

# 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

July 18, 2010 • Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak  
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### Companions for the Journey

As we go about life and as we try to assist one another in the ways of holiness, how do we “see” each other?

Do we see the other as a friend, a companion?

Or do we see the other as a person that needs “fixing”?

So much is in the attitude with which we see.

I share with you the thoughts of Alan D. Wolfelt, the founder and director of the Center for Loss and Life Transition ([www.centerforloss.com](http://www.centerforloss.com)):

*...the word “companion,” when broken down into its original Latin roots means “messmate”: “com” for “with” and “pan” for “bread,” someone you would share a meal with, a friend, an equal. I have taken liberties with the noun “companion” and made it into the verb “companioning” because it so well captures the type of counseling relationship I support and advocate.*

*More specifically, for me, “companioning” is about:*

- \* *Honoring the spirit; it is not about focusing on the intellect.*
- \* *Curiosity; it is not about expertise.*
- \* *Learning from others; it is not about teaching them.*
- \* *Walking alongside; it is not about leading.*
- \* *Being still; it is not about frantic movement forward.*
- \* *Discovering the gifts of sacred silence; it is not about filling every painful moment with words.*
- \* *Listening with the heart; it is not about analyzing with the head.*
- \* *Bearing witness to the struggles of others; it is not about directing those struggles.*

*(Continued on page 2)*

Please continue to pray for the success of our efforts to build our permanent church!

## 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.*

### Pastor's Column *(continued from page 1)*

- \* *Being present to another person's pain; it is not about taking away the pain.*
- \* *Respecting disorder and confusion; it is not about imposing order and logic.*
- \* *Going to the wilderness of the soul with another human being; it is not about thinking you are responsible for finding the way out.*

Our Church and our World would be gentler and more loving environments if we chose to companion one another more, rather than always trying to impose our order on one another and always trying to provide the "magic fix."

Let us be companions for the journey!

*Fr. Mike*

### 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

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



### 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.

### 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](http://www.usccb.org).

**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

**Monday, July 19** (395)  
Micah 6:1-4,6-8  
Psalm 50:5-6,8-9,16bc-17,21,23  
Matthew 12:38-42

**Tuesday, July 20** (396)  
*Appollinaris, bishop, martyr*  
Micah 7:14-15,18-20  
Psalm 85:2-8  
Matthew 12:46-50

**Wednesday, July 21** (397)  
*Lawrence of Brindisi, priest, doctor*  
Jeremiah 1:1,4-10  
Psalm 71:1-6,15,17  
Matthew 13:1-9

**Thursday, July 22** (398/603)  
*Mary Magdalene*  
Jeremiah 2:1-3,7-8,12-13  
Psalm 36:6-11  
John 20:1-2,11-18

**Friday, July 23** (399)  
*Bridget of Sweden, religious*  
Jeremiah 3:14-17  
Jeremiah 31:10-13 (Psalm)  
Matthew 13:18-23

**Saturday, July 24** (400)  
*Sharbel Makhluf, priest*  
Jeremiah 7:1-11  
Psalm 84:3-6,8,11  
Matthew 13:24-30

**Sunday, July 25** (111)  
*Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Genesis 18:20-32  
Psalm 138:1-3,6-8  
Colossians 2:12-14  
Luke 11:1-13

Mass Intentions
Saturday, July 17, 5:00pm Jack Lincoln ☩
Sunday, July 18, 8:30am Mike & Kathy Nichols
Sunday, July 18, 10:30am Irene Caligiuri ☩
Tuesday, July 20, 8:15am Ed Darcy ☩
Wednesday, July 21, 8:15am Barbara Baker ☩
Wednesday, July 21, 9:30am Tom English ☩ <i>Pacific Place</i>
Thursday, July 22, 8:15am Tom Esmonde ☩
Friday, July 23, 8:15am Patricia Engle ☩
Saturday, July 24, 5:00pm Jean Crowell ☩
Sunday, July 25, 8:30am Mary Baker ☩
Sunday, July 25, 10:30am Mari-Jo Porter ☩

