



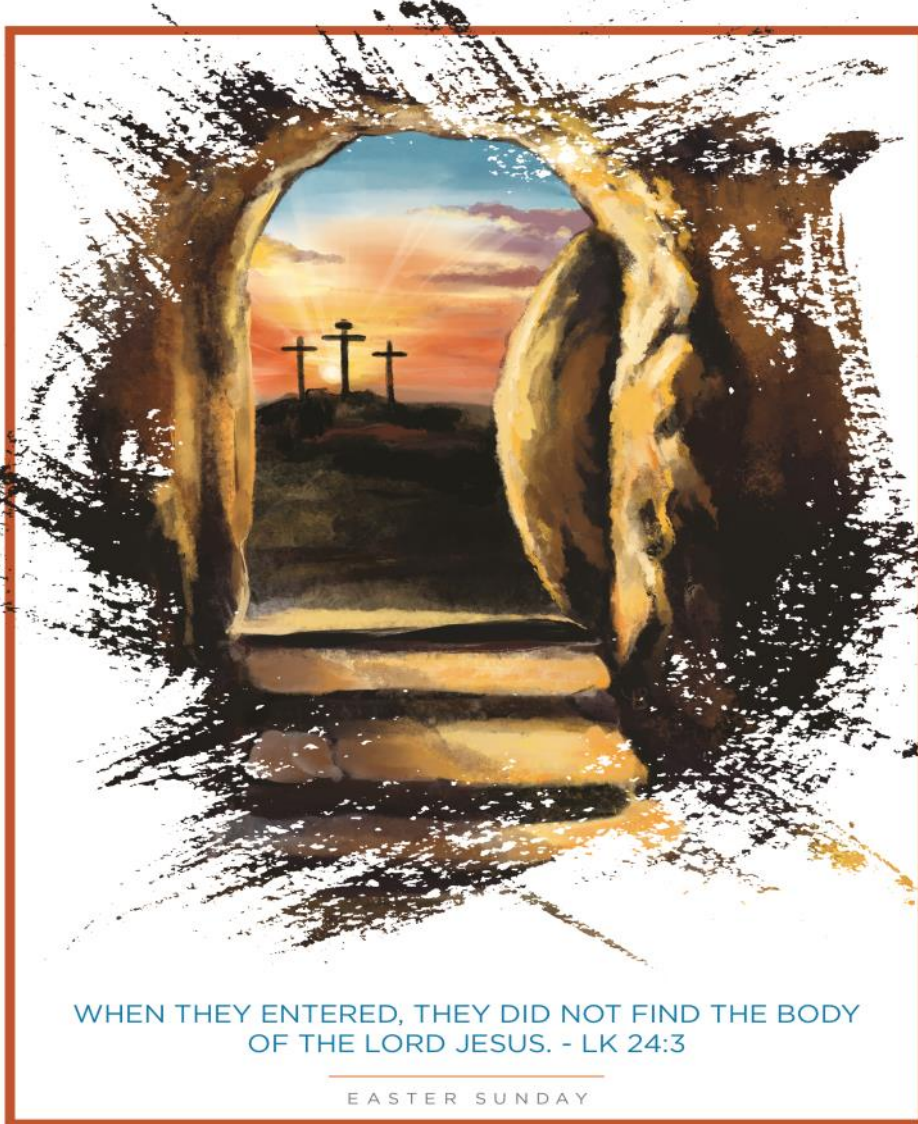
St. Thomas Catholic Church

PARISH & CAMPUS MINISTRY

SERVING CHRIST TOGETHER



• SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2022 EASTER SUNDAY •



WHEN THEY ENTERED, THEY DID NOT FIND THE BODY OF THE LORD JESUS. - LK 24:3

EASTER SUNDAY

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SUNDAY

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 5:30 p.m.
 Sunday 8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.,
 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)

WEEKDAY

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday (Communion Service).....9:00a.m.
 Main Church
 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..... 4:00pm - 5:00 p.m.
 & by appointment

