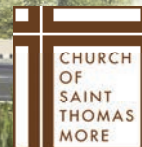


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A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

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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

November 11, 2012 • Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor's Column

Remembering Those Who Have Gone Before Us In Death

On November 2, we celebrated "The Feast of All Souls." Indeed, all through the month of November, we take time in a special way to remember all those who have gone before us in death.

The experience of the death of a loved one is always a "reality check" for us. As we grieve for the one who has gone, we also grieve for ourselves. We are mindful that we are a pilgrim people who are on a journey of faith. We have come from somewhere and we are going somewhere. Earth is not our home. We are aliens in a foreign land.

"Each time that we experience the death of a loved one, just a little bit more of eternity breaks into our existence." (Suzuki) These words challenge us to make sure that we do not allow ourselves to let the deaths of our loved ones be in vain. Hopefully, each time we grieve a loved one, we become more open to life, more loving, more caring, and more open to the eternal life that awaits us.

As we remember and look to the past, we look forward to what lies ahead for us. May our loving memories during this month spur us on to a deeper respect and love for this gift of life given to us.

I share with you this prayer:

We Remember Them

*In the rising of the sun and in its going down...
In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter...
In opening of buds and in the warmth of summer...
In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of autumn...
In the beginning of the year and when it ends...
When we are weary and in need of strength...
When we are lost and sick at heart...
When we have joys we yearn to share...
So long as we live, they too shall live
for they are part of us and part of you, O God, as
We remember them!*

—Rabbi Sylvan Kamens and Rabbi Jack Riemer

F. Mike

Collection for National Needs

The envelope attached to the bulletin today can be used for your contribution to support Black and Indian Missions, the Catholic Home Missions, the Catholic Communication Campaign, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, and the Catholic University of America. You may return the envelopes any time during November. Thank You!

Our Mission is to: worship God,

Mass Schedule:

Saturday at 5:00pm; Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am;
Tuesday-Friday at 8:15am;
watch bulletin for holydays

Rite of Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturday from 4:00-4:30pm (or by appointment)

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

Liturgical Ministry: Contact Douglas Lynn at 760-758-4100 x140

Music Ministry: Contact Douglas Lynn at 760-758-4100 x140

Communion for the Homebound/Hospitalized:

Contact Parish Office at 760-758-4100 x100

Anointing of the Sick: Contact Parish Office

Matrimony:

Contact Parish Office a minimum of nine months in advance

*For further information, call Rev. Michael Ratajczak
at 760-758-4100 x100 or michaelr@stmoside.org.*

teach and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ,

Inquiry into the Catholic Faith:

First and third Thursday evenings

Religious Education for Youth & Children:

Two times a month, September-May, on Sundays

Religious Education for Adults: Various times, September-May

Liturgy of the Word for Children: 8:30am and 10:30am Masses

Little Rock Scripture Study:

Weekly sessions, morning or evening

High School Youth Ministry: Monday evenings

Middle School Youth Ministry:

Two Sunday evenings per month

Preparation for the Sacraments:

Baptism (for infants):

Begins with an appointment with the Pastor

Baptism (7-14 yrs.)/RCIA:

One to two year process with children and parents

Baptism (adults)/RCIA:

One to two year process; weekly sessions

First Reconciliation: In home process begins in Level 1

First Communion:

In home process begins after First Reconciliation

Confirmation: Minimum two year process of preparation; begins in high school

*For further information, call Kathleen Bell
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.

*For further information, see page 10, or call Chris Smith
at 760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org.*

Opportunity to Help Local Families in Need



North County Solutions for Change women and children's shelter needs volunteers for meal preparation, servers, and donations (food and paper goods). St. Thomas More has committed to providing one meal per month for this ministry. In this way we answer the call of Jesus to feed the hungry and this is in our neighborhood. Any help you can provide is welcome!

