

Church of St. Thomas More

A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

Spirituality † Tradition † Community



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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

August 29, 2010 • Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak
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Discernment

Hopefully these months of summer have been a time of greater relaxation and recreation.

Taking advantage of changed schedules and routines can cause you to spend more time in reflection on your life in relation to God. This creates a greater opportunity for discernment.

Discernment is a sifting of our own experience to find where God is or is not in our lives. The main task of discernment is to ask oneself, "Am I allowing God and my faith community to influence and direct my choices? Or am I just 'doing my own thing'?"

I share with you some questions for reflection that may help you in your process of discernment:

1. Recall your story—What was one, or some, event/occurrence/influence that brought you to faith in Jesus and keeps you within the Catholic Church?

2. Can you identify some things that have changed in your life in the past several months?
3. How do you let God into your life?
4. How do you pray?
5. When do you pray?
6. How would you describe your relationship with Jesus?
7. Can you name three areas of your life that you want to change?

May these words of Thomas Merton strengthen you for the journey of discernment:

Looking for God is like seeing a path in a field of snow. If there is no path and you are looking for one, walk across it and there is the path.

Happy discerning!

F.A. Mike

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.*

Eucharistic Adoration



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

Exposition of the Eucharist on First Fridays.
Next date: Friday, September 3.

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

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.

Opportunity to Help Local Families in Need



**These dates in 2010 are available
for dinner adoption:**

September 26 and December 26

The North County Solutions for Change women and children's shelter needs volunteers for meal preparation, servers, and donations (food and paper goods). Our ministry answers the call

by Jesus to feed the hungry in our time and neighborhood. Any help you can provide is most welcome!

Many thanks to those who have stepped up to help with these dinners! For more information, contact Paul and Kalei Mendiola at 760-945-9042 or kaleiann@sbcglobal.net.

Missionary Cooperative Appeal

As part of the Diocesan Missionary Cooperative plan, Sister Mary Dietz spoke at all the Masses at the end of July. She has been a missionary in Sierra Leone, West Africa, and in Nepal, Asia. She invites your partnership in the missionary work of her religious congregation, the School Sisters of Notre Dame.

Your generous donation unites you as missionary to our brothers and sisters around the world who are most in need of help. Envelopes were attached to the bulletin at the end of July and may be returned any time during the month of August. Thank you!

Dear St. Thomas More Parishioners,

Thank you for your warm hospitality during my missionary visit to St. Thomas More Parish. The School Sisters of Notre Dame are most appreciative of your prayer support as well as financial partnership to keep our missionary efforts viable. Know that the sisters also keep you in our prayer.

Congratulations on the 25th anniversary of the founding of your Parish. As I read through your bulletin, I could sense your tremendous participation and outreach. May you also experience God's bountiful blessings as you work together to build your church.

—Very Gratefully, Sr. Mary Dietz, SSND

Readings for the Week Ahead
 Sunday Year C; Weekday Year II
 Readings online at www.usccb.org.
Sunday, August 29 (126)
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Sirach 3:17-18,20,28-29
 Psalm 68:4-7,10-11
 Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24a
 Luke 14:1,7-14
Monday, August 30 (431)
 1 Corinthians 2:1-5
 Psalm 119:97-102
 Luke 4:16-30
Tuesday, August 31 (432)
 1 Corinthians 2:10b-16
 Psalm 145:8-14
 Luke 4:31-37
Wednesday, September 1 (433)
 1 Corinthians 3:1-9
 Psalm 33:12-15,20-21
 Luke 4:38-44
Thursday, September 2 (434)
 1 Corinthians 3:18-23
 Psalm 24:1b-4b,5-6
 Luke 5:1-11
Friday, September 3 (435)
Gregory the Great, pope, doctor
 1 Corinthians 4:1-5
 Psalm 37:3-6,27-28,39-40
 Luke 5:33-39
Saturday, September 4 (436)
 1 Corinthians 4:6b-15
 Psalm 145:17-21
 Luke 6:1-5
Sunday, September 5 (129)
Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Wisdom 9:13-18b
 Psalm 90:3-6,12-17
 Philemon 9-10,12-17
 Luke 14:25-33

