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Mass Schedule Saturday at 5:00pm Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am Tuesday-Friday at 8:15am

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

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

July 7, 2013 • Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



# Pastor's Column

# For All That Has Been—Thank you! For All That Will Be—Yes!

July 1 was my tenth anniversary as the Pastor of the Church of St. Thomas More. I share with you, once again, my first Pastor's Column dated July 6, 2003.

It is my desire each year to give you my first Pastor's Column in which I shared with you the words of Archbishop Daniel Pilarczyk, as he talks about the meaning and purpose of a Parish. His words have become over the years of my ministry, in the various Parishes in which I have served, my pastoral motivation and direction. May our yearly reflection upon these words help all of us in deepening our relationship with the Lord Jesus.

Over these ten years, I have thanked God constantly for your overwhelming positive response in your willingness to work together as we continue to witness to the Kingdom of God and move into our future.

In my over thirty-eight years of ministry, I have been in many faith-filled Parishes, but I must admit that St. Thomas More has strengthened me the most in my pastoral responsibilities. This Parish helps me so much to be a faithful pastor!

As I begin my journey with the Church of St. Thomas More and become a member of this Faith Community, I share with you the

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

words of The Most Reverend Daniel Pilarczyk, the now retired, former Archbishop of Cincinnati, taken from his book, *The Parish: Where God's People Live:* 

'A Parish, then, is a moment, a chapter in God's love affair with us human beings. And being a member of a Parish does not mean just "belonging to something", but rather, being involved in a loving association with God in Christ Jesus and with each other in Him, and with all the world for Him. Parish is therefore concerned with relationships, our relationship with Christ and our relationship with each other in Him. Consequently, the main participant in every Parish is the Lord Himself. It is He around whom the people gather in worship. It is He whose word the Parishioners hear there. It is His work the Parishioners carry out in the context of the Parish's life and in their activity in the world, activity for which they are enlightened and strengthened in the Parish. It is for the strengthening and expression of His Body, the Church, that the Parishioners build buildings and carry out programs. It is in response to His love that the Parish engages in care for the poor and in outreach to those who have forgotten Christ or have never known Him.

I now have the privilege of joining you, the Church of St. Thomas More, on its Faith Journey, its Love Affair with God, in and through the Lord Jesus Christ. I pray that, because our paths now become one, we will continue to deepen our relationship with the Lord Jesus, and that we will continue to center our lives more completely on Him.

As I begin my ministry as your Pastor, I commit all of my time, talent, treasure, and energy in building on the strong foundation that has already been set, that is, the ongoing creation of a climate and an environment of hospitality that says: "The Church of St. Thomas More is holy ground. The Church of St. Thomas More is a people and a place where God is revered, and all God's People are treated with dignity, respect, and offered the opportunity to be challenged by the Gospel. The Church of St. Thomas More is the home of brothers and sisters in Christ who take time to support each other in deepening their relationship with Jesus the Christ for the purpose of making our world a better and safer place for all people.

I promise all of you that I will do all that I can, during this time of transition, that as a Faith Community, we do not experience "a loss of momentum," but rather, that we experience a "surge of energy."

As we pilgrimage through life, as individuals and as a community of Faith, our book of Life is being written. Some chapters we write. Other chapters are written for us. Chapters end. New chapters begin. Today we begin a new chapter in the Faith Life of the Church of St. Thomas More. With me, I ask that you "look forward to opportunities for growth that change affords."

As we begin to walk together, may our prayer be: "For all that has been—Thank you. For all that will be—Yes!"



#### In Memoriam

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

**Maria Victoria Balli**, the mother of our Parishioner Irene Balli-Dumas who died June 13. Her Funeral Mass was June 6 in Texas. Please keep her family in prayer.



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

#### Flower Donations

The Altar Flowers for this weekend were given by **Tom and Pat Hannon** in thanksgiving for prayers answered.

