

SAINT
THOMAS
MORE
CATHOLIC
CHURCH



*A Roman Catholic Parish
in the Diocese of San Diego*

✠ Spirituality
✠ Tradition
✠ Community

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

Rev. Michael Ratajczak, Pastor
Rev. Karl Bauer, Senior Priest
Deacon John Fredette
Deacon Thomas A. Goeltz

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Painting:

*The Baptism of Christ
Nicholas Poussin
1641/1642*

The Baptism of the Lord ✠ January 12, 2014

Pastor's Column

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

Christian Stewardship Awareness Month—Fulfilling God's Purpose

As we begin this month of "Christian Stewardship Awareness," we allow the words of St. Paul to the Colossians to echo in our minds, hearts, and souls:

And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good Work, growing in the knowledge of God. —Colossians 1:10

Our stewardship is the expression of our faith as we manage our lives and resources for God's purposes.

It is the wise management of who we are and all that we have.

We have been chosen as God's stewards and God grants us the wonderful privilege to serve the Kingdom.

God also empowers us for service.

As God molds and transforms us into his stewards, we acknowledge that everything in this life is a sacred trust from him.

God is the source and owner of all things. God allows us to use his creation and intends it for our good.

For the next three weeks we will focus on Christian Stewardship. Let us allow ourselves to reflect upon the many ministries available in this Faith Community. Choose a ministry or ministries that will help you to fulfill God's purpose.

You will benefit, your family and friends will benefit, and the world will benefit!

We find ourselves in the most exciting year of our Parish's history as we see the construction of our Permanent Church and Parish Offices bloom from the dirt.

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"Did You Know?" Campaign

Do you know what the "Did You Know?" Campaign is?

In August 2006 a special campaign was begun to address an anticipated shortfall in our Operations Income.

The "Did You Know?" Campaign is a low-key campaign consisting of an expense highlighted in the Bulletin along with a monthly envelope attached to the Bulletin.

These funds go directly to the daily operating expenses of the Parish.

Since its inception we have raised \$429,244. This has allowed us to balance our budget in these years.

Your continued assistance is still greatly needed as we move through this slow economic recovery!

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

These buildings do not make us a Church. We are already Church, the People of God!

These buildings will better help us, as a Parish, fulfill God's purpose.

Please open yourselves up to the messages on Christian Stewardship that you will hear on the next three weekends. Discover new ways in which you can give of your time, talent, and treasure in order that you may help to fulfill God's purpose.

F. 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?

For information, call Kathleen Bell at 760-758-4100 x110.

**Prayer for Priestly Vocations
Diocese of San Diego**

Jesus, Lord of the harvest, look with love on this portion of your vineyard. Bless the Diocese of San Diego with more priests to shepherd your people, priests with hearts like your own.

Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

For inquiries into vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life, contact Deacon Tom at thomasgoeltz@aol.com or 760-727-8442.

STM Scrip News

Thanks to all who purchased Scrip for their holiday shopping needs. Continue the trend into the new year and purchase Scrip for household needs from groceries to gas!

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.

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!

As of January 6 we have netted over \$42,343 from this program. Thank you donors!



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

Announcing the Baptisms of

**Charles Christopher Denning
Samuel Frederick Denning**

on January 5



Our Christian community welcomes you with great joy!

Congratulations to

Tim & Lia Keane

who celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on January 8.

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

In Memoriam

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Joseph "JoJo" Christopher Carter, who died on December 24. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Friday, January 17, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More.

Please keep his family in your prayers.

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

**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.

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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 for the Week Ahead
 Sunday Year A; Weekday Year II
 Readings online at www.usccb.org.

Sunday, January 12 (21)
The Baptism of the Lord
 Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7
 Psalm 29:1-4,3,9-10
 Acts 10:34-38
 Matthew 3:13-17

Monday, January 13 (305)
Hilary, bishop, doctor
 1 Samuel 1:1-8
 Psalm 116:12-19
 Mark 1:14-20

Tuesday, January 14 (306)
 1 Samuel 1:9-20
 1 Samuel 2:1,4-8 (Psalm)
 Mark 1:21-28

Wednesday, January 15 (307)
 1 Samuel 3:1-10,19-20
 Psalm 40:2,5,7-10
 Mark 1:29-39

