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Mass Schedule Saturday at 5:00pm Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am

Eucharistic Adoration Monday-Friday, 6:30am-7:30pm

> Reconciliation (Confession) Saturday, 4:00-4:30pm

Tuesday-Friday at 8:15am

April 8, 2012 • Easter Sunday of the Resurrection

First Annual St. Thomas More Gala-Friday, June 1

Hear ye! Hear ye! Hear ye! Make haste to secure your reservation for our St. Thomas More Gala on Friday, June St. THOMAS MORE 1. This grand gala features a fine feast, plentiful beverages, raffles, auctions, and portraits. The exciting Champagne Diamond Event, music, and dancing top off this brilliant evening!



Notices were mailed and also can be found at the Information Table, the Parish websitewww.stmoside.org, click on the Gala logo—or the Parish Office.

Pastor's Column

On Living the Resurrected Life

As we mark the Feast of the Resurrection Sunday and begin our celebration of these "Great Fifty Days" of Easter, we are mindful that the Resurrection is not just a one-time event, not just a past event, but most importantly, it is a present reality, a faith context, in which we are called to live, move, and have our being.

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"Did You Know?"

We ended our last fiscal year on June 30, 2011. Thanks to your contributions to our "Did You Know Campaign?" we ended the fiscal year in the black! But we did not resolve the \$28,000 deficit which we incurred in FY 2009-2010 and which we carried over into FY 2010-2011.

We are now in FY 2011-2012. Your gifts to the "Did You Know Campaign?" make an important difference not only to keep us "in the black," but help us to resolve the deficit we have been carrying from FY 2009-2010. When you have "a little extra," please remember the "Did You Know Campaign?" It does make a difference!

Pastor's Column (continued from page 1)

I share with you the words of Rev. Henri Nouwen, taken from his book, *Sabbatical Journey:*

...As we claim our faith in the resurrection of the body, we come to see that the resurrection is not simply an event after death but a reality of everyday life.

Our care for the body calls us to unity beyond organization, to intimacy beyond eroticism, and to integrity beyond psychological wholeness.

Unity, intimacy, and integrity are the three spiritual qualities of the resurrected life.

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 760-758-410 x140 or douglasl@stmoside.org

Matrimony (9 months advance notice required),
communion for the sick/homebound, and anointing
are available by request

For further information, contact the Parish Office 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 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.*

Parish Website

Have you checked the Parish website lately? Go to www.stmoside.org, and click on the yellow 'Quick Clicks' in the lower center area, which pops up an alphabetical list of handy pages.

We are called to break through the boundaries of nationality, race, sexual orientation, age, and mental capacities and create a unity of love that allows the weakest among us to live well.

We are called to go far beyond the places of lust, sexual need, and desire for physical union to a spiritual intimacy that involves body, mind, and heart.

And we are called to let go of old ways of feeling good about ourselves and reach out to a new integration of the many facets of our humanity.

These calls are calls to the resurrection.

Caring for the body is preparing the body for the final resurrection while anticipating it in our daily lives through spiritual unity, intimacy, and integrity.

May our participation in the celebration of these "Great Fifty Days" bring us all to greater unity, intimacy, and integrity!

A most blessed Easter Season!



Vocations...Vocations!

As we celebrate our risen Lord and the love our God has shown us, we need to keep in mind God's command to love Him above all and our neighbor as our self. What better way to do this than to be of service to God's people?

If you feel the Spirit calling you to service as a priest, permanent deacon, or consecrated religious, contact Deacon Tom at *thomasg@stmoside.org* or 760-727-8442.





The Little WHITE Book is available to help you celebrate the Easter Season each day through Pentecost! These six-minute meditations reflect on the Sunday Gospels of Easter.

Your \$2 donation helps cover the cost of the book. They are available at the information table on the Plaza or on the lower level of the Parish Center. There are a few in Spanish as well.

