



# SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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February 5, 2017

### Parish Office

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### Regular Office Hours

**Monday—Friday**

9:00 AM—8:00 PM

Closed Wednesday 1 PM-3 PM

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### 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

### 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)

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### 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:

Saturdays: 3:00 PM

### Adoration

Wednesdays: **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 & 6:30 PM

**FIFTH SUNDAY**  
*in Ordinary Time*

Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.  
Matthew 5:16

¡Hagan, pues, que brille su luz ante los hombres; que vean estas buenas obras, y por ello den gloria al Padre de ustedes que está en los Cielos.  
Mateo 5:16

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**Pastor:** Rev. Brian R. Sheridan, M.S. (x108)

**Parochial Vicars:** Rev. Jojohn Chettiyakunnel, M.S. (x128) ▪ Rev. Jaime Molina J., M.N.M. ▪ Rev. Paul Rainville, M.S. (in residence x.193)

▪ **Deacons:** Rev. Mr. Michael Garrett ▪ Rev. Mr. Earl Jackson ▪ Deacons Office (x106)



**ARCHBISHOP'S**  
ANNUAL APPEAL 2017

**A** letter from Archbishop Gregory was recently mailed to all previous donors to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. He is asking for continued support of the many important programs that help thousands in our archdiocese each year. The goal for the 2017 appeal is \$8,000,000, and the goal for our parish is \$162,200.

**T**his year the theme of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal is "**You shall love your neighbor as yourself**". One way we can show our love to our brothers and sisters in faith is to generously respond to the Archbishop's request for a pledge to the 2017 Appeal. While much of the Church's ministry takes place in our parishes, we also come together as an archdiocesan Church to carry out critical services and ministries that have impact beyond any one parish.

Your support for the Archbishop's Annual Appeal helps bring the spiritual and corporal works of mercy to life in your parish as a part of our overall effort to spread and deepen faith in the Merciful Lord throughout the archdiocese. Through your generous gifts we can continue the work we were called to do as Christians: educate our seminarians, support our retired priests, provide catechesis to our children and protect the rights of the unborn.

Please be generous in your response. For more information, or to donate online, go to [appeal.archatl.com](http://appeal.archatl.com)

**R**ecientemente el Arzobispo Gregory envió una carta a todas las personas que participaron en la campaña anterior. Él está pidiendo el apoyo continuo de los muchos programas que ayudan a miles de personas en nuestra archidiócesis. La meta para la campaña del 2017 es \$8,000,000, y la meta para nuestra parroquia es \$162,200.

**E**ste año, el tema de la llamada anual del Arzobispo es "**Amarás a tu prójimo como a ti mismo**". Una forma de mostrar nuestro amor a nuestros hermanos y hermanas en la fe es responder generosamente al Llamado del Arzobispo con un compromiso para la Campaña del 2017. Mientras gran parte del ministerio de la Iglesia tiene lugar en nuestras parroquias, también nos unimos como una Iglesia arquidiocesana para llevar a cabo servicios y ministerios críticos que tienen impacto más allá de cualquier parroquia.

Su apoyo al Llamado Anual del Arzobispo ayuda a llevar las obras de misericordia espirituales y corporales a la vida en su parroquia como parte de nuestro esfuerzo general para difundir y profundizar la fe en el Señor Misericordioso en toda la Arquidiócesis. A través de sus generosas donaciones podemos continuar el trabajo que se nos llamó a hacer como cristianos: educar a nuestros seminaristas, apoyar a nuestros sacerdotes jubilados, proporcionar catequesis a nuestros hijos y proteger los derechos de los no nacidos.

