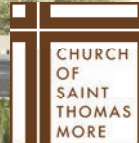


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A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

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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



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February 3, 2013 • Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor's Column

"More Guns" Is Not the Answer

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The NRA's response to this tragedy makes absolutely no sense to me.

Its response says this to me: If there were a shooting within the Church of St. Thomas More and a number of people were killed during a Sunday Mass, then the NRA's response to us would be that we should make sure that there are armed security guards on the parking lot, that a number of our hospitality ministers would also need to be trained to carry and use guns, and finally, the priest celebrating Mass would need to be sure that he too is packing a gun under his vestments.

Is this what we would want to see? Obviously, this is not what I would want to see. "More guns" is not the answer.



From my perspective, there is good legislation that could go forth to address gun violence in our society: universal background checks, a ban on assault weapons with high-capacity clips, and a greater attention to mental health issues in our society.

Recently on Facebook, there were a number of people using this analogy, and we have heard it before: "Guns do not kill people. People with guns kill people." But to make their point, they push the analogy further: "Cars do not kill people. People driving cars kill people. So should we ban all cars?"

Obviously, all cars should not be banned. That is ridiculous! But this analogy limps badly.

First of all, no one is talking about banning all guns - just certain guns that kill like the gun responsible for the killings that took place in Newtown, Connecticut.

Why is it anti-American or anti-Second Amendment to ban assault-style weapons, weapons that are used in warfare as in Iraq or Afghanistan?

We have banned armored assault vehicles (tanks) like the ones used in Iraq or Afghanistan from the streets of our cities, states, and our country. Why? We do so because they are dangerous.

Is this anti-American? Are our rights being violated or taken away, because we cannot drive the kind of vehicle we would like? It would give better protection while driving, would it not?

Assault weapons as well as assault vehicles belong in warfare, not in our homes, schools, and churches, temples, and mosques, and not on the streets of our country.

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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

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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

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and serve God's people in word and deed.

There are many groups who serve our Parishioners
and provide outreach to the local community.

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Pastor's Column *'eqp'wpgf 't qo 'rci g'3#*

First-responders are only now beginning to publicly share what they saw in the classrooms of Sandy Hook Elementary. They were never prepared to see the carnage before their eyes, the ways in which those innocent children were so mutilated and torn apart.

Do we really need such weapons in order to feel secure in maintaining our Second Amendment Rights? I think not.

If you saw the movie, "Lincoln," there is a scene in which one man is trying to shoot and kill another man. The scene almost becomes hilarious, because he fires and misses, then he has to "clean the barrel of his shotgun, and then he has to reload with another bullet." In the meantime, his target has high-tailed it and is down the street. He had time to flee.

I tend to think that many people still think about these kinds of weapons when we are talking about gun control. We are not familiar with or aware of the killing machines now available to the average person and household.

I am not anti-Second Amendment. I grew up in a family of hunters—my father and my four brothers. I grew up in a house with rifles for deer hunting. They enjoyed the hunting.

"More guns" is not the answer!

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F.A. Mike

STM Custom Calendars!

Available at the Information Table
and the Parish Office

2013

(\$2 minimum donation)



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. *o Ht 00 kng' Tcwele/cni'*

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 \$34,300

from this program. Thank you donors!



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

Readings for the Week Ahead
 Sunday Year C; Weekday Year I
 Readings online at www.owoodqti.org
Sunday, February 3 (72)
Hqm yj "Uwpfc" / "kp" Qtfkpc { "Vlo g
 Jeremiah 1:4-5,17-19
 Psalm 71:1-6,15-17
 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13
 Luke 4:21-30
Monday, February 4 (323)
 Hebrews 11:32-40
 Psalm 31:20-24
 Mark 5:1-20
Tuesday, February 5 (324)
Ci cy c. "xki kp. "o ctvti"
 Hebrews 12:1-4
 Psalm 22:26-28,30-32
 Mark 5:21-43
Wednesday, February 6 (325)
Rcwiohmk' "eqo rcpkpu. "o ctvti"
 Hebrews 12:4-7,11-15
 Psalm 103:1-2,13-14,17-18
 Mark 6:1-6
Thursday, February 7 (326)
 Hebrews 12:18-19,21-24
 Psalm 48:2-4,9-11
 Mark 6:7-13
Friday, February 8 (327)
Lgt qo g "Go kicpk"
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 Hebrews 13:1-8
 Psalm 27:1,3,5,8-9
 Mark 6:14-29
Saturday, February 9 (328)
 Hebrews 13:15-17,20-21
 Psalm 23:1-6
 Mark 6:30-34
Sunday, February 10 (75)
Hkhj "Uwpfc" / "kp" Qtfkpc { "Vlo g
 Isaiah 6:1-2a,3-8
 Psalm 138:1-5,7-8
 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
 Luke 5:1-11