Help Establish STM's Archives

The STM Historian is looking for material from events and activities since our Parish was established in 1985. I am looking for photographs, newspaper clippings, brochures, fliers, reports, videos, drawings—anything that represents our congregational memory! Please check your drawers, file cabinets, and that creepy ol' box in the attic. You can drop off your donation at the Parish Office. Thanks!

For more information and questions, please feel free to contact: Brandon at 760-845-5450 or *brandon.oswald@gmail.com*.

Readings for the Week Ahead

Sunday Year B: Weekday Year II Readings online at www.usccb.org.

Sunday, April 8 (42)

The Resurrection of the Lord Acts 10:34a,37-42 Psalm 118:1-2,16-17,22-23 1 Corinthinas 5:6b-8 John 20:1-9

Monday, April 9 (261)

Acts 2:14.22-33 Psalm 16:1-2a,5,7-11

Matthew 28:8-15

Tuesday, April 10 (262)

Acts 2:36-41

Psalm 33:4-5,18-20,22 John 20:11-18

Wednesday, April 11 (263) Acts 3:1-10

Psalm 105:1-4,6-9 Luke 24:13-35

Thursday, April 12 (264)

Acts 3:11-26 Psalm 8:2ab,5-9

Luke 24:35-48

Friday, April 13 (265) Acts 4:1-12

Psalm 118:1-2,4,22-27a

John 21:1-14

Saturday, April 14 (266)

Acts 4:13-21

Psalm 118:1.14-21

Mark 16:9-15

Sunday, April 15 (44)

Second Sunday of Easter Sunday of Divine Mercy

Acts 4:32-35

Psalm 118:2-4,13-15,22-24

1 John 5:1-6

John 20:19-31

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

Mary Alexander Laura Allenfort Lucia Ambriz Mary Balli Alexandra Banwell Jose Luis Barbosa

Patricia Barbour Clarice Bednarz John Bennici Regina Bentz Roseanne Berg

George "Whitey" Betus Mary Betz Betty Jean Bielich Lynda Brady

Roy Bristol Monica Broussard Janet Brown Jean Calderone Shelby Campbell

Brianne Campos Claudia Caplinger Paul Cassidv Lolly Cervantes

Pat Christopherson Nancy Clancey Dick Clarke Dolly Cole Carl Coleman James Coleman

Thomas Cornwell & Family Karen Flaharty Daley Beverly de Gelder

Stephanie de Villeneuve Judith DiMatteo

Dave Dossman John Drazkowski, Jr. Sharon Evans Chuck Fay

The Fiore Family Ryan Flum Ernie Follis Matthew Foster Kathryn Franklin

Joe Freire Ellen Fresca & Family Brian Frink

Carmen Garcia Rick Gonzalez Eileen Gough

Rosemary Haeffelin Susan Hallahan The Harker Family

Elizabeth Harrison Barbara Hill Lilian Hills Susan Hori

Iolanda Iacobelli Linda Iacobelli Bennett

Sue Johnston Eileen Jones Paul Kennedy

Peggy Kiernán Debbie Kinney

John Kirk Itsie Kobayashi Dewey Kolbo

Sr. Anne Kremenik Helen Kuhn Lillian Lachance

The Lamelin Family Christopher Lawrence

Roland Lawrence Brandon LeBlanc Jeremiah Lemus

James MacArthur

Mac McCullough

Bob McWilliams

Jovce Meehan

Kalei Mendiola

Phyllis Minava

Joaquin Maldonado Chandler May

Thursday, April 12, 6:00pm Ashley Load Bud Flanagan 🕆 Cassandra Loretto Lauren Loretto

Friday, April 13, 8:15am Bruno Paolina 🕈

Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 8, 6:30am

Dolores St. Ours 🕆

Sunday, April 8, 8:30am

Bill Carrothers &

Sunday, April 8, 10:30am

Eileen Flood &

Tuesday, April 10, 8:15am

Michael Heinermann &

Wednesday, April 11, 8:15am

Bert Botkin ₽

Saturday, April 14, 5:00pm Vivian Doering &

Sunday, April 15, 8:30am Gene Bell 🕆

Sunday, April 15, 10:30am Robert Rataiczak &

Annie Mintle June Mitchell Nancy Moore Conrad Murphy Margie Myers The O'Connell Family

