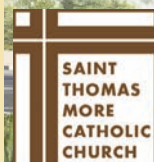


# St. Thomas More Catholic Church

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

Monday-Friday at 8:15am

## Eucharistic Adoration

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

## Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday, 4:00-4:30pm

October 13, 2013 • Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak  
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### Where Are the Other Nine?

Whenever I begin feeling like it is time to throw myself a pity party, I go to the New Testament and read today's Gospel: Luke 17:11-19, the healing of the ten lepers.

All of us, from time to time, begin to feel weighed down with doubt, with a certain amount of despair, with feelings of being unwanted or under-appreciated.

We can find ourselves saying, "All that I have done for my family, for the Church, for my friends, for civic organizations, etc. and no one seems to notice. No one has offered a 'Thank You' for all that I have done. Why should I bother? Why should I continue in trying to do good? Why should I be making these sacrifices on behalf of the Gospel?"

The questions continue and the feelings of resentment build, and we find ourselves saying, "Woe is me!"

As Disciples of the Lord Jesus, we live the Gospel and we attempt to do the right things simply because they are the right things to do. Our sense of fulfillment should be in doing the right thing, not in getting recognition and reward for doing the right things.

That was the point of last Sunday's Gospel as Jesus said to his Disciples (and to us), "So should it be with you. When you have done all you have been commanded, say 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'"

We have been given the gift of faith, and as we live out this faith in our daily lives in service to our brothers and sisters, we are giving thanks to God for this gift. The living out of our faith on a daily basis is about gratitude to God, not about looking for a reward!

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### "Did You Know?"

We have budgeted \$40,200 for the SDG & E bill for Fiscal Year 2013-2014.  
It will take several weekly Offertory collections to pay for just this one utility bill.  
Your gift to the "Did You Know?" Campaign helps the Finance Council's efforts to maintain a balanced budget year after year.

Please don't throw away the envelope that is attached to this week's Bulletin.

Please use it and put in it whatever monetary gift you can afford.

No gift is too small or too large!

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

When we are looking for rewards, we will always be disappointed. Yes, we are human beings. Being thanked, being recognized feels good when it happens. But we should not live the Gospel with that expectation. When it does happen, we should view it as "icing on the cake."

When we need to be reminded of that, we should reflect on today's Gospel. Jesus heals ten lepers, but only one returns to say "Thank you." Jesus received a 10% return for his good work!

If Jesus only received a 10% return, should we expect more? I doubt it!

May the Eucharist on which we feast this Sunday strengthen us to keep doing the right things, simply because they are the right things to do.

Let's not look for rewards and recognition, but when there is that 10% return, let's make sure that we praise God!

Fr. Mike

**World Mission Sunday**

Each year we celebrate World Mission Sunday in October by praying for the missionaries and contributing to support them. This year we are invited to act in solidarity with the missionaries in India and throughout the world. Every day, faithful missionaries are reaching out in the name of Christ, offering practical, emotional, and spiritual care to communities, children, and families in desperate need, bringing the light of Christ to the darkest of circumstances. Please remember these missionaries in your prayers and use the envelope attached to last week's bulletin to make a contribution toward their work. The envelopes may be returned any time during the month of October. For more information, and to see a video, visit [www.IAmAMissionary.org](http://www.IAmAMissionary.org). To make a donation online, visit [www.helpthemicmissions.org](http://www.helpthemicmissions.org).

**Attention Men!**

Join us for the weekly *That Man is You!* Program, which meets Saturday mornings from 6:45-8:30am. Next week's topic: *Woman: The Masterpiece of Creation.*

For more information, contact Deacon John Fredette at [johnf@stmoside.org](mailto:johnf@stmoside.org) or 760-758-4100 x132.

