

# Church of St. Thomas More

A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

Spirituality † Tradition † Community



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## Mass Schedule

Saturday at 5:00pm

Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am

Tuesday-Friday at 8:15am

## Eucharistic Adoration

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

## Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday, 4:00-4:30pm

## May 26, 2013 • The Most Holy Trinity

### Second Annual St. Thomas More Gala Friday, June 7

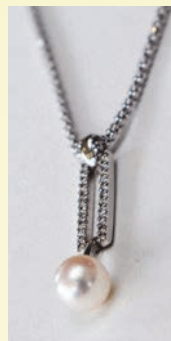
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- ◆ Make a donation to help with expenses  
*Above items tax deductible with completed Gala form*
- ◆ Opportunity to win Diamond necklace (\$1,500 value)

Save the Date!

ST. THOMAS MORE

# Gala

To Celebrate our Patron Saint



### Gala Evening Festivities:

- ◆ Scrumptious Dinner
- ◆ Raffle Opportunities, plus Wheel of Fortune
- ◆ Silent and Live Auction

**Sign up now to secure your seat!**

*at the table on the Plaza or in the Parish Office*



## Pastor's Column

### Go Up the River and Beyond the Bend

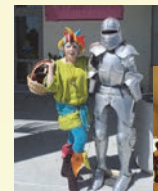
This parable is taken from Fr. Ronald Rolheiser's book, *The Holy Longing – The Search for a Christian Spirituality*:

*Once upon a time there was a town that was built just beyond the bend of a large river. One day some of the children from the town were playing beside the river when they noticed three bodies floating in the water. They ran for help and the townsfolk quickly pulled the bodies out of the river.*

*One body was dead so they buried it. One was alive, but quite ill, so they put that person into the hospital. The third turned out to be a healthy child, who they then placed with a family who cared for it and who took it to school.*

*From that day on, every day a number of bodies came floating down the river and, every day, the good people of the town would pull them out and tend to them—taking the*

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

*sick to hospitals, placing the children with families, and burying those who were dead.*

*This went on for years; each day brought its quota of bodies, and the townsfolk not only came to expect a number of bodies each day but also worked at developing more elaborate systems for picking them out of the river and tending to them. Some of the townsfolk became quite generous in tending to these bodies and a few extraordinary ones even gave up their jobs so that they could tend to this concern full-time. And the town itself felt a certain healthy pride in its generosity.*

*However, during all these years and despite all that generosity and effort, nobody thought to go up the river, beyond the bend that hid from their sight what was above them, and find out why, daily, those bodies came floating down the river."*

This parable says to me, "Get to the root causes. Don't just treat the symptoms."

So often, though, we are afraid to get to the root of things, because, subconsciously, we know that to do so will mean a change in our own attitudes, gestures, and behavior.

Finding the real solution more often than not means not only a change in the "opponent" but it also entails the need for a change in the one seeking the solution.

There is an old Jewish proverb that says, "Listen to your enemies. God is speaking."

Whether it is a marital conflict, a family difficulty, community relationships, or even national policies from immigration to health care to the War in Afghanistan, if we want to deal with more than the symptoms and get to the root cause of things, we must have the courage to listen to our critic, our opponent, and, yes, even our enemy. In their criticism, in their stridency, or even in their hateful words and actions, there is a message waiting for us to hear and a lesson to be learned. "Listen to your enemies, God is speaking."

Whatever controversy or difficulty we are facing, be it at home, at work, in the local, national, or international community, let us have the courage to move beyond treating the symptoms. Let us be willing to go up the river, and beyond the bend!

*Fr. Mike*

**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.*

**A Pilgrimage to Poland**

September 13-21 with Fr. Rich Lewandowski. Fly out of Boston. Includes visits to many historic sites, churches, and shrines. For more information, pick up a flyer at the information table on the Plaza or the Parish Office or contact Paul Pizzo at Durgan Travel Service at 781-438-2224 x118.

**Welcome New Parishioners**

**Joseph & Julie Anguiano & Family**

**Congratulations to**

**Anna & Stephen Meyers**

who celebrate their 45th wedding anniversary May 25.

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

**Calling All 2013 Graduates!**

The Parish Family of St. Thomas More desires to recognize the achievements of those among us who are graduating this year. Graduations may be from grade school, middle school, high school, college, and beyond.



