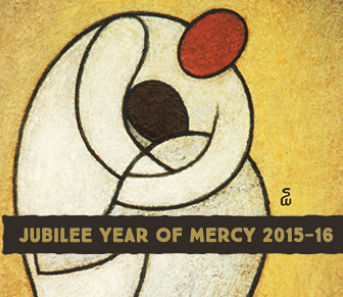


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ALWAYS BE A PLACE OF
Mercy & Hope.
- POPE FRANCIS



JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY 2015-16

**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

Every Day, 7:00am-7:00pm

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday, 3:30-4:30pm
and by appointment

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

1450 South Melrose Drive
Oceanside, CA 92056
760-758-4100
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Office Hours: Monday-Friday,
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and 12:30-4:00pm
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**Celebrating the
Jubilee Year of Mercy and
Our Road Ahead**
Sunday, November 20, 7:00pm
Join Us!

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
November 20, 2016

Pastor's Column

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

Support for Migrants & Refugees: First Order of Business for Catholic Bishops' Fall Meeting

The USCCB (The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops) met last week in Baltimore, Maryland.

Their first agenda item was the Conference's approval of the statement by Bishop Eusebio Elizondo, Auxiliary Bishop of Seattle, Chairman of the USCCB's Committee on Migration:

"We would first like to congratulate President-elect Donald J. Trump and give our support for all efforts to work together to promote the common good, especially those to protect the most vulnerable among us. I personally pledge my prayers for Mr. Trump, all elected officials, and those who will work in the new administration. I offer a special word to migrant and refugee families living in the United States: be assured of our solidarity and continued accompaniment as you work for a better life.

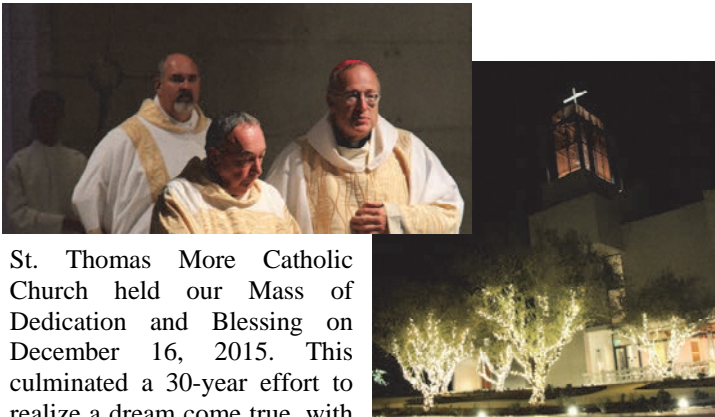
We believe the family unit is the cornerstone of society, so it is vital to protect the integrity of the family. For this reason, we are reminded that behind every 'statistic' is a person who is a mother, father, son, daughter, sister, or brother and has dignity as a child of God. We pray that as the new administration begins its role leading our country, it will recognize the contributions of refugees and immigrants to the overall prosperity and well-being of our nation. We will work to promote humane policies that protect refugee and immigrants' inherent dignity, keep families together, and honor and respect the laws of this nation.

Serving and welcoming people fleeing violence and conflict in various regions of the world is part of our identity as Catholics. The Church will continue this life-saving tradition. Today, with more than 65 million people forcibly displaced from their homes, the need to welcome refugees and provide freedom from persecution is more acute than ever and our 80 dioceses across the country are eager to continue this wonderful act of accompaniment born of our Christian faith. We stand ready to work with a new administration to continue to ensure that refugees are humanely welcomed without sacrificing our security or our core values as Americans. A duty to welcome and protect newcomers, particularly refugees, is an integral part of our mission to help our neighbors in need.

We pray for President-elect Trump and all leaders in public life, that they may rise to the responsibilities entrusted to them with grace and courage. And may all of us as Catholics and Americans remain a people of solidarity with others in need and a nation of hospitality which treats others as we would like to be treated."

F. Mike

Dedication DVD Celebrates Our 30-Year History and Our Dedication Anniversary!



St. Thomas More Catholic Church held our Mass of Dedication and Blessing on December 16, 2015. This culminated a 30-year effort to realize a dream come true, with a beautiful liturgy, followed by a fabulous reception! Our Dedication DVD covers our 30-year history, as well as special parts of the Mass and the reception.

This is a special keepsake that all will want to have! The intro and outro are narrated by Doug D'Agrosa and Linda Brault, who both served for multiple years as chairpersons of our Pastoral Council during those 30 years. This DVD has photos of our progress as we journeyed from the beginning in 1985 up to the present and the Year of Mercy as one of the eight Pilgrim Churches in the Diocese of San Diego.

The DVD is about 53 minutes long. It is beautifully done by Thom Hiatt of Faith in Marketing! Thanks to all who helped over all the years and also in preparation for this special day and year!

DVDs are available for \$20 each on the plaza before or after all Masses, as well as in the Parish Office during working hours and online at our website, www.stmoside.org.

