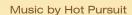


The Third Annual
Pastor's Dinner had
great food,
great music,
great dancing, and
great fellowship.
Thanks to all who
supported this
fundraiser!





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Rev. Michael Ratajczak, Pastor Deacon Thomas A. Goeltz

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

## September 4, 2011 • Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak michaelr@stmoside.org 760-758-4100 x100

#### A Prayer for All Workers

"Loving, working God, on this Labor Day Weekend we ask your special blessing on all people who labor, either for pay or as volunteers, in jobs or at school, in the workplace or at home, in the United States and around the world.

We especially pray for your blessings on workers who do not have jobs and for those whose inadequate pay does not allow them to live the full life you intend for each of us.

Creator God, help us to build a new world in the midst of the old. A world where all workers are valued... A world where those who clean houses are also able to buy houses to live in... A world where those who grow food can also afford to eat their fill...

We pray for the coming of a world where all workers everywhere share in the abundance that you have given us. We ask these things knowing that you give us the courage and strength to live out our faith in the workplace and the marketplace, as well as in the sanctuary.

Amen."

—Written by Edie Rasell, Minister for Economic Justice of the United Church of Christ. She is also Vice President of Interfaith Worker Justice (www.iwj.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

#### ${\bf Communion\ for\ the\ Homebound/Hospitalized:}$

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 Sunday 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.

#### 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

#### Looking for Information on the Catholic Faith?

Are you interested in learning more about Catholicism, becoming a Catholic, or returning to the Catholic Church after being away? You're invited to Inquiry Sessions, which meet on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7:00pm at the Parish Center.

For information, call Kathleen Bell at 760-758-4100 x110.

#### 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 Hillsdale 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—Society's Challenges: "We recognize that couples face many challenges to building and sustaining a strong marriage. Some challenges, however, are fundamental in the sense that they are directed at the very meaning and purposes of marriage. (Here) we want to discuss four such challenges: contraception, same-sex unions, divorce, and cohabitation." To read the document go to <a href="http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/">http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/</a>.

Marriage Moments—(Labor Day weekend) "Come to me, all you who labor and are overburdened and I will give you rest." (Mt. 11:28). For those who have full time jobs (whether paid or in the home) this is a comforting scripture. Unemployment, however, can be a stress on marriage. Pray for those who need money but can't find work.

**Parenting Pointers**—As school starts, it's helpful to have routines. For example: Set out school supplies and clothes the night before. No "screen time" until after homework is done. No cell phones after bedtime. What are your family rules?

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

#### Readings for the Week Ahead

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

Sunday, September 4 (127)

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Ezekiel 33:7-9 Psalm 95:1-2,6-9 Romans 13:8-10 Matthew 18:15-20

Monday, September 5 (437)

Colossians 1:24–2:3 Psalm 62:6-7,9 Luke 6:6-11

Tuesday, September 6 (438)

Colossians 2:6-15 Psalm 145:1-2,8-11 Luke 6:12-19

Wednesday, September 7 (439) Colossians 3:1-11 Psalm 145:2-3,10-13 Luke 6:20-26

Thursday, September 8 (636) Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Micah 5:1-4a or Romans 8:28-30

Psalm 13:6

Matthew 1:1-16,18-23

Friday, September 9 (441)

Peter Claver, priest 1 Timothy 1:1-2,12-14 Psalm 16:1-2,5,7-8,11

Luke 6:39-42

Saturday, September 10 (442)

1 Timothy 1:15-17 Psalm 113:1-7 Luke 6:43-49

Sunday, September 11 (130)

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sirach 27:30–28:9 Psalm 103:1-4,9-12

Romans 14:7-9 Matthew 18:21-35

#### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, September 3, 5:00pm Frances Hoogestraat &

