

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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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

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

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

November 1, 2009 • Solemnity of All Saints

Pastor's Column

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Remembering Those Who Have Gone Before Us In Death

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of All Saints, and on Monday, November 2, we celebrate the Feast of All Souls. We take time in a special way to remember all those who have gone before us in death.

The experience of the death of a loved one is always a "reality check" for us. As we grieve for the one who has gone, we also grieve for ourselves. If we are honest with ourselves, we know that the tears we shed are not just for the one who died, the tears are for us, as we come face to face with our own mortality.

We are mindful that we are a pilgrim people who are on a journey of faith. We have come from somewhere and we are going somewhere. Earth is not our home. We are aliens in a foreign land, and we have our citizenship in heaven.

"Each time that we experience the death of a loved one, just a little bit more of eternity breaks into our existence." (Fr. Henri Nouwen) These words challenge us to make sure that we do not allow ourselves to let the deaths of our loved ones be in vain.

Hopefully, each time we grieve a loved one, we become more open to life, more loving, more caring, and more open to the eternal life that awaits us.

As we remember and look to the past, we look forward to what lies ahead for us. May our loving memories this weekend spur us on to a deeper respect and love for this gift of life given to us.

I share with you this prayer from an unknown source:

We Remember Them

In the rising of the sun and in its going down...
In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter...
In opening of buds and in the warmth of summer...
In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of autumn...
In the beginning of the year and when it ends...
When we are weary and in need of strength...
When we are lost and sick at heart...
When we have joys we yearn to share...
So long as we live, they too shall live
for they are part of us and part of you, O God, as
We remember them!

Fr. Mike

Our Mission is to: worship God,

Mass Schedule:

Saturday at 5:00pm; Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am;
Tuesday-Friday at 8:15am;
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.*

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Monday, November 2

Join us for

All Souls Mass – 7:00pm

(no youth group)

Call Gale & Jeff at 760-726-7236 for more information!

P.U.S.H.

St. Thomas More

Middle School Youth Group



**Meets
Nov. 2nd
at 7pm
All Souls Mass
See you
then!**

Visit our website:

www.stmoside.org/ym

Email: ronb@stmoside.org

Call Ron or Louise Briseno @

758-4100 X 153

ACTTS

Adult Catholics in their
Twenties and Thirties who Socialize

Sunday, November 8

Brunch after 10:30am Mass
with bagels, coffee, and juice

For more information, contact:

actts@stmoside.org or 760-453-2870.

St. Thomas More Vehicle Donation Program

Do you have a vehicle you want to donate?

Call the Parish Office at

760-758-4100 x100



Readings for the Week Ahead

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

Sunday, November 1 (667)

All Saints

Revelation 7:2-4,9-14

Psalm 24:1-6

1 John 3:1-3

Matthew 5:1-12a

Monday, November 2 (668)

All Souls

Isaiah 25:6-9

Psalm 25:6-7,17-18,20-21

Philippians 3:20-21

John 14:1-6

Tuesday, November 3 (486)

Martin de Porres, religious

Romans 12:5-16a

Psalm 131:1-3

Luke 14:15-24

Wednesday, November 4 (487)

Charles Borromeo, bishop

Romans 13:8-10

Psalm 112:1-2,4-5,9

Luke 14:25-33

Thursday, November 5 (488)

Romans 14:7-12

Psalm 27:1,4,13-14

Luke 15:1-10

Friday, November 6 (489)

Romans 15:14-21

Psalm 98:1-4

Luke 16:1-8

Saturday, November 7 (490)

Romans 16:3-9,16,22-27

Psalm 145:2-5,10-11

Luke 16:9-15

Sunday, November 8 (155)

Thirty-Second Sunday

in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 17:10-16

Psalm 146:7-10

Hebrews 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44

Prayer List

Call 760-758-4100 x102 to add a name for four weeks.