Mass Intentions
Saturday, August 28, 5:00pm Donn Wilmott ☩
Sunday, August 29, 8:30am Paula Gurrera ☩
Sunday, August 29, 10:30am Dick & Charlene Belprez
Tuesday, August 31, 8:15am Alex Ilnicki ☩
Wednesday, September 1, 8:15am Dominic Vienna, Sr. ☩
Thursday, September 2, 8:15am Michael Kozak ☩
Friday, September 3, 8:15am Barbara Upson
Saturday, September 4, 5:00pm Frances Hoogestraat ☩
Sunday, September 5, 8:30am Marianne Benjamin ☩ Ralph Ludke ☩
Sunday, September 5, 10:30am Phil Goscienski

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

Mary Alexander
 Laura Allenfort
 Lucia Ambriz
 Patricia Barbour
 Linda Belanger
 John Bennici
 Regina Bentz
 Roseanne Berg
 George "Whitey" Betus
 Tamara Bousquet
 Monica Broussard
 Janet Brown
 Roseanne Burg
 Jean Calderone
 Shelby Campbell
 Claudia Caplinger
 Keaton Cardillo
 Paul Cassidy
 Flor Catap & Family
 Paul Cipowski
 Olivia Cokeley & Family
 Dolly Cole
 Carl Coleman
 James Coleman
 Thomas Cornwell & Family
 Karen Flaharty Daley
 Cecilia DeSimone
 The Diaz & Gillen Families
 The Dorsa Family
 Linda Dossman
 The English Family
 Kathryn Ernst
 Bob & Boo Falconer
 The Fiore Family
 Peggy & Jack Fischer
 Ryan Flum
 Matthew Foster
 Kathryn Franklin
 The Franklin Family
 Joe Freire
 Carmen Garcia
 Cierra Gerardi
 Rick Gonzalez
 Dr. Phil Goscienski
 Eileen Gough
 Robert Gray
 Rosemary Haeffelin
 Anita Hage
 Susan Hallahan
 The Harker Family
 Rita Harnacker
 Lillian Hazzard
 Marge Heath
 Lilian Hills
 Joshua Johnston
 Sue Johnston
 Eileen Jones
 Paul Kennedy
 Debbie Kinney
 George Kleekamp
 The Catherine Koonce Family
 Sr. Anne Kremenik
 Helen Kuhn
 Lillian Lachance
 The Lamelin Family
 The Langeweg Family
 Bernie Lanzrath
 Rick Laver
 Brandon LeBlanc
 Cassandra Loretto
 Lauren Loretto
 James MacArthur
 The Marie Sterling Family
 Makenna Marlaire & Family
 Nancy Marley
 Virginia McWalters
 Bob McWilliams
 Carol Michael
 June Mitchell
 David Moala
 Shannon Moala
 Nancy Moore
 Margie Myers
 R. Northrup
 Eleanor Novosel
 Helen O'Connell
 Lupe Casas Pelletier
 Helen Pingtella
 Anne Post
 Otila Quiroz
 Janet Raiman
 Josie Ramos
 Rita Ritchie
 Joanne Robinson
 Sr. Loyola Romey
 Dorothy Rouse
 The Russo Family
 Nancy Scali
 Linda Schmidt
 The Douglas E. Schulte Family
 Freda Schweitzer
 Elizabeth Shirzad
 Richard Sikora
 Mike Snyder
 Nick Soltau
 Martha Sosa
 Ed Sox
 Gilda Spiegl
 Joan Stringer
 Maria Surmenidis
 The Thompson Family
 Stephen Toth, Jr.
 Barbara Upson
 Arnie Velasco
 Dominic Vienna, Jr.
 Vanessa Vitiello-Koble
 Kevin Watson-Graff
 John Whitton
 Nina Woodard
 Anne Zorilla

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
 Aug 29 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses
 Aug 29 High School Phase I Orientation
 Sep 5 Knights of Columbus Breakfast

The Month Ahead
 Sep 6 Labor Day
 Office and Chapel Closed
 Mass at 8:15am
 Sep 8 *What a Difference a Day Makes!* with Fr. Rich
 Sep 7-9 Fall Music Start Up
 Sep 12 RE.A.CH Classes begin
 Sep 13 Women's Guild Luncheon
 Sep 19 RE.A.CH High School begins
 Sep 24 Aegis Dinner

The Year Ahead
 Oct 9 Men's Prayer Breakfast
 Oct 17 STM 25th Anniversary Celebration
 Nov 6-24 Stewardship Awareness/Renewal
 Nov 6 Treasures 2010
 Nov 7 Towers of Faith Reception
 Nov 11-12 First Annual STM Women's Retreat
 Nov 21 Thanksgiving Concert presented by the Music Ministry

Next Year
 Jan 23 New Member Reception
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.