Thursday, January 16 (308)
 1 Samuel 4:1-11
 Psalm 44:10-11,14-15,24-25
 Mark 1:40-45

Friday, January 17 (309)
Anthony, abbot
 1 Samuel 8:4-7,10-22a
 Psalm 89:16-19
 Mark 2:1-12

Saturday, January 18 (310)
 1 Samuel 9:1-4,17-19;10:1a
 Psalm 21:2-7
 Mark 2:13-17

Sunday, January 19 (64)
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Isaiah 49:3,5-6
 Psalm 40:2,4,7-10
 1 Corinthians 1:1-3
 John 1:29-34

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

Changa Aguilera
 Mary Alexander
 Carrie Autrey
 Jose Luis Barbosa
 Patricia Barbour
 Clarice Bednarz
 John Bennici
 Regina Bentz
 Lisa Berg
 Roseanne Berg
 Mary Betz
 Betty Jean Bielich
 Sr. Annette Bower
 Beth Brewer
 Janet Brown
 Todd Brown
 Mary Bruzas
 Anita Buerger
 Bridget Buiford
 Jeff & Janelle Butler
 Tony Calderone
 Shelby Campbell
 Brianna Campos
 Claudia Caplinger
 Aria Cappeluti
 The Carter Family
 Paul Cassidy
 Marilyn Clarke
 The Vaughn Clevenger Family
 Dolly Cole
 Carl & James Coleman
 Carol Costa
 Steven Cresencia
 Lené Crowe
 Karen Flaharty Daley
 Beverly de Gelder
 Hugo Delgado, Dr.
 Brendan Devlin
 Ryan Devlin
 Carole Dillon
 Art Dossman
 Dave Dossman
 John Drazkowski, Jr.
 La Vonne Dumas
 Debbie Ebaugh
 Carolyn Erickson Ey
 Sharon Evans
 Victoria Lopez Fenton
 The Fiore Family
 Ryan Flum
 Ernie Follis
 Eugene Franciscus
 Kathryn Franklin
 Joe Freire
 The Greg French Family
 Brian Frink
 Jim Gallagher
 The Joe Garcia Family
 Kathy Gardner
 Jack & Marge Gillen
 Wendy Gonzales' Dad
 Rick Gonzalez
 Susan Hallahan
 Pat & Tom Hannon
 The Harker Family
 Barbara Hatem
 Heidi Heaton
 Lilian Hills
 Samara Hook
 Susan Hori
 Rick Hughes
 Iolanda Iacobelli
 Linda Iacobelli Bennett
 Sue Johnston
 Betty Karch
 Paul Kennedy
 Peggy Kiernan
 Debbie Kinney
 Deway Kolbo
 Tony Korwin
 Helen Kuhn
 Lillian Lachance
 The Lamelin Family
 Brandon LeBlanc
 Jeremiah Lemus
 The Paul Leué Family
 Ashley Load
 Cassandra Loretto
 Lauren Loretto
 Jack Lucarelli
 James MacArthur
 Joaquin Maldonado
 Paige Mansell
 Alexander Mathews
 Chandler May
 Bob McWilliams
 Kalei Mendiola
 Bill Metzger
 Phyllis Minaya
 June Mitchell
 June Montgomery
 Nancy Moore
 Elizabeth Muehlbacher
 Conrad Murphy
 Margie Myers
 Richard Obsitnik
 The Oey Family
 Esther Ortega
 Bernadette Padovan
 Ethan Palm
 Perry Postulka
 Douglas Price-Williams
 The Joe Prokop Family
 Bill Puckett
 Barbara Ramm
 Rita Ritchie
 Adela & Elena Rivera
 Joel Rivera
 Maria Rogers
 The Rossmassler & McDuff Families
 Dorothy Rouse
 The Russo Family
 Cindy Sanelli
 Linda Schmidt
 Julie Schweighofer
 The Don Shaw Family
 Joan Shea
 The Shephard Family
 Elizabeth Shirzad
 Nick Soltau
 Fred & Gilda Spiegl
 Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski
 Patricia St. Pierre
 Pete Sullivan
 David Sweet
 Julie Teare
 Tommy & Ginger Thompson
 Sarah Tillinghast
 William Tompson
 Stephen Toth, Jr.
 Barbara Upson
 Corrie & Robert Vasquez
 Lucy Vienna
 Faith Vincent
 Dorina Visciglio
 Vanessa Vitiello
 Kevin Watson-Graff
 Sue Welch
 John Whitton
 Darrel Williams
 Marceline Williams
 Erin Young
 Patricia Zavala
 Martin Zschoche

