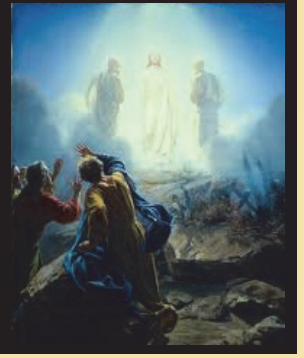


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*This is my beloved Son.*  
—Mark 9:2-10



A Roman Catholic Parish  
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✝ Spirituality  
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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

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

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#### PARISH LENTEN MISSION

The Language of Discipleship,  
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Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
March 2, 3, 4  
9:00am or 7:00pm  
Fr. Franklin Fong, OFM

## Second Sunday of Lent March 1, 2015

### Pastor's Column

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

#### 40 Things to Give up for Lent: The List

Pastor Phil Ressler, Pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in Old Bridge, New Jersey, has recently written a book entitled, *40 Things to Give up for Lent and Beyond*.

I would encourage the purchase and reading of his book during this Lenten Season. It can be obtained through Amazon and any number of other booksellers.

Pastor Ressler's website is [www.gs4nj.org](http://www.gs4nj.org)

Here is the List of things to consider giving up for Lent:

1. **Fear of Failure**—You don't succeed without experiencing failure. Just make sure you fail forward.
2. **Your Comfort Zone**—It's outside our comfort zones where new discoveries are made.
3. **Feelings of Unworthiness**—You are fearfully and wonderfully made by your Creator (Psalm 139:14).
4. **Impatience**—God's timing is the perfect timing.
5. **Retirement**—As long as you are still breathing, you are here for a reason. You have a purpose to influence others for Christ. Our work is not always tied to a paycheck.
6. **People Pleasing**—I can't please everyone anyways. There is only one I need to strive to please.
7. **Comparison**—I have my own unique contribution to make and there is no one else like me.
8. **Blame**—I am not going to pass the buck. I will take responsibility for my actions.
9. **Guilt**—I am loved by Jesus and he has forgiven my sins. Today is a new day and the past is behind.
10. **Overcommitment**—Do less better and accomplish more.
11. **Lack of Counsel**—Wise decisions are rarely made in a vacuum.
12. **Impurity**—Live lives pure and without blemish.
13. **Entitlement**—The world does not owe me anything. God does not owe me anything. I live in humility and grace.
14. **Apathy**—Life is too short not to care.
15. **Hatred**—Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good (Romans 12:21).

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

16. **Negativity**—I will put the best construction on everything when it comes to other people. I will also minimize by contact with people who are negative and toxic.
17. **The Spirit of Poverty**—Believe that with God there is always more than enough and never a lack.
18. **Going through the Motions**—The more you invest yourself, the more you will get back.
19. **Complaint**—Instead of contributing to the problem, be the solution.
20. **The Pursuit of Happiness**—God wants something greater and more lasting than happiness. It is called joy.
21. **Bitterness**—The only person I am hurting by holding on to this is myself.
22. **Distraction**—Life is filled with distractions that will take our eyes off the prize.
23. **Giving up**—God never give up on us.
24. **Mediocrity**—If you are going to do something, then give it all you got.
25. **Destructive Speech**—Encourage one another and all the more as you see the day approaching (Hebrews 10:25).
26. **Busyness**—It is a badge of honor to be busy. But that does not always translate to abundance.
27. **Loneliness**—With Jesus, I am never alone. He is with me wherever I go.
28. **Disunity**—If two of you agree on earth about anything, it will be done for them by the Heavenly Father (Matthew 18:19).
29. **The Quick Fix**—Rarely does true transformation happen overnight.
30. **Worry**—God is in control and worrying will not help.
31. **Idolizing**—Don't assign anyone a standard they cannot live up to.
32. **Resistance to Change**—Change is certain. It is not if we will change, but how we will change.
33. **Pride**—Blessed are the humble.
34. **Small View of God**—Don't tell God how big your problem is, tell your problem how big your God is.
35. **Envy**—I am blessed. My value is not found in my possessions, but in my relationship with my Heavenly Father.
36. **Ungratefulness**—You have been blessed in a way greater than you realize.
37. **Selfish Ambition**—God has a mission for me that is bigger than me.
38. **Self-Sufficiency**—Jesus is my strength. I can do all things through him (Philippians 4:13).
39. **Sorrow**—Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes in the morning (Psalm 30:5b).
40. **My Life**—Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life (John 12:25).

To earn money for STM, buy the book at Amazon Smile with Amazon Scrip ([www.stmoside.org/scrip.htm](http://www.stmoside.org/scrip.htm))

F.A. Mike

**Welcome New Parishioners**

**Louise Dawson  
William Harper  
Peter & Ashley Mazzaresse**

**In Memoriam**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

**Bill Draper**, who died on January 18. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, March 7, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep his wife, Betsy, and his family in your prayers.

**Steven Joseph Wilmott**, who died February 14. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, March 5, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep his mother, Parishioner Germaine Wilmott, and his family in your prayers.

**Deborah Anne Dowling**, who died February 9. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, March 12, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep her parents, Parishioners Richard and Nancy Wozniak, and her family in your prayers.

**Charles Hyde**, who died on February 10. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Friday, April 17, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep his family in your prayers.

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

**Becoming Catholic**

If you've been coming to Mass for a while, but are not Catholic, we invite you to look deeper into the Catholic faith. Come meet some faithful Catholics who love the Lord and would consider it a privilege to get to know you.

Our Parish offers sessions that give you the opportunity to share with others the truths of the Catholic faith and the fellowship of our church family.