Sunday, September 4, 8:30am Marianne Benjamin & & Ralph Ludke

Sunday, September 4, 10:30am Vincent Prusinskas 🕆

Monday, September 5, 8:15am Freda Schweitzer T

Tuesday, September 6, 8:15am Andy Murchison &

Wednesday, September 7, 8:15am Kenneth Berg &

Wednesday, September 7, 9:30am Frank Flood 1 Emeritus at Oceanside

Thursday, September 8, 8:15am Lester Taylor

Friday, September 9, 8:15am Chris Gallagher &

Saturday, September 10, 5:00pm Bernie Weiler 🕏

Sunday, September 11, 8:30am George Melbrod 🕏

Sunday, September 11, 10:30am Tina Ogan 🕆

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

Mary Alexander Laura Allenfort Lucia Ambriz 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 Chris Buhalis The Burgner Family Shelby Campbell Brianne Campos Claudia Caplinger The Cardillo Family

Lolly Cervantes Pat Christopherson

The Cipowski & Bednarz Families

Dick Clarke Dolly Cole Carl Coleman James Coleman

Paul Cassidy

Thomas Cornwell & Family Karen Flaharty Daley

Claire De Ainza Beverly de Gelder Bernard Delaney Judith DiMatteo John Drazkowski, Jr.

Sharon Evans

Chuck Fay Larry, Shirley, and April Ferguson The Fiore Family

The Fischer Family Ryan Flum Matthew Foster Kathryn Franklin Joe Freire Brian Frink Carmen Garcia

Rick Gonzalez Eileen Gough The Guyer Family

Rosemary Haeffelin Susan Hallahan

The Harker Family Elizabeth Harrison Stephanie Herman

Lilian Hills Susan Hori

Iolanda Iacobelli The Jensen Family

Sue Johnston Eileen Jones Paul Kennedy

Peggy Kiernan Debbie Kinney Sr. Anne Kremenik

Helen Kuhn Lillian Lachance The Lamelin Family

Bernie Lanzrath Christopher Lawrence Roland Lawrence

Brandon LeBlanc Ashley Load Angelica Lopez Cassandra Loretto Lauren Loretto

Richard Lynn James MacArthur Nancy Marley

The McWalters Family **Bob McWilliams** Joyce Meehan Kalei Mendiola Carol Michael Walt & Rita Mikridge

June Mitchell Nancy Moore Conrad Murphy Margie Myers Cosmo Nocida R. Northrup Helen O'Connell The O'Donavan Family

Heidi Olson Lupe Casas Pelletier Helen Pingtella James Porter

Anne Post Jack Riley Clinton Ritchie Rita Ritchie Joanne Robinson Maria Rogers

Cecilia Roper Dorothy Rouse The Russo Family Kimberly Schlunt Linda Schmidt

The Douglas E. Schulte Family Bob, Joan, & Julie Shea

Elizabeth Shirzad Richard Sikora Jeanne Sisson Mike Snyder The Solomon Family

Nick Soltau Fred Spiegl Gilda Spiegl Dorothy Staehr Ted Stanislawski Jo & George Stephens Pete Sullivan Maria Surmenidis

Earl Swede David Sweet Sarah Tillinghast Stephen Toth, Jr. John Treat Mary Tysko & Family Laurie Úpdyke

Barbara Upson Arnie Velasco Bob Vita

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 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 Sr. Airman Robert Spear, USAF Sgt. Charles Watts, USMC

#### **Calendar Highlights**

More details at www.stmoside.org. Schedule and Calendar

#### The Week Ahead

Knights of Columbus Sep 4 Breakfast Labor Day: Mass at Sep 5 8:15am; Parish Office and

Blessed Sacrament Chapel Closed

Restaurant Fundraiser at Sep 6-7 Chili's

Liturgy of the Word for Sep 11 Children at 8:30am Mass

RE.A.CH Classes begin Sep 11

#### The Month Ahead

New Member Reception Sep 23-25 Teen Retreat Sep 25 RE.A.CH Classes at Church

Sep 25 Vodka Tasting Party

Sep 30-Oct 1 Women's Ministry Retreat

#### The Year Ahead

Oct 8 Treasures 2011 Flea Market Oct 14-16 Men's Fellowship Retreat RE.A.CH Classes for High Oct 16 School Begin

Women's Guild Bake Sale Oct 28-29

& Quilter's Treasure Sale

#### 2012

Jan 14-31 Stewardship Awareness and Renewal

Towers of Faith Reception Jan 22

Groundbreaking for Jan 29 Permanent Church and

Parish Offices

13th Annual Golf Classic June 1

#### 2013

June 21 Dedication of our Permanent Church

July 16-20 Vacation Bible Camp

> Ouestions? 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.

