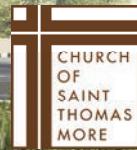


# Church of St. Thomas More

A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

Spirituality † Tradition † Community



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**Mass Schedule**

Saturday at 5:00pm

Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am

Tuesday-Friday at 8:15am

**Eucharistic Adoration**

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

**Reconciliation (Confession)**

Saturday, 4:00-4:30pm

**August 12, 2012 • Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## Pastor's Column

### Do Not Grieve the Holy Spirit...

"Brothers and sisters, do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were sealed for the day of redemption."

With these words, the Ephesians are reminded that they have been given a special gift—the gift of the Holy Spirit—which they are to engage and use as they go about their everyday lives.

Their lives now can and must be different, because they have been gifted and sealed with this Spirit of strength, energy, and courage.

This gift, when employed on a daily basis, will bring them to the fullness of salvation and redemption and will carry them to heaven.

If they return to their old selves and their old ways of life, then the Holy Spirit is being tossed aside, a gift no longer desired, like a friend who is now abandoned and no longer wanted.

If and when this happens, the Holy Spirit is saddened, the Holy Spirit is grieved. This language is very human in its tone and gives the Holy Spirit human-like qualities: personality and feelings.

This same gift of the Holy Spirit, of which the Letter to the Ephesians speaks, has also been given to us, and we have been sealed for the day of redemption.

The Holy Spirit desires to be in personal relationship with us, and wants to work on our behalf to bring us joy and peace, in this life and in the life to come.

Are we using this gift of the Holy Spirit, or are we grieving the Holy Spirit? What is the condition of our lives today?

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### Did You Know?

**The total SDG&E bill for FYE 2012 was \$38,132.57.**

**It takes at least three weekly offertory collections to pay for just this one utility bill!**

**Your gift to the "Did You Know?" Campaign helps the Finance Council's efforts  
to maintain a balanced budget year after year.**

**Please don't throw away the envelope that is attached to this week's Bulletin.**

**Please use it and put in it whatever monetary gift you can afford. No gift is too small or too large!**

## 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 douglas@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](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 \$25,500  
from this program. Thank you donors!**



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

### Pastor's Column (continued from page 1)

The Ephesians are reminded, and we as well, that if we are to live in the Holy Spirit, we must remove all bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, reviling, and all malice. We must be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving, and living in love.

The Holy Spirit makes all these ways of living possible!

As we examine our lives today, let us be willing to ask: "Am I grieving the Holy Spirit, the gift with which I have been sealed for the day of redemption, or am I befriending the Holy Spirit and becoming a sacrificial offering to God for a fragrant aroma?"

F. Mike

### Annual Missionary Appeal

Envelopes were attached to the bulletin last week for our Annual Missionary Appeal from the Office for the Mission of the Diocese of San Diego, which will support the work of missionaries in India building a school. The envelopes may be returned any time during the month of August. Your prayerful consideration is much appreciated!

### Scotch and Wine Tasting Parties

Payments are being accepted at the Parish information table, offertory collection, and Parish Office for the upcoming Scotch and Wine Tasting parties. Letters to attendees, with address and directions, will be sent out in August. Please contact Chris Smith at 760-758-4100 x120 or [chriss@stmoside.org](mailto:chriss@stmoside.org) for more information.

### 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](mailto:brandon.oswald@gmail.com).

### Food Bank Contributions

Look for the blue barrels on the Plaza at weekend Masses to deposit your contributions for North County Community Services Food Bank in San Marcos. Thank you for your support! For more information, contact Ron Briseno at 760-758-4100 x153 or [ronb@stmoside.org](mailto:ronb@stmoside.org).

### Have You Seen Our Missing Portable Fire Pit?

A circular, dual-handle, cast iron, custom-made fire pit that was loaned to the Youth Ministry is missing. If anyone knows where it is or has any information about it, please contact Marcus Cabrera, Youth Advocate, at [marcusc@stmoside.org](mailto:marcusc@stmoside.org) or 760-758-4100 x161.