Organizations as well as individuals are invited to participate with portions or entire meal preparation, drinks, desserts, and/or monetary contributions to offset the cost for those only able to cook. Please prayerfully consider if you are able to help with this important ministry and call if you can help with one of the following available dates in 2013:

**April 28, May 26, June 23,
September 22, October 27, December 22**

For more information, contact Kevin & Lyn Leahy at
760-643-0872 or [kleahy12@cox.net](mailto:k Leahy12@cox.net).

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.

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 or parishoffice@stmoside.org**

Readings for the Week Ahead

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

Sunday, November 11 (155)

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 17:10-16
Psalm 146:7-10
Hebrew 9:24-28
Mark 12:38-44

Monday, November 12 (491)

Josaphat, bishop, martyr

Titus 1:1-9
Psalm 24:1-6
Luke 17:1-6

Tuesday, November 13 (492)

Frances Xavier Cabrini, virgin

Titus 2:1-8,11-14
Psalm 37:3-4,18,23,27,29
Luke 17:7-10

Wednesday, November 14 (493)

Titus 3:1-7

Psalm 23:1-6
Luke 17:11-19

Thursday, November 15 (494)

Albert the Great, bishop, doctor

Philemon 7-20
Psalm 146:7-10
Luke 17:20-25

Friday, November 16 (495)

Margaret of Scotland; Gertrude, virgin

2 John 4-9
Psalm 119:1-2,10-11,17-18
Luke 17:26-37

Saturday, November 17 (496)

Elizabeth of Hungary, religious

3 John 5-8
Psalm 112:1-6
Luke 18:1-8

Sunday, November 18 (158)

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Daniel 12:1-3
Psalm 16:5,8-11
Hebrew 10:11-14,18
Mark 13:24-32

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

Mary Alexander
The Allenfort Family
Lucia Ambriz
Mary Balli
Jose Luis Barbosa
Patricia Barbour
Barbara Barter
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
Shelby Campbell
Brianna Campos
Claudia Caplinger
Paul Cassidy
Dick Clarke
Dolly Cole
Carl Coleman
James Coleman
Thomas Cornwall & 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
The Fortier Family
The Fox Family
Mike Franchino
Eugene Franciscus
Kathryn Franklin
Joe Freire
Brian Frink
Sue Frost
Jim Gallagher
Carmen Garcia
Jack & Marge Gillen
The Gliottone Family
Rick Gonzalez
Rosemary Haeffelin
Susan Hallahan
Nan Hallbick
The Harker Family
Elizabeth Harrison
Lilian Hills
Susan Hori
Iolanda Iacobelli
Linda Iacobelli Bennett
Sue Johnston
The Joseph Floryance Family
The Kater Family
Paul Kennedy
Peggy Kiernan
Debbie Kinney
Dewey Kolbo
Sr. Anne Kremenik
Helen Kuhn
Lillian Lachance
The Lamelin Family
Christopher Lawrence
Roland Lawrence
Brandon LeBlanc
The Dave Leisle Family
Jeremiah Lemus
Claudia Leué
The Paul Leué Family
The Lilly Family
Ashley Load
Cassandra Loretto
Lauren Loretto
James MacArthur
Joaquin Maldonado
Chandler May
Jeff McCoy
Bob McWilliams
Joyce Meehan
Kalei Mendiola
Bill Metzger
Phyllis Minaya
June Mitchell
June Montgomery
Nancy Moore
Elizabeth Muehlbacher
Conrad Murphy
Margie Myers
Richard Obsitnik
Bernadette Padovan
Art Palle
Lupe Casas Pelletier
Helen Pingtella
Marilyn Pirkola
Douglas Price-Williams
Barbara Ramm
Mrs. Jack (Shirley) Riley
Rita Ritchie
Adela Rivera
Elena Rivera
Maria Rogers
Dorothy Rouse
The Russo Family
Dan Ryan
Kimberly Schlunt
Linda Schmidt
The Douglas E. Schulte Family
Bob, Joan, & Julie Shea
Elizabeth Shirzad
Richard Sikora
Jeanne Sisson
Beth Snyder
Mike Snyder
Nick Sohtau
Jeanette Spangler
Fred & Gilda Spiegel
Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski
Patricia St. Pierre
Dorothy Staehr
Ted Stanislawski
The Stringer 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
Silvana Vettese
Vanessa Vitiello
Barbara Voelpel
Kevin Watson-Graff
John Whitton
Helen Wodyka
Erin Young
Patricia Zavala

