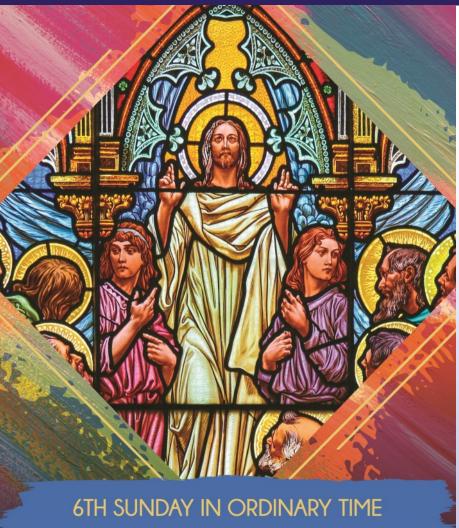
St. Thomas Catholic Church PARISH & CAMPUS MINISTRY SERVING CHRIST TOGETHER



• SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2023 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •



WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	5:30pm
Sundays	8:00am, 11:00am,
	12:30pm (Español)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday	9:00am
Thursday	9:00am
Friday	9:00am
First Saturday of Each Month	

COMMUNION SERVICE

Tuesday	9:00am

CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY MASS

Wednesday	5:30pm
(Student Center Chapel / During School	Session)

HOLY DAY MASSES

Visit <u>stthomascatholic.com</u> or see the monthly calendar for Holy Day Mass schedules.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday	4:00pm-5:00pm
(or l	oy appointment)

"I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment." - Mt 5:22a

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 11

5:30 PM Mass for All the Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, February 12

MA 00:8 Mass Intention of Jimmy Serio 11:00 AM Mass for Demetruis Lane, deceased 12:30 PM Misa para la Gente de la Parroquia

Tuesday, February 14

9:00 AM **Communion Service**

Wednesday, February 15

9:00 AM Mass Intention for the Anniversary of Daniel &

Emigdia McClary

Thursday, February 16

9:00 AM Mass for Jadwija Walozczuk, deceased

Friday, February 17

9:00 AM Mass for Tullie & Betty Hollis, deceased

Saturday, February 18

5:30 PM Mass for Maureen Angelini, deceased

Sunday, February 19

MA 00:8 Mass for Sam Samek, deceased Mass for Demetrius Lane, deceased 11:00 AM 12:30 PM Misa para la Gente de la Parroquia

Monthly Altar Flowers Feb. 11th & Feb. 12th

In memory/honor of In memory/honor of

Feb. 18th & Feb. 19th

In memory/honor of Virgen Maria

In memory/honor of

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading— No one does he command to act unjustly. (Sirach 15:15-20)

Psalm— Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord! (Ps 119:1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34)

Second Reading — God predestined wisdom before the ages for our glory. (Corinthians 2:6-10)

Gospel— So it was said to your ancestors; but I say this to you. (Matthew 5:17-37)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Genesis 4:1-15,25; Mark 8:11-13 Tuesday: Genesis 6:5-8;7:1-5,10; Mark 8:14-21 Wednesday: Genesis 8:6-13,20-22; Mark 8:22-26

Thursday: Genesis 9:1-13; Mark 8:27-33 Friday: Genesis 11:1-9; Mark 8:34-9:1 Saturday: Hebrews 11:1-7; Mark 9:2-13

Sunday: Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18; 1 Corinthians 3:16-23;

Matthew 5:38-48

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 on the 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 205-620-0051 or cell 205-370-6618. Adoration is held in the Chapel at the Student Center.

