

Mass of Dedication and Blessing of Our Church Home, Our House of Worship by the Most Reverend Robert W. McElroy, Bishop of San Diego Wednesday, December 16, 2015, at 2:00pm

Everyone is invited, but if you plan on attending, you must RSVP no later than November 30 so we can properly plan for the Mass and Reception.

You may RSVP online at www.stmoside.org/dedication or call 760-758-4100 x158 or email hennyj@stmoside.org. Please let us know your name, phone number, and the number of people attending.

### 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

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

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DAYS
UNTIL DEDICATION!

### Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 11, 2015

Sell what you have, and follow me.

—Mark 10:21



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

### Pastor's Column

### The Charism of Permanence

From time to time I have the privilege of presiding over 50th Wedding Anniversary celebrations. 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 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 was 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."

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Construction Progress
Trees are arriving!
September 30.
www.stmoside.org
to see more photos!



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

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 him. The God who loves us unconditionally is the God who calls us each day to live in covenant with him.

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 with us.

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.

#### **World Mission Sunday**

World Mission Sunday, organized by the Propagation of the Faith, is a day set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the Church's missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice. An envelope is attached to the bulletin and may be returned any time during October.

Mission dioceses around the world—about 1,100 at this time—receive regular annual assistance from the funds collected. Your prayers and contributions are most appreciated!

### **Considering Becoming Catholic?**

Has Pope Francis ignited a spark in you to know more about the Catholic faith and become a member of the Church he shepherds?

If you are already Catholic, perhaps you have a new enthusiasm for your faith that you would like to share with a friend or family member who is searching.

Our lives sometimes go through seasons of change, of closeness to God and distance from God. Yet the Father's love is steadfast, full of mercy, and ever-present to those who seek with a sincere heart, no matter what sins or situations have caused separation.

If you have thought about becoming Catholic and beginning a new "season" in your life, contact Kathleen Bell, 760-809-6526, 80bell80@gmail.com.

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

### Announcing the Baptism of

### Maya Giselle Carrier Nevaeha India Chavez





### Congratulations to

#### Robert & Anne Fallone

who celebrated their 41st anniversary of marriage October 5.

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

#### Flower Donations

The Altar Flowers for this weekend were given by **Robert & Anne Fallone** in honor of their anniversary of marriage.



### In Memoriam



Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Johnny Broussard, who died on September 16. His Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, October 22, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep his family in your prayers.

**Charles Salter,** who died on August 18. His Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, October 24, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep his family in your prayers.

**Patricia E. Butler,** who died on September 30. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, October 27, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep her family in your prayers.

**William J. Brogan,** who died on October 3. His Funeral Mass was celebrated in Fishkill, New York. Please keep his son, Parishioner Patrick Brogan, and 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.

#### **Vocations**

In today's gospel, Jesus promises that those who give up everything for his sake and the sake of the gospel, will receive a hundred times more. Do you hear the call of Jesus to follow him as a priest, deacon, or vowed religious? If so, explore the possibilities and challenges. They are great and rewarding vocations. Contact Deacon Tom at *thomasgoeltz@aol.com* or 760-727-8442.

### **STM \$crip News**

Do you shop on Amazon.com? You can fundraise for STM while you shop using Amazon Smile and Amazon Scrip—check www.stmoside.org/scrip.htm for details!

Scrip is now available after all three Masses. We appreciate your continued support for the Scrip program. For more information, visit www.stmoside.org/scrip.htm or contact the Scrip team at 760-758-4100 x150 or scrip@stmoside.org

P.S. Have you re-registered your Ralphs/Food 4 Less cards so that St. Thomas More receives a percentage of your purchases? Stop by the Scrip table after Mass or visit www.stmoside.org/script.htm for details.