## Readings for the Week Ahead

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

### Sunday, August 12 (116)

*Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

1 Kings 19:4-8

Psalm 34:2-9

Ephesians 4:30-5:2

John 6:41-51

### Monday, August 13 (413)

*Pontian, pope, and Hippolytus, priest, martyrs*

Ezekiel 1:2-5,24-28c

Psalm 148:1-2,11-14

Matthew 17:22-27

### Tuesday, August 14 (414)

*Maximilian Kolbe, priest, martyr*

Ezekiel 2:8-3:4

Psalm 119:14,24,72,103,111,131

Matthew 18:1-5,10,12-14

### Wednesday, August 15 (622)

*The Assumption of the*

*Blessed Virgin Mary*

Revelations 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab

Psalm 45:10bc,11-12ab,16

1 Corinthians 15:20-27

Luke 1:39-56

### Thursday, August 16 (416)

*Stephen of Hungary*

Ezekiel 12:1-12

Psalm 78:56-59,61-62

Matthew 18:21-19:1

### Friday, August 17 (417)

Ezekiel 16:1-15,60,63 or 16:59-63

Isaiah 12:2-6 (Psalm)

Matthew 19:3-12

### Saturday, August 18 (418)

Ezekiel 18:1-10,13b,30-32

Psalm 51:12-15,18-19

Matthew 19:13-15

### Sunday, August 19 (119)

*Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Proverbs 9:1-6

Psalm 34:2-7

Ephesians 5:15-20

John 6:51-58

## Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 11, 5:00pm  
Vivian Doering †

Sunday, August 12, 8:30am  
Nina Garrisi †

Sunday, August 12, 10:30am  
Zoe Dorsa †

Tuesday, August 14, 8:15am  
Bernie & Jo Lanzrath

Wednesday, August 15, 8:15am  
John Rodriguez †

Wednesday, August 15, 7:00pm  
George Ken Walker †

Thursday, August 16, 8:15am  
Karen Stewart †

Friday, August 17, 8:15am  
Christine Jensen

Saturday, August 18, 5:00pm  
Dotty Petruzzo

Sunday, August 19, 8:30am  
Bill & Theresa Goeltz

Sunday, August 19, 10:30am  
Iola De Milo †

## Prayer 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  
The Beach & Arciero Families  
Clarice Bednarz  
John Bennici  
Regina Bentz  
Roseanne Berg  
George "Whitey" Betus  
Mary Betz  
Betty Jean Bielich  
Lynda Brady  
The Breier Family  
Cathy Brennan  
Roy Bristol  
Monica Broussard  
Janet Brown  
Todd Brown  
Shelby Campbell  
Brianne Campos  
Claudia Caplinger  
The Caron & Stevens Families  
Paul Cassidy  
Lolly Cervantes  
Pat Christoperson  
Dick Clarke  
Dolly Cole  
Carl Coleman  
James Coleman  
Thomas Cornwell & Family  
The Czintos Family  
Karen Flaharty Daley  
Beverly de Gelder  
Stephanie de Villeneuve  
Judith DiMatteo  
Art Dossman  
Dave Dossman  
John Drakowski, Jr.  
Sharon Evans  
The Fiore Family  
Ryan Flum  
Larry Fortier  
Matthew Foster  
Mike Franchino  
Steve Franchino  
Eugene Francisicus  
Kathryn Franklin  
Joe Freire  
Brian Frink  
Carmen Garcia  
Jack Gillen  
Rick Gonzalez  
Eileen Gough  
Rosemary Haeffelin  
Susan Hallahan  
Nan Hallbeck  
The Harker Family  
Elizabeth Harrison  
Lilian Hills  
Susan Hori  
Iolanda Iacobelli  
Linda Iacobelli Bennett  
Lisa Inglis  
The Jaeger Family  
Sue Johnston  
Paula Keen  
Paul Kennedy  
Peggy Kiernan  
Debbie Kinney  
John Kirk  
Dewey Kolbo  
Helen Kuhn  
Lillian Lachance  
The Lamelin Family  
Christopher Lawrence  
Roland Lawrence  
Brandon LeBlanc  
The Lehan Family  
Jeremiah Lemus  
Ashley Load  
Cassandra Loretto  
Lauren Loretto  
James MacArthur  
Joaquin Maldonado  
Chandler May  
Bob McWilliams  
Kalei Mendiola  
Bill Metzger  
Phyllis Minaya  
June Mitchell  
Nancy Moore  
Conrad Murphy  
Margie Myers  
Le Nguyen  
Heidi Olson  
The Opydyke & Parks Families  
Art Palle  
The Palmer Family  
Graeme Pate  
Maria Pate  
Helen Pingtella  
Marilyn Pirkola  
Douglas Price-Williams  
Barbara Ramm  
Mrs. Jack (Shirley) Riley  
Rita Ritchie  
Adela Rivera  
Elena Rivera  
Serena Rodarte  
Maria Rogers  
Dorothy Rouse  
The Russo Family  
Dan Ryan  
Kimberly Schlunt  
Linda Schmidt  
The Douglas E. Schulte Family  
Pete Serle & Family  
Bob, Joan, & Julie Shea  
Elizabeth Shirzad  
Richard Sikora  
Jeanne Sisson  
Beth Snyder  
Mike Snyder  
Nick Soltau  
Fred & Gilda Spieg1  
Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski  
Dorothy Staehr  
Ted Stanislawski  
The Stanley Family  
Pete Sullivan  
David Sweet  
Tommy & Ginger Thompson  
Valerie Thompson  
Sarah Tillinghast  
William Tompson  
Stephen Toth, Jr.  
Mary Tysko & Family  
Barbara Upson  
Ethel & Bob Vanderhagen  
Robert Vasquez  
Silvana Vettese  
Bob Vita  
Vanessa Vitiello  
Barbara Voelpel  
Kevin Watson-Graff  
John Whitton  
Helen Wodyka  
Erin Young  
Patricia Zavala  
Martin Zschoche