August 30 Sr. Josephine Brown, RSM
August 31 Sr. Gemma Gabriela Briseno, SJS
September 1 Sr. Margaret Brody, CSN
September 2 Sr. Maureen Evelyn Brown, CSJ
September 3 Sr. Mary Denis Bruck, SL
September 4 Sr. Annalisa Burgos, SJS
September 5 Sr. Finbarr Burke, RSM

Welcome to Newly Registered Parishioner

Heather Hamel
Francis & Laura Rushford & Family

Congratulations to

Charlene & Dick Belprez (51 years)
Pat & Lyle Christopherson (60 years)
Anna & Don Robinson (57 years)
Kimberly & Paul Schlunt (20 years)

who celebrate their wedding anniversaries this week.

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 contributions of:

Kimberly & Paul Schlunt
Mary Ellen Langeweg

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

Entertainment Books

The Knights of Columbus are offering Entertainment Books again this year. The books more than pay for themselves with great deals on dining out, travel, shopping services, and entertainment. All proceeds go toward supporting St. Thomas More and various charities. See the Knights on the Plaza after most Masses throughout the remainder of 2010 to purchase your book.

Young Adult Group News

ACTTS (Adult Catholics in their Twenties and Thirties who Socialize) is partnering with the North County Young Adults group, which includes young adults from several North County Parishes. Upcoming events include a Padre's Baseball Game on September 4 and a retreat at Whispering Winds Conference Center in Julian September 18-20. For more information or to get on the email list, contact actts@stmoside.org.

STM Scrip News

Scrip is now available for purchase FOUR different ways!

1. Monday-Friday during business hours in the Parish Office
2. Online Ordering 24/7 by going to:
www.stmoside.org
Click on Contact Us
then click on Scrip
3. Email Ordering 24/7: scrip@stmoside.org
4. Phone Ordering 24/7: 760-758-4100 x150

Online, Email, and Phone orders may be picked up after Masses on the weekend or at the Parish Office any time after they are ready. Please bring your payment method with you. We accept: Cash, Check, Visa, MasterCard, or Discover.

Note: Krikorian Tickets are currently unavailable due to the merchant reviewing their Premiere Fundraising Program.

Thank You!

I wish to express my thanks and appreciation for the prayers, cards, and kind words on the death of my husband, Charles. They gave me comfort and support. —*Mary Ellen Langeweg*

Women's Guild News

MARK THE DATE!! Monday, September 13, the Women's Guild will hold its first meeting of the new season. Meet upstairs for a delightful organ presentation by Sally Fay, our own very talented organist. Come see the person who is behind that organ every Sunday. Besides her obvious talent, Sally is a charming and humorous presenter. We will meet on the upper level at 11:00am and then move downstairs for a delectable luncheon, door prizes, and raffle. You won't want to miss this one. All women of the Parish and friends are warmly welcomed. Call Valerie Thompson at 760-630-1703 or Mary Coxon at 760-599-8760 for reservations.

Birth Choice of San Marcos Expanding

Birth Choice of San Marcos is a pro-life, Christian-based pregnancy resource center offering free pregnancy tests, ultrasound and options counseling for over 23 years. We will be opening a satellite office in downtown Oceanside at 611 Mission Ave., and we're actively recruiting those who feel called to this ministry to train as volunteer counselors. We're looking to the Christian community to aid us in accomplishing this goal. If you have any questions or interest in volunteering, please contact Mary Rose Stearns, Executive Director, at 760-434-5063 or mrstearns@birthchoice.net.

Would You Like to Join *JustFaith*?

