

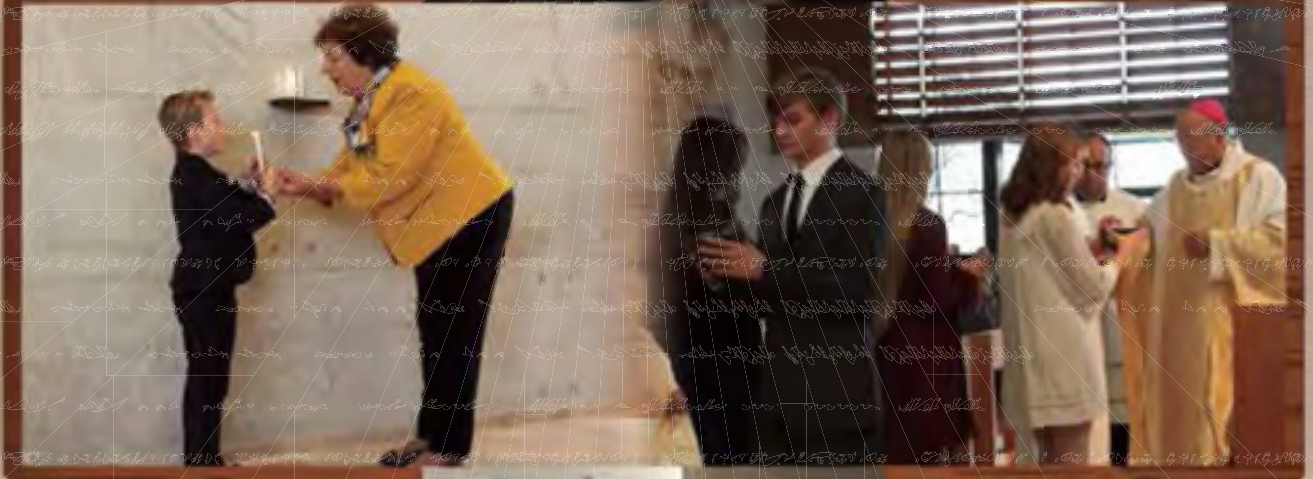
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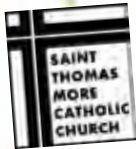
God's mercy and grace
are new every morning.



Oceanside, California
January 2016

Not because of our righteousness,
but because of your great mercy.
Daniel 9:18





January 2016

Dear Friends,

As we begin this Year of our Lord, 2016, we once again commit ourselves to being faithful Disciples of Jesus through our Christian Stewardship, especially in light of our new realities that we are now in our House of Worship, our Church Home, and as we start the next piece of our build-out, our Parish Offices.

Our Church Home is, in this Jubilee Year of Mercy declared by Pope Francis, one of seven Parishes in our Diocese delegated as a "Pilgrimage Church of Mercy."

Our Door blessed by Bishop Robert McElroy at the Dedication and Blessing of our Church Home on December 16, 2015, provides an opportunity for people to journey to our Church and experience God's mercy. If we are to be faithful stewards of the Gospel, we must be willing to surrender, and "take in" God's mercy.

This prayer, authored by Pope Francis, is our prayer in this year of 2016:

"Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved. Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.

Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: 'If you knew the gift of God!' You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests His power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified. You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: Let everyone who approached them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God. Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind. We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen."

This Stewardship Booklet provides you with many opportunities by which you can become active members of our Faith Family and be faithful disciples of Jesus. Take time to walk through this Booklet and make the decision as to how you can become more deeply committed to the Faith Family of St. Thomas More.

We continue to walk with Jesus, surrendering to God's mercy, under the patronage of St. Thomas More!

Sincerely in Christ,

F. Mike

Rev. Michael Ratajczak, Pastor



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Stewardship: Time & Talent

Parish Mission Statement

“To worship God, teach and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and serve God’s people in word and deed.”



Religious Education/Faith Formation & Evangelization

CHAIR

Serves on the Pastoral Council and provides updates, raises concerns, and shares upcoming activities of the ministries within Faith Formation & Evangelization.

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ECUMENICAL & INTERRELIGIOUS AFFAIRS

Provides opportunities for interaction with other faith traditions.

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LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

Provides children of ages 4-12 with the opportunity to share the Liturgy of the Word from the Children's Lectionary at designated Sunday Masses.

