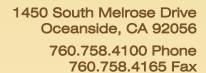
Church of St. Thomas More



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

Nonday-Friday, 6:30am-7:30pm

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

July 11, 2010 • Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor's Column

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

The Catholic Campaign for Immigration Reform: Justice for Immigrants—Part 6

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 have been including in our bulletin, over the last 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: *Immigration Q & A*. This is the last article in the series.

Part 1, Catholic Bishops Call for Comprehensive Immigration Reform, appeared in the June 6 bulletin.

Part 2, *Immigration and Catholic Social Teaching*, appeared in the June 13 bulletin.

Part 3, *Immigration and the Economy*, appeared in the June 20 bulletin.

Part 4, Immigration Basics, appeared in the June 27 bulletin.

Part 5, *Immigration Myths*, appeared in the July 4 bulletin.

Copies are available in the Parish Office or on the Parish website, www.stmoside.org; click on Pastor's Columns.

Please take time to read these, if you have not yet. I hope that they have been, or will be, helpful to you, and that you have more complete information on the official position of the Catholic Church in regard to immigration reform.





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.

Eucharistic Adoration

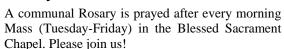


Monday-Friday •6:30am-7:30pm Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Exposition of the Eucharist on First Fridays. Next date: Friday, August 6.

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

Rosary





Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

CWWNC meets the second Sunday of each month at a member's home in Oceanside for a general meeting and BBQ potluck, and the fourth Sunday of each month (July 25) for Mass (St. Margaret's Oceanside) followed by breakfast at a local restaurant (Mimi's, Oceanside). Prospective members are welcome anytime. Our active calendar of events includes dining, dancing, concerts, golf and several happy hours. For more informationcontact Gerri Wilmott at 760-758-9949 or or Carol Kope 760-758-4100.

Fr. Mike's Bookies

Good Old Sin

Saved by a Rockette: Easters I Have Known

Cinderella in Kalamazoo

A Story with Dragons: The Book of Revelation

Maria Goretti: Cipher or Saint?

Places and Displacement: Rattlesnakes in Cyberspace

At Last, Her Laundry's Done The Gregorian Brain

These are some of the varied essays from *The Cloister Walk*, by Kathleen Norris. Join the next installment of **Fr. Mike's Bookies** on Wednesday, August 11, at 9:00am or 7:00pm, as we explore this *New York Times* Notable Book of the Year.

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! 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, July 11 (105)

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Deuteronomy 30:10-14 Psalm 69:14,17,30-31,33-34,36-37

Colossians 1:15-20 Luke 10:25-37

Monday, July 12 (389)

Isaiah 1:10-17

Psalm 50:8-9,16bc-17,21,23

Matthew 10:34-11:1

Tuesday, July 13 (390)

Isaiah 7:1-9 Psalm 48:2-8

Matthew 11:20-24

Wednesday, July 14 (391)

Kateri Tekakwitha, virgin

Isaiah 10:5-7,13b-16

Psalm 94:5-10,14-15

Matthew 11:25-27

Thursday, July 15 (392) Bonaventure, bishop and doctor

Isaiah 26:7-9,12,16-19

Psalm 102:13-21

Matthew 11:28-30

Friday, July 16 (393) Isaiah 38:1-6,21-22,7-8

Isaiah 38:10-12,16 (Psalm)

Matthew 12:1-8

Saturday, July 17 (394)

Micah 2:1-5

Psalm 10:1-4.7-8.14

Matthew 12:14-21

Sunday, July 18 (108) Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 18:1-10a