Prayer List *Ecm1982/97: /6322:324"q'eff'c'pco g'lt' lqwt'y ggm0-

Mary Alexander
 Lucia Ambriz
 Phyllis Bader
 Tommy Baker
 Mary Balli
 Jose Luis Barbosa
 Patricia Barbour
 Clarice Bednarz
 John Bennici
 Regina Bentz
 Lisa Berg
 Roseanne Berg
 George "Whitey" Betus
 Mary Betz
 Betty Jean Bielich
 Lynda Brady
 William J. Brogan
 Monica Broussard
 Janet Brown
 Todd Brown
 Anita & Bill Buerger
 Bridget Buford
 Shelby Campbell
 Brianne Campos
 Claudia Caplinger
 Paul Cassidy
 Mary Lou Castle
 The Cepeda Family
 Dick Clarke
 Alexander Clay
 Dolly Cole
 Carl, Dorothy, and James Coleman
 Thomas Cornwell & Family
 Lené Crowe
 The Curci & Provinse Families
 Karen Flaharty Daley
 Beverly de Gelder
 Stephanie de Villeneuve
 Judith DiMatteo
 Coleman Dorothy
 Art Dossman
 Dave Dossman
 John Draskowski, Jr.
 La Vonne Dumas
 Connor Eberhard
 Carolyn Erickson Ey
 Sharon Evans
 The Fiore Family
 Ryan Flum
 Mike Franchino
 Eugene Franciscus
 Kathryn Franklin
 Joe Freire
 Brian Frink
 Jim Gallagher
 Carmen Garcia
 Sally & Merritt Garner
 Jack & Marge Gillen
 Rick Gonzalez
 Rosemary Haeffelin
 Nan Hallbick
 The Harker Family
 Elizabeth Harrison
 Barbara Hatem
 Charlotte Hayes
 Lillian Hills
 Susan Hori
 The Howell & Magnera Families
 Iolanda Iacobelli
 Linda Iacobelli Bennett
 Sue Johnston
 Peggy Kiernan
 Debbie Kinney
 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
 Sue Lyon Family
 James MacArthur
 Joaquin Maldonado
 Chandler May
 Bob McWilliams
 Joyce Meehan
 Kalei Mendiola
 Bill Metzger
 Phyllis Minaya
 June Mitchell
 June Montgomery
 Nancy Moore
 Elizabeth Muehlbacher
 Conrad Murphy
 Margie Myers
 The Nguyen & Parsons Families
 Richard Obsitnik
 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
 Cindy Sanelli
 Kimberly Schlunt
 Linda Schmidt
 The Douglas E. Schulte Family
 Bob, Joan, & Julie Shea
 Rita Shepard
 Elizabeth Shirzad
 Richard Sikora
 Jeanne Sisson
 Beth Snyder
 Mike Snyder
 Nick Softau
 Fred & Gilda Spiegl
 Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski
 Patricia St. Pierre
 Dorothy Staehr
 Ted Stanislawski
 Pete Sullivan
 David Sweet
 Tommy & Ginger Thompson
 Sarah Tillinghast
 William Tompson
 The Toth & Voelpel Families
 Stephen Toth, Jr.
 Mary Tysko & Family
 Barbara Upson
 Ethel & Bob Vanderhagen
 Corrie Vasquez
 Robert Vasquez
 Silvana Vettese
 Vanessa Vitiello
 The Vozza & Ratajczak Families
 Kevin Watson-Gräff
 Elizabeth Wehner
 John Whitton
 The Williams Family
 Helen Wodyka
 Erin Young
 Patricia Zavala

