



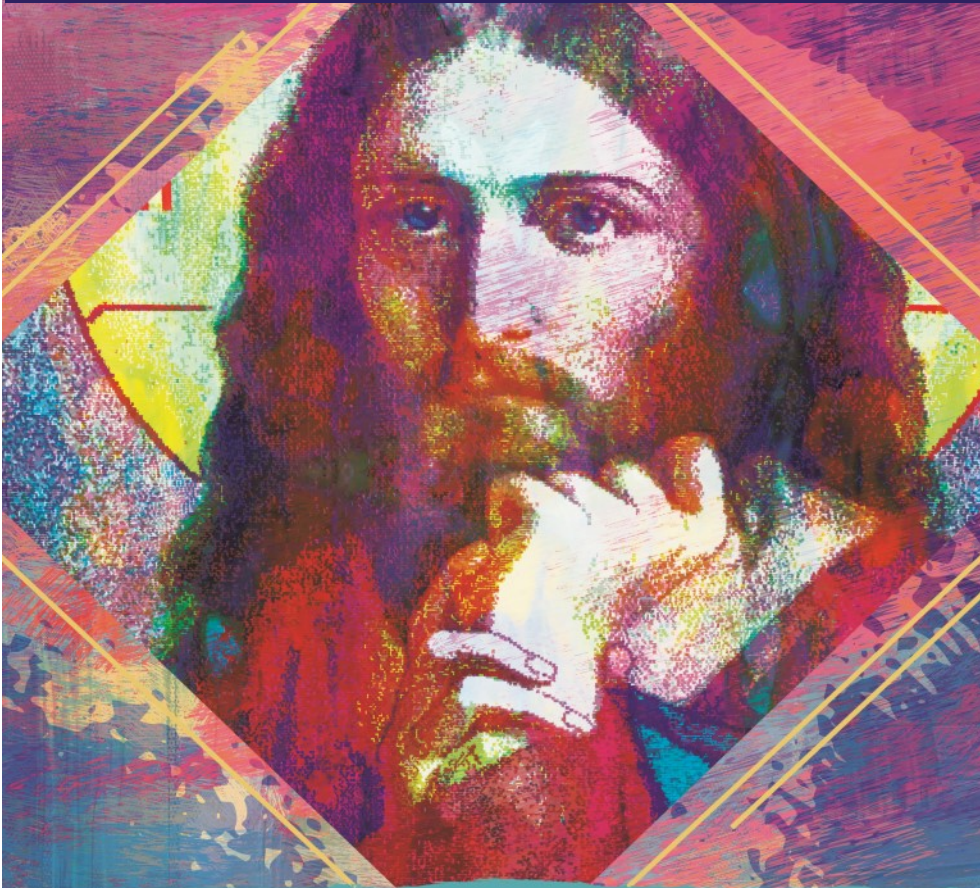
# St. Thomas Catholic Church

## PARISH & CAMPUS MINISTRY

SERVING CHRIST TOGETHER



• SUNDAY, JULY 31 EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •



### 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God.” - Lk 12:21

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

#### 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.

# PRAYER & WORSHIP

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, July 30

5:30 PM Mass for Barbara Readel, deceased

### Sunday, July 31

8:00 AM Mass for Jan Martin, deceased

11:00 AM Mass for Jimmy Levio, deceased

12:30 PM Misa para la Gente de la Parroquia

### Tuesday, August 2

9:00 AM Communion Service

### Wednesday, August 3

9:00 AM Mass for Carrie Juliano, deceased

### Thursday, August 4

9:00 AM Mass Intention of Adrian y Maria Gonzalez

### Friday, August 5

9:00 AM Mass for Melba G. Reed, deceased

### Saturday, August 6

5:30 PM Mass Intention of Bob & Brenda Picou

### Sunday, August 7

8:00 AM Mass for Melba Orticke, deceased

11:00 AM Mass Jimmy Levio, deceased

12:30 PM Misa para la Gente de la Parroquia

## Monthly Altar Flowers

### July 30th & 31st

In memory/honor of

In memory/honor of

### August 6th & August 7th

In memory/honor of Frank & Ruth Giardina

In memory/honor of

## SUNDAY'S READINGS

**First Reading**— What profit comes to a man from all his toil? (Ecclesiastes 1:2;2:21-23)

**Psalm**— If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (90:3-4,5-6,12-13)

**Second Reading**— Seek what is above, where Christ is. (Colossians 3:1-5,9-11)

**Gospel**— The things you have prepared, to whom will they belong? (Luke 12:13-21)

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Jeremiah 28:1-17; Matthew 14:13-21