You may also contact Chris Smith at 760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org

Collection for National Needs

The month of November has been designated for the Collection for National Needs, which supports the Black and Indian Missions, the Catholic Home Missions, the Catholic Communications Campaign, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, and the Catholic University of America. The envelopes that were attached to the bulletin may be returned any time during November. Thank you for your generosity!

Donations for Those Affected by Hurricane Matthew

If you would like to make a donation to help the people and the Churches impacted by Hurricane Matthew, place it in an envelope and mark it Hurricane Matthew. If you write a check, please make it out to St. Thomas More with the notation, Hurricane Matthew.

Your donations can be given any time until December 31.

Also, if you wish, you can make your donations directly to Catholic Relief Services (www.crs.org) or Catholic Charities USA (CatholicCharitiesUSA.org).

Welcome New Parishioners

Terry Hendlin

Congratulations to

Tom & Katie Padilla

who celebrated their 3rd anniversary of marriage on November 16.

Derek & Elba Spizewski

who celebrated their 25th anniversary of marriage on November 16.

Robert & Glory Hartdegen

who celebrate their 38th anniversary of marriage on November 23.

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 soul of:

Carolynne Rudolph, who died on November 167. Her funeral services are pending. Please keep her family in your prayers.

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

Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA

Attached to today's Bulletin is an envelope for the triennial collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA. This is the only archdiocese, or non-profit organization, that provides the Catholic Church's full range of pastoral ministries specifically to Catholics serving in the United States Armed Forces, enrolled in US Military Academies, undergoing treatment at any of the 153 Department of Veterans Affairs' Medical Centers, working in civilian jobs for the federal government beyond US borders, and the families of these populations. Programs and services to the unique mission and ministry of the Archdiocese include vocations, pastoral visitation, endorsement of chaplains, evangelization and catechesis, sacramental records, tribunal, and veterans affairs. Envelopes can be returned anytime during the month of November.

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

Readings for the Week Ahead

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

Sunday, November 20 (162)

*Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe*

2 Samuel 5:1-3

Psalms 122:1-5

Colossians 1:12-20

Luke 23:35-43

Monday, November 21 (680)

*Presentation of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*

Zachariah 2:14-17

Luke 1:46-55 (Psalms)

Matthew 12:46-50

Tuesday, November 22 (681)

Cecilia, virgin, martyr

Hosea 2:16bc, 17cd, 21-22

Psalms 45:11-12, 14-17

Matthew 25:1-13

Wednesday, November 23 (682)

Clement I, pope, martyr;

Columban, abbot; Bl. Miguel

Agustín Pro, priest, martyr

1 Peter 5:1-4

Psalms 89:2-5, 21-22, 25, 27

Matthew 16:13-19

Thursday, November 24 (947)

Thanksgiving

Sirach 50:22-24

Psalms 113:1-8

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Matthew 7:7-11

Friday, November 25 (507)

*Catherine of Alexandria, virgin,
martyr*

Revelation 20:1-4, 11-21:2

Psalms 84:3-6a, 8a

Luke 21:29-33

Saturday, November 26 (508)

Revelation 22:1-7

Psalms 95:1-7b

Luke 21:34-36

Sunday Year A; Weekday Year I

Readings online at www.usccb.org.

Sunday, November 27 (1)

First Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalms 122:1-9

Romans 13:11-14

Matthew 24:37-44

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 19, 5:00pm
Derek Spizewski

Sunday, November 20, 8:30am
Tom & Katie Padilla

Sunday, November 20, 10:30am
Cesare Morelli ☩

Monday, November 21, 8:15am
Douglass Price-Williams ☩

Tuesday, November 22, 8:15am
Carl Nussrallah ☩

Wednesday, November 23, 8:15am
Leo Grassilli ☩

Thursday, November 24, 9:00am
Timothy Wilmott ☩

Friday, November 25, 8:15am
Robert Del Moral ☩

Saturday, November 26, 5:00pm
Amy Hayes

Sunday, November 27, 8:30am
Pat Hannon ☩ & Tom Hannon

Sunday, November 28, 10:30am
Ina Pocina ☩

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

Changa Aguilera

Ernie Aichele

Mary Alexander

Carrie Autrey

Joshua Avery

Addison Abigail Aviña

Bob Baker

Rosemary Ballard

Jose Luis Barbosa

Eliza, Isaías, Thaisa,

and the Barbosa

Family

Patricia Barbour

Francie Barron

Clarice Bednarz

Taylor Bell

John Bennici

Regina Bentz

Lisa Berg

Roseanne Berg

Mary Betz

Betty Jean Bielich

Zane Breier

Janet Brown

The Brownell Family

Bill Bryson

Anita Buerger

Amelia Buono

The Buono Family

The Butler Family

The Cababa Family

Shelby Campbell

Breanne Campos

Aria Cappeluti

Nanette Carey

Jorge Cartajena

Donald Cashmore

Anne Caywood

Ravy Chea

The Vaughn Clevenger

Family

Anne Cline

Jacqueline Cohen

Carl & Dorothy

Coleman

James Coleman

Maria Colfer

Addie Colgan

Judy Colson

Karen Connell

Geoff Coolidge

Sandra Cracchiolo

Steven Cresencia

Lené Crowe

Antony Curione

Karen Flaharty Daley

Beverly de Gelder

Velia Deal & Family

Paul Del Vecchio

Hugo Delgado, Jr.

