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John 11:25-26

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**A Roman Catholic Parish
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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

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**Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 25, 2014**

Rev. Michael Ratajczak
760-758-4100 x100

Pastor's Column

"Every Person on Earth Plays a Central Role in the History of the World"

I share with you a "parable" taken from the book, "The Alchemist," by Paulo Coelho. It is a conversation between the alchemist and a young shepherd boy:

"In ancient Rome, at the time of Emperor Tiberius, there lived a good man who had two sons. One was in the military, and had been sent to the most distant regions of the empire. The other son was a poet, and delighted all of Rome with his beautiful verses.

One night, the father had a dream. An angel appeared to him, and told him that the words of one of his sons would be learned and repeated throughout the world for all generations to come. The father woke from his dream grateful and crying, because life was generous, and had revealed to him something any father would be proud to know.

Shortly thereafter, the father died as he tried to save a child who was about to be crushed by the wheels of a chariot. Since he had lived his entire life in a manner that was correct and fair, he went directly to heaven, where he met the angel that had appeared in his dream.

'You were always a good man', the angel said to him. 'You lived your life in a loving way, and died with dignity. I can now grant you any wish you desire.'

'Life was good to me,' the man said. 'When you appeared in my dream, I felt that all my efforts had been rewarded, because my son's poems will be read by men for generations to come. I don't want anything for myself. But any father would be proud of the fame achieved by one whom he had cared for as a child, and educated as he grew up. Sometime in the distant future, I would like to see my son's words.'

The angel touched the man's shoulder, and they were both projected far into the future. They were in an immense setting, surrounded by thousands of people speaking a strange language.

The man wept with happiness.

'I knew that my son's poems were immortal,' he said to the angel through his tears. 'Can you please tell me which of my son's poems these people are repeating?'

The angel came closer to the man, and, with tenderness, led him to a bench nearby, where they sat down.

'The verses of your son who was the poet were very popular in Rome,' the angel said. 'Everyone loved them and enjoyed them. But when the reign of Tiberius ended, his poems were forgotten. The words you're hearing now are those of your son in the military.'

The man looked at the angel in surprise.

'Your son went to serve at a distant place, and became a centurion. He was just and good. One afternoon, one of his servants fell ill, and it appeared that he would die. Your son had heard of a rabbi who was able to cure illnesses, and he rode out for days and days in search of this man. Along the way, he learned that the man he was seeking

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was the Son of God. He met others who had been cured by him, and they instructed your son in the man's teachings. And so, despite the fact that he was a Roman centurion, he converted to their faith. Shortly thereafter, he reached the place where the man he was looking for was visiting.

He told the man that one of his servants was gravely ill, and the rabbi made ready to go to his house with him. But the centurion was a man of faith, and, looking into the eyes of the rabbi, he knew that he was surely in the presence of the Son of God.'

'And this is what your son said,' the angel told the man. 'These are the words he said to the rabbi at that point, and they have never been forgotten: "My Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof. But only speak a word and my servant will be healed."'

The alchemist said, 'No matter what he does, every person on earth plays a central role in the history of the world. And normally he doesn't know it.'

The boy smiled. He had never imagined that questions about life would be of such importance to a shepherd.

'Good-bye,' the alchemist said.

'Good-bye,' said the boy."

We need to always be mindful that who we are and what we do is very important and does make a difference in this world. Many times we may know nothing of it.

That is what faith is—doing the right things, because they are the right things, even though we may never see or experience the results or the consequences of our actions!

Fr. Mike

Vocations

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples that he would not leave them orphans. And he didn't. He sent the Holy Spirit to guide them. Is that same Spirit calling you to help guide his people as a priest, deacon, or religious? If you think you hear God calling, explore the possibilities. Contact Deacon Tom at thomasgoeltz@aol.com or 760-727-8442. Working with and for God's people is a great vocation which not only does good but also feels good. Pray on it!

The Diocesan Office of Vocations has issued a short video about vocations. You can watch it at <http://goo.gl/6LY2Hc>.

