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July 31, 2022
The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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July 24th Collection: \$7,083.06
Direct Deposit: \$2,638.75
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Upcoming Second Collections
 July 31st St Vincent DePaul
 August 7th Extension Society
 August 14th Building Fund
 August 21st Eagle Catholic
 August 28th No Second Collection

Mass Schedule

Confessions: Sat. 4:45 – 5:15 PM or by apt.
 Vigil: Sat.–5:30 PM Sunday 8AM, 10:15 AM
Weekday Masses:
 Mon. – 5:30 PM, Tues. 8:15AM, Wed. – 6:00 PM,
 Thur. & Fri. – 8:15 AM
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Sacred Heart Mass Schedule: Vigil: Sat. – 4:00 PM,  
 Sunday 8:00, 10:30 AM; 1:30 PM in Spanish  
Holy Rosary Mass Schedule: Sunday: 9:00 AM  
St. Fabian Mass Schedule: Vigil: Sat. – 4:00 PM,  
 Sunday: 10:00AM





### **Catholics in Recovery**

Catholic in Recovery is a ministry that provides healing for those seeking recovery from addictions, compulsions, and unhealthy attachments. Meetings combine the spiritual principles of 12-step recovery with the sacraments of the Catholic Church. Join us as we overlap scripture from Sunday's mass, liturgical themes, and recovery topics with honest discussion and prayer.

Confidentiality is protected. We meet every Monday night at 6:30 in the parish hall. For more information, please contact Emily at [Emiliosbornerhodes@gmail.com](mailto:Emiliosbornerhodes@gmail.com) or leave a message at the St. Thomas parish office, (601) 264-5192.

### **Bible Study:**

Beginning in September we will start the bible study, The Bible and the Virgin Mary. The 12 sessions are part of the St. Paul Center's dynamic journey through the scripture bible series. It is based upon Dr. Scott Hahn's book, Hail, Holy Queen.

We will meet Mondays from 1:00 PM to 2:30PM and Thursdays from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM. Sign-up sheets are at both doors. Please sign up so we know how many books to order. You do not need to attend both sessions, but if you miss one day you can catch up in another class.

The cost of the book is \$30.00

### **Next Friday, August 5th is 1st**

**Friday.** Mass is at 8:15am with adoration following from 9am – 5pm. Please help by signing up for an hour of Adoration. Sign-up sheets are on the table at the entrances of the church.

### **Saturday, August 6th,**

First Saturday Mass will be at 9AM

### **The Healing Road:**

#### **Moving Through the Change Weekend Retreat**

Friday, August 26 –  
Sunday, August 28, 2022

Retreat Description: Everyone experiences at one time or another life events that bring them to their knees, where Hope and Light fade. The Healing Road retreat participant has an opportunity to tune in to God's healing presence in the context of prayer fellowship and wisdom words

**WHAT TIME DOES IT START?**

Check-in Friday night from 6-7 pm EST. Retreat begins at 7pm EST and ends after Lunch on Sunday

**NEED INFORMATION?**

Contact: Retreat Team Leader

Cindy Hoover, MCA

Phone: 334-614-8669

Email: [cjhoover\\_99@yahoo.com](mailto:cjhoover_99@yahoo.com)

**WHERE IS IT HELD?**

Blessed Trinity Shrine Retreat

107 Holy Trinity Rd

Ft. Mitchell, AL 36856

**WHAT IS THE**

**COST?**

Overnight: \$200.00 per person (includes \$85.00 non-refundable deposit).

Day Hop: \$95.00 per person (includes a \$40.00 non-refundable deposit).

### **Mini- Library:**

New Book: "Secrets of the Interior Life" by Mexican bishop and mystic Archbishop Luis M. Martinez who shows you how to enter into an intense, sustained communion with God. Says Martinez "Once you know how to profit from faith and to live by faith, you will always find God. You will have solved your problem; you will have discovered the great secret of the interior life. Let this book, given the imprimatur, teach you that secret! For more information contact Pat Peterson, librarian, by phone or text at 601-549-4620.

*Thank  
you  
so  
much*

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU to EVERYONE that brought food, decorated, served, helped clean up, and participated in the different events this past weekend. Everything went very smoothly, and it would not have happened that way without your help. We have the BEST TEAM here at St. Thomas Aquinas!!

**THANK YOU** also to Westgate Cleaners, Jimmy and Kenny Maloney, for the quick turnaround to clean the white tablecloths for these events.



**CONGRATULATIONS** Deacon Ralph on your retirement. You may have to purchase a DVD player to use the Richard Simmons videos while you exercise!



