



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

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Religious Education: 949-551-8029
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February 15, 2026

BUT I SAY TO
YOU.

MATTHEW 5:34

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME to STM!



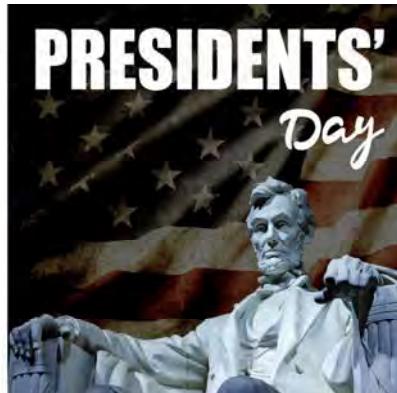
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Email bulletin@stmirvine.org to add a name to be included for one month

In observance of the
holiday
the parish offices
will be closed
on
Monday, February 16

In case of an
emergency, call
(949) 551-8601 ext 7



Mass Intentions

Sat 2/14	4:00pm	Joonsik Peter Kang
	6:00pm	†Patrick Batent
Sun 2/15	8:00am	Natalie Tran Nancy Wong Canh Nguyen James Adibi Isabel Adibi Fr. Angelus Echeverry †Pius Bae †Greg M. Dahunog †Eva B. Barion †Pierre Adolphe
	9:30am	Ailyn Grace Maristela
	11:30am	PRO- POPULO
	1:00pm	Rosa Elvira Hernandez
	5:00pm	†Charles Thai
Mon 2/16	8:00am	Steven Tran
	6:00pm	†Margarita Sicat
Tues 2/17	8:00am	†Deacon Tony Patronite
	6:00pm	†Bill Whiteside
Wed 2/18	8:00am	†Edgardo Mencia
	3:30pm	†Peter The Nguyen
	5:30pm	†Michele Wills
	7:30pm	Allen Chiou and Family
Thurs 2/19	8:00am	†Courtney Anne Del Villar
	6:00pm	Deacon Bernie and Pam Ocampo
Fri 2/20	8:00am	†Fadi Zikoor
	6:00pm	Fr. Thomas Tran
Sat 2/21	8:00am	Steve and Teresa Lemire Ryan James Ramirez Paula Jane Ramirez Esteban Rojas Maria Conner Maryhelen Rhios Grace Lopez Theresa Nault Patricia and David Crapo Eileen Voigt †John Lawrence Haley

Collection Report

1/26/2026 – 2/1/2026

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

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.

LENTEN SEASON

Ash Wednesday | February 18th

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 25th at 7:00 PM

Weekly Confessions:

Saturdays from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Fridays in Lent

6:00 PM | Mass

6:30 PM | Dinner (SERVED 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM)

Soup and Scripture:

Feb 20th | March 13th | March 20th

Friday Fish Dinners:

Feb 27th | March 6th | March 27th

*NO FRIDAY FISH DINNER ON GOOD FRIDAY

7:30 PM | Stations of the Cross

(Living Stations: March 27th)

Thursdays in Lent

EUCARISTIC ADORATION AFTER 6:00 PM MASS

Holy Hour | Feb. 19th, Feb. 26th, March 19th

Taizé Adoration | Mar. 5th, Mar. 12th, Mar. 26th



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Ash Wednesday: Feb 18
Go to Mass and get your ashes!



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Next Classes:
C2 – Wed, Feb 25 at 7:00pm
C1 – Wed., Mar 4 at 7:00pm

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

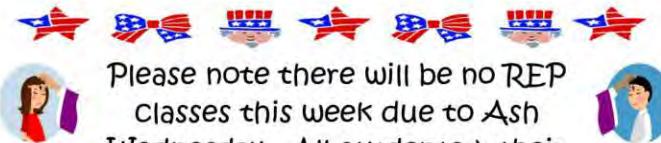
C1 Students are on retreat this weekend.
Please keep the students, volunteers and families in your prayers!



R.E.P. CORNER



The REP Office will be closed Monday, February 16th in observance of Presidents' Day.



Please note there will be no REP classes this week due to Ash Wednesday. All students & their families are strongly encouraged to attend Mass on Ash Wednesday.



ATTENTION REP FAMILIES!!

