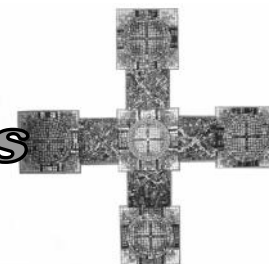


# Community of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish Newsletter



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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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**Readings for the Week:**

11/13: 3, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30 or 25: 14-15, 19-21	11/21: Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20; Luke 21:1-4
11/14: 1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Luke 18:35-43	11/22: Daniel 2:31-45; Luke 21: 5-11
11/15: 2 Maccabees 6:18-31; Luke 19:1-10	11/23: Daniel 5: 1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Luke 21: 12-19
11/16: 2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31; Luke 19:11-28	11/24: Sirach 50:22-24; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Luke 17:11-19
11/17: 1 Maccabees 2:15-29; Luke 19:41-44	11/25: Daniel 7:2-14 ; Luke 21: 29-33
11/18: 1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59; ; Luke 19:45-48	11/26: Daniel 7:15-27; Luke 21:34-36
11/19: 1 Maccabees 6:1-13; Luke 20:27-40	
11/20: ; Ezekiel 34: 11-12, 15-17; 1 Corinthians 15: 20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46	<i>We invited to spend prayerful time reflecting in the Scriptures.</i>



November 13, 2011

Dear St. Thomas Aquinas Community,

At the end of this Church year we are given two closing thoughts from Scripture. As always at this time of the year, we are asked to reflect on the ‘end times.’ There are four things that happened at the end of all time: Death, Judgment, Heaven, & Hell. We are asked to be mindful of them as the year comes to a close.

The gospel for the 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time is the story of the Talents. A talent is biblical language for 2000 gold coins. Today we use the word ‘talent’ to talk about our skills and personal gifts. When we listen to the gospel with our modern understanding, the message still comes through clear. We are given many gifts and have acquired many skills. How do we use them? At our last judgment, God will hold us accountable for how we have ‘invested’ our ‘talents’ by their use in our lives. It is not a matter of whether or not we ‘increased’ them or how many we originally have. In the story, the man with 5 makes another 5, while the man with 2 makes another 2. Because of this, the two of them are given greater responsibilities. Still that is not the point. We focus on the third man who buried his ‘talent.’ The Master condemns him because he did not put his talents to responsible use. We too will be judged on what God has given us. Are you ready?

Christ the King Sunday is the last Sunday of the year. The gospel reminds us that rule of King’s judgment is ‘Whatever you have done to the least of your brothers & sisters, you have done to me.’ In other words, to the degree that we have cared for others, we will be cared by the Lord. If we have neglected others, we will be forgotten by the Lord.

It is important that each of us MUST GIVE AN ACCOUNT of what we do in this world. Take a good look at what you have been given. Are you using what you have – Are you applying who you are – to the care of your brothers & sisters? If not, there will be hell to pay.

May God bless you with right judgment now, so you will not have to endure right judgment later!

Fr. Joey

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

November 12

Emile Roques, Jr., Wallace Chiasson Family,  
Nina C. Ledet, A sick child

November 13

Geralyn Dunckelman, Lisa Gay Messersmith,  
Dulce Hebert Quibodeaux, JW Martin, Jr.,  
Terry Mauer, Jr., Wayne Touns, Aaron  
Melvin Fly

November 14

Chloe Smith & Fly.

November 16

Darcie Kees, Mary Rose Ray & Fly., Jacob  
Marcello, Aaron Melvin Fly

November 17

Kelly Breaux, Mildred Hubbell,

November 19

Wade Ledet, Angela Montet, Dennis Perk,  
Sr., Emile Roques, Jr., Tara LeBlanc

November 20

Antoine Roger, Vivian Fauchoux & Fly., Ben  
& Clara Breaux, Ernest Thelma Ledet, Lisa  
Gay Messersmith, Dulce Hebert Quibodeaux,  
JW Martin, Jr., Terry Mauer, Jr.

November 23

Geralyn Dunckelman, in thanksgiving for all  
the Blessings received in the Kees Fly

November 24

Rachel Sizemore & Fly., Streamline Industries:  
Employees, Customers, fly., Souls in  
Purgatory, Andrew John Melvin, Emelda  
Adams, Anthony Adams, Beulah P Melvin,  
O.T. Melvin Jr, Mr & Mrs Evis Adams, Vicki  
Morgan, Terry Boudreaux, Ruth Marie  
Boudreaux, M/M Oliver Ordoyne, Patty  
Rodrigue, Mildred Hubbell

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

Weekly Collection	October 23-24	World Mission Sunday	October 29-30
Loose	\$1779.60	\$ 396.00	\$1978.33
Envelopes	\$2687.00	\$ 761.00	\$2645.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4466.60</b>	<b>\$ 1157.00</b>	<b>\$4623.33</b>
<b>ONLINE GIVING FOR OCTOBER:</b>			<b>\$991.00</b>



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, & Robin Ford.

### 10th Grade Confirmation Retreat Sunday, November 27 9a-7p Mass



### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24 5P, 7P VIGIL  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25 MIDNIGHT, 9A



When doing your Christmas shopping, don't forget to stop by the Diocesan New Evangelization Outreach Booth at Southland Mall through December 23. Anyone interested in lending a hand with this outreach, call Tim at 850-3135.



