

Church of St. Thomas More

A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

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Spirituality † Tradition † Community

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday
8:30am-12:00 noon and 12:30-4:00pm

Mass Schedule
Saturday at 5:00pm
Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am
Tuesday-Friday at 8:15am
First Monday of the Month at 7:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration
Monday-Friday, 6:30am-7:30pm

Reconciliation (Confession)
Saturday, 4:00-4:30pm

May 25, 2008 • The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Celebrate Memorial day
by joining us for Mass at 8:15am
Monday, May 26
You are all invited! Please come!

Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak
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An Executioner God or a God Who Suffers With Us?

In recent weeks, we have seen the great devastation in Myanmar and China. We remember the recent tsunami in Indonesia.

In the twinkling of an eye, tens and hundreds of thousands of people are dead. Needless to say, this causes many to question God's existence, the character of God, and if we believe, to ask, "Why does God inflict or, minimally, permit such suffering?"

I share with you an editorial from the Boston Globe by James Carroll. In "Humanizing Nature's Fury," he deals with these questions.

May his words help us, and may we, in turn, help others to better comprehend the mystery of our existence here on Earth and God's role in that mystery.

"OH, UNHAPPY mortals! Oh, deplorable Earth!" So begins Voltaire's cri de coeur over the devastation of the "great" earthquake that struck Lisbon in 1755. "One hundred thousand unfortunates that the earth devours, who, bloody, torn and still throbbing, buried under their roofs, end—unaided and in horrible torment—their lamentable days!"

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Our Mission is to:

worship God,

Mass Schedule: Saturday at 5:00pm; Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am; Tuesday-Friday at 8:15am; first Monday of the month at 7:00pm; watch bulletin for holidays

Rite of Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday from 4:00-4:30pm (or by appointment)

Eucharistic Adoration: Monday-Friday from 6:30am-7:30pm

Liturgical Ministry: Contact Douglas Lynn at 758-4100 x140

Choirs and Music Ministry: Contact Douglas Lynn at 758-4100 x140

Communion for the Homebound/Hospitalized: Contact Parish Office

Anointing of the Sick: Contact Parish Office

Matrimony: Contact Parish Office a minimum of 9 months in advance
For further information, call Rev. Michael Ratajczak at 758-4100 x100

teach and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ,

Inquiry into the Catholic Faith: First and third Thursday evenings

Religious Education for Youth & Children: Two times a month, September-May, on Sundays

Religious Education for Adults: Various times, September-May

Liturgy of the Word for Children: 8:30 and 10:30am Masses

Little Rock Scripture Study: Weekly sessions, morning or evening

High School Youth Ministry: Monday evenings

Middle School Youth Ministry: Two Monday evenings per month

Preparation for the Sacraments:

Baptism (for infants): Begins with an appointment with the Pastor

Baptism (7-14 yrs.)/RCIA: One to two year process with children and parents

Baptism (adults)/RCIA: One to two year process; weekly sessions

First Reconciliation: In home process begins in Level 1

First Communion: In home process begins after first reconciliation

Confirmation: Minimum two year process of preparation; begins in high school

For further information, call Kathleen Bell at 758-4100 x110

and serve God's people in word and deed.

There are many groups who serve the parishioners and provide outreach to the local community.

For further information, call Chris Smith at 758-4100 x120

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The Lisbon earthquake struck in multiple tremors across ten minutes on the morning of All Saints Day, when vulnerable churches were full of Mass-goers. The event killed many thousands and leveled the city. The psychological trauma was felt across Europe. The catastrophe was a turning point in the Enlightenment, both undercutting the rationalist optimism of the age and stimulating the new science of seismology. It brought to the fore the moral meaning of natural disaster.

"Lisbon, which is no more, did it contain more vices than London or Paris, plunged in delights? Lisbon is in ruins, and in Paris they dance."

