SAINT THOMAS MORE
CATHOLIC PARISH
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Monday - Wednesday: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Thursday and Friday: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Saturday : 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Pastor	**Rev. John E. Janze**
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Parochial Vicar Emeritus	Rev. William Krekelberg
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	Rev. Joseph Justice
Deacons	Deacon Tony & Mrs. Mary Patronite
	Deacon Stan & Mrs. Fran Necikowski
	Deacon Tin & Mrs. UyenLan Nguyen
Website:	www.stmirvine.org

Church Etiquette: *The Priest / Celebrant is the last person in and the first one out at each Eucharistic Celebration.*

Mass Schedule

Daily		**8:00 AM**
Vietnamese/English Mass (Saturday)		**4:00 PM**
Saturday Vigil		**5:30 PM**
Sunday		**8:00 AM**
		9:30 AM
		11:15 AM
		5:00 PM
Spanish/English Mass		**2:15 PM**
Chinese Mass	**1st & 4th Sundays**	**12:45PM**
Tridentine Mass	**2nd Sunday**	**12:45PM**

Morning Prayer
February 15-March 28
Monday-Saturday
7:30-7:50 AM
Parish Hall

Reconciliation: Every Saturday from 3:00 -4:00 PM

Adoration: Fridays 6:30-7:30PM

24 Hour Adoration:
Thursday, February 22nd at 8:30AM -
Friday, February 23rd at 8:00AM.

Baptisms: Call the Church office to schedule an appointment; please allow five weeks advance notice. Baptisms are held on the third and fifth Sundays of each month (if applicable), immediately following the 11:15 AM Mass.

Marriages: In accordance with Diocesan Policy, engaged couples are to begin their marriage preparation program at least six months before their date of marriage.

Please note: For Baptisms or Weddings, you must be a practicing Catholic and a member of the parish. To be a Godparent, you must be a practicing and Confirmed Catholic and if married, married in the church.

Welcoming all, *we, the Spirit-filled parish of St. Thomas More, value our Roman Catholic faith by celebrating the sacraments, breaking open the Scriptures, and joyfully offering ourselves in service to others.*

Under the inspiration of our patron saint, we seek to build a caring community that embraces the values he modeled of friendship, integrity and courageous love of God.

My Dear People,

Today's theme on the readings: **THE OBEDIENCE OF ABRAHAM AND JESUS**

God tested Abraham by asking not for an ordinary sacrifice, which would have been a partial burning with the meat divided between God and the people and eaten by those who sacrificed, but for a holocaust, a total burning of the sacrificial animal. This type of sacrifice consecrated the entire offering to God alone. This is what God was asking of Abraham in offering his only son, Isaac. When Abraham demonstrated his obedience, that was enough. This story from today's scriptures foretells the completion of the blood sacrifices of the old covenant in the new covenant: the blood of God's own Son, offered to us on the cross and in the Eucharist. Abraham's obedience foreshadows the obedience of Jesus to God's promise of salvation. The obedience of Abraham is rewarded in the birth to him, through Isaac, of many nations. The obedience of Jesus is rewarded in the salvation of all people for all time.

In Christ,
Father John

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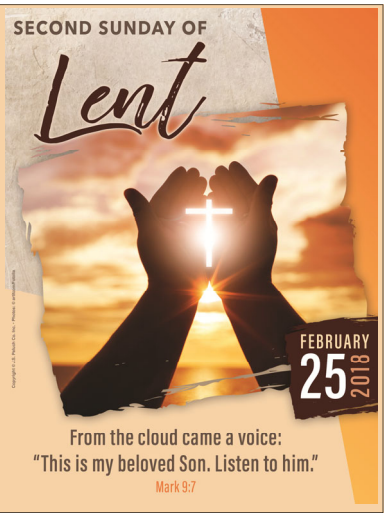


TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith (Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18).
Psalm — I walk before the Lord, in the land of the living (Psalm 116).
Second Reading — God did not spare his own Son (Romans 8:31b-34).
Gospel — This is my beloved Son (Mark 9:2-10).

