Saint Thomas More Catholic Church

Let them grow together until harvest. Matthew 13:24-43



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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## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 20, 2014

## Pastor's Column

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

## Ministerial Leadership in the Church—The Role of the Pastor

In the last number of years, we have experienced great changes in ministerial leadership in the Church. The shift from priests and sisters providing the majority of service to the community to lay women and men, in the majority, ministering along with priests, deacons, and sisters has created an entirely different "face" to Parish leadership. This new "face" is very evident here at St. Thomas More.

With this in mind, I want to share some thoughts on the role of a pastor taken from Canon Law and then some thoughts on lay leadership and collaboration with clergy.

This week I focus on the role of the pastor. Next week, there will be thoughts on lay leadership.

**Canon 528.1:** A pastor is obliged to make provision so that the Word of God is proclaimed in its entirety to those living in the Parish; for this reason, he is to take care that the lay members of the Christian faithful are instructed in the truths of the faith, especially by giving a homily on Sundays and holy days of obligation and by offering catechetical instruction. He is to foster works through which the spirit of the gospel is promoted, even in what pertains to social justice. He is to have particular care for the Catholic education of children and youth. He is to make every effort, even with the collaboration of the Christian faithful, so that the message of the gospel comes also to those who have ceased the practice of their religion or do not profess the true faith.

**Canon 528.2:** The pastor is to see to it that the Most Holy Eucharist is the center of the Parish assembly of the faithful.

He is to work so that the Christian faithful are nourished through the devout celebration of the sacraments and, in a special way, that they frequently approach the sacraments of the Most Holy Eucharist and Penance. He is also to endeavor that they are led to practice prayer even as families and take part consciously and actively in the sacred liturgy which, under the authority of the diocesan bishop, the pastor must direct in his own parish and is bound to watch over so that no abuses creep in.

**Canon 529.1:** In order to fulfill his office diligently, a pastor is to strive to know the faithful entrusted to his care.

Therefore he is to visit families, sharing especially in the cares, anxieties, and griefs of the faithful, strengthening them in the Lord, and prudently correcting them if they are failing in certain areas. With generous love he is to help the sick, particularly those close to death, by refreshing them solicitously with the sacraments and commending their souls to God; with particular diligence he is to seek out the poor, the afflicted, the lonely, those exiled from their country, and similarly those weighed down by special difficulties. He is to work so that spouses and parents are supported in fulfilling their proper duties and is to foster growth of Christian life in the family.

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

**Canon 529.2:** A pastor is to recognize and promote the proper part which the lay members of the Christian faithful have in the mission of the Church, by fostering their associations for the purposes of religion. He is to cooperate with his own bishop and the presbyterium of the diocese, also working so that the faithful have concern for parochial communion, consider themselves members of the diocese and of the universal Church, and participate in and sustain efforts to promote this shared communion

-From the Code of Canon Law (1983)

## Fr. Mike

## Update on Fr. Mike's Hip Replacement

He is now at home continuing his recovery, and all is going very well...Fr. Mike asks that there be no visitors. He does ask for your continued prayers and good thoughts. Thank you!



For information and/or to reserve your spot(s), please contact Chris Smith 760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org.

#### Welcome New Parishioners David Estey Raymond & Khristina Leyba & Family Albert & Tiffany Sejut

## Congratulations to

Mike & Kathy Nichols

who celebrate their 6th wedding anniversary July 19. May God continue to bless your marriage, and may you be an inspiration to other married couples.

## **Considering Becoming Catholic?**

Are you beginning to search for a deeper meaning and purpose in your life? Would you like to explore a spiritual dimension inside yourself? Do you have a yearning to experience God in your life? You are invited to join our group of "seekers" who are just beginning to discover the joy of knowing God. We meet two Saturdays a month, 3:30-4:45pm, and YOU are most welcome!

Contact Kathleen Bell at 760-809-6526 or 80bell80@gmail.com for more information.