Mary Alexander
Mary Baker
Patricia Barbour
Tom & Cathy Bartholomew
The Belter Family
John Bennici
Regina Bentz
George "Whitey" Betus
Robert Bonanno
Beatrice Brooks & Family
Monica Broussard
Janet Brown
Roseanne Burg
Herman Calandro
Shelby Campbell
Tony Cavaleri
Paul Cipowski
Marilyn Clarke
James Coleman
Thomas Cornwell & Family
The Crowell Family
Karen Flaharty Daley
Margie Daniels & Family
Julie Desco & Family
Cecilia DeSimone
Linda Dossman
Kathryn Ernst
The Fiore Family
Peggy & Jack Fischer
Ryan Flum
Kathryn Franklin
Joe Freire
Carmen Garcia
Peter Gavin
Bob Godley
Rick Gonzalez
Anita Hage
Susan Hallahan
The Harker Family
Rita Harnacker
Barry Henwood
Cynthia Horner
Sue Johnston
Colleen Kaup
Darleen Kelch
Paul Kennedy
Debbie Kinney
George Kleekamp
Sr. Anne Kremenik
Helen Kuhn
Lillian Lachance
The Lamelin Family
Bernie Lanzrath
Rick Laver
The Layden Family
Brandon LeBlanc
David Leue
Cassandra Loretto
Lauren Loretto
Tony Lugo
James MacArthur
Lois Maganini
Ken Mauro
Helen McCullough
Tom McGeary
Bob McWilliams
Carol Michael
Carroll Tom & Nona Miller
Howard Montgomery
Nancy Moore
Margie Myers
Liliana & Luis Nagera
C'gourney Nakamoto
Norberto Navararrow

Melissa Noble & Family
R. Northrup
Helen O'Connell
Leticia Orantes & Nolberto Navarro
Leticia Ornelas & Patrick Nakla
Lupe Casas Pelletier
Helen Pingtella
Anne Post
Otila Quiroz
Jane Radilinski
Janet Raiman
Betty Rameriez
Cecy Rameriez
Isabel Ramirez
Dort Riley
Sr. Loyola Romey
Dorothy Rouse
Rose Rowland
The Russo Family
Nancy Scali
Richard Sikora
Nick Soltau
Ed Sox
Gilda Spiegl
Dorothy and Ray Staehr
Joan Stringer
Maria Surmenidis
Donna & Hope Toth
Stephen Toth, Jr.
Arnie Velasco
Dominic Vienna, Jr.
Vanessa Vitiello-Koble
Kevin Watson-Graff
Ed Wesel
Marilyn Wesel
Terry Westlake
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:

Gunnery Sgt. Fernando Andrade, Jr.
Capt. Sean Barnes, USAF
1st Lt. Jeffrey Bauer, USMC
Pfc John Brandone
Lance Corporal Brandon Doyle, USMC
St Sgt Joseph Duffy, USAF
MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC
Pvt. 2 Jess Phillips, US Army
Julian Torres, USMC
Corporal Jeffery Lee Wilcox, USMC

Thank you for your prayers for Capt. Gregory Day, 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.

Calendar Highlights

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

The Week Ahead

Nov 1 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am Mass
Nov 1 RE.A.CH Classes at Church
Nov 2 All Souls Day—Masses at 8:15am and 7:00pm
Nov 6 Exposition of the Eucharist
Nov 8 Choral Concert: *Missa Romantica*

The Month Ahead

Nov 8-22 Stewardship Renewal
Nov 9 Women's Guild Meeting
Nov 14-15 St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive
Nov 15 RE.A.CH Classes at Church
Nov 15 Blood Drive
Nov 22 Stewardship Appreciation Reception

The Year Ahead

Dec 6 Towers of Faith Reception
Dec 14 Women's Guild Meeting
Next Year—2010
Jan 11 Women's Guild Meeting
April 30 Eleventh Annual Golf Classic
Aug 22 Second Annual Pastor's Dinner

Pray for Women Religious

Please join us in praying for the women religious who serve in the Diocese of San Diego. They have been assigned to days of the year in alphabetical order.

Sunday, November 1 Sr. Elizabeth Abajo, SJS
Monday, November 2 Sr. Laura Abat, OSF
Tuesday, November 3 Sr. Ana Rosa Aceves, SJS
Wednesday, November 4 Sr. Ampelia Acuna, RJM
Thursday, November 5 Sr. Marie Carmen Aguilar, UCSC
Friday, November 6 Sr. Luz Alicia Alvarez, SJS
Saturday, November 7 Sr. Elizabeth of the Trinity Amabile, MC
Sunday, November 8 Sr. Mary Amador, RJM

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 31, 5:00pm Elsie Stewart ☩
Sunday, November 1, 8:30am Isabelle Browne ☩
Sunday, November 1, 10:30am Carl Bechtold ☩
Monday, November 2, 8:15am <i>For the Deceased of Our Parish</i>
Monday, November 2, 7:00pm <i>For the Deceased of Our Parish</i>
Tuesday, November 3, 8:15am Angela Francia ☩
Wednesday, November 4, 8:15am Bud Lundell ☩
Wednesday, November 4, 9:45am Edwin Mazeland ☩ <i>Emeritus of Carlsbad</i>
Thursday, November 5, 8:15am Larry Fisk ☩
Friday, November 6, 8:15am Mary Simonson ☩
Saturday, November 7, 5:00pm Ann Couture ☩
Sunday, November 8, 8:30am William Ipsen, Sr. & Darrel Welch ☩
Sunday, November 8, 10:30am Muffy Layden ☩

Congratulations to

Joe & Charlene Buhkert

who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 25.