Diocese of San Diego Annual Catholic Appeal
Our assessment: \$48,000
Pledges to date: \$41,357 from 276 families
\$6,643 to go! Can you help?

Called to Serve

Welcome New Parishioners

John and Shannon Wirtz and Family

OUR THANKS TO YOU!

During this past week, many of you have come up to us to express your thanks. Whatever we do at STM can only be done with your help. When ever we ask your help, especially if it is to assist others, you are always there and are always most generous. Both of us offer our heartfelt thanks to you, the parishioners of STM for making our efforts possible and for making our service at STM a joyous occasion. Thank you and God bless you all!

—Deacon Tom & Deacon John

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- 809-6526.

Only Three Weeks to Go ~ Sign Up Now!

Friday, June 13 ~ 4:30-9:30pm
Our Social Event of the Year
STM Third Annual Gala

Happy Hour at 4:30pm kicks off our fundraising event!

You'll have time to check out our

Raffle, Silent and Live Auction items, Champagne Diamond Event, our new and improved Wheel of Fortune, and prizes from one week in Hawaii, Puerto Vallarta or Cabo San Lucas to Wine, Scotch, and Marguerita Baskets, Padre Tickets and dinner in the Gaslamp District, Staycation adventures, Movies, Plays, Restaurant packages, Pageant of the Masters, a chance to win a 2014 Mystery Day with Fr. Mike.

Join us for socializing and more fun!



Wheel of Fortune top prize Big Screen TV!

Dinner is served at 6:30pm (\$40/person)

(vegetarian option available upon request)

Plus reserve your spot for the *Pastor's Dinner*

Sunday, August 24, 2014 ★ 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Stone Brewing World Bistro and Gardens, Escondido

\$150/per person (\$75 tax deductible)

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

Readings for the Week Ahead

Sunday Year A; Weekday Year II
Readings online at www.usccb.org.

Sunday, May 25 (55)
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acts 8:5-8,14-17
Psalm 66:1-7,16,20
1 Peter 3:15-18
John 14:15-21

Monday, May 26 (570)
Philip Neri, priest
Philippians 4:4-9
Psalm 34:2-11
John 17:20-26

Tuesday, May 27 (571)
Augustine of Canterbury, bishop
1 Thessalonians 2:2b-8
Psalm 96:1-3,7-8a,10
Matthew 9:35-38

Wednesday, May 28 (293)
Acts 17:15,22-18:1
Psalm 148:1-2,11-14
John 16:12-15

Thursday, May 29 (294)
Acts 18:1-8
Psalm 98:1-4
John 16:16-20

Friday, May 30 (295)
Acts 18:9-18
Psalm 47:2-7
John 16:20-23

Saturday, May 31 (572)
Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Zephaniah 3:14-18a or
Romans 12:9-16
Psalm 112:2-3,4b-6
Luke 1:39-56

Sunday, June 1 (58)
Ascension of the Lord
Acts 1:1-11
Psalm 47:2-3,6-9
Ephesians 1:17-23
Matthew 28:16-20

