

A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

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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 Rataiczak, Pastor **Rev. Karl Bauer, Senior Priest Deacon John Fredette Deacon Thomas A. Goeltz**

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Second Sunday of Easter | Sunday of Divine Mercy April 23, 2017

Pastor's Column

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

The Gift of Mercy

This weekend we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. We celebrate the unconditional love, compassion, and forgiveness that God extends to us.

All we need do is ask!

We need to be mindful that the mercy that is extended to us by God must in turn be shared with others around.

The gift we have been given must be given as a gift to others.

As a reminder, here are the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy:

Corporal Works of Mercy

To Feed the Hungry To Give Drink to the Thirsty To Clothe the Naked To Shelter the Homeless To Visit the Sick To Ransom Captives To Bury the Dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

To Instruct the Ignorant To Counsel the Doubtful To Admonish Sinners To Bear Wrongs Patiently To Forgive Others Willingly To Comfort the Afflicted To Pray for the Living and the Dead

Let's get going...

The gift of mercy that has been given to us is now to be shared as a gift to others! $\sqrt{1}$

2017 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)



Thank you to those who have already responded! We have pledges for \$34,264 toward our total assessment of \$50,000. Visit www.sdcatholic.org/ACA. Choose to donate online to the Diocese.

Watch a video about the ACA:

https://tinyurl.com/haxkvgp

Our Church is a House of Prayer for all People!

Our Church and Blessed Sacrament Chapel are open 7:00am-7:00pm, every day. The door on the left side of our main doors remains unlocked. Please enter and exit through that door. You are always welcome!



Where Is Fr. Karl?

Well, you are about to find out, right from "the horse's mouth."

Two months ago, I had root canal surgery, and was given antibiotics. Shortly afterwards, I began to lose weight and have little strength.

One doctor felt I had a serious sinus infection and again prescribed antibiotics. My own primary physician believes that it is a viral infection and just needs time. Extensive bloodwork was done and indicates that everything is okay.

My primary physician recommended that I see a cardiologist. I did, and he ordered a heart monitor for three weeks as well as other tests. There are no results yet for these tests and I have an appointment on May 4.

I have no trouble sitting or even driving; but standing for long periods or walking distances is very difficult. It is frustrating that there are no definite results at this time.

I miss you all very much! Remember: you're maaavellous! Keep me in your prayers.

When I know more...you will know more! -Fr. Karl Bauer

Special Easter Gift for the Mortgage/Building Completion Fund

In the April 2 Parish bulletin I informed the Parish that, as of March 31, we were just a little over \$42,000 behind in our Mortgage payments for FY2017.

I was, and am, encouraging Parishioners to make a special gift to help us lessen that shortfall.

Envelopes were attached to the bulletin that week, and this far, we have received \$8,225. That is a good start!

Envelopes were also attached to the bulletin on Easter Sunday. Your special gift to the Mortgage/Building Completion Fund will be much appreciated. Thank you! *—Fr. Mike*

Labyrinth Project Update

Thanks to all the Parishioners who so generously donated to my labyrinth Eagle Project. We successfully raised enough money to complete the project! Construction will begin on April 28 and should be completed by May 7. The sign explaining labyrinths will be installed before summer. I appreciate everyone's support and enthusiasm and am so excited to do this project for my St. Thomas More family. *—Ian Gritt*

Considering Becoming Catholic?

If you know of someone who is considering joining the Church, NOW would be an excellent time to encourage them to "come and see." A new group is meeting two Sundays each month from 9:00-10:20am on the Parish Center Lower Level. This will become a weekly meeting in a few months, leading to initiation in the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil 2018.

Anyone interested should contact Kathleen Bell soon at 760-809-6526 or 80bell80@gmail.com

Everyone in RCIA has a sponsor who welcomes them into the St. Thomas More community and walks through the process with them as a guide. If you would like to be a sponsor and enrich your faith journey, please contact Kathleen right away.

Welcome New Parishioners

Susan Cooper & Family Khoi Nguyen & Vanessa Perry William & Bernadine Seccombe

In Memoriam

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:



Tom Kline, who died on March 30. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, May 9, at 11:00am at St. Thomas More. Please keep his family in your prayers.

James Keeffe, who died on April 9. His funeral arrangements are pending. Please keep his family in your prayers.

Jim Thompson, who died on April 18. His funeral arrangements are pending. Please keep his family in your prayers.

Iolanda Iacobelli, who died on April 18. Her funeral arrangements are pending. 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

STM \$crip News

Do you attend the 5:00pm Mass? Can you spare 20 minutes after Mass? If so, the Scrip Ministry would like your help to sell Scrip. Please contact Andrea Sweeney at 626-824-7973 or *scrip@stmoside.org*. Volunteers for the other Masses are needed as well. Remember this Ministry supports our Church Operation Fund.

