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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

July 28, 2013 • Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Stay Up to Date on Construction Activity!

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Check the Parish website (*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*).



Pope Francis Arrives at World Youth Day Visit *www.wydcentral.org* to follow the action!

Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak 760-758-4100 x100 michaelr@stmoside.org

Ministerial Leadership in the Church—Lay Ministry

In the last number of years, we have experienced great changes in ministerial leadership in the Church. The shift from priests and sisters providing the majority of service to the community to lay women and men, in the majority, ministering along with priests, deacons, and sisters has created an entirely different "face" to Parish leadership. This new "face" is very evident here at St. Thomas More.

With this in mind, I want to share some thoughts on the role of a pastor taken from Canon Law and then some thoughts on lay leadership and collaboration with clergy.

Last week I focused on the role of the pastor. This week, the focus is on lay leadership.

In a cover letter to his statement, "As One Who Serves," which appeared in *The Tidings*, the Los Angeles Archdiocesan newspaper on September 30, 2005, Cardinal Mahoney said, "From one point of view we are facing a crisis. But the diminishing number of priestly and religious vocations has brought with it a deeper realization that it is in the nature of the Church to be given diverse gifts, ministries, and offices. At this time, we are being called to discern new modes of Parish leadership and a more participatory exercise of ministry in which lay, religious, and ordained together seek to build up the body of Christ through the charism of leadership."

Pastor's Column (continued from page 1)

And from_Co-Workers in the Vineyard of the Lord: A Resource for Guiding the Development of Lay Ecclesial Ministry (U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, November 2005):

Co-Workers in the Vineyard of the Lord expresses our strong desire for the fruitful collaboration of ordained and lay ministers who, in distinct but complementary ways, continue in the Church the saving mission of Christ for the world, his vineyard.

In Parishes especially, but also in other Church institutions and communities, lay women and men generously and extensively "cooperate with their pastors in the service of the ecclesial community."

This is a sign of the Holy Spirit's movement in the lives of our sisters and brothers. We are very grateful for all who undertake various roles in Church ministry. Many do so on a limited and voluntary basis: for example, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, readers, cantors and choir members, catechists, pastoral council members, visitors to the sick and needy, and those who serve in programs such as sacramental preparation, youth ministry, including ministry with people with disabilities, and charity and justice.

We are blessed indeed to have such gifted and generous coworkers in the vineyard of the Lord to which we have all been called. Let us continue to work together as a "community of people united in Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit in (our) pilgrimage toward the Father's kingdom, bearers of a message for all humanity."

Fr. Mike

2013 Peter's Pence Collection for the Holy Father \$2,635.39

Annual Catholic Appeal

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 \$48,008, given by 375 families. Thanks to all who have contributed! Payments exceeding our goal will be returned to us.

STM \$crip 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*
- 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.

Welcome New Parishioners

Dean & Annaly Aviado & Family Daniel & Kathryn Shannon

In Memoriam

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Ted Stanislawski, who died on June 22. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, August 3, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep his wife, Jackie, and his family in your prayers.

Ethel Vanderhagen, who died on July 19. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Friday, August 9, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep her husband, Bob, and her family in your prayers.

Betty Cody, who died on July 14. Please keep her brother, Parishioner Carl Streling, and her family in your prayers.

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

Community Service Numbers: 2-1-1 for human services information; 5-1-1 for traffic

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 760-758-410 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 for more details.

