

Church of St. Thomas More

A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

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Spirituality † Tradition † Community

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday
8:30am-12:00 noon and 12:30-4:00pm

Mass Schedule
Saturday at 5:00pm
Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am
Tuesday-Friday at 8:15am
First Monday of the Month at 7:00pm

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

Reconciliation (Confession)
Saturday, 4:00-4:30pm

June 14, 2009 • The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Did You Know?

Our heating and air conditioning system is in need of major repair. The condenser is leaking freon and must be replaced.

It will cost \$10,600.

This was not a planned expense and it is not "in the budget."

Whatever gift/donation you can make to our "Did You Know?" Campaign will help greatly!

Rosary

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



Pastor's Column

Rev. Michael Ratajczak
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Abortion, Pro-life and Politics

When the national elections were approaching last year, a number of people asked for my advice/opinion regarding the question: "Father, for whom should I vote? Which presidential candidate is in keeping with the 'Pro-life' stance of the Catholic Church?"

Oftentimes, I am asked the question as to whether Catholic political leaders who are "pro-choice," should be denied Communion because of their stance.

And, most recently, I have been questioned as to whether President Obama should have been invited to deliver the Commencement Address at Notre Dame and also receive an honorary degree.

The discussion and debate on these issues are vigorous, and they are taking place in all circles of life within the Catholic Community. Even the Bishops of the United States (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops – USCCB) are not in agreement as to how to best witness our Church's "Pro-life" stance, which is being for life from "womb to tomb."

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St. Thomas More Vehicle Donation Program



Do you have a vehicle you want to donate?

Call the Parish Office at

758-4100 x100

Our Mission is to: worship God,

Mass Schedule:

Saturday at 5:00pm; Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am;
Tuesday-Friday at 8:15am;
first Monday of the month at 7:00pm;
watch bulletin for holydays

Rite of Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturday from 4:00-4:30pm (or by appointment)

Eucharistic Adoration: Monday-Friday from 6:30am-7:30pm

Liturgical Ministry: Contact Douglas Lynn at 758-4100 x140

Music Ministry: Contact Douglas Lynn at 758-4100 x140

Communion for the Homebound/Hospitalized:

Contact Parish Office at 758-4100 x100

Anointing of the Sick: Contact Parish Office

Matrimony:

Contact Parish Office a minimum of nine months in advance

*For further information, call Rev. Michael Ratajczak
at 758-4100 x100 or michaelr@stmoside.org.*

teach and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ,

Inquiry into the Catholic Faith:

First and third Thursday evenings

Religious Education for Youth & Children:

Two times a month, September-May, on Sundays

Religious Education for Adults: Various times, September-May

Liturgy of the Word for Children: 8:30am and 10:30am Masses

Little Rock Scripture Study:

Weekly sessions, morning or evening

High School Youth Ministry: Monday evenings

Middle School Youth Ministry:

Two Monday evenings per month

Preparation for the Sacraments:

Baptism (for infants):

Begins with an appointment with the Pastor

Baptism (7-14 yrs.)/RCIA:

One to two year process with children and parents

Baptism (adults)/RCIA:

One to two year process; weekly sessions

First Reconciliation: In home process begins in Level 1

First Communion:

In home process begins after First Reconciliation

Confirmation: Minimum two year process of preparation;
begins in high school

*For further information, call Kathleen Bell
at 758-4100 x110 or kathleenb@stmoside.org.*

and serve God's people in word and deed.

There are many groups who serve our Parishioners
and provide outreach to the local community.

*For further information, see page 10, or call Chris Smith
at 758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org.*

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It is important to remember that those of us on both sides of the debate are "pro-life." That is not in question. Our disagreement comes in terms of strategy as to how best witness this position in American politics and life.

Recently, a Jesuit theologian, Rev. John P. Langan, was invited to speak at a seminar on Capitol Hill, held at the Dirksen Senate Office Building. This event was sponsored by The Catholic University of America's Life Cycle Institute.

His talk was reported in the National Catholic Reporter. The article is included in today's Bulletin.

His comments resonate with my own thinking and I am truly encouraged by the challenge that he extends to the Catholic Church in forging a road that will help us better witness to all Life Issues, including, most importantly, the issue of abortion.

