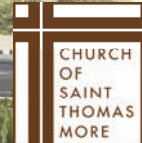


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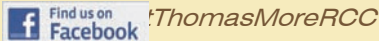
Spirituality † Tradition † Community



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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

August 11, 2013 • Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Stay Up to Date on Construction Activity!

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*).

Did You Know?

For Fiscal Year 2013-2014 we have budgeted \$41,700 for our SDG&E bill.

It will take three or four Sunday collections just to pay this one bill!

Your special gift to the "Did You Know?" Campaign will help us balance the Operations Budget.

Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak
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michaelr@stmoside.org

The Obvious

A story was once told about Sherlock Holmes and his faithful friend, Dr. Watson:

Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson went on a camping trip. After a good meal and a bottle of wine they lay down in their tent for the night and went to sleep.

Some hours later, Holmes awoke and nudged his faithful friend awake. "Watson, look up at the sky and tell me what you see."

Watson replied, "I see millions and millions of stars."

"What does that tell you?" Holmes questioned.

Watson pondered for a minute. "Astronomically, it tells me that there are millions of galaxies and potentially billions of planets. Astrologically, I observe Saturn is in Leo. Logically, I deduce that the time is approximately a quarter past three. Theologically, I can see that God is all-powerful and that we are small and insignificant. Meteorologically, I suspect that we will have a beautiful day tomorrow."

"Is that all?" Holmes asked. "Yes," Watson replied. "Why, am I missing something?"

Holmes was quiet for a moment, then spoke: "Watson, you nut head. Someone has stolen the tent!"

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

The point of this story is, I believe, well made. As we make our journey of life, we collect all kinds of information and we live and operate within many "ologies."

Do these "ologies" help us to see reality or do we get so caught up in them that we find ourselves missing the obvious?

I pray this day: "Dear God, you are the God of the obvious. Help me to take the plank of 'ologies' out of my eye, before I complain about the speck in my brother's or sister's eye. Give me the eyes and ears of faith to see and hear the obvious in the world around me.

I ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen"

Fa. 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.

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.

Welcome New Parishioners

Sara Martin

Announcing the Baptisms of

Valyn Li Guevara
Lily Marie Robinson
Robert Kane Surrutt
Nathan Robert Usher
on August 11



Our Christian community welcomes you with great joy!

Congratulations to

Patrick & Lisa Attardo

who celebrated their 23th wedding anniversary August 4.

Clement & Phillis Hall

who celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary August 9.

Paul & Bette Johansing

who celebrated their 73th wedding anniversary August 10.

Paul & Kalei Mendiola

who celebrated their 19th wedding anniversary August 13.

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

Flower Donations

The Altar Flowers for last weekend were given by **Patrick & Lisa Attardo** in honor of their wedding anniversary.

**In Memoriam**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:



A. J. Middlesworth, who died on July 26. His funeral arrangements are pending. Please keep his family in your prayers.

Katherine Neal, who died on July 26. Her funeral arrangements are pending. Please keep her family in your prayers.

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

Rosary

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

**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
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.

Readings for the Week Ahead
 Sunday Year C; Weekday Year I
 Readings online at www.usccb.org.

Sunday, August 11 (117)
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Wisdom 18:6-9
 Psalm 33:1,12,18-22
 Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19
 Luke 12:32-48

Monday, August 12 (413)
Jane Frances de Chantal, religious
 Deuteronomy 10:12-22
 Psalm 147:12-15,19-20
 Matthew 17:22-27

Tuesday, August 13 (414)
Pontian, pope, and Hippolytus, priest, martyrs
 Deuteronomy 31:1-8
 Deuteronomy 32:3-4,7-9,12 (Psalm)
 Matthew 18:1-5,10,12-14

Wednesday, August 14 (415)
Maximilian Kolbe, priest, martyr
 Deuteronomy 34:1-12
 Psalm 66:1-3,5,8,16-17
 Matthew 18:15-20

Thursday, August 15 (622)
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Revelation 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab
 Psalm 45:10bc,11-12ab, 16
 1 Corinthians 15:20-27
 Luke 1:39-56

Friday, August 16 (417)
Stephen of Hungary
 Joshua 24:1-13
 Psalm 136:1-3,16-18,21-22,24
 Matthew 19:3-12

Saturday, August 17 (418)
 Joshua 24:14-29
 Psalm 16:1-2,5,7-8,11
 Matthew 19:13-15

