

Repent and believe in the Gospel.

—Mark 1:15



A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of San Diego

- ♣ Spirituality
- ☆ Tradition
- ☆ Community

Mass Schedule

Saturday at 5:00pm Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am Monday-Friday at 8:15am

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

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

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

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Congratulations to Fr. Mike on the 40th Anniversary of His Ordination.

What a celebration!

Pictures coming soon...

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 25, 2015

Pastor's Column

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

Pope Francis' Suggestions for the New Year

When Pope Francis met before Christmas with Vatican employees, mostly lay people with families, he challenged them to do these things in order to find greater peace and joy:

"Take care of your spiritual life, your relationship with God, because this is the backbone of everything we do and everything we are."

"Take care of your family life, giving your children and loved ones not just money, but most of all your time, attention, and love."

"Take care of your relationships with others, transforming your faith into life and your words into good works, especially on behalf of the needy."

"Be careful how you speak, purify your tongue of offensive words, vulgarity, and worldly decadence."

"Heal wounds of the heart with the oil of forgiveness, forgiving those who have hurt us and medicating the wounds we have caused others."

"Look after your work, doing it with enthusiasm, humility, competence, passion, and with a spirit that knows how to thank the Lord."

"Be careful of envy, lust, hatred, and negative feelings that devour our interior peace and transform us into destroyed and destructive people."

"Watch out for anger that can lead to vengeance; for laziness that leads to existential euthanasia; for pointing the finger at others, which leads to pride; and for complaining continually, which leads to desperation."

"Take care of brothers and sisters who are weaker...the elderly, the sick, the hungry, the homeless, and strangers, because we will be judged on this."





Vocations

Fr. Mike, at his anniversary Mass, called upon all young people to consider the priesthood or religious life as a vocation and not to wait until they are 100% positive about the calling before they investigate. Over the next few weeks we will give you a local contact to be in touch with if you even think you might have a calling—Fr. Mike at *michaelr@stmoside.org* or 760-758-4100 x100. Investigate the possibilities; they are a challenging and rewarding way of life.

Fully Catholic?

If you've been coming to Mass for a while, but are not Catholic, we invite you to look deeper into the Catholic faith. Come meet some faithful Catholics who love the Lord and would consider it a privilege to get to know you.

Our Parish offers sessions that give you the opportunity to share with others the truths of the Catholic faith and the fellowship of our church family.

We invite you to learn what Catholics believe in an open and welcoming environment. These sessions also are opportunities for you to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the Church.

Sessions are held Sunday mornings.

To find out how to get started, contact Kathleen Bell at 760-809-6526 or 80bell80@gmail.com.

Need Help with Transportation to Church!

Volunteer drivers are needed in our Parish. Some Parishioners would like to attend Mass and cannot drive themselves. Please prayerfully consider helping some of our fellow Parishioners. If you can help in any



way with this service, please contact Ann Eriksson 760-599-7151 or *eriksson1@mindspring.com*.

Facing Surgery or a Serious Illness?

If you, a family member or close friend is facing surgery or has been diagnosed with a serious illness, the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick can be powerful and comforting.

For more information, call the Parish Office at 760-758-4100.

Food Bank Contributions

Look for the blue barrels on the Plaza at weekend Masses to deposit your contributions for North County Community Services Food Bank in San Marcos. Thank you for your support! For more information, contact Ron Briseno at 760- 758-4100 x100 or parishoffice@stmoside.org.

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

Congratulations to

Eric & Deborah Williams

who celebrate their 18thwedding anniversary January 25.

Jack & Mary Bruzas

who celebrate their 41st wedding anniversary January 26.

Tom & Edith Noel

who celebrate their 64th wedding anniversary January 27.

May God continue to bless your marriage, and may you be an inspiration to other married couples.

Flower Donations

The Altar Flowers for this weekend are given by **Tom** & Edith Noel in honor of their anniversary..



In Memoriam



Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Bill Draper, who died on January 18. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, March 7, at 11:00am at mas More. Please keep his wife. Betsy, and his family in

St. Thomas More. Please keep his wife, Betsy, and his family in your prayers.

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

STM Vehicle Donation Program

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

You get the tax deduction!

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

As of January 14 we have netted \$52,902 from this program. Thank you donors!









