



Adult Faith Formation Opportunities

JustFaith

begins Sunday, September 18, 5:00-7:30pm
or Tuesday, September 20, 11:00am-1:30pm
Contact Sr. Maureen for details.

Catholicism: It's Your Story

begins Wednesday, September 21, 7:00-8:30pm
See bulletin insert for details.

**Bible Study: The Letters of St. James,
St. Peter, and St. Jude**

begins Wednesday, September 28, 9:00-11:00am
or Thursday, September 29, 7:00-9:00pm
See page 4 for details.

A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

Spirituality † Tradition † Community

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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 18, 2011 • Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak
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Celebrating a Generous God

This Sunday, September 18, at both the 8:30am and 10:30am Masses, a special ceremony of blessing and dedication is taking place in which we recognize the many catechists among us who have committed themselves in this coming Parish Year to "hand on the faith" to others, especially the young, in our midst.

We, so often, take a Parish for granted. It is "here" and we avail ourselves of its resources dependent upon our needs. A Parish, though, doesn't just happen. A Parish, and, especially a Parish with a lively faith, is created and maintained by conscious and very deliberate choices "to be."

The Church of St. Thomas More is an intentional Faith Community. God has called us and we respond to God by gathering together in the name of Jesus. In that intentional

gathering, the Lord Jesus is present and, through us, Jesus' mission and ministry continue.

Every day hundreds and hundreds of people within our community reaffirm their "yes" to God and to God's Son, and our brother, Jesus, by making conscious and deliberate choices to live the Gospel, to gather together in Jesus' name, and to continue the mission and ministry that Jesus began.

The Catechetical Ministry of a Parish is about sharing our Faith and making sure that we pass it on to others in our midst and to future generations. The core of the Catechism that we pass on is not just words and doctrines that we find on the pages of a book.

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WOMEN'S RETREAT

September 30-October 1

St. Thomas More Parish Center

www.stmoside.org/women for more info

MEN'S RETREAT

October 14-16

Camp Cedar Glen in Julian

www.stmoside.org/men for more info

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 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
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)*

More importantly, those words and doctrines, if they are to be recognized as authentic, must be enlivened in the actions of our lives that flow from a heart on fire with Jesus.

As Pastor, I am grateful to the many Parishioners who have made a conscious choice to order the priorities in their lives in such a way that they can give of their time and talent to be Catechists within the St. Thomas More Faith Community.

Because of the dedicated leadership of Kathleen Bell, our Faith Formation Director, I can witness to and be grateful for so many Catechists who have the desire to share Jesus and the Faith Life of this Community with others.

May their example inspire all of us to deepen our commitment to the Church of St. Thomas More. Remember, a Parish with a lively Faith doesn't just happen. We must choose to make it happen. Let us, once again, make that choice!

F. Mike

Eucharistic Adoration



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

Exposition of the Eucharist on First Fridays.
Next date: Friday, October 7.

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

Looking for Information on the Catholic Faith?

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

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

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 x100 or parishoffice@stmoside.org**

Readings for the Week Ahead

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

Sunday, September 18 (133)

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 55:6-9
Psalm 145:2-3,8-9,17-18
Philippians 1:20c-24,27a
Matthew 20:1-16a

Monday, September 19 (449)

Januarius, bishop, martyr
Ezra 1:1-6
Psalm 126:1-6
Luke 8:16-18

Tuesday, September 20 (450)

Andrew Kim Taegon, priest, martyr, Paul Chong Hasang, martyr, and their companions, martyrs
Ezra 6:7-8,12b,14-20
Psalm 122:1-5
Luke 8:19-21

Wednesday, September 21 (643)

Matthew, apostle, evangelist
Ephesians 4:1-7,11-13
Psalm 19:2-5
Matthew 9:9-13

Thursday, September 22 (452)

Haggai 1:1-8
Psalm 149:1-6,9
Luke 9:7-9

Friday, September 23 (453)