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

Daniel Alexander Acosta & Family
Changa Aguilera
Mary Alexander
Carrie Autrey
Carol Baker
Jose Luis Barbosa
Patricia Barbour
Clarice Bednarz
John Bennici
Regina Bentz
Lisa Berg
Roseanne Berg
Mary Betz
Betty Jean Bielich
Beth Brewer
Janet Brown
Todd Brown
Katie Browne
Judith Brunner
Mary Bruzas
Anita Buerger
Tony Calderone
Leslie Campbell
Shelby Campbell
Brienne Campos
Marv Cap
Claudia Caplinger
Aria Cappeluti
Marilyn Clarke
The Vaughn Clevenger Family
Dolly Cole
Carl Coleman
James Coleman
Elaine Collins
Carol Costa
Steven Cresencia
Lené Crowe
Karen Flaharty Daley
Beverly de Gelder
Hugo Delgado, Jr.
Cecilia DeSimone
Carole Dillon
Edward Dolnik
Art & Dave Dossman
John Drazkowski, Jr.
La Vonne Dumas
Margaret Easton
Debbie Ebaugh
Carolyn Erickson Ey
Sharon Evans
Sally Fay
Victoria Lopez Fenton
The Fiore Family
Bishop Cirilo Flores
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
The Hughes Family
Iolanda Iacobelli
Linda Iacobelli Bennett
Sue Johnston
Laura Kater
Paul Kennedy
Connor Kerzie
Peggy Kiernan
Debbie Kinney
Mark Kneisel
Dewey Kolbo
Tony Korwin
Helen Kuhn
Lillian Lachance
The Lamelin Family
Brandon LeBlanc
Jeremiah Lemus
David Leué
The Paul Leué Family
Ashley Load
Shirley Loggins
Cassandra & Lauren Loretto
Jack Lucarelli
Joaquin Maldonado
The Malinowski Family
Paige Mansell
Alexander Mathews
Chandler May
Virginia McConnell
Dick McGeary
Bob McWilliams
Joyce Meehan
Kalei Mendiola
Bill Metzger
Phyllis Minaya
June Mitchell
Nancy Moore
Elizabeth Muehlbacher
Conrad Murphy
Margie Myers
Richard Obsitnik
Bernadette Padovan
Ethan Palm
Helen Pingtella
Charlotte Pivo
Perry Postulka
Douglas Price-Williams
The Joe Prokop Family
Barbara Ramm
Lisa Reaves
Jan Riley
Rita Ritchie
Adela & Elena Rivera
Maria Rogers
Dorothy Rouse
The Russo Family
Rachel Sainc
Cindy Sanelli
Linda Schmidt
Joan Shea
Elizabeth Shirzad
Smitty Smith
Nick Soltau
Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski
Patricia St. Pierre
Sybil Staples
Mike Sterling
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
Barbara Upson
Corrie & Robert Vasquez
Lucy Vienna
Vanessa Vitiello
Kevin Watson-Graff
Sue Welch
Paul West
John Whitton
Marceline Williams
The Young Family
Patricia Zavala

Calendar Highlights

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

May 25 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses

May 25 Mary: A Biblical Walk

May 28 Spirited Seniors Trip to Mission San Diego de Alcalá

May 28 Mary: A Biblical Walk

May 31 First Communion at 5:00pm Mass

Jun 1 First Communion at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses

Jun 1 Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Jun 1 Mary: A Biblical Walk

Jun 3-4 Restaurant Fundraiser at Hunter Steakhouse

Jun 4 Mary: A Biblical Walk

Jun 7 Women's Guild Installation Luncheon at Shadowridge Country Club

Jun 7 Confirmation with Bishop Chávez

Jun 12 Spirited Seniors Trip to Viejas Casino

Jun 13 STM Annual Gala

Jun 17/18 Restaurant Fundraiser at Nucci's

Jun 29 Year 2 Confirmation Parent Meeting

Aug 17 New Member Luncheon

Aug 24 Pastor's Dinner

Aug 31 Year 1 Confirmation Parent Meeting

Oct 4 Treasures Rummage Sale

Oct 10-12 Men's Retreat

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

Mass Intentions
Saturday, May 24, 5:00pm Paul Cassidy ☩
Sunday, May 25, 8:30am Eamonn MacCluskey ☩
Sunday, May 25, 10:30am Joan Mary Wall ☩
Monday, May 26, 8:15am Joe Kudzia ☩
Tuesday, May 27, 8:15am Ethel Vanderhagen ☩
Wednesday, May 28, 8:15am J.C. Gonzalez ☩
Thursday, May 29, 8:15am Lillian Hazzard ☩
Friday, May 30, 8:15am Guy Headrick ☩
Saturday, May 31, 5:00pm First Holy Communicants
Sunday, June 1, 8:30am First Holy Communicants
Sunday, June 1, 10:30am First Holy Communicants

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
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 Thomas Gillen, US Army
PFC Samuel Haro, US Army
PFC Cody Madere
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.

