

We have signs indicating the location of future buildings on our campus. The Diocese has given us permission to break ground for the permanent church at the end of 2011.



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

A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

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> 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

# January 16, 2011 • Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

# **Pastor's Column**

## Sign the Peace & Civility Pledge

Since the terrible massacre in Tucson last weekend, the conversation has been non-stop regarding the influence of language, rhetoric, and the use of symbols in possibly creating situations and environments in which hatred and violence can enter.

There has been much in the way of people pointing fingers of blame at each other in terms of their use of language, rhetoric, and symbols.

It is so easy to point a finger and blame someone else! My belief is that we each need to look at our own self, and work to make sure our own language, rhetoric, and use of symbols is peaceful and non-violent.

With that in mind, my personal response to the tragedy in Tucson has been to sign the "Peace and Civility Pledge" that Sojourners is offering and encouraging. Sojourners, founded in 1971, is a Christian organization seeking to build a movement of spirituality and social change.

Here is the "Peace & Civility Pledge." Please read it and if you are in agreement, I would encourage you to go to their website and sign the pledge as well—*www.sojo.net*.

The Church can offer a message of hope and reconciliation to a nation that is hurting and deeply divided. We urge those who claim the name of Christ to 'put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.' (Ephesians 4:31-32)

We pledge to God and to each other that we will lead by example in a country where civil discourse and (Continued on page 2)

Please join us for Mass at 8:15am on Monday, January 17 to celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Parish Office and Blessed Sacrament Chapel Closed Rev. Michael Ratajczak michaelr@stmoside.org 760-758-4100 x100

# 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 vrs.)/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)

peacemaking are rare. We will work to model a better way in how we treat each other in our many communities, across religious and political lines. We will strive to create safe and sacred spaces for common prayer and community discussion as we come together to seek God's will for our nation and our world.

- 1. We believe Jesus' teaching that 'Blessed are those who make peace.' (Matthew 5:9) We acknowledge that most of us have been guilty of violence in our hearts and with our tongues. We hold ourselves to the higher standard to which Christ called us: to refrain from not only physical violence but violence of the heart and tongue. 'Do not commit murder. Anyone who murders will be judged for it,' and 'Do not be angry with your brother or sister.' (Matthew 5:22-23)
- 2. We commit that our dialogue with each other will reflect the spirit of the Scriptures, which tell us, in relating to each other, to be 'quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to become angry.' (James 1:19)
- 3. We believe that each of us, and our fellow human beings, are created in the image of God. This belief should be reflected in the honor and respect we show to each other, particularly in how we speak. 'With the tongue we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God...this ought not to be so.' (James 3:9,10)
- 4. We pledge that when we disagree, we will do so respectfully, without falsely impugning the other's motives, attacking the other's character, or questioning the other's faith. We will be mindful of our language, being neither arrogant nor boastful in our beliefs as we strive to 'be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.' (Ephesians 4:2)
- 5. We recognize that we cannot function together as citizens of the same community, whether local or national, unless we are mindful of how we treat each other. Each of us must therefore 'put off falsehood and speak truthfully to his neighbor, for we are all members of one body.' (Ephesians 4:25)
- 6. We commit to pray for our political leaders—those with whom we agree or disagree. 'I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made—for kings and all who are in high positions.' (1 Timothy 2:1-2)
- 7. We believe that it is more difficult to hate others, even adversaries and enemies, when we are praying for them. We commit to pray for each other, those with whom we agree and those with whom we disagree, so that we may be faithful witnesses to our Lord who prayed 'that they may be one. (John 17:22)

If you are looking for a way to make a personal response to the senseless violence in Tucson this past weekend, go to *www.sojo.net* and sign the Peace & Civility Pledge!

Fr. Mike

### Readings for the Week Ahead

Sunday Year A; Weekday Year I Readings online at *www.usccb.org*.