**Christmas Floral Memorials**  
are available for a donation of \$25 or more. Please use the envelopes provided in the pews.

Final Night of Semester  
Wednesday, December 7  
Vandebilt Catholic High  
School  
7-9p

## ADORE

### CHRISTMAS MASS INTENTIONS DUE Monday, December 12 @ 3p

### HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Masses for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception  
Wed. Dec 7 at 7pm Thurs. Dec. 8 at 12:15pm



### CCD NEWS

November 20-22: No Classes, Happy Thanksgiving!  
November 27: 10th Grade Retreat, 9a-7p Mass  
November 27 and December 4: NO 9-11th Grade Classes

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

11/13/2011 Melissa Loupe & Noella Landreneau  
11/20/2011 Myra Zeringue & Rachel Husbands  
11/27/2011 Thanksgiving Holiday ~ NO Classes

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
13 10:30a Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i> 5p 10th & 11th gr. Confirmation 7p Mass	14 12:15p Mass 5:30p Elem. CCD (1st-4th grade)	15 10a Women's Bible Study 5:30p Middle School CCD (5th-8th grade) 6p Adoration & Mass Tuesday with Thomas	16 6a Mass & Men's Bible Study 12:15p Mass	17 8a Mass	18	19 5p Mass  Angel Tree Drive
20 10:30a Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i> NO 10th & 11th gr. Confirmation 7p Mass	21 12:15p Mass 2p Bulletin Prep NO Elem. CCD (1st-4th grade)	22 10a Women's Bible Study NO Middle School CCD (5th-8th grade) 6p Adoration & Mass Tuesday with Thomas	23 6a Mass & Men's Bible Study 12:15p Mass  OFFICE CLOSED	24 8A MASS  Happy Thanksgiving!  OFFICE CLOSED	25  OFFICE CLOSED	26 5p Mass

Angel Tree Drive - Give Christmas to a child who has none!

## Upcoming Dates To Remember:

- November 27: 10th Grade Confirmation Retreat, 9a-7p Mass
- November 27: No 9th-11th Grade Confirmation
- December 03: Fr. Joey's Birthday
- December 03: First Saturday Devotions, 9a
- December 04: No 9th-11th Grade Confirmation
- December 7: ADORE Worship, 7p Vandebilt Catholic
- December 08: HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION Masses 8a, 12:15p, 7p
- December 08: SHARE Group, 6:30p
- December 08: Campus Ministry Christmas Party, 8p
- December 11: Deacon Bill's Ordination Anniversary
- December 22: Christmas Season Decorating, 9:30a-?
- December 22: SHARE Group Christmas Party, 6:30p
- December 24: Christmas Vigil Masses 5p, 7p
- December 25: Christmas Masses, 12 midnight, 9a  
No 10:30a or 7p Masses
- December 27: CCD Teachers/Prayer Partners Dinner, 7p

## Do you like our donuts? Then, step up to help.

We are in need of parishioners to take over our 10:30a Donut Ministry. Please call Cynthia at 446.6201 to offer your services. If no one steps forward, our final Donut Ministry will be in mid-December.

## CALLING ALL BETTY CROCKERS!

Not on Bread Alone for November is Tues., Nov. 29 from 11a-1p. We are asking for help from parishioners with donations of baked goods for the event. They can be dropped by the Office no later than Mon., Nov. 28.

**WE WILL NOT HAVE A NOBA IN DECEMBER!!!**



## Give the Gift of Christmas to a child who has none ~ 2011 Angel Tree ~

We invite you to please take an ornament from the Angel Tree that will be set up in the back of church from November 19 — December 7. Each ornament has the age and gender of a needy child. Please purchase and wrap a gift for that child. All gifts need to be returned to church no later than December 7th. The ornament becomes a tag for the gift. Age appropriate gift suggestions can be found on the back door of the Chapel.

Please call Violet at 985.414.4940 if you would like to help deliver on December 17.

	November 12, 5P	November 13, 10:30A	November 13, 7P	November 19, 5P	November 20, 10:30A	November 20, 7P
COMMENTATOR	Lionel Adams	Brandie Toups	Volunteer	Mike Sobert	Jerry Barbera	Joseph Joseph
WORD 1	Mike Sobert	Connie Daigle	Rebecca Templeton	Kevin LeBoeuf	Alice Ledet	Brian Bartell
WORD 2	Merwyn Melvin	Sue Blanchard	Pamela Barker	Richard David	Ben Roth	Wade Rodrigue
BODY 1	Michelle Garrard	Bill Duncelman	Bill Duncelman	Michelle Garrard	Bill Duncelman	Bill Duncelman
BODY 2		Ricky Blanchard	Stephanie Ordoyne		Loretta Andry	Joy Martinez
BLOOD 1	Louise Melvin	Loretta Andry	David Boudreaux	Emily Waguespack	Violet Chiasson	Mary T. Kees
BLOOD 2	Emily Waguespack	Mary Jo Kees	Lynette Boudreaux	Lionel Adams	Sandra Clement	Volunteer
BLOOD 3		Jeff Daigle	Loyd Nuesslein		Bert Andry	Ralph Saia
BLOOD 4		Bert Andry	Volunteer		Mary Jo Kees	Leslie Saia
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