**Our Mission is to:**

**worship God,**

**teach and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ,  
and serve God's people in word and deed.**

**Welcome New Parishioners**

**Sergio & Ana Ramirez & Family  
Duncan & Amy Sanchez & Family**

**Announcing the Baptisms of**

**Lianna Marie Foley  
Vera Trinidad Ramirez  
Kora Anne Tokarczyk**  
on October 13



*Our Christian community welcomes you with great joy!*

**In Memoriam**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

**Modesto Morente**, who died on October 1. Please keep his family in your prayers.

*May his 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**

**Vocations**

Some times we are afraid to consider a life of service to God. People might consider us nerds...might not believe we are making the most of our lives. But look at those that serve you now at STM: Fr. Mike, Fr. Karl, Fr. Jerry, Sr. Maureen, Deacon John. Don't be afraid. Join a group of wonderful people. If you feel a calling to be a priest, deacon, or religious, check it out. Contact Deacon Tom at [thomasgoeltz@aol.com](mailto:thomasgoeltz@aol.com) or 760-727-8442. Serving God and his people can be a great vocation.

**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 \$crip News**

It's time again to relink your Ralphs or Food 4 Less card to St. Thomas More Church. A percentage of your purchases will be sent to STM each time your card issued. Please stop by the Scrip table to pick up the flyer to complete this process. We have received over \$400 this year so far. Your participation makes a difference!

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.*

## Readings for the Week Ahead

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

### Sunday, October 13 (144)

*Twenty-eighth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time*

2 Kings 5:14-17

Psalm 98:1-4

2 Timothy 2:8-13

Luke 17:11-19

### Monday, October 14 (467)

*Callistus I, pope, martyr*

Romans 1:1-7

Psalm 98:1-4

Luke 11:29-32

### Tuesday, October 15 (468)

*Teresa of Jesus, virgin, doctor*

Romans 1:16-25

Psalm 19:2-5

Luke 11:37-41

### Wednesday, October 16 (469)

*Hedwig, religious;*

*Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin*

Romans 2:1-11

Psalm 62:2-3,6-7,9

Luke 11:42-46

### Thursday, October 17 (470)

*Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr*

Romans 3:21-30

Psalm 130:1-6

Luke 11:47-54

### Friday, October 18 (661)

*Luke, evangelist*

2 Timothy 4:10-17b

Psalm 145:10-13ab,17-18

Luke 10:1-9

### Saturday, October 19 (472)

*John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues,  
priests, and companions, martyrs  
(USA)*

Romans 4:13,16-18

Psalm 105:6-9,42-43

Luke 12:8-12

### Sunday, October 20 (147)

*Twenty-ninth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time*

Exodus 17:8-13

Psalm 121:1-8

2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

Luke 18:1-8

## 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

John Bennici

Regina Bentz

Lisa Berg

Roseanne Berg

Mary Betz

Betty Jean Bielich

Zane Breier

Monica Broussard

Janet Brown

Todd Brown

Anita Buerger

Bridget Buford

The Family of Bridget Buford

Shelby Campbell

Brianne Campos

Claudia Caplinger

Aria Cappeluti

Paul Cassidy

Bobbi Clarke

Marilyn Clarke

Dolly Cole

Carl Coleman

James Coleman

Carol Costa

Lené Crowe

Karen Flaharty Daley

Kristina Davare

Beverly de Gelder

Mercedes Dea

Carole Dillon

Art Dossman

Dave Dossman

John Drazkowski, Jr.

