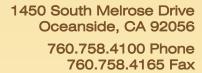
Church of St. Thomas More



A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

Spirituality † Tradition † Community



www.stmoside.org parishoffice@stmoside.org



Rev. Michael Ratajczak, Pastor Deacon Thomas A. Goeltz

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

April 4, 2010 • The Resurrection of the Lord

Pastor's Column

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

Underneath the Economic Crisis: A Crisis of Values

As we celebrate the Resurrection of our brother, Jesus, we are mindful that this event brings to us new hope, new life, and new beginnings.

This is not ethereal or "pie in the sky." This event is real and it brings forth divine energy that helps us to re-imagine and recreate our lives, and our world.

In our present economic realities, we need direction to help us in the way of re-imagining and re-creating the ways in which we live, and to decipher what are the important realities of life.

I share with you this article that appeared in the March 2010 edition of AARP Bulletin by Jim Wallis, which will, hopefully, help all of us to re-imagine and re-create our world from a Gospel perspective.

Here is the link to the article: Click on the blue link below...

http://bulletin.aarp.org/opinions/othervoices/articles/opinion_good_news_about_a_bad_economy.html

...or if you prefer to type in or copy and paste: http://bulletin.aarp.org/opinions/othervoices/articles/ opinion_good_news_about_a_bad_economy.html

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.

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 760-758-4100 x140

Music Ministry: Contact Douglas Lynn at 760-758-4100 x140

Communion for the Homebound/Hospitalized:

Contact Parish Office at 760-758-4100 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 760-758-4100 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 760-758-4100 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 760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org.

Opportunity to Help Homeless Families



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!

These dates in 2010 are available for dinner adoption:

March 28, May 23, June 27, August 22, September 26, November 28, and December 26

Many thanks to those who have stepped up to help with these dinners! For more information, contact Paul Pastor's Column

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



Monday Night Youth Group 7:00 to 8:30 PM

Steubenville San Diego July23~25 Sign Up Now!

Call Gale at 760-726-7236 for more information

Readings for the Week Ahead

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

Sunday, April 4 (42) The Resurrection of the Lord Acts 10:34a,37-43 Psalm 118:1-2,16-17,22-23 1 Corinthians 5:6-8 John 20:1-9

Monday, April 5 (261) Monday in the Octave of Easter Acts 2:14.22-33

Psalm 16:1-2a,5,7-11 Matthew 28:8-15

Tuesday, April 6 (262)

Tuesday in the Octave of Easter Acts 2:36-41

Psalm 33:4-5,18-20,22 John 20:11-18

Wednesday, April 7 (263)

Wednesday in the Octave of Easter Acts 3:1-10

Psalm 105:1-4.6-9

Luke 24:13-35 **Thursday, April 8** (264)

Thursday in the Octave of Easter Acts 3:11-26

Psalm 8:2ab,5-9 Luke 24:35-48

Friday, April 9 (265)

Friday in the Octave of Easter Acts 4:1-12 Psalm 118:1-2,4,22-27a

John 21:1-14

Saturday, April 10 (266) Saturday in the Octave of Easter

Acts 4:13-21 Psalm 118:1,14-15b,16-21 Mark 16:9-15

Sunday, April 11 (45)

Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday Acts 5:12-16

Psalm 118:2-4,13-15,22-24 Revelation 1:9-11a,12-13,17-19

John 20:19-31

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 3, 8:00pm

Sunday, April 4, 6:30am Jeananne Keating &

Sunday, April 4, 8:30am William Ipsen, Sr. & Dutch Welsh

Sunday, April 4, 10:30am Robert Ratajczak &

Tuesday, April 6, 8:15am Ted Powers ₽

Wednesday, April 7, 8:15am Judith Ann Nichols

Thursday, April 8, 8:15am Michelle Morowe

Friday, April 9, 8:15am Joseph Bahash &

Saturday, April 10, 5:00pm Bud Flanagan &

Sunday, April 11, 8:30am Bill Cracknell &

Sunday, April 11, 10:30am Leo Miller

Prayer List

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

The Adams Family Mary Alexander Patricia Barbour Cindra Bell John Bennici Regina Bentz George "Whitey" Betus Beatrice Brooks & Family Monica Broussard Janet Brown Roseanne Burg Herman Calandro Shelby Campbell Claudia Caplinger The Casebolt Family Paul & Elaine Cassidy The Chavez Family Paul Cipowski Dolly Cole Carl Coleman James Coleman The Colucci Family Thomas Cornwell & Family Karen Flaharty Daley
The Margie Daniels Family Shirley Darcy Cecilia DeSimone Linda Dossman Kathryn Ernst Mike Eslinger Robert & Lois Falconer The Fiore Family Peter Fiore, Jr. Peggy & Jack Fischer Ryan Flum Kathryn Franklin Joe Freire James Gallagher Carmen Garcia The Garcia Family Cierra Gerardi Rick Gonzalez Eileen Gough The John Graham Family Rosemary Haeffelin Anita Hage The Hainsworth Family Susan Hallahan The Harker Family Rita Harnacker PJ Hartdegen Marge Heath Lilian Hills
The Hoefner Family Cynthia Horner Christine Jensen Sue Johnston Eileen Jones Joan Jones

Paul Kennedy

Helen Kuhn

Debbie Kinney

George Kleekamp

Lillian Lachance

Bernie Lanzrath

Brandon LeBlanc

Cassandra Loretto Lauren Loretto

James MacArthur

Helen McCullough

Bob McWilliams

Carol Michael

Jay Maldonado

Anne Lauzon

Rick Laver

Lillian Luisi

Edward Luna

Sr. Anne Kremenik

The Lamelin Family

The Montgomery Family Nancy Moore Denise (Popoff) Moors & Family The Morgan & McCarthy Families Margie Myers The Navarro/Orantes Family R. Northrup Helen O'Connell Jeanette Oravetz Ed Orosz The Matamala Pacheco Family The Peer & McCarthy Families Lupe Casas Pelletier Helen Pingtella Anne Post Otila Quiroz Janet Raiman Isabel Ramires & Family Joanne Robinson Wilma Rolland Sr. Loyola Romey Cecelia Roper Dorothy Rouse Rose Rowland The Russo Family Nancy Scali Freda Schweitzer Jane Sekela Richard Sikora The Al Smith Family Nick Soltau Ed Sox Gilda Spiegl Joan Stringer Maria Surmenidis Stephen Toth, Jr. Jose & Regina Vasquez Arnie Velasco Dominic Vienna, Jr. Vanessa Vitiello-Koble Wanda Walsh Kevin Watson-Graff Ed Wesel Marilyn Wesel John Whitton Anna Wynston

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. 1st Lt. Jeffrey Bauer, USMC Pfc John Brandone Lance Corporal Brandon Doyle, USMC St Sgt Joseph Duffy, USAF MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC

Staff Sgt. Travis M. Meyers, USAF Pvt. 2nd Class Matthew Seneca Noblitt, US Army

Pvt. 2 Jess Phillips, US Army Corporal Jared H. Risbourg, USMC Sr. Airman Robert Spear, USAF Corporal Ryan Keck, USMC PVT2 Tyler Timmerman,

U.S. Army

LT Billy Turley, USN

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

Easter Sunday Apr 4 Masses at 6:30am, 8:30am, and 10:30am Children's Liturgy of the Word at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses

Parish Office and Blessed Apr 5 Sacrament Chapel closed

Liturgy of the Word for Apr 11 Children at 8:30am Mass

Arp 11 RE.A.CH Classes at Church

The Month Ahead

Apr 12 Women's Guild Luncheon Meeting Apr 14 Chili's Dine Out Fundraiser Apr 15 Spirited Seniors Luncheon Apr 17-18 Birth Choice **Baby Food Drive**

Spring Sing— Apr 18 Choral Concert

RE.A.CH Classes at Church Apr 25

Eleventh Annual Apr 30 Golf Classic

The Year Ahead

May 9 First Communion May 15 Confirmation June 4-6 Parish Campout June 12-13 First Communion Jul 19-23 Vacation Bible Camp Aug 22 Second Annual Pastor's Dinner STM 25th Anniversary Oct 17 Celebration

> Questions? Contact Henny at 760-758-4100 x100 hennyi@stmoside.org.

