



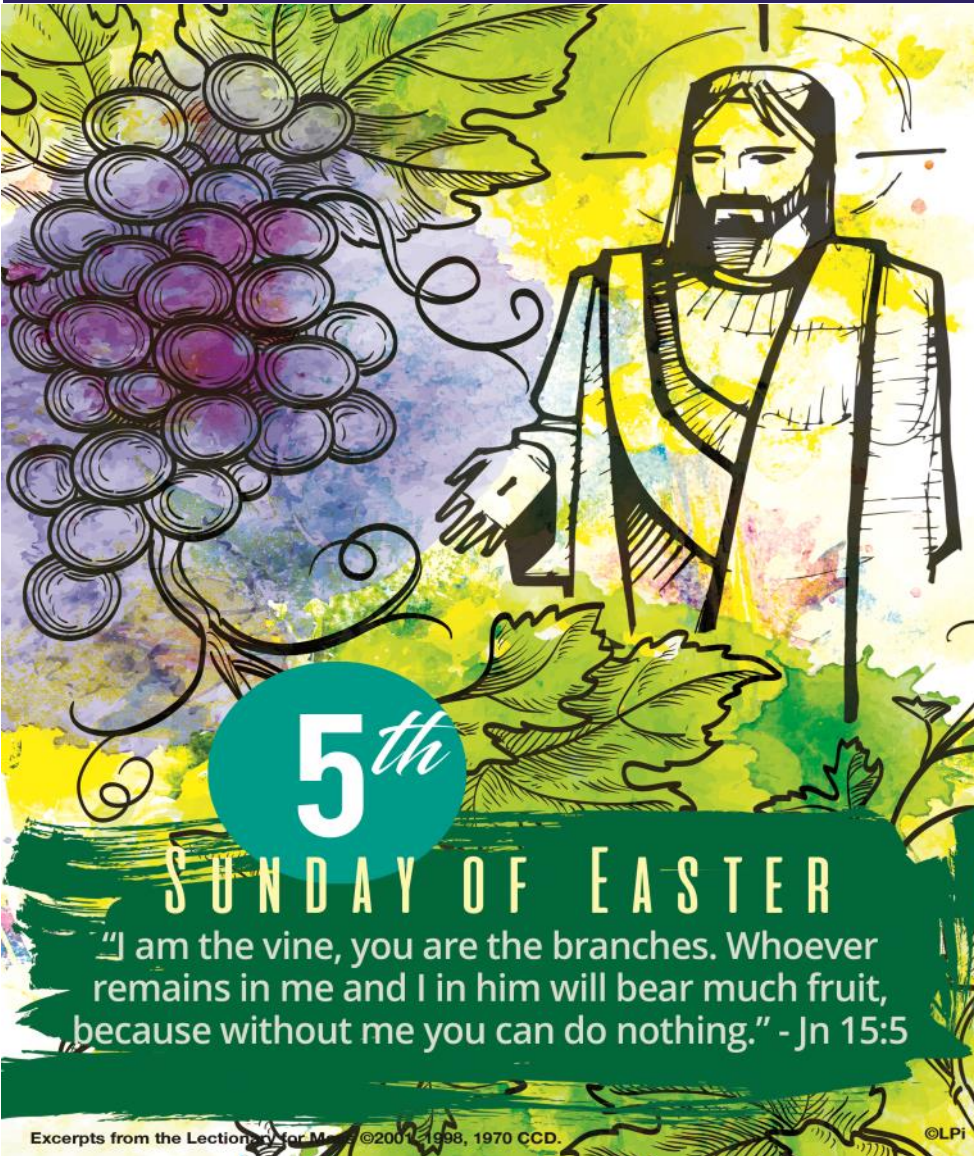
# St. Thomas Catholic Church

## PARISH & CAMPUS MINISTRY

SERVING CHRIST TOGETHER



• SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2021 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER •



**5<sup>th</sup>**

**SUNDAY OF EASTER**

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." - Jn 15:5

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### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil..... 5:30 p.m.  
 Sunday ..... 8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.,  
 2:30 p.m. (Spanish)

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Main Church  
 Thursday ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Main Church  
 Friday..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Main Church

