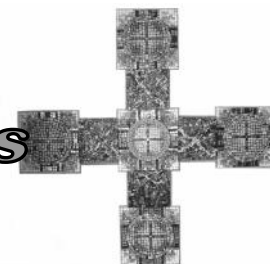


# Community of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish Newsletter



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**Mass Schedule**

**Saturday:** 5p

**Sunday:** 10:30a & 7p

**Mon. & Wed.:** 12:15p

**Tuesday:** 7p

*(during regular semester)*

**Thursday:** 8a

**First Saturday:** 10a

**Reconciliation:**

1/2 hour before every Mass and  
by appointment

**Adoration:**

**First Saturday:** 9a

**Tuesday:** 6p

*(during regular semester)*

**Regular Office hours:**

Monday-Friday 9a-3:30p

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The Community of St. Thomas Aquinas CCD

**Readings for the Week:**

8/7: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33 8/15: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;  
8/8: Dt 10:12-22; Mt 17:22-27 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56  
8/9: Dt 31:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14 8/16: Jgs 6:11-24a; Mt 19:23-30  
8/10: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26 8/17: Jgs 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16  
8/11: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Mt 18:21-19:1 8/18: Jgs 11:29-39a; Mt 22:1-14  
8/12: Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12 8/19: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Mt 22:34-40  
8/13: Jos 24:14-29; Mt 19:13-15 8/20: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12  
8/14: Is 56:1, 6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28



*We invited to spend prayerful time reflecting in the Scriptures.*

August 7, 2011

Dear Community of St. Thomas Aquinas,

In the Gospel for the 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, Jesus heard about the death of His cousin John the Baptist. Understandably, Jesus is grieving and goes to a deserted place by himself. Five thousand men plus women and children come looking for Jesus. Jesus sees them and His heart is moved with pity for them. His concern about their well-being turns into the miraculous feeding of them all on five loaves of bread and two fish (not to mention the twelve baskets full of leftovers). In the Gospel for the 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday we see Jesus compassion for His scared disciples when they were caught up in a storm. He comes to them walking on the water. Peter to prove that it is truly the Lord asks for the command to do the same. Jesus says, "Come." Peter does it. But, as Peter's fear grows he begins to sink. He cries out, "Lord, save me!" The gospel tells us, "Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught him." Jesus does have the power to save us in our needs. Do we trust Him enough to walk on water?

Peace,  
Fr. Joey

**MISSION STATEMENT**

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church is a personal parish established to provide a Christian environment to the students, faculty and staff of Nicholls State University. Our community is blessed by local families who have joined our church, bringing their gifts and talents to build a vibrant and life-giving assembly. Together we seek to Promote the Gospel, advance an inclusive setting where diversity is welcomed and respected, encourage participation and dialog from all, and serve as a leader in merging the ideals of campus ministry and the parish faith community through the sharing of Christian values.

We stand committed to support and encourage one another in the love of Christ, and to carry the presence of Christ to this university and all the world. May it be said of us as it was said of the early Church, "See how they love one another."

# MASS INTENTIONS

August 6: Emile Roques, Jr., CCD teachers and students

August 7: Nathan Trepagnier, Charles Musso Family, Geralyn Dunckelman, Antoine Roger, Vivian Faucheux & fly., Houston Crandall, Lisa Gay Messersmith, Dulce Hebert Quibodeaux, JW Martin, Jr., Terry Mauer, Jr., Confirmation teachers and students

August 8: Reed Bellingham & Fly, Andrew Sizemore & fly., O.T. Melvin, Jr, Andrew John Melvin, CCD teachers and students

August 10: Kinley Elizabeth Cooper

August 11: Frances Levron Malbrough

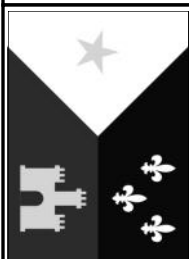
August 13: Raymond Boudreaux, Mayola & Dennis Boudreaux, Audrey Chauvin, Sam & Lucille Rodrigue, Leo P. Naquin, Dr. Dale J. Naquin, Angela Montet, Dennis Perk, Sr.

August 14: Lisa Gay Messersmith, Dulce Hebert Quibodeaux, JW Martin, Jr., Terry Mauer, Jr.

August 15: Cindy Hochstetler. Andrew John Melvin, Emelda Adams, Anthony Adams, Beulah P. Melvin, O.T. Melvin Jr.