## Vocations

In today's Gospel, Jesus uses the parable of a man sowing a tiny mustard seed which then grows into a large bush. The Church is in great need of "sowers" to plant the seed of the Gospel and the teachings of Jesus so that our faith can continue to grow within us. Have you heard the call of God to become the sower of His Word as a priest, deacon, or vowed religious? If so, explore the possibilities by contacting Deacon Tom at *thomasgoeltz@aol.com* or 760-727-8442. A vocation to become a sower of God's teachings is a great way of life.

## 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

### Rosary

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



## **STM \$crip 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.

#### Remember, Scrip is available for purchase FOUR ways:

- 1. On the Plaza after weekend Masses
- 2. Monday-Friday during business hours in the Parish Office
- 3. Email at *scrip@stmoside.org*
- 4. Phone at 760-758-4100 x150

Orders may be picked up after Mass on the weekend or at the Parish Office during the week.

Readings	
for the Week Ahead	

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

Sunday, July 20 (106) Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Wisdom 12:13,16-19 Psalm 86:5-6,9-10,15-16 Romans 8:26-27 Matthew 13:24-43 Monday, July 21 (602) Lawrence of Brindisi 2 Corinthians 4:1-2,5-7 Psalm 40:2,4ab,7-11 Mark 4:1-10,13-20 Tuesday, July 22 (603) Mary Magdalene Song of Songs 3:1-4b or 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 Psalm 63:2-6,8-9 John 20:1-2,11-18 Wednesday, July 23 (604) Bridget of Sweden Galatians 2:19-20 Psalm 34:2-11 John 15:1-8 Thursday, July 24 (398) Sharbel Makhlüf, priest Jeramiah 2:1-3,7-8,12-13 Psalm 36:6-11 Matthew 1:10-17 Friday, July 25 (605) James, apostle 2 Corinthians 4:7-15 Psalm 126:1bc-6 Matthew 20:20-28 Saturday, July 26 (400) Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary Jeramiah 7:1-11 Psalm 84:3-6a,8a,11 Matthew 13:24-30 Sunday, July 27 (109) Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Kings 3:5,7-12 Psalm 119:57,72,76-77,127-130 Romans 8:28-30 Matthew 13:44-52

Mass Intentions
Saturday, July 19, 5:00pm Ethel Vanderhagen ₽
Sunday, July 20, 8:30am Frank Hannon ₽
Sunday, July 20, 10:30am Patricia Leahey ₽
Monday, July 21, 8:15am Marianas Tadena む
Tuesday, July 22, 8:15am McCluskey Family ₽
Wednesday, July 23, 8:15am George Duarte Jr. ₽
Thursday, July 24, 8:15am John Rodriguez ♥
Friday, July 25, 8:15am Katherine Neal 🕏
Saturday, July 26, 5:00pm Lorraine Kauffman ♥
Sunday, July 27, 8:30am J.C. Gonzalez 라
Sunday, July 27, 10:30am Rosa Maria Rocco ₽

Prayer List (Call 760-758-4100 x102 to add a name for four weeks.) Changa Aguilera Mary Alexander Carrie Autrey Joshua Avery 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 Mary Bruzas Anita Buerger Tony Calderone Shelby Campbell Brianne Campos Aria Cappeluti The Vaughn Clevenger Family Dolly Cole Carl Coleman James Coleman Elaine Collins Carol Costa Marlene Coyne Steven Cresencia Lené Crowe Karen Flaharty Daley Marti Dawson Beverly de Gelder The DeFranco Family Hugo Delgado, Jr. Cecilia DeSimone Carla DiAngelis Carole Dillon Edward Dolnik Art & Dave Dossman John Drazkowski, Jr. John Drazkowski, Jr. La Vonne Dumas Carolyn Erickson Ey Sally Fay Victoria Lopez Fenton The Fiore Family Mary Fleming 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 Theresa Goeltz Helen Gomez Wendy Gonzales' Dad Rick Gonzalez George Gritt Pat & Tom Hannon The Harker Family Dorothy Harrison Barbara Hatem Heidi Heaton Lilian Hills William Hokama Samara Hook Susan Hori Irene Howe Rick Hughes Iolanda Iacobelli Linda Iacobelli Bennett Sue Johnston Joan Jones Laura Kater Dottie Kearney Connor Kerzie Peggy Kiernan Debbie Kinney Mark Kneisel Dewey Kolbo The Koonce Family Tony Korwin Helen Kuhn Lillian Lachance The Lamelin Family Bernie Lanzrath Brandon LeBlanc Jeremiah Lemus David Leué The Paul Leué Family