### **Readings** for the Week Ahead

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

Sunday, October 11 (143)

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Wisdom 7:7-11 Psalm 90:12-17 Hebrews 4:12-13 Mark 10:17-30

Monday, October 12 (467)

Romans 1:1-7 Psalm 98:1bcde, 2-4 Luke 11:29-32 Tuesday, October 13 (468) Romans 1:16-25 Psalm 19:2-5 Luke 11:37-41

Wednesday, October 14 (656) Callistus I, pope, martyr

1 Peter 5:1-4 Psalm 40:2,4ab,7-11 Luke 22:24-30

Thursday, October 15 (657) Teresa of Jesus, virgin, doctor Romans 8:22-27 Psalm 19:8-11 John 15:1-8

Friday, October 16 (658)

Hedwig, religious; Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin Sirach 26:1-4,13-16 Psalm 128:1-5

Mark 3:31-35

Saturday, October 17 (472)

Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr Romans 4:13,16-18 Psalm 105:6-9,42-43

Luke 12:8-12 Sunday, October 18 (146)

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 53:10-11 Psalm 33:4-5,18-20,22 Hebrews 4:14-16 Mark 10:35-45

### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, October 10, 5:00pm Douglass Price-Williams &

Sunday, October 11, 8:30am Sue Welch

Sunday, October 11, 10:30am Joe & Silvio Vozza 🕆

Monday, October 12, 8:15am Candelaria Montecelo P

Tuesday, October 13, 8:15am Dorothy Rouse T

Wednesday, October 14, 8:15am Maria Akabogu

Thursday, October 15, 8:15am Bill Draper &

Friday, October 16, 8:15am Eugene Masseth &

Saturday, October 17, 5:00pm Andrew Lanzrath

Sunday, October 18, 8:30am Cesarina Morelli

Sunday, October 18, 10:30am Linda Iacobelli Bennett &

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

Debbie A.
Changa Aguilera
Ernie Aichele
Mary Alexander
Carrie Autrey
Joshua Avery
Millie Backes
Rosemary Ballard
Dee Barakman
Jose Luis Barbosa
Patricia Barbour
Francie Barron
Clarice Bednarz
John Bennici
Regina Bentz
Lisa Berg Lisa Berg
Roseanne Berg
Mary Betz
Betty Jean Bielich
Pieter Boets & Family Zane Breier Beth Brewer The Brogan Family
Hannah Bronson
The Broussard Family
Janet Brown Janet Brown
Todd Brown
Katie Browne
Jack & Mary Bruzas
Anita Buerger
Kim Lien Bui
Ann & Joe Buko
The Butler Family
Shelby Campbell
Brianne Campos
Aria Canpeluti Aria Cappeluti Jorge Cartajena Donald Cashmore Anne Caywood
The Vaughn Clevenger Family
Çarl & Dorothy Coleman Carl & Dorothy Colem James Coleman Judy Colson Steven Cresencia Lené Crowe Karen Flaharty Daley Beverly de Gelder Nick Del Sesto Paul Del Vecchio Hugo Delgado, Jr. Cassandra D'Ercole Christine DeSantis Cecilia DeSimone David deVillenuve Carole Dillon Art & Dave Dossman La Vonne Dumas Marge Egan Marge Egan Jerome Elbacha Carolyn Erickson Ey Kathy Escandon Victoria Lopez Fenton The Fiore Family Fr. James Flanagan Fr. James Flanagan
Mary Fleming
Ryan Flum
Ernie Follis
Eugene Franciscus
Kathryn Franklin
The Fraser Family
The Greg French Family
Brian Frink
The Fuentes Family
Jim Gallagher
The Joe Garcia Family
Kathy Gardner
Joan Gay
Jack & Marge Gillen
The Gilley Family The Gilley Family
Wendy Gonzales' Dad
Rick Gonzalez Tillie Gonzalez Lou Gordon George Gritt Fred Gritzen and Family Luke Guenst Luke Guenst
Susan Hallahan
Pat & Tom Hannon
The Harker Family
Dorothy Harrison
Barbara Hatem
Bill & Mary Haynes
Lilian Hills
Lisa (Lynn) Hodges
Mike Hofer
Samara Hook
Susan Hori
Iolanda Iacobelli