September 5
Sr. Barbara Hanna, DMI
September 6
Sr. Patricia Hanson, CSJO
September 7
Sr. Yvonne Hawker, OSF
September 8
Sr. Linda Hayward, RSCJ
September 9
Sr. Katharine Heidkamp, MMS
September 10
Sr. Soledad Hernandez, SSP
September 11
Sr. Electa Hevener, OCD

#### **Welcome to Newly Registered Parishioners**

Jim & Barbara Dages & Family Timmothy & Donna Doyle & Family Manuel & Diane Rocha & Family Kenneth & Fohlen Tallod & Family

#### Congratulations to

#### Jean & Tony McCloskey

on their 64th wedding anniversary.

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

#### **Missionary Cooperation Appeal**

Sr. Irene Cullen shared the message of mission, evangelization, loving service, and hope. The proceeds from the Mission Appeal are used to directly support the missionaries, the organization, and the people they serve. We are all called to be missionaries. Your generous donation unites you as missionary to our brothers and sisters around the world who are most in need of help. The envelope attached to the bulletin may be returned any time during the month of September. Thank you!

#### **New Member Reception:**

Sunday, September 18, 12:00noon

We are hosting a New Member Welcome Reception for those who have joined our Parish family since January 2011. 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 Monday, September 12, to 760-758-4100 x154 or *parishoffice@stmoside.org*. For more information, please call Valerie Thompson at 760-630-1703.

#### 'Did You Know?'Collection for August 2011 \$4.109.50

#### STM \$crip 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

#### It's Not Too Late to Join JustFaith

*JustFaith* is a 30-week commitment to a small group of people who will journey together to more clearly understand the Social Justice Teachings of our Catholic Faith and to learn, in practical ways, how to be the hands and feet of Christ in our world today.

The groups begin the week of September 18. Day and time will be decided by the participants. This is a joint project between St. Thomas More and St. Francis. Call Sr. Maureen at 760-758-4100 x131 as soon as possible!

#### **Information Meeting with Dessert:**

Friday, September 9 from 6:00-9:00pm at St. Francis of Assisi

#### **Heartnotes**

When seconds count, an ambulance is only minutes away. Are you comfortable with that?

There will be three CPR classes in September, and several places are still available in each one.

**Adult CPR/AED** Saturday, September 10, 9:00am-12:00noon. \$35 per person.

**Infant/Child CPR** Saturday, September 17, 9:00am-12:00noon. \$35 per person.

**Hands-Only CPR** Friday September 23, 7:00-8:30pm. **No fee.** 

The newly-revised CPR courses are easier to learn, easier to remember, do not require a written exam and have a two-year certification.

If you have any questions about the St. Thomas More CPR program, contact medical director Dr. Phil Goscienski at *drphilg@cox.net* or 760-732-1414.

#### **Parish Potluck**

Join us on Friday, September 16, at 6:00pm on the lower level of the Parish Center. Bring your favorite dish and your favorite date. A bottle of wine is always appreciated. This is also a chance to enjoy our friendship and hospitality and meet new friends. For more information, contact Germaine Wilmott at 760-758-9949.

#### **Bible Study**

Beginning Wednesday, September 28, at 9:00am or Thursday, September 29, at 7:00pm, please join us for seven sessions as we study and discuss the lessons given to us in the catholic letters of St. James, St. Peter, and St. Jude.