Calendar Highlights

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

- Nov 10-11 St. Bonaventure
Clothing Drive
- Nov 11 Liturgy of the Word for
Children at 8:30am Mass
- Nov 11 RE.A.CH Classes at Church
- Nov 13-14 Restaurant Fundraiser at
Elephant Bar
- Nov 18 Liturgy of the Word for
Children at 8:30am and
10:30am Masses
- Nov 18 Hymn Festival
- Nov 18 RE.A.CH High School Mini
Course
- Nov 22 Thanksgiving Day—Mass
at 9:00am
- Nov 22 Thanksgiving Dinner at
STM
- Nov 22-23 Parish Office and Chapel
closed for the holiday
- Dec 8 Immaculate Conception of
the Blessed Virgin Mary—
Masses at 8:15am and
7:00pm

2013

- Jan 6 Stewardship Appreciation
Reception
- Jan 12-31 Stewardship Awareness/
Renewal
- Jan 25 Preview of Interior Church
Elements
- Feb 16 Women's Guild Fashion
Show at Shadowridge CC
- Mar 17 New Member Reception
- Apr 21 Towers of Faith Reception
- June 7 Second Annual STM Gala
- Jul 15-19 Vacation Bible School:
Kingdom Rock!
- Sep 21 Treasures 2013
- Sep 29 Pastor's Dinner/Excursion

Questions? Contact Henny at
760-758-4100 x100
hennyj@stmoside.org.

Pray for Women Religious

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

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| November 12 Sr. Elizabeth Abajo, SJS |
| November 13 Sr. Laura Abat, OSF |
| November 14 Sr. Ana Rosa Aceves, SJS |
| November 15 Sr. Ampelia Acuna, RJM |
| November 16 Sr. Marie Carmen Aguilar, UCSC |
| November 17 Sr. Luz Alicia Alvarez, SJS |
| November 18 Sr. Elizabeth of the Trinity Amabile, MC |

Mass Intentions

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| Saturday, November 10, 5:00pm Gary La Berge ☩ |
| Sunday, November 11, 8:30am Emilio Restituto Cicchini ☩ |
| Sunday, November 11, 10:30am Joseph & Nick Garrisi ☩ |
| Tuesday, November 13, 8:15am Patricia Thompson ☩ |
| Wednesday, November 14, 8:15am Alfred Barmasse ☩ |
| Thursday, November 15, 8:15am Michael Stenahl ☩ |
| Friday, November 16, 8:15am Dick Longaker ☩ |
| Saturday, November 17, 5:00pm All the deceased members of the Tutino & Lavelle Families ☩ |
| Sunday, November 18, 8:30am Jennifer Treat ☩ |
| Sunday, November 18, 10:30am Robert Castro ☩ |

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
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
Msgt. Paul Weisinger, USMC
Major Seth Wolcott, USMC

Welcome New Parishioner

Steven Stringer & Family

Congratulations to

Betsy & Bill Draper

who celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary November 9

Anne & Richard Cline

who celebrate their 45th wedding anniversary November 11

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 **Betsy & Bill Draper** in honor of their wedding anniversary.

In Memoriam



Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Anna Mae Stringer, who died on October 24. Her funeral was in Idaho. Please keep her son Steve Stringer and her family in your prayers.

Donald Fox, who died on October 31. His Funeral Mass was celebrated on November 10 at St. Thomas More. Please keep his family in your prayers.

Vincent Kater, who died on November 2. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, November 27, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep his wife Laura and his family in your prayers.

Rita Gliottone, who died on November 3. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, November 29, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep her family in your prayers.