**Tuesday:** Jeremiah 30:1-2,12-15,18-22; Matthew 14:22-36

**Wednesday:** Jeremiah 31:1-7; Matthew 15:21-28

**Thursday:** Jeremiah 31:31-34; Matthew 16:13-23

**Friday:** Nahum 2:1,3; 3:1-3,6-7; Matthew 16:24-28

**Saturday:** Daniel 7:9-10,13-14; II Peter 1:16-19; Luke 9:28b-36

**Sunday:** Wisdom 18:6-9; Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19; Luke 12:32-48

## 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*

## 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. 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 August 5th & 19th

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

## LECTORS

## ALTAR SERVERS

## USHERS

## SACRISTANS

		EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS	SACRISTANS
Saturday August 6th	5:30 PM	Deacon Alan Cannon (B1) (Cup 1) (Cup 2)	Mary Keiser	Mary Katherine	Pat Taylor Bill Drescher Walter Lee	Mike & Donna
Sunday August 7th	8:00 AM	Deacon Christy (B1) (Cup 1) (Cup 2)	Sonia Sabo Jon Thompson	Dalton (T) Alexandra Brinley Audrey Paolo	Norma Russo Ken Radigan Marty Spellicy	Gloria Q.
	11:00 AM	Deacon Angel (B1) (Cup 1) (Cup 2) (Cup 3)	Ed Dale	David (T) Abraham Christopher	Lee Travis Kelly Scales Joe Vacarella	Judy Lemieux
	12:30 PM (Spanish)	Juana Vasquez Maria Perez	Danny, Lucero G. Xochitli y Deyanira	Elizabeth Isabella Dulce	Heron Patrick	Lupe y Antonio, Magda, y Marisa



# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

**JULY 30, 2022 TO AUGUST 6, 2022**

**SUNDAY, JULY 31**

9:30 AM—10:45 AM  
 No Adult Faith Formation  
 No Faith Formation  
 No RCIA

**MONDAY, AUGUST 1**

8:30 AM-4:00 PM OFFICE OPEN

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 2**

8:30 AM-4:00 PM OFFICE OPEN

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3**

8:30 AM-4:00 PM OFFICE OPEN

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 4**

8:30AM-4:00PM OFFICE OPEN

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 5**

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

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 6**

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](http://www.stthomascatholic.com). Just click "Online Giving" and follow directions.

**Pastoral Staff**

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**FINANCIAL SECRETARY**  
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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

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

**Collection 7/17/22 & 07/24/22**

	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>DIFFERENCE</b>
Offertory	\$20,600.00	\$22,404.00	\$1,804.00
Building Fund	\$14,600.00	\$15,665.30	\$1,065.30
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$35,200.00</b>	<b>\$38,069.30</b>	<b>2,859.30</b>

**Year-to-Date Collection 07/01/22—Present**

	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>DIFFERENCE</b>
Offertory	\$41,200.00	\$45,284.68	\$4,084.68
Building Fund	\$29,200.00	\$27,383.18	\$1,816.82
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$70,400.00</b>	<b>\$72,667.86</b>	<b>\$2,267.86</b>

With the advice of the Parish Finance Council, Saint Thomas Parish does financial planning according to a fiscal year rather than a calendar year. Our current fiscal year began 7/1/22.

**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,

This weekend marks eight weeks that our summer seminarian, John Paul, has been with us. It's been wonderful having him here with us, and although we're sad to see him go, we also realize that he needs to get back to his formal studies. God willing, he'll be ordained in another four years—and let's be sure to offer plenty of prayers to get him there! Also: all are invited to his send-off, after each of the Masses on Sunday this weekend.

Our farewell this weekend marks the beginning of a couple weekends where we have an opportunity to reflect on vocations to the priesthood. As everyone's aware, priests are a bit thin on the ground these days, and our diocese very much needs more. Where will they come from? It's very simple: the priests we need will come from our families and our communities. God is always calling men to this special vocation—the only question is whether or not we help our brothers hear and answer that call.