BULLETIN DEADLINE

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

80 ST. THOMAS WAY • MONTEVALLO, AL 35115 • 205-663-3936

PARISH WEBSITE: <http://stthomascatholic.com>

PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday April 16

8:00 PM Mass Intention of RCIA Candidates

Sunday April 17

8:00 AM Mass for Lucille Fandetti, deceased

11:00 AM Mass for Patrick McClary, deceased

12:30 PM Misa para la Gente de la Parroquia

Monday April 18

Tuesday April 19

9:00 AM Communion Service

Wednesday April 20

9:00 AM Mass for Frank Giardina, deceased

Thursday April 21

9:00 AM Mass for Jim Cocke, deceased

Friday April 22

9:00 AM Mass for Norman Juliano, deceased

Saturday April 23

5:30 PM Mass Intention of Bill Burks

Sunday April 24

8:00 AM Mass for Lucille Fandetti, deceased

11:00 AM Mass Intention of Judy Lemieux

12:30 PM Misa para la Gente de la Parroquia

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading— We ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. (Acts 10:34a,37-43)

Psalm— This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. (Psalm 118:1-2,16-17,22-23)

Second Reading— Seek what is above, where Christ is. (Colossians 3:1-4)

Gospel— He had to rise from the dead. (John 20:1-9)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 2:14,22-33; Matthew 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; John 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Luke 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Luke 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12; John 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Mark 16:9-15

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16; Revelation 1:9-11a,12-13,17-19; John 20:19-31

Everyone Has a Divine Vocation

“Jesus has a specific task in life for each and every one of us. Each one of us is hand-picked, called by name by Jesus! There is no one among us who does not have a divine vocation! Some are called audibly by God, but the usual kind of call is internal, through the inner working of the Spirit.” ~ *Homily by Pope Saint John Paul II*

Monthly Altar Flowers

Lilies Flowers



Eucharistic Adoration

Come spend time with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration. 2nd & 4th Friday for **April only**. Friday adoration begins at noon and ends on Saturday at noon. For more information or to sign-up call Rose Marie Vetrano 620-0051 or cell 370-6618.

Adoration is held in the Chapel at the Student Center.

Adoration will be April 22nd

		EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS	SACRISTANS
Saturday April 23th	5:30 PM	Deacon Brenda Picou	Mary Keiser	Madison (MC) Reece (MC) Alyssa	Paul Lorino Mike Gerrells	Cathy Bailey
Sunday April 24th	8:00 AM	Deacon Susie Leckness	Susan Lumkin	Dalton (MC) Alexandra (MC) Brinley Audrey	Nathan Tucker Norma Russo Keith Brown	Bruno Navarro
	11:00 AM	Deacon Jasper Levio	Ed Dale	David (MC) Owen (MC) Abraham Christopher	Lawrence Lane Marilyn Lane Casey Fondren	Mary Ann Little
	12:30 PM (Spanish)		Deyanira, Danny, Cristina, Magda	Camilla (Mc) Justin Briana	Heron Patrick	Rivera/Roan

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

APRIL 17, 2022 TO APRIL 23, 2022

SUNDAY APRIL 17

8:00 AM Hispanic Breakfast
9:30 AM Adult Faith
Faith Formation
RCIA

MONDAY APRIL 18

8:30 AM-4:00 PM OFFICE OPEN

TUESDAY APRIL 19

8:30 AM-4:00 PM OFFICE OPEN

WEDNESDAY APRIL 20

8:30 AM-4:00 PM OFFICE OPEN

THURSDAY APRIL 21

8:30AM-4:00PM OFFICE OPEN

FRIDAY APRIL 22

8:30AM-12:30pm OFFICE OPEN

Adoration begins at noon

SATURDAY APRIL 23

Adoration ends at noon

4:00-5:00PM Reconciliation

5:30PM Vigil 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. Just click "Online Giving" and follow directions.

Form

To get into FORM use the parish code CV4M7B or go to formed.org.

