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

June 6, 2010 • The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Pastor's Column

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

The Catholic Campaign for Immigration Reform: Justice for Immigrants – Part 1

The issue of immigration reform is once again taking center stage in our country, especially in light of the recent legislation passed by the Arizona Legislature and signed into law by the Governor of that state.

In order to help all of us "wrap our minds" around the complexities of immigration reform, I will be including in our bulletin, for the next few weeks, resources from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) that discuss a wide range of topics related to immigration.

I encourage you to take time to read this information in order to inform yourself as best as possible as our country prepares itself for the upcoming debate on immigration reform. Whatever viewpoint we may presently have on this issue, we must find ways to come together in order to secure passage of humane and comprehensive immigration legislation.

Included as an insert in this week's bulletin, you will find: *Catholic Bishops Call for Comprehensive Immigration Reform.*

Please take time to read it, and please follow along for the next several weeks to read the various USCCB articles that will be given to you to help you reflect upon the official position of the Catholic Church.

Tr. Mike

JUSTICE FOR IMMIGRANTS a journey of hope

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

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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.

Eucharistic Adoration



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

Exposition of the Eucharist on First Fridays. Next date: Friday, July 2.

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

Rosary

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

Opportunity to Help Local Families in Need



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:

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

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.

Food Bank Contributions

Look for the blue barrels on the Plaza at weekend Masses to deposit your contributions for North County Community Services Food Bank in San Marcos. 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!



FILL A GROCERY BAG

For more information, contact Ron Briseno at 760-758-4100 x153 or *ronb@stmoside.org*.

Readings for the Week Ahead

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

Sunday, June 6 (169) The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Genesis 14:18-20 Psalm 110:1-4 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 Luke 9:11b-17 Monday, June 7 (359) 1 Kings 17:1-6 Psalm 121:1bc-2,3-4,5-6,7-8 Matthew 5:1-12 Tuesday, June 8 (360) 1 Kings 17:7-16 Psalm 121:1bc-2,3-4,5-6,7-8 Matthew 5:13-16 Wednesday, June 9 (361) Ephrem, deacon, doctor 1 Kings 18:20-39 Psalm 16:1b-2ab,4,5ab,8,11 Matthew 5:17-19 Thursday, June 10 (362) 1 Kings 18:41-46 Psalm 65:10,11,12-13 Matthew 5:20-26 Friday, June 11 (172) The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Ezekiel 34:11-16 Psalm 23:1-3a,3b-4,5,6 Romans 5:5b-11 Luke 15:3-7 Saturday, June 12 (364, 573) The Immaculate Heart of Mary 1 Kings 19:19-21 Psalm 16:1b-2a,5,7-8,9-10 Luke 2:41-51 Sunday, June 13 (93) Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Samuel 12:7-10,13 Psalm 32:1-2,5,7,11 Galatians 2:16,19-21 Luke 7:36-8:3

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 5, 5:00pm Judith Ann Nichols 🕏 Sunday, June 6, 8:30am Patricia Thompson 🕈 Sunday, June 6, 10:30am Joe Coccaro 🕆 Tuesday, June 8, 8:15am Michelle Morowe 4 Wednesday, June 9, 8:15am Margie Soltis 🕆 Wednesday, June 9, 9:30am Maureen Colucci Aegis at Shadowridge Thursday, June 10, 8:15am Raymond Staehr 🕆 Friday, June 11, 8:15am Frank & Mary Coxon Saturday, June 12, 5:00pm First Communicants Sunday, June 13, 8:30am Dolores Murchison 🕆 Sunday, June 13, 10:30am Larry & Carol Thomson

