiento disponible Reportarse con "agente secreto" Sue Senecal para más información.

Oficina de Catecismo: 770-432-5296

# Just+FAITH

#### **Register Now!**

You are invited to participate in an intensive formation program for people who want to encounter the Good News that Jesus brought to us.

#### Why Participate?

- To gain a better understanding of the Church's social mission from Scripture and Catholic social teaching
- To integrate personal spirituality and compassion to meet the needs of a broken world

#### When Will We Meet?

- Begin Sept. 12th, 2012 April 2013.
- Wednesday Mornings: 9:30 a.m 12:00
- Wednesday Evenings: 7:00 p.m 9:30 p.m.
- Other groups may meet during the day and on different evenings if there is sufficient interest

#### What Is Involved?

- Weekly 2-1/2 hour meetings
- Retreats in September and April
- Four immersion experiences
- About two hours of reading weekly
- Cost: \$140-160 per person for books (paid in installments and family can share a book)

#### Who Should Participate?

- People who are looking for a deep spiritual experience and faith in community
- People who have participated in the RCIA
- People who want to grow their compassion and expression of love for their neighbor

## How Do I Sign Up or Get More Information?

- Stop at the JustFaith table after Mass on August 18th and 19th.
- Come to an information session at 7 p.m on August 29th in the Adult Faith Formation building.

Contact Michael Okuto or Linda Veit at 770 – 432 – 8579 Ext. 122 or 131 mokuto@stthomastheapostle.org lveit@stthomastheapostle.org

### **PARISH LIFE (Vida Parroquial)**

#### Library Grand-Reopening September 1& 2

Please come and join us as we celebrate the Grand Re-Opening of the St. Thomas the Apostle Library. Thanks to the efforts of dedicated volunteers we have a wide variety of books to offer. So, please stop by after mass the weekend of September 1&2 and while checking out the library please "check-out" a book. Light refreshments will be served and FREE book give-a-ways to the first 100 to arrive.

To all practicing Catholic male members of Saint Thomas the Apostle, age 18 and older: The Knights of Columbus encourage you to consider joining our ranks and becoming a more active participant in our parish and community.

Contact the Membership Director, Joe Yorio, at 678-237-3469 to learn more about our fraternal organization and listen up for further announcements on how the Knights can help you grow in your continuing faith journey."

#### **HOSPITALITY Ministry Meeting**

The Hospitality Ministry for English Masses will be having a meeting on Tuesday, August 28th at 7:00 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss recruitment and organization of the ministry. Please contact Deacon Mark Mitchell at mmitchell@stthomastheapostle.org

## ADULTS AND TEENS WE NEED YOUR HELP Life Teen HOSPITALITY Ministry

Join our welcome team at the 5:00 p.m. Life Teen Mass!
We are looking to add 8 people to a rotating schedule of people welcoming parishioners and guests. All you have to do is come to Mass about 20 minutes early. Please contact Deacon Mark Mitchell at mmitchell@stthomastheapostle.org

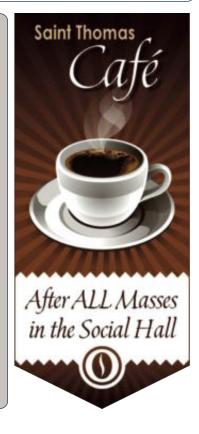
#### Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Mother Holy Day of Obligation - Mass Schedule

Tuesday, August 14<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. ...... Vigil Mass

Wednesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>
7:00 a.m. English Mass
12:00 p.m. English Mass
7:00 p.m. English Mass
8:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

#### Fiesta de la Asunción de la Virgen María Día de guardar - Misa en español

Miércoles, 15 de agosto 8:30 p.m...... Misa en Español



### PARISH LIFE (Vida Parroquial)

## Raise Your Voice!

Join the 9:30 a.m. Parish Choir

Contact: Patty Smith, Director of Music Ministry psmith@stthomastheapostle.org or 770-241-9343

We are actively recruiting singers – men and women of high school age and older – for the 9:30 Sunday Choir. You do not need to be able to read music! But you do need to love singing, spending time with great people, and giving praise

to God. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. If you are interested in joining, please contact Patty Smith BEFORE ATTENDING A REHEARSAL to determine vocal range, ability to match pitch and to ensure choral materials are prepared for your use.