La Vonne Dumas

Connor Eberhard

Carolyn Erickson Ey

Sharon Evans

Victoria Lopez Fenton

The Fiore Family

Ryan Flum

Ernie Follis

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

Clement & Phyllis Hall

Susan Hallahan

Pat & Tom Hannon

The Harker Family

Barbara Hatem

Heidi Heaton

Lilian Hills

Donald Hodgson

Samara Hook

Susan Hori

Rick Hughes

Iolanda Iacobelli

Linda Iacobelli Bennett

Paul Johansing

Sue Johnston

Betty Karch

Paul Kennedy

Connor Kerzie

Peggy Kiernan

Debbie Kinney

Dewey Kolbo

Tony Korwin

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

Phyllis Minaya

June Mitchell

June Montgomery

Nancy Moore

The Morente Family

Elizabeth Muehlbacher

Conrad Murphy

Margie Myers

Richard Obsitnik

Louis Padilla

Bernadette Padovan

Art Palle

Ethan Palm

Perry Postulka

Douglas Price-Williams

Barbara Ramm

Rita Ritchie

Adela Rivera

Elena Rivera

Maria Rogers

Dorothy Rouse

The Russo Family

Cindy Sanelli

Linda Schmidt

Don Shaw

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

Jennifer Thieme

Diana Thompson

Sarah Tillinghast

William Tompson

Stephen Toth, Jr.

Barbara Upson

Corrie & Robert Vasquez

Lucy Vienna

Dorina Visciglio

Vanessa Vitiello

Marguerite Voyemant

Kevin Watson-Graff

Sue Welch

John Whitton

Marceline Williams

Suzanne Wood

Erin Young

Patricia Zavala

## Calendar Highlights

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

Oct 12-13	Women's Guild Bake Sale and Quilt Items Sale
Oct 13	Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses
Oct 13	Untold Blessing Potluck and Video Presentation
Oct 13	High School RE.A.CH
Oct 14	Monday Mass at 8:15am
Oct 14	Women's Guild Luncheon
Oct 19-20	Fair Trade Chocolate Sales
Oct 20	Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am Mass
Oct 20	Knights of Columbus Oktoberfest BBQ for La Posada
Oct 20	RE.A.CH Classes at Church, including high school
Oct 26-27	Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive
Oct 27	New Member Reception
Oct 27	High School RE.A.CH
Oct 28	STM Golf Event at Shadowridge Country Club
Nov 1	All Saints Day—Mass at 8:15am and 7:00pm
Nov 2	All Souls Day—Mass at 9:00am
Nov 2	Sanctuary Choir Retreat
Nov 3	RE.A.CH Classes at Church, including high school
Nov 3	Blood Drive
Nov 9-10	St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive
Nov 10	RE.A.CH Classes at Church, including high school
Nov 11	Women's Guild Luncheon
Nov 24	Knights of Columbus Breakfast
Nov 24	Year of Faith Closing Event

## 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.

October 14
Sr. Alberta Curran, OCD
October 15
Sr. Rachel Daniels, SCMM
October 16
Sr. Rose Davis, RSM
October 17
Sr. Merita Dekat, SSS
October 18
Sr. Charlene Del Bianco, CSJ
October 19
Sr. Pauline Dibb, CSJP
October 20
Sr. Mary Dietz, SSND

## Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 12, 5:00pm  
George Brown ☩

Sunday, October 13, 8:30am  
Larry Dorsa ☩

Sunday, October 13, 10:30am  
Cosimo Nocida ☩

Monday, October 14, 8:30am  
John Isacson ☩

Tuesday, October 15, 8:15am  
Paola D'Acosta ☩

Wednesday, October 16, 8:15am  
Eugene Masseth ☩

Thursday, October 17, 8:15am  
Richard Obsitnik

Friday, October 18, 8:15am  
Anna Mae Stringer ☩

Saturday, October 19, 5:00pm  
Leola Richards ☩

Sunday, October 20, 8:30am  
Laura Ludke ☩

Sunday, October 20, 10:30am  
Ralph & Flora Fallone

## 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  
Corp. Willie Deel  
Chaplain Van Dinh  
Lance Corp. Brandon Doyle, 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  
Sgt. Charles Watts, USMC



## Social Ministries/Outreach

### All Souls Day Mass for Remembrance

There will be a special All Souls Day Mass on Saturday, November 2 at 9:00am on the upper level of the Parish Center. Let us gather as a Parish community to remember our loved ones who have gone before us and now rest in the peace and joy of God's presence.

