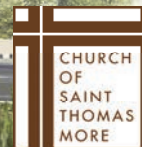


# Church of St. Thomas More

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

September 9, 2012 • Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Pastor's Column

### Eucharistic Adoration and Exposition

Due to the location of our Blessed Sacrament Chapel, many people have the opportunity to spend time in prayer and reflection with Christ present in the Reserved Eucharist in the Tabernacle.

Our Blessed Sacrament Chapel is open and available almost 12 hours a day, 5 days a week. This means almost 60 hours a week of opportunity for visits with the Eucharistic Christ.

I know that many people do make visits to the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, because I see them pass by my office window on their way there. There is a daily stream of people who spend time in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Also, it is heart-warming to know and to see many of our young Parishioners in our youth ministry activities who are spending time in prayer in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

As a Parish, we should be gratified to see this prayer activity taking place in our midst.

There are many Churches whose doors are locked after the morning Mass, and there is no opportunity to make visits in the presence of the Tabernacle.

At St. Thomas More, we are blessed!

We have also had the custom of Eucharistic Exposition on the First Friday of each month. Eucharistic Exposition provides the opportunity to pray in the presence of the Eucharist exposed and visible for those there to pray.

Eucharistic Exposition guidelines require that at least one person is present at all times while the Eucharist is exposed.

We have found in recent months that it has been very difficult to get people to cover the hours necessary when there is Eucharistic Exposition.

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### Did You Know

All of the trees on the Parish Campus were in need of trimming (once again)! This trimming is necessary for their continued proper growth in the future. This needs to be done on a regular basis.

This has been our third tree trimming since the trees were planted in 2001. Total cost this time: \$3,940.

Your gift in the "Did You Know?" envelope will help to cover this cost!

## 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

*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)*

Elaine Cassidy, our one-woman committee, has been working overtime in trying to get people to commit to certain hours so that at least one person is present at all times while there is Eucharistic Adoration, and she is having less and less success.

I believe part of the reason is that we have so many hours of opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration each week, and that people find it difficult to commit to a specific hour.

The people's choice is to be able to "pop in" to the Blessed Sacrament Chapel as time permits.

With this in mind, after discussion with the Parish Liturgy Committee, I have made the decision to end the monthly Eucharistic Exposition.

The Eucharistic Exposition on the first Friday of this month will have been the last. In the future, if there is a greater interest and a greater amount of people willing to be involved, we can re-examine this prayer activity.

Please remember, though, that the Blessed Sacrament Chapel remains open about 12 hours a day for 5 days a week.

Jesus is waiting for you to pay a visit!

*F.A. Mike*

## Annual Catholic Appeal—So Close!

To date, \$47,652 has been pledged by 373 families, with an average of \$127.75 per family. **We need just \$350 more** to meet our assessment of \$48,000—can you help?

*If 7 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.

## Looking for Spiritual Growth?

*Before Engaging Spirituality, I was not disciplined enough to take ten minutes out of the day for prayer and meditation. Now it's so much a part of my life. I read the newspaper with opened eyes and prayers. I am more aware of Jesus in every person I meet.*

—Engaging Spirituality Participant

The **JustFaith** program was life-changing for many of us, and we felt called to continue this commitment to social justice. **Engaging Spirituality** is designed to help us continue this journey (although **JustFaith** is not a prerequisite). It leads us to explore and experience Christ's call to care for the poor and vulnerable in a lively, challenging, multifaceted process in the context of a small church community.

This program will be offered at our Parish beginning with a day-long retreat on October 6 and weekly sessions starting the following week. If you are interested, please call Sr. Maureen at 760-758-4100 x131 by September 24.

**Readings for the Week Ahead**

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

**Sunday, September 9** (128)  
*Twenty third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Isaiah 35:4-7a  
Psalm 146:7-10  
James 2:1-5  
Mark 7:31-37

**Monday, September 10** (437)

1 Corinthians 5:1-8  
Psalm 5:5-6,7,12  
Luke 6:6-11

**Tuesday, September 11** (438)

1 Corinthians 6:1-11  
Psalm 149:1-6,9  
Luke 6:12-19

**Wednesday, September 12** (439)

*The Most Holy Name of Mary*  
1 Corinthians 7:25-31  
Psalm 45:11-12,14-17  
Luke 6:20-26