Heidi Olson Bernadette Padovan Art Palle

Lupe Casas Pelletier Lorraine Phillips Helen Pingtella Douglas Price-Williams

Louie J. Ramirez Barbara Ramm Clinton Ritchie Rita Ritchie Joanne Robinson Maria Rogers Dorothy Rouse The Russo Family

Kimberly Schlunt Linda Schmidt The Douglas E. Schulte Family Juanita Shaffer & Family Bob, Joan, & Julie Shea Elizabeth Shirzad

The Siersma Family Richard Sikora Jeanne Sisson Beth Snyder Mike Snyder Nick Soltau

Fred & Gilda Spiegl Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski

Dorothy Staehr Ted Stanislawski The Stevenson Family Pete Sullivan David Sweet

Mark Tellez Sarah Tillinghast Stephen Toth, Jr. John Treat

Mary Tysko & Family Laurie Updyke Barbara Upson Ethel Vanderhagen Robert Vasquez Silvana Vettese

Carmen Zuniga Villasenor

Bob Vita Vanessa Vitiello Barbara Voelpel Ashley Wandell Kevin Watson-Graff John Whitton Germaine Wilmott Patricia Zavala

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 PFC John Brandone Maj. Tom Browne, Jr., USMC Corp. Willie Deel Chaplain Van Dinh Lance Corp. Brandon Doyle, USMC StfSgt Evans Formica, UŠMC Grant Fischer MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC Sgt. Alex Garcia

FCCM Adam Gregory, USN Staff Sgt. Travis M. Meyers, USAF Col. Sean O'Doherty, USMC 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

Easter Sunday April 8 Masses at 6:30am, 8:30am, and 10:30am April 14 Women's Guild Game Day RE.A.CH classes at church April 15

including high school

The Month Ahead

Knights of Columbus April 22 Breakfast April 23-26 Parish Mission RE.A.CH high school April 22 classes April 29 RE.A.CH classes at church including high school

The Year Ahead

Baby Food Drive May 5-6 May 8-9 Restaurant Fundraiser at Mortony's in Vista Women's Prayer Breakfast May 19 Confirmation at 10:30am May 20 Mass 1st Annual St. Thomas June 1 More Gala First Communion June 2-3 Parish Campout July 6-8 July 16-20 Vacation Bible Camp Sep 30 New Member Reception

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.

Welcome to Newly Registered Parishioners

Marvin Branson & Marlene Coyne Carmen Rehberg & Family Ann Vomel

In Memoriam

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:



John Nichols, who died on March 28. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on April 12 at 1:00pm at St. Thomas More. Please keep his wife, Mary, and his family in your prayers.

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

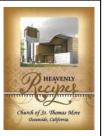
Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

Would you be interested in expanding your social activities and meeting a group of interesting and friendly widowed people? Sunday, April 15, is our general meeting and potluck at a member's home in Escondido. Sunday, April 22, CWWNC will be gathering HERE at STM for the 10:30am Mass followed by lunch at Mimi's. This would be a perfect time to get acquainted with our members! For more info. call Carol Kope at 760-726-0533 or Gerri Wilmott at 760-758-9949. See the bulletin board on the lower level for our complete monthly calendar of social activities including dining out, dancing, bowling, golf and theatre. RSVP's are recommended.

Parish Cookbook

Be sure to pick up one of our Parish cookbooks. They make great birthday and shower gifts.

Available in the Parish Office during the week. \$15 each, \$15 for a CD version or \$25 for the pair.



STM \$crip News

Hippity Hoppity

Thanks to all who used Scrip for their Easter shopping! A percentage of each gift card goes to the St. Thomas More Building Fund.

Scrip will be back on the Plaza the weekend of April 14-15.