We refer to these letters of the Bible in this way because they were addressed to the whole church and not just to a specific church or individual as in the case of St. Paul's letters. They were written to strengthen Christian communities scattered throughout the Roman Empire. Each letter has a specific purpose and content of its own, and they have very few features in common. St. Augustine says they all have to do with refuting errors which were beginning to appear. All of them evidence the teaching and catechesis given to the early Christian communities. The tone is pastoral and the letters contain religious instruction and moral teaching encouraging people to lead deeply Christian lives.

Please join us as we encourage each other to be better Christians. Registration forms available at the information table on the Plaza.

#### Parish Events

#### Women's Guild News

Happy Labor Day to you all!

Next Board meeting will be on Monday, September 12 at 10:30am (notice the change in time) in the lower level of the Parish Center. It will be nice to see all board members and committee chairs at this meeting.

We are still working on an outstanding year of programs for our Women's Guild meetings. Looking forward to seeing you at our monthly events.

Remember: God gave us memories so we might have roses in December.

-Vera Bayliss, President

#### **Knights of Columbus News**

The Knights will be selling *Entertainment Books* starting the weekend of September 10-11. They make great gifts! Watch the bulletin for more information.

#### Women's Ministry/Fellowship Retreat

Mark your calendars for Friday, September 30 (6:30-9:00pm), Saturday, October 1 (8:30am-6:00pm) and the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, October 2. This year's theme is **BECOMING** the **Woman God Made You to Be** with Tammy Evevard. Registration forms are available at the information table on the Plaza, in the Parish Office, and on the Parish website (www.stmoside.org/women).

#### Men's Fellowship Retreat

October 14-16 in Julian with keynote speaker Cyril Jones-Kellett. Registration forms are available at the information table on the Plaza, in the Parish Office, and on the Parish website (www.stmoside.org/men).

#### **Treasures 2011 Update**

Cheryl Rowland, our Plant Booth chairwoman, has contacted 28 nurseries. They are making generous donations of plants and flowers to our Treasures 2011 flea market. The proceeds from last year's plant sale were \$2,250. We need workers to assist her at the plant booth. Plant knowledge will be helpful, but is not a requirement. She also needs truck drivers who can visit the various nurseries and pick up these plants. Cheryl would like to borrow four canopies/pop ups to shade the many plants over a period of three days prior to the flea market. If you can assist in any of these areas, please call Cheryl at 760-726 5578.

Please remember to pick up your Treasures 2011 tag sale donation information envelope, and your volunteer sign up sheet at the information table on the plaza. Fill out these sheets at home and return them to the Parish Office.

Our next Treasures 2011 flea market organizing and volunteer meeting will be on Tuesday, September 6, 7:00-8:30pm in the lower level of the Parish Center.

For more information, contact Jerry and Judy Buoniconti, Treasures 2011 Chairpersons, at 760-758-5113.

# 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 30

# of Families

Total Phase II Responses Responding

Total Pledges/Gifts \$1,567,557 670
Still Needed \$432,443 348
Total Goal \$2,000,000 1,018

Total Collected \$1,373,188



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 760-723-0402. Thanks!

# **Liturgy & Music**



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

#### WITH APOLOGIES TO JOHN FOLEY

O let all who sing, let them come to the choir. And let all who are bashful, let them sing to the Lord: without training, without tone. Why should you sing alone?

Come sing in the choir!

And let those who strum, let them come to the praise team. And let all who have fingers, let them play for the Lord: with a keyboard, or tambourine. Why don't you join the team?

Sing praise to the Lord!

And those with no voice, let them come to the handbells. And let those who have rhythm, let them ring in the choir: all who labor with a song. Here you can ring so strong.

Ring out with the bells!

And for all the rest, let us sing as the Church. Sing the songs in our hearts, sing them all to the Lord: Sing the new songs, and the old. Easy to be so bold.

Just sing to the Lord! Just play for the Lord! Just sing...