Psalm 15:2-5

Colossians 1:24-28 Luke 10:38-42

Mass Intentions Saturday, July 10, 5:00pm Esther Vasquez &

Sunday, July 11, 8:30am Kevin Cline 🕆

Sunday, July 11, 10:30am Joseph Vozza 🕆

Tuesday, July 13, 8:15am David Foster &

Wednesday, July 14, 8:15am Edmund Fredette 1

Wednesday, July 14, 9:30am Frank Gallagher 🕆 Emeritus at Čarlsbad

Thursday, July 15, 8:15am Colleen Bechtold

Friday, July 16, 8:15am Ed Gunderson

Saturday, July 17, 5:00pm Jack Lincoln 🕏

Sunday, July 18, 8:30am Mike & Kathy Nichols

Sunday, July 18, 10:30am Irene Caligiuri

Prayer List

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

Mary Alexander Laura Allenfort Lucia Ambriz Mary Balli Patricia Barbour Clarice Bednarz Cindra Bell John Bennici Regina Bentz Roseanne Berg George "Whitey" Betus Tamara Bousquet Beatrice Brooks & Family Monica Broussard Janet Brown Roseanne Burg Shelby Campbell Claudia Caplinger Paul Cassidy Flor Catap & Family Paul Cipowski Dolly Cole Carl Coleman James Coleman The Conley Family Thomas Cornwell & Family Karen Flaharty Daley Cecilia DeSimone Betty Dorsa Linda Dossman Kathrvn Ernst Bob & Boo Falconer The Fiore Family Peggy & Jack Fischer

Ryan Flum Matthew Foster Kathryn Franklin Joe Freire Carmen Garcia Cierra Gerardi Rick Gonzalez Eileen Gough Judy Gregory Rosemary Haeffelin

Anita Hage Susan Hallahan The Harker Family Rita Harnacker

Mary Haynes Mason Headrick & Family

Marge Heath Lilian Hills Sue Johnston Eileen Jones Joan Jones Paul Kennedy Debbie Kinney George Kleekamp Sr. Anne Kremenik Helen Kuhn Lillian Lachance The Lamelin Family Bernie Lanzrath Rick Laver Brandon LeBlanc Cassandra Loretto

Lauren Loretto

Carol Michael

June Mitchell

James MacArthur

Bob McWilliams

The Mitchell Family

Nancy Moore Margie Myers Cosmo Nocida R. Northrup Helen O'Connell Lupe Casas Pelletier Helen Pingtella Anne Post Otila Quiroz Janet Raiman Rita Ritchie Joanne Robinson Sr. Loyola Romey Dorothy Rouse The Russo Family Nancy Scali Linda Schmidt Sherry Schmidt Freda Schweitzer Jane Sekela Richard Sikora Nick Soltau Martha Sosa Ed Sox Gilda Spiegl Marie Sterling Joan Stringer Maria Surmenidis Stephen Toth, Jr. Barbara Upson Mario Urrico Arnie Velasco Dominic Vienna, Jr. Vanessa Vitiello-Koble The Walters Family Kevin Watson-Graff Bea Wattam

Deployed Military

Ellen Webb

Ed Wesel

Betty Wehner

Marilyn Wesel

John Whitton

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 PFC Jonathan Chasteler Lance Corporal Brandon Doyle, USMC

St Sgt Joseph Duffy, USAF MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC BM2 Bobby Hartdegen, US Navy LCpl. Brandon Mann, USMC Staff Sgt. Travis M. Meyers, USAF Pvt. 2nd Class Matthew Seneca Noblitt, US Army

Pvt. 2 Jess Phillips, US Army 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

July 14 Restaurant Fundraiser at Claim Jumper in Carlsbad High School Youth July 14 **Eucharistic Adoration** July 18 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses

The Month Ahead

July 19 High School Youth **Bowling** July 19-23 Vacation Bible Camp July 23-25 Steubenville Retreat at SDSU for High School Youth July 25 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses

The Year Ahead

New Member Reception Aug 15 Aug 22 Second Annual Pastor's Dinner Oct 17 STM 25th Anniversary Celebration Nov 6-24 Stewardship Awareness/ Renewal Nov 7 Towers of Faith Reception Nov 11-12 First Annual STM Women's Retreat Nov 21 Thanksgiving Concert presented by the Music Ministry

> Questions? Contact Henny at 760-758-4100 x100 hennyj@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.