Iolanda Iacobelli 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
Brandon LeBlanc
Jeremiah Lemus
Stella Leué
Ashley Load Jeremiah Lemus
Stella Leué
Ashley Load
Cassandra & Lauren Loretto
Jack Lucarelli
Joaquin Maldonado
The Maldonado Family
The Maldonado Trejo Family
Paige Mansell
Alexander Mathews
Gloria Maupin
Colleen McCall
Virginia McConnell
Ann McMahan
Bob McWilliams
Joyce Meehan
Kalei Mendiola
Rita Mikridge
Tom Miller
Phyllis Minaya
June Mitchell
June Montgomery
Nancy Moore
Elizabeth Muehlbacher
Conrad Murphy
Margie Myers
Angela Nacional
Melanie Nacional
Dina Nani
Nida Navarro Melanie Nacional
Dina Nani
Nida Navarro
Richard Obsitnik
Kare O'Dell
Laura Paciorek Gloor
Ethan Palm
Salina Pearson
Elica Pacriso Salina Pearson
Elisa Petrie
Helen Pingtella
Perry Postulka
The Joe Prokop Family
Barbara Ramm
Jenni Richard
Evelyn Richards
Jan Riley
Rita Ritchie
Lily Robinson
Maria Rogers
The Russo Family
Jennine Rybarczyk
Rachel Sainc
The Salier Family
Cindy Sanelli The Salter Family Cindy Sanelli Lori Sanna Linda Schmidt Joan Shea Elizabeth Shirzad Nick Soltau Bob Sorenson Nick Soltau
Bob Sorenson
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/Maldonado/Uribe Family
The VanSooy Family
Martin Vertson
Lucy Vienna
Lucy Vienna
Lucy Vienna
Lucy Viramontes
Vanessa Vittello Lucy Viramontes
Vanessa Vitiello
Wilson Wanner
Kevin Watson-Graff
Jerry Wechsler
Donald Wegen
The Lelan Wong Family
Patricia Zavala
Jeanne Zeltner

### Calendar Highlights

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

Oct 11	Liturgy of the Word for
	Children at 8:30am Mass
Oct 11	REACH Classes
Oct 17	Bowling Fundraiser
Oct 18	Liturgy of the Word for
	Children at 8:30am and
	10:30am Masses
Oct 18	Blood Drive
Oct 20-21	Restaurant Fundraiser at
	Nucci's
Oct 25	REACH Classes
Nov 1	Pizza & Beer Party
Nov 15	Advent Workshop
Nov 17	Spirited Seniors Trip to

Spirited Seniors Trip to Viejas Casino

**Dedication of Our Church** Dec 16 Christmas Cookie Exchange Dec 19 Jan 3 12th Night Choral Festival

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Mar 13 New Member Reception Apr 29 STM Gala Jun 20-24 Vacation Bible School

> Ouestions? Contact Henny at 760-758-4100 x100

### **Deployed Military**

Gunnery Sgt. Fernando Andrade, Jr. Lt. Devon Czarzasty 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 Sr. Airman Stephan LaMothe, USAF Cpl Caleb Lemons, USMC PFC Cody Madere Jordan Millikan 1st Lt. Jennifer Mozzetta Jeremiah Gabriel Nelson, USAF Thomas Kevin Nelson, ÚS Navy Fireman Griffin Joseph Ochoa, US Navy Pvt. 2 Jess Phillips, US Army Nicole Rieger, US Navy Sr. Airman Robert Spear, USAF Sgt. Charles Watts, USMC

> Thank you for your prayers for Chaplain Van Dinh, who has returned home safely.

#### **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

### **Social Ministries & Outreach**

#### Pope Francis' Visit to the United States!

**Replay his activities at** *www.usccb.org.* These include his homilies, addresses, and other public appearances.

### **Annual Rosary for Peace**

The annual diocesan Rosary for Peace Sunday is this weekend. A rosary for peace will be offered at 10:00am this Sunday, October 11, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Please consider joining the Parish Social Justice Committee who will be leading the rosary.

The world is so in need of peace! If you cannot join us on Sunday, please consider praying the rosary with us from your home! The rosary is also prayed every weekday following the 8:15 am Mass.