## Calendar Highlights

More details at [www.stmoside.org](http://www.stmoside.org),  
Schedule and Calendar

Aug 12	Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses
Aug 15	<b>Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Masses at 8:15am and 7:00pm</b>
Aug 19	Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses
Aug 21-22	Restaurant Fundraiser at Nucci's
Aug 26	Pastor's Excursion
Sept 7	Women's Ministry
Sept 9	RE.A.CH Classes resume
Sept 14	Men's Fellowship
Sep 22	Sanctuary Choir Retreat
Sep 23	Scotch Tasting Party
Sep 30	New Member Reception
Oct 5	Wine Tasting Party
Oct 6	Treasures 2012
Oct 12-14	Men's Fellowship Retreat

## 2013

Jan 6	Stewardship Appreciation Reception
Jan 12-31	Stewardship Awareness/ Renewal
Apr 21	Towers of Faith Reception

Questions? Contact Henny at 760-758-4100 x100  
[hennyj@stmoside.org](mailto: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.

August 13	Sr. Gloria de Maria Medina, HMSS
August 14	Sr. Luz Divina Medina, DCJ
August 15	Sr. Maria de la Paz Mejia, CVI
August 16	Sr. Natalia Mejia, RJM
August 17	Sr. Martha Mendoza, HMSS
August 18	Sr. Angela Therese Meram, IHM
August 19	Sr. Mary Leonita Metoyer, RSM

**Welcome New Parishioners****Gloria Terry****Congratulations to****Phillis & Clement Hall**

who celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary August 9.

**Bette & Paul Johansing**

who celebrated their 72nd wedding anniversary August 10.

**Cyndy & Tomo Hamasaki**

who celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary August 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:

**Jim Beach**, who died last week. His funeral services will be out of town. Please keep sister, Parishioner Kathy Arciero, 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.***Walking Ministry**

Join the Walking Ministry on Tuesday mornings at 8:00am starting from the Parish Center parking lot. For more information, contact Diane Pal at 760-815-2519.

**Annual Catholic Appeal—We're Almost There!**To date, \$47,127 has been pledged by 370 families, with an average of \$127.37 per family. **We need about \$900 more** to meet our assessment of \$48,000—can you help?***If 9 families pledge \$100 each or 18 families pledge \$50 each, we'll reach our goal!***

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.

**STM \$crip News**Check online for an updated Scrip list and online ordering system: [www.stmoside.org](http://www.stmoside.org), Contact Us, then Scrip.

