



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

Founding Pastor

Rev. Eugene J. Lee

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

Office Information

Office hours:
Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am-2:00pm
frontdesk@stmirvine.org
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After-hours emergency: 949-551-8601 ext. 7
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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 16, 2025

Welcome
to STM!



**The offices will be closed on
Monday, Feb 17th**
**In case of emergency, please call
(949) 551-8601 ext. 7**
**The church will be open for
Masses at 8am & 6pm**



Please pray for the 16 couples who are attending the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience this weekend here at STM. May their Sacrament of Marriage be renewed and strengthened. Come Holy Spirit!

Marriage Banquet

TIMOTHY COOK + VERONICA BUI

Collections and Expenses

2/3/2025 – 2/9/2025

	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Sunday Collection	\$16,068	\$15,426	\$31,494
Maintenance Fund	\$100	\$640	\$740
Other income	\$193,479	\$592	\$194,071
Church in Latin America...	\$300	\$0	\$300
Total income	\$209,947	\$16,658	\$226,606

Regular Expenses \$55,194

Capital Campaign \$7,519 \$10,035 \$17,554

Campaign Expenses \$15,284

If you would like to give online, please click on the e-giving link in the top corner of the STM website.

All donations to the capital campaign will be used exclusively to pay for the construction costs to build the new church. Moreover, maintenance fund donations can be used to pay for the construction costs to build the new church and for the maintenance and repairs of the existing buildings and property. If you have questions, please call the office. Thank you for your generosity!

MASS INTENTIONS

- Sat 2/15 6:00pm †Lise Hobart and Salvatore Baldomar
- Sun 2/16 8:00am †Alvin Cabrera
- 9:30am Leo Fernandez
Brandon Sarkar
Zachary Sarkar
†Barbara Cates
†Michael Haley
†Otto Widera
†Noel S. Dela Torre Sr.
†Judy Collins
†Cesar Guzman Bravo
- 11:30am †Ruben Olaes
- 1:00pm Moreno Jimenez Family
- 3:00pm PRO POPULO
- 5:00pm †Nela Tempongko
- Mon 2/17 8:00am Allen Chiou & Family
- 6:00pm †Peter and Martha Nguyen
- Tues 2/18 8:00am †Courtney Anne
- 6:00pm †Luis Sicut
- Wed 2/19 8:00am Fr. Thomas Tran
- 6:00pm Renee Andrade
- Thurs 2/20 8:00am †Anna Nguyen
- 6:00pm †Flora C. Bartolome
- Fri 2/21 8:00am Steve and Teresa Lemire
- 6:00pm †Aunty Joyce Pereira
- Sat 2/22 8:00am Ryan James Ramirez
Paula Jean Ramirez
Margarita Sicut
Johanna Harris
Deirdre Morley
†Jose and Encarnacion Gimenez



- Sam Adams
- Flory Aguilar
- Froy Becerra
- Daniel Bernabe
- Kelly Carter
- Bob & Sandy Catiller
- Lou and Nancy Chereny
- Paul Cook
- Victor Cota
- Paul Curran
- Chaz Decoteau
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- Jamael Edwards
- Nina Leones Espino
- Maria Fernandes
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- Marco Gama
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- Lisa Greubel
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- Cristeta Jaropillo
- Angela Judy
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- Miriam Kasperowicz
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- Vivian Knisely
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- Lauren Leal
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- Nilda A. Medalle
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- Deirdre Morley
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- Ernie Natividad
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- Ben Pataray
- Sharon Pataray
- Armando Peña
- Liz Pennington
- Jacqueline Claire Poznoski
- Donna Publico
- Sandra Quezada
- Ryan Quinn
- George Quitariano
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- Al & Elizabeth Rangitsch
- Guadalupe Rivas
- Jose Guadalupe Rivera
- Pauline Rocha
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- John Selig
- Richard Stock
- Donny Stoufufus
- Sally-Ann Thomas
- Lisa Turner
- Pete Villanueva
- Jesus Villanueva
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- Bill Whiteside
- Kristine & Brandon Williams
- Michele Wills
- Andy Zelinko

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



Our 2025 PSA appeal has begun!

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

The Pastoral Service Appeal (PSA) unites us in supporting all aspects of Catholic life in our community—Catholic education, clergy formation, and vital services for those in need.

We encourage every household to participate in this appeal.
No gift is too great or too small.

Our goal this year is for every parish family to make a pledge in some form.
Once we meet our assessment of \$137,000,
all additional 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 can respond
to this call to carry on Christ's work in our church and community.