July 12
Sr. Joyce Anne Thomas, CSJO
July 13
Sr. Maria Thomas, OCD
July 14
Sr. Zita Toto, OLC
July 15
Sr. Martha Cecilia Tovar, CVI
July 16
Sr. Lisa Turay, CSJO
July 17
Sr. Maria Paz Uribe, SJS
July 18
Sr. Maria Luisa Valdez, OLVM

Flower Donations

We would like to gratefully acknowledge the contribution of:

The Cline Family Tim & Beverly Kowallek

whose generosity helped to defray the cost of flowers this weekend, and

Victor & Ellen Fresca

Whose generosity helped to defray the cost of flowers last weekend in our liturgical environment.

In Memoriam



Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Morris Mitchell, who died on July 2. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, July 15, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep his wife, June, and the family in your prayers.

Mildred Conley, who died on June 1. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Friday, July 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.

Pennies from Heaven to Help Pregnant Women

The annual *Pennies from Heaven* collection to benefit Birth Choice of San Marcos, our local pregnancy resource center, will be the weekend of August 7-8. Birth Choice relies solely on contributions to provide support for their clients. Representatives from the Culture of Life Committee will be on the Plaza at all Masses to collect your donations. For more information, please contact Jane Kelleher at 760-822-7041.

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!

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.

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Ralph's	Card—Please visit Scrip table for flyer.
 □ Please	e send me a Food 4 Less Card
Name	
Address_	
Phone	Email
it to th	place completed form in the collection basket or return ne \$CRIP table after weekend Masses or the Parish during the week. Thank you!

Did You Know?

We began our new fiscal year on July 1.

The Did You Know? Campaign,
which supplements the Offertory Collection,
is an essential piece in helping us to
balance our budget.

Your gift goes a long way in helping
to keep our Operations Budget healthy.

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

Women's Guild News

Membership Drive—We will have a table on the Plaza after all Masses this month for our annual membership drive. If you are a current member, you still need to renew. The cost for joining is still \$5 and goes to our operating budget, so that all money earned can be directed toward our pledge to the Capital Campaign Phase II. We appreciate all of you who join to support the organization. The registration form will be in the bulletin next week.

Board Meeting—Monday, August 2, 10:00am at Valerie's home. No board meeting in July.

Healing the Culture—Funding the Abortion Changes You Outreach

Last weekend an envelope was attached to the bulletin to support "Healing the Culture—Funding the Abortion Changes You Outreach." All proceeds generated by Parishes and Churches participating in this community-wide effort will be used to sponsor an extensive advertising campaign designed to bring the healing message of the "Abortion Changes You Outreach" to all residents of San Diego county. Advertising will include: bus, trolley, and mall ads, billboards, web-based ads, radio commercials, and local and college newspaper ads. To learn more about the advertising campaign, visit:

www.abortionchangesyou.com.

Please be generous as we attempt to link women and men who suffer in silence due to an abortion experience with the numerous healing and reconciliation resources available in our community. You may return the envelope anytime during the month of July.

Annual Catholic Appeal 2010 Update

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

Pledge Total to Date: \$40,705 Households Responding: 291 Average Gift per Household: \$138.88 Amount needed to reach our goal: \$2,295

Have you made your pledge or given your gift to ACA yet? Only 291 households out of 996 households have given a gift this year.

This is only 29% of our Parish Households who have responded to the ACA request. We should be able to do better than that!

Our Parish assessment is \$43,000. As of Sunday, July 4, we have collected in pledges/gifts a total of \$40,705.

We still need to raise \$2,295. If this is not raised, we will need to take the shortfall from our Operations Budget which is already behind what we budgeted.

If the 705 households who have not yet responded did respond, it would mean an average gift of only \$3.26!

Please consider your pledge/gift to the ACA. Any amount given will make a real difference.

Annual Catholic Appeal packets were mailed to all registered Parishioners and are also available at the Parish Office and at the Information Table on the Plaza after Mass.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Would You Like to Join JustFaith?