Cassandra D'Ercole

Christine DeSantis

Cecilia DeSimone

David deVilleneuve

Carole Dillon

Elizabeth Doherty's

Aunt Jackie

Art & Dave Dossman

Marge Egan

Jerome Elbacha

Arthur Eral

Carolyn Erickson Ey

Sally Fay

Victoria Lopez Fenton

The Fiore Family

Fr. James Flanagan

Mary Fleming

Ryan Flum

Ernie Follis

Eugene Franciscus

The Greg French

Family

Brian Frink

Jim Gallagher

The Joe Garcia Family

Kathy Gardner

Joan Gay

Alyssa Gerhard

Wendy Gonzales' Dad

Rick Gonzalez

Lou Gordon

George Gritt

Luke Guenst

Susan Hallahan

Colleen Hanna

The Harker Family

Dorothy Harrison

Michelle Harrison &

Family

Barbara Hatem

LaNay Hazzard

Barry Henwood

Lilian Hills

Lisa Hodges

Georgia Ann Hodina

Samara Hook

Susan Hori

Iolanda Iacobelli

Katherine Jacobs

Jacqueline Johnson

Sue Johnston

Laura Kater

Dottie Kearney

Connor Kerzie

Peggy Kiernan

Debbie Kinney

Bernie Klimek

Mark Kneisel

Dewey Kolbo

Tony Korwin

Faith Kowallek

Helen Kuhn

Lorene Kundert

Lillian Lachance

The Lamelin Family

Ashley LaMothe &

Family

Pauline Lapre's sister

Justine

Brandon LeBlanc

Susan Lee

Jake Lefferdink

Jeremiah Lemus

Aleah Leon

Ashley Load

Cassandra & Lauren

Loretto

Jack Lucarelli

Joaquin Maldonado

The Maldonado Family

The Maldonado Trejo

Family

Paige Mansell

Gloria Maupin

Colleen McCall

Virginia McConnell

Paige McCoy

Jerry McEniry

Ann McGeary

The McGinley Family

Ann McMahan

Bob McWilliams

Joyce Meehan

Kalei Mendiola

Lorraine Micallef

Rita Mikridge

Tom Miller

Phyllis Minaya

June Mitchell

Maria Molina

June Montgomery

Nancy Moore

Elizabeth Muehlbacher

Conrad Murphy

Eddie Murphy

Margie Myers

Andrew Philip

Nacional

Angela Nacional

Melanie Nacional

Nida Navarro

Richard Obsitnik

Gillian Ochoa

Kare O'Dell

Laura Paciorek Gloor

Katie Padilla

The Padua Family

Ethan Palm

Cynthia Pearson

Salina Pearson

Betty Pendill

Elisa Petrie

Merri Phelps

Helen Pingtella

Delilah Plasterer

Perry Postulka

The Joe Prokop Family

Bernie Ptak

Isabel Ramirez

Barbara Ramm

The Jerry Ratajczak

Family

Randy Reznicek

Jenni Richard

Evelyn Richards

Rita Ritchie

Ralda Rizke

Lily Robinson

Bea Rocha

Maria Rogers

The Rudolph Family

The Russo Family

Rachel Sainc

Sam Sam

Cindy Sanelli

Lori Sanna

Linda Schmidt

Grace Schweighofer

The Segars Family

Joan Shea

Elizabeth Shirzad

Nick Soltau

Darek, Vanessa, &

Elba Spizewski

Don St. Pierre

Patricia St. Pierre

Sybil Staples

Mike Sterling

Laura Bernard Stover,

MD

Pete Sullivan

Pat Swanton

Steve Tandy

Julie Teare

Laura Thiele

Frank Thompson

Tommy & Ginger

Social Ministries & Outreach

Pies! Pies! Pies!

What do you think of for Thanksgiving? Turkey, cranberries, stuffing...and apple or pumpkin pies! Every year, Brother Benno's has a Thanksgiving Day Feast for hundreds of homeless and poor. For the past number of years, STM has been the sole provider of dessert...succulent, fresh-baked **pumpkin** and **apple pies**. Please show your love by bringing your fresh-baked pies to the Parish Office between 8:00am and 12:00noon on Wednesday, November 23, the day before Thanksgiving, and they will be brought to Brother Benno's to give a taste of home to those in need. Any questions, contact Deacon Tom at thomasgoeltz@aol.com or 760-727-8442.