### CATHOLIC COLLEGE MINISTRY MASS

Wednesday..... 5:30 p.m.  
 Student Center Chapel  
 (During school session)

### HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Please consult bulletin or website  
<http://stthomascatholic.com/>

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday..... 4:30 - 5:00 p.m.  
 & by appointment

### BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday..... 10:00 a.m.

# PRAYER & WORSHIP

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY MAY 1

5:30 PM Mass for Donald Myers, deceased

### Sunday MAY 2

8:00 AM Mass for the People of the Parish  
 11:00 AM Mass Intention of JoAnn Simonetti  
 2:30 PM Misa en Español

### MONDAY MAY 3

### TUESDAY MAY 4

### WEDNESDAY MAY 5

9:00 AM Mass for Mattie Picklesimer, deceased

### THURSDAY MAY 6

9:00 PM Mass for Annette Cateriniochia, deceased

### FRIDAY MAY 7

9:00 AM Mass for Billy & Thelma Massey, deceased

### SATURDAY MAY 8

5:30 PM Mass for Laura Chavez, deceased

### SUNDAY MAY 9

8:00 AM Mass for Rosa Maria Peña G., deceased  
 11:00 AM Mass for the People of the Parish  
 2:30 PM Misa en Español para Alfonso Reyes,  
 deceased

## SUNDAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Barnabas reported to the Apostles how Saul had seen the Lord on the way. (Acts 9:26-31)

**Psalm**— I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people. (Psalm 22:26-27,28,30,31-32)

**Second Reading**— This is his commandment: that we may believe and love. (I John 3:18-24)

**Gospel**— Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit. (John 15:1-8)

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** I Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14

**Tuesday:** Acts 14:19-28; John 14:27-31a

**Wednesday:** Acts 15:1-6; John 15:1-8

**Thursday:** Acts 15:7-21; John 15:9-11

**Friday:** Acts 15:22-31; John 15:12-17

**Saturday:** Acts 16:1-10; John 15:18-21

**Sunday:** Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48; I John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17

## Sacristan May 8th and May 9th

5:30pm Pax; 8:00am Gloria; 11:00am Barbara;  
 2:30 PM Rivera, Perez & Avalos

## Monthly Altar Flowers

### May 1st & May 2nd

In memory/honor of Henry & Bianca Brock

In memory/honor of

### May 8th & May 9th

In memory/honor of Pat Bracken & Mattie Cannon

In memory/honor of Anna Sheehan & Louise Panos

## Eucharistic Adoration

Come spend time with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration. 1st & 3rd Friday of each month. Friday adoration begins at noon and ends on Saturday at noon. In need of someone from 2am-3am Saturday mornings. For more information or to sign-up call RoseMarie Vetrano 620-0051 or cell 370-6618. Adoration is held in the Chapel at the Student Center.

Adoration will be on May 7th & 21st



|                     |                      | EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS | LECTORS     | ALTAR SERVERS   | USHERS           |
|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------|---|------------------|
| Saturday<br>May 8th | 5:30 PM              | Deacon                | Beth Taylor | MC-<br>MC-CO-<br><b>None at this time</b>             |                  |
| Sunday<br>May 9th   | 8:00 AM              | Deacon                | Ann Hicks   | MC-<br>CO-MC -<br>CO-MC -<br><b>None at this time</b> |                  |
|                     | 11:00 AM             | Deacon                | Pat Shoop   | MC-<br>MC-CO-<br><b>None at this time</b>             |                  |
|                     | 2:30 PM<br>(Spanish) |                       |             |   | Heron<br>Patrick |

# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

## MAY 2 TO MAY 9, 2021

### SUNDAY MAY 2

8:30 AM No Coffee & Donuts  
 9:15 AM Rosary in Adult  
 Faith Formation Room  
 9:30AM-10:45AM No Faith Formation  
 No RCIA

### MONDAY MAY 3

8:30 AM-4:00 PM OFFICE OPEN

### TUESDAY MAY 4

8:30 AM-4:00 PM OFFICE OPEN

### WEDNESDAY MAY 5

8:30 AM-4:00 PM OFFICE OPEN  
 5:30PM NO Catholic College  
 Ministry Mass/dinner

