

**SAINT
THOMAS
MORE
CATHOLIC
CHURCH**



*Jesus came and
stood in their midst.
—John 20:19-31*



**A Roman Catholic Parish
in the Diocese of San Diego**

✙ Spirituality
✙ Tradition
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Mass Schedule

Saturday at 5:00pm
Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am
Monday-Friday at 8:15am

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday-Friday, 6:30am-7:30pm

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday, 4:00-4:30pm

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Hot Dog Sundays

The Knights of Columbus are offering a hot dog lunch on Sunday, April 12 and also on Sunday, April 26. Proceeds support their fundraising projects.

**Second Sunday of Easter
Sunday of Divine Mercy
April 12, 2015**

Pastor's Column

*Rev. Michael Ratajczak
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The Wounds of Christ

As we journey through this Easter Season, as we continue to meditate and reflect upon the various Resurrection Accounts given to us in Scripture, the wounds of Christ still present in his Resurrected Body, cry out for attention.

The wounds are a source of intrigue and curiosity. Why are they still there? They have become a starting point of meditation and prayer for me in this Easter Season.

I share with you the words of Philip Yancey in his book, *The Jesus I Never Knew*:

One detail in the Easter stories has always intrigued me: Why did Jesus keep the scars from his crucifixion? Presumably he could have had any resurrected body he wanted, and yet he chose one identifiable mainly by scars that could be seen and touched. Why?

I believe the story of Easter would be incomplete without those scars on the hands, the feet, and the side of Jesus. When human beings fantasize, we dream of pearly straight teeth and wrinkle-free skin and sexy ideal shapes. We dream of an unnatural state: the perfect body. But for Jesus, being confined in a skeleton and human skin was the unnatural state. The scars are, to him, an emblem of life on our planet, a permanent reminder of those days of confinement and suffering.

I take hope in Jesus' scars. From the perspective of heaven, they represent the most horrible event that has ever happened in the history of the universe. Even that event, though, Easter turned into a memory.

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Did You Know?

If you were at one of the Easter Masses on the Upper Level, I hope that you noticed the beautiful Paschal Candle that is gracing our Worship Space. It was blessed at the Easter Vigil and will be lighted at all Masses through the Great Fifty Days of the Resurrection Celebration. The Paschal Candle is also present and lit at every baptism and every funeral.

The Paschal Candle reminds us that Jesus is the Light of the World, and that he walks with us, if we allow him, on our journey of faith from the beginning to the end. Although the Paschal Candle symbolizes Jesus, it was not given to us by him!

The cost of the Candle was \$1,008.54. Your donations to the "Did You Know?" campaign help us to balance our Operations Budget.

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

Because of Easter, I can hope that the tears we shed, the blows we receive, the emotional pain, the heartache over lost friends and loved ones, all these will become memories, like Jesus' scars. Scars never completely go away, but neither do they hurt any longer. We will have re-created bodies, a re-created heaven and earth. We will have a new start, an Easter start.

As we journey through the Feast of the Resurrection, let us take time to reflect upon our wounds and lift them up to the Lord. Allow them to be an emblem of life on this planet and a sign of future glory!

F. Mike

Thank You! Thank You!! Thank You!!!

On Easter Sunday a visitor, upon leaving Mass, said to me, "Father, I just love this Parish. There is so much joy here!"

I share this observation with each and everyone one of you and I compliment all who have helped to make our season of Lent so sacred, and are now making our Fifty Days of Resurrection Celebration so special and so filled with joy.

To paraphrase an often used analogy—"It takes a village..." — "It takes a parish..."

So many people have done so much in order to witness to Jesus through our celebrations and to create an environment of hospitality, warmth, and joy.

To each of you, for all that you have done, I say "Thank You!"

I choose not to mention names or groups, for the fear of leaving someone out by mistake.

You know who you are and what you have done—giving greater honor and glory to God.

I am humbled and proud to be your Pastor.

For all that has been, "Thank You!" For all that will be, "Yes!"

—Rev. Michael Ratajczak, Pastor

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 March 11 we have netted \$53,352 from this program. Thank you donors!