We invite you to learn what Catholics believe in an open and welcoming environment. These sessions also are opportunities for you to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the Church.

To find out how to get started, contact Kathleen Bell at 760-809-6526 or [80bell80@gmail.com](mailto:80bell80@gmail.com).

**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 January 14 we have netted \$53,152 from this program. Thank you donors!**



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

**STM Scrip News**

Thanks to all who support the Scrip program! For more information, contact 760-758-4100 x150 or [scrip@stmoside.org](mailto:scrip@stmoside.org).

**Readings for the Week Ahead**  
 Sunday Year B; Weekday Year I  
 Readings online at [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org).

**Sunday, March 1 (26)**  
*Second Sunday of Lent*  
 Genesis 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18  
 Psalm 116:10,15-19  
 Romans 8:31b-34  
 Mark 9:2-10

**Monday, March 2 (230)**  
 Daniel 9:4b-10  
 Psalm 79:8-9,11,13  
 Luke 6:7:36-38

**Tuesday, March 3 (231)**  
*Katherine Drexel, virgin*  
 Isaiah 1:10,16-20  
 Psalm 50:8-9,16bc-17,21,23  
 Matthew 23:1-12

**Wednesday, March 4 (537)**  
*Casimir*  
 Philippians 3:8-14  
 Psalm 15:2-5  
 John 15:9-17

**Thursday, March 5 (233)**  
 Jeremiah 17:5-10  
 Psalm 1:1-4,6  
 Luke 16:19-31

**Friday, March 6 (234)**  
 Genesis 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a  
 Psalm 105:16-21  
 Matthew 21:33-43,45-46

**Saturday, March 7 (235)**  
 Micah 7:14-15,18-20  
 Psalm 103:1-4,9-12  
 Luke 15:1-3,11-32

**Sunday, March 8**  
*Third Sunday of Lent*  
 5:00pm and 10:30am Masses (29)  
 Exodus 20:1-17  
 Psalm 19:8-11  
 1 Corinthians 1:22-25  
 John 2:13-25  
 8:30am Mass (28)  
 Exodus 17:3-7  
 Psalm 95:1-2,6-9  
 Romans 5:1-2,5-8  
 John 4:5-42

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

Changa Aguilera  
 Ernie Aichele  
 Mary Alexander  
 Charlotte Atkinson  
 Carrie Autrey  
 Joshua Avery  
 Jose Luis Barbosa  
 Patricia Barbour  
 Francie Barron  
 Clarice Bednarz  
 John Bennici  
 Regina Bentz  
 Lisa Berg  
 Roseanne Berg  
 Sylva Bernier  
 Mary Betz  
 Betty Jean Bielich  
 The Boets Family  
 Zane Breier  
 Beth Brewer  
 Janet Brown  
 Sr. Maureen Brown  
 Todd Brown  
 Katie Browne  
 Jack & Mary Bruzas  
 Anita Buerger  
 Tony Calderone  
 Shelby Campbell  
 Brianna Campos  
 Aria Cappeluti  
 Donald Cashmore  
 Mother Mary Cecelia RJM  
 The Vaughn Clevenger Family  
 Dolly Cole  
 Carl & Dorothy Coleman  
 James Coleman  
 Steven Cresencia  
 Lené Crowe  
 Karen Flaharty Daley  
 Beverly de Gelder  
 Nick Del Sesto  
 Hugo Delgado, Jr.  
 Cornelia Delong Brock  
 Cassandra D'Ercole  
 Christine DeSantis  
 Cecilia DeSimone  
 Carole Dillon  
 Edward Dolnik  
 Art & Dave Dossman  
 The Dowling & Wozniak Families  
 The Draper Family  
 La Vonne Dumas  
 Jerome Elbacha  
 Carolyn Erickson Ey  
 The Falconer Family  
 Sally Fay  
 Victoria Lopez Fenton  
 The Fiore Family  
 Mary Fleming  
 Ryan Flum  
 Ernie Follis  
 Eugene Franciscus  
 Kathryn Franklin  
 Joe Freire  
 The Greg French Family  
 Brian Frink  
 Jim Gallagher  
 The Joe Garcia Family  
 Kathy Gardner  
 Lois & Len Garth  
 Jack & Marge Gillen  
 Wendy Gonzales' Dad  
 Rick Gonzalez  
 Tillie Gonzalez  
 George Gruitt  
 Luke Guent  
 Susan Hallahan  
 Pat & Tom Hannon  
 The Harker Family  
 Dorothy Harrison  
 Barbara Hatem  
 Heidi Heaton  
 Lilian Hills  
 Mary Hodina  
 Samara Hook  
 Susan Hori  
 Tina Hunter  
 The Hyde Family  
 Iolanda Iacobelli  
 Sam Johns  
 Sue Johnston  
 Laura Kater  
 Dottie Kearney  
 Paul Kennedy  
 Connor Kerzie  
 Peggy Kiernan  
 Debbie Kinney  
 Mark Kneisel  
 Dewey Kolbo  
 Tony Korwin  
 Helen Kuhn  
 Lillian Lachance  
 The Lamelin Family  
 Bart Landry  
 Michael Lavis  
 Mike Lavis  
 Brandon LeBlanc  
 Jeremiah Lemus  
 The Leué Family  
 The Paul Leué Family  
 The Lew Family  
 Ashley Load  
 Cassandra & Lauren Loretto  
 Jack Lucarelli  
 Joaquin Maldonado  
 The Maldonado Family  
 The Maldonado Trejo Family  
 Paige Mansell  
 Eleanor Martin-Spinney  
 Alexander Mathews  
 Gloria Maupin  
 Chris McAdams  
 Colleen McCall  
 Virginia McConnell  
 Bob McWilliams  
 Joyce Meehan  
 Kalei Mendiola  
 Rita Mikridge  
 Phyllis Minaya  
 June Mitchell  
 June Montgomery  
 Nancy Moore  
 Elizabeth Muehlbacher  
 Conrad Murphy  
 Margie Myers  
 Angela Nacional  
 Melanie Nacional  
 Nida Navarro  
 Sr. Sheila Novak  
 Richard Obsitnik  
 Kare O'Dell  
 Jayne Osborne-Dion  
 Laura Paciorek Gloor  
 Bernadette Padovan  
 Ethan Palm  
 The Phelan Family  
 Helen Pingtella  
 Perry Postulka  
 The Joe Prokop Family  
 Bettie Provinse  
 Barbara Ramm  
 Evelyn Richards  
 Jan Riley  
 Connie Ringel  
 Rita Ritchie  
 Joel Rivera  
 Lily Robinson  
 Maria Rogers  
 The Russo Family  
 Rachel Sainc  
 Cindy Sanelli  
 Sr. Jean Schafer  
 Linda Schmidt  
 Joan Shea  
 Elizabeth Shirzad  
 Tom Simonson  
 Nick Soltau  
 Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski  
 Don St. Pierre  
 Patricia St. Pierre  
 Sybil Staples  
 Mike Sterling  
 Laura Bernard Stover, MD  
 Pete Sullivan  
 Julie Teare  
 Tommy & Ginger Thompson  
 Sarah Tillinghast  
 William Tompson  
 Stephen Toth, Jr.  
 Olivia Trejo  
 The Trejo/Beltran Family  
 The Trejo/Maldonado/Uribe Family  
 Ed Upson  
 The Vasquez Family  
 Martin Vertson  
 Lucy Vienna  
 Vanessa Vitiello  
 Wilson Wanner  
 Kevin Watson-Graff  
 Jerry Wechsler  
 The Wilmott Family  
 Patricia Zavala  
 Jeanne Zeltner