Sunday, August 18 (120)
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10
 Psalm 40:2-4,18
 Hebrews 12:1-4
 Luke 12:49-53

Mass Intentions
Saturday, August 10, 5:00pm William Hoogestraat ☩
Sunday, August 11, 8:30am Henry Robles ☩
Sunday, August 11, 10:30am Eamonn MacCluskey ☩
Tuesday, August 13, 8:15am Silverio Espenilla Sr. ☩
Wednesday, August 14, 8:15am Valerie Thompson
Thursday, August 15, 8:15am George Brown ☩
Thursday, August 15, 7:00pm Herb Roth ☩
Friday, August 16, 8:15am George Voyemant ☩
Saturday, August 17, 5:00pm Norman Shultz ☩
Sunday, August 18, 8:30am Rob Cromwell
Sunday, August 18, 10:30am Theresa & Bill Goeltz

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

Changa Aguilera
 Mary Alexander
 Lucia Ambriz
 Carrie Autrey
 Jose Luis Barbosa
 Patricia Barbour
 Clarice Bednarz
 Charlene Belprez
 John Bennici
 Regina Bentz
 Lisa Berg
 Roseanne Berg
 Ken Berger
 Mary Betz
 Betty Jean Bielich
 Monica Broussard
 Janet Brown
 Todd Brown
 Anita Buerger
 Bridget Buford
 Shelby Campbell
 Brianne Campos
 Claudia Caplinger
 Paul Cassidy
 Bobbi Clarke
 Marilyn Clarke
 The Cody & Streling Families
 Dolly Cole
 Carl Coleman
 James Coleman
 Carol Costa
 Lené Crowe
 Karen Flaharty Daley
 Beverly de Gelder
 Carole Dillon
 Art Dossman
 Dave Dossman
 John Drazkowski, Jr.
 La Vonne Dumas
 Connor Eberhard
 Carolyn Erickson Ey
 The Escandon & Labadie Families
 Sharon Evans
 Victoria Lopez Fenton
 The Fiore Family
 Ryan Flum
 Ernie Follis
 Eugene Franciscus
 Kathryn Franklin
 Joe Freire
 Brian Frink
 Knox Gagnon
 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
 Lilian Hills
 Susan Hori
 Iolanda Iacobelli
 Linda Iacobelli Bennett
 Brianna Jones
 Betty Karch
 Paul Kennedy
 Peggy Kiernan
 Debbie Kinney
 Dewey Kolbo
 Sr. Anne Kremenik
 Helen Kuhn
 Lillian Lachance
 The Lamelin Family
 Brandon LeBlanc
 Jeremiah Lemus
 Claudia Leué
 The Paul Leué Family
 Ashley Load
 Cassandra Loretto
 Lauren Loretto
 James MacArthur
 Joaquin Maldonado
 Paige Mansell
 Alexander Mathews
 Chandler May
 Tony McCloskey
 Bob McWilliams
 Joyce Meehan
 Kalei Mendiola
 Bill Metzger
 The Middlesworth Family
 Rita Mikridge
 The Miller Family
 Phyllis Minaya
 June Mitchell
 Camille Mitkevich
 June Montgomery
 Nancy Moore
 Elizabeth Muehlbacher
 Conrad Murphy
 Margie Myers
 The Neal Family
 Terri Novy
 Richard Obsitnik
 Bernadette Padovan
 Art Palle
 Ethan Palm
 Elisa Petree
 Marilyn Pirkola
 Douglas Price-Williams
 Barbara Ramm
 Terry Riley
 Rita Ritchie
 Adela Rivera
 Elena Rivera
 Maria Rogers
 Dorothy Rouse
 Donna Russell
 The Russo Family
 Cindy Sanelli
 Linda Schmidt
 Joan Shea
 Jack and Rita Shepard
 Elizabeth Shirzad
 Beth Snyder
 Nick Soltau
 Fred & Gilda Spiegel
 Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski
 Patricia St. Pierre
 The Staehr Family
 The Stanislawski Family
 Pete Sullivan
 David Sweet
 Tommy & Ginger Thompson
 Sarah Tillinghast
 William Tompson
 Stephen Toth, Jr.
 Mary Tysko & Family
 Barbara Upson
 The Vanderhagen Family
 Corrie & Robert Vasquez
 Lucy Vienna
 Dorina Visciglio
 Vanessa Vitiello
 Christopher Voelpel
 Penny Walsh
 Kevin Watson-Graff
 Sue Welch
 John Whitton
 Erin Young
 Patricia Zavala