### THURSDAY MAY 6

8:30AM-4:00PM OFFICE OPEN

### FRIDAY MAY 7

8:30am-12:30pm OFFICE OPEN  
 Adoration begins at noon

### SATURDAY MAY 8

Adoration ends at noon  
 4:30PM-5:00PM Reconciliation  
 5:30PM Mass

## St. Thomas Facebook

St. Thomas is excited to announce that we now have an official Church Facebook group. It can be found by searching, St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church-Montevallo, AL. Our hope is to help our parish community remain connected to the Church throughout the pandemic and beyond. We are currently live streaming our 5:30pm Saturday evening mass. Please share this information with other parishioners you know.

## Faith Direct

Electronic Offertory Giving: Looking for a convenient way to support our parish offertory and building fund? Faith Direct is the innovative solution that allows you to support our parish using electronic funds transfer from either a bank account or credit/debit card. If you would like an enrollment form, please call the parish Finance Office at 663-3936 x109. You can also enroll from the St. Thomas website [www.stthomascatholic.com](http://www.stthomascatholic.com). Just click "Online Giving" and follow directions.

## Pastoral Staff

### PASTOR

Rev.. Raymond A. Dunmyer .....Ext. 101  
[rdunmyer@stthomascatholic.com](mailto:rdunmyer@stthomascatholic.com)

### RETIRED PRIEST

Rev. Adrian L. Cook  
[alcook46@outlook.com](mailto:alcook46@outlook.com)

### DEACONS

Bill Alexiou ..... Ext. 102  
 David Hicks.....Ext. 105

### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

FINANCIAL SECRETARY  
 Jackie Lampton .... Ext. 109

### HISPANIC COORDINATOR

Marisa Roan ..... Ext. 100

### CAMPUS MINISTRY COORDINATORS

Courtney Keller, Matt Rankin,  
 Alyssa Williams, & Michael Whitfield  
[ccm@stthomascatholic.com](mailto:ccm@stthomascatholic.com)

<http://stthomascatholic.com/>

## Mission Statement

We, the parish family of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, proclaim our belief in the message & mission of Jesus Christ.

We are committed to sharing our time, talent & treasure through worship, spiritual formation & outreach.

## Parish Office Hours

Mon-Thurs | 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
 Friday | 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

## Parish Telephones

Parish Ph: 663-3936 | Fax: 663-0657  
 Rectory Ph: 665-0968

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

### Weekly Collection of 4/25/21

|               | BUDGET             | ACTUAL             | DIFFERENCE        |
|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Offertory     | \$9,500.00         | \$13,448.45        | \$3,948.45        |
| Building Fund | \$7,000.00         | \$8,285.00         | \$1,285.00        |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>\$16,500.00</b> | <b>\$21,733.45</b> | <b>\$5,233.45</b> |

### Year-to-Date Collection 07/01/20—06/30/21

|               | BUDGET              | ACTUAL              | DIFFERENCE      |
|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Offertory     | \$407,500.00        | \$421,590.22        | \$14,090.22     |
| Building Fund | \$301,000.00        | \$286,173.26        | \$14,826.74     |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>\$708,500.00</b> | <b>\$707,763.48</b> | <b>\$736.52</b> |

With the advice of the Parish Finance Council, Saint Thomas Parish will do financial planning according to a fiscal year (7/1/20 to 6/30/21) rather than a calendar year. Thus, the numbers above have been adjusted to reflect the new budget which began on 7/1/20.

## Baptisms

Please contact Fr. Ray at 663-3936 for Baptismal Preparation.

## Marriage

Parish Membership and a six month preparation period are required. For weddings, please contact Father Ray at 663-3936.

## Ministry of the Sick

Please contact the office at 663-3936 if someone is in need of Holy Communion at home/hospital/nursing home.

## Membership in the Parish

All Catholic adults, 18 and older, who regularly participate in the Liturgy here should register in the parish. Those who enroll in Faith Formation programs or request Baptism or Marriage in our church should already belong to our parish family. To register, please contact the Parish Office. Those moving are asked to let us know.

