

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 17, 2009 • Sixth Sunday of Easter

Tenth Anniversary Golf Classic

The May 1 events were all a resounding success! Our Golf Committee wishes to thank everyone who joined us at Fallbrook Golf Club, Boomers! Vista for Miniature Golf, and for our wonderful evening festivities at STM!

Special thanks to the **numerous** volunteers who helped on all fronts and behind the scenes to make this anniversary celebration such a memorable one!

We are working on the final accounting for this record-breaking year, and we will have news of the donation amount to STM very soon!

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

First Annual Pastor's Dinner ~ Sunday, August 23

- ◆ **This new event replaces the previous "Dinner for 10" prepared and hosted by Fr. Mike. Oh what a night!**
- ◆ Seating for 100 at \$250 per seat ~ **Only 7 seats left!** (\$125 tax deductible)
- ◆ Delicious dinner at Shadowridge Country Club, hors d'oeuvres, open bar, and desserts.
- ◆ The Alley Cats entertaining!
- ◆ Details at: www.stmoside.org/golf.
- ◆ Sign up today on the Plaza or call the office at 760-758-4100 x120 or email chriss@stmoside.org.



AT THE MIRAGE WITH JAY LENO

Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak
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Love Deeply

The Christian call to be people of love is ever before us. We can experience many negative and/or discouraging forces, pressures, and people in life that can supply us with the motivation to not love, or to love less than what our capabilities allow, and to not give our all for God.

May these words of Fr. Henri Nouwen, taken from his book, *The Inner Voice of Love*, strengthen us to be faithful to our Christian vocation:

"Do not hesitate to love and to love deeply. You might be afraid of the pain that deep love can cause. When those you love deeply reject you, leave you, or die, your heart will be broken. But that should not hold you back from loving deeply. The pain that comes from deep love makes your love ever more fruitful. It is like a plow that breaks the ground to allow the seed to take root and grow into a strong plant. Every time you experience the pain of rejection, absence, or death, you are faced with a choice. You can become bitter and decide not to love again, or you can stand

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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

Music Ministry: Contact Douglas Lynn at 758-4100 x140

Communion for the Homebound/Hospitalized:

Contact Parish Office at 758-4100 x100

Anointing of the Sick: Contact Parish Office

Matrimony:

Contact Parish Office a minimum of nine months in advance

*For further information, call Rev. Michael Ratajczak
at 758-4100 x100 or michaelr@stmoside.org.*

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: 8:30am 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 or kathleenb@stmoside.org.*

and serve God's people in word and deed.

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

*For further information, see page 10, or call Chris Smith
at 758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org.*

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straight in your pain and let the soil on which you stand become richer and more able to give life to new seeds.

The more you have loved and have allowed yourself to suffer because of your love, the more you will be able to let your heart grow wider and deeper. When your love is truly giving and receiving, those whom you love will not leave your heart even when they depart from you. They will become part of your self and thus gradually build a community within you. Those you have deeply loved become part of you. The longer you live, there will always be more people to be loved by you and to become part of your inner community. The wider your inner community becomes, the more easily you will recognize your own brothers and sisters in the strangers around you. Those who are alive within you will recognize those who are alive around you. The wider the community of your heart, the wider the community around you. Thus the pain of rejection, absence, and death can become fruitful. Yes, as you love deeply the ground of your heart will be broken more and more, but you will rejoice in the abundance of the fruit it will bear."

In two weeks, we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, the giving of the Spirit. This gift strengthens the Church as She continues the Mission and Ministry of Jesus.

Mindful of the gift, let us rely upon the Holy Spirit to love in the way in which Jesus has loved us.

F. Mike

Rosary

A communal Rosary is prayed after every morning Mass (Tuesday-Friday) in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Please join us!



Eucharistic Adoration



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

Exposition of the Eucharist on First Fridays.
Next date: Friday, June 5.

*For more information, contact
the Parish Office at 760-758-4100 x100.*

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 Jim Treat at 760-598-3602.

Readings for the Week Ahead

Sunday Year B; Weekday Year I
Readings online at www.usccb.org.

