



In 2007, we put up flags to mark the footprint of our permanent church building.

*This space will be featuring different memories from our history each week. See page 4 for more details.*

A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

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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

October 17, 2010 • Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Pastor's Column

*Rev. Michael Ratajczak*  
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### Our 25th Anniversary—We Have Only Just Begun!

This weekend we mark a milestone in our Parish Journey as we celebrate 25 years as a People dedicated to continuing the Mission and Ministry of Jesus for this time and this place.

As the Church of St. Thomas More, we have so much for which to be grateful and to celebrate, not only this weekend, but each time that we gather to celebrate the Eucharist.

The Church of St. Thomas More is a very unique “place.” Privileged to lead this Faith Community as your Pastor for the past 7½ years, I have experienced you, over the years, to be most friendly, cooperative, kind, supportive, respectful, high-minded, and most importantly, faith-filled! The energy in this Parish is remarkable, and so God-centered!

I believe that we all have been touched by this energy, and we are in awe of it and know that it is the touch of God!

For some unknown and blessed reason, the Spirit of Jesus is here with us in a very deep, tangible way. That Spirit is palpable; one can almost taste it!

We are all very normal, regular, human beings who are attempting to live out our Faith in God, and to be true to our Catholicism. We come to the Church of St. Thomas More, and we experience something that is beyond all of us—a desire to live in union with God as Jesus did.

We are a very diverse people, with many differing views of society and Church, but we share those differences respectfully, always looking for common ground, and always keeping the Mission of Jesus as our main concern. Our agenda is the agenda of Jesus, not our own.

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### All Souls' Envelopes...

...have been attached to this week's bulletin. If you wish to remember family members or friends who have died, please complete and return the envelope with your offering to the Parish Office by October 31. The envelopes will be placed on the altar for All Souls Day on November 2 and remain throughout the month of November.

## 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)*

It is such a blessing to pastor the 1,008 households that make up the Church of St. Thomas More. You have strengthened me in my ministry and in my personal life in ways you will never know. Thank You!

Also it is important that I extend a very special "Thank You" to all of our Parish Staff who help me pastor this Parish. There is no way that I could oversee this Parish alone. They are all an extension of me, as Pastor, and together we do what is necessary to provide the leadership and guidance for our Parish.

I pray that all of you are aware of and thankful for the dedicated commitment of our Parish Staff to the Mission and Ministry of Jesus. And, please, as we celebrate this 25th Anniversary, when you encounter a Staff Person, please say "Thank You" for all that they have done and continue to do for us.

Finally, I just need to say, in the words of the late Betty Dorsa, that "We already have a Church." We have been Church for these past 25 years!

The buildings will come in due time. They will not make us Church, because we are already Church. The buildings will only enhance who we already are and what we already do!

For all that has been "Thank You!" For all that will be "Yes."

Happy 25th!

*F. Mike*

## 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**

**Spirited Seniors—Reservations for "Curtains" at the  
Avo Playhouse due by October 20. Call 760-758-5113.**

### STM Scrip News

Scrip is now available for purchase **FOUR** different ways!

1. Monday-Friday during business hours in the Parish Office
2. Online at [www.stmoside.org](http://www.stmoside.org), click on Contact Us, then click on Scrip
3. Email at [scrip@stmoside.org](mailto:scrip@stmoside.org)
4. Phone at 760-758-4100 x150

*Orders may be picked up after Mass on the weekend or at the Parish Office during the week.*

**Readings for the Week Ahead**

Sunday Year C; Weekday Year II  
Readings online at [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org).