Every Scrip purchase helps the Building Fund!

**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****St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive**

A clothing drive to benefit the St. Bonaventure Indian Mission and School will be conducted November 10-11. Begin now to save your clean, gently-used, clothing, blankets, and jackets. Ask your friends and neighbors to save, too. The clothing drive is conducted by the Knights of Columbus.

The Mission is solely dependent on donations to support its operations. St. Thomas More parishioners have been a major supporter through our annual clothing drives. Donated items are given directly to residents of the Navajo Reservation at the Mission's annual Christmas dinner and give-away event. Any remaining items are placed in their thrift shop.

**Social Justice Email “Hotline”**

Do you ever wonder where you fit in the social justice picture? How do you respond as a Christian when a social justice issue arises?

Sign up to be on an email list to be informed about some of the issues the Parish Social Justice Committee is working on or be invited to participate in an event in North County.

**Send your e-mail address to: [maureenb@stmoside.org](mailto:maureenb@stmoside.org)**

*You are not alone in your desire to follow Jesus' call for justice for all God's children.*

**Community Service Numbers:**  
**2-1-1 for human services information; 5-1-1 for traffic**

**Vocations**

As we enter into the last weeks of summer and prepare to enter into the hectic pace of our normal lives, we should ask ourselves: Are we satisfied with our current choices of a life vocation? Are we doing that which God is calling us to do? Are we being fulfilled by the vocational choice we have made? If your answer to any of these questions is “no,” and if you have an inkling that maybe God is calling you to serve Him and His Church by becoming a priest, deacon, or religious, contact Deacon Tom at [thomasgoeltz@aol.com](mailto:thomasgoeltz@aol.com) or 760-727-8442.

**Treasures 2012**

This year's Treasures Flea Market will be **Saturday, October 6**. Save your gently used “treasures” for donation. In the last two years we have raised over \$20,000. Help us turn clutter into cash, garage fodder into gold, and cast-offs into coins! Wait until you see the plant sale. It is shaping up to be another big success with over 45 nurseries donating and counting!

We will need lots of help to pull this off. 75 volunteers are needed over a two-day period. Once again, we will accept donations the Friday before and the morning of. Look for more details to come soon and save those treasures! Any questions or early volunteer sign ups? Contact Chairperson John Murphy at 760-497-6117.

## Parish Events

### Women's Guild News

We are still conducting our membership drive. Please fill out your forms and put them in the offertory collection basket or in Box 35 in the Parish Office. We are delighted to have continuing members as well as lots of new members. August 20 is the deadline to be in the membership booklet. Come to our meetings or call me with any questions: 760-295-0059 (new).

Our first meeting will be on Saturday, September 15, at 11:00am on the upper level of the Parish Center. We will have "The Village Tappers" entertaining us and lunch will follow with a short meeting, of course. You are welcome to bring guests to this meeting, including husbands if they would like to see the entertainment. I hope all the new members can come to our first meeting and get acquainted with Women's Guild. Cost is \$10. Besides this first meeting, we have a great schedule of programs for you the rest of the year. We usually meet on the second Monday of every month.

Next board meeting will be at my house on August 27, 10:00am. Remember you cannot recover the word after it is said or the stone after it is thrown.

—Vera Bayliss, President

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

#### August 8 Response Statistics

FIVE Months to Go!	# of Families Responding
Total Responses	\$471,919      619
Still Needed	\$28,081      417
Total Goal	\$500,000      1,036
Total Collected	\$365,311



- † Special thanks for our five new "Adopt a Family" gift donations and to all those households who have increased their dollar amounts in Phase 2.1.
- † We continue to celebrate **all gifts**, large and small, that help us reach our goal. Thank you!
- † **We ask the families who have not responded to this campaign to consider donating \$14/month through December. EVERY contribution helps!**
- † The success of Phase 2.1 will make up for our shortfall of \$500,000 in Phase II.

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

Chris Smith, Director of Stewardship and Development  
760-758-4100 x120 or [chriss@stmoside.org](mailto:chriss@stmoside.org)

### 2012 Pastor's Dinner Excursion

Sunday, August 26, 1:30pm - 6:00pm

William D. Evans Sternwheeler, Mission Bay

AUGUST 12 LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP!!!

