

# Church of St. Thomas More

A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

Spirituality † Tradition † Community



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

January 24, 2010 • Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak  
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### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Theologian, Rev. Hans Kung, once said: "There will be no peace among the peoples of the world without peace among the world religions. There will be no peace among the world religions without peace among the Christian Churches."

Each year, in the third week of January, we celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. In a very special way, we are called to pray for and work for Christian Unity. In our sinfulness, in this great scandal of division, we humbly cry in union with Jesus his prayer and desire—"That they all may be one..." (John 17:21)

It is time that religion loses its "imperialism." Religious imperialism helps to fuel so much of the conflict and violence in our global village.

It is time to live our faith in such a way that we build bridges to bring us together not walls to separate us.

It is time to glory, each in our own way, in the face of Mystery. It is time to share our faith with each other in prayer and dialogue,

respecting and celebrating different beliefs, practices, and rituals that give praise to "The Holy One" who is beyond all understanding.

It is time to realize that there is one God, one people, and one village.

This year's theme is *You Are Witnesses of These Things* (Luke 24:48)

May this yearly celebration and special prayer for Christian Unity spur all of us on to enter into closer relationship with our brothers and sisters of different Christian Traditions, and may it also encourage us to become better acquainted with all the world religions.

Our global village is small and getting smaller each day...

*F. Mike*

**SAVE THE DATE: Friday, April 30, for the Eleventh Annual Golf Classic—see Page 4!**

## 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, 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.*

## Thank You from Catholic Charities

Thank you, Parishioners of St. Thomas More, for your support in 2009.

Parishioners of St. Thomas More were busy in October, November and December making Christmas Stockings for the Catholic Charities annual Christmas Store. With your help the Food Resource Center (FRC) provided Christmas toys for 200 children this Christmas. Last May, many of you volunteered your time during the annual "Stamp out Hunger" food drive and some work in the Center as food distribution assistants. However, no thank you would be complete without acknowledging all those jars of peanut butter many generously send our way each month. The numbers are in and the 2009 totals are staggering. The FRC provided food for 8,159 households representing 24,650 individuals. We could not have done it without your help. Thank you.

Lisa DuMolt, Program Coordinator  
Food Resource Center, Vista  
Emergency Services  
Catholic Charities  
760-631-4792

## 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.*

## 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*

**Readings for the Week Ahead**

Sunday Year C; Weekday Year II  
Readings online at [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org).

**Sunday, January 24 (69)**  
*Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Nehemiah 8:2-4a,5-6,8-10  
Psalm 19:8-10,15  
1 Corinthians 12:12-30  
Luke 1:1-4;4:14-21

**Monday, January 25 (519)**  
*The Conversion of Paul, Apostle*  
Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22  
Psalm 117:1bc,2  
Mark 16:15-18

**Tuesday, January 26 (318)**  
*Timothy and Titus, bishops*  
2 Samuel 6:12-15,17-19  
Psalm 24:7-10  
Mark 3:31-35

**Wednesday, January 27 (319)**  
*Angela Merici, virgin*  
2 Samuel 7:4-17  
Psalm 89:4-5,27-30  
Mark 4:1-20

**Thursday, January 28 (320)**  
*Thomas Aquinas, priest, doctor*  
2 Samuel 7:18-29,24-29  
Psalm 132:1-5,11-14  
Mark 4:21-25

**Friday, January 29 (321)**  
2 Samuel 11:1-4a,5-10a,13-17  
Psalm 51:3-7,10-11  
Mark 4:26-34

**Saturday, January 30 (322)**  
2 Samuel 12:1-7a,10-17  
Psalm 51:12-17  
Mark 4:35-41

**Sunday, January 31 (72)**  
*Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Jeremiah 1:4-5,17-19  
Psalm 71:1-6,15,17  
1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13  
Luke 4:21-30