Prayer List

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

Mary Alexander Lucia Ambriz Patricia Barbour Cindra Bell John Bennici Regina Bentz Roseanne Berg George "Whitey" Betus Beatrice Brooks & Family Monica Broussard Janet Brown Roseanne Burg Shelby Campbell Claudia Caplinger Flor Catap & Family Paul Cipowski Dolly Cole Carl Coleman James Coleman Thomas Cornwell & Family Karen Flaharty Daley Cecilia DeSimone Steve Diehner Betty Dorsa Linda Dossman Kathryn Ernst The Fiore Family Peggy & Jack Fischer Ryan Flum Matthew Foster Kathrvn Franklin Joe Freire Carmen Garcia Cierra Gerardi Hal Gibson Rick Gonzalez Eileen Gough Lee & Annalisa Grant Rosemary Haeffelin Anita Hage Susan Hallahan The Harker Family Rita Harnacker Marge Heath Lilian Hills The Jacobson Family Sue Johnston Eileen Jones Paul Kennedy Peggy Kiernan Debbie Kinney George Kleekamp Sr. Anne Kremenik Helen Kuhn Lillian Lachance The Lamelin Family Bernie Lanzrath Rick Laver Brandon LeBlanc Cassandra Loretto Lauren Loretto James MacArthur The Martin Family Mac McCullough Bob McWilliams Dorothy McWilliams Carol Michael June Mitchell Morrie Mitchell Nancy Moore Art Morentin Margie Myers

Cosmo Noceda R. Northrup Helen O'Connell Lupe Casas Pelletier Helen Pingtella Anne Post John Quiroz Otila Quiroz Janet Raiman Joanne Robinson Sr. Loyola Romey Dorothy Rouse The Rowland Family The Russo Family Nancy Scali Linda Schmidt The Doug Schulte Family Freda Schweitzer Jane Sekela Richard Sikora Nick Soltau Ed Sox Gilda Spiegl Marie Sterling The Sterling & Vanderzanden Families Joan Stringer Maria Surmenidis Stephen Toth, Jr. Barbara Upson Arnie Velasco Dominic Vienna, Jr. Vanessa Vitiello-Koble Paul & Mai Jim Walters Kevin Watson-Graff Ed Wesel Marilyn Wesel John Whitton The Wilson & Whitaker Families

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 BM2 Bobby Hartdegen, US Navy 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

Sr. Airman Robert Spear, USAF 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

June 6	Liturgy of the Word for
	Children at 8:30am and
	10:30am Masses
June 12	Women's Guild Installation
	Luncheon
June 12-13	First Communion at 5:00pm
	and 10:30am Masses
June 13	Knights of Columbus
	Breakfast

The Month Ahead

June 27	JustFaith Potluck
June 29	Spirited Seniors Retreat at
	Prince of Peace Abbey

The Year Ahead

Jul 19-23	Vacation Bible Camp	
Aug 15	New Member Reception	
Aug 22	Second Annual	
	Pastor's Dinner	
Oct 17	STM 25th Anniversary	
	Celebration	
Nov 11-12	First Annual STM	
	Women's Retreat	
Nov 21	Thanksgiving Concert	
	presented by the Music	
	Ministry	
Questions? Contact Henny at		

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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.

June 7
Sr. Juana Pereyra, SJS
June 8
Sr. Damien Peters, FDC
June 9
Sr. M. Genevieve Pistacchio, CSN
June 10
Sr. Mary Potter, RSM
June 11
Sr. Mary Alice Prieto, DCJ
June 12
Sr. Barbara Quinn, RSCJ
June 13
Sr. M. Krista Ramirez, RSM

Welcome to Newly Registered Parishioner

Nicholas & Denese Cordaro & Family Kim & Hop Tran & Family

Congratulations to

Katie & Tom Browne who celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on June 6.

Mary & Frank Coxon

who celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on June 11.

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

Flower Donations

We would like to gratefully acknowledge the contribution of: Jim Thompson

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

Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

We are a group of Catholic widowed men and women encompassing all of North County. We usually meet the second and fourth Sundays of each month. However, our next meeting will be our general meeting and potluck in Oceana on June 13 at 2:00pm. Our active calendar of events includes dining, dancing, concerts, golf, and several happy hours. For further information, please contact Gerri Wilmott at 760-758-9949 or Carol Kope at 760-758-4100 x100.

STM \$crip News

Thanks to all who participate in the Scrip Program. 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!

Graduation gifts to buy? Check the Scrip table for the stores you are planning to visit. Earn money for the Building Fund while you shop!

Travel plans this summer? Use Scrip and earn money for the Building Fund while you vacation!

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!

A Very Special Thank You!!!!!!

