

# Annual Catholic Appeal 2014—Diocese of San Diego Called to Serve

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

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**Rev. Karl Bauer, Senior Priest**  
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**Diocese of San Diego  
Annual Catholic Appeal**  
**Our Opportunity to  
“Pay It Forward”**  
**Our assessment: \$48,000**

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 9, 2014**

## Pastor’s Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak  
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### The Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)—Time to “Pay It Forward”

*This week we will begin this year’s Diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA). “Love letters” from me will be in the mail this week.*

*Please take time to read and reflect on this information. I pray that it will move you to this Appeal. This year’s goal is \$3.5 million.*

*As we, the Parish of St. Thomas More, have been helped by the Diocese, it is now our time to help our Diocese and our sister Parishes.*

*If you have not supported the ACA in the past, this is the year to begin to do so. If you have supported the ACA in the past, and you are in a position to increase your gift, this is the year to do so.*

*Here are some facts and figures that are important information for you to have as you reflect upon your gift to the ACA.*

*Know that all that you do is much appreciated by me!*

### DID YOU KNOW?

#### LOOKING BACK

The Diocese of San Diego **gifted** our Parish with the original **ten acres of land** on which our Parish campus is being built. It has been the policy of the Diocese to provide the land for new Parishes to build their campuses.

The Diocese of San Diego provided St. Thomas More Parish with a **\$2 million interest-free loan** to help us build our Parish Center, which we paid off in December 2011.

The Diocese of San Diego is providing St. Thomas More Parish with a **\$5.6 million loan** that allows us to move forward and build our Permanent Church and Parish Offices. Due to our good financial standing and support of the Diocese, the Bishop granted us many exemptions to the loan policy that allows us to build in the favorable present economy.

The goal of this year’s ACA is **\$3.5 million**. The money will be directed for these purposes:

- Catholic Schools Emergency Fund \$400,000
- Marriage & Family Life \$200,000
- Imperial Valley Parish Development \$1,000,000
- Vocations for Priests & Religious Life \$555,000
- Catholic Charities \$500,000
- Education in Faith \$845,000

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**Pastor's Column** *(continued from page 1)***PAYING IT FORWARD**

Our **Fair Share Assessment** this year is **\$48,000**. This provides us with the opportunity to “pay it forward,” not only to assist the ongoing mission of Jesus on a Diocesan level, but also to directly help sister Parishes that are in need.

Last year, **383 STM households** supported the ACA. I know we can **double** the number of households participating this year.

Last year, we raised **\$51,000** with an average gift of **\$133**.

**All money raised over the \$48,000** assessment will be returned to our Parish and directed to our Operating Budget to ensure that we continue to balance our bottom line.

*Fr. Mike*

**Solutions for Change Books**

Solutions for Change is grateful for all of the book donations from STM over the past several years. However, they have decided to discontinue their online book selling program due to a decline in profits, as many electronic book options are now available (e.g., Kindle). Going forward, our Parish will not be accepting used books.

If you have books you wish to donate, here are some possible options:

- ◆ Save for Treasures Rummage Sale in the fall
- ◆ Take to Catholic Charities (760-631-2819)
- ◆ Take to local Goodwill
- ◆ Take to local library

**Pilgrimage to Turkey and Italy**

I will be leading a pilgrimage to Turkey and Italy...October 6-17, 2014...We will visit Istanbul, Venice, Florence, Padua, Assisi, and Rome with a Papal Audience...\$3599...Brochures are available at the Information Table on the Plaza after weekend Masses or in the Parish Office during the week.

—Fr. Mike Ratajczak

**Got STM eNews?**

We send out occasional emails with reminders/details about Parish events and other information. If you'd like to join the list, go to the Parish website, [www.stmoside.org](http://www.stmoside.org), click on Contact Us, then click on Join Our eNews List.

**Rosary**

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

**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.

**Welcome New Parishioners**

**Janselme & Estelle Eral & Family**  
**Dennis & Delores Mollahan**  
**Kimberly Stotts & Family**  
**Christopher & Angela Tieman & Family**  
**Ronald Vanderheyden**

**Congratulations to**

**Bob & Boo Falconer**

who celebrate their 68th wedding anniversary February 9.

**Gerald & Jenny McGuire**

who celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary February 13.

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

**Flower Donations**

The Altar Flowers for this weekend were given by **Gerald & Jenny McGuire** in honor of their wedding anniversary.