Por favor sean generosos en su respuesta. Para obtener más información, o para donar en línea, vaya a [appeal.archatl.com](http://appeal.archatl.com)

# *Love your neighbor as yourself*

*Leviticus 19:18*

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## **In Our Prayers / En Nuestra Oraciones**

### **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)

### **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:

Pvt. Derek Collins, USA • ITJG. Tanner Collins, USN  
ET2 Carolyn Deacon, USN • Capt. Chisom Ezeoke, USAF  
FC2 Spencer Hanemann, USN • HM2 Kenneth McIntosh, USN

## **Bulletin Sick List**

We ask you to take a moment to pray for the people who are listed on this Bulletin Sick List

Genie Hawkins • Nathaniel Butler •  
James Butler • Anne Jackson •  
Jacqueline H. Afagbegee • Taylor  
Barrett • Marguerite Earhart  
• Claire Preece • José Enrique  
Loredo • Luis Caruso  
• Sionnie Gernaat •  
Gloriana Salinas • Patty Smith

### St. Thomas the Apostle Preschool

#### Preschool Registration:

Preschool registration for the 2017-2018 school year continues as follows:

- Active parishioners .....February 6-10
- Non-Parishioners .....February 13 until classes are full.

#### Preschool Tours:

If you would like to come and visit our school, meet the Director in the main office of the church on *Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.*

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

Tuition fees for the 2017-2018 are available in the Commons Area of the church or visit:

[www.sttapreschool.org](http://www.sttapreschool.org)



### Youth Ministry



#### LifeTeen Bible Study

##### Next meeting:

**Wednesday, February 8, 2017**  
7:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Life Teen Room

LifeTeen Bible Study continues on the following dates:

- March 15
- March 22
- March 29
- April 5
- April 12
- April 26



#### EDGE NIGHT: NEXT MONTH!

**Wednesday, February 15**  
7:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

For more information, contact the Religious Education 770-432-5296.



### NEXT VIRTUS TRAINING

*Thursday, February 16 (English)*  
6:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.  
Social Hall

Volunteers working with children/youth and vulnerable individuals are required by the Archdiocese of Atlanta to have a background check and attend VIRTUS training.

It is mandatory to pre-register online at: [www.virtusonline.com](http://www.virtusonline.com) or use this direct link: <https://goo.gl/sEsPHQ>

If you have questions regarding this information, please contact: Diane Bauer at 678-626-3944.



*"Happiness doesn't come  
as a result of  
getting something  
we don't have,  
but rather  
of recognizing  
and appreciating  
what we do have."  
Frederick Koenig*

*We have our Lord and  
Savior... the source of true  
happiness. Alleluia!  
Fr. Brian*

## Preparing for Lent

**Mark your calendars for our  
Lenten Penance Service  
Tuesday, April 4 at 7:00 p.m.  
Main Sanctuary**

Consider the following dates for additional  
Penance Services in our area:

March 16 Transfiguration (Marietta)  
March 22 Holy Family (Marietta)  
March 23 Saint Clare (Acworth)  
March 27 Saint Joseph (Marietta)  
March 28 Saint Michael (Woodstock)  
March 30 Saint Catherine (Kennesaw)  
April 5 Saint Ann (Marietta)

## Service Opportunities

### Ministry of Visitation to the Sick HELP NEEDED on Thursday afternoons for Delmar Gardens

The Ministry of Visitation to the Sick is looking for a person who is *interested and* committed to visiting and getting to know the wonderful residents of Delmar Gardens (less than 1 mile from the church.)

Every Thursday, from 2:15 p.m. to  
3:45 p.m.

- Say the Rosary and distribute Communion to a group of residents at Delmar Gardens. Then, visit Catholics who are bedridden to say prayers and administer Communion.
- Any person interested needs to be committed to the time this ministry demands.
- We serve 15-18 residents.
- You do not have to be a Eucharistic Minister, just someone who cares.

If you would like to be a part of this very fulfilling ministry, please contact Sharon Kowal at 678-665-5459.



### Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick

is in need of more ministers. If you are a current Eucharistic minister, and interested in a special ministry of bringing the Body of Christ to our homebound and hospitalized parishioners, please contact Don Sabaresse at: dsabm@yahoo.com or call 770-435-3024.

If you would like to become a Eucharistic Minister, our next training class is scheduled for Saturday, May 20. Please notice that our March class has been cancelled.