Calendar Highlights
 More details at www.owoodqti.org,
 Schedule and Calendar

Feb 3 Liturgy of the Word for
 Children at 8:30am and
 10:30am Masses

Feb 5-6 Restaurant Fundraiser at
 Elephant Bar

Feb 10 Liturgy of the Word for
 Children at 8:30am Mass

Feb 10 RE.A.CH Classes at
 Church, including high
 school

Feb 13 **Ash Wednesday**
 Masses at 8:15am,
 12:00pm, 5:30pm,
 and 7:30pm
 Soup Supper 5:30-7:30pm

Feb 14 Spirited Seniors Valentine
 Luncheon

Feb 15 K of C Fish Dinner
 Stations of the Cross

Feb 16 Women's Guild Fashion
 Show at Shadowridge CC

Feb 18 Morning Prayer at 8:15am

Feb 24 RE.A.CH Classes at
 Church, including high
 school

Mar 3 Parish Communal
 Reconciliation Service

Mar 17 New Member Reception

Mar 19 Lenten Day of Recollection

Apr 13 Women's Guild Game Day

Apr 21 Towers of Faith Reception

May 19 Confirmation

June 7 Second Annual STM Gala

Jul 15-19 Vacation Bible School:
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Sep 21 Treasures 2013

Sep 29 Pastor's Dinner/Excursion

Questions? Contact Henny at
 760-758-4100 x100
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Mass Intentions
Saturday, February 2, 5:00pm Jim Tutino ☩
Sunday, February 3, 8:30am Paola Campos ☩
Sunday, February 3, 10:30am Eileen McNabb ☩
Tuesday, February 5, 8:15am Gerry Wilmott
Wednesday, February 6, 8:15am Terry Murphy ☩
Thursday, February 7, 8:15am Len Conley ☩
Friday, February 8, 8:15am Donald Kope ☩
Saturday, February 9, 5:00pm Lucio Cugini ☩
Sunday, February 10, 8:30am Mark Segura ☩
Sunday, February 10, 10:30am Pauline Lanthier ☩

Deployed Military

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Gunnery Sgt. Fernando Andrade, Jr.
 1st Lt. Jeffrey Bauer, USMC
 PFC John Brandone
 1st Sgt Christian B. Bull, 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
 PFC Samuel Haro, US Army
 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
 Msgr. Paul Weisinger, 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.

February 4 Sr. Cecilia Flores, OP
February 5 Sr. Mary Ann (Sis) Flynn, RSCJ
February 6 Sr. Frances Michele Francese, CSJ
February 7 Sr. Claire Frawley, SFCC
February 8 Sr. Sally Furay, RSCJ
February 9 Sr. Patricia Gage, CSJ
February 10 Sr. Margarita Galardo-Rodriguez, SJS

Announcing the Baptism of

**Cielo Gabriela Mendez
Celeste Mari Mendez**
on February 3



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Congratulations to

Dorothy & Carl Coleman

who celebrate their 62nd wedding anniversary February 4.

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Flower Donations

The Altar Flowers for this weekend were given by **Anne & Richard Cline** in memory of their son, Kevin Cline.



In Memoriam

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:



Yvonne Paula Torwal Cepeda, who died last week. Her funeral services were held at St. Mary Star of the Sea in Oceanside. Please keep her husband, Juan, and her family in your prayers.

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STM Archives Wants Your Material

The STM Historian is looking for material from Parish events and activities since our church was established in 1985. The kinds of material that are needed include: 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 donations at the Parish office. Thanks!

For more information and questions, please feel free to contact: Brandon at 760-845-5450 or *dtcpf qp' q' u' y' c' f' B i o' c' h' t' e' q' o' .*

STM Scrip News

Thanks to everyone who shopped with Scrip this season!

If you have never purchased Scrip gift cards, try out the program this year—it can be one of your New Year's Resolutions! A percentage of each gift card purchased will go to our Parish Mortgage Fund.

Remember, Scrip is available for purchase FOUR ways!

1. On the Plaza after weekend Masses
2. Monday-Friday during business hours in the Parish Office
3. Email at *uet' k' B' u' o' q' u' l' f' g' Q' t' i*
4. Phone at 760-758-4100 x150

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Social Ministries/Outreach

JustFaith Presents "Following in the Footsteps of El Salvador's Catholic Martyrs"

"I implore you, I beg you, I order you in the name of God; stop the repression." These are the words attributed to sealing the fate of Archbishop Romero. He was assassinated the day after they were broadcast over El Salvador radio. Join *L' u' n' a' H' c' k' j* graduates and friends to hear Andrea Voss share her experience exploring El Salvador, past and present, through the eyes of its Civil War martyrs and present day poor and oppressed peasants. Join us for discussion and dessert at 6:00pm on Tuesday, February 12 in the lower level of the Parish Center. All are welcome. For more information, contact Andrea Voss at 760-994-6147..