**Mass Intentions**

Saturday, January 23, 5:00pm  
Jim Tutino ☩

Sunday, January 24, 8:30am  
Eleanor Lape ☩

Sunday, January 24, 10:30am  
Mary Norelli ☩

Tuesday, January 26, 8:15am  
Melanie Wolfe ☩

Wednesday, January 27, 8:15am  
Steve Brown ☩

Wednesday, January 27, 9:30am  
Kevin Hall ☩  
*Pacific Place*

Thursday, January 28, 8:15am  
J. C. Gonzalez ☩

Friday, January 29, 8:15am  
Marcella Scanlon

Saturday, January 30, 5:00pm  
Larry Fisk ☩

Sunday, January 31, 8:30am  
Frances Espana ☩

Sunday, January 31, 10:30am  
Helen Eklem ☩

**Prayer List**

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

- Mary Alexander
- Nancy Aquilera
- Mary Baker
- Patricia Barbour
- Cindra Bell
- John Bennici
- Regina Bentz
- George "Whitey" Betus
- Bruce Bousquet
- Beatrice Brooks & Family
- Monica Broussard
- Janet Brown
- Margaret Brown
- Roseanne Burg
- Herman Calandro
- Shelby Campbell
- Claudia Caplinger
- Paul Cipowski
- Marilyn Clarke
- Carl Coleman
- James Coleman
- Thomas Cornwell & Family
- Karen Flaharty Daley
- Margie Daniels & Family
- Cecilia DeSimone
- Linda Dossman
- Chris Dumelle
- Kathryn Ernst
- The Fiore Family
- Peggy & Jack Fischer
- Kenneth Fisken
- Ryan Flum
- Kathryn Franklin
- Joe Freire
- James Galagher
- Carmen Garcia
- The Gavin Family
- Maribel & Marcelino Gil
- Bob Godley
- Rick Gonzalez
- Eileen Gough
- Robert K. Gray
- Rosemary Haeffelin
- Anita Hage
- Susan Hallahan
- The Harker Family
- Rita Harnacker
- Marge Heath
- Lilian Hills
- Cynthia Horner
- Dorothy Jensen
- Sue Johnston
- Eileen Jones
- Darleen Kelch
- Paul Kennedy
- Debbie Kinney
- George Kleekamp
- Sr. Anne Kremenik
- Helen Kuhn
- Lillian Lachance
- The Lamelin Family
- Bernie Lanzrath
- Rick Laver
- Brandon LeBlanc
- Charlotte Leite
- Dave & Stella Leue
- Cassandra Loretto
- Lauren Loretto
- Antonio Lugo
- James MacArthur
- Brandi Madrid
- Helen McCullough
- Tom McGear
- Bob McWilliams
- Carol Michael
- Howard Montgomery
- Nancy Moore
- Margie Myers
- The Nolberto Navarro Family
- R. Northrup
- Helen O'Connell
- The O'Malley Family
- Lupe Casas Pelletier
- Helen Pingtella
- Anne Post
- Otila Quiroz
- Janet Raiman
- Isabel Ramirez & Family
- Virginia Regula
- Dort Riley
- Sr. Loyola Romey
- Dorothy Rouse
- Rose Rowland
- The Russo Family
- Sandie Sanchez & Family
- Nancy Scali
- Freda Schweitzer
- Richard Sikora
- Nick Soltau
- Ed Sox
- Loraine Speck
- Gilda Spiegl
- The Staehr Family
- Joan Stringer
- Maria Surmenidis
- Diana Thompson
- Stephen Toth, Jr.
- Arnie Velasco
- The Verducco & Wood Families
- 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
- PVT2 Tyler Timmerman, U.S. Army
- Julian Torres, USMC
- LT Billy Turley, USN
- Corporal Jeffery Lee Wilcox, USMC

*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](http://www.stmoside.org)) for complete calendar information.

**The Week Ahead**

- Jan 24 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses
- Jan 24 North County Widows & Widowers Mass & Breakfast
- Jan 24 RE.A.CH High School Classes
- Jan 30 Liturgical Ministers Workshop
- Jan 31 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am Mass
- Jan 31 RE.A.CH Classes at Church (including high school)

**The Month Ahead**

- Feb 5 Parish Potluck
- Feb 8 Women's Guild Luncheon Meeting
- Feb 17 Ash Wednesday—Masses at 8:15am, 12:00noon, 5:30pm, and 7:30pm
- Feb 17 Soup Supper, 5:30-7:30pm
- Feb 19 Knights of Columbus Fish Dinner
- Feb 20 JustFaith Workshop
- Feb 25 Spirited Seniors Bus Tour to Huntington
- Mar 22 Women's Guild Day of Recollection