If you happen to be one of these graduates, please call the Parish Office with your name and the institution from which you have graduated. We will be compiling a list that will be published in the bulletin the weekend of June 29/30. You will be remembered in prayer at all of the three liturgies on that weekend.

Know that your Parish Family is proud of your accomplishments, and that we will continue to support you in all your future endeavors.

—Rev. Michael Ratajczak, Pastor

## Our Mission is to: worship God,

In addition to Mass, Reconciliation, and Eucharistic Adoration (see page 1 for schedules), there are opportunities to participate in liturgical and music ministries.

*For further information, contact Douglas Lynn,  
Director of Liturgy and Music,  
at 760-758-4100 x140 or douglasl@stmoside.org*  
Matrimony (9 months advance notice required),  
communion for the sick/homebound, and anointing  
are available by request

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

**teach and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ,**

There are programs for faith development and enrichment for all ages, including preparation for celebrating the sacraments.

*For further information, contact Kathleen Bell,  
Director of Faith Formation,  
at 760-758-4100 x110 or kathleenb@stmoside.org.*

**and serve God's people in word and deed.**

There are many groups who serve our Parishioners and provide outreach to the local community (see page 10).

*For further information, contact Chris Smith,  
Director of Stewardship and Development,  
at 760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org.*

See page 10 or [www.stmoside.org](http://www.stmoside.org) for more details.

**Readings for the Week Ahead**

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

**Sunday, May 26** (166)  
*The Most Holy Trinity*  
Proverbs 8:22-31  
Psalm 8:4-9  
Romans 5:1-5  
John 16:12-15  
**Monday, May 27** (347)  
*Augustine of Canterbury, bishop*  
Sirach 17:20-24  
Psalm 32:1-2,5-7  
Mark 10:17-27  
**Tuesday, May 28** (348)  
Sirach 35:1-12  
Psalm 50:5-8,14,23  
Mark 10:28-31  
**Wednesday, May 29** (349)  
Sirach 36:1,4-5a,10-17  
Psalm 79:8-9,11,13  
Mark 10:32-45  
**Thursday, May 30** (350)  
Sirach 42:15-25  
Psalm 33:2-9  
Mark 10:46-52  
**Friday, May 31** (572)  
*The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
Zephaniah 3:14-18a or  
Romans 12:9-16  
Isaiah 12:2-3,4bcd,5-6 (Psalm)  
Luke 1:39-56  
**Saturday, June 1** (352)  
*Justin, martyr*  
Sirach 51:12cd-20  
Psalm 19:8-11  
Mark 11:27-33  
**Sunday, June 2** (169)  
*The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*  
Genesis 14:18-20  
Psalm 110:1-4  
1 Corinthians 11:23-26  
Luke 9:11b-17