Christmas Angels

Thank you to all who are participating in the annual Christmas Angel Ministry. We still have a few Camp Pendleton families that need sponsoring. Please see a representative at the table on the plaza for details. Also, thank you to those who have returned their ornament items already. We still have a couple weeks until the deadline, so if you have selected an ornament please remember to bring your items back to the plaza or Parish Office before December 1. If you are short on time during this busy season, remember there are also ornaments for Scrip gift cards that benefit both our Parish from your purchase, as well as the charities we support! Solutions for Change is in need of all sizes of **new** pajamas for its intake facility—remember them as you are out doing your Black Friday doorbuster shopping. If you have any further questions about Christmas Angels, or would like to know how you can become a steward in this Ministry, please contact Lisa Seufert at leprechaun81@sbcglobal.net or 760-716-0977.

Do YOU Recycle?

The youth of the Parish will soon be starting a recycling ministry to raise money for their activities. The California CRV program provides a wonderful opportunity for fundraising, as more than 60% of the money raised through the CRV program never gets redeemed. Watch for the blue recycling bins on the plaza after Masses in the coming weeks and make sure to deposit your eligible drink containers in them. There will also be an information table on the plaza explaining how the program works.

Help Feed the Hungry

Pope Francis reminds us: "You pray for the hungry. Then you feed them. That's how prayer works."

We encourage every STM family to donate one nonperishable food item each weekend when they come to Mass.

Together we can help feed the hungry in our local community.

St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive

Our heartfelt thanks for your generosity. We filled a 26-foot truck and most of a 15-foot truck with much-needed clothing and shoes. The Navajo served by the Mission are among the poorest of the poor in our country. Please continue to support them with your prayers. We also send our well-deserved thanks to the Knights of Columbus who once again did the muscle work of loading the trucks. We ask God's special blessing on you all.

—Deacon Tom

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 have park play dates on the first and third Monday of each month at a local park, and there are many other events throughout the month posted on our private Facebook page. Join us! Contact Natalia Sada at vzlanaty@yahoo.com or Estelle Eral at estelle.eral@gmail.com.



Civil to Church Marriage—Are you civilly married, but haven't yet been married in the church? Contact Fr. Mike at michaelr@stmoside.org to begin your preparation!

Natural Family Planning—Struggling to conceive but nothing is happening? Or doctors tell you IVF is your only hope? Want to space children naturally and effectively? Come listen to a free Introductory Presentation of the Creighton Model FertilityCare system. Every third Thursday of the month. Next presentation: Thursday, December 15, 7:00pm, St. Thomas More, Parish Center Upper Level. Please RSVP with Beth at 619-630-8086 or beth@veritasfertilitycare.com.

Relationship Skills Workshops—Deacon John and Debbie Fredette present Relationship Skills Workshops every Tuesday evening, 7:00-8:30pm, at St. Thomas More in the Parish Center Lower Level through January 17. Come and explore how to improve your relationship! You can attend one workshop, several, or all of them. The topic for November 22 is *Handling Anger Constructively*. There is no pre-registration or fee. For more information call Deacon John at 760-758-4100 x104

Bishops' Letter on Marriage—Similar, but Different: "Male-female complementarity is intrinsic to marriage. It is naturally ordered toward authentic union and the generation of new life. Children are meant to be the gift of the permanent and exclusive union of a husband and a wife. A child is meant to have a mother and a father." <http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/>.

Marriage Moments—Trip down Memory Lane #15. In every human life eventually tragedy strikes. It may not be life threatening or frequent, but it causes us to pause and reflect. What has been a significant misfortune of your life together so far? How do you support each other. www.SusanVogt.net.

Parenting Pointers—Today is the feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, but Jesus rejected kingship and modeled "servant leadership." Kings have armies and thus power to enforce what they want. Servants excel in listening and seek to serve others' needs. Good leaders inspire. Talk with your children about the difference between a King, a Servant, and a Leader. www.SusanVogt.net.

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

STM Scrip News

Do you shop on Amazon? Use Amazon Smile and raise money for STM while you shop! Click the link at www.stmoside.org/scrip.htm to get started.

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**

Parish Events

Men's Fellowship Update

Are you hungry for a good message, good fellowship, and a good breakfast? Join us for our Saturday morning men's gathering and breakfast called **iHunger**. To stay informed of what's going on with **iHunger** via SMS text messages, text iHunger to 84576 or email Deacon John to have your email added to the iHunger distribution group. (Note: breakfast is off-site on the first weekend of each month).

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 84576.

Women's Guild News

Many thanks to Cyndy Hamasaki, Valerie Thompson, and Sally Fay for sharing their breast cancer experience at our November luncheon meeting. They each found that their faith and support from loved ones helped them get through their often difficult and scary journey. We wish them continued healing through the grace of Our Lord.

A report on Saturday's Game Day is forthcoming; we know from past Game Days what fun it is. As of going to press, we have close to 75 attending! Stay tuned for post-Game Day details!