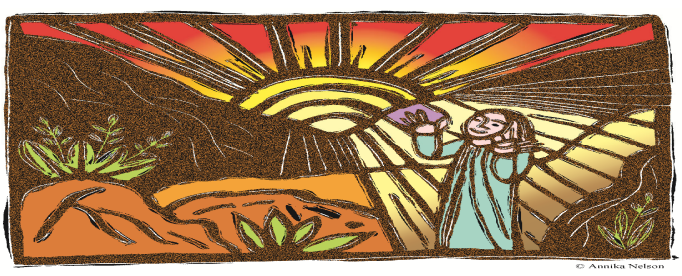
The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, Interna-

PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING

Ann D'Alessandro	Theresa Johnston	Stephanie Mispagel
Joseph Barry	Gloria Johnson	Karen Norton
Mary & Joe Bush	Doris Jordan	Mary Patronite
Henry Damigella	Ty Vivian Knisely	Cathy Purcell
Larry Doan	Dan Kreyche	Anita Ruwaldt
Dan Foley	Jean Liddi	Rick & Sue Smith
Howard Frankel, MD	Frances Lodato	Bob-Denise Trujillo
Emma Hager	Patrick McGuinness	Jack Troung
Tina Halberg	Bob Machado	Jim Vessey
Margaret Hawley	Andrea Maciel	John Weber
Peggy Huber	Ron Massaro	Mike Winchester
Dominador Hontucan	Pete Meade	

Rest in the love of Christ

Gilberto Hinojosa
Robert Isakson
Horace "Jay" Mannion



Welcome to God's Family

Claire Elise Trieu
Bradley Noah Bitton

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

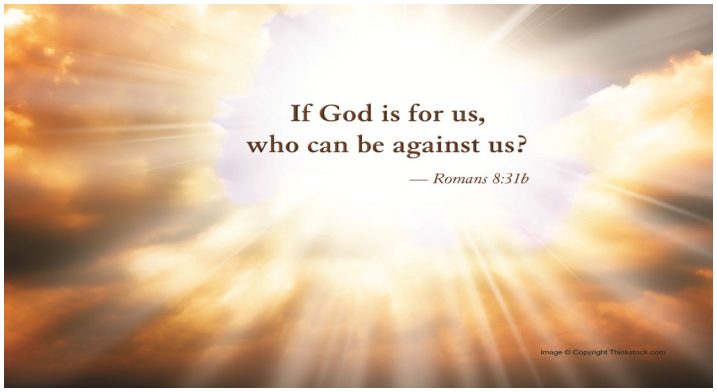
Sunday	8:00AM	†Doris Woolley
	9:30AM	†Lyndsey Ryan Simmons
	11:15AM	†Steven & Jeanne Ham
	12:45PM	Maritess, Alex, Mary Menez
	2:15PM	Pro Populo
	5:00PM	Theresa Nault
Monday	8:00AM	†Deacon Bill Schlater
Tuesday	8:00AM	†Louis Piazza
Wednesday	8:00AM	†Anthony Romero
Thursday	8:00AM	Lourdes Frias
Friday	8:00AM	Linda Gallego
Saturday	8:00AM	Darius Ksenak Arlene San Juan Mike San Juan †Dorothy Marcinko †Tyler Nii †Bienvenido Del Rosario †Jim Power †Jim Clancy †Dr. Janet Vergo Attlesey †Courtney del Villar
	4:00PM	†Souls in Purgatory
	5:30PM	†Calogero Modicamore

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday:	Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday:	Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday:	Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday:	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday:	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday:	Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Ps 19:8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25 Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE
02/26/18 - 03/04/18