May 26 Sr. Adela Amoroso-Medrano, OLVM
May 27 Sr. Dolores Anchondo, CSJ
May 28 Sr. Mary Jo Anderson, CHS
May 29 Sr. Pia Anderson, OCD
May 30 Sr. Flavia Arellano, CVI
May 31 Sr. Rosemary Babbitt, IHM
June 1 Sr. Joanna Baker, OCD

Social Ministries & Outreach

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

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

When a Loved One Dies

Call the Parish Office first, before you call the funeral home.

Call anytime, night or day! 760-758-4100 option 3

Our Parish has a wonderful Bereavement Team that is available when a loved one dies. They are available to assist the family with many arrangements related to the funeral, which might include meeting with the family to pray, helping to plan the funeral, and providing bereavement support afterwards.

In addition, those who like to plan ahead may meet with a Bereavement Team member to pre-plan preferences and place them on record, which can be a great help for children or other family members when the time comes.

*If you have any questions, call Sr. Maureen at
760-758-4100 x131.*

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...\$3,599...Brochures are available at the Information Table on the Plaza after weekend Masses or in the Parish Office during the week.

—Fr. Mike Ratajczak

STM Vehicle Donation Program

Do you have a vehicle you want to donate?
Call us, and we'll have it picked up operational or not!
You get the tax deduction!

We can accept vehicles without current registration and can file for replacement title if it has been lost.

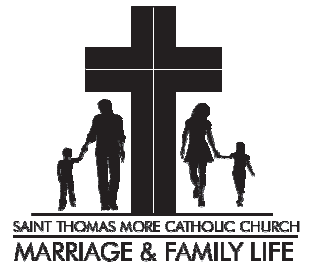
**As of April 29 we have netted \$51,402
from this program. Thank you donors!**



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

Marriage & Family Life

Moms & Kids—Moms! Summer break is coming! If you are a mom with infant thru school-age children wanting to meet other moms in our Parish or want to meet friends for both you and your children then this is a great time to join our group! The Moms and Kids ministry is meeting on the first and third Monday of June at Hidden Canyon Community Park (in Carlsbad) 10:00am-12:00pm. There are many other events within our community throughout the month posted on our private Facebook page. Join us!



Marriage Encounter—Do you have a good marriage but want a little jumpstart? Would you and your spouse like to rediscover and reconnect with each other? Then we invite you to attend a Marriage Encounter Weekend. Weekends take place in San Diego and other Southern California locations throughout the year. For more information, visit www.wvme.org or contact Eddie & Sheila Murphy at (760) 295-0008

Bishops' Letter on Marriage—Marriage: Love and Life In The Divine Plan: A Natural and Spiritual Blessing—“While marriage is a special blessing for Christians because of the grace of Christ, marriage is also a natural blessing and gift for everyone in all times and cultures. It is a source of blessing to the couple, to their families, and to society and includes the wondrous gift of co-creating human life.” To read the document go to <http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/>.

Marriage Moments—(Monday is Memorial Day) On Memorial Day we remember those who have defended our freedom. Humorists suggest that once couples marry they lose their freedom. True, we are not free to enter into other intimate relationships or to make important decisions based solely on one's own desires. But, marriage can free us to stop searching, to stop putting up a front, to risk being our truest, best self because we are loved unconditionally.

Parenting Pointers—“Parental words that sustain and heal: “It's normal.” “I'm proud of you.” Look for an opportunity to say something like this today.

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.

Young Adult Ministry Activities

Visit 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.

Online Rosary

Pray the rosary online—visit www.therosary3.com

Parish Events

Women's Guild News

Celebrating our 25th Anniversary will make our Installation of Officers very special this year. We will be anxious to find out how much our annual donation to our Parish will be (especially Fr. Mike), and all you quilt raffle stub holders will be hoping your name will be drawn so you can pick out the quilt of your choice. All that plus a short review of our history, highlighting the Guild's accomplishments since its beginning, and the people who made it happen, can only be topped by the delicious lunch shared with so many of you. You don't have to be a member to come, and reservations and a choice of lunch items can be made for one more week. You can reserve your spot on the plaza this and next weekend after Masses, or during the week in the Parish office. Cost is \$25. The deadline is June 1.