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

Birth Choice Baby Food/Formula Drive

The annual Baby Food and Formula Drive to benefit Birth Choice, our local pregnancy resource center, will be the weekend of May 5-6 at all Masses. For more information, please contact Jane Kelleher at 760-822-7041.

Get On the Bus

Each year around Mothers Day and Father's Day, hundreds of children and their caregivers board buses and travel from cities all over the State of California to be united with incarcerated family members. St. Thomas More is co-sponsoring two buses with other Churches in North County to travel to the two women's prisons in Chowchilla on May 12 and one bus to the Men's Colony in San Luis Obispo on June 2. It costs \$4,000 for each bus to cover all the expenses for the children, caregivers, and travel.

Our Parish will be participating again this year. Watch future bulletins for ways to be involved! One way will be monetary contributions. An envelope was attached to a recent bulletin, and they are also available at the information table on the Plaza.

Voter Registration

We will be setting up a table for voter registration after the weekend Masses April 15, 22, and 29 (for the primaries) and again in October (for the November election). We are looking for Parishioners who would like to help with registration, and we hope to get a tremendous response. You would only have to stay for a short while. If you're on board or have questions contact me at *theberliner@sbcglobal.net* or 760-434-3710. We will have a brief training session once I have your contact information. Thank you for your consideration.

-Evi Quinn, Parish Social Justice Committee

Thank You from Brother Benno's

This year's food collection netted a truck load of non-perishable goods and \$500 in cash. Your generosity, especially in these difficult times, is appreciated.

Parish Events

Women's Guild News

Game Day is reserved for Saturday, April 14. It will be a fun day of games and prizes. Everyone is welcome—all members of the Parish, men and women, friends and relatives!! Hope to see you all there. If you have any questions, please call one of Game Day's chairpersons, Mary Vernaci at 760-727-2318. Vikki Ramey is also available for questions and to get you a ticket. We are working hard so you all can join in and have a good time.

Our nominating committee is also in progress for next year's board. Names of officers elect will be announced in April. We will not have a meeting in April because of Game Day.

Wishing you all a blessed week.

-Vera Bayliss, President

The Parish Office and Blessed Sacrament Chapel will be closed until 8:30am on Thursday, April 12.

New Construction Update—March 2012

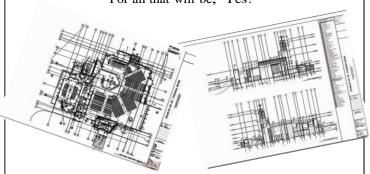
This is the third of what will be monthly updates to keep all Parishioners informed in regard to the progress of the construction of our Permanent Church and Parish Offices.

- 1. Substantial conformity submittal, a requirement of St. Thomas More's conditional use permit which contains proposed site plan and exterior elevations of the Church and Parish Offices has been reviewed and approved by the Oceanside Planning Department as of 02/24/2012.
- 2. The proposed Church plans are currently being priced to ensure the budget is maintained as the design moves forward.
- Structural design continues with various cost effective foundation options being reviewed.
- 4. The location of the shear walls that support the Church's roof have been finalized.
- 5. The proposed roof structure of the Church is currently being studied by an acoustical engineer.
- 6. Engineering and structural requirements for the future pipe organ is complete.
- 7. Electrical engineering continues with interior and exterior site lighting options.
- 8. Final location and design of energy efficient heating and air handling units have been coordinated with the structural and architectural design. This will allow for cost effective heating and cooling of the Church from floor up rather than ceiling down.
- 9. The IDT has selected the artist, Claire Wing, to create the Marian Shrine.
- 10. The Interior Design Team (IDT) is interviewing artists who may be selected to create the main Crucifix/Crucifixion Scene for the Church.
- 11. The IDT continues to discuss the selection of the artist/s for the St. Thomas More Shrine and the Stations of the Cross.

Each Sunday at Mass we pray for all the people who are working "behind the scenes." As you can see much is happening, and soon, and very soon, construction will begin!

Continue to pray for the success of our building program. Also if you have not yet made your pledge or given your gift to this year's "Our Journey Into The Future . . . Together" Phase 2.1 Capital Campaign, now is the time! We need you!