Sunday, May 17 (56)

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48

Psalm 98:1-4

1 John 4:7-10

John 15:9-17

Monday, May 18 (291)

John I, pope, martyr

Acts 16:11-15

Psalm 149:1-6a,9b

John 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday, May 19 (292)

Acts 16:22-34

Psalm 138:1-3,7c-8

John 16:5-11

Wednesday, May 20 (293)

Bernardine of Siena, priest

Acts 17:15,22-18:1

Psalm 148:1-2,11-14

John 16:12-15

Thursday, May 21 (294)

*Christopher Magallanes, priest,
martyr; and his companions,
martyrs*

Acts 18:1-8

Psalm 98:1-4

John 16:16-20

Friday, May 22 (295)

Rita of Cascia, religious

Acts 18:9-18

Psalm 47:2-7

John 16:20-23a

Saturday, May 23 (296)

Acts 18:23-28

Psalm 47:2-3,8-10

John 16:23b-28

Sunday, May 24 (60)

The Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11

Psalm 47:2-3,6,9

Ephesians 4:1-13

Mark 16:15-20

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 16, 5:00pm
Isabelle Browne ☩

Sunday, May 17, 8:30am
Colleen Bechtold

Sunday, May 17, 10:30am
Mary Ann Wilson

Tuesday, May 19, 8:15am
Edward Dapkus ☩

Wednesday, May 20, 8:15am
Marina Torres ☩

Thursday, May 21, 8:15am
Teresa Monts

Friday, May 22, 8:15am
Joseph & Lillian Seufert ☩

Saturday, May 23, 5:00pm
Irene Caliguri

Sunday, May 24, 8:30am
Noeline Flood ☩

Sunday, May 24, 10:30am
Pasqua Colucci ☩

Prayer List

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

Mary Alexander
Mary Baker
Patricia Barbour
Cindra Bell
Regina Bentz
Beatrice Brooks & Family
Janet Brown
Steve Brown
Irene Caligiuri
Shelby Campbell
Paul Cipowski
James Coleman
Thomas Cornwell & Family
Karen Flaharty Daley
Margie Daniels & Family
Cecilia DeSimone
Linda Dossman
Pat Egan
Kathryn Ernst
The Fiore Family
Peggy & Jack Fischer
Larry Fisk
Kathryn Franklin
Carmen Garcia
Bob Godley
Rick Gonzalez
The Gurrera & Santy Families
Jack Haefelin
Anita Hage
Susan Hallahan
Mary Hannan
The Harker Family
Rita Harnacker
The Hayden Family
Barry Henwood
Kristin Hinds-Sweet
Cynthia Horner
The Ipsen-Welch Family
Sue Johnston
Colleen Kaup
Paul Kennedy
Debbie Kinny
George Kleekamp
Sr. Anne Kremenik
Helen Kuhn
Lillian Lachance
The Lamelin Family
Bernie Lanzrath
Brandon LeBlanc
Dave & Stella Leué
Krista Leué
The Lindroth Family
Cassandra Loretto
Lauren Loretto
The Lundell & Shaughnessy
Families
Jackie Lynn
James MacArthur
Scott Macfarlane
Michael Martin
Ken Mauro
Mary Jane McCoy

Bob McWilliams
Carol Michael
Carroll Tom & Nona Miller
Nancy Moore
Margie Myers
R. Northrup
The O'Brien Family
Helen O'Connell
Lupe Casas Pelletier
Helen Pingtella
Anne Post
Otila Quiroz
Janet Raiman
Robert D. Rees
Deana Reynolds
Dort Riley
William L. Roberts
Joanne Robinson
Sr. Loyola Romey
Dorothy Rouse
Rose Rowland
The Russo Family
Nick Soltau
Ed Sox
Dorothy and Ray Staehr
Carl Streling
Arnie Velasco
Dominic Vienna, Jr.
Vanessa Vitiello-Koble
Kevin Watson-Graff
Ed Wesel
Marilyn Wesel
John Whitton

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:*

1st Lt. Jeffrey Bauer, USMC
Pfc John Brandone
Sgt. Jason Cohick,
Air Force Reserve
Mst. Sgt. Shellie Cohick,
Air Force
Capt. Gregory Day, USMC
Lance Corporal Brandon Doyle,
USMC
St Sgt Joseph Duffy, USAF
Staff Sgt. Julian Fyffe, USMC
MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC
Pvt. 2 Jess Phillips, US Army
Julian Torres, USMC

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

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Calendar Highlights

Also check the Parish website
(www.stmoside.org) for complete
calendar information.