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.

Do you shop at other online locations? Try Giving Assistant 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*.

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

Readings for the Week Ahead

Sunday Year A: Weekday Year I Readings online at www.usccb.org.

Sunday, April 23 (43) Second Sunday of Easter Sunday of Divine Mercy Acts 2:42-47 Psalm 118:2-4,13-15,22-24 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31 Monday, April 24 (554) Fidelis of Sigmaringen, priest, martyr Colossians 1:24-29 Psalm 34:2-9 John 17:20-26 Tuesday, April 25 (555) Mark, evangelist 1 Peter 5:5b-14 Psalm 89:2-3,6-7,16-17 Mark 16:15-20 Wednesday, April 26 (269) Acts 5:17-26 Psalm 34:2-9 John 3:16-21 **Thursday, April 27** (270) Acts 5:27-33 Psalm 34:2,9,17-20 John 3:31-36 Friday, April 28 (556) Peter Chanel, priest, martyr; Louis Mary de Montfort, priest 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 Psalm 117:1bc, 2 Mark 1:14-20 Saturday, April 29 (272) Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor Acts 6:1-7 Psalm 33:1-2,4-5,18-19 John 6:16-21 Sunday, April 30 (46) Third Sunday of Easter Acts 2:14,22-33 Psalm 16:1-2,5,7-11 1 Peter 1:17-21 Luke 24:13-35

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 22, 5:00pm Anna Mae & Marie Lavelle 🕆

Sunday, April 23, 8:30am Susan Lee 🕆

Sunday, April 23, 10:30am Agnes Spiers 🕆

Monday, April 24, 8:15am No Intention Communion Service

Tuesday, April 25, 8:15am Tim & Steve Wilmott

Wednesday, April 26, 8:15am Nancy Solomon

Thursday, April 27, 8:15am Anthony Masseth P

Friday, April 28, 8:15am Jerry Ratajczak P

Saturday, April 29, 5:00pm Don Kowallek 🕆

Sunday, April 30, 8:30am Jean Calderone 🕆

Joan Gibbens

Gisalli

Dan Gilman Daniella & David

Betty Golden Brown &

the Golden Family

Sunday, April 30, 10:30am Msgr. Berry

Prayer List (Call 760-758-4100 x102 to add a name for four weeks.) Wendy Gonzales' Dad Changa Aguilera Ernie Aichele Rick Gonzalez Eduardo Alcala Lou Gordon Mary Alexander Carrie Autrey George Gritt Luke Guenst Joshua Avery Susan Hallahan Addison Abigail Aviña Bob Baker Rosemary Ballard Jose Luis Barbosa Colleen Hanna The Hanson Family Patricia Barbour The Harker Family Dorothy Harrison Michelle Harrison & Francie Barron The Bartha Family Fr. Karl Bauer Family Barbara Hatem Clarice Bednarz Taylor Bell John Bennici LaNay Hazzard Matthew Henry & Regina Bentz Family Barry Henwood Lilian Hills Lisa Berg Roseanne Berg Betty Jean Bielich Zané Breier Janet Brown Anita Buerger Susan Hori Amelia Buono Roger & Pat Burkardt Katherine Jacobs Jacqueline Johnson Shelby Campbell Breanne Campos Sue Johnston Aria Cappeluti Nanette Carey Laura Kater Polly Carroll Dottie Kearney The Keeffe Family Connor Kerzie Jorge Cartajena Donald Cashmore Anne Caywood Peggy Kiernan Ravy Chea Della Clarke Debbie Kinney The Kline Family Mark Kneisel The Vaughn Clevenger Family Anne Cline Dewey Kolbo Tony Korwin Myron Cole Helen Kuhn James Coleman The Coleman Family Lorene Kundert Lillian Lachance Maria Colfer Addie Colgan Ashley LaMothe & Clara Collins Judy Colson Karen Connell Geoff Coolidge Justine The Lasco Family The Lasco Family The Lavelle Family Brandon LeBlanc Susan Lee Jake Lefferdink Sandra Cracchiolo Steven Cresencia Lené Crowe Karen Flaharty Daley Beverly de Gelder Jeremiah Lemus Velia Deal & Family Aleah Leon Paul Del Vecchio Hugo Delgado, Jr. Cassandra D'Ercole Ashley Load Cassandra & Lauren Loretto Christine DeSantis Jack Lucarelli Cecilia DeSimone David deVillenueve Carole Dillon Elizabeth Doherty's Family Aunt Jackie Art & Dave Dossman Paige Mansell Sai Michael Tropel Maravilla Gloria Maupin Steven Douglas Tyler Drake Marge Egan Jerome Elbacha Colleen McCall Virginia McConnell Paige McCoy Jerry McEniry Ann McGeary Arthur Eral Carolyn Erickson Ey Victoria Lopez Fenton The Fiore Family Fr. James Flanagan Ann McMahan Bob McWilliams Joyce Meehan Mary Fleming Ryan Flum Ernie Follis Kalei Mendiola **Eugene Franciscus** The Greg French Families The Micallef Family Family Les Fries Brian Frink Jim Gallagher Noah Miller The Joe Garcia Family Kathy Gardner Tom Miller Phyllis Minaya Joan Gay Alyssa Gerhard June Mitchell

