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High school youth attended the Steubenville San Diego Conference last weekend, along with over 4,000 other teens, and became more firmly rooted in Jesus. Music, keynote speakers, small group sessions, liturgy, more music, and time with friends all contributed to an amazing experience!

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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 7, 2011 • Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak
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North County Solutions for Change

Many of you are familiar with the work of Fr. Joe's Villages in San Diego. Fr. Joe and his Organization have been doing miraculous work with the homeless for many years now. Here in North County we have an Organization that is doing the same kind of work—North County Solutions for Change (NCSC).

St. Thomas More Parish has gotten behind this work because it is nearby, located in Vista, and because it is so remarkable in addressing and solving the issues of homelessness for the people of our own community.

NCSC was founded in 1999 by Chris and Tammy Megison because they didn't think it was right for babies to be sleeping on the floor of an emergency winter shelter.

Prior to starting NCSC the Megison's developed and directed work and housing programs that helped thousands of homeless

men get jobs, pay rent, and earn their way back into society through an intense boot-camp style program.

Their most notable achievement was recognized as being the creators of one of North County's most successful social purpose micro-enterprises, the North County Times Hawker program (those guys selling papers on the streets). Chris and Tammy built the program from the ground up, and over its first seven years developed it into one of the most successful newspaper street-selling operations in the nation, expanding it to three other daily newspapers in eighteen cities in San Diego, Orange County, and Los Angeles.

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Make a Virtual Pilgrimage to World Youth Day
Madrid, August 16-21

Find the link at STM's Facebook,
or go to www.virtualworldyouthday.org

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
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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 Sunday 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
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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.*

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In 1999 they encountered a startling new reality of homelessness as a nine-year-old homeless girl with her baby sister and their mother bedded down for the night on the floor of an emergency shelter. As dozens more families came to the shelter, the Megison's realized that they were confronted with an enormous problem. Not just because there were many families in crisis needing help, but because the entire homelessness response system was woefully inadequate to deal with the needs of homeless families. Big solutions were in order, and so with the help of other community leaders and entrepreneurs, they struck out with their plans.

From their original 300-square-foot office in downtown Vista, they began casting a vision around solving family homelessness. The vision was different in that it did not include more shelter beds, feeding programs, or traditional human services, but rather an audacious plan to create access to permanent solutions using a hybrid model that the couple developed. All the parents being helped would work, pay rent, attend onsite workshops and classes, and be engaged in a dynamic coaching system. The model, now known as the Solutions University, blends affordable housing, educational opportunities, employment training, and health-related solutions all within one cohesive strategic partnership. There is but one goal: work with this community to solve family homelessness for children and communities, permanently. By doing so, the futures for children can be transformed.

As Pastor, I have encouraged our Parish involvement in the NCSC endeavor. Parishioners and Staff Members have come forward and are turning my words of encouragement into Parish reality and support for NCSC.

Many Parishioners have come forward to provide meals for the residents at NCSC, and Kathleen Bell is co-coordinating a program to collect used books which are donated to NCSC and then sold on the internet. Dick and Charlene Belprez, the Chair-couple of our Social Ministries Committee, have stepped forward and created a special outreach committee specifically for the purpose of acting as a liaison to NCSC. Chris Smith, our Director of Stewardship and Development, is on the NCSC Board of Directors.

I am on the "Finding Our Way Home" Leadership Team along with Mark King, CEO of TaylorMade Golf; Sam Abed, Mayor of the City of Escondido; Danny Ashcroft, CEO of Western CNC, Inc.; Bobbi DePorter, President of Quantum Learning Network; Gloria Foote, CFP of Partner Financial Focus; Matt Hall, Mayor of the City of Carlsbad; Rev. Ted Hamilton, Pastor of New Life Presbyterian Church; Darrell Issa, Congressman of the 49th District; Chris Lischewski, CEO & President of Bumble Bee Foods; Judy Ritter, Mayor of the City of Vista; Sandra Shuda, Vice President of Watkins Manufacturing; Mike Simmons, Executive Vice President of DEI Holdings; and Jim Wood, Mayor of the City of Oceanside. I share these names with you so that you can see the wide community support that NCSC has garnered.

To learn more about NCSC go to their website, www.solutionsforchange.org, or check Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube.