**In Memoriam**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

**Rosary Leone**, who died recently. Please keep her sister, Maria Garrisi, and her family in your prayers.

**Lillian Herkert**, who died on January 4. Her funeral was private. Please keep her family in your prayers.

**Paul Cassidy**, who died on February 2. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, March 19, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep his wife, Elaine, and his family in your prayers.

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

**Vocations**

In this week's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples “you are the light of the world”. Do you have a calling to be a beacon to lead others to Christ as a priest, deacon, or religious? Don't hide your light under a basket. Check out the possibilities. Contact Deacon Tom at [thomasgoeltz@aol.com](mailto:thomasgoeltz@aol.com) or 760-727-8442. A vocation to serve God and His people is wonderful indeed. God Bless!

**Need Help with Transportation to Church!**

Volunteer drivers are needed in our Parish. Some Parishioners would like to attend Mass and cannot drive themselves. Please prayerfully consider helping some of our fellow Parishioners. If you can help in any way with this service, please contact Ann Eriksson 760-599-7151 or [eriksson1@mindspring.com](mailto:eriksson1@mindspring.com).

**Our Mission is to:**

**worship God,**

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

**Readings for the Week Ahead**

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

**Sunday, February 9 (73)**  
*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Isaiah 58:7-10  
Psalm 112:4-9  
1 Corinthians 2:1-5  
Matthew 5:13-16

**Monday, February 10 (530)**  
*Scholastica, virgin*  
Song of Songs 8:6-7  
Psalm 148:1bc-2, 11-13a, 13c-14  
Luke 10:38-42

**Tuesday, February 11 (531)**  
*Our Lady of Lourdes*  
Isaiah 66:10-14c  
Judith 13:18bcde, 19 (Psalm)  
John 2:1-11

**Wednesday, February 12 (331)**  
1 Kings 10:1-10  
Psalm 37:5-6,30-31,39-40  
Mark 7:14-23

**Thursday, February 13 (332)**  
1 Kings 11:4-13  
Psalm 106:3-4,35-37,40  
Mark 7:24-30

**Friday, February 14 (532)**  
*Cyril, monk, and Methodius, bishop*  
Acts 13:46-49  
Psalm 117:1bc, 2  
Luke 10:1-9

**Saturday, February 15 (334)**  
1 Kings 12:26-32;13:33-34  
Psalm 106:6-7,19-22  
Mark 8:1-10

**Sunday, February 16 (76)**  
*Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Sirach 15:15-20  
Psalm 119:1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34  
1 Corinthians 2:6-10  
Matthew 5:17-37

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

- 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
- Beth Brewer
- Margie Myers
- Richard Obsitnik
- The Oey Family
- Bernadette Padovan
- Ethan Palm
- Perry Postulka
- Douglas Price-Williams
- The Joe Prokop Family
- Bill Pucket
- Barbara Ramm
- Rita Ritchie
- Adela & Elena Rivera
- Maria Rogers
- The Ross Family
- Dorothy Rouse
- The Russo Family
- Rachel Sainc
- Cindy Sanelli
- Paul Santy
- Linda Schmidt
- Dr. Kevin Seufert
- Joan Shea
- Bill Smith
- Nick Soltau
- Fred & Gilda Spiegl
- Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski
- Patricia St. Pierre
- Sybil Staples
- Pete Sullivan
- David Sweet
- Julie Teare
- Tommy & Ginger Thompson
- Sarah Tillinghast
- William Tompson
- Stephen Toth, Jr.
- Olivia Trejo
- The Trejo/Beltran Family
- The Trejo/Maldonado/Uribe Family
- Darlene Unland
- Barbara Upson
- Corrie & Robert Vasquez
- Lucy Vienna
- Faith Vincent
- Vanessa Vitiello
- Kevin Watson-Graff
- Sue Welch
- Paul West
- John Whitton
- Darrel Williams
- Marceline Williams
- Erin Young
- Patricia Zavala
- Martin Zschoche

**Calendar Highlights**

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

- Feb 9 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am Mass
- Feb 9 RE.A.CH Classes at Church, including High School
- Feb 14 Spirited Seniors Valentine Luncheon
- Feb 16 Potluck and Presentation on *Evangeli Gaudium* Part 2
- Feb 17 Moms & Kids at South Buena Vista Park
- Feb 18-19 Restaurant Fundraiser at Nucci's
- Feb 19 RBV Wind Ensemble and SDSU Wind Ensemble in Concert at STM
- Feb 22 Women's Prayer Breakfast
- Feb 23 RE.A.CH Classes at Church, including High School
- Mar 2 Knights of Columbus Breakfast
- Mar 8 *One Border, One Body Immigration and the Eucharist* Presentation
- March 18 Spirited Seniors Trip to Getty Museum
- Apr 8 Day of Recollection
- May 3 Women's Guild Game Day
- Jun 13 STM Annual Gala
- Jun 22 New Member Luncheon