# Music Ministry Fall Start Up

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

#### Praise Team

Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30pm Contact Joleen at 760-295-7170

#### Youth Praise Team

Contact Marc at 760-758-4100 x161

#### Children's Christmas Choir

BEGINS NOVEMBER 30

Grades 2 to 8 Wednesdays, 5:00-6:15pm

Contact Douglas at 760-758-4100 x140

#### Handbell Choir

BEGINS SEPTEMBER 7

opening available

Grade 9 to adult
Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30pm

Contact Douglas at 760-758-4100 x140

## Sanctuary Choir

BEGINS SEPTEMBER 8

Grade 9 to adult
Thursdays, 7:00-9:00pm

Contact Douglas at 760-758-4100 x140

#### Upcoming Music

SEPTEMBER 11 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm Mass

Praise Team

8:30am Mass

Sanctuary Choir

10:30am Mass

Handbell Choir

## **Faith Formation**



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





## Religious Education classes begin next Sunday, September 11

9:45-10:20am Open House for PK-5 Parents and students Lower Level

10:30-11:45am Class for 3/4/5 year olds

12:30- 2:00pm Class for Levels 1-5 or

5:00- 6:30pm Class for Levels 1-8

High School Core Courses begin Sunday, October 16 6:30-8:30pm

For last minute enrollment, contact Kathleen Bell kathleenb@stmoside.org 760-758-4100 x110

For High school or Confirmation questions or concerns, contact Marc Raymundo marcr@stmoside.org 760-758-4100 x161

## **PBJ Update**

(Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center)

2011 GOAL: 365 jars Collected to date: **394 jars** 

#### **Adult Confirmation**

If you are over 18 and have not celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation, NOW would be the time to let me know.

We have a fascinating new program that will prepare adults for Confirmation. It is 10 sessions long on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm, beginning September 21.



Full Initiation in the Catholic Church begins with Baptism, continues with First Communion, and is completed in Confirmation. Is the Holy Spirit calling you to complete your initiation as a Catholic?

## Celebrate Labor Day

The 1890's predicted a future of more leisure and even the civil right to sometimes do what you want instead of always having to be working. A French physician of the day, Paul Lafargue, who was married to Karl Marx's daughter, wrote a pamphlet called *The Right to Be Lazy*. His work promoted a shorter work week, more leisure and better pay for workers.

The future has arrived, yet few today experience the joy of being lazy or engaging in leisurely activities. Americans are working longer and more days than in the middle of the 20<sup>th</sup> century and have less, if any, leisure time.

It is paradoxical that homes for the aged who are physically unable to work are sometimes called "rest" homes. On this Labor Day weekend, spend some time thinking about how you can make your home into a rest home. Be like a prisoner making plans for how to escape from the prison workhouse of daily life, where the vast majority of your fellow and sister Americans are incarcerated.



Inspire us to rest in peace and leisure today, so someday we can share eternal rest with you in heaven.

**Ed Hays** 

# Stewardship & Development



Chris Smith Director of Stewardship & Development chriss@stmoside.org; 758-4100 x120

# CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP Talents Have A Purpose

Have you heard about the school for animals that was set up in the forest? All the animals decided it was time to get some criteria for who should be allowed to live in the forest, so a number of them came up with a curriculum that included tree climbing, swimming, flying, and running. They decided all animals must pass each of these classes in order to graduate.

The first class was in tree climbing, which of course the squirrels passed with flying colors. The fleet-footed deer, however, flunked the course. When it came to running, the deer got straight A's, but the geese kept falling over frontwards. Now, in the flying class, the bald eagle flew circles around the squirrels, who kept falling off the branches onto the ground below.

The point, of course, is clear. God has given each part of His creation a talent according to their ability and that includes humans. We are the ones who have decided that to be talented means that we excel in one of three or four areas and we are willing to pay enormous salaries to those who meet our criteria.

God's idea of talents, however, is based on their usefulness to others, not on the number of talents, nor how artistic they are.

Not only will we be held accountable for using the talent we have been given, but just as importantly, whether we have used it in God's kingdom.