Charlene Hammonds Dwayne Hammonds Lisa Hodges Georgia Ann Hodina Samara Hook The Iacobelli Family George & Joan Jones The Lamelin Family Family Pauline Lapre's sister Joaquin Maldonado The Maldonado Family The Maldonado Trejo The McGinley Family The Messina & Rolfini Rita Mikridge Steven Sr., Stevie, & Maria Molina June Montgomery Nancy Moore Ryan Moquin Elizabeth Muehlbacher Conrad Murphy Clay Murray

Margie Myers Andrew Philip Nacional Angela Nacional Melanie Nacional Nida Navarro Richard Obsitnik Gillian Ochoa Kare O'Dell George Ortega Laura Paciorek Gloor Katie Padilla Ethan Palm Cynthia Pearson Kaili Pearson Salina Pearson The Peña Family Elisa Petrie Merri Phelps Roxanne Pietila Helen Pingtella Delilah Plasterer Perry Postulka The Joe Prokop Family Bernie Ptak Barbara Ramm Jenni Richard Evelvn Richards Rita Ritchie Ralda Rizke Lily Robinson Mateo Rodriguez Maria Rogers Cathy Roldan The Řusso Family Rachel Sainc Cindy Sanelli Lori Sanna Rose Mary Saputo Linda Schmidt Grace Schweighofer Joan Shea Elizabeth Shirzad Barb Slabaugh Nick Soltau Gilda Spiegl Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski Don St. Pierre Patricia St. Pierre Joy Stanton Sybil Staples Mike Sterling Laura Bernard Stover, MD Pete Sullivan Pat Swanton Laura Thiele Frank Thompson Tommy & Ginger Thompson The Jim Thompson Family Maryann Tien Sarah Tillinghast William Tompson Stephen Toth, Jr. Olivia Trejo/Beltran Family The Trejo/Maldonado/ Uribe Family Mike Trotta Frank Urso Martin Vertson The Vienna Family Lucy Viramontes Vanessa Vitiello Wilson Wanner Kevin Watson-Graff Jerry Wechsler Elaine Weiler Mona Weir Rylee West Gerri Wilmott & Family The Xavier Family Patricia Zavala Jeanne Zeltner

Calendar Highlights

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

Schedule and Calendar		
Apr 23	Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and	
	10:30am Masses	
Apr 28	RBVHS Wind Ensemble	
	Concert	
Apr 29	Spring Ring Handbell	
	Festival Concert	
May 1	Psalms, Hymns, and	
	Spiritual Songs Presentation	
	Part 1	
May 5	Cinco de Gala	
May 8	Women's Guild Luncheon	
May 8	Psalms, Hymns, and	
•	Spiritual Songs Presentation	
	Part 2	
May 14	Virgin Mary Melkite	
2	Catholic Church Mass at	
	5:30pm	
May 15	Psalms, Hymns, and	
2	Spiritual Songs Presentation	
	Part 3	
May 15	Mental Health Prayer	
5	Service at 7:00pm	
May 21	Knights of Columbus	
	Breakfast	
Jun 9-11	Parish Campout in Valley	
	Center	
Jul 16	Pastor's Dinner 1 at Rectory	
Jul 23	Pastor's Dinner 2 at Rectory	
Jul 30	Pastor's Dinner 3 at Rectory	
Oct 1	Wine Tasting 101	
Oct 15	New Member Luncheon	

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

Deployed Military

As a faith community let us pray for all who serve our country in these troubled times. We pray especially for those connected to our Parish who have been deployed:

Gunnery Sgt. Fernando Andrade, Jr. Lt. Devon Czarzasty Major Branden M. Felker, USAF ET1 Patrick G. Felker, USN Grant Fischer Gunnery Sgt. Julian Fyffe, USMC 1st Lt. Eric Galamay MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC Sgt. Alex Garcia Adolfo Granados, MD, US Navy PFC Samuel Haro, US Army Cpl Caleb Lemons, USMC PFC Cody Madere Jordan Millikan 1st Lt. Jennifer Mozzetta Jeremiah Gabriel Nelson, USAF Thomas Kevin Nelson, US Navv Fireman Griffin Joseph Ochoa, US Navy Pvt. 2 Jess Phillips, US Army Nicole Rieger CTR2, US Navy Sr. Airman Robert Spear, USAF Sgt. Charles Watts, USMC MGY SGT Paul Weisinger

Social Ministries & Outreach

Our Syrian Family—Update

Even though his body has still not been recovered, funeral services were held this past Saturday for Mohammad at their local Mosque in El Cajon. Seven members of our Parish attended and Patrick Attardo spoke at the service, bringing our prayers and support to the family and their community. Imam Taha Hassani expressed their deep gratitude to us for our help and support.