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

**Mass Intentions**

Saturday, February 8, 5:00pm Martin Stephen Lilly, Jr. ☩
Sunday, February 9, 8:30am Fran Jaeger ☩
Sunday, February 9, 10:30am Robert Ratajczak ☩
Monday, February 10, 8:15am Thomas Chau ☩
Tuesday, February 11, 8:15am Kimberly Schlunt ☩
Wednesday, February 12, 8:15am Dick Onofrey ☩
Thursday, February 13, 8:15am Norma Flanagan
Friday, February 14, 8:15am Albert Fleeman ☩
Saturday, February 15, 5:00pm Jack Williams ☩
Sunday, February 16, 8:30am Pete DiPietro ☩
Sunday, February 16, 10:30am Larry Fortier ☩

**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.

February 10 Sr. Hilda McDonagh, RSM
February 11 Sr. Mary Daniel McGinn, OSB
February 12 Sr. Rosanne McGrath, RSM
February 13 Sr. Eleanor McNally, CPPS
February 14 Sr. Michele McQueeney, OSF
February 15 Sr. Gloria de Maria Medina, HMSS
February 16 Sr. Luz Divina Medina, DCJ



## Social Ministries/Outreach

### Mission of Social Ministries/Outreach

The Mission of the St. Thomas More Social Justice Committee is to:

- † provide awareness and education of Catholic social justice teaching;
- † participate in creating a society with more just laws and social structures;
- † work with other faith groups on justice issues within social, economic, and political structures.

### Social Justice Email "Hotline"

Do you ever wonder where you fit in the social justice picture? How do you respond as a Christian when a social justice issue arises?

Sign up to be on an email list to be informed about some of the issues the Parish Social Justice Committee is working on or be invited to participate in an event in North County.

Send your email address to: [maureenb@stmoside.org](mailto:maureenb@stmoside.org)

*You are not alone in your desire to follow  
Jesus' call for justice for all God's children.*

### STM Scrip News

The Scrip program would like to remind you there less than one week until Valentine's Day. The Scrip program has many ideas for that special day, but you must plan ahead. You can purchase gift cards to Ruth Chris, 1-800 Flowers, Groupon, Spafinder, Amazon.com, See's Candy, and Bella Dora Spa, to name a few. Stop by the Scrip table or come see Henny in the Parish Office to place SPECIAL orders for that SPECIAL someone.

**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.*

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

## Marriage & Family Life

**Moms & Kids**—Join us on Friday, February 14 for a St. Valentine's Day party! We'll be celebrating St. Valentine with a project and yummy treats. Contact Jen Ableson at 410-570-6962 or Mindy Leonard at 760-400-8822 for more information.



**Promoting Life, Marriage, & 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—The Trinity and Marriage:** "To be created in the image and likeness of God means, therefore, that human beings reflect not the life of a solitary deity, but the communal life of the Trinity. Human beings were created not to live solitary lives, but to live in communion with God and with one another, a communion that is both life-giving and loving." To read the document go to <http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/>.

**Marriage Moments—World Marriage Day:** Questions, questions, questions: What do I like the most about you? What is it that most separates us? What most unites us? I specifically need your help in ... ; I think I should help you specifically... by; If these questions intrigue you, check out the Marriage Mansion Program, an online version of Marriage Encounter. Just Google on "Marriage Mansion" to get started. Valentine Day Bonus: Why not dig out the readings you used at your wedding. In a quiet moment read them to each other again and ponder what they mean to you now. If you can't find them try 1 Corinthians 13:4-13. By Susan Vogt, [www.SusanVogt.net](http://www.SusanVogt.net).

**Parenting Pointers**—"But I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment." (Mt. 5:22) Brothers and sisters have been fighting since Cain and Abel but you can help them get better at it. Introduce them to #2 of the Family Pledge of Nonviolence: "To share my feelings honestly, to look for safe ways to express my anger, and to work at solving problems peacefully." By Susan Vogt, [www.SusanVogt.net](http://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.