This article is meant to be my response to the many people who ask, "Father, what do you think?"

My prayer is, that in sharing this with you, we continue, all of us together, to dialogue and find ways that will help us best witness to Life for this time and this place.

F. Mike

Peter's Pence Collection:

Cast the Light of Christ Upon the World

Last week, envelopes were attached to the bulletin for the Peter's Pence Collection. This collection allows the Holy Father to cast the light of Christ upon the world by providing emergency assistance to those who need it most around the globe. You may return the envelope any time during the month of June.

Have Time for a Little Extra Laundry?

If you would like to take on a small task that is very helpful to the Parish and rewarding for you, please consider joining the group that launders the small altar linens every week. The more people in the group, the less often each one needs to do the laundry! Training is provided. For more information, please contact Marge Gillen at 760-639-1929.

Happy Day for Project Linus!

Volunteers donated 38 hand-made blankets at the May 28 Coffee. Four prospective volunteers attended to receive information. Four blankets were donated to Birth Choice, a designated Project Linus recipient. Thanks to all!!

Pennies from Heaven

Start saving those pennies! The annual Pennies from Heaven collection to benefit Birth Choice of San Marcos, our local Pregnancy Resource Center, is coming up the weekend of July 18-19. They are committed to promoting a Culture of Life in our community and always grateful for our help. Please be generous as you have in the past.

Readings for the Week Ahead

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

Sunday, June 14 (168)

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Exodus 24:3-8
Psalm 116:12-13,15-18

Hebrews 9:11-15
Mark 14:12-16,22-26

Monday, June 15 (365)

2 Corinthians 6:1-10
Psalm 98:1-4

Matthew 5:38-42

Tuesday, June 16 (366)

2 Corinthians 8:1-9
Psalm 146:2,5-9a

Matthew 5:43-48

Wednesday, June 17 (367)

2 Corinthians 9:6-11
Psalm 112:1-4,9

Matthew 6:1-6

Thursday, June 18 (368)

2 Corinthians 11:1-11
Psalm 111:1-4,7-8

Matthew 6:7-15

Friday, June 19 (171)

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Hosea 11:1,3-4,8c-9

Isaiah 12:2-6 (Psalm)
Ephesians 3:8-12,14-19

John 19:31-37

Saturday, June 20 (370)

The Immaculate Heart of Mary
2 Corinthians 12:1-10

Psalm 34:8-13

Luke 2:41-51

Sunday, June 21 (95)

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Job 38:1,8-11

Psalm 107:23-26,28-31
2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Mark 4:35-41

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 13, 5:00pm
Dominic Vienna, Sr. ☩

Sunday, June 14, 8:30am
Rita Cruser ☩

Sunday, June 14, 10:30am
Frank Varvaglione ☩

Tuesday, June 16, 8:15am
Helen Reynolds ☩

Wednesday, June 17, 8:15am
Helen Kuhn

Wednesday, June 17, 9:30am
Charlie Remoll ☩
Emeritus at Carlsbad

Thursday, June 18, 8:15am
Joyce & Sean Curry

Friday, June 19, 8:15am
Donald Kope ☩

Saturday, June 20, 5:00pm
Joseph Linden ☩

Sunday, June 21, 8:30am
Hop Nguyen ☩

Sunday, June 21, 10:30am
Phil & Pat Goscieski

Prayer List

Call 758-4100 x102 to add a name for four weeks.

Mary Alexander
Mary Baker
Patricia Barbour
Cindra Bell
Regina Bentz
Beatrice Brooks & Family
Monica Broussard
Janet Brown
Steve Brown
Herman Calandro
Irene Caligiuri
Shelby Campbell
Paul Cipowski
James Coleman
Thomas Cornwell & Family
Jean Crowell
Karen Flaharty Daley
Margie Daniels & Family
Cecilia DeSimone
Linda Dossman
Kathryn Ernst
The Fiore Family
Peggy & Jack Fischer
Larry Fisk
Ryan Flum
Kathryn Franklin
Carmen Garcia
Bob Godley
Rick Gonzalez
The Gurrera & Santy Families
The Haeffelin Family
Anita Hage
Susan Hallahan
The Harker Family
Rita Harnacker
Barry Henwood
Cynthia Horner
The Davina & Brock Husted
Family