Please return your quilt stubs soon to make sure your name is included in the raffle. You do not have to be present to win and will be assigned a quilt if you cannot make it to the luncheon.

Have a blessed week remembering our military heroes on Monday; the Ascension of the Lord and the Visitation of the Blessed Mother.

Ann Buko, president

Knightly News

The Knights of Columbus will be serving their delicious pancake breakfast on Sunday, June 1, 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, call Jim at 760-717-5524 or BakerJamesL39@gmail.com.

Spirited Seniors Viejas Casino and Outlet Mall Trip

The Spirited Seniors have planned a FREE trip to Viejas Casino and Outlet Mall on Thursday, June 12. Besides FREE coach transportation, you will receive a 50 percent discount on lunch at any of the Casino restaurants, and discounts at the Outlet Mall. We will depart the STM parking lot at 9:30am and return to the lot at approximately 5:00pm. This trip is open to Spirited Seniors and other St. Thomas More and St. Francis parishioners. All riders must be at least 18 years of age, must present a picture-ID prior to boarding the bus, and agree to enroll in the "V-Club" and use the "V-Club Card" at least once in the Casino. Space is limited and reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. The deadline is Tuesday, June 3. Please call Jim or Marilyn Day at 760-509-4545 or jandmday@cox.net to make your reservation or for questions.

STM Scrip News

Thanks to all who support the Scrip program! A percentage of every Scrip gift card purchased benefits our Parish Mortgage/Building Completion Fund. Stop by the Scrip table on the plaza after weekend Masses or the Parish Office during the week to purchase/order Scrip or find out more about the program.

For more information, contact scrip@stmoside.org or 760-758-4100 x150.

Memorial Item Donations

Memorials are a way of honoring those whom we love, whether they are living or deceased. Often, memorials are made for a special intention or in thanksgiving for a variety of blessings received from God.

Our Parish Campus will be a living memorial. All who help in building it will leave something to the community itself that will be used by generations to come. The good they do is not interred with them, but will remain to share in the divine activity of God here on earth.

Listed below are items still available for adoption.

All contributions will be recognized in a special memorial to be displayed in our Parish Memorial Garden.

For more information or to adopt an item, contact Chris Smith
760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org

Pipe Organ	\$850,000
Memorial Garden	\$500,000
Reflection Garden	\$250,000
Church Doors (Bronze)	\$100,000
Crucifix	\$75,000
St. Thomas More Shrine (Tapestry)	\$75,000
Pew Seating for the Church (1,000) 856 available	\$300/person
Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs (200) 133 available	\$300/each

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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 links) or view the Construction Progress album.



The daily chapel area

Liturgy & Music *Worship God*

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

A MOVEABLE FEAST

Scripture Themes for June

by Patricia Datchuck
 Sánchez and Rafael
 Sánchez Alonso,
 from Celebration
 June 2014,
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Just three years before his death in 1961, Ernest Hemingway completed *A Moveable Feast* (Scribner, New York: 1964). In this, his last literary effort, Hemingway shared his experiences of living in Paris in the 1920s when he worked as a foreign correspondent for the Toronto Star. He and his wife Hadley celebrated Paris with all its charm and culture and enjoyed the company of other expat artists and authors like Gertrude Stein, James Joyce, Ezra Pound, Pablo Picasso, and F. Scott Fitzgerald. Although his book reads like a day-by-day account of his Paris exploits, it was written almost 40 years after the events it chronicled. Perhaps the reason for its freshness can be traced to Hemingway's own assessment of the reality that is Paris: "If you are lucky enough to have lived in Paris as a young man, then wherever you go, for the rest of your life, it stays with you, for Paris is a moveable feast."