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

STM Scrip 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

Hurricane Sandy Relief

Catholic Charities is accepting contributions for the Hurricane Sandy Storm Relief efforts. Donations can be made at www.ccdsd.org or by mailing a check to Catholic Charities, 349 Cedar St., San Diego, CA 92101 (indicate "Hurricane Sandy" in the memo line). 100% of donations will be directed to assist those in the affected area.

Christmas Angel Ministry 2012-2013

Angels of every age are welcome to help! The tree with ornaments representing gift requests from children and families in need will be appearing soon on the Plaza after Masses.

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

Thanksgiving Pies for Brother Benno's

For the past 15 years, St. Thomas More has been providing the dessert for Brother Benno's Thanksgiving feast for the poor. Last year your generosity was so overwhelming that there was enough for seconds. Please help again by bringing apple or pumpkin pies to the Parish Office by 12:00noon on Wednesday, November 21. Bring a touch of holiday joy to those in need.

You Matter—Getting Out the Vote

As members of San Diego Organizing Project (SDOP), members of our Parish teamed up with Parishioners from St. Francis to participate in *You Matter*.

You Matter is a non-partisan initiative of SDOP that aimed to increase civic participation in San Diego communities that have been traditionally underrepresented at the voting booth. *You Matter* is a volunteer-driven program which had a specific focus on San Diego City Council districts 4, 8, and 9 and the City of Vista; hundreds of community members who live and work in the targeted districts canvassed local neighborhoods to ensure their fellow residents understood the importance of civic activity.

By the end of Election Day 2012 *You Matter* volunteers visited the homes of over 10,000 infrequent voters in San Diego City Council districts 4, 8, and 9 and the City of Vista. The total number of pledges in San Diego to vote were 7,242. In North County we knocked on 1,091 doors and received 552 pledges to vote.

"The US Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) urged Catholics to cast their vote in Tuesday's election, saying responsible citizenship is a virtue and participation in political life is a moral obligation." —USCCB website



Parish Events

Women's Guild News

It's time to save the date: our annual Fashion Show will be held on February 16 at Shadowridge Country Club. We are starting to work on all the details now so we have a luncheon and show to remember. Our theme this year is "Fashion Magic," and it will truly be just that. Damon and Drapers will be featuring their spring clothing line. More details to come in the next two months.

Our next General Meeting this month will be held on Monday, November 12, at 11:00am on the lower level of the Parish Center. 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. We will also have some "small quilted items" for sale from our sale on the Plaza two weeks ago. Last opportunity until next year!

Tough times never last, tough people do.

—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!

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.

"Did You Know" Collection for October 2012

\$4,630.00

Restaurant Fundraiser for October 2012

Mrs. Taco

\$213.00

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. —Fr. Mike Ratajczak

Eucharistic Adoration



Monday-Friday • 6:30am-7:30pm
Blessed Sacrament Chapel

For more information, contact
the Parish Office at 760-758-4100 x100.

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

November 8 Response Statistics

TWO Months to Go!

Total Responses **\$507,233**

Collected to Date **\$493,156**



† **Thanks to the 703 dedicated households (68% 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

Vocations

Do you have a calling to help God's people fulfill these commandments as a priest, deacon, or religious? If so, and you want to investigate this calling, contact Deacon Tom at thomasgoeltz@aol.com or 760-727-8442.

Spirited Seniors Bus Trip to See the 2013 Pageant of Our Lord in Rolling Hills

The Spirited Seniors are sponsoring a bus trip to the 2013 Pageant of Our Lord at Rolling Hills Covenant Church on March 23 at 1:00pm.

The Pageant of Our Lord is a program whose concept originated from Laguna Beach's Pageant of the Masters. Tickets will be \$50 prepaid for members and \$55 for non-members and include bus transportation, show, early dinner, and all gratuities. Deadline for reservations is Sunday, November 18.

For more information, contact Jerry and Judy Buoniconti 760-758-5113.