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

Jan 11-31 Stewardship Awareness/
 Renewal

Jan 12 Liturgy of the Word for
 Children at 8:30am Mass

Jan 12 RE.A.CH Classes at
 Church, including High
 School

Jan 13 Women's Guild Luncheon

Jan 14-15 Restaurant Fundraiser at
 Elephant Bar

Jan 18 San Diego Walk for Life

Jan 19 Knights of Columbus
 Breakfast

Jan 19 High School RE.A.CH
 Classes

Jan 19 Spirited Seniors at Avo
 Playhouse

Jan 25-26 STM Authors Book Signing
 Event

Jan 26 Liturgy of the Word for
 Children at 8:30am Mass

Jan 26 RE.A.CH Classes at
 Church, including High
 School

Feb 8 Women's Guild Fashion
 Show

Feb 22 Women's Prayer Breakfast

Jun 13 STM Annual Gala

Jun 22 New Member Luncheon

Questions? Contact Henny at
 760-758-4100 x100
hennyj@stmoside.org

| Mass Intentions |
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| Saturday, January 11, 5:00pm Darlene Peterson ☩ |
| Sunday, January 12, 8:30am Marianne Benjamin ☩ |
| Sunday, January 12, 10:30am Don Morrow ☩ |
| Monday, January 13, 8:15am Alice Sullivan ☩ |
| Tuesday, January 14, 8:15am O'Reilly Family |
| Wednesday, January 15, 8:15am Larry Eaks |
| Thursday, January 16, 8:15am Bob & Pat Wong |
| Friday, January 17, 8:15am Boi Nguyen ☩ |
| Saturday, January 18, 5:00pm Kirby Galt ☩ |
| Sunday, January 19, 8:30am Fernando DiFelice ☩ |
| Sunday, January 19, 10:30am Mario Vozza ☩ |

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
 Capt. Branden M. Felker, USAF
 Patrick G. Felker, USN
 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

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.

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| January 13 Sr. Anita Lapeyre, RSCJ |
| January 14 Sr. Shaun Marie Larkin, SBL |
| January 15 Sr. Mary Anthony Layson, MC |
| January 16 Sr. Juliet Lee, RSCJ |
| January 17 Sr. Rosemarie Leier, MMS |
| January 18 Sr. Helen Lembeck, MMS |
| January 19 Sr. Katie Lett, CPPS |

Epiphany Quiz Answers

- How many Wise Men (Magi) visited Joseph, Jesus and Mary in Bethlehem?**
Nobody knows. The tradition that there were three arises from the three gifts that were given to the Holy Family.
- Which King of Israel wanted to kill the baby who would grow to become the Messiah?**
Herod. Caesar Augustus was the chief of the Roman state. Quirinius was the Roman governor of Syria. Flavius Josephus was the Jewish historian who chronicled Herod's reign.
- Who wrote the text of the Epiphany carol "We Three Kings of Orient Are"?**
John Henry Hopkins Jr. The Rev. John H. Hopkins, an Episcopal priest, wrote the text of this hymn in 1857 for a Christmas pageant at the General Theological Seminary in New York City. Phillips Brooks, also an Episcopal priest, wrote the text to "O Little Town of Bethlehem" in 1865. Charles Wesley, the brother of John Wesley, wrote the text to "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" in (about) 1739. Father Josef Mohr wrote the text to "Stille Nacht" ("Silent Night") in 1816.
- The story of the visit of the Wise Men (Magi) appears in the Gospel according to whom?**
Matthew. Mark begins his Gospel with John the Baptist and the baptism of Jesus. Luke jumps from the Nativity to when Jesus was twelve years old. John begins before the creation of the earth and then recounts Jesus' adult ministry.
- Which of the following is not a kind of Three Kings Cake?**
Kulich. La Rosca de Reyes is the Mexican Three Kings Cake. Galette des Rois is the French Three Kings Cake. Dreikonigskuchen is the German Three Kings Cake. Kulitch is a Russian Easter Cake.
- Whose poem "The Journey of the Magi" begins "A cold coming we had of it, just the worst time of the year for a journey, and such a long journey"?**
T.S. Eliot. William Butler Yeats wrote a short poem called "The Magi". O. Henry wrote a short story entitled "The Gift of the Magi". Henry Wadsworth Longfellow wrote a Christmas poem named "The Three Kings".
- What is the origin and meaning of the word "epiphany"?**
From the Greek, meaning "to show forth". The Greek components are epi- (meaning "on" or "to") and -phainein (meaning "to show").
- What are/were the three traditional names assigned to the Wise Men (Magi)?**
Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. Huey, Dewey, and Louie are Donald Duck's nephews. Peter, Paul, and James are all apostles. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were the three young Hebrew men cast into the fiery furnace by King Nebuchadnezzar (Daniel 3:1-29).
- "The Adoration of the Magi" was commissioned in the late 15th century as an altarpiece for the Augustinian monks of San Donato a Scopeto in Florence. It was unfinished and now hangs in the Uffizi Gallery in Florence. Who painted it?**
Leonardo da Vinci. Andrea del Verrocchio was Leonardo's master and teacher. Sandro Botticelli painted "The Adoration of the Magi" for Santa Maria Novella in (about) 1476. Fra Angelico and Fra Filippo Lippi collaborated to produce a round (tondo) painting of the "The Adoration of the Magi" in the 1400s.
- What is myrrh?**
The dried sap of an African tree used anciently in embalming ointments and burned at funerals.