Featuring The Hot Pursuit Band

Music from the 40's to present!

Let the good times roll!!

All payments due by August 15

\$250/person

(\$125 tax deduction)



How would you like to benefit our church and have a wonderful afternoon all at the same time? Join us for:

- \* The Fourth Annual Pastor's Dinner!
- \* Sunday, August 26, from 1:30 to 6:00pm
- \* Enjoy a smooth outing on the calm waters of Mission Bay aboard the William D. Evans Sternwheeler (flat bottom)
- \* Three-hour open bar, delectable hors d'oeuvres, and choice of custom entrée selections await you
- \* The Hot Pursuit Band is back with their award-winning music entertainment for dancing, listening or both
- \* **Carpooling is available from St. Thomas More**
- \* 64 people have already signed up, excited about this new venue for our annual event
- \* Photos with Fr. Mike

**For information, please contact Chris Smith  
760-758-4100x120 or [chriss@stmoside.org](mailto:chriss@stmoside.org)**

### "Did You Know" Collection for July 2012

\$1,592.00

### Restaurant Fundraisers July 2012

Famous Dave's	\$ 330.12
Feliccia's Italian	\$ 468.96
Elephant Bar	\$ 384.77
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,183.85</b>

**Liturgy & Music***Worship God*

Douglas Lynn  
Director of Liturgy and Music  
[douglasl@stmoside.org](mailto:douglasl@stmoside.org); 760-758-4100 x140

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****My Ministry and Why I serve -**

The Gospel reading this week is included in the “Bread of Life Discourse”, the stories of our Lord’s abundant love for us and His desire for us to know him to the core. Listening to his teachings and admiring his character were not enough. To follow this rabbi, his followers needed to know him in a deeper way, a way that would change their hearts, pursuits and lives. He wanted to be the center, the joy, the “bread” and nourishment of their lives. As Jesus continued his ministry, he began to reveal more about who he was and why he had come.

Traditionally, we think of the table of the Lord as the place where we receive the bread of the Eucharist. And this is the truth. But we also refer to the “table of the word” where we receive Christ’s teaching. If the Word is “bread from heaven,” then we ought to not hurry the Liturgy of the Word.

The Liturgy of the Word is the first half of our act of worship. During the Liturgy of the Word, we hear of God’s mighty deeds on behalf of our salvation through the proclamation of the Scriptures and are called to live so that we might attain eternal life.

The very act of preparing to proclaim the Word, to be the story teller that identifies, us is a great honor. To be plunged into the scriptures and stories of our faith, to understand the characters, times and places to give better meaning to our lives, has been a pursuit of mine for over 35 years. Working on my skills and seeking assistance from knowledgeable teachers and experienced lectors has been a constant in my life. Being our Parish’s reader trainer and working with Gloria Price-Williams is a privilege. To have access to Gloria’s vast education and experience is a blessing to me. When I said “yes” to this ministry, I had no idea where it would take me in understanding my Catholic faith. I am humbled to give voice to God’s healing and strengthening word as it goes forth. I follow in the footsteps of those who prepare the way of the Lord. We never know if our spoken words make a difference to those listening. I can only hope to be worthy of this ministry and this service to God.

*Kathy Arciero,  
Liturgy Committee Chairperson,  
Minister of the Word*

**Upcoming  
Music**

✻

**AUGUST 19  
Twentieth  
Sunday in  
Ordinary Time**

✻

**5:00pm Mass**

Congregation &  
Cantor

**8:30am Mass**

Congregation &  
Cantor

**10:30am Mass**

Congregation &  
Cantor



**Join Us for Mass on  
Wednesday, August 15  
8:15am or 7:00pm  
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

# Faith Formation

*Teach and Live the Gospel*

Kathleen Bell

Director of Faith Formation

kathleenb@stmoside.org; 760-758-4100 x110

## Fr. Mike's Bookies

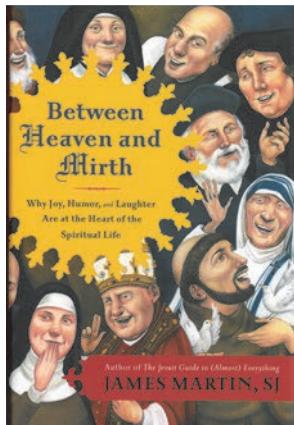
In June Fr. Mike wrote: "It is summer. . .change the normal routine. . .let July and August be different. . .be 're-created.'"