Sunday, January 16 (64) Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 49:3,5-6 Psalm 40:2.4.7-10 1 Corinthians 1:1-3 John 1:29-34 Monday, January 17 (311) Anthony, abbot Hebrews 5:1-10 Psalm 110:1-4 Mark 2:18-22 Tuesday, January 18 (312) Hebrews 6:10-20 Psalm 111:1-2,4-5,9,10c Mark 2:23-28 Wednesday, January 19 (313) Hebrews 7:1-3,15-17 Psalm 110:1-4 Mark 3:1-6 Thursday, January 20 (314) Fabian, pope, martyr Sebastian, martyr Hebrews 7:25–8:6 Psalm 40:7-10,17 Mark 3:7-12 Friday, January 21 (315) Agnes, virgin, martyr Hebrews 8:6-13 Psalm 85:8,10-14 Mark 3:13-19 Saturday, January 22 (316) Vincent, deacon, martyr Hebrews 9:2-3,11-14 Psalm 47:2-3,6-9 Mark 3:20-21 Sunday, January 23 (67) Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 8:23–9:3 Psalm 27:1,4,13-14 1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17 Matthew 4:12-23

### Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 15, 5:00pm Nancy Aquilera 🕆 Sunday, January 16, 8:30am John Rodriguez 🕆 Sunday, January 16, 10:30am Joe Coccaro 🕆 Monday, January 17, 8:15am Clem O'Neill 🕏 Tuesday, January 18, 8:15am David & Patty Rudolph Wednesday, January 19, 8:15am Isabel Gormley Thursday, January 20, 8:15am Rosario Kurtz Friday, January 21, 8:15am Betty Dorsa 🕈 Friday, January 21, 9:30am Lenore Ann Mulcahy 🕆 Áegis at Shadowridge Saturday, January 22, 5:00pm Jim Tutino 🕆 & all fallen officers' families Sunday, January 23, 8:30am Anita Nevins 🕆 Sunday, January 23, 10:30am Duilia Colucci 🕈

# **Prayer List**

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

Mary Alexander Laura Allenfort The Allison Family Lucia Ambriz Mary Balli Patricia Barbour Clarice Bednarz John Bennici Regina Bentz Roseanne Berg George "Whitey" Betus Betty Jean Bielich Carol Bock Lynda Brady Monica Broussard Janet Brown Phyllis Brown Shelby Campbell Claudia Caplinger Paul Cassidy Flor Catap & Family Lolly Cervantes Pat Christopherson Paul Cipowski Dick Clarke Lee Coccaro Dolly Cole Carl Coleman James Coleman The Cope Family Karen Flaharty Daley Cecilia & Bernard DeSimone Judith DiMatteo Linda Dossman Kathryn Ernst Bob & Boo Falconer The Fiore Family Peggy & Jack Fischer Eileen Flood Ryan Flum The Fonseca Family Matthew Foster Kathryn Franklin Karla Frankoski Joe Freire Carmen Garcia Rick Gonzalez Eileen Gough Jeffrey Guyer Rosemary Haeffelin Bob Hale Susan Hallahan The Harker Family Rita Harnacker Lilian Hills Vickie Hitchock Gabe Holliday Iolanda Iacobelli Max Isaac Sue Johnston Eileen Jones Paul Kennedy Debbie Kinney Helen Kuhn Lillian Lachance The Lamelin Family Bernie Lanzrath Brandon LeBlanc Ashley Load Cassandra Loretto Lauren Loretto James MacArthur Lydia Mangahas Nancy Marley The McCotter Family Virginia McWalters Bob McWilliams Lorraine Micallef

Carol Michael Walt & Rita Mikridge Harold & Barbara Miller June Mitchell The Molony & Mangahas Families Nancy Moore Andy Murchison Margie Myers Cosmo Nocida Helen O'Connell Heidi Olson Lupe Casas Pelletier Helen Pingtella Reuben & Evi Quinn Otila Quiroz Jack Riley Rita Ritchie Maria Rogers The Romey & Gonzalez Families Dorothy Rouse The Russo Family Nancy Scali Linda Schmidt The Douglas E. Schulte Family The Schweitzer Family Bob, Joan, & Julie Shea Elizabeth Shirzad Richard Sikora Jeanne Sisson Mike Snyder Nick Soltau Martha Sosa Gilda Spiegl Leah Stevens Pete Sullivan Maria Surmenidis David Sweet Stephen Toth, Jr. Laurie Updyke Barbara Upson Arnie Velasco Dominic Vienna, Jr. Vanessa Vitiello-Koble Kevin Watson-Graff John Whitton Elizabeth & Debbie Winters Chester Bruno Wojcik **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. Capt. Sean M. Barnes, USAF 1st Lt. Jeffrey Bauer, USMC Major Robert Bechtold, USMC PFC John Brandone PFC Jonathan Chasteler Corp. Willie Deel Lance Corp. Brandon Doyle, USMC SSGT Julian Fyffe, USMC MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC 2nd LT Robert K. Gervasio, USMC FCCM Adam Gregory, USN Lance Corp. Samuel D. Krebs Staff Sgt. Travis M. Meyers, USAF Pvt. 2 Jess Phillips, US Army Sr. Airman Robert Spear, USAF PVT2 Tyler Timmerman, US Army LT Billy Turley, USN Sgt. Charles Watts, USMC