Monday	10:00-Noon	Spanish Bible Study
	5:30-6:30pm	Junior Legion of Mary
	6:30-9:30pm	Legion of Mary
	6:00-9:00pm	Confirmation One Class
	6:30-9:30pm	K of C Admissions Cmte.
	6:30-9:00pm	Finance Council Meeting
	7:00-8:30pm	HM Spanish FF/Bible
Tuesday	9:15-11am	Movie & Bible Study
	1:30-2:30pm	SVDP Food Pantry
	3:30-6:30pm	REP
	7:00-8:00pm	**Lenten Taize Prayer**
	7:00-9:00pm	K of C Officers Meeting
	7:00-9:00pm	Choir Rehearsal 11:15
	7:00-9:30pm	CRHP Women
Wednesday	8:30-10am	Stewardship Committee
	8:30-11:00am	Library Open
	9:00-11:00am	AFF Lenten Study
	2:00-7:30pm	REP
	6:00-9:00pm	Confirmation One Class
	6:30-9:30pm	AFF Lenten Group
	7:30-9:00pm	Fr. Justice Weekly Reflection
Thursday	8:30-Noon	Library Open
	9:00-11:00am	Book & Bible Study
	3:30-6:30pm	REP
	6:30-9:30pm	VM Core Group Meeting
	7:00-9:00pm	AFF Study
	7:00-8:00pm	RCIA
	7:00-9:15pm	AOG Choir Practice
Friday	7:45-1:00pm	Little Way HS Co-op
	9:15-10:00am	**Stations of the Cross**
	3:00-8:00pm	**Lenten Fish Fry**
	6:30-7:30pm	**Adoration**
	7:30-9:00pm	**Stations of the Cross**
	7:30-9:00pm	CM Choir Practice
	7:00-9:15pm	HM Choir Rehearsal
Saturday	8:30am-11:00am	AFF Leaders Orientation
	Noon-2:00pm	FF Stations Rehearsal
	1:00-4:00pm	VM Faith Enrichment
	2:00-9:30pm	VM Retreat
	2:30-4:00pm	VM Choir Practice
	3:00-4:00pm	**Reconciliation**
	3:30-7:00pm	Library Table
	4:00-5:00pm	Latin/Sat Choir Rehearsal
	4:00-5:00pm	**Vietnamese Mass**
	4:15-5:15pm	RCIA
	5:00-7:00pm	Faith Enhancement
	5:30pm	**English Mass**
Sunday	8am, 9:30am, 11:15am, 5pm	**English Masses** **ICF Food Drive All Masses** **K of C Blood Sign ups** **YLI Vision& Blessed Candles**
	7:00-1:30pm	Donuts
	9:30am	**YLI Quarterly Mass**
	8:00-9:00am	AOG Choir Practice
	7:00-1:15pm & 4:30-7pm	Library Table
	10:15-11:15am	Section Leader Meeting
	12:45-1:45pm	**Chinese Mass**
	2:00-3:15pm	Rosary
	2:15-3:15pm	**Spanish Mass**
	2:00-4:30pm	RCIA (Chinese)
	2:00-6:00pm	Band Green Room
	4:00-9:00pm	Lifeteen Lifenight
	6:00-9:00pm	CRHP Men



As Jesus fasted for 40 days in the desert, the Church traditionally fasts during Lent. A form of bodily prayer, fasting and abstinence in union with other Christians reminds us of our utter dependence on and love for God. A gesture of repentance, fasting is symbolic of a change of heart as we turn away from sin to live in fidelity to the Gospel. Lenten Regulations:
Fasting: Ages 18-59 fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, limiting themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals each day, with no snacking between meals.
Abstinence: Catholics age 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

King David on Stewardship

King David's prayer on offerings to construct the Temple:

"But who am I, and who are my people, that we should have the means to contribute so freely? For everything is from you, and what we give is what we have from you" (1 Chr 29:14).

How much of your time, talent, and treasure are you freely giving back to God?

FAMILY STATIONS OF THE CROSS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Are you in **6th-12th grade?**
Do you enjoy acting or reading?
This is the Lenten project for you!

We need lots of youth volunteers to help us create this beautiful presentation for the parish!

For more details please contact:
REP Office at rep@stmirvine.org or
Tara Reynaud at tarareynaud@gmail.com

stmirvineym.com

For all current Youth-related information including office hours

Next Confirmation Sessions/Classes

(All classes meet 7pm—8:30pm in Parish Hall)

All Confirmation candidates should come to sessions with both the Catholic Faith Handbooks and the Catholic Youth Bibles)

Confirmation 2
February 25th

Confirmation 1
February 26th OR 28th

LIFE TEEN
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

Life Night Series

Jan 28th, Feb 18th, Mar 4th, Mar 18th

5pm Mass, 6pm Dinner,
7-8:30pm Life Night
2/18 = "Fortified"
Taking Care of the Body

This is the second night of our series that explores the beautiful reality of the relationship between the mind, body, and soul. ALL HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH WELCOME!

