# Church of St. Thomas More

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Spirituality † Tradition † Community

A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

Rev. Michael Ratajczak, Pastor Deacon Thomas A. Goeltz

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 28, 2009 • Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# The Society For The Propagation of the Faith Mission Appeal



Fr. Kelly from the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart will be making a Missionary Cooperation Appeal and will be preaching at all the Masses next weekend to ask for the financial assistance needed to aid missionaries and the people of God they serve.

Please be prepared to make a generous contribution to help the missionaries continue to serve those who need help the most. Envelopes will be attached to the bulletin next weekend and may be returned any time during the month of July.

# Rosary

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

# Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak michaelr@stmoside.org 760-758-4100 x100

# Summer—A Time of Recreation and Re-creation

There were times when I could not afford to sacrifice the bloom of the present moment to any work, whether of head or hands. Sometimes, in a summer morning, having taken my accustomed bath, I sat in my sunny doorway from sunrise till noon, rapt in a reverie, amidst the pines and hickories and sumachs, in undisturbed solitude and stillness, while the birds sang around. I grew in those seasons like corn in the night, and they were far better than any work of the hands would have been. They were not time subtracted from my life, but so much over and above my usual allowance.

—Henry David Thoreau

It is summer...Change the normal routine...Let July and August be different...

"Waste" time... "Waste" time alone... "Waste" time with family and friends...Recreate lavishly...

Be "re-created"...



# 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.

### **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. Some groups meet in the mornings; others, in the evenings. For more information, please contact Sondra Parks at 760-598-1269.

### **Pennies from Heaven**

Start saving those pennies! The annual Pennies from Heaven collection to benefit Birth Choice of San Marcos, our local Pregnancy Resource Center, is coming up the weekend of July 18-19. They are committed to promoting a Culture of Life in our community and always



grateful for our help. Please be generous as you have in the past.

### Can't Get to Mass?

Our Parish has ministers who can bring Holy Communion to anyone who is unable to attend Mass—the homebound, those in the hospital, those in convalescent homes.

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

# 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 ×100.



# Peter's Pence Collection: Cast the Light of Christ Upon the World

The first weekend in June, envelopes were attached to the bulletin for the Peter's Pence Collection. This collection allows the Holy Father to cast the light of Christ upon the world by providing emergency assistance to those who need it most around the globe. You may return the envelope any time during the month of June.

# Readings for the Week Ahead

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

Sunday, June 28 (98)

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Wisdom 1:13-15;2:23-24 Psalm 30:2,4-6,11-13

2 Corinthians 8:7,9,13-15

Mark 5:21-43

Monday, June 29 (591)

Peter & Paul, Apostles

Acts 12:1-11 Psalm 34:2-9

2 Timothy 4:6-8,17-18

Matthew 16:13-19

**Tuesday, June 30** (378)

The First Holy Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

Genesis 19:15-29

Psalm 26:2-3,9-12

Matthew 8:23-27

Wednesday, July 1 (379)

Blessed Junipero Serra, priest

Genesis 21:5,8-20a

Psalm 34:7-8,10-13

Matthew 8:28-34

Thursday, July 2 (380)

Genesis 22:1b-19 Psalm 115:1-6,8-9

Matthew 9:1-8

Friday, July 3 (593)

St. Thomas, Apostle

Ephesians 2:19-22

Psalm 117:1-2

John 20:24-29

Saturday, July 4 (382)

Elizabeth of Portugal

Genesis 27:1-5,15-29 Psalm 135:1-6

Matthew 9:14-17

Sunday, July 5 (101)

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 2:2-5 Psalm 123:1-4

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Mark 6:1-6a

# **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, June 27, 5:00pm Eunice Masseth &

Sunday, June 28, 8:30am Mike Ludke

Sunday, June 28, 10:30am Gonzallo Carrillo 🕈

Tuesday, June 30, 8:15am Lorie Whitmore &

Wednesday, July 1, 8:15am James Walsh &

Thursday, July 2, 8:15am Kevan Malone

Friday, July 3, 8:15am Joe Kudzia 🕆

Saturday, July 4, 5:00pm Jerry Ludke 🕆

Sunday, July 5, 8:30am Isabelle Browne &

Sunday, July 5, 10:30am Carl Bechtold &

# **Prayer List**

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

Mary Alexander Kathryn Allen Mary Baker Maria Balli Patricia Barbour Regina Bentz Beatrice Brooks & Family Monica Broussard Janet Brown Steve Brown Herman Calandro Irene Caligiuri Shelby Campbell Ed Carmichael Catherine Castagna Paul Cipowski James Coleman Thomas Cornwell & Family Jean Crowell The Crunk & Middlebrooks Families Karen Flaharty Daley Margie Daniels & Family Cecilia DeSimone Linda Dossman Kathrvn Ernst The Fiore Family Peggy & Jack Fischer The Fisk Family