SCAN TO DONATE.

Thank you so much!



For more Information
www.rcbo.org/psa

PASTORAL SERVICES APPEAL

STM CONFIRMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY



The C1 students will be on their retreat next weekend, February 21-23! Please keep them and our leaders in your prayers!

*Heavenly Father, God of power and of love. We pray for all the teens who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. May your Holy Spirit help them to grow in faith, hope and love and may they come to know you as the one true God who loves them without limit. May their hearts welcome you gladly. May their ears hear your voice in the scriptures. May their eyes see you in all things. And may they proclaim your glory as they walk in the ways of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. Amen.
Bl. Carlo Acutis, pray for us!*

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R.E.P. CORNER



The REP Office will be closed Monday, February 17th in observance of Presidents' Day.



ATTENTION MIDDLE SCHOOLERS



Don't forget—we have an EDGE Meeting THIS Tuesday (2/18) at 7PM. We hope to see you there!



SAVE THE DATE!!

REP families mark your calendars for our Fat Tuesday Potluck & Family Service Project on Tuesday, March 4th. We hope you can join us for this fun event! Stay tuned for more information.



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



GOOD SOIL

MARK 4:1-20

Join Us!!



STM SFC

STM Small Faith Communities



YOUNG ADULT MISSION EXPERIENCE TO JAMAICA

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with Fr. Eugene Lee



August 1-10, 2025

- ◊ Join with the Missionaries of the Poor (a religious order of consecrated brothers and sisters) for this powerful spiritual encounter with Christ in the poorest of the poor.
 - ◊ See flyer around the parish for full information, or contact mission coordinator. **INFO SESSION:** March 2, 6:30 pm over Zoom. Email Steven Debolt for link. (Not obligatory but informative.)
 - ◊ Mandatory Prep & Prayer Meetings: SUNDAYS, July 13, 20, & 27. 6:30 pm at STM.
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speaker: **Thao Lai**
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A Day of Family Reflection: Proclaiming Christ's Victory in the midst of Spiritual Battles

Saturday, February 22, 9am - noon
 @ St Thomas More Parish Hall

Featured speaker
Kathleen Beckman, author & evangelist

Fellowship and refreshments during intermission and after the event

Too many of us make the mistake of expecting prosperity here on Earth as a reward for following Christ. But Jesus is very clear: sorrow and hardship are a part of life. But when we offer these sufferings to Christ, they become transformed. They become blessed. And so do we.

Have you registered yet?

Stop by the office or go online to register and become part of the STM Family!

Why should I become a registered member of STM?

If you are attending Mass on a regular basis at St. Thomas More, we invite you to engage with us. Registered parishioners enjoy these benefits:

- STM offers opportunities and support as you journey in faith, through praying, serving, giving, learning and belonging.
- Registered parishioners receive important updates throughout the year so that you can keep up-to-date on important parish news.
- Registered parishioners receive preference when choosing dates for celebrations such as weddings or funerals.
- Other parishes often request verification of a person's status as a practicing Catholic, attendance at Mass, etc., when that person has been asked to be a Godparent or Sponsor. Without registration, no such verification can be made.
- Your Sunday offerings are confidentially recorded by parish staff for proof of donation for tax purposes.

Registering with St. Thomas More Catholic Church is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of your parish.

Register today online at www.stmirvine.org or call the parish office at 949-551-8601.

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Questions of the Week

First Reading:

Jeremiah believes it is wise to trust in the Lord. When have you had to place your trust in God?

Second Reading:

Paul challenged those in the Corinthian community who did not believe in the resurrection of the dead. How do you support family or friends who are non-believers?

Gospel:

We hear today how Jesus brought comfort to those struggling in life and challenged those who lived a life of ease. Is there someone you know who could benefit from your words of comfort this week?

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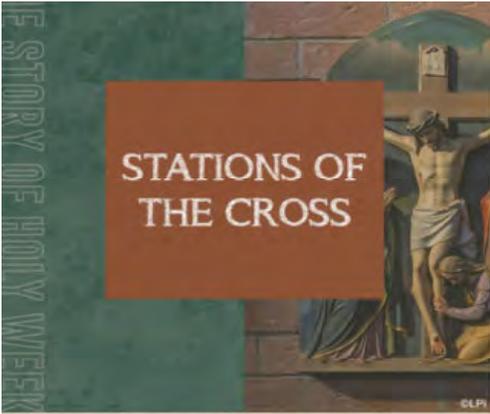


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Pray for the Intentions



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Devotions, Explained!