**Sunday, October 17 (147)**  
*Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Exodus 17:8-13  
Psalm 121  
2 Timothy 3:14-4:2  
Luke 18:1-8

*25th Anniversary Mass (10:30am)*  
Isaiah 56:1,6-7  
Psalm 122  
1 Corinthians 3:9c-11,16-17  
Matthew 16:13-19

**Monday, October 18 (661)**  
*Luke, evangelist*  
2 Timothy 4:10-17b  
Psalm 145:10-13,17-18  
Luke 10:1-9

**Tuesday, October 19 (474)**  
*John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, priests and martyrs*  
Ephesians 2:12-22  
Psalm 85:9-14  
Luke 12:35-38

**Wednesday, October 20 (475)**  
Ephesians 3:2-12  
Isaiah 12:2-6 (Psalm)  
Luke 12:39-48

**Thursday, October 21 (476)**  
Ephesians 3:14-21  
Psalm 33:1-2,4-5,11-12,18-19  
Luke 12:49-53

**Friday, October 22 (477)**  
Ephesians 4:1-6  
Psalm 24:1-6  
Luke 12:54-59

**Saturday, October 23 (478)**  
Ephesians 4:7-16  
Psalm 122:1-5  
Luke 13:1-9

**Sunday, October 24 (150)**  
*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Sirach 35:12-14,16-18  
Psalm 34:2-3,17-18,19,23  
2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18  
Luke 18:9-14

**Mass Intentions**

Saturday, October 16, 5:00pm Eugene Masseith ☩
Sunday, October 17, 8:30am Tom McGearly ☩
Sunday, October 17, 10:30am Nicola Corbisiero ☩
Tuesday, October 19, 8:15am Barbara Upson
Wednesday, October 20, 8:15am Phil Goscienski
Thursday, October 21, 8:15am Josephine Hoefner ☩
Friday, October 22, 8:15am Bill Votel
Saturday, October 23, 5:00pm Rita Mazzarella ☩
Sunday, October 24, 8:30am Miriam Layden ☩
Sunday, October 24, 10:30am Luis Cadenas ☩

*Thank you for your prayers for Pvt. 2nd Class Matthew Seneca Noblitt, US Army, who has returned home safely.*

**Prayer List**

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

Mary Alexander  
Laura Allenfort  
Lucia Ambriz  
Mary Balli  
Patricia Barbour  
Cindra Bell  
John Bennici  
Regina Bentz  
Roseanne Berg  
George "Whitey" Betus  
Tamara Bousquet  
Lynda Brady  
Monica Broussard  
Janet Brown  
Shelby Campbell  
Claudia Caplinger  
Paul Cassidy  
Flor Catap & Family  
Paul Cipowski  
Dolly Cole  
Carl Coleman  
James Coleman  
Thomas Cornwell & Family  
Karen Flaharty Daley  
Robert Daly  
Cecilia DeSimone  
Linda Dossman  
Connie Egan  
Marge Egan  
Kathryn Ernst  
Bob & Boo Falconer  
The Fiore Family  
Peggy & Jack Fischer  
Ryan Flum  
Matthew Foster  
Kathryn Franklin  
Joe Freire  
Carmen Garcia  
The Gavin Family  
Rick Gonzalez  
Eileen Gough  
Rosemary Haeffelin  
Anita Hage  
Susan Hallahan  
Dorothy Hanratty  
The Harker Family  
Rita Harnacker  
The Harrison Family  
Marge Heath  
Lilian Hills  
Frank Hobbs  
The Hobbs Family  
Max Isaac  
Sue Johnston  
Eileen Jones  
Joan Jones  
Paul Kennedy  
Debbie Kinney  
George Kleekamp  
The Kleekamp Family  
Sr. Anne Kremenik  
Helen Kuhn  
Lillian Lachance  
The Lamelin Family  
Bernie Lanzrath  
Brandon LeBlanc  
The Lemoine & Bernier Families  
Cassandra Loretto  
Lauren Loretto  
James MacArthur  
Nancy Marley  
Bob McWilliams  
Lorraine Micallef  
Carol Michael  
Eric Michael  
June Mitchell