Ashley Load Shirley Loggins Cassandra & Lauren Loretto Jack Lucarelli Joaquin Maldonado Paige Mansell Alexander Mathews Chandler May Virginia McConnell Bob McWilliams Kalei Mendiola Bill Metzger Phyllis Minaya June Mitchell Nancy Moore Elizabeth Muehlbacher Conrad Murphy Margie Myers Nida Navarro The Noles Family Richard Obsitnik Ethan Palm Perry Postulka Douglas Price-Williams The Joe Prokop Family Bernie Ptak Barbara Ramm Fr. Mike Ratajczak Jan Riley Connie Ringel Rita Ritchie Lily Robinson The Rosa Family Dorothy Rouse The Russo Family Rachel Sainc Cindy Sanelli Linda Schmidt Joan Shea Elizabeth Shirzad Dave Simonson Dave Sinonson Nick Soltau Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski Patricia St. Pierre Sybil Staples Mike Sterling Pete Sullivan Julie Teare Jim Thompson Tommy & Ginger Thompson Sarah Tillinghast 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 Wilson Wanner Kevin Watson-Graff Kevin Watson-Graff The Welch Famly Paul West John Whitton Patricia Zavala Jeanne Zeltner **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 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

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

Schedule and Calendar			
Jul 20	Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses		
Jul 20	Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Virgin		
Jul 22	Steubenville San Diego Orientation Meeting		
Jul 25-27	Steubenville San Diego Teen Retreat at USD		
Jul 27	Knights of Columbus Breakfast		
Jul 27	Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Virgin		
Jul 29	Confirmation 2015 Make Up Meeting		
Aug 5-6	Restaurant Fundraiser at Elephant Bar		
Aug 9	Men's Prayer Breakfast		
Aug 15	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Mass at 8:15am and 7:00pm		
Aug 17	New Member Luncheon		
Aug 19-20	Restaurant Fundraiser at Nucci's		
Aug 24	Pastor's Dinner		
Aug 31	Year 1 Confirmation Parent Meeting		
Sep 4	Spirited Seniors Ice Cream Social		
Oct 4	Treasures Rummage Sale		
Oct 10-12	Men's Retreat		
Oct 25	L!feWalk at Mission Bay		
2015			
May 1	STM Gala		

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

## **Pray for Women Religious**

Please join us in praying for the women religious who serve in the Diocese of San Diego. They have been assigned to days of the year in alphabetical order.

July 21
Sr. Charlene Del Bianco, CSJ
July 22
Sr. Pauline Dibb, CSJP
July 23
Sr. Mary Dietz, SSND
July 24
Sr. Carlotta DiLorenzo, CSJ
July 25
Sr. M. Ursula Doherty, RSM
July 26
Sr. Mary Agnes Dombroski, DMML
July 27
Sr. Maria Dowhaniuk, SFCC

## Social Ministries & Outreach

## Attention Get On The Bus Supporters

We have recently discovered that a "check mailing" to Get On the Bus did not arrive at their office as expected.

If you made a check out to Get On the Bus and gave it to St. Thomas More for delivery, please check your records. If the check has not yet cleared, please void the check. If you wish to replace the check, please send it directly to:

Get on the Bus 6400 Laurel Canyon, STE 304 North Hollywood, CA 91606

If you have any questions, contact Sr. Maureen at 760-758-4100 x131. We regret any inconvenience this may have caused you.