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

Gunnery Sgt. Fernando Andrade, Jr.
 1st Lt. Jeffrey Bauer, USMC
 CPL Greg Bergman
 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
 Pvt. 2 Jess Phillips, US Army
 Sr. Airman Robert Spear, USAF
 Tyler Timmerman, US Army
 Sgt. Charles Watts, USMC

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

Aug 11 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses

Aug 15 **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Masses at 8:15am and 7:00pm**

Aug 16 Family Night

Aug 18 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses

Aug 20-21 Restaurant Fundraiser at Nucci's in Vista

Aug 25 Untold Blessing Potluck and Video/Discussion

Sep 3-5 Music Ministry Resumes

Sep 5 Spirited Seniors Ice Cream Social

Sept 8 Religious Education Classes begin

Sept 9 Women's Guild Luncheon

Sept 14-15 Pennies from Heaven Collection to Benefit BirthChoice

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 Henry 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.

August 12 Sr. Ara Young, OCD
August 13 Sr. Jo Ceal Young, RSM
August 14 Sr. Adriana Rebeca Zuro, SJS
August 15 Sr. Elizabeth Abajo, SJS
August 16 Sr. Laura Abat, OSF
August 17 Sr. Ana Rosa Aceves, SJS
August 18 Sr. Ampelia Acuna, RJM

Social Ministries/Outreach



JustFaith Small Group Program

Faith is more than going to Mass and receiving the sacraments. Share your faith and its role in your life. Participate in a *JustFaith* group in which you will have an opportunity to read, reflect, and act by sharing your thoughts and ideas in light of your faith and life experiences in a small group.

Save these dates if you are interested in participating:

Orientation: Tuesday, September 10, 10:00am or

Wednesday, September 11, 7:00pm

Opening Retreat in October (watch for a date)

**Sessions begin the third week of October
(watch for days and times)**

For more information, contact Sr. Maureen at
maureenb@stmoside.org or 760-758-4100 x131.

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 September 15

Payment plans and credit card payments accepted



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

Marriage & Family Life

Mark Your Calendars!

Friday, August 16, is our next Family Night! The festivities kick off at 6:00pm with a potluck, followed by a talk on the Year of Faith at 7:00pm. We will end the evening with praise and adoration. Come for part or stay for the entire evening—everyone of all ages is invited to attend! This wonderful event will be held on the lower level of the Parish Center. See you there!



Pray for Life, Marriage, and Religious Liberty—Visit www.usccb.org/fast to sign the fasting pledge and to sign up for weekly email reminders and intentions or text “Fast” to 99000 to receive weekly text messages.

Bishops' Letter on Marriage—Journey in Faith: “Getting married does not, therefore, magically confer perfection. Rather, the love to which the spouses have been configured is powerful enough to transform their whole life’s journey so that it becomes a journey toward perfection. In this journey, the spouses are ever more conformed into the likeness of Christ so that they can ever more perfectly love one another as Christ loves his Church.” To read the document go to <http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/>.

Marriage Moments— “The person who truly loves does so because of a decision to love. This person has made a commitment to be loving whether or not the loving feeling is present.” (M. Scott Peck, *The Road Less Traveled*) By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net.

Parenting Pointers— “Much will be required of the person entrusted with much.” (Lk 12:48) Whether one’s good fortune comes by hard work, good genes, or luck, remember that with talent, position, or wealth comes responsibility. Teach your children that their gifts are not solely for their own pleasure or honor but for the uplifting of the human race. By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net.

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 858-692-7438.

Solutions for Change—Solving Homelessness

Parish teens and young adults were busy Tuesday preparing lunches for teens in Solutions for Change’s summer leadership program—one more way that St. Thomas More is supporting this local organization that helps homeless families. We also prepare dinner once a month, donate books, and more. To find out how you can help, contact Kevin and Lyn Leahy at 760-643-0872 or visit solutionsforchange.org



Vocations

Got Faith? In today’s second reading, St. Paul talks about Abraham’s faith in God, setting out from his homeland without knowing where he was going. He trusted in God to lead him. Do you have an inkling of a call to be a priest, deacon, or religious? Don’t be afraid to explore it. Have faith that if God is calling, it will be the correct decision. Contact Deacon Tom at thomasgoeltz@aol.com or 760-727-8442.