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

STM \$crip News

Thanks to all who support the Scrip program! A percentage of every Scrip gift card purchased benefits our Parish Mortgage/Building Completion Fund. Remember, Scrip is available for purchase FIVE ways:

- 1. Online—visit *stmoside.org/scrip.html* and look for the logo below for more info!
- 2. On the Plaza after weekend Masses
- 3. Monday-Friday during business hours in the Parish Office
- 4. Email at scrip@stmoside.org
- 5. Phone at 760-758-4100 x150

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

Readings for the Week Ahead

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

Sunday, January 25 (68) Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Jonah 3:1-5,10 Psalm 25:4-9

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Mark 1:14-20 **Monday, January 26** (520) Timothy and Titus, bishops 2 Timothy 1:1-8 or Titus 1:1-5 Psalm 96:1-3,7-8a,10 Luke 10:1-9

Tuesday, January 27 (318) Angela Merici, virgin Hebrews 10:1-10 Psalm 40:2,4ab,7-8a,10-11

Mark 3:31-35 Wednesday, January 28 (319) Thomas Aquinas, priest, doctor Hebrews 10:11-18

Psalm 110:1-4 Mark 4:1-20

Thursday, January 29 (320)

Hebrews 10:19-25 Psalm 24:1-6

Mark 4:21-25 **Friday, January 30** (321) Hebrews 10:32-39 Psalm 37:306,23-24,39-40

Mark 4:26-34

Saturday, January 31 (322) John Bosco, priest Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19

Luke 1:69-75 (Psalm) Mark 4:35-41

Sunday, February 1 (71) Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Psalm 95:1-2,6-9 1Corinthians 7:32-35 Mark 1:21-28

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 24, 5:00pm Rita Ross 🕆

Sunday, January 25, 8:30am David Sheehan & Sunday, January 25, 10:30am

Rosary Leone 1 Monday, January 26, 8:15am

Apalonio Trejo 🕈 Tuesday, January 27, 8:15am

Fr. Charlie Cheslo 🕈

Wednesday, January 28, 5:00pm J.C. Gonzalez

Thursday, January 29, 8:15am Tony McCloskey ₽

Friday, January 30, 8:15am Mary Norelli

Saturday, January 31, 5:00pm Marilyn Clarke &

Sunday, February 1, 8:30am Joe Coccaro 🕆

Sunday, February 1, 10:30am Frank Saputo 🕆

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

Changa Aguilera Ernie Aichele Mary Alexander Carrie Autrey Carne Autrey Joshua Avery The Balquiedra/Jimenez Family Jose Luis Barbosa Patricia Barbour Francie Barron

William Bartha Clarice Bednarz John Bennici Regina Bentz Lisa Berg Roseanne Berg Mary Betz Betty Jean Bielich Piet Boets Cindy Bradburn Beth Brewer

Janet Brown Sr. Maureen Brown Todd Brown Todd Brown
Katie Browne
Jack & Mary Bruzas
Anita Buerger
The Cadieux Family
Tony Calderone
Shelby Campbell

Brianne Campos Aria Cappeluti Donald Cashmore The Vaughn Clevenger Family

Dolly Cole
Carl & Dorothy Coleman
James Coleman
Steven Cresencia Lené Crowe

Lené Crowe
Delaney Cummings
Karen Flaharty Daley
Jodi Daniels & Family
Beverly de Gelder
Nick Del Sesto
Hugo Delgado, Jr.
Cassandra D'Ercole Christine DeSantis Cecilia DeSimone Carole Dillon Edward Dolnik

Art & Dave Dossman The Draper Family John Drazkowski, Jr. La Vonne Dumas Jerome Elbacha Carolyn Erickson Ey Sally Fay Victoria Lopez Fenton

The Fiore Family Mary Fleming Ryan Flum Ernie Follis Eugene Franciscus Kathryn Franklin

Joe Freire The Greg French Family Brian Frink

Jim Gallagher The Joe Garcia Family Kathy Gardner

Lois & Len Garth Jack & Marge Gillen Wendy Gonzales' Dad Rick Gonzalez

Tillie Gonzalez George Gritt Luke Guenst Susan Hallahan

Susan Hannibal Pat & Tom Hannon The Harker Family Anthony Harris Dorothy Harrison

Barbara Hatem Heidi Heaton Lilian Hills Samara Hook

Susan Hori Tina Hunter Iolanda Iacobelli The Johansen Family Sue Johnston Laura Kater Dottie Kearney

Paul Kennedy Connor Kerzie Peggy Kiernan Debbie Kinney Mark Kneisel

Dewey Kolbo Tony Korwin Helen Kuhn Lillian Lachance
The Lamelin Family Bart Landry Mike Lavis Brandon LeBlanc

Jeremiah Lemus David Leué The Paul Leué Family The Lew Family Ashley Load Shirley Loggins Cassandra & Lauren Loretto

Jack Lucarelli Jack Edicarem
The Lynn Family
Joaquin Maldonado
The Maldonado Family
The Maldonado Trejo Family

Paige Mansell Alexander Mathews Gloria Maupin Virginia McConnell Bob McWilliams Joyce Meehan Kalei Mendiola Tom Miller Phyllis Minaya June Mitchell June Montgomery