Join us this summer for best weekend of your life!

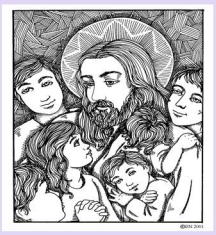
REVEALED

1 John 4:9

July 6-8 @ Cal State Fullerton

Visit stmirvineym.com for more info

R.E.P. CORNER



FAMILY STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We need lots of youth volunteers to help us create this beautiful presentation for the parish! So, if you are 6th-12th grade, and you enjoy acting or reading, this is the Lenten project for you! Please contact the REP Office at rep@stmirvine.org for more details.

During Lent, we invite our 3rd-8th Grade REP classes and their families for Reconciliation on Saturdays from 3:00-4:00 PM in the Fireside Room. Call the REP Office for more information.

For any questions, call the REP office at (949) 551-8029.

The Library Corner

Good **Second Sunday of Lent** to you all!
Here are two titles to further explore:

To Light A Fire On The Earth, by Bishop Robert Barron, with John L. Allen Jr. In this book Bishop Barron announces the "goodness and truth" of the Catholic tradition and its importance in an increasingly secular world. Bishop Barron has been called "the most accomplished evangelist and catechist in the Catholic Church today", and "simply the most readable and delightful Catholic preacher alive." If you haven't seen him, heard him, or read his work, do so. You will not be disappointed.

Where There Is Love There Is God, by Mother Teresa. Edited by Brian Kolodiejchuk, M.C. Told in her own words, this book examines Mother's commitment to God and to "the poorest of the poor". Her message, God is alive and "still loves the world through you and through me."

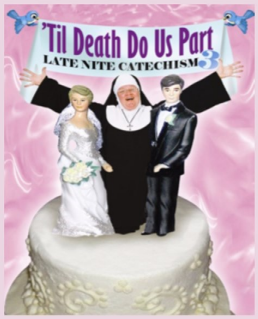
Resolve to Read and Grow During Lent.

Is God Calling YOU Now?
February 14 – March 25

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

This Lent you are invited to participate in the 40 Days for Life campaign. In addition to 40 days of peaceful prayer and fasting for an end to abortion, you may pray outside the local Planned Parenthood location: 700 S. Tustin, Orange 92866.
6:00 am to 6:00 pm.
Please sign up alone, with a friend, your family, or a small group to pray for an hour or more to save a life.
For more information or to register,
go to **www.40Daysforlife.com/OrangeCounty**.
You are also welcome to just show up. STM Respect Life Committee Member, Ron L'Heureux, will be praying on Thursday mornings at 9:00 am if you want to meet him there.

SAVE THE DATE
APRIL 27, 2018 @ 8PM



SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PARISH

Tickets go on Sale
March 17th/18th
After all Masses on the Patio
Performance @ St. Thomas More
In the Parish Hall

Teacher's Pet Tickets (First 5 Rows)	$45
General Admission	$35
Student	$25

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus
Monsignor Timothy J. Doyle
Council # 13111

Estudio de Biblia en Español-Ministerio Hispano

Todos están invitados a los *estudios cuaresmales* seguido por el Evangelio de San Marcos.
Los estudios comenzaran el 26 de Febrero y se llevaran a cabo cada Lunes de las 7:00pm a 8:30pm en el Salón #2 en la Parroquia de Sto. Tomas Moro. Los estudios serán en Español. También, inscríbase para recibir reflexiones cuaresmales diarias.El sitio de web es el siguiente: https://formed.org/promo/lent-2018 Spanish. Cualquier pregunta comunicarse con Victor Cota 949 400-7743 coordinador de estudio de biblia.

When Women Pray 2018 is looking for Team Volunteers for our upcoming WWP event on October 6, 2018.

when women PRAY...

Your talents, ideas and time are welcomed. If your interested in being part of this great day, please contact Susan Navarrete: **snavarrete150@gmail.com** by March 2nd.