Our next monthly luncheon meeting is Monday, December 12, when we celebrate an American Advent, and hope you will volunteer to share your childhood or early years family memories of this wonderful season. You may contact Genevieve Green, Program Chair, 760-722-6605 with your ideas. Always a festive event for Women's Guild, be sure to set the date on your calendar and consider inviting a guest or two!

As we bring an end to the Year of Mercy, let linger within our hearts the desire to show mercy in every act of our every day.

Happy Thanksgiving to All! —Kathy Gerhard, president

Project Linus Thanksgiving

Seven volunteers from St. Thomas More Parish met to measure, tag, and sew Project Linus labels on forty donated, hand-made children's blankets. These blankets are given to children in San Diego County who are experiencing trauma from illness or injury. For more information, contact Mary Coxon at 760-599-8760.

Looking for a Way to Be Involved?

Visit our website (www.stmoside.org) and click on Get Involved for an easy way to find the perfect ministry to fit your time and talent!



Mass & Reconciliation
Dates & Times



Calendar of Events



Get Involved
Parish Ministries



Our Pastor's Dinner, Wine Tasting 101, and Oktoberfest were all very successful! These events made it possible for the Gala team to give STM enough money to bring our 2016 "Year of Celebration" grand total to \$61,000!

The Gala team thanks YOU for your support and invites you to join us in our final "Year of Celebration" event, the Christmas Cookie Exchange. This is a fun and festive event, where everyone brings four dozen cookies to exchange and also enjoys hot chocolate, coffee, juice, treats and fellowship! Our own Ava Ratajczak hosts this event, accompanied by Robin and Mary Ratajczak. This helps with the Gala's start-up funds for our 2017 Cinco de Mayo Gala!

Sign up at the Information Table, in the parish office or by contacting Chris Smith.

Christmas Cookie Exchange

Saturday, December 17, 10:00am-12:00noon

\$20/per person (\$10 tax deductible)

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

Pictorial Directory Update

We are expecting delivery between December 8-15!

For those of you who have the complimentary 8x10 photo to pick up, you can come to the Parish Office during business hours (8:30am-4:00pm, Monday-Friday), or pick it up at the information table on the plaza after all weekend Masses.

**Please note that if you did not have your photo taken at STM during our photo sessions in June, July, and August, OR at another Lifetouch photo location but submitted a photo, there will be a \$10 charge for processing and for the photo directory.*

Kim Wright, 760-518-8465, kimw@stmoside.org

Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

The second Sunday of each month is our General Meeting and Potluck at 2:00pm. On the fourth Sunday we meet for a Communal Mass at various Catholic churches in North County. Check www.cwwnc.com or the bulletin board in the Parish Center Lower Level for our calendar of events including theatre, bowling, bocce ball, dining out, hiking, and more more! RSVPs are required. For more information call 760-758-4100 x100.

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

Liturgy & Music *Worship God*

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

CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF MERCY

Sunday, November 20, 7:00pm



Trusting
 in
 Your Mercy,
 O God!

Celebrating the Jubilee Year of Mercy
 and Our Road Ahead

prayer ❖ music ❖ reflection

Sunday, November 20, 2016 | 7:00 p.m.

St. Thomas More Catholic Church
 1450 South Melrose Drive, Oceanside
 760-758-4100 | stmoside.org




Lord, when your glory appears,
 my joy will be full.

Psalm 17:15b

Thanksgiving Day
 Mass at 9:00am

Upcoming Music



NOVEMBER 27
 1st Sunday of
 Advent



5:00pm

Sanctuary Choir

8:30am

Praise Team

10:30am

Cappella Choir



by Pat Marrin, from Celebration November 2016, with permission.

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 !

Is Your Child Enrolled in Faith Formation?

Classes are available for ages 3-Adult

Contact Debbie in the Faith Formation Office for more info.

Sacrament Prep News



Sunday, December 4, 12:30pm is our next Reconciliation/Eucharist Parent Meeting

for parents with a child in their second year of Sacrament preparation.

Meet on the Parish Center Upper Level.



Saturday, December 10, is an M3 event for Year 1 and Year 2 Confirmation classes and their families.

Join us for 5:00pm Mass and a potluck immediately following on the Parish Center Lower Level .

Family Advent Activity

Join us on Saturday, November 26, at 3:00pm for our annual Advent Workshop. The project is a Twelve Days of Christmas Countdown, \$10 per set. Pre-registration required—jenf@stmoside.org.



Little Books for Advent

Little Books for Advent are now available to purchase in the Parish Office during the week or at the Parish Information table after all the weekend Masses. Get inspired this Advent by using this daily reflection tool. Just \$2, and they make wonderful gifts for family and friends!

Fuel Up at Tommy's Café!



Specialty Coffee/Homemade Cinnamon Rolls/Donuts/Bagels/Juices. Come check out Tommy's Café after Mass and Support Youth Ministry at our Parish.

Youth Ministry

Middle School



EDGE

NO EDGE Sunday 11/27

High School

IGNITE

NO Ignite Wednesday 11/23

The Ark Nursery



Open during the 10:30am Mass for children up to 5 years of age.