June Monigomery
Nancy Moore
Elizabeth Muehlbacher
Conrad Murphy
Margie Myers
Angela Nacional Melanie Nacional Nida Navarro Richard Obsitnik Kare O'Dell Bernadette Padovan

Ethan Palm Helen Pingtella Perry Postulka The Joe Prokop Family Bettie Provinse Barbara Ramm Evelyn Richards

Jan Riley Connie Ringel Rita Ritchie George Rivera Lily Robinson Maria Rogers The Russo Family Rachel Sainc Cindy Sanelli Linda Schmidt Joan Shea

Elizabeth Shirzad Tom Simonson Madeline Snyder

Nick Soltau Darek, Vanessa, & Elba Spizewski Patricia St. Pierre

Sybil Staples Mike Sterling Laura Bernard Stover, MD

Pete Sullivan

Julie Teare
Alan Thompson
Tommy & Ginger Thompson
Sarah Tillinghast William Tompson Stephen Toth, Jr. Olivia Trejo The Trejo/Beltran Family

The Trejo/Beltran Family
The Trejo/Maldonado/Uribe Family
Maureen Tutino
The Vasquez Family
Martin Vertson
Lucy Vienna
Vanessa Vitiello
Wilson Wanner
Kevin Watson-Graff
Jerry Wechsler
Patricia Zavala Patricia Zavala Jeanne Zeltner

Calendar Highlights

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

Jan 25	Liturgy of the Word for
	Children at 8:30am Mass
Jan 25	RE.A.CH Classes at
	church
Jan 25	Spirited Seniors: The Lion
	in Winter at Avo Theatre
Feb 1	Liturgy of the Word for
	Children at 8:30am and
	10:30am Masses
Feb 10-11	Restaurant Fundraiser at
100 10-11	Hunter's Steakhouse
Feb 21	Women's Prayer Breakfast
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Feb 24-25	Restaurant Fundraiser at
	Nucci's
Mar 1	New Member Reception
Mar 1-4	Parish Mission
Mar 24	Women's Guild Day of
	Recollection
Apr 19	Spring Sing Concert
May 1	STM Gala
May 17	Towers of Faith Reception
May 23	Confirmation at
	5:00pm Mass
Jun 12-14	Parish Campout

Vacation Bible Camp

Deployed Military

Jun 22-26

Gunnery Sgt. Fernando Andrade, Jr. 1st Lt. Jeffrey Bauer, USMC PFC John Brandone Lt. Devon Czarzasty Corp. Willie Deel Chaplain Van Dinh Lance Corp. Brandon Doyle, USMC Capt. Branden M. Felker, USAF Patrick G. Felker, USN Grant Fischer MSGT Steve Gallegos, USMC Sgt. Alex Garcia Adolfo Granados, MD, U.S. Navy PFC Samuel Haro, US Army PFC Cody Madere Jeremiah Gabriel Nelson, USAF Thomas Kevin Nelson, US Navy Pvt. 2 Jess Phillips, US Army Nicole Rieger, US Navy Sr. Airman Robert Spear, USAF Sgt. Charles Watts, USMC

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.

January 25
Sr. Joyce Anne Thomas, CSJO
January 26
Sr. Maria Thomas, OCD
January 27
Sr. Zita Toto, OLC
January 28
Sr. Martha Cecilia Tovar, CVI
January 29
Sr. Lisa Turay, CSJO
January 30
Sr. Maria Paz Uribe, SJS
January 31
Sr. Maria Luisa Valdez, OLVM

Social Ministries & Outreach

Become a Friend of La Posada! Friendship Drive: January 24-25

The "Friends of La Posada" is the financial and social support group for the men's shelter, La Posada de Guadalupe (the inn of our Lady of Guadalupe).

La Posada is special to St. Thomas More Parish because the shelter is within our parish geographic jurisdiction. The shelter we support has a diverse population: Caucasians, Hispanics, African-Americans. Last year, 24 were veterans. Besides room and board, these men receive a variety of case management services that help them to become independent, healthy, and contributing members of their communities. About 40 of the men are farm workers who formerly slept in make-shift shelters in the fields or in crowded apartments.

Last year, La Posada moved into a new mission-style building on the same site and doubled in size (going from 50 beds to 100, including 50 beds for farm workers. Naturally operating expenses have doubled as well.

We hope you will continue to show your commitment to La Posada and its programs for homeless men and farm workers by becoming an "official" friend.

Join us at an appropriate membership level for the year, \$35 for individuals, \$50 for families. There are other levels for businesses and organizations.

See us on the plaza after the Masses on January 24-25!

Please become a Friend of La Posada!