This weekend, at all the Masses, you will have heard the NCSC story. Whatever support that you can give will be greatly appreciated and will go a long way to help end homelessness in our own community!

Readings for the Week Ahead

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

Sunday, August 7 (115)
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 19:9a,11-13a
Psalm 85:9-14
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:22-33

Monday, August 8 (413)
Dominic, priest
Deuteronomy 10:12-22
Psalm 147:12-15,19-20
Matthew 17:22-27

Tuesday, August 9 (414)
Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein), virgin, martyr
Deuteronomy 31:1-8
Deuteronomy 32:3-4,7-9,12 (Psalm)
Matthew 18:1-5,10,12-14

Wednesday, August 10 (618)
Lawrence, deacon, martyr
2 Corinthians 9:6-10
Psalm 112:1-2,5-9
John 12:24-26

Thursday, August 11 (416)
Clare, virgin
Joshua 3:7-10a,11,13-17
Psalm 114:1-6
Matthew 18:21-19:1

Friday, August 12 (417)
Jane Frances de Chantal, religious
Joshua 24:1-13
Psalm 136:1-3,16-18,21-22,24
Matthew 19:3-12

Saturday, August 13 (418)
Pontian, pope, martyr, and Hippolytus, priest, martyr
Joshua 24:14-29
Psalm 16:1-2,5,7-8,11
Matthew 19:13-15

Sunday, August 14 (118)
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 56:1,6-7
Psalm 67:2-3,5-6,8
Romans 11:13-15,29-32
Matthew 15:21-28

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

- Mary Alexander
- Laura Allenfort
- Lucia Ambriz
- Patrick Attardo
- Mary Balli
- Alexandra Banwell
- Patricia Barbour
- Clarice Bednarz
- John Bennici
- Regina Bentz
- Roseanne Berg
- George "Whitey" Betus
- Mary Betz
- Betty Jean Bielich
- Allan Boehne
- Lynda Brady
- Ethel M. Brogan
- Monica Broussard
- George Brown
- Janet Brown
- Shelby Campbell
- Brianne Campos
- Ed Canfield
- Claudia Caplinger
- Paul Cassidy
- Lolly Cervantes
- The Christensen Family
- Pat Christopherson
- Paul Cipowski
- Dick Clarke
- Dolly Cole
- Carl Coleman
- James Coleman
- Thomas Cornwell & Family
- The Dagdayan & Serrano Families
- Karen Flaharty Daley
- The Dawson Family
- Claire De Ainza
- Beverly de Gelder
- Bernard Delaney
- Judith DiMatteo
- The Dossman & Mitchell Families
- John Drazkowski
- Sharon Evans
- Bob & Boo Falconer
- Chuck Fay
- The Fiore Family
- Peggy & Jack Fischer
- Ryan Flum
- Matthew Foster
- Kathryn Franklin
- Joe Freire
- Brian Frink
- Carmen Garcia
- The Golden Family
- Rick Gonzalez
- Eileen Gough
- Jeffrey Guyer
- Rosemary Haeffelin
- Susan Hallahan
- The Harker Family
- Elizabeth Harrison
- Stephanie Herman
- Lilian Hills
- Susan Hori
- Iolanda Iacobelli
- Sue Johnston
- Eileen Jones
- Paul Kennedy
- Peggy Kiernan
- Debbie Kinney
- Sr. Anne Kremenik
- Helen Kuhn
- Lillian Lachance
- The Lamelin Family
- Bernie Lanzrath
- Brandon LeBlanc
- Ashley Load
- Cassandra Loretto
- Lauren Loretto
- Richard Lynn
- James MacArthur
- Claude Mann
- Nancy Marley
- Virginia McWalters
- Bob McWilliams
- Joyce Meehan
- Kalei Mendiola
- Carol Michael
- Walt & Rita Mikriddle
- June Mitchell
- Nancy Moore
- Conrad Murphy
- Margie Myers
- Cosmo Nocida
- R. Northrup
- Helen O'Connell
- Heidi Olson
- Marilyn Overton
- Lupe Casas Pelletier
- Helen Pingtella
- James Porter
- Anne Post
- Jack Riley
- Clinton Ritchie
- Rita Ritchie
- Joanne Robinson
- Maria Rogers
- Dorothy Rouse
- The Russo Family
- Linda Schmidt
- The Douglas E. Schulte Family
- Bob, Joan, & Julie Shea
- Elizabeth Shirzad
- Richard Sikora
- Jeanne Sisson
- Mike Snyder
- Larry Solomon
- Nick Soltau
- Fred Spiegl
- Gilda Spiegl
- Dorothy Staehr
- Jo & George Stephens
- Pete Sullivan
- Maria Surmenidis
- David Sweet
- Sandra Tillinghast
- Stephen Toth, Jr.
- Laurie Updyke
- Barbara Uelson
- Arnie Velasco
- Bob Vita
- Vanessa Vitiello-Koble
- Paul & Mai Vo & Family
- Kevin Watson-Graff
- Patricia Whittaker
- John Whitton
- DeKenya Williams & Family