FLU SEASON ETIQUETTE

With the arrival of the cold and flu season, we thought we would provide some helpful guidelines for your participation in the Liturgy. If you are sick, please stay home. Please remember that it is not a sin to miss Mass because you are sick. If you are attending Mass, please be understanding if your neighbor is choosing not to shake hands. A simple gesture like a smile or bow of the head would be appropriate to demonstrate the mutual charity celebrated at that time during Mass. During this season, please strongly consider receiving the Eucharist in the hand only. Receiving the Eucharist under both species is up to the individual. It is important to remember, however, that Christ is truly and completely present under each of the sacramental signs of either bread or wine. Therefore, if you are ill, please consider refraining from the cup during this flu season.

Fr. Justice will reflect on the Sunday readings

Find more meaning in the Sunday Readings

Wed. Evenings - 7:30 pm, SN Rm.

Young Ladies Institute Annual Easter Candy Event March 10 and 11

Please visit the booth on the patio and help support our charitable outreach activities: seminarian education & support, Caterina's Club, various schools, homeless shelters, veterans and service groups.
The candy will be available March 10 & 11.
No orders will be taken.
Happy Easter!

American Red Cross

Parish Blood Drive

Monday March 26, 2018

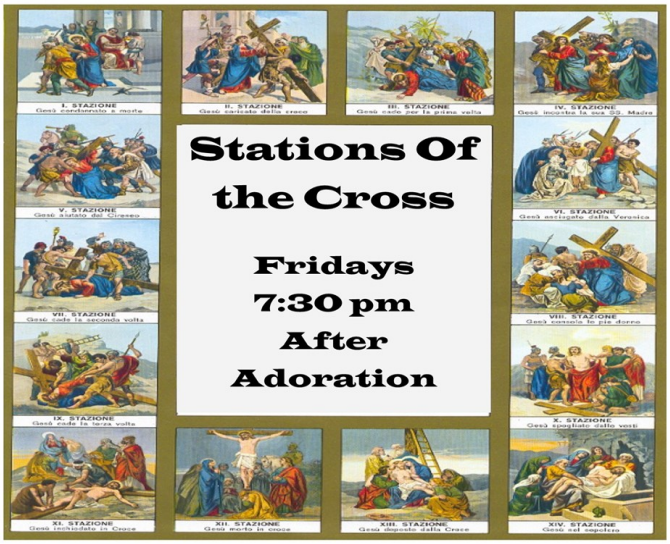
2:00 pm – 8:00 pm

St. Thomas More Multi-Purpose Room

Sign-ups after all Masses March 3-4, 10-11 & 17-18

or visit the Red Cross website at redcrossblood.org (Use sponsor code stthomasmoreirv)

Hosted by Knights of Columbus Council #13111



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Italian Catholic Federation Branch 423

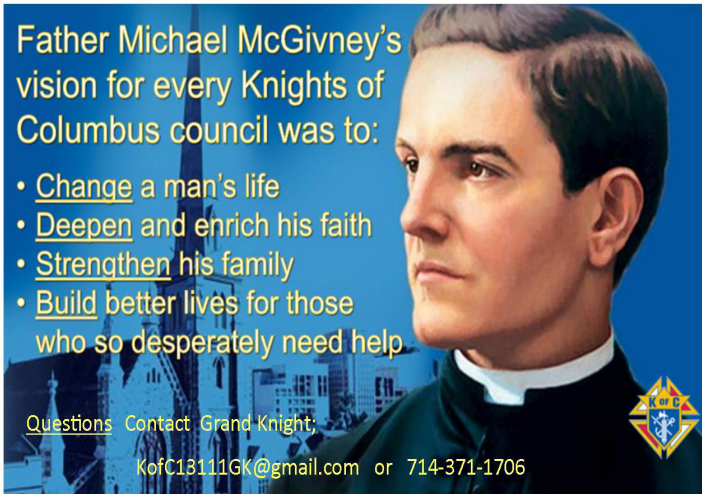
The ICF Monthly Food Drive

Today

On the Patio

We accept non-perishable food, household paper goods, and toiletry items as well as monetary donations