Adoration will be March 3rd & 4th and March 17th &18th

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		EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS	SACRISTANS
Saturday Feb. 18th	5:30 PM	Beth T. (1) Tena W. (2) Ed A. (B)	Beth Taylor	Mary Katherine	Pat Taylor	Jerry & Mary Pax
Sunday Feb. 19th	8:00 AM	Susie L. (1) Bruno N. (2) Marius W. (3) Kyle L. (4) Gloria Q. (B)	Susan Phillips Jon Thompson	Dalton (T) Alexandra (T) Brinley Audrey Paolo	Bill Drescher Walter Lee	Bruno Navarro
	11:00 AM	Rob C. (1) Cathy B. (2) Jena E. (3) Need Sub. (4) Jasper L. (B)	Joanne Fondren Jena Evanko	David M. (T) Abraham Christopher Hallie	Roland Burns Norma Russo Ken Radigan	Jena Evanko
	12:30 PM (Spanish)	Lucina Tavera Socorro Gomez	Rosa Maria (1) Xochitl (S) Cristina (2) Guadalupe (P)	Camilla Fernando (T) Griselda Lisa	Heron Patrick	Lupe, Antonio, y Magda

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

FEB 11, 2023 TO FEB. 18, 2023 SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

8:30 AM—11:00 PM

Hispanic Breakfast

9:30 AM-10:45 AM

Faith Formation

RCIA

Inquiry

LUNCHEON

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:30 AM-4:00 PM OFFICE OPEN TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 8:30 AM-4:00 PM OFFICE OPEN 11:00 AM MASS/PRIMETIMERS/

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15 8:30 AM-4:00 PM OFFICE OPEN

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16 8:30AM-4:00PM OFFICE OPEN

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

8:30AM-12:30pm OFFICE OPEN No Adoration 6:30PM Confirmation II

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

No Adoration 8:00AM Confirmation II 4:00-5:00PM Reconciliation 5:30PM Vigil Mass

St. Thomas Facebook

For any who cannot attend Mass due to health concerns, we stream the 5:30pm Saturday Mass on our Facebook page. The St. Thomas Parish Facebook page can be found by searching "St Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, Montevallo, AL."

Faith Direct

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 205-663-3936 ex.109. You can also enroll at www.stthomascatholic.com/online-giving/.

One Voice Scholarship Contest 3/17

Our diocesan magazine, One Voice, is offering a \$1,500 writing scholarship contest for diocesan high school seniors. The essay for the scholarship should be 800-1200 words on the subject: "Tell us about the person in whom you most see the face of Christ." If you would like to participate, please contact Fr. Jantz. The deadline for the scholarship is March 17, 2023).

Pastoral Staff

http://stthomascatholic.com/pastoral-staff-2/

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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 Phone: 205-663-3936 Fax: 205-663-0657

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Collection for Jan. 2023

To	tal	\$86,500.00	\$78,007.24	\$8,492.76
Building Fu	nd	\$35,000.00	\$29,746.18	\$5,253.82
Offerto	ory	\$51,500.00	\$48,261.06	\$3,238.94
		BUDGET	ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE

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

\$10,244.10
\$12,328.43
IFFERENCE

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 205-663-3936 for Baptismal Preparation.

Marriage

Parish Membership and a six month preparation period are required. For weddings, please contact Father Jantz at 205-663-3936.

Ministry of the Sick

Please contact the office at 205-663-3936 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 are strongly encouraged to 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. If you are moving from another parish, please 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 205-663-3936.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It's hard to believe, but we're only a little over a week away from Lent. 2023 is flying by, and Ash Wednesday is coming on February the 22nd!

You'll be hearing about lots of activities going on in the parish during the Lenten season, but for now, I'd mostly like to offer an invitation to everyone to start praying about how to make the upcoming "Christian spring training" an effective one for you.

My recommendation is usually to look for a balanced approach: commit to some extra prayer; do some fasting; and look for ways to be generous with time, talent, and treasure, especially for those who are in need. And it's important for us to look at these Lenten disciplines not as something that we've chosen for ourselves but rather as something the Lord is calling us to do. Not just picking out a practice because it makes us feel good or flatters our pride, but because we feel that God is asking us to grow in that specific way.

With just over a week to go, now is a good time to start bringing our ideas before the Lord to discern is will for a holy Lent. I look forward to seeing everyone on Ash Wednesday, at our Fish Fry and Stations of the Cross each Friday, and at the many other special activities that will be coming up so soon.

Through the prayers of Our Lady and St. Thomas, let's ask God to show us the path for us to walk the Lenten journey together.

