

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

June 8, 2008 • Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Did You Know?

Yes, you know the state of the economy. Yes, you know the price of a gallon of gas. Did you know that the state of the economy is beginning to take its toll on the state of the economy of our Parish?

In an eleven-month comparison of our Offertory Collection (July 2006-May 2007 and July 2007-May 2008), we are down by \$33,000 in this fiscal year.

Whatever can be done in this month of June, as we close out the fiscal year on June 30, will be greatly appreciated!

As we move forward with our build-out, it is crucial that we are able to maintain what we have before we attempt to secure a diocesan loan for what we want to build.

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Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak
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I Did Not Come to Call the Righteous but Sinners

Over the years, I have heard many reasons (excuses) as to why people say they believe in God, believe in Jesus as the Son of God, and yet say they are not members of a Faith Community and that they do not need to go to Church.

One of the most common excuses is, "The Church is full of hypocrites...They come into Church to praise God, look holy, say nice things; and then, during the week, they sin in all kinds of ways."

My usual retort to such a comment is: "Can you imagine how bad they would be if they didn't come to Church?"

In excuses like this, and others, people like to direct attention to others and not critically look at themselves.

In the Gospel today, we hear the words of Jesus, "I did not come to call the righteous but sinners."

Hopefully, in these words, we find comfort! We are all sinners, we all "fall short." But in our worship together, in our prayer and praise, in our celebration of the Sacraments, especially the

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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 holydays

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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Eucharist, and in our activity in a Faith Community, we struggle to move forward, inch by inch, to become better people.

If we can acknowledge the weakness and sin in ourselves, it is easier to understand and accept the weakness and sin in others.

At times, we all feel like hypocrites. We know the right thing to do, the Gospel thing to do. Yet we do not do it. Then we have a choice to make! Do we come to worship with the Faith Community and admit our sinfulness, our weakness, or do we fail to be present to the Faith Community because we do not want to feel the pangs of our hypocrisy?

When we do not want to feel like hypocrites, then we allow pride to take over. We fail to trust in God's love and forgiveness. We do not believe that God can heal us and allow us to "start fresh," to begin over once again. We fail to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ and we allow sin to prevail!

As a preacher, I often feel the sting of hypocrisy. It is one thing to sit in the pews and hear the Word proclaimed and another to preach the Word to those sitting in the pews.

There are many times when the hypocrite is preaching!

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

June 6-8 Parish Campout
June 8 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses
June 8 *What to Do in an Emergency* Presentation
June 13-15 Handbell Choir Attends Workshop in Riverside
June 14 Women's Guild Installation Luncheon

The Month Ahead

June 20 **Ninth Annual Golf Classic/Evening Festivities**
June 24 Exposition of the Eucharist

The Year Ahead

July 21-25 *Power Lab* Vacation Bible School
Nov 9 Towers of Faith Dinner

*Questions? Contact Henny at 758-4100 x100
or hennyj@stmoside.org.*

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.

It never fails. I may have had a disagreement with someone, unkind words were shared, there is still resentment, and forgiveness is not near. Then Sunday comes, and I need to preach. And yes, as you would guess, the Scriptures are on forgiveness, of letting go of hurts, and the Gospel imperative of the pursuit of right relationship.

I then have a choice to make. I preach as a hypocrite or I don't preach at all. If I would choose not to preach, I would deny God's powerful Word. I would deny God's ability to change my life, and to bring healing and peace.

If I preach, quietly aware of my hypocrisy in that matter, I once again declare my faith in God, in Jesus, the Word of God, and allow the presence of God to begin to take away my sin and to heal me, and to bring me back to right relationship with others.

Being an active member of a Faith Community, and worshiping on a regular basis with fellow Christians, will, at times, allow us to feel the pangs of hypocrisy. That is good! Because that means we believe in the power of the Word to transform, and to heal.

When we fail to be an active member of a Faith Community, when we fail to worship on a regular basis with fellow Christians because we do not want to deal with the personal sting of hypocrisy, we deny the activity of God in our lives. We lack faith in the reality that God can destroy sin and bring healing.

I trust Jesus at His word, "I did not come to call the righteous but sinners!"