Liturgy & Music

Worship God

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

THE OTHER THREE DAYS

The Order of Christian Funerals – Part I

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The heart of our faith as Christians is the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Because we are baptized into Christ, or longing to be so, the pattern of Jesus' suffering, dying, and rising is lived out in our daily experience. We, too, suffer, die, and rise in myriad ways day by day, and in the arms of a God who loves us to the point of never, ever abandoning us. And all of this daily dying and rising is preparation—a kind of rehearsal—for that ultimate moment in our life here of earth, the moment when each of us will pass from this life to the next. This is what we call the paschal mystery.

The heart of our life as Christians in community is the annual celebration of the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Our celebration of Easter is "of three days," and so, from Latin, we call it the *Triduum*.

During this festival of three days, we do what is most important. We wash feet—and we walk and walk and walk in processions. We lift up and kiss the cross. We bless a fire and sing around a candle, sharing its flame each to each. We tell the story of how and why it all began, who we

are and where we are going. And then, with God as father and as midwife, mother church gives birth to new life by baptizing, anointing, and welcoming to the table those whom God has chosen to be born again and live forever. Over the course of three days, the Paschal Triduum is nonetheless a single celebration, the most important of our life together in Christ.

From this experience of three-in-one our tradition has crafted the rites with which we face death, too. The Order of Christian Funerals is the collection of rites that we enact to honor the mystery of the death of one who belongs to Christ. Through these rites, the church acknowledges the pain and loss and encourages the bereaved to bring their grief to and express it amid a supportive community of faith that shares their suffering and pain. Together as one, this assembly of believers gathers over a period of time to proclaim their faith and hope in the promise that death is not the end.

There are three main parts to the Order: the vigil, the funeral liturgy, and the committal.

The vigil (or wake) service is the first of the three primary rites of the Catholic funeral liturgy. Along with the funeral liturgy itself and the rite of committal, these rites mark significant moments for the mourners as they come to terms with the loss of their loved one. Frequently, the vigil is the first public gathering of the deceased's family and friends—an acknowledgment of the reality of the death when it feels so unreal. This time of keeping watch in the presence of the deceased is an invitation to share the memories that forged the bond between the deceased and the mourners. It includes both formal and informal



opportunities for all to express their sense of loss and grief.

While the vigil is an important part of the liturgical rites, the demands of our mobile society sometimes preclude its celebration. Even so, family and friends can still gather together ahead of the funeral liturgy in whatever manner they are able to remember, to celebrate, and to give thanks for their loved one.

The structure of the formal vigil rite is simple. It includes the basics of ritual that we use always: We gather together as the church; we listen to God's word; we keep silence together; we sing psalms; we use postures and gestures that invite our very bodies into prayer. We also ask for God's help, pray the Lord's Prayer together, and sign the forehead of our loved one with the powerful sign of the cross. We may even tell stories about our loved one who has died. In the words of the scriptures and through prayers of intercession for both the deceased and mourners, the church reminds us that death is not the last word.

Next week: Funeral and Committal

Upcoming Music



NOVEMBER 18
 33rd Sunday in
 Ordinary Time



5:00pm Mass
 Sanctuary Choir
 8:30am Mass
 Praise Team
 10:30am Mass
 Handbell Choir

SINGING GLORY TO GOD!

A HYMN FESTIVAL
 HOSTED BY THE
 SANCTUARY CHOIR &
 HANDBELL CHOIR

Sunday, November 18
 4:00pm

Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

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

Sunday is a RE.A.CH day at Church
(It's two weeks in a row at Church During November and December!)

PBJ Update

(Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center)

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|--------------------|----------|
| 2012 GOAL: | 365 jars |
| Collected to date: | 314 jars |

Nov. 25 ends our 2012 count. . . will we make our goal?

Family Night

Friday, November 30, 6:00-8:30pm




Potluck dinner at 6:00pm

Meet new friends! "Open door" evening
Attend one, two, or all of the events

Short spiritual talk by guest speaker

Praise and Worship music with a great band

Eucharistic Adoration and prayer




For the WHOLE Family!