May God continue to bless your marriage, and may you be an inspiration to other married couples.

In Memoriam



Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Jean Crowell, who died October 26. Her funeral arrangements are pending. Please keep Jean's family in your prayers.

Miriam Layden, who died on October 26. Her funeral arrangements are pending. Please keep Miriam's family in your prayers.

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

Flower Donations

We would like to gratefully acknowledge the contribution of:

Freda Schweitzer

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

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

Let's take the merchants up on their offer to help build our Sanctuary! Stop by the Scrip table on the Plaza to find out how.

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!

Thanksgiving Dinner

Our Parish Family will be hosting their Fifth Annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 26, at 1:00pm. Dinner will be provided; if you would like to bring a side-dish it will be welcomed.

If your family is out of town, you don't want to fix a huge dinner, or you would like to share the holiday with your Parish Family, please pick up a reservation form at the Information Table after Mass or at the Parish Office. For more information, call the Parish Office at 760-758-4100 x100. We'd love to have you celebrate this holiday with us!

It's Christmas Again—A Children's Book

Copies of the children's book by Rev. Rich Lewandowski, *It's Christmas Again*, will be available at the information table on the Plaza after Mass today.

It's Christmas Again tells the story of a time when everyone forgot the reason people celebrated Christmas. A child asks "Why do we celebrate December 25?" and no one knows the answer. The whole world was so busy buying gifts and decorating trees, but it had forgotten why December 25 was a holiday.

At \$14.95, this book makes a wonderful Christmas gift for all who realize and want to promote the true meaning of Christmas in an easily understandable and enjoyable manner.

Father Rich will direct *A Retreat for a New Year and New Resolutions* here at St. Thomas More at the beginning of January, 2010. He can easily be coaxed to sign his books for you when he visits our Parish at the start of the new year.

Celebration of the Eucharist During the Flu Season

Several people have approached me about the need to take special precautions regarding human contact during the Liturgy in the flu season.

Everyone is reminded that the "holding of hands" during the Lord's Prayer is not a requirement. It has always been an option for the members of the assembly. The sign of peace can be given in a variety of ways: the handshake, a hug, or a bow to the people around you. During Communion, drinking the Precious Blood from the common Chalice has always been an option for the members of the assembly.

We will continue to do what we do, but I would ask that everyone simply use common sense.

If you have any kind of cold or flu symptoms, you may avoid holding hands during the Our Father. Instead, raise and open your hands in the "prayer position." At the Sign of Peace, you may refrain from the handshake. Instead give a gentle, respectful bow to the people around you. During Communion, you may choose to refrain from sharing in the Cup.

Actually, these options are open to all members of the assembly at all times, not just during the flu season.

I ask that all members of the assembly be respectful in the various choices that individuals will make in regard to these liturgical options.

Thank You!—Rev. Michael Ratajczak

Christmas Angel Time!

The Angel Tree Ministry is gearing up for the 2009 Christmas Season. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 11, at 7:00pm. Please join us in this wonderful ministry to bring Christmas joy to those in need at several local charities. We need volunteers to prepare and man the angel tree adorned with ornaments for children's gifts and infant/toddler stocking stuffers at all the Masses, and then package the smaller items in stockings and gift bags on Saturday, December 12. We look forward to seeing you.



For more information please contact John or Marti Harper at 760-724-1181 or 4johnnyangel@cox.net

Women's Guild News

Come meet author Jennifer Lanzrath as she shares her beautifully written and illustrated children's book on the Balboa Park zoo. She will have copies available. Also, bring a few books you have read and enjoyed to share. We will have a book faire following lunch, where you will be free to browse and select books you would like to have. It's a great way to recycle books, getting books you would enjoy without having to pay a cent!! As always, a delicious meal will be served. Call Valerie Thompson, Mary Coxon, or Elizbeth Remsburg.

Board meeting is Monday, November 2, at 10:00am at Valerie Thompson's home.