The devastating cyclone in Burma, with deaths projected at more than 120,000, and the earthquake in China, where as many as 50,000 may have died, bring the ruins of Lisbon to mind. Anguish is part of life, but when it occurs on a mass scale, the crisis becomes one of conscience. How could this happen?

The images of suffering humans prompt a visceral protest. Corpses that dishonor memory, collapsed buildings, threatened dams, the vacant stares of children, countless lives upended in an instant—all of it undeserved. All of it an outrage. And now the aftershocks of disease and displacement loom. The survivors who felt lucky at first now feel cursed.

Calendar Highlights

Also check the Parish website for complete calendar information for the current month: www.stmoside.org, then select "Schedules and Calendars"

The Week Ahead

May 24-25 Commissioning of Liturgical Ministers
May 25 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am Mass
May 31 First Eucharist at 5:00pm Mass

The Month Ahead

June 1 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am Mass
June 1 First Eucharist at 10:30am Mass
June 6-8 Parish Campout
June 14 Women's Guild Installation Luncheon
June 20 Ninth Annual Golf Classic/Evening Festivities

When confronted with evil consequences of human venality, the judging mind shudders at the pain people are capable of inflicting on one another, but the calamities caused by "natural evil" pose a different challenge, what Voltaire called "the eternal debate over useless sorrows." He mocked stoic philosophers who thought everything was for the best, and he derided the religious who preached the mysterious ways of a just and good God. Indeed, modern atheism begins in this contradiction: If an omnipotent God allows the innocent to suffer, then such a God is not good. Or not omnipotent. In either case, not God.

The problem of unmerited misery is as old as the Book of Job, but now more than the idea of God is called into question. The unpredicted loss of even one life is unsettling, but when tens of thousands of lives are snuffed out in a moment, the pins of meaning itself are removed. Is that all we are—twigs that can be snapped in two by the capriciousness of wind, water, and shifting tectonic plates?

In Burma and Sichuan, each broken body in a ditch was, until recently, a whole universe of thought, desire, love, ambition, laughter, and dreaming. And now it's nothing? How can that be? The cyclone and the earthquake have attacked the moral order, too.

But here is the irony. The visceral rejection that humans feel when confronted with large-scale suffering, the innate sense that such meaninglessness is wrong, is itself an affirmation of meaning. An enraged protest at the injustice of the deaths of children is itself a proclamation of justice. Or, as a post-Voltaire believer might put it, the death of the executioner God, prompted by the slaughter of innocents, is itself the encounter with God. God does not cause suffering, but suffers, too. Now authentic faith can, perhaps, begin.

Where does the primal human insistence on right and wrong come from? When we cry out with every fiber of our beings that what earthquakes and cyclones do to the treasures of human value is wrong, we are bringing forth a treasure. Resignation and stoicism in the face of suffering are the allies of suffering. When the moral order is overturned by chaotic nature, it is restored, first, by visceral human protest against disorder, and second, by moving immediately to help.

It is said that the ruler of Portugal, after Lisbon was devastated, asked what was to be done? And the answer came, "Bury the dead, and feed the living." If nature is indifferent to human suffering, humans are not. In this way, meaning is rescued, for humans, too, are part of nature.

Readings for the Week Ahead

Sunday Year A; Weekday Year II
Readings online at www.usccb.org.

Sunday, May 25 (167)
The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14b-16a
Psalm 147
1 Corinthians 10:16-17
John 6:51-58

Monday, May 26 (347)
Philip Neri, priest
1 Peter 1:3-9
Psalm 111:1-2,5-6,9-10
Mark 10:17-27

Tuesday, May 27 (348)
Augustine of Canterbury, bishop
1 Peter 1:10-16
Psalm 98:1-4
Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday, May 28 (349)
1 Peter 1:18-25
Psalm 147:12-15,19-20
Mark 10:32-45

Thursday, May 29 (350)
1 Peter 2:2-5,9-12
Psalm 100:2-5
Mark 10:46-52

Friday, May 30 (170)
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Deuteronomy 7:6-11
Psalm 103:1-4,6-8,10
1 John 4:7-16
Matthew 11:25-30