Readings	Prayer List (Call 760-758-4	100 x102 to add a name
for the Week Ahead	Changa Aguilera	Chandler May
	The Alesi Family	Tony McCloskey
Sunday Year C; Weekday Year I	Mary Alexander	Bob McWilliams Joyce Meehan
Readings online at www.usccb.org.	Lucia Ambriz Carrie Autrey	Kalei Mendiola
Sunday, July 28 (111)	The Balli-Dumas Families	Bill Metzger
eventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Jose Luis Barbosa	Rita Mikridge
Genesis 18:20-32	Patricia Barbour	Phyllis Minaya
Psalm 138:1-3,6-8	Gerry Barton Clarice Bednarz	June Mitchell June Montgomery
Colossians 2:12-14	Charlene Belprez	Nancy Moore
Luke 11:1-13	John Bennici	Elizabeth Muehlb
Monday, July 29 (401)	Regina Bentz	Conrad Murphy
<i>Iartha</i>	Lisa Berg	Margie Myers
Exodus 32:15-24,30-34	Roseanne Berg	Richard Obsitnik Bernadette Padov
salm 106:19-23	Ken Berger Mary Betz	Art Palle
ohn 11:19-27 or Luke 10:38-42	Betty Jean Bielich	Ethan Palm
Fuesday, July 30 (402)	Monica Broussard	Marilyn Pirkola
Peter Chrysologus, bishop, doctor	Janet Brown	Douglas Price-Wi
xodus 33:7-11;34:5b-9,28 salm 103:6-13	Todd Brown	Barbara Ramm
Aatthew 13:36-43	Anita Buerger Bridget Buford	Terry Riley Rita Ritchie
Vednesday, July 31 (403)	Shelby Campbell	Adela Rivera
gnatius of Loyola, priest	Brianne Campos	Elena Rivera
Exodus 34:29-35	Claudia Caplinger	Maria Rogers
salm 99:5-7,9	Paul Cassidy	Dorothy Rouse Donna Russell
latthew 13:44-46	Bobbi Clarke Marilyn Clarke	The Russo Family
hursday, August 1 (404)	The Cody & Streling Families	Cindy Sanelli
lphonsus Liguori, bishop, doctor	Dolly Cole	Linda Schmidt
xodus 40:16-21,34-38	Carl Coleman	The Douglas E. S
salm 84:3-6,8-11	James Coleman	Joan Shea
latthew 13:47-53	Thomas Cornwell & Family Carol Costa	Jack and Rita She Elizabeth Shirzad
riday, August 2 (405)	Lené Crowe	Beth Snyder
usebius of Vercelli, bishop;	Karen Flaharty Daley	Nick Soltau
Peter Julian Eymard, priest	Beverly de Gelder	Fred & Gilda Spie
Leviticus 23:1,4-11,15-16,27,34b-37	Carole Dillon	Darek, Vanessa, &
Psalm 81:3-6,10-11	Art Dossman Dave Dossman	Patricia St. Pierre The Staehr Famil
Matthew 13:54-58	John Drazkowski, Jr.	The Stanislawski
Saturday, August 3 (406) Leviticus 25:1,8-17	La Vonne Dumas	Pete Sullivan
Psalm 67:2-3,5,7-8	Connor Eberhard	David Sweet
Matthew 14:1-12	Carolyn Erickson Ey	Tommy & Ginger
Sunday, August 4 (114)	Sharon Evans Victoria Lopez Fenton	Sarah Tillinghast
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Victoria Lopez Fenton The Fiore Family	William Tompson Stephen Toth, Jr.
Ecclesiastes 1:2;2:21-23	Ryan Flum	Mary Tysko & Fa
Psalm 90:3-6,12,14,17	Eugene Franciscus	Barbara Upson
Colossians 3:1-5,9-11	Kathryn Franklin	The Vanderhagen
Luke 12:13-21	Joe Freire Prion Frink	Corrie & Robert V
	Brian Frink Knox Gagnon	Dorina Visciglio Vanessa Vitiello
	Jim Gallagher	Christopher Voel
	The Joe Garcia Family	Penny Walsh
	Kathy Gardner	Kevin Watson-Gr
	Jack & Marge Gillen Wondy Conzolos' Ded	Sue Welch
Mass Intentions	Wendy Gonzales' Dad Rick Gonzalez	John Whitton Erin Young
	Rosemary Haeffelin	Patricia Zavala
Saturday, July 27, 5:00pm	Susan Hallahan	
Bill Carrothers 🕈	Pat & Tom Hannon	Deployed
	The Harker Family	Deployed N
Sunday, July 28, 8:30am	Barbara Hatem Lilian Hills	As a faith commu
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Sue Johnston