So, here's a great book for just that purpose:

**Between Heaven and Mirth**  
by James Martin, SJ

Available for review or purchase (\$15) outside the Faith Formation Office.

Post your comments on Facebook (search Fr. Mike's Bookies and ask to join if you are not already a member of the group.)



## Chocolate Update

The Youth Justice Foundation thanks you for your continued support of our Fair Trade chocolate sales. In addition to the direct support these sales offer Catholic Relief Services and the organizations who are closest to the people they serve, last week the teens of St. Thomas More were able to donate \$160 to Fr. Joy Alookaran who visited for our annual Mission Appeal.

We are glad to help provide a school for underprivileged children in India, excited about helping small farmers in Central and South America, and happy to be providing sweet solutions for social justice!



*Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me. -Matthew 25:40*

## Youth Ministry

Mondays 7:00pm IGNITE High School Youth Group  
Bring friends!

Tuesday, Aug 21 7:00pm EDGE Middle School Youth Group  
Bring friends!

## PBJ Update

(Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center)

2012 GOAL: 365 jars  
Collected to date: 252 jars



**Coming Soon for 2012-2013**

Dear Parents,

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

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

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

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



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

### **Ages 3, 4, and 5:**

2 Sundays a month during the whole of the 10:30am Mass

### **Grades 1-5:**

2 Sundays: 12:30-2:00pm or 5:00-6:30pm

### **Grades 6-8:**

2 Sundays: 5:00-6:30pm

### **High School:**

Modular schedule on Sundays: 6:30-8:30pm

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

With you in ministry,

*Kathleen*

# Stewardship & Development

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## A Stewardship Prayer for August The Canticle of Mary

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord;  
my spirit rejoices in  
God my savior  
for he has looked upon his handmaid's lowliness.

Behold, from now on all ages will  
call me blessed.

The Almighty one has done great things for me,  
and holy is his Name.

His mercy is from age to age  
to those who fear him.

He has shown might with his arm,  
dispersed the arrogant of mind and heart.

He has thrown down the rulers  
from their thrones but  
lifted up the lowly.

The hungry he has filled with good things;  
the rich he has sent away empty.  
He has helped Israel his servant,  
remembering his mercy,  
according to his promise to our fathers,  
to Abraham and to his descendants  
forever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end.

**Amen.**

—Luke 1:46-55 (New American Bible, rev. ed. 2011)



**Many people mistake our work for our vocation.  
Our vocation is the love of Jesus.**

—Blessed Mother Teresa

## 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 760-758-4100 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 August 4/5, 2012

Number of Registered Households	1,036
Offertory*	\$ 18,558.04
Offertory (Loose Collection)	1,554.50
Children's envelopes	2.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 20,114.54</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).

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## News and Information from the Larger Church

**Volunteer Opportunity at Mission San Luis Rey**—Learn about the history of early California and the missions. Volunteers are needed to share this history with visitors and school groups in our historic church, welcome center and as museum docents. No experience necessary; training provided. For more information, contact [www.sanluisrey.org](http://www.sanluisrey.org), 760-757-3651 x167, or [volunteer@sanluisrey.org](mailto:volunteer@sanluisrey.org).

**Master of Arts Degree in Biblical Theology at JPII**—Visit their new blog at [verbumdominiblog.com](http://verbumdominiblog.com) for more information.

**Senior Vacation Retreat at Mission San Luis Rey**—August 13-17 with Fr. Tom Herbst, OFM, Fr. John Keller, OSA, Kay Sempel, and Pat Julian. For seniors 55 and older. For more information, contact 760-757-3659 or [www.sanluisrey.org](http://www.sanluisrey.org).

**Free Concert in Oceanside**—Thursday, August 16, 6:00-8:00pm, Aegis at Shadowridge (across from STM), featuring *The Caravan Band*. RSVP by Monday, August 13, to 760-806-3600.

