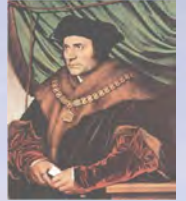




# SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH

51 Marketplace Irvine, CA 92602 · 949-551-8601 · www.stmirvine.org



## 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: 949-344-2801**



@stmirvine

**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

Parochial Vicar Emeritus

Weekend Assistants

Deacons

Founding Pastor

### Rev. Eugene J. Lee

Rev. Kiet Ta

Rev. William Krekelberg

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

### 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**



## February 5, 2023

# 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.”

- Mt 5:14



**Wedding Banns**  
KELSEY REDDOCH & ANGEL VALDEZ

**Pancake Breakfast**

**Sunday, February 5th**  
after all morning Masses!

Suggested Donation  
\$5.00 Adult  
\$5.00 Child  
\$25.00 Maximum per Family

**Pancakes, Sausage,  
Scrambled Eggs, Juice,  
Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate**

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council # 13111  
Proceeds will be used to support Pro Life Activities,  
Orange County Charities and STM Parish Needs

**Collections and Expenses**  
**1-23-23 to 1-29-23**

	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Sunday Collection	\$18,042	\$7,731	\$25,773
Maintenance Fund	\$195	\$456	\$651
Other income	\$2,261	\$1,630	\$3,891
Total income	\$20,498	\$9,818	\$30,316
	<b>Regular Expenses</b>		<b>\$66,854</b>
Believe & Grow Capital Campaign	\$435	\$1,592	\$2,027

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!**

**Mass INTENTIONS**

Sat 2/4	4:00pm 6:00pm	†Mr & Mrs Vu Huu Chuong Joonsik Peter Kang
Sun 2/5	8:00am 9:30am 11:30am 1:00pm 5:00pm	†Raymond Rusandhy Pro Populo †Edward Andrade Sera LeMire Tasha -Thuy Nguyen Amelita Navarro †Lucia Luisa Aragon †Ambie Ronquillo
Mon 2/6	8:00am	†Dorothy Przybylski
Tues 2/7	8:00am	†Anna Nguyen
Wed 2/8	8:00am	†Mary Knigge
Thurs 2/9	8:00am	†Eduardo Castro
Fri 2/10	8:00am	Glenda Mortenson
Sat 2/11	8:00am	Baby Johanna Harris Nancy Gallivan and Family Sera LeMire Chris Jensen Teresa and Steve LeMire †Rommel Cinco

*Rest in Peace* Fr. Ray Skonezny

**PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING**

Flory Aguilar	Jim Miller
Carole Caplett	Elena Monico
Marietta Charbonneau	Linda Moore
Ellen Chang	Sharon Morley
Beata Durdovic	Ernie Natividad
Kathy Ellis	James Natividad
Merrie French	Susan Nakagama
Marco Gama	Cathal O'Regan
Cristina Giannantonio	Gerald Pilkington
Susie Giannantonio	George Quitoriano
Alina Gram	Paula Jane Ramirez
Tina Halberg	Donna Rohrer
CJ Hassett	Eileen Rossi
Julissa Huerta	Ann Rupp
Brooke Huismans	Norma Santiago
Sharon Jones	Jack Scharff
Natalia Julian	Susan Shadley
Richard & Elizabeth Kulas	Boyd Siddaway
Kevin Lee	Tara Summers
Patrick Lee	Jesus Villanueva
Jack Light	Raymund Villanueva
Kathy Meals	Roger Wells
Shella Arciaga Mercado	Kristine and Brandon Williams
	Michele Wills

Please email [bulletin@stmirvine.org](mailto:bulletin@stmirvine.org) to add a name. Names will be included for one month, if requested.

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,  
and your wound shall quickly be healed. (Is 58:8)

### Psalm:

The just man is a light in darkness to the upright. (Ps 112)  
Or Alleluia.