**Calendar Highlights**

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

- Mar 1 New Member Reception
- Mar 2-4 Parish Mission
- Mar 3-4 Restaurant Fundraiser at Elephant Bar
- Mar 15 Knights of Columbus St. Patrick's Day Dinner
- Mar 16 Communal Reconciliation Service
- Mar 17-18 Restaurant Fundraiser at Nucci's
- Mar 24 Women's Guild Day of Reflection
- Mar 26 Mental Health Presentation
- Mar 28-29 Palm Sunday
- Apr 2 Holy Thursday Mass at 6:00pm
- Apr 3 Good Friday Morning Prayer at 8:15am Liturgy at 12:00noon and 7:00pm Stations of the Cross at 3:00pm
- Apr 4 Holy Saturday Morning Prayer at 8:15am Easter Vigil at 8:00pm
- Apr 5 Easter Sunday Masses at 6:30am, 8:30am, 10:30am, and 10:45am

**Deployed Military**

Gunnery Sgt. Fernando Andrade, Jr.  
 1st Lt. Jeffrey Bauer, USMC  
 PFC John Brandone  
 Lt. Devon Czarszasty  
 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  
 Adolfo Granados, MD, U.S. Navy  
 PFC Samuel Haro, US Army  
 PFC Cody Madere  
 Jeremiah Gabriel Nelson, USAF  
 Thomas Kevin Nelson, US Navy  
 Pvt. 2 Jess Phillips, US Army  
 Nicole Rieger, US Navy  
 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.

March 2	Sr. Flavia Arellano, CVI
March 3	Sr. Rosemary Babbitt, IHM
March 4	Sr. Joanna Baker, OCD
March 5	Sr. Maria Teresa Bandera, CVI
March 6	Sr. Lilia Barba, SJS
March 7	Sr. Ruth Marie Barreda, CHS
March 8	Sr. Mary Bartosh, CHS

Mass Intentions	
Saturday, February 28, 5:00pm	Joseph Immerso ☩
Sunday, March 1, 8:30am	Dick McGeary ☩
Sunday, March 1, 10:30am	Jerry Adams ☩
Monday, March 2, 8:15am	Marvin Bernardo ☩
Tuesday, March 3, 8:15am	Peggy Chambers
Wednesday, March 4, 8:15am	Behram Mahableshwarwalla ☩
Thursday, March 5, 8:15am	George Falkenstein ☩
Friday, March 6, 8:15am	Owen Fredette ☩
Saturday, March 7, 5:00pm	Jim Tutino ☩
Sunday, March 8, 8:30am	Mark Ianni ☩
Sunday, March 8, 10:30am	Joe Coccaro ☩

## Memorial Item Donations Available

Pipe Organ	\$850,000
<b>Memorial Garden &amp; Reflection Garden</b>	
Landscape Concrete Walkways	\$80,000
Decomposed Granite Pathways with Header	\$24,000
Melrose Landscape Slope	\$15,000
Building Accent Lighting & Pole Fixtures	\$14,000
Drinking Fountains	\$2,500
<b>Audio Visual Systems</b>	
Sound and Video Mixing Board	\$12,000
Video Screen (Motorized 21-foot)	\$9,000
Sound System Base Speaker	\$8,000
Sound System Cabling	\$5,000
Overflow Parking Lot Mulch	\$3,500

## Memorial Item Donations Partial

Concelebrant Chairs (6) 1 available	\$3,000/each
Pew Seating for the Church (1,000) 802 available	\$300/each
Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs (200) 117 available	\$300/each
<b>Memorial Garden &amp; Reflection Garden</b>	
Olive Trees in 7-foot boxes (10) 6 available	\$1,400/each

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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 above are items still available for adoption.