Saturday, May 31 (572)
The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Zephaniah 3:14-18a
Isaiah 12:2-3,4b-6 (Psalm)
Luke 1:39-56

Sunday, June 1 (85)
Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Deuteronomy 11:18,26-28,32
Psalm 31
Acts 2:42-47
Matthew 7:21-27

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 24, 5:00pm
The Gergke Family

Sunday, May 25, 8:30am
Edward Glenane Family

Sunday, May 25, 10:30am
Chuck Hill ☩

Monday, May 26, 8:15am
Jacobs Family

Tuesday May 27, 8:15am
Vera Zavada ☩

Wednesday, May 28, 8:15am
J. C. Gonzalez ☩

Thursday, May 29, 8:15am
Joe Kudzia ☩

Friday, May 30, 8:15am
Margaret Kidder ☩

Saturday, May 31, 5:00pm
Mary & Steve Montella

Sunday, June 1, 8:30am
Bud Flanagan ☩

Sunday, June 1, 10:30am
Joseph Immerso ☩

Prayer List

Call 758-4100 x102 to add a name for four weeks.

Jay Ahmann
Michael Ainis
Mary Alexander
Robert Audiss
Patricia Barbour
Carl Bechtold
Edward Bednarz
Cindra Bell
Tom Belprez
Martha Boucher
Janet Brown
Ruth Cline
James Coleman
Barbara Colton
Thomas Cornwell & family
Jean Crowell
Deborah Darsey
Richard Dockery
Linda Dossman
The Dunbar Family
James Echter
The Fiore Family
Larry Fisk
The Fredette Family
The Frink Family
Gretchen Gautcier
Rick Gonzalez
Anita Hage
The Harker Family
Bud Hazlett
Barry Henwood
Cynthia Horner
Elsa Huerta
Robert Jacobson
Bernie & Ginny Jaeger
Sue Johnston
Joan Jones
Colleen Kaup
Paul Kennedy
Debbie Kinny
George Kleekamp
Bob Kowallek
Sr. Anne Kremenik
Lillian Lachance
The Lamelin Family
Linda LeBeau
Brandon LeBlanc
Lois Leonard
Lillian Luisi
Jackie Lynn
James MacArthur
Ken Mauro
Patrick McCarthy
Jim Montoya
Nancy Moore
Nolen Morente
Margie Myers
Judith Nichols
R. Northrup
Ana Patterson
Marion Piepmeyer
Helen Pingtella

Anne Post
The Pulver Family
The Raiman Family
Rose Roland
Sr. Loyola Romey
Dorothy Rouse
Lynne Rumpf
The Russo Family
Maurine Shaughnessy
Marilyn Sinkez
Barb Slabaugh
Maria Surmenidis
Charles Tomlinson
Lucy Vienna
Vanessa Vitiello-Koble
Mary Wallace
Kevin Watson-Graff

Deployed Military

As a faith community let us pray for all who serve our country in these troubled times. We pray especially for those connected to our Parish who have been deployed:

Gy. Sgt. Barry Bull, USMC
Christian Caplinger, US Army
Brandy Amber Collins, HMI, USN
Lt. Mark Correa, U.S. Navy
Nicholas B. Dawson
Lance Corporal Brandon Doyle, USMC
MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC
Mitchell Gentry, USMC
Sgt. Stephen Gerke, 101st Airborne
Lt. Col Robert T. Green, USAF
Cpl. Michael Guty, USMC
Col. Kathleen Henderson
Cpl. Andrew G. Klidzejs, USMC
Med. Staff Sgt. Jana Alexander Madrid, USAF
Ronald Meyers, US Navy Search & Rescue
Lance Cpl. Steven A. Michaels, USMC
Spec. Jared Ratzlaff, US Army
SPC Robert Sullivan, US Army
Capt. Richard H. Witt III, USMC
Capt. Thomas Zeeff, USAF

All-powerful God, be their constant companion and strength in every adversity. May they experience your faithful presence, gentle love and compassionate healing.