Flowers are to thank the staff and Parishioners of St. Thomas More for all their prayers during my hospital stays as well as my chemo treatments which continue for a while. Your prayers really help and provide me with strength. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. *Pat Hannon* 

#### Announcing the Baptism of Marko Marcelic Carson James Way



on July 7

Our Christian community welcomes you with great joy!

### Our Mission is to:

### worship God,

In addition to Mass, Reconciliation, and Eucharistic Adoration (see page 1 for schedules), there are opportunities to participate in liturgical and music ministries.

For further information, contact Douglas Lynn,
Director of Liturgy and Music,
at 760-758-410 x140 or douglasl@stmoside.org
Matrimony (9 months advance notice required),
communion for the sick/homebound, and anointing
are available by request

For further information, contact the Parish Office at 760-758-4100 x100 or Parishoffice@stmoside.org.

# teach and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ,

There are programs for faith development and enrichment for all ages, including preparation for celebrating the sacraments.

For further information, contact Kathleen Bell, Director of Faith Formation, at 760-758-4100 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 (see page 10).

For further information, contact Chris Smith, Director of Stewardship and Development, at 760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org.

See page 10 or www.stmoside.org for more details.

# Readings for the Week Ahead

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

Sunday, July 7 (102)

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 66:10-14c

Psalm 66:1-7,16,20

Galatians 6:14-18

Luke 10:1-12,17-20 **Monday, July 8** (383)

Genesis 28:10-22a

Psalm 91:1-4,14-15ab Matthew 9:18-26

**Tuesday, July 9** (384)

Augustine Zhao Rong, priest, and companions, martyrs

Genesis 32:23-33

Psalm 17:1-3,6-7,8b,15

Matthew 9:32-38

**Wednesday, July 10** (385) Genesis 41:55-57;42:5-7a,17-24a Psalm 33:2-3,10-11,18-19

Psalm 33:2-3,10-11,18-1 Matthew 10:1-7

Thursday, July 11 (386)

Benedict, abbot

Genesis 44:18-21,23b-29;45:1-5 Psalm 105:16-21

Psalm 105:16-21 Matthew 10:7-15

Friday, July 12 (387)

Genesis 46:1-7,28-30 Psalm 37:3-4,18-19,27-28,39-40

Matthew 10:16-23

**Saturday, July 13** (388)

Henry

Genesis 49:29-32;50:15-26a

Psalm 105:1-4,6-7 Matthew 10:24-33

Sunday, July 14 (105)

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Psalm 69:14,17,30-31,33-34,36-37

Colossians 1:15-20 Luke 10:25-37

#### Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 6, 5:00pm Charles Rutz ♥

Sunday, July 7, 8:30am Nancy Colucci ♥

Sunday, July 7, 10:30am Maria Surmenidis &

Tuesday, July 9, 8:15am Fr. Charlie Sheslo ❖

Wednesday, July 10, 8:15am Jack Gillen

Thursday, July 11, 8:15am Alice Sullivan ♥

Friday, July 12, 8:15am Valerie Thompson

Saturday, July 13, 5:00pm Bernie Jaeger ♥

Sunday, July 14, 8:30am Edmund Fredette ❖

Sunday, July 14, 10:30am Al Rouse **Prayer List** (Call 760-758-4100 x102 to add a name for four weeks.)

Changa Aguilera The Alesi Family Mary Alexander Lucia Ambriz Karen Ashby Carrie Autrey

Carrie Autrey The Balli-Dumas Families Jose Luis Barbosa

Patricia Barbour

The Charlotte (Baby) Baroni Family Gerry Barton

Gerry Barton Clarice Bednarz Charlene Belprez John Bennici Regina Bentz Lisa Berg Roseanne Berg Ken Berger Mary Betz Betty Jean Bielich

Betty Jean Bielich Virginia Brophy Monica Broussard Janet Brown Todd Brown Anita Buerger Bridget Buford Shelby Campbell Brianne Campos Claudia Caplinger Paul Cassidy