# PARISH ACTIVITIES

## Interested In Becoming Catholic

You may have been coming to Catholic Church for a long time with a family member or with a friend, but you had not thought about the possibility of becoming Catholic. Are you interested in possibly becoming Catholic? Would you consider that possibility now? Would you like to learn more about the Catholic Church to consider your decision? If you would like to know more about the RCIA, please call Father Ray or Jackie Lampton at 663-3936. Inquiry classes are meeting at 9:30 am Sundays in the Parish Hall.

## Letter from Father Ray

April 8, 2021

Dear Parishioners,  
Thank you for your kindness in following the directives of the parish for Church attendance during the time of this pandemic. We are grateful for your cooperation.

We are still dealing with the pandemic, but there has been much progress. Many people have received their vaccinations, and the number of COVID-19 cases has declined in our area. We are blest that many people are now comfortable with a return to in-person worship.

With this return to in-person worship, we are experiencing the challenge of accommodating the number of people who seek to worship with us each weekend. Thus, Bishop Raica has issued a decree permitting the modification of parish safety measures due to COVID-19. This decree grants permission to remove the ropes that cordon off pews in up to half of the available seating area.

Thus, St. Thomas will offer normal seating in half of the church and seating in alternate pews in the other half of the church. This change will begin on Wednesday, April 14. The pews closest to the entrance of the church will offer seating in alternate rows. The pews beyond the middle aisle will offer seating in every pew.

We will continue to offer the opportunity for worship from the courtyard on Sunday mornings, and we will continue to live-stream the Mass on Saturday evenings. The Saturday Evening Mass will be placed on the parish website on Sunday.

We will continue to require face masks for the attendance at Mass, and we will seek to social distance as much as possible.

We have begun to sing a final hymn after the final blessing. We would ask you to remain in church for the singing of this hymn.

Again, thank you for your cooperation during this difficult time.

Blessings,  
Father Ray

## May Crowning 5/9

The annual May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary for St. Thomas Parish will be celebrated at the 11:00AM on Sunday, May 9th.

## Knights of Columbus Meat Sale 5/29

The Knights of Columbus are going to have a smoked meat sale for Memorial Day weekend. We will have our usual smoked butts, ribs, and chickens. Pricing is \$30/butt, \$15/whole rib slab, and \$10/chicken. Presales will be a little different due to social distancing – a table will be set up under the portico in front of the Parish Hall after the masses beginning April 24th. Please pre-order so we can be sure to have enough of everything. Order pickup will also be at the portico after masses on May 29 & 30. Payment can be made when ordering or at pickup. Thank you for supporting the Knights!

## Faith Formation

1st-10th Grade ... At Home

Catechumenate ... Sun. 9:30 - 10:45 a.m.

## K of C Monthly Meeting

The St. Thomas Knights of Columbus meet in the Parish Hall on the 2nd Sunday of every month. Masks and social distancing are required 4th degree meet at 5:00PM and the Council meets at 6:00PM

## No Ladies' Auxiliary Meetings

All meetings of the Ladies Auxiliary have been suspended until further notice. However, please consider joining us when we resume our monthly meetings. This is an excellent way to reconnect with each other after these weeks of isolation.

## No K of C Squires Meeting

The Squires monthly meetings have been cancelled until further notice.

## Altar Flowers 2021

St. Thomas normally has a sign-up sheet for Altar Flowers in honor of a loved one or in memory of a loved one. There is a safety issue with such a sign-up sheet due to the coronavirus. Sign-ups are available by calling Jackie in the parish office. Thank you for your assistance in having flowers for the altar.

## Faith Formation Materials

St. Thomas Parish offered the Faith Formation Materials for pick-up on Sunday, March 7, 2021. If you were not able to pick them up that day, the materials are available at the parish office during regular business hours.

## Rosary on Sunday Mornings

The Sunday Morning Rosary will be in the Adult Faith Formation room with Social Distancing.

## Welcome to St. Thomas!

St. Thomas Parish is happy to welcome all people to our faith community. If you live in this area, we invite you to register as a parishioner. Registration forms in both English and Español are available in the Gathering Area of the church.