#### Hearts Wide Open: A Parish Mission

Jack Jezreel, M.Div., the Founder and President of JustFaith Ministries, an organization dedicated to creating, supporting and inspiring commitment to social ministry, will be giving a Parish Mission on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, July 21, 22, and 23, at St. James-St. Leo Catholic Community, Parish Hall, 570 Nardo Ave., Solana Beach. To pre-register, contact 858-755-2545 x107 or *Katie@stjames-stleo.com*.

## Faith Encounters the Ecological Crisis

Are you concerned about the forces that are threatening the ecological systems in which we live? Would you like to learn more about the challenges we face in caring for our mother earth?

Beginning the week of September 15, the group will meet once a week for 8 weeks. This JustFaith module was designed as a community learning process built



around the book, *Living Beyond the End of the World, A Spirituality of Hope*, by Margaret Swedish. The module has a strong focus on Catholic social teaching and asks very big questions about our priorities, our moral values, what we owe the world now and the future generations that come after us, and what God intended for this creation.

If you are interested in attending an information meeting or signing up now for this course, please contact Sr. Maureen at 760-672-8257 x 131 or *maureenb@stmoside.org*. The meeting time and day/evening of the week will be decided by the group.

### St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive (November 8-9)

Our clothing drive this year will be on November 8-9. While that seems a long way off, the time will pass quickly. The St. Bonaventure Mission is in great need of clothing, blankets, and shoes to give to the hundreds of Navajo Indians they serve. We at STM are the major source of providing these items through your generosity. We are the only dedicated drive to assist them in clothing, etc by our contributions of gently used items to these impoverished people. Please continue the generosity you have shown for the past 20 years. If you have any questions or desire to help, contact Deacon Tom at thomasgoeltz@aol.com or 760-727-8442. Thank you and God Bless You!

## Marriage & Family Life

Moms & Kids—Moms! Summer break is here! If you are a mom with infant through 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 Mondays of July at a local park, 10:00am-12:00noon. There



are many other events within our community throughout the month posted on our private Facebook page. Join us! Contact Jen Abelson at *jen.abelson@gmail.com*.

**Pray for Life, Marriage and Religious Liberty—Marriage Unique for a Reason:** For a wealth of Church teaching on marriage, statements by United States Bishops on marriage, and many other tools to equip ourselves in the efforts to defend marriage as a sacred union of one man and one woman, go to *http://www.marriageuniqueforareason.org/* on the internet.

**Bishop's Letter on Marriage—Love and Life In The Divine Plan: Life-Affirming** "Even when their child-bearing years have passed, a couple should continue to be life affirming. They can do this by staying involved in the lives of young people, and especially their grandchildren, as spiritual mentors, teachers, and wisdom figures." To read the document go to *http:// www.usccb.org/loveandlife/.* 

**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.wwme.org* or contact Eddie and Sheila Murphy at 760-295-0008.

**Marriage Moments**— "For we do not know how to pray as we ought" (Romans 8:26). Prayer is good for anyone, at any time, but many couples are afraid to pray together. It may feel like letting another into one's private world. Check out *http://www.foryourmarriage.org/10-pointers-for-prayer/* or *http://www.susanvogt.net/PDF/PDF M-Who Me Pray With Her1.pdf* for a start. By Susan Vogt, *www.SusanVogt.net*.

**Parenting Pointers**— "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field" (Mt: 13: 36). Jesus talks a lot about seeds and weeds. Children of course are like the seeds that we nurture and hope to see blossom. But life doesn't always work neatly. As parents, we must sometimes carefully weed bad habits out of ourselves and our children without damaging the root and their spirit. Has your child inherited "bad weeds" from you? Prune yourself first. By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net.

For more information, visit *www.diocese-sdiego.org*/Ministries/ Marriage and Family Life or call Jen Frost at 858-692-7438.

> Visit the Parish Website! www.stmoside.org

## **Parish Events**

## Attention Men!

The next Men's Fellowship meeting will be on Friday, August 8, at 7:00pm. Also mark your calendars for a Men's Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, August 9. For more information, contact Deacon John Fredette at *johnf@stmoside.org* or 760-758-4100 x132.