### Community Service Numbers:

**2-1-1 for human services information; 5-1-1 for traffic**

### Knights of Columbus Breakfast

The Knights will be serving their delicious pancake breakfast on Sunday, March 2, 9:00-10:30am. Come and enjoy a full breakfast which includes pancakes, eggs, sausage, potatoes, coffee/juice, and fruit. This is a great opportunity to socialize with fellow Parishioners. To make reservations for six or more, contact Jim at 760-717-5524 or [BakerJamesL39@gmail.com](mailto:BakerJamesL39@gmail.com).



## Parish Events

### Attention Men!

Join us for the weekly *That Man is You!* Program, which meets Saturday mornings from 6:45-8:30am. The topic for next week is "A Great Sign in Heaven." For more information, contact Deacon John Fredette at [johnf@stmoside.org](mailto:johnf@stmoside.org) or 760-758-4100 x132.

### Women's Guild News

The Nominating Committee of the Women's Guild who create the slate for next year's Board members, to be voted on in May, has been chosen. They are: Marcy Bernier, Chair; Judy Buoniconti and Pat Hannon. They will announce the slate at the March meeting.

The Valentine-themed Fashion Show this weekend was a complete success, thanks to Valerie Thompson and her hard working committee members. We thank all of them for providing a wonderful day, with many members contributing to the outstanding opportunity baskets and door prizes. Special thanks goes to Maureen Tutino for her creativity in putting the baskets together, making the day such an enjoyable fun(d)raiser.

—Ann Buko, president

### Spirited Seniors Luncheon

The Spirited Seniors are celebrating St. Valentine's Day with a buffet luncheon and piano concert on Friday, February 14, 11:30am-2:30pm. The cost is \$12 for members and \$15 for non-members. It will be catered by Ciao Ristorante of Vista. The deadline for reservations is February 7. Please put your registration request and your check made to "St. Thomas More Spirited Seniors" in an envelope marked "Spirited Seniors St. Valentine's Day Luncheon" and return it to the offertory collection or Parish Office, Box 12. For more information, contact Jim and Marilyn Day at 760-509-4545 or Cheryl Rowland at 760-726-5578.

### Family Shoe Ministry

What's in your closet?? The Family Shoe Ministry will have its first collection of the year on February 15-16. We will be collecting both new and gently used pairs of shoes of any size for the families at Solutions for Change. From infant booties to Dad's work boots, all types would be greatly appreciate by these families working to get back on their feet. Please, look in your closets and under your beds to see what you can donate. Volunteers to help organize the shoes for delivery can join Rick and Heidi Madden at the tables on the collection days. Thank you.

### Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

CWWNC meets the second Sunday of each month for a general meeting and potluck at 2:00pm. On the fourth Sunday of each month, we gather for Mass at various Parishes in North County followed by lunch. Check the bulletin board on the lower level of the Parish Center for our calendar of events, including potlucks, dining out, hiking, and more! RSVP's are required. For more info. 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](mailto:chriss@stmoside.org)

<b>Pipe Organ</b>	<b>\$850,000</b>
<b>Memorial Garden</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>
<b>Reflection Garden</b>	<b>\$250,000</b>
<b>Church Doors (Bronze)</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>
<b>Crucifix</b>	<b>\$75,000</b>
<b>St. Thomas More Shrine (Tapestry)</b>	<b>\$75,000</b>
<b>Pew Seating for the Church</b> (1,000) 894 available	<b>\$300/person</b>
<b>Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs</b> (200) 135 available	<b>\$300/each</b>



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For more information on our progress, visit our website, [stmoside.org](http://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*).

Future location of:

Font

Ambo

Altar



# Liturgy & Music

Worship God

Douglas Lynn  
Director of Liturgy and Music  
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## CELEBRATING THE WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY (A BIT LATE)

January was a busy month at St. Thomas More. We finished our celebration of the Christmas season, and then, with Ordinary Time upon us, we immersed ourselves in all things stewardship—our time, talent, and treasure, offered for the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ for this time and this place.

In January, the Church also marks the annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, in which ecumenism, defined by Webster as “the principle or aim of promoting unity among the world’s Christian churches,” is a primary focus.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated January 18-25, bookended by the former feast of the Chair of St. Peter on the 18th and the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul on the 25th. The Week of Prayer is now a joint project of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and the Commission on Faith and Order of the World Council of Churches.

On the final day of this year’s Week of Prayer, I attended an Anglican-Roman Catholic Day of Dialogue, co-sponsored by the Diocese of San Diego Office of Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs, in which fifty interested people from the Episcopal and Roman Catholic traditions gathered to discuss how music provides a path to greater understanding and bridging. You

can imagine the discussion that flows from a program entitled, “We’re Going to Sing *What?*—Our Shared Musical Heritage.”