The Ipsen-Welch Family
Sue Johnston
Colleen Kaup
Paul Kennedy
Debbie Kinney
George Kleekamp
Sr. Anne Kremenk
Helen Kuhn
Lillian Lachance
The Lamelin Family
Bernie Lanzrath
Brandon LeBlanc
Cassandra Loretto
Lauren Loretto
Jackie Lynn
James MacArthur
Ken Mauro
Shirley McAllister
Bob McWilliams
Carol Michael
Carroll Tom & Nona Miller
Howard Montgomery
Nancy Moore
The Murchison Family

All-powerful God, be their constant companion and strength in every adversity. May they experience your faithful presence, gentle love and compassionate healing.

Margie Myers
Dale & Jeanne Nelson
R. Northrup
Helen O'Connell
Esther Ortega
Luci Palmer
Lupe Casas Pelletier
Helen Pingtella
The Porter Family
Anne Post
Otila Quiroz
Janet Raiman
Stacy Ramseyer
The Rees Family
Deana Reynolds
Dort Riley
William L. Roberts
Sr. Loyola Romey
Dorothy Rouse
Rose Rowland
The Russo Family
Julie Shea
Norm Shultz
Nick Soltau
Ed Sox
Dorothy and Ray Staehr
Arnie Velasco
Dominic Vienna, Jr.
Vanessa Vitiello-Koble
Kevin Watson-Graff
Ed Wesel
Marilyn Wesel
Sharon Whipkey
John Whitton

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:

1st Lt. Jeffrey Bauer, USMC
Pfc John Brandone
Sgt. Jason Cohick,
Air Force Reserve
Mst. Sgt. Shellie Cohick,
Air Force
Capt. Gregory Day, USMC
Lance Corporal Brandon Doyle,
USMC
St Sgt Joseph Duffy, USAF
Staff Sgt. Julian Fyffe, USMC
MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC
Mitchell Gentry, USMC
Pvt. 2 Jess Phillips, US Army
Julian Torres, USMC

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Calendar Highlights

Also check the Parish website (www.stmoside.org) for complete calendar information.

The Week Ahead

June 14 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses

June 21 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses

June 21 Happy Father's Day!

The Month Ahead

July 20-24 Crocodile Dock—
Vacation Bible School

The Year Ahead

Aug 23 First Annual
Pastor's Dinner

Oct 18 New Member Reception

Nov 8 Choral Concert:
Missa Romantica

Nov 22 Stewardship
Appreciation Event

Next Year—2010

April 30 Eleventh Annual
Golf Classic

Questions? Contact Henny at 760-758-4100 x100

Looking for Information on the Catholic Faith?

Are you interested in learning more about Catholicism, becoming a Catholic, or returning to the Catholic Church after being away? You're invited to Inquiry Sessions, which meet on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7:00pm at the Parish Center.

For information, call Jim Treat at 760-598-3602.

Welcome to Newly Registered Parishioners

Arnel & Jovie Valenzuela

Flower Donations

We would like to gratefully acknowledge the contributions of:

Lucy Vienna

whose generosity helped to defray the cost of flowers this weekend in our liturgical environment.

Tomorrow Project Visits St. Thomas More June 28

The Tomorrow Project is a job readiness training program for homeless women. These women, along with receiving individualized training and education, earn a stipend for assembling gourmet food products based on recipes from San Diego chefs. These wonderful and unique products are sold at various sales events throughout San Diego, including a number of parishes in our Diocese. Please help The Tomorrow Project by purchasing their delicious products after each of the Masses on Sunday, June 28.

The Tomorrow Project—Helping Women Create Futures Today.

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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STM Scrip News

Thank you to all who use the Scrip Program!

In order for St. Thomas More to benefit from your shopping at Ralphs, Food4Less, and Albertsons you must update your cards. Please stop by the Scrip table to find out how, or call Theresa Goeltz at 760-453-2876.

Scrip is sold after weekend Masses and on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00-10:00am in the Parish Office.

