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## Pastor's Column

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### **Bishop Robert Brom to Visit St. Thomas More Monday, December 10 at 7:00pm**

On October 30, Bishop Brom informed the Pastors of the Diocese that he would be available to visit Parishes for dialogue on “sexual abuse and other related matters.”

This availability came as a result of the recommendation of the Diocesan Pastoral Council, and after consultation with the Board of Deans.

This dialogue, which will last from one to two hours, will provide an opportunity to address Parishioner concerns regarding sexual abuse, the recent Diocesan settlement, and other related matters.

All interested Parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend. I would ask that all Parish Lay Leadership—especially members of the Pastoral, Development, and Finance Councils along with the Liturgy Committee, Interior Design Team, and New Construction Committee—make every effort to be in attendance.

It is the Bishop's specific prayer that these “Dialogues with the Bishop on Sexual Abuse and other Related Matters” will help us on the way to restoring trust, renewing hope and embracing our mission.

As our Diocese moves through these days, we continue to pray for all who have experienced sexual abuse in the midst of the Church Community. We also pray for our Bishop, for all Diocesan Leadership, and for all of us who make up the Church of San Diego. May we have the strength and confidence, trusting in God's grace, to help us move forward in a new and energized way to continue the mission and ministry of Jesus for this time and this place.

*F. Mike*