To all the wonderful Parishioners of St. Thomas More, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks for your kindness and support during the past ten years, and in particular on the celebration of the tenth

anniversary of my ordination. For my part, I have a definite love affair going with the people of this Parish, who have always been there for me. Please continue to keep myself and my wife in your prayers. I keep you in mine. —Deacon Tom



Get On The Bus

Thanks so much to all who contributed to the Get On The Bus Program! Your financial donations, items for the back packs, and the baked cookies helped to make this trip such a great success! Your generosity made it possible for children to feel the warmth of their mother's embrace and to read in her eyes that they are loved and have not been forgotten despite the barriers of incarceration. Please continue to keep these children and all children separated from their parents in your prayers!

Women's Guild News

May Fundraiser Luncheon—Thanks to all who donated opportunity baskets and door prizes, and a special thanks to the committee members who worked so hard to make this such a delightful event. Also, thanks to all who came for their support. We were able to raise almost \$3,000 to add to our pledge this year. It was a wonderful afternoon!

June Installation—Installation of officers will take place at Shadowridge Country Club on Saturday, June 12 at 11:00am. Cost is \$20. You may choose between Sunburst salad of romaine with berries, oranges, chicken, or spinach salad with mushrooms, egg, berries, and salmon. Checks may be placed in box 35 with your choice listed in memo, or you may purchase tickets after Masses June 5-6 or at the board meeting on June 7. All reservations and checks are due by June 8. Quilts will be raffled at this luncheon.

Quilt Raffle—By now everyone has received the Quilt Raffle tickets. Photos of the thirteen quilts being raffled on June 12 were displayed in the border of the letter. Ticket stubs and monies may be returned in the offertory collection basket in an envelope marked "Women's Guild Quilt Raffle." Please make checks payable to STM



Women's Guild. The quilts will be on display on the Plaza on Sunday, June 6. The quilts are of various sizes and would make wonderful gifts for your graduate. Thank you for your generous support.

Attention All Graduates!

The Parish Family of St. Thomas More would like to recognize the achievements of those among us who are graduating this year from grade school, high school, college, or beyond. If you are a graduate, please call the Parish Office with your name and the school from which you have graduated. You will be remembered in prayer, especially in the liturgies on the weekend of June 26-27. We are proud of your accomplishments and will continue to support you in all of your future endeavors.

Peter's Pence Collection

Cast the Love of Christ Upon the World

An envelope is attached to the bulletin this week so that we can support the Holy Father in his charitable works. The Peter's Pence Collection is taken up worldwide in an effort of solidarity to support the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disaster and others in need of emergency assistance. Pope Benedict XVI has said, "God's love...gives us the courage to continue seeking and working for the benefit of all" (*Caritas in Veritate*, no. 78). Cast the love of Christ upon the world—please be generous. You may return the envelopes any time during the month of June.

Annual Catholic Appeal 2010 Update

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

Pledge Total to Date: \$39,735 Households Responding: 288 Average Gift per Household: \$137.97

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!

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 ~ Our Permanent Church

THANK YOU FOUR YOUR RESPONSES!

Pledge Statistics as of June 1	
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		# of Families
Total Phase II Responses		Responding
Unable to pledge at this time (10 of these families have been adopted)		25
	Under \$100	18
	\$100 and up	170
	\$1,000 and up	75
	\$1,500 and up	124
	\$2,500 and up	84
	\$4,500 and up	28
	\$6,000 and up	19
	\$10,000 and up	18
	\$25,000 and up	2
	\$50,000 and up	2
Total to Date	\$1,365,410	565
Still Needed	\$634,590	432
Total Goal	\$2,000,000	997

- **† Unclear about what type of contribution counts?** A one-time donation, monthly or weekly contributions, or annual donations.
- + Responses in the chart above range from \$15 to \$50,000! ALL gifts are necessary and appreciated!
- † We have now heard from 57% of the Parish.
- † Have you responded?
- **†** Special thanks goes out to the ten families who have anonymously adopted families who are unable to pledge at this time.

Updated packets are available after all Masses, in the Parish Office, and on our website: *www.stmoside.org;* click on Our New Church.



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

Liturgy & Music

TURN IN HERE

Scripture Themes for June

by Patricia Datchuck Sánchez and Rafael Sánchez Alonso, Celebration June 2010. With permission.