**The Year Ahead**

- Apr 4 Easter Sunday
- Apr 12 Women's Guild Luncheon Meeting
- Apr 18 Spring Sing—Choral Concert
- Apr 30 Eleventh Annual Golf Classic

**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.

January 25 Sr. Cecilia Flores, OP
January 26 Sr. Mary Ann (Sis) Flynn, RSCJ
January 27 Sr. Frances Michele Francese, CSJ
January 28 Sr. Claire Frawley, SFCC
January 29 Sr. Sally Furay, RSCJ
January 30 Sr. Patricia Gage, CSJ
January 31 Sr. Margarita Galardo-Rodriguez, SJS

**Flower Donations**

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

**St. Thomas More  
 Vehicle Donation Program**



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

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

Call the Parish Office at  
 760-758-4100 x100.



**Social Justice**

**Introducing *JustFaith*: A Call to Transform Our Hearts and the World**



We have exciting news! After many months of discernment and study, St. Thomas More has joined with five other Parishes in North County to implement a program called *JustFaith*. *JustFaith* is a nationwide Catholic method that teaches us how to be Christ to the world in concrete, powerful ways. If you feel called to make a difference in our community, please join us for an information morning here at our Parish on Saturday, February 20, 8:30am-12:00noon. Mark your calendar now and watch for the registration form in the bulletin next week!

**Get on the Bus**



There are many ways to participate in this program that helps children connect with their moms or dads who are incarcerated. We are looking for 8 volunteers from our Parish who will each visit one family to help them fill out necessary paperwork and then to stay in touch with them by phone about once a month until the children travel by bus to visit their moms in May. If you have it in our heart to help a child get to see their mom, please give Sr. Maureen a call at 760-758-4100 x131. Contacts need to be made during the month of February.

**Opportunity to Help Homeless Families**

These dates in 2010 are available for dinner adoption:

**February 28, March 28, April 25,  
 May 23, June 27, August 22, September 26,  
 November 28, and December 26**

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

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

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



**STM Scrip News**

Thanks to all those who are using the Scrip Program. If you have not tried it, consider taking advantage of this easy method—merchants contribute a percentage of every dollar you spend to the St. Thomas More Building Fund.

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 SCRIP table after weekend Masses or the Parish Office during the week. Thank you!

**Food Bank Contributions**

Every weekend, we will be collecting non-perishable food items to benefit the North County Community Services Food Bank. Look for the blue barrels on the Plaza at weekend Masses to deposit your contributions. The most needed items include canned meats and protein, pasta and pasta sauce, boxed macaroni and cheese, and canned fruit. Thank you for your support! For more information, contact Ron Briseno at 760-758-4100 x153 or ronb@stmoside.org.





## Women's Guild News

**Board Meeting**—Monday, February 1, 10:00am.

**Valentine's Day Luncheon**—Monday, February 8, 11:00am.  
Join us for lunch and entertainment from a barbershop quartet.

## Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

Did you see all those new people sitting together at the 10:30am Mass today? Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County (CWWNC) meets the second Sunday of each month (February 14) for a general meeting and potluck and the fourth Sunday of each month for Mass at various Catholic churches in North County (at St. Thomas More on January 24). Prospective members are welcome to come check us out. See the bulletin board on the lower level for our monthly newsletter of activities, or contact Jackie Cohen 760-726-4343, or Carol Kope 760-758-4100 x100 for more information.

## Parish Potluck

*Friday, February 5, 6:00pm, lower level*

Please join us and bring one of your favorite main dishes, salads, or desserts. A bottle of wine is always appreciated. Don't forget to bring your favorite date! (If you don't have one, come anyway.) Please sign up on the Plaza after Masses or call Germaine Wilmott at 760-758-9949.

# FIRED UP

## Monday Night Youth Group

January 25  
7:00-8:30pm

Call Gale at 760-726-7236 for more info

## Publicize Your Parish Event!

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

- on the Parish website ([www.stmoside.org](http://www.stmoside.org), Contact Us, Parish Forms),
- the Parish office, or
- from Anne Marshall at 760-727-2668 or [annemarshall@sbcglobal.net](mailto:annemarshall@sbcglobal.net).