Nancy Moore  
Margie Myers  
Cosmo Nocida  
R. Northrup  
Helen O'Connell  
Ethel Opie  
The Oravetz Family  
Lupe Casas Pelletier  
Darlene Peterson  
Helen Pingtella  
Anne Post  
The Prusinkas Family  
Reuben & Evi Quinn  
Otila Quiroz  
Janet Raiman  
Rita Ritchie  
Joanne Robinson  
Sr. Loyola Romey  
Dorothy Rouse  
The Russo Family  
Nancy Scali  
Linda Schmidt  
Sherry Schmidt  
The Douglas E. Schulte Family  
Freda Schweitzer  
Maurine Shaughnessy  
Elizabeth Shirzad  
Richard Sikora  
Mike Snyder  
Nick Softau  
Martha Sosa  
Gilda Spiegl  
Joan Stringer  
Pete Sullivan  
Maria Surmenidis  
David Sweet  
Stephen Toth, Jr.  
Mary Treat  
Laurie Updyke  
Barbara Upson  
Arnie Velasco  
Dominic Vienna, Jr.  
Vanessa Vitiello-Koble  
Paul & Mai Vo & Family  
Kevin Watson-Graff  
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  
Major Robert Bechtold, USMC  
Pfc John Brandone  
PFC Jonathan Chasteler  
Lance Corp. Brandon Doyle, USMC  
SSGT Julian Fyffe, USMC  
MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC  
BM2 Bobby Hartdegen, US Navy  
LCpl. Brandon Mann, USMC  
Staff Sgt. Travis M. Meyers, USAF  
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**

- Oct 17 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am Mass
- Oct 17 STM 25th Anniversary Celebration
- Oct 17 RE.A.CH high school classes
- Oct 19 Fr. Mike's Bookies
- Oct 23-24 Women's Guild Bake Sale
- Oct 24 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am Mass
- Oct 24 RE.A.CH classes at church, including high school

**The Month Ahead**

- Oct 28 Project Linus Coffee
- Oct 30 Life Walk 2010 at Mission Bay Park
- Oct 31 Life and Dignity Sunday

**The Year Ahead**

- Nov 1 All Saints Day—Mass at 8:15am and 7:00pm
- Nov 1 All Souls Day—Mass at 8:15am and 7:00pm
- Nov 6-24 Stewardship Awareness/Renewal
- Nov 6 Treasures 2010 Flea Market
- Nov 7 Towers of Faith Reception
- Nov 9-10 Restaurant Fundraiser at Elephant Bar
- Nov 12-13 First Annual STM Women's Retreat
- Nov 21 Thanksgiving Concert presented by the Music Ministry
- Nov 25 Thanksgiving Dinner at STM
- Dec 4 Job Transition Seminar

**Next Year**

- Jan 23 New Member Reception

**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.

October 17 Sr. Margaret Doyle, SHCJ
October 18 Sr. Elizabeth Drew, SHCJ
October 19 Sr. Ann Marie Durano, MC
October 20 Sr. Ann Durst, SHCJ
October 21 Sr. Ray Monda DuVall, CHS
October 22 Sr. Joan Mary Dwyer, OP
October 23 Sr. Margaret Eilerman, CSJO

## Welcome to Newly Registered Parishioner

**Barbara Boggioni**  
**Robert & Olivia Boss & Family**  
**Elisa Hernandez & Family**  
**Ronald Kritzeck**

## Flower Donations

We would like to gratefully acknowledge the contributions of:

**Peggy Chambers**  
**Maria Garrisi & Giovanna Ciolfi**  
**Jo & Greg Hoogestraat**

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



## In Memoriam

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

**Vincent Prusinskas**, who died September 3. His funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, October 20, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep the family in your prayers.

**Annie L. Gavin**, who died on October 9. Her funeral Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, October 26, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep her daughters, Teresa Gavin and Carol Ritter, and the family in your prayers.

**George Kleekamp**, who died on October 10. A rosary will be celebrated on Wednesday, October 20, at 7:00pm and his funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, October 21, at 11:00am, both at St. Thomas More. Please keep the family in your prayers.

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

## Project Linus Coffee

The semiannual Project Linus Coffee will be held on Thursday, October 28, at 10:00am on the lower level of the Parish Center. Blankets for sick or abused children will be donated, sized, and labeled at this time. For more information, call Mary Coxon, 760-599-8760.

