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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

October 28, 2012 • Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor's Column

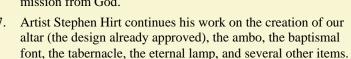
New Construction Update—September/October 2012

This is the latest in a series of updates to keep all Parishioners informed in regard to the progress of the construction of our Permanent Church and our Parish Offices.

- Design co-ordination with acoustical consideration continues as we finalize the millwork design of the interior of the Church.
- 2. Budgetary pricing of structural concrete, structural steel, and interior millwork is currently being completed.
- 3. Architectural and structural co-ordination of the sanctuary is moving forward.
- 4. The creation of the crucifix for our Church continues by artist Lynn Kircher. The crucifix may be ready for display by mid-2013.
- 5. Artist Elizabeth Devereaux is beginning work on the three major sites of the architectural art glass that will enhance the Church: two windows at the baptismal font, and in the reconciliation room.
- 6. Artist Claire Wing is beginning work on the Marian Shrine. It will be made of glass, and will memorialize the moment of the Annunciation—Angel Gabriel announcing to Mary that she is to give birth to Jesus, the Son of God. The emphasis

here will be a very younglooking Mary, because Mary was in her early teens as she accepted this

mission from God.



- 8. Architect Renzo Zecchetto continues work on the design of the cross on which the corpus will be placed, as well as the ambry (which holds the sacred oils) which will be located near the Baptismal Font.
- 9. Brian Leahey, our Parishioner, who has been intimately involved with this project from the very beginning as a volunteer, has been hired to be our full-time Construction Site Overseer. He will oversee this project until its completion! We are very fortunate to have Brian's expertise, experience, and commitment to St. Thomas More.



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Treasures Flea Market 2012 Results

This year was our most successful event ever. On Sunday, October 21, the committee presented Fr. Mike with a check for \$12,100. We could not have done it without the support of the entire Parish, from the youth group who camped out Friday night and helped arrange products to the security team who kept a watchful eye on our treasures into the wee hours of the night. We had over 70 volunteers who worked hard on the set up and during the sale and made sure everything got cleaned up before the Saturday 5:00pm Mass. Our committee worked on this project for the past five months; their dedication was the driving force behind the scenes. And finally there was you. You heard the call and showed up with your items priced and ready to go. Without you this event could not go on, so thank YOU very much!

Plans are under way for next year's event on Saturday, September 21, so start saving your treasures now!

Special thanks go out to Cheryl Rowland who has done an amazing job with the plant booth for the last three years. Thanks for your strong efforts Cheryl! God Bless.

—John & Wendy Murphy, Treasures Chairpersons 2012



Treasures Plant Booth Results

First of all, I would like to thank the 54 Plant Booth volunteers who did an absolutely outstanding job in bringing the plant booth to life. Your support, perseverance and dedication to each and every task you were asked to do is deeply appreciated.

This year we were able to obtain donations from 53 nurseries. We were "sold out" by the end of the 10:30 Sunday mass. Kudos to all who made purchases!

The 2012 Plant Booth is very happy to announce that it raised a total of **\$5,306** for the benefit of St. Thomas More Catholic Church. In addition, the Plant Booth donated four beautiful palm trees for the church sanctuary.

If you are planning any future landscaping or just need more green or colorful or drought-tolerant plantings for your home or garden, please remember these nurseries that donated to our fundraiser. Tell them you are from the Church of St. Thomas More!

To those who donated their livelihood to us, we are blessed to know your love:

Carlsbad: Oasis Nursery, Miles Pacific Nursery and Rudvalis Orchids

Encinitas: Anderson's La Costa Nursery, Cordova Gardens, Weidner's Gardens, Amalia's Succulents, Barrels and Branches, Sunshine Gardens, and Cal Pacific Orchid Farms

Escondido: Waterwise Botanicals

Fallbrook: Roseland Nursery, Myrtle Creek Nursery, Maddock Ranch

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- 10. Construction cameras are being installed in order to provide a live-stream of the activity on the construction site which will be able to be viewed on our Parish website (www.stmoside.org). Time-lapse photography will also be used so that we will be able to view the construction from beginning to completion.
- 11. The construction fence around the project will go up on October 29-30.
- 12. It is now beginning!