Brianna Jones

Paul Kennedy Peggy Kiernan Debbie Kinney Dewey Kolbo

Sr. Anne Kremenik

The Lamelin Family

Claudia Leué The Paul Leué Family

Helen Kuhn Lillian Lachance

Brandon LeBlanc

Cassandra Loretto

James MacArthur

Angelis Martinez

Joaquin Maldonado

Alexander Mathews

Jeremiah Lemus

Ashley Load

Lauren Loretto

Paige Mansell

Betty Karch

Sunday, July 28, 10:30am Giacinto Morelli 🕏

Tuesday, July 30, 8:15am Gustavo Lopez や

Wednesday, July 31, 8:15am Doris Arel ₽

Thursday, August 1, 8:15am Joseph Vetriano ₽

Friday, August 2, 8:15am Cheryl Glennane

Saturday, August 3, 5:00pm Les Heins ₽

Sunday, August 4, 8:30am Aaron Stull 🕏

Sunday, August 4, 10:30am Joe Coccaro ₽

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Tyler Timmerman, US Army Sgt. Charles Watts, USMC

Calendar Highlights

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

July 28	Liturgy of the Word for
July 28	Children at 8:30am and
	10:30am Masses
July 28	Untold Blessing
Aug 4	Liturgy of the Word for
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	10:30am Masses
Aug 16	Family Night
Sep 3-5	Music Ministry Resumes
Sep 5	Spirited Seniors
1	Ice Cream Social
Sept 8	Religious Education Classes
•	begin
Sept 9	Women's Guild Luncheon
Sept 29	Pastor's Dinner/Excursion
Oct 5	Treasures 2013
Oct 6	Blessing of Animals
Oct 11-13	Men's Fellowship Retreat
Oct 27	New Member Reception
Oct 28	STM Golf Tournament at
	Shadowridge Country Club
Nov 9-10	St. Bonaventure
	Clothing Drive
Nov 24	Year of Faith Closing Event

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.

July 29		
Sr. Lilia del Carmen Vega Moreno, SJ		
July 30		
Sr. Fatima Viamontes, RJM		
July 31		
Sr. Eloisa Vilches, SJS		
August 1		
Sr. Joanne Wagenbrenner, CHS		
August 2		
Sr. Elizabeth Walsh, RSCJ		
August 3		
Sr. Kathleen Walsh, RSM		
August 4		
Sr. Alyce Waters, RSM		

name for four weeks.)

Social Ministries/Outreach

Immigration Prayer Vigil

"USCCB Calls Senate Immigration Framework Important First Step, Seeks Bipartisan Cooperation for Just, Humane Legislation."* On July 3, our Social Justice committee members, along with Fr. Mike and several other Parishioners, joined over 1,500 people from 20 different San Diego Parishes



at the Immigration Vigil held at Mission San Luis Rey. The vigil was organized by San Diego Organizing Project (SDOP). STM is a member of SDOP. One of our Parishioners gave a testimonial of her and her family's migration to the United States. Rocky Chavez, California Assemblyman, also spoke to the crowd. It was an impressive two hours of praying, singing, testimonials, and uplifting presentations.



*USCCB on Immigration Reform

To see more photos, visit the Parish website, *stmoside.org*, click on Event Pictures

2013 Pastor's Dinner Excursion Celebrate Fr. Mike's 65th Birthday!

Sunday, September 29, 1:30-6:00pm

Reserve Now Let the good times roll! \$250/person (\$125 tax deduction) All payments due by August 30



For information, please contact Chris Smith 760-758-4100x120 or chriss@stmoside.org

Marriage & Family Life

Join Us for Some Hot Summer Nights!

Could your marriage use a tune-up? Ever wonder where the love and passion went? Looking for date night ideas? Interested in what the Bible says about marriage? Find



the answer to these each day of July as a new article is posted discussing various topics on marriage. Contributors include published authors, certified Marriage & Family psychologists, and the USCCB. Visit: *http://enterundermyroof.blogspot.com* all month long!