### All Souls Envelopes

Envelopes for remembering the dearly departed were attached to the bulletin recently and are also available at the information table on the Plaza. Envelopes returned by November 1 will be placed on the altar during the month of November.

### Christmas Angel Ministry

Yes, Christmas decorations are in the stores already! And that means it's time for the STM Christmas Angel Ministry to start planning for this 2013-2014 season. How can we better serve the children through local community organizations and our military families at Camp Pendleton? Did you know there are plenty of simple, non time-consuming opportunities within this ministry? There's a lot going on behind the scenes to make it all come together. Please join us for one of our informational and planning meetings on either Tuesday, October 22 or Wednesday, October 23 at 7:00pm on the lower level of the Parish Center—back to back meetings in case you can't make one! Be a part of a rewarding, well-received program to spread the joy of Christmas and share our abundant blessings with others.



Marti and John Harper  
760-724-1181  
[4johnnysangel@cox.net](mailto:4johnnysangel@cox.net)

### St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive

Want to help? Contact your co-workers, friends and neighbors. See if they have clothing, sturdy footwear, blankets, jackets, etc., which are not being used. Place the clothes in a large trash bag and bring it to the drive November 9-10. It will all be put to good use by those who need it so much. Questions? Contact Deacon Tom at [thomasgoeltz@aol.com](mailto:thomasgoeltz@aol.com) or 760-727-8442.

### 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](mailto:Parishoffice@stmoside.org)**

## Marriage & Family Life

### Pray for Life, Marriage and Religious Liberty—Defense of Traditional Marriage:

Are conversations about defending traditional marriage becoming difficult in Parish, family, and work settings? Listen to Bill May, author of "Getting the Marriage Conversation Right," and guest on the Setting Things Right Radio Show, where he describes best practices on how to defend traditional marriage in ways that are effective, reasonable, and compelling. On the internet, go to: <http://ihrarchive.org/archive/str-20130717.mp3>



**Bishops' Letter on Marriage—God's Love, Our Love:** "God established marriage so that man and woman could participate in his love and thus selflessly give themselves to each other in love. A man and a woman who by their act of consent are no longer two but one flesh (see Mt 19:6ff.) render mutual help and service to each other through an intimate union of their persons and of their actions." To read the document go to <http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/>.

**Marriage Moments— "Do you love me?" "Of course!"** says the loving spouse. But that's not usually a very satisfying response. Try coming up with a new, fresh reason today besides, "You're pretty/handsome, smart/funny." It can be silly. Mostly it needs to be uniquely personal. By Susan Vogt, [www.SusanVogt.net](http://www.SusanVogt.net).

**Parenting Pointers—**It should be natural and human to respect all human life, but sometimes it gets difficult when someone is nasty or unappealing like modern day lepers (the poor, criminals, people with annoying personalities). Whose life do you find it hardest to respect? Look for the good. Pray for the unlikable, unwashed, unwanted people in our society today. By Susan Vogt, [www.SusanVogt.net](http://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.

### Life Walk '13 to Benefit Life Perspectives

Saturday, October 26, 11:00am, De Anza Cove at Mission Bay. BBQ lunch at 12:00noon. Proceeds benefit *Whole Life Curriculum* and *Abortion Changes You*. Register to walk or make a pledge to sponsor a walker. For more information, contact Jane Kelleher at 760-822-7041 or [www.lplifewalk.com](http://www.lplifewalk.com).

### Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

Check the bulletin board on the lower level of the Parish Center for our calendar of activities, which include potlucks, outings to restaurants, and much more! RSVPs are recommended. For more information, call Carol Kope at 760-726-0533 or Gerri Wilmott at 760-758-9949.

### Attention STM Authors (and Book Lovers)

Mark your calendars for January 25-26, when we will have a book signing table on the Plaza following all Masses. Any St. Thomas More Parishioners who have authored book may display and sell their books. Contact Judy Smith at 760-685-4678 to reserve a space.

