

**SAINT
THOMAS
MORE
CATHOLIC
CHURCH**

O woman, great is your faith.

Matthew 15:21-28



*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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Cooperative Missionary Appeal

The attached envelope may be returned any time this month with your contribution toward the missionary work of Fr. Antony. See page 9 for more details.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 17, 2014

Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak
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The Charism of Permanence

St. Thomas More Parish has an abundance of married couples who have been married for 50 years, 60 years, and even more.

This gift of so many marriages that have lasted for so long is a real witness of faith for the entire Parish, and especially for younger married couples in their efforts to be faithful to their marital duties and responsibilities.

On a fairly regular basis, I have the opportunity and the privilege of presiding over anniversary celebrations with renewal of marriage vows. Each one is always a special moment for me, and I know it is for the family who celebrates.

These celebrations remind us that permanent commitments are possible. And not only are they possible, they are incredibly needed today. Maybe more so today than ever before!

As I lead in the celebration of the Eucharist with families celebrating, let's say, 50 years of life and love, of joy and struggle, the message is shouted out in the silences of the Mass— "Yes, all the hard work and sacrifice were worth it! There is peace, stability, and security that has been created and given to this family because of our decision to be faithful to God and to one another. We have given a precious gift to our children and grandchildren that will make a difference in their lives. And there were no shortcuts to this gift! It simply took 50 years to create the gift!"

There are no easy routes and shortcuts with Gospel living. Jesus demonstrated that to us with the giving of his very life. If we want to hand on good gifts, real inheritance, to our children and grandchildren, it will cost us dearly. It will cost us in our efforts to be faithful and to be committed to the promises we make to each other.

There are many people in our world today who believe that lifetime commitments are not possible or that they are not needed.

Our Faith teaches us otherwise. Our God is the Faithful Lover. We are reminded of this over and over again in the Scriptures. God says through Moses and his prophets, "I am your God. You are my people and I shall be with you always."

The basis of our Faith is that God has chosen us, each and every one of us, to live in covenant with him. Our God is the God who never walks away from us, who is always there for us, no matter how many times we may walk away from God. The God who loves us unconditionally is the God who calls us each day to live in covenant with God.

As married persons, as vowed religious, as single people living and awaiting God's promises in our lives, we are called to be faithful to one another, day in and day out— as God is faithful to us.

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The most needed charism in this new millennium, I believe, is the charism of permanence—the belief that we can make covenants with one another as God has made with us; that we can be faithful to one another, unconditionally, as God has been faithful to us—in life, until death, into eternity.

The most needed charism for this new millennium is the charism of permanence. As a People of Faith, let us imitate our God and give this gift to our families, friends, and world. This gift of permanence, for which we are willing to sacrifice until death, does bring peace, stability, and security to the next generation!

Can we, and with God's help, are we willing to say to those around us, as our God says to us, "I am your spouse, your lover, your friend, your parent, your sibling, your child, and you are my 'people.' I will ALWAYS be with you?"

Let us pray for each other as we continue to "permanentize" our relationships.

Fr. Mike

With Gratitude

My children and I are very grateful to the Faith Community of STM. Fr. Mike, the Bereavement Ministry, our beautiful choir, Henny, a devoted staff, and every member of our Parish have shown such love and compassion to us over the past few difficult years, and all of you have brought us even closer to God and to one another. We feel blessed to have become Parishioners of St. Thomas More Church and to share our faith with all of you. Thank you all for your prayers, the Masses to be said for Dick, and your donations to our Church and to the Alzheimer's Association. —Ann McGeary and Family

Update on Bishop Flores

The letter below was sent to all of the priests of the Diocese from Bishop Flores on August 8:

Dear brother priests,

As part of the process of ongoing recovery from the stroke I had in mid-April, I have concluded that it would be good for me to spend some time at the rectory of Our Lady of Angels Cathedral in Los Angeles where I can receive continuing treatment and support. I thank Archbishop José Gomez for his friendship and extension of hospitality and ask you my brothers to pray for me during my weeks in Los Angeles.

During the time of my absence from the diocese, I have entrusted to Msgr. Steve Callahan the responsibility of ordinary diocesan administration. I am very grateful for your prayers and expressions of care and support. I continue to pray for all of you in your service to our diocese.