Each Sunday we pray for all those who are working "behind the scenes" as we continue to prepare for and actually begin construction.

Rev. Michael Ratajczak, Pastor Brian Leahey, St. Thomas More Construction Site Overseer Phil & Pat Goscienski, Chairpersons, Interior Design Team

Nursery, Emerald M Growers, Durling Nursery, Olive Hill Greenhouses, Baxendale's Nursery, Finnamex Corp, Mateo's Nursery, Atkins Nursery, Premier Color Nursery, SD Growers Inc., and Silverthorn Ranch Nursery

Oceanside: Ingwersen Nursery, Pumice Stone Pottery, Ocean Hills Garden Club, and Sejut's Strawberries

San Marcos: Foothill Tropicals, Green Thumb Nursery, Buena Creek Gardens, Sherman Nursery, Tropical Connections, Valley View Nursery, and Altman Plants

Vista: Mueller's Greenhouses, Progressive Growers, Western Cactus Enterprizes, C&J Cactus Nursery, Buena Creek Nursery, Apgar Nursery, Playa Nursery, Silhouettes Of the Desert, Exotica Rare Fruit Nursery, Tony's Tropicals, Rancho Vista Cacti & Succulents, Botanical Partners, Ganter Nursery, Sunset Valley Orchids, The Green Connection, Green Acres Nursery, United Plant Growers of Vista, and Desert Theater Cactus & Succulents

Most importantly, I would like to thank God, for without Him, the Plant Booth would never have become a reality. He inspired me three years ago to raise my hand and suggest the sale of plants as a possible means of raising money in a proposed swap meet arena. Believe me when I say, His footprints appear in the booth far more than mine do.

Today God is telling me that it is time for me to let go and to pass the Plant Booth Chairmanship role on to someone else. I am asking you to please look into your hearts, raise your hands, and step forward to become the leader, or part of a team, eager to create the 2013 Garden of St. Thomas More Plant Booth. Contact John Murphy if that person is you! (760-497-6117)

God bless you all!

—Cheryl Rowland, Plant Booth Chairperson 2010-2012

For more photos, visit www.stmoside.org and select Event Pictures.



Readings for the Week Ahead

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

Sunday, October 28 (149)

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Psalm 126:1-6

Hebrew 5:1-6 Mark 10:46-52

Monday, October 29 (479)

Ephesians 4:32-5:8

Psalm 1:1-4,6 Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday, October 30 (480)

Ephesians 5:21-33

Psalm 128:1-5

Luke 13:18-21

Wednesday, October 31 (481)

Ephesians 6:1-9

Psalm 145:10-14

Luke 13:22-30

Thursday, November 1 (667)

Revelations 7:2-4,9-14

Psalm 24:1-4ab,5-6

1 John 3:1-3

Matthew 5:1-12a

Friday, November 2 (668)

All Souls

Wisdom 3:1-9 Psalm 27:1-2,4,13-14

2 Corinthians 4:14-5:1

John 6:37-40

Saturday, November 3 (484)

Martin de Porres, religious

Philippian 1:18b-26

Psalm 42:2-3,5cdef

Luke 14:1,7-11

Sunday, November 4 (152) Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 6:2-6 Psalm 18:2-4,47,51

Hebrew 7:23-28

Mark 12:28b-34

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 27, 5:00pm Leo Grassilli

Sunday, October 28, 8:30am Ethel Brogan

Sunday, October 28, 10:30am Charles Wehner ₽ Tuesday, October 30, 8:15am

Mary Jane Reid 🕆 Wednesday, October 31, 8:15am

Nancy & Ian Scali

Thursday, November 1, 8:15am Farrell Family

Thursday, November 1, 7:00pm Richard Gergurich &

Friday, November 2, 8:15am Poor Souls

Friday, November 2, 7:00pm Mari-Jo Porter & Joseph Immerso ♥

Saturday, November 3, 5:00pm Bernard Delaney &

Sunday, November 4, 8:30am Nona Miller ₽

Sunday, November 4, 10:30am Ed Stewart 🕈

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

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Mary Alexander The Allenfort Family Lucia Ambriz The Ariz Family Mary Balli Alexandra Banwell Jose Luis Barbosa Patricia Barbour Ray & Jeanne Bartman Clarice Bednarz John Bennici Regina Bentz Lisa Berg Roseanne Berg George "Whitey" Betus