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

For more information or to adopt an item, contact Chris Smith 760-758-4100 x120 or [chriss@stmoside.org](mailto:chriss@stmoside.org)



For more information on our progress, visit our website, [stmoside.org](http://stmoside.org), and click on New Construction.

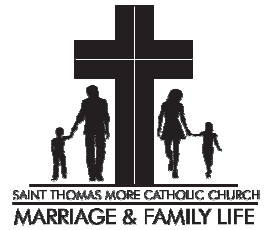
## A Closer Look Tours Continue

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

## Marriage & Family Life

### Relationship Skills Workshop—

Deacon Ralph and Peggy Skiano are presenting Relationship Skills Workshops every Wednesday night at 7:00pm at San Rafael Parish Hall, 17252 Bernardo Center Drive, San Diego. Come and explore how to improve your relationships. You can attend one workshop, several, or all of them. The next workshop is March 4 and the topic is *Personality Differences*. For more information call Deacon Ralph at 858-490-8292.



**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](http://www.wvme.org) or contact Eddie and Sheila Murphy at 760-295-0008.

**Bishops' Letter on Marriage**—What Is Marriage?: “Marriage is a lifelong partnership of the whole of life, of mutual and exclusive fidelity, established by mutual consent between a man and a woman, and ordered towards the good of the spouses and the procreation of offspring.” To read the document go to <http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/>.

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.

## A Way to Honor Children Who Have Died

Recently we mourned the tenth anniversary of the loss of our son in the line of duty as a law enforcement officer. I have given a lot of thought to a way to honor him. I have spoken with many parents in our church community who have have a child who has died and think I may have found a way for all of us to celebrate our children. There are many items in our permanent church and grounds waiting for sponsors. I thought that an olive tree would be perfect. Its branches are a symbol of love and peace—what better way to honor our children in heaven!

If you have lost a child and would like to donate towards the purchase of this olive tree, please contact Maureen Tutino at [mtutino@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mtutino@sbcglobal.net) or 760-598-8211 or Steve and Marilyn Lilly at [stevelilly@cox.net](mailto:stevelilly@cox.net) or 760-598-3304 for further information. —Maureen Tutino

## Social Ministries & Outreach

### Brother Benno's...St. Bonaventure

Matthew 25:31-46: “...I was hungry and you gave me food...naked and you clothed me...Lord when did we see you hungry and feed you...or naked and clothe you?...Amen I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.” We are all familiar with this Gospel story and at STM we have two opportunities annually (at a minimum) to do what Jesus asks of us. **The Brother Benno's Food Drive**, March 14-15 this year and **St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive**, on or about November 7-8. not forgetting about the shoe drive for Solutions For Change, the Blue Barrel Food drop, or the Peanut Butter and Jelly collection sponsored by our youth). Please be generous!!! There are many opportunities to help the less fortunate.

## Parish Events

### Attention Men!

Year three of “That Man is You!—The Revelation of the Father” continues on Saturday, March 7, at 6:45am with the topic “Money and Trust in Divine Providence.”

For more information, contact Deacon John at 760-758-4100 x104 or [johnf@stmoside.org](mailto:johnf@stmoside.org).

### The Knightly News

It is Lent. As a part of the season we abstain from eating meat on the Fridays of Lent. In keeping with that practice the Knights of Columbus will be preparing our popular Fish Dinners for you to share. This year we will be offering an alternative of Mac and Cheese for the kids’ dinners. Please mark your calendars for every Friday of Lent (not Good Friday). We open the doors at 5:00pm for the early birds to enjoy desserts and drinks before dinner. Serving is from 5:30-6:30pm. Please come and enjoy a delicious dinner and delightful conversation.

### Women’s Guild News

The program for our March 9 meeting will be a Book Exchange and Bingo. Here is your chance to clear your shelves of all those books, CDs, and DVDs that are taking up space to give you room to fill it again with a book or more in exchange at the Women’s Guild meeting. We are adding CDs and DVDs in addition to books, so now is the time to share your well read, listened to, and viewed entertainment with others and maybe find something you might like. If you have not yet made your luncheon reservation please call Vera at 760-295-0059 or [vbayliss@cox.net](mailto:vbayliss@cox.net) as soon as possible.

March is the month of the “Wearing of the Green” to honor St. Patrick, and it is also the month we hold our second bake sale of the year. Everyone loves homemade baked goods, and we had to turn people away last time because unfortunately, we did not have enough baked items to offer them. As you know, we ask half of our Parishioners only once a year to help us with this fund raiser by baking (no bought goods) something for our table on the plaza after the weekend Masses. This time it will be March 21-22. When one of our members gives you a phone call asking you to bake something, won’t you please say “yes” to help us provide those who want to purchase a dessert or goodie to contribute to our Mortgage/Building Completion fund raiser? Cakes, pies, cookies, brownies, breads, or any non-refrigerated favorite recipe will do. We would be most grateful. Consider it almsgiving.

Our most important event this month is the Day of Recollection which we co-host with the Spirited Seniors. Our spiritual life comes first during Lent, and the more we can feed our souls with prayer the better we are. Fr. Michael Guinan OFM will lead us “Into the Wilderness with Jesus” on Tuesday, March 24, beginning at 8:30am with a talk; followed by Mass, a break, another talk, a bag lunch, and ending with the Stations of the Cross. We will be finished by 12:45pm. To sign up, see a representative on the plaza after Mass today or return the registration form in the bulletin within the next two weekends. It is \$15 a person or \$25 a couple in order to cover our expenses. Cost is not a reason for not attending. Please come and join us.