Little Blue Books for Advent/Christmas Season

This little booklet contains six minute practical 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!



Advent begins December 2.
Get yours while supply lasts.

Thank you for helping us buy a water buffalo!

The Youth Justice Foundation have designated the profits from today's chocolate sales toward the donation of a WATER BUFFALO.

These gentle giants provide families in need with milk and with help sowing their fields.

Your chocolate purchases support farmers producing fairly traded chocolate AND Heifer International.

www.equalexchange.coop

www.heifer.org

Stewardship & Development

Serve God's People

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

Christian Stewardship Prayer for November

Thank you, Lord for all the beautiful and wonderful things we experience in our life;

for the beauty of the earth and its amazing colors;
for crisp autumn mornings and sparkling winter nights;
for mountains and forests, rivers and seashores.

Thank you, Lord for all the beautiful and wonderful things we experience in our life;

for the water that cleanses, the clothes that bring warmth,
the food that nourishes and the home that gives comfort.

Thank you, Lord for all the beautiful and wonderful things we experience in our life;

for those who love us and care for us; for those who value us
for who we are;
for those we call family, friends, neighbors.

Thank you, Lord for all the beautiful and wonderful things we experience in our life;

for the gift of Christ, your son;
for his life, his gospel, his cross, and his Church;
for his Eucharistic meal
and the promise to be with us always.

Thank you, Lord for all the beautiful and wonderful things we experience in our life;

for the time you've allotted us, the life you've offered us,
the opportunities you've afforded us, and the miracles you've
worked for us.

Thank you, Lord for all the beautiful and wonderful things we experience in our life;

and for your infinite love that meets our daily needs.
May our love, too, be known for its abundance,
its readiness to bless and heal,
to offer peace and promote justice,
and to serve in Jesus' name.

Amen

—ICSC e-Bulletin, November 2012, From a prayer by Beth Canete,
St. Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Church, Limascol, Cyprus (with permission)



**“Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever.”**

—Psalm 118

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.
- ◆ If you sold securities this year and will owe capital gains tax, remember that gifts of cash or other securities may partially or fully offset any tax on your gains.

Chris Smith, 760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org

All gifts to St. Thomas More are deeply appreciated!

Collection for Week of November 3/4, 2012

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| Number of Registered Households | | 1,038 |
| Offertory* | \$ | 19,477.03 |
| Offertory (Loose Collection) | | 2,237.00 |
| Children's envelopes | | 2.00 |
| Total | \$ | 21,716.03 |

* 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.

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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.

St. Patrick Catholic School in Carlsbad—accepting applications for the 2013-2014 school year (kindergarten through eighth grade). For more information, contact Cynthia Orozco, Registrar at 760-729-1333.

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

Brother Benno's Auxiliary Annual Luncheon—Saturday, December 1, 10:30am, at the Sheraton Carlsbad Resort & Spa. Includes lunch, door prizes, opportunity baskets, "Name Game" cash drawing, and silent auction. Tickets are \$50 individual or \$500 for a table of ten. For tickets and information, please call Vera Bayliss at 760-295-0059.

Magnificat Women's Group Prayer Breakfast—Saturday, December 1, 9:30am-12:30pm, at the Mission Valley Sheraton in San Diego. Our Lady of the Rosary Chapter will present speaker Sr. Miriam Rita, all welcome. RSVP by November 21 to 858-342-9022 or www.magnificat-sd.org.

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.

News from St. Francis Church

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St. Thomas More families share equal priority consideration for enrollment and tuition as St. Francis Church Parishioners. For information call 760-630-7960, visit us at www.sfs-vista.org.



Support Group for Separated/Divorced—An ongoing support group meeting Sundays at 10:15am at St. James Catholic Church in Solana Beach. For more information, contact Frank Grant at 760-533-1520 or fwgrant@gmail.com.

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.