Mary Betz Betty Jean Bielich Lynda Brady Monica Broussard Janet Brown Todd Brown Anita & Bill Buerger Bridget Buford

The Bunuelos Family Shelby Campbell Brianne Campos

Claudia Caplinger Paul Cassidy The Cervantes & Hamasaki

Families Dick Clarke Darlene Cole Dolly Cole Carl Coleman James Coleman

Thomas Cornwell & Family Lené Crowe Karen Flaharty Daley

Beverly de Gelder Stephanie de Villeneuve Sally DeLaura Judith DiMatteo Art Dossman Dave Dossman

John Drazkowski, Jr. Sharon Evans The Fiore Family Ryan Flum

Larry Fortier Mike Franchino Eugene Franciscus Kathryn Franklin Joe Freire Brian Frink

Sue Frost Carmen Garcia Jack & Marge Gillen Rick Gonzalez Rosemary Haeffelin Nan Hallbick

The Harker Family Elizabeth Harrison

Lilian Hills Susan Hori

Iolanda Iacobelli Linda Iacobelli Bennett

Sue Johnston The Joseph Floryance Family

Paul Kennedy Peggy Kiernan Debbie Kinney Dewey Kolbo Andrea Krohn

Helen Kuhn Lillian Lachance The Lamelin Family

Christopher & Roland Lawrence

Brandon LeBlanc Jeremiah Lemus Claudia Leué Dave Leué

The Paul Leué Family The Lilly Family Ashley Load Cassandra Loretto

Lauren Loretto James MacArthur Joaquin Maldonado Chandler May Bob McWilliams

Joyce Meehan Kálei Mendiola Bill Metzger Phyllis Minaya

June Montgomery Nancy Moore Elizabeth Muehlbacher Conrad Murphy

June Mitchell

Margie Myers Richard Obsitnik Bernadette Padovan Art Palle

Art Palle Lupe Casas Pelletier Helen Pingtella Marilyn Pirkola Douglas Price-Williams Maria Elena Quiroz

Barbara Ramm Mrs. Jack (Shirley) Riley

Rita Ritchie Adela Rivera Elena Rivera The Robinson Family 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 Jeanette Spangler Fred & Gilda Spiegl

Parek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski Patricia St. Pierre Dorothy Staehr Ted Stanislawski

Pete Sullivan

David Sweet
Tommy & Ginger Thompson
Valerie Thompson
Sarah Tillinghast

William Tompson Stephen Toth, Jr. Mary Tysko & Family Barbara Upson Ethel & Bob Vanderhagen

Silvana Vettese Vanessa Vitiello Barbara Voelpel Kevin Watson-Graff John Whitton Helen Wodyka Erin Young 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 Corp. Willie Deel Chaplain Van Dinh Lance Corp. Brandon Doyle, USMC StfSgt Evans Formica, USMC Grant Fischer MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC Sgt. Alex Garcia Sgt. Alex Oatcla BM2 Bobby Hartdegen, US Navy Staff Sgt. Travis M. Meyers, USAF 2nd Lt. Janelle Peske, USMC Pvt. 2 Jess Phillips, US Army Sr. Airman Robert Spear, USAF Tyler Timmerman, US Army Sgt. Charles Watts, USMC Major Seth Wolcott, USMC

Calendar Highlights

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

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Oct 28	Knights of Columbus Breakfast				
Nov 1	All Saints Day—Masses at 8:15am and 7:00pm				
Nov 2	All Souls Day—Masses at				
Nov 3-4	8:15am and 7:00pm Knights of Columbus				
Nov 4	Tootsie Roll Drive Liturgy of the Word for				
Nov 4	Children at 8:30am Mass RE.A.CH Classes at Church				
Nov 4	Catholicism Video Series Part 2				
Nov 6	Election Day— Remember to Vote!				
Nov 10-11	St. Bonaventure				
Nov 11	Clothing Drive Liturgy of the Word for				
	Children at 8:30am Mass				

at 9:00am Nov 22 Thanksgiving Dinner at

Hymn Festival

STM

Nov 23 Parish Office and Chapel

Course

closed for the holiday

RE.A.CH Classes at Church

RE.A.CH High School Mini

Thanksgiving Day—Mass

2013

Sep 21

Sep 29

Nov 11

Nov 18

Nov 18

Nov 22

Jan 6 Stewardship Appreciation Reception Stewardship Awareness/ Jan 12-31 Renewal Preview of Interior Church Jan 25

Elements New Member Reception

Mar 17 Apr 21 Towers of Faith Reception Second Annual STM Gala June 7 Jul 15-19 Vacation Bible School: Kingdom Rock!