Since the earliest days of the Church, Christians have meditated upon Christ's passion and death. Over the centuries, the Stations of the Cross was popularized as a devotional means to experience the places and moments central to the story of Holy Week.

Prayer of God's Blessing

Bless me, Lord, mold my heart in imitation of Yours.
 Bless me, Lord, help me to see people as You do, and to hear their needs.
 Bless me, Lord, replace my understanding with Yours.
 Amen.

LET'S *Build* THE HOUSE OF THE Lord

Thank you to those who have offered prayers and have made sacrificial gifts for our NEW CHURCH!

Dedication Opportunities - Donor Recognition

- Cash or Check (Believe and Build in the memo line)
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Christ Renews His Parish

Men's Weekend
 Sat & Sun, March 1-2, 2025
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 Sat & Sun, March 8-9, 2025
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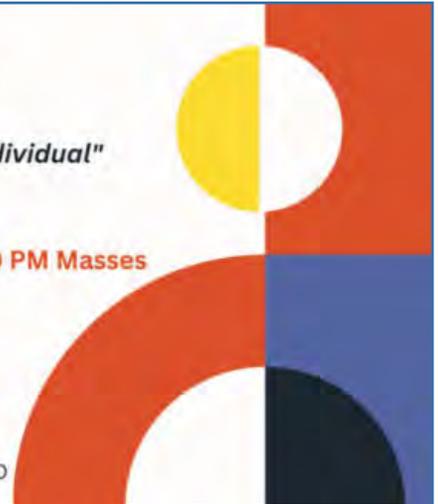
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Safety Training

15 minute sessions after Mass:
 "How to Deal with a Disruptive Individual"

February 16
 After the 1:00 PM, 3:00 PM, & 5:00 PM Masses
February 23
 After the 11:30 AM Mass
 All sessions in the Fireside Room

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Welcoming Committee	Vince Salico	(7) 389-7726

Sacraments

Baptism Coordinator	Maggy Gall	(9) 551-8601
Confirmation	Gerry Ordiano, Jr.	(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
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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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Hispanic Ministry	Victor Cota	(9) 400-7743
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Respect Life	Chris Gonzales	(9) 551-8601
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Young Ladies Institute	Rhonda Kersting	(7) 292-8251

Spiritual Development

Adult Faith Formation	Tara Reynaud	(7) 925-9992
Bible Study (Bible Focused Formation)	Margaret Cunningham	(7) 552-8711
Christ Renews His Parish	Tony Patronite	(9) 307-6215
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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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Religious Education	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
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THE ORANGE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION
25th ANNIVERSARY

The Orange Catholic Foundation cordially invites you to its

ANNUAL INVESTMENTS MEETING

WEDNESDAY
February 26, 2025
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

FREED THEATRE
Cathedral Cultural Center
13280 Chapman Ave., Garden Grove, CA

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

- Updates on your OCF Investments
- New charitable strategies to benefit your parish and parishioners
- Parish testimonials implementing alternative strategies
- Cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, raffle and conversation

RSVP BY FEBRUARY 19, 2025
Events@OrangeCatholicFoundation.org
714-282-3021

DIocese of ORANGE
CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

"Advance Planning Program"

On 2/23/2025, representatives from Catholic Cemeteries will be visiting our parish to explain the Advance Planning Program to us. All interested families who would like to receive information on the benefits of Advance Planning may sign up outside after mass with a representative. **There is no obligation in receiving the information.** If you have any questions or would like more information regarding Advance Planning Program, please call:

(888) 543-5020

Catholic Men's Fellowship of California
"Changing Men's Lives"

Saturday, March 15, 2025

SUPER SATURDAY MEN'S CONFERENCE

"YOU ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH"
MATTHEW 5:13

8:00 am - 3:30 pm

Catholic Cathedral Arboretum
13280 Chapman Ave.
Garden Grove, CA 92840




Magnificat
A Ministry to Catholic Women

Magnificat Meal

Hosted by Our Lady Queen of Peace Chapter
Saturday, Feb. 22, 2025

9:30am to 12:30pm Breakfast
Cultural Center, Christ Cathedral
Guest Speaker: Father William Goldin

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A 2025 Jubilee Year
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Saturday, March 15, 2025
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Rev. Jacob Hsieh, O. Praem
Rev. William B. Goldin, STD
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