## Women's Guild News

We're back!! Not that summer is over, but the Women's Guild leaders are already making plans for next year. We want to make it fun, relaxing, prayerful, prize-winning, delicious, welcoming, and successful in supporting our Parish with enjoyable fundraisers and making our members, new and old, feel at home by meeting and making old and new friends. We would love to expand our membership, even to those who can't make the regular meetings. We're planning Saturday events for those of you who work during the week. If you can't find a ride, we'll try to find you one. If you are new to the Parish, welcome. We want you to join us and have you put some pizzazz in your life.

We will be enrolling new members in the coming weeks, so please fill out the form from last week's bulletin, pick one up at the table on the plaza after Mass, or download one from the Parish website (www.stmoside.org). You can also get one from the Parish Office. Our first meeting is on Monday, September 14, at 11:00am.

We look forward to another wonderful year together. Don't forget to sign up! —*Ann Buko, president* 

## All About Eyes Class at STM

Anyone experiencing visual problems and desiring more information on resources that can be beneficial will get answers to many questions regarding visual impairments and eye health from a possible class facilitated by the Braille Institute in September. You do not have to be visually disabled to take this class. If you are interested, please sign up at the table on the plaza the weekends of July 26-27 or August 2-3. We need at least four people signed up to offer the class. For more information, contact Ann Eriksson at 760-599-7151.

## **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 June 17 we have netted \$52,402 from this program. Thank you donors!



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

## **Memorial Item Donations**

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

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

Listed below are items still available for adoption.

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

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

Pine Organ	\$850,000
Pipe Organ	<b>\$050,000</b>
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) 848 available	\$300/person
Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs (200) 131 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.

## Liturgy & Music<sub>Worship</sub> God

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

## THE FEAST OF ST. SOMEDAY

Robert Wolterstorff was the first bishop of the Episcopal diocese of San Diego. Bishop Wolterstorff died April 24, 2007 at the age of 92.

Music

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5:00pm

Praise Team

8:30am

Tower Bells

10:30am

Sanctuary Choir

A Church periodical I once read suggested we should have a "someday week," because there are already so many observances during the year in behalf of this, that and the other thing. Why not one more?

The article also said that scarcely a week passed that one does not say, "Someday, we'll..." Someday is the day we are going to take our family or just the grandchildren to the Zoo, or Sea World, or Disneyland. Our someday is the day we are going to turn off our television and read a good book so that we will really learn something new.

What would this world be like today if the apostles had answered our Lord's call to follow him by saying, "Someday?" We have all heard friends say, "How good life is going to be someday, when I can finally retire." I retired 24 years ago, but I am still an active person who enjoys life each day and I look forward to each new day. Instead of someday, now is the acceptable time to become more involved in the life of your parish church.

Please don't think of the Church as a Upcoming pyramid with your pastor at the pinnacle. Rather think of your Church as a circle with Jesus Christ in the center and a community of clergy and laity together, gathered JULY 27 around ministering to each other. 17th Sunday in The reason we gather each week in **Ordinary Time** 

> You may be the only Gospel your neighbor will ever hear.

> > -St. Francis of Assisi

God's house is to scatter-to go out and bring others into Christ's holy fellowship.

St. Francis of Assisi once wrote, "You may be the only Gospel your neighbor will ever hear." Yes, what we do often speaks louder than what we say. Perhaps it is you who will be the only one to carry Jesus' message to someone who knows him not.

Why was there such tremendous power in the early Church? Because all the followers of Christ understood that they had a ministry to perform. When the Church began to place the responsibility for ministry the on ordained professionals it was no longer the salt of the earth or the light of the world. Problems that do occur in churches may well stem from our attitude of just coming to get, rather than coming to give.

Christ's ministry through us begins once we really become concerned for others we know who are ill or lonely and in need of help or support.

St. Paul once said for us to live our lives now and not to wait for that someday. We must share our joys and sorrows as well as life's triumphs and defeats.

Our Lord asked Simon, Andrew, James, and John to leave a profitable business and follow him. As we seek to follow Christ in today's world, we must mirror the concern that the Church is essential to God's plan of salvation. We can lead a good life apart from Christ, but not a Christian life.