Haggai 2:1-9
Psalm 43:1-4
Luke 9:18-22

Saturday, September 24 (454)

Zechariah 2:5-9,14-15a
Jeremiah 31:10-13 (Psalm)
Luke 9:43b-45

Sunday, September 25 (136)

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ezekiel 18:25-28
Psalm 25:4-9
Philippians 2:1-11
Matthew 21:28-32

Prayer 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
Lynda Brady
Stan Bressi
Ethel M. Brogan
Monica Broussard
Diane Brown
George Brown
Janet Brown
Chris Buhalis
Glenn Busse
Shelby Campbell
Brianna Campos
Claudia Caplinger
The Cardillo Family
Paul Cassidy
Lolly Cervantes
Pat Christopherson
Dick Clarke
Dolly Cole
Carl Coleman
James Coleman
Karen Flaharty Daley
Robert Daly
Claire De Ainza
Beverly de Gelder
Bernard Delaney
Judith DiMatteo
John Drazkowski, Jr.
Marge Egan
Sharon Evans
Donna Everson
Chuck Fay
The Fiore Family
Ryan Flum
Matthew Foster
Kathryn Franklin
Joe Freire
Brian Frink
Carmen Garcia
Rick Gonzalez
Eileen Gough
Rosemary Haeffelin
Susan Hallahan
The Harker Family
Elizabeth Harrison
Lilian Hills
Susan Hori
Iolanda Iacobelli
The Jensen Family
Sue Johnston
Eileen Jones
Megsic Keck
Paul Kennedy
Peggy Kiernan
Debbie Kinney
Helen Kuhn
Lillian Lachance
The Lamelin Family
Peggy Lane Hernandez
Bernie Lanzrath
Christopher Lawrence
Roland Lawrence
Brandon LeBlanc
Ashley Load
Angie 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
Helen O'Connell
The O'Donovan Family
Heidi Olson
Lupe Casas Pelletier
Helen Pingtella
The Porter Family
Douglas Price-Williams
Angelita Rasmon
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
Pete Serle & Family
Bob, Joan, & Julie Shea
Elizabeth Shirzad
Richard Sikora
Jeanne Sisson
Mike Snyder
The Solomon Family
Nick Soltau
Fred Spiegel
Gilda Spiegl
Monica St. Pierre
Dorothy Staehr
Ted Stanislawski
Jo & George Stephens
Elizabeth Stocker
Pete Sullivan
Maria Surmenidis
Earl Swede
David Sweet
Sarah Tillinghast
Stephen Toth, Jr.
John Treat
Mary Tysko & Family
Laurie Updyke
Barbara Upson
Arnie Velasco
Bob Vita
Vanessa Vitiello-Koble
Kevin Watson-Graff
John Whitton
Carmella Wilson

Calendar Highlights

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

The Week Ahead

- Sep 18 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses
- Sep 18 New Member Reception
- Sep 23-25 Teen Retreat
- Sep 24 Women's Guild Luncheon
- Sep 25 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am Mass
- Sep 25 RE.A.CH Classes at Church
- Sep 25 Parent Meeting for Sacramental Preparation
- Sep 25 Vodka Tasting Party

The Month Ahead

Sep 30-Oct 1 Women's Ministry Retreat

The Year Ahead

- Oct 7 Eucharistic Exposition
- Oct 8 Treasures 2011 Flea Market
- Oct 9 RE.A.CH Classes at Church
- Oct 14-16 Men's Fellowship Retreat
- Oct 16 RE.A.CH Classes for High School Begin
- Oct 23 RE.A.CH Classes at Church
- Oct 28-29 Women's Guild Bake Sale & Quilter's Treasure Sale

2012

- Jan 14-31 Stewardship Awareness and Renewal
- Jan 22 Towers of Faith Reception
- Jan 29 Groundbreaking for Permanent Church and Parish Offices
- June 1 13th Annual Golf Classic
- July 16-20 Vacation Bible Camp

2013

- June 21 Dedication of our Permanent Church

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.

