

St. Thomas More 12th Annual Golf Classic makes extra \$3,000 donation to STM—it's a wrap! See page 5 for details.

A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

Spirituality † Tradition † Community

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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

October 9, 2011 • Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak  
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### Deficit Spending

I share with you the blog of STM Parishioner, David Berry:

*“Though we’ve got still three more months to enjoy 2011, my personal theme and takeaway from this year has already become clear to me. Namely, that deficit spending, doesn’t work for me. I am not speaking of financial mismanagement, debt ceilings, or monetary policy of any kind. I am speaking of my attempts over*

*the last nine months to activate and extend my creative self at times when I did not possess the resources to do so.*

*What I have learned this year is that there is a line dividing my higher, creative self and my lower, surviving self. When I am operating below the line, it is because I am in need of renewal,*

*(Continued on page 2)*

### Did You Know?

This year Christmas Day falls on a Sunday. I know that many of you will really like that because it means only coming to Mass once that week. It is like a “two for one special.”

For a Pastor, though, this means a very real potential loss of significant revenue. My guess is that we could lose about \$10,000 in revenue because people give only once instead of twice (once for Christmas and once for the Sunday).

Please keep this in mind. Consider an extra gift or two between now and Christmas so that we do not lose that revenue. Also on Christmas remember to “give twice.”

Your gifts are needed more than ever as we begin construction of our Permanent Church and Parish Offices.

## Our Mission is to: worship God,

In addition to Mass, reconciliation, and Eucharistic Adoration (see page 1 for schedules), there are opportunities to participate in liturgical and music ministries.

For further information, contact Douglas Lynn,  
Director of Liturgy and Music,  
at 760-758-4100 x140 or douglasl@stmoside.org  
Matrimony (9 months advance notice required),  
communion for the sick/homebound, and anointing  
are available by request

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at 760-758-4100 x100 or parishoffice@stmoside.org.

## teach and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ,

There are programs for faith development and enrichment for all ages, including preparation for receiving the sacraments.

For further information, contact Kathleen Bell,  
Director of Faith Formation,  
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 (see page 10).

For further information, contact Chris Smith,  
Director of Stewardship and Development,  
at 760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org.

See page 10 or [www.stmoside.org](http://www.stmoside.org) for more details.

## 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.

## 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 \$22,300  
from this program. Thank you donors!



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## Pastor's Column *(Continued from page 1)*

*refreshment, restoration. When I am operating above the line I am capable of creativity, energy, extension.*

*The awareness I have gained is that I am not very gracious to myself when I am below the line and expect that I should be above it. Put another way, when I need to focus on renewal I need to focus on renewal; to focus on getting back to the line before I can again cross over it and above it."*

As I reflected upon David's words, I thought: "You can't give what you ain't got!" (Excuse the poor English.)

For us, who are Disciples of the Lord Jesus, we need that renewal, refreshment, and restoration time in order to live as our higher self.

This means taking time on a daily basis for some prayer, quiet time, reflection, and meditation. We need also to be actively involved in the life of our Faith Community by participating in the Sacramental Life of the Church, especially in celebrating the Eucharist on a weekly basis.

There are no shortcuts and no magic bullets. When we need to focus on renewal, we need to focus on renewal. And what we learn over time is that this can not be sporadic. It needs to be part of our daily routine, just like diet and exercise.

May David's words remind all of us to seek our higher selves!

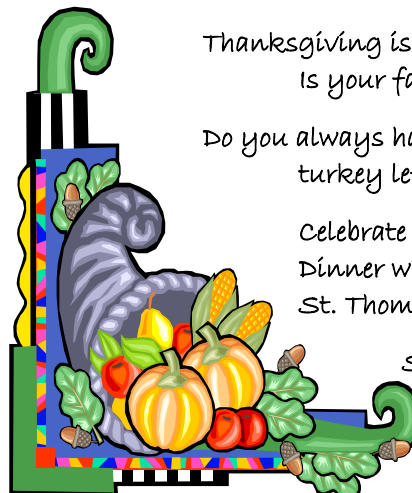
*F. Mike*

## Men's Fellowship Retreat

**As iron sharpens iron,**

**so one man sharpens another (Proverbs 27:17)**

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](http://www.stmoside.org/men)). This is fast approaching, so please submit your registration forms as soon as possible so that we can have an accurate count. Thank you!