JustFaith provides Parishioners with an opportunity to meet together to explore Biblical tradition, the historic witness of the church, Catholic social teaching, and the relationship between spirituality and justice. The main focus of the course is on domestic and international poverty with topics ranging from the scriptural background of particular care for the poor, causes of hunger, racism, violence, consumerism, sexism, and third-world issues, to name but a few.

The course is approximately 30 weeks, one two-hour session a week, beginning the week of Monday, September 13, and concluding during the week of May 9. We will not meet around holidays like Thanksgiving and Christmas.

high school youth ministry

steubenville san diego 2010 meeting july 14, 7:00-8:15pm prayer, meeting, snacks

> bowling at vista entertainment monday, july 19, 9:00-11:00pm bring \$\$

call Gale (but soon to be MARC) at 760-726-7236

Our Journey Into The Future . . . Together! Phase II ~ Our Permanent Church

THANK YOU FOR YOUR RESPONSES!

Pledge Statistics as of July 1

Total Ph	ase II Responses	# of Families Responding
	eledge at this time shave been adopted)	30
	Under \$100 \$100 and up	23 188
	\$1,000 and up \$1,500 and up	77 128
	\$2,500 and up \$4,500 and up	83 29
	\$6,000 and up \$10,000 and up	19 19
	\$25,000 and up \$50,000 and up	2 2
Total to Date	\$1,405,736	600
Still Needed	\$594,264	396
Total Goal	\$2,000,000	996



O God, the builder of all things, You have placed on us the obligation of toil.

Grant that the work we do toward providing our faith community with a permanent spiritual home for prayer, nourishment, and sacrifice may serve to better our lives and give you greater honor and glory.

Through your goodness, may our acts of generosity, given not merely from our excess but also from our need, contribute to the spread of the kingdom of Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.

Amen.

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

Liturgy & Music



Douglas Lynn Director of Liturgy and Music douglasl@stmoside.org; 760-758-4100 x140

THE WORDS WE NEED TO HEAR—PART 1

Standing beside David in song

Gabe Huck writes from Damascus, Syria Celebration May 2010.

With permission.

Silence. Words. Sounds. Song. Chant. Any assembly of any faith that ventures to do its rituals will employ most of these amazing ways human beings have devised and come to perform by heart. Thus we allow our ritual to bear the weight it must. And what a great weight it is.

I write this on a Friday in Damascus near 1 p.m. For the last half-hour I have been walking our neighborhood. The sounds of prayer and the Friday sermons are everywhere.

Outside each small mosque I saw an overflow of people praying on the sidewalk, their common prayers and postures and gestures flowing with the chanted prayer and the silences from inside the mosque. One marvels at the beauty, simplicity, longevity of this ritual.

Yesterday we took a visitor to Ma'alula. In the chapel of an Orthodox convent there, half a dozen women were making the evening prayer, some of them chanting from the book of prayers as one of them carried a bowl of coals and smoking incense throughout the darkened chapel, honoring with its fragrance every person present.

When it happens that the public rituals come under control of some human hierarchy or other, when the rituals appear as the domain of the ordained, we know what happens. The audience happens. We've been there. We're still there. Those who have been robbed of their ritual and made into an audience know instinctively that an audience can never bear the weight of what is supposed to be done. So they grasp for non-hierarchical substitutes: lighting vigil lights, praying the rosary, making the stations, singing songs while the liturgy is being done by the ordained.

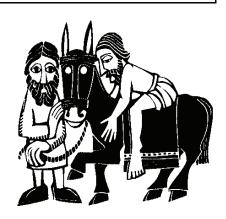
There is a spectrum of ways for us

to think about what the liturgy, as the deed of an assembly, demands in this realm of silence and sound. Remember throughout that what is being discussed is liturgy, the rituals that rehearse us for life in and as the world. This concern for silence and sound in liturgy is not about aesthetics, though these are potentially beautiful. It is not about performance, except the performance of the assembly, which should obviously include and embrace all within it who are given some specific ministry of service. And of course it is not about efficiency. Although...has there been found any more efficient way to form Christians in Gospel living than the rituals that are ours? How then shall we think about the singing or chanting of our liturgy?