Pastoral Staff

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alcook46@outlook.com

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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

Sympathy

St. Thomas Parish offers our sympathy to Frank Zito on the death of his father Anthony Zito. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Due to the early Bulletin deadline Stewardship of Treasure will be available in next week's bulletin.

Coming in June - Vacation Bible School 2022

We are in need of volunteers for our upcoming VBS program! Please give it some thought and if you are interested in volunteering, please contact Chalane Tucker at (205) 572-5159 or cjarvis1@hotmail.com as soon as possible.

We need the following volunteers:

Director/Co-Director

Teachers for grades K3-4th grade

Assistant Teachers

Music Teacher

Art Teacher

Games/Outside Recreation Teacher

Student Snack Coordinator

Volunteer Snack Coordinator

Baptisms

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

Marriage

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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Alleluia, Christ is risen! Happy Easter to the whole parish! And I'd also like to add a warm word of welcome to our guests and visitors this weekend. Thank you for being present with us, and know that you're welcome any time in our parish family of faith.

And there's a lot that's going to be going on over the Easter season. After 40 days of Lenten fasting, we're now beginning 50 days of celebration. First and foremost, we celebrate Jesus rising from the dead—the moment when the way to the fulfillment of our deepest hopes and desires was opened. Second, we celebrate the renewal of our community and our spiritual lives, through the practices of Lent, now that the austerity has given way to exuberant joy. And thirdly, we celebrate the annual gift of new life, both in the world around us and in the Church.

We kicked things off with this celebration at the Easter Vigil, with our RCIA baptisms, and in the coming weeks we're looking forward to First Holy Communion and Confirmation—important and exciting moments in the lives of our RCIA, our students, their families, and our whole community.

It's truly inspiring to see the seeds of faith planted so long ago bursting forth into flower during this special season. Through the intercession of Blessed Mary, our Lady of Joyful Hope, and St. Thomas, our patron, may we all know the joy of the Risen Christ in this Easter season.

God bless,
Fr Jantz

Lenten Cross Thank you

St. Thomas thank you once again for your generosity, you all went above and beyond. Lenten Cross Event this year will be supporting the Shelby Emergency Assistance and Bibb County Sav-A-Life. Thank You all so much.

Rice Bowl Contributions

A friendly reminder your rice bowls are due on Holy Thursday. Thank you St. Thomas parishioners.

COME BE A PILGRIM

St. Francis of Assisi, Tuscaloosa has organized 2 pilgrimages for 2022. On June 14-25th, we will travel to Oberammergau, Germany for a 5 hour production of the Passion Play that is offered only every 10 years. After the play we will travel to Paris & Lourdes visiting beautiful churches, holy sites & the grotto where Our Blessed Mother appeared to St. Bernadette. Numerous miracles have occurred at the Lourdes water. Come join us for prayer, physical & spiritual healing. We only have 9 seats left for this pilgrimage at the current prices. On August 23 to September 2 we will be pilgrims to the Holy Land. We will experience the Sea of Galilee, pray at Jesus' birthplace, walk the Via Dolorosa to Calvary and celebrate Mass at Jesus' tomb in Jerusalem. To walk in the footsteps of Jesus is an amazing blessing. Our pilgrimage priests will offer Mass daily on both pilgrimages. Email or call Patti Remmert for a brochure and more information. pattiremmert@gmail.com 205-799-5741

Faith Formation

Adult... Sun. 9:30-10:45 a.m.
1st-10th Grade ... Sun. 9:30 -10:45 a.m.
Catechumenate ... Sun. 9:30 - 10:45 a.m.
Ladies' Bible Study
Wed. 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
(September - May)

K of C Monthly Meeting

The St Thomas Knights of Columbus meet in the modular building behind the church office at 7PM on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. The 4th degree meeting is immediately after the Council meeting, about 8PM. There is usually food of some sort available at 6:30 before the meeting. Masks and social distancing are encouraged.