Culture of Life News

The Third Annual San Diego Walk for Life will take place on Saturday, January 31, in Balboa Park, starting at 9:00 a.m. The theme for this year's walk is, "Loving God's Most Magnificent Creations." The walk will include speakers, music, exhibitors, face painting, and a short walk/run. Join thousands of neighbors and friends for a family-friendly celebration of life on Saturday, January 31 in Balboa Park. For information visit: www.sandiegowalkforlife.org.

Brother Benno's Food Drive

In March, we will be holding our annual food drive to aid Brother Benno's and the poor they serve. Start collecting and using your coupons.

St. Bonaventure Update

Thanks to your generosity, 798 people were helped with the results of our clothing drive. Our clothing drive is the only dedicated drive for the mission and the people they serve. Thank you again and God Bless!!!

Be an STM Supporter!

- † Use your yellow Mortgage/Building Completion envelopes
- † Use online giving (*stmoside.org*) to make contributions using your credit card or bank account
- † Consider a memorial item donation (see page 5)

Marriage & Family Life

Relationship Skills—Deacon Ralph and Peggy Skiano will be presenting Relationship Skills Workshops every Wednesday night at 7:00pm at San Rafael Parish Hall, 17252 Bernardo Center Dr., San Diego, beginning January 7 and ending April 29. Come and explore how to improve your relationships. You can attend one



workshop, several, or all of them. For more information call Deacon Ralph at 858-490-8292.

Marriage Encounter—Do you have a good marriage but want a little jumpstart? Would you and your spouse like to rediscover and reconnect with each other? Then we invite you to attend a Marriage Encounter Weekend. Weekends take place in San Diego and other Southern California locations throughout the year. For more information, visit www.wwme.org or contact Eddie and Sheila Murphy at 760-295-0008.

Bishops' Letter on Marriage—Journey in Faith: "Getting married does not, therefore, magically confer perfection. Rather, the love to which the spouses have been configured is powerful enough to transform their whole life's journey so that it becomes a journey toward perfection. In this journey, the spouses are ever more conformed into the likeness of Christ so that they can ever more perfectly love one another as Christ loves his Church." To read the document go to http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/.

Marriage Moments—As the story goes, Jonah was trying to run away from God because he feared announcing a message of repentance. A whale changed his mind. (Jonah 1-4) Are there any disputes I'm running away from in our marriage? Identify one troublesome difference today and face it squarely. Repent if necessary. Honest communication can be an act of courage and salvation.

Parenting Pointers—If you are blessed to have children, no matter how aggravating they may be at times, remember those who have lost a child through miscarriage or abortion. Pray for couples trying to conceive. Fertility is a daunting responsibility. Do you know someone who has had an abortion? Do they know about Project Rachel? http://hopeafterabortion.com/

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

Rosary

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



A Closer Look Tour

You are invited to take A Closer Look tour of our church under construction with Brian Leahey, our

Director of Construction, in between the morning Masses on selected Sundays. Hard hats will be provided and participants with reservations should meet behind the Information Table on the plaza by the fence at 9:50am. Tours will conclude in time for the 10:30am Mass. To reserve your spot, please contact Chris Smith at *chriss@stmoside.org* or 760-758-4100 x120.

Parish Events

Women's Guild News

As we prepare for our annual Fashion Show and Luncheon on February 7, I'd like to remind our members that we will NOT be having our regularly scheduled monthly meeting the second Monday of the month in February. The "Hearts and Flowers" fund raising event on February 7 will take its place. On the other hand we WILL be having a regular meeting during March in addition to the other meeting dates listed in the Directory. Our annual Day of Recollection will also be held in March, with details coming soon. If you have not purchased your ticket for "Hearts and Flowers" there is still time, depending on spaces available. Check at our table on the plaza after Mass.

—Ann Buko, president

Hearts and Flowers Fashion Show—All ladies of the Parish and their friends are cordially invited to join us for our annual luncheon and fashion show. This is always a highlight of our year and will be held on Saturday, February 7, at Shadowridge Country Club at 11:00am. This is always a very exciting, funfilled event that you won't want to miss! Tickets are \$45, and all proceeds go to the mortgage/building completion fund. Tickets will be sold after Masses on January 24-25, and January 31-February 1. If you have door prizes to deliver, please bring them to Mary Coxon or to the church office. For opportunity baskets, take them to Maureen Tutino or the office. Thank you to all who have volunteered.—Valerie Thompson, chair 760-630-1703 valgene2@cox.net; Siggie Ogan, co-chair 760-994-4727

Attention Men!

Year three of "That Man is You!—The Revelation of the Father" continues on Saturday, January 24, at 6:45am with the topic "The Paradise at Nazareth."

For more information, contact Deacon John at 760-758-4100 x104 or *johnf@stmoside.org*.