At St. Thomas More, we experience this quest for Christian Unity in a number of ways, beyond intentions in our Prayers of the Faithful.

On a musical front, we participate in the annual Twelfth Night Choral Festival, in which churches from a variety of faith traditions gather to sing their faith together in the songs of Christmas. This year, we had nine choirs from seven churches and almost 500 people of different backgrounds raising their voices as the people of God.

Beyond the music, most of the work of our Social Justice Committee is ecumenical (inter-Christian) and interfaith. I imagine you will be hearing from them about the 23rd annual “Walk with the Suffering” on Good Friday this year sponsored by a variety of interfaith organizations, including the San Diego Organizing Project, the Interfaith Committee for Worker Justice, the (Roman Catholic) Diocese of San Diego Office for Social Ministries, the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego, and the Third Avenue Charitable Organization at First Lutheran.

Even though we did not hear much about the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity this year, I encourage you to keep unity in your



Matthew 5:16

prayer life, that “All May Be One” (John 17:21), someday.

For Christian Churches and Communities, that they may be faithful witnesses to the Gospel...

For church leaders everywhere during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and in the weeks to come, that they may work together and promote unity among Christians...

For the leadership of the Church throughout the world during this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and throughout the year ahead, that they may witness to Christ’s prayer “That All May Be One”...

For each of us, that we may hear Christ’s call to be witnesses and live faithfully the Good News of the Gospel...

For the various ecumenical dialogues between our church and other denominations, that they bear witness to the quest for Christian unity in Jesus’ name...

For those who bear witness to Christ through the ministry of ecumenism, that they always seek the unity that is found in Christ...

### Upcoming Music

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**FEBRUARY 16**  
**6th Sunday in**  
**Ordinary Time**

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**5:00pm Mass**

Sanctuary Choir

**8:30am Mass**

Praise Team

**10:30am Mass**

Tower Bells



I love to hear a choir. I love the humanity to see the faces of real people devoting themselves to a piece of music. I like the teamwork. It makes me feel optimistic about the human race when I see them cooperating like that.

—Sir Paul McCartney

—Douglas

# Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

Kathleen Bell, Director of Faith Formation  
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kathleenb@stmoside.org

## Faith Formation for Adults

Join us for any of the following events. . .bring a friend! All are welcome~

### February 16 12:00noon THE AGENDA OF POPE FRANCIS, Part 2

Join Deacon Tom and Patt Goeltz and Deacon John and Debbie Fredette for

- A potluck luncheon right after the 10:30am Mass
- Followed by a continuing discussion of the priorities of Pope Francis as outline in THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL

*“The joy of the gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus. Those who accept his offer of salvation are set free from sin, sorrow, inner emptiness and loneliness. With Christ joy is constantly born anew. In this Exhortation I wish to encourage the Christian faithful to embark upon a new chapter of evangelization marked by this joy, while pointing out new paths for the Church’s journey in years to come.”*

- You are welcome whether or not you came to Part 1.
- Great opportunity for new Parishioners to meet the community!
- Childcare available!

### VBS Under Construction



There will be no VBS this summer at STM because we are under construction in a variety of ways . . . including getting started on our scenery for 2015.

You are encouraged to support the many VBS programs at churches in our area for 2014, and join us again in 2015 for another exciting opportunity to grow in God’s love!

Sunday is a RE.A.CH Sunday at Church  
Please return Progress Reports

### UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES TO NURTURE YOUR FAITH:

- February 22  
WOMEN’S PRAYER BREAKFAST
- March 8

#### ONE BORDER, ONE BODY: IMMIGRATION AND THE EUCHARIST

Fr. Daniel G. Groody, CSC, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Theology at Notre Dame University will be at St. Thomas More on Saturday, March 8, from 9:30-11:00am and at USD from 2:00-3:30pm.

He has worked with the U.S. Congress, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, the World Council of Churches, and the Vatican on issues of theology, globalization, and immigration.

### Fair Trade Chocolate and Coffee

Look for EDGE and Youth Justice Ministry teams on the plaza this weekend and stock up on treats for Valentine’s Day.



Help us donate a beehive to a family in Nicaragua.

### Confirmation 2014

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Saturday, June 7, at the 5:00pm Mass with Bishop Chavez presiding.