#### **Culture of Life**

The Parish Culture of Life group will participate in the annual 40 Days for Life by praying each Thursday at the Planned Parenthood in Vista. If you would like to participate, the prayer vigil, which began Thursday, October 8, continues each Thursday through October 29. We hope to have prayer warriors present from 7:00am-7:00pm each Thursday during the campaign. For more information or to sign up, contact Jane Kelleher at 760-822-7041.

### Christmas Angel Program—It's That Time of Year!

It's that time of year again, with the holidays and the dedication of our new church approaching quickly. We need to prepare for our annual Christmas Angel program. There will be two organizational meetings this week for volunteers, Thursday October 15 at 7:00pm or Friday October 16 at 9:00am in the lower level. Please join us for one or both meetings to learn how to earn your wings! For more information, please contact Lisa Seufert at 760-716-0977.

#### **Blood Drive**

The St. Thomas More blood drive will be held Sunday, October 18 from 8:30am-2:00pm. Please stop by the table on the Plaza to sign up. For more information, contact Stacey and Morgan Espe at *SEspeROH@gmail.com* or 760-224-2699.

#### St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive (November 7-8)

Our annual clothing drive to help St. Bonaventure Indian Mission is just around the corner. Before and after all Masses on November 7 and 8 (noon on Saturday to 1:00pm on Sunday), we will be collecting your slightly used items...clothing (all sizes...men's, women's and children's...summer, winter, and all seasons)...blankets...and sturdy footwear (no heels please). STM is the Mission's only dedicated clothing drive. St. Bonaventure's serves the Navajo in approximately 100 square miles of the big reservation in New Mexico where unemployment vastly exceeds 50%...where many have no utilities or running water...and where temperatures range from below zero in the winter to over 100 in the summer. Please be generous!!! If you have questions, contact Deacon Tom at thomasgoeltz@aol.com or 760-727-8442.

### Marriage & Family Life

Moms & Kids—Are you a mom with infant through 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! We'll be having a park play date on Monday, October 19, 3:00-



5:00pm. Contact Jen Abelson at *jen.abelson@gmail.com* to find out where! There are also many other events throughout the month posted on our private Facebook page. Join us!

**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.

**Relationship** Skills Workshop—Deacon John and Debbie Fredette will be presenting Relationship Skills Workshops every Wednesday evening at 7:00pm at St. Thomas More through December 9. Come and explore how to improve your relationships. You can attend one workshop, several, or all of them. The October 14 workshop topic is *Personality Differences*. For more information call Deacon John at 760-758-4100 x104.

**Bishops'** Letter on Marriage—Gratitude: "As a husband and wife are thankful for one another and express this gratitude in the giving of themselves completely to one another, so this gratitude is open to the further gifts that this self-giving literally embodies: that is, a gratitude for the possible further gift of children. Inherent within a husband's gratitude for his wife is that together with her he can beget children. Inherent within a wife's gratitude for her husband is that together with him she can conceive children. Together a husband and wife are gratefully open to the gift of children." <a href="http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/">http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/</a>.

**Marriage Moments**—Got an anniversary, a birthday, or another gift-giving occasion coming up. Try a free, but heartfelt gift—a list of things you love about your spouse. Fancy it up by putting the compliments on brightly colored papers and put in a glass jar for daily reading. By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net.

**Parenting Pointers**— "Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor" (Mark 10:21). Invite your child to take a step with you. Each of you choose one belonging to give to a person who has less than you. If you don't know anyone, take it to Goodwill or St. Vincent de Paul. By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net

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

### 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

### **Parish Events**

### Men's Fellowship Update

Are you hungry for a good message, good fellowship, and a good breakfast? If that man is you, then join us for our new and improved Saturday morning men's gathering and breakfast called *iHunger*. Our next breakfast will be on Saturday, October 17, starting at 6:45am. If you would like to stay informed of what's going on with *iHunger* (and where we are meeting) via SMS text messages, Text @iHunger to 23559.

Also, if you find yourself thirsty for occasional fellowship over a beer at a local micro-brewery, or taking a day hike, or going to a ball game together with some other great men from the Parish, **Text** @iThirst to 23559.