## Memories from Our History

For our 25th anniversary year, we will be featuring different historical photos and memories on the bulletin cover each week. If you have any photos or memories you would like considered, please email them to [parishoffice@stmoside.org](mailto:parishoffice@stmoside.org) or bring them to the Parish Office.

## Life Walk '10

Life Perspectives' Life Walk '10 is on Saturday, October 30, 10:30am, at Mission Bay Park, De Anza Cove. The Life Walk is a family-friendly fundraiser that supports life-affirming education and outreach to youth and adults. Register after Mass on the Plaza this weekend or October 23-24 or at [www.LPLifeWalk.com](http://www.LPLifeWalk.com) to either walk or sponsor a walker.

## World Mission Collection

Envelopes were attached to the bulletin the first weekend of October for this effort which supports the church's missionary work all over the world. You may return the envelopes any time this month. Thank you for your prayers and donations!

## Women's Guild News

**Thank You!!** Thanks go to Mary Coxon for the table decor, Siggie Ogan for the beautiful food table decorations, to Siggie, Ginny Cornwell, and Ann Buko for the salads, and to Germaine Wilmott, Vicky Squires, and Nancy Wozniak for the desserts. Sandwiches were from Vista Icebox. We had a great time playing bingo, including several variations. We also enjoyed the presentation by Dick Belprez, who shared a very informative video on North County Solutions for Change. Judy Buoniconti reminded us about Treasures 2010 and provided packets for those interested in donating items.

**Thank You**—to all those who volunteered to bring food and opportunity baskets to our Game Day on Saturday, November 20. This is shaping up to be a great, fun way to spend a Saturday afternoon with family and friends. Watch for the flyer October 30 -31.

**Guild Directory**—Kathy Quinn is preparing an addendum of members who have joined since the deadline and will include corrections also. Be sure to get your membership or corrections in by the end of October so that the addendum will be ready for our meeting November 8.

## Memorial Walk in Honor of Fr. Ken Kieffer

Sponsorships and/or donations to benefit Fraternity House are welcome. This ministry was near and dear to Fr. Ken's heart and used to be an annual event during his lifetime. To donate, please contact Chris Smith, 760-758-4100 x120, before October 31.

## Treasures 2010 Flea Market—Please Help!

If you are planning to donate items or volunteer for the flea market, be sure to turn in your forms today!

In addition to the flea market items, there will also be a large plant sale and wonderful raffle items. All will be cash and carry. We are unable to pick up, store, or deliver items.

If you have any questions, please call Jerry or Judy Buoniconti at 760-748-5113.

## Women's Retreat—Mark Your Calendars!

Friday evening, November 12, and Saturday, November 13 with Tammy Evevard. Saturday session includes Mass and dinner. Watch for details or visit [www.stmoside.org/women](http://www.stmoside.org/women). If you have questions, please contact 760-758-4100 x159 or [womensministry@stmoside.org](mailto:womensministry@stmoside.org).



## They are remembered...

### Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

The Church of St. Thomas More cordially invites you to attend our annual Mass to remember and celebrate the lives of our loved ones who have passed through death to new life during this past year. The Mass will be celebrated Tuesday, November 2, at 7:00pm.

During the month of November the church traditionally remembers those who have gone before us to new life. There will be a special book for you to write the names of your loved ones located near the alcove for the statue of Mary. Join us in praying:

Holy Mary, Gentle Mother, cradle within your arms those who have died, and intercede for those who mourn them. Amen.