Hemingway's idea of a moveable feast could serve us well as we reflect upon the importance of the liturgy in our lives. Each time we are gathered together by God to be nourished with the bread of the Word and the bread of the Eucharist, we are given an opportunity to take that experience and those graces with us wherever we go. Liturgy is a moveable feast that stays with us if we avail ourselves of its treasures.

This month, those treasures amount to an embarrassment of riches, with so many significant feasts in June to remind us of God's love and compassionate care. We begin the month with the eleven apostles in the Upper Room. Along with Mary, they are praying, thus setting the example for us, who continue to await the returning Jesus. June 8 (Pentecost) finds us rejoicing in the

gift of the Spirit, whose presence enables all the diverse peoples of this earth to speak the same language of faith. Blessed be that Spirit, who gifts each of us with an ability to serve the needs of others. Blessed and holy be that Spirit, who brings us peace and graces us with the desire and the capacity to forgive. This same Spirit goes with us and, like a moveable feast, remains an ever-present resource for us in all we do, in all we become.

Midmonth (June 15), the praying assembly is regaled with the reality that ours is a God of three Persons: Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier. Through this community of persons, God relates to each of us as Father/Mother, as Brother, and as Life-giving Spirit. Each of us is called to live in a manner that will reflect well on our human family—and in a manner worthy of our divine family, loving as we are loved, forgiving as we are forgiven, all the while seeing and valuing others as God sees and values them.

Henri Nouwen suggested that in order to live this way, we keep ourselves ever aware that all our relationships are to be lived in God (*Sabbatical Journey*, Crossroad, New York: 1998). Most human suffering comes from broken or wounded relationships. By claiming the Holy Trinity as home for our relational lives, we are assured that each of our relationships has the capability of being healthy, holy, and wholesome. As we carry this gift with us, we are to bear worthy witness that we are God's, and God is ours.

Our moveable feast becomes a banquet on June 22 as we celebrate the gift of the Most Holy Body and Blood of the Lord in the Eucharist. Gathered together, we share the broken bread, in which he who



John 14:19

suffered and died for us is present. Unlike other food, which is assimilated by the body, this sacred food assimilates the believer unto the body of Christ, head and members. Our "Amen" to the sacramental body of Christ commits us to a lifetime of saying and living "Amen" to all the members of the body of Christ, especially the poor and the voiceless victims of hatred and violence.

In all our efforts, we strive to be true to those who have gone before us, setting the example and laying the foundation on which we continue to build. Two of our heroes will be celebrated on June 29, Peter and Paul. Neither man was perfect, but both were fierce in their love for Christ and the church. They did not see eye to eye on every issue, but they did not give up or go their own way. Rather, they worked together, always striving to preserve the unity of the church and its mission.

Blessed as we are with such fine ancestors in the faith and rich as we are with so many of God's gifts, we carry this heritage with us wherever we go...like a moveable feast.

Upcoming Music

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JUNE 1
Ascension of the Lord

✘

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

Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

Matt Franklin
Youth Advocate
760-758-4100 x161; mattf@stmoside.org

Debbie Fredette
Director of Faith Formation
760-758-4100 x110; debbief@stmoside.org

Family Faith Formation

Children's Faith Formation

Faith Formation for Adults
*Join us for any of the following events . . .
bring a friend!
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A Catholic Bible study that will bring you on an extraordinary pilgrimage, revealing Mary's unique role in God's Kingdom and in our lives.

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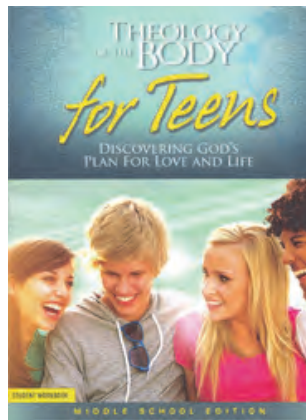
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This is an 8-session course and the cost is \$20.
Please contact Debbie at debbief@stmoside.org to sign up.



Theology of the Body for Teens: Middle School answers questions such as:

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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.