Once I saw a child on TV dig deep into a peanut butter jar and bring out a mound of glistening goodness and spread it on a piece of bread and then bite into it. This ad really



Matthew 13:31

caught my eye as I, too, am addicted to peanut butter. But, this reminded me of many other commercials-a fork full of fluffy pancakes, dripping with syrup; chocolate stretching from the end of a candy bar; pizza with cheese melting; a doubledecker hamburger with a bite missing. All say, "Taste and see how good it is."

Then I began to wonder if we are not all living commercials, because the things we do and say sell something all day long; be it assurance, doubt, fear, faith, discouragement, anger, peace, or love.

As Christians we are doing God's commercials for the best product in the world. There is no one who doesn't need it. What is our product? Christ's Gospel.

This means that we must be willing to offer more than lip service to the problems of unemployment, undernourishment, and inadequate housing. Once we show forth in our lives what we believe in our hearts, a new spirit will develop in our greater community.

Our responsibility is to know the Christ and to make him known. Remember that the seeds of tomorrow are sown today. What the world needs to see in you and me is Christ as we radiate his love.

Not on the Feast of St. Someday, but now!

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**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**

#### **Did You Miss the Meeting Again?** Confirmed in Christ

Teens who would like to be part of Confirmation in 2015 and are over the age of 15 must attend

this LAST opportunity make-up meeting.

There will be a parent/teen information meeting on Tuesday July 29, at 7:00pm.

Come check out our AMAZING new program! CHOSEN!



## It's Here!! Theology of the Body For 10th graders and Older

Please join us for a potluck dinner and 6 sessions of Theology of the Body on Friday nights at 6:30pm.

July 18; August 1, 8, 22,29,\; September 5

Contact Debbie in the Faith Formation office for more information ..

## FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS

Your child's First Communion banner can be picked up this weekend after all the Masses. Please see Debbie at the Faith Formation table.

For photos, visit the Parish website, *www.stmoside.org*, and select item 4 on the slider panel for a link to the album.

## Expecting ??

Why not schedule your Baptismal appointment today before the arrival of your little one? Please contact the Faith Formation Office at 760-758-4100 x110 debbief@stmoside.org for more or information.



## **Adult Faith Formation**

#### Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Virgin Featuring Dr. Edward Sri

Join us for the final two sessions of an 8-part series

following the 10:30am Mass on Sundays, July 20 and 27, at 12:00noon (potluck)

#### All Are Welcome!





Contact Debbie in the Faith Formation Office to Answer the Call From Jesus to Help!



## **Steubenville San Diego Parent Meeting** Tuesday, July 22, 7:00pm

Steubenville is right around the corner! Mark your calendars to attend the mandatory information night for parents and teens. Contact Rory at roryg@stmoside.org for more information.

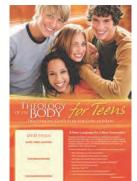
## Teen Life Night

We will have our normal "Life Night" youth group at the beach on Monday, July 21, 2:00-9:00pm (Oceanside Harbor, next to the playground.). Pick up a permission form at the Parish Office or on the Ignite Youth Ministry FaceBook page. Bring a snack to share!



## Guys & Girls Group Is Awesome!

Join us every Wednesday night from 6:30-7:30pm for our "Guys & Girls" group. This is a great opportunity to build accountability, friendships, and find out our role as young men and women in the church and community. Bring a FRIEND and a snack to share.



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#### July 20, 2014

Director of Stewardship & Development chriss@stmoside.org; 758-4100 x120

Chris Smith

# Stewardship & Development Serve God's People

A Way to Give ~ A Way to Receive



## Designated Bank Accounts, Wills, Living Trusts, Stocks, Life Insurance, Mutual Funds, Real Estate, Endowments

Planned Giving is a generic term that covers the many ways an individual can give to a charity while, in many cases avoiding taxes. A few examples of Planned Giving are: Designated Beneficiary Accounts, Wills, Living Trusts, Stocks, Life Insurance, Mutual Funds, Endowments, and Real Estate.