**Prayer List**

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

Mary Alexander  
Laura Allenfort  
Lucia Ambriz  
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  
Kathryn Ernst  
Beth Ewing  
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  
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  
James MacArthur  
Nancy Marley  
Bob McWilliams  
Carol Michael  
June Mitchell  
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  
Frank Sekela  
Teresa Shaffer  
Richard Sikora  
Nick Soltau  
Martha Sosa  
Ed Sox  
Gilda Spiegl  
The Marie Sterling Family  
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  
Ellen Webb  
John Whitton

**Deployed Military**

*As a faith community let us pray for all who serve our country in these troubled times. We pray especially for those connected to our Parish who have been deployed:*

Gunnery Sgt. Fernando Andrade, Jr.  
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](http://www.stmoside.org)) for complete calendar information.

**The Week Ahead**

July 18 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses  
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 Month Ahead**

Aug 1 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses  
Aug 1 Appreciation Reception for Retiring Youth Ministers  
Aug 15 New Member Reception  
Aug 22 Second Annual Pastor's Dinner

**The Year Ahead**

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](mailto: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 26 Sr. Cora Weismantel, SSND
July 27 Sr. Elizabeth Ann Wekall, RSM
July 28 Sr. Patricia Weldon, OSF
July 29 Sr. Donna Wencel, OP
July 30 Sr. Anne Wenthe, RSCJ
July 31 Sr. Maria Elena Whitney, SJS
August 1 Sr. Helen Louise Williams, CSJ

## Welcome to Newly Registered Parishioners

Terri Northcutt-Coduto & Kenneth Coduto  
Marc Raymundo

### 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 995 households have given a gift this year.

Please consider your pledge/gift to the ACA. Any amount given will make a real difference. If 91 more households each made a gift of \$25, we could meet our "Fair Share."

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!

### 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 Scrip 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.

### I Want to Earn STM Building Fund \$\$\$ with My...

Albertson's Card #(11 digits) \_\_\_\_\_

Ralph's Card—Please visit Scrip table for flyer.

Please send me a Food 4 Less Card

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please place completed form in the collection basket or return it to the SCRIP table after weekend Masses or the Parish Office during the week. Thank you!

### Missionary Cooperative Appeal

We are pleased to present a Missionary Cooperation Appeal during all the Masses next weekend. Please be prepared to listen as the message of mission, evangelization, loving service, and hope is shared. The proceeds from the Mission Appeal are used to directly support the missionary, the organization, and the people they serve. We are all called to be missionaries. Your generous donation unites you as missionary to our brothers and sisters around the world who are most in need of help. Envelopes will be attached to the bulletin next weekend and may be returned any time during the month of August. Thank you!

### 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.

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

### 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:

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.

### 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 information contact Gerri Wilmott at 760-758-9949 or or Carol Kope 760-758-4100.

### 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.

**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, 2011. We will not meet around holidays like Thanksgiving and Christmas.

We have groups forming on the following days of the week: Tuesday (late afternoon), Thursday (morning), Wednesday (evening), Thursday (evening).

Jim Cullen, a *JustFaith* participant, described his experience: "We read, we talked about what we read. And we prayed. We were confused, sometimes. We were surprised, even shocked at other times. We prayed. All of us, in some way, were changed."

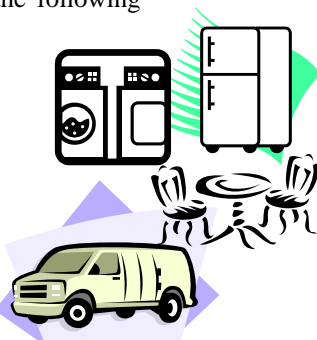
*For more information, contact Cathy Blecki at 760-603-8930*

**Furniture and Appliances Needed—Can You Help?**

Fraternity House, a non-profit agency in North County that serves the chronically ill, has a need for the following items:

- ◆ refrigerators
- ◆ washer and/or dryer
- ◆ dining tables and chairs
- ◆ van

Items need to be gently used because they will be operated or used at their housing facilities for many more years. If you can help, please call Dick at 760-295-1431.



***Healing the Culture—Funding the Abortion Changes You Outreach***

Earlier this month 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](http://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.