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MOMS & KIDS

Provides ongoing mom and kids (newborn through elementary school) meet-ups for friendship and fun.

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Lia Haubert949-322-6458
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NURSERY - THE ARK

Offers co-op style childcare to the parish during the 10:30am Sunday mass. Nursery is staffed by parents, young adults and youth volunteers from within the parish.

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Pastoral Council

CHAIR

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The Council assists the Pastor in the administration of the Pastoral aspects of Parish Life. There are five major committees responsible for advancing the Mission of the Parish.

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SOCIAL MINISTRIES

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR ADOLESCENTS AND CHILDREN (RE.A.CH)

Offers age-appropriate religious education classes for faith development for youth ages 3-17.

Debbie Fredette760-758-4100 x110
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Genesis (3-5 years old)
RE.A.CH (Grades 1-5)
E.D.G.E for Middle School (Grades 6-8)
CHOSEN and Theology of the Body (Grades 9-10)
CHOSEN and Theology of the Body for High School
T3 Series (Grades 11 & 12)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR ADULTS

Offers adults opportunities for growth in faith and knowledge.

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BIBLE STUDY

Opens the riches of Scripture through study, discussion, and prayer.

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CENTERING PRAYER

Provides an opportunity to foster an ever-deepening relationship with God through Christian contemplative practices and silent prayer.

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MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Offers the men in our Parish spiritual enrichment and fellowship.

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WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Provides opportunities for growth in faith and friendship for women in our Parish.

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SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

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BAPTISM

Prepare parents and godparents through a series of classes for Baptism of infants and children under the age of seven.

RECONCILIATION/EUCHARIST

Provides leadership and support for parents in the home-centered program of preparation.

CONFIRMATION

This program completes the Sacraments of Initiation calling people to deepen their journey of faith.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

A process to welcome new members into the Catholic Church. Open to persons age seven through adulthood, desiring Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation.

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VOCATIONS

Provides a place for inquiries as to vocations to the priesthood, permanent diaconate, or religious life.

Dcn. Tom Goeltz.....760-727-8442
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YOUTH MINISTRY

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HIGH SCHOOL

Offers teens, grades 9-12, an opportunity for support in spiritual, moral, and social development.

YOUNG ADULTS

Provides fellowship and faith-filled activities for young adults from 18 through their twenties.



Liturgy

CHAIR

Serves on the Pastoral Council and provides updates, raises concerns, and shares upcoming activities of the liturgical ministries.

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ALTAR GUILD SACRISTAN

Maintains altar, altar cloths, candle holders, altar server albs, and polishes furniture in church.

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ALTAR LINEN SACRISTAN

Maintains the small church linens used by the priest and ministers during Mass.

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ALTAR SERVER | THURIFER

Assists the priest and deacon at the altar and throughout the liturgy during daily, weekend, and holyday liturgies.

Rebecca Eyer760-216-6553
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ART & ENVIRONMENT

Arranges the liturgical space, providing liturgically suitable surroundings, flowers, and wall hangings.

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BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Provides future and immediate funeral liturgy planning, assists in funeral liturgies, hosts receptions, and walks with the bereaved through their season of grief.

Sr. Maureen Brown760-758-4100 x131
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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER (BEREAVEMENT)

Assists the priest in the distribution of Holy Communion during Funeral and Memorial Masses.

HOSPITALITY MINISTER (BEREAVEMENT)

Welcomes everyone to our church home at Funeral and Memorial Masses, ministering to the families and friends of our beloved dead before, during, and after the liturgy.

SACRISTAN/ALTAR SERVER (BEREAVEMENT)

Prepares liturgical materials necessary for Funeral and Memorial Masses, and assists the priest and deacon at the altar and throughout the liturgy.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Available Monday-Friday, 6:30am-7:30pm, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

INTERIOR DESIGN TEAM

Works, as part of a committee assisted by a liturgical consultant, on the design of our new worship space.

Phil & Pat Goscienski760-732-1414
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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Assists the priest in the distribution of Holy Communion during Mass.

Daily, Weekend, and Holyday Mass
Retirement Communities and Tri-City Hospital
Homebound
Douglas Lynn760-758-4100 x140
douglasl@stmoside.org

If you would like to request a homebound minister, please contact 760-758-4100 x100.