This program is one way of helping the Parish raise the resources necessary to continue our campus buildout and also help plan for our future needs (i.e., Tower of Faith participants). Gifts of this nature are beneficial and much appreciated by St. Thomas More.

**For more information please contact:** Chris Smith at 760-758-4100 x120 or *chriss@stmoside.org*.

## "... A Time To Build!" includes our Faith journey as well as the build out of our Parish Campus.

## Collection for Week of July 12/13, 2014

Number of Registered Households	1,090
Offertory*	\$ 8,885.94
Offertory (Loose Collection)	743.00
Children's envelopes	 0.00
Total	\$ 9,628.94

\* 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*.

## 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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## Fifteen Random Stewardship Ideas for the Month of July

- 1. Think of a charity which is amply blessed at Christmas. Remember them with a gift mid-year.
- 2. Invite a single friend over for a meal.
- 3. Attend an extra Mass on a weekday this month.
- 4. Abstain from something you like—meat, a latte, a cold drink—on Fridays and save the money for a charity.
- 5. Take your rosary with you for an early morning walk.
- 6. Recycle more.
- 7. Each day, say a prayer for one of the world's trouble spots.
- 8. Turn off the TV, phone, and computer, and spend an hour devoted to someone you love.
- 9. Surprise an old friend with a phone call.
- 10. Buy or pick a flower for someone without a "reason."
- 11. Take your family to a farmers' market if in season.
- 12. Stop for a moment during your busy day and enjoy an ice cream cone or other favorite treat.
- 13. If you hear a great homily, tell the homilist.
- 14. Splurge on some produce and buy enough to share with someone in need.
- 15. On occasion, try turning your prayer before meals into a spontaneous prayer of thanks, using your own words.

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Continuous effort ~ not strength or intelligence ~ is the key to unlocking our potential.

—Winston Churchill

## 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*.

Healing Workshop for Men Saddened by a Past Abortion— Saturday, July 26, 9:00am-6:00pm, Diocesan Pastoral Center, 3888 Paducah Dr., San Diego. For more information or to register, contact 858-581-3022 or visit *www.RachelsHope.org*.

**Monthly Holy Hour for Priestly and Religious Vocations**— Third Wednesday of each month (next is August 20), 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.

**National Catholic Singles Conference**—August 8-10, San Diego. Fellowship, fun, inspiring talks, Mass, adoration, socials, and dancing. To register, visit *www.NationalCatholicSingles.com* or call 830-714-4677.

**Concert at Áegis at Shadowridge (right across the street from STM)**—Thursday, August 14, 6:00-8:00pm, featuring the Route 77 Band. Free event.

**Church Ministers Conference: Our Life Is Mission**—Saturday, September 13, 9:00am-3:30pm, Cathedral Catholic High School, 5555 Del Mar Heights Rd., San Diego 92130. Keynote speaker is Patrick Coffin. Sponsored by the Dioces of San Diego Office for Evangelization and Catechetical Ministry.

**LifeWalk 2014**—October 25—mark your calendars now. Plan to invigorate life by walking, sponsoring, or sponsoring a walker. More information at *www.lplifewalk.com*.

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**—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.

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

**Retrouvaille for Troubled Marriages**—A three-month program that consists of a weekend experience combined with seven post sessions. It is designed to provide the tools to help put marriages in order again. Upcoming weekend sessions are June 20-22 and September 19-21. For details, call 951-259-9475 or visit *www.retrosandiego.org.* 



## **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*.

## **Online Rosary**

Pray the rosary online-visit www.therosary3.com

Catholic Radio—AM 1000/Sirius 130—San Diego Visit *ihradio.com/sandiego* 

## News from St. Francis Church

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> Contact Mike Nichols & Andrea Sweeney: <u>scrip@stmoside.org</u>

> > Chair Setup

## Moms & Kids





Summer is here! Want to meet other moms & make friends for both you and your children? Join us for playdates at the beach, family picnics, faith sharing, and more!