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

Changa Aguilera  
Mary Alexander  
Lucia Ambriz  
Carrie Autrey  
Mary Balli  
Jose Luis Barbosa  
Patricia Barbour  
The Barreras Family  
Clarice Bednarz  
John Bennici  
Regina Bentz  
Lisa Berg  
Roseanne Berg  
The Betus Family  
Mary Betz  
Betty Jean Bielich  
Monica Broussard  
Janet Brown  
Todd Brown  
Anita Buerger  
Bridget Buford  
Shelby Campbell  
Brianna Campos  
Claudia Caplinger  
Paul Cassidy  
Bobbi Clarke  
Marilyn Clarke  
Dolly Cole  
Carl Coleman  
James Coleman  
The Collins Family  
Thomas Cornwell & Family  
Lené Crowe  
Karen Flaharty Daley  
Beverly de Gelder  
Art Dossman  
Dave Dossman  
The Dragula Family  
John Drazkowski, Jr.  
La Vonne Dumas  
Connor Eberhard  
Carolyn Erickson Ey  
Sharon Evans  
Victoria Lopez Fenton  
Mary Lynn Ferguson  
The Fiore Family  
The Frank Flanagan Family  
Ryan Flum  
Eugene Franciscus  
Kathryn Franklin  
Joe Freire  
Brian Frink  
Jim Gallagher  
The Joe Garcia Family  
Kathy Gardner  
Jack & Marge Gillen  
Wendy Gonzales' Dad  
Rick Gonzalez  
Rosemary Haeffelin  
Pat & Tom Hannon  
The Harker Family  
Barbara Hatem  
The Hazzard Family  
Lilian Hills  
Susan Hori  
Iolanda Iacobelli  
Linda Iacobelli Bennett  
Sue Johnston  
Betty Karch  
Paul Kennedy  
Peggy Kiernan  
Debbie Kinney  
Dewey Kolbo  
The Catherine B. Koonce Family  
Sr. Anne Kremenik  
Helen Kuhn  
Lillian Lachance  
The Lamelin Family  
The Laub Family  
The Lawrence Family  
The Leahey Family  
Brandon LeBlanc  
Jeremiah Lemus  
Claudia Leué  
The Paul Leué Family  
Ashley Load  
Cassandra Loretto  
Lauren Loretto  
James MacArthur  
Joaquin Maldonado  
Paige Mansell  
John & Tawney Marlatt  
Chandler May  
Tony McCloskey  
Bob McWilliams  
Joyce Meehan  
Kalei Mendiola  
Bill Metzger  
Phyllis Minaya  
June Mitchell  
June Montgomery  
Nancy Moore  
Mike Morgan  
Elizabeth Muehlbacher  
Conrad Murphy  
Margie Myers  
Richard Obsitnik  
Bernadette Padovan  
Ethan Palm  
Marilyn Pirkola  
Douglas Price-Williams  
Barbara Ramm  
Rita Ritchie  
Adela Rivera  
Elena Rivera  
Patricia Robles  
Maria Rogers  
Dorothy Rouse  
The Russo Family  
Cindy Sanelli  
Linda Schmidt  
Joan Shea  
Elizabeth Shirzad  
Richard Sikora  
The Sisson Family  
Beth Snyder  
Nick Soltau  
Fred & Gilda Spiegl  
Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski  
Patricia St. Pierre  
The Staehr Family  
Ted Stanislawski  
Pete Sullivan  
David Sweet  
Tommy & Ginger Thompson  
Sarah Tillinghast  
William Tompson  
Stephen Toth, Jr.  
Mary Tysko & Family  
Barbara Upson  
Ethel & Bob Vanderhagen  
Corrie & Robert Vasquez  
Dorina Visciglio  
Vanessa Vitiello  
Kevin Watson-Graff  
Sue Welch  
John Whitton  
Germaine Wilmontt  
Helen Wodyka  
The Yang Family  
Erin Young  
Patricia Zavala

**Calendar Highlights**

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

May 26 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses  
May 27 **Memorial Day Mass at 8:15am Parish Office and Blessed Sacrament Chapel closed**  
June 2 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses  
June 7 Second Annual STM Gala  
June 8 Infant/Child CPR Class  
June 8 Women's Guild Installation Luncheon at Shadowridge Country Club  
June 9 Untold Blessing Potluck and Video  
June 21 Family Night  
Jul 15-19 Vacation Bible School: *Kingdom Rock!*  
Oct 5 Treasures 2013 (new date)  
Sep 29 Pastor's Dinner/Excursion  
Oct 11-13 Men's Fellowship Retreat  
Oct 27 New Member Reception

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

*Thank you for your prayers for  
Msgt. Paul Weisinger, USMC  
who has returned safely.*

Mass Intentions
Saturday, May 25, 5:00pm Pat Crafton ☩
Sunday, May 26, 8:30am Dylan Weakley ☩
Sunday, May 26, 10:30am Jacqueline Knott ☩
Monday, May 27, 8:15am William Reifsnider ☩
Tuesday, May 28, 8:15am JC Gonzalez ☩
Wednesday, May 29, 8:15am Phon Vinh Hoang ☩
Thursday, May 30, 8:15am Joe Kudzia ☩
Friday, May 31, 8:15am Tom & Ginny Cornwell
Saturday, June 1, 5:00pm Robert Rees ☩
Sunday, June 2, 8:30am Peggy Carter ☩
Sunday, June 2, 10:30am Pat McCusker ☩

**Deployed Military**

*As a faith community let us pray for all who serve our country in these troubled times. We pray especially for those connected to our Parish who have been deployed:*

Gunnery Sgt. Fernando Andrade, Jr.  
1st Lt. Jeffrey Bauer, USMC  
PFC John Brandone  
Maj. Tom Browne, Jr., USMC  
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  
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.