September 19	Sr. Katherine Jobson, MMS
September 20	Sr. Jane Joppa, OCD
September 21	Sr. Mary Magdalene Kalinda, CVI
September 22	Sr. Baouth Kassab, DMI
September 23	Sr. Maureen Keegan, SCMM
September 24	Sr. M. Jelena Kekic, MC
September 25	Sr. Myrtle Keller, MMS

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 17, 5:00pm
Jeffrey & Philip Lavelle ☩

Sunday, September 18, 8:30am
Emilio & Restituta Cabriella ☩

Sunday, September 18, 10:30am
Paul Waters ☩

Tuesday, September 20, 8:15am
Seth Mason ☩

Wednesday, September 21, 8:15am
Carlota Alvarez

Thursday, September 22, 8:15am
Louie Carlen ☩

Friday, September 23, 8:15am
Lillian Ver Halen ☩

Saturday, September 24, 5:00pm
Ruth Hannon ☩

Sunday, September 25, 8:30am
Christie & Josh Elliott

Sunday, September 25, 10:30am
Nicholas Angelucci, Sr. ☩

Welcome to Newly Registered Parishioners

Stewart & Thuy Cook & Family
Robert Newsome & Sunshine Hernandez & Family
Ray & Anna Stits & Family

Announcing the Baptisms of

Kayla Robin Mosca
Ethan Matthew Willson
Taylor May Willson
on September 18, 2011



Our Christian community welcomes you with great joy!

Missionary Cooperation Appeal

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 last week may be returned any time during the month of September. Thank you!

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.

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

Brother Benno's Toiletry/Underwear Collection

It's that time again when you have the opportunity to unload your travel cases of all those "souvenirs" collected from hotels and motels around the world—the much sought-after shampoos and soaps that were irresistible but are now just clutter. Every year we collect toiletries for the homeless at Brother Benno's for use in their hygiene packs. Of course, they do not have to be the little ones from hostelieries. They can be larger ones for use at the center, along with new toothbrushes, hair combs, etc.

We are also collecting NEW men's, women's, and children's underwear, which are also always in demand. Please be generous, as always. Deacon Tom's truck will be in the parking lot before all the Masses on the weekend of September 24-25. Thank you!

Culture of Life

Culture of Life Family Services (COLFS) 2011 Gala and Auction—Saturday, October 15, 5:30pm, Hilton San Diego Resort and Spa, Mission Bay. Featured speakers are Terrence Kennedy, San Diego Padres catcher, Dr. Anthony Levatino, former abortionist, and Joel Anderson, State Senator 36th District. For more information, visit www.colfs.org.

40 Days for Life—September 28-November 6, a focused pro-life campaign that includes prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil, and community outreach. Visit www.40daysforlife.com/sandiego.

Marriage & Family Life Corner

The Bishops' Letter on Marriage—Reproductive Technology: "The procreative capacity of man and woman should not be treated as just another means of technology, as also happens with in vitro fertilization (IVF) or cloning. When that happens, human life itself is degraded because it becomes, more and more, something produced or manufactured in various ways, ways that will only multiply as science advances. Children begin to be seen less as gifts received in a personal communion of mutual self-giving, and increasingly as a lifestyle choice, a commodity to which all consumers are entitled." To read the document go to <http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/>.

Marriage Moments—Although flexibility is important in a marriage, sometimes relationships break down when one partner takes life too loosely. It's hard when you don't know if you can depend on your spouse to meet a deadline or a commitment. What's your spouse good at remembering?

Parenting Pointers— "I was sick and you visited me." (Mt. 25:35) Parents readily do this corporal work of mercy each time our child has a cold or we kiss a boo boo. But what about those physically or mentally ill people outside our family? Does someone need a visit? Take a child with you.

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

Looking for Information on the Catholic Faith?