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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SUCCESS**

**Pledge Statistics as of July 13**

Total Phase II Responses	# of Families Responding
Unable to pledge at this time (10 of these families have been adopted)	30
Under \$100	23
\$100 and up	190
\$1,000 and up	79
\$1,500 and up	126
\$2,500 and up	83
\$4,500 and up	31
\$6,000 and up	19
\$10,000 and up	18
\$25,000 and up	2
\$50,000 and up	2
<b>Total to Date</b>	<b>\$1,398,178</b>
<b>Still Needed</b>	<b>\$601,822</b>
<b>Total Goal</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>
	<b>603</b>
	<b>392</b>
	<b>995</b>

† **Why have our numbers gone down this week, even though we have three new responses?**

Two parishioners have moved due to health reasons, one died, and adjustments have been made due to loss of employment. So though we brought in decent new pledges, it wasn't enough to offset our losses. Adjustments are made regularly for a variety of reasons.

† **We have now heard from 61% of the Parish and are nearly at \$1.4 million.**

† 392 families have yet to respond. We need to hear from you, even if you are only able to pray for our success at this time!

† Responses in the chart above range from \$15 to \$50,000! ALL gifts are necessary and appreciated.

† Please pray for the donations needed to build our new Church.

Packets are available after all Masses, the Parish Office, and on our website: [www.stmoside.org](http://www.stmoside.org); click on Our New Church.



Chris Smith, Director of Stewardship and Development  
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# Liturgy & Music

Worship God

Douglas Lynn  
Director of Liturgy and Music  
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## THE WORDS WE NEED TO HEAR—PART 2

### Standing beside David in song

*Gabe Huck writes  
from Damascus, Syria  
Celebration May 2010.*

*With permission.*

How to go into that assembly every Lord's Day and "stand beside David"? How to have sturdy tunes and chants with words that bear the weight of Eucharist? Yes, how to have tunes and words so sturdy that we come longing to enter into them again with our assembly, Sunday after Sunday?

And how will all this sound? Listen to John Wesley, who knew a thing or two about singing assemblies:

*Sing all. See that you join with the congregation as frequently as you can. Let not a slight degree of weakness or weariness hinder you. If it is a cross to you, take it up, and you will find it a blessing.*

*Sing lustily and with a good courage. Beware of singing as if you were half-dead, or half asleep; but lift up your voice with strength. Be no more afraid of your voice now, nor more ashamed of its being heard, than when you sang the songs of Satan.*

*Sing modestly. Do not bawl, so as to be heard above or distinct from the rest of the congregation, that you may not destroy the harmony; but strive to unite your voices together, so as to make one clear melodious sound....*

*Above all sing spiritually. Have an eye to God in every word you sing. Aim at pleasing God more than yourself, or any other creature. In order to do this attend strictly to the sense of what you sing, and see that your heart is not carried away with the sound, but offered to God continually, so shall your singing be such as the Lord will approve here, and reward you when he comes in the clouds of heaven.*

Sing all! Sing lustily! Sing modestly! Sing spiritually! Sing!

Those of us who are Roman Catholic often hold one of two quite

different images of what the Mass is and how it is to be done (or try to hold both together). On the one hand there is the image of the Mass that Gregory Dix beautifully set forth decades ago:

*Was ever another command so obeyed? For century after century, spreading slowly to every continent and country and among every race on earth, this action has been done, in every conceivable human circumstance, for every conceivable human need from infancy and before it to extreme old age and after it, from the pinnacles of earthly greatness to the refuge of fugitives in the caves and dens of the earth. We have found no better thing than this to do for kings at their crowning and for criminals going to the scaffold; for armies in triumph or for a bride and bridegroom in a little country church...tremulously, by an old monk on the 50th anniversary of his vows; furtively, by an exiled bishop who had hewn timber all day in a prison camp near Murmansk; gorgeously, for the canonization of St. Joan of Arc—one could fill many pages with the reasons why we have done this, and not tell a hundredth part of them....*

On the other hand, there is the image that Dix begins in the very next sentence:

*And best of all, week by week and month by month, on a hundred thousand successive Sundays, faithfully, unflinchingly, across all the parishes of Christendom, the pastors have done this just to make the plebs sancta Dei—the holy common people of God.*

*To those who know a little of Christian history probably the most moving of all the reflections it brings is not the thought of the*



*great events and the well-remembered saints, but of those innumerable millions of entirely obscure faithful men and women, every one with his or her own individual hopes and fears and joys and sorrows and loves—and sins and temptations and prayers—once every whit as vivid and alive as mine are now. They have left no slightest trace in this world, not even a name, but have passed to God utterly forgotten by us. Yet each of them once believed and prayed as I believe and pray, and found it hard and grew slack and sinned and repented and fell again. Each of them worshiped at the Eucharist, and found their thoughts wandering and tried again, and felt heavy and unresponsive and yet knew just as really and pathetically as I do these things.*

In the first image, there is something that needs no assembly though it may have a very immense assembly and choirs galore. It takes on all those guises Dix names. There can be a multitude or a minister alone. There can be the finest voices and instruments making some of the world's greatest music. Or it can be all whispers. In all its guises, this image is about the sacred person and the sacred words and the sacred altar with its bread and wine.

In the second image, Dix is closer to what should concern us as we think about what silence and sound are to be in our liturgy.

### Upcoming Music

**JULY 24/25**  
**17th Sunday**  
**in Ordinary**  
**Time**

**5:00pm Mass**

Cantor &  
Congregation

**8:30am Mass**

Cantor &  
Congregation

**10:30am Mass**

Cantor &  
Congregation

## Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

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

# RE.A.CH

Religious Education for Adolescents and Children

2010-2011

If you have children from age 3 through 17 and would like to partner with your Parish in their faith formation beginning in September, please contact the Faith Formation Office NOW!

If you are not a registered parishioner of St. Thomas More, stop by the Information Table or call the Parish Office to take this first important step to participating in RE.A.CH!

Feel free to call or email to discuss the program or ask for the packet through the mail.

*A special welcome to high school students!*



### High School Youth Ministry

#### BOWLING NIGHT

Monday, July 19  
9:00-11:00pm

Vista Entertainment

Bring \$\$ for bowling and snacks

Call Gale at 760-726-7236 for info

P.S. Please keep the high school youth attending the Steubenville San Diego Retreat at San Diego State University July 23-25 in your prayers. Thank you!

## PBJ Update

Food for children at Catholic Charities in Vista

2010 GOAL:	365 jars
Collected to date:	373 jars

## SUMMER BIBLE CAMP AT ST. THOMAS MORE HIGH SEAS EXPEDITION

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



You're welcome to drop in . . .

. . . where we're exploring the mighty love of God! You're welcome any day at any time, but you'll really enjoy the *Floating Finale* at 11:30am each day. There will be 240 of us who would very much appreciate your prayers during the week.

We welcome children from St. Thomas More, St. Francis in Vista, St. Elizabeth Seton in Carlsbad, St. Patrick in Carlsbad, North Coast in Vista, St. Joseph in Fountain, Colorado, Emmanuel Faith in Escondido, St. John in Encinitas, St. Mary in Escondido, Grace, the Movement Church, and neighborhood friends! It is a wonderfully evangelizing week!

Your generosity in helping this to happen is deeply appreciated.

Gratefully, on behalf of our children,

*Kathleen*

## Information for Growth

### # 35—Answer

To describe the Catholic Church as "missionary" means that

- D) Catholics must share the Good News with others  
(CCC 851)



### # 36—Question

The Church teaches that Christian hope is

- A) freedom from concerns about this world.  
B) believing that God will reward you financially.  
C) desiring and expecting God will enable you to participate in eternal life.  
D) knowing that if you are a good person, other people will look up to and respect you.



# Stewardship & Development

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## Christian Stewardship—Not about Me

Entertaining family and friends entails many facets and details. The host/hostess is very often busy tending to those details and ends up missing a lot of the “fun” part of the festivities.

*“Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things.” Luke 10:38-42*

Martha is doing what was expected of a good Jewish woman of her day—preparing food for her family and guest. Her sister Mary, also a good Jewish woman, plops herself down at the feet of Jesus and absorbs every word He says.