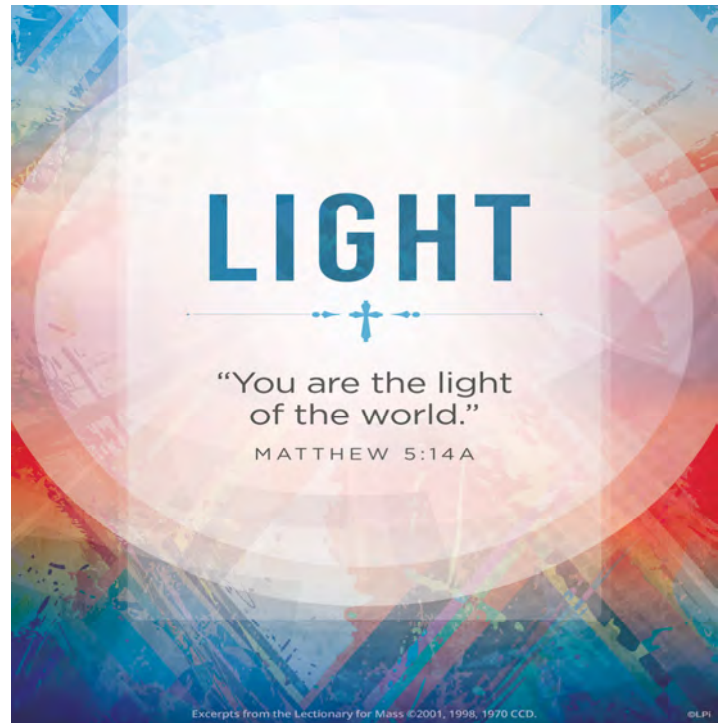
### Second Reading:

When I came to you, brothers and sisters,  
proclaiming the mystery of God,  
I did not come with sublimity of words or of wisdom.  
For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you  
except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. (1 Cor 2:1-2)

### Gospel:

"You are the light of the world.  
A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.  
Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket."  
(Mt 5:14-15)

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*Newly Baptized*

Houston Duke Wong



We are seeking help in the parish office. Please contact Lisa Bergler for more details, if interested at (949) 551-8601 or email at [Lbergler@stmirvine.org](mailto:Lbergler@stmirvine.org).



**COMING SOON.**

*Saint Louis de Montfort's*

*33 Day*

*Total Consecration*

*to Jesus through Mary*



Begins February 20, 2023 with Mass at 7:00 pm

Date of consecration: Feast of the Annunciation (March 25) at 7:30 pm.

*Daily prayers and readings for 33 days will prepare us all for the day to consecrate anew our hearts to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.*

**More info to follow!**



CONFIRMATION

WED 7PM

**Sponsor Forms & Saint Reports Are Due**

Attention C2 families! Sponsor forms and Saint reports were due December 17th. Please turn in sponsor forms in person to the youth ministry office and please email saint reports to Confirmation@stmirvine.org. If you have any questions, please let us know.



YOUTH MINISTRY

SAT 8AM

**Steubenville West Youth Conference**

This high-energy youth conference where thousands of high school teens are invited to encounter Jesus Christ through dynamic speakers, engaging music, the Sacraments, small group discussions, and fellowship with other teens. The conference is being held July 14-16 in Tucson, Arizona. For more information please contact abraham@stmirvine.org



CONFIRMATION

WED 7PM

**Confirmation Class Schedule.**

**C1:** Wed 2/1, Wed 2/15, Wed 3/1

**C2:** Wed 2/8, Wed 3/1



YOUTH MINISTRY

SUN 6PM

**YTH NITE**

Join us on Sunday (2/5) for YTH NITE! YTH NITES are for High School teens to come together in community, have dinner, and learn how to apply their Catholic faith to their lives. We can't wait to see you! YTH NITE begins after the 5PM Mass and ends at 8:00PM.



# R.E.P. CORNER



**ATTENTION 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup>**  
from 8:30AM-7PM!



The cost is \$80 for the entire day.  
Please contact Lisa Busch at [lisa@stmirvine.org](mailto:lisa@stmirvine.org) or call the REP Office to register.



**First Communion (2nd year) Parents:**  
Please remember to register for the First Communion Retreat by Friday, February 17th.



For any questions, call the REP office at (949) 551-8029 or email [rep@stmirvine.org](mailto:rep@stmirvine.org).



## The Library Corner

The St. Thomas More Parish Library staff would like to wish all our parishioners a Happy Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Parish Library will be open today from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Have you ever thought of what is the most basic foundation of our society and our Catholic Church? If your answer is, our Church, the community that heals and elevates our human nature through God's grace, you are correct. The STM Parish Library has an excellent book on this topic entitled, *'The First Society'*, authored by Dr. Scott Hahn. Dr. Hahn looks at some of the problems in our society and our Catholic Church and reflects deeply upon Biblical truths and hope, to solve these problems. A quote from Richard John Neuhaus states, "If Catholics would simply live the Sacrament of Matrimony for one generation, we would witness a transformation of society and have a Christian culture". Dr. Hahn shows that marriage, society and our current challenging world are all interconnected biblically. He sums up the way to live a life faithful to God: living in love and fidelity, we can reach our goal of a society of God's Sacramental faith.



## Our 2023 PSA appeal has begun!

Being a Catholic means being part of a bigger mission than our parish life.  
It makes you an integral part of the Diocese of Orange.

The Pastoral Service Appeal insures that we come together in support of  
everything Catholic in our community -  
Catholic Education, Clergy formation and Support, Services for the needy.