Keep our 28 candidates in prayer as they prepare for the fullness of God’s Spirit.

### PBJ Update

(Food for Children at the Emergency Crisis Center)

2014 GOAL: 365 pounds  
Collected to date: 349 pounds



# Stewardship & Development

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## TOWERS OF FAITH

### Future Support & Estate Planning Options

*Towers of Faith* is a movement that has arisen out of the visionary leadership and generosity of several of our Parishioners. We stress that this is not about the gift amount, but rather the love and thought behind the gift.

These individuals (*several anonymous*) have included STM in their estate planning. This helps to ensure their ongoing support and a legacy for our Parish. *Towers of Faith* is a valuable portion of our future support.



Examples of the various future planning vehicles are:  
**Designated Beneficiary Accounts,  
Last Will and Testament, Living Trust, Life Insurance,  
Stocks and Bonds, Real Estate, and Endowments.**

Any Parishioners who have already included STM in their estate plans are *Towers of Faith* participants. If you are interested, please contact us. Your participation is most welcome and appreciated!

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

**Do two people in your family know the location of  
your will and/or living trust?**

### Collection for Week of February 1/2, 2014

Number of Registered Households		1,077
Offertory*	\$	10,424.44
Offertory (Loose Collection)		891.00
Children's envelopes		0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>11,315.44</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 [Parish\\_office@stmoside.org](mailto:Parish_office@stmoside.org).

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

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## Stewardship: Living the Beatitudes

Three weekends in our February liturgical calendar will turn our attention to Jesus' teachings in the Gospel of Matthew explaining what is to be expected of those who choose to follow him. This is the familiar Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5:1-7:29), the most quoted part of the Bible. Jesus' sermon begins with messages of comfort, the Beatitudes (Matt. 5:3-12).

- ♥ *Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*
- ♥ *Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.*
- ♥ *Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.*
- ♥ *Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.*
- ♥ *Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.*
- ♥ *Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.*
- ♥ *Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.*
- ♥ *Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*
- ♥ *Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you (falsely) because of me, Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.*

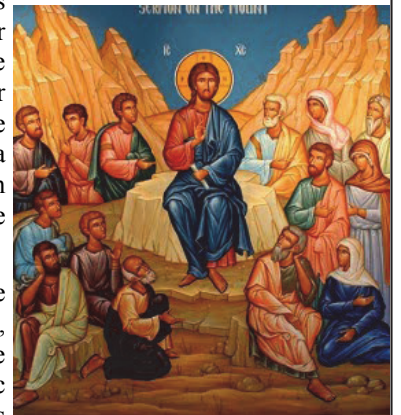
The word "Beatitude" refers to a state of deep happiness or joy. But these sayings are paradoxes and they turn our normal expectations upside down. Jesus is bringing us a new law, new expectations on how to live. He is bringing the Kingdom of God.

The U.S. Bishops wrote in the 1992 Stewardship Pastoral, "Jesus does not waste time proposing lofty but unrealistic ideals; he tells his followers how they are expected to live. The Beatitudes and the rest of the Sermon on the Mount prescribe the lifestyle of a Christian disciple."

Each of these "blesseds" is a statement about an important aspect in how we exercise stewardship of our lives. Each of them offers us an ideal of how to live and how we find God living within us.

Pray and ask the Lord for the wisdom and strength to follow this Christian Stewardship way of life, a path that follows in the true footsteps of Jesus.

—ICSC Catholic Stewardship e-bulletin, February 2014 (with permission)



*We, too, are Christian Disciples.*

## News and Information from the Larger Church

**Franciscan School of Theology at Mission San Luis Rey**—For more information, contact Vince Nims at 510-828-2869 (call or text) or [vnims@fst.edu](mailto:vnims@fst.edu) or visit [fst.edu](http://fst.edu).

**Healing the 21st Century Family Conference**—Saturday, February 15, 7:30am-8:00pm, Carlsbad by the Sea Resort, Carlsbad. Speakers, food, discussions. Sponsored by the Ruth Institute. For more information visit [www.ruthinstitute.org](http://www.ruthinstitute.org) or call 760-806-7699.

**“The Fabulous 50s” Charity Luncheon**—Tuesday, February 18, 11:00am, Hilton Mission Valley, 901 Camino Del Rio South, San Diego. Hosted by St. Vincent de Paul Village Ladies Guild to benefit the children at Fr. Joe’s Villages. RSVP to Jane Hargrove at 585-453-7016 by February 11.

**Monthly Holy Hour for Priestly and Religious Vocations**—Third Wednesday of each month (next is February 19), 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.