Treasures 2013 Pastor's Dinner/Excursion

Pray for Women Religious

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

October 29
Sr. Eloisa Vilches, SJS
October 30
Sr. Joanne Wagenbrenner, CHS
October 31
Sr. Elizabeth Walsh, RSCJ
November 01
Sr. Kathleen Walsh, RSM
November 02
Sr. Alyce Waters, RSM
November 03
Sr. Cora Weismantel, SSND
November 04
Sr. Elizabeth Ann Wekall, RSM

Welcome New Parishioner

Kyri Nelson

Congratulations to

Diana & Mario Diaz

who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary October 24

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

Flower Donations

The Altar Flowers for this weekend were given by **Jane Grassilli** in memory of her husband Leo Grassilli.

Special All Souls Day Mass

There will be a special All Souls Day Mass Friday, November 2, at 7:00pm on the upper level of the Parish Center. Let us gather as a Parish community to remember our loved ones who have gone before us and now rest in the peace and joy of God's presence.

All Souls Envelopes

Envelopes for remembering the dearly departed are attached to the bulletin this week and are available at the information table on the Plaza. Envelopes returned by November 1 will be placed on the altar during the month of November.

K of C Entertainment Books and More!

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Entertainment Books for \$40 on the Plaza after weekend Masses, as well as Christmas cards and "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnets, and the proceeds will go to helping our church and community. Please contact Matt Perun at 760-734-1934 if you are interested or have any questions.

STM \$crip News

Our Parish has more than 1,235 registered families. On average, each household will spend at least \$200 per month on gas and groceries. That is collectively at least \$200,000 a month. Using various scrip cards for gas and grocery could earn the building fund up to \$7,500 per month. We buy groceries and purchase gas already. Together we can help build our church. Stop by the Scrip table or Parish Office to purchase your scrip cards today!

Check online for an updated Scrip list and online ordering system: www.stmoside.org, Contact Us, then Scrip.

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

Christmas Angel Ministry 2012-2013

As of this weekend, there are only 57 days left 'til Christmas! Christmas Angels start preparing stockings, gift bags, and delivering gifts beginning December 8, so we need your help now. Please join us to see how easily you can help with this rewarding ministry. With several volunteers completing small tasks, none too difficult or time consuming, we can ensure another successful year.

John & Marti Harper • 4johnnysangel@cox.net • 760-724-1181

Blood Drive

Time to increase the shrimp, spinach, and broccoli in your diet. Our fall blood drive will be held Sunday, November 4, 8:30am-2:30pm at the Bloodmobile in the lower driveway. Sign ups on the Plaza after Mass on the weekends of October 20-21 and 26-27. Please be generous. For more information, contact Linda Dicus at 760-726-5081.

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive

There are 330,000 children and adults in California with Intellectual disabilities, and they need our help. Nationwide, 60,000 members of the Knights of Columbus in California and their volunteers will conduct their annual fund raising drive in communities across the state to raise funds to benefit People with Intellectual Disabilities. Our goal this year is to raise \$1,000,000 in California

The drive at St Thomas More will be held the weekend of November 3-4 after all Masses. Knights of Columbus volunteers will be easily visible because of the bright yellow aprons they will be wearing, and the canisters and candies set up on the table in the courtyard after Mass. We are asking for your donations for this worthy cause. For every contribution you will receive a free piece of candy. Other than the cost of the candy, expenses are negligible so your contributions will go directly to those who need it.

The funds we raise will be donated to a local non-profit organization called The Arc of San Diego. For more information on the Arc of San Diego please visit: www.arc-sd.com. Last year, thanks to the generosity of the Saint Thomas More community, we raised just over \$800 in one weekend after Masses!

People with Intellectual Disabilities need the support of the general public so that they can develop and be productive contributing members of society.