HOSPITALITY MINISTER

Welcomes everyone to our church home and to God's table at each weekend and holyday liturgy, assisting the faith community in its worship before, during, and after the liturgy.

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MUSIC MINISTRY

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CANTOR

Supports our worship as psalmists, and promotes congregational singing during our worship.

CAPPELLA CHOIR

Supports our worship and enriches our celebration by presenting unaccompanied choral music from various periods and in various styles.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR & YOUTH CHOIR

Supports our worship and enriches our celebration on a seasonal basis (Christmas and Easter) by presenting age-specific music.

INSTRUMENTALIST

Instrumentalists are invited to share their music and participate during Mass as soloists or ensembles and also in conjunction with other groups in the music ministry.

PASCHAL CHOIR

Supports our worship during Funeral and Memorial Masses, ministering to the families and friends of our beloved dead through its participation in congregational singing during these liturgies.

PRAISE TEAM

Supports our worship and enriches our celebration by presenting music in the newer praise tradition of sacred music through song and instrument.

Joleen Schanzenbach 760-458-2973
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SANCTUARY CHOIR

Supports our worship and enriches our celebration by presenting accompanied and unaccompanied music in the great choral tradition of the Church from various periods and in various styles.

TOWER BELLS

Supports our worship and enriches our celebration by presenting original and specifically arranged handbell music as well as by supporting congregational song, playing our five-octave set of English handbells and our three-octave set of handchimes.

READER

Studies, prepares, and proclaims the living Word of God to our assembled faith community at daily, weekend, and holyday Masses.

Douglas Lynn 760-758-4100 x140
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SACRISTAN

Prepares church building and worship space for liturgies, prepares liturgical materials necessary for Mass, participates during the liturgy, and secures the building.

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SACRISTAN - DAILY

Elaine Cassidy 760-724-1231

SACRISTAN - WEEKEND/HOLYDAY

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LITURGY COMMITTEE

Consults with Pastor on all liturgical parish activities.

Kathy Arciero 760-231-1022
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WEDDING COORDINATOR

Provides direction, support, and hospitality to the bride and groom, wedding party, and their families, before and during the wedding.

Lia Keane 760-586-8049
 liak@stmoside.org





Marriage & Family Life

CHAIR

Serves on the Pastoral Council and provides updates, raises concerns, and shares upcoming activities of the ministries within Marriage and Family Life.

Jen Frost858-692-7438
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BRINGING THE CELEBRATION HOME

Organizes liturgically-focused workshops and activities that can be celebrated at home.

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DIOCESAN LIAISON

Brings Marriage & Family Life updates from the Diocese to the Parish.

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FAMILY SERVICES

Offers support for troubled marriages via Retrouvaille and annulment support.

Rev. Michael Ratajczak760-758-4100 x100
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MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Includes the Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program, Engaged Encounter Weekends, and Evenings for the Engaged.

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WIDOWS & WIDOWERS OF NORTH COUNTY

Promotes peer group support through social activities.

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Parish Organizations & Events

CHAIR

Serves on the Pastoral Council and provides updates, raises concerns, and shares upcoming activities of the ministries within Parish Organizations and Events.

Lisa & Pat Attardo760-940-1505
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ANNUAL GALA

Hosts our annual Parish Gala dinner and festivities, including raffles, and live and silent auctions and Wheel of Fortune.

Chris Smith.....760-758-4100 x120
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HISTORIAN/ARCHIVES

Maintains the history of our Parish for future generations by preserving material such as photographs, negatives, videos, audio, brochures, fliers, reports, administrative, and ministry records that represent our congregational memory.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

An order of Catholic men and their families, serving church and community.

John Murphy760-497-6117
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SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Hosts a variety of activities, including Holy Thursday dinners, movies, campouts, Ash Wednesday and special receptions.

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SPIRITED SENIORS

Enhances the spiritual, educational, and friendship needs of its members.

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TOMMY'S CAFÉ

Serves coffee, tea, specialty drinks, and breakfast items to benefit STM Youth Ministry.

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TREASURES RUMMAGE SALE

Coordinates annual mega flea market held in our Parish parking lot each fall.

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WALKING MINISTRY

Meets on Tuesday mornings for an hour walk.