Little Books

The Little Blue Book for the Advent and Christmas Seasons is now available. Many parishioners look forward to these six-minute meditations as a way to make these very hectic seasons HOLY.



They are available early because many enjoy mailing them to friends and relatives.

Your \$2 donation is appreciated to help cover the cost of the book. They are available today at the Faith Formation Table, or on the lower level of the Parish Center during the week.

Blood Drive

Our fall Blood Drive will be on Sunday, November 15, in the upper parking lot. Start eating your iron-rich foods now. Sign ups on the Plaza after Masses on the weekends of October 31-November 1 and November 7-8. for more information, contact Linda Dicus at 760-726-5081.

Candy

Got left over Halloween candy? If so, please drop it off at the Parish Office next week. Deacon Tom will see that it is given to the nuns who run orphanages in Mexico to be used as treats for the kids on special occasions, e.g., Christmas, birthdays, etc. Thank you!

Collection for National Needs

Envelopes are attached to the bulletin for the 2009 Collection for National Needs, which supports the Black and Indian Missions, the Catholic Home Missions, the Catholic Communication Campaign, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, and the Catholic University of America. The envelopes may be returned any time during the month of November. Thank you for your generosity!

Remembering Our Beloved Dead

November is a special time in our Church for remembering our beloved dead, especially on Monday, November 2, the Feast of All Souls. There will be a special Mass that evening at 7:00pm, in order to pray for our deceased relatives and friends. All those who have died this past year and were buried from our Church will be especially held up in prayer. Let us gather as a Parish community to pray for the dead and to support our parishioners who are grieving the recent deaths of their loved ones.



All Souls' envelopes were attached to last week's bulletin and are available at the information table on the Plaza and in the Parish Office. If you wish to remember family members or friends who have died, please complete and return the envelope with your offering to the Parish Office or the weekend offertory collection. The envelopes will be placed on the altar for Feast of All Souls on November 2 and remain until the Feast of Christ the King.

The Parish's Book of the Dead will also be available so that we can inscribe the names of our beloved dead, inviting the Parish to remember them in prayer this month.

Knights of Columbus Entertainment Book Fundraiser

The Knights are offering *Entertainment Books* again this year. The books are \$40 each. All proceeds go toward supporting St. Thomas More and various charities. See the Knights on the Plaza after most Masses throughout the remainder of 2009 to purchase your book.



Religious Christmas Cards

The Saint Thomas More Knights of Columbus Council 11439 will be selling Religious Christmas Cards on the Plaza after all Masses from October 31 thru December 20. For more information, contact Al Rouse at 760-806-8030.

Indian Mission Needs Your Help

On November 14-15, the St. Thomas More Knights of Columbus Council 11439 will be collecting donations for the St. Bonaventure Indian Mission of Thoreau, New Mexico. They desperately need warm clothing (infants, toddlers, teen, and adult sizes), bed linens, household items, small appliances, and toys (new or used, but not abused). Please place donations in large plastic bags. Donations may be tax deductible and receipts will be given, if requested. Start gathering your items **now**. for more information, contact Jim Baker at 760-630-2471 or Bill Carrothers at 760-940-8992. Thank you and God Bless.

Thanksgiving Pies

As you know, Brother Benno's feeds hundreds at a special Thanksgiving feast for the poor and homeless every year. St. Thomas More is their main source for desserts. Please bring freshly baked pumpkin or apple pies to the Parish Office by noon on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. Deacon Tom will see that they are delivered to Brother Benno's in time for the feast. Your generosity will bring a smile and a touch of home to many in need at this holiday time.

Liturgy & Music

Worship God

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



So WONDERFULLY MADE

In my basement, just west of the washer and the dryer and the folding table, a coffin sits atop wooden blocks. It is covered with a bright quilt my grandmother pieced and sewed and, over that, a white blanket to catch the dust. The coffin looks more like a cradle than I expected it would, and somehow that comforts me. It was built for my mother, now 91 and frail, and though she might outlive my husband and me, I expect we will be the ones to tuck her in and touch her hands for the last time as she makes her way home.

My son-in-law, Geoffrey Keating, a doctoral student in theology at Notre Dame and a fine furniture maker, spent the last year crafting the coffin out of walnut. He chose the wood, measuring the boards, cutting and planing them, matching grains and colors. There are no metal nails or screws to mar the surfaces; every joint is hand-cut and fitted, wood against wood. He sanded and oiled the walnut; it glows softly and feels smooth to the touch. In the sides he carved long handrails for the grandsons who, I hope, will bear my mother's body from her home to the church and to the graveyard. Geoffrey tells me he prayed for my mother as he worked.

