



SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mass schedule

Daily— Monday to Saturday: 8 am*

Saturday Vigil Mass:

4:00 pm Vietnamese/English

6:00 pm English

Sunday Mass

8:00 am English

9:30 am English*

11:30 am English

1:00 pm Spanish

3:00 pm Chinese

5:00pm English

* Livestreamed Masses

Morning Prayer: Mon, Wed & Fri 7:30am to 7:50am

Adoration: Every Friday at 6:00pm

24 Hour Adoration: on the 22nd of every month

If the 22nd falls on a Saturday, then Adoration will be on Friday.

If the 22nd falls on a Sunday, then Adoration will be on Monday.

Confession: Saturday from 1:00pm to 3:00pm or by appointment

Baptisms and Marriages: contact the office for details

TEXT TO GIVE: (949) 919-5494



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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.

Pastor

Parochial Vicar

Chinese Chaplain

Weekend Assistants

Deacons

Founding Pastor

Parochial Vicar Emeritus

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Rev. Thomas Tran

Rev. Francis Li

Rev. Joseph Horn, O Praem

Rev. Joseph Justice

Deacon Tony & Mrs. Mary Patronite

Deacon Tin & Mrs. UyenLan Nguyen

Deacon Leonard & Mrs. Nancy Sun

Deacon Bernie & Mrs. Pam Ocampo

†Rev. John E. Janze

†Rev. William Krekelberg

Office Information:

Office:

949-551-8601

After-hours emergency:

949-551-8601 ext. 7

Fax:

949-551-5879

Religious Education:

949-551-8029

Youth Ministry:

949-551-8602

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am-2:00pm

JANUARY 14, 2024

**2ND SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus.

- Jn 1:35-36



Amy Cooney
Michael B. Kormos

Second Collection This Weekend



*for the Church in
Africa, Latin America and Eastern Europe*

e-giving: stmirvine.org
(special collections)

Collections and Expenses

12/11/2023– 1/7/2024 (4 weeks)

	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Sunday Collection	\$100,710	\$92,636	\$193,346
Maintenance Fund	\$1,096	\$3,050	\$4,146
Other income	\$34,333	\$11,751	\$46,084
Christmas	\$51,781	\$6,920	\$58,701
Total income	\$188,802	\$117,274	\$306,076

Regular Expenses	\$130,517
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Believe & Grow Capital Campaign	\$12,889	\$29,680	\$42,569
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We appreciate your continued financial support of the parish during these challenging times. If you would like to give, please click on the e-giving link in the top corner of the STM website to set up or update your e-giving. If you have questions, please call the office. All donations to the *Believe & Grow Together Campaign* will be used exclusively to pay for the construction costs to build the new Parish church. Moreover, Maintenance Fund donations can be used to pay for the construction costs to build the new Parish church and for the maintenance and repairs of the existing Parish buildings and property.

Thank you for your generosity!



- Sat 1/13 4:00pm Hannah Kennedy Imrich
6:00pm †Leon and Adoracion Calagui
- Sun 1/14 8:00am PRO POPULO
9:30am †Kang Soo Kim
11:30am †Danilo Castaneda Jr.
†Clair D. Zellmer
Dan Fajardo
5:00pm Nancy Kobayashi
- Mon 1/15 9:00am Kahnh Vu
- Tues 1/16 8:00am Deirdre Morley
- Wed 1/17 8:00am Windy Lozano
- Thurs 1/18 8:00am Lindsay Prosinski
- Friday 1/19 8:00am Fr Angelus Echeverry
- Sat 1/20 8:00am †Rosario Izquierdo



PRAYERS FOR HEALING

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Beata Durdovic	Bill Oesterreich
Cecelia Duzynski	Ben Pataray
Kathy Encinas	Sharon Pataray
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	Michele Wills

Please email bulletin@stmirvine.org to add a name.
Names will be included for one month, if requested.

WALK FOR LIFE LA

CELEBRATING THE DIGNITY OF EVERY HUMAN LIFE

Sat, January 20th, 2024



8:00am MASS @ STM

9:00am BUS LEAVES for LA

11:00am KICK - OFF @ OLVERA STREET

1:00pm ONE LIFE FESTIVAL @ LA HISTORICAL PARK

4:00pm BUS RETURNS TO STM

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**MASS FOR THE PROTECTION OF
UNBORN CHILDREN,
FOR AN INCREASE IN THE
CULTURE OF LIFE,
AND FOR THE SUPPORT OF MOTHERS
AND FAMILIES IN NEED**

Monday, January 22nd, 7:00 pm



**The parish offices will be closed on
Monday, January 15th
For emergencies, please call
(949) 551-8601 ext. 7**

THANK YOU!