Thanksgiving is coming!  
Is your family out of town?

Do you always have too much  
turkey left over?

Celebrate Thanksgiving  
Dinner with your  
St. Thomas More Parish family!

Spread the word, and look  
for your invitation in  
next week's bulletin!

**Readings for the Week Ahead**

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

**Sunday, October 9** (142)

*Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Isaiah 25:6-10a

Psalm 23:1-6

Philippians 4:12-14,19-20

Matthew 22:1-14

**Monday, October 10** (467)

Romans 1:1-7

Psalm 98:1-4

Luke 11:29-32

**Tuesday, October 11** (468)

Romans 1:16-25

Psalm 19:2-5

Luke 11:37-41

**Wednesday, October 12** (469)

Romans 2:1-11

Psalm 62:2-3,6-7,9

Luke 11:42-46

**Thursday, October 13** (470)

Romans 3:21-30

Psalm 130:1-6

Luke 11:47-54

**Friday, October 14** (471)

*Callistus I, pope, martyr*

Romans 4:1-8

Psalm 32:1-2,5,11

Luke 12:1-7

**Saturday, October 15** (472)

*Teresa of Jesus, virgin, doctor*

Romans 4:13,16-18

Psalm 105:6-9,42-43

Luke 12:8-12

**Sunday, October 16** (145)

*Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Isaiah 45:1,4-6

Psalm 96:1,3-5,7-10

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b

Matthew 22:15-21

**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  
Ken Booth  
Lynda Brady  
Stan Bressi  
Ethel M. Brogan  
Monica Broussard  
Diane Brown  
George Brown  
Janet Brown  
Ralph Browne  
Glenn Busse  
Shelby Campbell  
Brianna Campos  
Claudia Caplinger  
Paul Cassidy  
The Cepeda Family  
Lolly Cervantes  
Pat Christopherson  
Dick Clarke  
Dolly Cole  
Carl Coleman  
James Coleman  
Thomas Cornwell & Family  
Karen Flaharty Daley  
The De Ainza Family  
Beverly de Gelder  
The Delaney Family  
Judith DiMatteo  
John Drazkowski, Jr.  
Marge Egan  
Phyllis Estes  
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  
Sue Johnston  
Eileen Jones  
Megsic Keck  
Paul Kennedy  
Peggy Kiernan  
Debbie Kinney  
Sr. Anne Kremenik  
Helen Kuhn  
Lillian Lachance  
The Lamelin Family  
Peggy Lane Hernandez  
Bernie Lanzrath  
Christopher Lawrence  
Roland Lawrence  
Brandon LeBlanc  
Ashley Load  
Cassandra Loretto  
Lauren Loretto  
Richard Lynn  
James MacArthur  
Nancy Marley  
Bob McWilliams

Joyce Meehan  
Kalei Mendiola  
The Mikridge Family  
June Mitchell  
Nancy Moore  
Conrad Murphy  
Margie Myers  
Cosmo Nocida  
Helen O'Connell  
Heidi Olson  
Lupe Casas Pelletier  
Helen Pingtella  
The Porter Family  
Douglas Price-Williams  
Monica Ramos-Gonzalez  
Angelita Rasmon  
Jack Riley  
Clinton Ritchie  
Rita Ritchie  
The Ritter Family  
Joanne Robinson  
Maria Rogers  
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  
Robert Simon  
Jeanne Sisson  
Mike Snyder  
The Solomon Family  
Nick Soltau  
Fred Spiegl  
Gilda Spiegl  
Monica St. Pierre  
Dorothy Staehr  
Ted Stanislawski  
Jo & George Stephens  
Pete Sullivan  
Maria Surmenidis  
David Sweet  
Sarah Tillinghast  
Stephen Toth, Jr.  
John Treat  
Mary Tysko & Family  
Laurie Updyke  
Barbara Upson  
Arnie Velasco  
Bob Vita  
Vanessa Vitiello-Koble  
Paul & Mai Vo & Family  
Angelo Vozza  
Kevin Watson-Graff  
John Whitton  
Carmella Wilson