Are you interested in learning more about Catholicism, becoming a Catholic, or returning to the Catholic Church after being away?

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

Parish Events

Women's Guild News

Our next meeting will be coming up fast, so please get your reservations in as soon as you know you can come. We are having the Hawaiian Program this time with a delicious meal, decor, and many dances for your entertainment. I have been told that the troupe will be dancing some new dances and have new costumes as well. The date is Saturday, September 24 at 11:00am on the lower level of the Parish Center.

Please call Vera Bayliss at 760-739-9061 or Siggie Ogan at 760-994-4727 for a reservation. We really appreciate your call to reserve so we will have the appropriate amount of food.

Remember, you are welcome to bring a guest or a husband (not any husband, but yours) to the event. Everyone is welcome. We will have a great time.

The board of the Women's Guild and I will be looking forward to seeing you all at our first meeting.

—Vera Bayliss, President

Knights of Columbus News

The Knights are selling *Entertainment Books* on the Plaza after weekend Masses. They make great gifts!

Treasures 2011 Update

For Parishioners who would like to deliver their flea market donations a bit early, we will accept donations on Friday, October 7, from 4:00-7:00pm (weather permitting). You may unload your donations onto the blue tarps in the Parish Center parking lot. If you also are able to stay a while and assist with arranging the donations, that will be most helpful.

We need more Parishioners to volunteer on October 8 to ensure the success of this fundraiser. Please submit your two-hour volunteer work shift sheet.

Check your home and garage for items you can donate, and fill out and return your donation information forms.

Forms can be returned to the Parish Office box #43 or placed in the offertory collection basket.

The dates for the next planning and organizing meetings are Tuesday, September 20, and Tuesday, October 4, 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.

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).

Our Journey Into The Future . . . Together! Phase II ~ Four months to go!

St. Thomas More, pray for us!

Pledge Statistics as of September 13

Phase II		# of Families Responding
Total Responses	\$1,567,757	756
Still Needed	\$432,243	272
Total Goal	\$2,000,000	1,028
Total Collected	\$1,398,984	



† We have now heard from 74% of the Parish and we have collected nearly \$1.4 million toward our goal of \$2 million.

† The quality of our build out is dependent on how much we raise and you are making this happen. Thank you to ALL of our donors!!!

† Any new donors and/or additional donations are welcome and appreciated!

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?

Thank you ladies for your tremendous support of my costume jeweled Christmas tree project for the 2012 Golf Classic Auction. I will be able to use a lot of the pieces you have already given and also able to pass along several items for the upcoming Treasures 2011 Flea Market. There are a few more specific pieces I am looking for—if you have any “Avon” Christmas jewelry or other Christmas themed pieces you are no longer wanting in your jewelry collection, that will finish my search. Production of the tree will start soon, so if you could take just one more look in your collection, I'd greatly appreciate it. It will be so exciting to see the finished product and how you made this beautiful tree come to life.



You may bring your COSTUME jewelry to the parish office during the week. Visit www.stmoside.org/golf to see a full-color rendition of a completed tree.

Questions? Call Debbie Ipsen at 760-723-0402.

Liturgy & Music

Worship God

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

AUTUMN ORDINARY TIME

Ordinary Time covers most of the fall season ending with the Feast of Christ the King and the beginning of Advent. Nature's summer is gradually giving way to autumn. It is the same in the liturgy. We will now be contemplating the four last things as we approach the end of our liturgical year. We are beginning to think about the end of the world. Autumn reminds us of the evening tide of life, and we pray that God will not abandon us in this evening tide of the year and of life.

—Pius Parch
 from *Seasons of Grace*

Here along the coast we may not feel the season change too much, but we surely see the change in places where we shop and eat! All manner of décor for the season and festivities are in the craft stores and decorating the malls.