Upcoming

JUNE 12/13

11th Sunday in

Ordinary Time

5:00pm Mass

Congregation

8:30am Mass

Sanctuary Choir

10:30am Mass

Handbell Choir

Cantor &

Music

Near the end of the 19th century in the western United States, a new word developed to describe an emerging cultural phenomenon: the hobo. Hobos originated as migratory workers or homeless wanderers who were often penniless and always in search of a job to tide them over. Although the origin of the term remains uncertain, etymologists have suggested that "hobo" may be derived from "hoeboy," as in a farmhand; could come from a greeting such as "Ho, boy!"; or might be a syllabic abbreviation of "ho-meward bo-und."

Economic and political circumstances being what they were, the number who resorted to life on the road was not insignificant. A study published in the New York Telegraph in 1911 estimated the number of hobos to be around 700,000, about 0.6 percent of the U.S. population. With no means of transportation of their own, hobos often hopped freight trains in the hope that a new start in a new place might be just what they needed. To help their fellow travelers, hobos developed a code comprised of a series of symbols written in chalk or coal. Some symbols warned of danger or rejection. A triangle with hands signified that the homeowner had a gun. Sharp teeth meant that a fierce dog was on the premises. But other signs were helpful and encouraging. A cross with a smiley face in one of the corners indicated that this was the home of a doctor who would treat hobos for free. A cross by itself said, "Turn in here, friend: there's food to be had and someone who is willing to share it with you."

With this brief history in mind, we enter into the sacred ambience created by the word of God for June. Throughout this month, the sacred authors remind us that we, too, are hobos of sorts, pilgrims who have here no lasting city but who are on a lifelong journey home to God. Like helpful guides and loyal travel companions, the ancient scriptural authors also mark our way with numerous crosses and signs. These signs beckon to all of us hobos; they say, "Turn in here, friend, for there is both food and healing for you here in the bread that Jesus offers." In the bread of the word and in the bread of his very self (June 6), Jesus invites us to find our home, our resting place, our peace, and our joy.

The nourishment Jesus offers provides us with the strength and sustenance we need to face the daily challenges of "hobo" life-that is, the life of a person longing to be at home with God. One of those challenges is sin, the barrier that we build between ourselves and others. between ourselves and God. David had built such a barrier by murdering another man and taking his wife. So had the woman at Simon's home (June 13) built a barrier with her own sins. But unlike Simon, who refused to turn in and be fed and healed by Jesus, the woman followed David's lead and admitted her sin. Both she and David were forgiven and lived to travel another day.

Those whom Jesus feeds and heals also brave the challenge of living by grace. Grace enables us not only to answer the question of Jesus, "Who do you say I am?" (June 20), but also to translate our response into the life we choose to live. Too often the truth of who Jesus is for us may get lost in translation. We don't back up our words with actions; we become lovely shells of inauthenticity with little actual substance. Paul knew well the struggle of surrendering to grace and to God, but he also knew the joy that comes from turning in where Jesus is and allowing oneself to be healed and fed. "I live now," Paul proclaimed most truthfully, "no longer I, but Christ lives in me!" (June 13). Homeless no more, Paul knew the profound blessing of allowing Christ to make his home

A graced life, lived by the Spirit, empowers even the most challenged and weary pilgrim to persevere in the journey. A central motif in Luke's Gospel traces Jesus' own journey to Jerusalem (June 27). With every step he took toward the holy city, it became clear to Jesus that something quite unholy awaited him. As his true intent and identity were further revealed, he met with increased hostility and violence. There were no signs that invited him in or offered him food and healing. Yet, Jesus continued. His experience challenges pilgrims to be those signs for one another until our life's journey finds its happy ending in him. "Turn in here, friend!"

St. Thomas More Novena

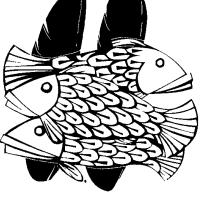
Leading up to our patron saint's feast day celebrated on Sunday, June 20, we continue praying the novena which began Friday, June 4, at the conclusion of daily morning Mass on June 8, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, and 18.

Join us as we pray: "St. Thomas More, bold defender of truth... pray for us!"

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

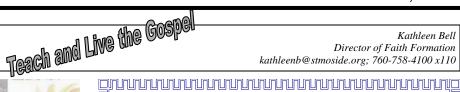
within him. This enabled him to "live by the Spirit"-by grace-and to recommend that other believers do likewise (June 20).