## 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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## Phase II

## UPDATE

### "Our Journey Into The Future . . . Together"

If you missed the Capital Campaign Update presented by Bill Ipsen last week, visit the Parish website, [www.stmoside.org](http://www.stmoside.org), then click on "Our New Church," then Phase II. You'll be able to review the text of Bill's speech and the drawings of the church we will start building as soon as we have raised \$2 million to bring our funds on deposit to \$5 million. 98 pledges already total \$625,000, leaving us only \$1,375,000 to be raised by December 31, 2011!

Phase II informational packets are available at the Parish information table on the weekends and in the Parish Office during the week.

If you have any questions, please contact Chris Smith, Director of Stewardship and Development, at 760-758-4100 x120 or [chriss@stmoside.org](mailto:chriss@stmoside.org)

*This is it!*

## Eucharistic Adoration



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

Exposition of the Eucharist on First Fridays.  
Next date: Friday, February 4.

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

## In the Mail

2009 donation substantiation letters will be mailed this week to all registered Parishioners who made contributions during 2009.

## 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.*

## 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.

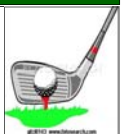
*For information, please call the Parish Office at 760-758-4100.*

## STM Eleventh Annual Golf Classic

### SAVE THE DATE! Friday, April 30, 2010

- ◆ Golf Tournament at Fallbrook Golf Club
- ◆ Miniature Golf at Boomers! Vista
- ◆ Happy Hour, Dinner, Evening Festivities at STM!
- ◆ Traditional and new fun, plus surprises await you!
- ◆ Details and signups coming in February!

**Jim & Suzy Bailey, Co-Chairpersons**  
[jimsuzybailey@cox.net](mailto:jimsuzybailey@cox.net) or 760-754-1635



# Liturgy & Music

Worship God

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

## ORDINARY TIME: WINTER

### A Sense of the Season

What do the words *Ordinary Time* mean? Dorothy Day said, “The words ‘Ordinary Time’ in our prayer books put me in a state of confusion and irritation. To me, no time is ordinary.” She was right. The *Ordinary* in Ordinary Time refers to ordinal—counted—time, not to a lack of something to celebrate. The Roman document, *General Norms for the Liturgical Year and*

Each year there are two blocks of Ordinary Time, one in the winter between Christmastime and Lent, and the other in summer and fall, from Pentecost through Christ the King. When we gather on Sundays in Ordinary Time, as always, we hear the scriptures proclaimed. We systematically read through the gospels. The first readings from the first testament of the Bible were chosen for their relationship to the gospel passages. The second readings come from the various letters of the second testament of the Bible. The mystery of Christ “in all its aspects” unfolds.

What is the heart of our Sunday celebration? We do our eucharist; that is, we do our thanksgiving. We praise and thank God for all creation; we pray for the whole world, as we remember Christ’s life, death, and resurrection. We share the bread and wine, the body and blood. We are sent forth to be the body and blood of Christ in our homes, our workplaces, our neighborhoods, our towns, our cities, our country, our world.

“What happens in our churches every Sunday is the fruit of our week. What happens as the fruit of the week past is the beginning of the week to come. Sunday is simultaneously a point of arrival and departure for Christians on their way to the fullness of the kingdom. This is not ordinary at all. This is the fabric of Christian living” (*Saint Andrew Bible Missal*).

—LTP



*Calendar*, says: “Apart from those seasons having their own distinctive character [Advent, Christmastime, Lent, Triduum and Eastertime], 33 or 34 weeks remain in the yearly cycle that do not celebrate a specific aspect of the mystery of Christ. Rather, especially on the Sundays, they are devoted to the mystery of Christ in all its aspects” (#43).

How do we celebrate “the mystery of Christ in all its aspects”? We gather every Sunday. Sunday is our original feast day. Christians have gathered every Sunday—the day of Christ’s resurrection, the first day of the week—ever since there were Christians.

### Upcoming Music

**JANUARY 30/31**  
Fourth Sunday  
in Ordinary  
Time

**5:00pm Mass**

Cantor

**8:30am Mass**

Handbell Choir

**10:30am Mass**

Sanctuary Choir



## MAKING A JOYFUL NOISE!

### Youth Praise Team

Instrumentalists and singers from the Parish’s youth.

*Tuesdays at 7:00pm.*

### Adult Praise Team

This music team of singers and instrumentalists is made up of more “seasoned” musicians.