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.

April 5
Sr. Juliet Lee, RSCJ
April 6
Sr. Rosemarie Leier, MMS
April 7
Sr. Helen Lembeck, MMS
April 8
Sr. Katie Lett, CPPS
April 9
Sr. Cecile Ley, RSM
April 10
Sr. Socorro Leyva-Pinal, MFP
April 11
Sr. M. Tarcisius Lim, MC

In Memoriam



Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Jesus R. Bañuelos, who died on March 21. Please keep his nephew, staff member Joe Garcia, and the family in your prayers.

Thelma "Terry" Adams, who died on March 21. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Friday, April 16, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep her family in your prayers.

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

Thank You

Ann and Dick McGeary are deeply grateful for the prayers, love, and support of our fellow Parishioners during this very difficult time in our lives. Your thoughtfulness has lifted our spirits and has filled our hearts.

Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

CWWNC meets the second Sunday of each month (April 11 at a member's home in Carlsbad) for a general meeting and potluck, and the fourth Sunday of each month (March 28 for 11:00am Mass at St. Patrick Church in Carlsbad followed by brunch at the Marriot). Prospective members are welcome anytime. See the bulletin board on the lower level for our monthly newsletter of activities, or contact Jackie Cohen at 760-726-4343 or Carol Kope at 760-758-4100 for more information.

Get On The Bus How You Can Help



Get On The Bus can only take place through the generosity of individuals and groups who have a heart for this special event. Here are some ways that you can help:

- **Be a family sponsor** and contribute \$300.
- **Be a child sponsor** and contribute \$75.
- Make a donation of any amount to help fund buses, food, travel bags, and teddy bears.
- ◆ **Sponsor an activity** in your faith center, school, or organization to raise money and awareness.

(Please use the envelopes attached to the bulletin a few weeks ago or a plain envelope marked *Get On The Bus*, make checks out to *Get On The Bus*, and place in the offertory collection or drop off at the Parish Office.)

Watch the Parish bulletin in the coming weeks for a list of needed items for the children and caregivers.

For more information, call Glory Hartdegen at 760-630-0651.

STM \$crip News

Thanks to all who participate in the Scrip Program. We recently gave Fr. Mike a \$10,000 check, which goes toward our pledge for the building fund. We have paid \$70,000 toward our \$100,000 pledge! We ask that you look over the updated Scrip list in the bulletin this week. Please consider purchasing Scrip for the merchants that you use. The merchants on the list are willing to help us build our permanent Church. Let's take them up on their offer! Scrip is sold after all weekend Masses and on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00-10:00am.

STM 11th Annual Golf Classic ~ Friday, April 30

Social event of the year! Enjoy fun, fellowship, and exciting events with friends and family!



- ♦ Golf at Fallbrook Golf Club ~ foursomes and singles
- ♦ Miniature Golf at Boomers! Vista ~ foursomes and singles
- ♦ Evening Festivities at STM ~ dinner, raffles, silent and live auctions, and surprises
- ◆ All payments and item donations due by Monday, April 19!

Please submit payments at Golf table, in the offertory collection, or to the Parish Office.

2nd Annual Pastor's Dinner ~ Sunday, August 22

- ♦ Seating now available for 150 at \$250 per seat ~ 97 seats are already reserved! Sign up today!!!
- ♦ Delicious dinner at Shadowridge Country Club, hors d'oeuvres, open bar, and desserts.