So with that in mind, I'd first of all encourage us to pray. Not only generically for "more vocations," but specifically for God to smooth the way for the men he's calling. And secondly, let's all make a point of encouraging anyone we think God is calling to the priesthood. If you know a young man that you think would make a great priest, tell them.

Through the intercession of Blessed Mary, Ever-Virgin, and our patron St. Thomas, may God richly bless John Paul, all our seminarians, and the men whom the Lord is calling to this important vocation.

God bless,  
Fr Jantz

### Fr. James E. Coyle

Let's Remember a Priest Killed in the Line of Duty Annual Father James E. Coyle Memorial Mass Celebrant, Bishop Steven J. Raica Thursday, August 11, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. Reception and Reflections on Father Coyle Cathedral of St. Paul · 2120 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. North, Birmingham 205.447.8796 · [www.fathercoyle.org](http://www.fathercoyle.org) "*Father Coyle was a martyr to duty*" The Rt. Rev. Edward Allen, Bishop of Mobile – 8/12/1921

### Youth Group Retreat 8/13

The Youth Group will be having a retreat on August 13th from 8:00am-4:00pm. To raise monies they are selling T-Shirts for \$20, they will be selling them till July 20th. If you have any question please contact Maria Maldonado at 205-517-0604.

### Faith Formation Teachers Needed

We are in need of Catechists' teachers for our Faith Formation classes. If you are interested in volunteering contact Kathy or Magda at 205-287-2869.

### Faith Formation

We have finished Faith Formation classes for the year. They will pick up again in September.

**Registration Date: August 7th between Masses.**

### 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 you have any questions, contact Maria Maldonado at 205-517-0604

### Altar Servers Needed

We are in need of additional altar servers for our three English Masses, and our Spanish Mass. Those children who are interested in serving as an altar server will need to have completed their first communion in order to participate. This is a great opportunity for our young folks to become involved in an exciting ministry specifically geared towards them. If you have a child that is interested in becoming an altar server, please contact Deacon David or the parish office.

### 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

### Thank You St. Thomas

Thank you all for the past two months of allowing to be part of the St. Thomas Parish family, during my summer seminarian internship. From helping out at VBS, the Faith Forum series, and sitting in on various meetings, it was a wonderfully formative experience. During these next few weeks, I will be on the diocese's seminarian retreat, and enjoy time with my family before returning to Ohio for my third year (out of six) in seminary. If you want to stay in touch, my address is 7625 N High St. / Columbus Ohio 43235. Please keep me and the other seminarians in your prayers. Know that I will be praying for the continued growth and success of the entire parish community.

In Christ,

John Paul Stepnowski

### K of C Pancake Breakfast 8/7

The Knights of Columbus provide a pancake breakfast on the First Sunday of each month from 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM. Please plan to join us. **Next Breakfast is August 7th.**

### Donations for the Families of the Robb Elementary School Shootings

If you would like to make a donation to the families of the Robb Elementary School shootings in Texas that will help lessen the financial burden placed on these families, it may be sent to: Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 408 Fort Clark Rd., Uvalde, TX 78801. Make checks payable to Sacred Heart Catholic Church and notate on the check that it is for Robb Elementary School.

### 100 Rosaries project

Deacon Doug Moorer from Our Lady of Fatima Parish is spearheading a prayer response for Peace and an end to Youth and Gun violence in the Birmingham area. Deacon Moorer is seeking 1000 people to commit to say 100 rosaries between March 31, The Visitation of the Virgin Mary, and September 8, the Nativity of the Virgin Mary. If we have more than 1000 people, that's ok! If you are interested in participating, sheets are available in the Gathering Space that can be used to help track your progress.

### Homebound Ministry

Do you know of a parishioner that cannot come to mass? If so, please contact the parish office or Deacon David. Our ministry to the sick and homebound program is in full swing, and we want to make sure all of our homebound parishioners are able to receive communion on a regular basis from one of our lay ministers involved in the program.