Bishops' Letter on Marriage—Pornography: "Pornography, particularly internet pornography, is a serious threat to marital chastity and is gravely immoral. The Internet has made pornography readily accessible within the privacy of one's home. Using pornography can quickly become an addiction that erodes trust and intimacy between husband and wife and, in some cases, leads to the breakup of the common life of the spouses." To read the document go to *http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/*.

Marriage Moments—Climate change can be a boon to your marriage. If you feel frustrated with each other, try changing the environment you have control over. Cool off if it's too hot out. Warm up if you're freezing. Light some candles if you're depressed. Put on some rose-colored glasses for fun. By Susan Vogt, *www.SusanVogt.net*.

Parenting Pointers—You may not realize it, but the fourth Sunday of July is Parent's Day. Don't let it be just a Hallmark holiday. Take a moment today to remember why you so wanted a child. Cherish each of your children in thought and words today. By Susan Vogt, *www.SusanVogt.net*.

For more information, visit *www.diocese-sdiego.org*/Ministries/ Marriage & Family Life or call Jen Frost at 760-758-4100 x100.

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 \$37,800 from this program. Thank you donors!



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

Parish Events

Women's Guild News

August is right around the corner and our directory is coming together as your membership forms come in. Extra forms for friends can be picked up at the Parish Office or at the information table on the Plaza after weekend Masses. Thank you for returning them so promptly. Deadline for the directory is September 1.

—Ann Buko, president

Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

On Sunday, August 11, at 2:00pm our potluck and general meeting will be HERE at St. Thomas More—a great chance to get acquainted!! 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 for our complete monthly calendar of activities—RSVPs are recommended!

Vocations

In this week's Gospel, the disciples ask Jesus to teach them to pray. Who will teach our future generations to pray? Vocations to the priesthood and religious life have been dropping for years. Do you have a call to the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life? Contact Deacon Tom at *thomasgoeltz@aol.com* or 760-727-8442. You are needed!

St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive

As I try to gear up for this November's collection, I find the following needs:

- Access to a 26 ft. truck for November 9-14 (stake bed would work)
- Storage for early donations
- On-call clothing sorters

Can you help? Contact Deacon Tom at *thomasgoeltz@aol.com* or 760-727-8442.

Thank you!

Eucharistic Adoration



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

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

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 *brandon.oswald@gmail.com*.

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*

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
Pew Seating for the Church (1,000) 946 available	\$300/person
Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs	\$300/each

Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs (200) 153 available

7/28/13



For more information on our progress, visit our website, stmoside.org, and click on Our New Church.

A Model of the Church Crucifix for Your Home

Sold Out! 40 limited edition models of the crucifix for our new church have been purchased at \$750 each.

They are 15" high by 8" wide with a 9" corpus. If you would like to be on our waiting list for a second casting, contact Chris Smith at 760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org. Credit cards and payment plans available.

Need Help with Transportation to Church!

Volunteer drivers are needed in our Parish. Some Parishioners would like to attend Mass and cannot drive themselves. Please prayerfully consider helping some of our fellow Parishioners. If you can help in any



way with this service, please contact Ann Eriksson 760-599-7151 or *eriksson1@mindspring.com*.

Liturgy & Music

Worship God

Douglas Lynn

July 28, 2013

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

WHAT REALLY MATTERS

Scripture themes for August

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

As we make our way through life, there are certain experiences that cause us to pause, assess, and redirect our focus and energies. The death of a dear one can be lifealtering. So can a life-threatening illness or a calamity of nature. Looking death in the face often instills a sense of urgency in us, which, in turn, causes us to appreciate life more dearly and prompts us to adhere more closely to what is essential and everlasting rather than what is temporary. In the sacred texts for August, there is a similar underlying sense of urgency, as the ancient but ever-relevant authors urge us to pause, assess, and redirect our focus toward people and entities that are durable and portable unto eternity.

Qoheleth (Aug. 4) begins the month on a sober note. Seemingly frustrated by what he perceived as the futility of life, the ancient philosopher pronounces in Ecclesiastes that all is vanity or vapor. A further reading of his work reveals his conviction that there is joy to be had in this life, and it is found in God. In the Gospel, the Lucan Jesus warns his listeners that life does not consist of possessions. Therefore, we will need to adjust our goals and priorities periodically in order to keep our eyes on what really matters. This lesson will be repeated on August 11, as Jesus' followers are invited to share their worldly possessions (give alms) so as to accrue treasure in heaven.