Ninth Annual Golf Classic

Friday, June 20

Would you like to support the Golf Classic effort but won't be able to attend?

Be a Sponsor!

Pick up a form at the Golf Table on the Plaza or at the Parish Office or see Page 4.



Pray for Our Success!

Attention All Graduates!

The Parish Family of St. Thomas More would like to recognize the achievements of those among us who are graduating this year from grade school, high school, college or beyond. If you are a graduate, please call the parish office with your name and the school from which you have graduated. You will be remembered in prayer, especially in the liturgies on the weekend of June 28 and 29. We are proud of your accomplishments and will continue to support you in all of your future endeavors.



Looking for Information on the Catholic Faith?

Are you interested in learning more about Catholicism, becoming a Catholic or returning to the Catholic Church after being away? You're invited to Inquiry Sessions, which meet on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7:00pm at the Parish Center.

For information, call Bob Taylor at 630-4589.

St. Thomas More Vehicle Donation Program

Do you have a vehicle you want to donate?
 Call the Parish Office at
 758-4100 x100



Announcing the baptism of:

Gabriela Marie Noivo
 on May 25, 2008



Our Christian community welcomes you with great joy!

Publicize Your Parish Event!

Would you like to publicize a parish event to the general public? Submit a Press Release Form at least three weeks in advance of your event to have it advertised in local news publications. Press Release Forms are available:

- on the parish website (www.stmoside.org, Contact Us),
- the parish office, or
- from Anne Marshall at 727-2668 or annemarshall@sbcglobal.net.



Flower Donation

We would like to gratefully acknowledge the contribution of:
Pam Hubbard
 whose generosity helped to defray the cost of flowers last weekend in our liturgical environment.

Middle School Youth & High School Youth

See page 8

Ninth Annual Golf Classic
 Friday, June 20, 2008

Golf at Meadow Lake Golf Club
 10:00am Shotgun Start, includes lunch and refreshments

Miniature Golf at Boomers! Vista
 2:00pm Shotgun Start, includes snacks

Dinner/Dance/Evening Festivities at STM
 4:30pm Happy Hour, 6:00pm Dinner, Auctions, Raffles, Dancing, and Fun!

Childcare
 5:00-9:00pm, ages 3 and up, includes food and entertainment



Calling All Golfers! Reserve your spots now!
No payments due until June 1!

For more information, contact John Murphy at 760-497-6117 or murphy8801@cox.net

I/We won't be able to attend the STM 2008 Golf Classic, but would like to participate as a sponsor.
 (Please make checks payable to STM Golf.)

- Diamond \$2,500
- Platinum \$1,000
- Gold \$500
- Silver \$250
- Patron \$100

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Address	
Phone/Email	

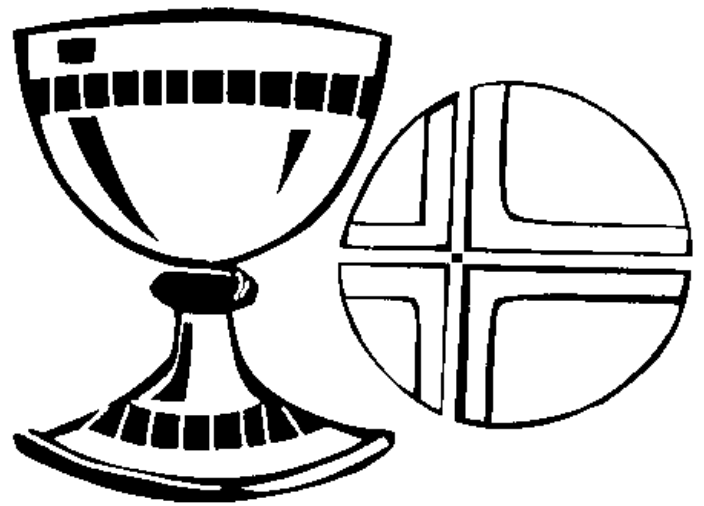
Liturgy & Music

Worship God

Douglas Lynn
Director of Music/Coordinator of Liturgical Ministries
douglasl@stmoside.org: 758-4100 x140