The Week Ahead

- May 17 Liturgy of the Word for
Children at 8:30am
Mass
- May 17 RE.A.CH Classes at
Church
- May 18 Women's Guild
Luncheon Meeting with
Election of Officers
- May 21-24 Adult Choir Tour
to Napa, California
- May 23-24 First Communion at
5:00pm and 10:30am
Masses
Liturgy of the Word for
Children at 8:30am
Mass

The Month Ahead

- May 28 Project Linus Coffee
- May 31 Confirmation

The Year Ahead

- June 6 Women's Guild Lunch at
Shadowridge Country
Club
- June 12-14 Parish Campout
- July 20-24 Crocodile Dock—
Vacation Bible School
- Aug 23 First Annual
Pastor's Dinner

Next Year—2010

- April 30 Eleventh Annual
Golf Classic

*Questions? Contact Henny at
760-758-4100 x100 or
hennyj@stmoside.org.*

2009 Annual Catholic Appeal Now Underway!

St. Thomas More's "Fair Share": \$34,000

Pledge Total to Date: \$41,892.15

Households Responding: 304

Average Gift per Household: \$137.80

Your support is greatly appreciated!

—Rev. Michael Ratajczak, Pastor

Seniors Special Needs and Services

Are you aware that there are many services for seniors with special needs in North County? One of the services is Interfaith Community Services, which helps elderly seniors in many ways. To obtain more information about senior services, please contact Ann Eriksson at 760-599-7151.

Reporting Sexual Abuse

In accordance with the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, the Diocese of San Diego has published a brochure that includes information regarding sexual misconduct by Church ministers and how to report any complaints. This brochure, entitled *Sexual Misconduct: Preventing, Responding, Reporting*, is available in our pamphlet rack on the lower level of the Parish Center.

St. Francis and St. Thomas More Offertory Envelopes

Any St. Francis Offertory Envelopes given to the offertory collection at St. Thomas More will be returned to St. Francis.

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STM \$crip News

Thank you to all who use the Scrip Program!

In order for St. Thomas More to benefit from your shopping at Ralphs, Food4Less, and Albertsons you must update your cards. Please stop by the Scrip table to find out how, or call Theresa Goeltz at 760-453-2876.

Scrip is sold after weekend Masses and on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00-10:00am in the Parish Office.

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

Albertson's Card #(11 digits) _____

Ralph's Card—Please visit Scrip table for flyer.

☐ Please send me a Food 4 Less Card

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

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!

Get on the Bus Update

The Get on the Bus trip which was scheduled for May 8 has been postponed until June 26. The health officials for all the California prisons have declared a "lock down because of the H1N1(Swine flu) virus."

Please keep the Get on the Bus organizers in your prayers as they reschedule about 48 buses and all of the families involved.

Most importantly, please keep the children in your prayers. They will now have to deal with another disappointment in their lives, perhaps without fully understanding why this has happened.

All the back packs and comfort bags for the children and caregivers are ready and will be stored until June. Our parishioners who baked cookies will keep them in their freezer for June! All of the items you have donated will still be used! Thanks again for your generous donation of monies and items for this most important project! We will prevail!

In addition, please keep Vanessa Ferarro in your prayers. She was our bus coordinator but had to resign last month in order to attend to her father who is dying. You may recall that Vanessa's 23-year-old son was killed in an automobile accident several months ago. Prior to that, her mother died in October. If you were in communication with Vanessa and have not heard from her, I apologize and know you now understand the circumstances that have caused some lack of communication. Please call Sr. Maureen (760-758-4100 x131) if you wish to continue being involved with Get on the Bus, now or in the future.