I Want to Earn STM Building Fund \$\$\$ with My...

Albertson's Card #(11 digits) _____

Ralph's Card—Please visit Scrip table for flyer.

Please send me a Food 4 Less Card

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Please place completed form in the collection basket or return it to the \$CRIP table after weekend Masses or the Parish Office during the week. Thank you!

Social Justice News

In Support of the Employee Free Choice Act

by Bishop Gabino Zavala

"...The Employee Free Choice Act intends to address and counter some of the more egregious violations of workers' dignity that are today pervasive for so many workers. This legislation would allow workers to form and join unions as certainly and as freely as they might join a church community or a civic organization. Workers would be able to cast their vote for a union from the safety and security of their own homes simply by signing and submitting union authorization cards. Additionally, the legislation would impose just penalties on employers who attempt to illegally interfere with this democratic right of their employees.

As a people of faith, we are committed to the health of our nation, its economy, and to the working men and women who provide us with indispensable goods and vitally necessary services, we make this appeal to the conscience of every member of the United States Congress to vote in favor of the

Employee Free Choice Act, to ensure the democratic right of workers to form unions, to secure the health of our economy and our society by promoting and defending the dignity of every worker."



Bishop Gabino Zavala of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles is Co-President of the Interfaith Worker Justice Board of Directors.

This initiative is supported by Interfaith Committee for Worker Justice, of which St. Thomas More is a member. The Interfaith Committee for Worker Justice is supported by the Diocese of San Diego.

Exciting Victory for Tri-City Medical Center Workers

It is with great excitement that the Interfaith Committee for Worker Justice of San Diego County (ICWJ) announces that after a year-long organizing campaign with SEIU-United Healthcare Workers at Tri-City Medical Center in Oceanside, service workers have won a just and fair contract! This new contract will allow service workers to take a giant step out of poverty.

The ICWJ would like to thank faith leaders, especially our members in North County, for their constant support of service workers at Tri-City Medical Center. Faith leaders were present with service workers when they submitted their petition to form a union; they stood alongside workers at bargaining and raised their voices on behalf of workers at several Tri-City Medical Center board meetings. ICWJ faith leaders were also present when workers voted overwhelmingly to ratify their contract.



The freedom to join trade unions and the effective action of unions...are meant to deliver work from the mere condition of a 'commodity' and to guarantee its dignity...The right of association is a natural right of the human being... Indeed, the formation of unions cannot...be prohibited by the state because the state is bound to protect natural rights...

(Pope John Paul II, Centesimus Annus, 199)

Thank You!

Dear Germaine Wilmott and Women's Guild Members,

On behalf of the Parish, I thank each of you for the very generous \$15,000 donation to our building fund at STM. Since January 2005, thanks to the dedication and efforts of your members, the Women's Guild has donated \$65,000 to "Our Journey Into The Future . . . Together" Capital Campaign, with these funds being designated for our Baptismal Font in the new Sanctuary.

I thank you, Germaine, for your leadership in the past two years and also take this opportunity to welcome Valerie Thompson as the new president for the Women's Guild.

Thank you all for all that you do!

—*God's peace, Fr. Mike*

Spirited Seniors News

We are pleased to announce that Vera Bayliss has volunteered to join our current chairpersons, Judy and Jerry Buoniconti as our new co-chair. This nine-member Board is currently busy making plans for some great future events to enhance the spiritual, educational, and social lives of our 50+ club, and Vera is a most welcome addition to the Board!

If, for any reason, you didn't receive our recent mailing which invited you to renew your membership or become a new member, we apologize. So we, again, extend our invitation and will be on the Plaza this weekend and next, after all the Masses, to accept your \$10 per person membership fee. Members are always given first priority to sign up for events such as theater or bus trips. If there are additional spaces available, non-members are most welcome, but there will be a non-member surcharge for all events. It pays to join! Hope to see you on the Plaza.

2009 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress!

St. Thomas More's "Fair Share": \$34,000

Pledge Total to Date: \$43,187.15

Households Responding: 317

Average Gift per Household: \$136.23

Your support is greatly appreciated!