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WOMEN'S GUILD

Promotes social interaction, spirituality, and fundraising. Open to all women of the Parish.

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Social Ministries

CHAIR

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BLOOD DRIVE

Coordinates periodic Parish blood drives.
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BROTHER BENNO'S (OCEANSIDE)

Collection: collects and distributes needed items for the homeless during the year for Brother Benno's in Oceanside.

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Services: helps at Brother Benno's in Oceanside serving food, folding clothes, etc.

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CHRISTMAS ANGEL MINISTRY

Works to collect and distribute Christmas gifts to needy families in the community.

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CPR/AED CLASSES

Offers training and certification classes in CPR and the use of the AED to the Parish.

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CULTURE OF LIFE ACTIVITIES

Works with the Diocese to plan and roll out activities supporting a culture of life.

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DISABILITY FACILITATION

Addresses needs of Parishioners with disabilities as they pertain to the Parish.

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JAIL/DETENTION MINISTRY

Arranges to visit and minister to the imprisoned.

Rita McCarthy760-758-4100 x100

MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY NETWORK

Serves individuals and families experiencing mental health issues by offering God's hope and love through encouragement, practical support, and prayer.

Our ministry is not intended to replace professional or clinical services and does not provide professional care.

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Dcn. John Fredette.....760-758-4100 x104

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PRAYER REQUEST LINE

Offers prayers for those in need.

Pat Wong760-806-1310

Norma Flanagan760-630-0180

PROJECT LINUS

Provides and distributes handmade blankets made by volunteers for children undergoing physical and/or emotional difficulties.

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SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Engages issues that call forth the application of our Gospel values as applied to our civic life.

Henri Black.....760-758-8137

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INTERFAITH COMMITTEE FOR WORKER JUSTICE (ICWJ)

Organizes religious communities of all faiths to help the voice of the working poor be heard for improved working conditions.

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SDOP (SAN DIEGO ORGANIZING PROJECT)

Promotes community organizing around focusing on social justice issues locally and in the broader community.

Sr. Maureen Brown760-758-4100 x131
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SOLUTIONS FOR CHANGE

Helps local homeless shelters with ongoing needs and dinners once a month.

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FAMILY SHOE MINISTRY

Collects, organizes, and distributes new and gently used pairs of shoes.

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ST. BONAVENTURE MISSION CLOTHING DRIVE

Annual collection of clothing and blankets for the Navajo people of New Mexico.

Deacon Tom Goeltz760-727-8442
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Development Council

The Development Council assists the Pastor in creating a "culture of development" within the Parish, serving as a catalyst for growth, and providing ways to meet long-term goals and objectives.

CHAIR

Serves on the Pastoral Council and provides updates, raises concerns, and shares upcoming activities of the ministries within the Development Ministry.

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SECRETARY

Jody Cadieux.....760-431-7446
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ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Coordinates Annual Catholic Appeal at the Parish level.

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NEW CONSTRUCTION

Assists and advises on Parish building projects.

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PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Hosts the bi-annual Welcome Reception/Luncheon for new members, tours of our facility, and networking with Parish ministries.

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PLANNED GIVING

Facilitates the donations of estates and other gifts designated in wills, living trusts, etc.

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PUBLICITY/PUBLIC RELATIONS

Produces press releases, publicity, and Parish newsletter.

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SCRIP SALES

Gift certificates (Scrip) are purchased at discount from merchants and sold at face value, with the difference being donated to our Mortgage/Building Completion Fund.

Mike Nichols.....760-727-7522
Andrea Sweeney760-216-6389
scrip@stmoside.org

STEWARDSHIP

Organizes and directs volunteer efforts in our Parish programs and services.

Chris Smith.....760-758-4100 x120
chris@stmoside.org

VEHICLE DONATIONS

Handles details of vehicles that are donated to the Parish.

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dd92081@cox.net

WELCOME MINISTRY

Introduces prospective Parishioners to the life and activities of our Faith Community.

Chris Smith.....760-758-4100 x120
chris@stmoside.org





Finance Council

The Finance Council assists the Pastor in the administration of designated portions of the temporal aspects of Parish life, including the management of Parish funds, maintenance of grounds, and personnel.

CHAIR

Serves on the Finance Council, prepares the agenda in coordination with the Pastor, and helps lead the meeting.