## Parish Events

### Women's Guild News

Hopefully you have enjoyed the baked goods and wonderful quilted items for sale on the Plaza today, baked by our wonderful Parishoners and sewn and donated by the quilt makers in the Women's Guild and others. Many thanks to all of you who have given of your time, baking talents, and sewing skills, especially from those of us who are the recipients of your labors.

We look forward to seeing our members again at tomorrow's Women's Guild meeting at 11:00am. (please come early to sign in) and relaxing with good food and fun.

As we look forward to next month's meeting on Monday, November 11, we are pleased to announce our featured speaker from a neighboring parish, Brigadier General Carmelita Schimmenti, retired, who will join us in celebrating Veteran's Day. We would like to invite all the women veterans in our Parish to share lunch with us, and tell us of their armed forces experiences. If you are a woman veteran, please call Kathy Gerhard at 760-732-5951 so you will be included. We would love to meet and recognize you. —Ann Buko, president

### The Knightly News

After the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, October 20, the Knights will have an Oktoberfest BBQ. Please plan on joining us in the parking lot to purchase a hot dog or polish sausage, chips, and a drink for lunch for only \$2.50. This will be to benefit La Posada de Guadalupe men's shelter. This is another of the many ministries supported by the Knights of Columbus at St. Thomas More. Please help us help others and enjoy lunch at the same time.



### New Member Reception Sunday, October 27

We are welcoming all new Parishoners who have joined us since March at a new member reception and luncheon on Sunday, October 27, at 12:00pm, after the 10:30am Mass, in the lower level of the Parish Center. Invitations have been sent, and we look forward to meeting you. If you were unable to attend the last reception in March, please know that you are welcome to attend this one.

**Please RSVP at 760-758-4100 x154 or  
parishoffice@stmoside.org by October 21**

so that we can adequately prepare as your hosts. For further information, contact Valerie Thompson at 760-630-1703 or valgene2@cox.net.

### Golf! Golf! Golf!

St. Thomas More is sponsoring a Golf Outing at the best private golf course in North County. On Monday, October 28, at 10:00am, golfers will tee off at Shadowridge Country Club, 1980 Gateway Dr., Vista, for a fun day in the sun with Parishoners, family, and friends. To register, please contact the Parish Office at 760-758-4100 x100 or parishoffice@stmoside.org. The cost is \$80 per player if paid by October 21 and will include practice balls, driving range practice, putting range practice, and two golf carts for each foursome. After October 21, the cost will be \$100 per player. Please note that space is limited, and registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Please join us!



### Second Annual Gala 2013 Gift to STM

On October 4, the Gala committee gave Fr. Mike a \$2,500 check, resulting from proceeds of the September 29 Pastor's Excursion on Mission Bay. This brings the total 2013 donation to \$52,500!

Thanks to all who helped, in a wide variety of ways, to make this an enjoyable and profitable event this year. Watch the website in the near future for photos of Fr. Mike's 65th Birthday Excursion. It was a *beautiful day* with many of our STM Parishoners!

Plans are already underway for our **June 13, 2014** Third Annual Gala. Save the date for an evening you won't want to miss!

### 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

<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>Pew Seating for the Church</b> (1,000) 938 available	<b>\$300/person</b>
<b>Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs</b> (200) 139 available	<b>\$300/each</b>



9/25/13

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

### 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*).

# Liturgy & Music

Worship God

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

## “AS WE ACCLAIM...”

### Singing the Mass

As the ancient adage states, to sing is to pray twice. When we sing, we become more present, more attentive, more participative, and more powerful. When we sing, we enfold all the other members of the assembly with our voice, and communicate our choice to participate fully in the liturgical action, and vice versa.