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Worship God

Faith Formation



Sunday Potluck and Presentation

FAITH: The Main Ingredient

This incredible and lovable woman is coming to share her story with us and teach us about history.

Next Sunday, June 13, at 12:00noon on the lower level, we will have a potluck luncheon and her talk on her life story and book *We Only Have Each Other*.

Please sign up for the potluck at the Faith Formation table after Mass or call the Potluck Hotline at 760-758-4100 x159 so we will know how many to set up for.

Yaja Boren

"We only have each other," sounds like the thoughts and words of early Christians during their persecutions in the first century by the Romans . . . but it's more than that.

It comes from a 13-year-old girl referring to herself and her 16year-old sister, in 1941 in the town of Radom, Poland just south of Warsaw.

A19791 was the number tattooed on the arm of little Yaja Boren. She considered herself lucky. Those who were not tattooed were sent directly to the crematorium.

Yaja somehow survived forced labor under bitter cold and starvation conditions and two trips in line to the showers where by the grace of God water came streaming out instead of the usual.

In 1945, when she was still only 16, the Russians liberated the death camp she was in. The fifth concentration camp she had been held in.

All are welcome!

RE.A.CH Enrollment for 2010-2011

Continuing families:

Thank you for returning your registration packet as soon as possible. Payment Plan Forms are available for the asking, if tuition is a concern.

※ New families:

Enrollment packets are available for any family with children ages 3 through 17 who are registered with the parish.



PBJ Update

Food for children at Catholic Charities in Vista		
2010 GOAL:	365 jars	
Collected to date:	346 jars	

Information for Growth

29—Answer

Which of the following describes the daily public prayer of the Church in which the "whole course of the day and night is made holy by the praise of God"?

C) Liturgy of the Hours (CCC 1174)

30—Question

What does the Church's teaching on Original Sin tell us about our human condition?

- A) we are all wounded by our tendency to sin
- B) God's sanctifying grace covers our sin but does not transform us
- C) we do not have the capacity to receive grace
- D) we are fundamentally evil

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June 6, 2010

Stewardship & Development

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Rights vs. Privilege

One thing that resonates from today's Gospel is that Jesus did not keep anything for himself when he multiplied the loaves and fishes. He set the example of caring for others in need first. We have the gift of free will and the ability to choose whether to be generous or not.

The following is excerpted from an article by E. Jane Rutter, Director of Stewardship, Diocese of Jefferson City, Missouri. ICSC Parish Newsletter, June 2010 (with permission).

As Christians, we must ask, "When did we lose the sense of privilege (and awe) for:

- \clubsuit the vocation of parenthood?
- ✤ being made in the image of God as male or female?
- \clubsuit being responsible for those whom we employ?
- ✤ living within our means?
- being a citizen of a nation founded on Christian principles?
- Φ having the freedom to worship and pray?
- Φ the opportunity to choose the career path of our choice?
- being raised in families by loving mothers and fathers?"

It is only when we accept the reality and truth of God that we realize our lives are a privilege bestowed on us and that we have a responsibility to grow and to give back. We grow by accepting God's challenge to love and to serve others instead of ourselves.

When we turn our hearts to God, we aspire to become perfect in God's image. When we turn our hearts to God, we see everything before us — whether sparse or bountiful — as a gift and respond to life with awe; Awe, wonder, amazement.

The Christian life is not one of fear. While the tribulations of society and culture wax and wane with the tide, planted firmly in Christ, our lives will continue to resound with deep-seated joy. As stewards, we are responsible for raising our voices to proclaim God's message that life itself is a gift and a privilege.

Moment by moment, day after day we must go out into the world and stand up against the Doctrine of Rights culture that strips everyone of his/her soul and spirit. We do this not as angry warriors, but by modeling Christ.

We uphold family as the foundation of society, marriage as a



union between man and woman, life beginning at conception, caring for our neighbor, growing our talents and sharing the fruits of our labor. We place God at the

helm and center of all our beliefs and actions.

People will convert when they realize that pursuing their rights leads to dissatisfaction while holding life as a privilege leads to joy that is eternal.

And so I pray: Dear God, strengthen my resolve to be Your steward, to be awed by life and a witness to the joy You bring.

We are privileged by God.