In Christ our Savior,
Most Reverend Cirilo Flores
Bishop of San Diego

Please continue to pray for Bishop Flores as he moves through his healing and recovery. —Fr. Mike

**Welcome New Parishioners**

Peter & Martha Cannon
Sam & Alison Phinney & Family

Announcing the Baptism of

Alice Mae Stechsulte
on August 1
Sterling Aurelius Fiore
on August 10



Our Christian community welcomes you with great joy!

Congratulations to

Clement & Phillis Hall

who celebrated their **56th** wedding anniversary August 9.

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

Rosary

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

**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 the Gospel reading for Monday, August 4, in honor of St. John Vianney, our Lord told his followers that the need for workers is great but the workers few...the same is true today! Have you felt the calling to become a priest, deacon, or vowed religious but been afraid to follow it up? Don't be. They are great vocations and much in need. Serving God and his people in such a manner is also a rewarding career. Explore the possibilities! Contact Deacon Tom at thomasgoeltz@aol.com or 760-727-8442.

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.

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, August 17 (118)
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Isaiah 56:1,6-7
 Psalm 67:2-3,5-6,8
 Romans 11:13-15,29-32
 Matthew 15:21-28
Monday, August 18 (623A)
Jane Frances de Chantal, religious
 Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
 Psalm 131:1b-3
 Mark 3:31-35
Tuesday, August 19 (624)
John Eudes, priest
 Ephesians 3:14-19
 Psalm 131:1b-3
 Matthew 11:25-30
Wednesday, August 20 (625)
Bernard, abbot and doctor
 Sirach 15:1-7
 Psalm 119:9-14
 John 17:20-26
Thursday, August 21 (626)
Pius X, pope
 1 Thessalonians 2:2b-8
 Psalm 89:2-3, 4-5, 21-22, 25 and 27
 John 21:15-17
Friday, August 22 (627)
The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Isaiah 9:1-6
 Psalm 113:1-8
 Luke 1:26-38
Saturday, August 23 (424)
Rose of Lima
 Ezekiel 43:1-7b
 Psalm 85:9-14
 Matthew 23:1-12
Sunday, August 24 (121)
Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Isaiah 22:19-23
 Psalm 138:1-3,6,8
 Romans 11:33-36
 Matthew 16:13-20

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 16, 5:00pm DeWayne Postulka ☩ & Mary Ann Postulka
Sunday, August 17, 8:30am Florence Crull ☩
Sunday, August 17, 10:30am Bill & Theresa Goeltz
Monday, August 18, 8:15am Ernesto & Elena Vozza ☩
Tuesday, August 19, 8:15am Jacinto Mangahas ☩
Wednesday, August 20, 8:15am Patti Moder ☩
Thursday, August 21, 8:15am Mary Kay Solomon ☩
Friday, August 22, 8:15am Mario Vozza ☩
Saturday, August 23, 5:00pm Deacon Arnold Hess ☩
Sunday, August 24, 8:30am Marilyn Day
Sunday, August 18, 10:30am Ted Stanislawski ☩