If you wish to send condolences to the Almustafa family, please put your sympathy cards, with a hand printed message for easy reading, in the offertory collection or drop them by the Parish Office. Their names are: Husam and Douha (parents); Ahlam, Esraa, Mays, and Limar (daughters).

Any monetary donations need to be directed through St. Thomas More. Direct donations to the family will reduce their scheduled monetary support through grants, etc. We are focused on paying their rent and providing other resources at the end of their first three months here when the rent stipend and other monetary sources will be reduced or terminated. All donated monies will be used to benefit the family over time.

Even in the midst of his own grieving, Mr. Almustafa is anxious to learn English and find a job in accounting. Several Parishioners have offered to help with his job search.

Please continue to pray for this family so in need of healing and support.

For more information visit *www.stmoside.org/OurSyrianFamily* or contact: Lisa Attardo at *lisaattardo@yahoo.com* or 760-884-7863; Patrick Attardo at 760-844-7862 or Sr. Maureen at 760-758-4100 x131 or *maureenb@stmoside.org*.

What Is Get On The Bus?

The *Get On The Bus* program brings children and their guardians from throughout the state of California to visit their mothers or fathers in prison. This annual event offers free transportation for the children and their caregivers to the prison, travel bags for the children, comfort care bags for the caregivers, a photo of each child with his or her parent, and meals for the day (snacks on the bus, lunch at the prison, and dinner on the way home). On the bus trip home, each child receives a teddy bear and a letter from his or her parent. There is also a counselor present on each bus for any child in need. This is often the only time the children see their parent.

Did you know that...

- Children who are allowed regular visits with their incarcerated parent demonstrate better emotional and social adjustments; they can be assured they are loved and that their parent has not abandoned them.
- Regular visits between children and their incarcerated parent lower rates of recidivism for the parent and improves family reunification following the parent's release. (*Excerpt from Get On the Bus Brochure 2011*)

Next weekend, April 29-30, a contribution envelope will be attached to the bulletin along with a flyer describing needed item donations.

We will be accepting donations on the following weekend only: May 6-7. Thanks in advance for your contributions!

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 twice a 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*.

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

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, May 18, 7:00pm, St. Thomas More, Parish Center Upper Level. Please RSVP with Beth at 619-630-8086 or *beth@veritasfertilitycare.com*.

St. Bonaventure Indian Mission

During Lent we were called upon to remember our obligations of almsgiving, which includes clothing the naked. St. Bonaventure Indian Mission serves about 100 square miles of the "Big Reservation" in New Mexico. Many of the Navajo in this area live in abject poverty without utilities, running water, and sufficient income to feed and clothe their families in an area that is below zero in winter to over one hundred degrees in the summer. It is now the beginning of spring. Now is a great time to do some "spring cleaning" and set aside the clothing and blankets no longer needed. While our clothing drive is not until November, time passes quickly, and your servicable shoes, clothing, and blankets are much needed. If you have questions or want further information, contact Deacon Tom at *thomasgoeltz@aol.com* or 760-727-8442.

STM Mental Health Ministry Network

STM is a member of the San Diego Mental Health Ministry Network (MHMN) and has made a commitment to become a faith community that both understands mental illness and can provide compassionate support. If you or a loved one is experiencing mental health challenges, or if you would like to find out how to become a member, please contact us at 760-758-4100 x104.

St. Thomas More's MHMN will be hosting a "Mental Health Prayer Service" on Monday, May 15, 7:00pm on the feast day of St. Dymphna, the patron saint of the mentally ill. The evening will include lectures and scripture readings along with congregational prayer and reflection. All are welcome to attend this no-charge event, especially those in our community who deal with mental health issues. Please join us for a night of education and prayer.

Help Feed the Hungry

We encourage every STM family to donate one nonperishable food item each weekend when they come to Mass. Note that Gatorade and other sweetened beverages are not recommended.

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

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

Happy Easter to all Women's Guild members! Join with the whole church as we celebrate this great feast!

Now is the time to let us know if you will be attending the May 8 general meeting so that you can

- 1. Hear Kathleen Morota tell us about a very serious and tragic problem in our society today: Human Trafficking; and
- 2. Cast your vote to elect a new Women's Guild Board of Directors for 2017-2018. Your vote is vital per the organization's bylaws and therefore, I encourage you to attend.