If you have any questions or are interested in more information please contact Andy Frost, Drive Chairman, at 858-245-6305.

St. Bonaventure Mission Clothing Drive

On November 10-11, the Knights of Columbus will be collecting donated items for the Navajo Indians served by the St. Bonaventure Mission in New Mexico. The mission needs all types of gently-used clothing (infant, toddler, teen, and adult sizes), bedding, towels, pots and pans, and toys (used but not abused). Place donations in large plastic bags and bring to the church before or after weekend Masses on November 10tor 11. If you have questions, call Dick at 760-295-1431.

Parish Events

Women's Guild News

Our semi-annual "Bake Sale" and our "Small Quilted Items Sale," held last weekend, were each an amazing success. Thank you to everyone at St. Thomas More who came to our booths and shopped. A special thank you for all who donated delicious desserts and well-made "small quilted items." We cleared \$1,100 on the Bake Sale and \$3,200 on the quilted items sale. Thanks again to everyone!

Next Board Meeting will be on Monday, November 5 at 10:15am at my house.

Our next General Meeting will be held on Monday, November 12, at 11:00am on the lower level We will be hosting "Harvest Bingo," with a great luncheon. Hope to see you there. Please call me at 760-295-0059 or Siggie at 760-994-4727 to make a reservation. Don't miss this fun meeting. If you are not a member and would like to find out more about the STM Women's Guild, you are welcome to attend.

Just a chuckle—I've heard the best vitamin for a Christian is B1.

—Vera Bayliss, President

Thanksgiving Dinner

Our Parish family will be hosting their 8th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 22, at 1:00pm. A traditional Thanksgiving Dinner will be provided. If you would like to bring an appetizer or a dessert, it will be welcomed. Please RSVP per the invitation on the information table or call the Parish Office at 760-758-4100 x100. We look forward to celebrating the holiday with you!

Vocations

In today's second reading from the Letter to Hebrews, St Paul says: "Every high priest is taken from among men and made their representative before God...No one takes this honor upon himself but only when called by God." Are you being called by God to be a priest, deacon, or religious, and wish to explore the possibilities? If so, contact Deacon Tom at thomasgoeltz@aol.com or 760-727-8442.

World Mission Sunday

Envelopes were attached to the bulletin last week for World Mission Sunday, an annual collection that allows us to support the missionary work of the worldwide Church. The Society for the Propagation of the Faith distributes all funds collected to mission dioceses for catechetical programs, seminaries, the building of chapels, churches, orphanages, and schools, and disaster relief. The envelopes may be returned any time during the month of October. Your prayerful consideration is appreciated!

A Retreat at Sea!

I will be leading a "Retreat at Sea" on a cruise from Miami Beach to Rio de Janeiro in November 2013. Flyers are available in the Parish Office or at the information table on the Plaza after Masses

There will be a "No Obligation" information meeting on Sunday, November 4, at Noon, on the lower level of the Parish Center. Please RSVP to Henny at *hennyj@stmoside.org* or 760-758-4100 x100 if you will be attending. —*Fr. Mike Ratajczak*

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

October 24 Response Statistics TWO Months to Go!

Total Responses \$504,108!

Total Collection Goal \$500,000

Collected to Date \$471,124

Payments Still Needed \$28,876



- † Thanks to the 694 dedicated households (67% of the Parish) who have helped us to exceed our \$500,000 campaign goal!
- † Special thanks for our 61 "Adopt a Family" gift donations and to all those households who have increased their dollar amounts in Phase 2.1.
- † EVERY contribution continues to help! No gift is too small or too large!
- † Please remember that it is key for all of us to complete our building fund payments through December to collect this \$500,000 goal!

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

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 \$26,000

from this program. Thank you donors!









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

Liturgy & Music



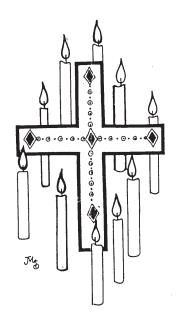
Douglas Lynn Director of Liturgy and Music douglasl@stmoside.org; 760-758-4100 x140

ALL SOULS DAY

An Invitation from Sr. Maureen

November is a special time in the Catholic Church as we remember our beloved dead, especially on **All Souls Day**, November 2. Let us gather as a faith community to remember and celebrate the lives of our loved ones who have passed through death to new life!