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

The Adalian Family
 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
 Jack & Mary Bruzas
 Anita Buerger
 Tony Calderone
 Shelby Campbell
 Brianna Campos
 Aria Cappeluti
 Baby Caroline
 The Vaughn Clevenger Family
 The Cobian Family
 Sylvia Christine Coffee
 Dolly Cole
 Carl & Dorothy Coleman
 James Coleman
 Elaine Collins
 Carol Costa
 Steven Cresencia
 Lené Crowe
 Karen Flaharty Daley
 Marti Dawson
 Beverly de Gelder
 Hugo Delgado, Jr.
 Cecilia DeSimone
 Carole Dillon
 Edward Dolnik
 Art & Dave Dossman
 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
 Wendy Gonzales' Dad
 Rick Gonzalez
 Wade Griggs
 George Griff
 Luke Guenst
 Pat & Tom Hannon
 The Harker Family
 Mark Harlin
 Dorothy Harrison
 The Hartdegen Family
 Barbara Hatem
 Heidi Heaton
 Lilian Hills
 William Hokama
 Samara Hook
 Susan Hori
 Rick Hughes
 Iolanda Iacobelli
 Linda Iacobelli Bennett
 Laura Kater
 Dottie Kearney
 Connor Kerzie
 Peggy Kiernan
 Shirley & Mel Kimmel
 Tana King
 Debbie Kinney
 Mark Kneisel
 Dewey Kolbo
 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
 Sr. Mary Mark
 Alexander Mathews
 Chandler May
 Virginia McConnell
 Bob McWilliams
 Joyce Meehan
 Kalei Mendiola
 Bill Metzger
 Phyllis Minaya
 June Mitchell
 Nancy Moore
 Elizabeth Muehlbacher
 Conrad Murphy
 Margie Myers
 Nida Navarro
 Richard Obsitnik
 Bernadette Padovan
 Ethan Palm
 Perry Postulka
 Douglas Price-Williams
 The Joe Prokop Family
 Evi Quinn
 Philip Ralph
 Barbara Ramm
 Jan Riley
 Connie Ringel
 Rita Ritchie
 Lily Robinson
 Dorothy Rouse
 The Russo Family
 Rachel Sainc
 Cindy Sanelli
 Linda Schmidt
 Joan Shea
 Elizabeth Shirzad
 Nick Soltau
 Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski
 Patricia St. Pierre
 Sybil Staples
 Mike Sterling
 Pete Sullivan
 The Sweet Family
 Julie Teare
 Tommy & Ginger Thompson
 Sarah Tillinghast
 William Tompson
 Stephen Toth, Jr.
 Olivia Trejo
 The Trejo/Beltran Family
 The Trejo/Maldonado/Uribe Family
 The Vasquez Family
 Lucy Vienna
 Vanessa Vitiello
 Wilson Wanner
 Kevin Watson-Graff
 Paul West
 John Whitton
 Carmen Wolf
 Patricia Zavala
 Jeanne Zeltner

Calendar Highlights

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

Aug 17	New Member Luncheon
Aug 18	Moms & Kids meet at Shadowridge Park
Aug 18	XLT Praise and Worship
Aug 19-20	Restaurant Fundraiser at Nucci's
Aug 23-24	Baby Bottle Drive for Birth Choice
Aug 24	Pastor's Dinner
Aug 31	Year 1 Confirmation Parent Meeting
Sep 4	Spirited Seniors Ice Cream Social
Sep 19	All About Eyes Class
Sep 28	Knights of Columbus Breakfast
Oct 4	Treasures Rummage Sale
Oct 10-12	Men's Retreat
Oct 25	LfFeWalk at Mission Bay

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May 1	STM Gala
Jun 22-26	Vacation Bible Camp

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

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
 Lt. Devon Czarzasty
 Corp. Willie Deel
 Chaplain Van Dinh
 Lance Corp. Brandon Doyle, USMC
 Capt. Brandon 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.

August 18 Sr. Gloria Galvan, SFCC
August 19 Sr. Ruth Garbani, CSJ
August 20 Sr. Dina Marie Garcia, RJM
August 21 Sr. Mary Joseph Garcia, DCJ
August 22 Sr. Paula Garcia, HMSS
August 23 Sr. Peggy Garfield, CSN
August 24 Sr. Lorraine Genest, RJM

Social Ministries & Outreach

Baby Bottle Drive for Birth Choice

...our local pregnancy resource center, will be August 23-24. Pick up a baby bottle, fill it with your donation, and return it to the collection bin on the plaza in two weeks. For more information, contact Jane Kelleher at 760-822-7041.

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.

Our planet is in great distress, a combination of many factors that can best be summed up as the sheer scale of the human project, especially the stresses of population growth, demand on resources, and depletion of natural environments driven by industrialization and technology. Our faith supports our struggle to protect creation. We are not hanging out on a limb as we do this. Catholic social teaching has a rich reflection on the ecological challenges going back to Pope Paul VI.



If you are interested in attending an information meeting (Sunday, August 31, at 10:00am) or signing up now for this course, please contact Sr. Maureen at maureenb@stmoside.org or 760-758-4100 x131.

The weekly session day/time will be decided by the group at the information meeting. If you are especially interested in this topic each group needs 2 facilitators. The program has excellent planning suggestions and step by step processes.

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 class facilitated by the Braille Institute on Friday, September 19, 1:00-2:00pm. You do not have to be visually disabled to take this class. For more information or to sign up, contact Ann Eriksson at 760-599-7151.

St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive (November 8-9)

Buying new clothes for the new school year...or the fall season, and want to know where to dispose of the old? We will be holding our annual clothing drive for St. Bonaventure Mission on November 8-9. The Indians serviced by the Mission are in dire need of your gently used clothing, shoes, and bedding. Just place the old in a heavy duty black trash bag and save it for us, or contact Deacon Tom at thomasgoeltz@aol.com or 760-727-8442. Your help is greatly appreciated. God Bless!!!

