

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: 949-344-2801









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 Rev. Eugene J. Lee

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Parochial Vicar Emeritus Rev. William Krekelberg Weekend Assistants Rev. Joseph Horn, O Praem

Rev. Joseph Justice

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Founding Pastor †Rev. John E. Janze

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Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm Saturday: 9:00am-2:00pm

March 19, 2023



4th SUNDAY OF LENT

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" - Jn 9:35

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Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David. (1 Sm 16:13)

Psalm:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (Ps 23)

Second Reading:

"Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light." (Eph 5:14)

Gospel:

He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva,

and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam" - which means Sent

So he went and washed, and came back able to see. (Jn 9:6-7)



Theresa Haider

Collections and Expenses 2-27-23 to 3-5-23

	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Sunday Collection	\$18,068	\$15,357	\$33,425
Maintenance Fund	\$340	\$1,127	\$1,467
Other income	\$6,399	\$1,297	\$7,696
Total income	\$24,808	\$17,781	\$42,589

Regular Expenses	\$8,001

Believe & Grow \$2,390 \$6,000 \$8,390 Capital Campaign

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 3/18 4:00pm Tasha Thuy Nguyen

6:00pm Ricardo & Lourdes Fabio

Joonsik Peter Kang †All Souls in Purgatory †Bekka Yuet Wong Ng

†Corazon Grist †Belen Gementera

Sun 3/19 8:00am †Rodolfo D. Maristela

> 9:30am PRO POPULO 11:30am †Stephen Evans 1:00pm †Ramon Martinez 3:00pm †Timothy Ortega 5:00pm Natalie Bergler

Mon 3/20 8:00am †Ken Freund

Tues 3/21 8:00am †Joseph & Claro Cervantes

Wed 3/22 8:00am †Visitacion Alberto

Thurs 3/23 8:00am †Carlos Jimenez

Fri 3/24 8:00am Andrea Gabriel Maristela

Sat 3/25 8:00am Joseph Gonzales

> †Leonora M. Felipe †Leonora Olaes †Jose Robles Llana





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Raymund Villanueva

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LENTEN FRIDAYS AT STM

March 24th



Reflection by Fr. Jerome



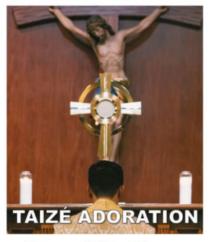
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Stations

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7:00pm



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On Website



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At back of Church



Write your prayer intentions in the book

33 DAY TOTAL CONSECRATION TO JESUS THROUGH MARY



Mon, Mar 20th 7:00 pm

Zoom Gathering
Go to stmirvine.org and click on the Zoom button in the Total
Consecration graphic.





The Young Ladies
Institute will once
again have the See's
Easter Fundraising
event on the patio at
St. Thomas More
Church on March 11-12

and March 18-19!! A variety of different types of candy will be available each day at discounted prices. If you would prefer to make a donation in lieu of candy, that would also be appreciated. We wish you a blessed Easter and we are looking forward to seeing you at our tables on the patio!!







CONFIRMATION

WED 7PM

Letters To The Bishop

Attention C2 families! Instructions for the letters to the Bishop were emailed last week. The physical letters are due on or before Wedensday, March 29th. If you have any questions, please email Confirmation@stmirvine.org.



W 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 3/29, Wed 4/19

C2: Wed 3/29, Wed 4/12, Wed 4/29



TOUTH MINISTRY

SUN 6PM

YTH NITE

Join us on Sunday (3/19) 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.



REP EASTER BREAK March 20-24 AND April 3-7 The Religious Education Program will be on Easter Break THIS WEEK from March 20th through March 24th along with Holy Week (April 3-7). There will be NO classes and the REP Office will be closed.



During Lent, we invite our 3rd-8th Grade REP classes and their families for Reconciliation on Saturdays from 1:00-3:00 PM in the Priests' Offices. Call the REP Office for more information.





LIVING STATIONS Please join us on Friday, March 31st at 7PM for our family friendly living Stations of the Cross. For any questions, call the REP Office at (949) 551-8029.