Spirited Seniors St. Valentine's Day Luncheon

The Spirited Seniors are celebrating St. Valentine's Day with a buffet Luncheon and Piano Concert on Saturday, February 14, 11:15am-2:30pm. The cost is \$13 for members and \$16 for non-members. It will be catered by the Village Kitchen & Pie Shoppe of Carlsbad. Space is limited. The deadline for reservations is February 9. Please put your registration request and your check made to "St. Thomas More Spirited Seniors" in an envelope marked "Spirited Seniors St. Valentine's Day Luncheon" and return it to the offertory collection or Parish Office, Box 12. Specify choice of entrée for EACH attendee with the letter A for Tuscan Chicken or the letter B for Vegetarian Lasagna. For more information, contact Judy Buoniconti at 760-758-5113.

Catholic Widows and Widowers of North County

CWWNC meets the second Sunday of each month for a general meeting and potluck at 2:00pm. On the fourth Sunday of each month, we gather for Mass at various Parishes in North County followed by lunch. Check the bulletin board on the lower level of the Parish Center for our calendar of events, including potlucks, dining out, hiking, and more! RSVPs are required. For more info. call Carol Kope at 760-726-0533 or Gerri Wilmott at 760-758-9949.

Memorial Item Donations Available

Pipe Organ	\$850,000
Crucifix	\$75,000
Memorial Garden & Reflection Garden	
Landscape Concrete Walkways	\$80,000
Decomposed Granite Pathways with Header	\$24,000
Melrose Landscape Slope	\$15,000
Building Accent Lighting & Pole Fixtures	\$14,000
Drinking Fountains	\$2,500
Audio Visual Systems	
Sound and Video Mixing Board	\$12,000
Video Screen (Motorized 21-foot)	\$9,000
Sound System Base Speaker	\$8,000
Sound System Cabling	\$5,000
Overflow Parking Lot Mulch	\$3,500

Memorial Item Donations Partial

Concelebrant Chairs (6) 1 available	\$3,000/each
Flower Pedestals (8) 3 available	\$1,000/each
Wedding Kneelers (5) 1 available	\$1,000/each
Pew Seating for the Church (1,000) 804 available	\$300/each
Daily Mass Chapel and Choir Chairs (200) 117 available	\$300/each
Memorial Garden & Reflection Garden	
Olive Trees in 7-foot boxes (10) 7 available	\$1,400/each

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

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 above are items still available for adoption.

All contributions will be recognized in a special memorial to be displayed in our Parish Memorial Garden.

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



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

Liturgy & Music Worship God

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

AN EMERGING JESUS

by Patricia Datchuck Sánchez and Rafael Sánchez Alonso, from Celebration February 2015, with permission. In the past two months, our liturgical year has celebrated the mystery of the Word of God made flesh and has leapt forward a little over three decades to remember the person and mission of the adult Jesus. Without resorting to senseless speculation, what can we know about those interim years of Jesus' life? For a glimpse into that period, we look to the excellent scholarship of John P. Meier (*A Marginal Jew*, Vols. 1-3, Doubleday, New York: 1991, 1994, 2001).

As the firstborn of his family, says Meier, Jesus would have received special attention from his parents. Trained by Joseph as a woodworker, he was assured of a modest but average standard of living. His socioeconomic status, as well as his status as a pious Jew from a pious family, also assured him a measure of honor in a society that valued honor highly and abhorred shame. The fact that Jesus did not marry made him atypical and, to an extent, marginal, but not unique (recall John the Baptizer, some of the Essenes, etc.). Given the Pax Romana and the relatively peaceful and long reign of Herod Antipas (ca. 4 B.C.E. to 30 C.E.), who was tetrarch of Galilee, Jesus could have lived out his days in tranquility in Nazareth.

However, Jesus chose an alternative path. In about 28 C.E., when he was in his early 30s, he left his comfortable life in Nazareth to become an itinerant teacher and proclaimer of the kingdom of God. But, as Meier has pointed out, "the public ministry of the marginal Jew named Jesus takes its beginning from the public ministry of another marginal Jew, John the Baptist. Without John as his mentor and matrix, the Jesus of the public ministry is hardly intelligible." After his baptism, and having taken John's

scripture themes for February

message of authentic repentance to heart, Jesus emerged from John's movement to begin his own mission, traveling extensively, reaching out to all he encountered, especially the sinners, and disenfranchised. To all, he preached the kingdom of God, a term and a reality that embodied the entire story of salvation from the time God called the enslaved refugees out of Egypt to be God's own people, to the present time when God would gather, heal, and forgive all sinners in preparation for final judgment and eternal salvation. As he preached, Jesus also healed, forgave, and challenged his listeners to live by the law of God's kingdom. Love God; love all others as yourself. Because of his growing awareness of himself as a Son of Man and Son of God, he could readily say, "The time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God has come near" (RSV, Mk 1:15).