Autumn has many faces, the last of which is Advent. Autumn is not a block of time but rather a process. We begin in September when the abundance of the harvest is realized, shades of green are softening and turning golden; temperatures can soar and storms pop up and it can also be as fine as it gets! We long for comfort foods, soups, stews, sweet potatoes, apple pies and begin our search for the perfect pumpkin! Autumn is the year's fulfillment.

As we advance through the season, daylight steadily wanes and we lose an hour of our day. Our gardens show the effect—leaves fall, flowers drop, and we are looking at the end of time. Nostalgia, a lovely word that means “homecoming” evokes the themes in our Sunday readings. Prepare yourselves to listen and hear the readings that call us home, that challenge us to care of others, and welcome the stranger.

This season is rich in solemnities: All Saints and All Souls; Feasts for Saints Matthew and Luke; Saints Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, and archangels. Memorials to Vincent de Paul, Francis of Assisi, and Leo the Great are also remembered.

Looking ahead, save the date for:

- **Rosary for Peace** on October 9
- **Children of Abraham** ecumenical celebration on November 23

We prepare our worship space by rearranging plants, hanging beautiful banners, and cleaning out closets! Thank you to the banner team, led by Joe Buhlert, to Charlene Buhlert for constructing our autumn banners, and to Siggie Ogan for her finishing work.

Kathy Arciero, Liturgy Chairperson



AUTUMN

Upcoming Music

SEPTEMBER 25
 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm Mass

Sanctuary Choir

8:30am Mass

Handbell Choir

10:30am Mass

Praise Team

A Prayer for Autumn

Good and generous Lord, you have once more brought the year full circle, through planting and growing and ripening to harvest time, and autumn.

We thank you for the sun and the wind, the rain and the dew, the minerals of the earth and all the plants that grow and all the beasts and birds of farm and field. We marvel at your wonderful ways of bringing food from the earth for our good.

Dear God, help us to use your rich gifts as you want us to. Teach us to share them with our neighbors when they are in need. Make us see, in the marvelous succession of seasons, and in the growth and ripening of our crops, the merciful, generous hand of your divine providence.

Help us to realize, too, that if we keep your commandments and live according to the inspirations of your grace, we shall also reap a plentiful harvest in the autumn of our lifetime: a harvest that we will be able to enjoy forever and ever, where no rust can destroy, nor blight spoil any least part of it. Amen.

Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

Kathleen Bell
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Today is a RE.A.CH day

Religious Education for Adolescents & Children

at Home
(Check your Annual Plan)

Catholicism: It's Your Story

Journey Around the World and Deep into the Faith

Robert Barron's Word on Fire Catholic Ministries offers a vision of the Catholic Faith, which has never before been seen. This vision seeks to explore, through a global journey, the living culture of the Catholic Church. From the lands of the Bible, to the great shrines of Europe, to the shores and heartland of America, to the mysteries of Asia, to the rich landscapes of Latin America, to the beating heart of Africa—and beyond; witness the passion and glory of the faith that claims over a billion of the earth's people as its own.

- 10 sessions ~ DVD and discussion
Dates: September 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19, 26;
January 4, 11, 18, 25
- Time: 7:00-8:30pm
- Open to all interested Parishioners and friends
- Attend as many sessions as you can

*Fulfills the requirement of preparation for Adult Confirmation
(attendance required)*

YOUTH MINISTRY

High School!

✘ IGNITE

We are back indoors!!! We have Youth Group on Monday, September 18, at 7:00pm! We are preparing for this Faith Formation year and will continue to build our faith—this journey will be challenging and great.

✘ Confirmation, Phase 2

Retreat this coming weekend!!! Please turn in your forms to Marc and continue to pray for this event at home! This is a Mandatory event for Phase 2 Confirmation students and is on September 23-25 at Kamp Kuper, Escondido. Please call Marc if you have any questions (760-758-4100 x161).

Catechetical Sunday

The ministry of the Word is a fundamental element of evangelization through all its stages because it involves the proclamation of Jesus Christ, the eternal Word of God...

