



SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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August 2, 2015

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

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Regular Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday—Friday

9:00AM—7:00PM

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Closed Wednesday 1:00 PM—3:00 PM

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770 - 432-5296

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Monday-Thursday

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770-293-1267

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Monday—Thursday

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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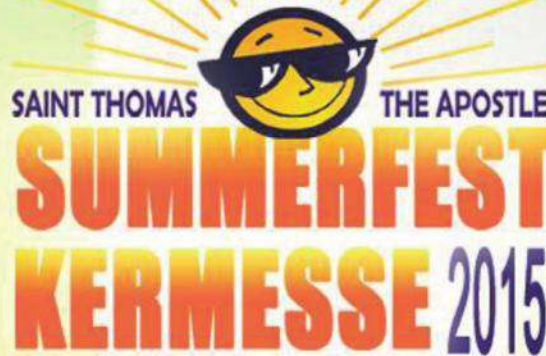
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BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

SOLAMENTE CON CITA

We are waiting for You! Te estamos esperando!

Come and have fun with us...
Ven y diviértete con nosotros...



AUGUST 1-2, 2015

Jim R. Miller Park

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Celebrate the Feast of the
Assumption of Our Blessed Mother

Celebremos la Fiesta de la
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UNITY IN COMMUNITY



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

MAJOR BEAM AT MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE COMMONS/SANCTUARY TO BE REPLACED THIS WEEK!

Starting Monday, August 3rd, the work of removing and replacing the rotten wooden beams at the main entrance will begin and last hopefully for only four days.

We will have to access the Commons, the Sanctuary, the St. Vincent de Paul Pantry, etc. by the back door of the Commons or the PSR entrance.

This will prevent anyone who is in a wheelchair or cannot navigate stairs to get to the St. Vincent de Paul Pantry, the Choir Room, the Commons and the Sanctuary (attending daily Mass).

Please call the office about any concerns related to this inconvenience.

Thanks. Father Brian

La columna a la entrada de la iglesia estará en reparación esta semana. Por favor utilicen la puerta trasera del Area Común o entren a la iglesia por el Salón Social.



Support the Altar Flower Fund:
 If you would like to remember a special occasion by donating to the Altar Flower Fund, please contact the Parish Office.
 Suggested offering: \$40.

Altar Flowers

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.

The Hopkins Family
 Peter Nicholas
 Tom O'Donnell
 Héctor Polanco

Dr. Kabba Joiner
 Robert Lavigne
 Blanca Merlo
 Myra Myers

Camilla Ali
 Fran Cowie
 Lucas Dorronsoro
 Suzanne Gabbert
 Sandy Haines
 Emmanuela Irebuisi
 Damian Njoku
 Elizabeth Ogbugo
 Monica Ogbugo

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

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

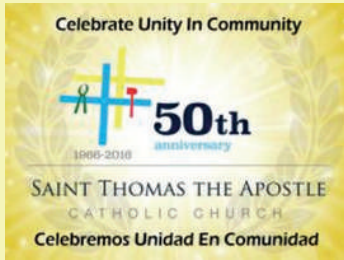
HORARIO DE FIN DE SEMANA

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

HORARIO DE FIN DE 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 9:00 PM



Our year-long jubilee celebration continues!

This month our brothers and sisters of the Hispanic Ministry share information from the decades 1976-1981 in our parish history

In our parish, the Hispanic Ministry was initiated by Ms. Pat Burns when she saw the need arising in Saint Thomas the Apostle. The first mass in Spanish was celebrated on December 12, 1998 (Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.)

Our pastor Father James Caffery extended the invitation to Father Jaime Molina J., M.N.M. who had recently arrived in Atlanta, to celebrate this first Mass.

The Masses in Spanish continued to be celebrated in our parish once a month, on the first Sunday. Starting in January of 1999, the first dominical Mass was celebrated at 2:00 p.m., and this schedule remains until today.