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

**Our Mission is to:
worship God,
teach and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ,
and serve God's people in word and deed.**

Congratulations to**Matt & Lena Rumps**

who celebrate their 29th wedding anniversary April 12.

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

In Memoriam

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

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.

Anthony Calderone, who died March 30. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, April 21, 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.

Local Hospitals with Catholic Chaplains Available

If you or a loved one is in one of these hospitals and need the ministry of a Catholic priest, please contact the Chaplain's Office to make the arrangements.

Hospital	Chaplain's Office
Tri-City	760-940-7954
Palomar	442-281-1328
Scripps Encinitas	760-633-7784
Scripps Green	858-554-3698
Scripps Mercy	619-260-7020
UCSD Thornton	619-543-2103
Kaiser Zion	619-528-5188

Vocations

The Lord has risen, Alleluia! Easter Season is a time to rejoice. It is also a good time to think about what God wants from you for the future. Is he calling you to continue the celebration beyond the Season by spreading the Good News as a priest, deacon, or religious? If you think it just may be...explore *the possibility*. Contact Deacon Tom at thomasgoeltz@aol.com or 760-727-8442. It might be an opportunity of a lifetime.

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.

Readings for the Week Ahead

Sunday Year B; Weekday Year I
Readings online at www.usccb.org.

Sunday, April 12 (44)
Second Sunday of Easter
Sunday of Divine Mercy
Acts 4:32-35
Psalm 118:2-4,13-15,22-24
1 John 5:1-6
John 20:19-31

Monday, April 13 (551)
Martin I, pope, martyr
2 Timothy 2:8-13;3:10-12
Psalm 126:1bc-6
John 15:18-21

Tuesday, April 14 (268)
Acts 4:32-37
Psalm 93:1-2,5
John 3:7b-15

Wednesday, April 15 (269)
Acts 5:17-26
Psalm 34:2-9
John 3:16-21

Thursday, April 16 (270)
Acts 5:27-33
Psalm 34:2,9,17-20
John 3:31-36

Friday, April 17 (271)
Acts 5:34-42
Psalm 27:1,4,13-14
John 6:1-15

Saturday, April 18 (272)
Acts 6:1-7
Psalm 33:1-2,4-5,18-19
John 6:16-21

Sunday, April 19 (47)
Third Sunday of Easter
Acts 3:13-15,17-19
Psalm 4:2,4,7-9
1 John 2:1-5a
Luke 24:35-48

Mass Intentions
Saturday, April 11, 5:00pm Skip Hayden ☩
Sunday, April 12, 8:30am Bud Flanagan ☩
Sunday, April 12, 10:30am Bonnie Kemmerer ☩
Monday, April 13, 8:15am David Sweet ☩
Tuesday, April 14, 8:15am Nancy Kemper ☩
Wednesday, April 15, 8:15am Stan Grzegorzolka ☩
Thursday, April 16, 8:15am Carl Streling
Friday, April 17, 8:15am Mary Jane Bahash ☩
Saturday, April 18, 5:00pm Tom O'Regan ☩
Sunday, April 19, 8:30am Danny Montini ☩
Sunday, April 19, 10:30am Ernesto & Elena Vozza ☩