—Ann Buko, president

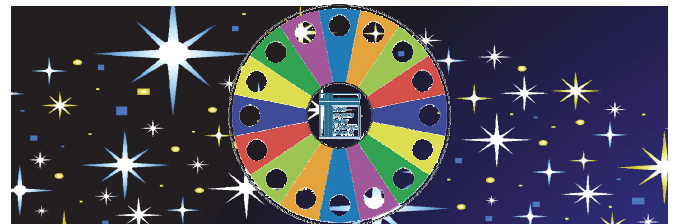
Friday, May 1  
4:30-9:30pm

## STM Social Event of the Year!

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



You'll have time to check out our Raffle,  
Silent and Live Auction items,  
our new and improved Wheel of Fortune,  
and prizes from one week in  
Hawaii, Puerto Vallarta, or Cabo San Lucas to  
Wine, Scotch, and Margarita Baskets,  
Staycation adventures, Movies, Plays,  
Restaurant packages,  
exquisite Diamonds, Pageant of the Masters tickets,  
Golf surprises and more.  
Join us for a FUN evening!



Stay tuned for fabulous Wheel of Fortune prizes!!!  
Dinner is served at 6:15pm, \$45/person until March 31.  
(\$50/person if paid in April)

Vegetarian option available upon request

Plus reserve your spot for the Pastor's Dinner  
Sunday, July 19 ★ 3:00-6:00 p.m.

Green Dragon Tavern & Museum, Carlsbad

A replica of Boston's original Green Dragon Tavern  
frequented by Sam Adams, Paul Revere, and others

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

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

## Vocations

In the past few weeks we have given you a few local contacts for exploring a call to a vocation as a priest, deacon, or vowed religious. If you think you have a calling, explore the possibilities. They are wonderful vocations, full of challenge...full of rewarding fulfillment. In choosing a life's vocation, give them consideration. Contact Deacon Tom at [thomasgoeltz@aol.com](mailto:thomasgoeltz@aol.com) or 760-727-8442.

# Liturgy & Music *Worship God*

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



Mark 9:2



LET  
MY  
PRAYER

RISE  
LIKE  
INCENSE  
PSALM 141

## LOOKING BACK | LOOKING FORWARD

The first of March marks my tenth anniversary at St. Thomas More. It is hard to believe.

My arrival, just six weeks before Easter, was a bit overwhelming, but I soon discovered the joys of ministering to a faith community with strong liturgical and musical foundations, and a people dedicated to their families, their neighbors, their world, and their God.

At that time, the roots of our musical tradition were well established, with music playing an important part of our storefront worship (and before) with cantors and instrumentalists supporting strong congregational singing. I thank God every week for a Parish that likes to sing! A choral program had been started by Gary DeKler with the adult choir participating in weekend liturgies on an increasingly frequent basis.

Throughout its history, our music ministry has enjoyed the loving support of this faith community, and over the past ten years, we have been able to explore new possibilities. Ensembles have been introduced; some have taken root. The Tower Bells started because two of our Parishioners donated a set of handbells, allowing those who might not be

comfortable singing an opportunity to make music for the glory of God (although many in our handbell choir sing beautifully). The Praise Team emerged from the earlier Monday Night Mass band and introduced a whole new style of congregational song to our Parish. The Cappella Choir is our most recent group, focusing on the Church's long-cherished unaccompanied approach to singing. There have been other "start-ups" that haven't taken root, but which may return in the future when the time is ripe. There are musical activities that we did once upon a time and that I hope will return. And there will be other opportunities that we have yet to dream.

The Parish also continues its tradition of excellent liturgy. I am honored to be able to support Fr. Mike's vision of a church that incorporates so many of its people within its liturgical ministries. I am humbled to direct a large group of Parishioners who prepare and assist in our worship, faithfully, each and every day, week after week and year after year, both inside and outside our walls. We have lost some since those first days, to new homes and to eternal life, but many more have joined the liturgical ministries, stepping up as they are able, to serve the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ in this time and in this place. All of them—all of you—are an inspiration.

One of my great privileges during the past ten years has been contributing a small part to the design of our permanent church. Many, many people have been involved—too many to count if you include the all the committee meetings and the town hall events—but as we see the building rise from the dirt, it is a magnificent accomplishment, and with its completion, we stand poised to make an even greater Christ-centered impact on this community.

Looking back over these first ten years, and looking forward (very much so!) to the years to come, to the liturgies we will offer and the music we will make, I am confident in our future, knowing that the center of all our Parish activities is the worship of God, source of all that is good! God bless you all! And thank you.

—Douglas

Peace in the Middle East...to get a job...healing...faith in my family...that the peace and calm of Jesus will nourish and sustain us through Lent... peace in the home...sisters, associates, and priests with illness...those trafficked, ignored, or without support...granddaughter's faith...to overcome fear...ISIS...to know Jesus...eradication of homelessness and hunger...staff at Las Posada...family's return to the Church...freedom from addiction...repose of the souls...children, grandchildren, spouses, and great-grandchildren...Israel...suitable housing and relief from worry and fear...adjustment to single life...for my grandparents...patience...guidance...loneliness...someone to share my life with...thank you Lord for all that you have given me...my brother...friends and family...all those I promised to pray for...health in body and spirit...restore my mind...assist me in my troubles and sufferings...peace in our world...my daughter...my son...eternal salvation for my deceased wife...Lucas' heart...my tenant...strength...the right choice...a wonderful Lenten journey...my deceased cousin...a healthy baby boy and strength for my wife...that I keep my Lenten promises...that my family will come to church and I will come too...the dinner prayer...that my grandsons will receive first communion...help with tax debt...strength for loss of husband...for my great-grandma...my mom...self-control so I don't hit my sister...mom and dad...that my uncle gets not mad anymore...my family is healthy...for the world to be a better place...to fight Papa's cancer...for a good life...my food...that people treat each other with love and respect...for my great-grandma...thank God for house, food, and family...that my son will make good decisions...the poor people...