And exactly what does this have to do with whether or not we are choir material? Here is John Chrysostom talking about what matters:

Nor will any complaint concerning this singing arise, even if one has grown old, is still a child, has a rough voice or is altogether ignorant of rhythm. This is because what is sought here is a sober soul, an alert mind, a contrite heart, sound reason and a clear conscience. If having these, you enter into the holy choir of God, you will be able to stand beside David yourself.

"Stand beside David." Perhaps David as musician (ask Saul!) or psalmist isn't on anybody's list of best-known composers or performers today, but John Chrysostom's assembly knew what he meant. Who is this David? What does this image imply? It says that all individual voices together make an assembly singing, and that itself is the song. In fact, that itself is the liturgy. And precisely here is a



problem. Many of us in the West never got beyond an assumption that music is something that happens during the liturgy. It's a wonderful thing, but it's the frosting. This unspoken assumption has crippled us in the renewal. Tons of new music, tons of old music, trainloads of missalettes and hymnals, millions of dollars, and immense goodwill. But the underlying assumption remained: We want people to sing during the liturgy. We keep a mental preposition between "sing" and "liturgy." We presume even now that liturgy is what the leader does and sometimes we sing during it.

But the liturgy is us singing.

The challenge is immense: a liturgy sung by the assembly and its ministers. But the times in our Western world are hardly helping us toward this sort of responsibility. If anything, we are culturally prepared to be passive, to be audience, and that's the expectation we so often brought to the task. We lay the burden on the ministers: Impress us! Inspire us! Entertain us! The megachurches grasp that that's how the culture works, and they go with it. The rest of us know there is something wrong, but how to struggle against the cultural assumptions?

How to go into that assembly every Lord's Day and "stand beside David"?

Continued next week.

Upcoming Music

JULY 17/18 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm Mass

Handbell Choir

8:30am Mass

Sanctuary Choir

10:30am Mass

Cantor & Congregation

Faith Formation



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

SUMMER BIBLE CAMP AT ST. THOMAS MORE









July 19 to July 23, 2010 8:45am until 12:00noon

HIGH SEAS EXPEDITION



TEEN CREW LEADERS NEEDED

(A great opportunity for community service hours!) Training: July 12, 6:30-8:30pm

ITEMS NEEDED

If you can loan or give us any of the following for a week, we'd sure appreciate it.

Everything loaned should be marked with the owner's name and phone number, if possible (e.g., with marker on masking tape on the bottom or back of the item). They may be left on the stage anytime this week before July 18, noon.

- * boxes of goldfish crackers
- * 4 cinder blocks (5lb each)
- ***** gauze strips
- ★ Lincoln logs
- * kiddy pools
- * long lightweight rope
- * colorful beach bag
- * jigsaw with a fine tooth blade
- * shoe boxes wrapped in brown paper

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- * blue tarps
- * ship's bell and wheel



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

Any amount is welcome.

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

Teen Faith Formation

Phase 2 Orientation—Today, July 11, at noon This is for all preparing for Confirmation 2011

Phase 1 Orientation—Sunday, August 29, at noon This is for all beginning high school faith formation

Be sure you are enrolled in RE.A.CH!

Confirmation and First Communion Pictures

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

PBJ Update

Food for children at Catholic Charities in Vista

2010 GOAL: 365 jars Collected to date: 365 jars

We have met our 2010 goal, now let's double it! (Last year at this time we were at 411)

Information for Growth

#34—Answer

The sacraments are

C) Christ's action mediated through the Church to transform us. (CCC 1131)

#35—Question

To describe the Catholic Church as "missionary" means that



- A) one must be Catholic to be saved.
- B) Catholics must support their parish.
- C) Catholics must solve social problems.

D) Catholics must share the Good News with others.