May 27 Sr. Theresa Monroe, RSCJ
May 28 Sr. Sanjuana Mora, CVI
May 29 Sr. Nora Murphy, OP
May 30 Sr. Sheila Murphy, RSM
May 31 Sr. Ancilla Murray, OCD
June 1 Sr. Margaret Murray, CSJ
June 2 Sr. Maire Naughton, RSM

## Social Ministries/Outreach

### Immigration Reform Support Cards

Daily during the month of May, members of St. Thomas More, St. Francis, St. Patrick, and Mary Star of the Sea Parishes have been visiting Congressman Darrell Issa's office urging him to support immigration reform. We are asking him to support legislation that leads to a pathway to citizenship and one that will help keep immigrant families together. At each visit, one person tells his/her immigration story and another person speaks in support of immigration reform and thanks staff for their support. They then leave stacks of cards in favor of immigration reform signed by members of the various congregations. This week you have a support card in your bulletin. Please prayerfully read it and sign. Please add your address so Representative Issa knows you are in his district. Support cards can be turned in this weekend on the Plaza, put in next week's collection basket, or turned into the Parish Office. Please contact Sr. Maureen for more information.

### Kudos!

Congratulations to ten of our parishioners who completed a 22-week program called Engaging Spirituality, which provides a small group setting for prayer, study, and sharing in order to integrate a combination of contemplation and action around issues of justice in our world today. New groups will be forming in the fall.



They are (from top, left to right) Marilyn and Jim Day, Marcy Bernier, Andrea Voss, Beverly Lehan, Jessica Johnson, Mary Betz, Cherie Abrahms, Lyndsey Jarvis and Sr. Jean Schafer.

### Spirited Seniors Outing

St. Thomas More Spirited Seniors have planned a tour of the Museum of Making Music in Carlsbad followed by a great lunch at Canyons Restaurant at The Crossings Golf Course, just a few blocks away, on Thursday, June 13. Cost to members is \$20 for both events; non-members: \$25. We will carpool from the St. Thomas More parking lot at 9:15am and return to the lot after lunch at about 2:15pm.

Reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. This trip is open to all Spirited Senior members, guests, and other St. Thomas More and St. Francis Parishioners. The deadline to RSVP is Friday, June 7. Please call Nancy Gayvert at 760-295-0645 with questions or for help with carpooling.

### Stay Up to Date on Construction Activity!

Check the Parish website ([www.stmoside.org](http://www.stmoside.org)) to watch live action on our webcams (click on the camera icons) or view the Construction Progress album (click on *Our New Church*).

## Marriage & Family Life

**Bringing the Celebration Home—** Check for ideas at: <http://enterundermyroof.blogspot.com>.

**The Bishops' Letter on Marriage— Faith, Hope and Love:** "As the Church is a community of faith, hope, and love, so the Christian family, as the domestic church, is called to be a community of faith, hope, and love. Through this faith, hope, and love, Jesus, by the power of his Holy Spirit, abides within each Christian family, as he does within the whole Church, and pours out the love of his Father within it." To read the document, go to <http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/>.



**Marriage Moments—** "Everything that the Father has is mine." (John 16:15) The same can be said for spouses— Everything that the husband has is the wife's and vice versa. This sounds fair until you talk specifics, like my paycheck, my time, my toothbrush... Is there anything you don't want to share?

**Parenting Pointers—**(Memorial Day weekend) This weekend gives most families an extra day to play or travel. It's also a day to remember those who have served our country. Take time to play together today. At meal time remember those who have died in the service of others. Some might have served in the military, others just died after a long life of loving and serving.

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.

### Eucharistic Adoration



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

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

### Vocations

The Trinity shows God as a Community in a relationship of complete love...which is shared with all creation. As a member in the Body of Christ, we too are in community— with God and each other. We are called upon to a shared relationship of love. What better way to participate in this relationship than a service of love as a priest, deacon, or religious? Got a calling? Contact Deacon Tom at [thomasgoeltz@aol.com](mailto:thomasgoeltz@aol.com) or 760-727-8442. May God bless you!

### STM Scrip News

Thanks to all who support our program! If you have never purchased Scrip gift cards, try out the program this year! 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 [scrip@stmoside.org](mailto:scrip@stmoside.org)
4. Phone at 760-758-4100 x150

Orders may be picked up after Mass on the weekend or at the Parish Office during the week.

## Parish Events

### Women's Guild News

Preparations are underway for our annual Installation Luncheon on June 8 at Shadowridge Country Club. We will be on the Plaza May 25-26 and June 1-2 for you to sign up for this special event. The cost is \$25, same as last year, and will start at 11:00am. Beside the Installation of Officers, we will have our annual Quilt Raffle and present Father Mike with our proceeds for the year. Please join us for this luncheon—the last of our season. We will also have our quilts on display on the above dates on the Plaza.