### Saint Vincent de Paul Pantry

The following donations are needed:  
Cooking Oil, Grape or Strawberry Jelly,  
Canned Fruit, Shampoo,  
Pancake Syrup &  
Laundry Soap.  
Please leave donations  
in the plastic bins located  
in Commons Area.



#### Please note:

The *SVdP Thrift Store* is located at  
787 Roswell St, Marietta, GA 30060  
and gladly accepts gently used clothing,  
toys, furniture and appliances.

Please take any items you would like to  
donate to the Thrift Store,  
rather than leaving them in the  
Commons Area.

**Our parish only collects food pantry  
staples. Please do NOT leave clothing  
in the Commons.**

Thanks for your support!

## This Week in our Parish

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
12:00 PM **MASS**  
† ANNETTE SANSANON  
4:30 PM PSR  
4:30 PM 1ST EUCHARIST PARENT MTG  
6:30 PM MONDAY NIGHT SP CHOIR  
7:00 PM 1ST EUCHARIST PARENT MTG  
7:00 PM PRE-EVANGELIZATION  
7:00 PM PSR  
7:00 PM STEPHEN MINISTRY  
7:30 PM **MISA**  
ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY  
8:00 PM CREDO CHOIR  
8:30 PM CORO EVANGELIZACIÓN

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

7:00 AM FIDELES ROSARY  
9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
12:00 PM **MASS**  
6:30 PM CONFIRMATION CLASS  
6:45 PM KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
7:00 PM CORO DE NIÑOS  
7:00 PM CREDO CHOIR  
7:00 PM ENG RCIA  
7:00 PM PRE-EVANGELIZACIÓN  
7:00 PM SVdP  
8:00 PM ESTUDIANTINA CHOIR  
8:15 PM APOYO A LA FAMILIA

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

8:15 AM **MASS**  
9:00 AM ADORATION  
9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
6:30 PM WOMEN'S AUXILIARY  
6:45 PM BENEDICTION  
7:00 PM K OF C 4TH DEGREE  
7:00 PM LT BIBLE STUDY  
7:00 PM **MASS**  
† AFANOU KODZO MICHEL  
† AFANOU ODJOVZI JEANNE  
† AFONOU FAMILY  
7:00 PM PRE-EVANGELIZACION  
7:00 PM PSR  
7:30 PM LIFE TEEN BAND  
8:00 PM ROSARY FOR LIFE

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9

9:00 AM PRESCHOOL  
10:00 AM BIBLE STUDY  
10:00 AM STORY TIME  
6:30 PM 1ST EUCHARIST PARENT MTG  
7:00 PM BIBLE STUDY  
7:00 PM **MASS**  
† RODOLFO PROAÑO  
7:00 PM PSR  
8:00 PM **MISA**  
† GABRIEL REYES ALVAREZ

**Knights of Columbus  
FEBRUARY EVENTS**

**Tuesday 2/7:**

Council Business Meeting at the Community House from 7:15 to 9:15 p.m.

**Wednesday 2/8:**

4th Degree Assembly Meeting in the Social Hall from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
Dinner at 7:00 p.m.  
Meeting at 7:40 p.m.

**Friday 2/10:**

Father-Daughter Dance setup in the Social Hall from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Saturday 2/11:**

Father-Daughter Dance in the Social Hall:  
Final setup and dinner preparation from 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.  
Father-Daughter Dance from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Saturday & Sunday 2/11 & 2/12:**

Married couples Affirmation of Wedding Vows at all Masses

**Saturday 2/18:**

1st Degree Exemplification at the Community House from 8:00 a.m. to Noon

**Tuesday 2/28:**

Council Officers meeting at the Community House from 7:15 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.



*Father Daughter*  
**DANCE**

**Saturday, February 11, 2017**  
Sábado, 11 de febrero, 2017  
The Excitement begins at 5:30 p.m.  
in the Social Hall. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.  
Dancing until 10:00 p.m.

Call Priscilla at 404-849-8772 for tickets.