For all that has been, "Thank you!" For all that will be, "Yes!"



2012 Phase 2.1 ". . . A Time to Build!"

Response Statistics as of April 2

Nine Months to Go!		# of Families Responding
Total Responses	\$378,871	516
Still Needed	\$121,129	515
Total Goal	\$500,000	1,031
Total Collected	\$159,906	



- † Thanks to all who have already responded to Phase 2.1 with responses totaling \$378,871!
- † If each of the remaining 516 families who have not yet responded donate \$26 per month (or \$6 per week or \$.85 a day) to the building fund for the remaining nine months, we will make our goal!
- † Please prayerfully consider your 2012 commitment and return your envelope to us as soon as possible. Extra envelopes are available in the Parish Office and on the information table on the Plaza after all Masses.

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

Women's Prayer Breakfast—Save the Date! Saturday, May 19, 8:00-10:30am

Plan to join us for a great breakfast to feed our bodies and a spiritual presentation to nourish our souls!

Walking Ministry

Join the Walking Ministry on Tuesday mornings at 9:30am starting from the Parish Center parking lot. For more information, contact Diane Pal at 760-815-8529.

Rosary

A communal Rosary is prayed after every morning Mass (Tuesday-Friday) in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Please join us!



Liturgy & Music



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

EASTER

A sense of the season

Easter is the greatest season of our church year, the heart and foundation of our Catholic faith, worship, and practice. The Easter season celebrates the completion of an intense forty days of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, days of spiritual struggle, self-denial, and sacrificial gifts to the poor.

The Easter season also marks the end of our journey through the Three Days, the Triduum, in which we celebrated Jesus giving us the Eucharist on Holy Thursday, walked the Way of the Cross on Good Friday, and came together to celebrate New Life, New Hope, and New Beginnings at the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday.

During this Easter season, we also celebrate the newest members of our faith, our Neophytes, those who were baptized and confirmed at the Easter Vigil.

Empty Tomb or Open Door?

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb.

We remember the bible accounts from all four Gospel writers and we recall the wonder of the Empty Tomb—He is not here! He is risen! Jesus' grief-stricken disciples and followers had not understood that he had to rise from the dead. But the Empty Tomb brings us to belief. It is an Open Door, we need only enter to experience first-hand the joy and wonder of this New Life we are called to live! If we are stubborn in our belief, embracing faithfully all that is visible and invisible, we become aware that Jesus does not ask any of us what he himself has not first embraced.

What began in darkness at the Easter Vigil breaks into bright Easter Joy! The liturgical color for Easter is white. Our liturgical environment will be extra festive for fifty days, with its central focus being the wonderful painting by our own liturgical artist, Mary Castle. Many thanks to the entire team who faithfully prepares our worship environment inside and out through the changing seasons! Even though the chocolate Easter bunnies and yellow Peeps have all but disappeared from the stores and malls, Easter continues through Pentecost! This is no Ordinary Time; we celebrate the "fullest" fullness of these fifty days! God is so gracious to us!

Showing the Joy!

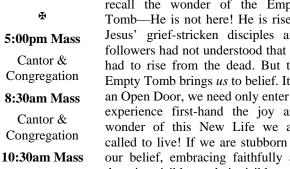
So how do we show our Easter joy? It is impossible to celebrate and not share it with others! Our Parish is rich with opportunities for your involvement both big and small. Do you have a warm, sunny smile? Become a Hospitality Minister and put it to great effect. Can you hum a tune? Our Music Ministry welcomes new voices. Join one of our Social Justice Ministries, sit quietly with the Blessed Sacrament, welcome our newcomers and seekers of a spiritual home with genuine gladness...this bulletin has all the information you need to help with your continuing transformation as an Easter person!

We invite all to enter our doors, here you will find faith, here you will find fellowship, here you will find a

The door is open; all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place!

