

*Mass Schedule*

Mond /Lun Dec.,31      ✠ Emily Molina  
**MASS 8:AM**                      1 Jn 2:18-21 Jn 1:1-18  
 St Sylvester I, Pope

Tues/Mart. Jan 1,  
 Solemnity of Mary                      Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/  
 The Holy Mother of God              Lk 2:16-21  
 World day of prayer for peace

Wed./Mierc Jan 2,                      ✠ Danny De Haven  
**Mass 8:00 AM**                      1 Jn 2: 22-28/ Jn1:19-28  
 Saints Basil the Great  
 And Gregory Nazianzen,  
 Bishops

Thurs/Juev Jan 3,                      ✠ Jack Igel  
**MASS 8:00AM**                      1 Jn 2:29-3:6 Jn 1:29-34  
 The Most Holy Name  
 Of Jesus

Fri./Vier Jan 4,                      ✠ Jimmy & Robert  
**MASS 8:00AM**                      Tschoepe  
 St. Elizabeth Ann  
 Seaton, Religious                      1 Jn 3:7-10/Jn 1:35-42

**JANUARY 6 , 2019**  
**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**  
 Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:3:2-3a 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

Sat./Sábado Jan 5,  
**MASS 4:00PM**                      Melissa Byrd  
**Sun/Dom. 8:00AM**                      ✠ Catarina Dominguez  
 10:30AM                      ✠ Jack Titus  
 1:00PM                      ✠ Yolanda Martinez

*Message from the Pastor*

Today the Church is proposing to us the Holy family of Jesus, Mary and Jesus as the as model for family life. In today's Gospel we find that the Holy family went to Jerusalem to do the yearly worship. They were anxious when they lost the boy Jesus and rejoiced immensely when they found Jesus. We see that the family had deep faith and genuine love for each other. Joseph was a solicitous father, Mary a dedicated mother and Jesus an obedient son. The qualities which St. Paul mentions as adorning family life such as forgiveness, generosity and gentleness were very much present in the holy family.  
 Fr. Mathew Kavipurayidam, TOR

Today we are facing crisis in family life. We are living in a society where family values are disappearing. We have broken homes, single parent families, parental addictions and child abuse and neglect of the elderly parents. There are families where there is so much animosity between the spouses, so much misunderstanding, mistrust and even hate feelings. People live with so much hurt feelings. Many marriages break up easily. In such situation children cannot grow up as normal human beings. It is a call for everyone to be aware of crisis in our society and be interested to change the situation. It means Parents are to be responsible, children are to be obedient and pray to the Holy Family for help to live our life in such a manner where we are responsible for each other.

Heartfelt   
**THANKS**  
**TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!**

**T**o all the many volunteers who made our Christmas Celebrations so Special by sharing their time and talents. From the Choir with beautiful music to the Lectors with powerful readings of the Liturgy of the Word, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers Acolytes and all who helped with decorating the Church for the coming of our Lord, to the just plain fun of the Posada celebration, your generous donation of time and talent made this Blessed Season more meaningful for all.

**A** todos los muchos voluntarios que hicieron nuestras celebraciones navideñas tan especiales compartiendo su tiempo y talentos. Desde el coro con la hermosa música a los lectores con poderosas lecturas de la Liturgia de la Palabra, Ministros Eucarísticos, Acólitos, Acomodadores y todos los que ayudaron con la decoración de la iglesia para la venida de nuestro Señor, a la pura diversión de la celebración de la Posada, su generosa donación de tiempo y talento hizo esta temporada bendita más significativa para todos.



**Prayer for the Sick**

Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless your friends who are sick. Give them the strength in body, courage in spirits and patience in pain. Let them recover their health, so that, restored to the Christian community, they may joyfully praise your name. You live and reign forever and ever. Amen.

*Gary Green, Richard & Christopher Ramirez, Carolyn Nightingale, Monty Nichols, Jim Skipper, Howard Hoening, Gary Buttler, Rome Milan, Elaina Grace Kelly, Jan Nowicki, Juana Gonzalez, Jorge Hernandez, David Reyes, Tommy Edwards, Melissa Byrd, Laura Snider, Claire Keighley, Edward Cervantes, John Francis.*



"Adoration is homage of the spirit to the 'King of Glory,' respectful silence in the presence of the 'ever greater' God. Adoration of the thrice-holy and sovereign God of love blends with humility and gives assurance to our supplications."

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, N. 2628

On Friday January 4, we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after the 8:00am Mass until 9:00pm in the chapel.

We ask everyone to come and visit our Lord and to pray for our family, friends and our troubled world.