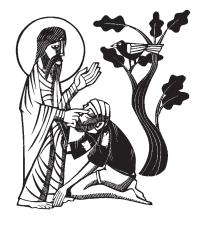
Friday, November 2 7:00pm on the Upper Level



During this Mass we remember all of our deceased. We especially honor our Parishioners who died this past year, as well as special requests from Parishioners on behalf of recently deceased family members. The worship aid will list their names and personalized candles will be lit during Mass and placed in front of the altar. Often families light these candles throughout the year on special occasions as a visual reminder of their love one. Each person will also be remembered in song at the Prayers of Intercession.

As Christians we are called to make the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy real in our lives! This is an opportunity for us "comfort the sorrowful" through prayer and communal support!

There will also be a special Book of Remembrance in which to write the names of any of your deceased family and friends. It will be in the center aisle on November 2 and then be located near the alcove for the statue of Mary during the month of November. Join us in praying: "Holy Mary, Gentle Mother, cradle within



your arms those who have died, and intercede for those who mourn them. Amen."



This is an excellent time of year to remind you that the Parish is here for you when a death occurs in your family. It is very important that you call the Parish office as soon as possible and before any other made. arrangements are Bereavement Team will be in contact with you immediately, and walk with you every step of the way. They will help you make initial decisions and prepare for a Funeral Mass or Service that honors your loved one and the faith we share.

Following the funeral, if you wish, a reception can be held here at the Parish. We have a wonderful Reception ministry composed of many Parishioners who volunteer to set up, serve, and clean up, as well as donate salads and desserts. This becomes an important time for a family to relax and be together, restoring relationships and celebrating memories!

We welcome you to join us in the many aspects of this ministry, either as ministers at Mass or helping in the reception ministry. Call me for further information at 760-758-4100 x131.

-Sr. Maureen

Upcoming Music

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NOVEMBER 1 All Saints

8:15am Mass

Cantor & Congregation

7:00pm Mass

Sanctuary Choir

X

NOVEMBER 2 All Souls

8:15am Mass

Cantor & Congregation

7:00pm Mass

Sanctuary Choir

X

NOVEMBER 4 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm Mass

Cantor & Congregation

8:30am Mass

Cantor & Congregation

10:30am Mass

Cantor & Congregation

SINGING GLORY TO GOD!

A CELEBRATION OF SONGS OF PRAISE

Lift your voice in this varied program of sacred song!

A HYMN FESTIVAL HOSTED BY THE

SANCTUARY CHOIR & HANDBELL CHOIR

Sunday, November 18 • 4:00pm • Parish Center

Bring your friends and a canned good or three for the Interfaith Community Services food pantry (the food goes to the pantry!)

A free-will offering benefits the music ministry.

Faith Formation



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



Sunday is a RE.A.CH day at Home

PBJ Update

(Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center)

2012 GOAL: 365 jars Collected to date: 312 jars



RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Rite of Welcome and Acceptance!

At the 8:30am Mass on Sunday four new catechumens and two candidates join our Parish community:

This is a combined Rite.

Assembling publicly for the first time,

Megan House Ari Layoun Alison Scardino Paul Smith

declare their intention to respond to God's call to follow the way of Christ. The Church accepts them as persons who intend to become its members. (The Rite of Acceptance) "God showers grace on these catechumens as this celebration manifests their desire publicly and marks their reception and first consecration by the Church." RCIA, 41

This is also a Rite of Welcome for Frank Gilchrist Stacey Griffin

who have already been marked by baptism but now wish to make a Profession of Faith in the Catholic Church. "Now the Church surrounds them with special care and support as they prepare to be sealed with the gift of the Spirit in confirmation and take their place at the banquet table of Christ's sacrifice." RCIA, 412

Welcome these new members and their families who will join us at the Knights of Columbus breakfast...stop by and introduce yourself!



The Little Blue Book for the Advent-Christmas Season is now available.

Many Parishioners look forward to these six-minute meditations as a way to make a very hectic season HOLY. They also enjoy mailing them to friends and relatives.

The Little Blue Book contains daily reflections on the Sunday Gospels.

The booklet is designed to fit easily into your purse or pocket, and always comes with a plain paper cover so you can use it in public places without being disturbed. It is a great tool for patience when waiting in endless lines!