- Back by popular demand,
 The Alley Cats entertaining with an extended show and more!
- ◆ Check for details at the golf table and at: www.stmoside.org/golf

Champagne Diamond Opportunity!

- Beautiful Journey diamond pendant necklace, complete with seven shimmering diamonds, will go to a very lucky winner! \$20 per ticket or six tickets for \$100.
- A sparkling touch of class accompanied by a glass of champagne or sparkling cider
- ◆ Detailed description of the necklace and photos available at: www.stmoside.org/golf
- ◆ Don't miss out on this terrific opportunity! Sponsored by Eternal Hills Cemetery & Mortuary

For more information, contact Jim or Suzy Bailey at 760-754-1635 or jimsuzybailey@cox.net

Dine Out Fun...Raiser

Enjoy good company, good food, and help raise money for St. Thomas More by joining us at our next restaurant fundraiser, Wednesday, April 14, at Chili's in Vista. 15% of what you spend on lunch or dinner will be donated to St. Thomas More. Watch for the flyer in next week's bulletin. Helping your Parish never tasted sooooo good! Purchase Scrip and earn an extra 11% for the STM Building Fund!

Women's Guild News

April Meeting—Come join us at 11:00am April 12 to play with our newly-purchased Bingo set. The slider cards are brand new and work much better than the old ones, and the cage and balls will provide the usual anticipation. Lunch will be homemade Italian food prepared by Vera Bayliss and Siggie Ogan. Names of the incoming officers will be announced, to be voted on in May. Cost of the luncheon is \$8. Meeting of the spring luncheon committee will be held at 2:00pm after the Bingo. Special Announcement: Tickets for our annual spring luncheon will be available to members attending the April meeting. You may purchase individual tickets or tables of ten at this time. Sign-ups for door prizes and opportunity baskets will also be available. If you have a door prize or opportunity basket to donate, you may bring it to the meeting.

The Fabulous Earrings—As a change of pace, our annual spring luncheon will not have a fashion show, but members will be entertained by The Fabulous Earrings, a singing trio that has performed to much acclaim at the Avo Theater and many other venues and events. They are a terrific group, singing songs of the Andrews Sisters, the McGuire Sisters, and also more modern songs. We will still have a delicious luncheon, opportunity baskets, door prizes, and lots of fun. Tickets will be available at our April luncheon, and after that will be sold on the Plaza in May. This event is Saturday, May 22, and further details will follow.

Bake Sale—Thank you to Nancy Wozniak and Pat Wong for all their work in again coordinating and running the Bake Sale. The money raised will contribute to our pledge for the STM Capital Campaign, Phase II.

Annual Catholic Appeal 2010 Now Underway!

St. Thomas More's "Fair Share": \$43,000

Pledge Total to Date: \$31,456 Households Responding: 240 Average Gift per Household: \$131.07

One of the agencies our contributions support is Catholic Charities, which serves both San Diego and Imperial Counties. Through eleven service centers, Catholic Charities serves 100,000 people annually with food, shelter, counseling, pregnancy services, senior nutrition, immigration services, refugee services, adoption services, and affordable housing. They accomplish this with 215 dedicated staff working alongside 800 volunteers who contribute 181,000 hours of service per year!

In 2008-2009, *Immigrant Services* served 5,158 qualified immigrants seeking assistance and education in paths to citizenship.

Annual Catholic Appeal packets were mailed to all registered Parishioners and are available at the Parish Office. Your generosity will be appreciated!

Our Journey Into The Future . . . Together! Phase II ~ This is it!

Calling for 554 more responses!

Thanks to the 447 donors who have responded to date, bringing our pledge total to \$1,254,750!

PLEASE help your Parish achieve our goal of building your permanent worship space! We need to hear from everyone, *even if you cannot contribute*. All responses and pledges are needed and much appreciated.