The Spirited Seniors FREE Ice Cream Social

Ladies and gentlemen, 50 years or older, the Spirited Seniors are having a FREE ice cream social for members and prospective members on Thursday, September 4, 6:30-8:00pm in the Parish Center! More info, contact Cheryl Rowland at 760-726-5578.

Marriage & Family Life

Moms & Kids—Moms! The Moms and Kids ministry is meeting on the third Monday of August at Shadowridge Park in Vista, 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.



Relationship Skills Workshop—Deacon Ralph and Peggy Skiano of the Diocesan Marriage & Family Life Office are presenting Relationship Skills Workshops every Tuesday night at 7:00pm at Corpus Christi Parish Hall, 450 Corral Canyon Rd, Bonita, August 19-November 18. Come and explore how to improve your relationships. You can attend one workshop, several, or all of them. The first workshop is August 19 and the topic is *Building a Climate of Respect*.

Promoting 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—Marriage: Love and Life in the Divine Plan: Reproductive Technology—"The procreative capacity of man and woman should not be treated as just another means of technology, as also happens with in vitro fertilization (IVF) or cloning. When that happens, human life itself is degraded because it becomes, more and more, something produced or manufactured in various ways, ways that will only multiply as science advances. Children begin to be seen less as gifts received in a personal communion of mutual self-giving, and increasingly as a lifestyle choice, a commodity to which all consumers are entitled." 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— "A Canaanite woman...called out, 'Have pity on me, Lord!...My daughter is tormented by a demon.'" (Mt 15:22). Jesus healed the daughter. Sometimes it is our intense love for our children that drives us to seek God. Let a child be a vehicle of grace for you today. By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net.

Parenting Pointers— The Assumption. Mary's "Yes" of the Magnificat was the vehicle for God's entry into human history. Her Assumption into heaven brings closure to her role on earth— or does it? Just as the birth of your child is not the end of a mother's labor so when your child moves out of your home it is not the end of your parenting. By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net.

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

Parish Events

Attention Men!

Year three of “That Man is You!—The Revelation of the Father” begins September 6. The Revelation of the Father takes an honest look at the challenges facing fathers in modern culture, considers the reality of fatherhood, and discovers a mystery far deeper than a simple biological reality. TMIY integrates the latest medical science with the vision of St. Joseph presented in Scripture. The objectives of this program will be: Use the life of St. Joseph to discover the spiritual reality of fatherhood hidden beneath the biological reality. Show how God the Father lives his divine Fatherhood in and through human fathers. Identify the fury of Satan directed at fatherhood. Identify the challenges facing fatherhood today.

To register on-line, go to www.thatmanisyou.org and click on the “Sign up!” button or contact Deacon John at johnf@stmoside.org or 760-758-4100 x104.

Women’s Guild News

Thank you for sending in your registrations and renewals before the September 1 deadline. It makes it easier for the directory editor to have you listed before then. We are happy that more than 100 of you have already registered, and we have room for lots more. Remember, you don’t have to attend meetings to become a member. We need the support of ALL the women in the Parish for us to do our best to support the Parish needs. We want to celebrate you and pray for any needs you might have. And please, PLEASE, do not wait until the first meeting to renew your membership! Membership forms are on the Parish website and in the office.

It is also time for you to call and make your reservation for lunch for our first meeting on September 8. Contact Vera Bayliss, who has graciously agreed to head the Hospitality committee again this year, at 760-295-0059 or vbayliss@cox.net. She has some helpers, but is depending on us to help with clean-up after each meeting, which we are really good at doing ☺.

Another reminder: If you did not receive a copy of the revisions of the Women’s Guild Constitution and By-laws, please contact Henrietta Black at 760-759-8137 or hblack2@cox.net. Please read them so we can have them approved quickly at our September meeting. The changes reflect several changes that were approved by the membership in the past.

Blessings to you as we approach the end of summer. We’re still waiting for the rain, Lord !! ☺. —Ann Buko, president

The Knightly News

We would like to thank all of the Parishioners who attend our breakfast fund raisers. Your support of the Knights allows us to aid various church, local, and state organizations in their mission of helping others. Please reserve Sunday, September 28, for the next breakfast. It’s a great way to meet other Parishioners, have some friendly conversation, enjoy a leisurely breakfast, and support the Knights of Columbus.