Thank you for your support



ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH MINISTRIES

February 2018

Adult Faith Formation	Janice LaVelle	(9) 551-8601
Altar Servers	Elaine DeSantos	(7) 501-8415
Baptism	Stephanie Miller	(9) 551-8601
Bereavement	Rosie Munoz	(9) 551-8601
Building Committee	Keith Rattay	(9) 559-6464
Chinese Community	Paul Fan (9) 726-0940 Josephine Yang	(9) 751-9362
Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP)	Tony Patronite	(9) 307-6215
Christian Outreach	Carole Caplett	(7) 351-0077
Confirmation	Tim Reid	(9) 551-8602
Corazon	Norma Jean Womack	(9) 559-5639
Cursillo	Bernie Ocampo	(9) 468-6604
Deacons	Tony Patronite, Stan Necikowski & Tin Nguyen	(9) 551-8601
Eucharist to the Homebound	Dn. Stan & Fran Necikowski	(7) 505-4816
Extraordinary Ministers	Jerry Donaldson	(9) 552-5485
Events Coordination Committee	Loy Gibson	(7) 573-1367
Faces of Faith	Bill Hanson	(9) 551-6897
Filipino Community	Charlie Torres	(9) 551-8601
Finance Council	Pierre Gagnon	(7) 508-9429
Hispanic Ministry	Frank Ornelas (9) 857-9044 Patty Trujillo	(7) 270-5073
Italian Catholic Federation (ICF)	Donna Stahl	(9) 552-3345
Junior Legion of Mary	Connie Lee	(9) 872-2880
Knights of Columbus (K of C)	Dan Hoying	(7) 371-1706
Lectors	Jeffrey Turcotte	(9) 551-5565
Legion of Mary	Trisha Smith	(7) 997-9959
Library	Jay Hills	(9) 551-8602
Marriage Case Support	Paul Geiger	(7) 505-5412
	Michael Michalek	(9) 551-2304
	Mary Patronite	(9) 552-3533
Marriage Encounter	Jim & Cheryl Skudlarski	(9) 551-9156
Marriage In The Lord	Keith & Meredith Rattay	(9) 559-6464
More Moms	Alena Franson	(9) 378-8874
Music Director, Including Wedding Music	Keith Rattay	(9) 551-8601
Music - Mass Saturday 5:30pm		(9) 551-8601
Music - Mass Sunday 8:00am	Steve Hager	(7) 639-4040
Music - Mass Sunday 9:30am	Keith Rattay	(9) 559-6464
Music - Mass Sunday 11:15am	Joanna Marconi	(7) 335-8688
Music - Mass Sunday 2:00pm - Spanish	Patty Trujillo	(7) 270-5073
Music Mass Sunday 5:00pm	Matt Zoeter	(909) 569-4783
Music - Mass Saturday 4:00p - Vietnamese/English	Anthony Bui	(7) 209-2876
Music - Mass 1st & 4th Sundays - Chinese	Saliann Mao	(7) 350-8698
Music - Tridentine Mass - 2nd Sunday 12:45pm	Nina Perez	(9) 551-8601
Parish Office Manager	Theresa Nault	(9) 551-8028
Pastoral Council	Josh Baker	(7) 734-3319
Pilgrim Virgin	Michele Wills	(7) 404-9824
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)	Michael Michalek	(9) 551-2304
Religious Education	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
Respect Life	Chris Gonzales	(9) 551-8601
St. Thomas More Veterans	Art Pandes	(7) 862-0439
St. Vincent de Paul Society	Bill Chacon	(9) 551-8601
Small Groups	Janice LaVelle	(9) 551-8601
Spanish Bible Study	Teresa LeMire	(7) 832-1770
Stewardship	Mark Kreyche	(9) 551-8601
Taize Prayer	Charlotte Freund	(9) 551-8601
Ushers	Steve Luchetta	(9) 733-1192
Vietnamese Ministry	Huan Le	(7) 544-9893
Wedding Coordinator	Marcella Maurer	(7) 544-0865
Welcoming Committee	Vince Salico	(7) 389-7726
Young Adults	Tim Reid	(9) 551-8602
Young Ladies Institute (YLI)	Cathy Wachtel	(9) 857-5037
Youth Ministry	Tim Reid	(9) 551-8602