# PARISH ACTIVITIES

## Sympathy

St. Thomas Parish offers our sympathy to Jason Picklesimer on the death of his father Alan Picklesimer and Marilyn Lane on the death of her sister Bessie McMillan . May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

## Congratulations to Jessica Fuchs and Doug Gulsby

St. Thomas Parish offers congratulations to Jessica Fuchs and Doug Gulsby who participated in the RCIA program this year on receiving Sacraments of Initiation on April 11. Welcome to Full Communion in the Catholic Church!

## Feast of Ascension 5/16-17

The Feast of the Ascension is celebrated on the weekend of May 16-17 in the Diocese of Birmingham. Thursday, May 13 is celebrated as a weekday in Easter Sunday.

## Congratulations to Newly Confirmed

St. Thomas Parish offers congratulations to the students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Raica on April 17.

They are:

|                                  |                             |                              |                           |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Michelle Guadalupe Aguilar       | Karina Angel                | Emilio Alden Aparicio        | Estefany Arguello-Diaz    |
| Briana Castelan                  | Eliana Sofia Chavez         | Pedro Chavez                 | Peyton Bryan Daniel       |
| Alberto Emiliano Escareno-Garcia | Freddy Fuentes-Pacheco      | Angel Oswaldo Garcia-Angeles | Jaqueline Gomez-Rodriguez |
| Miguel Angel Gomez-Sanchez       | David Gonzalez-Figueroa     | Selena Hernandez             | Jessica Hernandez-Garcia  |
| Lesly Ixel Lopez-Arguello        | Frida Sofia Maldonado       | Fernando Martinez            | Luis Alberto Martinez     |
| Miriam Martinez-Esparza          | Said Martinez-Navarrete     | Maria Isabel Morales-Lopez   | Camila Morales-Vazquez    |
| Aslie Nicole Navarro-Lopez       | Hazel Daniela Navarro-Lopez | Gloria Ortega-Sanchez        | Yenifer Pineda-Hernandez  |
| Angel Gail Pontigo-ramos         | Suzette Karina Ramirez      | Esperanza Ramirez-Rodriguez  | William Frederick Ranieri |
| Yahir Salas-Jimenez              | Nicklas Anthony Zito        | Fabricio Gael Zuniga-Cuenca  |                           |

## Congratulations on Receiving First Communion

St. Thomas Parish offers congratulations to the students who received First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 1.

## Congratulations on Receiving First Reconciliation

St. Thomas Parish offers congratulations to the students who received First Reconciliation on Saturday, April 24.

## Easter Flowers 2021

St. Thomas Parish offers gratitude to the people who made contributions for the Easter Flowers for the parish. Those people are as follow: In memory/honor of:

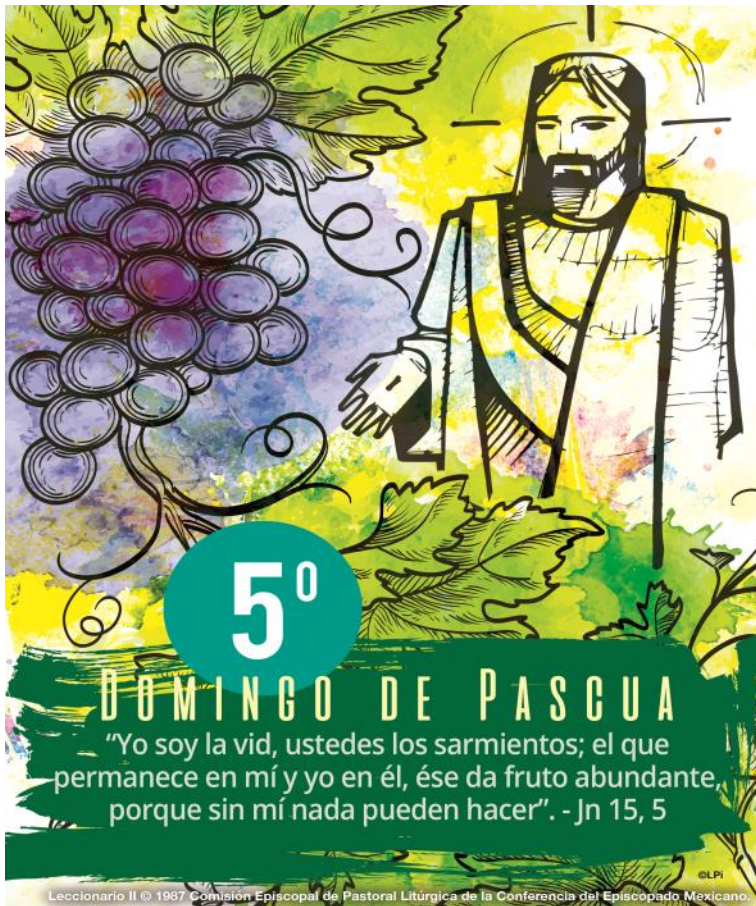
| Name                          | Name                    | Name                   | Name                        |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Elijah Martin                 | Ann Martin              | V.A. & Mary Graffo     | Ingram/Graffo family        |
| A.L. & Alyce Ingram           | Jean Lavelle            | Jerry Albano           | The Harris Family           |
| Henry & Bianca Brock          | Ralph & Alma Epperson   | William & Mary Caldora | Gino & Rose Caldora         |
| James & Elizabeth Horne       | Domingo & Maria Semidey | Jeff Pruett            | Sadowski & Carroll Families |
| Mr. & Mrs. Joseph J. Burn Sr. | Frances Burn Borgersen  | Joan Taston            | Johnny Taston               |
| Valente Rivera                | Patsy Burns             | Tom Burns              |                             |

