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MASSES

**Daily at 8:30 am - No Mass on
Wednesday and Saturday morning.**

Saturday: Vigil Bartow: 5:00 pm

Sunday: Ft. Meade 8:00 am

Sunday: Bartow 10:30 am

Sacraments

Confessions: Half hour prior to masses.

Marriage preparation: Arrangements must be
made four months in advance.

Baptism: Last Sunday of the month.

Call Evelyn Rivera 863-370-4000
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Sick calls – Anytime

Communion for Sick and Home Bound

Call the Church Office

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Every
Sunday 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm

Religious Education

Jessica Witmer 863-602-3837

Religious Formation – Every Sunday
Sept thru May

Preschool thru 8th
Sun 9 am + **Mass**

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NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME!

Registration forms in church or office

Remember St. Thomas Church in your will

Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church 2180 S. Kissingen Ave. Bartow FL, 33830 *Diocese of Orlando*



All Saints November 1, 2026



Mass Intentions

Sat Oct 31	5:00 pm	+Francisco Lopez By Ivette Hernandez
Sun Nov 1	8:00 am	For All Parishioners
Sun Nov 1	10:30 am	For All Departed
Mon Nov 2	8:30 am	For All Departed
Mon Nov 2	7:00 pm	The Pope's Designated Intentions
Tue Nov 3	8:30 am	For All Departed
Thu Nov 5	8:30 am	For All Departed
Fri Nov 6	8:30 am	For All Departed
Sat Nov 7	8:30 am	Fr. Gabriel Kamienski
Sat Nov 7	5:00 pm	Sr. Zofia
Sun Nov 8	8:00 am	For All Parishioners
Sun Nov 8	10:30 am	+Jorge & +Matilde Espinosa By Martha & John Laurent

Please Pray For.....

Stuart Andrews, Terry Ayres, Kristin Bing, Pete Byrne, Melvin Casey, Debbie Coffman, Alan English, Rachel Gohlman, Dorothy Guptill, Delores Hart, Austin Heath, Zachary Heath, Ivette Hernandez, Jennifer Hoffer, Reagan H., Mark Jansen, Missy Jansen, Stuart Jones, Fr. Gabriel Kamienski, Bill Kjerrumgaard, David LaCalair, Aaron Mills, Adam Mills, Zachary Mills, Scott Mize, Kathleen Morris, Lacey Pate, George Pizano, Karlee Severns, Sr. Zofia, Richie Southwell, Murphy Stidham, Rita Taylor, Laura Webb

Please pray for our deceased diocesan priests

Nov 3, 2013	Msgr. John Caulfield
Nov 9, 1994	Rev. Charles Anderson
Nov 15, 1995	Rev. James Fahey
Nov 17, 2004	Rev. Thomas Bergin
Nov 20, 2000	Rev. George Moreau
Nov 29, 2021	Rev. Hugo Londono
Nov 30, 1994	Rev. William Killion

LECTORS	EMHC
10/31-5:00 pm	
Barbara Van Orsdale Pat Lowery	Pat Lowery Doug Van Orsdale
11/1-10:30 am	
Unique Gonzalez Maureen Leckie	Maria Davila George Cherry
11/2-8:30 am	
Evelyn Rivera Martha Laurent	
11/2-7:00 pm	
Pat Lowery Maureen Leckie	
11/7-5:00 pm	
Mike DeNeve Ann Spencer	Susan DeNeve Ann Slocum
11/8-10:30 am	
Caroline Picart Confermandi	Evelyn Rivera Pattie Scott

Saint Thomas Collection

10/18	Regular	\$1856.00
	Maintenance	75.00
	All Souls	45.00
	Diocesan	664.00

Saint Elizabeth Collection

10/18	Regular	339.00
	Diocesan	77.00

COME TO PRAY

November 5 First Thursday of the Month is dedicated to pray for new vocations to the priesthood and the religious life, and the sanctity of life for those already called.

November 6 First Friday of the Month is dedicated to the Veneration of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

November 7 First Saturday of the Month is dedicated to Veneration of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Prayers and benediction after Mass in monsternace



November 2, All Souls Day
Masses at
8:30 am and 7:00 pm
Collection will benefit our Food
Pantry

INDULGENCES FOR THE POOR SOULS

Plenary indulgences can be granted during the month of November for Poor Souls in Purgatory, if the required conditions are met. "A plenary indulgence is the remission of the temporal punishment due to sins which have already been forgiven." The church has always understood that even though our sins are forgiven in the sacrament of penance, by committing them we have upset the perfect order that God created in the world, and that there is still punishment due, either in the present life or in purgatory. The church, as guardian of the limitless merits of Christ's redemption, dispenses the remission of that punishment due through the prayers of the faithful and our works of charity and penance.

1. On All Souls Day, **November 2**, a plenary indulgence for Poor Souls in Purgatory, is granted by visiting any parish church or chapel and reciting one Our Father and one Apostle's Creed.
2. On all of the days November 1 through November 8 inclusive, a plenary indulgence for Poor Souls in purgatory is granted by visiting a cemetery and praying even if only mentally for the departed.

Each day that you seek an indulgence, it must be for a different soul, and once you have gained an indulgence for a soul, no more indulgences are ever needed for that soul.

Conditions for both indulgences:

1. Only one plenary indulgence can be granted per day and only to one soul.
2. It is necessary to be in the state of grace, at least by completion of the work.
3. Freedom from attachment to a particular sin, even venial sin, is necessary; otherwise, the indulgence is only partial.
4. Holy Communion must be received each time the indulgence is sought.
5. Prayers, such as one Our Father and one Hail Mary, must be recited for the intentions of the Holy Father on each day the indulgence is sought.
6. A sacramental confession must be made within a week on completion of the prescribed work. One confession made during the week with the intention of gaining all the indulgences suffices.

MERCY FOR THE DYING

And it is November, the month of praying for the deceased. In St. Faustina's Diary the need for praying for the dead is mentioned often. Praying for the dying is essential to the message of Divine Mercy. Jesus told St. Faustina:

At the hour of their death, I defend as My own glory every soul that will say this chaplet; or when others say it for a dying person, the pardon is the same. When this chaplet is said by the bedside of a dying person, God's anger is placated, unfathomable mercy envelops the soul, and the very depths of My tender mercy are moved for the sake of the sorrowful Passion of My Son. (811)

This is one of the most powerful promises in all of St. Faustina's *Diary*. No matter who the dying person in question may be, God promises to defend them *as His own glory* if you simply say the Chaplet of Divine Mercy for them.

Do you pray for the dying?

Don't think you could ever miss your chance to pray for someone who has already died. It is never too late to pray the Chaplet for them. God is outside of time and He will hear your prayers.

You absolutely can pray for someone after they are dead. God created time and is outside of time. Every moment that ever was or ever will be is always NOW to him because of His omniscience. So even if you pray after their passing, he applies it because he is the God of mercy.

We need to do our part and pray for others — especially for those who are dying and the dead.

In 1926, St. Faustina asked the Jesus one night for whom she should pray. The next night, she saw her Guardian Angel. He took her to "a misty place full of fire in which there was a great crowd of suffering souls." "They were praying fervently," she writes in her Diary (20), "but to no avail, for themselves; only we can come to their aid."

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ALL SAINTS DAY AND ALL SOULS DAY?

All Saints Day (November 1) honors all the souls who are already in heaven — both canonized saints and unknown holy people. All Souls Day (November 2) is dedicated to praying for the souls in Purgatory — those who have died in God's grace but are still being purified before entering heaven.