Paul Cassidy Bobbi Clarke Marilyn Clarke Dolly Cole Carl Coleman

James Coleman Thomas Cornwell & Family

Thomas Cornwell & F Carol Costa Lené Crowe Karen Flaharty Daley Beverly de Gelder Carole Dillon

Art Dossman Dave Dossman John Drazkowski, Jr. La Vonne Dumas Connor Eberhard Carolyn Erickson Ey

Danielle Esper Sharon Evans Victoria Lopez Fenton The Fiore Family Ryan Flum

Eugene Franciscus Kathryn Franklin Joe Freire Brian Frink Jim Gallagher The Joe Garcia Family

Kathy Gardner
Jack & Marge Gillen
Wendy Gonzales' Dad
Rick Gonzalez

Rosemary Haeffelin Susan Hallahan Pat & Tom Hannon The Harker Family

The Harker Fami Barbara Hatem Lilian Hills Susan Hori

Susan Hori Iolanda Iacobelli Linda Iacobelli Bennett

Linda Iacobelli Sue Johnston Betty Karch Paul Kennedy

Peggy Kiernan Debbie Kinney Dewey Kolbo Sr. Anne Kremenik Helen Kuhn

Lillian Lachance The Lamelin Family Brandon LeBlanc Jeremiah Lemus

Claudia Leué The Paul Leué Family Ashley Load Cassandra Loretto

Cassandra Loretto
Lauren Loretto
James MacArthur
Joaquin Maldonado
Paige Mansell
Angelis Martinez

102 to add a name for four Al Mathews Chandler May Tony McCloskey Bob McWilliams

Joyce Meehan Kalei Mendiola Bill Metzger Phyllis Minaya June Mitchell June Montgomery

Nancy Moore Elizabeth Muehlbacher Conrad Murphy Margie Myers The Noble Family

The Noble Family Terri Novy Richard Obsitnik Bernadette Padovan

Bernadette Padovan Art Palle Ethan Palm Lupe Casas Pelletier Helen Pingtella Marilyn Pirkola Douglas Price-Williams

Barbara Ramm Rita Ritchie Adela Rivera Elena Rivera Maria Rogers Dorothy Rouse The Russo Family

Cindy Sanelli Linda Schmidt The Douglas E. Schulte Family Joan Shea

Joan Shea Jack and Rita Shepard Elizabeth Shirzad Beth Snyder Nick Soltau

Entzadeth Shirzad Beth Snyder Nick Soltau Fred & Gilda Spiegl Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski

Patricia St. Pierre The Staehr Family The Stanislawski Family

Robert Stewart Pete Sullivan David Sweet Tommy & Ging

Tommy & Ginger Thompson Sarah Tillinghast William Tompson Stephen Toth, Jr. Mary Tysko & Family

Barbara Upson
Ethel & Bob Vanderhagen
Corrie & Robert Vasquez
Vanessa Vitiello
Kevin Watson-Graff

John Whitton Erin Young Patricia Zavala

### **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.

1st Lt. Jeffrey Bauer, USMC

CPL Greg Bergman
PFC John Brandone
Maj. Tom Browne, Jr., USMC
1st Sgt Christian B. Bull, USMC
Corp. Willie Deel
Chaplain Van Dinh
Lance Corp. Brandon Doyle, USMC
StfSgt Evans Formica, USMC
Grant Fischer
MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC
Sgt. Alex Garcia
PFC Samuel Haro, US Army
Staff Sgt. Travis M. Meyers, USAF
Pvt. 2 Jess Phillips, US Army
Sr. Airman Robert Spear, USAF
Tyler Timmerman, US Army
Sgt. Charles Watts, USMC

### Calendar Highlights

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

July 7 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses Liturgy of the Word for July 14 Children at 8:30am and 10:30am Masses Jul 15-19 Vacation Bible Camp: Kingdom Rock! July 28 Untold Blessings Aug 16 Family Night Sept 8 Religious Education Classes begin Sept 29 Pastor's Dinner/Excursion Oct 5 Treasures 2013 Oct. 6 Blessing of Animals Oct 11-13 Men's Fellowship Retreat Oct 27 New Member Reception Oct 28 STM Golf Tournament at **Shadowridge Country** 

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

St. Bonaventure Clothing

Year of Faith Closing Event

Club

Drive

Nov 10-11

Nov 24

### **Pray for Women Religious**

Please join us in praying for the women religious who serve in the Diocese of San Diego. They have been assigned to days of the year in alphabetical order.