**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](http://www.stmoside.org),  
Schedule and Calendar

**The Week Ahead**

Oct 9 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am Mass  
Oct 9 RE.A.CH Classes at Church  
Oct 11-12 Restaurant Fundraiser at Elephant Bar  
Oct 14-16 Men's Fellowship Retreat  
Oct 16 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses  
Oct 16 RE.A.CH Classes for High School Begin

**The Month Ahead**

Oct 22-23 Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive  
Oct 23 RE.A.CH Classes at Church  
Oct 27 Spirited Seniors Viejas Trip  
Oct 28-29 Women's Guild Bake Sale & Quilter's Treasure Sale  
Oct 29 Life Walk

**The Year Ahead**

Nov 1 All Saints Day  
Nov 1-2 Braille Institute All About Eyes Seminar  
Nov 2 All Souls Day  
Nov 5-6 St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive  
Nov 20 Handbell and Sanctuary Choir Concert  
Nov 23 Children of Abraham Interfaith Prayer Service  
Nov 24 Thanksgiving Dinner  
**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

**Pray for Women Religious**

Please join us in praying for the women religious who serve in the Diocese of San Diego. They have been assigned to days of the year in alphabetical order.

October 10	Sr. Mary Anthony Layson, MC
October 11	Sr. Juliet Lee, RSCJ
October 12	Sr. Rosemarie Leier, MMS
October 13	Sr. Helen Lembeck, MMS
October 14	Sr. Katie Lett, CPPS
October 15	Sr. Cecile Ley, RSM
October 16	Sr. Socorro Leyva-Pinal, MFP

**Mass Intentions**

Saturday, October 8, 5:00pm  
Berwyn Collentine ☩

Sunday, October 9, 8:30am  
George Kleekamp ☩

Sunday, October 9, 10:30am  
Annie Gavin ☩

Tuesday, October 11, 8:15am  
Francesca Iacono ☩

Wednesday, October 12, 8:15am  
Elizabeth Nead ☩

Wednesday, October 12, 9:30am  
Catherine Dapkus ☩  
*Pacific Place*

Thursday, October 13, 8:15am  
Larry Dorsa ☩

Friday, October 14, 8:15am  
Gene Bell ☩

Saturday, October 15, 5:00pm  
Eugene Masseth ☩

Sunday, October 16, 8:30am  
Catherine Dapkus ☩

Sunday, October 16, 10:30am  
Marge Heath ☩

## Welcome to Newly Registered Parishioners

Anthony & Krisztina Benyo & Family  
 Michael & Kelly Ferreira & Family  
 Hector & Cristina Gamino & Family  
 John & Lynne Katopodis & Family

## Congratulations to

**Laura & Doug D'Agrosa**

who celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on October 11.

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

## In Memoriam



Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

**Bernard Delaney**, who died on September 22. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Friday, October 28, at 10:30am at St. Thomas More. Please keep his wife, Madeline, and the family in your prayers.

**Dixie Ritter**, who died on October 1. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Monday, October 10, at 10:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep her husband Frank, and the family, in your prayers.

**Walter Mikridge**, who died on October 3. His funeral celebration will be out of town. Please keep his wife Rita, and the family, in your prayers.

**Claire de Ainza**, who died on October 4. Her funeral arrangements are pending. Please keep her family in your prayers.

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

## 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!

## World Mission Sunday

Envelopes were attached to the bulletin last week for this annual missionary appeal. Your prayers are greatly appreciated as well. The envelopes may be returned any time during the month of October. Watch the bulletin for more information or visit [www.iamamissionary.org](http://www.iamamissionary.org).