**Thursday, September 13** (440)

*John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor*  
1 Corinthians 8:1b-7,11-13  
Psalm 139:1b-3,13-14b,23-24  
Luke 6:27-38

**Friday, September 14** (638)

*The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*  
Numbers 21:4b-9  
Psalm 78:1-2,34-38  
Philippians 2:6-11  
John 3:13-17

**Saturday, September 15** (442/639)

*Our Lady of Sorrows*  
1 Corinthians 10:14-22  
Psalm 116:12-13,17-18  
John 19:25-27 or Luke 2:33-35

**Sunday, September 16** (131)

*Twenty fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Isaiah 50:5-9a  
Psalm 116:1-6,8-9  
James 2:14-18  
Mark 8:27-35

**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  
Roy Bristol  
Monica Broussard  
Janet Brown  
Todd Brown  
Tom Browne  
Anita & Bill Buerger  
Bridget Buford  
Trinidad Bunuelos  
Shelby Campbell  
William Campbell  
Brianna Campos  
Claudia Caplinger  
Paul Cassidy  
Lolly Cervantes  
The Christopherson Family  
Dick Clarke  
Dolly Cole  
Carl Coleman  
James Coleman  
Thomas Cornwell & Family  
Lené Crowe  
Karen Flaharty Daley  
The Darcy Family  
Beverly de Gelder  
Stephanie de Villeneuve  
Brendan Devlin  
Ryan Devlin  
Judith DiMatteo  
Art Dossman  
Dave Dossman  
John Drazkowski, Jr.  
Phyllis & Don Estes  
Sharon Evans  
Joanne Finnegan  
The Fiore Family  
Ryan Flum  
Larry Fortier  
Matthew Foster  
Eugene Franciscus  
Kathryn Franklin  
Joe Freire  
Brian Frink  
Carmen Garcia  
Jack & Marge Gillen  
Rick Gonzalez  
Eileen Gough  
Rosemary Haeffelin  
Susan Hallahan  
Nan Hallbick  
The Harker Family  
Elizabeth Harrison  
Lilian Hills  
Susan Hori  
Iolanda Iacobelli  
Linda Iacobelli Bennett  
Sue Johnston  
Paul Kennedy  
Peggy Kiernan  
Debbie Kinney  
The Kirk Family  
Dewey Kolbo  
Helen Kuhn  
Lillian Lachance  
The Lamelin Family  
Christopher & Roland Lawrence  
Brandon LeBlanc  
Jeremiah Lemus  
Claudia Leué  
The Paul Leué Family  
Ashley Load  
Cassandra Loretto  
Lauren Loretto  
James MacArthur  
Joquin Maldonado  
Chandler May  
Ines McGee  
Bob McWilliams  
Kalei Mendiola  
Phyllis Minaya  
June Mitchell  
June Montgomery  
Nancy Moore  
Conrad Murphy  
Margie Myers  
Heidi Olson  
Bernadette Padovan  
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  
The Shultz Family  
Richard Sikora  
Jeanne Sisson  
Beth Snyder  
Mike Snyder  
Nick Soitau  
Fred & Gilda Spiegl  
The Spillane & Gill Families  
Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski  
Dorothy Staehr  
Ted Stanislawski  
The Stevens & Sawyer Families  
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  
The Voyemant Family  
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

- Sept 9 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am Mass
- Sept 9 RE.A.CH Classes resume
- Sept 11-12 Restaurant Fundraiser at O's American Kitchen
- Sept 14 Men's Fellowship
- Sept 15 Women's Guild Luncheon Meeting
- Sept 16 Knights of Columbus Breakfast
- Sept 16 RE.A.CH Phase I Orientation for Parents & Teens
- Sept 18 Spirited Seniors' Ice Cream Social
- Sept 22 Sanctuary Choir Retreat
- Sept 22-23 Brother Benno's Toiletries Drive
- Sept 21-23 Confirmation Retreat
- Sept 23 RE.A.CH Classes
- Sept 23 Scotch Tasting Party
- Sept 24-25 Restaurant Fundraiser at Mrs. Tacho
- Sept 30 High School RE.A.CH Core Classes
- Sept 30 New Member Reception
- Oct 5 Wine Tasting Party
- Oct 6 Treasures 2012
- Oct 9-10 Restaurant Fundraiser at Famous Dave's BBQ
- Oct 12-14 Men's Fellowship Retreat
- Oct 14 *What to Do in an Emergency If You Don't Know CPR* Presentation
- Oct 20-21 Women's Guild Bake Sale
- Oct 23-24 Restaurant Fundraiser at El Torito
- Oct 27 Life Walk in San Diego
- Nov 10-11 St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive
- Nov 18 Hymn Festival
- 2013**
- Jan 6 Stewardship Appreciation