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

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Jan 16	Liturgy of the Word for		
	Children at 8:30am Mass		
Jan 16	RE.A.CH Classes at		
	Church, including high		
	school		
Jan 22	Adult CPR/AED Class		
Jan 23	Liturgy of the Word for		
	Children at 8:30am and		
	10:30am Masses		
Jan 23	RE.A.CH High School		
	classes		
Jan 23	New Member Reception		
The Mo	nth Ahead		
Jan 29	Liturgical Ministers		
	Workshop		
Jan 29-30	St. Bonaventure Indian		
	Mission Clothing Drive		
Jan 30	RE.A.CH Classes at		
	Church, including high		
	school		
The Yea	ar Ahead		
Feb 1-2	Restaurant Fundraiser at		
100 1-2	California Pizza Kitchen		
Feb 4	Exposition of the Blessed		
Fe0 4	Sacrament		
Feb 4	Women's Ministry		
Feb 5	Women's Guild		
red 5	Fashion Show		
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Feb 6	Knights of Columbus		
F 1 17	Breakfast		
Feb 17	Spirited Seniors Viejas Trip		
Mar 26-27	Women's Guild Bake Sale		
June 3	STM Golf Classic		
June 12	Confirmation		
July 18-22	Vacation Bible Camp		
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.

January 17
Sr. Aurora Lopez Ornelas, SJS
January 18
Sr. Jeanette Lucinio, SP
January 19
Sr. Linda Lutz, CHS
January 20
Sr. Ann Machtemes, OSB
January 21
Sr. Christina MacLean, SMSM
January 22
Sr. Elisa Maldonado, SJS
January 23
Sr. M. Clare Manhart, RSM

# Welcome to Newly Registered Parishioners

**Rod & Mary McDonald** 

# Congratulations to

## Patty & David Rudolph

who celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary next 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: Lee Coccaro

## Francisca Rodriguez

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

# In Memoriam



Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Eleanor McCotter, who died recently. Her Funeral Mass was celebrated in Orange County, and she was buried at Eternal Hills Memorial Park. Please keep Eleanor's family in your prayers.

Pat Cope, who died on December 22. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Friday, February 4, at 2:00pm at St. Thomas More. Please keep Pat's family in your prayers.

Freda Schweitzer, who died on January 10. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, April 9, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep Freda's family in your prayers.

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

## STM Women's Ministry

Starting on Friday, February 4, we will be getting together on the first Friday of every month from 7:00-8:30pm at the Parish Center. Please come join us to renew your spirit and fellowship with the women of our Parish. Many of you joined us for our kick-off retreat in November. Please invite your friends. We look forward to seeing you all again! For more information, contact womensministry@stmoside.org or 760-806-6722.

## 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 or bring them to the Parish Office.

# STM \$crip News

Thanks to all who support our Parish Building Fund by purchasing Scrip gift cards!

### Remember, Scrip is available for purchase FOUR ways!

- 1. Monday-Friday during business hours in the Parish Office
- 2. Online at www.stmoside.org, click on Contact Us, then click on Scrip
- Email at scrip@stmoside.org 3.
- 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.

# **Opportunity to Help Local Families in Need**



North County Solutions for Change women and children's shelter needs volunteers for meal preparation, servers, and donations (food and paper goods). STM has committed to providing one meal per month for this ministry. In this way we answer the call of Jesus to feed the hungry, and this is in our neighborhood. Any help you can provide is welcome!