## 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](http://www.stmoside.org), click on Contact Us, then click on Scrip
3. Email at [scrip@stmoside.org](mailto:scrip@stmoside.org)
4. Phone at 760-758-4100 x150

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

## Social Ministries/Outreach

### Christmas Angel Ministry

For many years, the Christmas Angel ministry has provided Christmas gifts to children at several local charities. The program has traditionally supplied *Catholic Charities* with stockings and gift bags for infants through pre-teens. Hundreds of toys have been distributed to *North County Solutions for Change*, *Casa de Amparo*, and *The Salvation Army*. In addition, individual children from *Casa de Amparo* have been “adopted.”

Following Hurricane Katrina, families were adopted from our sister parish, St. Peter Clavier, in New Orleans. STM parishioners bought gifts not only for the children but for adults in the household as well. This continued successfully for three years.

Last year, attention was turned from New Orleans to a similar need in our own community. The Navy Hospital at Camp Pendleton was, and is, in great need of “angels” to adopt their families who have loved ones recuperating and struggling from the ravages of war. Our beloved Fr. Ken, as Navy Chaplain, tended to the spiritual and material needs of these families for many years. STM parishioners adopted 25 families in 2010, anonymously putting together gift packages for those families; families often with several children who are away from their homes at Christmas while visiting convalescing family members at Camp Pendleton.

Lastly, this ministry helps *Birth Choice* of San Marcos. After Christmas, our tree is adorned with “crowns” requesting baby items that are returned to the parish on the Feast of the Epiphany.

Christmas Angels succeeds through the generosity of Parishioners with their time and talent as well as their treasure. Volunteers are needed for prepping the tree and its ornaments, manning the table/tree at Masses, shopping for needed gifts, sorting, stuffing, and transporting gifts, etc. The overwhelming response has truly been a sign of our willingness to accept our Christian calling to help those in need.

### Christmas Angel Ministry 2011-2012

The first meeting for the Christmas Angel Ministry is Tuesday, October 18, at 7:00pm on the lower level of the Parish Center. **Please note the date change from the Parish calendar handout.** We welcome one and all to brainstorm with us and plan this year's schedule. Help us make our holiday gift-giving program for children and families even better than before. Participation in the Christmas Angel ministry is a very rewarding experience but it takes many angels to ensure its success! Please join us. For more information, contact John and Marti Harper at [4johnnyangel@cox.net](mailto:4johnnyangel@cox.net) or 760-724-1181.

### Culture of Life

**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](http://www.40daysforlife.com/sandiego).

**LifeWalk**—Saturday, October 29, 10:30am, DeAnza Cove at Mission Bay, 5k course. Register as a walker or sponsor a walker. For more information, visit [www.lplifewalk.org](http://www.lplifewalk.org).

### Thanks from Brother Benno's

As always, the Parishioners of STM have been generous. We filled the back of Deacon Tom's truck with toiletries and underwear along with \$190 in cash. All was thankfully received by Brother Benno's.

## Parish Events

### Knights of Columbus News

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

They will also be selling religious-themed Christmas cards and "Keep Christ in Christmas" car magnets and bumper stickers.

Watch for more information on the Tootsie Roll Drive later this month to benefit children and adults with intellectual disabilities.

### Women's Guild News

We have a great program this month for you. A guest author, Stephen Brown, will be talking to us about a book he wrote *Living and Loving Through and Past Cancer: A Spouse's Perspective*. We will have lunch and our book exchange afterward. Please bring a book/books you would like to part with and you will have an opportunity to take any you find interesting. Hope to see you there. Please call Vera at 760-739-9061 or Siggie at 760-994-4727, for reservations. This event will be Monday, October 10, at 11:00am on the lower level of the Parish Center.

Later in October (29 and 30) we will be holding our semi-annual bake sale. In addition, this year we are holding our first "small quilted items sale." These items were all hand-made by members of the Women's Guild quilt guild. They are spectacular and very reasonably priced to sell. They make great gifts and remember, Christmas is just a couple months away. So save the date for baked goods and shopping our "quilted items" sale.