Altar Flowers 2022

St. Thomas has a sign-up sheet for Altar Flowers in honor of a loved one or in memory of a loved one are available in the gathering space. Thank you for your assistance in having flowers for the altar. The Altar flowers are \$45.

Rosary on Sunday Mornings

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

Youth Group 8th—12th grade

The youth group meet in the modular building each Wednesday at 7:00pm. Please join us. If any questions, contact Maria Maldonado at 205-517-0604

Hispanic Breakfast 4/24

The Hispanic breakfast will be twice a month starting in February, on the 2nd and 3rd Sunday. The Hispanic breakfast is April 24, from 8:30 AM to 10:45. AM. Please plan to join us.

K of C Pancake Breakfast 5/1

The Knights of Columbus provide a pancake breakfast on the First Sunday of each month from 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM. Our prices have changed for Adults \$5 and children \$3. Please plan to join us. **Our Breakfast today May 1, 2022.**

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

Resumption of Sunday Mass Obligation

Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, Bishop Raica had offered a dispensation from the requirement to participate at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation for the people of the Diocese of Birmingham until May 23. On May 3, Bishop Raica promulgated a decree restoring the obligation beginning on May 24.

Every Catholic is required to attend Mass unless they are excused for a serious reason. In relation to COVID-19, serious reasons include:

- Being in a high-risk category
- Being advised by a medical doctor that it is not yet safe for you to attend
- Experiencing a significant amount of mental stress regarding returning.

It is always possible to receive a dispensation from one's Pastor. Father Jantz is happy to talk with anyone who is concerned about returning to public worship.

Wednesday Night Bible Study

The Wednesday Adult Scripture Study has resumed for the new year on. Our topic is "The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy". In this study learn how their prophetic words speak to us even today, as they draw us closer to Jesus, and show us how to share Him with others. Includes sessions on Hosea, Jonah, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, Haggai and Malachi, and New Testament and Modern Prophets. All are welcome! We meet in the St. Joseph room at 7:00 PM. Call Bill or Debbie at 205-664-2066 if questions.

Ladies Bible Study

The Wednesday morning Ladies bible study has begun a new study on Lectio: Mary with Dr. Brant Petri. We will explore the Old Testament and New Testament, the life of Christ, and the early church fathers about the life and identity of Mary. We meet in the St. Joseph's room from 10:00 -11:30 am. If you have any questions please call Debbie Drescher at 205-664-2066

Divine Mercy Sunday 4/24

St. Thomas Parish will celebrate Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 24 at 9:30am in the main church. The celebration will include Benediction and praying of the Chaplet. If any questions, please call Rose Marie Vetrano at 205-370-6618.

Seven Sisters Apostolate Ministry

Seven Sisters Apostolate is a ministry dedicated to strengthening the Church by praying for a specific priest or bishop with a holy hour on a designated day each week with a one year commitment. St. Thomas currently has a group of women committed to this ministry and is seeking additional members. You can find out more about this ministry at www.sevensistersapostolate.org. Women interested in doing more to support the priests of our parish should contact LeAnn Rettler at 205-410-2955.

Italian American Heritage Society Scholarship Announcement

The IAHS is again announcing the opportunity for a \$500 scholarship based on the winning essay, "What My Italian Heritage Means to Me." To be eligible to participate, the applicant must have a relative who is a society member. Also, the person submitting the essay must be currently enrolled at the college level or a high school senior who has been accepted at a college. The deadline for submitting the essay is May 31, 2022. Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded. Obtain the Scholarship Guidelines from a society member.

Welcome/Bienvenidos: New Parishioners

St. Thomas welcome, the following new parishioners: Carlos Orozco; Ricardo, Evelyn, & Kimberly Garcia; Quiroz, Lunda, Lker Martinez; Octavio, Amber, Amelia, & Alahna Gutierrez; Marlene & Liam Barrientos; Quiroz, Salud, & Iker Martinez;

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Thomas Parish usually offers Eucharistic Adoration on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month. However, the third falls on Good Friday. So for the month of April Adoration will be on the 2nd and 4th Friday .