### **2011 DATES AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION:**

February 27, April 24, May 22, June 26, August 28, September 25, October 23, November 27, and December 25

Organizations as well as individuals are invited to participate with portions or entire meal preparation, drinks, desserts, and/or monetary contributions to offset the cost for those able to cook. Please prayerfully consider which month(s) you are able to help with this important ministry.

For more information, contact Paul & Kalei Mendiola at 760-945-9042 or kaleiann@sbcglobal.net.

# St. Bonaventure Mission Clothing Drive

On January 29-30, the Knights of Columbus will be collecting donations for the St. Bonaventure Navajo Indian Mission. The mission needs all types of gently used clothing (infants, toddlers, teens, and adult sizes), bedding, towels, and toys (used but not abused). Place donations in large plastic bags and bring to the Parish Center parking lot before or after Masses on the weekend of January 29-30.

## Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

CWWNC meets the fourth Sunday of each month for Mass at various Catholic Parishes in North County-the next is at St. Thomas More on January 23 for the 10:30 Mass, followed by brunch at Mimi's in Oceanside. Prospective members are welcome at any of our activities; however, an RSVP is recommended. Contact Gerri Wilmott at 760-758-9949 or Carol Kope 760-726-0533 for more information. Our general meeting and potluck is held the second Sunday of each month (next is February 13). See the bulletin board on the lower level of the Parish Center for our monthly newsletter of activities.

## **New Member Reception**

Sunday, January 23, at noon

We are hosting a New Member Welcome Reception for those who have joined our Parish family since March 2010. Invitations have been mailed to our newest members and we look forward to meeting you at this special luncheon. If you are an existing member and were unable to attend the last New Member Reception, you are more than welcome to attend.

In order for us to be adequately prepared as your hosts, please RSVP by Sunday, January 16 to 760-758-4100 x154 or parishoffice@stmoside.org. For more information, please call Louise Briseno at 760-224-3106.

### Women's Guild News

**Thank You** to Nancy Wozniak and Elaine Weiler for once again keeping up with displaying and labeling a multitude of items as they came in to the Chinese auction and then drawing the winning names with their usual wit and high spirits. Some of our members unearthed some real gems among all that "stuff"! Thanks also to all who so good-heartedly participated.

**February 5 Fashion Show**—Tickets will be on sale after Masses on the weekends through January 23-24. Price is still \$35, checks made out to STM Women's Guild. This year's theme is "Hearts and Flowers," with multiple opportunity baskets, many door prizes, and a delicious three-course luncheon. Don't miss out on this one. We all need something fun after the post-holiday letdown!! Anyone wishing to donate an opportunity basket or door prize, please call Vicky Squires at 760-724-7371 or Valerie Thompson at 760-630-1703.

## 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.

FILL A GROCERY BAG FOR A HUNGRY FAMILY

Thank you for your support! For more information, contact Ron Briseno at 760-758-4100 x153 or *ronb@stmoside.org*.

### The Future Church—How Ten Trends Are Revolutionizing the Catholic Church

John L. Allen, Jr., author, is the Vatican correspondent for the *National Catholic Reporter* and a Vatican analyst for CNN and National Public Radio. His weekly Internet column, *All Things Catholic*, is widely considered the best source of breaking news and analysis of the Catholic Church in the English language.

As part of our Adult Faith Formation Program for this year, I will be leading and facilitating a discussion on this book. We will gather on three Wednesdays at 7:00pm—January 19, February 9, and March 2.

We will walk through the book in this fashion:

#### Wednesday, January 19

The Introduction; Trend One: A World Church; Trend Two: Evangelical Catholicism; Trend Three: Islam; Trend Four: The New Demography

### Wednesday, February 9

Trend Five: Expanding Lay Roles; Trend Six: The Biotech Revolution; Trend Seven: Globalization; Trend Eight: Ecology

#### Wednesday, March 2

Trend Nine: Multipolarism; Trend Ten: Pentecostalism; Trends That Aren't; Catholicism in the Twenty-First Century

I encourage you to purchase the book if you haven't already, and begin reading. The book is available at the Information Table on the Plaza on the weekends and in the Parish Office during the week.

Our discussion of this book promises to create some lively dialogue as we look to the future of our Church!

