



# SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## Mass schedule

### Daily

8:00 am Monday to Saturday\*  
6:00 pm Monday to Friday

### 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 6:30pm

**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

Sacramental preparation and accommodations for people with disabilities: contact Tara in the office



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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

### First Pastor

### Rev. Eugene J. Lee

Rev. Thomas Tran  
Rev. Francis Li  
Rev. Joseph Horn, O Praem  
Rev. Joseph Justice  
Deacon Tin & Mrs. UyenLan Nguyen  
Deacon Leonard & Mrs. Nancy Sun

†Rev. John E. Janze

### Office Information

Office hours:

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

Saturday: 8:30am-2:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am-1:00pm

[frontdesk@stmirvine.org](mailto:frontdesk@stmirvine.org)

Front Office:

After-hours emergency: 949-551-8601 ext. 7

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949-919-5494

**February 8, 2026**



## YOUR LIGHT MUST SHINE.

— MATTHEW 5:16 —

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# WELCOME to STM!



## Prayers for Healing

Racquel Aguinaldo	Marisol Muro
Flory Aguilar	Susan Navarrete
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Cristina Crouth	Norma Peckson
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Cecelia Duzynski	Jacqueline Claire Poznoski
Jamael Edwards	Sandra Quezada
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Doug & Kathie Hibbard	Jimmy Rocha
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Natalie and Warren Julian	Richard Stock
Chris Kasko	Donny Stoufus
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Janette Maurer	Raymund Villanueva
Nilda A. Medalle	Linda Vito
Susan McCaffrey	Andy Zelinko
Deirdre Morley	Joe & Judy Zwetow
Rosie Muñoz	

## Mass Intentions

Sat 2/7	4:00pm	†Coby Kok-Jansen
	6:00pm	†John Do
		†Souls in Purgatory
		†Lourdes Garcia
		†Pilar Fabio
		†John Schulte
		†Fernando Moya
		†Anatilde Rojas
		†Saul Rene Delgado
Sun 2/8	8:00am	†Glen Cope
	9:30am	PRO- POPULO
	11:30am	†Ester Malapas
	1:00pm	Rosemary Puentes
	5:00pm	Allen Chiou and Family
Mon 2/9	8:00am	Laura Kreyche Tisher
	6:00pm	†Coby Kok-Jansen
Tues 2/10	8:00am	Glenda Mortenson
	6:00pm	†Emila "Emalda" Shounia
Wed 2/11	8:00am	†Anna Nguyen
	6:00pm	†Nestor Antonio Alvarado Hernandez
Thurs 2/12	8:00am	William Lozano
	6:00pm	†Michael Haley
Fri 2/13	8:00am	Kaitlyn Lucia Nguyen Majkoski
	6:00pm	†Salvador Orozco
Sat 2/14	8:00am	Maureen Roe and Family
		Matilde Coto
		Fr. Eugene Lee
		Fr. Thomas Tran
		Mehrdad and Erika Samiabyaneh
		Charles and Carmen Calaway
		Claire Calaway
		Mary Grace Mercado
		†Parvin Sotodeh
		†Jose Llana
		†Carmelita Mabanta
		†Souls in Purgatory
		†Faustina Trieu Vo

## Collection Report

1/19/2026 – 1/25/2026

Sunday/Christmas Collection	\$ 40,282.00
Believe & Build, BGT, BGT2	\$ 31,889.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 162.00
Misc Income (Mass Intentions, etc)	\$ 4,897.00

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## Funeral Masses

Feb 9 at 11:00am Thu Thi Chu  
Feb 13 at 10:00am Bill Whiteside

## Second Collection This Weekend for National Needs

This combines the collections for:  
Catholic Campaign for Human Development  
Catholic Communication Campaign  
Catholic Home Missions  
Catholic University of America



2025 contribution statements are now available by request. Please contact the parish office at (949) 551-8601 to request your statement. We do not keep a record for those who are not registered at St. Thomas More Catholic Church. *Please be ready to provide your envelope number.*



## 9-Day Novena to the Holy Face of Jesus



**Begins Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>** — please pickup a copy of the Novena at the Church or go to [stmirvine.org](http://stmirvine.org) for online copy.