LITANY OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Lord, have mercy	Jesus, Judge of all		
Lord, have mercy	have mercy on us		
Christ, have mercy	Jesus, Lord of the Church		
Christ, have mercy	have mercy on us		
Lord, have mercy	Jesus, Lord of creation		
Lord, have mercy	have mercy on us		
Jesus, the Most High	Jesus, lover of all		
have mercy on us	have mercy on us		
Jesus, the holy One	Jesus, life of the world		
have mercy on us	have mercy on us		
Jesus, Word of God	Jesus,		
have mercy on us	freedom for the imprisoned		
Jesus, only Son of the Father	have mercy on us	Jesus, life-giving bread	Jesus, medicine of immortality
have mercy on us	Jesus, joy of the sorrowing	have mercy on us	have mercy on us
Jesus, Son of Mary	have mercy on us	Jesus, holy manna	Jesus, pledge of eternal glory
have mercy on us	Jesus, giver of the Spirit	have mercy on us	have mercy on us
Jesus, crucified for us	have mercy on us	Jesus, new covenant	Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us	Jesus, giver of good gifts	have mercy on us	you take away
Jesus, risen from the dead	have mercy on us	Jesus, food for everlasting life	the sins of the world:
have mercy on us	Jesus, source of new life	have mercy on us	have mercy on us
Jesus, reigning in glory	have mercy on us	Jesus, food for our journey	Jesus, Bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us	Jesus, Lord of life	have mercy on us	you take away
Jesus, coming in glory	have mercy on us	Jesus, holy banquet	the sins of the world:
have mercy on us	Jesus, eternal high priest	have mercy on us	have mercy on us
Jesus, our Lord	have mercy on us	Jesus, true sacrifice	Jesus, Redeemer of the world,
have mercy on us	Jesus, priest and victim	have mercy on us	you take away
Jesus, our hope	have mercy on us	Jesus, perfect sacrifice	the sins of the world:
have mercy on us	Jesus, true Shepherd	have mercy on us	have mercy on us
Jesus, our peace	have mercy on us	Jesus, eternal sacrifice	Christ, hear us
have mercy on us	Jesus, true Light	have mercy on us	Christ, hear us
Jesus, our Savior	have mercy on us	Jesus, divine Victim	Christ, graciously hear us
have mercy on us	Jesus, bread of heaven	have mercy on us	Christ, graciously hear us
Jesus, our salvation	have mercy on us	Jesus, mediator of the new covenant	Lord Jesus, hear our prayer
have mercy on us	Jesus, bread of life	have mercy on us	Lord Jesus, hear our prayer
Jesus, our resurrection	have mercy on us	Jesus, mystery of the altar	
have mercy on us	Jesus, bread of thanksgiving	have mercy on us	
	have mercy on us		



*Order of Solemn Exposition
of the Holy Eucharist
The Order of St. Benedict*

Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

Kathleen Bell
Director of Faith Formation
kathleenb@stmoside.org; 758-4100 x110

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Sign-Up's

for 2008-2009

New families are invited to join us in partnership in the religious education of your children, ages 3 through high school. Contact the Faith Formation Office for enrollment materials and/or to get further information.

Thank you for returning your registration packet as soon as possible.

Consider joining a great group of catechists and sharing your faith with our children.

It is a wonderful ministry!

Go ahead and circle the word "catechist" on the yellow enrollment card!

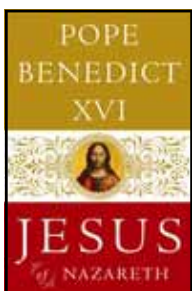
There is great team support waiting for you.