Hope to see you on October 10 at 11:00am for our October program. —*Vera Bayliss, President*

### Bake Sale

The ladies of St. Thomas More Women's Guild will be calling Parishioners whose last names begin with the letters I through Z requesting donations of home-made baked goods for the bake sale on October 29-30. Please bring your baked goods when you come to Mass and drop them off at the designated tables. Please mark items containing nuts. Also avoid anything that would need refrigeration. Your support is greatly appreciated. For more information, call Pat Wong at 760-806-1310 or Nancy Wozniak at 760-729-0782.

### Spirited Seniors Viejas Trip

St. Thomas More Spirited Seniors have planned a trip to Viejas Casino and Outlet Mall on Thursday, October 27. Transportation is by coach provided by Viejas if we have 40 or more riders. The best part?? This is at no cost to us! We will depart St Thomas More parking lot at 10:00am and return to the lot at 5:30pm (departing Viejas at 4:30pm) All riders will receive the Viejas Club Card and Casino Fun Book with coupons for \$5 off at one of three Casino Restaurants. Reservations will be accepted on a first-come first-served basis. This trip is open to all Spirited Senior members, guests, and other St. Thomas More and St. Francis parishioners. **We must have a minimum of 40 riders.** We may have as many as 49 riders. All riders must present a picture ID prior to boarding the bus. The deadline to RSVP is Thursday, October 20. Please call Pat St. Pierre at 760-732-3919.

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

St. Thomas More, pray for us!

Pledge Statistics as of October 5

Phase II		# of Families Responding
Total Responses	\$1,573,187	760
Still Needed	\$426,813	270
Total Goal	\$2,000,000	1,030
Total Collected	\$1,420,781	



† 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](http://www.stmoside.org); click on Our New Church.

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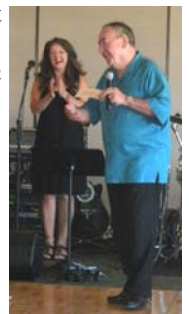
## St. Thomas More 12th Annual Golf Classic Extra \$3,000 donation to STM ~ It's a Wrap!

Thanks, once again, to ALL who participated in making this our most successful year to date!

In addition to the original \$60,000 donated to the Parish in June, we just presented Fr. Mike with an additional \$3,000 check. This will show in the fiscal year ending 2012, but is the result of our final profits from the Pastor's Dinner and the Vodka Tasting Party!

Mark your calendars for June 1, 2012, and get ready for more fun and surprises!

—*Skip Wilson, Golf Chairperson*

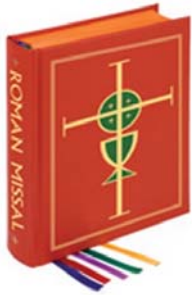


# Liturgy & Music

Worship God

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## EXPLORING THE MASS — PART 3



Introductory  
Rites

**Liturgy of the  
Word**

Liturgy of the  
Eucharist

Concluding  
Rites

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

The two-part worship service (Word and Eucharist) evolved from patterns of Jewish worship. Proclaiming the scriptures aloud expresses their original design. The Bible was written for public proclamation, not just for private devotion. Although some communities provide printed copies of the readings to follow, and other Christian denominations promote bringing a Bible to church in order to follow along, Catholic piety developed around a different value. God speaks to the people in the proclamation of the Word, not in the common silent reading of the Word; and Christ speaks to the people—in the present tense—whenever the Gospel is proclaimed.

The readings from sacred scripture form the community in its weekly gathering. After the Second Vatican Council, people started hearing more scripture than ever before. By expanding the number of Sunday readings from two to three, and the cycle of readings from one year to three years, Catholics now hear 14% of the Old Testament and 71% of the New Testament, up from 1% and 17%, respectively.

#### First Reading

This reading, usually from the Old Testament, regales, chastises, and sometimes shocks us with stories of the chosen people as they awaited the coming of the Messiah. During the Easter season, this reading is from the Acts of the Apostles and describes the emerging Church in the time after the resurrection and ascension. This is the history of our family, filled with stories of the heroes of our faith, lessons about how God has dealt with human beings in the past, discoveries about how Jesus fulfilled the predictions of

a Messiah, and is a reminder of God's compassion and steadfast love.