All the surfaces are plain, except for a single inlaid cross of cherry wood in the coffin lid. "The cross," Geoffrey told me, "will go with her, all the way." That seems right to me, as I consider Christ keeping his baptismal promise to my mother as he keeps the promise to all the baptized, to be with her, wherever she goes, even down into the grave. Saint Paul asks the first-century Roman church, "Then what can separate us from the love of Christ?" And he answers:

"For I am convinced that there is nothing in death or life, in the realm of spirits or superhuman powers, in the world as it is or the world as it shall be, in the forces of the universe, in heights or depths—nothing in all creation that can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Geoffrey has built something beautiful, and I know there will be those who find it odd that we consign such beauty—so skillfully wrought, so long in the making—to the earth. The fine walnut coffin will be covered in dirt and left to decay.

But so, too, will my mother's body—so skillfully wrought, so wonderfully made—be sent down into the earth and left there, to return to the earth, as she



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

FRIDAY OF THE 31ST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6 ♦ 8:45am - 7:30pm

We pray, hat all who have died may rejoice
in the loving embrace of our God.

awaits the resurrection of the dead. Geoffrey's work on the coffin is both an imitation of and homage to the work God does in and for and with each one of us.

I remember the patristic teaching: "What Christ assumes, Christ redeems." By taking on human flesh, becoming one like us in all things but sin, Christ redeems and makes holy all human flesh, however frail, however broken and worn. My mother receives Christ in the Eucharist each Sunday. She is a God-bearer. It is fitting that she should be borne to her grave in a worthy vessel, strong and well-made.

Christ chose Mary as the cradle in which he would be carried, as the ark in which he would be borne. And then Christ chose us to be vessels as well, carrying his body and blood into all the world. In him we are made holy.

I carry my soiled sheets and towels down to the laundry and put them in the washing machine. Then I stop and uncover the coffin and run my hands along its sides. I remember how, in the months before each baby was born, we would go down to the basement and look for the bassinet and the crib, stored away, waiting for the coming day. It was good to know they were there and would be ready when our new son or daughter arrived. As my due date drew nearer, we dusted and cleaned the wicker bassinet and oiled the wooden crib. We found the box of sheets and receiving blankets and laundered them in sweet-smelling baby soap. We were preparing for the hard and wondrous time of birth.

I promised my mother we would wake her at home. I needed the coffin here, at home, to keep my promise. So now I am preparing for the hard and wondrous time when Christ, who called my mother, will call her to the new and eternal Jerusalem. And there, where Lazarus is poor no longer, may she find eternal rest.

—Melissa Musick Nussbaum lives in Colorado Springs, Colo.
From Celebration November 2009.

Music Ministry Next Week

NOVEMBER 2

All Souls

8:15am Mass

Cantor

7:00pm Mass

Adult Choir

NOVEMBER 7/8

5:00pm Mass

Cantor

8:30am Mass

Adult Praise

10:30am Mass

Combined Choirs of
First United Methodist,
St. John the Baptist, and
St. Thomas More

Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

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



Today is a **RE.A.CH** day
Religious Education for Adolescents & Children
at Church

RE.A.CH— Attendance Alert!

Please be sure you've highlighted our Church sessions for the remainder of 2009 on your calendar because they don't follow the usual pattern:

November 1
November 15
December 6
December 13

Two in a row at church

Two in a row at church

Teens: Mini-Course Coming Soon!

November 9, 16, 30, 2009
7:00-9:00pm

On these three Monday evenings of Youth Group, all parish teens are invited to a special exploration of

God in the Digital Age or R U there JC

On these evenings we examine the music we listen to, the movies we watch, and the internet we access. How does all of this fit into my life as a teenager seeking faith?

Any parish teen is welcome to join Jeff and Gale Gibbons with Rory Griffin for these evenings.

If you are part of **Teen Faith Formation/ Confirmation Preparation**, attendance at all three evenings will earn you credit for one Mini-Course.