**Mass Intentions**

Saturday, September 8, 5:00pm Philip & Jeff Lavelle ☩
Sunday, September 9, 8:30am Josephine Stephens ☩
Sunday, September 9, 10:30am Robert Hale ☩
Tuesday, September 11, 8:15am Catherine Dapkus ☩
Wednesday, September 12, 8:15am Bill Carrothers ☩
Thursday, September 13, 8:15am Steve Taylor ☩
Friday, September 14, 8:15am Julia Cepeda ☩
Saturday, September 15, 5:00pm Charles Young ☩
Sunday, September 16, 8:30am Ethel Brogan ☩
Sunday, September 16, 10:30am Robert Ratajczak ☩

**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, USMC  
Grant Fischer  
MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC  
Sgt. Alex Garcia  
Staff Sgt. Travis M. Meyers, USAF  
Col. Sean O'Doherty, USMC  
Pvt. 2 Jess Phillips, US Army  
Sr. Airman Robert Spear, USAF  
Tyler Timmerman, US Army  
Sgt. Charles Watts, USMC  
Major Seth Wolcott, USMC

**Pray for Women Religious**

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

September 10 Sr. Jane O'Shaughnessy, RSCJ
September 11 Sr. Carol Pack, SSS
September 12 Sr. Maria Imelda Padilla, DCJ
September 13 Sr. Maria Pascuzzi, CSJ
September 14 Sr. Millicent Peaslee, OLVM
September 15 Sr. Juana Pereyra, SJS
September 16 Sr. Damien Peters, FDC

## Welcome New Parishioners

Michael & Suzanne Kidd & Family  
 Emilio & Miyuki Parra & Family  
 Philip & Mary Ralph  
 Doug & Mayra West & Family

## Congratulations to

**Dorothy & David Grieg**

who celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary September 8

*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:

**John Kirk**, who died on August 29. His funeral Mass will be celebrated on Friday, September 14, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep his wife, Lorraine, and his family in your prayers.

**Pat Christopherson**, who died on August 30. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated on September 21 at St. Paul Catholic Church in Chino Hills. Please keep her family in your prayers.

**Shirley Darcy**, who died on September 4. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, October 4, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep her children, Mark and Christine, and 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.*

## 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.

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.

## STM Scrip News

It's that time of year! Ralph's requires everyone to sign up their Preferred Customer card in order to receive the Community Rewards for St. Thomas More every year in September. Please do this on line or see the folks on the plaza to give you instructions. Once you sign up, all you do is shop, and the Building Fund reaps the benefits.

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

### Dramatic Presentation Sponsored by *JustFaith*

SAVE THE DATE:

Friday, September 14, 7:00-9:00 pm

Fr. Ullman Hall

Sr. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

525 W. Vista Way, Vista, CA

### THOMAS MERTON & DOROTHY DAY: PILGRIMS AND PROPHETS OF PEACE

A readers' theatre style dramatic presentation  
 featuring these two "saints" of our time,  
 presented by Sharon Halsey-Hoover and David Hoover

Relax and surrender yourself into the world which the performers create, letting the spirits of Dorothy Day and Thomas Merton come to life for us. Thomas Merton and Dorothy Day never physically met each other, though they read each others' writings and frequently exchanged letters in which they shared their deepest concerns. The presentation is a reflective memory poem about their lives in which they take stock of their lives through a final truthful gaze on all that has happened on their way home to God.

Sponsored by *JustFaith*

Admission: Canned Food Donation for Catholic Charities  
 Free Will Offering  
 Bring the Whole Family

## Voter Registration

The Social Justice Committee in conjunction with the San Diego Organizing Project (SDOP) will conduct voter registration again after all Masses from September 23 to October 14 for Parishioners who are not registered, have a change of address, or those who will be 18 years of age on Election Day. We are looking for volunteers to help for 10-15 minutes after Masses. Please prayerfully consider assisting our Social Justice Committee. Please contact Evi Quinn at 760-434-3710 or [theberliner@sbcglobal.net](mailto:theberliner@sbcglobal.net) by September 15.