Fa. Mike

Readings for the Week Ahead

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

Sunday, June 8 (88)
Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Hosea 6:3-6
Psalm 50
Romans 4:18-25
Matthew 9:9-13
Monday, June 9 (359)
Ephrem, deacon, doctor of the church
1 Kings 17:1-6
Psalm 121:1b-8
Matthew 5:1-12
Tuesday, June 10 (360)
1 Kings 17:7-16
Psalm 4:2-5,7b-8
Matthew 5:13-16
Wednesday, June 11 (580)
Barnabas, Apostle
Acts 11:21b-26;13:1-3
Psalm 98:1-6
Matthew 10:7-13
Thursday, June 12 (362)
1 Kings 18:41-46
Psalm 65:10-13
Matthew 5:20-26
Friday, June 13 (363)
Anthony of Padua, priest, doctor of the church
1 Kings 19:9a,11-16
Psalm 27:7-9c,13-14
Matthew 5:27-32
Saturday, June 14 (364)
1 Kings 19:19-21
Psalm 16:1-2a,5,7-10
Matthew 5:33-37
Sunday, June 15 (91)
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Exodus 19:2-6a
Psalm 100
Romans 5:6-11
Matthew 9:36-10:8

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 7, 5:00pm Luther Crowell ☩
Sunday, June 8, 8:30am Thomas Zavada ☩
Sunday, June 8, 10:30am Otilia Alfonso ☩
Tuesday, June 10, 8:15am The Savas Family
Wednesday, June 11, 8:15am Jim Bost ☩
Wednesday, June 11, 9:30am C. Masilamony Devadhason ☩ Pacific Place
Thursday, June 12, 8:15am John Escvre ☩ Pacific Place
Friday, June 13 8:15am Francis J. Murphy ☩
Saturday, June 14, 5:00pm Bernie Weiler ☩
Sunday, June 15, 8:30am Walter Thompson ☩
Sunday, June 15, 10:30am Italino Norelli ☩

Prayer List

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

Jay Ahmann
Michael Ainis
Mary Alexander
Patricia Barbour
Carl Bechtold
Ann Beck
Edward Bednarz
Cindra Bell
Tom Belprez
Martha Boucher
Janet Brown
Pat Christopherson
Ruth Cline
James Coleman
Barbara Colton
Thomas Cornwell & family
Deborah Darsey
Richard Dockery
Linda Dossman
The Dunbar Family
James Echter
The Fiore Family
Larry Fisk
Rick Gonzalez
Anita Hage
Susan Hallahan
The Harker Family
Bud Hazlett
Marge Heath
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
Nancy Moore
Nolen Morente
Margie Myers
Judith Nichols
R. Northrup
Marion Piepmeyer
Helen Pingtella
Anne Post
Sr. Loyola Romey
Dorothy Rouse
Lynne Rumpf

The Russo Family
Maurine Shaughnessy
Marilyn Sinkez
Dorothy & Ray Staehr
Charles Tomlinson
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:

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
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

*Thank you for your prayers for
Gy. Sgt. Christian Barry Bull,
USMC
who has returned home safely.*

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

Be a Sponsor!

**Not able to attend?
Submit a *Sealed Bid*
for one of our
FABULOUS prizes!
(check the flyer for a list)**

**Forms available at the
Golf Table on the Plaza
or at the Parish Office
or see Page 4.**

*** Waiting list for dinner ***



Pray for Our Success!

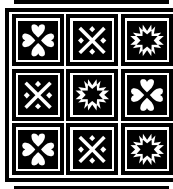
Attention All Graduates!

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.



Quilts Galore II Raffle

Just a reminder that the Quilt Raffle Ticket stubs and monies must be returned via the weekend collection baskets no later than June 8 to be included in the Raffle on June 14, 2008.



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 Donations

We would like to gratefully acknowledge the contribution of: *Wayne & Cathy Zych* whose generosity helped to defray the cost of flowers this weekend in our liturgical environment.

In Memoriam:

Please pray for the souls of:

Richard Dockery, who died on May 27. His Funeral Mass was celebrated on June 5 at St. Thomas More. Please also keep Rick's wife, Joyce, and the family in your prayers.

Rosemary Meinders, who died on June 1. Rosemary is the sister of parishioner Pernetta Franklin.

May their soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Ninth Annual Golf Classic

JUST AROUND THE CORNER! - Friday, June 20, 2008

**Check at the Golf Classic Table for:
 Group Bids and Sealed Bids Information
 for our *Fabulous* Selection of Auction Items!**

Spots available for ages 10-110

Miniature Golf Registration
 2:00pm Shotgun Start, includes snacks

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

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

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



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

I/We 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

■ Please call all me about a Sealed Bid

Name	
Address	
Phone/Email	
VISA MasterCard Discover	Card # & Exp. Date

Please return this form and your check to the Parish Office or the Golf Table on the Plaza.