## Congratulations to Magda and Kathy Rivera

St. Thomas Parish offers congratulations to Magda and Kathy Rivera who have volunteered to serve the parish as the Co-Directors of Faith Formation. Thank you for your generosity in giving of your time and talent. Welcome to your new positions!

## Thanks to Pat Shoop and Esther Zagar

St. Thomas Parish offers its gratitude to Pat Shoop and Esther Zagar for their outstanding service to the Faith Formation Program. Pat has served as Director for many years, and Esther has served as Administrative Assistant for those years. St. Thomas has been blessed by their ministry with our students.



## LECTURAS: DEL DOMINGO

**Primera lectura** — Bernabé informó a los apóstoles cómo Saúl había visto al Señor en el camino. (Hechos 9:26-31)

**Salmo**— Os alabaré, Señor, en la asamblea de vuestro pueblo. (Salmos 22:26-27,28,30,31-32)

**Segunda lectura**— Este es su mandamiento: que podamos creer y amar. (I Juan 3:18-24)

**Evangelio** — Quien permanezca en mí y yo en él dará mucho fruto. (Juan 15:1-8)

## LECTURAS PARA LA SEMANA

|            |  |
|------------|--|
| Lunes:     | I Corintios 15:1-8; Juan 14:6-14                         |
| Martes:    | Hechos 14:19-28; Juan 14:27-31a                          |
| Miércoles: | Hechos 15:1-6; Juan 15:1-8                               |
| Jueves:    | Hechos 15:7-21; Juan 15:9-11                             |
| Viernes:   | Hechos 15:22-31; Juan 15:12-17                           |
| Sábado:    | Hechos 16:1-10; Juan 15:18-21                            |
| Domingo:   | Hechos 10:25-26,34-35,44-48; I Juan 4:7-10; Juan 15:9-17 |

## Estudio de Biblia

Los Domingos se ofrecen clases bíblicas a las 1:00 PM en el cuarto de San José. Para obtener más información, póngase en contacto con María Pérez al 205-451-2915 o Rosa María Angel al 205-901-0470.

## Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe Rosario

Si desea que se le diga un rosario en su casa, inscríbete en el libro sobre la mesa en la sala de reuniones frente a la iglesia.

Nos gustaría que estén interesados en que la Virgen de Guadalupe los visitaría en su casa. Para obtener más información, puede llamar a María al 205-451-2915 o a Rosa María al 205-205-901-0470.

## Mayo Coronación 5/9

La coronación anual de Mayo de la Santísima Virgen María para la Parroquia de Santo Tomás se celebrará a las 11:00 a.m. del Domingo 9 de Mayo.

## Fiesta de la Ascensión 5/16-17

La Fiesta de la Ascensión se celebra el fin de semana del 16 al 17 de Mayo en la Diócesis de Birmingham. Jueves 13 de Mayo se celebra como un día de semana en el Domingo de Pascua.