The next board meeting will be on Monday, June 3, at my house. Please come at 11:00am for a short meeting and stay for lunch. This will be the final board meeting until our next year starts in September.

Thank you Lord for the “Women’s Guild Year” that’s about to end; and for the great blessings of all members and friends.

—Vera Bayliss, President

### Women's Guild Quilt Raffle

The Quilt Raffle Tickets have been mailed. The border of the letter is made up of pictures of the eight quilts being raffled on June 8 at the Women’s Guild Installation Luncheon. Ticket stubs and monies may be returned in the weekend offertory collection or to the Parish Office. Please make checks payable to St. Thomas More Women’s Guild. The quilts will be on display on the Plaza on the weekends of May 25-26 and June 1-2. Thank you for your generous support of the Women’s Guild Quilt Raffle.

## Another St. Thomas More Gala-Related Activity

**2013 Pastor's Dinner Excursion**  
**Celebrate Fr. Mike's 65th Birthday!**  
*Sunday, September 29, 1:30-6:00pm*

**Reserve now—Pay later**



Featuring The Hot Pursuit Band  
Let the good times roll!  
\$250/person (\$125 tax deduction)  
All payments due by August 15



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

## 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.

*All contributions will be recognized in a special memorial to be displayed in our Parish Memorial Garden.*

For more information or to adopt an item, contact Chris Smith  
760-758-4100 x120 or [chriss@stmoside.org](mailto:chriss@stmoside.org)

<b>Pipe Organ</b>	<b>\$850,000</b>
<b>Memorial Garden</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>
<b>Reflection Garden</b>	<b>\$250,000</b>
<b>Church Doors (Bronze)</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>
<b>Crucifix</b>	<b>\$75,000</b>
<b>St. Thomas More Shrine (Tapestry)</b>	<b>\$75,000</b>
<b>Concelebrant Chairs (5) 2 available</b>	<b>\$3,000/chair</b>
<b>Pedestals for Flowers (8) 2 available</b>	<b>\$1,000/each</b>
<b>Pew Seating for the Church</b>	<b>\$300/person</b>
<b>(1,000) 954 available</b>	
<b>Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs</b>	<b>\$300/each</b>
<b>(200) 193 available</b>	



5/14/13

For more information on our progress, visit our website, [stmoside.org](http://stmoside.org), and click on Our New Church.

### A Model of the Church Crucifix for Your Home

Limited edition (40 made, 22 still available) models of the crucifix for our new church are available for purchase at \$750 each. They are 15” high by 8” wide with a 9” corpus.

Complete the pre-order sign up form at the information table on the Plaza after Masses or contact Chris Smith at 760-758-4100 x120 or [chriss@stmoside.org](mailto:chriss@stmoside.org). Payment plans available.



### Rosary

A communal Rosary is prayed after every morning Mass (Tuesday-Friday) in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Please join us!



# Liturgy & Music

Worship God

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

## ANSWERING A LIFE-ALTERING QUESTION

### Scripture Themes for June

by Patricia Datchuck  
Sánchez and Rafael  
Sánchez Alonso,  
excerpted from  
Celebration  
June 2013,  
with permission.

In his work of *Essays*, published in 1625, Francis Bacon said, “A sudden, bold, and unexpected question doth many times surprise a man and lay him open.” On the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (June 23), the Lucan Jesus will ask such a question. Despite the centuries that have elapsed since Jesus first made his query, it remains a “sudden, bold, and unexpected question” that lays us open before its challenge: “Who do you say I am?”

Before all else—before preaching one word of the Gospel, before being willing to bear witness to him with our lives—potential disciples then and now have to consider that question seriously and deliberately. For the answer to that question is not a once-and-final response. On the contrary, we enunciate that answer from moment to moment and day to day, as it defines not only who Jesus is for us but who we are for him and for others.

To mentor believers as we consider and answer Jesus’ question, the sacred texts for this month offer various ways of appreciating Jesus, the Christ event and its impact on us and our faith. This, in turn, will determine how our responses to Jesus will impact our world, with all its peoples and needs.