In May of 1999 the first Evangelization Retreat invited people to have a Personal and Alive Encounter with Christ: Among the participants were Sarita Dávila, Josie Poventud, Francisca “Paquita” Zamarripa, María Milano, María Elena Covarrubias and her daughters Ana and María de Jesús, Ana and Roberto Lujano, who was the only man that attended that first retreat.

In 2000, an additional Mass was included in our Weekend schedule, on Sundays at 7:30 p.m.

The first Sumemerfest/Kermesse that was organized in our parish took place in August of 2001, at Tolleson Park (located a few miles from our parish.)

The Hispanic community continued to grow, and by 2002 another Sunday Mass was added, at 6:00 a.m.

Currently there are 4 masses celebrated in Spanish each weekend, on Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. and Sundays at 6:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Nowadays, the Hispanic community has approximately 2,500 registered families, many of which are active in ministries and other activities within the parish.



FUN FACTS TRIVA:

The Adults vs. The Youths- The jubilee edition

There will be a bright yellow trivia box in the Commons where parishioners can submit their answers to these jubilee questions each month. This is a friendly parish competition between the Adults vs. the Youths. Winners will receive a festive prize and will be announced at Mass and in the bulletin!

Questions for this month:

Adults:

In 1976 and 1977, how many marriages were celebrated in our parish?

Youth:

In which year was Saint John Paul II elected Pope?



Blast from the Past:

These were the times in Parish History, in our city and in the world.

Years in Parish History: 1976-1981

World Events:

- **1976:** The supersonic Concorde jet completes its first commercial flight on Jan. 21, 1976. The fastest flight ever, crossing from New York to London, was completed in 2 hours, 52 minutes and 59 seconds!

1978: The U.S. Senate votes to turn the Panama Canal over to Panamanian control on December 31, 1999.

1981: The first attempted assassination of Pope John Paul II takes place on May 13th, 1981, in St. Peter's Square at Vatican City. The Pope was shot and wounded by Mehmet Ali Ağca while he was entering the square. Ağca was apprehended immediately, and later sentenced to life in prison by an Italian court. The Pope later forgave Ağca for the assassination attempt. He was pardoned by Italian president Carlo Azeglio Ciampi at the Pope's request and was deported to Turkey in 2000.



**Knights of Columbus
August News**



Thursday 8/6

Monthly business meeting will be in the Community House starting at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday 8/11

Join us in the Social Hall for “**Taco Knight**” at 6:30 p.m. Share some Tacos with us and learn about the many benefits of being a Knight of Columbus. Open to all men in the Parish 18 years old and older.

Thursday 8/13

First Degree Exemplification in the Community House at 7:30 p.m.

The first degree exemplification admits you to membership in the Knights. If you'd like to join us or you'd like more information about us please contact:

- Grand Knight Bill Bauer at 678-458-1511
- Deputy Grand Knight John Williams at 678-485-9384
- Membership Director Joe Yorio at 678-237-3469

Thursday 8/20

Monthly officers meeting will be in the Community House starting at 7:30PM. All members of our Council are welcome to attend

Saturday 8/22

We'll be cooking lunch for the Habitat for Humanity volunteers. If you'd like to help contact Bill Bauer or Bob Argent.

New Lectors: Training on Tuesday, August 11th at 6:00 p.m. (Main Sanctuary)

Training and orientation for new lectors.

Interested candidates are encouraged to attend the Retreat at Ignatius House Sunday, August 9th to help discern their calling to the ministry and their ability to proclaim the word in front of the Church Faithful. Refer to the announcement below for more information about the retreat or contact Joe Yorio at 678-237-3469.

Reading...Praying...Living...The Word of God

ATTENTION: CURRENT AND INTERESTED LECTORS AND LITURGY COORDINATORS:

Join us on Sunday, August 9th, from 2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. for an afternoon retreat reflecting on the Ministry of Reading the Word of God, lead by Maria Cressler at Ignatius House Jesuit Retreat Center. The afternoon will include presentations, silent prayer, group sharing, Mass and dinner. For more information contact Joe Yorio at 678-237-3469.