Marriage & Family Life

Promoting 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—Domestic Violence: "In some cases, divorce may be the only solution to a morally unacceptable situation. A specific example is a home where the safety of a spouse and children is at risk. As the Catholic bishops of the United States, we reiterate what we said in our pastoral message on domestic violence, When I Call for Help, namely, that no one in a marriage is obliged to maintain common living with an abusing spouse. We want to assure people who are caught in the tragedy of an abusive marriage that the Church is committed to offering them support and assistance." To read the document go to <http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/>.

Marriage Moments— "A strong marriage rarely has two strong people at the same time. It is a husband and wife who take turns being strong for each other in the moments when the other feels weak." (Ashley Willis) Who needed to be strong most recently in your marriage? By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net.

Parenting Pointers— Sunday, January 12 is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Tell your child the story of his/her Baptism today. Where and when was it? What did he/she wear? Who was there? Are they old enough to remember it? Perhaps they could contact their Godparents and say, "Thanks." By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net.

For more information, visit [www.diocese-sdiego.org/Ministries/Marriage and Family Life](http://www.diocese-sdiego.org/Ministries/Marriage%20and%20Family%20Life) or call Jen Frost at 858-692-7438.

San Diego Walk for Life

Save the date for the San Diego Walk for Life on Saturday, January 18, 9:00am-12:00noon at Balboa Park, 6th and Laurel, San Diego. This is the weekend before the Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco. If you can't afford to go to the walk in San Francisco, you can still join us in San Diego. It's free! For more information, contact Jane Kelleher at 760-822-7041.

Food Bank Contributions

Look for the blue barrels on the Plaza at weekend Masses to deposit your contributions for North County Community Services Food Bank in San Marcos. Thank you for your support! For more information, contact Ron Briseno at 760-758-4100 x100 or parishoffice@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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Parish Events

Women's Guild News

Chinese New Year is this month, and we'll be celebrating a bit of Chinese flavor at our January meeting on Monday, January 13, at 11:00am. Call immediately if you haven't reserved lunch yet. (Vera Bayliss 760-295-0059) Our Chinese Auction is the highlight of the meeting, and if you've been to one, you know how much fun it is. Bring your unwanted new or near-new items for the auction, and you might even find something that appeals to your liking among the other items. We'll be having a Chinese luncheon, which is one of our favorites. Lunch is \$10 at the door. Come early with your treasures for the auction and enjoy the entertainment of our experienced auctioneer, Nancy Wozniak.

We don't have a final amount from our successful Christmas raffle, but before expenses your donations have brought in just over \$4,000. Thank you again for supporting our efforts and rewarding three of our Parishioners with winnings.

Our next fundraiser is one of everybody's favorites, the fashion show. Chairlady Valerie Thompson will keep us informed about it and how to obtain tickets (see the flyer in this bulletin), which go quickly. Buy them early to avoid being on a waiting list and perhaps missing it altogether.