June’s sacred celebrations begin (June 2) with the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Luke retells the narrative of the feeding of the multitude, while Paul offers the earliest rendering of Jesus’ gift of himself in Eucharist. “Who do you say that I am?” You are food for sinners; you are food that fed not only those present that long-ago day, but all the hungry who would come after them. In the 12 baskets of leftovers and in Jesus’ directive “Give them something to eat yourselves,” we recognize that any

truthful answer to Jesus’ question will include a willingness to be blessed and broken so that all others may be nurtured, as well.

On the Tenth, Eleventh, and Twelfth Sundays of Ordinary Time, (June 9, 16, 23), Jesus will reach out to help those whom others of his day might have avoided, e.g., a dead son and a woman known to be a sinner. “Who do you say I am?” You are of universal mind and heart; none are excluded from God’s salvific plan fulfilled in you. Our acknowledgement of Jesus’ inclusiveness challenges the human penchant for bias and prejudice. As Paul will affirm on June 23, there is neither slave nor free; Jew nor Greek; male and female; all are children of God in Christ Jesus. If we are to belong to Jesus, we are to be similarly ecumenical, excluding none, reaching out indiscriminately to every human being.

On the last Sunday of June (30), the sacred texts will encourage our perseverance in remaining faithful to Jesus. Our commitment to him and to the continuation of his mission will require a single-hearted determination to stay the course and not look back with longing or regret. “Who do you say I am?” You are the Christ who plunged ahead even when the specter of the cross loomed so large in your future. A similar daring determination is the only worthy response to the gracious gift of salvation Jesus wrought.

Usually, caution would dictate that those setting out on a mission have a backup plan or a means of safe return. But daring commitment would preclude such a plan. In ancient times, the Roman armies were known to burn their bridges behind them or scuttle their boats after crossing by sea into a land they wished to conquer. With no means



John 16:15

of retreat, the soldiers fought their hardest to survive and achieve victory. Similarly, Muslim leader Tariq ibn Ziyad ordered his ships burned when he and his armies invaded the Iberian Peninsula in 711 C.E. Eight centuries later, in 1519, Hernán Cortés burned his ships upon arriving in Mexico. In that way, his soldiers had nowhere to go but forward. While ours is not a military mission, nor should we be about the business of war, there is surely a lesson here for believers. That same lesson is taught by Elisha (June 30), who, when called to take up Elijah’s prophetic ministry, burned his plowing equipment. In that act, he left all behind to commit himself to God’s word.

Our answer to Jesus’ question “Who do you say I am?” must be similarly life-altering. Our response is not only spoken but lived, not only intellectual but passionate, for when we commit ourselves to living out our response to Jesus, we are to leave all else behind and entrust ourselves fully to wherever Jesus may lead. Considering the path Jesus chose, we should prepare for a bumpy ride—but we can trust that we will never be unsupported by God and by grace.

### Upcoming Music

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**5:00pm Mass**

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**10:30am Mass**

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**Opportunities in this Year of Faith****June 9, Sunday, 12:00noon****Untold Blessings**

- ◆ Bring a favorite dish to share for lunch (This is where the blessings begin!) The whole family is welcome.
- ◆ Visit with other Parishioners and make new friends (Definitely a time of blessing!)
- ◆ Share in a 20 video segment by Fr. Robert Barron  
Childcare will be provided during video and discussion.
- ◆ Participate in reflection and discussion lead by Deacon Tom and Patt Goeltz

*This is the first of six Sunday gatherings: (July 28, August 25, September 15, October 13, November 17).*

*This format each Sunday will enable us to process Fr. Barron's understanding of what it means to be holy:*

- ◆ *Finding your deepest center*
- ◆ *Knowing you are a sinner*
- ◆ *Realizing your life is not about you*

**June 12, Wed., 7:00pm****Fr. Mike's Bookies**

- ◆ An informal gathering to discuss  
***The Red Tent***  
by Anita Diamant
- ◆ Discussion bravely facilitated by Kurt Schwend ("Why me?")
- ◆ A few copies are still available outside the Faith Formation Office for review and purchase or order. (\$12)

*Her name is Dinah.*

*In the Bible, her life is only hinted at in a brief and violent detour within the more familiar chapters of the Book of Genesis that are about her father, Jacob, and his dozen sons.*

*Told in Dinah's voice, this novel reveals the traditions and turmoils of ancient womanhood—the world of the red tent.*

**June 21, Friday, 6:00pm****Family Night**

- ◆ Beginning with shared food and conversation with other STM families and single community members.
- ◆ Continuing with music by our own STM Praise Team
- ◆ Sharing by one of our own young adults, Will Mueller
- ◆ Ending with time for quiet prayer with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament
- ◆ Returning home refreshed in spirit to begin the weekend