Liturgy & Music

Worship God

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



HANDBELL CHOIR RINGS ON THE ROAD

Next weekend, June 13-15, St. Thomas More Parish's Adult Handbell Choir will be in Riverside to participate in its first American Guild of English Handbell Ringers regional conference.

Joining with hundreds of other ringers from California, Nevada, and Hawaii, including five other choirs from San Diego county, our ringers will spend three days honing their craft and rehearsing for a final, combined concert on Sunday afternoon, June 15, at 3:00pm in Lewis Hall at the Riverside Convention Center. (Come check us out!)

The choir has been preparing music for the conference during the past six months, and you have heard some of it during our liturgies. I am very proud of their enthusiasm, their commitment, and the musicality that continues to emerge from these twelve ringers.

In addition to the joint rehearsals, there will be classes offered to polish the individual ringer's skills as well as concerts by community handbell choirs and solo handbell ringers.

Please add your prayers to mine as we embark on this adventure. We give thanks to God for this great gift of music, and we ask his blessings on our music-making, our travel, and our camaraderie.

It's going to be an adventure!

WHY A JUNE WEDDING...

The next time you are washing your hands and complain because the water temperature isn't just how you like it, think about how things used to be. Here are some facts about the 1500s:

Most people got married in June because they took their yearly bath in May, and still smelled pretty good. However, they were starting to smell, so brides carried a bouquet of flowers to hide the body odor. Now we know why today the bride carries a bouquet when getting married.

Baths consisted of a big tub filled with hot water. The man of the house had the privilege of the nice clean water, then all the sons and other men, then the women and finally the children. Last of all were the babies. By then the water was so dirty you could actually lose someone in it. Out of the experience came the saying, "Don't throw the baby out with the bath water."

Back then, a house had a thatched roof. That is, thick straw piled high, with no wood underneath. It was the only place for animals to get warm, so all the cats and other small animals (mice, bugs) lived in the roof. When it rained it became slippery and sometimes the animals would slip off the roof. Hence the saying "It's raining cats and dogs."

There was nothing to stop things from falling into the house. This posed a real problem in the bedroom where bugs and other droppings could mess up a nice clean bed. Hence, a bed with big posts and a sheet hung over the top afforded some protection. Canopy Beds are still popular.

The floor was dirt. Only the wealthy had something other than dirt. Now you know where saying someone is "dirt poor" originated. The wealthy had slate floors that would get slippery in the winter when wet, so they spread thresh (straw) on them to help keep their footing. As the winter wore on, they added more thresh until when you opened the door it would all start slipping outside. A piece of wood was placed in the entrance way. They were the first "thresholds."

In those old days, they cooked in the kitchen with a big kettle that always hung over the fire. Every day they lit the fire and added things to the pot. Back then, people ate mostly vegetables and very little meat. They would eat the stew for dinner, leaving leftovers in the pot to get cold overnight and then start over the next day. The stew was often called "Pease Porridge." Sometimes stew had food in it that had been there for quite a while. That gave rise to the rhyme, "Pease porridge hot, Pease porridge cold, Pease porridge in the pot nine days old."

—The St. Paul's Printer

Are you looking for a place to share your time and talents with your Parish family?

Our Hospitality Ministry is a great place to be involved in the mission and ministry of this Parish.

There are currently openings available at all three weekend Masses for people possessing an easily accessible smile, a warm handshake, and a loving heart.

Contact Douglas (see info above) if you are interested in welcoming our Parish family to God's house.



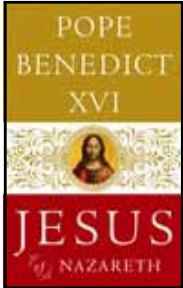
He will come to us like the rain, like spring rain that waters the earth.

Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

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

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.

Religious Education (RE.A.CH) for 2008-2009



Continuing families:

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.



New families:

Enrollment packets are available for any family with children ages 3 through 17.



On the path to Confirmation 2009?

Be sure you have enrolled for RE.A.CH so you will receive updates of important summer news!

Confirmation and First Communion Pictures

Please visit the parish website, www.stmoside.org, and look under Event Pictures. Soon you will find pictures from our recent Confirmation and First Communion Masses that you can just enjoy, download, print yourself, or have printed.