- Thanks to those who have already generously responded to our "Adopt a Family" pledge of \$1,400. This was inspired and initiated by a Parishioner who understands the economic situation facing several families at this time. This is completely confidential and no one's records are disclosed.
- ₹ 21 months remain in our two year Phase II Campaign to collect \$2 Million in two years. \$745,250 still needed!
- By looking at the chart below, one will see that we have gifts of all amounts. Please prayerfully consider what you can do to help us make the finish line!

Packets are available after all Masses, at the Parish Office, and on our website: www.stmoside.org; click on Our New Church.

THANK YOU DONORS!!!

Pledge Statistics as of March 29

		# of Families
Total	Phase II Pledges	Pledging
	Under \$1,000	132
	\$1,000 and up	64
	\$1,500 and up	113
	\$2,500 and up	72
	\$4,500 and up	27
	\$6,000 and up	17
	\$10,000 and up	18
	\$25,000 and up	2
	\$50,000 and up	2
Total to Date	\$1,254,750	447
Still Needed	\$745,250	554
Total Goal	\$2,000,000	1,001

Chris Smith, Director of Stewardship and Development 760-758-4100 x120 or *chriss@stmoside.org*.

Liturgy & Music



Douglas Lynn
Director of Music/Coordinator of Liturgical Ministries
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An Easter Prayer

O God, who for our redemption gave your only begotten Son to death on the Cross, and by his glorious resurrection has delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant that we who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit. Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection, empowered and transformed by your grace in and among us.

O Lord, so stir up in your church, indeed in each of us, that Spirit of adoption and reconciliation that is made possible by your grace revealed in Jesus the Christ, that we being renewed in both body and mind, may worship and serve you in sincerity and truth. We pray this in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

—Adapted from The Book of Common Prayer

An Easter Hymn

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord of life is risen today! Sing songs of praise along his way; let all the earth rejoice and say: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory that love, that life which cannot die, and sing with hearts uplifted high: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Your name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord the life laid down, the life restored: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

-Cyril A. Alington (1872-1955)

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IN TWO WEEKS!

SPRING SING

Ecumenical Choral Festival

Sunday, April 18 4:00pm

with Classic Brass

featuring the combined choirs of SEVEN North County churches

First Presbyterian Church Oceanside (two choirs)

First United Methodist Church of Escondido

St. Patrick Catholic Church Carlsbad

St. Thomas More Catholic Church Oceanside

San Dieguito United Methodist Church Encinitas

> San Luis Rey Valley United Methodist Church Oceanside

San Marcos Lutheran Church San Marcos

FREE-WILL OFFERING

Bring a canned food item (or 3) for the food pantry at Interfaith Community Services!



Upcoming Music

APRIL 10/11 Second Sunday of Easter

5:00pm Mass

Cantor

8:30am Mass

Cantor

10:30am Mass

Cantor

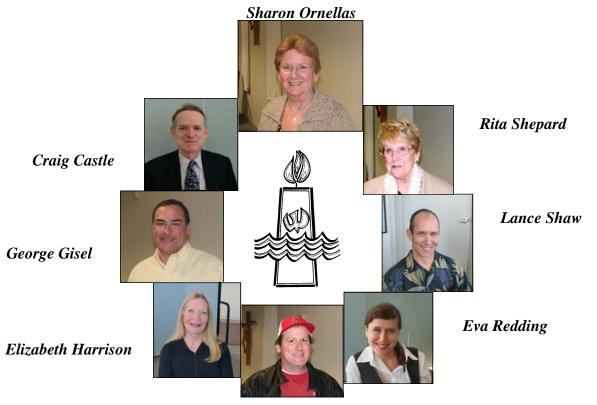
Faith Formation



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

With Easter joy!

The Parish community warmly welcomes the newly initiated members of the Church of St. Thomas More.



Look to these new Catholics who have completed their Lenten journey to resurrection at the Easter Vigil.

Shawn Hobson

They are living, breathing examples of Easter in our midst.

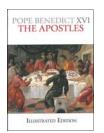
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Their presence strengthens us all as we strive to live out the meaning of our baptism.