Stewardship & Development



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

Christian Stewardship Good Samaritans

The good Samaritan was also a good steward, giving his time and his treasure to meet his neighbor's need. Jesus urges His hearers—and us—to go and do the same as Christian stewards of His gifts to us.

In the ICSC Parish Newsletter, July 2010, Tom Cullinan, of St. Robert Bellarmine Parish, Omaha, asks:

Do you know the difference between charity and philanthropy?

We don't talk about either one all that often, so the terms can be confusing. Some people even use the words interchangeably, yet they are not the same at all.

Knowing the difference may affect how you approach stewardship in your life or whether you practice good stewardship at all. The difference is grounded in history and in faith, and the answer might just unlock the potential to be a good steward of God's many gifts.

The concept of charity finds its source in both Jewish and Christian tradition. Charity springs from personal service and connecting with others, performing direct and acts that relate to practicing our faith.

Philanthropy, on the other hand, seeks to repair the root causes of society's problems. Philanthropy can be either religious or secular. Instead of simply helping those in need, philanthropy tries to reform society. Some people go so far as to claim that philanthropy can make charity unnecessary.

Charity and philanthropy, then, are polar opposites and yet they also coexist well. How is that possible?

Think of doctors who take the Hippocratic Oath. They are committed to relieve pain and suffering, and also to cure disease. Often they do both, yet sometimes doctors have to choose one over the other.

These dual humanitarian traditions of charity and philanthropy sometimes come together, and sometimes do not. The reason is simple: One is founded on faithful compassion and the other on technical competence.

So, are you charitable or merely a philanthropist? Either way, if your generosity is a faith response to God's gifts, then you are on a path of good Christian stewardship.

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We are good neighbors ~

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!

Chris Smith at 760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org.

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

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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 August, training for young adult ministry teams and leaders, and more!

Volunteer Opportunities for the Semi-Retired and Retired—The Jesuit-sponsored Ignatian Volunteer Corps may be for you! Volunteer opportunities are available one or two days per week. Serve the needs of local people who are poor, work for a more just society, and grow deeper in faith through reflection and prayer. All backgrounds are needed, particularly attorneys. Contact Margie Carroll, Regional Director at 619-881-9509 or mcarroll@ivcusa.org. Visit www.ivcusa.org.

Family Vacation Retreat at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside—July 12-16 with Joan and Dan Wiebe and Tom Herbst, OFM. Join us for five days of fun, relaxation, prayer, and discussion. Your afternoons are free for exploring, relaxing, swimming, fishing, surfing at the beach, or visiting local attractions. For more information, contact 760-757-3659 or www.sanluisrey.org.

Child Advocates Needed in San Diego County—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. Next information session on Wednesday, July 14, 5:30pm. For more information, contact Voices for Children at 858-569-2019 or www.speakupnow.org.

Twilight Retreats at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside—Wednesday, July 14, 5:30pm for a BBQ and Songfest. For more information, contact 760-757-3659 or www.sanluisrey.org.

Medieval Church History Lectures at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside—Thursdays, July 15-August 19, 10:00am or 7:00pm, with Fr. Tom Herbst, OFM. For more information, contact 760-757-3659 or *www.sanluisrey.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.

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 next one is on Wednesday, July 21, 7:00pm, at First United Methodist Church, 2111 Camino del Rio South, San Diego. For more information, contact *kenglund@sandi.net*, 858-273-3288, or *www.pacem-music.org/comingevents.php*.

Dancing in the Courtyard at Aegis Living at Shadowridge—The popular summer series continues on Thursday July 22, 6:00-8:00pm, with *The Working Cowboy Band*. Enjoy complimentary wine, hors d'oeuvres, live music, and dancing. RSVP by Monday, July 19, to 760-806-3600.

241st Anniversary Celebration at Mission San Diego de Alcalá—Friday, July 23, 6:30pm, 10818 San Diego Mission Rd., San Diego. Patron's Dinner Dance to benefit the restoration of the "Casa del Padre Serra." For more information, contact Sylvia Benitez at 619-449-4345 or *cookielee94@cox.net*.