Also at this meeting, the Quilt Group will display their creations which will be raffled at the Installation Luncheon in June (see below). Contact Patty Remington at 760-805-6935 or *cprem@pacbell.net* to let her know you are coming to the May meeting. Patty tells us that an "extra" special luncheon will be served.

The Installation of the newly-elected Board members will take place on Saturday, June 10, at Shadowridge Golf Club. Winners of the quilt raffle will be drawn, and a delicious lunch will be served. You will also have an opportunity to renew your Women's Guild membership for just \$10. This is the event where we present Fr. Mike with the hard-earned proceeds of our year of fundraising for St. Thomas More's Mortgage/Building Completion Fund. Please make every effort to attend. In mid-May, tickets will go on sale at \$25, and a flyer with details will appear shortly in the bulletin for this occasion.

Easter Blessings to you and yours! -Kathy Gerhard, president

Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

On Sunday, April 23, CWWNC will gather at STM 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 *www.cwwnc.com* or the bulletin board on the Parish Center Lower Level for our calendar of events including bowling, bocce ball, dancing, dining out, hiking, and more! RSVPs are required. For more info. call Carol Kope at 760-726-0533.



\$50 Dinner Price Extended to April 23! (If you already paid \$55, you will receive \$5 in raffle tickets.)

GAIA ~ Social Event of the Year!

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

GREAT Raffle, Silent, and Live Auction items include "Cheeseburgers in Paradise for 10 with Deacon John," vacation/staycation packages, and more.

Visit our item donation tree on the plaza after weekend Masses and help create these packages.



Lots of chances to win FUN Wheel of Fortune prizes, including a fabulous stay for two at the Fairmont Grand in Del Mar!

Delicious Deluxe Buffet Style Dinner served at 6:15pm \$50/person (if paid by April 23)—\$55 if paid after that Vegetarian option available

The Champagne Diamond is back with a new stunning custom pendant necklace valued at almost $5,000! \sim 20$ /ticket or 6/\$100, glass of champagne w/each.



Signups for superb Wine Tasting 101 on October 1!

Plus reserve your spot for one of three choices for the

Pastor's Dinner at the Rectory Sunday, July 16, Sunday, July 23, or Sunday, July 30 3:00-7:00pm ★ 20 people at each dinner \$150/per person (\$75 tax deductible)

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

Jesus, Divine Redeemer and Master of the Universe Mosaic Update

Nine of the 54 panels of the mosaic are still available for sponsorship at \$5,000/panel.

Once all of the panels have been sponsored, we will be able to begin the restoration of

the mosaic and its placement outdoors in our Memorial Garden.

Please contact Chris Smith for details: 760-758-4100 x120 or *chriss@stmoside.org* to sponsor a panel.



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Liturgy & Music Worship God



WANTED — EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Eucharistic ministers serve at weekend, holyday, and daily Masses, and they distribute Holy Communion to local retirement communities, the homebound, and patients at Tri-City Hospital.

Every week, 36 ministers serve at our weekend Masses, 12 at retirement communities within our Parish boundaries and the hospital, and 20 at Daily Mass.

Every week, we scramble to fill all of the positions.

We need help!!! Can you serve?

You must be 16 years old and a confirmed, or an about-to-be-confirmed, Catholic.

If you have previously served in a San Diego parish, contact Douglas for training to get started right away.

If you have never served as a Eucharistic minister in San Diego, the first step is to attend the diocesan formation workshop on Saturday, April 29, 9:00am to noon, at the Pastoral Center in San Diego. The registration deadline is Sunday, April 23.

Contact Douglas at douglasl@stmoside.org to serve, to register for the diocesan workshop, or with questions.

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Can we send you to serve?

SAVE THE DATES and JOIN US FOR...

Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs Mostly True Origin Stories about Our Favorite Church Sonas

Monday evenings at 7:00pm May 1 | May 8 | May 15

Douglas Lynn leads a lively three-evening series exploring where the songs came from.

Inspired by a soup kitchen manager? Suitable for guitars when the power went out? Rescued from the trash by a student? The best of times, the worst of times?

Maher | Newton | Zschech | Haas Baloche | Beethoven | and many more...

Part of our Parish's 2017 Faith Formation program "Growing Our Faith / Engaging with Our World"

Upcoming Concerts at St. Thomas More Church

RBV Wind Ensemble

Friday, April 28, 7:00pm The award-winning Wind Ensemble from Rancho

Buena Vista High School in concert in the stunning acoustics of our Church. Don't miss it!

Spring Ring! Saturday, April 29, 5:00pm

200 Ringers and a Ton of Bronze (literally!) Spring Festival Concert presented by the Southern California Region of the Handbell Musicians of America.