Fr. Mike's Bookies

The Apostles by Pope Benedict XVI is our book for discussion on April 7. Wayne Zych will facilitate the morning discussion at 9:00am and Kurt Schwend will facilitate the evening discussion at 7:00pm.

The book is available outside the Faith Formation Office for \$10.



Your Apostles question of the week:

Jesus' first step with the help of the Twelve was to gather together the people of Israel. How did the Apostles mission change after Christ's passion and Resurrection?

Rice Bowls A check (to STM) instead of coin is appreciated!

PBJ for Hungry Kids

255 jars to date!

Information for Growth

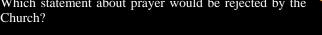
20—Answer

At the heart of Jesus' preaching are guides for moral living that describe the vocation of all the faithful and the path to true happiness. They are the

B) Beatitudes. (CCC 1717, 1718)

21—Question

Which statement about prayer would be rejected by the



- A) There are many types and forms of prayer.
- B) The prayers of sinners go unanswered by God.
- C) Prayer helps us to grow in our relationship with God.
- D) Prayer helps us to better understand God's will for us.

Stewardship & Development



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Director of Stewardship & Development
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CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP Attitude of Gratitude

Since the birth of my youngest grandchild, Ava, I have made every effort to see her every 4-6 weeks, even though she lives in northern California. Time and life are precious and children grow up so fast, that this effort has been a gift to me ~ and to her!

Each time I visit, or she comes here, I have a special little gift (or two or three) and Ava takes special delight in seeing her surprises.

On my last visit, rather than asking to see her 'surprises' on the drive from the airport, Ava proceeded to tell me what she had for me! She was SO excited to describe my surprises from her, which consisted of her favorite books and toys...her first fruits.

I was very touched by this display of generosity as it showed this precious little three-year old now had a true grasp of unconditional love. She was more excited to give to someone she loved, rather than to receive.

God gave us His Son, who died to give us eternal life. What a precious gift! As we enter the Easter season, let us remember all the events of Lent and Holy Week. As we rejoice in the benefits we receive, let us also rejoice in giving.

Managing the special gifts God has given us is the core of Christian stewardship. This means bringing the strength of our faith into all of life. It is not a program. It is a way of life. As God has given to us, so should we return God's gifts with gratitude. Giving *always* feels better than receiving!



Lord God, you alone are the source of every good gift, of the vast array of our universe, and the mystery of each human life.

We praise you and thank you for your great power and your tender, faithful love.

Everything we are and everything we have are your gifts; and after having created us, you have given us into the keeping of your son, Jesus Christ.

Fill our minds with His truth and our hearts with His love. In His spirit, may we be bonded together into a community of faith, a parish family, caring people.

In the name and spirit of Jesus, we commit ourselves to be good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us, to share our time, our talents, and our material and spiritual gifts as an outward sign of the treasure we hold in Jesus.

In His holy name we pray, Amen.

—-ICSC Parish Stewardship, April 2010

Happy Easter to our very special stewards!

STM 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!

All we need is clear title.

Non-operational is OK!



Since 2006 we have netted over \$15,500 from this program. Thank you donors!

For more information, contact the Parish Office: 760-758-4100 ×100 or parishoffice@stmoside.org



"Did You Know?" Collection for March 2010 \$2.940

Collection for Week of March 27/28, 2010

Number of Registered Households	1,001
Offertory*	\$ 7,024.16
Offertory (Loose Collection)	1,281.00
Children's envelopes	1.00
Total	\$ 8,306.16

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).

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.

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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News from the Larger Church

Spring Break Isn't Fun When You Are Hungry—Help feed local children by donating to Catholic Charities Food Resource Center. Did you know that school free lunch programs temporarily stop during spring break? High demand items during breaks are jelly, canned and fresh fruit, soups, macaroni and cheese, and juice. Another great way to help is donating and shopping at the Thrift Store, Shopportunity, 917 E. Vista Way. Store proceeds help fund the Food Resource Center. To schedule a donation pick up please call 760-631-2819.