As the inaugurator of that kingdom, Jesus found himself in direct opposition to the forces of evil that militated against God and goodness. Mark will illustrate in each of the Gospels for this month that Jesus was determined God's reign should prevail. This is why Mark chose to feature an exorcism as the first of the wonders worked by Jesus (Feb 1). Recognized as "the Holy One of God" (v. 24) by the unclean spirits possessing a man, Jesus acted quickly to render the spirits powerless. Having thrown down the gauntlet, Jesus proceeded with his mission against evil. He touched and healed lepers (Feb 15), Peter's ailing mother-in-law (Feb 8), and all who were ill or possessed by demons.

Recall that in Jesus' day, all maladies were thought to be caused not by bacteria or viruses, but by the demons. Hence, the cure required the casting-out of the demon.



Mark 1:18

Scholars note this as an indication that Jesus, as true man, had only the knowledge afforded him by the ideas of his day and not superhuman knowledge. Does that make Jesus any less to us? As Raymond E. Brown has explained, a Jesus who went through life knowing exactly what the morrow would bring, knowing for sure that three days after his death he would rise, is a Jesus we can admire but still a Jesus far from us (Jesus: God and Man. MacMillan, New York: 1967). On the other hand, a Jesus for whom the future was as much a mystery as it is for us and yet, at the same time, a Jesus who could say to God, "Let it be as you would have it" (Mark 14:36)—this is a Jesus who can effectively teach us how to live and respond to the love of God through all the good times and difficult struggles that constitute the human condition. This is the Jesus who will be revealed to us by Mark this month and through the coming This months. is the Jesus pronounced true God at Nicaea in 325 and true man at Chalcedon in 451. Like us in all things but sin, Jesus, God's Son, Word and Wisdom, became truly human, without which action we could not know the depth of God's love. These are not mere words, but a living mystery that invites our daily reflection and authentic, loving response.

Upcoming Music

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FEBRUARY 1 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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5:00pm

Praise Team

8:30am

Cantor & Congregation

10:30am

Tower Bells

Faith Formation

each and Live the Gospel

Matt Franklin
Youth Advocate
760-758-4100 x161; mattf@stmoside.org

Debbie Fredette Director of Faith Formation 760-758-4100 x110; debbief@stmoside.org

Family Faith Formation

Today is a REACH Sunday! YOUNG ADULT Senesis

GRADES 1-5

High School





Parents of Children Preparing
for First Communion
Please plan to attend the
mandatory Parent Meeting on
Sunday, January 25, at 12:30pm
On the Upper Level of the Parish Center

Confirmation Class 2015
Plan to Attend
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5:00 Mass, Family Potluck Meal & Message
Saturday, February 7
Parents, Siblings,
Grandparents, and
Sponsors Welcome!

Adult Faith Formation



STARTING SOON!
All Women's Faith Formation
Join us beginning
Monday, February 2
7:30-9:00pm
For Mary: A Biblical Walk With
the Blessed Mother
This event is free and
all women are invited!

Do You Want to Know the Bible Better? Join Us for The Great Adventure Bible Study

Wednesday mornings 9:00-11:00am



Join Us For Session 3 on SUNDAY, January 25 12:30pm ALL ARE INVITED! This event is free!



Expecting ??

Why not schedule your Baptismal appointment today before the arrival of your little one? Please contact the Faith Formation Office at 760-758-4100 x110 or *debbief@stmoside.org* for more information.



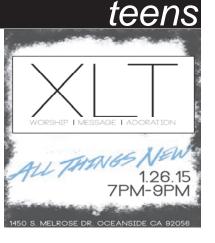
Youth Group
"LIFE NIGHT"
Monday Evenings
7:00-8:30pm

Pizza, Music, Message, and Fellowship

Bring a Friend!

Wednesday Night Guys and Girls Groups Wednesday Evenings 6:30-8:00pm





Stewardship & Development Serve God's People

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"... A Time To Build!" includes our Faith journey as well as the build out of our Parish Campus.

Collection for Week of January 10-11

These figures will be included in next week's bulletin.

Mortgage/Building Completion Fund Income Monthly Mortgage Payment: \$44,806

Income **Payment** Under/Over

Sep-Dec 2014* \$183,087 \$150,082 \$33,005

Building Completion Fund

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*Our first mortgage payment was interest only. The mortgage took effect on September 15, 2014.

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The first disciples of Jesus in today's Gospel left their work and their daily routines to follow him. They completely abandoned their livelihoods, familiar surroundings and the lives to which they had become accustomed to be closer to him.