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

Changa Aguilera
Ernie Aichele
Mary Alexander
Carrie Autrey
Joshua Avery
Jose Luis Barbosa
Patricia Barbour
Francie Barron
Gerry Barton
Clarice Bednarz
John Bennici
Regina Bentz
Lisa Berg
Roseann Berg
Mary Betz
Betty Jean Bielich
Zane Breier
Beth Brewer
Hannah Bronson
Janet Brown
Todd Brown
Katie Browne
Jack & Mary Bruzas
Anita Buerger
The Calderone Family
Shelby Campbell
Brienne Campos
Aria Cappeluti
Kathleen Carr
Jorge Cartajena
Donald Cashmore
The Vaughn Clevenger Family
Dolly Cole
Carl & Dorothy Coleman
James Coleman
Angelica Conde
Steven Cresencia
Lené Crowe
Karen Flaharty Daley
Beverly de Gelder
Nick Del Sesto
Hugo Delgado, Jr.
Cassandra D'Ercole
Christine DeSantis
Cecilia DeSimone
Carole Dillon
Edward Dolnik
Art & Dave Dossman
La Vonne Dumas
Jerome Elbacha
Carolyn Erickson Ey
Mateen Falli-Bell
Victoria Lopez Fenton
The Filipasic Family
The Fiore Family
Mary Fleming
Ryan Flum
Ernie Follis
Eugene Franciscus
Charles Edgar Franklin
Kathryn Franklin
Joe Freire
The Greg French Family
Brian Frink
Jim Gallagher
The Joe Garcia Family
Kathy Gardner
The Garth Family
Jack & Marge Gillen
Wendy Gonzales' Dad
Rick Gonzalez
Tillie Gonzalez
George Gritt
Luke Guenst
Susan Hallahan
Pat & Tom Hannon
The Harker Family
Dorothy Harrison
Barbara Hatem
Heidi Heaton
Lilian Hills
Samara Hook
Susan Hori
Tina Hunter
The Hyde Family
Iolanda Iacobelli
Sue Johnston
Ed Kalenda
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
The Lavis Family
Brandon LeBlanc
Jeremiah Lemus
The Paul Leué Family
The Lew Family
Ashley Load
Cassandra & Lauren Loretto
Jack Lucarelli
Joaquin Maldonado
The Maldonado Family
The Maldonado Trejo Family
Norma Mangrubang
Paige Mansell
The Martin-Spinney Family
Alexander Mathews
Gloria Maupin
Colleen McCall
Virginia McConnell
Bob McWilliams
Joyce Meehan
Kalei Mendiola
Rita Mikridge
Tom Miller
Phyllis Minaya
June Mitchell
June Montgomery
Nancy Moore
Elizabeth Muehlbacher
The Muleady Family
Conrad Murphy
Margie Myers
Angela Nacional
Melanie Nacional
Fr. Jerry Nadine
Nida Navarro
Richard Obsitnik
Kare O'Dell
Laura Paciorek Gloor
Bernadette Padovan
Ethan Palm
Helen Pingtella
The Post & Tonkovich Families
Perry Postulka
The Joe Prokop Family
Bettie Provine
Bernie Ptak
Barbara Ramm
Evelyn Richards
Jan Riley
Connie Ringel
Rita Ritchie
Lily Robinson
Maria Rogers
The Russo Family
Rachel Sainc
Michael Sampair
Cindy Sanelli
Linda Schmidt
James Setters
Joan Shea
Elizabeth Shirzad
Tom Simonson
Madeline Snyder
Nick Soltau
Drew Spangler
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
Maureen Tutino
The Vasquez Family
Martin Vertson
Lucy Vienna
Vanessa Vitiello
Wilson Wanner
Kevin Watson-Graff
Jerry Wechsler
Carmella Wilson
Patricia Zavala
Jeanne Zeltner

Calendar Highlights

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

Apr 19	Spring Sing Concert
Apr 21-22	Restaurant Fundraiser at Nucci's
Apr 22	Spirited Seniors Trip to California Science Center
May 1	STM Gala
May 23	Confirmation at 5:00pm Mass
Jun 12-14	Parish Campout
Jun 22-26	Vacation Bible Camp
Jul 19	Pastor's Dinner
Jul 24-26	Steubenville San Diego

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

Deployed Military

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. Branden M. Felker, USAF
Patrick G. Felker, USN
Grant Fischer
Gy Sgt Julian Fyffe, USMC
MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC
Sgt. Alex Garcia
Adolfo Granados, MD, U.S. Navy
PFC Samuel Haro, US Army
PFC Cody Madere
Jordan Millikan
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.

April 13 Sr. Roseann Cordova, OP
April 14 Sr. Claudia Cortez, SJS
April 15 Sr. Elaine Coutu, CSJ
April 16 Sr. Camille Crabbe, CVI
April 17 Sr. Adele Crettol, OSF
April 18 Sr. Irene Cullen, RSCJ
April 19 Sr. Alberta Curran, OCD

Social Ministries & Outreach

Be a Supporter of Get On The Bus!

Each year around Mother's Day and Father's Day, hundreds of children and their caregivers board buses and travel from cities all over the State of California. Several Churches in North County are sponsoring a bus to travel to the prison for women in Chowchilla, California on May 8, 2015. Visits to the men's prisons will take place around Father's Day.