Rvan Flum Kathryn Franklin Carmen Garcia Bob Godlev Rick Gonzalez

The Gurrera & Santy Families The Haeffelin Family

Anita Hage Susan Hallahan The Hannon Family The Harker Family

Rita Harnacker

Barry Henwood Cvnthia Horner The Davina & Brock Husted

Family Bill & Debbie Ipsen Sue Johnston George Jones Colleen Kaup Paul Kennedy

Debbie Kinney George Kleekamp Sr. Anne Kremenik

Helen Kuhn Lillian Lachance The Lamelin Family

Bernie Lanzrath Brandon LeBlanc

Cassandra Loretto Lauren Loretto Jackie Lvnn

James MacArthur Ken Mauro Helen McCullough

Bob McWilliams Carol Michael

Carroll Tom & Nona Miller Howard Montgomery Nancy Moore

The Murchison Family

Margie Myers Dale & Jeanne Nelson R. Northrup Helen O'Connell Margie O'Connor Esther Ortega Luci Palmer

Lupe Casas Pelletier Helen Pingtella The Porter Family

Anne Post Otila Quiroz Janet Raiman The Rees Family Deana Reynolds

Dort Rilev Sr. Loyola Romey Dorothy Rouse Rose Rowland

The Russo Family Julie Shea Norm Shultz

The Simonson Family Nick Soltau

Ed Sox Dorothy and Ray Staehr Betty Stewart

Carl Stewart Maria Surmenidis Arnie Velasco Dominic Vienna, Jr. Vanessa Vitiello-Koble

Kevin Watson-Graff Ed Wesel Marilyn Wesel Terry Westlake

Sharon Whipkey 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,

St Sgt Joseph Duffy, USAF Staff Sgt. Julian Fyffe, USMC MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC Mitchell Gentry, 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

Liturgy of the Word for June 28 Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses

July 5 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses

# The Month Ahead

Monday Night Mass July 6 July 20-24 Crocodile Dock— Vacation Bible School

# The Year Ahead

Aug 23 First Annual Pastor's Dinner Oct 18 New Member Reception Choral Concert: Nov 8 Missa Romantica Nov 22 Stewardship Appreciation Event

# Next Year—2010

Eleventh Annual April 30 Golf Classic

> Questions? Contact Henny 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

For information, call Jim Treat at 760-598-3602.

# **Welcome to Newly Registered Parishioners**

Diane Markle Perlita & Forester Rydingsword & Family

### Flower Donations

We would like to gratefully acknowledge the contributions of:

# Tom & Pat Hannon Bob & Pat Wong

whose generosity helped to defray the cost of flowers this weekend and recently, respectively, in our liturgical environment.

### In Memoriam



Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

**Lawrence "Larry" Fisk,** who died on June 16. His Rosary will be celebrated on Sunday, June 28, at 7:00pm, and his Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Monday, June 29, at 11:00am, both at St. Thomas More.

Please keep Larry's wife, Betty, and the family in your prayers.

**Mary Hannon,** who died on June 20. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Friday, July 3, at 9:00am, at St. James Parish in Solana Beach, followed by burial at Mission San Luis Rey.

**Marie Simonson,** who died on June 18. Marie is the mother of Parishioner Bob Simonson. Please keep the family in your prayers.

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

# 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.

# 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 Scri	p table for flyer.		
l □ Please send me a Food 4 Les	s Card		
Name			
Address			
PhoneEn	nail		
1 , 1	n the collection basket or return weekend Masses or the Parish you!		