PBJ Update

(Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center)

2008 GOAL: 365 jars
Collected to date: 341 jars



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!

Calling all high school, college age, or adults who are young-at-heart!

Do you need service hours for school, or are you looking for a fun way to minister at STM? We need **YOU** to show five young children how to discover Jesus' miraculous power.

YOU are the heart of our program, and five little children are waiting to meet you!

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

Moving Forward With God's Plan

June is a busy month for celebrating weddings, graduations, fatherhood, working in the yard and enjoying a variety of outdoor activities.

It is a month for bringing some of our projects at work to completion and clearing our calendars to make space for summer rest, recreation and vacations. Summer is a good time for Christian stewards to take some time to pause as mid-year approaches and take a spiritual inventory.

- ◆ How is our prayer life?
- ◆ Are we nurturing our families?
- ◆ What has happened to the commitments we've made to our faith community?
- ◆ How have we followed our New Year's resolutions?

While making plans for the summer, perhaps now is the time to re-engage those parts of our lives where we have disengaged, and devote some of our "new-found" time to prayer, meditating on the bible, reading a book that will inform or affirm our life of faith; or maybe making time to help someone in need.

As we make "space" for ourselves this summer, it is an appropriate time to make more space in our lives for the Lord.

—ICSC June 2008

We are each called to be obedient to God's will. When we use our gifts to serve one another, we are obeying God. This we do as the ongoing work of Jesus, who told us, "Whoever does the will of God is brother and sister and mother to me."



Children love acts of kindness for those less fortunate. Now is a good time to start!

So, while summer is a great time for relaxation on many fronts, let us not lose sight of our primary goal. Walk that fine line between rest and stagnating. Move forward each day with some small act of kindness. God has given us each a map. Study it (prayer helps) and take care of business. There is nothing more rewarding!

Someone asked David Livingstone where he was prepared to go, and he replied, "Anywhere, as long as it is forward." He understood that the Christian life is one of forward movement toward the dreams, visions and goals God has put before us.

We are invited to continue the mission and ministry of Jesus, even in summertime.

God loves cheerful givers!



St. Thomas More Vehicle Donation Program

Do you have a vehicle you want to donate?
The St. Thomas More program is easy!

Call us, and we'll have it picked up.
You get the tax deduction!

Call the Parish Office at
760-758-4100 x100



2008 Annual Catholic Appeal

June 2, 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: 310

Total pledged: \$42,487.32

Average gift: \$137.06

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.

Did You Know? Donation Update—May 2008

\$3,549.00

Collection for Week of: May 31/June 1, 2008

Number of Registered Households:	958
Envelopes	\$ 7,403.01
Children's Envelopes	0.00
Plate	1,292.00
Total	\$ 8,695.01

There are many ways to help support your Parish.

We offer a variety of options for easier giving. In addition to the extra "mail-back" envelopes included in your packet, we offer automatic:

- ◆ Credit Card Withdrawal (Visa or MC)
- ◆ Automatic Checking Account Deduction
- ◆ Automatic Savings Account Deduction

To participate in these time-saving alternatives, please contact the Parish Office at:
758-4100 x100 or parishoffice@stmoside.org

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 this weekend.

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.

Middle School Youth Ministry

High School Youth Ministry

Summer schedules will be available soon—watch for them!

Looking ahead—mark your calendar for
Monday Night Mass on July 2

Questions? Contact...

High School—Gale Gibbons, 726-7236

Middle School—Ron and Louise Briseno, 758-4100 x153

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday-Friday • 6:30am-7:30pm • Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Exposition of the Eucharist on First Fridays and one other day of each month. Next date: Tuesday, June 24.

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 \$CRIP table after weekend Masses or the Parish Office during the week. Thank you!

Discover the Ancient and Modern Wonders of China!

On Friday, July 11, at 7:00pm, Eugene Geinzer, SJ, a personal friend of Carl and Masako Streling, will be at St. Thomas More to share his up-close and personal view of China.

Eugene has been studying and researching art, cinema, and cultural artifacts in Beijing. He has traveled in many parts of the country and is happy to share his perspectives with us.

Part of his presentation will also include an update on the recent earthquake and its effects on the people of China.

Everyone is welcome! Please RSVP to Henny in the Parish Office at 758-4100 x100.

Wine and cheese will be served.