### **Knightly News**

Visit the Knights of Columbus table on the Plaza to order your Christmas tree or wreath and support their fundraising efforts!

#### Women's Guild News

We welcome and give thanks to God for the lovely fall rain and cooler (finally!) weather earlier in the week to clean the air and get us to think of baking and other things warm. Speaking of baking, our Fall Bake Sale is coming up the weekend of October 24-25. Watch for the flyer in an upcoming bulletin for details. The Board and the Committee Chairs are forming plans for delightful fundraising activities in the coming months. Our December Advent program is shaping up beautifully, the always fun Chinese Auction takes place at our January luncheon meeting, as well as an all-time favorite—Game Day!

For now, remember to give Anna Robinson a call at 760-842-5205 to let her know that you will attend the Monday, October 12, luncheon meeting at 11:00am. Anna promises a delicious lunch, and Genevieve has a very moving program planned to follow Pope Francis's inspiring words. See you then, and God bless you! —Kathy Gerhard, president

### Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

See the bulletin board on the lower level for our complete monthly calendar including monthly communal Mass, dining out, free concert, dancing, bowling, hiking, miniature golf, and bocce ball. RSVPs are required. For more information, call Carol Kope at 760-726-0533 or visit www.cwwnc.com.

### **Attention All Veterans and Spouses**

Please sign up for the Veterans' Day breakfast on Saturday, November 7. Your service and sacrifice are appreciated! Registration cards are available in the Parish Office.

### **Treasures Update**

Special Thanks to Wendy and John Murphy, the Chaircouple of our Treasures Sale. With many dedicated volunteers, this year's Treasures netted our Parish \$14,000.

Thanks to John, Wendy, and everyone who helped to make this year's event such a grand success. Thanks to all who donated their items, and thanks to all who made purchases.

I am very appreciative! —Fr. Mike

### **Memorial Item Donations Available**

Pipe Organ	\$850,000
Memorial Garden & Reflection Garden	\$630,000
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) 1 available	\$2,500/each
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

### **Memorial Item Donations Partial**

Jesus, Divine Redeemer and Master of the Universe Mosaic Panels for Memorial Garden (54) 36 available	\$5,000/each
Automated External Defibrillators (AED) and accessories for new Church and Daily Chapel (2) 1/2 available	\$1,700/each
Pew Seating for the Church (1,000) 760 available	\$300/each
Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs (200) 98 available	\$300/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.

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

We provide the hard hats, **you provide the closed- toe shoes!** Weekly tours are offered following the
8:30am Mass and before the 10:30am Mass. To
make a reservation, please contact Chris Smith
at *chriss@stmoside.org* or 760-758-4100 x120.

# Liturgy & Music Worship God

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

### ALL ARE WELCOME

### how to be a Church of open doors



What do I do to make the Church a community where everyone feels welcomed and understood, everyone feels the mercy and love of God who renews life?

—Pope Francis General Audience, May 29, 2013

Each of us can make St. Thomas More Parish an even more welcoming place to newcomers, persons with disabilities, and persons with special needs. Here are a few ideas:

- If you see a parent struggling with a child's behavior, offer a friendly smile, a sympathetic nod, or a helping hand.
- If you see a person physically struggling to get in, hold open a door, scoot down in the pew, or offer to carry something.
- If you see a person exhibiting unusual behavior, understand that

it might be a sign of a disability. Embrace the person as a child of God and understand that each of us has different ways of receiving and communicating God's love.

- If you see someone who is disheveled or out of sorts, consider that he or she might be in dire straits. Act with compassion.
- Some people may struggle to get to or sit through the Mass. Offer a ride, an open door, or simply acceptance and understanding.

A warm smile, a nod, or a small kindness can make all the difference.

Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.

— Matthew 25:40

### Upcoming Music

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OCTOBER 18 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

> **₹** 5:00pm

3.00pm

Sanctuary Choir

8:30am

Praise Team

10:30am

Cappella Choir

### Are you generous with a smile?

We are looking for **new** Hospitality ministers to serve at all weekend Masses. Can you serve?