Calendar Highlights

Also check the Parish website (www.stmoside.org) for complete calendar information.

The Week Ahead

- Aug 2-3 Restaurant Fundraiser at Famous Dave's BBQ
- Aug 6 Exposition of the Eucharist
- Aug 7 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses

The Month Ahead

- Aug 10 Potluck with Presentation on Faith and the Internet
- Aug 14 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses
- Aug 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Masses at 8:15am and 7:00pm
- Aug 26 JustFaith Potluck and Information Session
- Aug 28 Third Annual Pastor's Dinner

The Year Ahead

- Sept 6-7 Restaurant Fundraiser at Chili's
- Sept 25 Vodka Tasting Party
- Oct 8 Treasures 2011 Flea Market
- Oct 14-16 Men's Fellowship Retreat

Next Year

- Jan 14-31 Stewardship Awareness and Renewal
- Jan 22 Towers of Faith Reception
- June 1 13th Annual Golf Classic

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 6, 5:00pm
Charles Langeweg ☩

Sunday, August 7, 8:30am
Gene Thompson ☩

Sunday, August 7, 10:30am
Robert Ratajczak ☩

Tuesday, August 9, 8:15am
Betty Dorsa ☩

Wednesday, August 10, 8:15am
William Hoogestraat ☩

Wednesday, August 10, 9:30am
Otila Quiroz ☩
Pacific Place

Thursday, August 11, 8:15am
Al Smith ☩

Friday, August 12, 8:15am
Francesca Iacono ☩

Saturday, August 13, 5:00pm
Zoe Dorsa ☩

Sunday, August 14, 8:30am
Michelle Dvorcek ☩

Sunday, August 14, 10:30am
George Kleekamp ☩

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
- 1st Sgt Christian Bull, USMC
- Corp. Willie Deel
- Lance Corp. Brandon Doyle, USMC
- MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC
- Maj. David E. Johnson, US Army
- Staff Sgt. Travis M. Meyers, USAF
- Pvt. 2 Jess Phillips, US Army
- LCPL Matthew Rocha
- Sr. Airman Robert Spear, USAF
- Lt. Col. Scott Wadle, USMC
- Sgt. Charles Watts, USMC

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 8	Sr. Margarita Galardo-Rodriguez, SJS
August 9	Sr. Mary Gallagher, RSM
August 10	Sr. Gloria Galvan, SFCC
August 11	Sr. Ruth Garbani, CSJ
August 12	Sr. Dina Marie Garcia, RJM
August 13	Sr. Mary Joseph Garcia, DCJ
August 14	Sr. Paula Garcia, HMSS

Welcome to Newly Registered Parishioners

Harold Childers & Bernadette Vadillo & Family
Andres & Kalei Cornejo & Family
Garrett McLeish

Congratulations to

Bette & Paul Johansing (71 years)
on their wedding anniversary August 10.

May God continue to bless your marriage, and may you be an inspiration to other married couples.

Flower Donations

The Altar Flowers for this weekend have been given by **Mary Ellen Langeweg** in memory of **Charles Langeweg, Frank & Lillian Smith, and Stefany Langeweg Walters.**



'Did You Know?' Collection for July 2011

\$1,147.72

Restaurant Fundraiser Results for July 2011

Famous Dave's	\$343.18
Mrs. Taco	\$435.00

Helping Seminarians

We continue to collect laundry supply items and personal hygiene items for our seminarian, Ricardo Juárez Frausto, and his fellow seminarians. Bring items to the Parish Office. Thanks!