Portraits of Spring Sunday, June 11, 7:00pm

The La Jolla Renaissance Singers Under the direction of Douglas Lynn, a program of exuberant revelry, sacred praise and devotion, beautiful nature, and, of course, capricious love!



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APRIL 30 3rd Sunday of Easter

5:00pm

Cantor & Assembly

8:30am

Cantor & Assembly

10:30am Sanctuary Choir Douglas Lynn Director of Liturgy & Music douglasl@stmoside.org; 760-758-4100 x140 **Faith Formation**

each 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!

Make faith an important part of your family's life! Registration is being accepted for Faith Formation 2017/2018. Classes are available for ages 3-Adult Contact Debbie in the Faith Formation office for information.

Sacrament Prep News

Saturday, May 13, is our last M3 event for Year 1 and Year 2 Confirmation classes and their families. Join us for 5:00pm Mass and a potluck and message following on the Parish Center Upper Level. All families are asked to be in attendance for this event.

Sunday, May 21, is our final First Communion Parent Meeting for families with children in their second year of Sacrament Preparation. Please meet on the Parish Center Upper Level at 12:30pm. All siblings are asked to attend the 12:30pm session

Register Today for VBS!



Register today for Vacation Bible School! Sign up forms are available in the Parish Office and online at www.stmoside.org.

Spots are limited and fill quickly!

We need help to make this an amazing event for our kids. Are you interested in volunteering that week?

June 19-23

Contact Debbie in the Faith Formation Office to find out how.

Steubenville Conference



July 7-9

Find out why more than 5,000 Catholic teens grades 9-12 attend this event every year! Registration for Steubenville Orange County is underway. Don't miss this opportunity of a lifetime! Register today. Spots are limited. Contact Matt Franklin for more info or to donate scholarships.

mattf@stmoside.org

Adult Faith Formation

Faith Studies Update

PART 2 THE CATHOLIC FAITH EXPLAIN

Join us Wednesday morning, April 26, 9:00-11:00am for our sixth session: Virtue, Grace, and the Path to Happiness. Parish Center Upper Level. Contact the Faith Formation office or Patt Goeltz at pattg@stmoside.org for dates and more information.

Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs

Mostly True Origin Stories about Our Favorite Church Songs Join us Monday evenings at 7:00pm on May 1, 8, and 15 on the Parish Center Lower Level as Douglas Lynn leads us in a lively three-evening series about our favorite songs and where they came from. No registration required/No cost to attend.

Music From Matt Maher | Newton | Zschech | David Haas | Baloche | Beethoven and Many More of Your Favorites.



St. Thomas More ARK News



Open during the 10:30am Mass (resuming April 23) for children up to 5 years of age.

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

Support Tommy's Café!



Come check out Tommy's Café after Sunday Masses and support Youth Ministry at our Parish. Your support can help a teen attend events like Steubenville Conference and Life Teen Summer Camp. For more information, contact Matt Franklin at *mattf@stmoside.org*.

Youth Ministry



Sunday, 4:30-6:00pm





Monday, 7:00-10:00pm Contact Matt Franklin at mattf@stmoside.org

Stewardship & Development

Collection for Week of April 11-17, 2017

Number of Registered Households	1,246
Offertory	\$25,555.13
Offertory (Loose Collection)	\$4,390.50
Total	\$29,945.63

Mortgage/Building Completion Fund Income

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Mortgage Offering Collected	\$36,810.75
Mortgage Payment Due	\$44,806.21
Payment toward Parish Reserves*	\$0.00
Mortgage Payment Overage/(Shortfall)	(\$7,995.46)
Memorial Items toward Building Completion Fund	\$16,015.00
Please continue to support the Mortgage/Building Completion Fund!	
* Mortgage Payment overage will be applied to Pari	sh Reserves

St. Francis and St. Thomas More Offertory Envelopes

Any St. Francis Offertory Envelopes given to the offertory collection at St. Thomas More will be returned to St. Francis.

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PLANNED GIVING AND OUR LEGACY A WAY TO GIVE ~ A WAY TO RECEIVE



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Planned Giving is a generic term that covers the many ways an individual can give to a charity while, in many cases avoiding taxes. A few examples of Planned Giving are: Wills, Living Trusts, Designated Beneficiary Accounts, Stocks, Life Insurance, Mutual Funds, STM Endowment with CCFSD, and Real Estate.

This program is one way of helping the Parish raise the resources necessary to continue our campus build out and also help plan for our future needs (i.e., Tower of Faith participants). Gifts of this nature are beneficial and much appreciated by St. Thomas More!

For more information please contact: Chris Smith at 758-4100 x120 or *chriss@stmoside.org*.

Do two or more members of your family know where to locate your Will, Living Trust and/or Health Directive?