—*Rev. Michael Ratajczak, Pastor*

New Chair Rails in Parish Center


Have you noticed the new chair rails throughout the STM Parish Center? People are asking why the rails were installed so high when the backs of chairs are much lower. The rails on the lower level were installed at a height to prevent tables from gouging the walls. The rails on the stairwells and upper level were set higher so that the area from the floor to the rail can be painted to cover scrapes and fingerprints, without having to paint the entire wall height.

A generous donation of materials and supplies from a member of More's Workers made it possible to complete the project at no cost to the parish. Volunteers from More's Workers installed and painted the chair rails. Thanks to Dave Parks for his leadership on this project.

If you would like to receive notices about future More's Workers community service projects, call Dick Belprez at 760-295-1431.

P.U.S.H.
St. Thomas More
Middle School Youth Group

Next Meets:
Monday
June 15th
6:30pm
(early start)



Movie Night
Soda, Popcorn & Ice Cream

Night at the
Museum



Visit our website: www.stmoside.org/ym

Email: ronb@stmoside.org

Call Ron or Louise Briseno at 760-758-4100-x153

Attention All Graduates!

The Parish Family of St. Thomas More would like to recognize the achievements of those among us who are graduating this year from grade school, high school, college, or beyond. If you are a graduate, please call the parish office with your name and the school from which you have graduated. You will be remembered in prayer, especially in the liturgies on the weekend of June 27-28. We are proud of your accomplishments and will continue to support you in all of your future endeavors.

High School Summer Sessions
(in addition to regular Summer Programming)
introduces

FAMILY MATTERS

Hard to be a Christian at home?...

Join a four-week gathering
led by college young adults:
Collin Stephens & Billy Marriott
beginning June 24, 7:00-8:30pm

Call Gale at 760-726-7236 for more information

Didn't receive a Summer mailer?...
Check out the St. Thomas More website or
call Gale to have one mailed to your home!

Liturgy & Music

Worship God

Douglas Lynn
 Director of Music/Coordinator of Liturgical Ministries
 douglasl@stmoside.org; 760-758-4100 x140



LITANY OF THE EUCHARIST

Lord, have mercy ... Lord, have mercy
 Christ, have mercy ... Christ, have mercy
 Lord, have mercy ... Lord, have mercy
 Jesus, the Most High ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, the holy One ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, Word of God ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, only Son of the Father ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, Son of Mary... have mercy on us
 Jesus, crucified for us ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, risen from the dead ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, reigning in glory ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, coming in glory ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, our Lord ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, our hope ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, our peace ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, our Savior ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, our salvation ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, our resurrection ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, Judge of all ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, Lord of the Church ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, Lord of creation ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, Lover of all ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, life of the world ... have mercy on us
 Jesus,
 freedom for the imprisoned ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, joy of the sorrowing ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, giver of the Spirit ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, giver of good gifts ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, source of new life ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, Lord of life ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, eternal high priest ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, priest and victim ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, true Shepherd ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, true Light ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, bread of heaven ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, bread of life ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, bread of thanksgiving ... have mercy on us

Jesus, life-giving bread ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, holy manna ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, new covenant ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, food for everlasting life ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, food for our journey ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, holy banquet ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, true sacrifice ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, perfect sacrifice ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, eternal sacrifice ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, divine Victim ... have mercy on us
 Jesus,
 Mediator of the new covenant ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, mystery of the altar ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, medicine of immortality ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, pledge of eternal glory ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, Lamb of God,
 you take away
 the sins of the world ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, Bearer of our sins,
 you take away
 the sins of the world ... have mercy on us
 Jesus, Redeemer of the world,
 you take away
 the sins of the world ... have mercy on us
 Christ, hear us ...
 Christ, hear us
 Christ, graciously hear us ...
 Christ, graciously hear us
 Lord Jesus, hear our prayer ...
 Lord Jesus, hear our prayer