1st Holy Communion 5/14

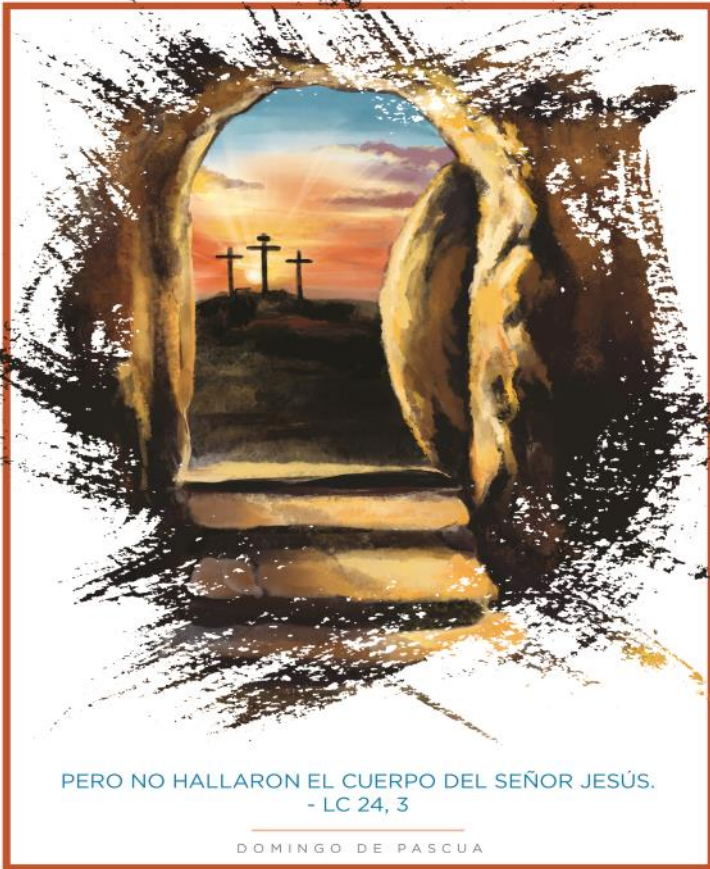
The practice for students who are going to make their First Holy Communion is May 14, Saturday at 10:00AM. The First Holy Communion is on May 15, the English at 11:00am and the Spanish at 12:30pm.

Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 5/15

Share time in the presence of our Lord in Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. This very old devotion dates back to the 1200's. The devotion includes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the Altar, being incensed by the Deacon, and includes the rosary. Please celebrate this beautiful devotion May 15th at 9:30 am in the main church.

Confirmation 5/31

The practice for those who are making their Confirmation is May 21st at 10:00AM. The ceremony will take place on May 31st at 6:00pm.



PERO NO HALLARON EL CUERPO DEL SEÑOR JESÚS.
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DOMINGO DE PASCUA

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Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

¡Aleluya, Cristo ha resucitado! ¡Feliz Pascua a toda la parroquia! Y también me gusta mucho dar una palabra de bienvenida a nuestros visitantes este fin de semana. Gracias por estar presente con nosotros, y esperamos verte en el futuro, en nuestra familia parroquial.

Hay muchas cosas que sucederán durante la temporada de Pascua. Después de 40 días de ayuno de Cuaresma, ahora comenzamos 50 días de celebración. En primer lugar, celebramos la resurrección de Jesús de entre los muertos, el momento cuando se abrió el camino hacia el cumplimiento de nuestras esperanzas y deseos más profundos. En segundo lugar, celebramos la renovación de nuestra comunidad y de nuestra vida espiritual, a través de las prácticas de Cuaresma, ahora que la austeridad se ha convertido en una alegría exuberante. Y en tercer lugar, celebramos el don anual de la vida nueva, tanto en el mundo que nos rodea como en la Iglesia.

Comenzamos con esta celebración en la Vigilia Pascual, con nuestros bautismos de RICA, y en las próximas semanas esperamos con ansias la Primera Comunión y la Confirmación, momentos importantes en la vida de nuestro RICA, nuestros estudiantes, sus familias, y toda nuestra comunidad.