**February 9<sup>th</sup> thru 13<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>**— join us for the Novena after the 8 AM Mass or 10 minutes before the 6 PM Mass.

**February 17<sup>th</sup>** — Consecration to the Holy Face after the 6PM Mass. Medal of the Holy Face of Jesus to be distributed.

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**Reparation to God's Holy Face is the highest devotion**



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## LENTEN SEASON

### **Ash Wednesday | February 18<sup>th</sup>**

Masses: 8:00 AM  
12:00 PM (LITURGY OF THE WORD)  
3:30 PM | 5:30 PM  
7:30 PM (MULTILINGUAL)

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Lenten Penance Service:  
Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM  
Weekly Confessions:  
Saturdays from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

### **Thursdays in Lent**

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AFTER 6:00 PM MASS

Holy Hour | Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, March 19<sup>th</sup>  
Taizé Adoration | Mar. 5<sup>th</sup>, Mar. 12<sup>th</sup>, Mar. 26<sup>th</sup>

### **Fridays in Lent**

6:00 PM | Mass  
6:30 PM | Dinner (SERVED 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM)  
Soup and Scripture:  
Feb 20<sup>th</sup> | March 13<sup>th</sup> | March 20<sup>th</sup>  
Friday Fish Dinners:  
Feb 27<sup>th</sup> | March 6<sup>th</sup> | March 27<sup>th</sup>  
\*NO FRIDAY FISH DINNER ON GOOD FRIDAY  
7:30 PM | Stations of the Cross  
(Living Stations: March 27<sup>th</sup>)






## STM CONFIRMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

### Next Classes:

C1- Wed., Feb 11 at 7:00pm

C2- Wed, Feb 25 at 7:00pm

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### Ash Wednesday: Feb 18

Go to Mass and get your ashes!



### Bible Study:

Mondays: 7:00pm to 8:30pm in the Fireside Room

### C1 Students are on retreat next weekend.

Please keep the students, volunteers and families in your prayers!



## R.E.P. CORNER



### Our First Reconciliation Retreat was a HUGE success!!

THANK YOU to all of our First Communion students, parents, Catechists and Clergy that helped make this such a great event.



### MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH DAY

A big THANK YOU to Lisa Busch & the rest of her team that led our EDGE students to Middle School Youth Day at Knott's Berry Farm this weekend.

Everyone in attendance had a fun & spiritual experience. They all came back "on fire" and ready to spread the word of God throughout the parish.



### SAVE THE DATE!!

REP families mark your calendars for our Mardi Gras Potluck & Family Service Project on Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>.

We hope you can join us for this fun event! Stay tuned for more information.



## Grief Support Group

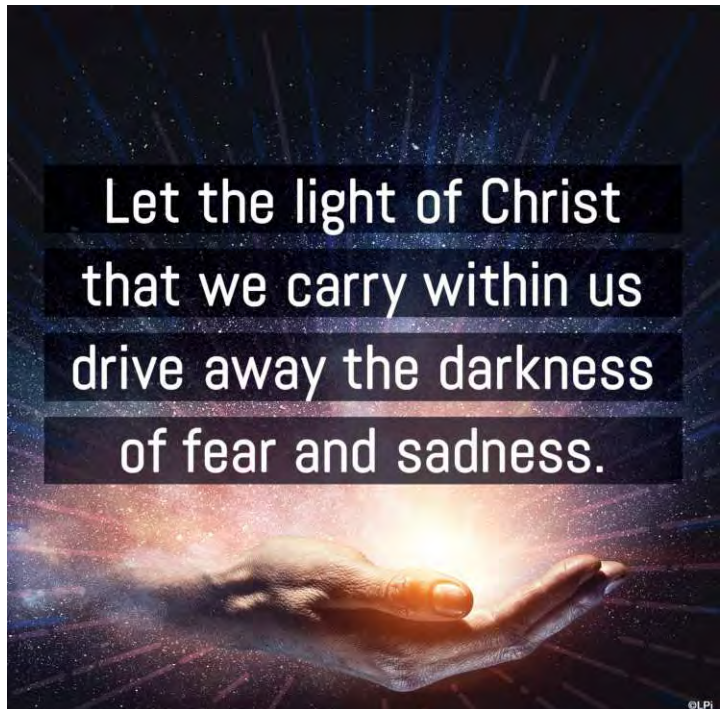
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Tuesdays 10:00-11:30 AM  
January 13 - April 7