We have a correction to our yearly calendar in case you are planning ahead. The date for "Game Day" has been changed from March 15 to April 26. Specifics will follow later.

See you at the meeting on Monday. —Ann Buko, *president*

Attention Men!

Join us for the weekly *That Man is You!* Program, which meets Saturday mornings from 6:45-8:30am. We'll resume in January—watch for the dates! For more information, contact Deacon John Fredette at johnhf@stmoside.org or 760-758-4100 x132.

Spirited Seniors Outing to Avo Playhouse

The Spirited Seniors invite you and your friends to join them Sunday, January 19, at 2:00pm at the Avo Playhouse in Vista to see *Nonsense*. The Little Sisters of Hoboken invite you to their sister act in this heaven-sent comedy full of musical madness. Tickets are \$25 each. We will be departing from the STM parking lot promptly at 1:15pm. The Avo Playhouse is located at 303 Main St., Vista. After the play, have an early dinner on your own with friends. The deadline for reservations is January 13. Please make your check payable to "STM Spirited Seniors" and place it in an envelope marked "Spirited Seniors Avo Playhouse" and return it to the offertory collection or the Parish Office, Box 12 by January 13. As we will be carpooling, also indicate if you can drive and how many passengers you can accommodate or if you need a ride. Please be sure your phone number is on your check.

For more information, contact Judy Buoniconti at 760-758-4113.

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.

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

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| 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) 897 available | \$300/person |
| Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs (200) 135 available | \$300/each |



12/30/13

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) to watch live action on our webcams (click on the camera icons) or view the Construction Progress album (click on *Our New Church*).

Book Signing

Eight St. Thomas More Parishioners who have authored books will be available on the Plaza after all three Masses January 25-26.

Their books present diverse, interesting topics; some for children, others for adults. Add to your reading pleasure and also consider for gifts in 2014.

Any last minute entries may contact Judy Smith, 760-685-4678.

Rosary

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



Liturgy & Music

Worship God

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

FULFILLING GOD'S PURPOSE

Offering your TIME in the Liturgical Ministries

As we move through the next few weeks, our focus expands from celebrating the joy of Jesus' birth to recalling the initial steps of his ministry—his baptism, John's recognition of him as the Lamb of God, and finally, the calling of his first disciples.

Our own call to ministry as the people of St. Thomas More stems from Jesus' words to those first disciples, "Follow me..."

Each week, we are reminded of this call by the priest or deacon at the end of Mass:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

"Go" is an action word. It isn't "go away," but rather "go and do!"

The weeks ahead are about doing—engaging in, as Fr. Mike likes to remind us, the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ for this time and this place. Both inside and outside the walls of our buildings, our ministry is Jesus' ministry.



Upcoming Music



JANUARY 19
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



5:00pm Mass
 Praise Team
8:30am Mass
 Sanctuary Choir
10:30am Mass
 Tower Bells

Called to Serve as a Eucharistic Minister?

We are looking for five new Eucharistic Ministers to replace those who have "retired" after many years of ministry.

The next Diocesan Formation Workshop for NEW Eucharistic Ministers is **Saturday, January 25** at the Pastoral Center in San Diego.

To serve or to sign-up, contact Douglas at 760-758-4100 x140 or douglasl@stmoside.org.



Matthew 3:17

At St. Thomas More, we call this stewardship. And our stewardship pool is very deep, with many, many opportunities for ministry permeating this faith community. And, like any deep pool, if we haven't yet dived in to the stewardship pool, it can be a little daunting.

There is opportunity for everyone, whether you just want to dip your toe in the water or if cannonballing is more your style.

Time is one of our most precious personal commodities, and it takes effort to balance the available hours in our day with the service we want to bring to this community.

The liturgical ministries offer a broad set of opportunities to go, to love and serve, to announce, and to glorify the Lord. Whether you have minutes or hours, days or evenings, weekdays or weekends—whatever TIME you are willing to offer—we have an opportunity for you.

I look forward to hearing from you.