Vehicle Donation Program

If you have a vehicle you wish to donate (non-operational ok, but clear title needed), call the Parish Office at 760-758-4100 x100!

Thank You!

Friends, thanks to each and every one of you who "pitched in" to help me purchase my stationary bicycle.

Know that each time I use it I will think of you!

Your support in this effort will better insure that I will be faithful to my exercise regimen!

Bless you! —Fr. Mike

STM Scrip News

TRY US NOW! FREE Fundraising.
Ask about our travel Scrip opportunities!

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
3. Email at 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.

Social Ministries/Outreach

A Solution That Really Works!

North County Solutions for Change, a Vista-based non-profit organization, has a unique program that can solve family homelessness in our area. Their 1000-day program uses a university-style model that consists of 500 days at a family housing campus and 500 days off campus in independent housing. Adults must forgo drugs and alcohol, search for a job, pay a portion of their rent, and save 30 percent of what they earn. Families work with coaches in a team-oriented environment to focus on financial planning, parenting skills, recovery programs, and anger management. To date, Solutions for Change has helped 600 families transform their lives and become working, healthy, and productive members of our community.

STM Parishioners have been supporting various Solutions programs and initiatives for almost a decade, coordinated by a Social Ministries committee at STM. Last fall our Parish furnished food and entertainment for an open house at the Solutions Family Housing Center. Other activities have included providing financial support, plus donating furniture, Christmas gifts, school backpacks, books, and clothing for the residents, as well as preparing and serving a meal on the last Sunday of each month to residents at the Solutions Intake and Access Facility.

This weekend STM parishioners have an opportunity to provide financial support for a homeless family in our community. For a family of three, Solutions needs \$7,500 per year for three years (a total of \$22,500) to supplement operational funds obtained from other sources. We can permanently change the lives of a homeless family. Special envelopes are attached to the bulletin. Please make checks payable to Church of St. Thomas More. And return the envelopes via the offertory collection or to the Parish Office any time during the month of August. If you have questions, contact Dick and Charlene Belprez, Committee Chairpersons, at 760-295-1431.

JustFaith:

Opening Our Eyes to Injustice in the World

More than three billion people on this planet live in abject poverty. *JustFaith* offers a 30-week study of the Christian's call to address the needs of the world. Find out more about the causes of and solutions to poverty and the injustices in our world by participating in the *JustFaith* program.

Mark your calendar and plan to attend one of these information meetings:

Friday, August 26, 6:00-9:00pm at St. Thomas More or Friday, September 9 from 6:00-9:00pm at St. Francis of Assisi

The *JustFaith* program begins the week of September 18.

The Just Faith has widened my heart and brought me to a deeper conversion. I understand "preferential option for the poor," and "service" in a different way: beyond just "doing good things for those who are poor," we are called to stand with them, and even suffer with them, recognizing that our liberation is all bound up together. I have also come to see that compassion is not really a "natural" way of being or acting, but rather a God-given grace that we open up to through love and through suffering, a tough-and-tender gift that is best sustained through prayer and community. JustFaith is a true formation in loving God and neighbor. I feel forever changed by it, and am so grateful that our Parish provides this opportunity for a deeper journey through, with, and in Christ. —Mary E. Williams

Parish Events

Women's Guild News

We will be on the plaza this weekend after Masses to help you sign up for Women's Guild if you haven't done so already. We want to get our membership booklet finished early to have ready for our first meeting in September. We are planning a great year for all of you.

Please let Ginny Cornwell know if any member of the Guild is ill and could use some prayers/card. Her number is 760-994-7866.

Thanks to all of you who have signed up already. We hope you will enjoy the STM's Women's Guild this year.

—Vera Bayliss, President

Treasures 2011

Our next volunteer and planning meeting will be on **Tuesday, August 16, 7:00-8:30pm** in the lower level of the Parish Center. Please join us as we continue to plan for our exciting October 8 fund raiser. Later this month we will have the tag sale information packets (including guidelines and pricing stickers) ready for pick up. Also watch for a volunteer sign up sheet listing specific tasks and times available on Saturday, October 8, 6:30am-1:30pm. Watch the bulletin for more information and please continue collecting 12 or more flea market items from your family member, friends, and neighbors for this FUNdraiser!

—Jerry and Judy Buoniconti, 760-758-5113.

