

## **Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic Parish and Saint Patrick Mission in San Patricio**

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Yolanda Tobon

**Holy Day Vigil @ St. Thomas:** 6 PM

**Saturday Vigil Mass @ St. Thomas:** 5:30 PM

**Weekday Masses @ St. Thomas:** 12:05 PM Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

**Saturday Vigil Mass @ St. Patrick:** 4:00 PM

**Holy Day Mass @ St. Thomas:** 7 AM

**Sunday Masses @ St. Thomas:** 8 AM & 11 AM

**Holy Day Mass @ St. Patrick:** 8:15 AM

**First Friday Mass @ St. Patrick:** 8:00 AM

**Confession:** 30 Minutes before Masses or by appointment



“Truth shall spring  
out of the earth,  
and justice shall look  
down from heaven.”

- Psalm 85:12

St. Thomas the Apostle Website: [www.christon624.com](http://www.christon624.com)

**LECTORS for AUGUST 19-20, 2017**

Saturday, 5:30 PM: Tanya Whitehead  
Sunday, 8 AM: Michelle Williams  
Sunday, 11 AM: Frank Wilson



**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS for AUGUST 19-20, 2017**

Saturday, 5:30 PM: Michael & Malynn Wahlen  
Sunday, 8 AM: Deacon Bill, Dr. Tony & Yolanda Villarreal  
Kieran & Jenny Tobin  
Sunday, 11 AM: Paul & Melana Silva, Melissa Pavell,  
Barbara Rychetsky, Rosa Carrillo

**ALTAR SERVERS for AUGUST 19-20, 2017**

Saturday, 5:30 PM: Volunteers  
Sunday, 8 AM: Lauren & Riley Unterbrink, Davy Spicak  
Sunday, 11 AM: Reid & Katelyn Wilson, R. J. Loa,  
Miranda Pilarczyk

**Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 2017**  
4:00 PM: @ St. Patrick Mission  
†Deceased Members of Catholic Life Insurance by the Robstown Branch of Catholic Life Insurance #83  
5:30 PM: **VIGIL MASS @ St. Thomas the Apostle**  
†Augi Carpenter by Deane Charba & Shirlene Dillon

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**  
8:00 AM: **COLLECTIVE MASS**  
Parishioners  
†Monica Marie Villarreal by Tony & Yolanda Villarreal  
11:00 AM: Marcos Martinez (Birthday) by Yolanda Peña

**MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**  
6:00 PM: †Pat Juranek by Massey & Kim Rodriguez

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2017 - THE ASSUMPTION**  
7:00 AM: @ St. Thomas the Apostle  
†Frank Nemecek and †Henry Strmiska by David & Susie Tajchman  
8:15 AM: @ St. Patrick Mission  
†David McCown by Harold & Lillian McCown

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**  
12:05 PM: †Deacon Alan K. Borse (AOB) by Diana Borse  
7:00 PM: **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**  
12:05 PM: †Boone Hans by CDA's of St. Thomas the Apostle

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 18, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**  
12:05 PM: Sharla Tajchman Dee (Birthday) by David & Susie Tajchman

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2017**  
4:00 PM: **VIGIL MASS @ St. Patrick Mission**  
†Ruth Wright by Robert Sparks & Family  
5:30 PM: **VIGIL MASS @ St. Thomas the Apostle**  
**COLLECTIVE MASS**  
†Shirley Tarble by Santos & Rosa Ramirez  
†Geneva Strmiska by Bernadette Haecker  
†Leo McCumber by Betty Long  
†Marcus Long by Betty Long  
†Janet Long by Betty Long

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**  
8:00 AM: **Parishioners**  
†Armando R. Flores by Ruben & Griselda Rivera  
11:00 AM: Rance & Karen & Breanne Vaughan (Birthdays) by Family

Please Pray for ...



Emil & Mary Jo Prukop, Conrad & Christine Prukop,  
Hattie Kotara, Kenneth Haunschild, Charlie & Jean Chapman,  
John Quinn, Jerry & Margie Vogel, Alex Barrera, Jayla Silva,  
Leonard & Leona Logue, Glenda Tvrdik, Mason Leibham,  
Geneva Lintner, Don Ermis, Aida Deases, Gracie Herrera,  
Stephanie Landreth, Jim Landreth Sr., David Tajchman,  
Marty Douglas, Mary Heany, Emma Perez, Patrick Nemecek,  
Diane Saenz, David Rowden, Rene Canales, James Light,  
Andrew Arevalo, Ron Kelley, Brock Pratt, Tommy Morgan,  
Vicki and Phillip Leon-Guerrero, David Cole, Helen Bisaha,  
Mr. and Mrs. Nick Linenberger, Juliet Johnson, Nikki Brown,  
Fr. Gabriel Franks, Elizabeth Blaylock, Nina Riebschleager,  
Joe Hominick, Gina Wernig, Delma Tamez, Pablo De Leon,  
and Margarita Marquez.

Call/email the rectory office to include a person on the 2017 PRAYER LIST

<b>R E A D I N G S</b>	<b>Monday:</b>	Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27
	<b>Tuesday:</b>	Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
	<b>Wednesday:</b>	Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20
	<b>Thursday:</b>	Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21 - 19:1
	<b>Friday:</b>	Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12 Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday — Friday 8:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

On Tuesday, August 15, 2017 we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses at St. Thomas the Apostle: Vigil Mass is at 6:00 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday Mass is at 7:00 a.m. Mass at St. Patrick Mission is on Tues. at 8:15 a.m.