**Renewal of Wedding Vows  
February 11-12 at all Masses**

As part of our wide *Building the Domestic Church* campaign, our Knights of Columbus Council is sponsoring an Affirmation of Wedding Vows at all Masses the weekend of February 11 and 12. We encourage all married couples to actively participate in this simple but moving ceremony at the Mass they regularly attend.



**Renovación de Votos Matrimoniales  
11-12 Febrero en todas las Misas**

Como parte de la campaña Construyendo la Iglesia Doméstica, los Caballeros de Colón invitan a todas las parejas de matrimonios a una Renovación de Votos Matrimoniales durante todas las Misas del fin de semana del 11-12 de febrero. Esperamos que todas las parejas casadas participen activamente en esta simple pero conmovedora ceremonia en la Misa a la que regularmente asisten.

**Ministerio Hispano**



**Retiro de Parejas: \$70 p/pareja  
(10-12 de febrero, 2017)**

Te invitamos a ti y a tu pareja a participar en el retiro que inicia este 10 de febrero en la iglesia, y continúa el 11-12 de febrero en el Parque Jim R. Miller.

El retiro tiene un costo de \$70 por pareja. Pueden registrarse después de la Asamblea de Oración, los viernes a las 8:00 p.m.

**Adoración Nocturna al Santísimo**

Nuestra comunidad se llena de regocijo al celebrar un aniversario más de Adoración Nocturna al Santísimo Sacramento del Altar. Durante 17 años, cientos de hermanos (familias, jóvenes y adultos) han participado en la práctica fiel y constante de hacer guardia de fe y amor a Jesús en la Sagrada Eucaristía, durante las horas y quietud de la noche.

Invitamos a toda la comunidad a unirse en oración una vez más frente a Jesús Eucaristía, el sábado, **25 de febrero a partir de las 9:00 p.m. en la iglesia.**

**This Week in our Parish**

Updated on January 30, 2017

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10**

- 9:00 AM PRESCHOOL
- 12:00 PM MASS**
- 2:00 PM TRUJILLO QUINCEAÑEROS
- 6:00 PM SP REHEARSAL
- 7:00 PM CORO DE NIÑOS
- 7:30 PM CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP
- 8:00 PM ADORACIÓN CHOIR
- 8:00 PM RETIRO MATRIMONIOS

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11**

- RETIRO MATRIMONIOS (AWAY)
- 8:00 AM SUNDAY AM CHOIR
- 8:00 AM ULTREYA
- 9:00 AM BAUTISMOS
- 10:00 AM MARÍA NIÑA
- 11:00 AM BRADLEY CONVALIDATION
- 3:00 PM CONFESSION
- 4:00 PM PRE-EVANGELIZATION
- 4:30 PM MASS**
- † SR. PATRICIA BLANCHET
- 5:00 PM ESTUDIANTINA CHOIR
- 6:30 PM MISA**
- ROBERT & CARLA AGUIRRE
- SANDRA CARBAJAL
- MONICA ANGEL
- 6:30 PM FATHER/DAUGHTER DANCE**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12**

- RETIRO MATRIMONIOS (AWAY)
- 6:00 AM MISA**
- † MANUELA JUÁREZ
- † ANTONIO JUÁREZ
- 7:30 AM MASS**
- PEOPLE OF ST. THOMAS
- 9:30 AM MASS**
- † A. SAMUEL NORMAN CARSLLEY
- 9:30 AM PSR
- 10:00 AM RCIA
- 11:00 AM LEGION OF MARY
- 11:15 AM PSR & FIRES
- 11:30 AM MASS**
- ERIN CAZE
- 11:30 AM PRE-EVANGELIZATION

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12 (CONT)**

- RETIRO MATRIMONIOS (AWAY)
- 2:00 PM MISA**
- † MARÍA CORNELIA GRANADOS AGUAYO
- 2:00 PM SP RCIA
- 4:00 PM DIVINA VOLUNTAD
- 5:00 PM MASS**
- † MARGARITA REYES DE MARTÍNEZ
- 6:00 PM LIFE/TEEN NIGHT
- 6:30 PM PRE-EVANGELIZACIÓN
- 6:30 PM THE ONE THING IS THREE
- 7:30 PM MISA**
- † RODOLFO SÁNCHEZ
- † ESTER SÁNCHEZ
- † AMELIA SÁNCHEZ