We will be reminded by the Hebrews author on August 18 of the great cloud of witnesses who surround us and support us in our believing and belonging to Christ. With their help, we can rid ourselves of every burden and fix our eyes on Jesus. Similarly, on August 25, the Lucan Jesus will emphasize the

narrowness of the "gate" that leads to salvation. To enter through that gate, believers must be free and unencumbered. This freedom is made possible by our daily cooperation with God's gifts of grace.

To live our lives gracefully in this world, and to prepare for the forever future, it is necessary to pause here and now and assess what really matters in our lives and what does Jeff Cox's lesson The not Mayonnaise Jar (Inkwell Pub. Co. Inc., Facebook) might prove helpful to prompt our pondering:

professor stood before his Α philosophy class with some items in front of him. When class began, he wordlessly picked up an empty, commercial-size mayonnaise jar and filled it with golf balls. Then he asked the class if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

Then the professor picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar gently and the pebbles rolled into the empty spaces between the golf balls. Again, he asked if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

Next, the professor picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. After a little shake, the sand settled into the empty spaces between the golf balls and pebbles. "Is it full?" asked the professor, to which the students responded, "Yes!"

Then the professor produced two cups of coffee and poured them into the jar. All watched as the coffee was absorbed into the sand. At that, the students laughed.

"Now," said the professor, "I want you to recognize that this jar represents your life. The golf balls are the important things-God, family, children, friends, health, and



Luke 11:9

favorite passions. These are things that, even if everything else were lost and only these remained, your life would still be full. The pebbles are the things that matter, like your home, your job, your car. The sand is everything else. If you put sand in the jar first, there's no room for the pebbles or the golf balls. The same goes for life. If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff, you will never have room for the truly important things.

"So, pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness. Worship with your family. Play with your children. Take your partner out to dinner. Spend time with good friends. There will always be time to clean the house and fix the dripping tap. Take care of the golf balls first-the things that matter. Set your priorities. The rest is just sand."

One of the students raised her hand asked what the and coffee represented. "I'm glad you asked," said the professor. "No matter how full your life may seem, there's always room for a cup of coffee with a friend."

This modern-day parable and the parables of Jesus inspire us, as Jesus' disciples, to renew our efforts to focus on the golf balls, or the enduring entities in our lives, and allow the shifting sands to slip through our fingers.

Upcoming Music ж AUGUST 4

18th Sunday in **Ordinary Time** ¥

5:00pm Mass

Cantor & Congregation

8:30am Mass

Cantor & Congregation

10:30am Mass Cantor &

Congregation

Faith Formation

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

Marcus Cabrera, Youth Advocate 760-758-4100 x161 marcusc@stmoside.org

Dear Parishioners,

I hope you enjoyed all the pictures online from Kingdom Rock! It was truly a week of transformation, not only for the children, but also for the many teens and adults involved.

Teach and Live the Gospe

This was evident to me as the children of all ages sang with us at the 10:30am Mass last Sunday. The faces of the children showed that this was not a "performance," but witness to their confidence of standing strong on the Rock of Jesus.

Several families are core to our ministry during VBS. They work many months out of the year for the success of this week, and they do it out of love for God and the children. We are truly blest! Thank you.

When VBS began (for me) 13 years ago, I had a difficult time finding teen volunteers to be our crew leaders. They are the heart of the program, for they bring the Word of God to their small crews. This year the 32 teens needed were the first group to fill up! Many have been members of VBS for years and, having experienced God at work in their lives, look forward to sharing this with younger members.

The children have an exciting week, but it is evident it is "not just about them." They, through their families, supported three social justice projects providing a moat full of school supplies for the children at Solutions of Change, gently-used shoes to support a new ministry beginning in our Parish, and over \$425 for "Change for Chicks."