We will be receiving donated items the weekends of: April 11-12 and April 18-19. See flier from bulletin, March 21-22. (A few ideas listed here: Small bottles of water or orange juice, granola bars, fish crackers, Cheese and cracker packs; travel games, books and coloring books/crayons for the long bus ride. "Forever" postage stamps and playing cards.)

Volunteer to receive items before Mass next weekend, sort donated items; call Betty at (760) 941-3362. Bake cookies: Call Nancy at (760) 213-5902 (no raisins, nuts, or peanut butter.)

For monetary donations, please use the envelopes attached to the bulletin March 21/22 or a plain envelope marked for Get On The Bus and place in the collection basket or drop off at the Parish Office by April 25-26.

Regular visits between children and their incarcerated parent lower rates of recidivism for the parent and improve family reunification following the parent's release (Children of Incarcerated Parents: A Bill of Rights, San Francisco Partnership for Incarcerated Parents; Friends Outside, Stockton, CA. October 2003).

Project Linus Returns

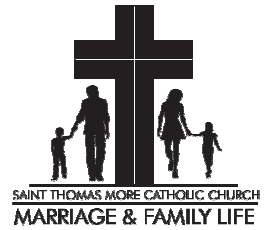
The Project Linus Coffee and Workshop will be held Thursday, April 23, 10:00am-12:00noon. All interested parties are welcome! We will have Project Linus labels and measurement tags to attach to any finished blankets. It will be a fun time to get together! For more information, contact Mary Coxon at 760-599-8760.

Spirited Seniors Outing

The Spirited Seniors, 50 years or older, are traveling by coach to the California Science Center in Los Angeles on Wednesday, April 22. We will gather in the STM parking lot at 8:30am. The bus departs promptly at 9:00am. The cost is \$30 for members and \$35 for non-members. Your day will begin with a beautiful drive up the coast and end with a spectacular "flight" over the ancient city of Jerusalem and parts of the Holy Land. Our agenda also includes touring the Space Shuttle Endeavour exhibit as well as several hands-on exhibits that aim to stimulate your curiosity. Treat yourself to lunch at the Center's café. Space is limited. The deadline for reservations is April 13. Please put your completed registration form and a check payable to "STM Spirited Seniors" in an envelope marked "Spirited Seniors Space Shuttle Trip" and return it to the offertory collection or Parish Office, box 12. For more information, contact Cheryl Rowland at 760-726-5578 or Judy Buoniconti at 760-758-5113.

Marriage & Family Life

Moms & Kids—Are you a mom with infant thru school age children wanting to meet other moms in our Parish? Want to find a great way to meet friends for both you and your children? Join our dynamic and energetic Moms and Kids ministry on April 20 at 10:00am at Oak Riparian Park. There are many other events throughout the month posted on our private Facebook page. Join us! Contact Jen Abelson at jen.abelson@gmail.com.



Natural Family Planning—Have you heard about NFP and aren't quite sure what it is? Are you interested in learning more about Natural Family Planning? Contact Cheryl and Dave Ross at davidandcherylross@gmail.com to learn more about the various NFP methods and determine which method is right for you and your family.

Bishops' Letter on Marriage—Life-Affirming: "Even when their child-bearing years have passed, a couple should continue to be lifeaffirming. 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 Moments—A Trip Down Memory Lane #11. First Fight. This might not be a happy memory, but hopefully you are not still fighting over the same issue. Focus on one disagreement that you have resolved satisfactorily. May it give you insight for the future.

Parenting Pointers—April is child abuse prevention month. If you haven't already, alert your children that they should tell you when ANYONE touches them inappropriately. Sexual abuse by those in positions of authority is tragic, even more so when perpetrated by clergy who hold positions of trust. Victims deserve the Church's ongoing support, apology, and reparation. Clergy of integrity, however, also suffer because of the sins of their colleagues. Let those ministers, priests, or religious who has served you well know of your support.

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.

Rosary

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



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. **Remember, Scrip is available for purchase FIVE ways:**

1. Online—visit stmoside.org/scrip.html and look for the slider with the ShopwithScrip logo for more info!
2. On the Plaza after weekend Masses
3. Monday-Friday during business hours in the Parish Office
4. Email at scrip@stmoside.org
5. Phone at 760-758-4100 x150

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

Parish Events

Attention Men!