Just a reminder that our Mardi Gras Potluck & Family Service Project is coming up **THIS Tuesday, February 17th**. We hope you can join us for this fun event!

Please RSVP by Sunday, February 15th.



First Communion Families:

Our First Reconciliations are set for Saturday, February 28th at 10AM.



Please keep reviewing prayers (especially the Act of Contrition) & steps to Reconciliation with your children.

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FASTING: In the dioceses in the United States, Catholics aged 18 through 59 are bound to fast on both **Ash Wednesday, February 18 and Good Friday, April 3.** To fast means a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. Food and drink between meals (excepting water and medicine) is not permitted on fast days.

ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT: Catholics aged 14 and up are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday. To abstain means refraining from eating beef, veal, pork, or poultry at least, although eggs and milk products are acceptable. The consumption of fish and shellfish is permitted, though the penitential character of the abstinence should be kept in mind.

WE NEED YOUR VIDEOS!

Calling all home movie buffs! Our 30th Anniversary team is looking for your memories!

Please send us your video of any event that took place at St. Thomas More since our inception! It could be a parishioner/family wedding; sacrament; Mass or celebration. It might be a dinner, BBQ, or party event. We would like to see what you have and include it in our video project.

For digital film, upload to:
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For any physical film - like VHS; cassette or DVD - please clearly label with your name and phone number and drop them off at the front desk, between 9am and 5pm daily! If you have any questions, please contact - Tara Reynaud at 714.925.9992

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Sat & Sun March 14th - 15th
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THANK YOU ANGELS!

Dear St. Thomas More Angel Tree Families: We are overjoyed to share with you that the total value of the cash, checks, gift cards, bikes, toys, sports equipment and other gifts contributed to the STM 2025 "Angel Tree" exceeded **\$65,000!** Thanks to your love, prayers and generosity, many hundreds of our brothers and sisters in Christ experienced a more blessed and joyful Christmas! In addition, you helped Catholic Charities of OC, the US Navy & USMC, Holy Family Hospital of Bethlehem's Neo-Natal Unit, STM St. Vincent de Paul and Homeless Lunch Ministries, Orangewood Children's Home, Covenant House, and Life Center of OC. **How awesome are you?! Thank you all and may our good Lord bless you and your families abundantly! We also want to thank "Elf Dog" and Chief Elf Chris who assembled more than 30 bikes and trikes for the kiddos to have under their tree on Christmas morning!**

Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine you did for me.

-Matthew 25: 40



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.



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— MATTHEW 5:19



PASTORAL SERVICES APPEAL

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STM SFC

STM Small Faith Communities



Questions of the Week

First Reading:

Sirach speaks of the human freedom to choose between good and evil and of God's desire for us to act justly. What good could you do this week for a friend or family member?

Second Reading:

Paul teaches that God reveals His wisdom to us through the Holy Spirit. How might you be more open to listening to the Holy Spirit in your daily life?

Gospel:

Jesus offers stern warnings against breaking the commandments, holding grudges, committing adultery, divorcing your spouse, and falsifying oaths. Why do you think Jesus holds us to such high moral expectations?