Parish Events

Treasures 2013

Baskets, Bicycles, Tools, and Sports Equipment.
Housewares, Christmas Items, and Jewelry, too!
These are a few of the favorite things you can donate to...

Treasures 2013

St. Thomas More's very own Rummage Sale
Saturday, October 5

The Plant Pavilion will be a place of discovery for your indoor and outdoor greenery delights!

Mark the date on your calendar to **volunteer** or just join the treasure hunt at the Fourth Annual St. Thomas More Treasures event in our very own parking lot.

Over \$30,000 raised in three years—come and be part of the success!

Information packets will be distributed in the coming weeks as well as opportunities to sign up and **volunteer**. For more information, contact John or Wendy Murphy at 760-497-6117.

Women's Guild News

Thank you for sending in your membership registrations. It makes it easier when we can put you in the directory early. If you have not yet sent in your registration, please do so as soon as possible. We are planning an exciting first meeting on the second Monday of September, and I ask that you come a little early to sign in, so we can start the meeting on time at 11:00am.

We are blessed with beautiful summer weather. May you keep enjoying it as long as it's here. If you have a few minutes, call a friend and see if they have signed up as a Women's Guild Member yet. We look forward to having some new members.

—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!

Eucharistic Adoration



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

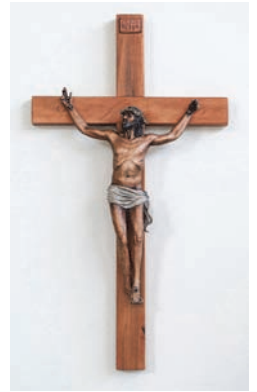
For more information, contact
the Parish Office at 760-758-4100 x100.

St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive

Getting ready for the fall or the new semester in college? Finding clothes that no longer fit? In November we will be having our eighteenth clothing drive to help the Indians through St. Bonaventure Mission in New Mexico. All clothes are welcome. Particularly needed are winter wear, sturdy shoes and boots, and blankets. Any questions, contact Deacon Tom at thomasgoeltz@aol.com or 760-727-8442.

A Model of the Church Crucifix for Your Home

A list has been started for the second casting of our crucifix model. They are 15" high by 8" wide with a 9" corpus. Don't miss out on this last opportunity! The price remains \$750. Payment plans are available, as are credit card payments. **September 30 will be the cut-off date for signups. We will be placing an order for these crucifixes on October 1. There will be no further castings.** Please sign up at the Parish information table or contact Chris Smith at 760-758-4100 x120 or 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

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 (200) 153 available	\$300/each



7/28/13

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

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

Liturgy & Music

Worship God

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

ASSUMPTION

The Catholic church believes that Mary, the mother of Jesus, was assumed body and soul into heaven at the end of her life.

We believe in the resurrection of bodies that decay after death; Mary needs no resurrection of the body because hers was preserved from corruption. She was assumed into heaven.



Upcoming Music

✦

AUGUST 15
Assumption of
the Blessed
Virgin Mary

✦

8:15am Mass

Cantor &
Congregation

7:00pm Mass

Cantor &
Congregation

✦

AUGUST 18
20th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

✦

5:00pm Mass

Cantor &
Congregation

8:30am Mass

Cantor &
Congregation

10:30am Mass

Cantor &
Congregation

*For today the Virgin
Mother of God was
assumed into heaven as
the beginning and
image of your Church's
coming to perfection
and a sign of sure hope
and comfort to your
pilgrim people;*

*rightly you would not
allow her to see the
corruption of the tomb
since from her own body
she marvelously brought
forth your incarnate Son,
the Author of all life.*

—Preface, for the Assumption
of the Blessed Virgin Mary

This belief is a counterpart to the Catholic belief in the immaculate conception. To prepare a womb for the coming of the Word-made-flesh, God preserved Mary from all sin from the moment of her conception. Mary did not experience any sin—including original sin, which leads to further sin and death. Hence, sinless (immaculate) Mary did not experience death as other mortals do. She was assumed into heaven.

The preface for this day was composed after the Second Vatican Council. It includes these ideas about Mary as well as another idea about the church: we are a pilgrim people. This image was enshrined in the council's *Dogmatic Constitution on the Church*. The entire church makes a pilgrimage toward heaven. Mary, who achieved this goal, is a sign of hope and comfort for everyone else along the way. She is the beginning and the image of the church as it comes to perfection.

The Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary, Mother of God, is celebrated on August 15. When this solemnity falls on a Sunday, it replaces the prayers and readings of Ordinary Time. August 15 is a holy day of obligation in the United States of America, except in those years when it falls on a Saturday or a Monday (allowing those responsible for preparing Sunday worship to relax a bit).

Paul Turner is pastor of St. Anthony Pansh in Kansas City, Mo. A priest of the diocese of Kansas City–St. Joseph, he holds a doctorate in sacred theology from Sant' Anselmo in Rome. Clip art by Marilyn Dale.

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Luke 12:37

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ALTAR LINEN COMMITTEE

The Altar Linen Committee needs volunteers now!

This ministry consists of members who launder and iron the small altar linens (purificators) that the Eucharistic Ministers use and the small fingertip towels (lavabos) and corporals that the Priests use at the Eucharistic celebrations.

You are called on about once every four to five weeks to take care of the altar linens. The time devoted to this work is minimal but necessary and rewarding. You will receive training from an experienced Altar Linen Minister.

Please consider offering your gift of time to this necessary liturgical ministry by contacting:

Anna M. Meyers

Chair, Altar Linen Committee

760-727-4998

meyersamm@roadrunner.com

Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

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

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

RE.A.CH
Religious Education for Adolescents and Children

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
for children in preschool, kindergarten,
Elementary, and middle school

Ages 3, 4, 5 = GENESIS TEAM

- Meet September 8-May 18
- Two times a month
- During the entire 10:30am Mass
- Exciting new "team" approach!

Grades 1-5

- Meet September 8-May 18
- Two times a month
- Either 12:30-2:00pm or 4:30-6:00pm

Grades 6, 7, 8 = EDGE

- Meet September 8-May 18
- Two times a month
- 4:30-6:00pm

Home Sessions are outlined for the weeks that are not Church Sessions.

Faith Formation is a partnership with Church Catechists supporting parents in their responsibility to develop children in the Faith.

It would be our privilege to share in forming faith in your family!

If you are a registered Parishioner and would like to sign up for this program, please contact the Faith Formation Office right away.

Interested in Becoming Fully Catholic?

Are you one of those faithful non-Catholic spouses who come to Mass so your family can pray as a unit?

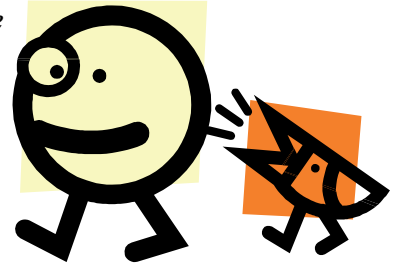
Have you been waiting for just the right moment to finally say "yes?"

Our RCIA process is ongoing, but we are still waiting for YOU!

Are you searching for...

- ◆ *A deeper relationship with God?*
- ◆ *A sense of belonging in a faith community?*
- ◆ *A greater fulfillment of your mission in life?*

Contact Kathleen Bell to set up a time for an informal cup of coffee and discuss your invitation to be fully a part of the STM faith community.

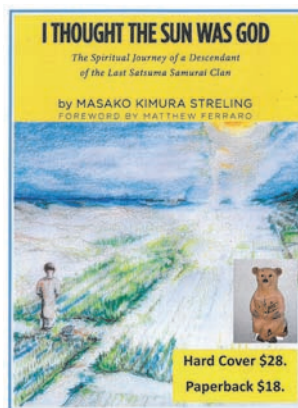


Fr. Mike's Bookies

Our next book for discussion is
I Thought the Sun Was God.

The author of this book is our very own Parishioner, Masako Streling.

Discussion is scheduled for
Thursday, August 29 at 7:00pm
with Kurt Schwend facilitating.
Get the book now so you can share your thoughts and celebrate with Masako.



The book is available at the Parish Office. The hard cover version is \$28 and the paperback version is \$18. It is also available for Kindle at Amazon.com.

PBJ Update

2013 GOAL: 365 pounds
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(Food for children
at the Emergency Crisis Center)



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Prayer and Gratitude: Two Virtues of the Christian Steward

Virtues are something we possess. They form a part of who we are and grow when we develop good patterns of behavior we call habits. We are, and become, what we repeatedly do. This is especially important for those who desire to enter into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

Making a habit of praying on a daily basis is essential to cultivating a more intimate relationship with the Lord. And the amount of time we give to the Lord each day in prayer reveals the extent of our gratitude for God's gift of those 24 hours.