# **Social Justice News**

# Resources for Personal Study in Support of the Employee Free Choice Act

Here are two places to visit regarding the Act:

http://www.americanprogressaction.org/issues/2009/03/pdf/efca\_101.pdf

http://www.americanrightsatwork.org/employee-free-choice-act/

Here are links to the actual House and Senate versions of the bill:

http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/bdquery/D?d111:1:./temp/

~bdtOb7:://bss/111search.html/ Senate Bill:

http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/bdquery/D?d111:2:./temp/~bdtOb7:://bss/111search.html/

If for some reason the above links do not bring you directly to the legislation, please visit the Library of Congress at:

http://thomas.loc.gov

and click on "Bills, Resolutions" and enter "Employee Free Choice Act" under "Search Bill Text."

This initiative is supported by Interfaith Committee for Worker Justice, of which St. Thomas More is a member. The Interfaith Committee for Worker Justice is supported by the Diocese of San Diego.

# Feeling Lucky? Raffle Ticket Opportunity Benefits Men's Shelter

Fourth of July Raffle tickets will be sold next weekend after all Masses to benefit La Posada de Guadalupe Men's Shelter. La Posada resides in our parish boundaries. This is a wonderful opportunity to support their effort to help homeless men reclaim their lives. And besides, you might win! Two years ago, two of the three prizes were won by STM Parishioners!

For more information, contact Sr. Maureen: 760-758-4100 x131.

# 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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# **Spirited Seniors News**

We are pleased to announce that Vera Bayliss has volunteered to join our current chairpersons, Judy and Jerry Buoniconti as our new co-chair. This nine-member Board is currently busy making plans for some great future events to enhance the spiritual, educational, and social lives of our 50+ club, and Vera is a most welcome addition to the Board!

You may still return membership registration forms to the Parish Office, along with your \$10 per person membership fee. Members are always given first priority to sign up for events such as theater or bus trips. If there are additional spaces available, non-members are most welcome, but there will be a non-member surcharge for all events. It pays to join!



# Congratulations Graduates!

# Name Garrett Braatz Jack Cadieux Scott Case Cassandra Ine Collins Marco Colucci Marisa Colucci Joshua Diaz Jennifer Doering Nicholas B. Dumas Corey Farquar Robert Fay Zachary Fonseca-Mill

Robert Fay
Zachary Fonseca-Miller
Andrea Garcia
Brendan Green
Michael Ibbetson
Kristin Jacobson
Amanda Johnson
Austin Marrow
Christian Marrow
William Mueller

Kyri Nelson Sam Nucci Tyler Pupping Emma Rudolph Randi Rudolph Brian Sandoval Rebecca Sterling Desiree Sullivan

Madeline Sumner Maddy Taylor Sarah Telles Gabriella Vozza David Wilson Ali Wolters

Huntington Wozniak Katie Yzaguirre

# **Graduating From**

Rancho Buena Vista High School
St.Francis/Kindergarten
Carlsbad High School
UC Berkeley
Guajome Academy
St. Francis Grade School
St. Francis Grade School
Old Mission Montessori School
Rancho Buena Vista High School
Mission Hills High School
Rancho Buena Vista High School

Rancho Buena Vista High School Madison Middle School Monte Vista Elementary UC Santa Barbara Cal State Fullerton

Rancho Buena Vista High School

UC Irvine

Rancho Buena Vista High School

Vista High School

Franciscan University of Steubenville Rancho Buena Vista High School

Vista High School

Carlsbad Seaside Academy Carlsbad High School Rancho Buena Vista Carlsbad High School Madison Middle School Cathedral High School St. Joseph Academy St. Joseph Academy

Rancho Buena Vista High School

St. Francis Grade School University of San Diego

Rancho Buena Vista High School

Vista High School

# Going to UC Riverside

First Grade/St. Francis Cal. Poly Pomona



St. Joseph Academy Rancho Buena Vista High School Cathedral Catholic High School

Mira Costa College

Palomar College/Fire Academy

Palomar College/Culinary Arts Program

Rancho Buena Vista High School Vista Magnet Middle School

Work in Sociology field CSU San Marcos

Cal. Poly San Luis Obispo

Nursing

CSU San Marcos Carlsbad High School Stanford University Mira Costa

Rancho Buena Vista High School

Tri-City Christian Franciscan University Steubenville

Cathedral High School

Nevada State University



### Women's Guild News

**Thank You!**—I want to thank all the members of the Parish who supported the Women's Guild this past year! That is the how we were able to present Fr. Mike with a check for \$15,000 at our Installation Luncheon on June 6. I also hope that you will continue to support the Women's Guild in 2009-2010.