First Eucharist

Next weekend, thirty of our young parishioners will celebrate the fullness of the Eucharist with us by receiving the Body and Blood of Christ for the first time. Celebrations are scheduled for the 5:00pm Mass on May 31 and the 10:30am Mass on June 1.



Father Mike's Bookies !



The fourth, and final book in this year's series is *Jesus of Nazareth* by Pope Benedict XVI. The discussion will be June 25.

Copies of the book are available on top of the file cabinet outside the Faith Formation Office.

As you are reading, feel free to email Fr. Mike with questions or ideas you would like him to address or the group to discuss.

Summer Bible Camp at St. Thomas More



Dates:

July 21 to July 25, 2008
8:45am until 12:00noon

Great Fun for Ages:

ages 3 through 11
(Enrollment limited to first 160 who apply)
Friends welcome to sign up!

Cost:

\$50 per child
\$30 for Junior Crew Leader
(Grades 6-8 Completed)
\$10 Music CD (Optional)
\$10 T-shirt (Optional)

Information:

Kathleen Bell
758-4100 x110



Enrollment forms online at:

www.stmoside.org
click on "Pastoral Staff/Ministries,"
then click on "Religious Education"

Stewardship & Development

Serve God's People

Chris Smith
Director of Stewardship & Development
chriss@stmoside.org; 758-4100 x120

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Who We Are ~ And What We Believe

Good Christian Stewards understand that when they leave the Eucharistic celebration of the Mass, they bring Christ's very presence, peace and healing into a broken world.

We are to "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. "This is an honor and an opportunity, as modern day disciples of Christ, to use our gifts of time, talent and resources to build up the Body of Christ right here in our community ~ and beyond.

How do we bring Christian Stewardship into our lifestyles to reflect who we are and what we believe?

A commitment to stewardship should influence our most basic choices: How we spend our free time; how we develop and use the skills and abilities God has given us; and how we earn, save, spend and share our money. This is "time, talent and treasure" to be sure, but it is expressed in terms of daily living, not just as a formula for volunteerism or church support.



Remember that Christian stewards are *not* volunteers but are, in fact, disciples of Jesus who carry on the work that He started. We cannot quit being disciples.

Stewardship should guide our choices: about what we do on the weekend; about the books we read and the movies we see; about how we celebrate Christmas; about how we dispose of our trash; about how we share ourselves and our material possessions with others; about how much we drink; about relationships and sex; and, yes, about how much we contribute to the Sunday collection, our building efforts and the Annual Catholic Appeal.

A commitment to Christian stewardship as a way of life should have an impact on everything we choose to do—no exceptions. This is not just another gimmick to raise funds or encourage volunteerism. It is a radical re-thinking of our everyday lives based on fundamental principles of faith and spirituality.

Christian Stewardship challenges us to look at our hearts and minds and to experience the conversion to which we are called. It means seeing with new eyes the fact that everything we have comes to us from God as a gift to be cared for responsibly and shared generously with others.



Nursing helping hands sharing their experiences. Thank you!

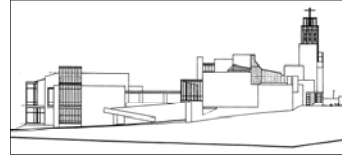
How are we using our gifts to build up the Body of Christ? Now is a good time to reflect and review.

—with excerpts from Karen Willson, MLSR

We are the Body of Christ.

Do our lifestyles reflect that?

A WAY TO GIVE ~ A WAY TO RECEIVE



DESIGNATED BANK ACCOUNTS, WILLS, LIVING TRUSTS, STOCKS, LIFE INSURANCE, MUTUAL FUNDS, REAL ESTATE

There have been changes in the tax laws that are beneficial to both the recipient and the giver. A few examples of Planned Giving to STM are: Designated Beneficiary Accounts, Wills, Living Trusts, Stocks, Life Insurance, Mutual Funds, and Real Estate.