Homebound?

If you or a family member or close friend are homebound or residing in a convalescent home or assisted living facility, our parish has ministers who can bring you Holy Communion.

Please call the Parish Office at 758-4100 for more information.

Peter's Pence Collection

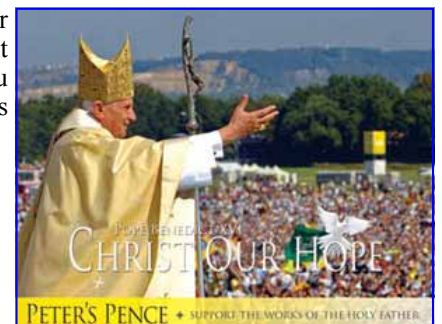
Envelopes were attached to the bulletin last weekend for Peter's Pence, an annual collection which allows the Holy Father to respond with timely and effective emergency assistance to our suffering brothers and sisters throughout the world. The theme for this year's Collection—**Christ Our Hope**—echoes that of the Holy Father's apostolic journey to the United States in April 2008.

The worldwide Peter's Pence began as a "Pence" (collection of pennies) in ninth-century England, when King Alfred the Great collected monies from English landowners as financial support for the Pope. Pope Pius IX formally instituted the modern Peter's Pence Collection in the 1860s. Special appeals have since been held in many countries on the Sunday closest to June 29, the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul. The tradition of an annual collection continues today for the charitable works of the Holy Father.

You can help by:

- + Praying—Please pray for the Holy Father, asking for God's blessing on his mission of justice and peace for all, and for a generous response by the faithful to the Peter's Pence Collection.
- + Giving—Prayerfully consider increasing your offering to your parish collection to help build a better world for those most in need. Perhaps you could give one hour's or one day's wage.

You may return your envelope any time during the month of June. Your contribution is much appreciated!



News from the Larger Church

Native American Spiritual and Cultural Celebration at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside—June 13-15. Experience “behind-the-scenes” access of Pow-wow festivities. Demonstrations, reflection time, and other activities. For more information, contact 757-3659 or www.sanluisrey.org.

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.

Twilight Retreat at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside—Take the 21-day challenge! Stop complaining and start enjoying the life you always wanted. On Wednesday, June 18, the Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center will host “A Complaint Free World” Twilight Retreat. Using the concepts developed by Rev. Will Bowen, author of a book by the same title, Bro. Mark Schroeder, OFM, will guide participants through practical steps for changing complaining behavior. For more information, or to register, call 757-3659.

St. Mark’s Gran Fiesta in San Marcos—June 20-22, a great alternative to the San Diego County Fair! Admission and parking are free to this event that is packed with rides, food, games, prizes, dancing and entertainment fit for all ages. Convenient North County location at 1147 Discovery Street in San Marcos. Win a 2008 Ford Ranger truck or one of four cash prizes. Attend the special kick-off dinner and silent/live auction on Friday, June 20 (\$15 each, reservations required) and enjoy comedy, animal, and magic acts. For dinner reservations or more information, call 744-1150.

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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Natural Fertility Appreciation Center in San Diego—Seminar programs are held at the Fitch Fertility Center, 6214 Rose Lake Avenue, San Diego, on the second, third, and fourth Saturdays of each month. For more information, call 619-466-1507.

Ignatian Volunteer Corps Opportunities in North County—Are you 50 or over? Semi-retired? Eager to “give something back”? The San Diego Region of the Jesuit-sponsored IGNATION VOLUNTEER CORPS offers you the opportunity to work with the poor two days a week, grow deeper in your Christian faith through reflection and prayer in the Ignatian tradition, and meet monthly with other IVC members and a spiritual guide. For more information contact Margie Carroll, Regional Director at 619-881-9509 or Pat Doyle Regional Coordinator at 858-751-0900. For national website visit www.ivcusa.org.

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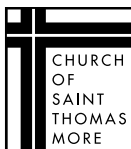
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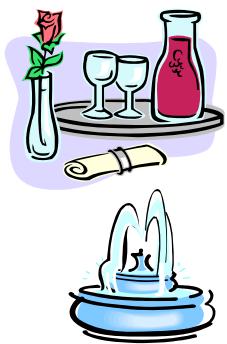
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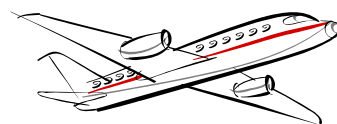


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