Have Time for a Little Extra Laundry?

If you would like to take on a small task that is very helpful to the Parish and rewarding for you, please consider joining the group that launders the small altar linens every week. The more people in the group, the less often each one needs to do the laundry! Training is provided. For more information, please contact Marge Gillen at 760-630-1929.

Can You Help with Mass Preparation?

Do you have two hours per week two months out of the year? Duties include checking the altar servers' and priests' albs (robes) and altar cloths to make sure they are clean for the weekend Masses and cleaning and polishing of liturgical vessels. Volunteers will be trained.

For more information, call Kathy Wilson at 758-2538.

PAY IT FORWARD NIGHT

High School Youth Group

May 18 • 7:00-8:30pm

Questions? Gale at 760-726-7236

Women's Guild News

Luncheon Meeting—Monday, May 18, 11:00am, on the lower level of the Parish Center. Cost is \$7. The election of new officers will take place, followed by a short video of the past year's events! Please RSVP to Mary Vernaci at 760-727-2318 or Germaine Wilmott at 760-758-9949.

Annual Installation Luncheon—Saturday, June 6, 11:00am at Shadowridge Country Club. In addition to installing the new Board of Directors for the Women's Guild, we will be having the drawing for the beautiful quilts that various members have made and donated.

We will be selling luncheon tickets after all Masses until May 30. The cost is \$20. It was always a great time to show our support for the new crew and our gratitude for those who have worked so hard this year.

If you have any questions, please contact Suzee Irwin at 760-597-2706 or Germaine Wilmott at 760-758-9949.

Spirited Seniors Leadership Help Wanted!

Qualifications: age 50+ male or female with energy and ideas. Our goal is to enhance the spiritual, educational, and social lives of our members.

Stella Leué has been our leader for twelve years, but she has moved out of the area and will be sorely missed.

Our eleven-member Board will stay in place to help with the transition to new leadership, but we need a new chairperson (or, even better, a team of two co-chairpersons) to take the helm for the coming year. If you like to lead, delegate, and you have some creative ideas for future events, we're praying for the Spirit to move you.

*For more information,
call Judy or Gerry Buoniconti 760-758-5113.*

Facing Surgery or a Serious Illness?

If you, a family member or close friend is facing surgery or has been diagnosed with a serious illness, the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick can be powerful and comforting.

For more information, call the Parish Office at 760-758-4100.

Thank You

Dear St. Thomas More Friends,

It is with a sad heart that we say "Hasta La Vista," as we move from our church community of thirteen years. On April 29, we will be moving from Vista so we can be closer to family in Clovis, CA. We have made many life-long friends through our various church activities: Stewardship, Spirited Seniors, Library Committee, Eucharistic Ministry in church and in the hospital, Bereavement Committee, Small Church Community, Pro-Life Committee, and the Women's Guild. You can be assured that we will cherish the fun times we shared and pray for all of you. Please pray for us in our latest adventure. If your future travels are through Fresno County, we would welcome a call and a visit.

*—With love, Dave and Stella Leué
dleue2@sbcglobal.net or 760-505-3869*

Small Church Communities

We currently have openings in our Small Church Community Groups that meet once a week in each others' homes to discuss scripture readings and fellowship. If you are new to St. Thomas More, this is a great way to meet new friends and become part of our Parish community. Some groups meet in the mornings; others, in the evenings. For more information, please contact Sondra Parks at 760-598-1269.

Project Linus Coffee

Project Linus will host a coffee and work session on Thursday, May 28, at 10:00am on the lower level of the Parish Center. Volunteers donate hand-made crocheted, knitted, or quilted blankets, which are then delivered to sick and needy children. For more information on blanket requirements and the Project Linus organization, please attend the coffee or call Mary Coxon at 760-599-8760.