We encourage everyone to support the work of our Church and participate in this appeal.  
No gift is too great or too small.

Our goal this year is to have every parish family pledge in some form.  
In addition, once we have met our assessment of \$137,000,  
all donations will be returned to enhance our Parish Life here at STM.

PSA envelopes are available at the tables outside after Mass.  
Or you can donate directly using this QR code.

Please prayerfully consider how your family will respond to this call to carry on Christ's  
work in our Church and our community.

More Information  
[www.rcbo.org/psa](http://www.rcbo.org/psa)

  
PASTORAL SERVICES APPEAL



# Creating a Culture of Life

Support can absolutely make a difference. Let's do what we can to never let a woman feel so alone and desperate as to abort her child. Awareness of the numerous resources available to women and couples who find themselves too overwhelmed to carry through with pregnancies can quite possibly save a life. Donating and volunteering at these various organizations in our local area will be concrete ways to build a Culture of Life.

## PREGNANCY CLINICS / MEDICAL CLINICS

**Obria:** Fully licensed health care clinic – physical, mental, spiritual, and social needs – before, during and after pregnancy. 877-558-0333. <https://obria.org>

**Horizon Pregnancy Clinic:** Numerous services including mobile clinics. 714-897-7500 or text to 657-204-6507. <https://www.horizonpc.org>

**La Habra Life Center:** Licensed medical clinic offering pregnancy related services. 562-691-9395. <https://lahabralifecenter.org>

**Santa Ana Life Center:** Mentors/ walks with mothers, provides/refers for needed services. 714-835-5433. <https://www.lifecenterofsantaana.org>

**Options United:** A 24-hour hotline that can connect anyone in the US to their local pregnancy help centers. 877-398-7734. <https://www.optionsunited.com>

## SHELTER / HOUSING / FINANCIAL SUPPORT

**Precious Life Shelter:** Emergency, transitional and single parent efficiency program providing for pregnant women with no place to live. 562-431-5025 <https://www.preciouslifeshelter.org>

**Casa Teresa:** A program-based shelter for pregnant women in crisis who are 18 or older. 714-538-4860 <https://casateresa.org>

**Mary's Path:** Nationally accredited short-term residential therapeutic program facility for pregnant and parenting youth, ages 12 to 21 from the foster care system. 714-730-0930. <https://www.maryspath.org>

**Let Them Live:** 73% of women have abortions due to financial burden. Let Them Live offers financial support so they can choose life instead. 203-450-HELP. <https://letthemlive.org>

## FOSTER CARE / ADOPTION SUPPORT

**Orange County - Adoption and Foster Care**  
<https://www.ssa.ocgov.com/adoptfoster-care-youth-services>

**Olive Crest - Adoption and Foster Care**  
<https://www.olivecrest.org/orange-county/>  
714-543-5437

**Holy Family Services (Adoption & Foster Care)**  
<https://hfservices.ladiocese.org/>  
1231 E. Chapman Avenue Fullerton, CA 92831  
714-680-6100

## POST-ABORTION HEALING

**Orange Diocese - Hope and Healing After Abortion**  
<https://rcbo.org/ministry/office-for-family-life/topics/pastoral-care/hope-healing-after-abortion/>  
800-722-4356

### Rachel's Vineyard

A powerful weekend retreat for healing held in various times and places across the United States.  
[www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)  
877-HOPE-4-ME (877-467-3463).

## PRAYER / SUPPORT

**40 Days for Life.** An internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses.  
[www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com)

**We Were Born Ready.** Born Ready is the California Catholic Conference's forum to empower, equip, mobilize, resource Catholics to fulfill their baptismal call to serve women, children, and families, especially women in difficult and unexpected pregnancies.  
[www.wewerebornready.com](http://www.wewerebornready.com)

**Knights of Columbus.** The largest Catholic fraternal organization in the country has committed \$5 million to support prolife pregnancy centers across the country through a program called ASAP (Assistance and Support After Pregnancy). [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)

**California Catholic Conference.** The CCC is the official public policy voice of the Catholic Church of California. They advocate with policy makers and the public to advance the Catholic vision of human life and dignity. All are encouraged to be a part of the CCC's "Action Alerts" to receive updates on legislative activities that might require the Catholic voice to be heard.  
[Cacatholic.org/action-alerts](http://Cacatholic.org/action-alerts)

This list can be found on our website at [stmirvine.org](http://stmirvine.org)



# GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

New for 2023

Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one

GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life. We know it hurts, and we want to help.