Dear Parish Friends,

The following excerpt from *Things Hidden: Scripture as Spirituality* by Richard Rohr provided me with such a fresh outlook on this All Saints Day, that I offer it to you:

Every time you pray, it's God in you telling you to pray. You wouldn't even desire to pray except for God in you. It's God in you that loves God, that desires God, that seeks God (see Romans 8: 14-27). Every time you choose God on some level, God has in the previous nanosecond just chosen you, and you have somehow allowed yourself to be chosen—and responded back! (John 15:16)

We don't know how to say yes by ourselves. We just "second the motion!" There is a part of you that always said yes to God, it is the Holy Spirit within you. God first says "yes" inside of us and we say, "Oh yeah," thinking it comes from us! In other words, God rewards us for letting God reward us. Think about that, maybe even for the rest of your life.

By the end of the Bible we see the New Jerusalem, descending, unearned, undesired, and unprepared for (Revelation 21:2). It's totally a gift from God. After an entire Bible of warring, arguing, protecting, earning, competing, buying and selling of God, finally the gift is simply given and handed over to us. The New Jerusalem descends from the heavens freely and without warrant.

We all find ourselves with this surprising ability to love God and to desire love from God, often for no reason in particular. That doesn't happen every day, truly, but hopefully more often as you learn to trust and rest in life. Moments of unconditional love sort of slip out of you and no one is more surprised than you when it happens! But when it does, you always know you are living inside of a Larger Life than your own. You know, henceforth, that your life is not about you but you are about God.

Kathleen

Bookies

What's So Amazing About Grace? by Philip Yancey is our next book for discussion on December 2. Fr. Mike frequently shares passages from this author with us, so we invite you to get the book soon (it's available here) and experience Philip Yancey for yourself.

PBJ Update

(Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center)

2009 GOAL: 365 jars
Collected to date: **637 jars!**



*Our count begins again with the new church year: November 29. Thank you for almost **DOUBLING** this year's goal!*

Stewardship & Development

Serve God's People

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CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP Continuing The Mission of Jesus

Take a moment to reflect on this beautiful quote from Melody Beattie:

“Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend. Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow.”



How do we gratefully continue the mission and ministry of Jesus? What percentage does God ask of me as a good Christian Steward?

All of my heart, all of my soul, all of my mind, and all of my strength. At first, and sometimes often, this is not an easy task.

We are blessed to have examples of those who have gone before us.

An inspiring stewardship saint from the month of October is ~

St. Teresa of Avila, Doctor of the Church, who founded the Discalced Carmelite religious community of women. She was one of the first two women (with Catherine of Siena) to be named Doctor of the Church because of her extraordinary contribution to Christian mysticism and spirituality.

Born in 1515 to a large, aristocratic Castilian family in Avila, Spain, Teresa entered the Carmelite monastery at the age of 20 years. *(Have you ever noticed how many saints left a life of wealth to pursue a life of complete service to God?)*

St. Teresa spent several relatively average years in the convent before she experienced a vision that changed her life forever. In 1554, while praying before a statue of the crucified Christ, Teresa underwent a profound spiritual conversion.

Then, in 1567, she met St. John of the Cross, who she enlisted to extend her reform into the male side of the Carmelite community.

For St. Teresa, the test of growth in the spiritual life was the extent one responded to Christ's stewardship call to love one's neighbor. Teresa died on October 4, 1582, and was canonized in 1622. She is the patron saint of Spain.

Below is one of my favorite prayer-poems by St. Teresa of Avila:

“Christ has no body now on earth but yours.

No hands, but yours.

No feet, but yours.

Yours are the eyes through which the compassion of Christ must look out on this world.”



**Dear Lord, direct my
hands, feet, eyes and heart
to continue your work on earth.**

A WAY TO GIVE ~ A WAY TO RECEIVE



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

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

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

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

“Did You Know?” Collection for October 2009

\$3,517.00

Collection for Week of: October 24/25, 2009

Number of Registered Households:		1,005
Offertory*	\$	5,360.80
Offertory (Loose Collection)		941.00
Children's envelopes		1.50
Total	\$	6,303.30

* Offertory Envelopes, Credit Card Withdrawals,
Automatic Checking or Savings Account Deductions
(Credit Card and Automatic Bank Account Withdrawals
are posted at STM on the 5th and/or 20th of each month.)