## ***We salute our 25 Year Pioneers!***

*The Church of St. Thomas More was established as a Parish in Carlsbad on September 1, 1985, to ease the overcrowding at St. Patrick Church. Sunday Masses were celebrated in the Eternal Hills Mortuary Chapel, while daily and special Feast Day Masses were held in various Parishioner homes.*

*A number of years later, the Eastern boundary of our Parish was extended to Lake Blvd. to include the residents of Ocean Hills (formerly Leisure Village), and the celebration of Mass was moved to the Shadowridge area.*

*Many of the original Pioneers found it difficult to travel from Carlsbad to Shadowridge over Highway 78 and returned to St. Patrick Parish.*

*We're grateful for the dedication of our original Parishioners and salute them! You will recognize them today by the "STM Pioneer" ribbons they are wearing. Please share a smile and a thank you to each of them. Their dedication to our Parish was instrumental in our bright history!*

June Barmasse	Helen Kuhn
Elaine & Jim Berquist	Georgiana Lapp
Michael Bosak	Katherine & Hank Ley
William Brincko	Jeanette Marriott
Hazel Bronzan	Barbara & Claude Miller
Mary Jo & Ron Cap	Beverley Miller
Pat & Marv Cap	Jeanne Morrow
Peg Chambers	Raymond McNay
Tom Connors	Edith & Tom Noel
Mary Rita DePietro	Marion Piepmeyer
Lorraine & Steve Doering	Evi & Reuben Quinn
Jan & Anthony Fajardo	Doris & Charles Rutz
Melanie & Frank Flanagan	Kathy & Paul Santy
Norma Flanagan	Maurine Shaughnessy
Lois & Len Garth	Norm Shultz
Marge & Jack Gillen	Freda Schweitzer
Pat & Phil Goscienski	Kathleen & Larry Slagal
Pat & Milt Gray	Theresa & Bob Stevenson
Marge & Roy Heath	Pat & Dave Sweet
Justin Hickey	Francine & Tom Teer
Mary Hughes	Ginger & Tommy Thompson
Bette & Paul Johansing	Ethel & Bob Vanderhagen
Georgene & Jim Kamphuis	Esther Woodard
Paul Kennedy	Nancy & Richard Wozniak
Mary Lou & Bob Kranz, Sr.	Alice Zemenick
Jan Kremenik	

*These are the Pioneers we have recorded who joined the Parish between the years of 1985 and 1990 and are living in this area. If you know someone who joined STM during this period, please let us know. We would like to recognize all of our Pioneers, living and deceased, during the course of our 25th Anniversary Year.*

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

**St. Thomas More, pray for us!**

**Pledge Statistics as of October 11**

		# of Families Responding
Total Phase II Responses		
Unable to pledge at this time (10 of these families have been adopted)		34
	Under \$100	23
	\$100 and up	204
	\$1,000 and up	80
	\$1,500 and up	130
	\$2,500 and up	86
	\$4,500 and up	31
	\$6,000 and up	20
	\$10,000 and up	19
	\$25,000 and up	2
	\$50,000 and up	2
<b>Total to Date</b>	<b>\$1,436,595</b>	<b>631</b>
<b>Still Needed</b>	<b>\$563,405</b>	<b>377</b>
<b>Total Goal</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>	<b>1,008</b>



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](mailto:chriss@stmoside.org)

# Liturgy & Music

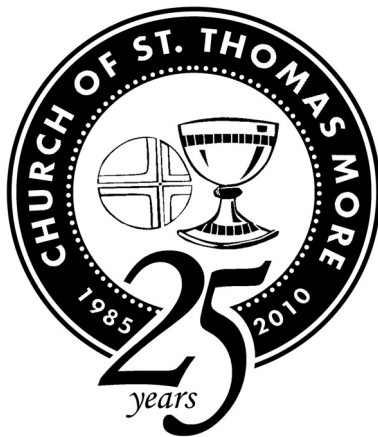
Worship God

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

## YOU ARE GOD'S BUILDING!

Looking back on life, a comparison to making a journey is inevitable—the big, pack-up-the-car-to-the-brim kind—with (mostly) fond memories of exploring new places, meeting new people, and tasting new food. It is the stuff of the stories told around the dinner table for generations.

The life of a Parish is no different. And what a journey it has been so far along the way!



Starting a Parish from scratch, there is no option but that locations change, people meet each other for the first time, and the food... well, let's just say that the Parish of St. Thomas More eats well together.