—Germaine Wilmott, Past President

Quilt Raffle Results—The 2009 Women's Guild Quilt Raffle was held Saturday, June 6, at the Shadowridge Country Club. Fr. Mike kindly consented to draw the twelve lucky winning tickets, which were held by Edith Noel, Cecile Roberts, Henny Jocelyn, Rita McCarthy, Carol Kope Helen Kuhn, Wilertha Begnaud, Joyce Dockery, Virginia Galvez, Charlene Belprez, Donna Smith, and Judy Mitchell. Our congratulations to the winners and our sincere thanks to all others who contributed to making this event so successful! For further information, please contact Nell McGlone at 760-726-5211.



# Pool & Pizza

at Schanzenbach's, 137 Alta Mesa Drive, Vista Monday, June 29, 6:00-9:00pm Bring Side Dish and Appropriate Attire

# **Family Matters...continues**

with Collin and Billy Wednesday July 1, 15, & 22 at 7:00pm

Call Gale at 760-726-7236 for more information or visit *www.stmoside.org/hsym.htm* for full schedule.





# Liturgy & Music



Douglas Lynn
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**Music Ministry** 

**Next Week** 

5:00pm Mass

8:30am Mass

10:30am Mass

Handbell Choir

Adult Choir

**JULY 4/5** 

Cantor

# "DIRTY" JOBS

# **Scripture Themes for July 2009**

Among the many television programs that bounce off satellites and into our homes is one called "Dirty Jobs." The show is hosted by Mike Rowe, who begins each segment: "I explore the country, looking for people who aren't afraid to get dirty-hardworking men and women who earn an honest living doing the kinds of jobs that make civilized life possible for the rest of us." Featured guests have included an abandoned mine plugger, an olive-oil presser, a cave biologist, and an elevator-shaft cleaner. Offering himself as an apprentice, Rowe learns firsthand the difficulties inherent in each job. as well as something of the character of those who do them. Rowe frequently comments on the cheerfulness of his hosts; most are genuinely happy to render their often unseen and unique services.

A study of the sacred texts for July will put us in touch with others who have similarly served their contemporaries by doing jobs that weren't so much dirty as they were undesirable and even dangerous. Ezekiel (July 5), Amos (July 12), and Jeremiah (July 19) invite us to look over their shoulders and into their lives as they exercise the privilege of hearing God's voice and bearing the burden of speaking God's word to their contemporaries. None of these men chose to be a prophet. Each of them suffered for taking on this challenge. All of them have been frank in admitting the personal cost of their service. These prophets, as Abraham J. Heschel has explained, dared to say "No" to their society, condemning its habits and assumptions, its complacency, waywardness and indiscriminate eclecticism as regards religion. They were often compelled to proclaim the very opposite of what their hearts wished to say. Their fundamental service was to reconcile God and humankind. Given humankind's penchant for egoism and its distaste for hearing hardto-bear truths, theirs was often a "dirty" job.

When Jesus and, after him, Paul ministered in similarly prophetic ways to their contemporaries, both received considerable flak for their efforts. Jesus was criticized for being just an ordinary somebody who was so familiar to them that they refused the truth he spoke and took offense at his actions (John 5). Paul admitted that his work for the Gospel brought him insults, hardships, persecutions, and even a "thorn in the flesh" (July 5). Nevertheless, like Jesus, Paul continued to speak for God; like Jesus, he kept at his job.

Another "job" Jesus accepted and performed with caring and compassion was that of feeding the



hungry. Like his predecessor, Elisha, Jesus provided barley loaves for the multitudes who had come to him for healing, forgiveness and for hearing the good news of salvation. An often wearying job, tending to the hungers of others—whether these are spiritual, emotional, or physical—requires that those served be treated with respect. The dignity of the poor is not to be compromised regardless of how their needs may have handicapped their ability to present themselves well. An action as simple as giving food to another can elevate or diminish them, and the difference between deference and disrespect is greatly determined by the attitude of the one who serves.