*Order of Solemn Exposition of the Holy Eucharist
 The Order of St. Benedict*

Music Ministry Next Week

JUNE 20/21

5:00pm Mass

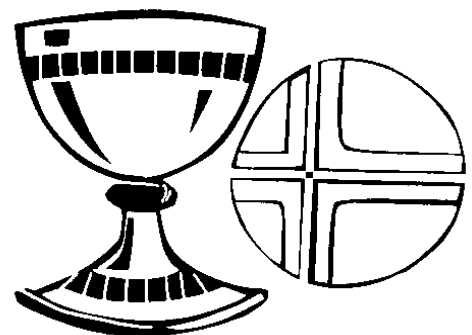
Handbell Choir

8:30am Mass

Adult Choir

10:30am Mass

Cantor



Faith Formation

Teach and Live the Gospel

Kathleen Bell
 Director of Faith Formation
 kathleenb@stmoside.org; 760-758-4100 x110



Summer Bible Study for the Whole Family

By Sister Janet Schaeffler, O.P.

The summer Gospels are filled with stories of Jesus' charisma and rich theological teaching. From working miracles to teaching about everlasting life, it is easy to see why Jesus caused such a stir in His time on Earth and why we believe He is truly the Son of God. A summer Sunday brunch after Mass is the perfect time to talk about the Gospel and what Jesus has to say to us, His disciples in the modern world. If you need some discussion guidance, see our suggestions online at www.osv.com.

June 7

Feast of the Holy Trinity MATTHEW 28:16-20

In the conclusion of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus gives the apostles a great work: to teach and baptize all throughout the whole world, in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

- How do you think the disciples felt when they arrived at the mountain?
- Jesus asks us to teach others today, too. How do you do it? In what other ways might you do it?

Confirmation and First Communion Pictures

Please visit the Parish website: www.stmoside.org and look under *Event Pictures*. You will find pictures from our recent Confirmation and First Communion Masses that you can just enjoy, download, or have printed.



The Bookies !

The Shack by Wm. Paul Young is our next book for discussion on August 12.

From the back cover:



"This story reads like a prayer—like the best kind of prayer, filled with sweat and wonder and transparency and surprise. If you read one work of fiction this year, let this be it."

The book is available for \$9 on top of the file cabinet outside the Faith Formation Office or at the Faith Formation table on the plaza after Sunday Masses.

Crocodile Dock



If you want to be swamped with fun July 20-24, come and be a part of a "Bayou Crew" if you are between the ages of 3-12.

Teens and adults have a great part to play in rocking this dock!



This is the place where fearless kids shine God's light!

Sign up soon ~ Enrollment is limited.

Religious Education (RE.A.CH) for 2009-2010



Continuing families:

Thank you for returning your registration packet as soon as possible. Payment Plan Forms are available for the asking, if tuition is a concern.



New families:

Enrollment packets are available for any family with children ages 3 through 17 who are registered with the parish.

PBJ Update

(Food for children at the Emergency Crisis Center at Catholic Charities in Vista)

2009 GOAL: 365 jars
 Collected to date: 380 jars !



Now that we've surpassed our minimum goal, perhaps we can break all records:

End of year totals:	2006	543
	2007	501
	2008	623
	2009	?

Stewardship & Development

Serve God's People

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

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Of Mortals and Princes ~ and Our God

During the decades of the sixties and seventies, the baby boom generation watched a lot of television. The devotion of this audience helped make the show *Bewitched* a perennial favorite. Thus, they were granted some sense of the differences between immortals and mortals, at least as conveyed by a popular sitcom in which Samantha Stephens was a witch and her husband Darrin was a mortal.

The more recent popularity of the Harry Potter series of fantasy novels depicts stories populated with a variety of characters, a few of whom are constantly preoccupied with immortality.

The popular works of 20th century fantasy writers such as J. R. Tolkien and C.S. Lewis (*The Lord of the Rings* and *The Chronicles of Narnia* among them) rely on both mortal and immortal characters in developing complex themes and plots.

For centuries there has also been a fixation on works about kings and queens, princes and princesses. There is something about the struggles and triumphs of royalty that the public finds fascinating.

Perhaps we get caught up in all of this because we are neither immortal fantasy characters nor royalty. We're able to experience a brief escape from our current reality through these fantasies.

On this feast of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, *it is wise to reflect on the facts*, and the ultimate beauty and gratification that comes from life as God has gifted it to us.