The 22<sup>nd</sup> annual **Mission Trip** to our sister parish in Kingston, Jamaica will take place this year from October 12<sup>th</sup> to October 17<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$650.

All adult members of the parish are invited to contact Brian Durham 770-421-0839 for more information.

Viaje Misionero a Jamaica
Del 12 al 17 de octubre.
Costo: \$650 por persona.
Todos los miembros adultos de nuestra
parroquia están invitados a participar.
Para más informes, por favor llamar a
Brian Durham al 770-421-0839.

Congratulations to our brothers and sisters in Christ who completed their full initiation through Confirmation and/or First Holy Communion on Sunday, June 24th, 2012: Aaron Yovani Aguirre - Rafaela Aguirre - Yeni Aguirre - Ladislao Alejandre - Rosa I. Alvarado - Evelyn Arroyo - Mayra Arroyo - Alma Areni Caldera - Myra Cortez - Amy Marlene Fonseca - Jonathan Edward Fonseca - - Alfredo O. García - Servando Garcia - Elda Gonzales - Luz Itzamara González - Gerardo Hernández - Joselyn Lucio - Lionel Macedo - Wendy Macedo - Alejandro Jose Marquez - Christian Méndez - Juan Patiño - Frank Pérez - Hugo Pérez - Fany Carina Posadas - Omar Rangel - Gerardo Reyes - Abraham Robles - Araceli Alvarez Romero - Xavier Milagros Rosa - Karla Rubio - Engadid Sánchez - Lizeth Serrano - Sidronio Valencia.

#### AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE (En los alrededores de la Arquidiócesis)

### **Engaging Spirituality at Ignatius House**

May you be strengthened in your inner being with the power of the Spirit... that Christ may dwell in your hearts... as you are being rooted and grounded in love... Ephesians 3:16

- Are you deeply concerned about our world?
- Are you looking for wisdom about how to follow Jesus with integrity?
- Are you open to opportunities for spiritual growth?

If your answer to these questions is an enthusiastic "YES," then Ignatius House has a program for you Engaging Spirituality.

Engaging Spirituality is a prayerful process that invites us to draw this world down into ourselves, to hold it in prayer together, and to practice living deeply.

#### Beginning this Fall on September 6th for 21 weeks Thursday evenings from 6:30 pm – 9:00 p.m.

The program includes prayerful dialogue, journal-keeping, spiritual reading, outreach ministry and personal letters from 24 contemporary spiritual pathfinders.

"Before Engaging Spirituality, I was not disciplined enough to take 10 minutes out of the day for prayer and meditation. Now it's so much a part of my life. I read the newspaper with opened eyes and prayers. I am more aware of Jesus in every person I meet."

#### JOURNEY OF HOPE Workshop Series for divorced or separated Catholics

To be held at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 2140 Beaver Ruin Rd, Norcross, GA 30071. From 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Classrooms 3, 4 & 5.

The series will held on the following dates:

- August 25, 2012 Recovering From Divorce
- September 22, 2012 Living the Faith
- October 27, 2012 Restoring Hope
- November 10, 2012 Children and Divorce
- January 26, 2012 Abundant Life

The cost is \$49 for each workshop and includes all materials and lunch.

To register and for more information, please call 678-905-0565

You can also email: info@divorcedcatholic.org

#### **Today's Gospel Reflection**

Read Sunday's gospel, John 6:41-51

#### **Reflection for Families**

Whether our children are toddlers or teenagers, we probably know something about the grumbling and resistance Jesus heard from the crowds. Like so many people we meet, they thought they knew the answers. Jesus could not have come from heaven. because they knew his mother and father. As parents, our only recourse to our children's resistance is firm and steadfast persistence. They will come to know that we do not compromise our values and that same diligence can be observed in our faith and how we live it out.