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:

May 26, June 23, December 22

For more information, contact Kevin & Lyn Leahy at 760-643-0872 or *m' g' c' j' { 34B' e' q' z' Q' p' g' v' .*

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 *y' y' y' A' e' c' v' j' q' r' k' e' u' E' q' o' g' J' q' o' g' Q' t' i' .*

Restaurant Fundraiser for January 2013

Elephant Bar

\$259.96

"Did You Know" Collection for January 2013

\$5,940.00

Vocations

In today's Second Reading to the Corinthians, in talking about the different roles within the church, Paul says: "Some people God has designated in the church to be, first, apostles; second, prophets; third, teachers..." Do you hear God calling you to be a priest, deacon, or religious? If so, and you wish to explore the calling, contact Deacon Tom at *v' j' q' o' c' u' i' q' g' n' v' B' c' q' n' e' q' o' "or 760-727-8442.*

Parish Events

Women's Guild News

Our biggest event of the year will be held next month on Saturday, February 16, from 11:00am-2:00pm, at Shadowridge Country Club. We will be showing fashions by Draper's and Damon's. Tickets are on sale now and are going fast. The tickets are \$40 and we do have a limited number we can sell, so if you are interested, please see us on the Plaza or contact Valerie Thompson at 760-630-1703.

We hope to see you there. Planning is underway for a delicious lunch and Opportunity Baskets are being prepared for your bidding. We also will have lots of door prizes to delight the winners! There is something for everyone, so please join us even if you are not a member of STM Women's Guild.

The show is themed "Fashion Magic" and we are planning a magical day for you!

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Spirited Seniors Valentine Luncheon

The Spirited Seniors are sponsoring a Valentine's Day luncheon and Bingo on Thursday, February 14, 11:00am-3:00pm, for members and nonmembers. The cost is \$12 for members and \$15 for nonmembers. It will be catered by Ciao Restaurant of Vista. The deadline for reservations is February 5. Please put your registration request and your check made to "St. Thomas More Spirited Seniors" in an envelope marked "Spirited Seniors Valentine's Day Lunch" and return it to the offertory collection or Parish Office, Box 12. For more information, contact Jerry or Judy Buoniconti at 760-758-5113.

Young Adult Group News

ACTTS (Adult Catholics in their Twenties and Thirties who Socialize) is partnering with the North County Young Adults group, which includes young adults from several North County Parishes. For more information or to get on the email list, contact *cevub wo qulf gQti*, visit *y y y Qco uf Qti*, or search Facebook for SD YAM."

That Man Is You!

"That Man Is You!" continues on Saturdays at 6:45am in the lower level of the Parish Center. This program is modeled on some of the country's leading men's programs. "That Man Is You!" combines Scripture, solid secular research, and a little fun to address the pressures and temptations facing men in our modern culture. It seeks to form authentic leaders who will be capable of transforming homes and society. Stop by the registration table on the Plaza and register this weekend or go to *y y y Qj cw cpluf qmQti* 'and register online.

Outline for next week: Becoming a Man after God's Own Heart

- Our Lenten Journey and the Parable of the Sower
- The Fate of the Three Seeds
- Orientations and Obstacles of the Spiritual Life
- That You Would Bear Fruit
- Evaluating Your Spiritual Life
- Encountering the Living God and His Mercy

Memorial Item Donations

Memorials are a way of honoring those whom we love, whether they are living or deceased. Often, memorials are made for a special intention or in thanksgiving for a variety of blessings received from God.

Our Parish Campus will be a living memorial. All who help in building it will leave something to the community itself that will be used by generations to come. The good they do is not interred with them, but will remain to share in the divine activity of God here on earth.

Listed below are items still available for adoption.