The Word of God nourishes both evangelizers and those who are being evangelized so that each one may continue to grow in his or her Christian life.

(National Directory for Catechesis [NDC]
[Washington, DC: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2005], no. 17)

Catechetical Sunday 2011 is a wonderful opportunity to reflect upon the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel.

Those who have been designated by the community to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry at Mass this Sunday:

*Cherie Abrahms
Greg Abrahms
Leslie Aguilar
Regina Aulisio
Dennis Baggett
Anthony Barela
Erin Barela
Kathleen Bell
Jody Cadieux
Jim Day
Marilyn Day
Mario Diaz
Kathy Egan
John Fredette
Ricardo Juárez Frausto
Valentina Franco
George Gisel
Patt Goeltz
Dcn. Tom Goeltz
Rory Griffin
Lovette Hazzard
Kathleen Hermsmeyer*

*Penny Johnson
Lia Keane
Tim Keane
Mary Kizer
Marilyn Lilly
Cathy Meyer
Nicole Noivo
Carolyn Orscheln
Mike Provinse
Rev. Michael Ratajczak
Marc Raymundo
Louann Rodriguez
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...and our many assistants!*

PBJ Update

(Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center)

2011 GOAL: 365 jars
Collected to date: 396 jars

Need Service Hours?

Does your high school require you to complete a certain number of service hours? Here's a great opportunity to have fun AND get hours. *Treasures 2011 Flea Market on Saturday, October 8*, is looking for teen assistants from 6:30am to 1:30pm. Email Marc and let him know what hours you want to work (marcr@stmoside.org).

Stewardship & Development

Serve God's People

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 Director of Stewardship & Development
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Christian Stewards

Generous and Prudent with Parish Commitments

For millions of kids in the Northern Hemisphere, September marks the beginning of school. Little ones bid a teary farewell at the kindergartner door, and college students embark on their first steps toward adulthood. For everyone in between, it's a time when the lazy days of summer are transformed into a season of routines, schedules, and commitments.

The same goes for grown-ups, even those of us who don't have kids. If you're not being besieged to sign up for a long list of volunteer opportunities at school, sports, or scouts, your Parish may be gearing up for the ministry fair and "commitment Sunday." A good steward will approach this season of "sign-ups" with the right attitude and prayerful reflection.

Here are some considerations for using your gifts of time and talent wisely and generously: a smart person once said that your vocation is the place where your greatest happiness intersects with the world's greatest need. So commit yourself to something you can get excited about.



Don't sign up from a guilt complex, or a "nobody's going to do this so I guess I should" frame of mind. Feel free to try something new; don't think that since you joined one committee last year, you're stuck for life. Be generous with your time, but don't over-commit. Think of the time you spend surfing the web or watching television. Then think about how you can channel some of that time into service for your Parish family. Just don't overbook!

Remember that stewardship of your family, and taking care of your own spiritual health, are of primary importance. Be selective about the parish commitments you make, and then give yourself whole-heartedly and efficiently to your chosen role. Be a person your committee can always count on.

And when you're pondering commitments, don't forget to consider the commitments of your whole family and how they intersect. Today's kids are often overbooked, and all these "sign-ups" should never take away from family nights around the dinner table and evenings spent together. Plan a family discussion, and family prayer, before everyone plunges into a fall and winter of busyness.

Make this year's commitment of time and talent enriching for all!
 —ICSC Parish Stewardship, September 2011 (with permission)

Some pursue happiness ~ others create it!

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 September 10/11, 2011

Number of Registered Households		1,028
Offertory*	\$	6,738.01
Offertory (Loose Collection)		959.00
Children's envelopes		1.00
Total	\$	7,698.01

* 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.

Marriage Encounter Program in San Diego—Resolving to have a better relationship? Choose a Marriage Encounter weekend to start that process! For more information, contact barfive@cox.net or 866-473-7730.

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

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*.

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 *Grief/A Healing Journey*, a support group.