Fireproof Your Marriage Mini-Retreat at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside—July 23-24 with Jeannie Foss, MFT. For more information, contact 760-757-3659 or www.sanluisrey.org.

Healing Mass in Solana Beach—July 28, 7:00pm, St. James Parish, 625 S. Nardo Ave., Solana Beach. For more information, contact 858-481-6911.

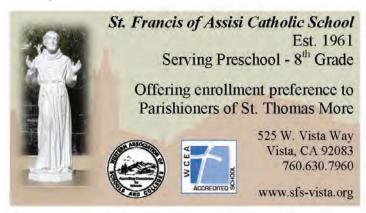
Mother of Life Conference in San Diego—Saturday, August 14, Viejas Arena at San Diego State University. Tickets are \$35 until July 15, then \$45. Featured speakers are Fr. Mitch Pacwa, Fr. Thomas Euteneuer, Callista and Newt Gingrich, and Lila Rose. Check next week's bulletin for a flyer with more information or visit www.motheroflifeconference.com.

News from St. Francis Church—Our Neighbor

Ralph's Rewards Helps the School—Thank you to the families who have designated St. Francis School as their beneficiary with their Ralphs and Food 4 Less Rewards Card. If you would like to designate St. Francis School as your shopping beneficiary, go to www.food4less.net/crprogram.htm and register your Rewards Card for account #84603.

50-Year Anniversary Celebration—Calling all St. Francis School alumni! September 2011 will mark the 50th year of operation at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School. In planning for the our anniversary celebration, we are searching for all former students and faculty to include them in a 50th Year Memory Book and invite them to celebrate this fantastic milestone with us. If you or someone you know is a former student or faculty member of St. Francis, please contact the school office via email at *info@sfs-vista.org*, or by calling 760-630-7960.

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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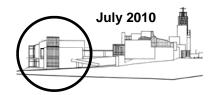
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Questions and Answers Regarding Catholic Church Position on Immigration

What, in a nutshell, is the U.S. bishops' position on immigration reform? Does the Catechism of the Catholic Church have anything to say about this issue?

The Catholic Church believes that the current U.S. immigration system is broken and needs to be reformed in all aspects, or, comprehensively. This would include a path to citizenship for the 11-12 million undocumented in the country; a temporary worker program to allow migrant workers to enter safely and humanely; and family-based immigration reform which allows families to be reunited more quickly. The Church also teaches that the root causes of migration—namely, global economic disparities—need to be addressed.

The Church has taken a position on immigration because, besides being an economic, social, and legal issue, it is also a humanitarian one, and, ultimately has moral implications. Each day church social service programs, hospitals, schools, and parishes see the human consequences of a broken system: families are divided, migrant workers are exploited and abused, and human beings die in the desert. This impacts human dignity and human life and should be addressed.

While there is no mention of immigration specifically in the Catechism of the Church, migration is a major theme in the Gospels. Jesus and the Holy Family were refugees who fled the terror of Herod and Jesus, the Son of Man, was an itinerant teacher while on Earth, with "no place to lay His Head." Jesus also taught us to "welcome the stranger," for "what you do to the least of my brethren, you do unto me."

The House and Senate have each passed immigration reform bills. Has the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' taken a stand on either of these proposals?

In December 2005, the House of Representatives passed H.R. 4437, the Border Protection, Anti-Terrorism, and Illegal Immigration Control Act of 2005. Because of its enforcement-only approach and overly punitive provisions, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops opposed the legislation. On May 24, the U.S. Senate passed the Comprehensive Immigration Reform Act (CIRA) of 2006, which contains many elements which the U.S. bishops support, although which also contains tough enforcement provisions. The U.S. bishops have called the bill the right approach and right direction for comprehensive immigration reform, but has not endorsed the bill in its entirety.

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Some charge that the Church is in favor of a nation without borders, that we support illegal immigration. How do you respond to that?