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For more information or to adopt an item, contact Chris Smith
760-758-4100 x120 or *ej tkuuB wo qulf gQti*

Pipe Organ	\$850,000
Memorial Garden	\$500,000
Reflection Garden	\$250,000
Church Doors (Bronze)	\$100,000
Crucifix	\$75,000
St. Thomas More Shrine (Tapestry)	\$75,000
Paschal Candle Stand	\$15,000
Pedestals for Flowers (8) 4 available	\$1,000 /each
Wedding Kneelers (5) 1 available	\$1,000 /each
Daily Mass Chapel Ambo	\$4,500
Concelebrant Chairs (5) 2 available	\$3,000 /chair
Offertory Table	\$2,500
Thurible/Boat/Stand	\$2,500
Pew Seating for the Church (1,000) 985 available	\$300/person
Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs (200) 198 available	\$300/each

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Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

CWWNC meets the second Sunday of each month for a general meeting and potluck at 2:00pm. On the fourth Sunday of each month we gather for Mass at various Parishes in North County followed by lunch. For more information, call Carol Kope at 760-726-0533 or Gerri Wilmott at 760-758-9949. See the bulletin board on the lower level of the Parish Center for our monthly newsletter of activities including dining out, dancing, bowling, golf, and theatre. RSVPs are recommended.

Liturgy & Music

Worship God

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SPEAK, O LORD

Our stewardship “season” is over—we have heard and read Fr. Mike’s words of encouragement for us to fulfill the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ in this time and this place; we have listened to members of our faith community provide a witness to the benefit of offering our time, talent, and treasure to that end; we have heard the progress being made and the opportunities we continue to have to build a sacred space for the worship of God for generations to come. And we have responded.

But, in fact, our stewardship “season” has just begun. It is Charles Dederich who is usually attributed as the first to say, “Today is the first day of the rest of your life,” and this is especially true as we continue our ongoing efforts to fulfill that mission and ministry.

Perhaps we are still searching for just the right fit. Perhaps we are looking for something new after long service in one part of our Parish’s stewardship efforts. In January, the Sanctuary Choir sang Keith Getty and Stuart Townsend’s “Speak, O Lord,” and I reprint their words here should you wish a focus for your prayers to discerning your continuing stewardship efforts.



Upcoming Music



FEBRUARY 10
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



5:00pm Mass

Cantor &
Congregation

8:30am Mass

Cantor &
Congregation

10:30am Mass

Cantor &
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FEBRUARY 13
Ash
Wednesday



8:15am Mass

Cantor &
Congregation

12:00noon
Mass

Cantor &
Congregation

5:30pm Mass

Handbell Choir

7:30pm Mass

Cappella Choir
Sanctuary Choir

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you
To receive the food of your holy word.
Take your truth; plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All your purposes for your glory.

Teach us Lord full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise;
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail—
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us—
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we’ll stand on your promises,
And by faith we’ll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till your church is built
And the earth is filled with your glory.

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And should your “acts of love” and “deeds of faith” and your understanding of God’s plans for you include music, consider this an invitation to walk (sing!) with the Sanctuary Choir as we journey through Lent and Easter.

—Douglas

Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

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Sunday is a RE.A.CH day
at Home

Youth Justice Foundation

The STM Youth Justice Foundation will return to the Plaza next weekend February 9-10 with a variety of 3.5 oz bars of Equal Exchange fairly traded chocolate for \$4 each plus 10-12 oz bags of coffee for \$9 each.

Proceeds from this month's sales will go toward the donation of HONEYBEES through Heifer International. Heifer will provide each family with bees, a box and hive plus training.

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PBJ Update

(Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center)



2013 GOAL: 365 pounds
Collected to date: 56 pounds

Bible Study

A new session of Little Rock Scripture Study will begin Wednesday, February 6, at 9:00am or Thursday, February 7, at 7:00pm. Consider joining us to learn more about the women in the Old Testament.

While the men of the Old Testament often garner the most attention, the women of the Old Testament become all the more worthy of our interest because we have to dig deeper to recover their special contribution to the annals of faith.

Their stories are all the more remarkable in that they arise from historical eras that crimped their options in influencing or changing the flow of history.

The women of this study can be bold and decisive, also meek and faithful, but they are always compelled to act in ways that bring about change. God's saving deeds often came through the mind and will of amazing women using limited resources. There are ten sessions in this study from February through May.

Sign up forms are available on the Plaza or the lower level of the Parish Center. For more information contact

Pauline Lapre
760.727.8339
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Youth Ministry

Make sure to reserve your spot in this summer's Steubenville Catholic Teen Conference! \$50 deposit reserves your spot so don't delay because spots are limited!



This year's theme is CHOSEN because God has deliberately and lovingly created us.