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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—Gratitude: "As a husband and wife are thankful for one another and express this gratitude in the giving of themselves completely to one another, so this gratitude is open to the further gifts that this self-giving literally embodies: that is, a gratitude for the possible further gift of children. Inherent within a husband's gratitude for his wife is that together with her he can beget children. Inherent within a wife's gratitude for her husband is that together with him she can conceive children. Together a husband and wife are gratefully open to the gift of children." To read the document go to <http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/>.

Marriage Moments—Elijah said to [the widow] "Do not be afraid." (1 Kings 17:13) Do you have money worries? Have you ever? Do you or your spouse worry more about money? If you don't have true worries about money, it's time to give some away.

Parenting Pointers—To "admonish sinners" is one of the Spiritual Works of Mercy. This wording may sound harsh. Our own family rephrased it as "Help people when they make a mistake." Humility, sensitivity, and giving your child an opportunity to redeem him/herself are key. Has your child ever corrected you?

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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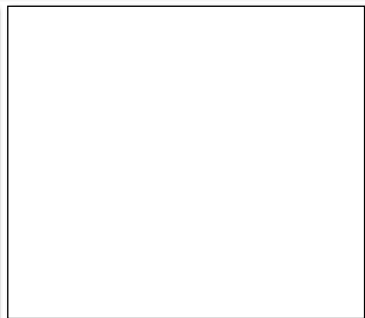
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Faith's review and expectations.
 Chap. xvii. 16, 17.

1. **A** Mazing grace! (how sweet the sound)
 That sav'd a wretch like me!
 I once was lost, but now am found,
 Was blind, but now I see.

2. 'Twas

Commune the Handbell

O beautiful for spacious skies,
 For ample room of ground,
 Wherein the flocks and herds
 Beside the fruitful fields
 Do feed:—O sweet
 The earth that feeds us!

O beautiful for solemn woods,
 And shade of rugged cliffs,
 From which the rapt soul
 Flies to the God of heaven,
 To his bright throne,
 And hark to his sweet voice,
 The voice of Jesus!

O beautiful for freedom's bell,
 That rings in every ear,
 To bid the lowly wretch
 Lift up his voice,
 And with the angels
 Sing to the Lord,
 The Lord our God,
 The Lord on high!

O beautiful for golden sun,
 That in the firmament
 Thy light and heat doth give,
 And in the ocean's bed,
 Thy waves doth rise,
 To give us food and fish,
 And fowl of air,
 And what the earth doth bring forth,
 And what the trees doth bear,
 Thyself, O Lord, our God,
 Thou givest us food and fish,
 And fowl of air,
 And what the earth doth bring forth,
 And what the trees doth bear.

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A Hymn Festival of the Church's Great Hymns of Faith
 WITH THE SANCTUARY & HANDBELL CHOIRS

Sunday, November 18 • 4:00pm
Parish Center

Bring a can of food or three for
 Interfaith Community Services.
 Free-will offering to benefit
 the Music Ministry.

252 WONDROUS LOVE. 12, 9, 6, 6, 12, 9 Christopher.

What won-drous love is this, oh! my soul! oh! my soul! What won-drous love is this, oh! my soul! What won-drous love is this! That caused the Lord of bliss, To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul, for my soul, To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul.

134 MISCELLANEOUS HYMNS.
 128. HOLY GOD, WE PRAISE THY NAME. GERMAN CHORAL.

Andante.

1. Ho - ly God, we praise Thy name! Lord of all, we bow be-fore Thee!
 2. Hark! the loud ce - les - tial hymn, An - gel choirs a - bove are sing-ing!
 3. Lo! the A - pos - tol - ic strain, Join Thy sa - cred name to hal-low!
 4. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it, Three we name Thee,
 5. Thou art King of glo - ry, Christ! Son of God, yet born of Ma - ry,

1. In - fi - nite Thy vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is Thy name.
 2. Fill the heavens with sweet ac - cord: Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly Lord.
 3. And from morn till set of sun, Through the church the song goes on.
 4. And a - dor - ing bend the knee, While we own the mys - te - ry.
 5. First to break the bars of death, Thou hast o - pen'd Heav'n to Faith.



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