The First Reading always has a connection to the theme of the Gospel.

#### Responsorial Psalm

The next scripture proclamation is not a reading, but a song. It comes from the Book of Psalms, the hymn book that formed the basis of Jewish worship in Jesus' day. In these familiar verses, the authors poured out their hearts to god, trusting that God would always hear and answer them.

The Psalm is "responsorial" because of its form, not because of its function. It is designed to be sung in alternation between the psalmist and the people.

#### Second Reading

This reading, usually from the New Testament, only connects to the Gospel theme during major feast seasons such as Easter or Advent. Most of the time, it is a semi-continuous reading of the letters that Paul, Peter, James, or John wrote to the various communities or individuals in the early Church. The letters offer advice to these early communities and individuals, explaining doctrines or challenging errors, correcting community practices, and encouraging the listeners to faithfully live out their calling in Christ.

#### Sequence

Sequences serve the function of a hymn, except they are sung in the middle of the Liturgy of the Word.

There are four Sequences in the yearly cycle: for the solemnities of Easter Sunday, Pentecost, and the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ; and for the memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows.



*This is the third in a series on the Mass, a refresher course on its overall form and specific parts, reminding ourselves some of the things we may have learned some time ago.*

*This discussion is adapted from Paul Turner's book, At the Supper of the Lamb, Amy Florian's book, The Mass, the General Instruction of the Roman Missal, and Sing to the Lord: Music in Divine Worship, the last two prepared by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.*

*Next Week:  
Liturgy of the Word (continued)*

### Upcoming Music

**OCTOBER 16**  
**29th Sunday in**  
**Ordinary Time**

**5:00pm Mass**

Sanctuary Choir

**8:30am Mass**

Handbell Choir

**10:30am Mass**

Praise Team

# Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

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brings the Mass and prayer closer to the lives of children (especially ages 6-12)

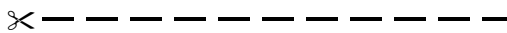
A new booklet each week offers:

- ➔ all the readings and prayers of Sunday Mass with explanations
- ➔ many suggestions on how to live the entire week with the Lord
- ➔ various games and activities to discover Christian life and culture.

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Religious Education for Adolescents & Children  
at **Church**  
10:30am  
12:30pm  
5:00pm



## The Journey Continues

### Part 4: Mary, Mother of God

Join us this Wednesday at 7:00pm as Father Barron correlates our Catholic Faith's testimony to the revelation of God in Christ with the vivid practices of reverence offered on his Mother.

Mary is explained as "an ongoing presence, an actor in the life of the Church."



You are welcome to attend any evenings during this ten-part series. Each session is a jewel in itself and guaranteed to enrich your understanding of Catholicism and pride in our common heritage.



## YOUTH MINISTRY

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### High School

#### ✦ IGNITE

Oh, what are you doing on Monday? I know, you are going to Youth Group! This Monday we continue our new section on "Integrity," and I am excited for this section for many reasons. Here we will begin to examine how our Faith life blends with our social lives. Bring your friends here at 7:00pm!

#### ✦ LEAD

So what does a CORE team do? They specialize in certain parts of ministry, such as Speaking, Topics, Music, Production, Environment, and Small Groups. If you are interested in that, please let me know to pick up an application! CORE and LEAD are essential in our ministry, come join us here on Thursday at 7:00pm!

#### ✦ Inspiration!!!

Ever thought Church and Magic Mountain can blend together? Well now you can! I am taking a limited number of teens to Six Flags Magic Mountain on November 5 to attend a Catholic one-day conference! The cost is \$55 per person, which includes your admission to the park, conference, and a shirt! HURRY, SPACE IS LIMITED! Permission slips are at my office, or email me for a digital copy.

### Middle School

Sunday, October 9, is the EDGE and then again on October 23. Be sure you've got the date change from what was originally announced. It is always a blessing seeing you all there.