Paul Ibbetson760-734-1051
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SECRETARY

Nancy Busse760-727-4549
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BUDGET REVIEW

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FINANCIAL LIAISON

Works to ensure communication of financial provisions for Parish operations, reserves, and the Parish build out.

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Members of the Finance Council serve by invitation of the Pastor. If you would like to know more about this Council, please contact:

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michaelr@stmoside.org

Office Support

GENERAL SUPPORT

Various types of office work, including bulk mail and bulletin stuffing, making Baptism banners, sacristy and chapel cleaning, and "handyman" work.

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hennyj@stmoside.org

KITCHEN MANAGER

Acts as a liaison between our maintenance staff and all who use the kitchen.

Rebecca Eyer760-758-4100 x100
Psalm_23@live.com



Stewardship: TREASURE



Sacrificial Giving Guide

"Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion for God loves a cheerful giver."

2 Corinthians 9:7

Offering financial resources to our Parish will help ensure that God's work continues. Stewards of treasure joyfully return the first portion of all God has given them. Sharing one's treasure is a way to thank God for God's many blessings and gifts.

TITHING OPTION

Tithing is the biblical concept of sacrificial giving that encourages 10% of all that we earn to be returned to the Lord as an act of faith.

Parishioners are invited to tithe (10% of all gross household income) to the Lord: **8% to St. Thomas More and 2% to other charities of your choice. This 8% tithe would cover the following:**

- † **The Mortgage/Building Completion fund**
- † **Parish Operational Offering**
- † **Religious Education Fees**
- † **Sacrament Stipends:**
(Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, etc.)
- † **Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)**
- † **All National Collections:**
 - **Annual Lenten Collection**
 - **Collection of the Holy Father (Peter's Pence)**
 - **Propagation of the Faith (Mission Appeal)**
 - **World Missions Collection**
 - **National Needs Collection**
 - **Retirement Fund for Religious Collection**



The building fund receives half of the 8% STM tithe (4% of income) with the second half of the 8% STM tithe (4% of income) being distributed to the remaining items listed above.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING OPTION

Sacrificial Giving is the process of consciously examining household income and making a decision to give a percentage of it to the Church. If the "leap of faith" of tithing seems to be too great for you, we ask that you consider the "gradual approach."

Please examine and review not only the dollar amount that you presently give to St. Thomas More, but the percentage of your gross household income that dollar amount represents.

When you add up all your gifts to St. Thomas More, what percentage is that amount of your gross household income? Is it ½ % or 1% or 3%, or more? You are encouraged and challenged to increase it by a percentage each year until you have made that leap of faith and are tithing.

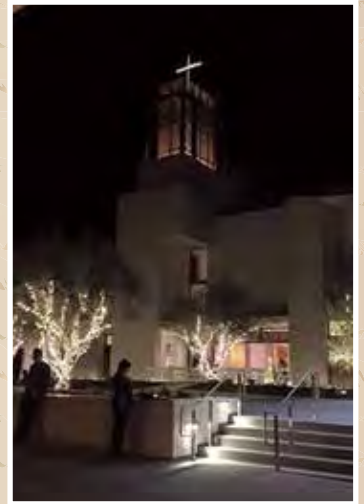
Remember that the Lord is never outdone in generosity. Pray that more and more of us are willing to be challenged by the Biblical directive to give back to the Lord a tithe of all that we have and are.



Stewardship ~ Our Way of Life A Temple Built of Living Stones

The foundation of St. Thomas More is now, and has been since we were established in 1985, the Parishioners and the ministerial spirit that is alive and well here.





Memorials: A Way To Remember

Memorials are a way of honoring those whom we love, whether they are living or deceased. Often, memorials are made for a special intention or in thanksgiving for a variety of blessings received from God.

Our Parish Campus will be a living memorial. All who help in building it will leave something to the community itself that will be used by generations to come. The good they do is not interred with them, but will remain to share in the divine activity of God here on earth.

Listed below are items still available for adoption. All contributions will be recognized in a special memorial to be displayed in our Parish Memorial Garden.