# Second Annual Gala 2013 Gift to STM

On June 30th, members of the Gala committee were honored to present a \$50,000 check to Fr. Mike, resulting from proceeds of the Second Annual STM Gala.

Thanks to all who helped, in a wide variety of ways, to make this an enjoyable and profitable evening this year!

The Pastor's Excursion/Dinner, which also celebrates Fr. Mike's 65th birthday, is scheduled for Sunday, September 29. This is the final piece of the Gala events this year. The committee will present the Parish with another check after that event.

Plans are already underway for our June 13, 2014 Third Annual Gala. Save the date for an evening you won't want to miss!



# 2013 Pastor's Dinner Excursion Celebrate Fr. Mike's 65th Birthday!

Sunday, September 29, 1:30-6:00pm

#### **Reserve Now**

Let the good times roll! \$250/person (\$125 tax deduction) All payments due by August 30



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

# Marriage & Family Life

Join Us for some Hot Summer Nights! Could your marriage use a tune-up? Ever wonder where the love and passion went? Looking for date night ideas? Interested in what the Bible says about marriage? Find the answer to these each day of July as a new article is posted discussing various



topics on marriage. Contributors include published authors, certified Marriage & Family psychologists, and the USCCB. Visit <a href="http://enterundermyroof.blogspot.com">http://enterundermyroof.blogspot.com</a>

The Divorce Healing Ministry—St. Luke Parish invites those going through a separation and divorce to a 12-week program of recovery entitled, The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide. Our support group meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, from 7:00pm-9:00pm at the Church of St. Luke, 1980 Hillsdale Rd., El Cajon, CA 92019. You can start and end the series at any time. No charge. Seating limited; call to reserve your place with us: 619-401-6445

**Bishops'** Letter on Marriage—Growing Together in Virtues: There is another way to look at growth in marriage: namely, as growth in virtue. As a couple grows in virtue, they grow in holiness. In other words, the couple acquires, by prayer and discipline, those interior qualities that open them to God's love and allow them to share in his love more deeply. Couples instinctively understand this when they speak about their marriage being a means of leading each other to heaven. To read the document go to <a href="http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/">http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/</a>.

Marriage Moments—"You shall love your neighbor as yourself. But if you go on biting and devouring one another, beware..." (Galatians 5:14) Your spouse is your closest neighbor. Make a conscious effort to speak kindly (not biting at each other) today. Your love will come back to you. By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net

**Parenting Pointers**—Parents spend 40% less time with their children than did parents in the 1950's...the average father spends less than 30 minutes a week talking to his children...Most kids need more adult time and less money. (Mary Pipher) Talk to your child for at least 30 minutes today, even if it's just gurgling with a baby. By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net

For more information, visit *www.diocese-sdiego.org*/Ministries/Marriage & Family Life or call Jen Frost at 760-758-4100 x100.

Restaurant Fundraisers for June 2013
Nucci's \$446.46

#### **STM Vehicle Donation Program**

Do you have a vehicle you want to donate?
The St. Thomas More program is easy!
Call us, and we'll have it picked up.
You get the tax deduction!
All we need is clear title. Non-operational is OK!
Since 2006 we have netted over \$37,350
from this program. Thank you donors!