Martha confronts Jesus, “Lord, make her help me!” Jesus knows that Martha is not doing anything wrong. She is doing what she believes is expected of her. And she is doing it very well.

Jesus suggests she should not be so concerned about what others expect of her, but should spend time to discern what God expects of her. What God expects of us can be quite different than what the world expects of us.

We discern God’s will for us in prayer—prayer that is not about what we say to God, but about what we are willing to hear from God. Fr. Hacker Fagot, SJ, admits that “Too often my prayer is not *God, thy will be done!* but *God, thy will be changed!*” Do we pray? And what is our prayer.

—ICSC Parish Newsletter, July 2010, Deacon Jerry Martinez, Archdiocese of New Orleans. Reprinted with permission.

Anyone else ever have their children refer to them as “Martha” when that is not your name?

While it is necessary to prepare for guests on occasion, it is more important to prepare for what Jesus asks of us in life.

So often our time is spent doing all that we can to fill our lives with our individual goals and expectations. We sincerely believe these things will always make us happy and fill our perceived “empty” spaces. Not so.

As I reflected on the readings for this weekend, a message about Mother Teresa and Calcutta immediately came to mind. This is an inspiring piece by Fr. Robert Barron and can be found on: [www.wordonfire.org](http://www.wordonfire.org). (I encourage you to check out this site and the work of Fr. Robert Barron. It is fascinating and inspiring.)



The work Mother Teresa started, and her Sisters continue, always takes my mind off of “me” and what I perceive to be *necessary* in life. Mother Teresa was human and had struggles in life and even some doubts, just as we do. But she persevered in her God given mission . . . and she did this with great joy!

When I find myself in “pity party mode,” God lifts me up out of that by reminding me of the work being done in Calcutta, and so many other places, by truly dedicated servants. A great number of you at STM are doing inspiring work as well! God smiles on all of your efforts and the reward is true inward joy and peace. Thank you for your example!

*God loves a cheerful giver ~*

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## Holy Father (Peter’s Pence) Collection for 2010

\$2,593.37

## Collection for Week of July 10/11, 2010

Number of Registered Households		995
Offertory*	\$	5,546.01
Offertory (Loose Collection)		1,108.00
Children’s envelopes		1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,655.01</b>

\* Offertory envelopes, credit card withdrawals, automatic checking or savings account deductions (credit card and automatic bank account withdrawals are posted at STM on the 5th and/or 20th of each month).

## 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 [parishoffice@stmoside.org](mailto:parishoffice@stmoside.org).

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## News from the Larger Church

**Young Adult Ministry Activities in San Diego County**—Visit [www.yamsd.org](http://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](mailto:mcarroll@ivcusa.org). Visit [www.ivcusa.org](http://www.ivcusa.org).

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

**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](mailto:kenglund@sandi.net), 858-273-3288, or [www.pacem-music.org/comingevents.php](http://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](mailto: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](http://www.sanluisrey.org).

**Glory Immersion Encounter with God in Escondido**—Tuesday, July 27, 7:00pm, Church of St. Timothy, Escondido. Immerse yourself in His wonderful presence and be blessed in just the way that you need. For more information, call Julie Axlund at 760-741-1134.

**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 the flyer in this bulletin or visit [www.motheroflifeconference.com](http://www.motheroflifeconference.com).

**Elizabeth Hospice Summer Volunteer Training in Escondido**—August 24, 25, and 26, 8:30am-3:00pm, at the Escondido Chamber of Commerce, 720 N. Broadway, Escondido. Elizabeth Hospice provides hospice and bereavement support to all of North County. Graduates of this training will be invited to volunteer for the Elizabeth Hospice in a variety of ways including Patient care, complementary therapies, support services, transitions, and transportation. For more information, contact Denise at 760-737-2050 or 800-797-2050.

**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.scr.org](http://www.scr.org) or 818-771-1361.

**Retreat for Widowed, Divorced, and Separated Persons at Prince of Peace Abbey in Oceanside**—November 12-14 or 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

## 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](http://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 50<sup>th</sup> 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 50<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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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