Believe
AND GROW TOGETHER
ST. THOMAS MORE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

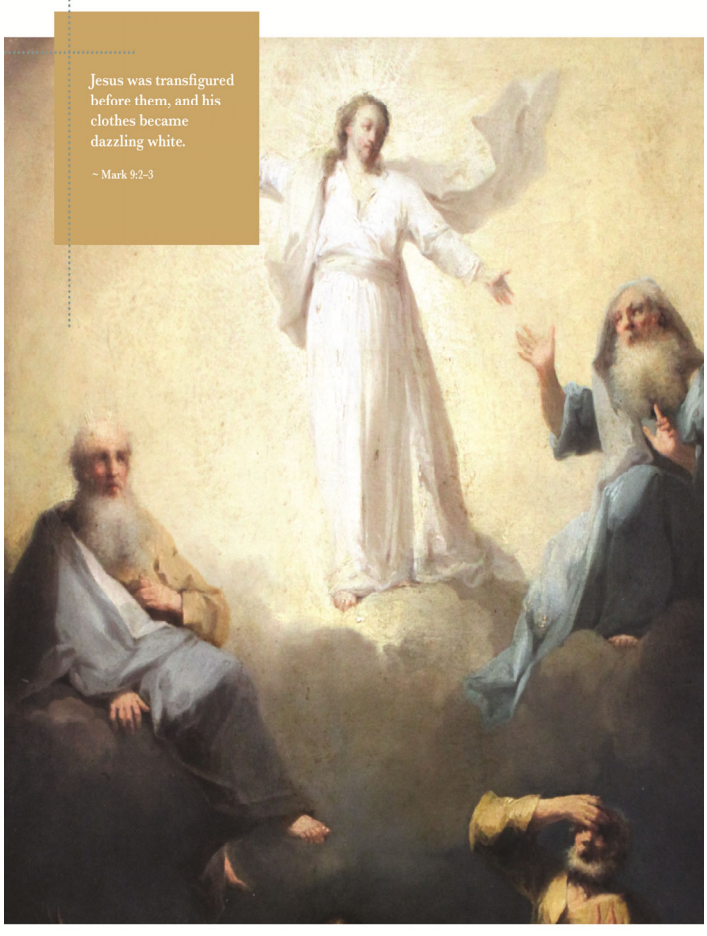
The Christian Steward

The following is an excerpt from US. Catholic Bishops Pastoral Letter on Stewardship

"What, then, are Christians to do?

Of course people's lives as stewards take countless forms, according to their unique vocations and circumstances. Still, the fundamental pattern in every case is simple and changeless: "Serve one another through love . . . bear one another's burdens, and so you will fulfill the law of Christ" (Gal 5:13, 6:2). This includes being stewards of the Church, for, as we are quite specifically told, "the Church of the living God" is "the household of God" (1 Tim 3:15), and it is essential to practice stewardship there."

Tuesday, February 27, March 6 & March 13, @7:00 PM
in the Church for 1 hour of quiet prayer