-Fr. Mike

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

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

### Pledge Statistics as of January 11

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Total Pr	nase II Responses	# of Families Responding
•	bledge at this time have been adopted)	35
	Under \$100 \$100 and up	23 211
	\$1,000 and up \$1,500 and up	80 134
	\$2,500 and up \$4,500 and up	87 31
	\$6,000 and up \$10,000 and up	19 20
	\$25,000 and up \$50,000 and up	3 2
Total to Date	\$1,482,251	645
Still Needed	\$517,749	365
Total Goal	\$2,000,000	1,010



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

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

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

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

# Liturgy & Music

Worship God

January 16, 2011

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

# CALLED TO BE A READER OR EUCHARISTIC MINISTER?

Formation Workshop on Saturday, January 29



Our annual training workshop for those interested in becoming a Reader or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will take place on Saturday, January 29, 9:00am-3:30pm on the upper level of the Parish Center.

Registration forms are available on the Parish's web site at **www.stmoside.org/emhc.htm**. Print it out or get one at the reception desk in the Parish Office during regular business hours.

The workshop will be taught by Mary Ann Fallon, former Director of the Office of Liturgy and Spirituality for the Diocese of San Diego, Sr. Madeline Fitzgerald from St. Francis, and Kathy Arciero from St. Thomas More.

Potential Eucharistic Ministers and Readers must be confirmed in the Catholic Church.

We look forward to your joining us. For additional information, contact Douglas Lynn at douglasl@stmoside.org or 760-758-4100 x140.





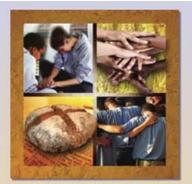
### Joint Message for the 2011 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Sisters and Brothers in the Lord,

Two thousand years ago, the first Christians gathered in Jerusalem experienced the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, and were joined together in unity as the body of Christ. In that event, Christians of every time and place see their origin as a community of the faithful, called together to proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Although that earliest Jerusalem Church experienced difficulties, both externally and internally, its members persevered in faithfulness and fellowship, in breaking bread and prayers.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity invites the whole Christian community throughout the world to pray in communion with the prayer of Jesus "that they all may be one" (John 17:21). The theme for the 2011 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is One in the Apostles' Teaching, Fellowship, Breaking of Bread and Prayer. It comes from Acts Chapter 2 verse 42. For 2011, the churches in Jerusalem were the initial consultants to the Joint Working Group for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The Christians of Jerusalem call upon their brothers and sisters to make this week of prayer an occasion of renewed commitment to work for genuine ecumenism grounded in the experience of the early Church.

Once again may we pray and work together for the unity of all, joining our prayer to that of the Lord Jesus Christ, "that all may be one" (John 17:21).



One in the Apostles' Teaching, Fellowship, Breaking of Bread and Prayer (4. Acts 242)

A joint statement from the:

United Church of Christ United Methodist Church Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Episcopal Church American Baptist Churches USA USCCB Committee for Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs (Catholic)



Upcoming

**JANUARY 23** 

**3rd Sunday in** 

**Ordinary Time** 

5:00pm Mass

Handbell Choir

8:30am Mass

Congregation

Praise Team

10:30am Mass

Cantor &

Music

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Welcome Back!

# Fr. Mike's Bookies

A lively discussion on *The Future Church* begins this Wednesday, January 19. We will be focusing on the first four trends, through page 177.

The book is available at the front desk or the Faith Formation Office for \$20.

# **Basic Catechist Formation Course**

If you are involved in a teaching ministry of the church (or would like to get involved!), here's a chance to get "qualified."

Special note for those who teach in RE.A.CH or RCIA!



The Basic Catechist Formation Course is a 48-hour course intended to equip beginning catechists, or those needing renewal in contemporary catechetics, with sufficient background and skill to begin teaching. The course incorporates the essential elements of message, prayer, community, and service and provides an integrated program of doctrinal reflection, catechetical process, religious development, and creative teaching methods for children through adults.

This course is offered at different times and places throughout the Diocese. The good news is that one is starting in north county at St. Mary, Star of the Sea School in Oceanside. It begins February 1 and involves Tuesday evenings from 6:00-9:00pm and five Saturdays from 9:00am-3:00pm.