Your \$2 donation is appreciated to help cover the cost of the book.

They are available, while supply lasts, at the information table on the Plaza, or on the Lower Level of the Parish Center.



Opportunities to (in)form your faith this week:

Sunday

Introduce yourself to a new member of our faith community at the Knights of Columbus breakfast.

Monday

Clean out your closet and ask friends and neighbors as well to gather items for the St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive.

Tuesday

Fill out your All Souls Day Remembrance envelope to bring with you to church on

Thursday

as we celebrate the feast of All Saints with Mass at 8:15am or 7:00am.

Friday

All Souls Day can be such a day of profound remembrance if we make the time for prayer. Mass 8:15am or 7:00pm are not required attendance today, but they provide the perfect setting for reflection.

Saturday

That Man Is You! continues at 6:45am and men can still join in.

Stewardship & Development



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

Christian Stewardship The Steward's Harvest

October is traditionally the harvest month for those who live in the Northern Hemisphere. This year, farmers across the great American plains have seen crops stunted by drought and intemperate heat. Yet, October brings again the bright yellows and oranges of falling leaves and vine-ripened pumpkins and the invigorating crispness of autumn air.

In October, we cannot fail to note the dying of things. The grass grows dormant, the flowers fade and then yield to frost, the once verdant leaves fall and decay. This year of drought, many U.S. farmers have plowed under dried up corn husks that have yielded no fruit. October brings with it the knowledge that the cycles are ever with us, and that we, too, are part of this cycle of birth, death, and rebirth.

For many, it's a challenging lesson. We sometimes turn away from all that this season tells us about our own mortality. But the Christian steward knows that stewardship is steeped in the season of harvest.



It's not surprising that the Hebrew Scriptures are filled with harvest imagery. There is a time for everything, the writer of Ecclesiastes tell us, and a season for every activity under heaven . . . a time to plant and a time to uproot.

From our ancestors' world, embedded in agrarian culture, we've moved to a fast-paced environment where we sometimes ignore the cycles of life or fail to learn from their implications.

Jesus, the offspring of a carpenter and the friend of fishermen, was also deeply attuned to the rhythm of the fields. He observed the seed that fell on rocky soil and the seed that fell on fertile land. He told us the hard truth that unless a grain of wheat dies, it remains but a single grain.

How do we approach the harvest? Are we comfortable acknowledging that the summers of our lives lead inevitably to autumns, that all of this is God's plan, that faith tells us another spring is promised somewhere in our future?

- † Have we prepared our soil well?
- † What will be harvested from our lives?
- † Where are our first fruits going?

October tells us what the heart knows: that the harvest and the steward are inexorably linked.

—ICSC Catholic Stewardship, October 2012 (with permission)

It's good, no matter how old we are, to yield to the lessons of this passing season.

GOT DEDUCTIONS? HELPFUL YEAR-END PLANNING TIPS

2012 YEAR-END CHECKLIST

- ♦ BE SURE TO COMPLETE all gifts by December 31 to qualify for tax savings on this year's tax return. Advance planning with the Parish Office is essential, since the office will be closed from December 25, 2012-January 2, 2013. Please contact the office BEFORE December 25 to make arrangements if necessary.
- ♦ Donations received the weekend of December 29-30 (or on December 31), will be credited in 2012.
- ♦ Envelopes POSTMARKED by Monday, December 31, 2012 will be credited for the 2012 tax year.
- ♦ Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) ~ If you have a balance due on this year's ACA pledge, please complete payments by December 31, 2012. (*Tithing families, know that your tithe covers your ACA contribution.*)
- ♦ Keep all gift receipts and acknowledgment letters, especially for gifts of \$250 or more.
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News and Information from the Larger Church

The Center for Christian Spirituality at the University of San Diego has a great line up of fall events. Visit www.sandiego.edu/ccs for more details.

Choral Concert in Rancho Bernardo—Sunday, October 28, 4:00pm, San Rafael Parish, 17252 Bernardo Center Dr., San Diego. Featuring the Greater San Diego Community Orchestra and the Festival Choir performing C.P.E. Bach's *Magnificat*. For more information, contact 858-487-4314 x1225.