Through Heifer International, a flock of chicks can be purchased for a family for \$20. We supported 21 families!



A flock of chicks can help families add nourishing, life-sustaining eggs to their inadequate diets. The protein in just one egg is a nutritious gift for a hungry child. Protein-packed eggs from even a single chicken can make a life-saving difference.

Heifer helps many hungry families with a starter flock of 10 to 50 chicks. A good hen can lay up to 200 eggs a year-plenty to eat, share, or sell. With Heifer recipients' commitment to pass on the offspring and training, the exponential impact of adding chickens to communities in poverty is truly a model that helps end hunger and poverty.

Because chickens require little space and can thrive on readily available food scraps, families can make money from the birds without spending much. And chickens help control insects and fertilize gardens.

An emphasis during VBS is becoming aware of "God-Sightings," and there certainly were a lot of them in July!

Thanks to each and every Parishioner who shared in this ministry!

Gratefully, Kathleen

Fr. Mike's Bookies

Our next book for discussion is

I Thought the Sun Was God.

The author of this book is our very own Parishioner, Masako Streling. Since it was recently published, many of our Parish family have been looking forward to reading it.

The book is available at the Parish Office. The hard cover books is \$28 and the paperback is \$18. Get your copy soon and begin reading. We will schedule a discussion in late August.



PBJ Update

2013 GOAL: Collected to date:

365 pounds 249 pounds

(Food for children at the **Emergency Crisis Center)**







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

Chris Smith

Stewardship & Development

Christian Stewardship Spiritual Benefits of Giving

Tom Gildee broke out of a tough Baltimore neighborhood, got rich on software and retired a few years ago . . . to a full-time job giving away his money.

Somebody forgot to tell Tom he was supposed to retire to a yacht and a private island. He started spending all of his time in charitable activities, giving away several hundred thousand dollars a year, mostly for scholarships to Baltimore private schools.

Soon he was giving away \$1 million a year to help pay for 300 poor kids, from kindergarten through high school. When he dies, he plans to leave his entire estate to his Kids-R-VIP's program.



Take a look at his upbringing. Gildee grew up in a poor area of Baltimore, raised by his maternal grandmother, who stepped in after his mother abandoned him when he was five years old. His grandmother, on welfare at times, persuaded a parochial school, St. Ambrose, to accept him on a full scholarship.

Many years later he sold his company. Now it was payback time. He is giving St. Ambrose, his elementary school, \$50,000 a year for several years for scholarships. "Some donor obviously had to pay for my education," Gildee says. "I want to do the same thing for other disadvantaged kids."

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This story reminds me of a good friend and dear paternal grandfather to my children. He was also abandoned by his mother at a very young age and raised by his step-grandfather on a poor farm in Missouri. Many times he slept with the pigs to keep warm, never complaining, as he grew up with a hard work ethic. His formal education ended in sixth grade, but he didn't let that stop him from working his way up in life and supporting a family with a very decent lifestyle.

To those who didn't know him well, he might have seemed a bit rough around the edges. But for those fortunate enough to know him in his lifetime, we simply called him a diamond in the rough. His heart, generosity and wisdom were as great as the sun. He celebrates his July birthday in heaven now, as we remember his life and example and try to carry on in that tradition. - Chris

Scripture tells us God owns all things and places material things in our possession. God entrusts what is his to our care to use in his service. It follows then that we are not the owners, but managers of God's property.

<u>Serve</u> God's People A WAY TO GIVE ~ A WAY TO RECEIVE



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Planned Giving is a generic term that covers the many ways an individual can give to a charity while, in many cases avoiding taxes. A few examples of Planned Giving are: Designated Beneficiary Accounts, Wills, Living Trusts, Stocks, Life Insurance, Mutual Funds, Endowments, and Real Estate.

This program is one way of helping the Parish raise the resources necessary to continue our campus build out and also help plan for our future needs (i.e., Tower of Faith participants). Gifts of this nature are beneficial and much appreciated by St. Thomas More.

For more information please contact: Chris Smith at 760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org.

> "... A Time To Build!" includes our Faith journey as well as the build out of our Parish Campus.