Contact Lia Keane at liak@stmoside.org for more information or to buy your ARK card.

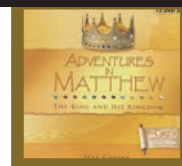
Adult Faith Formation

Bible Study News



Don't Miss Out on These Great Studies!

Register Today by Calling the Faith Formation Office at 760-758-4100 x110



Wednesday Morning
Bible Study Continues
November 30
9:00-11:00am

Thursday Evening
Bible Study Continues
December 1
7:00-8:30pm

For Childcare Please RSVP to debbief@stmoside.org prior to study

Relationship Skills Workshop



Tuesday evenings, 7:00-8:30pm

Come Find Out about *The Third Option*

The next session will be held November 30 on the Parish Center Lower Level

No need to register, and there is no cost to attend. Come for just some or all of the sessions.

Sunday Missals Are Here!

Sunday Missals for the New Liturgical Year are now available.

The books are just \$5 and can be purchased at the information table after all the weekend Masses or at the Parish Office during the week. They will sell out fast, so do not wait.

Get yours today!

THRIVE
YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Mondays from 7-10pm

contact Matt Franklin mattf@stmoside.org

Stewardship & Development

Serve God's People

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

Collection for Week of November 12/13, 2016

Number of Registered Households	1,235
Offertory	\$9,417.33
Offertory (Loose Collection)	\$1,256.00
Total	\$10,673.33

Ways to Help Support Your Parish

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2016 YEAR-END CHECKLIST

Got Deductions?



- † **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 Friday, December 23, 2016, at noon and will reopen on Tuesday, January 3, 2017.**
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The Thanksgiving holiday is an excellent time to rediscover the psalms of praise and thanksgiving. When you find a quiet moment, sit and relax with your bible. Think of a time when awe and gratitude overwhelmed you.

Maybe it was a sunrise, or children playing in a park, a walk in the woods, an inspirational hymn at Mass, or a family gathering. Remember how you appreciated that special moment. Then, open your bible to one of the psalms of thanksgiving and recite it to yourself, like *Psalms 118* for instance:

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

Listen to the words. Close your eyes. Let the psalm speak to you.

Other psalms of praise and thanksgiving you might consider include psalms 95, 98, 100, 103, 104, 105, 107, 111, 117, 145, and 147. Following is *Psalms 92*:

A Hymn of Thanksgiving for God's Fidelity

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High,

To proclaim your love in the morning,
your faithfulness in the night,

With the ten-stringed, harp, with melody up the lyre.

For you make me jubilant, Lord, by your deeds;
at the works of your hands I shout for joy.

Whatever psalm you choose for that quiet moment, thank God for that special time of awe as well as all the good things in your life, and praise God for his glorious deeds.

—partially excerpted Parish Publishing, November 2016 Stewardship (with permission)

Special thanks to Doug D'Agrosa for his financial updates this weekend! Doug, Laura, and their three children, Danny, David, and Katie, have been faithful Parishioners and stewards for 25 years now. It is gratifying to have them, and so many of YOU, at our Parish. God has richly blessed STM with extraordinary people working together to make this Parish the amazing team we are. Onward and upward as we continue on our faith journey!

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Parish Offices

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Casa de Molina Children's Christmas Party—Saturday, December 16. Volunteers and donors needed. For more information, contact Vicky Molina at motherv5@cox.net

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Transcript of Financial Update Remarks

by Doug D'Agrosa, November 19-20, 2016



My name is Doug D'Agrosa and my wife, Laura, and I have been Parishioners of St Thomas More for 25 years. Our oldest son, Danny, was baptized at Eternal Hills mortuary chapel in Oceanside. (I know a few of you were there as Fr. Bob White held him out for Parishioners to make the sign of the cross on his forehead). Son #2, David, was baptized in the storefront on Shadowridge Drive, and our baby, Katie, was baptized 18 years ago next door in the Parish Center Upper Level.

That gym is where I started in my first ministry here, the chair ministry, setting up the chairs for Mass. Remember that? About ten years ago I was asked to become the chairperson of the Pastoral Council while we continued to work on building our Church Community and our formal place of worship.

Today I am here as the Parish Financial Liaison. My new responsibility is to represent Fr. Mike and the Finance Council and update you all on how we are doing with our Operations Budget and our Mortgage/Building Completion Fund.

I would like to take a moment and recognize Bill Ipsen and his wife Debbie, and thank Bill for having served in this role the last 13 years and acknowledge it's a lot easier giving this update in this building than across the plaza from next door. Thank you, Bill and Debbie.

Eleven months ago, we celebrated our Dedication Mass and moved into our new Church. And like any new house, it takes time for a house to become a home. We appreciate your patience as we all adjusted to the new worship space,



where to sit, how to proceed for Communion, adjusting the sound...well you have all adjusted quite well!