Parish Potluck

Please join us on Friday, May 22, at 6:00pm on the lower level of the Parish Center for a potluck with good food and fellowship. Bring one of your favorite main dishes, salads, or desserts. A bottle of wine would also be appreciated. Last, but not least, bring your favorite date. If you don't have a date, come anyway! Please RSVP to Germaine Wilmott at 760-758-9949.

Feeling Lucky? Buy a Chance on a Quilt!

The Women's Guild Quilters Group are at it again, this time with "Quilts Galore III," which features twelve lap-sized and nap-sized creations. The raffle will take place on June 6 at the Women's Guild Installation Luncheon. The border of the cover letter you received with your tickets pictures a small portion of each quilt. For a full viewing of the quilts, come to the May 18 Women's Guild Luncheon, or stop by the tables on the Plaza on Sunday, May 24, or Sunday, May 31. Please return your ticket stubs and money no later than Sunday, May 31. Please make checks payable to St. Thomas More Women's Guild. Your support is greatly appreciated!

For further information, contact Nancy Wozniak at 760-729-0782 or Nell McGlone at 760-726-5211.

No Home or Food for Your Family—Just Imagine!

Our ministry answers the call by Jesus to feed the hungry in our time and neighborhood. The North County Solutions for Change women and children's shelter needs volunteers for meal preparation, servers, and donations (food and paper goods). Any help you can provide is most welcome!

Many thanks to those who have stepped up to supply seven of the monthly dinners!

These dates are still available for dinner adoption:

**August 23
November 29
December 27**

*Contact: Paul & Kalei Mendiola at
760-945-9042 or
kaleiann@sbcglobal.net.*



Liturgy & Music

Worship God

Douglas Lynn
Director of Music/Coordinator of Liturgical Ministries
douglasl@stmoside.org; 760-758-4100 x140



HEADING TO THE VINEYARDS

Two years ago, a colleague and friend of mine from the American Choral Directors Association invited St. Thomas More's Adult Choir to sing with her choir at **First United Methodist Church** in Napa, California.

Last year, when we were deciding where to attend Mass during our trip, it became obvious that a stop at **St. John the Baptist Catholic Church** and an invitation to their choir to join this merry group of singers were the next logical steps.

All has come together, and next weekend, your Adult Choir will be singing in Napa, for Saturday evening Mass at St. John the Baptist and for the Sunday morning worship service at First United Methodist. If you happen to be in the Wine County for the Memorial Day weekend, stop by and see us!

Even better, you can see and hear this great gathering of choirs in November, when both Napa choirs will be joining us at Mass the weekend of November 7/8 and for our annual Thanksgiving concert to benefit the food pantry at Interfaith Community Services on Sunday afternoon, November 8, at 4:00pm. Mark your calendars!

For the past year, the three choirs have been preparing a setting of the Mass by composer James Mulholland entitled *Missa Romantica*. If you were at the Spring Sing, you heard us sing the Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) from this work. Published in 2004, the *Missa Romantica* is a beautiful modern setting of the Mass texts for choir and orchestra.

Part of the mission of our music ministry is to join with other Christians—Catholic and non-Catholic alike—to share our joy in music making for the glory of God and to encourage in some small way progress toward the Church's goal of eventual unification of all Christians in the world. In these events, our many congruities become apparent and our few differing points of view diminish. My friend Jan, the music director at First United Methodist Church, invites a choir to join them each year for a similar weekend, and it will be our pleasure and honor to represent St. Thomas More in this endeavor.

Please pray for us this week—for safe travel, for a spirit of joy and peace in all we do, and for the blessings that God may shower down upon this undertaking among different faith communities—as we, singing branches of the Lord, spread out to share the joy of Christ's peace and love and head north into the vineyards.

Music Ministry Next Week

MAY 23/24

5:00pm Mass

Cantor

8:30am Mass

Cantor

10:30am Mass

Cantor



First United Methodist Church, Napa



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Napa

Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

Kathleen Bell
Director of Faith Formation
kathleenb@stmoside.org; 760-758-4100 x110



Dear Families,

"This is the day the Lord has made.....let us rejoice and be glad!"