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[griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org)

Let the light of Christ  
that we carry within us  
drive away the darkness  
of fear and sadness.





# Welcome

Let us welcome Deacon David Wang to our parish. He has been assigned to be in our parish briefly until June 30 this year. Let us support him as he prepares for ordination to the priesthood.

Deacon David Wang is a transitional deacon from mainland China, raised in a traditional Catholic family with several priestly and religious vocations. After completing his undergraduate studies, he entered priestly formation, completing philosophical studies in China and continuing his theological formation in the United States.

He arrived in the United States in 2018 and pursued priestly formation at Saint Mary's Seminary and University in Baltimore, where he earned the Bachelor of Sacred Theology and the Master of Divinity degrees. He was ordained a transitional deacon on March 4, 2023. He later earned a Master of Arts in Theology from Villanova University, with a focus on faith and science.

Over the past three years, Deacon Wang has served in pastoral ministry at Saint Katharine of Siena Parish and Holy Redeemer Chinese Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. He is grateful to continue his vocation journey and looks forward to serving the Church in the Diocese of Orange.



**FOOD PANTRY**  
will collect donations  
Sunday, February 8

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Faith is not meant to be lived alone. In Small Faith Communities, we listen, learn, and grow together in God's love.



# STM SFC

STM Small Faith Communities



## Questions of the Week

### First Reading:

We hear from Isaiah that the Lord expects us to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and avoid false accusations and hateful speech. Which of these virtues could you practice this week?

### Second Reading:

Paul encourages the Corinthians to ground their faith in the power of God and not in human wisdom. How can you make this a regular habit?

### Gospel:

Jesus challenges his disciples to have a positive influence in the world. Who do you know makes the world a better place?

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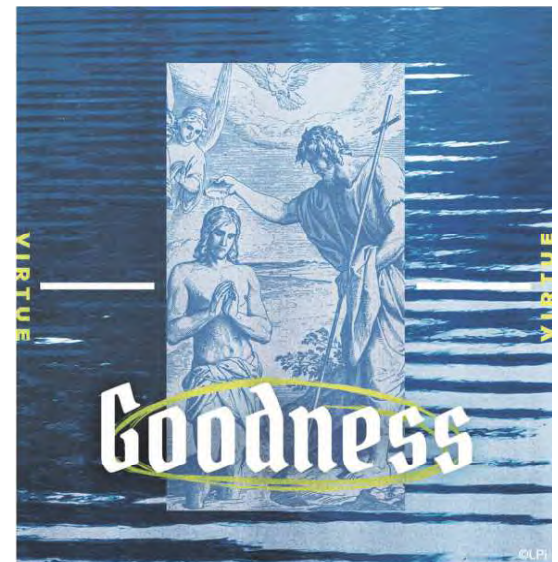


## Winter Bible Studies Registration is OPEN!



Choose your Bible adventure!

- ☐ Bible Basics
- ☐ Genesis
- ☐ Romans
- ☐ Jesus
- ☐ Spanish



### Virtues, *Explained!*

In baptism, the Holy Spirit gives us the sanctifying grace of justification — the ability to grow in goodness through an increase in moral virtue (CCC 1266). Baptism, therefore, disposes us toward goodness.