As always, we greatly appreciate your participation. For more information about the Knights, please call Andy Frost at 858-245-6305.

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) 845 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.

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**



Liturgy & Music *Worship God*

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 Director of Liturgy & Music
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WHY SINGERS MAKE GOOD LAWYERS

by Marsha Nagorsky,
 from ChoralBlog,
 the blog of the
 American Choral
 Directors Association,
 posted May 6, 2014,
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 permission.

I haven't sung in a choir in over 20 years. Between a full-time job and parenting two young sons, regular rehearsal just isn't in the cards. But there isn't a day that goes by that I don't miss singing in a group, yearn for my days working to hold a difficult harmony or figure out a tricky rhythmic pattern, and enjoying the camaraderie that comes from the heady mixture of shared purpose and joyous delight that is collective musicianship.

While I studied music in high school and college, I ended up a patent lawyer, and now I work in a law

connected enough with a team to work together seamlessly. I learned to take turns taking the lead, to let each member of the group shine at the right time, for the betterment of the whole. I learned how to find joy in really hard work, and to take great pleasure in the small successes as well as the big ones. I learned how to find layers of meaning in small changes, how to analyze a work of creativity, and how not to analyze it so much as to make it lose its context. Every one of these skills are ones I have taken with me through my entire professional life.

I didn't just get teamwork skills and analytical training from my choir experiences—I also learned how to learn and how to teach. There's a reason that among my very few teachers with whom I still keep in touch are my junior high choir director and my voice teacher. Watching them work with me one-on-one and as part of a group of rowdy kids gave me example to follow when

dealing with students of every age and in every subject. My time as their student made me a better student overall, and definitely made me a better teacher.

The only place I sing anymore is in my synagogue, and I am so grateful to have that experience. But I am looking forward to someday getting back to one of the most formative experiences of my life, and once again finding a group of people with whom I can make music.

—Marsha Nagorsky is
 Associate Dean for Communications at
 the University of Chicago Law School.



John 1:1

Upcoming Music



The choirs and ensembles of St. Thomas More's music ministry are on summer break from July 28 to September 1. This five-week hiatus allows our musicians to sit with family and friends and to refresh the musical spirit that allows them to sing and play with vigor and deep spiritual commitment.

Music rehearsals resume after Labor Day. We will be back the weekend of September 6/7.

If you are interested in joining one of our choirs or ensembles in September, please contact Douglas (see above right).



school. It may seem counterintuitive to say that the most valuable training I received for being a lawyer was my musical training, but it is absolutely true. Lawyers are, at their very core, analytical thinkers, and the work lawyers do is mostly done in teams. A lawyer and a client, a lawyer and her colleagues, a lawyer and a judge are all working together to try to bring order to chaos, to try to separate wheat from chaff. The best training I ever got for that sort of work was singing with other people.

From group singing I learned how to concentrate completely on my own body and mind, while still staying



Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

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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

New Friends New Program
FUN!!
20 DAYS UNTIL REACH BEGINS!!

ARE YOU SIGNED UP???
GET YOUR ENROLLMENT PACKET IN TODAY!

For more information contact the Faith Formation office



Answer the Call from Jesus to Help as...

Catechists or Assistant Catechists
(two Sundays per month)
Liturgy of the Word for Children Leaders
(8:30am or 10:30am Mass)

XLT Praise and Worship Night Monday, August 18, 7:00pm Join Us! All Are Welcome!

See the postcard flyer in today's bulletin and share with friends!

PBJ Update

Food for Children at the Emergency Crisis Center

2014 GOAL: 365 pounds
Collected to date: 457 pounds



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 or debbief@stmoside.org for more information.



Try Out Our New Guys & Girls Group

Join us every Wednesday night from 6:30-8:00pm 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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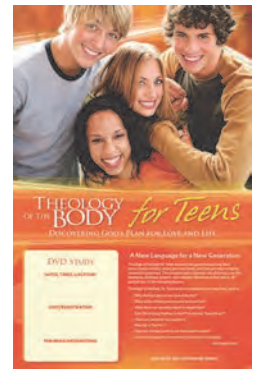
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These individuals (*several anonymous*) have included STM in their estate planning. This helps to ensure their ongoing support and a legacy for our Parish. *Towers of Faith* is a valuable portion of our future support.