For Jesus and Elisha, feeding the hungry was perhaps a difficult and tiring job, but they did not consider it to be a dirty one, any more than the service performed by the prophets or Paul was a dirty job. On the contrary, every job, dirty or otherwise, can become a graced opportunity for meeting God in the other and for allowing the other to find a reflection of God in our smile, our touch, our kind word. This graced meeting becomes possible if we look upon the job we do—whatever it is—as a service to which we have been called and for which we are graced and supported by God. As disciples of Jesus, our job is to continue his ministry. Just as he sent forth his first followers with specific instructions, so Jesus sends us forth from this liturgy and into the week ahead. Be diligent in your service, he advises; reach out to everyone. Bring peace and reconciliation to everyone; invite repentance wherever you go (July 12). Remember to make time in all your busy-ness for pausing and praying in a deserted place (July 19). There you will be able to listen and keep in touch with your divine Boss, in whose image you have been created, and with your brother Jesus, whose apprentice you are. There you will experience the presence of the Spirit and find the grace to be able to bring your truest and best self to whatever job you may be called to do.

—Patricia Datchuck Sánchez and Rafael Sánchez Alonso from Celebration magazine, July 2009

# **Faith Formation**



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# RE.A.CH

# 2009-2010

If you have children from age 3 through 17 and would like to partner with your parish in their faith formation beginning in September, please contact the Faith Formation Office NOW!



If you are not a registered parishioner of St. Thomas More, stop by the Information Table or call the Parish Office to take this first important step to participating in RE.A.CH!

Feel free to call or email to discuss the program or ask for the packet through the mail.

# **Confirmation and First Communion Pictures**

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

# **PBJ** Update

(Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center)

2009 GOAL: 365 jars Collected to date: **399 jars** 



# SUMMER BIBLE CAMP AT ST. THOMAS MORE



Dates:

July 20 to July 24, 2009 8:45am until 12:00noon

# Sponsor A Child!

It takes over 230 pairs of hands to share God's Word during the five days of Crocodile Dock VBS. . .you can literally FEEL God's presence!

It takes \$50 for each child to attend. Some of our children need a helping hand. You are invited to evangelize (spread God's Word) by sponsoring a child, in whole or in part.

Any amount is welcome.

Sponsor checks are payable to STM, and are most welcome over the next couple of weeks.

Gratefully, on behalf of our children,

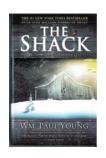
Kathleen

# The Bookies!

**The Shack** by Wm. Paul Young is our next book for discussion on August 12.

From the back cover:

"This story reads like a prayer—like the best kind of prayer, filled with sweat and wonder and transparency and surprise. If you read one work of fiction this year, let this be it."



The book is available for \$9 on top of the file cabinet outside the Faith Formation Office or at the Faith Formation table on the Plaza after Sunday Masses.

# Stewardship & Development



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

# CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP Love and Stewardship

A wise man named Richard Braunstein once made the following statement:

"It is possible to give without loving, but it is impossible to love without giving."

Because God's nature is to love, God constantly reaches out to us with grace we do not merit and love which is without restraint.

In fact, God's love is so unrestrained that God gave the world the best gift known to humankind. As the Gospel of John puts it: "God so loved the world that he gave his only son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have everlasting life."—John 3:16

The bottom line is that God's loves inspires us to love and give even as God has given to us. That is how Christian stewardship comes alive within each of us. As Braunstein said, "It is impossible to love without giving."

While traveling through old Jerusalem with a tour group, I noticed that a doctor's wife could not pass by a beggar or handicapped person without showing love to them in one way or another—a small monetary gift, a warm smile, a show of concern came easily, even eagerly, from her loving body and spirit. Seeing her love and caring was a memorable exhibit I will never forget.

It truly was impossible for her to love without giving, without practicing Christian stewardship.—C. Ferrell

> The relief of others should not impoverish you; there should be a certain equality. Your plenty at the present time should supply their need so that their surplus may in turn one day supply your need.

> > -2 Corinthians 8:13-14



At the heart of stewardship is the ability to grow in our faith commitment. It is a growth that asks us to recognize the richness of the simplicity of recognizing what is really important in our lives.