## **Adoration**

### **Monday Adoration:**

Hours are 2-9PM. Starting at 4:45PM the Patriotic Rosary will be prayed during Adoration led by Noelanne Bennett. After the Rosary, we will pause Adoration to prepare for the 5:30 PM Mass. Adoration will resume when Mass is over and will continue until 9PM. Visitors are more than welcome and can come anytime for whatever amount of time they'd like. For any questions, contact Pat Peterson at 601-549-4620 by phone or text

### **Tuesday Adoration**

From 9am after daily Mass until 12 noon. Please consider spending an hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Please be sure to sign in so we know the hours are covered.

### **Thursday Adoration**

begins after the 8:15 AM Mass and goes until 9:00 PM in the church. At that time Our Lord is moved into the Adoration Chapel and adoration continues through the night until Friday Mass.

**We currently need help with the 12am, 1am, and 4am hours.**

To offer your help or for information please contact Patricia Burchell at 601-270-4068.

### **Update on Father Tommy**

His health is improving and by the time you see this he may be out of the hospital. He said, "the pain level is manageable, but the leg looks bad, as if it is about to pop open". Blood clots are ruled out, but he will be seeing another doctor for more tests. If you would like to send a Get-Well Card, St. Fabian's has a box at their church for any cards, and they will make sure he gets them.

## **Business Sponsor Spotlight**



We would like to thank John M. Curley with CMB Financial Services, Inc. for supporting our parish bulletin. They are located next to Walmart at 5891 US Hwy 49 Suite 40, he can be reached at phone#601-582-1555.



Thank you so much to those who have committed to our goal for FOCUS. We appreciate your investment in our Catholic Students! As of July 24, 2022, we have raised \$60,610.00 of the \$67,000 needed to cover the cost for the year. (Only \$6,390.00 to go!!). If you are interested in pledging for FOCUS, please pick up a green pledge card, located in the pews and near the entrances of the church. To turn your pledge card in you may drop it in the collection basket or bring it to the office. Please help us reach our goal & Thank You for your support.

**The St. Thomas Comfort and Care** committee will have a day of prayer and reflection for all the ladies of St Thomas parish, on Monday, August 22nd from 9am to 2pm in the Parish Center with talks by Fr Mark and Fr Braxton. Lunch will be served. Sign-up sheets are at the entrances of church.

### **CatholicMassTime.org**

provides easy access to Mass schedules, church locations, parish contact information and more. If you are traveling, check for masses near you or check church contact information within a specific area.

## **Mass Intentions**

M-Aug 1st Justin Richard Mohn – RIP  
T-Aug 2nd Anton family – Sp. Int.  
W-Aug 3rd Keith Melancon – RIP  
T-Aug 4th Larry Hammett – RIP  
F-Aug 5th Jobo Fernandez – Thanksgiving  
Sat-Aug 6th Richard Chrosniak – RIP  
Sun-Aug 7th  
8:00am Parish  
10:15am Joseph Rider – RIP  
6:00pm NO PM MASS

### **Readings August 1<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>**

M Jer 28:1-17/Mt 14:13-21  
T Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Mt 14:22-36  
W Jer 31:1-7/Mt 15:21-28  
T Jer 31:31-34/Mt 16:13-23  
F Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Mt 16:24-28  
Sat Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36  
Sun Wis 18:6-9/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48

### **July Lector Schedule**

**30<sup>th</sup>** 5:30 Debbie Boyer  
**31<sup>st</sup>** 8:00 Renee Brett  
10:15 Silvia Preston

### **August Lector Schedule**

**6<sup>th</sup>** 5:30 Julie Calvetti  
**7<sup>th</sup>** 8:00 Renee Brett  
10:15 Shirley Hendricks  
**13<sup>th</sup>** 5:30 Debbie Boyer  
**14<sup>th</sup>** 8:00 Laurie McCarthy  
10:15 Valerie Acocella  
**20<sup>th</sup>** 5:30 David Williams  
**21<sup>st</sup>** 8:00 Rich Mohn  
10:15 Italo Subarao  
**27<sup>th</sup>** 5:30 Carmen Robinson  
**28<sup>th</sup>** 8:00 Reggie Blackledge  
10:15 Silvia Preston

### **Divine Mercy Cenacle**

If you would be interested in joining a group to study St Faustina's diary, consider joining the Cenacle. Meetings are the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 10am in the St. Thomas room. Feel free to come & see. For more information call Tish at 601-543-9723.



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