El viernes 4 de enero tendremos la Adoración del Santísimo después de la Misa de las 8 de la mañana hasta las 9:00 p.m. en la capilla.

Pedimos a todos que vengan a visitar a nuestro Señor y oren por nuestra familia, amigos y nuestro mundo problemático.

## BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

There has been some change on the date for the Classes for preparation for baptism.

The next session for preparation for baptism has been change to Thursday, February 7, at 6:30pm.

Registrations for this class will begin on Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019. All participants must be registered at St. Thomas the Apostle or Holy Trinity parish.

Ha habido un cambio en la fecha de las clases para la preparación para el bautismo.

La próxima sesión de preparación para el bautismo ha cambiado a Jueves, febrero 7, a las 6:30pm.

Los registros para esta clase comenzarán el martes, 2 de enero, 2019. Todos los participantes deben estar inscritos en St. Thomas el apóstol o en la parroquia de la Santísima Trinidad.



Children are always welcome and are our priority. To help keep them safe, we ask that one parent ALWAYS accompany them to the restroom.

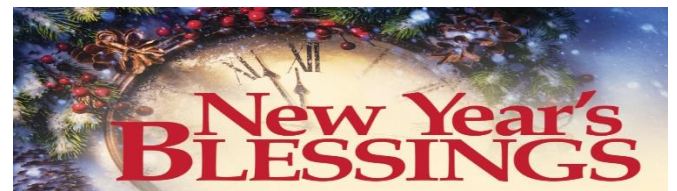
Los niños son bienvenidos siempre, y son nuestra prioridad. Para guardar su seguridad, les pedimos que uno de los padres SIEMPRE los acompañen cuando necesiten ir al baño



### LA SAGRADA FAMILIA DE JESUS

Hoy la Iglesia nos propone la Sagrada Familia de Jesús, María y Jesús como modelo para la vida familiar. En el Evangelio de hoy nos encontramos con que la sagrada familia fue a Jerusalén para hacer la adoración anual. Estaban ansiosos cuando perdieron al niño Jesús y se regocijaron enormemente cuando encontraron a Jesús. Vemos que la familia tenía una fe profunda y un amor genuino el uno por el otro. José era un padre solícito, María una madre dedicada y Jesús un hijo obediente. Las cualidades que San Pablo menciona como adorando la vida familiar como el perdón, la generosidad y la gentileza estuvieron muy presentes en la Sagrada Familia.

Hoy nos enfrentamos a una crisis en la vida familiar. Vivimos en una sociedad donde los valores familiares están desapareciendo. Tenemos hogares rotos, familias monoparentales, adicciones paternas y maltrato infantil y negligencia de los padres ancianos. Hay familias donde hay tanta animosidad entre los cónyuges, tanto malentendido, desconfianza e incluso sentimientos de odio. La gente vive con sentimientos muy heridos. Muchos matrimonios se rompen fácilmente. En tal situación, los niños no pueden crecer como seres humanos normales. Es un llamamiento para que todos sean conscientes de la crisis en nuestra sociedad y estén interesados en cambiar la situación. Significa que los padres deben ser responsables, los niños deben ser obedientes y orar a la Sagrada Familia para que ayuden a vivir nuestra vida de tal manera que seamos responsables el uno del otro.



### Mass Schedule for New the year's Day

*Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>. Mary, the Mother of God - Holy Day of obligation*

*Martes, 1 de Enero Maria la Madre de Dios  
Misa de Precepto*

*10:30Am - Mass (English)- Misa en Ingles  
1:00PM - Mass (Spanish) - Misa en Español*



Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church Carnival will be held on May 18, 2019. We are looking for volunteers to assist in the planning and preparation of the Carnival. Please Contact Tracy Kukawka at 817-201-6831 or Rudy Rivera at 817-675-0717. **First carnival meeting is January 9, 2019, at 7:00 pm in the Education Building Room 113** your expertise is needed, and all are invited.

El carnaval de la iglesia Católica de Santo Tomás el Apóstol se celebrará el 18 de Mayo de 2019. Buscamos voluntarios que ayuden en la planificación y preparación del carnaval. Póngase en contacto con Tracy Kukawka al 817-201-6831 o Rudy Rivera al 817-675-0717. **La primera reunión de carnaval es el 9 de enero de 2019, a las 7:00 PM en el edificio de la escuela salón # 113.**

## May I Have Your Attention Please

In an effort to keep our files updated, we are asking all Registered Parishioners of St. Thomas the Apostle, to call the parish office if:

- ✓ You have recently moved and have a different address
- ✓ Changed your phone number,
- ✓ Have recently registered with the church and have not received your offertory envelopes.
- ✓ We encourage all new parishioners to register in the parish. Those moving out of the parish are asked to notify the office.