—Douglas

Pedals Pipes and Pizza

Exploring the pipe organ for pianists ages 11-16

Saturday, January 25, 2:00-5:30pm
 Palomar College

Registration by January 17 required
 \$10 fee for participants / teachers, families free
 Contact Sally Fay at sallyf@stmoside.org

Sponsored by the American Guild of Organists

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

Adult Faith Formation

Dear Parishioners and Faith Friends,

Due to the Year of Faith ending in November 2013, we did not publish our August brochure of opportunities for adults to enrich their faith for the coming year. Instead, this year, upcoming activities will be presented in the Parish bulletin with the hope that you will take advantage of as many as possible.

Please know that these offerings are always open to you, as well as family and friends you would like to invite to join you.

None of us seem to have the time to do all the things we want in a day or a season, but perhaps this is a good time to give priority to just one opportunity to grow in understanding and love for God and one another.

Kathleen

January 22, 9:00am or January 23, 7:00pm

BIBLE STUDY

Do you wish you knew the Bible better?

Genesis to Jesus is a new approach to Bible Study for our Parish. You will get an overview of the Bible and deepen your understanding of how Jesus and the Church are the fulfillment of God's plan for the world from the very beginning.

- Sign up forms are on the bulletin board on the lower level.
- Questions may be addressed to the facilitator, Addie MoneyMaker at 760.305.8355 or addie@usa.com.
- 8 sessions

January. 29, 7:00pm

FR. MIKE'S BOOKIES

Join in the discussion and share your insights

- The book is *On Heaven and Earth* by Pope Francis
- The hardcover book is available at the Parish Office for \$16. It is also available for \$9.78 on Kindle through Amazon.com, as well as other electronic formats online..



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PBJ Update

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“ . . . A Time To Build!”
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Collection for Week of January 4/5, 2014

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| Number of Registered Households | | 1,069 |
| Offertory* | \$ | 18,242.15 |
| Offertory (Loose Collection) | | 1,224.00 |
| Children's envelopes | | 0.00 |
| Total | \$ | 19,466.15 |

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| Christmas 2013 to Date |
| December 24/25 |
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Christian Stewardship and Trust

Good stewards acknowledge God as the ultimate source of all their gifts. Their natural response is gratitude to God. When we are always and everywhere grateful to God, we should then easily place our trust in God as well.

Yet, sometimes we misplace our trust. When we put our trust in 'at-risk' things like our jobs, our bank accounts, or our 'own' abilities, rather than in God, we become vulnerable to anxiety and fear. The outcome is worry! We worry because 'at-risk' things can be taken away in a heartbeat.

Trusting explicitly in God opens the door to lasting peace of mind and joyful stewardship. Trusting in God means that we have to let go of our need to be in complete control of our lives and let go of our need to possess.

The foundation of any healthy relationship is trust. How does a person develop their trust in God? As with all virtues we can only possess the virtue through habit. One of the very best habits for deepening our trust in God is to reflect on His Word daily.

For example, St. Paul tells us:

God gives seed to farmers and provides everyone with food. He will increase what you have, so that you can give even more to those in need. You will be blessed in every way, and you will be able to keep on being generous. (2 Corinthians 9:10-11)

The virtue of trust is indeed the precondition that enables us to joyfully and generously share our gifts. It's easy to give what we do not need. However, stewardship calls us to give out of our need, not from what is left over. The confidence to give our gifts sacrificially is found in trusting that God will always provide for our needs.

One final thought about trust; this virtue is surprisingly influential in the stewardship of our physical and mental well-being. Have you ever worried yourself sick? If you are prone to worry, reflect on these words from the late spiritual master, Mahatma Gandhi: "There is nothing that wastes the body like worry, and one who has any faith in God should be ashamed to worry about anything whatsoever."

—Dan Potvin, Archdiocese of Winnipeg Canada, Part seven in a 12 Part Series on Stewardship, ICSC January 2014, Parish E-News (with permission)



**Trust in the Lord with all your heart . . .
 and he will make your paths straight.**
—Proverbs 3:5-6

News and Information from the Larger Church

Franciscan School of Theology at Mission San Luis Rey—accepting applications for spring semester enrollment. For more information, contact Vince Nims at 510-828-2869 (call or text) or vnims@fst.edu or visit fst.edu.

Cathedral Catholic High School Placement Test—Saturday, January 25, 7:30am, 5555 Del Mar Heights Rd., San Diego. Applications are available online. For more information, visit www.cathedralcatholic.org/admissions.

