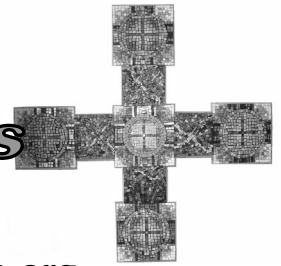


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Mass Schedule

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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446-4389 Answering Service

Facebook Groups:

 St Thomas Aquinas Campus Ministry
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Readings for the Week:

5/29: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Ptr 3:15-18;
Jn 14:15-21

5/30: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26 -- 16:4

5/31: Zeph 3:14-18; Rom 12:9-16;

Isa 12:2-6; Lk 1:39-56

6/1: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Jn 16:12-15

6/2: Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20

6/3: Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

6/4: Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

6/5: Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

6/6: Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33

6/7: Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a

6/8: Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19

6/9: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26

6/10: Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19

6/11: Acts 11:21b-26; 12:1-3; Jn 21:20-25

We encourage you to spend time reflecting in
and meditating with the Scriptures.



May 29, 2011

Dear Community of St. Thomas Aquinas,

Have you ever thought of Jesus as ‘the Sacrament of the Father’? In the Gospel for the 5th Sunday of Easter Jesus says, “Whoever has seen me has seen the Father.” Jesus is so obedient to the Father’s Will that everything that He says and does is a true reflection of the Father. In the Gospel for the 6th Sunday of Easter Jesus tells His disciples, “If you love me, you will keep my commandments.” In other words, we can become ‘sacraments of Jesus’ just as Jesus was ‘sacrament of the Father.’ By loving Jesus and being immersed in His Spirit every thought, word, and action of ours will reflect our Lord and Savior.

During these days of the Easter season we are preparing our hearts, minds, and lives to receive the Spirit of God anew at Pentecost. The Holy Spirit transformed the apostles from a trembling group of scared men to the joyful, fearless men we see in the Acts of the Apostles. How did they prepare themselves? Jesus told them to pray. They prayed the first novena. A novena is nine days of directed prayer with a particular devotion or intention in mind. Are you ready to be transformed? Do you desire to be reformed into the ‘image and likeness of God.’? Do you want the Lord to take away all that is not of Him, so you may be filled with all of Him? Only say the word, and your soul will be healed.

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

May 29

Antoine Roger, Vivian Fauchoux & Fly,
Lisa Gay Messersmith, Dulce Hebert
Quibodeaux, JW Martin, Jr., Terry Mauer, Jr.,
Rev. Joseph Pilola, J. Van Beary, Jr.,
Donald A. Toups Sr

June 1

Andy Poret, Miranda Chaney & Fly,

June 4

Emile Roques, Jr., Leanna Smith & fly,
Aaron Melvin Fly, Sonia Nuesslein, Special Intention

June 5

Nathan Trepagnier, Lisa Gay Messersmith,
Dulce Hebert Quibodeaux, JW Martin, Jr.,
Terry Mauer, Jr., Rebecca Tabony, Special Intention

June 6

Special Intention

June 8

Estelle Bergeron, Leslie Gardner & Fly, Special Intention

June 9

Houston Crandall & Fly, Hannah Ray & Fly,
Special Intention

June 10

Wade Ledet, John & Melody Binion

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

Weekly Collection	May 7-8	May 14-15	Special Collection for Food and Tornado Victims
Loose	\$1598.00	\$1942.93	
Envelopes	\$2983.00	\$3868.00	
TOTAL	\$4581.00	\$5810.93	\$1553.96



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, and Jane Andry Soulant.

To place a name on this list, please call the Office at 446-6201.

PLANNING A VACATION???

TAKE YOUR FAITH WITH YOU. FIND A MASS ANYWHERE WORLDWIDE.
[HTTP://MASSTIMES.ORG/](http://MASSTIMES.ORG/)

ATTENTION CCD & CHILDREN'S LITURGY TEACHERS!!!

St. Thomas will NOT be hosting an in-person Safe Environment Update this year. All updates must be done from the website:

Visit <http://safeandsacred-htdiocese.org/login/index.php>

Please contact the Office if you are unsure of your current Safe Environment expiration date.