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 August 9/10, 2014

Number of Registered Households		1,098
Offertory*	\$	17,136.60
Offertory (Loose Collection)		821.50
Children's envelopes		0.00
Total	\$	17,958.10

* 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: extra mail-back envelopes included in your packet or credit card and automatic checking/savings account deductions by signing up in the office or online. For more information, contact the Parish Office at 760-758-4100 x100 or parishoffice@stmoside.org.

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Christian Stewardship

Almost every place tourists visit has some kind of souvenir shop. Large or small, it's sure to be crowded with postcards, t-shirts, toys, and many other things.

Visitors seek it out, eager to purchase some item to help them remember their trip to the museum, state park, etc. In fact, the word "souvenir" is the French word "to remember."

But however beautiful the scenery, no matter how much fun an exhibit, what God has done for us is surely more important to remember. Yet how often do we see people crowding toward a collection plate in a church this way?



Of course, people do buy Bibles, religious music CDs, etc. Sometimes these are even bought to benefit their church directly. But do we always need something tangible in return to give God?

Christians are often asked to remember people in prayer. Shouldn't we also "remember" the church with offerings?

Responsible stewardship of treasure is the allocation of our paycheck between:

- ✠ *our offering envelope,*
- ✠ *day to day obligations,*
- ✠ *and towards personal expenditures.*
- ✠ *In that order.*

The blessings of "responsible stewardship" of our treasure becomes evident by the ease with which the required sum becomes available.

—Parish Publishing, LLC, July 2014 Stewardship Bulletin (with permission)

**I expect to pass through this world but once.
Any good therefore that I can do, or any kindness
that I can show for my fellow-creature, let me do it .
Let me not defer or neglect it,
for I shall not pass this way again.**

—Attributed to Stephen Grellet

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 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.

43rd Annual Southern California Renewal Communities Convention—August 29-31 at Anaheim Convention Center, “You Are the Light of the World.” Guest speaker is Msgr. John Esseff, spiritual director for Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta and friend of St. Padre Pio. Plus over 40 other speakers. Teen, Spanish, and Vietnamese tracks. Contact www.scrc.org or 818 771 1361 or spirit@scrc.org.

Paul J. Kim Live in Concert! at Mission San Luis Rey—Friday, September 5, 7:00pm, 4050 Mission Ave., Oceanside. Visit www.sanluisreyparish.org for more details.

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 Diocese of San Diego Office for Evangelization and Catechetical Ministry.

L!feWalk 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.

Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

Would you like to expand your social life and meet a group of interesting and friendly widowed people? For more information, call Carol Kope at 760-726-0533 or Gerri Wilmott at 760-758-9949. See the bulletin board on the lower level for our complete monthly calendar of social activities. RSVPs are required.

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, beach bonfires, and a relationships skills series.

Also, search *Office of Young Adult Ministry* on Facebook.

Missionary Cooperative Appeal

Dear St. Thomas More Parishioners,

Blessings to you from Fr. Antony Gaspar, a missionary from the Diocese of Dindigul in India. Our diocese is privileged to have the opportunity to share with you about our missionary work and seek your prayers and financial support on the weekend of August 16-17.

Our Diocese of Dindigul was newly created in 2003. We serve the needs of 2.95 million people of different faiths, but Catholics are only about 133,000. So the need for evangelization work is huge. But the resources to train catechists and faith educators and construct faith formation centers, churches, mission chapels, schools, orphanages, and primary health care centers are all daunting tasks for our diocese. Being a new diocese, we have to build it up from scratch, which requires a lot of resources. Currently our diocese has the responsibility to support 73 seminarians and 35 catechists who are in formation at various levels in order to meet our future spiritual, pastoral, and missionary needs. In addition, we provide housing, education, and medical services to 300 poor and orphaned children in our diocesan-administrated orphanage.

We depend upon the generosity of the people like you for all these needs. Therefore, we request that you pray for us and be generous at the special Mission Collection on the weekend of August 16-17. We deeply appreciate your kindness and generosity. —Fr. Antony

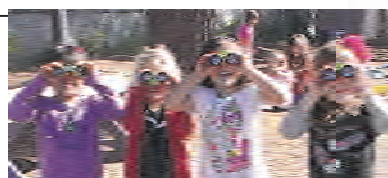
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