*Tuesdays at 7:00pm.*

### Sanctuary Choir

This is the BIG choir, open to everyone, grade 7 and up. This choir sings music from the entire choral spectrum: chant, classic church music, and songs by today’s best composers.

*Thursdays at 7:00pm.*

### Handbell Choir

No singing required!

*Wednesdays at 6:30pm.*

### Children’s Choir

Open to children in grades 2-8, the children’s choir sings at Christmas and Easter liturgies.

*Watch the bulletin for details.*

### Paschal Choir

This group sings during Funeral Masses and Memorial Services.

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS WORKSHOP

Required for NEW Eucharistic Ministers and Readers

**Saturday, January 30 ♦ 9:00am - 3:30pm**

Registration form at [www.stmoside.org/emhc.htm](http://www.stmoside.org/emhc.htm)

## Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

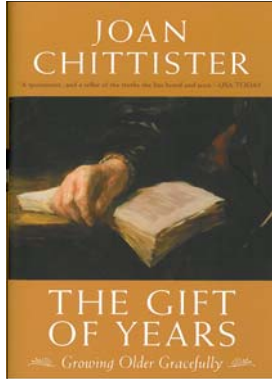
Kathleen Bell  
Director of Faith Formation  
kathleenb@stmoside.org; 760-758-4100 x110



### Fr. Mike's Bookies

*The Gift of Years (Growing Older Gracefully)* by Joan Chittister is our next book for discussion on February 3 at 9:00am or 7:00pm. It is available for \$15 outside the Faith Formation Office. Sr. Maureen will be facilitating the discussion.

This book is not meant to be read! It is meant to be pondered! This is a delightful and challenging look at growing older gracefully. The chapters are brief and designed for reading a chapter or two each day in order to "rethink" our perception of this phase of our lives as a time of great creativity and freedom! For more information, call Sr. Maureen at 760-758-4100 x131.



### Little Rock Bible Studies Israel's Story—Part One

Little Rock Scripture Study group begins part one of the study of Israel's story on Wednesday, February 10, at 9:00am or Thursday, February 11, at 7:00pm for seven sessions. This book explores Old Testament history, theology, and stories from the creation accounts of Genesis to the fall of the Northern Kingdom and its prophets. These are the lessons that the study will be covering:

1. First Things First
2. Out of Egypt
3. Into the Land
4. Long Live the King
5. A Kingdom Divided
6. Thus Says the Lord

Hope to see you there! For more information, contact Masako Streling at 760-295-2594 or [mstr0619@cox.net](mailto:mstr0619@cox.net).

### Parish Mission

We are blest with another opportunity for spiritual enrichment with our Annual Parish Mission, March 1-4.

Fr. Jude Winkler, OFM Conv., will offer a Scripture-based Parish Mission entitled:

***The Gospels Are Speaking!  
Are We Listening?***



Fr. Jude comes to us from St. Joseph Cupertino Friary in Maryland. As a highly regarded Scripture scholar, he has lectured throughout the world. He has authored numerous articles for magazines on scripture themes and has written many books for adults and children.

In recent years, Fr. Jude directed the San Diego Diocesan Priests' Retreat.

Mark your calendars now so that you can participate fully in our Parish Mission.

### PBJ Update

Food for children at Catholic Charities in Vista

2010 GOAL:	365 jars
Collected to date:	82 jars



### Information for Growth

#### # 11—Answer

Which describes the call to discipleship?

- D) to follow Jesus in His mission, joy, and sufferings.  
(CCC 787)



#### # 12—Question

Which belief is the basis for Catholic social doctrine?

- A) Every person is created in God's image with dignity that must be respected.  
B) The Church possesses every detailed answer to complex social problems.  
C) Caring for the poor enhances the image of the Church.  
D) Every person needs help on occasion.



# Stewardship & Development

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## CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

### The Spirit of the Lord is Upon Us ~

Jesus, his parents, and his grandparents lived in the small town of Nazareth that had a population of about 400 people and would have fit inside the physical boundaries on an average sized parish.

In the synagogue at Nazareth, after reading a passage from Isaiah, Jesus declared "Today this passage is fulfilled in your hearing... The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord."

How would you react if someone you know in your parish stood up and said that? Now imagine the speaker says to you, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon you..." and you have been sent to do all of those things.