Year three of “That Man is You!—The Revelation of the Father” concludes on Saturday, April 18, at 6:45am with the topic “Paradisus Dei.”

For more information, contact Deacon John at 760-758-4100 x104 or johnf@stmoside.org.

Women’s Guild News

Do you have a hat to wear to the next meeting on Monday April 13? If you want to, you can also wait and wear one the following Saturday April 18 at the “Mad Hatter Tea Party” also. Reservations for both are due today, so please call Vera for the meeting on Monday 760-295-0059 and bring your registration slip to the office on Monday for the Tea Party if you are not yet registered. Our Fashion Hat Show and Poet Laureate reading promises to be an outstanding program. You won’t want to miss it. The lunch will be a delicious warm Italian entrée from a top chef. Save your appetite for then.

For the Tea Party you can personalize your table by bringing your own table settings, but there will be set tables waiting for those who prefer to just show up. It’s a day to enjoy yourself in the spirit of Easter among friends, have some fun and a chance of winning one of the four opportunity drawings of \$25 each.

Come to the meeting and find out who your Board Members will be next year.

Let our ALLELUIA s continue to sing out!!! Jesus our savior is risen!

Happy Easter Season! —*Ann Buko, president*

Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

On Sunday, April 26, CWWNC will gather HERE for communal Mass at 10:30am followed by lunch at Nucci’s. This is a great opportunity for prospective members to get acquainted with our group. On the second Sunday of each month we meet for a general meeting and potluck at various areas in North County. Check the bulletin board on the lower level of the Parish Center for our calendar of events including bowling, bocce ball, golf, dining out, hiking, and more! RSVPs are required. For more info. call Carol Kope (760-726-0533) or Gerri Wilmott (760-758-9949).

Young Adult Opportunities around the Diocese

Theology on Tap—Mondays in April at Off Shore Tavern, 2253 Morena Blvd., San Diego. Speaker and topics TBA.

For more information, visit www.yamsd.org.

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www.stmoside.org/scrip.htm

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Only Three
Weeks Away!

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

STM Social Event
of the Year!

Everything Due by
Tuesday, April 21

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 including: Stainless Steel BBQ,
Somerville Gas Fire Table,
Tequila Tasting Party, Beer and Pizza Party
One Week in Hawaii or Cabo San Lucas;
Wine, Scotch, and Margarita Baskets,
Staycation, Movies, Plays,
Restaurant Packages,
Pageant of the Masters in July and August,
Three Exquisite Diamonds, Golf Surprises, and more.



Dinner is served at 6:15pm, \$50 per person.
Visit www.stmoside.org/gala for this year's menu.
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

Low Vision Seminar and Technology Fair

Thursday, April 30, 9:30am-2:30pm, Braille Institute, 4555 Executive Dr., San Diego. RSVP required, as space is limited. Snacks will be provided. Learn about the latest advances in macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy, and glaucoma, plus the benefits of magnification and accessible technology. To make a reservation or for more information, contact Ann Eriksson at 760-599-7151.

Liturgy & Music *Worship God*

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

HEART OF OUR FAITH

by Patricia Datchuck
 Sánchez and Rafael
 Sánchez Alonso,
 from Celebration
 April 2015,
 with permission.

Spring Sing

**Sunday,
April 19
4:00pm**

**North
County
Church
Choirs**

**in Concert
with Classic
Brass**

**Free-will
donation**

Upcoming Music

✠

**APRIL 19
3rd Sunday of
Easter**

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5:00pm

Praise Team

8:30am

Cantor &
Congregation

10:30am

Tower Bells

Last month, our focus was on Jesus being lifted up on the cross in order to heal all sinners and draw them to himself and to God. This month, the sacred texts call upon us to focus on Jesus being lifted up in glory, drawing all who believe unto eternity. Jesus is risen; Jesus lives. As Pope Francis pointed out in his apostolic exhortation "The Joy of the Gospel" (2013), "Jesus' resurrection is not an event of the past; it is a vital power which continues to permeate the world." And so it has been from the moment Jesus was lifted up in suffering and in victory.