Hospitality ministers welcome everyone to our church home and to God's table each weekend and holyday liturgy, assisting us in our worship before, during, and after the liturgy.

Contact Douglas (see top right corner of page) to volunteer!



Mark 10:22

### Fresh Flowers for Our Weekend Mass Celebrations

If you would like to remember, honor, or celebrate someone special or a special occasion with the addition of an arrangement of flowers at our weekend Masses during Ordinary Time, please see our Parish Receptionist during the week.

Your donation of \$85 will provide a lovely arrangement on the altar platform, including all taxes and delivery.

A note in the weekend's bulletin will announce your special person or event.

Only one flower arrangement may be offered each weekend and payment must be made at the time you reserve your weekend. Two week's notice is required. We are sorry that we are not able to take your reservation over the phone at this time. Thank you!



### Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

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

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

Family Faith Formation

# Today is a REACH Sunday!

ATTENTION REACH PARENTS!!

Would you like to understand the Mass better??
Join us TODAY for Session 1 of

"ALTARATION: The Mystery of the Mass Revealed".

Don't miss this opportunity for faith and fellowship from 12:30-2:00pm on the upper level of the Parish Center during Sunday's Faith Formation. No registration required!

# Sacrament Prep News





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.



Mandatory Parent Meeting for families whose children will be making their Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion this year. Meeting will be held Sunday, October 25, from 12:30-2:00pm.

# **MATTHEW KELLY**

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#### 2015 YEAR-END CHECKLIST

- ♦ BE SURE TO COMPLETE all gifts by December 31 to qualify for tax savings on this year's tax return. Advance planning with the Parish Office is essential, since the office will be closed from Wednesday, December 23, and will reopen on Monday, January 4.
- ◆ Donations received the weekend of December 27-28, 2015, and the Thursday, December 31, 2015, Vigil Mass will be credited in the 2015 tax year.
- ♦ Envelopes POSTMARKED by Thursday, December 31, 2015 will, be counted toward the 2015 tax year.
- ◆ Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) ~ Parishioners with a balance due on their pledges made to this year's ACA are requested to complete payments by Dec. 31, 2015. (Tithing families, know that your tithe covers your ACA contribution.)
- Keep all gift receipts and acknowledgment letters, especially for gifts of \$250 or more.

#### For more information please contact:

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Collection for Week of October 3/4, 2015		
Number of Registered Households	1,159	
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Mortgage Offering Collected	\$543,758.08
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### **Being Good Stewards of our Food**

In the Midwest, October often means one thing: football. But on Sunday, October 4, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the football-mad city of Omaha, Nebraska, will host what is becoming an international celebration: "Feeding the 5,000."

This event was started in London, England, in 2009 by an organization called Feedback to address the scandal of food waste. Since then, there have been "Feeding the 5,000" events all over Europe and increasingly in the United States, led by the cities of Oakland, Chapel Hill, Omaha, and soon New York City.

Local chefs feed the crowd with a delicious meal prepared with food which would otherwise be discarded: misshapen potatoes, wrongly sized carrots, onions with a bruise. And while they're fed, the crowd learns how to counteract food waste in their community.

Did you know that food by the tons is thrown out each year because it doesn't live up to the cosmetic standards of food sellers? That arbitrary "sell-by" dates means truckloads of edible food go to the dump? That restaurant portions grow ever larger as over 9% of restaurant food is wasted?

The United Nations maintains that 1.3 billion tons of food is wasted annually—imagine the water it takes to grow this food, the carbon transmissions used in the production and the transportation of food that eventually rots in a dump.

Pope Francis said that the food which is discarded could "feed all the hungry people of the world."

As Christian stewards, we are painfully aware that it's not just industry that wastes food. Estimates reveal that we consumers throw out the most food, food we've purchased, some of which our waistlines might not need anyway. How careful are we to buy and use just what we'll consume, what we actually need? How well do we steward the food in our refrigerators and pantries?



Urged by Pope Francis to practice greater austerity, we should be particularly sensitive to the issue of good stewardship of the fruits of creation. In 2013, Pope Francis said: "Once upon a time, our grandparents were very careful not to throw away any leftover food.