The 'One Thing' Is Three' Wisdom

Begins Sunday Aug 23rd



With humor and ease, Father Michael Gaitley skillfully unlocks the “one thing” of the Holy Trinity, providing a spiritual and theological foundation for knowledge of our Catholic faith. Whether you're new to the faith or a cradle Catholic, this material will unlock the treasures of Catholicism in a way that is clear, concise, and compelling. Come learn how the communion of the Holy Trinity is the source and criterion of truth in every relationship. Deepen your understanding, enhance your experience of the Mass, and receive wisdom to pass along to others with confidence.

Duration: 10 Sunday Sessions
 Dates: Aug 23, 30, Sept 06, 13, 20, 27, Oct 04, 11, 18, 25
 Place: The Community House
 Time: 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

A make up class will be offered Mondays at 7:00 p.m. at Clarence's house.
 Clarence Burkholder: 770-432-5020, cnkburk@gmail.com
 Peggy Yorio: 404-904-0622, gpwhelan@gmail.com

Needed: Sacristans for Funerals

Our parish is in need of several people to assist our priests as Sacristans for funeral Masses. The gift of your time would be approximately one weekday morning a month.

Responsibilities include:

- Setting up the altar and sanctuary for the Mass.
- Assisting the priest during the Mass.
- Cleaning up after Mass

This ministry is a small time commitment but an important gift we give to grieving families from our church. Training will be provided. If interested, please call the parish office at 770-432-8579 Ext. 100 or call Jim Boehm at 404-449-3471.

This week in our Parish

MONDAY, AUGUST 3

MAIN ENTRANCE REPAIRS (SEE PAGE 2)
 12:00 PM MASS
 7:30 PM MISA
 8:00 PM EMA CHOIR
 8:00 PM EVANGELIZATION CHOIR

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: SEE PAGE 3
 12:00 PM MASS
 6:00 PM CORO DE NIÑOS
 7:00 PM JUBILEE PLANNING MEETING
 7:00 PM CONFIRMATION MEETING
 7:00 PM SVdP
 8:00 PM CREDO CHOIR
 8:00 PM EVANGELIZATION CHOIR
 8:15 PM APOYO A LA FAMILIA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

6:30 AM MASS FOR PEACE
 7:30 AM ADORATION
 6:45 PM BENEDICTION
 7:00 PM MASS
 † PAULINE LAGAN
 7:00 PM CONFIRMATION MEETING
 7:00 PM PRE-EVANGELIZATION
 7:00 PM WELCOME MINISTRY
 7:30 PM LIFE TEEN BAND
 8:30 PM SMALL FAITH COMMUNITIES

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6

6:00 PM FIDELES ROSARY
 7:00 PM CONFIRMATION MEETING
 7:00 PM KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
 7:00 PM MASS
 POOR SOULS IN PURGATORY
 7:30 PM FIDELES MEETING
 8:00 PM MISA
 † PEDRO ESTRADA

The Religious Education office will be CLOSED this week of August 2nd.
to prepare for the upcoming Parish School of Religion (PSR) year.
PSR registration for 2015-16 is now closed.
Regular office hours will resume Monday, August 10th.

La Oficina de Catecismo estará CERRADA esta semana del 2 de agosto.
en preparación para el Nuevo año lectivo de Catecismo.
La matrícula para Catecismo 2015-2016 está cerrada.
La oficina volverá a abrir a partir del lunes, 10 de agosto.

Attention Adults in need of Sacraments!
Rite of Christian initiation (R.C.I.A.) classes
start in a few weeks. 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?

Requirements:

- Must be 18 years of age or older
- Provide Certificate of Baptism no later than September 30th (when applicable)
- Must have a Sponsor (practicing Catholic)
- Must attend Mass and Class on Sundays

For more information please contact Adult Faith Formation Coordinator:
Linda Veit at veit@sttheapostle.org or 678 626-3961.

Atención Adultos que necesitan sacramentos:
Las clases del Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos (R.I.C.A.) comienzan en
pocas semanas. ¡Regístrate ahora!