**Java with Jesus**—Thursday, February 20, 7:00-9:00pm, St. Michael Church, Holy Family Center, 15410 Pomerado Rd., Poway. For teenagers, young adults, and families. To register, contact Sr. Aurora Lopez-Ornelas, [alopez-ornelas@diocese-sdiego.org](mailto:alopez-ornelas@diocese-sdiego.org).

**16th Annual Divine Mercy Conference**—February 21-22, Juan Diego Center, Pala. Bishop Cirilo Flores will celebrate the opening Mass on Friday, February 21, 7:00pm. For more information, visit [www.SDdivinemercury.org](http://www.SDdivinemercury.org) or call 619-276-6637.

**Voices for Children 22nd Annual Golf Tournament**—Monday,

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- Fundraising support.

**Catholic Schools Survey**—Bishop Cirilo Flores has formed a special committee to study the organizational structures, policies, and financial stability of our Catholic elementary schools. As part of the research, he has invited every family to complete an online survey to give you the opportunity for your voice to be heard, for your experiences to make a difference, and your perspectives to be a part of the plan to strengthen our schools. Please go to [www.diocese-sdiego.org](http://www.diocese-sdiego.org) and click on the banner “Strengthening Our Diocesan Catholic Schools—Take Survey Now” to complete the survey. Thank you for taking the time to make a difference.

**Free Electronic Recycling at St. Francis Church**—On Saturday, April 5, 10:00am-2:00pm, bring your old or broken electronics in for legal disposal or recycling at the upper church parking lot. Just drive up and drop off! Proceeds made will benefit the St. Francis Preschool Program.

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.

**Walk for Life to Benefit Birth Choice**—Saturday, March 15. Visit [BirthChoicedonor.net](http://BirthChoicedonor.net) for more information.

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

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

**Volunteer with Voices for Children**—Voices for Children

#### Online Rosary

Pray the rosary online—visit [www.therosary3.com](http://www.therosary3.com)

#### 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, including our local chapter, North County Young Adults.

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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## Catholic Charities

Your ACA gift assists our primary diocesan social service agency, Catholic Charities. Through it, we assist almost 300,000 people each year by providing a network of important programs and services.

*“To love God and neighbor is not something abstract, but profoundly concrete: it means seeing in every person and face of the Lord to be served, to serve him concretely. And you are, dear brothers and sisters, in the face of Jesus.”*

— Pope Francis 2013

The service of Catholic Charities is based on the person of Jesus who “came not to be served, but to serve.” We believe in the dignity of the human person, and are committed to the Judeo-Christian vision of justice and peace.

### Spot Light Program

#### SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM

Recently, the quality assurance case manager of Catholic Charities Senior Nutrition Program received a call from a 60 year old man who was just released from the hospital. Upon returning to his home, he discovered that he had no electricity and no food. He asked to receive home delivered meals, but due to budget cuts the program had a waiting list and the case manager could not add him to the program. Undeterred, however, she picked up a hot meal from the kitchen and food from the agency’s Food Resource Center and delivered these to the senior the same day. When visiting with the senior, the case manager discovered that a city council member was already working on restoring his electricity. She also discovered that the senior was ambulatory and could manage attending one of our congregate sites with the assistance of transportation.

He began coming to the site the following day and attended the site Monday through Friday for the rest of the month. He has become a regular attendee at that site. He has benefited from his daily attendance at the site by receiving a daily meal and becoming more social and therefore less isolated.

### Our Response as Stewards

**REFLECT** .....On the many gifts you have received from God, including your financial blessings.

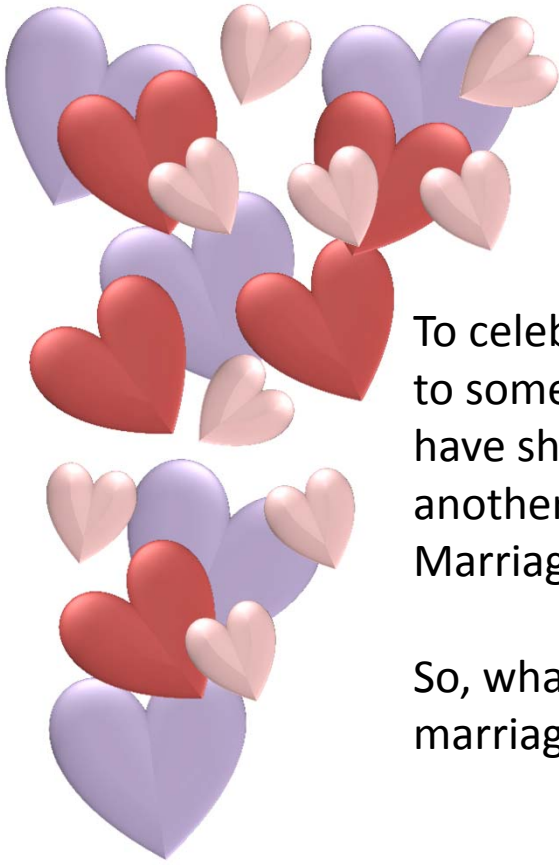
**PRAY** .....About how God wants you to use the gifts He has given you.