The Library Corner

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

Today, the Catholic Church will celebrate Laetare Sunday, the fourth Sunday of Lent, which marks the half-

way point. Laetare Sunday means to Rejoice, expressing our belief in the hope of the resurrection and to inspire us as we continue our Lenten commitments of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. The Lenten season dates back to the early church fathers, the Apostles, according to St Irenaeus in a letter to Pope St Victor, circa 130 AD. Today the priests will symbolize this joy by wearing the pink/rose colored Mass vestments. On Saturday the 25th, the Catholic Church will celebrate the Annunciation of our Lord also known as the Annunciation to the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is the announcement by the Archangel Gabriel to Mary that she would conceive and bear a son through a virgin birth and become the mother of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.



ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Wednesday, March 22nd

after 8:00am Mass and will end before Mass the following day





ST. THOMAS MORE CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH WOMEN'S WEEKEND

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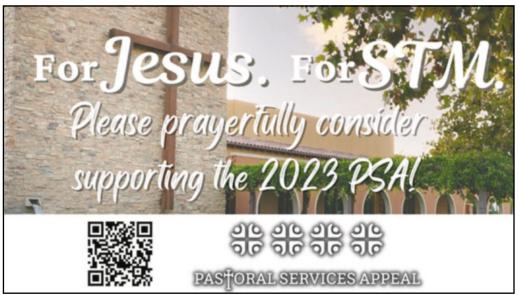
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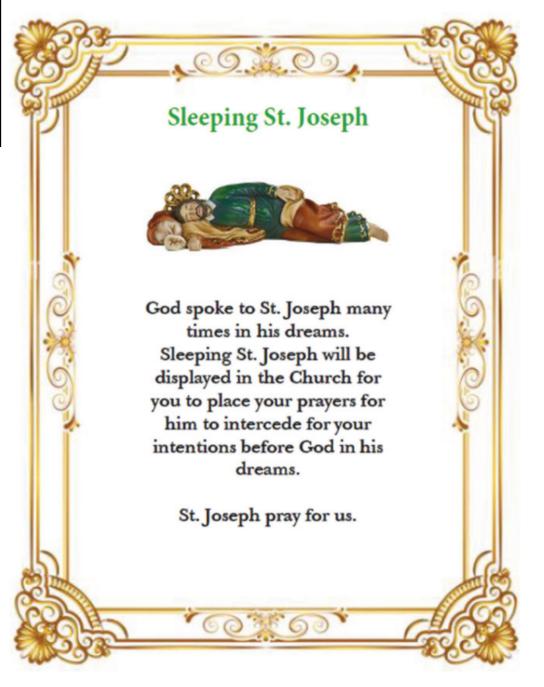
↑ In the dioceses in the United States, Catholics aged 18 through 59 are bound to fast on both Ash Wednesday (February 22, 2023) and Good Friday (April 7, 2023).

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.

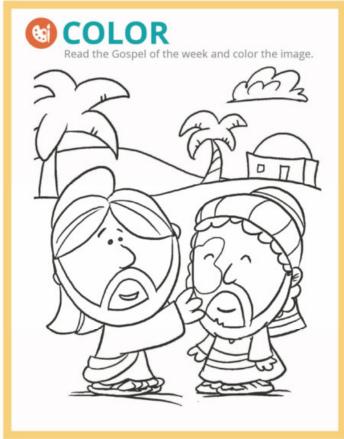
ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT

- ⊕ 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.









4th Sunday of Lent • John 9:1-41



Questions of the Week

First Reading

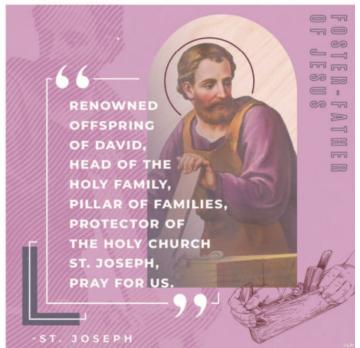
Much to Samuel's surprise, the Lord instructed him to anoint the youngest of Jesse's sons, David, to be the next king of Israel. When have you been surprised by God?

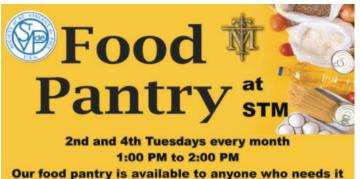
Second Reading

Paul urges the Ephesians: "Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord." What do you think pleases the Lord?

Gospel Reading

Jesus' healing of the blind man created confusion, anger, and fear among some of the people witnessing this event. In a real sense, Jesus' healing exposed the blindness of others. How do we prevent ourselves from being blind to God's presence in this season of Lent?





during these challenging times.



Around the Diocese...





LISTENING IN LENT: Deepening Our Desire for God



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