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- ♦ Credit Card Withdrawal (Visa, MC, or Discover)
- ♦ Automatic Checking/Savings Account Deduction

To participate in these time-saving alternatives,
please contact the Parish Office at:

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News from the Larger Church

Lunch Served for Seniors in Oceanside—The Salvation Army Senior Dining & Social Center, 3935 Lake Blvd, Oceanside (near Emeritus at Oceanside and Pacific Place) serves lunch for \$3 at noon, Monday-Friday, for any seniors 60 and over. For more information and reservations, call 760-631-8279

Volunteer Opportunities Available 1 or 2 Days a Week—If you are 50 or better, the Jesuit-sponsored *Ignatian Volunteer Corps* may be for you! Our Volunteers serve the needs of local people who are poor, work for a more just society, and grow deeper in Christian faith through reflection and prayer. Contact Margie Carroll, Regional Director at 619-881-9509 or mcarrroll@ivcusa.org or Visit our website at www.ivcusa.org.

Healing Mass in Carlsbad—Thursday, November 5, 9:30am, at St. Elizabeth Seton Church in Carlsbad with Fr. Michael Barry. Onsite childcare available. For more information, contact Angie at 760-436-3875.

Chili Cook-Off and Hoedown in Vista—The St. Francis Catholic School's first annual Chili Cook-Off and Hoedown will be held on Friday, November 6, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. on the school blacktop. Come and enjoy the fun along with favorite chili recipes, hot dogs, and delicious desserts! If you are interested in entering your own recipe in the Chili Cook-Off, a limited number of "at large" spots are available. St. Francis School is located at 525 W. Vista Way, Vista. For more information, call 760-630-7960.

Spiritual Exercises: Silent Ignatian Retreats—November 6-8 in Santa Barbara for men and young men; November 13-15 in Oceanside for women and young women. The Spiritual Exercises are a silent retreat based on the well-proven method of St. Ignatius of Loyola. The priests of *Miles Christi* frequently offer them in a weekend format. For more information, contact 248-596-9677, infousa@mileschristi.org, or www.mileschristi.org.

Women's Morning of Reflection in Carlsbad—Saturday, November 7, 8:30am-12:00noon, St. Patrick Church, 3821 Adams St., Carlsbad. The theme will be *Renewing Our Faith in the Power of Prayer*, presented by Lynn Neu. Cost is \$5 and includes continental breakfast. 3 hours renewal credit available. For more information and to RSVP, call 760-729-2866.

Central San Diego Magnificat Women's Group Meeting—Saturday, November 7, 9:30am at the Mission Valley Sheraton. Marie Schaefer will share her compelling and extraordinary conversion experience. To RSVP or for more information, contact 858-578-1256.

Mass and Adoration for Vocations—Thursday, November 12, 7:00-8:30pm, St. Patrick Church, 3821 Adams St., Carlsbad. For more information, contact Sr. Aurora Lopez-Ornelas at alopez-ornelas@diocese-sdiego.org.

University of San Diego Faces of Spirituality Series in San Diego—Thursday, November 12, 7:30-9:00pm, Salomon Hall, Bishop Maher Hall, 5998 Alcala Park, San Diego. This presentation features *Francis of Assisi--A New Way of Being Christian*. This year marks the 800th anniversary of the formal founding of the Franciscan order. William Short, OFM, will reflect on the spirit of Francis of Assisi and Franciscan values that are as relevant today as they were then: reverence for all of creation, commitment to the poor and simplicity of life. For more information, contact 619-260-4784 or ccs@sandiego.edu.

Spirit and Truth Event for Young Adults in Chula Vista—Friday, November 13, 7:00-9:00pm, Most Precious Blood Church, 1245 Fourth Ave., Chula Vista. There will be live praise and worship music, a talk on *Advent--What It Is and Why Is It So Special?*, adoration, and a social to follow. For more information, visit www.yamsd.org.

Beginning Experience Weekend for Widowed, Divorced, & Separated in Oceanside—November 13-15, at Prince of Peace Abbey. A trained team leads participants through a healing and growth program. For more information, contact Carol Fabian at 619-990-4989 or sandiegobe@gmail.com.

Monthly Mass and Dinner for Young Adults in Encinitas—Sunday, November 15, 5:00pm, at St. John the Evangelist Church, 1001 Encinitas Blvd, Encinitas, followed by dinner at Roxy's, 517 S. Coast Hwy 101, Encinitas. For more information, contact Carrie Giebel at cgiebel@diocese-sdiego.org or 858-490-8260.

Altar Society's Annual Boutique in Carlsbad—Saturday, November 15, 10:00am-6:30pm and Sunday, November 15, 7:30am-1:00pm, at St. Patrick Church, 3821 Adams St., Carlsbad.

Annual Christmas Boutique in Escondido—November 21, 4:00-7:00pm and November 22, 8:00am-1:00pm, Church of St. Timothy, 2960 Canyon Rd., Escondido. For more information, contact Linda at 760-743-1500 or lsteiner453@yahoo.com.