Over the past couple of weeks, we have been learning new music for the congregational music of the Mass. These songs appointed to and offered by the people of God can be litanies, acclamations, and hymns.

of Faith, and the Great Amen—developed as a direct result of Vatican II’s recovery of the priesthood of all the baptized and the essential nature of the liturgy as the celebration of all the people. They are *actions* in the form of song.

Singing the *Gospel Acclamation*, for example, announces our belief that the person of Christ becomes present in our midst in the proclamation of the Gospel. The accompanying verse sung by cantor or choir is usually taken from the Gospel text and acts as an invitation that we open our hearts to truly hear what will be

proclaimed and let ourselves be transformed by it.

We sing the acclamations, then, not only to address God but also to direct personal support to one another in living out our identity and mission as the Body of Christ.

The singing of the acclamations is neither neutral nor inconsequential, for it expresses in an intense way the triple directedness of the liturgy toward God, toward

our fellow members in Christ, and toward the world. Our singing of the acclamations amplifies their energy and intent: their sound moves out from each of us as individual source, encircles all of us in mutual support, and sends us as a community on mission.

The more we understand their importance, and the more intentionally we sing them, the more



Luke 17:19



### Upcoming Music

✠

OCTOBER 20  
29th Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

✠

5:00pm Mass

Cantor &  
Congregation

8:30am Mass

Cantor &  
Congregation

10:30am Mass

Cantor &  
Congregation

We began with the *Lamb of God*, which with the *Lord, have mercy* (we will learn this in Advent) are the most common of the litanies that the congregation sings. Other litanies include the sung responses to the Prayers of the Faithful and the Litany of the Saints.

Over the past two weeks, we have been learning the “acclamations”. These acclamations—the *Gospel Acclamation*, the *Holy*, the *Mystery*

we will both deepen our participation in the liturgy and our living out of the mission of the church.

This week, we begin the new *Glory to God*. The Gloria is a very ancient hymn in which the Church, gathered together in the Holy Spirit, glorifies and entreats God the Father and the Lamb...we praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory. This is truly a hymn to be sung by the entire gathered faith community.

Continuing on our musical journey and learning these new songs, we know that, in time, we will become intimately familiar with them and that they will enable us to powerfully demonstrate our commitment to the worship of God in the midst of our sisters and brothers in Christ, gathered in this time and in this place.

And so,  
with all the Angels,  
we praise you,  
as in joyful celebration  
we acclaim...

—Douglas

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# Faith Formation

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This is a RE.A.CH week at Home

## UNTOLD BLESSING. . .

- **Sunday!** October 13, Part 5 of 6
- Potluck begins at noon
- Continues with 20-minute DVD by Fr. Robert Barron
- Followed by brief discussion  
with Deacon Tom & Patt Goeltz
- Childcare available

**The St. Thomas More EDGE teamKeane  
will be on the Plaza next weekend,  
October 19-20,  
with a variety of fairly traded chocolate  
plus coffee**



Proceeds from this month's sales will go toward the donation of a **llama** to a family in Bolivia.

Heifer International will provide the family with a llama, along with training and education in its care.

*As the cycle continues in the RCIA process, we prepare with great joy to welcome those who experience God's call to the Catholic Church at St. Thomas More.*



*Every Parishioner shares in forming our newest members. The following thoughts are for your reflection on this awesome privilege.*