## Annual Brother Benno's Toiletry and NEW Underwear Drive

*Hotel and motel proprietors prominently place petite packets of perfumed products to pander patron's performance of personal practices of hygiene. People, with or without a feeling of perfidy, perform practices to pilfer and pinch such packets with a passion and no pang of remorse. But enough of this persiflage.*

If you have an excess of soaps and shampoos from your travels, or wish to purchase toiletries (soaps, shampoos, tooth paste, toothbrushes, etc.) for Brother Benno's to use in hygiene packets for the poor and homeless, Deacon Tom will have his truck in the parking lot before all the Masses on September 22-23. We will also be collecting **NEW** men's, women's, and children's underwear. Please be generous!!!

## Parish Events

### Women's Guild News

TAP! JAZZ! THEATER DANCE! BELLY DANCE! HAWAIIAN! You will be entertained by all of these forms of dance when The Village Tappers bring their music, talent, and fabulous costumes to the Women's Guild's first meeting of the year on Saturday, September 15.

The show begins at 11:00am on the upper level of the Parish Center, as the performance will be on the stage. Following the 45-minute presentation, members and guests will head downstairs for another one of our delicious luncheons and a short business meeting. Lunch and the show will cost only \$10. For this meeting, husbands and other guests are welcome. Please call in a reservation so that we will know how many to prepare for. Reservations may be made with Vera Bayliss at 760-295-0059 (new phone number). Hoping to see all our members at this amazing show and meeting.

I especially encourage all new members to attend so you may get acquainted with our Guild. —*Vera Bayliss, President*

### Free Ice Cream Social

The Spirited Seniors are sponsoring a **Free Ice Cream Social** on Tuesday, September 18, 6:30-8:00pm, for members and prospective members who are 50 years and older. The deadline for reservations is September 10. Contact Jim and Marilyn Day at 7605094545 or [jandmday@cox.net](mailto:jandmday@cox.net).

### 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.

### Little Rock Scripture Study

Wednesday, September 19 at 9:00am or Thursday, September 20 at 7:00pm we begin our 14-session study of Paul's letters to the Galatians and the Romans. These sessions are open to all who would like to spend time in a small group growing in love for the scriptures through study and discussion.

Galatians and Romans are pivotal for those seeking to understand the faith and teaching of the Apostle Paul. Many of Paul's themes are shared by Galatians and Romans, but the tone and length of the two works differ sharply.

Galatians addresses Paul's understanding of Christian freedom and justification by faith. He reprimands the Galatians for deserting the Gospel by seeking justification through circumcision rather than through faith in Christ, who achieved our salvation by his sacrifice on the cross. Romans is the longest of Paul's letters. It addresses the universal reality of sin in the world and the need for salvation in Jesus Christ. It explores both the strength and limits of the law of Moses. Paul examines the new life attained in the Holy Spirit as God's gift and proclaims the mystery of God's plan to save Israel. Romans also highlights the ethical demands of the gospel.

Plan to join us as we discover why the scriptures offer us reasons for hope and joy. For more information, contact Kathleen Bell at 760-758-4100 x110 or [kathleenb@stmoside.org](mailto:kathleenb@stmoside.org).



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

### September 7 Response Statistics

		# of Families Responding
<b>FOUR Months to Go!</b>		
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>\$477,616</b>	<b>648</b>
<b>Still Needed</b>	<b>\$22,384</b>	<b>391</b>
<b>Total Goal</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>	<b>1,039</b>
<b>Total Collected</b>	<b>\$395,286</b>	



- † We continue to celebrate **all gifts**, large and small, that help us reach our goal. Thank you!
- † Special thanks for our 29 "Adopt a Family" gift donations and to all those households who have increased their dollar amounts in Phase 2.1.
- † **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 [chris@stmoside.org](mailto:chris@stmoside.org)

### Vocations

In this week's Gospel, Jesus criticizes the Pharisees and scribes for burdening the Jews with trivial man-made rules rather than God's true message. If you feel you may have a calling to spread the true message of God as a Priest, deacon or religious and wish to explore that feeling, 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.