**Brother Benno's Fundraiser at Shakey's Pizza in Oceanside**—Wednesday, August 22, 4:00-9:00pm, 4141 Oceanside Blvd., Oceanside. 25% of food sales will go to support the women's houses. No flyer needed—just place your receipt in the designated box at the cashier.

**Scout Leader Training**—Saturday, September 8 for counselors/ coordinators of Catholic Cub, Boy, and Venture Scout Religious Emblems. For more information, contact Jim Freed at 619-446-2116.

**Support Group for Separated/Divorced in Solana Beach**—Starting Sunday, September 9, 10:15am, St. James Catholic Church, Ministry Center, Solana Beach. For more information, contact Frank Grant at 760-533-1520 or [fwgrant@gmail.com](mailto:fwgrant@gmail.com).

**Joint Reunion for Graduates of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart and Rosary High Schools**—Saturday, September 15, 6:30pm, 4106 42nd St., San Diego. Bring memoirs or scrapbooks to share and renew friendships. RSVP by August 31 at [OLSHalum@gmail.com](mailto:OLSHalum@gmail.com) or 858-349-9149.

**Pilgrimage to Greece**—October 9-19, 2012, with Fr. Mike Sinor and Fr. Chuck Fuld. Includes a three-day cruise of the Greek Isles. For more information, contact [frc@frchuck.com](mailto:frc@frchuck.com) or [frsinor@yahoo.com](mailto:frsinor@yahoo.com).

**Beginning Experience Weekend for Widowed, Divorced, and Separated**—November 9-11, Prince of Peace Abbey, Oceanside.

A trained team of peers leads participants through a healing and growth experience. For more information, contact Cathy at 619-222-9093 or Maureen at 619-447-0622.

**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land**—November 25-December 6, 2012, with Fr. Adrian Peelo, OFM, Associate Pastor of Mission San Luis Rey Parish. For more information, call Linda and Don Patera at 619-370-90654.

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### Young Adult Ministry Activities

Visit [www.yamsd.org](http://www.yamsd.org) for complete information on events for young adults, including *Theology on Tap* series Tuesdays in August, MEGA-Mass with Coadjutor Bishop Flores on Sunday, August 12 at 6:00pm at the Immaculata Church, and outreach projects.

Also, search *Office of Young Adult Ministry* on Facebook.

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### Marriage & Family Life Corner

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

**The Bishops' Letter on Marriage—Effects of cohabitation:** “Social science research, however, finds that cohabitation has no positive effects on a marriage. In some cases, cohabitation can in fact harm a couple’s chances for a stable marriage. More importantly, though, cohabitation involves the serious sin of fornication. It does not conform to God’s plan for marriage and is always wrong and objectively sinful.” To read the document go to <http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/>.

**Marriage Moments**—As desired as children usually are in a marriage, they also bring stress. Don’t let arguments over child discipline sap your energy and alienate you from each other. Take a break. Build a list of a few reliable sitters or friends.

**Parenting Pointers**—How to “parent” an adult child—You may still have plenty of wisdom to be shared with your 20-30 something but are they able to hear it. Learn to practice “Silence of Words,” a virtue that trains you when to speak and when to bite your tongue.

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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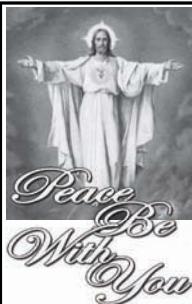
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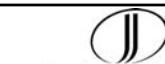
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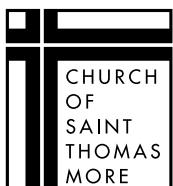
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# *Women's Ministry*

All women of the Parish are invited for fellowship, support, spiritual growth, and *fun* as we kick off our new year with a

## **Chocolate Potluck Buffet!**

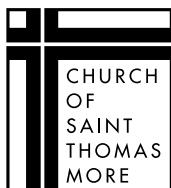
When: Friday, September 7, 2012  
7:00-9:00pm – Parish Center lower level

Please bring your favorite chocolate dish to share and find out what we have planned for the upcoming year!

\*Meetings to be held the first Friday of every month at 7:00pm



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