*On behalf of the parish, we would
like to express our deepest gratitude
to the Art and Environment team
for the beautiful decorations in our
church during the Advent and
Christmas seasons!*



Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

The LORD came and revealed his presence,
calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!"
Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening."
(1 Sm 3:10)

Psalm:

Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will. (Ps 40)

Second Reading:

Do you not know that your bodies are members
of Christ?
But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one Spirit
with him. (1 Cor 6:15, 17)

Gospel:

So they went and saw where Jesus was staying,
and they stayed with him that day. (Jn 1:39)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"Come and see," Jesus said to the disciples
who were curious to know about him. Today, he
whispers this invitation into the deepest place of
our heart. Have courage — go, and see what Christ
has to show you.

Observances for the week of January 14, 2024

Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Martin Luther King Day
Wednesday: St. Anthony, Abbot
Thursday: January 18-25 is the Week of Prayer for
Christian Unity
Saturday: St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian,
Martyr
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week

St. Clare of Assisi, a devoted
follower and friend of
St. Francis, centered her life
around poverty, prayer, and the
Eucharist. As the founder of
the Poor Clares, she promoted
a ministry of simplicity,
adoration, and service to
the poor.

Prayer of Discernment

Dear Lord,
Here I am! Help me to know
the path You would have me
walk, to speak the words You
would have me speak, to love
and serve those You put in my
path. Amen.

STM CONFIRMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

**Happy New Year from the STM Youth
Ministry Office!**

Upcoming Confirmation Classes

C1 Classes: Jan 24

C2 Classes: Jan 17 & Jan 31

YTH Nites are back! Sunday at 6PM

High school teens, join us this Sunday, January 14th after the 5pm Mass for a message and Adoration. Jesus is calling us to surrender our burdens to Him, face to face in the Blessed Sacrament so that we may be made new this year. Dinner and dessert will be provided. The night will end at 8pm. See you there!

Monday Night Bible Study

Join us Mondays at 7pm in the Parish Hall for a Bible study on the upcoming Sunday's readings. Get to know God's voice in the Bible so you can discern the voice of God out in the world.



R.E.P. CORNER



WELCOME BACK!!

Our REP Kindergarten—8th grade classes are now back in full swing!

Welcome back to all of our students and teachers! The REP Staff hopes that everyone had a good break and is ready to return for a fun and exciting New Year!



ATTENTION 6th, 7th & 8th Graders!!!

Want to spend the day at Knott's Berry Farm with hundreds of other students for fun, faith & fellowship? Come join us Saturday, February 3rd from 8:15AM-7PM!

We'd love to have you join us! Please contact Lisa Busch at lisa@stmirvine.org or call the REP Office to register.



For any questions, call the REP Office at (949) 551-8029 or email rep@stmirvine.org.



The Library Corner

The Parish Library will be open today from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

The STM Parish Library has a new nine book children series: "The Adventures of Nick and Sam Perry". The adventures start with twins, Nick and Samantha, their family, friends and the people who they encounter living in a fictional town, Hope Springs in the mountains of Colorado. The series presents Catholic culture for children and provides valuable life lessons. This series is written by award-winning author Paul McCusker and is recommended for readers ages seven and up, but they can also be read by parents to younger children. These fun and thoughtful stories bring to life the importance of choices, consequences and how we respond to the choices we make and the consequences that result.

Tomorrow is a federal holiday to honor the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. He was the chief spokesperson for nonviolent activism in the Civil Rights Movement, which protested racial discrimination in federal and state law. This holiday was signed into law by President Ronald Reagan in 1983 and was first observed on January 20, 1986.

..... **COMING SOON**

Saint Thomas More Church's

BIBLE READING MARATHON

In celebration of the **SUNDAY OF THE WORD of God** on
January 21, 2024
we will be reading the whole Bible **NONSTOP**, day and night!

*"Remain in my
Word."*
John 8:31



- ◇ BEGINS Jan 20 (Sat) at 4:00 pm. ◇
- ◇ Estimated 80 hours to complete! ◇
- ◇ Reading will take place in the parish LIBRARY ◇
- ◇ The entire reading will be livestreamed at stmirvine.org. ◇

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Gospelize Your Story

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For questions contact: devotional@stmirvine.org.



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Women's Weekend
March 2-3, 2024

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- ☒ Get closer to God
- ☒ Increase prayer life
- ☒ Join Small Faith Community



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 Passion of Christ"*
February 9-11, 2024
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 Mark Kreyche
mgkreyche@gmail.com
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Sunday, February 4th
Pancake Breakfast after all morning Masses!



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Joseph of Cupertino Classical Academy (JCCA) is Orange County's first Catholic, classical, hybrid program, combining the strengths of both traditional school and homeschool. The Academy will launch at St. Thomas More Parish in the Fall 2024, offering a full curriculum for students up to grade 10.