> —Kathy Arciero Liturgy Committee Chairperson Art & Environment









Upcoming Music

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APRIL 15 2nd Sunday of **Easter**

5:00pm Mass

Cantor & Congregation

8:30am Mass

Cantor & Congregation

Cantor & Congregation

Faith Formation



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

With Easter joy!

The parish community warmly welcomes the newly initiated members of the Church of St. Thomas More

Look to these new Catholics who have completed their Lenten journey to resurrection at the Easter Vigil.



They are living, breathing examples of Easter in our midst.

Greg Abrahms







Their presence strengthens us all as we strive to live out the meaning of our baptism.





Today is a RE.A.CH day at Home Check your Annual Plan please

Rice Bowls

May be turned in at any time as your Lenten Season almsgiving

PBJ for Hungry Kids

207 jars to date!

Parish Mission

Calendar these dates: April 23-26!

Join us for our Annual Parish Mission as we live out the Easter Season by celebrating

> God's Abundant Love

Stewardship & Development



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

Christian Stewardship Celebrating our Salvation

Today we celebrate the greatest event in all of history – Christ's resurrection from the dead. It is the greatest mystery of all time and, therefore, today is the highest celebration of the liturgical year.

As Christian disciples, we not only rejoice in the reality of the resurrection, but, as St. Peter tells us in his speech in the first reading today, we are commissioned to proclaim the good news.

We proclaim Christ to the world by the way we live our lives. Filled with sheer gratitude and joy for what Christ has done, we put Him first in our lives, committing to love and serve Him before all else.

We recognize our time, talents, and treasure as gifts from Him, and we use them to give Him glory.

Then, those who bear witness to our lives see the beauty of Christ in us, and we invite them to live to love and serve Him as well.

This is what it means to be a disciple. We rejoice in the good news, and we proclaim it to all the world!

-excerpted from The Catholic Steward, April 8, Deacon Don McArdle (with permission)



We, at St. Thomas More, are blessed to be in the company of kindred Parishioners, who are like extended family.

This happens in large part because we share the experience of being joyful stewards of God's gifts.

To those who already give so much of your time, talent and treasure ~ thank you. To those who are ready to join us in our wide variety of opportunities, welcome! Contact me anytime to get on board (information at top of the page).

God's peace, blessings and joy this Easter. ~ Chris

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 nicked up

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 \$25,400 from this program. Thank you donors!









For more information, contact the Parish Office: 760-758-4100 x100 or parishoffice@stmoside.org

Annual Catholic Appeal Update Have You Made Your Contribution for This Year?

To date, \$22,861 has been pledged by 175 families, with an average of \$130.63 per family. Our assessment is \$48,000. Please keep those checks/pledges coming!

This annual appeal from the Diocese is our opportunity to "pay it forward" and help other Parishes as we have been helped, as well as support Diocesan charitable outreach and education efforts. Your prayerful consideration is appreciated! Packets are available at the information table on the Plaza.

Collection for Week of March 31/April 1, 2012

Number of Registered Households 1,031

Offertory* \$ 8,023.41

Offertory (Loose Collection) 1,512.00

Children's envelopes 0.00

Total \$ 9,535.41

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

Ways to Help Support Your Parish

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

St. Francis and St. Thomas More Offertory Envelopes

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

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News and Information from the Larger Church

Life in the Spirit Seminar: A New Pentecost—Saturday, April 14, 12:30-4:00pm, St. Brigid Catholic Church Hall, 4735 Cass ST., San Diego. Teaching on the gifts of the Holy Spirit, operating in the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and our journey in the Spirit. For more information, contact Kathleen Riley at 760-746-8019 or *mpenano@gmail.com*.

IVC to Honor Rosemary Johnson—The Executive Director of Interfaith Shelter Network will receive the 2012 Della Strada Award from the Ignatian Volunteer Corps on Sunday, April 15, 2:00-5:00pm at St. Catherine Laboure Parish. For information, visit www.ivcusa.org or contact Margie Carroll (mcarroll@ivcusa.org) 619-881-9509.