Natural Family Planning Teacher Training in San Diego—Classes to train Natural Family Planning teachers will be offered in October for both the Sympto-thermal method and the Ovulation method (October 30-31). For more information, contact Peggy at 858-490-8295.

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

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.

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For more information, contact Vera Bayliss at 760-739-9061

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Name(s):	Phone Number:
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November 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 All Saints' Day 8:30 AM -Mass/LOWC 10:20 AM -RE.A.CH 10:30 AM -Mass/RCIA 12:30 PM -RE.A.CH 5:00 PM -RE.A.CH 7:30 PM -Chair Set Up	2 All Souls' Day Holy Day 8:15 AM -Mass 7:00 PM -Mass	3 8:15 AM -Mass 9:00 AM -Donuts and Coffee 7:00 PM -Rediscover Catholicism 7:00 PM -Praise Teams Rehearsals 7:00 PM -Knights of Columbus	4 8:15 AM -Mass 8:45 AM -Scripture Study 1:30 PM -Spirited Senior Board Meeting 6:30 PM -Handbell Choir 7:00 PM -Pastoral Council 7:00 PM -RCIA-Adults	5 8:15 AM -Mass 9:00 AM -Donuts and Coffee 1:00 PM -Centering Prayer 7:00 PM -Inquiry 7:00 PM -Parent Meeting-First Eucharist 7:00 PM -Scripture Study 7:00 PM -Adult Choir	6 Stewardship Awareness 8:15 AM -Mass 9:00 AM -Exposition of the Eucharist 7:30 PM -Reposition of the Eucharist	7 Stewardship Awareness 4:00 PM -Reconciliation 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 PM -Mass
8 Stewardship Awareness 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 AM -Mass/LOWC 10:30 AM -Mass/RCIA/LOWC 12:00 PM -ACTTS Brunch 2:00 PM -Missa Romantica Choir Concert	9 Stewardship Awareness 11:00 AM -Women's Guild Luncheon 7:00 PM -High School Youth Ministry	10 Stewardship Awareness 8:15 AM -Mass 9:00 AM -Donuts and Coffee 7:00 PM -Baptismal Preparation - Part I 7:00 PM -Praise Teams Rehearsals 7:00 PM -Interior Design Team	11 Stewardship Awareness 8:15 AM -Mass 8:45 AM -Scripture Study 4:00 PM -Staff Meeting 6:30 PM -Handbell Choir 7:00 PM -Christmas Angel 7:00 PM -RCIA-Adults 7:00 PM -H. S. Youth Ministry Eucharistic Adoration	12 Stewardship Awareness 8:15 AM -Mass 9:00 AM -Donuts and Coffee 10:00 AM -Women's Guild Quilters 1:00 PM -Centering Prayer 6:00 PM -Catechist In-service 7:00 PM -Scripture Study 7:00 PM -Adult Choir	13 Stewardship Awareness 8:15 AM -Mass 10:30 AM -Deanery Meeting	14 Stewardship Awareness 4:00 PM -Reconciliation 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 PM -Mass
15 Blood Drive St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive Stewardship Awareness 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 AM -Mass/LOWC 10:20 AM -RE.A.CH 10:30 AM -Mass/RCIA 12:30 PM -RE.A.CH 5:00 PM -RE.A.CH	16 Stewardship Awareness 7:00 PM -P.U.S.H. 7:00 PM -High School Youth Ministry	17 Stewardship Awareness 8:15 AM -Mass 9:00 AM -Donuts and Coffee 7:00 PM -Baptismal Preparation - Part II 7:00 PM -K. of C. Officers 7:00 PM -Rediscover Catholicism 7:00 PM -Praise Teams Rehearsals	18 Stewardship Awareness 8:15 AM -Mass 8:45 AM -Scripture Study 6:30 PM -Handbell Choir 7:00 PM -RCIA-Adults	19 Stewardship Awareness 8:15 AM -Mass 9:00 AM -Donuts and Coffee 1:00 PM -Centering Prayer 7:00 PM -Inquiry 7:00 PM -Scripture Study 7:00 PM -Adult Choir	20 Stewardship Awareness 8:15 AM -Mass	21 Stewardship Awareness 8:45 AM -Chair Set Up 3:00 PM -Christmas Angel Tree Decorating 4:00 PM -Reconciliation Our Lord Jesus Christ the King 5:00 PM -Mass
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