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

#### Parish Events

#### Women's Guild News

EMPOWERED WOMEN is one phrase that could describe the STM Women's Guild members because their accomplishments last year show the amazing enthusiasm of these women. While fund raising for the Parish is one of its goals, having fun doing it is the aim. Our first Mission goal is to create and enjoy community and enhance our spiritual life.

The Guild is a Parish home for all the women who are alone or want time away to enjoy being with other women while helping our Parish. Over the years so many women have ministered to the needs of the Church and now have reached their time to rest. The Women's Guild is for them. Women need to be together to enjoy lunch monthly; to support each other with prayer, enjoy being entertained by different programs, and "stepping out" to the fashion show and game day with all our Parishioners and friends. It's a place for the retired to use their talents; the widows to find friends; and for the women who still have the energy, to serve those who don't.

You don't have to be alone, retired, widowed or want to get out of the house to be a member. We hope ALL women of the Parish will join us as members, and feel welcome to come to any activities, and support our efforts throughout the year. Membership is only \$5 a year and you will be listed in our directory. Come join us, even as a Supporting Member! We'd love to have you. Look for our bulletin insert and representative on the plaza in the coming weeks to renew or sign up.

Ann Buko, your new president

### Give Your Family the Greatest Gift of Love. **Pre-plan Your Final Arrangements** in the Catholic Tradition Today.

Representatives from our own Catholic cemetery will be outside Masses at Saint Thomas More Parish to answer your questions

Saturday, July 13 & Sunday, July 14, 2013

#### PRE-PLAN NOW \* Save Money \* Save Time

Reduce the Burden on Your Family



**Holy Cross** Catholic Cemetery

(619)913-3834

#### **Vocations**

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus say "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few." It is no different now! The Church is in need of good people to answer the call to vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. If you feel the call, do not be afraid to answer it. A life of service to God and His people is a wonderful career. Want to explore it? Contact Deacon Tom at thomasgoeltz@aol.com or call 760-727-8442.

#### St. Bonaventure Clothing Drive

The clothing drive will be held on November 9/10, 2013. While it may seem a way off, it is not too soon to consider what items you wish to dispose of that will be needed by the Mission. How about work boots or sturdy tennis shoes which you don't need but are in good condition? They are always in great demand. Our excess can keep someone's feet from freezing this winter. Thank you for your help....God bless! Deacon Tom

# **Memorial Item Donations**

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.

For more information or to adopt an item, contact Chris Smith 760-758-4100 x120 or *chriss@stmoside.org* 

Pipe Organ	\$850,000
Memorial Garden	\$500,000
Reflection Garden	\$250,000
Church Doors (Bronze)	\$100,000
Crucifix	\$75,000
St. Thomas More Shrine (Tapestry)	\$75,000
Pew Seating for the Church (1,000) 947 available	\$300/person
Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs	\$300/each



(200) 153 available

6/25/13

For more information on our progress, visit our website, stmoside.org, and click on Our New Church.

#### A Model of the Church Crucifix for Your Home

Sold Out! 40 limited edition models of the crucifix for our new church have been purchased at \$750 each.

They are 15" high by 8" wide with a 9" corpus. If you would like to be on our waiting list for a second casting, contact Chris Smith at 760-758-4100 x120 or chriss@stmoside.org. Credit cards and payment plans available.



# "Did You Know" Collection for June 2013 \$2,222.00

#### **Annual Catholic Appeal**

The Diocesan Catholic Appeal (ACA) continues. Money raised throughout the Diocese supports the ongoing ministries of the Diocese. Our fair share assessment is \$48,000. Presently we have raised \$47,748, given by 373 families. Thanks to all who have contributed! We still need \$252—can you help?

# **Liturgy & Music**



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

# "AS WE ACCLAIM"

#### Who are all these people we are supposed to sing with?

We're back in Ordinary Time, and so I have time to check off another item on my list of things I would like to understand more thoroughly at Mass.

At every Mass, the Preface to the Eucharistic Prayer begins with a dialogue between priest and people:

The Lord be with you. / And with your spirit. Lift up your hearts. / We lift them up... etc.