Youth Organ Scholarships Available—The American Guild of Organists offers scholarships for organ study to students who already play piano. Students of any age and level may apply. Scholarships may also be used to attend Pipe Organ Encounter, a week-long camp for piano students ages 13-18 who are interested in studying the organ. For more information, visit *www.agosd.org*, and go to Education/Scholarship or Pipe Organ Encounters.

Theology on Tap for Young Adults in San Marcos—Wednesday evenings, April 7, 14, 21, and 28, at Acapulco Mexican Restaurant in San Marcos. For more information, visit *www.yamsd.org*.

John Paul the Great Catholic University Open House in San Diego—Saturday, April 10, at 11:00am for anyone interested in learning more about the mission of the school. Lunch is provided, but registration is requested. For more information, visit *www.jpcatholic.com* and follow the link on the sidebar.

The Universal Christ in a World of Differences: An Evolutionary Perspective Presentation in San Diego—Tuesday, April 13, 7:30-9:00pm, University Center, Forum A/B, University of San Diego (rescheduled from an early date). Presented by Ilia Delio, OSF. For more information, contact 619-260-4784 or visit www.sandiego.edu/ccs.

Job Search and Networking Clinic in Solana Beach—Wednesday, April 14, 6:00-9:00pm, St. James Parish Hall. For more information, contact Chris and Kalee Strachan at 858-792-0657.

Mainly Mozart Concert Series in Carlsbad—St. Elizabeth Seton Church will sponsor the annual Mainly Mozart concerts at 6628 Santa Isabel St., Carlsbad, featuring world-class artists performing in a brilliant acoustics venue. The next concert will be

on April 25 at 2:00pm. For more information, contact 619-239-0110 or www.mainlymozart.org.

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.

Divine Mercy Sunday

The Second Sunday of Easter is observed throughout the Church as Divine Mercy Sunday. To encourage its celebration with special devotion, this Sunday has been enriched by a plenary indulgence (complete forgiveness of sins and punishment) which is granted to the faithful by the Pope under the usual conditions:

- 1. sacramental confession:
- 2. Eucharistic communions;
- 3. prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father.

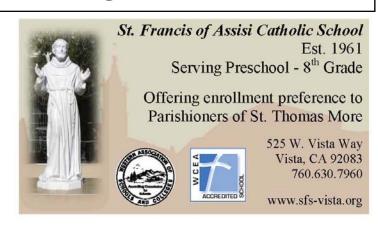
The requirement of sacramental confession is satisfied by all who remain in the state of grace following their Lenten celebration of the Sacrament of Penance. However, for those who wish, confession will be available, as usual, at St. Thomas More on Saturdays at 4:00pm or by appointment. The other conditions for the plenary indulgence will be included within all celebrations of the Eucharist in this Parish on Divine Mercy Sunday:

- ♦ In the Penitential Rite, we will implore the mercy of God to be detached from all affection for sin, even venial sin.
- In the General Intercessions, we will pray for the Holy Father and his intentions and for greater fidelity in our lives to works of charity and mercy, concluding with a devout prayer to our merciful Lord Jesus.
- As always, we will pray together the Creed and Our Father, that as God forgives us we will pardon those who sin against us.

News from St. Francis Church—Our Neighbor

A few weeks ago, Fr. Mike and Fr. Bud Kaicher, Pastor of St. Francis Church, established a partnership between St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School and the Church of St. Thomas More. Both pastors are sincerely committed to promoting and supporting the Catholic education provided at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School. As a result of this partnership, St. Thomas More Parishioners will now be extended the same benefits and rewards as a St. Francis Parishioner, including: Parishioner priority for enrollment at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School, equal tuition rates, financial aid opportunities, and fundraising support

Watch this section for news about St. Francis Church and School activities, and pray for the success of this relationship! Thank you, Fr. Bud and Fr. Mike, for your support!!!





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