—Partially excerpted ICSC January 2015 e-bulletin (with permission)

We are not asking our STM stewards to abandon their families, lives, and familiar surroundings. We are simply offering ways to step up to help our various ministries to function smoothly and be the best they can be. The following ministries require several people to function without burning out a select few. The more stewards who come on board, the better the work can be spread out over time. Please prayerfully consider helping out! —Chris

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Encountering Jesus by Serving Others

News & Information from the Larger Church

Diocese of San Diego Social Ministry Office New Website: *www.socialministrysandiego.com.* Check it out and sign up for email notification of issues and events.

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Iraqi Christian Relief Fund—Over 200,000 Iraqi Catholic Christians are being persecuted, and have been left homeless living in dire conditions. St. Peter Chaldean Church in El Cajon is soliciting donations to help our brothers and sisters in Iraq. Visit www.IraqiChristianReliefFund.org for more information.

St. Patrick Catholic School Open House—Sunday, January 25, after the 9:00am Mass. The school registrar will be available to answer all of your questions. For more information, vist *www.stpaddys.org* or call 760-729-1333 x105.

2015 Diocesan Revival—February 2-4 at St. Rita's Catholic Church at 7:00pm each evening. Rev. Anthony Bozeman will be the preacher. The Revival is sponsored by the Diocesan Commission for African American Catholics. There is no charge and all are welcome to attend.

Mainly Mozart Concerts—February 8, March 8, and May 17 at St. Elizabeth Seton Church, Carlsbad. For more information, visit *www.mainlymozart.org*.

San Diego Marriage Encounter Sweetheart Dinner and Dance—Saturday, February 14, 6:00-10:00pm, St. Michael's Church Holy Family Center, 15546 Pomerado Rd., Poway. \$50 per couple. For more information, visit www.wwme-sandiego.org.

St. Vincent de Paul Ladies Guild—Lights, Camera, Action! A Tribute to the Oscars Luncheon—Tuesday, February 17, 11:00am, Sheraton Mission Valley, 1433 Camino del Rio South, San Diego. Proceeds benefit Fr. Joe's Villages. For more information, contact Kathy at 619-423-3227 or kathymcknly@yahoo.com.

Rachel's Vineyard Post Abortion Healing Retreat in Temecula—March 20-22, for any woman or man who has struggled with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. Private and confidential. For more information, contact Dolores at 951-325-7702 or *rvtemecula@verizon.net*.

Support Shopportunity—Catholic Charities Thrift Store— Item donations appreciated. For more information, contact Yolanda Ungo, Program Manager, 760-631-2819.

Catholic Charities Food Resource Center Has Volunteer Opportunities for YOU!—Drivers, Daily Food Packers, Intake

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Weekly Peaceful Prayer Vigil to End Abortion—Tuesdays, 9:00-10:00am, outside the clinic at 120 Craven Rd., San Marcos. For more information, contact Jane Kelleher at 760-822-7041.

Birth Choice Volunteer Counselors Training—Call Heidi at 760-744-1313 for details and to sign up. Birth Choice is a pro-life, Christ-centered pregnancy resource center offering free pregnancy testing, ultrasound, and options counseling for women in crisis. For more information, visit www.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.

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

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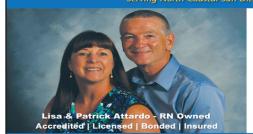
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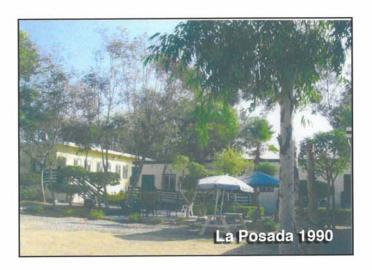
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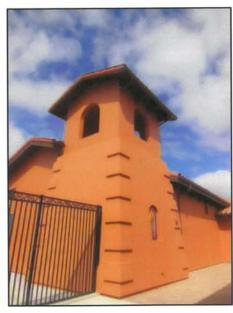
Friends of La Posada

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of Carlsbad

The metamorphosis that is the new and expanded La Posada is complete! The old modular buildings that were 'temporary" when placed on a site in Carlsbad owned by Catholic Charities of San Diego more than 20 years ago have been replaced with the beautiful Spanish style permanent buildings you can see in pictures throughout this newsletter. The new buildings include a state of the art kitchen, a large dining room, new offices, and expanded bathrooms and laundry facilities. Most importantly, the capacity of La Posada to provide services to homeless men in North County San Diego (including veterans) has been doubled, with 2 dorms that can sleep 50 men each, including one dorm that is available for the farm workers who toil so hard in our beautiful strawberry fields, flower fields, and elsewhere in our community. With major funding from the City of Carlsbad; along with grants from the State of California and private foundations, and numerous donations from local businesses, churches and individuals, construction of the new La Posada has truly been a collaborative effort to meet a critical housing need in Carlsbad and beyond.