To register or for more information, call Susan Ferraris at 760-945-8012.

# **Rosary Recycle**

Many Parishioners who receive rosaries in the mail have offered them for the use of our children. They are deeply appreciated and always welcome!

# **PBJ Update**

Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center



2011 Goal:365Collected to date:109

# Middle School

(Encrypting People in Christ)

It was good to see you all on Sunday and see new teens! We will see you again **January 23.** Put this on your calendar and tell your parents! Come out and have a great time with us, and don't be afraid to bring your friends! See you there!

# **High School**

# ✤ IGNITE

Need to really figure out what our faith is all about? Every High School teen is welcomed and encouraged to experience our faith in a whole new way, with community, music, prayer, and fellowship. Bring yourself, bring your high school brothers and sisters, bring your friends, and bring an open heart that wants to laugh and love. We meet every Monday night at 7:00pm and you can drop in any evening.

	St. Thomas More
Res	stored
	Senior/LEAD Retreat st be confirmed)
	nuary 21 at 6:00pm to ary 23 after 10:30am Mass
	Due January 16 ent plan welcome
	Rd, Escondido, CA 92026
Call Marc at 760	.758.4100 x161 for Information
	line and submit form below
NAME:	
FULL ADDRESS:	
PHONE NUMBER:	
T-Shirt Size:	Amount Enclosed:

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Chris Smith

# **Stewardship & Development**

### CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP A New Year, New Beginnings

The practice of making New Year's resolutions goes back over 3,000 years. The start of a New Year gives us the feeling of a fresh start, a new beginning, and new opportunities. As Christian Stewards, we are invited to consider the following in 2011:

**Practice gratitude** – Cultivating a grateful heart is the hallmark of a Christian steward. Every day, express thankfulness to the Lord and to others. Seeing the good in your life will allow you to keep your heart compassionate and loving.

**Turn to the Lord** – Ask the Lord for guidance, strength, and perseverance in achieving your resolutions. St. Paul writes, "I can do everything through Him who gives me strength" (Phil 4:13). If God is the center of our New Year's resolutions, they have a better chance for success.

**Don't give up** – People give up on their New Year's resolutions because of perfectionism and unrealistic expectations. So take it slow, be kind to yourself, and keep trying. Resist the urge to quit. You succeed through small, manageable changes over time.

**Be present to others** – There is much celebration and mourning, joy and sorrow in peoples' lives. Share those times so others don't experience them alone. The gift of your presence is much more valuable than you realize.

**Resist overwork** – There is a pressure to produce, meet goals, be successful. But activities that lead us to overwork, constant fatigue, and worry do not give glory to God. What God calls us to do we can do well. Be mindful that life requires balance, down time, and letting go of unrealistic goals.

**Give** – Good stewards realize that everything they have is entrusted to them as gift to be shared. There is no better place to begin than sharing with the community that gathers around the Lord's table at Mass. Consider what you are giving and commit to an even greater contribution as circumstances allow.

**Make a difference in your Parish community** – Believe it or not, your Parish community can use your talents. Offering your talents to your faith community is one of the most effective ways to feel useful and connected to others, and it is a potentially lifechanging New Year's resolution.

**Consider living more simply** – We cannot find fulfillment in possessions. They add nothing to our self-worth. Jesus blessed the "poor in spirit" in his Sermon on the Mount; and St. Francis of Assisi urged us to live with only what was necessary, for that is how we begin to find God.

**Get healthy** – Studies show that most people in North America are accelerating their own decline into premature old age, owing to poor diet and lack of physical activity. Be a good steward of your body. Diet and exercise habits are important!

**Encounter the Lord each day** – Find time to be with the Lord each day, whether it be for an hour or ten minutes. Allow His love to transform you.

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Lord, help us to persevere in your service in 2011!

# A WAY TO GIVE ~ A WAY TO RECEIVE



#### DESIGNATED BANK ACCOUNTS, WILLS, LIVING TRUSTS, STOCKS, LIFE INSURANCE, MUTUAL FUNDS, REAL ESTATE

Planned Giving is a generic term that covers the many ways an individual can give to a charity while, in many cases avoiding taxes. A few examples of Planned Giving are: Designated Beneficiary Accounts, Wills, Living Trusts, Stocks, Life Insurance, Mutual Funds, Endowments, and Real Estate.