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

Collection for Week of May 17/18, 2014

Number of Registered Households		1,089
Offertory*	\$	12,281.82
Offertory (Loose Collection)		838.00
Children's envelopes		7.14
Total	\$	13,126.96

* 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).

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Christian Stewardship and Mercy

Choosing to be a disciple of Jesus Christ transforms our lives. For example, we take on a new identity, which includes that of a steward; we adopt an entirely new set of priorities; and, we are called to live a life of mercy.

The Catholic Church has blessed us with a concretely defined model for living a life of mercy in the Corporal and Spiritual Acts of Mercy. Note that they are called 'Acts'. Mercy is love and compassion in action—it requires that we take action.

Corporal Acts of Mercy are obvious expressions of stewardship: *Give Drink to the Thirsty - Clothe the Naked - Shelter the Homeless - Visit Those in Prison - Comfort the Sick - Bury the Dead*. One of the **Spiritual Acts of Mercy** is to *Admonish Sinners*.

In one's initial consideration of Spiritual Acts of Mercy, a person might consider the most challenging to be "Admonishing Sinners." However, this merciful act has often been referred to as the **greatest act of mercy**.

When we admonish sinners, we allow God to work through us, to set the conditions for souls to be saved because people may turn to God and receive His mercy and salvation. Admonishing others takes *courage and tact*. **Good stewards do this less by their words and more by living a Christian lifestyle that others are attracted to!**

"It is not by proselytizing that the Church grows, but by attraction" (Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*). The definition of admonishing actually makes the idea quite attractive—**Admonish: to advise, caution, counsel against something especially in a mild and good-willed manner.**



How are we being good stewards by doing this? In the Word of God and Church Teaching we find truth, and this is a gift that we can share in many ways, primarily by our actions but also with our speech. A good admonisher is always careful to choose the right words and the right moment, and most importantly it should be done in a manner that affirms the dignity of the person they are admonishing.

—This article is part 11 in a series of 12 reflections on stewardship virtues by ICSC member, Dan Potvin, Director of Stewardship for the Archdiocese of Winnipeg, Canada. (with permission) May 2014

**A life that is lived in the concern
 for the salvation of others is good stewardship
 and, a life lived in mercy.**

News & Information from the Larger Church

MISSIO App for Smart Phones—Connects you to the Pope and his daily messages. Learn more at www.MissioApp.org/bulletin.

Monthly Holy Hour for Priestly and Religious Vocations—Third Wednesday of each month (next is June 18), 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.

Franciscan School of Theology at Mission San Luis Rey Information Nights—Wednesday, May 28, Wednesday, June 11, or Wednesday, June 25, 7:00-8:30pm, 4050 Mission Ave., Oceanside (enter by the Welcome Center). For more information, visit fst.edu.

Catholic Men's Retreat—May 30-June 1, Carmelo Men's Retreat House, Redlands. For more information, contact 909-792-1047 or elcarmelorh@gmail.com or visit www.elcarmelo.org.

Vocation Awareness Retreat for Single Men and Womens Ages 18-32—Saturday, June 7, 8:00am-4:00pm, St. Therese Church, 6016 Camino Rico, San Diego, 92120. Sponsored by the Diocesan Office for Vocations. For more information, contact 858-490-8346 or alopez-ornelas@diocese-sdiego.org.

Volunteers Needed—Scripps Coastal Medical Center, 4138 Mission Ave., Oceanside. Patient escorting, reception, and clinical and clerical help in clinic setting. For more information, contact 760-901-5134.

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Weekly Peaceful Prayer Vigil to End Abortion—Tuesdays, 9:00-10:00am, outside the clinic at 120 Craven Rd., San Marcos. For more information, contact Jane Kelleher at 760-822-7041.

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.

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

Marriage Encounter—Do you have a good marriage but feel it could use a little jumpstart? Would you like to rediscover and reconnect with each other? Attend a Marriage Encounter Weekend, available in San Diego and other Southern California locations throughout the year. For more information, visit www.wvme.org or contact Eddie & Sheila Murphy at 760-295-0008.

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