*This is #3 in our Family Night series. Each of the previous ones have been quite different from one another, and this one will be what we make it!*

*Family Night is a wonderful multi-generational activity . . . the young children are full of life, the parents have an opportunity for a change of pace, and the older of us are re-energized to share our faith with our younger members.*

*Give it a try . . . it is a simple but stimulating faith experience, and an enjoyable Friday evening!*

# Stewardship & Development

Serve God's People

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## Christian Stewardship: Living Our Trinitarian Faith

This weekend we celebrate The Most Holy Trinity. This reminds us that the doctrine of the Trinity is not some abstract theology. It is part of every day life as it recalls for us that three persons in one God, father; Jesus, son; and Holy Spirit, exist in perfect communion, in perfect unity.

Christian stewards are called by Christ and gifted by the Spirit to participate in God's transforming work in the world. Christ walks with us on our individual journey, teaching us and sending us.

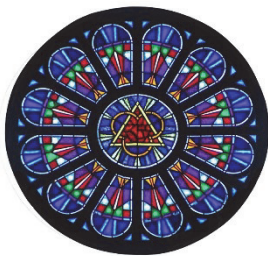
Stewards are the hands, the feet and the eyes of God and serve as co-redeemers with him.

Sometimes the Spirit moves us and our Church in directions that challenge us and take us and our Church in directions that instill anxiety and fear. But the heart of the steward remains open to the movement of the Spirit.

Living Trinitarian faith moves us to love our neighbors as we love ourselves, to do our part to restore communion and community to those around us, and to be confident that God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit is present among us always.

We demonstrate good stewardship of our Trinitarian faith by:

- † our prayer and sacramental life,
- † how we treat others at home and outside the home,
- † how giving we are with ourselves and our resources,
- † and how we come to share our faith with others.



*In today's Gospel from John, the Lord proclaims that the Holy Spirit will "guide you to all truth." Stewardship is truth; it is the way we are called to see our lives and to live our lives. It is a God-centered way of living. Christian stewardship is using the gifts God has given us, to do the work God has called us to do.*

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*One of the primary objectives of our lives is to discern and carry out God's purpose for us.*

*What is your personal mission?*

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The Diocesan Catholic Appeal (ACA) continues. Money raised throughout the Diocese supports the ongoing ministries of the Diocese. Our fair share assessment is \$48,000. Presently we have raised \$45,013, given by 353 families. Thanks to all who have contributed! We still need **\$2,987**—can you help?

### Collection for Week of May 18/19, 2013

Number of Registered Households		1,050
Offertory*	\$	12,526.56
Offertory (Loose Collection)		1,335.50
Children's envelopes		2.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>13,864.06</b>

\* Offertory envelopes, credit card withdrawals, automatic checking or savings account deductions (credit card and automatic bank account withdrawals are posted at STM on the 5th and/or 20th of each month).

### Ways to Help Support Your Parish

We offer a variety of options for easier giving. In addition to the extra mail-back envelopes included in your packet, we offer automatic credit card withdrawal (Visa, MC, or Discover) and automatic checking/savings account deduction. For more information, contact the Parish Office at 760-758-4100 x100 or [parishoffice@stmoside.org](mailto:parishoffice@stmoside.org).

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## News and Information from the Larger Church

**Vocations**—A question often asked secretly by many young men is, “How do I know that God is calling me to priesthood?” Too often, because of a lack of dramatic evidence, many of the subtle hints and gentle nudges which accompany the call to priesthood can easily be overlooked or misinterpreted. Reading 1 Kings (19:11-13) we see that the great prophet Elijah heard God’s call, not in an earthshattering event, a mighty storm or blazing fire, but in a tiny whispering sound. So, if the notion of priesthood gently passes your mind from time to time, sit up and take notice. It could be a hint. For more information, visit [www.SerraVocationThought.org](http://www.SerraVocationThought.org).

**Ruth Institute Gala**—Sunday, June 2, 6:00pm, Town and Country Resort, Hotel Circle North, San Diego. The Ruth Institute, an internationally-known interfaith organization, promotes lifelong married love to college students and young adults. For more information, contact 760-295-9278 or [www.itafgala.org](http://www.itafgala.org)

**Voices for Children Volunteer Information Session**—Monday, June 3, 5:30-7:00pm, Kearny Mesa. For 33 years, Voices for Children has provided volunteer Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs) to abused and neglected children in San Diego County to ensure their needs are met in the courtroom, classroom, and community. To learn more, call 858-598-2235, or visit [www.speakupnow.org](http://www.speakupnow.org).