Consumerism has led us to become used to an excess and daily waste of food. Throwing away food is like stealing from the table of the poor and the hungry."

—ICSC Stewardship October 2015 3-bulletin, with permission

The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of the environment, should encourage us to consider anew our relationship to food.

### **News & Information from the Larger Church**

**Catholic High School Open Houses**—for prospective students and their families...

Cathedral Catholic High School on Saturday, October 17, 10:00am-1:00pm, www.catedralcatholic.org.

Academy of Our Lady of Peace (for young women), www.aolp.org.

St. Augustine High School (for young men), www.sahs.org.

Mater Dei High School, www.materdeicatholic.org.

St. Joseph Academy High School on Saturday, October 24, 10:00am-1:00pm, www.SaintJosephAcademy.org.

JSerra High School, November 12, 6:30-8:30pm, www.jserra.org.

Learning about the Priesthood—Saturday, October 17, 8:30am-3:00pm, St. Francis Center, University of San Diego. Any men interested in exploring a possible vocation to the priesthood, please contact Fr. Mike Ratajczak at 760-758-4100 x100 or Fr. Pedro Rivera at 619-291-7446.

**Teaching the Male Brain Presentation**—Monday, October 19, 6:30pm, St. Augustine High School, 3266 Nutmeg St., San Diego, 92129. Presented by Dr. Abigail James. For more information, contact *mhaupt@sahs.org*.

**Life Perspectives' Life Walk 2015**—October 24; visit www.LPLifeWalk.com for details on walking and/or sponsoring.

**Birth Choice of San Marcos Annual Fundraising Dinner**—Saturday, October 24, 5:45-8:00pm, Sheraton Carlsbad Resort. Theme: *Love, Hope, and Support...One Life at a Time;* guest speaker; Dr. Marc Newman, Founder and President of *Speaker for Life.* For more information and to register, visit www.BirthChoiceDonors.net.

**CAPS Pregnancy Services Annual Golf Tournament**—Monday, October 26, Riverwalk Golf Club. Visit www.CAPSgolf.org for more information.

**Healing Mass**—Wednesday, October 28, 7:00pm, St. James Church in Solana Beach, celebrated by Msgr. James Tarantino. For more information, contact 888-590-5095.

After-Abortion Healing Retreat for Catholic Women (or Catholic-friendly)—November 6-8, Diocesan Pastoral Center, 3888 Paducah Dr., San Diego. Led by Rachel's Hope and sponsored by the Diocese of San Diego. For more information or to register, call Rosemary at 858-581-3022 or visit www.RachelsHope.org.

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### **STM Mental Health Ministry Network**

Are you interested in participating in the Ministry team of the STM Mental Health Ministry Network to help serve as "prayerful companions" for fellow Parishioners experiencing mental health issues, walking with them through the treatment process, and helping to provide Parish-wide education on the subject of mental illness? For more information, contact Deacon John at 760-758-4100 x104 or *johnf@stmoside.org*.

### Jail/Detention Ministry

Jesus said, "I was in prison and you visited me. What you did for the least of these you did for me." To volunteer and bring the gifts of presence, compassion, hope, and love to those in prison, call Rita at 760-758-4100 x100. For more information, visit www.diocese-sdiego.org/restore, where you will find information on not only visiting those in prison, but ways to provide support for victims or their families and ways to get involved with victim/ offender mediation and reconciliation.

### Young Adult Opportunities around the Diocese

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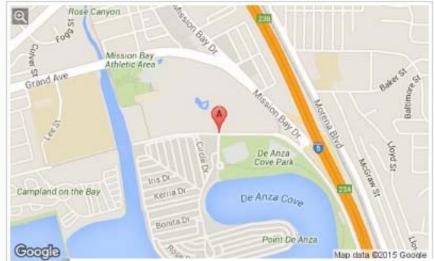
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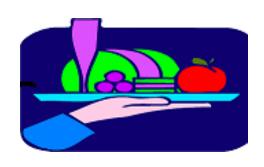
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