As you have heard, the San Diego Architectural Foundation recently awarded St Thomas More and this building its Grand Orchid for the best new Architectural design in San Diego for 2016. In Fr. Mike's remarks at the Awards Ceremony, he tied the architectural highlights to our faith journey. The soft wood reflects the warmth of the Church, the unfinished concrete walls represent how we are all unfinished, imperfect beings, and the windows provide the transparency necessary for us as Church to be clear and honest about acknowledging our strengths and weaknesses and, yes, even our sins.

Since this is "Stewardship Awareness Month," we are reminded that the over 100 ministries of St. Thomas More reflect the wood's warmth, the center of who we are as a Parish community. Whether in a funeral chapel, a retail storefront, a gym, or this beautiful Church, the people and the ministries are the heart of what St. Thomas More is all about. In the last eleven months, approximately 100 new households have registered here and are contributing their time, talent, and treasure. For this we are blessed and thankful.

As for unfinished concrete, yes, we do have some of that, don't we? The capital campaign funds were used to build our beautiful Church and, unfortunately, we do not have enough money at this time to complete the Parish Offices. Thanks to good planning by our construction committee, we poured the foundation and walls for the offices to save on higher costs down the road. It is estimated that \$900,000 will be needed to complete the Parish Office Building.

In the meantime, our Church is still heading toward completion. Recently, the statue of "Jesus on the Road to Emmaus" was installed in the Daily Mass Chapel. If you have not had a chance, take a moment after Mass today and go back and take a look. Also, our Marian shrine is due to be installed in a few months. And as the final funds are raised, we will install the outside mosaic in our Memorial Garden, and soon our outside Stations of the Cross will be installed in the North Prayer Garden.

As a side note, our parking lot will be repaved, at no cost to us, in the near future.

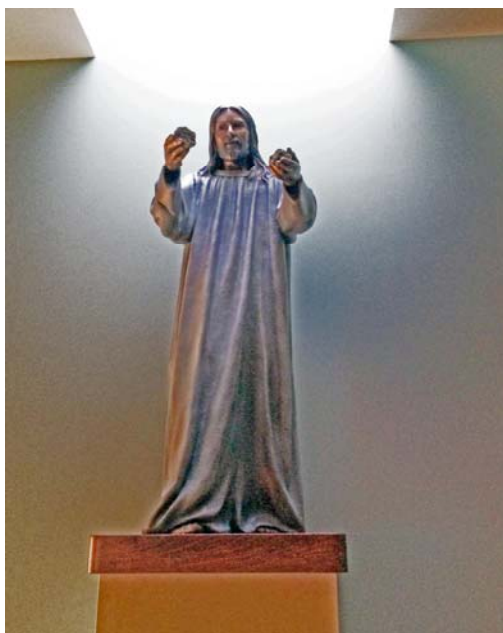
And now for the transparency. It has always been Fr. Mike's insistence that the finance council be as transparent, organized, and efficient as possible. The diocese has recognized this over the years by allowing us to move forward with our building plans based on our history of meeting our fund raising goals. So, thanks to Paul Ibbetson for chairing the Finance Council during the last ten years and to Ron Briseno for assuming that role going forward.

Two years ago, we entered into a 20-year mortgage for \$6.6 million with the Knights of Columbus. It has a fixed interest rate of 5.34% and our monthly payment is \$45,000, which does not include our operational expenses to run the two buildings and maintain the landscaping and other ongoing expenses. We have completed 25 months of payments, and over this duration of time, our Mortgage Fund was short approximately \$80,000 or said another way, about \$3,250 per month. The finance council has covered that shortfall with money from the Parish Reserve Fund. On the bright side, we have already completed two years and one month of our 20-year obligation.

But as mentioned, our Mortgage and Building Completion Fund is still a little short of our monthly payment, about \$3,250. If everyone does a little something more financially, no matter how small, I am confident we can eliminate the small monthly shortfall for our Mortgage/Building Completion Fund.

If you have only been supporting the Operations Budget, I ask you to consider also to begin making contributions to the Mortgage/Building Completion Fund.

With increased contributions and new contributions we will eliminate our monthly shortfall and begin to accumulate the necessary money for the completion of our Parish Offices.



Regarding our Operations Budget, the good news is that in this fiscal year, our weekly offering is up 12% from this time last year. The flip side to this is that our expenses have also gone up 16% this year from



the same period last year. Keep in mind that we are now maintaining two buildings and in the near future there will be three. So it is important that our offertory collection continues to increase as well.

To help cover our operational on-going expenses we have our "Did You Know?" campaign, the semi-monthly restaurant fundraisers, the vehicle donation program, the Treasures flea market, and, of course, our annual Parish Gala. Your positive support for all these events is contributing to the financial well-being of our parish.

Also, I want to briefly mention our Towers of Faith program. Towers of Faith are people who include St. Thomas More Parish in their estate planning. Fr. Mike and Chris Smith launched this program in 2007. In these nine years, \$2,800,000 has been raised: \$300,000 toward the Operations Budget and \$2,500,000 toward the building of this Church.