#### Bringing the Gospel into Your Family

Think of the many ways God feeds your family and each member of it. We are fed with friendship, kindness, joy, health, care, love, and many more ways that you may think of. When we receive the Eucharist, we give thanks for these gifts. What are some ways your family shares these gifts with others? Are there new ways you can think of as a family?

#### **Discussion Starters**

- Sometimes it's hard for me to witness for Jesus, but I find strength in...
- One area of my life where I need to see Jesus as living bread is...
- In the Our Father, we pray "give us this day our daily bread." God feeds me daily with the gift of...

Gospel Reflections courtesy of RCL Benziger



### This week in our parish

#### **MONDAY, AUGUST 13**

12:00 PM

George Patrick Garger 7:30 PM

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 16

7:00 PM

10:00 AM **BIBLE STUDY** 5:00 PM POWELL WEDDING 6:30 PM **ROSARY** 7:00 PM MASS

> THIRSTY THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

8:00 PM MISA

#### **TUESDAY, AUGUST 14**

#### 11:00 AM BOOK OF THE MONTH 12:00 PM MASS Don Hanemann **Gert Hanemann** 6:00 PM **INEA** 6:30 PM **CENTERING PRAYER GROUP** 7:00 PM **CATHOLICISM SERIES** PRE-EVANGELIZATION 7:00 PM Vigil Mass Assumption of the Blessed Mother

† Randy Phillip Rizzuto

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17 MINICORE RETREAT (AWAY)

12:00 PM Toyosi Lawal 5:00 PM ROMERO WEDDING 6:00 PM TEACH ME TO PRAY 8:00 PM ASAMBI FA DE ORACIÓN

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15** 

7:00 AM Assumption of the Blessed Mother Angela Gill 8:00 AM ADORATION 12:00 PM Mass Assumption of the Blessed Mother 6:45 PM BENEDICTION

7:00 PM CRACK IT OPEN 7:00 PM MASS Assumption of the Blessed Mother **Agapito Assumption Montero** 

Philomena Montero 7:00 PM STA CAFÉ MEETING LIFE TEEN BAND 7:30 PM 8:30 PM

Asunción de la Virgen María Amelia Turrubiates

#### **SATURDAY, AUGUST 18**

MINICORE RETREAT (AWAY) LIFETEEN SPORTS (AWAY) STA CAFÉ AFTER ALL MASSES 8:00 AM TEACH ME TO PRAY

9:00 AM

10:00 AM María Niña 11:30 AM **OHINCEAÑERAS** 2:00 PM **COMMUNITY WEDDINGS** 3:30 PM **CONFESSIONS** 5:00 PM CATEQUESIS DE ADULTOS 5:00 PM MASS **Chris Harding** 7:30 PM MISA **Ruth Valdez** 

**KoC Appreciation Day** 

Rafael Martínez Arcadio García

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, , YEAR B

FIRST READING: PROVERBS 9:1-6 (EAT AND DRINK) SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 5:15-20 (GIVE GOD THANKS) GOSPEL: JOHN 6:51-58 (REMAIN IN ME)

MINICORE RETREAT (AWAY) STA CAFÉ AFTER ALL MASSES

> 6:00 AM MISA Mónica Loredo 7:30 AM MASS Alexandra Young 9:30 AM Mass † Mary Madelyn Miller NURSERY AVAILABLE 11:00 AM LEGION OF MARY 11:15 AM PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS 11:30 AM MASS † Charles Emmanuel Ellis

12:00 PM PRE-EVANGELIZACIÓN 12:30 PM AFRICAN PARISHIONERS ASSOC 2:00 PM MISA Ramiro Carbajal 3:00 PM MINICORE MEETING 5:00 PM

People of St. Thomas & for **Immigration Reform** 

6:30 PM LIFE NIGHT 7:30 PM MISA

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