God bless,

Fr. Jantz

Sunday Morning Adult Faith Formation Classes

Adult Faith Formation classes take place Sunday mornings in the classroom behind the music rehearsal room from 9:45am-10:45am. The classes use a variety of teaching methods including video and power point presentations and class discussions. Topics for February and March include: The Four Marks of the Church Feb 12th, The Deuterocanonical Books Feb 19th, 20 Years of Apparitions-Friends of Medjugorje Feb 26th, Church Fathers DVD Part 5 March 5th, The Two Great Popes, March 12th, Sacraments DVD March 19th, Spring Break March 26th (No Class), Council of Trent April 2nd. All are welcome to join us for these presentations. For more information, please contact Deacon David.

Registration now open for Camp St. Bernard

Camp St. Bernard is now open for registration! We offer an overnight camp experience for kids ages 6-14 on the campus of St. Bernard Abbey and Prep School. Campers participate in various outdoor activities and get a chance to spend some quality time outdoors making new friends in a fun, safe, and Catholic setting. More information can be found at campstbernard.com.

Primetimers Mass & Luncheon 2/14

The next Primetimers mass & luncheon will be Tuesday, February 14. Any parishioners over the age of 55 are welcome to join us for an 11:00 am mass followed by a potluck lunch & social time! What a great way to get to know other parishioners!

Faith Formation

Faith Formation classes are in session.

Adult: Sun. 9:30-10:45 a.m. Grade 1st-10th: Sun. 9:30 -10:45 a.m.

Altar Flowers 2023

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. Altar flowers are \$45.

Rosary on Sunday Mornings

The Sunday Morning Rosary will be in the church after the 8:00am Mass.

Youth Group 8th—12th grade

The youth group meets in the St. Anthony classroom 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.

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, at about 8PM. There is usually food available at 6:30 before the meeting. Masks and social distancing are encouraged.

Saturday Morning Mass

The St. Thomas Parish will have Mass at 10am on the **first Saturday** of every month in honor of Our Lady. The Next Saturday morning Mass will be on Feb. 4th.

Cantors Needed for English Masses

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.

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

K of C Religious Store

Religious Articles Store - The Knights of Columbus need volunteers to operate the store after each Mass. The store would open immediately after Mass and remain open for 30 minutes or until there are no more customers. Initially the intent is to open the store 2 weekends a month, eventually extending to every weekend. If you want to volunteer, please give your name and the Mass you attend to the church office.

Ladies Wednesday Morning Bible Study

The Ladies Wednesday Morning Bible Study is at 10:00 AM in the St. Joseph's room. We will study "James: Pearls for Wise Living", in which Jeff Cavins shows how the teachings of James speak to those of us who feel torn between the competing demands of this world and our faith. Meant to help a fledgling Church live out its faith in the face of persecution and a worldview opposed to the gospel, the book of James will help you discover wisdom applicable to the present. All are invited to attend. If you have questions, call Debbie Drescher at 205-616-0920.

Wednesday Night Scripture Study

The Scripture Study group are on Wednesday's at 7:00 PM in the St. Joseph's room with "The Early Church: An Exciting Study of the Church's First Five Hundred Years" Discover the extraordinary story of the Church's beginnings—a time of courageous saints, brilliant philosophers, eloquent theologians, ruthless emperors, and heroic martyrs. Here you will get to know the people and events that shaped its first five hundred years. You will see how the Church Fathers boldly confronted early challenges to the Faith—challenges similar to the ones we face today. You will learn the stories behind the first ecumenical councils and the Roman persecutions and meet many of the men and women who gave their lives to defend the Faith. The heroic stories of the early leaders and martyrs of the Church will strengthen and affirm your own walk of faith. All are invited! Call Bill or Debbie at 205-664-2066 if you have any questions.

Scholarships by the Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary invites Catholic Women in Alabama to apply for one of two \$750 scholarships to a college or trade school. The scholarships will be awarded at the K of C Convention in April 2023. For more information call the office at 205-663-3936.