Serve God's People

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Called to Care for Creation

Both Saint Francis of Assisi and Pope Francis remind us that it is a Gospel imperative that we be good stewards of the earth. What better way to remind us of their teaching than to observe Earth Day 2017 and be good stewards of this precious planet yearround. Earth Day is observed worldwide on April 22, 2017.

The first Earth Day was held in 1970, activating 20 million Americans and helping to pass legislation including the Clean Air Act. Today, Earth Day is a global event and possibly the



largest civic observance in the world. For the Catholic steward, this day is an affirmation of Pope Francis' call to the world to embrace the ethical dimensions of climate change and our response to it in his 2015 encyclical, *Laudato Si*.

During the 47 years since the first Earth Day, the world has become more conscious of environmental degradation and humans' role in it. It can feel overwhelming, and we ask, what can one person do?

Pope Francis acknowledges technological fixes, global guidelines, international protocols. He praises solar energy and calls for a decrease in the use of non-renewables. But the pontiff calls for something more radical, more spiritual, and for the Christian steward more deeply challenging: "profound interior conversion."

Climate change, environmental destruction and a change in weather patterns, he reminds us, exert their greatest damage on the world's poor. The poor are a major theme of *Laudato Sí*, as they are of Francis' papacy. He challenges us to examine the profit motive that often engulfs respect for nature. Pope Francis reminds us that care of creation is rooted in the Book of Genesis.

He begins his encyclical, the first ever dedicated solely to the environment, with a quote from St. Francis of Assisi, and quotes frequently from his predecessors.

In honor of Earth Day, consider what changes you might make. "Live simply so that others may simply live," has long been a mantra of the Christian steward.

Begin by turning down the thermostat and promising to eschew one-use plastics. Take a re-usable bag to the grocery and a re-usable container to the coffee shop. Cut down on frivolous buying. Consider what the "throw-away culture" of which Francis speaks means in your own life.

Prayerfully consider your personal relationship to the poor. "Teach us to contemplate you in the beauty of the universe," Pope Francis prays to a generous God, "for all things speak of you."

Live simply so that others may simply live.

Memorial Item Donations Available

Jesus on the Road to Emmaus Bronze Sculpture for Daily Mass Chapel Parish Offices	\$30,000	
Metal Framing Exterior Walls	\$60,000	
HVAC Components	\$55,000	
Roofing	\$45,000	
Exterior Windows and Doors	\$45,000	
Exterior Brick	\$30,000	
Plumbing	\$30,000	
Plumbing Finish and Fixtures	\$10,000	

Memorial Item Donations Partial

Jesus, Divine Redeemer and Master of the Universe Mosaic Panels for Memorial Garden (54) 9 available	\$5,000/each
Priests' Concelebration Vestments (4) 4 available	\$400/each
Pew Seating for the Church (1,000) 703 available	\$300/each
Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs (200) 93 available	\$300/each
Altar Server Albs (15) 7 available	\$125/each
Pipe Organ —Our pipe organ is our "pipe dream"but dream we must donations of any amount toward the pipe organ will be accepted	\$850,000
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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*



STM Vehicle Donation Program

Do you have a vehicle you want to donate? Call us, and we'll have it picked up operational or not! You get the tax deduction!

We can accept vehicles without current registration and can file for replacement title if it has been lost.

As of January 4, we have netted \$67,702 from this program. Thank you donors!

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

The Larger Church News

Healing Mass—Wednesday, April 26, 7:00pm, at St. James Church, Solana Beach. Witness testimony and praise music at 6:30pm, with Mass and prayers for healing to follow. Celebrant will be Fr. Ricardo "Ricky" Juarez Frausto, CJM, associate pastor. For more information, contact Cory at 888-590-5095.

Fourth Annual Divine Mercy Conference—Saturday, April 29, 9:00am-3:30pm, St. Martha Catholic Church, 37200 Whitewood Rd., Hemet. Featured speakers are Tim Staples, Terry Barber, and Daniel Oberreuter. \$15 per person. For more information, call 951-600-9163.

Beginning Experience Weekend for Divorced, Widowed, and Separated Persons—May 5-7, Prince of Peace Abbey, Oceanside. Focuses on healing and moving beyond grief in a support and caring environment. For more information, contact Cathy Savel at 619-222-9093 or Rose Sheehan at 619-504-4410.

St. Francis Annual Women's Retreat: *Let My Soul Glory in the Lord*—May 5-7, Vina De Lestonnac, Temecula. Presenter is Fr. Ruben Arceo, SJ, pastor of St. Francis Church. For more information, contact Rae Arnold at 760-500-3201 or *sonraetoo@gmail.com.*

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Sunday TV Mass for the Homebound—Every Sunday at 9:30am. XDTV Channel 49 (MyTV13) or *www.heartofthenation.org.*

John Paul the Great Catholic University Master of Arts in Biblical Theology—For more information, go to *www.jpcatholic.com* or contact 858-653-6740 x1117.