Observances for the week of February 15, 2026

Sunday: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

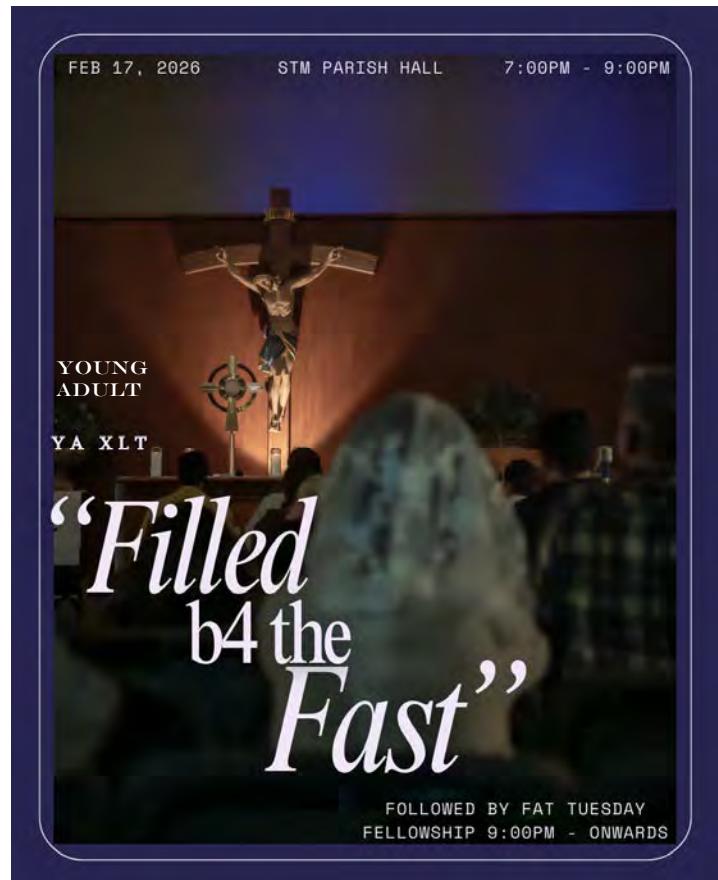
Monday: Presidents' Day

Tuesday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday

Saturday: St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 1st Sunday of Lent





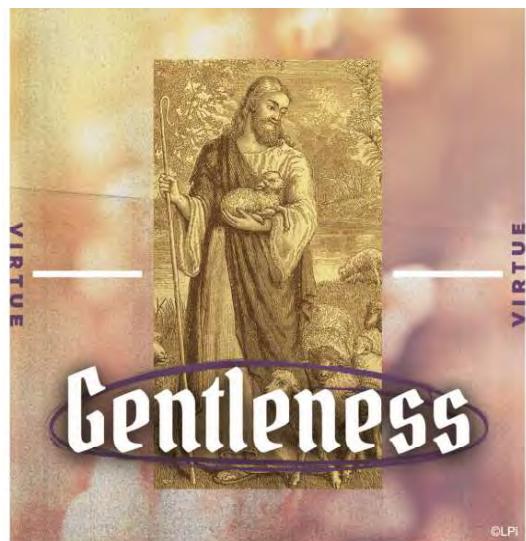
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If you're interested or would like more information, contact denyse@stmirvine.org.

Live The Liturgy
Inspiration of the Week

Jesus does not want us to live within the law — he wants the law to live within us. God's law, fulfilled by His Son, is rich soil. We must let it nourish the words and the decisions of our Christian life — only then will it flow forth into the world.

ST. THOMAS MORE MINISTRIES

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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
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Marriage Encounter	Mike & Lisa Bergler	(9) 551-8601
Wedding Coordinator	Mary Jane Rin	(9) 551-8601

Service

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Chinese Ministry	Deacon Leonard Sun	(7) 932-1689
Corazon	Norma Jean Womack	(9) 903-1472
Filipino Ministry	Mernie Empalmado	(9) 551-8601
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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

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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
FOCUS	Steven Debolt & Emily Ambrosio	(9) 382-4324
Holy Spirit Prayer Team	John Moran	(7) 401-4728
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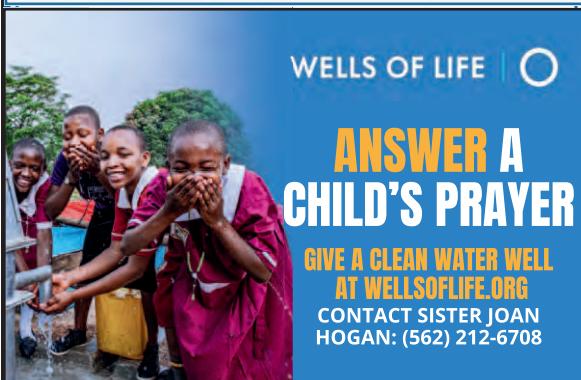
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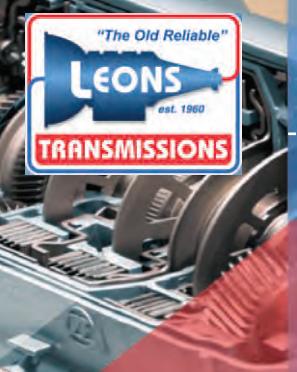
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