Volunteers Needed for Livestreaming Mass

St. Thomas is looking for 4-5 additional volunteers to help with live streaming the 5:30pm Saturday evening Mass. The process is simple and would involve a Saturday Mass commitment every few weeks. Please contact Jena Evanko or Deacon David if you can assist with this ministry.

Lenten Fast and Abstinence

On Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and each Friday of Lent, Catholics who are in good health and are at least 14 years old are obliged to abstain from eating meat (including beef, pork, chicken, and other animals). There is also an obligation to fast on Ash Wednesday (2/22) and Good Friday (4/7) for Catholics in good health from ages 18 through 59. Fasting for this discipline means only one full meal on those days, plus up to two light meals, but no food in between. Catholics are also encouraged to express interior penance in other ways, especially prayer, corporal and spiritual works of mercy, and charity to those in need.

Confirmation Retreat II 2/17-18

The Confirmation Retreat II will be held on Friday, Feb. 17th at 6:00pm and Saturday, Feb. 18 at 8:30am in Montevallo, at the Student Center of St. Thomas. This retreat is for those receiving Confirmation in March need to attend this retreat. If further information is needed please call the office at 205-663-3936.

Padre Pio Prayer Group 2/18

The Padre Pio Prayer group will meet on Saturday, Feb. 18th, at 10am at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in Homewood, AL. All are welcome to join us for an hour of prayer/rosary/adoration and Holy Mass led by Fr. Jim Hedderman. For more information, contact Angela Kolar at angkolar@att.net or 205-410-2033. "Pray, Hope, and Don't Worry!" Padre Pio... pray for us!

Ash Wednesday 2/22

Ash Wednesday will be observed on February 22 this year. St Thomas will celebrate Mass with the Distribution of Ashes at 9am, 5pm and 7pm.

Ultreya Group 2/23

The Ultreya Group will be meeting Thursday, Feb. 23 at 7pm in the St Joseph room. For questions please call Jasper Levio at (205)-585-4867.

K of C Fish Fry 2/24

The parish Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Lenten Fish Fry each Friday of Lent (2/24 to 3/31) from 5:30 to 6:30pm. Please join us as we journey together through this upcoming holy season!

Stations of the Cross 2/24

The Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at St. Thomas on the Fridays of Lent after the 9am Mass and at 7pm. The 7pm Stations will be led by different priests, deacons, and special groups, and will include a spiritual reflection. All are invited to participate in this beautiful annual tradition!

K of C Pancake Breakfast 3/5

The Knights of Columbus provide a pancake breakfast on the First Sunday of each month from 8:30am to 10:30am. Please plan to join us. Next Breakfast is March 5. - 5 -

MINISTERIO HISPANO 6° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO "Yo les digo: Todo el que se enoje con su hermano, será llevado también ante el tribunal". - Mt 5, 22

Becas de las Damas Auxiliares

Las Damas Auxiliares les invita a las mujeres católicas de Alabama a solicitor una (1) de dos (2) becas de \$750 para una Universidad o escuela de oficios. Las becas se otorgarán en la Convención de K de C en Abril de 2023. Para más información llame a la oficina al esa manera específica. 205-663-3936.

Desayuno del Ministro Hispano 2/12-19

El Desayuno Hispano es el 12 y 19 de Febrero a las 8:00 am a 10:45 am. Si desea hacer una donación o ayudar en el Ministerio Hispano, comuníquese con Gricelda al 205-478-5110.

Retiro de confirmacion II 2/17-18

El Retiro de Confirmación II se llevará a cabo el Viernes 17 de Febrero a las 6:00pm y el Sábado 18 de Febrero a las 8:30 a.m. en Montevallo, en el Centro de Estudiantes de Santo Tomás. Este retiro es para aquellos que nos muestre el camino para Cuaresma. que reciben confirmación en Marzo que deben asistir a este retiro. Si se necesita más información, llame a la oficina al 205-663-3936.

Misa de Miércoles de Ceniza 2/22

Se llevará acabo el Miércoles, Febrero 22 por la mañana Misa 9:00 am por la tarde Misa 5:00 pm Misa 7:00 pm bilingüe.