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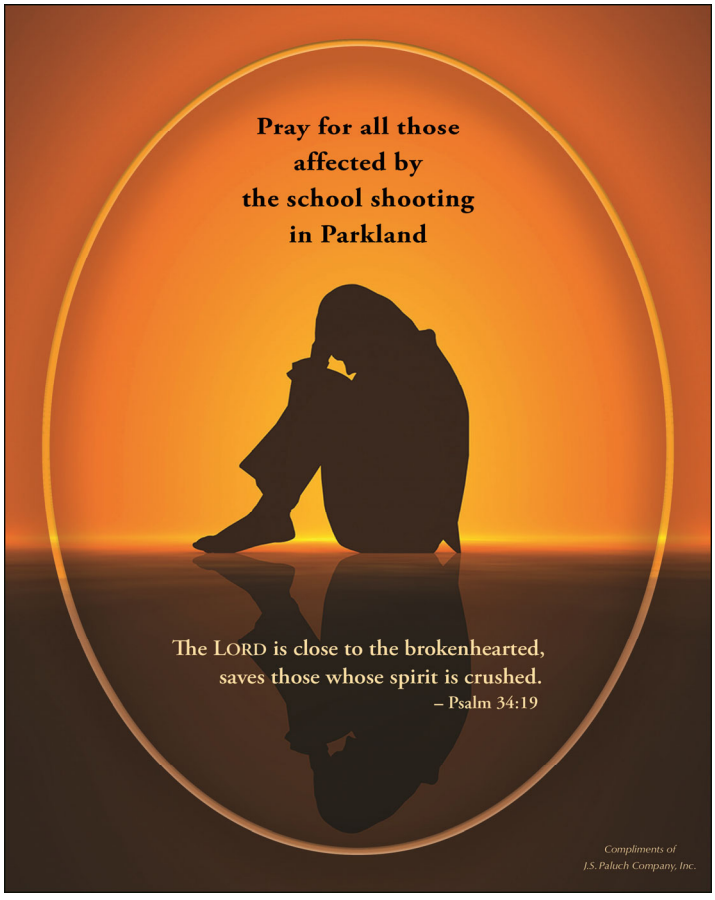
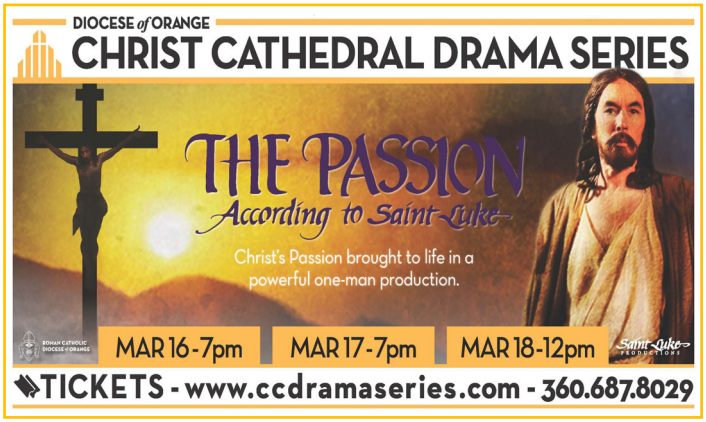


EVENTS AROUND THE DIOCESE

OC Catholic Brunch—30s and 40s
Sunday, March 4th

Our group brings together single and married Catholics in their 30s and 40s for fellowship. After the 9:30am Mass, we will meet near the altar. We'll then drive to Stacks Pancake House (14421 Culver Dr., Irvine) for brunch at 11am.
For questions or future events, find us on Facebook, Meetup or contact occath3040@gmail.com



LENTEN SPIRITUALITY SERIES
Monday, February 26 and
Mondays, March 5, 12, and 19

St. Cecilia Church in Tustin will be having Rabbi Michael Mayersohn to share his gifted insight on Jewish and Christian teachings. During the month of February and March, he will share the concept of sin looking at its beginning in Jewish history and how it also influenced Christianity. Rabbi Michael is a known teacher within the Jewish community, as well as renowned speaker and author. He was ordained at Hebrew Union College and is a Reform Rabbi. After 30 years, he has developed a vast knowledge and understanding of Judaism and enjoys sharing it whenever possible. He has spoken at our Religious Education Congress many times and has been well received. Each session will be **from 7pm-8pm** with a question and answer session following.

St. Cecilia's is located at 1301 Sycamore Ave. in Tustin.

You are invited to a Healing Mass at
St. Angela Merici Catholic Church in Brea
Monday, February 26th at 7:15pm.

The theme is ***"Christ's Healing Presence"*** led by Father Mathias Kim. Fr. Kim is a Korean-Canadian from the Legion of Christ religious order. He was ordained in 2006 before Pope Benedict and is known for his ability to connect with the youth. All are welcome, especially those suffering physically, emotionally, spiritually or psychologically. Individual prayer will follow the Eucharist where music will be provided by the Healing Eucharist Praise Team.

Questions? Contact: Jan at (714) 529-2277
St. Angela's is located at 585 S. Walnut Ave. in Brea.