Las personas interesadas deben ser:

- *Mayores de 18 años*
- *Presentar Certificado de bautismo a más tardar el 30 de septiembre (si están bautizados)*
- *Tener un padrino o madrina que sea Católico practicante*
- *Asistir a Misa y clases todos los domingos*

Para más información por favor contactar a la Oficina de Educación Religiosa para Adultos al 678-626-3961.

Prayer to Begin a School Year

God of wisdom and might,
we praise you for the wonder
of our being,
for mind, body and spirit.
Be with our children
as they begin
a new school year.
Bless them and their teachers and staff.
Give the strength and grace
as their bodies grow;
wisdom and knowledge to their minds
as they search for understanding;
and peace and zeal to their hearts.
We ask this
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayer courtesy of Catholic Household Blessings

Catechists needed!

Come join the band of faith sharers
and become a catechist!

It's fantastically fun and faith filled.
We cannot do His work
without YOU!

Still auditioning for catechists in our
Preschool, Kindergarten through 8th
grade programs. Please prayerfully
consider this ministry!

Please email Sue Senecal at:
ssenecal@stthomatheapostle.org or
call 770-432-5296 after August 10th
for details.

¡Necesitamos catequistas
urgentemente! Por favor contactar a
la Oficina de Catecismo a partir del
10 de agosto para más información.

Calendar updated as of July 27, 2015

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

12:00 PM MASS
† GERT HANNEMANN
† DON HANNEMANN
6:00 PM CORO DE NIÑOS
6:00 PM SP REHEARSAL
6:30 PM ESTUDIANTINA CHOIR
7:00 PM CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP
7:30 PM PLÁTICAS PREBAUTISMALES
8:00 PM ASAMBLEA DE ORACIÓN

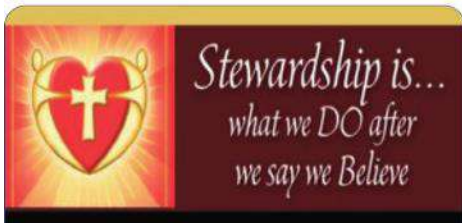
SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

8:00 AM SUNDAY AM CHOIR
8:00 AM ULTREYA MEETING
9:00 AM BAUTISMOS
10:00 AM MARÍA NIÑA GUITAR
11:00 AM PHILIPPINE NURSES
11:30 AM COMMUNITY WEDDINGS
2:00 PM ERNEST WEDDING
3:00 PM CONFESSION
4:30 PM MASS
† CHARLES DEMATTO
4:30 PM ESTUDIANTINA
6:30 PM MISA (IGLESIA)
PEOPLE OF SAINT THOMAS
8:30 PM ADORACIÓN NOCTURNA

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

PICNIC KERMESSE (AWAY)
6:00 AM MISA
7:30 AM MASS
† BLANCHE TURLAN
9:30 AM MASS
† THOMAS & EVELYN
CORRIGAN
11:00 AM LEGION OF MARY
11:30 AM MASS
† WILLIAM SZEDON
11:30 AM PRE-EVANGELIZACIÓN
12:00 PM PRE-EVANGELIZACIÓN
12:30 PM ESTUDIANTINA CHOIR

2:00 PM MASS
4:00 PM DIVINA VOLUNTAD
4:00 PM ESTUDIANTINA CHOIR
5:00 PM MASS
† JONATHAN ROBERT WELCH
7:00 PM PRE-EVANGELIZATION
7:30 PM MISA
† ANTONIO MOLINA



**Offertory Actuals/Ofertorio Actual
July 25-26, 2015 vs 2014**

	FY 2016	FY 2015
Weekly Actual	\$34,164	\$34,116
FYTD	\$137,132	\$133,510

**New Fiscal Year budget
to be announced in upcoming weeks.**

Total Assessments\$1,317,564
still owed to Archdiocese as of 05/31/15
(Deudas Totales a la Arquidiócesis hasta el 31 mayo, 2015)

**Archbishop Annual Appeal 2015 (Week 26)
Llamado Anual del Arzobispo 2015 (Semana 26)**
Goal (Meta).....\$149,300
Total Pledged (Compromisos totales)\$269,436
Paid to date (Pagos recibidos)\$115,407
Percent Paid to Goal (Porcentaje pagado).....77%
Number of Donors (No. de Donantes)..... 1,192
Shortfall to Goal (Pérdida).....\$33,893