# Liturgy & Music

Worship God

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

## SUMMER READING ... AND WRITING

For those of you who noticed, and it is okay if you didn't, I wasn't around the Parish very much this summer. Since June, I have been working to complete a personal goal that took a hiatus when I began my ministry at St. Thomas More. At that time, I had completed all the course work for a master's degree in music from San Diego State University and was working on my final thesis—the big paper offering a new perspective on a subject of interest that tells the academic community that one is thoroughly versed on a particular subject.

This summer, Fr. Mike graciously granted me the time to tackle the work of writing the thesis. My subject is ecumenical hymnody and my project had been a comparative analysis of three denominational hymnals published in the 1980s to determine what effects the twentieth century's ecumenical movement had upon their compilation and publication.

Most of my summer days were spent at the Cole Public Library in Carlsbad, with a weekly trip to Copley Library at the University of

San Diego, and an occasional stop at music department at San Diego State University. Early on, I met with my faculty advisor, the department's musicology professor, new to the university since I was there and *very* energetic, who offered sage advice about the topic and how not to bite off more than a graduate student can chew.

So, now I am working to determine the effects of *both* the ecumenical movement and the liturgical reform instituted by the Second Vatican Council on the compilation of *one* representative Catholic hymnal from the era. The multi-denominational analysis can wait for a doctoral dissertation, according to my advisor.

My "penance" for waiting all this time is that I have had to reread all the materials that I read before as well as the pertinent material that has been published in the interim. Fifteen books, forty or fifty scholarly journal articles, a couple dozen hymnals, and countless pages of notes later, I have produced some 15,000 well-edited words—I am sure there are thousands more in the



scratch area of my computer—which will be offered to my advisor as a first draft this fall. There still are interviews to conduct with some of the hymnal editors of the time, conclusions to draw, and a graduate committee to assemble and satisfy.

But all in all, it has been a very fulfilling summer, full of thoughtful words on sacred music from the Roman Catholic Church, from her Protestant brothers and sisters, and from the many, many people who have through the years lovingly struggled to encourage the people to "full, active, and conscious participation" in the worship of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

—Douglas

### Upcoming Music

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SEPTEMBER 16  
24th Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

✠

5:00pm Mass

Praise Team

8:30am Mass

Sanctuary Choir

*Blessed* are the poets and visionaries of sound, who discover and share the enchantment and power of melody and harmony and rhythm, for they have had a foretaste of God who is Beauty, ever ancient, ever new.

*Blessed* are the musical stewards who know how to bring out of their storehouses the treasured songs of generations past and the tuneful creations of today's believers.

*Blessed* are musicians who are in love with God and God's people: who have been called to a privileged role of service, who never stop dreaming of more effective ways of sharing the gift of God's love through music.

*Blessed* are such women and men, for they have found the way of life unending. Amen.

*Find your way to life unending!*

**Handbell Choir** — Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30pm, contact Douglas at 760-758-4100 x140

**Praise Team** — Wednesdays, 7:00-9:00pm, contact Joleen at 760-295-7170

**Sanctuary Choir** — Thursdays, 7:00-9:00pm, contact Douglas at 760-758-4100 x140

## Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

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### Parent Faith Formation

#### THE CHALLENGE!

Thank you for offering us partnership in the faith formation of your child. As catechists we'll do the best we can to share our Catholic faith with your child during the 18 sessions s/he is with us. Most important is that this faith is based on a relationship with Jesus, my personal friend. We will strive to let your child know Jesus better through the example we set and the community we create in addition to the stories we share.

Partnership is two-sided, so we look forward to your help in sharing faith in home sessions as outlined in the Annual Plan.

SO, in your household is it:

**"Do as I say!"**

or

**"Do as I do!"**

Just as we ask our children to commit time and effort and energy to growing in faith, so I ask you parents to "take the challenge" . . . let your household be one where children see parents willing to commit time and effort and energy to growing in faith.

The challenge is to attend ten sessions starting October 7 on RE.A.CH Sundays from 5:00-6:30 to share in a DVD series on Catholicism. I guarantee you will be enriched by it and have a stronger understand of what the Catholic Church teaches by attending.

There are no excuses—show your child that faith is a priority in your family. Put your body where your words are. You can DVR the game and bring the beer and pretzels with you . . . just bring some to share. It will be our "Parent Happy Hour (and a half)!"

Are you up for the challenge ???