Prayer cards are available at the Information Table and around the Parish Center, as many as you need, as often as you want...

### Upcoming Music

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**MARCH 8**  
**3rd Sunday of  
Lent**

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**5:00pm**

Tower Bells

**8:30am**

Sanctuary Choir

**10:30am**

Praise Team

# Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

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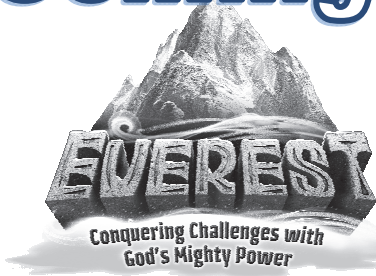
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## Family Faith Formation

Our Next REACH Day is March 8  
EDGE YOUNG ADULT  
Genesis High School  
GRADES 1-5

Mark 9:2

# Coming Soon!



VBS

Summer 2015  
June 22-26  
Watch for  
Details on How  
to Sign Up!

## Sacrament Preparation News

Confirmation Class 2015  
Plan to Attend M<sup>3</sup>  
5:00 Mass, Family Potluck Meal  
& Message  
**Saturday, March 7**  
Parents, Siblings,  
Grandparents, and Sponsors  
Welcome!  
Bring a Dish to Share

Parents of Children  
Preparing for  
**First Communion 2015**  
Please plan to attend the  
mandatory  
Parent Meeting on  
**Sunday, March 8 at**  
**12:30pm**  
Upper Level

## Adult Faith Formation

Session 3 on the New Testament  
Begins March 11

Do You Want to Know the Bible Better?  
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*The Great Adventure Bible Study*  
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thousands of Catholics learn to read the Bible.

For more information, contact  
Patt Goeltz at [pattg@stmoside.org](mailto:pattg@stmoside.org)

## Lenten Parish Mission:

**"The Languages of  
Discipleship: Blessing and Faith"**

Monday-Wednesday, March 2-4  
9:00am or 7:00pm

Presented by Fr. Franklin Fong, OFM, from the  
Franciscan School of Theology at  
Mission San Luis Rey.



## Join Us for Session 3 of



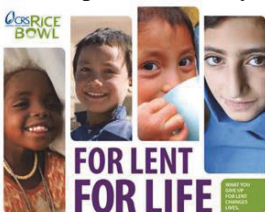
**Sunday, March 8**  
**12:30pm**

On the Upper Level of the Parish Center

# teens

## OPERATION RICE BOWL 2014

Pick up Yours Today!



## Youth Group "LIFE NIGHT"

**Monday Evenings**  
**7:00-8:30pm**

Find Out What You've  
Been Missing, Cuz We've  
Been Missing YOU!

**Wednesday Night  
Guys/Girls  
Book Study**  
**Wednesday Evenings**  
**6:30-8:00pm**



**Bring a Friend!**

## SCHOLARSHIPS NEEDED!

Are you able to financially help  
an STM teen going to the  
Steubenville Conference? Can  
you help make this life changing  
experience happen for our  
teens?

Contact Debbie in the Faith  
Formation Office for more  
information.

# Stewardship & Development

*Serve God's People*

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 Director of Stewardship & Development  
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This program is one way of helping the Parish raise the resources necessary to continue our campus build out 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](mailto:chriss@stmoside.org).

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

<b>Collection for Week of February 21/22, 2015</b>	
Number of Registered Households	1,134
Offertory	\$13,805.16
Offertory (Loose Collection)	\$1,050.00
Children's Envelopes	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$14,855.16</b>

Offertory envelopes, credit card withdrawals, automatic checking or savings account deductions (credit card and automatic bank account withdrawals are posted at STM on the 5th and/or 20th of each month).

<b>Mortgage/Building Completion Fund Income</b>	
<b>September 15, 2014 to February 28, 2015</b>	
Mortgage Offering Collected	\$254,390.91
Less Administrative Costs	\$12,498.00
Payment toward Parish Reserves (10%)	\$24,189.29
Payment toward Mortgage	\$217,703.62
Mortgage Payment Due	\$239,695.05
<b>Overage/(Shortfall)</b>	<b>(\$21,991.43)</b>
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Memorial Items	\$99,641.00

Please continue to support the Mortgage/Building Completion Fund!

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

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## What's in the Oven?

Pretend that you're in the kitchen. You've just closed the oven door when someone walks in and says, "What's in the oven?"

Do you answer, "It's a mixture of flour, baking powder, eggs," etc.? That's all it is at the moment. No, you'll just call it a cake. It won't be that for some time, but that won't change your answer. That's because you're taking time for granted.



### Becoming something more . . .

Christian giving is something like that. Donations of food, clothing, money, etc., are like the ingredients, and talents (such as musicianship or organizational ability) provide the "mixing."

But time is what's needed to turn these things into the results of good stewardship. The time involved may be years, as in the construction of an addition to the church. (*Sound familiar?*)

It might be weeks, as in the preparation of a Lenten program. Then again, it might only be a moment . . . A moment in which people commit to Christ because of some word of witness.