## Weekly Donations Report

Reporte de Donaciones Semanales

**Offertory Actual /Ofertorio Actual**  
January 28-29, 2017 vs. Last Year

	FY 2017	FY 2016
Budgeted .....	\$36,750	\$35,769
Weekly Actual .....	\$34,579	\$33,572
Surplus/(Shortfall).....	(\$2,171)	(\$2,197)

**FY2017 Offertory Projected vs Actual to Date**  
And Last year Comparison

Budgeted .....	\$1,139,250	\$1,108,839
Actual .....	\$1,150,912	\$1,134,698
Surplus/(Shortfall).....	\$11,662	\$25,859

**Operating Financial Statement**  
For the 6 months ending 12/31/2016

Operating Revenue.....	\$1,583,205
Operating Expenses .....	(\$1,422,513)
Operating Revenue over Expense .....	\$160,692

Total Assessments .....

still owed to Archdiocese as of 12/31/16

**Archbishop's Annual Appeal 2016 (Week 52)**  
Llamado Anual del Arzobispo 2016 (Semana 52)

Goal (Meta).....	\$157,700
Total Pledged (Compromisos totales) .....	\$315,550
Paid to date (Pagos recibidos).....	\$197,340
Surplus/(Shortfall) to Goal .....	\$39,640
Percent Paid to Goal (Porcentaje pagado) .....	125%
Number of Donors (No. de Donantes).....	1,337

**Children's Offertory**  
Ofertorio de los Niños  
January 21-22, 2016

Total .....

♥ I came to Mass, happy, to pray for my family (Fui a Misa feliz, a pedir por mi familia) ♥ I picked up my toys (Recogí mis juguetes) ♥ I took out the trash (Saqué la basura) ♥ I watched less TV (Vi menos televisión) ♥ I helped my grandma (Ayudé a mi abuelita) ♥ I washed the dishes (Lavé los platos) ♥ I cleaned the car (Limpié el carro) ♥ I made my bed (Tendí mi cama) ♥ I shared my tablet with my sister (Compartí mi tablet con mi hermana) ♥ I prayed (Hice oración) ♥

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!

## Plan Your Will Online

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The Catholic Foundation has made the process of planning your Will simple. Please go to [www.cfngalegacy.org](http://www.cfngalegacy.org) and click on "Plan Your Will." The site is free, confidential and will give you and your spouse a chance to plan in the privacy of your home. When done, simply print out the document to take to your attorney. **This will save you time and money.**

For more information contact:  
Juliet Greco at The Catholic Foundation  
[jgreco@cfnga.org](mailto:jgreco@cfnga.org) or 404-497-9440.

## Assistance to Those Affected by South Georgia Storms

The Director of Catholic Charities in Savannah, GA requests that all donations are directed to agencies already on the ground providing aid and assistance to affected families; e.g., the American Red Cross. The Diocese of Savannah itself is not receiving specific individual requests and they don't have a mechanism in place to provide direct help.

Individuals may contribute electronically through the Red Cross site by clicking the *Donate* tab, choosing *Donate Online*, and then, under *I Want to Support*, selecting **Southern Tornadoes and Storms**.

The Red Cross website is: [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org)

## Change of Address or Telephone

Cambio de Dirección o Teléfono

If you have any contact information changes, please fill out the attached form and return to the Parish Office via the collection basket or in the mail.

Si se ha cambiado de dirección o teléfono, por favor complete esta forma y regrésela a la Oficina Parroquial.

- New Parishioner. Please send me a Registration Form.**  
Nuevo miembro. Por favor envíeme una Hoja de Registro.
- Change of Address / Phone Number.**  
Cambio de Dirección / Número Telefónico.
- Moving. Please remove me from Parish Mailing List.**  
Me he mudado. Ahora pertenezco a otra parroquia.

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Richard Struempf  
 Parishioner


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