**Camp Erin San Diego**—June 7-9; where children and teens learn to grieve and heal. Hosted by The Center for Compassionate Care of The Elizabeth Hospice. For more information, contact

760-737-2050 or [camperin@ehospice.org](mailto:camperin@ehospice.org) or visit [www.elizabethhospice.org/camperin](http://www.elizabethhospice.org/camperin).

**Ignatian Volunteer Corps Morning of Gratitude**—Saturday, June 14, 9:30am, St. Catherine Labouré Parish, 4124 Mt. Abraham Ave., San Diego. Celebrating the ministry and service of Fr. Gil Gentile, S.J., and Margie Carroll. For more information, contact Ginger at 858-793-5609 or [ginigeri@san.rr.com](mailto:ginigeri@san.rr.com).

**Monthly Holy Hour for Vocations**—Wednesday, June 19, 7:30-9:00pm, Diocesan Pastoral Center, 3888 Paducah Dr., San Diego. All are invited on the third Wednesday of each month to join in praying for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

**Birth Choice Volunteer Counselors Needed**—a pro-life, Christ-centered pregnancy resource center offering free pregnancy testing, ultrasound, and options counseling for women in crisis. If you feel called to the ministry at the Oceanside or San Marcos centers, please contact Mary Rose Stearns, Executive Director, at 760-434-5063 or [mrstearns@birthchoice.net](mailto:mrstearns@birthchoice.net).

**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](mailto:fwgrant@gmail.com).

**The Center for Christian Spirituality at the University of San Diego** has a great line up of events. Visit [www.sandiego.edu/ccs](http://www.sandiego.edu/ccs).

**Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center in Oceanside** has an ongoing schedule of retreats—even cooking classes!. Visit [www.sanluisrey.org](http://www.sanluisrey.org) for more details.

## News from St. Francis Church

**St. Francis School is our Parish School!**—Families from St. Thomas More are extended the same benefits and rewards as St. Francis Parishioners, including:

- Parishioner priority for enrollment at St. Francis School,
- Equal tuition rates,
- Financial aid opportunities, and
- Fundraising support.

**Presenting Fr. Don Calloway on Friday, May 31 at 7:00pm**—on “Our Lady and Divine Mercy in the Year of Faith” at St. Francis Church. Book signing, coffee, and dessert to follow in Fr. Ullman Hall. For more information, contact 760-945-8000.

**Cancer Survivors and their Caregivers Celebration Picnic**—Do you have experience in fighting a battle with cancer? If the answer is yes, then this picnic is for you! Saturday, June 8, at 12:00pm, 2040 Westwood Rd., Vista. For more information or to RSVP, contact Lory Greene at 760-500-3950.

**Let’s Help Folks in Oklahoma!**—Deacon Ron and Rae Arnold from St. Francis have gone to help the victims of the tornado at their local parish. If you would like to contribute to their efforts, please make your check to St. Thomas More with memo, St. Francis—Oklahoma.

### Catholic Radio—AM 1000/Sirius 130—San Diego

Free program guides and bumper stickers available at the information table the Plaza after weekend Masses.

Visit [ihradio.com/sandiego](http://ihradio.com/sandiego)

### 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.

### 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](http://www.CatholicsComeHome.org).

### Young Adult Ministry Activities

Visit [www.yamsd.org](http://www.yamsd.org) for complete information on events for young adults, including Lenten Bible Study, ultimate frisbee, swing dance, praise and worship nights, and outreach projects.

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



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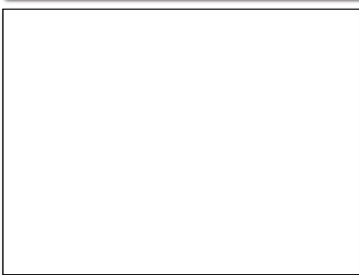
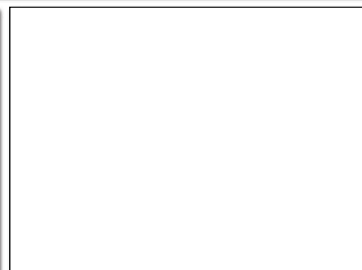
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