Contact

Jen Abelson: jen.abelson@gmail.com Lia Haubert: <u>lthaubert@yahoo.com</u>



Have a busy schedule but still want to help out? Come one Saturday per month to help set up chairs for weekend Masses. Anyone who can lift a chair is invited to help!

> Contact Lorraine Doering: lorrained@stmoside.org



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Come dine with us! Adults \$7; Children \$4 (age 5 & under free) Families with 2 or more children \$22 maximum All those who celebrated First Eucharist in May/June eat free!

> Reservations (6 or more) 760-717-5524 or BakerJamesL39@gmail.com





## STATEMENT OF CALIFORNIA BISHOPS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DISPLACED MIGRANT CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TO CALIFORNIA

In recent days, the people of our state have witnessed the arrival of hundreds of displaced people, mostly women and children, to various locations in Southern California. The Bishops of California wish to express our solidarity with these immigrant brothers and sisters who are coming to our state and to offer our prayer that God will deliver them to the safe environment they seek.

We also recognize our responsibility as a Church of compassion to come to their aid and help provide them with the practical and pastoral support they so need.

These children and families have journeyed to our country, fleeing violence and destitution in Central America. Sadly, their experience in California has thus far been marked by hostility and near chaos. They are exhausted, afraid and clinging to hope.

The gravity of this situation transcends politics; it is truly a humanitarian crisis that calls all of us, Catholics and others of good will, to respond with compassion and with urgent action.

The response of Catholic agencies and other community-based groups has already begun. Catholic Charities, working in collaboration with directly affected dioceses and other service organizations, is mobilizing to help these immigrants in centers of hospitality and assistance. Many individuals have contacted our parishes and social service agencies asking how they can help. This reflects the best of the American spirit.

We are particularly concerned about the safety and security of the thousands of unaccompanied children that have crossed our border, without a parent or guardian and without family ties to the US. They desperately need our help.

Federal officials believe that groups of migrants will continue to arrive throughout the summer. The most affected dioceses will be asking parishioners and others for donations of time and money. We ask you to respond to this call. In this critical moment, Jesus' parable of the Good Samaritan reminds us of what we are called to do.

Federal, state and local government agencies also have a role to play in responding to this heartbreaking situation. We urge Congress to appropriate the resources necessary to care for unaccompanied children. We also urge opposition to the "fast track authority" requested by the

Administration that could send children back to the violence they attempted to flee without a proper hearing—and in violation of their rights.

We recognize the passion surrounding this issue. We call on all Californians of good will to express themselves with civility and respect, and to refrain from violence. We ask the Catholic community to join together in solidarity with these children of God, our brothers and sisters, to provide help and give them hope.

Our strength as a nation has always been a matter of the heart. May the heart of Christ guide the people of California to a just and compassionate response for these huddled masses of children gathered at our door.

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## HOW WE CAN HELP

## Bring any of the following items to weekend Masses or to the Parish Office:

- Baby Wipes Baby Formula Baby Bottles Baby food (in plastic if possible) Diapers in all sizes Anti-bacterial lotion/dispensers Coloring books Crayons
- Soft toys for small children
  Playing cards or puzzles for older children
  Small towels and small soaps
  Juice boxes
  Sealed snacks
  Women's NEW underwear and socks
  Women's hygiene products

## Make a monetary donation:

Catholic Charities of California, Inc. Children and Families Emergency Fund 1107 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 707 Sacramento, CA 95814

## **Provide housing:**

Host a family for 3 to 10 days. You would need a room with access to a bathroom, a granny flat, or basement apartment. Contact Rabbi Laurie at *RabbiLaurie@ICWJ.org*.

## Volunteer:

Volunteers who can transport families to the bus station on their way to reunite with family. Send an email with your name, phone number, and email address. Spanish speakers are heartily invited and non-Spanish speakers are great was well! Contact *Elizabeth@JCWJ.org*.

Questions? Contact Sr. Maureen at 760-758-4100 x131 or maureenb@stmoside.org (ICWJ—Interfaith Center for Worker Justice)