Marking a quarter-century may not seem like a big deal from the grand perspective of the life of the Church through the centuries, but in this piece of the world, it is noteworthy.

Just ask yourself, where were you twenty-five years ago? Where were your parents? Your grandparents?

At that time, I was just about to join the church choir that would eventually lead me to my ministry here at St. Thomas More.

That choir had four of us in the bass section: myself, and three retired men, all of whom had worn the silver eagle as a colonel or captain in three different branches of the military, one of whom could still fit into his uniform, each with a personality as different as night and dawn and day. I now know that these three men taught me the true foundation of church community: the people, and their love of God

and God's mission and ministry.

In the faith communities I have been a part of, and in the choirs I have both sung in and directed, the most important ingredient has always been my fellow travelers.

At St. Thomas More, what distinguishes us from most other communities is that quality which Fr. Mike refers to as the "intentionality" of the Parish.

In my world of Liturgy and Music, there are many people in a score of ministries serving our fellow Parishioners and the local community. Looking at the entire faith community, we number in the thousands and our reach is global.

In Paul's first letter to the Corinthians, proclaimed at today's anniversary liturgy, he declares:

*Brothers and sisters,  
You are God's building.*

Paul affirms that we are moving in the right direction. With stopovers at multiple locations, and led by various priestly leaders, we have become "God's building" for this community. In our first twenty five years, we have become a single, intentional, faith-filled entity, dedicated to the mission and ministry of Jesus.

We have become God's building, the Body of Christ, in this time and in this place.

In our next twenty five years, we will have built a permanent Church, but our ever-moving faith journey will continue—within the Parish, embracing our local community, and extending across the entire globe.

In a future filled with hope, we will continue to be called to "love and serve the Lord." May our response continue to be a hearty, "Thanks be to God!" Amen? Amen! Alleluia!



### CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS MORE 25TH ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

All loving and merciful God,  
the One who has created  
all that is,

you have planted  
your gift of life in our Parish,  
the Church of St. Thomas More.

With your grace we have become  
a faith-filled community  
dedicated to continuing  
the mission and ministry of Jesus  
for this time and this place.

As we celebrate our  
25th Anniversary,  
we dedicate ourselves  
to continue to walk in the  
footsteps of St. Thomas More,  
our patron, whose  
dedication to you was primary,  
even at the cost of his life.

His final words will always echo  
within the spaces of our  
community:

**"The king's good servant,  
but God's first."**

For all that has been,  
we say "Thank You."  
To the present day with its  
many challenges, we say "Yes."  
To a future filled with hope,  
we confidently say "It Will Be."

**We pray all this through  
Jesus the Christ! Amen.**

### Upcoming Music

**OCTOBER 23/24**  
**30th Sunday**  
**in Ordinary**  
**Time**

**5:00pm Mass**

Praise Team

**8:30am Mass**

Handbell Choir

**10:30am Mass**

Sanctuary Choir

# Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

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Today is a **RE.A.CH** day at Home  
... include our Parish Anniversary Celebration today!

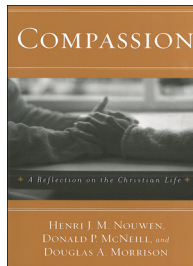
## FAITH: THE ROAD FOR LIFE

### Fr. Mike's Bookies

**TUESDAY**, October 19  
9:00am or 7:00pm

Please note that our gathering is on Tuesday of this week, rather than our usual Wednesday meeting.

A special invitation to *JustFaith* participants to join in our discussion with Regina Aulisio facilitating.