-Archbishop Thomas Murphy

# A WAY TO GIVE ~ A WAY TO RECEIVE



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

Planned Giving is a generic term that covers the many ways an individual can give to a charity while, in many cases, avoiding taxes examples of Planned Giving to STM. A few examples are: Designated Beneficiary Accounts, Wills, Living Trusts, Stocks, Life Insurance, Mutual Funds, Endowments, 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). Gifts of this nature are beneficial and much appreciated by St. Thomas More.

### 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.

### Collection for Week of: June 20/21, 2009

Number of Registered Households:		1,004
Offertory*	\$	8,989.87
Offertory (Loose Collection)		1,234.50
Children's envelopes		5.50
Total	<u> </u>	10.229.87

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

Special thanks to our young donors using the Children's offertory envelopes for their Christian Stewardship efforts.

# 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, MC, or Discover)
- **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.

# **News from the Larger Church**

Free Summer Lunch Programs for Children 18 and Younger—The school districts of Oceanside, Vista, San Marcos, and Escondido are providing free lunches over the summer to children; no application or registration required. For more information about locations and schedules, contact 760-966-4095 (Oceanside), 760-432-2332 (Escondido), or 760-727-7284 (Vista).

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

**Aegis at Shadowridge Presents Fourth Annual Summer Concert Series**—Thursday, July 9, 6:00-8:00pm, at Aegis (next door to STM), 1440 S. Melrose Drive, Oceanside. Features the *Working Cowboys*. RSVP by Monday, June 8, to 760-806-3600.

Theology on Tap for Young Adults in Mission Valley—Thursdays in July. Topics include Missions (July 9), Apologetics (July 16), Spiritual Growth (July 23), Marriage Vocation (July 30). For more information, visit www.yamsd.org or contact Carrie Giebel at cgiebel@diocese-sdiego.org or 858-490-8260.

Christmas in July Artisan Fair at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside—July 11-12. Crafts from over 175 artisans, a variety of foods, games, rummage sale, and more. All proceeds benefit the parish school, Old Mission Montessori School. For more information, call 760-757-3232.

Family Vacation Retreat at Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center in Oceanside—Our popular family-friendly retreat, Footsteps in the Sand: Meeting God on Vacation, is back!! Join Tom Herbst OFM, Mark Schroeder OFM, Joan & Dan Wiebe, at the Family Vacation Retreat July 13-17. There will be spiritual input, music, theological presentations and quiet reflection time for parents. Afternoons are free for exploring, relaxing, swimming, surfing the waves at the beach, fishing at the Oceanside pier, or visiting local attractions. Retreat begins Monday evening and ends with Friday lunch. Scholarships available. For more information or to register, please call 760-757 -3659 or visit www.sanluisrey.org.

Mission San Diego de Alcalá Dinner Dance in San Diego—Friday, July 17, 6:30-11:30pm. Celebrate the 240th anniversary of the Mission Basilica with an elegant evening under the stars in the mission courtyard. For more information and to request an invitation, contact Barbara and Harry Melkerson at 858-292-4848 or hmelkerson@san.rr.com.

**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.

Race for the Chaste 5K or Half-Marathon—August 14-16. Participation includes training program, support from fellow Race for the Chasters, free t-shirt, weekend seminar with a chastity leadership focus, and race entry fee. For more information, contact Paul Greer at 858-573-1500 or paul@hlpstars.com or visit www.thegorettigroup.org.

**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.

Marian Journey to France, Spain, and Portugal—October 6-16, 2010. Visit Lourdes, Santiago de Compostela, Fatima, Lisbon, and more under the spiritual direction of Rev. George Dunkley. Cost is \$3,400. For more information, contact Deacon Dennis Sullivan at 760-613-7554 or *sullivan211@cox.net*.

**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.

**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.

# **Oberammergau Pilgrimage Informational Meeting**

There will be an informational meeting regarding the Imperial Splendors and Oberammergau Pilgrimage being led by Fr. Mike and Fr. Pedro. This meeting is for anyone who would like more details about this trip. The meeting will be on Sunday, June 28, at Noon, at St. Thomas More Parish Center on the lower level.

Vicky Voll, our travel agent, will be present to answer questions and provide more informational brochures.

Come to learn more about the Passion Play that is presented only once every ten years! There is no cost or obligation for attending!

-Rev. Michael Ratajczak & Rev. Pedro Rivera

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(the Passion Play is only performed every 10 years)
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