AutumnFest 2012 in Oceanside—Wednesday, October 31, 5:00-9:00pm at New Venture Christian Fellowship, corner of Cannon and Mystra. Live music, bounce houses/jumpees, pony rides, The Zipper and ferris wheel, food, candy, and more. For more information, visit *www.newventure.org*.

After-Abortion Healing Retreat for Catholic Women—November 2-4, given by Rachel's House at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 3888 Paducah Dr., San Diego. Closing Mass included. For information/registration, contact Rosemary Benefield at 858-581-3022 or rachels_hope@juno.com.

Handmade with Love—Love from Above Craft Fair—November 3-4, 8:00am-12:00noon, St. Elizabeth Seton Conference Center, 6628 Santa Isabel St., Carlsbad. For more information, contact 760-942-8920.

Franciscan Justice: The Colors of Autumn Retreat—Saturday, November 3, 9:00am-4:00pm at Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center in Oceanside with Br. Mark Schroeder. For more information, call 760-7567-3659 or visit www.sanluisrey.org.

St. Augustine Catholic High School (for boys) Open House—Sunday, November 4, 1:00-4:00pm, 3266 Nutmeg St., San Diego. Includes tours, presentations, and Q&A sessions. For more information, contact 619-282-2184 x5521 or www.sahs.org.

News from St. Francis Church

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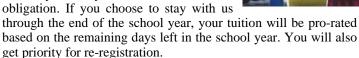
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Beginning Experience Weekend for Widowed, Divorced, and Separated—November 9-11, Prince of Peace Abbey, Oceanside. A trained team of peers leads participants through a healing and growth experience. For more information, contact Cathy at 619-222-9093 or Maureen at 619-447-0622.

Shred-a-thon in Carlsbad—Saturday, November 10, 9:00am-12:00pm, St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church lower parking lot, 6628 Santa Isabel, Carlsbad. Proshred will destroy confidential information onsite: \$5 per copy box of papers, \$10 per removed hard drive, and \$5 for anything with a plug or battery. For more information, contact 760-419-9243.

The Elizabeth Hospice Fall Volunteer Training—November 27, 28, and 29, 8:30am-3:00pm, at the Escondido Chamber of Commerce, 720n N. Broadway, Escondido. For more information, contact 760-737-2050.

Casa de Molina/Friends of the Poor Annual Children's Christmas Party—Saturday, December 15, 4833 Morning Canyon Rd., Oceanside, 12:00-2:00pm. Parishioner Vicky Molina and her family and friends have been hosting this event for over 25 years. They can use help with time, money, and/or toys. If you are interesting in participating, please contact Vicky at motherV5@cox.net or 760-630-1983.

Catholics Come Home

Do you have a family member, friend, or co-worker who has left the Catholic Church? If so, encourage them to visit www.CatholicsComeHome.org.

Young Adult Ministry Activities

Visit www.yamsd.org for complete information on events for young adults, including *Theology on Tap* series, *How to Start and Grow a Young Adult Ministry* training on November 17, Christmas Gala on December 8, and outreach projects.

Also, search Office of Young Adult Ministry on Facebook.

Marriage & Family Life Corner

The Bishops' Letter on Marriage—Living Chastely: "Married people are called to love with conjugal chastity. That is, their love is to be total, faithful, exclusive, and open to life...The practice of marital chastity ensures that both husband and wife will strive to live as a gift of self, one to the other, generously. In other words, marital chastity protects a great good: the communion of persons and the procreative purposes of marriage." To read the document go to https://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/.

Marriage Moments— "Whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant." (Mk 10:43) Just for fun see which of you can serve the other more today. Make a game out of it if you wish. "No, let me get the door, the snack, make dinner, etc." "No, honey, you must let me do it."

Parenting Pointers—Much of Halloween lore is tied up with trying to be scary (ghosts, witches, goblins) but do you know your child's deepest fears? It might be spiders, being the last one picked for a team, or that they'll lose your love. Ask. Listen. Talk.

For more information, visit www.diocese-sdiego.org/Ministries/



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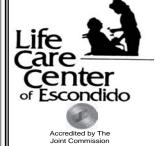
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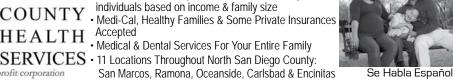
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