Marriage & Family Life Corner

The Divorce Healing Ministry of St. Luke's Parish invites those going through a separation and divorce to a 12-week program of recovery entitled, *The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide*. Our support group meets on the first and third Tuesdays, from 7:00-9:00pm at the Church of St. Luke, 1980 Hillside Rd., El Cajon. You can start and end the series at any time. No charge. Seating limited; call to reserve your place with us: 619-401-6445

The Bishops' Letter on Marriage—God's Love, Our Love: "God established marriage so that man and woman could participate in his love and thus selflessly give themselves to each other in love. A man and a woman who by their act of consent are no longer two but one flesh (see Mt 19:6ff.) render mutual help and service to each other through an intimate union of their persons and of their actions." To read the document go to <http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/>.

Marriage Moments—"Be tolerant of the human race. Your whole family belongs to it—and some of your spouse's family does too." (anonymous) You may be able to joke about your own family's eccentricities but be cautious about ridiculing your spouse's family.

Parenting Pointers—"I was a stranger and you made me welcome" (Mt 25:35) Who are the strangers or newcomers in your family's life? It might be in-laws, your kids' friends, or a recent immigrant. Don't know any newcomers? Maybe it's time to widen your circle of friends. Introduce your child to someone of a different ethnicity or class.

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

Our Journey Into The Future . . . Together! **Phase II ~ Working to Break Ground**

The journey is essential to the dream.

—St. Francis of Assisi

Pledge Statistics as of August 2

	Total Phase II Responses	# of Families Responding
Total Pledges/Gifts	\$1,572,319	667
Still Needed	\$427,681	352
Total Goal	\$2,000,000	1,019
Total Collected	\$1,329,731	



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.

www.stmoside.org; click on Our New Church.
Chris Smith, Director of Stewardship and Development
760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org

Got Costume Jewelry?

Parishioner Debbie Ipsen is getting a head start on next year's Golf Classic—she plans to design and create a Christmas tree wall hanging from costume jewelry similar to the one pictured and donate it as an auction item.



Please bring any costume jewelry you would like to donate to the Parish Office during the week. Any items not used for the project will be forwarded to the Treasures 2011 Mega Flea Market. Visit www.stmoside.org/golf to see a full color rendition of the sample.

Questions? Call Debbie Ipsen at 760-xxx-xxxx. Thanks!

Liturgy & Music

Worship God

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

WHY WE SING

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We sing because singing does something to words that nothing else can do. It gets them into our memory and into our hearts. Singing makes a text memorable and gets it into the rhythm of our living: into our heartbeat and our breathing and our walking, sitting, and standing.

Singing gets words into our hearts and our minds even better than listening does. No matter how good the preacher is, few people go home humming the homily, because it's something that we listen to, not something that we do. Lots of people go to concerts to listen to their favorite singers, or they turn on the radio in the car or at home, or they put on their portable CD or MP3 players when they go walking or jogging. But pretty soon, even without realizing it, they find themselves singing along with certain songs. The words become part of them; they can recall these texts even if they can't recall the words of our creed or of the Declaration of Independence.

Music has a power to make words and events memorable. Studies have shown that musical memory is rooted in several parts of the brain, reaching across even the left-brain and right-brain divide. That makes it hard to forget music that we've learned and the words set to that music. Such rooting also helps to explain why we keep recalling certain tunes, even when we don't want to, and why it's so hard to get such tunes out of our heads: Our own brain's activity keeps running across these tunes and playing them for us.

So we sing at Mass and at other liturgical celebrations in order to remember, in order to recall what it is that we're all about as Christians. We sing to get the meaning of our liturgy into our hearts and minds and the rhythm of our lives. Singing is so powerful that people with dementia and Alzheimer's disease can remember and sing the songs of their childhood, even when they've forgotten their own names or the names of their children. Singing is so powerful that stroke patients can sing a statement or a request even when they can't speak.

Next week: Why We Sing What We Sing



Fresh Flowers for Our Weekend Mass Celebrations

If you would like to remember, honor, or celebrate someone special or a special occasion with the addition of an arrangement of flowers at our weekend Masses during Ordinary Time, please see our Parish Receptionist during the week.

Your flower donation of \$75 will provide a lovely arrangement on the altar platform, including all taxes and delivery.