**Children's Offertory
Ofertorio de los Niños
July 25-26, 2015**

Total\$873.07

I behaved with my Mom (Le hice caso a mi mamá) ♥ I cleaned UP (Limpié)♥ I cleaned my room (Limpié mi habitación) ♥ I went to church (Fui a Misa) ♥ I was good with my Mom (Fui bueno con mi mamá) ♥ I washed the dishes (Lavé los platos) ♥ I swepted the kitchen (Barrí la cocina) ♥ I played piano for my family (Toqué el piano para mi familia) ♥ I helped cook with Papi (Ayudé a cocinar con Papi) ♥ Practiced writing with both hands (Practicé escritura con ambas manos) ♥ I did my best (Hice lo mejor) ♥ I babysat Martin, my little brother (Cuidé a Martín, mi hermano menor) ♥ To continue with God (Seguir siempre con Dios) ♥ Peace, joy and happiness (Paz, dicha y felicidad) ♥

Offering envelopes are available in the Commons Area.



Pope Francis Monthly Prayer Intentions

Universal: VOLUNTEERS:

That volunteers may give themselves generously to the service of the needy.

Evangelization: OUTREACH TO THE MARGINALIZED

That setting aside our very selves we may learn to be neighbors to those who find themselves on the margins of human life and society.



Around the Archdiocese

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>. Upcoming presentations:

- 8/4: Networking and Coaching Event (no speaker)
- 8/11: "Networking Strategies That Work" with Paul Lopez
- 8/18: "Interviewing from a CEO's Perspective" with Joe Barna
- 8/25: "How To Develop a Career Management Strategy" with Joe Carroll

RUNNING ON EMPTY? Spiritual retreat

Weekend: August 14-16, 2015 (Monastery of the Holy Spirit - Conyers, GA)

Tired of struggling to meet countless demands with little time or energy?

Do you sense an inner emptiness as if you something vital is missing?

Longing for greater meaning and purpose in life?

This retreat provides tools that can enable us to allow God to fill our emptiness with His Loving Presence and reveal to us our deepest meaning and purpose.

Contact Patti at the Monastery in Conyers for a reservation: 770-760-0959 or e-mail: retreat@trappist.net

CTK Believes

Tuesday, August 11th from 7:30 a.m.-8:30 a.m. Kenny Hall at Christ the King (Atlanta, GA)

Featured presentation: "A Personal Journey Discerning Fear versus Love."

To register for the event go to www.cathedralofchristtheking.org/BELIEVES

BELIEVES, is a once-a-month speaker series ministry, that promotes dialogue around integrating faith in the work life for both business men and business women.

To learn more about BELIEVES go to www.believesatwork.org.

FREE Catechist Faith Formation Day: Safeguarding the Dignity of Every Human Person

Saturday, August 22, 8:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m. (Transfiguration Church - Marietta, GA)

Speakers and topics for all age level of Catechists/Volunteers!

Online registration closes August 13th. There will be no walk-in registration on the day of the conference. Register early to get your selections!

Register at www.catechistconference.wordpress.com Lunch included!

Job Openings at Saint Joseph Catholic School (Marietta, GA)

Extended Care Director: This position is a part-time position, working approximately 22 hours per week during the school year. If you are interested in working in a faith-based community setting, please send a cover letter and your resume to: St. Joseph Catholic School, 81 Lacy Street, Marietta, GA, 30060. You may also fax your resume to 770-424-2960.


After-School Care Staff Position: This position is a part-time position, the hours of operation are 3:00-6:00 pm, Monday – Friday. If you are interested in working in a faith-based community setting, please contact Pat Allen at 770-428-3328, or fax a letter of interest to 770-424-2960.



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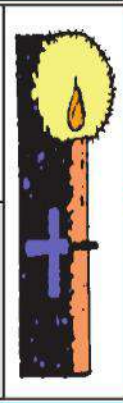


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