**RESPOND** .....By supporting the mission. You can give at your parish or online at [www.diocese-sdiego.org](http://www.diocese-sdiego.org).

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# World Marriage Day

To celebrate World Marriage Day, we looked to some of the couples in our Parish who have shown their commitment to one another through their shared sacrament of Marriage.

So, what's their secret to a successful marriage? Check out their advice:



*Paul & Bette Johansing*



As teenagers together, we were friends, buddies, big brother, and then.... Humor has always been easy for us, as a buffer to reality. And faith. Humor and faith.

*Richard & Ann McGeary*



We have found new happiness through our love and respect for one another, our faith, and our six terrific children.

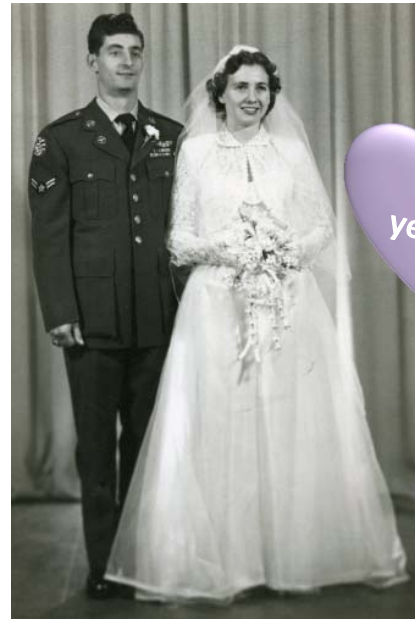
## Tom & Edith Noel



63  
years

Keep an open mind. Always go to Mass. Say "I Love You" before going to sleep at bedtime.

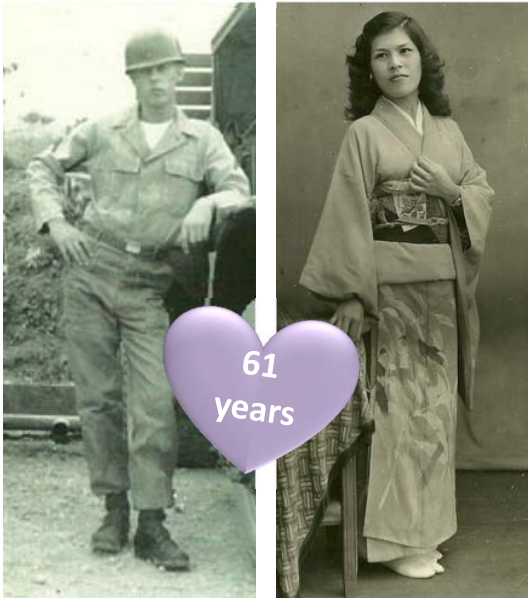
## Dave & Dorothy Greig



62  
years

We laugh a lot. Dave makes coffee every morning. We hold hands a lot. We don't have much money but we do have fun!

## Carl & Masako Streling



61  
years

How were we blessed with 60 years of marriage? We have acknowledged that we are gift to each other. In reality, the old saying "give and take" worked when I finally figured out that the saying does not mean equality, i.e., 50% give and 50% take, but rather, 100%. I let him have the last words every time. Seriously, love and trust are the basis for our blessed marriage.

## Bill & Betty Nelson



61  
years

After 61 years together, we both enjoy a sense of humor, love and respect for each other, tolerance of each other's faults, a meaningful prayer life, love of family, a long family history, and food (but one of us can't cook!).





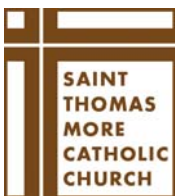
# Love Notes from Our King

Women's Prayer Breakfast  
with  
Debbie Fredette



Saturday, February 22 at 9:00am  
Lower Level of the Parish Center

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