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Monday: St. Maximilian Kolbe  
Tuesday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Wednesday: St. Stephen of Hungary  
Saturday: St. John Eudes

**LITURGY OF THE DAY**

When we gather here each Sunday, we know where we will find God: in each other, in the Word proclaimed, in the Blessed Sacrament. Our readings today will challenge us to find God in other places and at other times in our lives. Perhaps as we continue our celebration today, our prayer can be for the vision to see and hear God in our lives outside this sacred place.

**REFLECTION**

- Whether we see the disciples' boat as symbolizing the Church or our own lives, we can relate to Matthew's image: a tiny boat, big waves, roaring wind, disciples left alone throughout the night. We can't see Jesus or the shore we've left or the port we seek. When Jesus finally does appear, it's in night's deepest, darkest hours, and he seem unreal, "a ghost". Seeking proof, we echo Peter's challenge: "Lord, if it is you, if you're really with us, do this, or that, or both!"
- As always in Ordinary Time, the Old Testament reading illumines the Gospel. Elijah's encounter with God begins with a catalogue of the "special effects" associated with divine epiphanies: wind, earthquake, fire. But God's actual self-revelation is not in anything that dramatic, and Jesus' question to Peter and us is quietly simple: "Why did you doubt?". Why, after centuries of winds and waves, do we fail to see the countless forms Jesus' outstretched hand takes? Too easily impressed by life's "special effects," we, much like Elijah, can hardly hear the "tiny whispering sound".

*From the Desk of Fr. Philip*

**KOLACHE BAKING For Czechfest**

Bring your apron and let's bake kolaches for Czechfest on Saturday, August 19, 2017 starting at 8:00 a.m. in the I.C. Hall. Make sure you have an up-to-date food handler's card. Lunch will be provided.  
*Sidney & Dorothy Faas*

**DO IT NOW**

When I'll be dead, your tears will flow, but I won't know.  
Cry for me *now* instead!  
When I'll be dead, you will send flowers, but I won't see.  
Send them *now* instead!  
When I'll be dead, you'll say words of praise,  
but I won't hear. Praise me *now* instead!  
When I'll be dead, you'll forget my faults, but I won't know.  
Forget them *now* instead!  
When I'll be dead, you'll miss me then, but I won't feel.  
Miss me *now* instead!  
When I'll be dead, you'll wish you had spent more time with me. Spend it *now* instead.

Spend time with every person you love, every one you care for.

Make them feel special, for you never know  
when time will take them away from you forever. - Fr. Philip

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:** *When was the last time I experienced God as really absent from my life? Really present? To whom am I called to be Jesus' outstretched hand of strength and support?*

**MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

- Altar Flowers:** Call the rectory office to donate flowers for the altar.
- Baptism Class:** Call the rectory office to register for this class. All paperwork must be completed before attending class or scheduling Baptism. Next class is August 20, 2017. See website for information.
- Bulletin:** Bulletin announcements due on Tuesday by 10:00 AM.
- Religious Education:** CGS and CCD will meet in CCD Bldg.  
CGS (4 yr. olds, K, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>) — 9:15-10:30 AM, September 10, 2017  
CCD (4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>) — 9:15-10:30 AM, September 10, 2017  
R.C.I.C. — (TBA)  
EDGE (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>) — 9:15-10:30 AM, Sept. 10, 2017 in the I. C. Hall  
Confirmation — 5:30-7:30 PM, September 24, 2017 in the I. C. Hall  
LIFETEEN — 5:30-7:30 PM, September 10, 2017 in the I. C. Hall.
- Scripture Study:** On CCD Sundays at 9:15 AM in the KC Bldg.
- Catholic Daughters Court #2290:** Next meeting is on August 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the I. C. Hall foyer.
- Knights of Columbus:** Next meeting is on September 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the K.C. Building.
- Salt Youth Music Ministry:** Meet on Sunday before Mass. Practice every Tuesday from 7:30-9:00 PM in the Church.
- Czechfest:** SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, **October 1, 2017**. The next meeting is Monday, August 21, 2017 at 6:30 pm in the I. C. Hall.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION**

Registration for Religious Education for Pre-K (4 year olds) through 12 grades will be held after all Masses in the foyer of the church on August 12-13, August 26-27, and September 2-3. If you should have any questions, please feel free to call Michele Hoelscher at 361-244-2138 or send an email to pmhoelscher@aol.com.

**ORGANIST**

The parish is looking for an organist for the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday. If you are interested please call the parish office.  
*Fr. Philip*

**PICTORIAL DIRECTORY**

Your family can still be included in the parish directory! Bring a recent photo of your family to the parish office. There is a LifeTouch processing fee of \$10. Deadline to bring photos is August 30, 2017 and the last chance to be included in the parish directory of St. Thomas and St. Patrick Mission.  
*Cristina Robles*

**WEEKEND OFFERINGS**

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**WHY IS IT?**

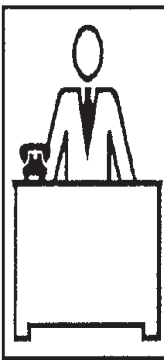
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