Presentation Featuring Mark Mallett in Carlsbad—Thursday, April 19, 9:30am-12:30pm, St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church Conference Center, 6628 Santa Isabel St., Carlsbad. Sponsored by Women's Christian Fellowship. Mark Mallet is a Canadian singer/songwriter and Catholic evangelist (www.markmallet.com). For

News from St. Francis Church

St. Francis School is 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.

Applications being accepted for students entering kindergarten through eighth grade. In compliance with the California State Framework curriculum, St. Francis School provides Spanish, music, art, computer classes, a full library program, and competitive interscholastic sports. It is a non-profit school, accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and the Western Catholic Education Association. Call now for an appointment and a personal tour of the facility to include information on curriculum, activities, and tuition information. St. Francis School is located at 525 W. Vista Way, Vista. For enrollment information, contact the school offices at 760-630-7960 or www.sfs-vista.org.

Women's Retreat in Ramona—April 27-29, Oakbridge Christian Conference Center, sponsored by St. Francis Church Women's Ministry. For more information, visit www.stfrancisvista.org/sfwr

Part-Time Teaching Position

St. Francis School is seeking applicants for a part-time (20-25 hours per week) Middle School Math and Religion Teacher for April 16 through the end of this academic year, with a possibility of a permanent position for the 2012-13 school year. Interested candidates should forward an electronic resume and cover letter to Principal Brian Wheeler, *bwheeler@sfs-vista.org*. For more information, call 760-630-7960.

more information about this event, contact Ellie at 760-930-4014.

JSerra Catholic High School Information Night and Campus Tour—Thursday, April 19, 6:30pm, JSerra Library, 26351 Junipero Serra Rd., San Juan Capistrano. For more information, contact Karen Testa at 949-493-9307 x2 or *ktesta@jserra.org*.

Central San Diego Magnificat Women's Group Breakfast Meeting—Saturday, May 5, 9:30am, Mission Valley Sheraton.
How can we make God's kingdom more visible? Speaker: Debbie Bradel, wife, mother, and pregnancy director. RSVP by April 23 to 858-342-9022 or *www.magnificate-sd.org*.

Young Adult Ministry Activities in San Diego County—Visit www.yamsd.org for complete information on events for young adults, including How to Start and Grow a Young Adult Ministry on April 28 and Theology on Tap in San Marcos during May. Also check www.gracebeforemeals.com for information on a presentation relating martial arts techniques to the spiritual life by Fr. Leo Patalinghug in San Diego in May.

Catholic Radio in San Diego—Immaculate Heart Radio broadcasts Catholic programming full-time on KCEO AM 1000. For more information, visit http://ihradio.com/sandiego.

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

Marriage & Family Life Corner

Special Message—Happy Easter! While Easter can sometimes appear to be bunnies, chocolate, and baskets to the younger children, there are ways to build and ensure that the real meaning of Easter shines through. Father Rich Lewandowski wrote a beautiful book for you to share with your family. It's the charming story of a bunny who witnesses the Passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. With childlike simplicity, this tale turns our eyes to the true meaning of Easter.

The Bishops' Letter on Marriage—Two Become One: "Marriage, the clinging together of husband and wife as one flesh, is based on the fact that man and woman are both different and the same. They are different as male and female, but the same as human persons who are uniquely suited to be partners or helpmates for each other. The difference between man and woman, however, cannot be restricted to their bodies, as if the body could be separated from the rest of the human person. The human person is a union of body and soul as a single being. Man and woman are two different ways of being a human person." To read the document go to http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/.

Marriage Moments—It's Easter. Celebrate new life today! Recall a hardship in your marriage that is now history. Rejoice that you've weathered it together. Remember this, and Jesus' resurrection, in future tough times.

Parenting Pointers—This Friday will be Friday the 13: Feeling lucky or unlucky often depends on what you focus on. No matter how bad or unlucky your life seems, think of at least one thing for which you are grateful—your health, your freedom to worship, a friendship, the fact that you didn't have an accident today...

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



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Jim Baker, Grand Knight, St. Thomas More