Estaciones de la cruz 2/24

Las Estaciones de la Cruz se celebrarán en Santo Tomás los viernes de Cuaresma después de la Misa de las 9 am ya las 7 pm. Las Estaciones de las 7pm estarán dirigidas por diferentes sacerdotes, diáconos y grupos especiales, e incluirán una reflexión espiritual. ¡Todos están invitados a participar en esta hermosa tradición anual!

LECTURAS DEL DOMINGO

Primera lectura: A nadie le ordena actuar injustamente. (Sirac 15 15-20)

Salmo: ¡Bienaventurados los que siguen la ley del Señor!

(PS 119 1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34)

Segunda lectura: Dios predestinó la sabiduría antes de las edades para

nuestra gloria. (Corintios 2 6-10)

Evangelio: Dios predestinó la sabiduría antes de las edades para

nuestra gloria. (Corintios 2 6-10)

LECTURAS PARA LA SEMANA

Génesis 4 1-15.25: Marcos 8 11-13 Lunes Martes Génesis 6 5-8; 7 1-5,10; Marcos 8 14-21 Miércoles Génesis 8 6-13,20-22; Marcos 8 22-26 Jueves Génesis 9 1-13; Marcos 8 27-33 Viernes Génesis 11 1-9; Marcos 8 34-9 1 Sábado Hebreos 11 1-7; Marcos 9 2-13

Domingo Levítico 19 1-2,17-18; 1 Corintios 3 16-23;

Mateo 5 38-48

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

Es difícil de creer, pero estamos a poco más de una semana de la Cuaresma. ¡El 2023 pasa volando y el Miércoles de Ceniza llega el 22 de febrero!

Escucharán sobre muchas actividades que se llevan a cabo en la parroquia durante la temporada de Cuaresma, pero por ahora, quisiera invitar a todos a comenzar a orar sobre cómo hacer que el "entrenamiento cristiano de primavera" sea efectivo para ti.

Mi recomendación es buscar un equilibrio: comprometerse con alguna oración adicional; haz algo de ayuno; y busque formas de ser generoso con el tiempo, el talento y el tesoro, especialmente para aquellos que están en necesidad. Y es importante que veamos estas disciplinas de Cuaresma no como algo que hemos elegido para nosotros mismos, sino como algo que el Señor nos está llamando a hacer. No solo elegir una práctica porque nos hace sentir bien o gratifica nuestro orgullo, sino porque sentimos que Dios nos está pidiendo que crezcamos de

Con poco más de una semana hasta esa temporada, ahora es un buen momento para comenzar a llevar nuestras ideas ante el Señor para discernir su voluntad para una Cuaresma santa. Espero verlos a todos el Miércoles de Ceniza, en nuestro Pescado Frito y Via Crucis cada viernes, y en las muchas otras actividades especiales que se realizarán muy pronto.

Por las oraciones de Nuestra Señora y Santo Tomás, pidamos a Dios

Dios los bendiga, Padre Jantz

Pescado frito 2/24

Los Caballeros de la Parroquia de Colón servirán una cena de fpescado frito durante la Cuaresma cada Viernes (2/24 a 3/31) de 5:30pm a 6:30pm. ¡Únase a nosotros mientras viajamos juntos a través de esta próxima temporada santa!

MINISTERIO HISPANO

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 registrase antes del bautismo en el libro Los Viernes a las 6:45pm 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

Estudio Bíblico

Los Martes 6:30pm

Grupo Carismático

Grupo de Jóvenes

Los Miercoles a las 7:00pm

Preparaciones para los adultos

Marisol Millan | 205-432-8940

Preparaciones para quinceañeras

Magda Rivera | 643-2659

RosaMaria Angel | 205-901-0470

Clases de Bautismo 3/6

Las clases de bautismo comenzaron el 6 de Marzo. Estas clases son para miembros de Santo Tomás. Por favor, si asiste a misa en otra Parroquia, por favor reciba sus Clases de Bautismo allí. Si no se registra en el libro para bautismo no puede asiste la clase.