With you on the journey,

*Kathleen*

### Children's Faith Formation



Sunday is a **RE.A.CH** day!  
Religious Education for Adolescents and Children

**9:45-10:20am**

**Open House for parents and PK-5  
students ~ Lower Level**

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

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

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

### Teen Faith Formation

Orientation for teens and parents beginning the high school program is next Sunday, September 16, at 12:00noon on the lower level. Be sure you are enrolled in RE.A.CH in order to attend.

Core Courses for Teen Faith Formation begin Sunday, September 30, from 6:30-8:30pm. Core Courses last for five consecutive Sundays. Phase 1 and Phase 2 teens are required to attend all sessions.

### Confirmation 2 Retreat

Please turn in your forms to Marcus and begin to pray for this event at home! The cost of this Retreat is \$100 and the dates are September 21-23 at Kamp Kuper in Escondido.

This is a mandatory event for Phase 2 Confirmation candidates. Please call Marcus if you have any questions.

### PBJ Update

(Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center)

2012 GOAL:	365 jars
Collected to date:	275 jars

# Stewardship & Development

Serve God's People

Chris Smith  
Director of Stewardship & Development  
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## Catholic Stewardship Why We Need to Give

Dean Martin echoed a basic truth in his song, "Everybody Loves Somebody." Love's reach extends beyond song and art and into religion.

Jesus, whose life is our greatest lesson about love, identified love as the path to salvation. Love goes beyond well-wishing to action, the "laying down" of life. Jesus saved us through giving. He gave us himself.

We've all experienced the joy of giving, the excitement of giving an unsolicited gift, or a particularly generous one. We enjoy witnessing the joy our gift brings. Parents experience this when they give to young children. We all experience it when we give to a friend, a neighbor, a charity, a stranger.

However, the warm feeling that accompanies giving is the least important part of the experience. The truth is we need to give because we grow by giving.

The world would have us believe that we grow by getting: the more I have, the more I am. In this view, personal possessions count more than personal qualities, like character and virtue.

But a fast car or a flashy cell phone is a poor means of self-expression. In order to express ourselves, we need to share our uniqueness with others, to create and to give.

- † Giving allows us to grow socially. We need relationships and relationships are enriched by giving.
- † Giving helps us to understand the true purpose of our possessions.
- † Giving and sacrifice strengthen relationships.

We sometimes hold back our giving because of fear. Will there be enough left for me? Am I willing to risk sacrifice?

The bottom line is that our need to give overrides fear. We all have a need to give—a need to love "somebody sometime."



Because God loved us first, He has given us abundant life and a unique combination of gifts. Through our baptism, Jesus calls us to join his mission of salvation, and our gifts are tools which contribute to that mission.

When we give, we obey the first commandment, we practice the greatest virtue, and we reveal ourselves as Christian stewards.

—Partially excerpted and adapted from an article by Rev. Jon Thomas, Parochial Vicar, Christ Our Light Parish, Cherry Hill, New Jersey, ICSC Sept. 2012 Bulletin (with permission)

**"Love never fails"**

(1 Corinthians 13:8)

## 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](mailto:chriss@stmoside.org).

**Do two people in your family know the location of  
your will and/or living trust?**

### Collection for Week of September 1/2, 2012

Number of Registered Households		1,039
Offertory*	\$	16,411.29
Offertory (Loose Collection)		1,170.00
Children's envelopes		1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>17,582.29</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 and Information from the Larger Church

**Volunteers Needed at Birth Choice of Oceanside**—Training provided for those interested in volunteering as counselors for this pro-life, Christ-centered, pregnancy resource center offering free pregnancy testing, ultrasound, and options counseling for women in crisis. For more information, contact Mary Rose Stearns at 760-434-5063 or [mrstearns@birthchoice.net](mailto:mrstearns@birthchoice.net).

**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 a Franciscan Worldview Retreat on September 14-15 presented by Fr. Kenan and a Twilight Retreat on September 21 presented by Fr. Dan.

**Pillars of Catholicism Free Online Course**—Available at [www.pillarsofcatholicism.com](http://www.pillarsofcatholicism.com). Sponsored by John Paul the Great University. Includes 13 half-hour videos and supporting materials.

**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).

**Fr. Stan Fortuna, CFR, in Concert at Mission San Luis Rey**—Friday, September 14, 7:00-9:30pm, Serra Center, Mission San Luis Rey Parish, 4050 Mission Ave., Oceanside. Tickets \$10 in advance from [www.event-brite.com](http://www.event-brite.com) or \$15 at the door. For more information, contact 760-547-0702.