Before Jesus' appearance among us, the Tuscans laid their dead in tombs that faced the west. For them, death was the end of life. After the Christ-event, however, the tombs faced the east because Jesus' resurrection dispelled the darkness of sin and death forever.

A similar contrast can be found in the catacombs. In a chamber that dates back to the time of Julius Caesar (100-44 B.C.E.), the tombs are marked with signs of dread and hopelessness. Many inscriptions are either cynical, at the expense of the gods; or embittered in their complaints. Nearby in another chamber are buried martyrs who were burned or crucified or thrown to the beasts. But here, there is no gloom or anger. Lilies adorn the tombs; the inscriptions express a sincere joy, and the whole chamber is decked as if for marriage rather than death. All this because of Jesus' resurrection.

As we celebrate this vital mystery without which our faith is in vain, the sacred texts remind us how the truth of Jesus' resurrection affected our ancestors in the faith. In a word, they were transformed. Cowardice was transformed into courage, doubt

scripture themes for April

into faith, fear into boldness, confusion into clarity. Because of the risen Jesus and their faith in him, they were new men and new women in Christ. On Easter Sunday, Peter (Acts) witnesses with boldness to all that Jesus did and said. He proudly declares, "He commissioned us to preach...to testify" (Apr 5). On April 19, Easter's Third Sunday, Peter (Acts) appeals to all who will hear: "Repent and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away." On the last Sunday of April (Fourth Sunday of Easter, Apr 26), Peter (Acts) sums up the mystery: "There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven...by which we are to be saved." The experience of Peter and those very first believers prompts each of us to ask ourselves: How does the reality of Jesus' resurrection affect me? How does it affect my world? Am I transformed?

In attempting to answer these questions, we might become discouraged. "All around us, we see persistent injustice, evil, indifference, and cruelty...we all know from experience that sometimes a task does not bring the satisfaction we seek; results are few and changes are small and we are tempted to grow weary or even give up" (Pope Francis, op. cit.). At times like these, we must cling to the reality of Jesus' resurrection and its transformative power. We live in the power of Jesus' rising from death to life, and so we witness to that power with our lives and with all our words and works. We are to participate willingly in the transformation of the cosmos, beginning with our own daily repentance and conversion to Christ. Where we see suffering, we are compelled, by virtue of our commitment to the risen Christ, to alleviate it. Where we see need and want, we are to share what we have



John 20:29

and who we are. Where we see injustice, we are to be the voice as well as the vote that calls for change and transformation. Where we see ignorance, prejudice, and any other sort of discrimination, we are to bring the good light of the Gospel to bear on the darkness while witnessing to the love Jesus has called us all to bear.

I once had a friend who was fond of saying, "You may be the only gospel another person will ever read." Perhaps Maggie Keys wouldn't mind if I altered her words to make a point: "You may be the only taste of Jesus' resurrection that another person will ever experience." Therefore, when an opportunity arises to offer hope to another person, to share faith or to ease their way and see to their needs, let us be quick and eager to do so. Jesus' resurrection is not a secret to be kept, but a revelation of God's love to be shared by all.

"Jesus' resurrection is already woven into the fabric of human history, for Jesus did not rise in vain. May we never remain on the sidelines of this march of living hope" (Pope Francis, op. cit.). Let us remember, instead, that we are empowered by the same Spirit Jesus breathed forth on the first disciples. Thus equipped, as the saying goes, "we are Easter people and 'Alleluia' is our song."

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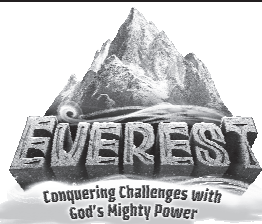
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TOWERS OF FAITH

Future Support & Estate Planning Options

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

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

Examples of the various future planning vehicles are:

**Designated Beneficiary Accounts,
Last Will and Testament, Living Trust, Life Insurance,
Stocks and Bonds, Real Estate, and Endowments.**

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

Chris Smith at 760-758-4100 x120, or chriss@stmoside.org.