Consider *JustFaith* and Catholic Social Teaching

One of the most notable achievements of the Catholic Church over the past 120 years is the development of its social teaching. Catholic social doctrine has two main concerns:

1. the dignity of the human person, made in God's image, with the rights and duties which protect and enhance this dignity, and
2. the common good. Catholic social doctrine developed from a response to the problems of the Industrial Revolution which resulted in the exploitation of workers which continues today, dealing with the complex issues of technology and its effects, whether in the arms race, environmental destruction, or the widening gap between rich and poor.

St. Thomas More, together with five North County parishes, will be involved in the national program of JustFaith. JustFaith is an opportunity to grow spiritually by studying the Church's social doctrine in small groups at the homes of parishioners. JustFaith meets once a week from September to May with breaks for the holidays. It is a marvelous community-building experience.

—*Joe Dillon, St. Thomas More*

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

For more information, contact Cathy Blecki at 760-603-8930 or Sr. Maureen Brown at 760-758-4100 x131.



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

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SUCCESS

Pledge Statistics as of August 24

		# of Families Responding
Total Phase II Responses		
Unable to pledge at this time (10 of these families have been adopted)		33
Under \$100		23
\$100 and up		197
\$1,000 and up		80
\$1,500 and up		129
\$2,500 and up		85
\$4,500 and up		31
\$6,000 and up		21
\$10,000 and up		18
\$25,000 and up		2
\$50,000 and up		2
Total to Date	\$1,426,551	621
Still Needed	\$573,449	372
Total Goal	\$2,000,000	993

Packets are available after all Masses, at 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

Treasures 2010



All St. Thomas More Parishioners are invited to participate in this community flea market parking lot sale by saving up gently used household items to donate toward this fundraiser (no clothing or shoes). It will be held on Saturday, November 6, in the Parish Center parking lot, 9:00am-2:00pm. Proceeds will benefit the Building Fund. Keep watching for more details!

—*Judy & Jerry Buoniconti,*
Treasures 2010 Co-Chairs

Little Rock Bible Study

Beginning Wednesday, September 15, at 9:00am, or Thursday, September 16, at 7:00pm, you are invited to join us for a six-week session of Little Rock Scripture Study entitled *The Way of Justice and Peace*. The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines justice as “the cardinal moral virtue which consists in the constant and firm will to give (our) due to God and to neighbor.” Because God is calling each of us to lives of justice, consider being a part of this Bible Study as we discern what God is asking us to do in our world today to follow as God’s disciples.

As we look at our world with its problems, it can become an overwhelming experience. Let us learn together what our response can be to God. For further information, contact Pauline Lapre at 760-727-8339.



Ægis Living
 at Shadowridge



Thank you Ægis!

Our neighbors at Ægis Assisted Living are gifting us with a fantastic fundraiser to benefit STM! Ægis is assuming the entire cost for this evening with 100% of the monies to benefit our church!

Friday, September 24
First Annual St. Thomas More Gala!

Happy hour includes live music, hors d’oeuvres and pre-dinner cocktails in the courtyard at 6:00pm.

A delicious three course meal follows in the dining room at 7:00pm.

Professional Violinist, Calvin Tsang, of the San Diego Symphony will play during dinner.

The first 50 people to sign up will enjoy:

Salad

Dried Cranberry and Walnut

Entrée

“Chardonnay Filet Mignon”
 and
 “Portobello Lobster Tail”

Fresh Roasted Vegetables
 and
 Tuscan Red Potatoes

Dessert

Sweets and Pastries

Beverages

Wine, Beer, Soft Drinks,
 Coffee, and After-Dinner Drinks

Only \$50 per person/all inclusive
 Checks payable to STM!

Sign up today at the Information Table, at the Parish Office, or contact Chris Smith at 760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org.

Liturgy & Music*Worship God*

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

WORSHIPING FROM DEEP WITHIN

A cry from deep within our being, music is a way for God to lead us to the realm of higher things.

*As St. Augustine says,
 "Singing is for the one who loves."*

Music is therefore a sign of God's love for us and of our love for him.

*The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops;
 "Sing to the Lord" §2*

St. Thomas More offers music for everyone. Are you looking for a place to be musical? To be extra worshipful? To "pray twice"? Join us!

We look forward to having you along on the journey!