## PBJ Update

(Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center)

2011 GOAL: 365 jars  
Collected to date: 407 jars



# Stewardship & Development

Serve God's People

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## Christian Stewardship

### The Harvest and First Fruits of Our Bounty

There's something almost hard-wired into the human heart which responds with joy and gratitude at the harvest season. Perhaps because our ancestors were tied so intimately to the soil, knowing that for them the success or failure of the harvest impacted their very survival and that of their children, our hearts gladden as well at the approach of the time of yield.

For many around the world, from the wheat fields of the Ukraine to the fertile plains of Canada and the U.S., the harvest is here. For the Christian steward, this is time for a deepening reflection on the harvest in our own lives and in how we are sharing the bounty which is given us.

The Hebrew Scriptures show us a people intimately aware of the earth and all it produces. They insisted that the first fruits of the harvest must be given to the Lord. They knew from whence their plenty came: "The earth is the Lord's and everything in it," wrote the Psalmist.

Today, most of us have left our agrarian roots behind. But even in urban areas, people love to sink their hands into rich soil, their own or community gardens, and Farmers' Markets proliferate. People are encouraged to plant one row for the hungry. The growing "eat local foods" movement speaks to our common desire to return to a closeness to the earth and its Creator.

Sadly, although the earth continues to produce in abundance, millions of our sisters and brothers go to bed hungry each night. The Christian steward looks at the world, and remembers the words of the late Indian spiritual leader, Mahatma Gandhi, "I must live simply so that others may simply live." How can our sacrificial giving help those who do not enjoy a single percent of the bounty we possess?

As the produce ripens, the corn stalks begin to yellow, the pumpkins are cut from their vines, the threshers are at work in the fields, our hearts are filled with a centuries-old cry of "thank you," and we ask, as we do each harvest time, how can we return the first fruits of our bounty to the Lord?

—ICSC Parish Stewardship, October 2011 (with permission)



*Live simply so that others may simply live. —M. Gandhi*

## HELPFUL YEAR-END PLANNING TIPS GOT DEDUCTIONS?

### 2011 YEAR-END CHECKLIST

- ◆ **BE SURE TO COMPLETE** all gifts by December 31 to qualify for tax savings on this year's tax return. **Advance planning with the parish office is essential, since the office will be closed from December 24, 2011/January 1, 2012. Gifts received in the offertory at Mass on Saturday, December 31 will be credited for year ending 2011.**
- ◆ **Envelopes POSTMARKED by Saturday, December 31, 2011 will be counted toward this tax year.**
- ◆ **Donations received on Sunday, January 1, 2012 will be credited in the new year, 2012.**
- ◆ **Annual Catholic Appeal** ~ Parishioners with a balance due on their pledges made to this year's ACA are requested to conclude their payments by December 31, 2011. *Tithing families, know that your tithe covers your ACA contribution.)*
- ◆ Keep all gift receipts and acknowledgment letters, especially for gifts of \$250 or more.
- ◆ If you sold securities this year and will owe capital gains tax, remember that gifts of cash or other securities may partially or fully offset any tax on your gains.

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**All gifts to St. Thomas More are deeply appreciated!**

### Collection for Week of October 1/2, 2011

Number of Registered Households		1,030
Offertory*	\$	16,081.62
Offertory (Loose Collection)		1,194.00
Children's envelopes		1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>17,276.62</b>

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

### Ways to Help Support Your Parish

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

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

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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](http://www.catholicradioofsandiego.com) for details or tune in to AM 1000 Monday-Friday, 6:00-8:00pm.

**Pregnancy Resource Center in San Marcos**—Birth Choice of San Marcos, 760-744-1313 or [www.birthchoice.net](http://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](mailto:barfive@cox.net) or 866-473-7730.

**Retrouvaille for Troubled Marriages**—Call 951-259-9474 or visit [www.RetroCA.com](http://www.RetroCA.com).

**Young Adult Ministry Activities in San Diego County**—Visit [www.yamsd.org](http://www.yamsd.org) for complete information on events for young adults., including *Theology on Tap*.