Franciscan School of Theology in Affiliation with the University of San Diego—For more information, go to *www.fst.edu* or contact 760-547-1800 x204

Orphan Ministry— Do you want to help orphans who need to feel the love of a family and learn about Jesus, all without having to travel? Host an orphan this summer for a few weeks and change a life forever! You can be a turning point in an overlooked life. You don't need special skills. Read bios and see waiting kids here: www.nhfc.org. For any questions or support, email Maggie at thedevlins@cox.net

Hospice Volunteer Opportunities—Pacifica House (part of Hospice of the North Coast), is looking for volunteers for their inpatient facility. Contact Daneielle at 760-637-5019 or *dnowicki@hospicenorthcoast.org*.

St. Francis Church News

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

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

For a video about the school, visit: http://tinyurl.com/gwqu23u

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From the Office of the Bishop Auxiliary Bishop Appointed for San Diego

The joy of the Easter season is amplified for the diocese of San Diego today in Pope Francis' appointment of Father John Dolan as our new auxiliary bishop. Father Dolan was raised in Saint Mary Magdalene Parish and ordained for the diocese of San Diego in 1989 after studying theology at Saint Patrick Seminary in Menlo Park, California. The whole of his priestly ministry has been focused upon the life of the parish, and he has been pastor at Saint Mary Star of the Sea in Oceanside, Saint Michael Parish in San Diego, Saint Rose of Lima in Chula Vista, Saint Michael in Poway, and Saint John and Saint Vincent Parishes in San Diego. He presently serves as the vicar for Clergy in the Diocese.

Bishop Robert McElroy noted two central characteristics of Father Dolan's priesthood: the great love which he has for the priests and the people of God, and the intensely joyful spirit that permeates his life and mission. "Our local church" Bishop McElroy said, "will be deeply blessed by these gifts in Bishop-elect Dolan's new episcopal role of leadership, sacrifice, and prayerful service."

When told of his appointment, Bishop-elect Dolan said "I am profoundly grateful to his Holiness Pope Francis for this honor, and I look forward to accompanying Bishop McElroy in his ministry to this beautiful diocese in which I have witnessed the presence of God's love continually for the whole of my life."

The episcopal ordination of Bishop-elect Dolan will take place on Thursday, June 8, at 2:00 p.m. at Saint Thérèse of Carmel Church in Del Mar.



Bishop-elect John Dolan

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St. Thomas More Spirited Seniors

Trip to Viejas Casino and Outlet Mall Thursday, May 25

Transportation: Coach provided by Viejas



Cost: NONE



Boarding: 9:15 a.m.

Depart: St Thomas More Parking Lot 9:30 a.m. Return: (departing Viejas at 3:45 p.m.) to parking lot 5:00 p.m.

Deadline to RSVP: Sunday, May 21



Call: Jim & Marilyn Day 760-509-4545 Reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.



Receive the Viejas "V-Club" Card and Day Trip Package, which Includes 20% off at any Casino Restaurant.

This trip is open to all Spirited Senior members, guests, and other St. Thomas More and St. Francis Parishioners.

We must have a minimum of 35 riders for this trip to be held. We may have as many as 55 riders.

All riders must be at least 21 years of age, must present a picture ID prior to boarding the bus, and must agree to enroll in the "V-Club" and use the "V-Club" card at least once in the Casino.

St. Thomas More Catholic Church does not own or operate any of the suppliers of services or accommodations for your trip. In addition, St. Thomas More is not a registered provider of travel services in the state of California and takes no responsibility.

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Woods Valley Kampground Valley Center

June 9-11

Check in—Friday at Noon

\$66 per site for the weekend

We'll take reservations until May 7

- We have a wonderfully shady area with 25 sites located near the pond. Water and electric hookups at the sites and flush toilets and showers are available in the campground.
- There is a pond for the kids to fish in. Near the pond is a play area.
 Of course the pool is there for swimming. A hay ride is provided on Saturday evenings.
- On Saturday, we can walk to Bates Nut Farm, about 1 mile up the road. There are animals to feed and great gift, fruit, and nut shops.
- Saturday afternoon at 4:00pm we will celebrate Mass at the campsite.
- After Mass we will provide the barbeque where everyone can grill their own meat. We'll have a side dish, salad, and dessert potluck.

Campfires in the evenings, of course!





April 28th 7pm Spring concerns Store at the door RBV and CSUSM Wind Ensembles

St Thomas More Catholic Church – 1450 S. Melrose Dr. Oceanside

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Saturday, April 29 5:00pm

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