Because our gifts and circumstances differ, we cannot all be missionaries or teachers. We cannot all witness to Christ in the professions, like Albert Schweitzer. But we can all give of our time and energy right where we are. This is where such gifts are most needed and most appreciated. —*Stewardship March 2015, Parish Publishing, LLC (with permission)*

*Many of you have been in my cubicle in the office area of STM. If so, you are well aware of how I like to surround myself with a "few" pictures of those family members who I don't see as much as I'd like to. I also keep funny jokes handy for those times when I need a boost to get through a particular project or two or three.*



*This picture was on a note my daughter sent me in the mid-90's when she was studying for a year at the University of Barcelona to earn her second major in Spanish. The big surprise came when she realized that 2/3 of the classes were only taught in Catalan, and not Spanish. It was quite a job to get all the class credits for a degree in those offered in*

*Spanish. During that difficult year, she sent me this with a note in Catalan (a blend of French and Spanish dating back 1,200 yrs.): Tù i jo fem un bon equip! which means, "You and I are a good team!" There was also a special daughter to mom note which still melts my heart to read it to this day.*

*During Lent, as we are all going an extra distance to sacrifice a variety of "things" and also taking on a greater prayer life, I am reminded of how much all of you mean to me, and to our Parish. We all make a good team! We do what it takes to make our world a better place! May God continue to bless us on our journey.*

—Chris

**Thank you for making STM such a great Parish!**



## News & Information from the Larger Church

**Mainly Mozart Concerts**—March 8 and May 17 at St. Elizabeth Seton Church, Carlsbad. For more information, visit [www.mainlymozart.org](http://www.mainlymozart.org).

**Rachel's Vineyard Post-Abortion Healing Retreat in Temecula**—March 20-22, for any woman or man who has struggled with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. Private and confidential. For more information, contact Dolores at 951-325-7702 or [rvtemecula@verizon.net](mailto:rvtemecula@verizon.net).

**Support Shoppportunity—Catholic Charities Thrift Store**—Item donations appreciated. For more information, contact Yolanda Ungo, Program Manager, 760-631-2819.

**Catholic Charities Food Resource Center Has Volunteer Opportunities for YOU!**—Drivers, Daily Food Packers, Intake Workers, and CalFresh (food stamp) Advocate. For information call Marco Lemus at 760-631-4792.

**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](http://www.birthchoice.net).

**Support Group for Separated/Divorced**—An ongoing support group meeting Sundays at 10:15am at St. James Catholic Church in Solana Beach. For more information, contact Frank Grant at 760-533-1520 or [fwgrant@gmail.com](mailto:fwgrant@gmail.com).

**Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center in Oceanside** has an ongoing schedule of retreats! Visit [www.sanluisrey.org](http://www.sanluisrey.org) for more details.

**Retrouvaille for Troubled Marriages**—A program designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust, and commitment that originally brought them together. For confidential information or to register a weekend workshop, call 951-259-9474 or visit [www.retrosandiego.org](http://www.retrosandiego.org).

**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](mailto:davidandcherylross@gmail.com).

**Diocese of San Diego Social Ministry Office Website:** [www.socialministrysandiego.com](http://www.socialministrysandiego.com). Check it out and sign up for email notification of issues and events.

**MISSIO App for Smart Phones**—Connects you to the Pope and his daily messages. Learn more at [www.MissioApp.org/bulletin](http://www.MissioApp.org/bulletin).

**Iraqi Christian Relief Fund**—Over 200,000 Iraqi Catholic Christians are being persecuted, and have been left homeless living in dire conditions. St. Peter Chaldean Church in El Cajon is soliciting donations to help our brothers and sisters in Iraq. Visit [www.IraqiChristianReliefFund.org](http://www.IraqiChristianReliefFund.org) for more information.

**World Meeting of Families 2015**—September 22-25, 2015 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. This event, which seeks to explore the critical role the family plays in society and to give families opportunities to talk about the challenges and blessings that all families have. Pope Francis will be joining us. For more information and to register, visit [www.worldmeeting2015.org](http://www.worldmeeting2015.org).

### Lenten Reconciliation Services at Local Parishes

Date	Time	Parish
Tue, Mar. 3	6:30pm	St. Mary Star of the Sea, Oceanside
Wed, Mar. 11	7:00pm	St. Patrick, Carlsbad
Mon, Mar. 16	7:00pm	St. Thomas More, Oceanside
Tue, Mar. 17	7:00pm	St. James, Solana Beach
Wed, Mar. 18	7:00pm	St. John, Encinitas
Thu, Mar. 19	7:00pm	Mission San Luis Rey, Oceanside
Sat, Mar. 21	10:00am	Mission San Luis Rey, Oceanside
Mon, Mar. 23	7:00pm	Nativity, Rancho Santa Fe
Wed, Mar. 25	7:00pm	St. Elizabeth Seton, Carlsbad
Mon, Mar. 30	6:30pm	St. Mark, San Marcos
Tue, Mar. 31	6:00pm	St. Peter, Fallbrook

### Catholic Radio—AM 1000/Sirius 130—San Diego

Visit [ihradio.com/sandiego](http://ihradio.com/sandiego)

### Online Rosary

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

### Catholics Come Home

Do you have a family member, friend, or co-worker who has left the Catholic Church? If so, encourage them to visit [www.CatholicsComeHome.org](http://www.CatholicsComeHome.org).

## News from St. Francis Church

525 W. Vista Way, Vista • 760-945-8000 • [stfrancis-vista.org](http://stfrancis-vista.org)

**St. Francis School is our Parish School!**—Families from St. Thomas More are extended the same benefits and rewards as St. Francis Parishioners, including:

- Parishioner priority for enrollment at St. Francis School,
- Equal tuition rates,
- Financial aid opportunities, and
- Fundraising support.