St. Augustine High School Entrance Exam—Saturday, January 25, 8:30am, 3266 Nutmeg St., San Diego. Register online at www.sahs.org/Admissions tab.

Options Program at Cathedral Catholic High School—the first Inclusive Education Program in a Catholic High School in California. The Options Program will provide students with intellectual disabilities and/or delays an opportunity to become a part of the CCHS community. Options will accept 2-4 freshmen to start in January 2014. For more information and applications, contact Megan Burton at mburton@cathedralcatholic.org or 858-523-4000 x1215.

Relationship Skills Workshops—Tuesdays, 7:00pm, beginning January 7 and ending April 22, Diocesan Pastoral Center, 3888 Paducah Dr., San Diego. Come and explore how to improve your relationships. You can attend one workshop, several, or all. For more information, contact Deacon Ralph Skiano at 858-490-8292.

Monthly Holy Hour for Priestly and Religious Vocations—Third Wednesday of each month (next is January 15), 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.

Voices for Children Presentation—Friday, January 15, 6:00-7:30pm, Point Loma Library, 3701 Voltaire St., San Diego. A panel of current and former foster youth will inspire, humble, uplift, and move you to action with stores of real-life experiences in San Diego County foster care. For more information, contact 858-598-2205 or speakupnow.org.

Mass for Life at St. Francis of Assisi—Friday, January 17, 7:00pm, 525 W. Vista Way, Vista. Please join us in giving thanks to God for the gift of human life and to pray for a culture of life in our country and thw world. Followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet, then fellowship and reception in Fr. Ullman Hall. For more information, contact Edie Sando at 760-940-1914.

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Rachel's Hope Post-Abortion Healing Retreat for Men Affected by Abortion—January 25, 9:00am-6:00pm, Diocesan Pastoral Center, 3888 Paducah Dr., San Diego. Led by Dr. Paul Santero; fee is \$25. To pre-register, call 858-581-3022.

Voices for Children 22nd Annual Golf Tournament—Monday, February 24, Del Mar Country Club. Proceeds will further our mission to transform the lives of foster children. For more information, contact Jill Jones Mason at 858-598-2222.

Rachel's Vineyard Post-Abortion Healing Retreat for Women—March 21-23 in Temecula. For more information or to register, contact Dolores at 951-325-7702.

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

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.

Birth Choice Volunteer Counselors Training—Call Heidi at 760-744-1313 for details and to sign up. Birth Choice is a pro-life, Christ-centered pregnancy resource center offering free pregnancy testing, ultrasound, and options counseling for women in crisis. For more information, visit www.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.

Online Rosary

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Young Adult Ministry Activities

Visit www.yamsd.org for complete information on events for young adults. Service Project at Catholic Charities December 16, Christmas Party for 18-25 year-olds December 20 in Escondido, and more!

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.



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Which of the following New Year's resolution will you add to your list?



I will take a class in CPR

or

I will take a class to re-learn my CPR skills

Your list undoubtedly has several valuable and uplifting resolutions but it's not likely that any of them, even if fulfilled, has the power to save a life and to change a family's future.

We're reminded of this in the passing of a 50-year-old relative who collapsed at his desk. No one did CPR. There was no AED nearby. He never saw his children graduate from high school.

A little more than one year ago the heart of an 11-year-old Carlsbad girl suddenly stopped. In less than a minute a school employee started chest compressions. About 2 minutes later the AED delivered a shock that resulted in a normal heartbeat.

That little girl will perhaps someday have children of her own. By that time all children will learn CPR at school and every public building, including schools, will have an AED. At least I hope so!

In the meantime, each of us will need to take the initiative to learn this lifesaving skill.

Will you put it on your list of New Year's resolutions today?

This is the schedule of CPR classes at the Church of St. Thomas More in early 2014. These are all Saturday classes. They begin at 9:00 a.m. and usually end at about noon. All classes include use of the AED (Automated External Defibrillator). The cost is \$37 for the first person in the family, \$27 for the remainder.

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| February 8 | Adult CPR |
| February 15 | Infant/Child CPR |
| April 12 | Adult CPR |
| May 17 | Infant/Child CPR |

If one or more families would like to arrange for a CPR class we can schedule a special session. The minimum number is six students and one adult member of each family must take part in the class.

Contact Dr. Phil Goscienski, Medical Director, 760-732-1414 or drphilg@cox.net



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