En un esfuerzo por mantener nuestros archivos actualizados, estamos pidiendo a todos Feligreses registrados en Santo Tomás Apóstol, para llamar a la oficina parroquial si:

- Se han mudado recientemente y tiene una dirección diferente
- Han cambiado número de teléfono,
- Se han registrado recientemente en la iglesia y no han recibido sus sobres de ofertorio.
- Animamos a todos los nuevos feligreses a registrarse en la parroquia.

## Free GCO Clinic January 2, 2019

St Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church and Clinic for the Cities and sponsor a free clinic



**5:00 PM – 8:00 PM the first Wednesday every month** in our Education Building.

You are welcome to take advantage of this health benefit. There is no cost, no appointments, and no insurance

information.

## Free GCO Clinic February 6, 2019

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## Free GCO Clinic March 6, 2019

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**“PURSUANT TO SECTION 30.07, PENAL CODE (TRESPASS BY LICENSE HOLDER WITH AN OPENLY CARRIED HANDGUN), A PERSON LICENSED UNDER SUBCHAPTER H, CHAPTER 411, GOVERNMENT CODE (HANDGUN LICENSING LAW), MAY NOT ENTER THIS PROPERTY WITH A HANDGUN THAT IS CARRIED OPENLY.**

Spanish Notice

**CONFORME A LA SECCIÓN 30.06 DEL CÓDIGO PENAL (TRASPASAR PORTANDO ARMAS DE FUEGO) PERSONAS CON LICENCIA BAJO DEL SUBCAPITULO H, CAPITULO 411, CODIGO DE GOBIERNO (LEY DE PORTAR ARMAS), NO DEBEN ENTRAR A ESTA PROPIEDAD PORTANDO UN ARMA DE FUEGO. DE CONFORMIDAD CON LA SECCIÓN 30.07, DEL CÓDIGO PENAL (TRASPASO DE UNA PERSONA CON LICENCIA CON UNA ARMA DE FUEGO VISIBLE), UNA PERSONA CON LICENCIA BAJO EL SUBCAPÍTULO H, CAPÍTULO 411, DEL CÓDIGO DE GOBIERNO (LEY DE LICENCIAS DE ARMAS DE FUEGO), NO PODRÁ ENTRAR A ESTA PROPIEDAD CON UNA ARMA DE FUEGO QUE SEA LLEVADA VISIBLEMENTE.**

### TAX DEDUCTIBLE YEAR-END GIVING

The requirements for tax deductible year-end giving as follows:

- In order to be credited as a donation in the 2018 tax year, checks must be dated and mailed with a postmark on or before Monday, December 31, 2018.
- Credit card gifts are effective on the date the card is charged.
- Electronic funds transfer is effective on the date of the transfer.
- Stocks transferred electronically are effective on the date of transfer.

### REMEMBER OPTIONS FOR SUPPORTING ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH

We will continue to talk about Stewardship and the importance of giving thanks for the blessings we receive every day. Let us be grateful, not ungrateful to God for all He has given us. Here are other ways to support St. Thomas the Apostle

**Are you 70-1/2 or older?**

Through an IRA Charitable Rollover, you can donate up to \$100,000 from your IRA directly to the Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth Advancement Foundation – to support **St. Thomas the Apostle Parish**, a Catholic school, the Annual Diocesan Appeal or another ministry of the Diocese of Fort Worth – without having to pay income taxes on the money.

Ask your broker to make the check payable directly to the Advancement Foundation and include a note about how it should be credited. Or, download the form available at <https://www.advancementfoundation.org/my-giving>. For more information contact Beverly Oberdorf at [b.oberdorf@sttafw.org](mailto:b.oberdorf@sttafw.org) or call 817-624-2186, ext. 107.

### BUILDING YOUR LEGACY

As we enter into the final months of 2018 it's important to set aside some time to reflect and make preparations for the future. This can include making plans for how to build your legacy. Remembering St. Thomas the Apostle in your will, is another avenue to living a grateful life. Remember make stewardship YOUR way of life.



Keep in touch with us  
via email & text



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ESPAÑOL TEXT: STnews a: 202-765-3441

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**Need help getting started?**

We can make it easier for you!

Have you ever arrived at Mass and realized that you forgot your giving envelope? If so, then you should be using online giving!

Interested in setting up for online giving? Call the parish office at 817-625-2184 SIGN UP TODAY  
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