If it wasn't for these funds, we most probably would not be in this Church today!

I would encourage you to consider Towers of Faith in your estate planning. There is no gift that is too small and no gift that is too large.

Please take time during our Stewardship Awareness Month to pray over what I have shared with you today. Please accept the challenge to increase your donations if you can to both the Operations Budget and the Mortgage/Building Completion Fund. And if you have only been supporting the Operations Budget, please consider giving to the Mortgage/Building Completion Fund.

I will be available after Mass to answer any questions, and a copy of my remarks are in the Bulletin.

In closing, on behalf of Fr. Mike and the Finance Council, I want to thank all of you for your patience, your understanding, and your sacrifices to help make St. Thomas More Parish the thriving, growing, and prayerful Parish that it is.

Thank you.

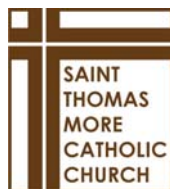
—Doug D'Agrosa, Parish Financial Liaison

St. Thomas More Catholic Church

Christian Stewardship Opportunities Response Form

Please take the time to prayerfully review this form and select your response.

STEWARDSHIP: Treasure



Name: _____	
Address: _____	
City, State / Zip: _____	
Phone: () _____	Email: _____



There are two options for giving at St. Thomas More

OPTION 1 ~ SACRIFICIAL GIVING <i>Donating less than 10% of gross income (includes both sections below)</i>	
<p>Operational Offering My/Our Operational Offering to STM will be:</p> <p>\$ _____ weekly or \$ _____ monthly</p>	<p>Mortgage/Building Completion Offering* My/Our Mortgage/Building Completion Offering* to STM will be:</p> <p>\$ _____ weekly or \$ _____ monthly</p> <p style="font-size: small;">*10% of the Mortgage/Building Completion Offering will be directed to Parish Reserves for major building maintenance.</p>
<p>AND</p>	
<p><i>Please complete both sections. Also consider planning for other special collections.</i></p>	
<p>Payment Options</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cash or check (payable to St. Thomas More)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Online (www.stmoside.org, Donations, Electronic Offering)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> ACH (auto checking or savings withdrawal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Credit card (VISA, MasterCard, or Discover)</p>	
EXTRA—MEMORIAL ITEM DONATION	
<p><input type="checkbox"/> I/We would like to make a Memorial Item Donation</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Or, please contact me/us with further information.</p>	

OPTION 2 ~ TITHING <i>Donating 10% of gross income (8% to St. Thomas More; 2% to other charities)</i>
<p style="text-align: center;">My/Our tithe offering to STM will be</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$ _____ monthly</p>
<p>Payment Options</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cash or check</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> ACH (auto checking withdrawal)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Credit card (VISA, MasterCard, or Discover)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Online (www.stmoside.org, Donations, Electronic Offering)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Your Tithe Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Operational Offering ◆ Mortgage/Building Completion Offering* ◆ Religious Education Fees** ◆ Sacrament Stipends (Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, etc.) ◆ Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) ◆ All National Collections: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Lenten Appeal • Collection of the Holy Father • Propagation of the Faith • World Missions Collection • National Needs Collection • Retirement Fund for Religious Collection <p style="font-size: small;">*10% of the Mortgage/Building Completion Offering will be directed to Parish Reserves for major building maintenance.</p> <p style="font-size: small;">**The tithe includes the cost of activities which are mandatory for the religious education program, but not for activities that are optional.</p>
<p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">OFFICE USE ONLY</p> <p>Operational _____ Mortgage _____ Total Tithe _____</p>

Donor Signature: _____

Date: _____

***Your response is made before God and is confidential.
It is not legally binding and may be adjusted as necessary by contacting the Parish Office.***

For further information, please contact Chris Smith at 760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org

ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER AUTHORIZATION

I hereby authorize the **St. Thomas More Catholic Church** to charge my

☐ **Checking Account**

☐ **Savings Account**

Name of Bank/Inst.

Routing #

Account #

***** **OR** *****

☐ **VISA**

☐ **MasterCard**

☐ **Discover**

☐ **American Express**

Card #

Expiration Date

Payment is to be applied to:

☐ **Sacrificial Giving**

\$_____ Operations **and** \$_____ Mortgage/Building Completion

☐ **Tithing** \$_____ (contribution will be distributed for you)

☐ **Other** \$_____ Description: _____

Frequency:

☐ one time only

☐ on the 5th of each month

Name on account or card

Parish ID Number

Billing address

City/State/Zip

Phone

Email

Signature

Date

**Please attach a voided check here (no deposit slips, please)
(This requirement is for checking accounts only!)**

This authority will remain in effect until St. Thomas More Catholic Church receives written notification to change or cancel my authorization. Please allow 7 days for any change to take effect.

For more information, please contact Chris Smith 760-758-4100 x120, or email: parishoffice@stmoside.org.

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