Friday, September 3 ♦ 8:45am - 7:30pm

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
 FEAST OF ST. GREGORY THE GREAT**

We pray...for all bishops.

Fall Start Up for Music Ministry

Shout joyfully to the Lord,...come before him with joyful song! — Psalm 100

Adult Praise Team

TUESDAYS, BEGINNING AUGUST 31

Contact Joleen Schanzenbach at 760-806-6722

Youth Praise Team

Contact Marc Raymundo at 760-758-4100 x161

Children's Christmas Choir

WEDNESDAYS, BEGINNING DECEMBER 1

Grades 2 to 8

Wednesdays, 5:00-6:15pm

Contact Douglas at 760-758-4100 x140

Handbell Choir

WEDNESDAYS, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 8

Grade 9 to adult

Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30pm

Contact Douglas at 760-758-4100 x140

Sanctuary Choir

THURSDAYS, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 9

Grade 9 to adult

Thursdays, 7:00-9:00pm

Contact Douglas at 760-758-4100 x140

Upcoming Music

SEPTEMBER 4/5
 23rd 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*



Are there really religious education classes for children who are 3, 4, and 5 years old?

Yes!

Two Sundays a month, from September through May, there are classes for children ages 3, 4, and 5 on the lower level during the whole of the 10:30am Mass. There is a pre-school class and a kindergarten class.

Parents bring the child to the catechist about 10:20am, then usually go upstairs to Mass. Class lasts as long as Mass does. Parents then pick up their child at the end of Mass.

During this time, the catechists provide age appropriate activities based on the same Scripture readings being used at Mass.

The curriculum for the early years helps children discover God already present in their lives and in their homes and families. It incorporates active self-expression, discovery and inquiry, language and thinking, social relationships, music, art, and prayer.



Check our handbook on the parish website (www.stmoside.org, Ministries/Pastoral Staff, Faith Formation) for more details about the RE.A.CH program.

Registered parishioners may sign up for RE.A.CH at the Faith Formation Office. Come by soon . . . our catechists want to be ready for your child when classes begin on September 12.

With you in ministry,

Kathleen

PBJ Update

Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center

2010 GOAL:	365 jars
Collected to date:	445 jars

RCIA

Have you met Cheryl, Laura, and Brian yet?

These are our newest STM family members. They worship with us each Sunday at the 8:30am Mass as they deepen the Word of God in their lives. They meet each Wednesday evening with a team of folks who share with them the heart of our Catholic way of life. They look forward to the Easter Vigil, 2011, when they will become fully initiated members of our church.

WE are the community who welcome them and set an example for them in the way we worship and live as community, so take the opportunity to introduce yourself to Cheryl, Laura, and Brian and get to know them.

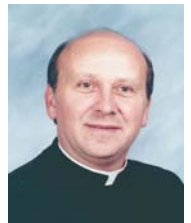
Fr. Rich Returns!

What A Difference A Day Makes!

On the day of our Baptism, we became the "blessed" daughter or son of God. What does that mean and how does it affect the way we think, feel, and, ultimately, live our lives?

Join us, morning or evening, for Fr. Rich's lively reflections:

*Wednesday, September 8
9:00am or 7:00pm*



Youth Group Is Looking UP!



*Join us
Monday,
August 30*

*Middle School
5:00-6:30pm*

*High School
7:00-8:30pm*



Stewardship & Development

Serve God's People

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Director of Stewardship & Development
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Christian Stewardship

Someone Else Is Me ~

"Invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, the unwanted; blessed will you be because of their inability to repay you." —Luke 14:1, 7-14

A parishioner noted to his pastor that Jesus dined with the rich and famous of his day. He asked, "Do you think Jesus would belong to an exclusive country club if he were here today?"

The pastor answered, "I suspect he might, if he could afford it. But his guests would include people who could not afford it, people who are lame, who limp, or feel their way with a white cane."

The pastor then said to his parishioner, "You belong to a very exclusive country club. Have you ever brought such guests to your club?"

The man said nothing. He had many possessions.

The pastor added, "When we leave Mass and go into God's world we are supposed to be Jesus present in that world. So when you are at your exclusive country club Jesus *is* a member. You might want to start reviewing your guest list."