The Bible speaks of both mortals and royalty. "Give thanks to the Lord, who is good, whose love endures forever. Better to take refuge in the Lord than to put one's trust in princes."

The writer of Psalm 118 points out that all men and women are mortal, and a few are princes. But, only the Lord is worthy of our trust. We may look to the immortal and the royal for adventure, but we pray to God for ultimate answers, solutions, guidance and comfort. The abilities of humans, even those with royal blood, pale when compared to the Lord of all.

It is always awe inspiring to note the paradoxes that run through Christ's message. It is why it rings so true—who would preach a message so contrary to the ways of this world but God?

The more we give up for God (to the Church and community, of time and resources), the more we receive from God! And not just in the next life, but in this life too.

Those who practice Christian Stewardship as a way of life say they have found the meaning and purpose of life: serving others and giving of themselves. They are the happiest and most fulfilled people, certainly more so than those who've focused on getting as many material goods and "toys" as they can.

By their worthy deeds in this life, people also make a limited but real human contribution to building up the kingdom. They do so with an eye to present happiness and also to the fulfillment, which the kingdom—and themselves as part of it—will enjoy in the life to come.

—Stewardship: A Disciple's Response

A WAY TO GIVE ~ A WAY TO RECEIVE



DESIGNATED BANK ACCOUNTS, WILLS, LIVING TRUSTS, STOCKS, LIFE INSURANCE, MUTUAL FUNDS, REAL ESTATE, ENDOWMENTS

There have been changes in the laws that are beneficial to both the recipient and the giver. A few examples of Planned Giving to STM are: Designated Beneficiary Accounts, Wills, Living Trusts, Stocks, Life Insurance, Mutual Funds, Real Estate, and Endowments.

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). Planned Giving is a generic term that covers the many ways an individual can give to a charity while, in many cases, avoiding taxes.

For more information please contact:

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"Our Journey Into The Future . . . Together"
includes our Faith journey as well as the
build out of our Parish Campus.

Collection for Week of: June 6/7, 2009

Number of Registered Households:		1,004
Offertory*	\$	14,301.09
Offertory (Loose Collection)		793.00
Children's envelopes		1.50
Total	\$	15,095.59

* Offertory Envelopes, Credit Card Withdrawals, Automatic Checking or Savings Account Deductions (Credit Card and Automatic Bank Account Withdrawals are posted at STM on the 5th and/or 20th of each month.)

Special thanks to our young donors using the Children's offertory envelopes for their Christian Stewardship efforts.

There are many ways to help support your Parish.

We offer a variety of options for easier giving. In addition to the extra "mail-back" envelopes included in your packet, we offer automatic:

- ◆ Credit Card Withdrawal (Visa, MC, or Discover)
- ◆ Automatic Checking Account Deduction
- ◆ Automatic Savings Account Deduction

To participate in these time-saving alternatives, please contact the Parish Office at:
758-4100 x100 or parishoffice@stmoside.org.

News from the Larger Church

Diocesan Workshops in July—Various topics related to religious education. For details, contact www.diocese-sdiego.org/evangelization.htm or 858-490-8230.

Celebration of Fatherhood Living and Deceased at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside—Wednesday, June 17, 6:00pm. A special evening Mass and family dinner to honor not only your father, but all men who have acted as a father figure in your life. For more information, call 760-757-3659.

How to Start and Grow a Young Adult Ministry at Your Parish or Campus Workshop in San Diego—Saturday, June 20, 9:00am-12:00noon. The Office for Young Adult Ministry is offering training for Young Adult leaders and core teams, Campus Ministry leaders and core teams, Pastors, and Deacons who are interested in starting a Young Adult Ministry or growing their current Young Adult Ministry at their Parish or Campus. It will be at the Pastoral Center, 3888 Paducah Drive, SD. The cost is \$10, which includes a light breakfast and materials. Please RSVP by June 17 to cgiebel@diocese-sdiego.org or calling 858-490-8260. Visit www.yamsd.org to see the flyer.

North County Regional Young Adult Group Monthly Rotating Mass and Dinner—Sunday, June 21, 5:00pm at St. Francis Church, 525 W. Vista Way, Vista. Dinner follows at Colima's Restaurant, 1850 Hacienda Dr., Vista. For more information, contact Carrie Giebel at cgiebel@diocese-sdiego.org.