## Five Ways the RCIA Matters for All the Parish

*by Nick Wagner, Director and Founder of TeamRCIA*

1. The catechumenate serves as a constant reminder to the whole Parish of the vital importance of initiating new people into the community. The essential components of initiation are catechesis and the celebration of the initiation sacraments—baptism, confirmation, and Eucharist.
2. The catechumenate is the responsibility of every member of the Parish. This is a radical decentralization of the missionary activity of the church and requires every Christian to think of himself or herself as an equal partner in the work Jesus left us.
3. The catechumenate is steeped in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. Therefore everyone involved in the work of initiation must work hard to clearly reveal the paschal nature of our faith. The Easter Vigil is the source and inspiration for all catechesis.
4. The catechumenate is also an initial starting point for inculturation. The Son of God became human in a concrete place and time in history. That is to say, Jesus had a culture. Therefore, we accept and celebrate the cultures of all those who seek to become members of our church. Different cultures hear the word of God in different ways, and it is our job to find ways of incorporating all those different styles of hearing into the catholicity of the church.
5. Finally, we understand the catechumenate to be "a process of formation" (*General Directory for Catechesis*, #91). The catechumenate is not a textbook to be gotten through nor a series of meetings to attend nor a required number of service projects. It is a comprehensive formation, gradually accomplished in definite stages. It is marked and celebrated in "meaningful rites, symbols, biblical and liturgical signs" (*GDC*, #91). Most of all, it is a formation handed on by us, the Christian faithful, the Body of Christ.

*—Used with permission. For free catechesis and RCIA resources visit TeamRCIA.com*

# Stewardship & Development

Serve God's People

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## A Stewardship Prayer for October

Gracious and Loving God,  
We gather in your name  
as stewards of this hour:  
to reflect, learn,  
give, and receive.

This time belongs to you,  
entrusted to us  
to shine Christ's light  
on whomever we encounter;  
among our family and friends,  
colleagues and strangers;  
in our church,  
or in a world  
desperate for your presence.

Teach us to use this time  
prayerfully,  
with prudence,  
and with hearts that listen  
for the promptings  
of your Spirit.

May we return this hour to you  
with a fruitful account of our stewardship,  
hopeful you will find us  
trustworthy in the small matters,  
so we may be entrusted  
with even greater ones.

We ask this through Christ Jesus, Our Lord,  
Your Son, who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.  
Amen

—ICSC Catholic Stewardship, e-bulletin October 2013 (with permission)



Think of giving not as a duty but as a privilege.

—John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

## HELPFUL YEAR-END PLANNING TIPS GOT DEDUCTIONS?

### 2013 YEAR-END CHECKLIST

- ♦ **BE SURE TO COMPLETE** all gifts by December 31 to qualify for tax savings on this year's tax return. **Advance planning with the Parish Office is essential, since the office will be closed from 4:00pm on Friday, December 20, 2013 to Monday, January 6, 2014.**
- ♦ Donations received the weekend of December 28-29, 2013, and the Tuesday, December 31 Vigil Mass will be credited in the 2013 tax year.
- ♦ **Envelopes POSTMARKED on or before Tuesday, December 31, 2013 will be counted toward the 2013 tax year.**
- ♦ Annual Catholic Appeal ~ Parishioners with a balance due on their pledges made to this year's ACA are requested to conclude payments by December 31, 2013. (*Tithing families, know that your tithe covers your ACA contribution.*)
- ♦ Keep all gift receipts and acknowledgment letters, especially for gifts of \$250 or more.
- ♦ If you sold securities this year and will owe capital gains tax, remember that gifts of cash or other securities may partially or fully offset any tax on your gains.

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**All gifts to St. Thomas More are deeply appreciated!**

### Collection for Week of October 5/6, 2013

Number of Registered Households		1,059
Offertory*	\$	18,925.71
Offertory (Loose Collection)		1,058.00
Children's envelopes		0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>19,983.71</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).

### St. Francis and St. Thomas More Offertory Envelopes

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## News and Information from the Larger Church

### Catholic High School Open Houses

**Cathedral Catholic (for young men and women)**—Saturday, October 26, 10:00am-2:00pm. Visit [cathedralcatholic.org](http://cathedralcatholic.org) or call 858-523-4000 for more information.

**JSerra Catholic (for young men and women)**—Sunday, November 3, at 11:00am. Visit [jserra.org](http://jserra.org) or call 949-493-9308 for more information.