—Dcn. J. Martinez, Archdiocese of New Orleans,
ICSC Parish Newsletter, August 2010; with permission

Back to preaching to the choir . . . So many of you are already such dedicated stewards that you make my work a true pleasure. Sometimes I actually encourage some of you to "let someone else" do it!

Those of you who are already knee deep in commitments do not need to be taking on more tasks simply to fill a vacancy. You already do your jobs very well. Share the opportunities!



Some others are probably wondering what Jesus has in mind for you these days. Really.

It is important to remember that true generosity is born of gratitude. As Christian stewards we gratefully acknowledge our gifts and give because we "need to give" ~ we don't give out of guilt or a sense of obligation. If you have a sense that you could be doing more, the Holy Spirit has most likely planted that seed.

True generosity means *freely* giving of ourselves ~ time, talent and treasure ~ without counting the cost.

*Make a decision not to "let someone else do it."
Water the seed!*

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 \$18,218 from this program. Thank you donors!



**For more information, contact the Parish Office:
760-758-4100 x100 or parishoffice@stmoside.org**

Annual Catholic Appeal

We only need \$1,985 more to reach our assessment of \$43,000!

Each Parish in the Diocese contributes to the Annual Catholic Appeal, and the funds support Catholic Charities, Catholic Education, and formation for priests and permanent deacons.

If you have not yet responded, please consider a contribution using the envelopes that were attached to last week's bulletin. Envelopes are also available at the Information Table and the Parish Office.

Collection for Week of August 21/22, 2010

Number of Registered Households		993
Offertory*	\$	8,837.99
Offertory (Loose Collection)		1,140.00
Children's envelopes		0.00
Total	\$	9,977.99

* 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.

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.

Natural Family Planning (NFP) Classes in San Diego—Sympto-thermal method (99.6% effective). For more information or to register, contact Dave & Cheryl Ross at 619-303-5053 or davidandcheryl@cox.net.

Separated/Divorced Support Group in Solana Beach—If you are in pain from a separation or divorce, please consider joining our support group. We meet 10:15am Sunday mornings at St. James Catholic Church Ministry Center Offices, 625 S. Nardo, Solana Beach. For additional information please contact Frank Grant at 760-533-1520 or fwgrant@earthlink.net.

Dancing in the Courtyard at Aegis Living at Shadowridge—The popular summer series continues on Thursday September 9, 6:00-8:00pm, with *Smokestaxx*. Enjoy complimentary wine, hors d'oeuvres, live music, and dancing. RSVP by Monday, August 16, to 760-806-3600.

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.

Marriage Encounter—Kids are back in school...time for you two! September 10-12. For more information or to registers,

contact Mike and Anita Barletta at 866-473-7730 or barfive@cox.net.

St. Pio of Petrelcina Feast Day Mass in Spring Valley—Sunday, September 26, 4:00pm, at Santa Sophia Parish. Starting at 1:30pm, there will be a documentary on the life of St. Pio, Holy Hour and Benediction, and an inspiration talk. For more information, call 619-697-5958.

Culture of Life Family Services (COLFS) Gala in San Diego—Saturday evening, October 2, at the Hilton San Diego Resort and Spa. COLFS is a life-saving ministry offering Christ-centered crisis pregnancy services as well as ethical family medical care. Features speakers will be Tim Staples, Jason Jones, and Steve Breen. For more information, visit www.colfs.org.

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 beginning, this weekend may be for you. For further information, call Cathy at 619-222-9093 or Maureen at 619-447-0622.

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.

News from St. Francis Church—Our Neighbor

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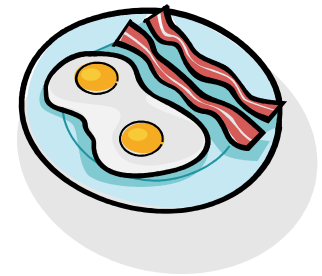
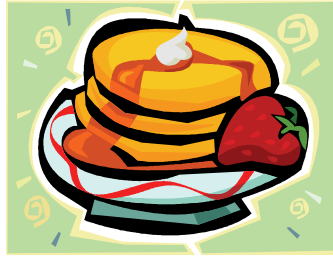
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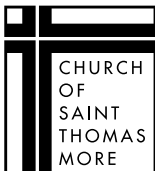
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