Religious Emblems Program for Boy Scouts and Venturers—Ad Altare Dei for Boy Scouts in 7th to 12th grades. For more information, call Debbie Sylvester at 619-884-7002. Pope Pius XII for Boy Scouts & Venturers in 9th grade and up. For more information, call Jim Smith at 760-436-2549.

Women's Christian Fellowship Bible Study in Carlsbad—Thursdays from 9:30am-12:00noon, at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church, 6628 Santa Isabel St., Carlsbad. The study will cover Romans and Thessalonians 1 and 2. For more information, please call Angie at 760-436-3875 or visit www.womenschristianfellowship.org.

New Paths in Coronado—A free 13-week support group for the separated and divorced will meet on Tuesdays at 6:30pm from September 30 through December 13 at the Ministry Center of Sacred Heart Church, 655 C Ave., Coronado. For more information, call Martha at 619-435-6136 or Tom at 619-437-6689.

St. Pio of Pietrelcina Feast Day Celebration in Spring Valley—Sunday, September 25, 1:30pm, Santa Sophia Parish, Spring Valley. Film, Holy Hour, Talk, and Mass celebrated by Bishop Chavez. For more information, contact 619-697-5958 or info@saintpio.org.

Open House at Our Lady of Peace High School in San Diego—Saturday, October 8, 9:00-11:30am, 4860 Oregon St., San Diego. All girls college prep high school. For more information, visit www.aolp.org or call 619-725-9118.

Volunteers Needed as Advocates for Foster Children—Become a child advocate and make a lasting difference in the life of a foster child. More than just a mentor, you can give hope to a child who has none. For upcoming information session dates, contact www.speakupnow.org or 858-569-2235.

News from St. Francis Church

Concert

Friday, September 30, 7:00pm

Tom Booth and Band, The Paschal Mystery Tour

St. Francis of Assisi Parish, 525 W. Vista Way, Vista

VIP Tickets: \$80

(dinner with the artist, signed photo and priority seating)

General Admission: \$20 presale*/\$30 at the door

Seniors/Students: \$15 presale*/\$25 at the door

Children 5-12 years old: \$10

Children under 4: free

Presale ends September 20

To order tickets, please call the Parish Office at 760-945-8000

For information about Youth Group discounts, call 760-945-8043

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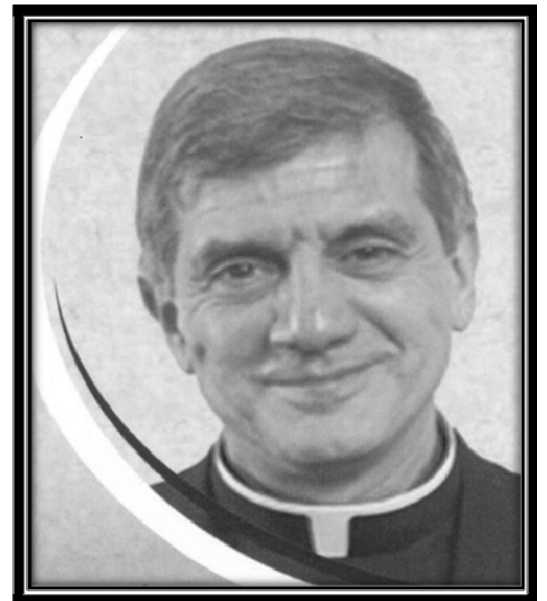
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Fr. Richard will help us to embrace the new translation and grow in our understanding, so we can worship in Spirit and in Truth.



Date: Saturday, September 24, 2011

Time: 8:00am Mass, continuing until 1:00pm

Place: St. Thomas More Parish Center Upper Level

For more information, contact the St. Francis Parish Office at 760-945-8000



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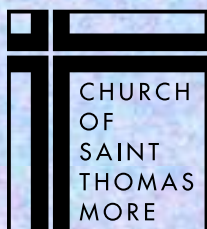
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