Collection for Week of July 20/21, 2013

Total	\$ 13,278.80
Children's envelopes	 2.00
Offertory (Loose Collection)	1,702.00
Offertory*	\$ 11,574.80
Number of Registered Households	1,052

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.

St. Francis and St. Thomas More Offertory Envelopes

Any St. Francis Offertory Envelopes given to the offertory collection at St. Thomas More will be returned to St. Francis.

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News and Information from the Larger Church

Weekly Peaceful Prayer Vigil to End Abortion—Mondays, 10:00am, Planned Parenthood Isabella Center, 1820 Marron Rd., #110, Carlsbad (just west of Westfield Plaza Camino Real). For more information, contact Richard Hodges at 760-439-3415 or Jahna White at 760-586-6356.

Our Lady of Zapopan—The pilgrim Lady of Zapopan from Jalisco Mexico will be visiting Mary, Star of the Sea Parish, 7713 Girard Avenue, La Jolla on Wednesday, July 31. A welcoming procession starts at 5:30pm with Mass at 6:00pm. Visitation will be until 10:00pm. She will remain here until the next day. There will be a Mass of farewell at 5:00pm. A special band and Aztec dancers will be part of this celebration. Invite your friends and family. For more information, please contact Martín Magaña at 858-459-7381 or email: *marystarhispanic@san.rr.com*

Healing Mass at St. James—Fr. Patrick Crowley, SS.CC. will celebrate a Healing Mass at St. James Church on Wednesday, July 31, at 7:00pm. Music and testimony will precede the Mass at 6:30pm, and prayer teams will be available for healing prayer following the Mass. All are welcome

Camp Oliver—Summer Fun for Kids!—Weekly sessions from June 23 through August 23. Owned by the Sisters of Social Service, in operation for over 60 years. For more information, visit *www.campoliver.org* or contact 619-445-5945 or *info@campoliver.org*.

Catholic Charities Food Resource Center Has Volunteer Opportunities for YOU!—Drivers, Daily Food Packers, Intake Workers, and Calfresh (food stamp) Advocate. For information call Lisa DuMolt at 619-231-2828 x221

Men Saddened by a Past Abortion—Rachel's Hope offers a one-day healing workshop for husbands or boyfriends of past and current relationships troubled by an abortion of their child or are in a relationship with a woman who has had an abortion.

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.

Help St. Francis School Win!—Give St. Francis Catholic School a chance to win 50 Kindle readers for our students! Amazon.com is holding a sweepstakes drawing to give 50 Kindle readers to a lucky school. To increase our chances of winning, go to your favorite search engine (like *google.com*) and enter "amazon summer reading sweepstakes." The first result should be the link to the entry form. After entering your information, please include as the nominated school: St. Francis School, 525 W. Vista Way, Vista, CA 92083, 760-630-7960. The deadline is fast approaching, so enter today, and thank you for supporting St. Francis Catholic School. The actual link to the website is: *http://www.amazon.com/b?ie=UTF8&node=6698348011*.

Saturday, July 27, 9:00am-6:00pm at the Diocesan Pastoral Center. For more information, contact 858-581-3022 or *rachelshope.org*.

Volunteer with Voices for Children—Information session on Saturday, July 27, 10:00-11:30am, Kearny Mesa. Voices for Children provides 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. For more information, contact *www.speakupnow.org* or 858-598-2235.

Culture of Life Inaugural Family Picnic and Concert— Saturday, August 3 from 11:00am-4:00pm at Cathedral Catholic High School. For more information and to RSVP call 619-564-3307 or visit *colfs.org*

Monthly Holy Hour for Priestly and Religious Vocations— Third Wednesday of each month (next is August 21), 7:30-9:00pm, Diocesan Pastoral Center, 3888 Paducah Dr., San Diego. For more information, contact Fr. Pedro Rivera at privera@diocese-sdiego.org or 619-291-7446.

Birth Choice Volunteer Counselors Needed—a pro-life, Christcentered 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 Mike Brady, Executive Director, at 760-434-5063 or *mikebrady@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*.