— Stewardship, September 2011, Parish Publishing, LLC (with permission)



#### **Opportunity Knocks!**

#### **Hospitality Ministers** (also known as Ushers)

- † Greet fellow worshippers as they arrive and later as they leave.
- † Hand out worship aides/collect them after Mass.
- † Help with the Offertory Collection.
- † Assist those in need.

To be a vital part of our welcoming spirit at STM please contact: Douglas Lynn, 760-758-4100 x140 or douglasl@stmoside.org



#### A WAY TO GIVE ~ A WAY TO RECEIVE



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

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 August 27/28, 2011

Number of Registered Households	1,018
Offertory*	\$ 6,618.19
Offertory (Loose Collection)	1,393.00
Children's envelopes	1.00
Total	\$ 8,012.19

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*.

**Retrouvaille for Troubled Marriages**—Call 951-259-9474 or visit *www.RetroCA.com*.

**Young Adult Ministry Activities in San Diego County—**Visit *www.yamsd.org* for complete information on events for young adults., including *Theology on Tap*, an evening for young married couples, and a retreat in September.

**Ignatian Volunteer Corps**—Opportunities to serve people who are poor one or two days per week plus meet monthly with other volunteers and a spiritual guide to reflect and pray. For more information, contact 619-881-9509 or *www.ivcusa.org*.

Free Pool Party at Whispering Winds Camp in Julian—Monday, September 5, 10:00am-4:00pm, 17606 Harrison Park Rd., Julian. Entertainment, recreation, and swimming. For more information, contact 619-464-1479 or www.whisperingwinds.org.

Concert at Áegis Assisted Living in Oceanside—Thursday, September 8, 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 Caravan, specializing in songs from the 20's through the 90's. Please RSVP by September 5 to 760-806-3600.

**Concert at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside**—Friday, September 9, featuring Lyndon Pugeda and LPSEVEN. A portion

of the proceeds will benefit Old Mission Montessori School. Email *info@lyndonpugeda.com* for more information.

**Lectures and Retreats at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside**—Visit *www.sanluisrey.org* or call 760-757-3659 for details on upcoming events, including "A Day of Respite for Caregivers" on Saturday, September 10.

Peace Pole Ceremony to Commemorate 9/11 in Vista—Sunday, September 11, 11:30am, United Methodist Church of Vista, 490 S. Melrose Dr., Vista. Laying of hands on the peace pole with prayers will be followed by "planting" of the peace pole, as a way to remember the tenth anniversary of 9/11 with neighboring churches.

Interfaith 9/11 Memorial & Concert in San Diego—Sunday, September 11, 4:30-6:30pm, "Responding from the Heart" at Balboa Park, Spreckels Organ Pavilion. Free admission and parking. For more information, contact sdinterfaith911@ymail.com or 619-384-6852.

**St. Vincent de Paul Village Ladies Guild Membership Coffee in San Diego**—Monday, September 12, 10:00am, St. Brigid Parish Hall, 4735 Cass St., Pacific Beach. For more information, call Virginia LaMendola at 619-435-2108.

**Healing Ministry Class in Solana Beach**—St. James Healing Prayer Ministry will offer the MacNutt's School of Healing Prayer Level I DVD series beginning Tuesday, September 13. Morning classes will be held at the Ministry Center from 9:30-11:00am. Evening sessions will be held at a private residence from 6:00-7:30pm. For information or signup contact 888-590-5095 or *cory@wwdb.org*.

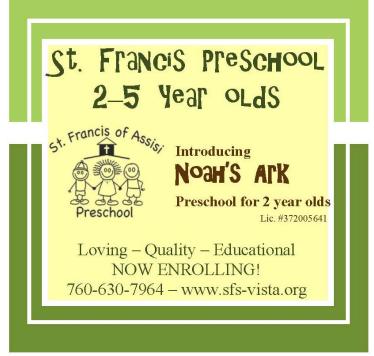
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