This program is one way of helping the Parish raise the resources necessary to continue our campus build out and also help plan for our future needs (i.e., Tower of Faith participants). Gifts of this nature are beneficial and much appreciated by St. Thomas More.

**For more information please contact:** Chris Smith at 758-4100 x120 or *chriss@stmoside.org*.

"Our Journey Into The Future . . . Together" includes our Faith journey as well as the build out of our Parish Campus.

#### Collection for Week of January 8/9, 2011

Total	\$ 8,388.71
Children's envelopes	 0.00
Offertory (Loose Collection)	1,270.00
Offertory*	\$ 7,118.71
Number of Registered Households	1,010

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

### Ways to Help Support Your Parish

We offer a variety of options for easier giving. In addition to the extra "mail-back" envelopes included in your packet, we offer automatic credit card withdrawal (Visa, MC, or Discover) and automatic checking/savings account deduction. For more information, contact the Parish Office at 760-758-4100 x100 or *parish office@stmoside.org*.

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

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

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<u>Serve</u> God's People

# Marriage & Family Life Corner

**Marriage Moments**—Why should you need to tell your spouse that you love them? Surely, they know that by now? They probably do but that doesn't mean you should never say those three magical words. On the contrary, you should say them as often as you can, as regularly as once every day. Saying "I love you" reaffirms the bond of love between husband and wife, and reminds you both of the commitment you've made. And sometimes when you're partner is feeling down, those little words can make them feel a whole lot better. Today, tell your partner exactly what they mean to you!

**Parenting Pointers**—Children, as part of the learning and growing process, will misbehave. It's important, though, to criticize the behavior and not the child. When your child makes a mistake, don't say, "You were bad." Instead, explain what the child did wrong. For example, say: "Running into the street without looking isn't safe." Then tell the child what to do instead: "First, look both ways for cars."

For more information, visit *www.diocese-sdiego.org* and click on Ministries, Marriage & Family Life or contact Jen Frost at 760-758-4100 x100.

# 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 \$21,000 from this program. Thank you donors!



For more information, contact the Parish Office: 760-758-4100 ×100 or *parishoffice@stmoside.org* 

**North County Solutions for Change**—The families were very grateful for the gift donations via our Christmas Angel program. Watch for more details!

# News from St. Francis Church—Our Neighbor



St. Francis School is now our Parish School. St. Thomas More Parishioners are extended the same benefits and rewards as a St. Francis Parishioner, including:

- Parishioner priority for enrollment at St. Francis School,
- Equal tuition rates,
- Financial aid opportunities, and
- Fundraising support.

Scholastic Book Fair is coming to St. Francis School!—January 25-28, 7:30am-3:30pm; January 31-February 2, 7:30am-3:30pm; February 3, 7:30am-6:30pm; February 4, 7:30am-12:00pm. Shoppers are welcome all day, every day!

**Come find out what St. Francis School is about!**—You are invited to St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School during National Catholic Schools Week to learn about the many programs and opportunities available to students Preschool through Grade Eight. Call 760-630-7960 for the schedule of tours and activities.

The school offers a comprehensive, challenging curriculum and a variety of programs to include competitive sports, choir, art, music, and band, before school and after school care, scouting opportunities, student council, and much more. St. Francis School is sanctioned by the Diocese of San Diego, and fully accredited by WASC (Western Association of Schools and Colleges) and WCEA (Western Catholic Education Association). All teachers at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School possess a valid state teaching credential.

**eRecycling Event January 29 and 30, 9:00am-4:00pm**—St. Francis School is hosting a drive-through and drop-off of electronics for recycling. There is no cost to the public. The school raises money based on the number of pounds of electronics recycled. Let your neighbors and employers know! The more 'junk' we collect, the more money earned by the school!

Here's what you can bring: TVs (all kinds, shapes and sizes), computer monitors, hard drives, keyboards, electrical cords, etc., laptops, phones (all kinds including cell phones), cables, wires, and cords. We **cannot** accept: auto/motorcycle batteries; light bulbs, large appliances (no refrigerators, washers, dryers, etc.).

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