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First Saturday Devotions for June are cancelled in celebration of the Ordination of **Andre Melancon** to the Priesthood on June 4.



SUPPORT YOUR PARISH BULLETIN!

Advertising spaces are available until Friday, June 17.

Call Cynthia at 446-6201 for more info.

Thank you to all businesses and parishioners who currently advertise.



Steubenville On The Bayou
Catholic Youth Conference

STEUBENVILLE ON THE BAYOU NEEDS YOU!!!

SOTB is in need of volunteers 21 and older with a current safe environment status for the conference June 17-19 at the Houma-Terrebonne Civic Center.

Please visit

www.steubenvilleonthebayou.com and click the Volunteers Tab.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

May 29 ~ Eve Evans & Dee Dee Broussard
June 5 ~ Elaine Falgoust & Windy Rachel
June 12 ~ Eve Evans & Dee Dee Broussard

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 10:30a Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i> 7p Mass	30 12:15p Mass Memorial Day <i>Please pray for our men and women in uniform.</i>	31 10a CANCELLED Women's Bible Study	1 6a Mass & Men's Bible Study 12:15p Mass	2 8a Mass	3	4 NO First Saturday Devotions 10a. Andre' Melancon Ordination, St. Frances 5p Mass
5 10:30a Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i> 7p Mass	6 12:15p Mass 2p Bulletin Prep 6:30p	7 10a Women's Bible Study	8 6a Mass & Men's Bible Study 12:15p Mass	9 8a Mass	10	11 5p Mass

Upcoming Dates To Remember:

May 30: Memorial Day ~ Please remember our service men and women
 May 31: Evening of Prayer & Song, 6:30p, Lumen Christi
 June 4: NO FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS
 Ordination of Andre Melancon to the Priesthood, 10a, St. Frances Cathedral
 June 5: Godparents Day
 June 17-19: Steubenville on the Bayou
 June 19: Father's Day

Earn service hours at St. Thomas this Summer! Contact Cynthia at 446.6201 to offer your time!

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED!!!
Servers have to have made their first communion. Contact the Office at 446-6201 for more information!

A Prayer for Our Soldiers in Honor of Memorial Day

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior.

Amen.

	May 28, 5P	May 29, 10:30A	May 29, 7P	June 4, 5P	June 5, 10:30A	June 5, 7P
Commentator	Merwyn Melvin	Sue Blanchard	Rebecca Templeton	Kevin LeBoeuf	Jerry Barbera	Brian Bartell
Word 1	Louise Melvin	Sarah Kees	Mitch Chiasson	Emily Wa-guespack	Katie Acosta	Bonnie Bourg
Word 2	Scott Beslin	Connie Daigle	Joseph Joseph	Christine Graham	Ben Roth	Mary Cavalier
Body 1	Elizabeth Perez	Bill Duncelman	Bill Duncelman	Gene Roth	Bill Duncelman	Bill Duncelman
Body 2		Alice Ledet	Joy Martinez		Loretta Andry	Bobbie McDonald
Blood 1	Mike Sobert	Mary Jo Kees	Lisa Chiasson	Lionel Adams	Violet Chiasson	Erin White
Blood 2	Michelle Garrad	Robin Lopez	Brian Bartell	Emily Adams	Joshua Clement	Wade Rodrigue
Blood 3		Ricky Blanchard	Sally Sobert		Leslie Clement	Loyd Nuesslein
Blood 4		Bert Andry	Mary T. Kees		Sandra Clment	Stephanie Ordoyne
Altar Servers	Elizabeth Garrad	Philip Roth	Avery Theriot Jacob Theriot	Elizabeth Garrad	Brandon Scelfo Patrick Savoie	Volunteer Volunteer

A Godparent's Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, You embrace children with the arms of Your mercy, and make them living members of Your Church; Give grace, I pray You, to my Godchild N., to stand fast in Your faith, to obey Your word, and to abide in Your love; that, being made strong by Your Holy Spirit (he/she) may resist temptation, and may rejoice in the life that now is, and dwell with You in the life to come; through Your merits, O merciful Savior, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

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