A note in the weekend's bulletin will announce your special person or event.

Only one flower arrangement may be offered each weekend and payment must be made at the time you reserve your weekend. We are sorry that we are not able to take your reservation over the phone at this time. Thank you!

*The Art & Environment
Committee*



Upcoming Music

AUGUST 14
20th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

5:00pm Mass

Cantor &
Congregation

8:30am Mass

Cantor &
Congregation

10:30am Mass

Cantor &
Congregation



O LORD
my God,
I will give
you thanks
forever.
Psalm 30:12

Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

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



Coming Soon for 2011-2012

Dear Parents,

Do you have a child between the ages of 3 and 17 attending public school?

St. Thomas More Parish would like to enter into a partnership with you in the religious education of your child. We call it a "partnership" because we do not want to take over the responsibility of educating your child in the Catholic faith, but we do want to be a support and resource for you, as you fulfill the commitment you made when your child was baptized.

Daily living of our Catholic faith definitely takes place in the home and neighborhood within the context of the family. A systematic approach to the teachings of our faith, as outlined in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and a sharing in the riches and tradition of our Church, are sometimes a little more challenging for parents to undertake effectively along with all other parental responsibilities.



RE.A.CH (Religious Education for Adolescents & Children) classes begin September 11, but we really want to get everyone registered *now* so that we can have enough catechists available. Classes fill on a first-come, first-served basis.

Our programs meet two times a month, September through May, at the following times:

- Ages 3, 4 & 5:** 2 Sundays a month
during the 10:30am Mass
- Grades 1-8:** 2 Sundays a month, 12:30-2:00pm
- or*
- Grades 1-8** 2 Sundays a month, 5:00-6:30pm
- High School:** Modular schedule on Sundays,
6:30-8:30pm

If you are a registered Parishioner and would like to sign up for this program, please contact the Faith Formation Office right away. It would be our privilege to share in forming faith in your family!

With you in ministry,
Kathleen

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

"How Does the Internet Intersect with the Road for Life?"

This Wednesday,
August 10
6:00pm Potluck
7:00m Presentation

Using the internet
to feed your faith and
share your faith starting with:

- † The Parish Website
- † Facebook and Twitter
- † Suggestions from friends



Hosted by
Lorraine Doering

Please call the potluck hotline at 760-758-4100 x158 so we will know how many places to set for dinner!



PBJ Update

Food for children at Catholic Charities

2011 GOAL: 365 jars
Collected to date: 371 jars

Helpful hints:

- many smaller jars distribute further than big jars
- plastic is preferable to glass jars

YOUTH MINISTRY

Marc Raymundo,
Youth Advocate
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High School ✦ IGNITE

Remember this Monday, August 8, we have the Mass on the Beach as our Youth Group evening!

✦ LEAD

LEAD meetings are still every Thursday at 7:00pm. It's time to get ready for Retreat, so let's begin to look at where the Spirit will lead us in helping in this ministry. Let the Holy Spirit use YOU to make a difference in the world through our community.

✦ Confirmation 2

Confirmation interviews continue with our candidates for 2012! Confirmation students, please remember your scheduled times. Please pray for our teens as they begin this journey!

✦ Lights!!!

Friday Night Lights, will now be known as just LIGHTS! at St. Thomas More . . . an evening of Worship and Praise especially for teens.

Our next LIGHTS! will be Saturday, August 20, at 7:00pm!!! I am so excited to see you all here. Last time we had over 225 teens—let's bring more and have amazing worship!

Marc

Stewardship & Development

Serve God's People

Chris Smith
Director of Stewardship & Development
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A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER FOR AUGUST

Lord God,

As we prepare for the transitions of August;
of routines becoming regular,

signs of schools beginning to emerge,
and traffic patterns getting heavier,

help us to appreciate the sacred rhythms in our lives.

Give us the wisdom to make our hearts
be still, much as the August wind is still,
so that we may listen to the gentle words
you speak to us.

Help us understand that you alone
are the source of every good gift,
of the vast array of our universe,
and the mystery of each human life.

And help us see that we are called
to be good stewards of all that you
have entrusted to us;

tending them faithfully
and responsibly so they may ultimately
be returned to you with increase.