This dialogue leads directly into the Preface, which explains why we are giving thanks to God on this occasion, for example:

For out of compassion for the waywardness that is ours, he humbled himself and was born of the Virgin; by the passion of the Cross he freed us from unending death, and by rising from the dead he gave us life eternal. [Preface I of Ordinary Time]

Then we are invited by the priest to sing in the big choir:

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of your glory, as without end we acclaim: Holy, holy, holy...

Sometimes, other groups are mentioned: "the Angels and Saints" or "the great multitude of Saints" or "the Virtues of heaven" or "the blessed Seraphim" or "Cherubim." Sometimes there are many; other times there are few.

I realized early on that, aside from the saints, these are all types of angels, the heavenly host, whom we sing about in "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing":

With the angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

But there are certainly a lot of different types mentioned. So here is a quick introduction for those of us who missed out the first time.

The Catechism states that "Angels are spiritual beings who glorify God without ceasing and who serve his saving plans for other creatures" (§350). Thomas Aquinas and others have differentiated angels into nine groups, or choirs, divided into three spheres.

The angels of the First Sphere serve as the heavenly counselors. In this group are:

**Seraphim** (singular "Seraph") are the highest angelic class and serve as the caretakers of God's throne and continuously shout praises: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. All the earth is filled with his Glory." (Is 6:3)



Luke 10:5

**Cherubim** (singular "Cherub") guard the way to the tree of life in the Garden of Eden (Gen 3:24) and the throne of God (Ez 28:14-16). These are not the winged human baby/toddler-like beings traditionally used in figurative art, which are properly called *putti*.

**Thrones** are living symbols of God's justice and authority, and have as one of their symbols the throne.

Angels of the Second Sphere work as heavenly governors.

**Dominions** are presented as the hierarchy of celestial beings, regulating the duties of lower angels. They are also the angels who preside over nations.

**Virtues** lay beyond the Thrones. Their primary duty is to supervise the movements of the heavenly bodies in order to ensure that the cosmos remains in order.

**Powers** are the bearers of conscience and the keepers of history. Their duty is to oversee the distribution of power among humankind, hence their name.

The Third Sphere is comprised of angels who function as heavenly messengers and soldiers.

**Principalities** appear to collaborate, in power and authority, with the Powers and bequeath blessings to the material world. They are the educators and guardians of the realm of earth.

**Archangels** are angels of highest rank. Their number is uncertain, but Roman Catholics identify three by name: St. Gabriel, St. Michael, and St. Raphael.

Angels appear frequently in the New Testament, for example, giving messages to Mary, Joseph, and the shepherds; ministering to Christ after his temptation in the wilderness; at the tomb of the risen Christ; liberating Peter and Paul from prison.

Different theologians offer slightly different hierarchies, but this will get us started "as we acclaim."

### Upcoming Music

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JULY 14 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

X

5:00pm Mass

Cantor & Congregation

8:30am Mass

Praise Team

**10:30am Mass** 

Handbell Choir

—Douglas compiled from Wikipedia and other sources

# Faith Formation



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#### Children's Church

Sometimes abbreviations don't tell the whole story, so I'm going to try calling LOWC (Liturgy of the Word for Children), "Children's Church."

During the summer months at most 8:30 and 10:30 Masses we are able to dismiss children ages 4-12 with a catechist to go downstairs and listen to and reflect on the Scriptures in children's language rather than adult language. Besides allowing them to get a "stretch break" they are able to relate the Scripture readings to their daily lives through discussion with the group.

This opportunity has been coordinated by our Parishioner, Cathy Meyers, for a great many years and I am indebted to her for her leadership and ministry. Cathy leads "Children's Church" at most 8:30am Masses. We are blest to have Anthony Barela, a faith-filled educator and a great dad, lead the vast multitudes out at the 10:30am Mass. Fr. Mike sometimes offers him a special blessing when there are over 30 children gathering in the middle aisle!