This program is one way of helping the Parish raise the resources necessary to continue our campus build out and also help plan for our future needs (i.e., Tower of Faith participants). Planned Giving is a generic term that covers the many ways an individual can give to a charity while, in many cases, avoiding taxes.

For more information please contact:

Chris Smith at 758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org.

"Our Journey Into The Future . . . Together"
includes our Faith journey as well as the
build out of our Parish Campus.

2008 Annual Catholic Appeal

May 19, 2008

Our Parish assessment for this year is \$34,000. All money raised over this assessment is returned to us for our Parish use. It will be directed toward our Operational Budget. Thank you to those who have responded to date (including our tithing families)!

Household returns: 307

Total pledged: \$42,307.32

Average gift: \$137.81

Materials were mailed to all registered households and are also available at the Parish information table on the Plaza after weekend Masses and at the Parish Office during the week.

Collection for Week of: May 17/18, 2008

Number of Registered Households:	960
Envelopes	\$ 10,267.86
Children's Envelopes	0.00
Plate	1,283.00
Total	\$ 11,550.86

Thank you for keeping your Building Fund pledge current and for supporting your parish, even when you are away.

Women’s Guild

Quilts Galore!—By now everyone has received the Quilt Raffle tickets. The border of the letter was made up of pictures of the ten quilts being raffled on June 14 at the Women’s Guild Installation Luncheon.

Ticket stubs and monies may be returned in the weekend offertory collection, in an envelope marked “Women’s Guild Quilt Raffle.” Please make checks payable to the STM Women’s Guild.

The quilts will be on display on the Plaza on the weekends of May 24-25, May 31-June 1, and June 7-8.

Thank you for your generous support.

Installation Luncheon—Saturday, June 14, 11:30am at Shadowridge Country Club. New officers for 2008-2009 will be installed. The Quilts will be raffled at the end of the luncheon. Tickets for the luncheon are \$20 and must be purchased on the Plaza after weekend Masses by June 9 or call Germaine Wilmott at 758-9949.

Peanut Butter and Jelly Update:

(Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center)

2008 GOAL:	365 jars
Collected to date:	299 jars



Eucharistic Adoration

Monday-Friday • 6:30am-7:30pm

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Spend a few minutes (or more) with Jesus!



Exposition of the Eucharist on First Fridays and one other day of each month. Next date: Friday, June 6.

For more information, contact John O’Donnell at 598-6003.

STM Scrip News

Scrip is sold on the Plaza after weekend Masses and in the Parish Office on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00-10:00am.

For information, call Henny Jocelyn at 726-1177 or visit <http://www.stmoside.org/scrip.htm>

I Want to Earn STM Building Fund \$\$\$ with My...

Albertson’s Card #(11 digits) _____

Ralph’s Card #(13 digits) _____

Please send me a Food 4 Less Card

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Please place completed form in the collection basket or return it to the SCRIP table after weekend Masses or the Parish Office during the week. Thank you!

High School Youth Ministry

May 26, 7:00-8:30pm

SENIOR GOODBYE NIGHT

For more information, call Gale at 726-7236.

Congregations for Civic Action News

Since Congregations for Civic Action compelled the City of Oceanside to make a stronger effort to reach its affordable housing obligations several years ago, great progress has been made. The North County Times recently reported the latest success:

“The city is expected to issue up to \$11.7 million in tax-exempt bonds and lend the money to a developer to buy the deteriorating Country Club Apartments and turn it into an affordable housing complex. The developer, San Diego-based Wakeland Housing and Development Corp., would repay the city with money it brings in from the rental units. . . .

Once the project is finished, Country Club’s 90 units—11 studio, 57 one bedroom and 22 two bedroom apartments, will be reserved for ‘very low income’ residents.”

—Craig Tenbroeck, North County Times, May 5, 2008

Congregations for Civic Action is currently working with the Oceanside City Council and Housing Department to ensure that affordable housing is available along the new Sprinter Line.