### Lectors Needed for 11:00AM

Looking for a way to participate more fully in the Mass? How about volunteering as a Lector? We can always use Lectors at all the Masses, but the 11:00 AM Mass can really use some additional volunteers. Please Call Mary Baker 205-296-7792 or email her at [marytbaker@me.com](mailto:marytbaker@me.com)

### RCIA Inquiry Meeting 8/14,21, & 22

A meeting for those interested in receiving the sacraments of the Church or just have questions about the Catholic faith is scheduled for **Sunday August 14, 21, & 22 in the St. Joseph Room** (located in the Admin Bldg.) from 9:30am to 10:45am.

### K of Columbus Scholarship Program

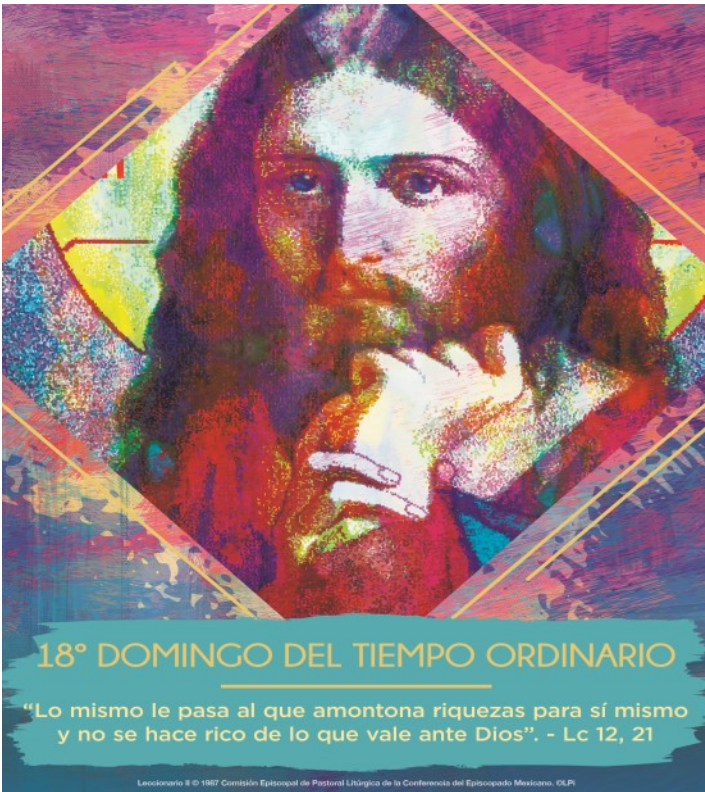
The St Thomas Knights of Columbus expect to resume their scholarship program if circumstances don't prevent it. Briefly there are 2 scholarships, 1 male and 1 female, each for \$500. The student must be a graduating senior and a member of the Parish. It is a one-time nonrenewable scholarship. More information will be provided this fall.

### Cantors Needed

Additional cantors are needed for all three of our English masses. If you are interested in becoming a cantor, please contact Ann Hicks at 205-767-0333 or Father Jantz at 205-663-3936.

### Nazareth House Program– Catholic Youth Volunteers Invited 8/20

Catholic high-school students interested in working with children and youth having intellectual and developmental disabilities, in a Saturday Morning greater Birmingham Area city-wide program of religious education, are invited to a training workshop on Saturday, August 20th. The training workshop will be held from 9:00 A.M. until 12:00 Noon at St. Francis Xavier School, 2 Xavier Circle, Birmingham, AL 35213. The training workshop will take place in the School Annex Building, Please note that those who participate in the Nazareth House Saturday Program are eligible for service hours that meet the requirements for high school graduation and college scholarship applications. For further information or directions, please email, text or telephone Sarah Houser LICSW ([sawisely@gmail.com](mailto:sawisely@gmail.com)) 205-612-6111 or Father Patrick Cullen ([Rathmines.Cullen@gmail.com](mailto:Rathmines.Cullen@gmail.com)) 205-907-0287.