August 16: Sarah Kees, Jacob Marcello, Andrew John Melvin

August 18: Father Ed Degeyter & Fly, Howard Hebert & fly., Mildred Hubbell



## Diocesan Acadian Mass

to pray for those of Acadian and French heritage on the feast of the Assumption

Monday, August 15 6p  
St. Hilary, Mathews

## CAMPUS MINISTRY August Events

- 16: Board Meeting, 6p
- 22: Sundaes on Monday, 1-2p
- 23: Not on Bread Alone and Tuesdays with Thomas
- 24: Karaoke 7p
- 25: Welcome Back Day 10:30a-1:30p  
Freshman and Incoming Students Meeting, 6p
- 26: Movie Nite
- 30: Tuesdays with Thomas

### From what God has given, you have shared...

| Weekly Collection  | July 16-17 | July 23-24 |
|--------------------|------------|------------|
| Loose              | \$1633.98  | \$2131.25  |
| Envelopes          | \$2169.00  | \$3086.00  |
| TOTAL              | \$3802.98  | \$5217.25  |
| JULY ONLINE GIVING |            | \$575      |



Please keep the following individuals in your prayers:

Gayle Richard, Brad Hymel, K.T. Snyder, Peter Cancienne, Betty Reese, Casey Gautreaux, Cameron Steib, Caitlin Cowen, Dr. Margaret Jolley, Johanna Crawford, Mia Chiasson, Aimee Melancon, Joy Schexnayder, Mike Zimmerman, Tammy Murray, Penny Zeringue, Lorraine and Marco Bourgeois, Virgie Guidry, Mary Duplantis, Francis Bolten Dumez, Kitty Ockmond, Serena Baudoin, Chavonne Guidry, Courtney Pierce, Amy Langford, Jane Pitre, Gail Boucigard, Michelle Allemand Rupp, Aaron Melvin Fly., Dena Peltier, Yvette Cabello, Jane Andry Soulant, Robin Ford, & Deanna Falcon. To place a name on this list, please call the Office at 446-6201.

We welcome all of our teachers and students for the 2011-2012 religious education year.

Classes begin August 7, 8, and 9

1st-4th Mondays 5:30-6:45p 5th-8th Tuesdays  
9th-11th Sundays 5-6:45p



Monday, August 15

Feast of the Assumption

The Holy Day of Obligation is set aside because the feast falls on a Monday.

**St. Thomas**

**Junior High Ministry**

**Getting to Know You Gathering**

**Saturday, August 13**

**6-7:30p Café**

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY

- 8/07/2011 Amy Bridges and Becky Thibodaux
- 8/14/2011 Brandie Toups and Brenda Riviere
- 8/21/2011 Dee Dee Broussard and Elaine Falgoust
- 8/28/2011 Jan Labat and Melanie Champagne

## Discovering God's Glorious Plan for YOUR Life

Harang Auditorium 310 North Canal Blvd.

An Inspiration Evening with

Christopher West & Mike Mangione

Fri, Aug. 5 6:30p Must be at least 17 years old

Married Couples Conference with

Christopher West & Most Reverend Sam G. Jacobs

Saturday, August 6 8:30a-5:30p

Register at [www.htdiocese.org/co](http://www.htdiocese.org/co)



| Sun   | Mon  | Tue  | Wed   | Thu           | Fri   | Sat   |
|---|--|--|---|---------------|---|---|
| 07<br>10:30a Mass<br><i>Children's Liturgy</i><br>5p 10th & 11th gr.<br>Confirmation<br>7p Mass | 08<br>12:15p Mass<br>5:30p Elem CCD<br>(1st-4th grade)   | 09<br>10a Women's<br>Bible Study<br>5:30p Middle<br>School CCD<br>(5th-8th grade)<br>6:30p Adoration &<br>Communion<br>Service | 10<br>6a Men's Bible Study<br>12:15p Mass   | 11<br>8a Mass | 12<br><b>DEADLINE to<br/>REGISTER for<br/>DIOCESAN<br/>WEDDING<br/>ANNIVERSARY</b><br>Call Cynthia at<br>446.6201 | 13<br>5p Mass<br>6p St. Thomas<br>Junior High<br>Ministry Gathering |
| 14<br>10:30a Mass<br><i>Children's Liturgy</i><br>5p 10th & 11th gr.<br>Confirmation<br>7p Mass | 15<br>12:15p Mass<br><b>Feast of the<br/>Assumption</b><br><small>The Holy Day of Obligation<br/>is set aside because the feast<br/>falls on a Monday.</small><br>2p Bulletin Prep<br>5:30p Elem CCD<br>(1st-4th grade)<br>6p Diocesan<br>Acadian Mass,<br>St. Hilary, Mathews | 16<br>10a Women's<br>Bible Study<br>5:30p Middle<br>School CCD<br>(5th-8th grade)<br>6:30p Adoration &<br>Communion<br>Service | 17<br><b>NICHOLLS<br/>CLASSES<br/>RESUME</b><br>6a Mass &<br>Men's Bible Study<br>12:15p Mass<br>7p aNEW<br>Experience,<br>St. Ann, Bourg | 18<br>8a Mass | 19  | 20<br>5p Mass   |