The Church does not favor illegal immigration in any sense. It is not good for the migrant, who often suffers abuse by smugglers, exploitation in the workplace, and even death in the desert. It is not good for society or for local communities, because it creates a permanent underclass with no rights and no opportunity to assert them. That is why the Church supports the creation of legal avenues for migration and legal status for migrants. The Church has always supported the right of a sovereign nation to secure its borders, although it should be done in a manner that protects human life, to the greatest degree possible.

Does the Church have the right to speak out on immigration reform, which is largely a political issue?

All public policy issues---abortion, euthanasia, stem cell research, poverty reduction, and immigration reform---have political aspects to them. The Church is well within Her rights to speak out on public policy issues of moral consequence and often does. In fact, the Church has a moral obligation to speak out on issues which impact human dignity and human life. In the immigration area, the Church brings special expertise to the table because we are an immigrant church and we have helped assist immigrants assimilate into the nation for years.

In general, is immigration good for our country or does it create new burdens on U.S. citizens?

Except for Native Americans, we are all descendants of immigrants or are immigrants ourselves. Immigrants have helped build the great nation we enjoy today. While opponents of immigration will attempt to raise the fears of U.S. citizens that immigrants today take away jobs, change the culture, and eat up public resources, the truth of the matter is that today's immigrants are no different than previous generations. They come to work hard and to support their families, not to take public resources or commit crimes. This is borne out in the majority of research studies on the subject, which conclude that, overall, immigrants are contributors to our economy and helpful to our local communities. They also bring a spiritual energy and richness which enriches our worship and Church.

What is a "guest worker" program? Won't such a program only encourage more illegal immigration?

A "guest worker" program is a political term for a program which provides temporary visas for migrant workers to come and work in specific industries, such as agriculture, service, and construction. The U.S. bishops have traditionally opposed such programs because they have traditionally lead to the exploitation of workers and the lowering of wages. The reality is that we now have an unofficial "guest worker" program in our nation known as the undocumented. They have no rights in the workplace but work hard and have no laws to protect them. The U.S. bishops support a program which protects the rights of both U.S. and foreign born workers and allows them the opportunity to assert their rights in the workplace. By creating legal avenues for migration, we will reduce illegal immigration flows.



Some say that letting in too many immigrants, because they are often a cheap source of labor, could hurt the wages of workers already in the country. Is this known to be true?

Immigrant workers generally do not compete with U.S. workers for unskilled jobs. Some studies show that immigrant workers may have an impact on the job status and wages of low-skilled American workers, such as high school dropouts. Overall, however, immigrant workers fill crucial jobs in important industries that many American will not do, such as agriculture. By enacting immigration reform, the wages of immigrant workers will increase because they will be better able to assert their rights in the workplace and because the pool of unauthorized workers will dwindle.

Won't a more generous immigration policy risk allowing terrorists and other undesirables into the United States?

Quite the contrary. A more generous immigration policy will ensure that government authorities can identify and monitor who is coming into the country. If a migrant comes in legally, they will identify themselves to the government and be subject to background checks and criminals and would-be terrorist can be weeded out. Now, persons who come in without papers are not known to the government and their whereabouts are not known.

What level of border enforcement do the bishops see as necessary and appropriate?

The U.S. bishops believe that comprehensive immigration reform will reduce the pressure on the southern border by letting migrants who otherwise would cross the border illegally to enter legally through ports of entry. This would allow border patrol officials, who have a difficult task, to better protect us from smugglers and traffickers and other criminal elements. The erection of fences along our southern border will not necessarily stop illegal immigration but could lead to migrants depending more on unscrupulous smugglers and taking more dangerous routes through the desert.

What can the average Catholic in the pew do to support the kind of immigration reform that the Catholic Church endorses?

They can visit the Justice for Immigrants website at justiceforimmigrants.org. to obtain information on the position of the U.S. bishops and how they may contact their federal officials to support comprehensive immigration reform. Support from Catholic parishioners will help enact a just and humane bill.

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