Mass with Prayers for Healing in Escondido—Tuesday, June 23, 6:45pm. You are invited to come and join us for a special evening of praise, worship, and healing prayer with Fr. Mike Barry at the Church of St. Timothy, 2960 Canyon Road, Escondido. For more information, contact Bob and Rosemary at 760-741-0866.

Gran Fiesta in San Marcos—June 26-28. A great alternative to the San Diego County Fair! Admission and parking are free to this event that is packed with rides, food, games, prizes, dancing, and entertainment fit for all ages! Convenient North County location at St. Mark Parish at 1147 Discovery St. in San Marcos. For more information, contact 760-744-1540.

Aegis at Shadowridge Presents Fourth Annual Summer Concert Series—Thursday, July 9, 6:00-8:00pm, at Aegis (next door to STM), 1440 S. Melrose Drive, Oceanside. Features the *Working Cowboys*. RSVP by Monday, June 8, to 760-806-3600.

Theology on Tap for Young Adults in Mission Valley—Thursdays in July. Topics include *Missions* (July 9), *Apologetics* (July 16), *Spiritual Growth* (July 23), *Marriage Vocation* (July 30). For more information, visit www.yamsd.org or contact Carrie Giebel at cgiebel@diocese-sdiego.org or 858-490-8260.

Mission San Diego de Alcalá Dinner Dance in San Diego—Friday, July 17, 6:30-11:30pm. Celebrate the 240th anniversary of the Mission Basilica with an elegant evening under the stars in the mission courtyard. For more information and to request an invitation, contact Barbara and Harry Melkerson at 858-292-4848 or hmelkerson@san.rr.com.

Beginning Experience Weekend for Widowed, Divorced, and Separated Persons in Oceanside—July 17-19 or November 13-15, at Prince of Peace Abbey. A specially trained team leads participants through a healing and growth experience. For further information, please call 858-274-1878.

Race for the Chaste 5K or Half-Marathon—August 14-16. Participation includes training program, support from fellow Race for the Chasters, free t-shirt, weekend seminar with a chastity leadership focus, and race entry fee. For more information, contact Paul Greer at 858-573-1500 or paul@hlpstars.com or visit www.thegorettigroup.org.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land—Fr. Edwin Tutor of St. Pius X Parish in Chula Vista invites you to join him in pilgrimage November 6-16 with Fr. Garret Edmunds, OFM (based in Jerusalem) as tour guide and escort. For more information, contact Lulu Rullan at 619-757-4200.

Marian Journey to France, Spain, and Portugal—October 6-16, 2010. Visit Lourdes, Santiago de Compostela, Fatima, Lisbon, and more under the spiritual direction of Rev. George Dunkley. Cost is \$3,400. For more information, contact Deacon Dennis Sullivan at 760-613-7554 or sullivan211@cox.net.

St. Francis School Accepting Applications—St. Francis of Assisi Parish School is accepting applications for the 2009-2010 school year. We have a fully licensed preschool and are an accredited kindergarten through eighth grade school. Located in Vista just off the Highway 78, St. Francis School provides a strong Catholic religious education program, advanced classes, extracurricular activities, competitive school sports program, and after-school care. For more information, contact www.sfs-vista.org or 760-630-7960.

Free Job Search & Networking Seminar

Back by Popular Demand! Helping the Un- & Under-Employed!
Saturday, June 27, 9:00-11:00am
St. Elizabeth Seton Parish Hall
6628 Santa Isabel St., Carlsbad

Pilgrimages in 2010

United Arab Emirates & Egypt

Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Cairo, Giza, Memphis, Aswan, and Luxor;
(includes a three-day cruise on the Nile)

January 4-15, 2010 • \$3,975 per person, double occupancy

Hosted by **Rev. Michael Ratajczak**

For detailed brochure and all information, contact:
michaelratajczak@hotmail.com or 619-368-9939

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(the Passion Play is only performed every 10 years)

September 2-14, 2010 • \$2,966* per person, double occupancy

*Land tour cost; airfare to be determined in October 2009,
estimated to be about \$1,300.

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