## Upcoming Dates To Remember:

- August 22-26: Campus Ministry Welcome Back Week
- August 25: SHARE Divorced and Separated Group, 6:30p
- September 1: Campus Ministry Town Hall Meeting, 6p
- September 1: Saints Party, 7p
- September 1: School of Leaders Workshop, St. Ann, Bourg, 7p
- September 3: First Saturday Devotions, 9a
- September 4-6: NO CONFIRMATION or CCD CLASSES
- September 5: Labor Day, OFFICE CLOSED
- September 8: SHARE Divorced and Separated Group, 6:30p
- September 8: Saints Party, 7p
- September 11: Grandparents Day
- September 13: All Day Eucharistic Adoration 7a-7p
- September 14: aNEW Experience, OLOPS Chackbay, 7-9p
- September 17-18: Adult Retreat, Lumen Christi

### Mary's Moms is a group for all Catholic mothers in the Thibodaux area interested in growing in Our Faith through prayer, fellowship, and study.

They will meet beginning Wednesday, August 17 and all remaining Wednesday mornings while school in in session at St. Joseph, at 9:05a for a Rosary, followed by a study with *Living in the Power of the Holy Spirit: A Catholic Bible Study* by Rich Cleveland from 9:30-11a in the Life Center. All are welcome!



Nursery service is provided.

For more information, email [marysmoms@yahoo.com](mailto:marysmoms@yahoo.com).



## THANK YOU, ST. THOMAS!!!

St. Thomas boasts the largest parishioner participation percentage in the Diocese. We have exceeded the set goal of \$15,000 with 89% of our commitments presently submitted. If you still wish to participate in this program, visit [www.htdiocese.org](http://www.htdiocese.org).

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration is held every year in October honoring all married couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 and more years of marriage. Anniversaries will also be celebrated in the church parish.

If your family is celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage, visit <http://stthomasthibodaux.org/anniversaries> or contact Cynthia at 446-6201 to register for this event by **FRIDAY, AUGUST 12.**

### Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration Prayer Service



Sunday, October 9, 2011 • 2pm  
St. Francis de Sales Cathedral

|               | August 6,<br>5P   | August 7,<br>10:30A           | August 7,<br>7P                | August 13,<br>5P  | August 14,<br>10:30A      | August 14,<br>7P               |
|---------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| COMMENTATOR   | Merwyn Melvin     | Jerry Barbera                 | Beth Marcello                  | Kevin LeBoeuf     | Debbie Reulet             | Rebecca Templeton              |
| WORD 1        | Louise Melvin     | Sheila Plater                 | Bonnie Bourg                   | Emily Waguespack  | Ben Roth                  | Wade Rodrigue                  |
| WORD 2        | Scott Beslin      | Ben Roth                      | Mary Cavalier                  | Christine Graham  | Alice Ledet               | Sally Sobert                   |
| BODY 1        | Elizabeth Perez   | Bill Duncelman                | Bill Duncelman                 | Gene Roth         | Bill Duncelman            | Bill Duncelman                 |
| BODY 2        |                   | Loretta Andry                 | Lisa Chiasson                  |                   | Violet Chiasson           | Joy Martinez                   |
| BLOOD 1       | Mike Sobert       | Violet Chiasson               | Stephanie Ordoyne              | Lionel Adams      | Linda Oncale              | Bobbie McDonald                |
| BLOOD 2       | Michelle Garrard  | Leslie Clement                | Wade Rodrigue                  | Emily Adams       | Loretta Andry             | Lisa Chiasson                  |
| BLOOD 3       |                   | Sandra Clement                | Erin White                     |                   | Bert Andry                | David Boudreaux                |
| BLOOD 4       |                   | Alice Ledet                   | Loyd Nuesslein                 |                   | Eve Evans                 | Lynette Boudreaux              |
| ALTAR SERVERS | Elizabeth Garrard | Madison Viosca<br>Chloe Babin | Avery Theriot<br>Jacob Theriot | Elizabeth Garrard | Joey Loupe<br>Robby Loupe | Avery Theriot<br>Jacob Theriot |

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