A daily habit of prayer leads us to an acute awareness of God's blessings in our lives and how we are called to use these blessings, gifts graciously bestowed upon us, in a manner that gives glory to God. There is no better way to discern how God wants us to steward our gifts than through prayer.

There is something else that happens in prayer—because we are awakened to just how generous our God is, we naturally grow in the stewardship virtue of gratitude. Whenever I facilitate a Parish retreat or mission on Christian stewardship, I always engage the participants in a discussion around the two Christian Stewardship virtues of *prayer and gratitude*. I ask about which of these two stewardship virtues the group considers most important. The ensuing discussion is always fruitful.



The better our life of prayer, the greater our sense of gratitude becomes. And as we grow in gratitude, we are motivated to spend more time in prayer, giving thanks to God. So prayer and gratitude are both equally important as stewardship virtues.

In fact, St. Paul put the two together in his letter to the Philippians: "Don't worry about anything, but pray about everything, with grateful hearts offer up your prayers and requests to God" (*Phil. 4:6*). Gratitude leads to a greater prayer life, and prayer leads to a greater attitude of gratitude.

† How do you pray?

† When and how often do you pray?

† Do you pray with a grateful heart?

By making a habit of cultivating our prayer life and developing a deeper sense of gratitude, we naturally grow in faith and become the best possible stewards and disciples that God wishes us to be.

—ICSC August 2013 e-bulletin, Dan Potvin,
Director of Stewardship for the Archdiocese of Winnipeg
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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 \$48,208, given by 376 families. Thanks to all who have contributed! Payments exceeding our goal will be returned to us.

Collection for Week of August 3/4, 2013

Number of Registered Households		1,055
Offertory*	\$	17,583.39
Offertory (Loose Collection)		1,353.00
Children's envelopes		0.00
Total	\$	18,936.39

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

Ways to Help Support Your Parish

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

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News and Information from the Larger Church

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.

Come and See Life as a Sister of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods—Saturday, August 24, 9:30am-3:00pm, at Marywood Retreat Center in Orange. Women ages 18-42 are invited to explore a call to religious life. For more information, contact Sr. Editha Ben at eben@spsmw.org or 800-860-1840 x2895 or visit www.SistersofProvidence.org.

“Hooray for Hollywood” Fundraiser—Brother Benno’s Auxiliary invites you to come join us for an evening of non-stop song and dance tribute at the Broadway Theater, 340 E. Broadway, Vista, on Sunday, August 25, at 4:00pm. “Hooray for Hollywood” is a 90-minute show of many tunes from musical movie classics. Tickets are \$25 and include appetizers, performance, and coffee/cookies during intermission. For tickets, contact Joan O’Connell at 760-730-9125 or Vikki Ramey at 760-803-6267.

Southern California Renewal Communities (SCRC) Annual Convention—August 30-September 1, Anaheim Convention Center and Arena. Nationally known speakers and musicians for all ages. For more information, visit www.scr.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

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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,
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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>.

For more information, contact www.speakupnow.org or 858-598-2235.

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, 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 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.

Natural Family Planning Course in San Diego—For more information and/or to register for the series, contact 619-303-5053 or davidandcheryloss@gmail.com.

Pauline Books and Media—5945-B Balboa Ave., San Diego, carries a wide selection of gifts, books, and bibles—great for First Communion and Confirmation gifts. For more information, contact 858-565-9181.

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Young Adult Ministry Activities

Visit www.yamsd.org for complete information on events for young adults, including Mega Mass with Coadjutor Bishop Flores on August 11, Bible Study, social activities, 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.

To report suspected sexual misconduct or child abuse at any Parish or Catholic school in the Diocese of San Diego, please contact the Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, Monsignor Steven Callahan at 858-490-8310.



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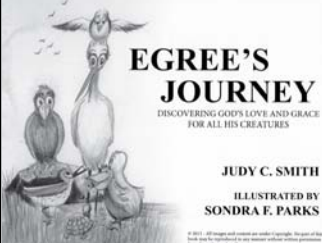
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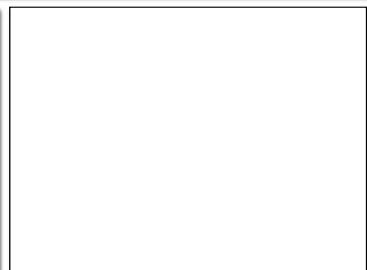
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