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### PBJ Update

Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center

2010 GOAL: 365 jars

Collected to date: 506 jars

## Youth Ministry

### IGNITE High School

*Do you want to see your faith in a whole new way? Do you want it to impact your life? If so, come spend time with us tomorrow, as we begin to realize all the blessings we have, such as our faith. Come join us! If it's your first time, we would love to have you with us and let this night ignite your week. If you have been coming, remember to bring someone new!*

### EPIC (Encrypting People in Christ) Middle School

*I want to see you tomorrow, October 18 from 5:00-6:30pm! We are going to continue to have fun and explore the sacraments of our church. If you have been coming, bring someone new. And if you are new, then come spend time with us this week, it is going to be EPIC!*



### Phase 2: Confirmation Candidates

*Remember, Phase 2, to attend the 10:30am Mass next Sunday, October 24, as you begin to formally announce to the church your preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation.*

*Mare*

# Stewardship & Development

Serve God's People

Chris Smith  
 Director of Stewardship & Development  
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## Christian Stewardship Our "Hand-to-Mouth" Existence

Shopping in a department store, a minister saw a man whom he knew to be the director of the City Mission on Skid Row. Though the minister did not know the director, he wished to be friendly and to encourage the man who spent most of each day ministering to those trapped in poverty and/or addiction.

*We exist only because God's hand provides for our mouths.*

Introducing himself, the minister began asking about the director's work. "How is it going?," queried the clergyman.

"It's a hand to mouth existence," came the answer, "God's hand providing for our mouths."

That answer was, and is, a universal truth. It is true that whether we are "down and out" or "up and in," we exist only because God's hand provides for our mouths.

"Who provides the raven his food?," asks Job (38:41). And someone greater than Job said:

*Do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink or . . . what you will wear: Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?*

—Matthew 6:25

Our Lord reminds us that God always knows what we need and that what is truly important is that we strive first for the Kingdom of God. Then Christ's promise is: *All these things will be given to you as well.*

—Matthew 6:33

Good stewards are those who gratefully acknowledge their "hand to mouth existence," and who generously share what God has provided to them for the work of the Kingdom

—C.P. Ferrell, Stewardship September 2010, with permission



*On our 25th Anniversary celebration, it is my pleasure to share in the enthusiasm and give thanks for our gifted Parish!*

*Over the years, I've been blessed to live in a number of places around the country and the world. During that time, I was able to worship in many parishes. While these were good experiences, none ever made the impact on me that the Church of St. Thomas More has made in the last 13 years.*

*THANK YOU ONE AND ALL for all that you do to continue the mission and ministry of Jesus in our time and place!!!*

**As good stewards, we persevere in the rolls to which God calls us . . . graciously and gratefully.**

## 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 758-4100 x120, or [chriss@stmoside.org](mailto:chriss@stmoside.org).

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

### Collection for Week of October 9/10, 2010

Number of Registered Households		1,008
Offertory*	\$	7,811.33
Offertory (Loose Collection)		996.00
Children's envelopes		1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,808.33</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 [parish.office@stmoside.org](mailto:parish.office@stmoside.org).

### St. Francis and St. Thomas More Offertory Envelopes

Any St. Francis Offertory Envelopes given to the offertory collection at St. Thomas More will be returned to St. Francis.

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## News from the Larger Church

**Cub Scout Informational Meeting in Vista**—Friday, October 22, 7:00pm, Fr. Ullman Hall at St. Francis Church, 525 W. Vista Way, Vista. Interested boys in grades 1 to 5, come join us—and bring your parents! For more information, contact Rick Gandolfo at 760-736-4658.

### Catholic High School Information

**Academy of Our Lady of Peace** (for young women). For more information, contact 619-725-9118 or [www.aolp.org](http://www.aolp.org).

**Cathedral Catholic High School** For more information, contact 858-423-4000 or [www.cathedralcatholic.org](http://www.cathedralcatholic.org).

**Mater Dei High School**, Chula Vista. For more information, contact 619-423-2121 or [www.materdeicatholic.org](http://www.materdeicatholic.org).

**St. Augustine High School** (for young men). For more information, contact 619-282-2184, or [www.sahs.org](http://www.sahs.org).