News from the Larger Church

Central San Diego Magnificat Women's Group Breakfast—May 31, 9:30am, Mission Valley Sheraton. Dr. Cyndi Peterson will speak on "Anne, a Lay Apostle." For more information, call 619-583-3389; for reservations, call 858-578-1256.

Fair in Ramona—An Old Time County Fair will be held on Friday, June 6, 5:00pm-10:00pm; Saturday, June 7, and Sunday, June 8, 11:00am-10:00pm. There will be a raffle, carnival rides, games, vendor booths, silent auction, live auction, and entertainment. Immaculate Heart of Mary, 537 E St., Ramona. Questions? Call 789-0583.

Upcoming Events at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside—Celebrate the 210th Anniversary of the Mission, June 13, 1798, by attending any of these events: Mission to Marines—Outback Benefit Luncheon, June 7; Grand Re-opening of the Mission Gift Shop, Friday, June 13; A Day of Wine and Roses—Horticultural Tour and Wine Tasting, June 13; 25th Annual Heritage Ball, August 23. For more information, contact 757-3651 or www.sanluisrey.org.

Marriage in Trouble? Try Retrouvaille—The next upcoming weekend will be June 6-8, 2008. For registration, call 951-259-9474—for weekends in Spanish, call 619-423-0182.

Prayer Retreats in Silence in Oceanside—Deepen your spiritual life: "Ask, and you will receive. Seek, and you will find. Knock, and it will be opened to you (Matthew 7:7)." Prayer Retreats in Silence involves steps leading to contemplative prayer. It's open to all Catholics searching for deeper spirituality. Retreat master Fr. Datus, OCD, is an experienced teacher of religious and laity alike. "Seeking God in Interiorly," June 9-13, Prince of Peace Abbey, Oceanside. For more information, contact Ethel at ethelbuntydavis@msn.com or Steve or Mary at 909-790-9243.

Sierra Madre Academy Presents a Catholic Conference for All High School Students—Tuesday, June 17, 9:00am-3:30pm, at St. Mark's, San Marcos. The cost is \$10 per person and includes lunch, drinks and snacks. Guest Speaker Fr. Michael Sears. For more information contact Sandra Maola at 535-9845 or smaola@sbcglobal.net.

Oriente Lumen West Conference in San Diego—These annual ecumenical conferences focus on topics of the Christian East and are open to the public. Presenters come from four main religious groups: Roman Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, Eastern Catholic and Oriental Orthodox. This year's theme is *Feast Days of the Eastern Churches*, and the conference will be held at the University of San Diego, June 23-26. For more information, visit www.olconference.com.

National Catholic Singles Conference in San Diego—Come join hundreds of other Catholic single adults for the National Catholic Singles Conference to be held here in San Diego June 27 -29. Featured speakers are Matthew Kelly, Jason Evert, and Kerri Caviezel. There will be live praise and worship, Mass with both Bishops, adoration, break-out sessions, mixers, Saturday night dance social, beach excursions, and finding peace and strength in living the single life. For more information and to register, go to www.nationalcatholicsingles.com or call 858-490-8260. Co-sponsored by the Diocese of San Diego.

Sacred Heart School in Coronado Celebrates 60th Anniversary—Sacred Heart Parish School in Coronado invites all alums, teachers, parents and friends to celebrate its 60th anniversary on Sunday, July 6. A Mass of Thanksgiving begins at 11:00am followed by a gala Open House at the school from noon to 2:00pm. To RSVP, contact 619-437-4431 or www.sacredheartcoronado.org.

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Pilgrimage to San Giovanni Rotondo and Rome—Join Fr. Cecilio T. Moraga on a pilgrimage from August 13 to 21, 2008. Part of the pilgrimage is the opportunity to visit the exhumed body of the much loved St. Padre Pio in San Giovanni Rotondo. For more information, please call Fr. Cecilio T. Moraga at 619-944-7530 or Linda Patera at 619-370-9064.

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