### Blessing of Mission

Bless us on our way, O Lord.  
Share with us as we share with others.  
Heal us as we help others to heal.  
Provide for us as we open our hands in charity.  
Every gift comes from You.  
You are at the heart of all that is good.  
Share that goodness with us today, abundantly.  
Amen.



## LOVE CATHOLIC BOOKS?

Our church library is looking for a few volunteers who would be willing to help for just a couple of hours a month.

This is a simple and rewarding way to serve—helping keep our library organized and accessible so others can continue to grow in faith through good Catholic reading.

If you're interested or would like more information, contact [denyse@stmirvine.org](mailto:denyse@stmirvine.org).



## OCIA

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

**Are you thinking about becoming a  
Catholic or completing your sacraments?**

**Thursdays 7:00 PM**

Contact Marie:  
[OCIA@stmirvine.org](mailto:OCIA@stmirvine.org)

### Observances for the week of February 8, 2026

- Sunday:** 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day
- Tuesday:** St. Scholastica, Virgin
- Wednesday:** Our Lady of Lourdes
- Saturday:** Sts. Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop; Valentine's Day
- Next Sunday:** 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Salt without flavor is no longer salt. Light that illuminates nothing is no longer light. As Christians, we must be what we have been made to be. So think about it, carefully: what stands between you and being who you were made to be?

## ST. THOMAS MORE MINISTRIES

### Liturgy Support

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### Sacraments

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Confirmation	Mike Fahey	(9) 551-8602
First Communion	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
First Reconciliation	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)	Sonny & Marie Obillos	(9) 668-5201
Marriage Case Support	Contact office	(9) 551-8601
Marriage Encounter	Mike & Lisa Bergler	(9) 551-8601
Wedding Coordinator	Mary Jane Rin	(9) 551-8601

### Service

Bereavement	Rosie Muñoz	(9) 551-8601
Chinese Ministry	Deacon Leonard Sun	(7) 932-1689
Corazon	Norma Jean Womack	(9) 903-1472
Filipino Ministry	Mernie Empalmado	(9) 551-8601
Grief Share Ministry	K.C. Riley	(7) 875-8126
Hispanic Ministry	Victor Cota	(9) 400-7743
Homeless Lunch Ministry	Jessica Silva & Kim Lee	(9) 294-2875 (7) 293-8987
Knights of Columbus Council #13111	John Royston	(7) 743-9774
Respect Life	Chris Gonzales	(9) 551-8601
Safety Ministry	Franck Reynaud	(7) 906-7569
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	Ann Johnson	(9) 374-1547

### Spiritual Development

Adult Faith Formation	Tara Reynaud, Denyse Gagnon, Mary Jane Rin	(7) 925-9992
Bible Study (Bible Focused Formation)	Margaret Cunningham	(7) 552-8711
Christ Renews His Parish	Steve Hastert & Stacey Howmann (7) 319-9947	(9) 939-0998
Cursillo	Susan Navarrete	(9) 345-9130
Devotional Life Committee	Julie Whiteside	(7) 615-7205
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Holy Spirit Prayer Team	John Moran	(7) 401-4728
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Prayer Partners	Mary Cope	(7) 900-0632
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Small Faith Communities	Denyse Gagnon	(7) 501-7848
Spanish Bible Study (Bible Focused Formation)	Teresa LeMire	(7) 832-1770
When Women Pray	Paula Hines	(7) 746-1802


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 "All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for refutation, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that one who belongs to God may be competent, equipped for every good work." 2 Timothy 3:16-17

## Welcome Christ Renews His Parish 2.0

### Men's Weekend

Sat & Sun March 14<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>  
St. Thomas More Church, Irvine

### Women's Weekend

Sat & Sun March 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>  
St. Thomas More Church, Irvine

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Welcome. CRHP 2.0 *There is More to Life*

### Devotions, *Explained!* Prayer to St. Joseph

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