**Vatican Photographic Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles**—September 14-16 at St. James Parish, Solana Beach. For information, call 858-481-5631 or 858-481-6911.

**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.

**St. Pio's Feast Day Celebration in Spring Valley**—Sunday, September 23, with activities beginning at 1:30pm and Mass at 4:15pm celebrated by Retired Auxiliary Bishop Chavez at Santa Sophia Parish, 9800 San Juan St., Spring Valley. For more information, contact 619-697-5958 or [www.saintpio.org](http://www.saintpio.org).

**Starry, Starry Night Event to Benefit Voices for Children**—Saturday, September 29, Rancho Valencia Resort. Voices for Children serves abused and neglected children in San Diego County foster care. For more information, contact Rebecca Reyes at 858-598-2232 or [RebeccaR@speakupnow.org](mailto:RebeccaR@speakupnow.org).

**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, 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.

**Pauline Books and Media**—5945-B Balboa Ave., San Diego, carries a wide selection of gifts, books, and bibles—great for First Communion and Confirmation gifts. For more information, contact 858-565-9181.

**Catholic Singles Organization**—The Catholic Alumni Club International is expanding into the San Diego area. Visit [www.caci.org](http://www.caci.org) for more information.

**Foster Children Need Advocates**—Voices for Children is looking for volunteers to be Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs). Information meetings on May 22 and June 6. For more information, call 858-598-2235 or visit [www.speakupnow.org](http://www.speakupnow.org).

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

**Natural Family Planning Course in San Diego**—For more information and/or to register for the series, contact 619-303-5053 or [davidandcherylross@gmail.com](mailto:davidandcherylross@gmail.com).

**Marriage Encounter Program in San Diego**—Resolving to have a better relationship? Choose a Marriage Encounter weekend

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- Fundraising support.

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

**Friar Feast Taste**—Friday, October 5, 6:00-9:00pm. Taste of the Town event for adults over 21 plus Mega Draw Raffle.

**Friar Fest 2012**—Sunday, October 7, 9:00am-6:00pm with live entertainment, food, blessing of animals, dog show, fun zone, games, contests, and vendors.

For more information, contact Julie Kaiser at 760-945-8044 or visit [www.stfrancis-vista.org](http://www.stfrancis-vista.org) and click Friar Fest.



### 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 and outreach projects., plus a Young Adult Retreat coming up in September.

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

### San Diego Has a Full-Time Catholic Radio Station!

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



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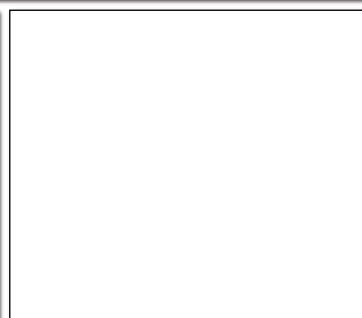
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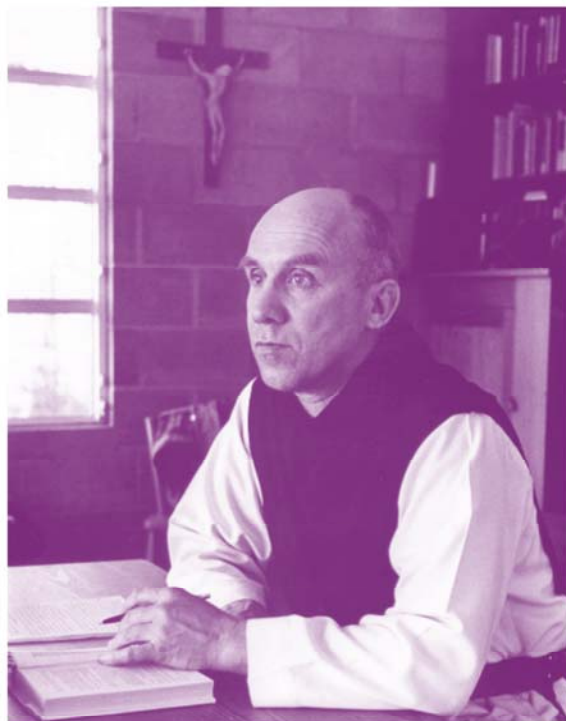
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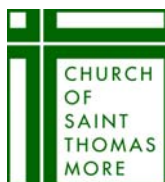
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