**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* series in October and the *Wide Awake Conference* in November.

**Retreats and Presentations at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside**—For more information, contact 760-757-3659 or [www.sanluisrey.org](http://www.sanluisrey.org)

**San Diego Catholic Worker Annual Dinner and Silent Auction**—Saturday, October 30, 6:00-10:00pm, St. Mary Magdalene Church Hall, 1945 Illion St., San Diego. Donations \$20. For more information, contact 858-552-0817.

**Course and Lectures on Spirituality in San Diego**—University of San Diego's Center for Christian Spirituality has a series of lectures and workshops each year. *Christian Spirituality as a Way*

*of Living Publicly*, presented by Philip Sheldrake, Ph.D., is on Thursday, November 4, 7:30-9:00pm. For details, visit [www.sandiego.edu/ccs](http://www.sandiego.edu/ccs) or contact 619-260-4784 or [ccs@sandiego.edu](mailto:ccs@sandiego.edu).

**Magnificat Women's Group Breakfast Meeting**—Saturday, November 13, 9:30am, Mission Valley Sheraton. The speaker will be Mother Antonia, known for her ministry to prisoners in Tijuana. For more information, contact 858-578-1256.

**Healing Mass in Escondido**—Tuesday, November 16, 6:45pm, St. Timothy Church, 2960 Canyon Rd., Escondido. For more information, contact 760-741-0866.

**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.

**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](mailto:fwgrant@earthlink.net).

**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](mailto:davidandcheryl@cox.net).

## News from St. Francis Church—Our Neighbor

**WANTED: Your Fresh & Easy Receipts**—Please collect and turn in your receipts to the school (or to the St. Thomas More Parish Office). Purchases receipted from now through December 31 are eligible toward a Fresh & Easy donation to St. Francis School. For each receipt we turn in for \$20 (or higher), Fresh & Easy will donate \$1 to the school. The school receives a \$1 for every \$20 spent per receipt. What a great way to recycle your receipts and earn money for the school!

**eWaste Recycling Is Coming!**—Saturday and Sunday, January 29 and 30, St. Francis School will host an eWaste recycling event. Please hold on to those old monitors, cell phones, printers, fax machines, keyboards, and the like. The school will receive a per pound contribution for all eWaste collected by the community. Thank you!



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- Equal tuition rates,
- Financial aid opportunities, and
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- Blood Drive..... Linda Dicus 760-726-5081
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- Brother Benno’s Kitchen Servers ..... George Jones 760-940-9288
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# Women's Guild



# Bake Sale

***From the kitchens of the "Best Cooks in the World"  
OUR MEMBERS!***



***October 23 & 24, 2010  
after all Masses***

Ladies of the Women's Guild will be calling on parishioners from I to Z asking for donations of baked goods for this sale.

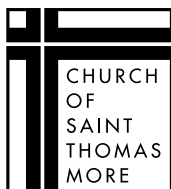
Your support is greatly appreciated. Proceeds go to

**St. Thomas More Building Fund**

*For information call:*

*Pat Wong 760-806-1310*

*Nancy Wozniak 760-729-0782*



# *Thanksgiving Dinner at St. Thomas More!*



*Our Parish Family will be hosting a Thanksgiving Dinner  
on Thursday, November 25, at 1:00 p.m.*

*We would love to have you share this holiday with us!*

*The traditional dinner dishes (all of the hot dishes and cranberry sauce) will be provided, although if you would like to bring an appetizer or a dessert to share, that will certainly be welcomed. Reservations are requested, so we know how many people to plan for.*

*Please return this form to the Parish Office with the pertinent information by November 17. You may drop it off at the office, mail it or place it in the Offertory basket at Mass.*

*For more information, or to R.S.V.P., please call Henny at the Parish Office, 758-4100 ext. 100.*

*Yes, I/we will be attending Thanksgiving Dinner  
at St. Thomas More.*

*Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_*

*Address: \_\_\_\_\_*

*Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_*

*Number of people attending: \_\_\_\_\_*

*(A "free-will" offering will be taken at the Dinner. This will be used to pay personnel hired to help serve and clean-up. Any additional donations will go to the Church of St. Thomas More.)*

*(This event is privately funded—no cost to the Parish.)*