If you have never experienced the Steubenville spirituality, take qpg weekend from your summer to give it a try! Sharing the weekend with four thousand other teen Catholics makes the weekend truly memorable.

Contact me for a flyer ASAP or download one from yyy Qwo qukf gQti, click on the [qwj 'O' kpat { box.

All payments and forms may be turned into mailbox 46 in the Parish Office (Stacey Griffin).

Pay close attention to the February calendar!

- Youth Group: Mondays 7:00-8:30pm
- Teen prayer hour: Wednesdays 5:30-6:30pm
- Bible Study, Book of Tobit: Thursdays 4:00-5:30pm

If you have not been to any of our weekday events, definitely give them a try! This is your time to engage your faith through community on Mondays, prayer on Wednesdays, and knowledge on Thursdays. Keep your faith strong!

Marcus

Marcus Cabrera
Youth Advocate

Stewardship & Development

Serve God's People

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Christian Stewardship ~ A Way of Life The Road Ahead

My Lord God,

I have no idea where I am going.

I do not see the road ahead of me.

I cannot know for certain where it will end.

Nor do I really know myself,

and the fact that I think I am following your will
does not mean that I am actually doing so.

But I believe that the desire to please you
does in fact please you.

And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing.
I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire.

And I know that if I do this,
you will lead me by the right road,
though I may know nothing about it.

Therefore I will trust you always
though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death.

I will not fear, for you are ever with me,
and you will never leave me to face my perils alone. Amen.

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*"The great use of life is to spend it
for something that will outlast it."
—William James*

TOWERS OF FAITH Future Support & Estate Planning Options

Vqy gtu' qh' Hckj 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 **igxgt cn'cpqp{o qm+* have included STM in their estate planning. This helps to ensure their ongoing support and a legacy for our Parish. *Vqy gtu'qh'Hckj* 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 *Vqy gtu' qh' Hckj* participants. If you are interested, please contact us. Your participation is most welcome and appreciated!

Chris Smith at 760-758-4100 x120 or *ej tkuB wo qukf gQti 0*

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

Collection for Week of January 26/27, 2013

Number of Registered Households		1,041
Offertory*	\$	5,124.17
Offertory (Loose Collection)		1,122.50
Children's envelopes		0.00
Total	\$	6,246.67

* 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).

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News and Information from the Larger Church

Fifteenth Annual Divine Mercy Conference—February 8-9, San Juan Diego Center at Mission San Antonio De Pala, 3015 Mission Rd., Pala. For more information, contact 619-276-6637 or y y y U F f k x l p g o g t e { Q t i O'

Movie Screening of *Restless Heart: The Confessions of Augustine*—Sunday, February 10, 4:30pm, Museum of Photographic Arts in Balboa Park. Sponsored by All for God. For more information, contact 619-582-4571.

John Paul the Great University Open House—Saturday, February 16. For more information, contact 858-653-6740 or y y y A r e c v j q n k e Q q o O'

John Angotti in Concert—Sunday, February 17, 7:00pm, Blinder Memorial Chapel, Camp Pendleton. For more information, visit y y y A q j p c p i q w k e q o .

Magnificat Women's Group—Saturday, February 23, 9:30am-12:00noon, Sheraton Hotel, 1433 Camino Del Rio S., San Diego. Speakers will be Jason and Crystalina Evert. For more information, contact 619-701-2718 or y y y O b c i p h k e c v u f Q t i O'

Becoming a Strong Woman of God Presentation—Saturday, March 16, 9:30am-3:45pm. Free of charge. For information and to RSVP, contact Eilin Friedman at 858-354-5908. Sponsored by St. Dismas Guild.

Marriage & Family Life Corner

Bringing the Celebration Home—Candlemas: This weekend we incorporate the celebration of Candlemas, or the Presentation of the Lord. See the insert in today's bulletin to find out more about this feast day and learn ways to celebrate it at home with your family! Stop by the Marriage & Family Life table to pick up your blessed candle (donations appreciated but not required!).

The Bishops' Letter on Marriage—Life-Affirming: "Even when their child-bearing years have passed, a couple should continue to be life affirming. They can do this by staying involved in the lives of young people, and especially their grandchildren, as spiritual mentors, teachers, and wisdom figures." To read the document go to j w r A l y y y O w e e d Q t i I n q x g c p f r h g l .

