

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

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Yolanda Tobon

**Holy Day Vigil @ St. Thomas:** 6:30 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



“Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed.”

- Isaiah 56:1

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

**LECTORS for AUGUST 26-27, 2017**

Saturday, 5:30 PM: Patricia Bryant  
 Sunday, 8 AM: Dr. Tony Villarreal  
 Sunday, 11 AM: Rosa Carrillo



**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS for AUGUST 26-27, 2017**

Saturday, 5:30 PM: Tanya Whitehead, Trish Yaklin  
 Sunday, 8 AM: Deacon Bill, Linda Avila, Josie Blevins, Agnes Flores, Gwen Gomez  
 Sunday, 11 AM: Jesse & Velma Garcia, Shannon Aguilar, Bill & Evon Kelly

**ALTAR SERVERS for AUGUST 26-27, 2017**

Saturday, 5:30 PM: Volunteers  
 Sunday, 8 AM: Amanda & Kendall & Taylor Dusek, Kayla Tovar  
 Sunday, 11 AM: Leanna Aguilar, Caleb Emory, Andy Vela, Blake Koether

**Mass Intentions**

**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

**MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2017 - No Mass**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**  
 12:05 PM: †Rodrigo R. Gonzalez by John & Annette Freeman

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**  
 12:05 PM: †Kara Kneseck by Jerry Kneseck  
 7:00 PM: **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**  
 12:05 PM: Brian Dee (Birthday) by David & Susie Tajchman

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 25, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**  
 12:05 PM: †David Tajchman, Jr. by David & Susie Tajchman

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 2017**  
 4:00 PM: **VIGIL MASS @ 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**  
**COLLECTIVE MASS**  
 †Harlew Conally by Betty Conally  
 †Bobbie Hans by Mary Ann Hans  
 †Boone Hans by Mary Ann Hans  
 †Ottie Zieger (AOB) by Charlie & Jean Chapman  
 †Geneva Strmiska by Helen Heffner

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**  
 8:00 AM: **Parishioners**  
 †Shirley Ann Tarble by Vic & Marguerite Ann Vatzlavick  
 11:00 AM: †David Schneider by Rosario Gonzalez

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 Nemeck, 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, Delma Tamez, Pablo De Leon, Margarita Marquez, Dalia Gutierrez, and John Floyd.

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>F O R t h e W E E K</b>	+	Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22 Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30 Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16 Thursday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51 Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146: 5-10; Mt 22:34-40; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20
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**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Monday: St. Pius X  
 Tuesday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
 Wednesday: St. Rose of Lima  
 Thursday: St. Bartholomew  
 Friday: St. Louis and St. Joseph Calasanz

**BLOOD DRIVE**

The Coastal Bend Blood Center will be hosting a blood drive at St. Thomas the Apostle on Sunday, August 27, 2017 from 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Every donor will receive either a t-shirt or a \$8 Fandango movie ticket.

**LITURGY OF THE DAY**

In a world in which those who are perceived as different seem to be at greater risk, God invites us to break down the boundaries that separate us from others. As we gather this weekend, let us make this house, God's house, truly a house of prayer for all peoples.

The Canaanite woman of today's Gospel, desperate for the healing of her daughter, breaks through social and political barriers, even challenging Jesus as she seeks relief for her child. As we listen to God's holy word this weekend, let us examine the boundaries that we set, and listen for God's challenge to us to break them down.

**REFLECTION**

• Last Sunday Jesus chided Peter: "O you of little faith". Today, Jesus praises a woman whose only "name" identifies her as an ethnic "outsider" and Israel's classic enemy, a Canaanite: "O woman, great is your faith!" Today, despite Jesus' silence, refusal, and seeming insult, the Canaanite woman calls Jesus "Lord" and even "does Jesus homage." All this before Jesus heals her daughter, a miracle she's not even present to verify. Thus, a double outsider (a Gentile woman) teaches Jesus' disciples authentic faith.

• Moreover, she becomes a sign of the gospel's universality. From this point on in Matthew's Gospel, no one belongs under the Lord's table, much less away from it. But sometimes less welcoming sentiments echo within us: "there have to be limits... You can't save the world, please everybody, befriend everyone... Some people just aren't ready, willing, or open." But with Jesus, all are welcome; for all of us, says Paul, are alike, made brother and sisters by our shared streak of disobedience. If Jesus will have even us, then who are we to judge?

• Today's Gospel raises a second question. Haven't we each, at some time, met this silent Lord, who seems not to answer, or even harder to take, responds with a difficult word? The Canaanite woman teaches us patience, persistence, perseverance, and boundless confidence in Jesus' personal love for each of us, appearance sometimes to the contrary.

*From the Desk of Fr. Philip*

**2017 MISSIONS APPEAL SPECIAL COLLECTION**

Welcome to our parish Fr. Joseph Mary Offeh from the Diocese of Obuasi in Ghana. He is asking for assistance in helping with the challenges in evangelization and social ministries in Ghana.

**WALKING WITH PURPOSE**

We invite all the women of the parish to consider joining Walking with Purpose (WWP) at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church. WWP will meet on Wednesday morning from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the I.C. Hall starting September 6, 2017. Registration forms are available in the foyer of the church. For more information call or text Katherine Shimek at 361-946-0104.

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:** *How patient is my prayer, how undaunted is my confidence in Jesus' personal love for me?*

**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 (4 yr. olds, K, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>) — 9:15-10:30 AM

CCD (4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>) — 9:15-10:30 AM

R.C.I.C. — (TBA)

EDGE (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>) — 9:15-10:35 AM in the I. C. Hall

CONFIRMATION — 5:30-7:30 PM in the I. C. Hall

LIFETEEN (9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>) — 5:30-7:30 PM in the I. C. Hall.

**Scripture Study:** On CCD Sundays at 9:15 AM in the KC Bldg.

**Pastoral Council:** Next meeting is August 24, 2017 at 6:30 PM in the rectory.

**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. 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.

**EDGE**

All Middle School students, grades 6-8 are welcome to the EDGE Lights Out - Back to School Social from 5:30-7:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 27, 2017 in the I. C. Hall. For more information call Rachel Unterbrink at 361-813-3242.

**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.  
*Cristina Robles*



**OFFERINGS FOR THE WEEK**

	WEEKEND	HOLY DAY
St. Thomas the Apostle	\$9211.08	\$721.00
St. Patrick Mission	\$431.75	\$23.00

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