Today we conclude our 2008-2009 season of RE.A.CH:
18 Church Sessions and 18 Home Sessions dedicated to
forming our children in faith.

I wish God's choicest blessings on the parents who have taken
so seriously this responsibility and privilege given to them at
the Baptism of their child.

"To everything there is a season" and so I encourage you to
form faith in the weeks ahead by your continuing example of:

- Celebrating Mass each and every week. . .the major source
of nourishment for the faith life of your family.
- LIVE what you believe
 - * by your choices for recreation during the summer
 - * by strengthening family life through shared meals and
common activities
 - * by praying as a family ~ before a meal, at bedtime, or
a decade of the rosary (great way to
 - * be sure ALL your children have memorized the
 - * Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be)
- BE a sign of peace for one another!

I am here throughout the summer, so if I can be a resource or
support for you in any way, call, drop by, or email.

With you in ministry,

Kathleen

Sign-Up's for 2009-2010

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

Invite a friend or neighbor to get their children involved
in Faith Formation.

*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 enrollment card!*

There is great team support waiting for you.

Peanut Butter and Jelly Update

(Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center)



2009 GOAL:

Collected to date:

365 jars

333 jars !

SUMMER BIBLE CAMP AT ST. THOMAS MORE



Dates:

July 20 to July 24, 2009
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
760.758.4100 X110

Enrollment forms online at

www.stmoside.org . . .contact us . . .parish forms



Stewardship & Development

Serve God's People

Chris Smith

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

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Encouraging Unity

Jesus calls his disciples his "friends" and commands them to love one another as he has loved them. We are called to be Christian stewards of this friendship; to love one another as Jesus loves us.

- ◆ Do I give serious attention to what this love requires of me?
- ◆ Does this require me to actively seek the welfare of others?
- ◆ What is the price of friendship with the Lord?
- ◆ What gifts of myself—skills, talents, time and resources—will best demonstrate my love for God's people?

It is our job to encourage unity. It is so important that the New Testament gives more attention to it than to either heaven or hell. God deeply desires that we experience oneness and harmony with each other. This is our goal.

Thank you for doing God's Will and keeping love alive at STM!

St. Thomas More
welcomes our
newest members ~
We are Church!



High School Youth
Retreat inspires our
future generations!

Christian Stewardship is
alive and well at STM!



So many benefit from our
Sister Parish efforts!



Most of all, let love guide your life,
for then the whole Church will stay together
in perfect harmony. —Col. 3:14

TOWERS OF FAITH

Future Support & Estate Planning Options

Towers of Faith is a movement that has arisen due to the visionary leadership and generosity of several of our parishioners. Again, we stress that this is not about the gift amount, but the love behind the gift.

These individuals (several anonymous) have included STM in their estate planning. This helps to ensure their ongoing support and a legacy for our Parish. *Towers of Faith* is our future support.



Examples of the various future planning vehicles are:

**Designated Beneficiary Accounts,
Last Will and Testament, Living Trust, Life Insurance,
Stocks and Bonds, Real Estate and Endowments.**

Any parishioners who have already included STM in their estate plans are *Towers of Faith* participants. If you are interested, please contact us. Your participation is most welcome and appreciated!

Chris Smith at 760-758-4100 x120, chriss@stmoside.org.

**Do two people in your family know the location of
your will and/or living trust?**

Annual Lenten Collection 2009

\$2,409.08

Collection for Week of: May 9/10, 2009

Number of Registered Households:		1,000
Offertory*	\$	8,408.36
Offertory (Loose Collection)		1,385.00
Children's envelopes		1.51
Total	\$	9,794.87

* Offertory Envelopes, Credit Card Withdrawals,
Automatic Checking or Savings Account Deductions
(Credit Card and Automatic Bank Account Withdrawals)

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We offer a variety of options for easier giving.
In addition to the extra "mail-back" envelopes
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- ◆ Automatic Savings Account Deduction

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News from the Larger Church

Diocesan Workshops in May and June—Various topics related to religious education. For details, contact www.diocese-sdiego.org/evangelization.htm or 858-490-8230.

