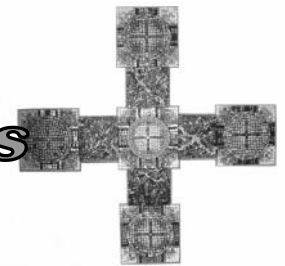


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Mass Schedule

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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Readings for the Week:

8/21: Isaiah 22:19-23; Romans 11:33-36;
Matthew 16:13-20

8/22: Isaiah 9:1-6; Luke 1:26-38

8/23: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 23:23-26

8/24: Revelation 21:9-14; John 1:45-51

8/25: 1 Thessalonians 3:7-13; Matthew 24:42-51

8/26: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8; Matthew 25:1-13

8/27: 1 Thessalonians 4:9-11; Matthew 25:14-30

8/28: Jeremiah 20:7-9; Romans 12:1-2;
Matthew 16:21-27

8/29: Jeremiah 1:17-19; Mark 6:17-29

8/30: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11; Luke 4:31-37

8/31: Colossians 1:1-8; Luke 4:38-44

9/1: Colossians 1:9-14; Luke 5:1-11

9/2: Colossians 1:15-20; Luke 5:33-39

9/3: Colossians 1:21-23; Luke 6:1-5



August 21, 2011

Dear St. Thomas Aquinas Community,

In the Gospel for the 20th Sunday, we saw Jesus' compassion for a Canaanite woman's possessed daughter seems to come at the price of her faith. It seems Jesus tests her faith not just for her own sake, but for that of His disciples—then and now. Do we believe in the Compassion of the Lord for us? Do we believe Jesus is still watching out for us in our need—especially when we are lost without any possible direction, exhausted when it comes to looking for answers, and hungry for what only He can provide? Why isn't the Lord our first resource instead of our last resort?

In the Gospel for the 21st Sunday, Jesus asks His disciples and us as well, "Who do you say that I am?" This is a very good question because it reaches down to the core of our faith in our soul and explains how much—or how little—we trust in Him. If Jesus really is Our Lord & Our Savior who acts with the very power of God the Father in the Holy Spirit, why do we hesitate to turn to Him in matters great and small? The level of confidence we have in our prayers to God is a true answer to Jesus' penetrating question, "Who do you say that I am?"

The Blessed Virgin Mary shows the ultimate example of confidence in God when she said at the Annunciation, "Let it be done to me according to your Word!" The reward of that confidence is seen at her Assumption which we recently celebrated on August 15. It appears she believed in God with every fiber of her being. So much so, every single part of her—body and soul—was redeemed and she was found worthy of heaven even at the moment of her death. How is your faith and confidence in God?

Your fellow servant,
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 20: Wade Ledet, Emile Roques, Jr.,

August 21: Frank & Azelda Musso, Linley Collins, Antoine

Roger, Vivian Faucheux & fly., Ben & Clara Breaux, Ernest Thelma Ledet, Michael Hebert & fly., Fr. Manny Fernandez & fly., Gabriel Short & fly., Lisa Gay Messersmith, Dulce Hebert Quibodeaux, JW Martin, Jr., Terry Mauer, Jr., Beulah Petit Melvin, Maurice Hymel

August 23: Emile Roques, Jr.

August 24: M/M Charles LaRose

August 25: Streamline Industries: Employees, Customers, fly., Souls in Purgatory, Mildred Hubbell

August 27: Raymond Boudreaux, Mayola & Dennis

Boudreaux, Audrey Chauvin, Sam & Lucille Rodrigue, Leo P. Naquin, Dr. Dale J. Naquin, Angela Montet, Dennis Perk, Sr., Wade Rodrigue

August 28: Sally Masterson, Estaben Arnold & fly., Lisa Gay

Messersmith, Dulce Hebert Quibodeaux, JW Martin, Jr., Terry Mauer, Jr., J. Van Beary, Jr., Donald A. Toups Sr., Stanley Anthony Arceneaux, Maurice Hymel

September 1: Mildred Hubbell

September 3: Emile Roques, Jr.

CCD NEWS

- All classes have completed their annual "Circle of Grace" Safe Environment Lessons. Families are asked to discuss the lessons with their children.
- September 1—Payment Plan Due
- September 4-6—No Classes; Labor Day Holiday
- September 14—aNEW Experience, OLOPS, Chackbay

CAMPUS MINISTRY September Events

- CORNER**
- 01: Town Hall Meeting, 6p
 - 01: Saints Party, 7p
 - 06: Adoration and Mass, 6p...Tuesdays with Thomas
 - 09: Saints Party, 7p
 - 13: Adoration and Mass, 6p...Tuesdays with Thomas
 - 15: Movie Nite, 7p
 - 20: Adoration and Mass, 6p...Tuesdays with Thomas
 - 23-25: Awakening Retreat
 - 27: Not On Bread Alone 11a-1p
 - 27: Adoration and Mass, 6p...Tuesdays with Thomas

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

Weekly Collection	July 30-31	August 6-7
Loose	\$1651.12	\$2018.07
Envelopes	\$1940.00	\$3194.00
TOTAL	\$3571.12	\$5212.07



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.



World Youth Day Celebration Sunday, August 21 4-7p St. Bernadette

Keynote: Paul George

The young church of Houma-Thibodaux will come together and celebrate with those who gathered in Spain. We will share powerful words of encouragement, praise and worship, powerful prayer experiences, and celebrate Mass with Bishop Jacobs. For more info, call the Office of Youth Ministry at 985.850.3151.