In this month of August
while a measure of summer's stillness remains,
speak to our hearts,

guide us in your Son's ways,
and through your Spirit, give us the strength
to proclaim your justice and peace
in our everyday words and deeds.

We ask this through Christ, Our Lord.

Amen.

—ICSC Parish Stewardship, August 2011 (with permission)



We give thanks, Lord, for your blessings.

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.

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

Collection for Week of July 30/31, 2011

Number of Registered Households		1,019
Offertory*	\$	6,564.62
Offertory (Loose Collection)		908.00
Children's envelopes		0.00
Total	\$	7,472.62

* 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

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News from the Larger Church

Catholic Radio in San Diego—Includes Catholic Answers, interviews and discussions by Diocesan staff, youth programs, and more. Visit www.catholicradioofsandiego.com for details.

Pregnancy Resource Center in San Marcos—Birth Choice of San Marcos, 760-744-1313 or www.birthchoice.net.

Young Adult Ministry Activities in San Diego County—Visit www.yamsd.org for complete information on events for young adults., including *Theology on Tap*.

Summer Lectures and Retreats at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside—Visit www.sanluisrey.org or call 760-757-3659 for details on several different presentations by Fr. Tom Herbst, OFM, and Barbara Hughes during August.

Concert at Áegis Assisted Living in Oceanside—Thursday, August 11, 6:00-8:00pm, right next door to St. Thomas More! Enjoy an evening of uncompromising fun with free valet parking, delightful live music, and delicious food and wine—a free

community event. Features Smokestaxx, specializing in classic soul, R&B, and Rock & Roll. Please RSVP by July 11 to 760-806-3600.

Second Annual Mother of Life Conference in San Diego—Saturday, August 13. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, San Diego Chapter. For more information, visit www.MotherofLifeConference.com.

Venetian Masquerade in San Diego—*A Night When Everyone Is Italian*—Saturday, August 13, Amici Park, corner of State and Date Sts., San Diego. Benefitting three organizations dedicated to the historical preservation of San Diego's Little Italy. For more information, visit www.ferragostosd.org or call 619-234-4820.

"Come and See" Day for Women Exploring Religious Life—Sunday, August 14, 10:00am-3:00pm, Marywood Retreat Center, 2811 E. Villa Real Dr., Orange, CA. Hosted by the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana. For more information, contact 800-860-1840 x2897.

News from St. Francis Church

"Try Us, You'll Like Us!" **FREE TRIAL** *

New students can now try St. Francis Catholic School for free! Families with children entering grades 5 through 8 are invited to register their child to attend St. Francis School for a full quarter! At the end of the quarter, (9 weeks), if you like what you see, just pay the balance of the year's tuition in payments through the end of the school year. If you decide St. Francis School is not a good fit for your child, you are free to walk away without any obligation.

Why try us out?

- Our school is Christ-centered
- Our staff excels in teaching your child
- Our parents and Parent Teacher Group are highly involved
- The administration and clergy support ensure a well-rounded education for your child

According to last year's national test scores (ITBS), St. Francis School classrooms consistently performed at least one grade level higher than their current level. Some classes tested as high as 3 grade levels above.

**\$275 per child registration fee required. Discount available for select grade levels, and while space is available. Offer applies to new families who register on August 1, 2011 or later. Other restrictions may apply. For more information and application, contact the school office at 760-630-7960 or visit www.sfs-vista.org.*

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.

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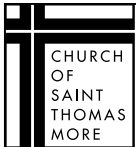
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St. Thomas More Cookbook Fundraiser



We will begin to collect recipes from the St. Thomas More parish family and compile them into an attractive cookbook.

*To input your recipe on-line, go to www.typensave.com and use the following information to login: **Contributor Name:** Your name as you want it to appear on the recipe; **Group Login:** stmparishcb; **Contributor Password:** 745hp. If you prefer, complete one of the recipe forms available on the plaza and return it to the Parish Office.*

The cookbook will go on sale sometime towards the end of November. Please watch the bulletin for further information or see the information table on the plaza.

All proceeds will go to the St. Thomas More building fund.

The cookbook will contain cherished recipes, including appetizers, main dishes, and desserts, among others.

Recipes will include the contributor's name, enabling you to find the recipes of family and friends.

For more information contact

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(760) 758-4100 x 100.

*See reverse for instructions and
Recipe Collection Sheet*