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

Collection for Week of April 4/5, 2015

Number of Registered Households	1,134
Offertory	\$36,882.79
Offertory (Loose Collection)	\$3,006.50
Children's Envelopes	\$5.00
Total	\$39,894.29

Holy Thursday	\$1,743.00
Good Friday (for the Holy Land)	\$2,339.82

Mortgage/Building Completion Fund Income

September 15, 2014 to March 31, 2015

Mortgage Offering Collected	\$296,882.91
Less Administrative Costs	\$14,581.00
Payment toward Parish Reserves (10%)	\$28,230.19
Payment toward Mortgage	\$254,071.72
Mortgage Payment Due	\$284,501.26
Mortgage Payment Overage/(Shortfall)	(\$30,429.54)
Memorial Items	\$111,796.00

Please continue to support the
Mortgage/Building Completion Fund!

Called to Be Merciful—Annual Catholic Appeal

Assessment:	\$48,000
Collected to Date:	\$33,831
Families Pledged:	205
Average Pledge:	\$165.03

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Christian Stewardship Prayer for April

Our Blessed Lord! Our Risen Savior!

We give you thanks
for the awe-inspiring gift of Easter
and the redemption we enjoy
as a result of your gift.

We give you thanks for calling us your friends
and allowing us to share your body and blood
in the holy Eucharist.

Oh merciful Lord,
Redeemer and Teacher,
by the power of the Holy Spirit
give us the skills to listen to you more closely;
the wisdom to put the Eucharist into action;
and the courage to bring your Easter message of hope
to a world that desperately needs your love.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.
Amen



When the risen Christ encounters his disciples in the locked room he adds a new Beatitude to the ones we've heard many times before: Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.

Stewards of the mysteries of God's love do not need proof of the risen Christ. They know it because their lives have been transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit who has breathed new life into them. As Christian Stewards of this great gift it is appropriate to reflect on how we, in turn, add new life into our parish communities.

—ICSC Catholic Stewardship, April 2015 e-bulletin (with permission)

**We are welcome to enter into God's presence—
any day, any time. God has removed the barrier
that separates us from him. The banner of sin?
He has removed the curtain.**

—from *He chose the Nails*

Memorial Item Donations Available

Pipe Organ	\$850,000
Memorial Garden & Reflection Garden	
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
Audio Visual Systems	
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

Pew Seating for the Church (1,000) 798 available	\$300/each
Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs (200) 108 available	\$300/each
Memorial Garden & Reflection Garden	
Olive Trees in 7-foot boxes (10) 1 available	\$1,400/each

04/08/15

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



For more information on our progress, visit our website, stmoside.org, and click on New Construction.

A Closer Look Tours Continue

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News & Information from the Larger Church

Franciscan Vision Series: Francis of Assisi: A Life Changed by Encounters—Thursday, April 16, 7:00pm, Clare Chapel, San Luis Rey Retreat Center, 4050 Mission Ave., Oceanside. For more information, contact Gabriela Billings at 760-547-1800 x204 or gbillings@fst.edu.

The Oceanside 24 Hour Relay for Life Event—April 18, 10:00am to 10:00am April 19 at Mira Costa College in Oceanside. This is a 24-hour walk to raise money for cancer research, celebrate our survivors, and remember loved ones lost to this dreadful disease.

After Abortion Healing Retreat for Catholic Women (or Catholic Friendly)—May 1-3, given by Rachel's Hope at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 3888 Paducah Dr., San Diego. For more information, contact Rosemary Benbfield at (858-581-3022 or visit www.RachelsHope.org.

Birth Choice Ladies Luncheon and Fundraiser—Saturday, May 2, 11:00am-3:00pm, Green Dragon Tavern, and Museum, 6115 Paseo del Norte, Carlsbad. Cindy Tobin will be the speaker. For information and reservations, contact 760-744-1313 or visit www.birthchoicedonors.net, Events.