Serve God's People

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

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 x100 or *parishoffice@stmoside.org*

"Did You Know?" Collection for May 2010 \$3,207.25

Collection for Week of May 29/30, 2010Number of Registered Households997Offertory*\$ 5,348.32Offertory (Loose Collection)928.50Children's envelopes2.00Total\$ 6,278.82

* 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

Young Adult Ministry Activities in San Diego County—Visit *www.yamsd.org* for complete information on events for young adults, including Theology on Tap in June, training for young adult ministry teams and leaders, and more!

Spring Mondays at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside—June 7, 14, and 21 at 10:30am or 7:00pm with Fr. Philip Garcia, OFM. Join us on Mondays for this spiritual experience, prayer, and reflection.

Gardening *Mondays* **at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside** (*Updated Information*)—June 7, 14, 21, and 28 at 8:30am or 6:30pm. Br. James Lockman, OFM, will be conducting his special gardening workshop. For more information, contact 760-757-3659 or *www.sanluisrey.org*.

NFP—Natural Family Planning Classes in San Diego—starting June 9 or July 6 for four weeks, at the Diocesan Pastoral Center. Sympto-thermal method, 99.6% effective and safe. For more information, contact Dave & Cheryl Ross at 619-303-5053 or *daveandcheryl@cox.net*

Summer Sings in San Diego—Join the chorus! Based on the popular "Messiah" sing-along, these six Summer Sings represent an opportunity to learn a new work, sing an old favorite, practice your sight-reading, or work with a special conductor. There are NO rehearsals for these "Sings;" just come and enjoy. The first one is on Wednesday, June 9, 7:00pm, *St. Matthew Passion*, conducted by Stanley Wicks, at First United Methodist Church, 2111 Camino del Rio South, San Diego. For more information, contact *kenglund@sandi.net*, 858-273-3288 or *www.pacemmusic.org/comingevents.php*.

Pow-Wow Retreat at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside— June 11-13. Step into the inner circle of the San Luis Rey Band of Mission Indians. Discover local tribal history and spiritual traditions. Experience "behind the scenes" access to the Pow Wow festivities. For more information, contact 760-757-3659 or *www.sanluisrey.org*. **Dancing in the Courtyard at Aegis Living at Shadowridge**— The popular summer series returns on Thursday June 17, 6:00-8:00pm, with *The Evans Brothers*. Enjoy complimentary wine, hors d'oeuvres, live music, and dancing. RSVP by Monday, June 14, to 760-806-3600.

Summer Bible Camp at St. Mary Star of the Sea in Oceanside—June 21-25, 9:00am-12:00noon. Summer day camps also available July 5-23. Call 760-722-7259.

Notre Dame Club Golf Tournament in San Diego—June 27-28 at the Grand Del Mar. For more information, visit *www.ndsandiego.org*.

Retreat for Widowed, Divorced, and Separated Persons at Prince of Peace Abbey in Oceanside—July 16-18 (other weekends are scheduled for November 12-14 and January 28-30, 2011). A trained team of peers leads participants through a healing and growth experience. If you are willing to put your feelings of anger and despair behind you and desire a new beginning, this weekend may be for you. For further information, call Cathy at 619-222-9093 or Maureen at 619-447-0622.

John Michael Talbot in Concert in Anaheim—Saturday, September 4, 3:30-5:00pm, Anaheim Convention Center. This free concert is held in conjunction with the 39th Annual SCRC Catholic Renewal Convention. For more information, contact *www.scrc.org* or 818-771-1361.

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*.

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

News from St. Francis Church—Our Neighbor

Golf Tournament Benefits St. Francis School—Please join us at the 30th Annual Rotary Clubs of Oceanside Golf Tournament on Monday, June 21, at Shadowridge Country Club. St. Francis School is working in partnership with the Rotarians, and the students will directly benefit through your involvement. Tee time is at 12:00pm and includes a box lunch, complimentary beverages, hole-in-one for a new car, games, dinner, raffle, and auction! Entry fee is \$135. Tournament sponsorships are welcome and a great for promoting your business! For more information, call Dave Jones at 760-758-4198, or visit the school website at *www.sfs-vista.org* to download an entry form.

Summer Tutors Available—Contact the school office at 760-630-7960 or *mariaw@cox.net* for more information.

New Families Welcome!—Wondering what St. Francis School has to offer your child or grandchild? Visit *http://www.sfs-vista.org/newstudent.htm* for more information.



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