**Polish Festival**—Friday-Sunday, October 11-13, St. Maximilian Kolbe Roman Catholic Mission, 1735 Grand Ave., San Diego. Live Polish music and folk dances; authentic Polish food and beverages. Also veneration of relics. Visit [www.polishmission.org](http://www.polishmission.org) for more information.

**Franciscan School of Theology—Free Public Lectures**—Wednesday, October 16, 7:00-8:30pm. “The San Damiano Cross and the Gospel of John” with Professor Emeritus Fr. Michael Guinan, OFM. For more information, contact Donna Foley at 760-547-1800 x224 or [dfoley@fst.edu](mailto:dfoley@fst.edu).

**Explore Life as a Sister of Providence**—October 18-20, for single, Catholic women ages 18-42. The weekend retreat, including lodging, is free. Visit [SistersofProvidence.org](http://SistersofProvidence.org) or call 812-535-2895 for more information.

**Prius Raffle at St. Mary Star of the Sea in Oceanside**—Great odds to win a 2013 Toyota Prius in your choice of model and color. Tickets are \$10 each, and the raffle will take place on October 20 at the Parish Festival. For more information and to purchase tickets, contact 760-722-1688.

**“Come and See” Weekend for Spiritan Missionaries**—October 25-27, Laval House, next to Our Lady of the Valley Parish in Hemet. Young men, 16 years or older, interested in learning about community life as missionary priests, religious, and laymen. For more information, contact Fr. Neil at 951-929-6131.

## 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:

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**Brother Benno’s Auxiliary Annual Luncheon**—Saturday, October 26, 10:00am, Sheraton Carlsbad Resort and Spa. This year’s theme is “Harvest Gold,” celebrating 30 years of service. Includes luncheon, entertainment, door prizes, opportunity baskets, drawings, and silent auction. Proceeds to benefit Brother Benno’s women’s shelters. Tickets: \$60 per person or \$600 table of ten. For information/tickets, contact Vera Bayliss at 760-295-0059 or Penny Sallee at 760-912-8566.

**BirthChoice First Annual Banquet**—Saturday, October 26, 5:30pm, Sheraton in Carlsbad. Complimentary dinner with Silent Auction and other support opportunities. Featured is Shawn Carney, nationally known speaker and co-founder of *40 Days for Life*. For more information, contact Mike Brady at [mbrady@birthchoice.net](mailto:mbrady@birthchoice.net).

**Messa di Gloria (Puccini) Choral Concert**—Sunday, October 27, 4:00pm, San Rafael Catholic Church, 17252 Bernardo Center Dr., San Diego. For more information, contact 858-487-4314 x1225.

**Beginning Experience Weekend**—November 8-10, Prince of Peace Abbey, Oceanside, for widowed, divorced, and separated persons ready to move beyond their grief. For further information call Maureen at 619-447-0622 or Cathy at 619-222-9093.

**Volunteer with Voices for Children**—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. Upcoming training sessions are on October 9, 19, or 30. For more information, contact [www.speakupnow.org](http://www.speakupnow.org) or 858-598-2235.

**Monthly Holy Hour for Priestly and Religious Vocations**—Third Wednesday of each month (next is October 16), 7:30-9:00pm, Diocesan Pastoral Center, 3888 Paducah Dr., San Diego. For more information, contact Fr. Pedro Rivera at [privera@diocese-sdiego.org](mailto:privera@diocese-sdiego.org) or 619-291-7446.

**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

### 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)

### Young Adult Ministry Activities

Visit [www.yamsd.org](http://www.yamsd.org) for complete information on events for young adults, Bible Study, social activities, praise and worship nights, outreach projects., Theology on Tap evenings, ultimate Frisbee, and a relationships skills series.

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



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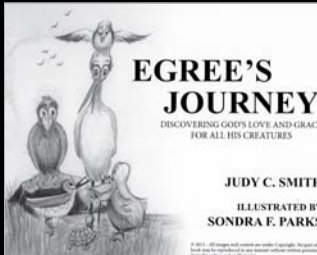
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