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

Catholic Radio—AM 1000/Sirius 130—San Diego

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Wednesday, May 6, 2015 and continue on
May 13, 20, & 27; June 3, 10, & 17; July 1, 8, & 15
9:00-11:00am following Daily Mass

Pre-Registration is required by April 20 to receive Class Materials in time for First Session
Materials Fee for 10 sessions is \$30

PLEASE RETURN BOTTOM PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT

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WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES



Bring your family and join us for a once in a lifetime opportunity to see

Pope Francis in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania! Including the full week convention and Mass with Pope Francis

September 21 - 28, 2015

Created by St. John Paul II, the World Meeting of Families strengthens the sacred bonds of families across the globe and witnesses to the importance of family to society. Philadelphia will host the World Meeting of Families 2015 which is expected to draw an international audience. Tens of thousands will travel to the city to participate in this week of celebrating the family, with speakers and activities for people of all ages.

DAY 1: FLY TO PHL: Today we fly to Philadelphia. Upon arrival, we are transferred to our hotel, where we can settle in for the next seven nights.

DAY 2: ORIENTATION: Today we register at the convention center and attend the opening ceremony at 1:00pm. Following the opening ceremony, we attend our first keynote session*, which is a full conference event; "Living as the Image of God." We have a short break before we attend our evening Mass. We return to our hotel for an evening at leisure.

DAY 3: SESSIONS: We begin our day with a morning mass before our second keynote session; "The Light of the Family in a Dark World." Immediately following the keynote session, we attend the breakout session**, which is a choice of many different sessions offered at the same time, from 11:45am to 12:45pm. We break for lunch on our own and attend our final keynote session; "Creating the Future: The Fertility of Christian Love." We attend one final breakout session for the day before returning to our hotel for overnight.

DAY 4: SESSIONS: After our morning Mass, we attend our session, "A Gift from God: The Meaning of Human Sexuality." We have our breakout session before our lunch break, which is from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. We have one final keynote session, "The Family: A Home for the Wounded Heart," followed by our one hour breakout session. The evening is at leisure at our hotel.

DAY 5: SESSIONS: This morning we have Mass and attend our keynote session; "The Joy of the Gospel of Life," before we attend our final breakout session of the convention. This concludes the conference at the convention center. This afternoon is at leisure for exploration on our own. We use our SEPTA transit pass to return to our hotel today.

DAY 6: FESTIVAL OF FAMILIES: Today we get to explore on our own. A few places to visit may include the Liberty Bell Center, Independence Hall, Longwood Gardens, The Franklyn Institute and many more. Feel free to do some research on things your family might enjoy. We will want to make sure to attend the Festival of Families at the Philadelphia Museum of Art, which will be a three hour program of song, prayer, and testimony, times will be announced. We return to our hotel on our own (SEPTA) and share our most memorable teachings from the conference with one another.

DAY 7: PAPAL MASS: This morning we attend Pope Francis's Public Mass at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. After Mass, we have an afternoon and evening at leisure and we return to our hotel on our own for overnight.

DAY 8: RETURN HOME: Today we transfer to the Philadelphia airport and board our flights home, carrying with us memories and keepsakes that will last a lifetime.

COST	ABQ	DFW	SFO	SAN
1 Traveler / Room	\$2930.00	\$2835.00	\$2865.00	\$2865.00
2 Travelers / Room	\$2055.00	\$1960.00	\$1990.00	\$1990.00
3 Travelers / Room	\$1765.00	\$1665.00	\$1700.00	\$1700.00
4 Travelers / Room	\$1620.00	\$1520.00	\$1555.00	\$1555.00

All prices are **per person** based on one (shared) room at the hotel of our choice.

INCLUDED:

Round Trip Airfare
Hotel Accommodations
Private transfer from airport to hotel
Private transfer from hotel to airport
Private transfer to Papal Mass & Convention Center*
Breakfast (at hotel)
Congress Registration
\$100 Debit Card (from the World Meeting of Families)
SEPTA Transit Pass
World Meeting of Families Welcome Kit

NOT INCLUDED:

Lunches and Dinners
All Beverages
Tips

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:

COMFORT INN / VALLEY FORGE
HAMPTON INN & SUITES PHILADELPHIA/BENSALEM

***KEYNOTE SESSION:** Each of these sessions is attended by everyone at the conference.

****BREAKOUT SESSION:** Breakout sessions are where those attending split up into smaller groups to attend a smaller session of choice with varying topics.

Rooms offered on a first-come, first-serve basis. At your request, we can try to pair you with another traveler to receive a better rate, as mentioned in the table above.

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