Marriage Moments—1 Cor 13:4-8 is a scripture often used at weddings (perhaps yours?). Which element of love is most challenging for you: Patience? Kindness? Goodwill? Being Humble? Politeness? Self-Sacrifice? Being Even-Tempered? Tolerance? Long Suffering? Optimism? Hopefulness? Faith? by Susan Vogt, y y y A m u c p X q i v p g v 0

Parenting Pointers—Parents naturally want their children to be successful in life and love. "When raising children focus on enduring values and character - the success that counts will fall into place." (Raising Kids Who Will Make a Difference). Wealth and good looks are nice but can be false friends. Go for integrity and compassion. by Susan Vogt, y y y A m u c p X q i v p g v 0

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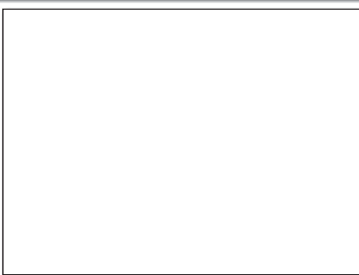
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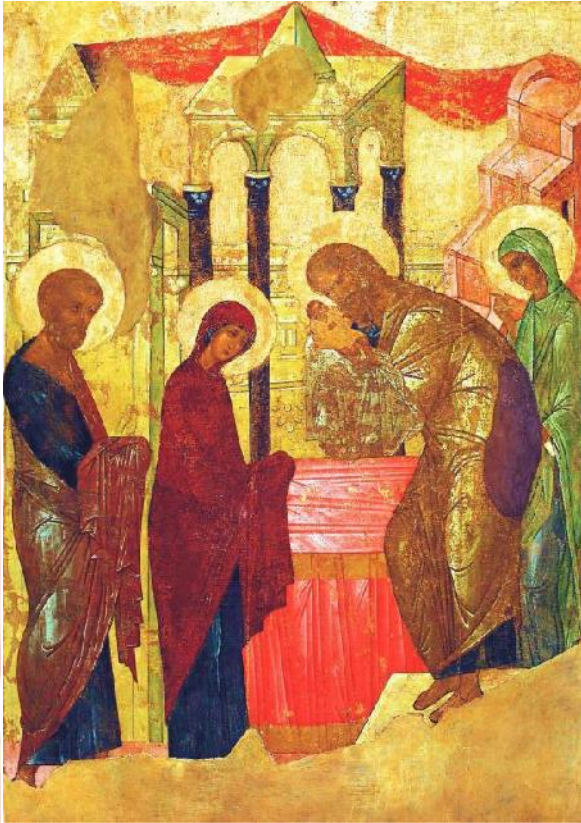
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Bringing the Celebration Home: Candlemas



*Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple
painted by St Andrei Rublyov*

Candlemas, celebrated on February 2nd, originated in the fifth century and represents the light of God's glory, which manifested itself in Jesus Christ. When Jesus is first brought to the temple - or presented - as a baby ([Luke 2:21-38](#)), Simon holds him in his arms and calls him "a light of revelation to the Gentiles and the glory of Your people of Israel." ([Luke 2:32](#)). The "light" he calls Jesus is what we celebrate with candlelight - celebrating our Light of the World. In the beautiful portrayal of this moment above, you can even see the face of Christ shining with the beauty of light!

Candlemas is celebrated 40 days after the birth of Christ on Christmas Day. This is in keeping with the Mosaic Law, which stated that a woman needed to purify themselves for 40 days after giving birth. After giving birth, Mary would have taken 40 days to purify herself and then brought Jesus to the temple and made an offering...and it was then that Simon recognized the importance of this beautiful baby.

Flip for Ways to Celebrate at Home!



Bringing the Celebration Home: Candlemas Activities

1

The Presentation of the Lord is also the fourth of the five Joyful Mysteries. Tonight, recite a decade with your family.

2

Pick up a blessed candle at the Information Table after mass. Below is a space that you can decorate, cut out, and affix to the outside of your blessed candle before lighting it. Parents, never leave a lit candle unattended!

3

Prepare a dinner of candle-shaped pancakes! (Your family will love having breakfast for dinner.) Share the story of Jesus being presented in the temple, and how – even as an infant – he was recognized as the Light of the World.

See <http://enterundermyroof.blogspot.com> for recipe and instructions.

Flip for Background on Candlemas!

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