**Lectures and Retreats at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside**—Visit [www.sanluisrey.org](http://www.sanluisrey.org) or call 760-757-3659 for details on upcoming events, including *Honoring the Memory, Healing the Pain* for those with deceased loved ones on November 5.

**North County Solutions for Change Commencement Ceremony**—Thursday, October 16, 6:30pm, 1126 N. Melrose Dr., Vista (Trade Tech High).

**Annual Open Mosque Day in San Diego**—Sunday, October 16, 2:00-5:00pm, 7050 Eckstrom Ave, San Diego. Come meet your Muslim brothers and sisters, have a guided tour of the Islamic Center, learn about Islam and Muslims from the source, and enjoy

delicious multi-cultural food. For more information, visit [www.icsd.org](http://www.icsd.org).

**US Air Force Academy Catholic Cadet Choir Concert**—Saturday, October 22, 7:00pm, Santa Sophia Church, 9800 San Juan St., Spring Valley. For more information, call 619-463-6629.

### Considering Catholic High School?

*It's open house season! Here's the open house information...*

Cathedral Catholic High School (co-ed), Saturday, October 15, 10:00am-2:00pm, 5555 Del Mar Heights Rd., San Diego, 858-523-4000, [www.cathedralcatholic.org](http://www.cathedralcatholic.org).

Mater Dei Catholic High School (co-ed), Saturday, October 15, 10:00am-12:00pm, 1615 Mater Dei Drive, Chula Vista, 619-423-2121, [www.materdeicatholic.org](http://www.materdeicatholic.org).

JSerra Catholic High School (co-ed), Thursday, November 3, 6:30pm, 26351 Junipero Serra Rd., San Juan Capistrano, 949-493-9307, [www.jserra.org](http://www.jserra.org).

St. Augustine High School (boys), Sunday, November 6, 1:00-4:00pm, 3266 Nutmeg St., San Diego, 619-282-2184, [www.sahs.org](http://www.sahs.org).

## News from St. Francis Church



You can still catch the Friar Fest on Sunday, October 9!

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.

For more information, contact the school at 760-945-7960.

### Marriage & Family Life Corner

In the Roman Catholic Church an annulment is the procedure, governed by the Church's Canon Law and the Catechism, whereby an ecclesial tribunal determines the sacrament of marriage was invalidly entered into. An annulment determines the Catholic marriage to be void at its inception. A "Declaration of Nullity" is not a legal dissolution of an existing civil marriage, but rather a determination that the sacrament of marriage was not entered into validly. Do you have questions on the annulment process? If you, or someone you know, is seeking advice or has questions on the annulment process, please contact Patt Goeltz.

**The Bishops' Letter on Marriage—Same-Sex Unions:** "Marriage is a unique union, a relationship different from all others. It is the permanent bond between one man and one woman whose two-in-one-flesh communion of persons is an indispensable good at the heart of every family and every society. Same-sex unions are incapable of realizing this specific communion of persons. Therefore, attempting to redefine marriage to include such relationships empties the term of its meaning, for it excludes the essential complementarity between man and woman, treating sexual difference as if it were irrelevant to what marriage is." To read the document go to <http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife>.

**Marriage Moments**—(tomorrow is Columbus Day) To rediscover your love take a trip down memory lane. Ponder the first time you saw the person who is now your life partner. Share with each other your first impressions and what initially attracted you to each other. Reminisce together. Giggle if you must.

**Parenting Pointers**—"I was in prison and you came to see me." (Mt. 25:35) Now this might seem like a hard work of mercy to do with a child. Consider, however, that sending a child to her room or "time out" is a kind of imprisonment. Give them a way to redeem themselves afterwards.

For more information, visit [www.diocese-sdiego.org/Ministries/Marriage & Family Life](http://www.diocese-sdiego.org/Ministries/Marriage%20&%20Family%20Life) or call Jen Frost at 760-758-4100 x100.



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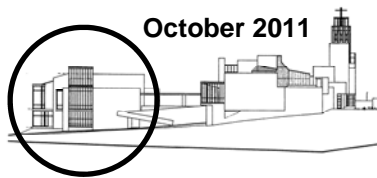
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