Es verdaderamente inspirador ver las semillas de la fe, plantadas hace años, que ahora florecen. Por la intercesión de María Santísima, Nuestra Señora de la Gozosa Esperanza, y de Santo Tomás, nuestro patrón, que todos conozcamos la alegría de Cristo Resucitado esta Pascua.

Dios los bendiga,
P. Jantz

LECTURAS: DEL DOMINGO

Primera lectura: Comimos y bebimos con él después de que se levantó de entre los muertos. (Hechos 10 34A, 37-43)

Salmo: Salmo- Este es el día que el Señor ha hecho; Te regocijemos y nos alegremos. (Salmo 118 1-2,16-17,22-23)

Segunda lectura: Busca lo que está arriba, donde está Cristo. (Colosenses 3 1-4)

Evangelio— Tuvo que levantarse de entre los muertos. (Juan 20 1-9)

LECTURAS PARA LA SEMANA

Lunes	Hechos 2:14,22-33; Mateo 28 8-15
Martes	Hechos 2:36-41; Juan 20 11-18
Miércoles	Hechos 3:1-10; Lucas 24 13-35
Jueves	Hechos 3:11-26; Lucas 24 35-48
Friday	Hechos 4:1-12; Juan 21 1-14
Sábado	Hechos 4:13-21; Marcos 16 9-15
Domingo	Hechos 5:12-16; Apocalipsis 1 9-11a, 12-13,17-19; Juan 20 19-31

Desayuno del Ministro Hispano

El Desayuno Hispano es el 24 de Abril, de 8:00 am a 10:45 am. Si desea hacer una donación o ayudar en el Ministerio Hispano, comuníquese con Gricelda al 205-478-5110.

Monaguillos

Se necesitan monaguillos: La misa de 12:30 pm tiene una gran necesidad de niños en edad escolar que hayan completado la primera comunión para participar en este ministerio tan importante y valioso. Padres, por favor consideren pedirles a sus hijos que participen en este maravilloso ministerio. Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial para aquellos cuyos hijos estarían dispuestos a servir.

Primera Comunión 5/15

La práctica para los estudiantes que van a hacer su primera Comunión es el 14 de Mayo, Sábado a las 10 00 am. La Primera Comunión será el 15 de Mayo, los Ingleses a las 11:00 am y el Español a las 12:30 pm.

Confirmación 5/31

La práctica para aquellos que están haciendo su Confirmación es el 21 de Mayo a las 10 00 am. La ceremonia será el 31 de Mayo, Martes a las 6 00 pm.

Grupo de jóvenes

El grupo de jóvenes se reunirá en el edificio modular el Miércoles a las 7:00 pm. Por favor únete a nosotros. Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con María Maldonado al 205-517-0604.

Clases de Bautismo 5/9

Las clases de bautismo son el 9 de Mayo. Las clases de bautismo son 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.

HORARIO: OFICINA DEL MINISTRO HISPANO

LUNES– JUEVES: 8:00 AM-4:00 PM Y

VIERNES: 8:00AM-12:30PM

Padre Brad Jantz al 205-663-3936.

Horario de la Misa Español

los Domingos 12:30 p.m.

Platicas Prebautismales

Deben registrarse antes del bautismo en el libro situado en el espacio a la entrada de la Iglesia. **Comuníquese con Padre Jantz a (205) 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

Gabriel y Edith Sanches al 205-299-9826.

Grupo Carismático

Santo Tomás ha comenzado un grupo carismático los viernes a las 6:45 pm. Todos son bienvenidos. Para más información comuníquese con Vidal Martinez al 205-369-5074

CRS Cuencos de Arroz

Santo Tomás participará en CRS Rice Bowl. Los cuencos de arroz deben regresar el Jueves Santo. Colóquelos en las cestas de mimbre ubicadas en el espacio de reunion.

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 que comenzarán en Septiembre.

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.