Presented by the Office of Youth Ministry and ADORE Ministries.

Bookends Fall Adore Worship

The Beginning, The End, and Everything in Between
Sept. 7 and Dec. 7 7p Vandebilt Catholic

So often it seems much of our lives are focused on the beginning and ends of things, firsts and lasts: first steps, first words, first job, or last days, graduations, final moments. For many of us, the rhythm of life flows from births to weddings to funerals. It is easy to focus on our faith in these pinnacle moments and we can forget that God is just as present in the in-between. Join us for passionate worship, a powerful message, and Eucharistic Adoration.



ADORATION ALL DAY

Campus Ministry will host Eucharistic Adoration on the **second Tuesday of every month** starting September 13 from **7a-7p Mass**. Ministry students and parishioners are encouraged to share their time.

Contact Monique at 446.6201 for more information.

are you ready to be
Restored?

September 23-25, 2011






Visit <http://stthomasthibodaux.org/campus-ministry/awakening>

Colonel Awakening
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CHILDREN'S LITURGY

8/21/2011 Dee Dee Broussard and Elaine Falgoust

8/28/2011 Jan Labat and Melanie Champagne

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
21 10:30a Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i> 5p 10th & 11th gr. Confirmation 7p Mass	22 12:15p Mass  1p Sundaes on Monday 5:30p Elem CCD (1st-4th grade)	23 10a Women's Bible Study  11a Not on Bread Alone 5:30p Middle School CCD (5th-8th grade) 6p Adoration & Mass Tuesday with Thomas	24 6a Men's Bible Study 12:15p Mass 7p Karaoke Nite 	25 8a Mass  10:30a Welcome Back Day 6p Freshman and Incoming Students Meeting 6:30p SHARE Group	26 Movie Matinee Friday 	27 5p Mass
CAMPUS MINISTRY WELCOME BACK WEEK						
28 10:30a Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i> 5p 10th & 11th gr. Confirmation 7p Mass	29 12:15p Mass 2p Bulletin Prep 5:30p Elem CCD (1st-4th grade)	30 10a Women's Bible Study 5:30p Middle School CCD (5th-8th grade) 6p Adoration & Mass	31 6a Mass & Men's Bible Study 12:15p Mass	September 1 8a Mass 6p Town Hall Meeting 7p Saints Party School of Leaders Workshop St. Ann, Bourg SEPTEMBER CCD PAYMENTS DUE	02	03 9a First Saturday Devotions 5p Mass

Upcoming Dates To Remember:

September 4: NO CONFIRMATION CLASSES
 September 5: Labor Day, OFFICE CLOSED
 September 5: NO CCD CLASSES
 September 6: NO CCD CLASSES
 September 7: ADORE Worship, 7p, Vandebilt Catholic
 September 8: SHARE Divorced and Separated Group, 6:30p
 September 9: Saints Party, 7p
 September 11: Grandparents Day
 September 14: aNEW Experience, OLOPS Chackbay, 7-9p
 September 17-18: Adult Retreat, Lumen Christi
 September 17-18: Married Couples Retreat, St. Joseph's Abbey
 September 24: Man of God Mini-Conference, Pastoral Center
 October 8-9: 11th Grade Confirmation Retreat,
 Camp Archangel, Grand Isle
 October 15: Woman of God Mini-Conference, Pastoral Center

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 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.



THE DOCTORS of the Church

a six-week study of the Saints who helped shape our faith with Rev. Joseph Pilola

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Call Cynthia at 446.6201 to register.

Wednesdays 6:30-8:30p

September 14 October 5
 September 21 October 19
 September 28 October 26

Male Spirituality

Saturday, September 17, 2011 10a-2p

St. Thomas Café \$10 per person
Call Cynthia at 446.6201 to register.

MAN OF GOD MINI-CONFERENCE

Saturday, September 24

Pastoral Center

www.htdiocese.org/co to register



	August 20 5P	August 21 10:30A	August 21 7P	August 27 5P	August 28 10:30A	August 28 7P
COMMENTATOR	Richard David	Brandie Toups	Joseph Joseph	Louise Melvin	Sheila Plater	Volunteer
WORD 1	Lionel Adams	Connie Daigle	Rebecca Templeton	Scott Beslin	Sarah Kees	Wade Rodrigue
WORD 2	Mike Sobert	Sue Blanchard	Mitch Chiasson	Jenna Graham	Katie Acosta	Pamela Barker
BODY 1	Louise Melvin	Bill Duncelman	Bill Duncelman	Lionel Adams	Bill Duncelman	Bill Duncelman
BODY 2		Ricky Blanchard	Mary T. Kees		Mary Jo Kees	Lisa Chiasson
BLOOD 1	Gene Roth	Robin Lopez	Stephanie Ordoyne	Charles Caillouet	Robin Lopez	David Boudreaux
BLOOD 2	Emily Waguespack	Mary Jo Kees	Brian Bartell	Gretchen Caillouet	Ricky Blanchard	Lynette Boudreaux
BLOOD 3		Jeff Daigle	Volunteer		Alice Ledet	Bobbie McDonald
BLOOD 4		Loretta Andry	Loyd Nuesslein		Leslie Clement	Volunteer
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