Students of JCCA's formative, classical curriculum will benefit from in-class professional instruction three days per week. The other two weekdays will rely on parental involvement and family unity to further the students' academic growth and faith formation.

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 GOD'S LOVE**



**HOMELESS LUNCH
 Ministry**
 ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH

You are invited to pack sack lunches in the
 multipurpose room for our homeless neighbors

**Monday, Jan 22nd
 5:00pm**



Questions? Contact Kim: kimmievu@gmail.com

"When I was hungry you gave me food..." Matthew 25:35

GROWING 
 WITH THE *Gospel*
 CYCLE B

 **COLOR**
 Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time • John 1:35-42

ST. THOMAS MORE MINISTRIES

Liturgy Support

Altar Servers	Mary Jane Rin	(9) 627-7125
Art & Environment	Amee Cuevas	(9) 551-8601
Eucharist to the Homebound	Fran Necikowski	(7) 505-4816
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Jerry Donaldson	(9) 552-5485
Lectors	Ed Ferguson	(951) 313-4942
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Ushers	Frank Ornelas (9) 857-9044	Joe Martin (9) 385-3741

Parish

Believe and Grow Together Campaign	Lisa VanDorpe	(7) 357-3080
Bulletin Editor	Lisa Bergler	(9) 551-8601
Building Committee	Keith Rattay	(9) 551-8601
Deacons	Tony Patronite, Tin Nguyen, Leonard Sun & Bernie Ocampo	(9) 551-8601
Hospitality/Donut Ministry	Deacon Tony Patronite	(9) 307-6215
Parish Business Manager	Stephanie Miller	(9) 551-8601
Parish Office Manager	Lisa Bergler	(9) 551-8601
Welcoming Committee	Vince Salico	(7) 389-7726

Sacraments

Baptism Coordinator		(9) 551-8601
Confirmation	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8602
First Communion	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
First Reconciliation	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)	Deacon Bernie & Pam Ocampo	(9) 468-6604
Marriage Case Support	Contact office	(9) 551-8601
Marriage Encounter	Mike & Lisa Bergler	(9) 551-8601
Wedding Coordinator	Marcella Maurer	(9) 551-8601




Service

Bereavement	Rosie Muñoz	(9) 551-8601
Children's Homeless Lunch Ministry	Kim Lee	(7) 293-8987
Chinese Community	Deacon Leonard Sun	(7) 932-1689
Corazon	Norma Jean Womack	(9) 903-1472
Filipino Community	Mernie Empalmado	(9) 307-7479
Grief Share Ministry	K.C. Riley	(7) 875-8126
Hispanic Ministry	Victor Cota	(9) 400-7743
Homeless Lunch Ministry	Jessica Silva	(9) 294-2875
Knights of Columbus Council #13111	Jake Lowe	(657) 363-7281
Respect Life	Chris Gonzales	(9) 551-8601
Safety Ministry	Fred Simon	(310) 508-5053
STM Veterans	Sgt. Bob Kohler	(9) 552-1895
St. Vincent de Paul	Rick Lamoreux	(9) 331-1020
Vietnamese Ministry	Huan Le	(7) 261-9893
Young Ladies Institute	Gloria Glenn	(9) 294-9175

Spiritual Development

Adult Faith Formation / Bible Study	Tara Reynaud	(9) 551-8601
Christ Renews His Parish	Tony Patronite	(9) 307-6215
Devotional Life Committee	Julie Whiteside	(7) 615-7205
Cursillo	Susan Navarrete	(9) 345-9130
Legion of Mary	Trisha Smith	(7) 473-3714
Library	Sam & Diana Adams	(7) 321-2405
Life Teen – High School & Young Adults	Bella Magetti & Hayley Moore	(9) 551-8602
More Moms	Krystal Padley	(9) 551-8601
Prayer Partners	Mary Cope	(7) 900-0632
Religious Education	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
Small Faith Communities	Denyse Gagnon	(7) 501-7848
Spanish Bible Study	Teresa LeMire	(7) 832-1770
When Women Pray	Paula Hines	(7) 746-1802

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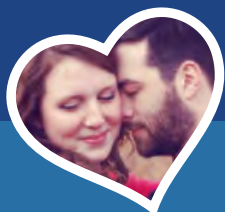
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Shining a Light on Human Trafficking. Together.

FIGHTING TO END THE ISSUE OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING THROUGH THE LENS OF CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

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1:00 PM ET

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This webinar will provide an in-depth overview of the issue of human trafficking while using the See-Judge-Act methodology for participants to learn, reflect, and act on this issue. The presenters will discuss the Vatican and U.S. Bishop's efforts to combat human trafficking, inform practical aspects of social ministry, and share resources and advocacy actions for social action directors and collaborators to engage in these efforts.

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