As a result of our Baptism and Confirmation the Spirit is upon us and we have an obligation to do all those things—and more.

There exists in our Parish community a diversity of unique gifts. God has provided us with these gifts in order to advance His Kingdom. We also have sisters and brothers in other Christian denominations who have been blessed with unique gifts that are being used for the same purpose.

This week, the *Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity* comes to a close. We pray that throughout the year all Christians would be good stewards of their relationships, seeking to understand each other, being always patient and humble, and listening to one another, so that the Body of Christ may be truly united.

—ICSC January 2010

It is gratifying to see that, during this specific time set aside for us to reflect upon Christian unity, so many Christian denominations, as well as other religions, come together to help the people in Haiti. Once again, tragedy brings us together.



We don't all look alike, act alike, dress alike or worship alike, however we come together for the common good. One thing we all have in common: We know what it means to hurt.

Step by step, God leads us in the direction of unity. As we know by now, this doesn't only have to happen when disaster strikes.

I am delighted that Pope John Paul II stepped up and rallied people of faith to celebrate what we have in common. It is refreshing to see people step out of the judgment box (God's territory) and work toward common goals!

God has given us a purpose for our existence, a reason to go on, even though this includes some tough times. In living through suffering we become sanctified. We gain perspective. We grow deeper. We grow up. We continue the work of Jesus.

*And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works.*

—Hebrews 10:24

## 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. We stress that this is not about the gift amount, but rather the love and thought 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 a valuable portion of 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!

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

## Collection for Week of January 16/17, 2010

Number of Registered Households:**		996
Offertory*	\$	7,546.43
Offertory (Loose Collection)		839.00
Children's envelopes		0.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,385.93</b>

\* 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).

\*\* As part of its ongoing efforts to ensure the accuracy of our Parish records, the staff conducts a periodic review of registered households which seem to have become "absent" from the Parish's activities. This number reflects reductions made in the most recent periodic review.

## 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) and automatic checking/savings account deduction. For more information, contact the Parish Office at 760-758-4100 x100 or [parish.office@stmoside.org](mailto:parish.office@stmoside.org).



## News from the Larger Church

**Winter Series of Theology on Tap for Young Adults in Mira Mesa**—Continues on Mondays, January 25-February 8, 7:00-9:00pm, at Callahan's, 8111 Mira Mesa Blvd., Mira Mesa. For more information, visit [www.yamsd.org](http://www.yamsd.org) or contact Carrie Giebel at [cgiebel@diocese-sdiego.org](mailto:cgiebel@diocese-sdiego.org) or 858-490-8260.

**Spiritual Exercises Silent Ignatian Retreats in Temecula**—Presented by the priests of *Miles Christi*, the weekend of February 12-14 for men and young men. For more information, contact Christine Timmerman at 209-357-0128 or [california@spiritualexercises.net](mailto:california@spiritualexercises.net).

**Separated/Divorced Support Group in Solana Beach**—If you are in pain from a separation or divorce please consider joining our group. We meet 10:15am on Sunday mornings at St. James Catholic Church Ministry Center Offices, located at 625 S. Nardo in Solana Beach. \$29 for Divorce Care workbook (optional). For additional information please contact Frank Grant at 760-533-1520 or [fwgrant@earthlink.net](mailto:fwgrant@earthlink.net).

**Healing Mass in Solana Beach**—with Fr. Dave Leon on Wednesday, January 27, at St. James Church, 625 S. Nardo, Solana Beach. Confessions at 6:00pm, music and testimony at 6:30pm, Mass at 7:00pm. For more information, call 858-481-6911.

**Women's Weekend Retreat at Mission San Luis Rey: *Change, Changes, and Changing—Experiences Toward God***—Take some time to join us and other women for on January 29-31 at Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center in Oceanside. Let's begin (or continue) our journeys together, with encouragement, surrounded by a community of women supportive of each other's journey toward God—women who believe, act, and experience the transcendent in everyday life. Father Philip Garcia, OFM and Emmalyn Moreno will lead retreat. This retreat begins Friday with dinner at 6:00pm and ends with lunch on Sunday. For additional information or to register, please call 760-757-3659.