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

Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center in Oceanside has an ongoing schedule of retreats! Visit *www.sanluisrey.org* for more details.

Catholic Singles Organization—The Catholic Alumni Club International is expanding into the San Diego area. Visit *www.caci.org* for more information.

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*

Young Adult Ministry Activities

Visit *www.yamsd.org* for complete information on events for young adults, including Bible Study, ultimate frisbee, swing dance, praise and worship nights, and outreach projects.

Also, search Office of Young Adult Ministry on Facebook.

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*.

CHURCH OF SAINT Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30-12:00noon and 12:30-4:00pm			
	Contacts Updated 7/28/2013		
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For more information, contact Kevin & Lyn Leahy STM Dinner & Book Coordinators, 760-643-0872 or *kleahy12@cox.net*

Success Story... Solutions Farms— Growing Futures in a Greenhouse

This two-acre site in Vista has more than 25,000 square feet of existing greenhouse structures. The greenhouses and the site itself are being refurbished and put into production through the generous support of individual volunteers, companies and foundations.

Solutions Farms is a fully integrated aquaponics (soilless) farm. The produce and fish raised here is sold locally to markets, restaurants and to Farmer's Markets. The farm is staffed by Solutions residents. For many, this is the first time in their lives they've been in a position to give instead of having to take. It is a proud and emotional time when they realize what they have achieved because of Solutions Farms.

Name:

To learn more about Solutions for Change, visit *www.solutionsforchange.org*

Current Needs...

Help is needed to help make a **House into a Home** for graduate families who will move into 47 apartment homes at Vista Terrace. Immediate needs are sheets sets, blankets, dressers, couches, living room, tables, and nightstands.

Dinette sets, dish sets, cutlery, pots, pans and glassware are needed too!

Contact: Robyn Gilden 760-941-6545 x318 rgilden@solutionsforchange.org



Solutions for Change Annual Fundraiser... An Evening to Remember...with Mrs. Laura Bush Saturday, September 21, 2013 La Costa Resort and Spa Dinner ~ Silent & Live Auctions ~ Keynote Address By attending this event you will be joining Solutions for Change in permanently solving homelessness for hundreds of children and their families.



In this life we cannot do great things. We can only do small things with great love. —Blessed Mother Teresa



Take a Tour...To see how your donations have helped over the years, **Solutions for Change** now offers free tours of the various facilities that contribute to changing homeless families into contributing citizens of our community. Complete and return this form to the Parish Office to be contacted with more details about the tours.

Telephone:

Email:

Proclamation

AN IMPERATIVE TO SOLVE FAMILY HOMELESSNESS

WHEREAS, family homelessness is a challenge with an impact on every city in North San Diego County and results in unacceptable living conditions for adults and their children, has a negative impact on multiple generations of adults and children, diminishes the quality of our communities, and leads to an increased total cost of public support while impairing productivity; and

WHEREAS, SOLUTIONS FOR CHANGE has pioneered an effective program of creating access to the knowledge, skills, and resources that result in a permanent solution to family homelessness, thus restoring families to a productive place in our communities while lowering the total cost of public support; and

WHEREAS, the Mayors of the cities of Carlsbad, Escondido, Oceanside, San Marcos and Vista declare it a region-wide imperative that permanent solutions to family homelessness be pursued, we hereby pledge and promise to move this imperative forward using the vision, model and plan developed by NORTH COUNTY SOLUTIONS FOR CHANGE, known as the SOLUTIONS FOR CHANGE model; and

WHEREAS, it is our intent and promise to advance the goals of this imperative throughout the region for the purpose of developing more access to the SOLUTIONS FOR CHANGE model and to support the replication and scaling of this model, thereby creating more efficient and faster access to the educational, employment, income and health resources that homeless families need to gain and sustain housing stability.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED jointly by Mayor Hall, Mayor Abed, Mayor Wood, Mayor Desmond and Mayor Ritter, that we hereby draw the attention of the public to this regional imperative lead by **NORTH COUNTY SOLUTIONS FOR CHANGE** and acknowledge and thank the community for their commitment to moving this imperative forward.

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