I was a stranger and you welcomed me

A Letter From Our President



Dear Friends.

La Posada has changed, and so have we! On May 12, 2014 Caring Residents of Carlsbad officially changed its name to "Friends of La Posada". We are the same non-profit organization that has supported La Posada for more than 20 years, but we are now even better aligned and more focused on providing community and financial support for homeless men's services at the new and expanded La Posada. That is what we do year in and year out.

This year we are kicking off a major "friendship drive" as our exclusive fundraising effort for 2014. You may have noticed that we did not send you any raffle tickets this year for purchase, nor will we be having our annual benefit dinner. The friendship drive is it! Okay, you may receive an invitation to an event from La Posada's owner (Catholic Charities of San Diego), but Friends of La Posada has no plans to request any further donations from you this year.

Instead, we hope you will show your commitment and care for La Posada, and their great staff and programs, by signing up as an official "friend" at one of the levels described in the application below. As you probably know, the new La Posada has doubled in size (going from 50 beds to 100, including 50 beds for farm workers), and naturally operating expenses have doubled as well. Please show your support for the only home of its kind in North County San Diego by completing the application and sending your donation today!

Finally, on behalf of our entire Board, I would like to give special thanks to all who have done so much to support Caring Residents of Carlsbad and the original La Posada throughout these many years. We are confident that with your help the new La Posada will continue to flourish as an example of how Carlsbad and its surrounding communities care for their homeless.

Best regards and with much gratitude,

Tom Maddox, President, Friends of La Posada

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 AM-Mass/RCIA/LOWC 10:20 AM-RE.A.CH 10:30 AM-Mass 12:00 PM-Baptisms 12:30 PM-RE.A.CH 4:30 PM-RE.A.CH 6:30 PM-RE.A.CH High School/Post- Confirmed	8:15 AM-Mass 9:00 AM-Moms and Kids (Vista Sports complex Park) 7:00 PM-High School Youth Group 7:30 PM-Women's Faith and Fellowship	Restaurant Fundraiser at Hunter's in Oceanside 8:00 AM-Walking Ministry 8:15 AM-Mass 9:00 AM-Donuts and Coffee 4:00 PM-Handbell Quartet 5:45 PM-Handbell Quartet 7:00 PM-Baptism Prep 7:00 PM-Tower Bells	Restaurant Fundraiser at Hunter's in Oceanside 8:15 AM-Mass 9:00 AM-Adult Bible Timeline 4:00 PM-Staff Meeting 7:00 PM-Finance Council 7:00 PM-Praise Team	8:15 AM-Mass 9:00 AM-Communion Service (Pacific Place) 9:00 AM-Donuts and Coffee 1:00 PM-Centering Prayer 7:00 PM-Sanctuary Choir 9:00 PM-Cappella Choir	8:15 AM-Mass 9:00 AM-Moms and Kids Preschool 7:00 PM-Men's Fellowship	6:45 AM-That Man is You 11:00 AM-Spirited Seniors Valentine's Day Lunch 4:00 PM-Reconciliation 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 PM-Mass
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22 1st Sunday of Lent Women's Guild Bake Sale 8:30 AM-Mass/RCIA/LOWC 10:20 AM-RE.A.CH 10:30 AM-Mass 12:30 PM-RE.A.CH 1:30 PM-Rite of Election (Golden Hall, San Diego) 4:30 PM-RE.A.CH 6:30 PM-RE.A.CH High School/Post- Confirmed	8:15 AM-Mass 9:00 AM-Moms and Kids 7:00 PM-XLT-High School Youth Group 7:30 PM-Women's Faith and Fellowship	Restaurant Fundraiser at Nucci's in Vista 8:00 AM-Walking Ministry 8:15 AM-Mass 9:00 AM-Donuts and Coffee 4:00 PM-Handbell Quartet 5:45 PM-Handbell Quartet 7:00 PM-Tower Bells	Restaurant Fundraiser at Nucci's in Vista 8:15 AM-Mass 9:00 AM-Adult Bible Timeline 12:30 PM-Parish Social Justice 7:00 PM-Development Council 7:00 PM-Praise Team	26 8:15 AM-Mass 9:00 AM-Donuts and Coffee 1:00 PM-Centering Prayer 6:00 PM-Adult CPR 7:00 PM-Sanctuary Choir 9:00 PM-Cappella Choir	8:15 AM-Mass 9:00 AM-Moms and Kids Preschool 5:30 PM-K of C Fish Dinner 7:00 PM-Stations of the Cross	6:45 AM-That Man is You 8:15 AM-Chair Set Up 9:00 AM-Catechist In-service 4:00 PM-Reconciliation 2nd Sunday of Lent 5:00 PM-Mass
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