**Queen of Peace Rosary**—Mondays at 6:30pm in the church.

**Jog-A-Thon 2015**—Wednesday and Thursday, March 18-19, during kids PE class. Funds raised will help the school. To sponsor a child, visit [www.sfs-vista.org](http://www.sfs-vista.org) and select fundraising, then look for Jog-A-Thon.



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“The Languages of Discipleship: Blessing, and Faith”

Monday-Wednesday

March 2-4

9:00am or 7:00pm

Come and join us to learn about using the language of blessing and the language of faith in our lives as Christians!

Presented by Fr. Franklin Fong, OFM,  
from the Franciscan School of Theology at  
Mission San Luis Rey.

Meet Fr. Franklin the weekend of February 28-  
March 1 when he will introduce the theme of  
the Mission in his homily.



A friar of the St. Barbara Province, California, Fr Franklin was born and raised in Chinatown/ North Beach neighborhoods of San Francisco. Prior to entering the Order of Friars Minor (Franciscans) he was an Associate Professor of Plant Physiology in the Department of Soil and Crop Sciences, Texas A & M University (1978 – 1989).

Fr Franklin is an alumni of the Franciscan School of Theology, and taught in the Biology Department, Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA (1996-2000) spending his summers teaching at Our Lady of Angels Seminary, Novaliches, Quezon City, Philippines (1996-98).

Since 2011, Fr. Franklin works at FST in the Development Office of the Franciscan School of Theology. He also assists in the multicultural pastoral ministry classes at FST.

## OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

### Restaurant Fundraiser at Elephant Bar in San Marcos

Tuesday/Wednesday  
March 3/4

Plan an early dinner,  
then join us for the  
Parish Mission at  
7:00pm!

### New Altar Server Training

Saturday, March 14  
2:00pm

Are you in fourth, fifth,  
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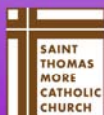
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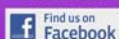
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Monday, March 16  
7:00pm

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# DAY OF RECOLLECTION

for all men & women of the Parish & friends

Tuesday, March 24, 2015

8:30 a.m. to 12:50 p.m.

St. Thomas More Catholic Church  
Upper level



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Sponsored by STM Women's Guild and Spirited Seniors

Sack lunch will be provided after Mass.  
Stations of the Cross will conclude the day.

Join us on our Lenten journey. Please return registration form with your check in the amount of \$15 for each person (or \$25 per couple) to the parish office in box 35 or place it in the collection basket. Make checks payable to STM Women's Guild. For more information call Pat Wong (760) 806-1310 or Judy Buoniconti (760) 758-5113

**Registration deadline is Friday, March 20, 2015**

Registration Form      Day of Recollection      Tuesday, March 24, 2015

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# The Case

## Catholic Charities — Stories of Impact

### Immigrant Services

For the past 2 years Rasha tried everything she could to bring her family from Syria to the United States. The process was so discouraging that Rasha's mother, father, and siblings started to give up.



Rasha came in to the Refugee Services office and asked to transfer the case from another agency to Catholic Charities. She hoped Catholic Charities staff would advocate for her family. When staff investigated the details of the case they discovered a simple process that could possibly hasten the family's transfer to the USA. Soon, the family was approved to transfer. Staff called Rasha with the news. She was so happy: she was in tears.

Rasha called her family and told them to start packing. The family could hardly believe their daughter, but the next day they received notification of their flight date. We were on hand with our cameras to capture the moving reunion.

### The Tomorrow Project

With training from Catholic Charities' Tomorrow Project, our participants learn usable skills for employment. Working the booth at fairs and outreach events helps overcome fears and provides excellent opportunities for social interaction. Some participants choose to continue their education. Maryanne is completing her Associate's Degree and works a part time job at

Jani-King and part-time at Qualcomm. Suzanne started a special training we offered on effective job search strategies. Soon afterwards, Firehouse Subs hired Suzanne and three others directly from our program. All four have successfully completed the probationary period and are moving forward in their lives and accomplishing their goals.





## Homeless Women's Services

Marissa, 27, had been homeless for three years. She was a regular user of Rachel's Women's Center. She was initially very attentive to her personal hygiene and appearance and functioned well.

However, Marissa's function deteriorated rapidly after she was hit by a car last year. Soon after the accident, she acquired a wheelchair and adopted it as her "home," refusing to return for medical care, have her cast removed, or attend physical therapy to regain the use of her legs. Marissa declined offers of help; she refused food, water, clothing, or shelter. She sat on the street for hours in the hot sun: barely conscious and covered in her own body fluids. Police were called many times to try to get her help. She was taken to hospitals and even arrested, all of which resulted in her returning to the streets.

Rachel's staff made countless calls to entities that might be able to help, which were followed by a series of meetings. A coordinated response was created. Marissa was hospitalized and finally placed in conservatorship. She is now safely housed in a residential treatment facility.



## St. Thomas More Annual Catholic Appeal **UPDATE**

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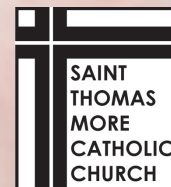
## Food Resource Centers



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In addition to food assistance and CalFresh, we also provide special holiday programs. For Thanksgiving we distribute packages of food, and at Christmas we provide shopping at our Christmas store, where parents can select gifts for their children free of charge.

This week a client told me that her family situation is starting to move in the right direction. She was scared when her husband lost his job and then his unemployment benefits. We helped her apply for CalFresh and she was approved. This same client was eligible for our Christmas store. She later gave me a big hug and said thank you for helping her family during the holidays. With the help her family received, she believes that 2015 will be a much better year!



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