## LECTURAS: DEL DOMINGO

**Primera lectura:** ¿Qué ganancias llega a un hombre de todo su trabajo? (Eclesiastés 1 2; 2 21-23)

**Salmo:** Si hoy escuchas su voz, no se endurece con tus corazones. (90 3-4,5-6,12-13)

**Segunda lectura:** Busca lo que está arriba, donde está Cristo. (Colosenses 3 1-5,9-11)

**Evangelio:** Las cosas que has preparado, a ¿a quién pertenecerán? (Lucas 12 13-21)

## LECTURAS PARA LA SEMANA

Lunes	Jeremías 28:1-17; Matthew 14:13-21
martes	Jeremías 30:1-2,12-15,18-22; Matthew 14:22-36
Miércoles	Jeremiah 31:1-7; Mateo 15:21-28
Jueves J	Jeremías 31:31-34; Matthew 16:13-23
Viernes	Nahum 2:1,3; 3 1-3,6-7; Matthew 16:24-28
Sábado	Daniel 7:9-10,13-14; II Pedro 1:16-19; Lucas 9:28B-36
Domingo	Sabiduría 18: 6-9; Hebreos 11: 1-2,8-19; Lucas 12: 32-48

## Preparaciones Matrimoniales

Las personas que necesitan pláticas y planear su boda necesitan hablar con el Padre Jantz **seis meses antes de su boda** y también necesitan tener las pláticas matrimoniales. Las clases de matrimonio se ofrecerán en Agosto para los feligreses de Santo Tomás Para más información comuníquese a las oficina al 205-663-3936.

## Grupo de jóvenes -Retiro 8/13

El grupo juvenil tendrá un retiro el 13 de Agosto, sábado de 8:00 a.m. a 4:00pm. Todos los jóvenes están invitados. Las camisetas cuestan \$20 o cualquier donación es bienvenida. Venderán camietas hasta el 20 de Julio. Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con María Maldonado al 205-517-0604.

## Padre Ernesto M. Caro 8/11

Santo Tomás ha invitado a Padre Ernesto a nuestra parroquia el 11 de Agosto, Jueves a las 6:00pm– 8:00pm. El Padre compartirá un tema sobre la Eucaristía y terminaremos con Adoración. Todos están invitados a asistir. Le daremos la bienvenida con una cena a las 4:30pm. Si desea ayudar con la cena, póngase en contacto con Griselda Garcia 205-478-5110 o la oficina con Marisa o Andrea 205-663-3936. También El Padre Ernesto va esta en Annunciation-Decatur Agosto 10, y Holy Spirit-Tuscaloosa-Agosto 12.

## Clases de Bautismo 8/1

Las clases de bautismo son el 1 de Agosto. 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 asistir a la clase.

## Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

Este fin de semana marca ocho semanas que nuestro seminarista, John Paul, ha estado con nosotros. Ha sido maravilloso tenerlo aquí, y aunque estamos tristes de verlo partir, también nos damos cuenta de la necesidad de sus estudios formales. Si Dios quiere, será ordenado en otros cuatro años, ¡y asegurémonos de ofrecer muchas oraciones para que llegue allí! Todos están invitados a su despedida, después de cada una de las Misas del domingo de este fin de semana.

La despedida este fin de semana marca el comienzo de dos fines de semana cuando tenemos la oportunidad de reflexionar sobre las vocaciones al sacerdocio. Como todos saben, los sacerdotes son un poco raros día en hoy, y nuestra diócesis necesita mucho más. ¿De dónde vendrán? Como nos dijo Padre Miguel hace dos semanas, la respuesta muy simple: los sacerdotes que necesitamos vendrán de nuestras familias y nuestras comunidades. Dios siempre está llamando a los hombres a esta vocación especial. La única pregunta es si ayudamos o no a nuestros hermanos a escuchar y responder a ese llamado.

Entonces, con eso en mente, en primer lugar, me gustaría animarnos a orar. No solo para “más vocaciones”, sino específicamente para que Dios allane el camino a los hombres que está llamando. Y en segundo lugar, asegurémonos de animar a los jóvenes que creamos que Dios está llamando al sacerdocio. Si conoces a un joven que crees que sería un buen sacerdote, díselo.

Por la intercesión de Santa María, Siempre Virgen, y de nuestro patrón Santo Tomás, que Dios bendiga ricamente a John Paul, a todos nuestros seminaristas y a los hombres a quienes el Señor está llamando a esta importante vocación.

Dios los bendiga,  
Padre Jantz



## 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. **Para las clases con Magda Guerrero al 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 Matrimoniales**

Magda y Dionisio 205 643-2659;

Deyanira y Omar 205 760-2488;

Dany y Graciela 205 529-2840

**Preparaciones para quinceañeras**

Magda Rivera | 643-2659

RosaMaria Angel | 205-901-0470