**Celebrate Catholic Schools Week at St. Francis of Assisi School in Vista**—January 31-February 6. Personal tours, open house, and more. For more information, visit [www.sfs-vista.org](http://www.sfs-vista.org) or call 760-630-7960 for the elementary school or 760-630-7964 for the preschool.

**2010 Diocesan Revival in San Diego**—February 1-3 at Holy Spirit Parish at 7:00pm each evening. This year's theme is *Lord We Need a Revival* and Sr. Anita Baird, D.H.M., will be the revivalist. Sponsored by the Diocesan Commission for African American Catholics. There is no charge, and all are welcome to attend.

**Mark Price Series in Vista**—Unique presentations where Mark Price presents "In His Own Words" for specific bible characters. Catch the remaining appearances in 2010—Judas Iscariot on February 5, Doubting Thomas on April 16, and Simon Peter on June 4, all at St. Francis Church, 525 W. Vista Way, Vista. Discount ticket packages available. For more information, visit [www.stfrancis-vista.org/specialevents.htm](http://www.stfrancis-vista.org/specialevents.htm) or call 760-945-8000.

**Elizabeth Hospice Volunteer Training in Escondido**—February 6, 13, and 20, 8:30am-3:00pm at The Elizabeth Hospice, 150 W. Crest St., Escondido. For more information, contact Regional Volunteer Liaisons Anne or Denise at 760-737-2050 or 800-797-2050.

**SOCS (Support Our Community Seniors) Program in San Marcos**—Thursday, February 11, 12:00-2:30pm at San Marcos United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 800 W. Mission, San Marcos. Includes complimentary lunch. Sponsored by Palomar Pomerado Health, this program offers training and a tool box of resources for volunteer visitors, care-givers, and family and friends of seniors. Learn how to build communication and listening skills, learn about senior health issues and community resources. Register by Monday, February 8, by contacting 858-675-5599 or [kay.stuckhardt@pph.org](mailto:kay.stuckhardt@pph.org).

**A Special Preview Screening of The Catholicism Project in Carlsbad**—Please join us for a special presentation of Fr. Robert Barron's 10-part, high-definition epic documentary illustrating the beauty of the global Church. Saturday, February 12, 7:00-9:00pm at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church Parish Center, 6628 Santa Isabel Street, Carlsbad, ([www.stelizabeth-seton.org](http://www.stelizabeth-seton.org)). Fr. Barron is an acclaimed author and theologian, a podcasting priest from Chicago, and one of the world's great and most innovative teachers of the Catholic faith. View the trailer for "Catholicism Project" at [www.WordOnFire.org](http://www.WordOnFire.org).

**St. Vincent de Paul Village Annual Ladies Guild Mardi Gras Luncheon in Mission Valley**—Tuesday, February 16, 11:00am at the Mission Valley Hilton. Enjoy the day, help the children at the village, and meet Fr. Joe Carroll. \$45. For more information, call Joyce Ellison at 619-224-2085.

**Pilgrimage to Turin and Medjugorje**—May 18—Join Sr. Margaret Kelly, O.P., Director of Religious Education at Mission San Diego for a trip of the decade! The Shroud will be on display only two months for the first time since 2000. Then see the beauty of Croatia and the Adriatic Sea as we make a crossing from Ancona, Italy, to Split, Croatia, and on to the Marian site of Medjugorje. For more information, call Sister Margaret at 619-624-0900.

**The Treasure Box Grocery Plan in North County**—is an economic meal program that provides a 21-25 lb. pre-assembled box of frozen food for \$30 (a savings of up to 65% off grocery store prices). For more information, including locations in your area, please visit [www.thetreasurebox.org](http://www.thetreasurebox.org).

**Volunteers Needed**—Become a child advocate and make a lasting difference in the life of a foster child. More than just a mentor, you can give hope to a child who has none. For more information, call Voices for Children at 858-569-2019 or visit [www.speakupnow.org](http://www.speakupnow.org).

**Lunch Served for Seniors in Oceanside**—The Salvation Army Senior Dining and 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

**Ongoing Diocesan Workshops**—Various topics related to religious education. For details, contact [www.diocese-sdiego.org/evangelization.htm](http://www.diocese-sdiego.org/evangelization.htm) or 858-490-8230.

**Marriage Encounter Weekends**—For more information, contact [daveandcheryl@cost.net](mailto:daveandcheryl@cost.net) or 619-303-5053.

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