Pipe Organ.....	\$850,000
Christ on the Road to Emmaus.....	\$29,000
St. Joseph and Child (Refurbished)	\$1,350

Parish Offices:

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 & fixtures.....	\$10,000

Memorial Item Donations Partial:

Jesus, Divine Redeemer and Master of the Universe Mosaic Panels (54) 19 available	\$5,000/each
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Pew Seating for the Church ((1,000) 715 available	\$300/each
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Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs (200)95 available	\$300/each
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Altar Server Albs (15) 15 available	\$125/each
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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, www.stmoside.org, and click on Our New Church.



Stewardship and Planned Giving: A Way to Give and a Way to Receive

DESIGNATED BANK ACCOUNTS

Accounts can be established at financial institutions which allow the owner complete control over the principal and interest during his/her lifetime, but will pass to a designated beneficiary (such as a charity) upon death without probate administration. Certificates of deposit, regular savings accounts, and money market accounts are a few examples of this type of account.

GIFTS OF PROPERTY

One of the ways in which individuals can contribute to their church while, in most cases, avoiding taxes is to give your home or other real estate to the church while still retaining the use of the asset. The satisfaction of giving, as well as a tax deduction, is enjoyed now rather than later. You continue to live and take care of the property but because you have made a gift of the property by deed, it does not pass through your probate estate at death.

LIFE INSURANCE

This is a contract between the policy owner and the insurer, where the insurer agrees to pay a sum of money upon the occurrence of the insured individual's death or other event, such as terminal illness or critical illness. In return, the policy owner agrees to pay a stipulated amount called a premium at regular intervals or in lump sums.

TAX SAVINGS

Federal tax laws make it possible, in several instances, to reduce or eliminate gift, estate, capital gain, and income taxes on funds you donate for charitable purposes.

GIFTS OF CASH

Through gifts of cash, it is possible to eliminate tax on a significant amount of applicable income.

IRA'S

If you intend to give to a charity as part of your estate plan, leaving an IRA to the charity may be the best way to fulfill that intent. Your charity of choice, being income tax-exempt, will pay no income tax on the IRA distributions it receives. Family members, in contrast, would have to pay income tax on any distributions they receive from an IRA they inherit from you, though they would get an income tax deduction for estate taxes, if applicable.

GIFTS OF OTHER ASSETS

Gifts such as stocks, bonds, and mutual funds that have increased in value since you owned them, can result in tax savings.



Towers of Faith



St. Thomas More Catholic Church Towers of Faith program is composed of individuals and Parishioners who provide future support for our Parish by remembering the Parish in their will or living trust.

The members of this group share a common bond of generosity and visionary leadership which nourishes the ongoing success of St. Thomas More.

Please consider remembering St. Thomas More as part of your legacy in your will or living trust. Several of our Parishioners, past and present, have already included the Parish in their estate planning. Their foresight and generosity has proved to be very beneficial and is much appreciated!

To participate in the Towers of Faith, or for more information, contact the Stewardship and Development Office at the Parish. We are able to provide sample bequest language for inclusion in your will or living trust, and additional assistance to help you find a plan that will meet your financial, philanthropic as well as your spiritual needs.

Chris Smith,
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WILLS

Giving through your Will can be a convenient way to leave a lasting legacy for the Parish. After you provide for your loved ones, you may decide to give a specific amount, a percentage of your estate, or all or part of what remains after others have been remembered.

LIVING TRUSTS

A Living Trust is a means of creating a legal entity that becomes the owner of your property, but allows you to maintain 100% control over the same property. It is something to consider beyond a Will because Wills are subject to probate taxes and Living Trusts are not.

There are various kinds of trusts that provide different benefits. By establishing a trust you can avoid taxes, provide an income for yourself and your spouse, as well as give a portion of your assets to charity!



There are multiple ways to participate in the Towers of Faith, including:

- Designated Beneficiary Accounts
- Life Insurance
- Stocks, Bonds, Mutual Funds
- Gifts of Property
- Endowments
- Last Will and Testament
- Living Trusts



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*We extend our deepest gratitude
to all of our Parishioners at
St. Thomas More Catholic Church!*

*Your willingness to generously
share your time, talent and
treasure is instrumental in our
efforts to make a difference in
our Parish and community.*

God's blessings and peace!



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If you want to get involved or have any questions, please contact us at:
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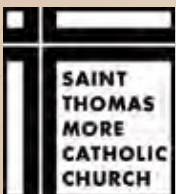
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