Weight Management Program in San Marcos—Tired of constantly struggling with your weight? The *Light Weigh* is continuing at St. Mark Church. Join us Monday, May 18, at 7:00pm in the JPPI Center for a free video informational orientation to the program, a twelve-week video series/Catholic Bible Study, where you will learn a new approach to eating and prayer. *What have you got to lose?*

Baccalaureate Mass & Reception for Graduating SDSU Students and Families—Thursday, May 21, 6:00pm, SDSU Newman Center, 5855 Hardy Ave., San Diego. We invite you and your parents to join the SDSU Catholic Campus Ministry in celebrating your accomplishment (caps and gowns are not required). For more information, contact 619-583-9181.

Catholic Thrive Event for Young Adults in Anaheim—Join others from around the country for world-class speakers and music, Mass, reconciliation, gala dance, and service opportunities for this celebration for Catholic young adults and singles of all ages at the Anaheim Marriott on May 22-24. For more information, visit www.catholicthrive.com.

Magnificat Women's Group Meeting in San Diego—Saturday, May 30, 9:30am at the Mission Valley Sheraton. Pat Doyle, an active leader in our San Diego Diocese, will joyfully share how to find God's love and presence in all things. RSVP to 858-578-1256.

Old Time County Fair in Ramona—June 5-7 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, 537 E St., Ramona. There will be a raffle, food, carnival rides, games, and music. For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 760-789-0583.

Tony Melendez to Perform in San Marcos—The successful toe-pickin' guitar player and vocalist born without arms and a club foot will give a concert at St. Mark Parish in San Marcos in Friday, June 12. For more information, contact Pat at 760-744-5429.

Notre Dame Club's Thirteenth Annual Charity Golf Classic in Rancho Bernardo—June 14-15, at the Country Club of Rancho Bernardo. Features guest speaker Ryan Grant of the Green Bay Packers. For more information, visit www.ndsandiego.org.

Gran Fiesta in San Marcos—June 26-28. 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 St. Mark Parish at 1147 Discovery St. in San Marcos. For more information, contact 760-744-1540.

Beginning Experience Weekend for Widowed, Divorced, and Separated Persons in Oceanside—July 17-19 or November 13-15, at Prince of Peace Abbey. A specially trained team leads participants through a healing and growth experience. For further information, please call 858-274-1878.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land—Fr. Edwin Tutor of St. Pius X Parish in Chula Vista invites you to join him in pilgrimage November 6-16 with Fr. Garret Edmunds, OFM (based in Jerusalem) as tour guide and escort. For more information, contact Lulu Rullan at 619-757-4200.

St. Francis School Accepting Applications—St. Francis of Assisi Parish School is accepting applications for the 2009-2010 school year. We have a fully licensed preschool and are an accredited kindergarten through eighth grade school. Located in Vista just off the Highway 78, St. Francis School provides a strong Catholic religious education program, advanced classes, extracurricular activities, competitive school sports program, and after-school care. For more information, contact www.sfs-vista.org or 760-630-7960.

Musical Instruments Needed for School in the Holy Land—The Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, an organization whose mission is to preserve the Christian presence in the Holy Land, is helping a Catholic school in Jordan by seeking new or used musical instruments for students in music development programs at the school. If you have musical instruments (please no tubas!) you would like to donate, please contact Chuck or Ede Radloff at 858-451-1079, and we will arrange to pick up the instruments and ship them to the Catholic school in Jordan.

Marriage Encounter Weekends—For more information, contact broy2@san.rr.com.

Natural Family Planning Classes—For more information, contact daveandcheryl@cox.net or 619-303-5053.

Church of the Resurrection Catholic Gift Shop in Escondido—Open Tuesday-Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm and before and after Masses on the weekends. 1445 Conway Drive, Escondido. For more information, contact 760-747-2322.

Catholic Network of Volunteer Service (CNVS) Looking for Volunteers—Thousands of faith-based volunteer opportunities available from nearly 200 programs all over the world for all ages and walks of life. For more information, contact 800-543-5046 or visit www.cnvs.org.

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