Mondays 7-8:30 pm January 9 - April 3, 2023  
OR  
Tuesdays 10-11:30 am January 10 - April 4, 2023  
St. Thomas More Parish  
Register at [GriefShare.org](http://GriefShare.org)



# GROWING WITH THE Gospel

CYCLE A

## COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time • Matthew 5:13-16



**Blessed Candles**  
**Feb 4th & 5th**

*Sponsored by:*  
**Young Ladies Institute**  
**Suggested donation: \$5.00**



# Food Pantry at STM

**2nd and 4th Tuesdays every month**  
**1:00 PM to 2:00 PM**

**Our food pantry is available to anyone who needs it during these challenging times.**

NEW BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM!




# Matthew

*The King and His Kingdom*

Saturdays at 9:00 AM

To register, contact Deacon Tony  
[deacontony@stmirvine.org](mailto:deacontony@stmirvine.org)



JEFF CAVINS and SARAH CHRISTMYER



# MEN'S RETREAT

February 17 - 19, 2023

The Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center invites the men of STM to join on an epic adventure to the interior of our souls. Reservations can be made by contacting our Parish Captain:

Mark Kreyche at 714-914-2689 or at [mgkreyche@gmail.com](mailto:mgkreyche@gmail.com)  
or you may register directly at: <https://materdolorosa.org/calendar/>



# 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
Music Director, Including Wedding Music	Keith Rattay	(9) 551-8601
Sacristans	Pam Ocampo	(9) 468.6704
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	Windy Lozano	(9) 551-8601
Confirmation	Abraham Villela	(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	Mike Smith	(9) 300-1913
Respect Life	hris Gonzales	(9) 551-8601
STM Veterans	Sgt. Bob Kohler	(9)552-1895
St. Vincent de Paul	Bill Chacon	(9) 331-1020
Vietnamese Ministry	Huan Le	(7) 261-9893
Young Ladies Institute	Cathy Wachtel	(9) 857-5037

## 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	Abraham Villela	(9) 551-8602
More Moms	Krystal Padley	(9) 551-8601
Religious Education	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
Spanish Bible Study	Teresa LeMire	(7) 832-1770
When Women Pray	Paula Hines	(7) 746-1802

If you are feeling called to serve in one or more of our ministries, please email: [serve@stmirvine.org](mailto:serve@stmirvine.org)



## Around the Diocese...



### World Day of the Sick Mass

Bishop Kevin Vann  
Principal Celebrant

Saturday, February 11, 2023

10 a.m.



Christ Cathedral  
13280 Chapman Avenue  
Garden Grove, CA 92840

Celebration held in  
Honor of  
Our Lady of Lourdes



Join us for a special  
Mass including

- ~Anointing of the Sick
- ~Blessing of the caregiver hands
- ~Blessing with Lourdes Water



Sponsored by  
Order of Malta  
Orange Chapter



## SACRAMENT SERIES FOR ADULTS

Grow in deeper understanding  
of the Sacraments.

3rd Wednesday of the Month  
2023

February 15      2 Options  
 March 15        10am-11:30am  
 April 19           or  
 May 17            6:30pm-8pm



Heart of Jesus  
RETREAT CENTER

Call or email  
to RSVP

2927 S Greenville St  
Santa Ana CA, 92704  
(714) 557-4538  
retreatcenter@joyfulapostolate.org

ORANGE DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF  
CATHOLIC WOMEN

## Annual Conference

"SAINTS IN THE MAKING"



**LISA M. HENDEY**  
Keynote Speaker

**SATURDAY**  
**MARCH 11, 2023**  
**8 AM - 12:30 PM**

FREED THEATER  
CHRIST CATHEDRAL  
13280 Chapman Ave.  
Garden Grove, CA 92840



**BISHOP  
KEVIN VANN**  
Special Musical Performance

**REGISTER ONLINE:**  
ocdcw.org



**REGISTER BY MAIL:**  
Contact:  
Susan Navarrete  
snavarrete150@gmail.com

\$55/person  
(lunch included)

## National Needs Second Collection Feb 4th & 5th



This collection combines the collections for  
Catholic Campaign for Human Development,  
the Catholic Communication Campaign,  
Catholic Home Missions and  
the Catholic University of America.



# Magnificat

A Ministry to Catholic Women

### Orange Diocese Magnificat Prayer Breakfast

Hosted by Our Lady Queen of Peace Chapter

Saturday, March 4, 2023

9:30am to 12:30pm

Location: Cultural Center, Christ Cathedral

Guest Speaker: Fr. Angelos Sebastian



"I can do all things through Christ  
who strengthens me".

-Philippians 4:



NEW YEAR, NEW BEGINNING!



WWME.org

Give your spouse  
the gift of time.

Feb 11-12, 2023

Heart of Jesus Retreat Center



Register: [ocwwme.org](http://ocwwme.org)