## Dispensación de obligación de asistir a misa 5/23

Debido a la pandemia de Covid, monseñor Raica ha ampliado la dispensa de la obligación de asistir a la misa dominical hasta el 23 de Mayo.

## Felicitaciones a los Recién Confirmados

La Parroquia de Santo Tomás ofrece felicitaciones a los alumnos que recibieron el Sacramento de la Confirmación del obispo Raica el 17 de Abril.

## Felicitaciones por recibir la Primera Reconciliación

La Parroquia de Santo Tomás ofrece felicitaciones a los estudiantes que recibieron la Primera Reconciliación el sábado 24 de Abril.

## Venta de carne por los Caballeros de Colón 5/29

Los Caballeros de Colón van a tener una venta de carne ahumada para el fin de semana del Día de los Caídos. Tendremos nuestras habituales costillas ahumadas, y pollos. El precio es de \$30/bola de puerco, \$15/costillas entera y \$10/pollo. Las preventas serán un poco diferentes debido al distanciamiento social: se instalará una mesa bajo el pórtico frente al Salón Parroquial después de las misas que comienzan el 24 de abril. Por favor, reserva para que podamos estar seguros de tener suficiente de todo. La recogida de pedidos también estará en el pórtico después de las misas del 29 al 30 de Mayo. El pago se puede realizar al realizar el pedido o en la entrega. ¡Gracias por apoyar a los Caballeros!

## Clases de Bautismo 5/17

Las clases de bautismo son a las 6pm Lunes, 17, de Mayo para **miembros de Santo Tomás**. Por favor, si asiste a misa en otra Parroquia, reciba sus Clases de Bautismo allí. Si no se registra en el libro del bautismo no puede atender la clase. **Esta será la última clase para bautismos hasta el 20 de Septiembre de 2021.**

## HORARIO: OFICINA DEL MINISTRO HISPANO

**LUNES– JUEVES: 8:00 AM-4:00 PM Y**

**VIERNES: 8:00AM-12:30PM**

Padre Ray Dunmyer

**Misa en Español:**

Padre Bruce Bumbarger **205-755-5498**

**Horario de la Misa Español**

los Domingos 2:30 p.m.

**Platicas Prebautismales**

Deben registrarse antes del bautismo en el libro situado en el espacio a la entrada de la Iglesia. **Comuníquese con el Padre Bruce | (205) 755-5498 o 663-3936**

Catequesis para niños

Domingos | 9:30 A.M.-10:45 A.M.

**Hora Santa**

Viernes | 6:00pm-7:00pm cada 1er y 3er en la capilla en Montevallo

**Lectio Divina**

Los Martes| 6:30pm

Preparaciones para los adultos

Marisol Millan | 205-432-8940

Preparaciones para quinceañeras

Magda Rivera | 643-2659

RosaMaria Angel | 205-901-0470

### **Preparaciones Matrimoniales**

Las personas que necesitan platicas y planear su boda necesitan hablar con el Padre Bruce seis meses antes de su boda y tambien necesitan tener las platicas matrimoniales. Para más información comuníquese con Gabriel Sanches al 205-603-6294, Edith al 205-299-9826 o Padre Bruce al 205-755-5498.

### **Clases de RCIA Para Adultos**

La Parroquia de Santo Tomás han comenzado las clases los domingos para aquellos que estén interesados en recibir sacramentos de iniciación. El proceso se llama el rito de la iniciación cristiana. Este proceso de la RCIA es para personas que no han sido bautizadas, personas que han sido bautizadas en otra tradición cristiana que desean convertirse en católicas, y católicos adultos que han sido bautizados, pero que no han sido confirmados. La RCIA ofrecerá sesiones presenciales

Las sesiones serán los domingos de 9:30 AM a 10:45 AM. Las sesiones en inglés se reunirán en el Salón Parroquial, y las sesiones en español se reunirán en la Sala de San José. Debido a la necesidad de distanciamiento social, las únicas personas que podrán asistir a estas sesiones serán los candidatos, sus cónyuges y sus padrinos.