On occasion Cathy and Anthony have other Sunday obligations, so I would really like to encourage other adults to consider this ministry. If you enjoy sharing faith with young children, feel free to go down with the children and see what goes on. If this gives you the confidence and excitement to want to get involved, just let me know. We'll provide some training and support you as you begin.

I want to offer a special word of appreciation to the teens who quietly and quickly assess the "numbers" and join the procession to assist Anthony and the children. . .future catechists, I hope!



The children are separated during the Liturgy of the Word and return for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. This is valuable not only to the children, but also to the adults in the assembly since distractions are lessened and focus can be more easily directed to the proclamation of the Scriptures and the homily.

"Children's Church" is scheduled as space in our building permits. As our church progresses, it gives us hope that we will soon have more space available for children's services. During the school year we have less opportunity to dismiss the children because there is no space available on the lower level due to Religious Education for the 3, 4 and 5 years olds, along with RCIA meetings and Confirmation sessions, etc., etc., etc., etc.

It is a wonderful problem to have more children's ministries than we can house! I encourage parents of young families to share your ideas with me so we can continue to develop new possibilities. Perhaps a Parent Co-op for children under 3 during Mass? Many things are possible when we all work together.

Kathleen

Kathleen Bell Director of Faith Formation



# VACATION BIBLE CAMP

in



week

July 15-19 8:45—noon

Music CD & T Shirts available NOW!

Kingdom Crew Members:

Age 3 through grade 5

Kingdom Crew Leaders:

High Schoolers + adults

Kingdom Crew Asst. Leaders:

Finishing grades 6,7,8

# Sign up NOW

Registration form in Parish office or www.stmoside.org, quick clicks

# Stewardship & Development



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

## Christian Stewardship Prayer for July

Lord and Creator,
You are the source of wisdom
and grace,
the author of human freedom
and creativity.

We thank you for these gifts, and ask that you teach us to be good stewards of our creative spirits.

Show us how to quiet ourselves, and to learn the art of re-creation, reflection and relaxation so that we might recharge and refill ourselves for the work you have planned for us.

Help us never to be too busy to pause and realize your gracious presence all around us: in nature, in other people, in ourselves.

> Slow us down, Lord, and teach us to be stewards of our time of recreation. Amen.

—ICSC July Parish e-bulletin (with permission)



Prayer in action is love, and love in action is service.

—Blessed Mother Teresa

# TOWERS OF FAITH Future Support & Estate Planning Options

Towers of Faith is a movement that has arisen due to the visionary leadership and generosity of several of our Parishioners. We stress that this is not about the gift amount, but rather the love and thought behind the gift.

These individuals (several anonymous) have included STM in their estate planning. This helps to ensure their ongoing support and a legacy for our Parish. Towers of Faith is a valuable portion of our future support.



Examples of the various future planning vehicles are:

Designated Beneficiary Accounts,

Last Will and Testament, Living Trust, Life Insurance,
Stocks and Bonds, Real Estate, and Endowments.

Any Parishioners who have already included STM in their estate plans are *Towers of Faith* participants. If you are interested, please contact us. Your participation is most welcome and appreciated!

Chris Smith at 760-758-4100 x120 or *chriss@stmoside.org*.

Do two people in your family know the location of your will and/or living trust?

#### Collection for Week of June 29/30, 2013

Total	\$ 6,868.73
Children's envelopes	 2.00
Offertory (Loose Collection)	1,417.00
Offertory*	\$ 5,449.73
Number of Registered Households	1,048

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).

### 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) and automatic checking/savings account deduction. For more information, contact the Parish Office at 760-758-4100 x100 or *Parish office@stmoside.org*.

#### Stay Up to Date on Construction Activity!

Check the Parish website (www.stmoside.org) to watch live action on our webcams (click on the camera icons) or view the Construction Progress album (click on Our New Church).

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

**Franciscan School of Theology**—New Graduate Theology School at Mission San Luis Rey. The last information meeting is Monday, July 15, from 7:00 to 8:30pm at 4050 Mission Ave., Oceanside. For more information call 510-828-2869 or visit www.fst.edu

Camp Oliver—Summer Fun for Kids!—Weekly sessions from June 23 through August 23. Owned by the Sisters of Social Service, in operation for over 60 years. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.campoliver.org">www.campoliver.org</a> or contact 619-445-5945 or <a href="mailto:info@campoliver.org">info@campoliver.org</a>.

**Catholic Charities Food Resource Center has Volunteer Opportunities for YOU!**—Drivers, Daily Food Packers, Intake Workers and Calfresh (Food stamp) Advocate. For information call Lisa DuMolt at 619-231-2828 x221

# **News from St. Francis Church**

**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.





# PRESCHOOL IS FOR EVERYBODY

St. Francis Preschool is now enrolling children ages 2 to 5 years. Your full or part time needs can be met with our flexible schedule. Our outstanding staff is here to help your child learn and develop in a Christ-centered environment. Schedule a tour with us and see what we have to offer! Call Jennifer Paino at 760-630-7964.

#### **Catholics Come Home**

Do you have a family member, friend, or co-worker who has left the Catholic Church? If so, encourage them to visit www.CatholicsComeHome.org. **Men Saddened by a Past-Abortion**—Rachel's Hope offers a one-day healing workshop for husbands or boyfriends of past and current relationships troubled by an abortion of their child or are in a relationship with a woman who has had an abortion. July 27, 2013, 9:00am-6:00pm at the Diocesan Pastoral Center. For more information call 858-581-3022 or *rachelshope.org*.

**Culture of Life Inaugural Family Picnic and Concert**—August 3 from 11:00am-4:00pm at Cathedral Catholic High School. For more information and to RSVP call 619-564-3307 or visit *colfs.org* 

**Birth Choice Volunteer Counselors Needed**—a pro-life, Christ-centered pregnancy resource center offering free pregnancy testing, ultrasound, and options counseling for women in crisis. If you feel called to the ministry at the Oceanside or San Marcos centers, please contact Mary Rose Stearns, Executive Director, at 760-434-5063 or *mrstearns@birthchoice.net*.

**Support Group for Separated/Divorced**—An ongoing support group meeting Sundays at 10:15am at St. James Catholic Church in Solana Beach. For more information, contact Frank Grant at 760-533-1520 or fwgrant@gmail.com.

The Center for Christian Spirituality at the University of San Diego has a great line up of events. Visit www.sandiego.edu/ccs.

**Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center in Oceanside** has an ongoing schedule of retreats—even cooking classes! Visit www.sanluisrey.org for more details.

**Catholic Singles Organization**—The Catholic Alumni Club International is expanding into the San Diego area. Visit *www.caci.org* for more information.

#### **Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County**

On Sunday, July 14 at 1:00pm CWWNC meets at Calavera Hills Park in Carlsbad for their annual picnic. On Sunday July 28, our communal Mass will be at the MSLR Serra Center followed by lunch at Jolly Rogers at the Harbor. For more info. call Carol Kope at 760-726-0533 or Gerri Wilmott at 760-758-9949. See the bulletin board on the lower level for our complete monthly calendar of activities. RSVP's are recommended!

#### Young Adult Ministry Activities

Visit www.yamsd.org for complete information on events for young adults, including Bible Study, ultimate frisbee, swing dance, praise and worship nights, and outreach projects.

Also, search Office of Young Adult Ministry on Facebook.

#### STM \$crip News

Scrip is available for purchase FOUR ways!

- 1. On the Plaza after weekend Masses
- 2. Monday-Friday during business hours in the Parish Office
- 3. Email at scrip@stmoside.org
- 4. Phone at 760-758-4100 x150

Orders may be picked up after Mass on the weekend or at the Parish Office during the week.



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