

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







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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 Rev. Eugene J. Lee

Parochial Vicar Rev. Kiet Ta Chinese Chaplain Rev. Francis Li

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

Rev. Joseph Justice

Deacons Deacon Tony & Mrs. Mary Patronite

Deacon Tin & Mrs. UyenLan Nguyen Deacon Leonard & Mrs. Nancy Sun

Deacon Bernie & Mrs. Pam Ocampo

Founding Pastor †Rev. John E. Janze

Office Information:

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Religious Education: 949-551-8029 Youth Ministry: 949-551-8602

Office Hours:

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



March 26, 2023

5th SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live." - Jn 11:25

cerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land; thus you shall know that I am the LORD. (Ez 37:14)

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption. (Ps 130)

Second Reading:

If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead

will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Sprit dwelling in you. (Rom 8:11)

Gospel:

"I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." (Jn 11:25-26)



Paul DeGeorge

Collections and Expenses 3-6-23 to 3-19-23 (2 weeks)

	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Sunday Collection	\$35,013	\$22,885	\$57,898
Maintenance Fund	\$900	\$719	\$1,619
Other income	\$14,052	\$2,447	\$16,499
Total income	\$49,965	\$26,052	\$76,017

Regular Expenses \$152,450

Believe & Grow \$80,102 \$26,221 \$106,323 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!

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 3/25 4:00pm Hai & Nga Nguyen

6:00pm †All souls in the Vu Family

Sun 3/26 8:00am Alan & Malaougen Bush

Benedictine Monks of St. Andrews Abbey

Steve Corv †Claro Cervantes †Florencio Batoy

†Francisco Javier Lozoya

†Gloria Ruta

†Uldarico Buenavista Tijamo †Julio & Irene Sinocruz

†Kathleen Kamke

9:30am †Soledad Reyes 11:30am Carmelo Biscocho 1:00pm †Gilberto Hinojosa 3:00pm Fr. Angelus Echeverry

5:00pm PRO POPULO

Mon 3/27 8:00am Maria Elena Rocha Patino

Tues 3/28 8:00am †Angela Andrade

Wed 3/29 8:00am Marcos & Micaela Gutierrez

Thurs 3/30 8:00am †Martia Reyes

Fri 3/31 8:00am Alberto Family

Sat 4/1 8:00am Anthony Vincent Cruz

D. Sarkar Carmen de Leon †Harry Dear †All Souls in Purgatory

†Doris Fernandez





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Please email <u>bulletin@stmirvine.org</u> to add a name. Names will be included for one month, if requested.

PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 1ST & 2ND

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

SAT: 4:00PM (Viet/Eng) & 6:00PM

SUN: 8:00AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM

1:00PM (Spanish), 3:00PM (Chinese), & 5:00PM





April 6th

8:00am Morning Prayer *

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper*

8:30pm to 7:30am (next day) Simple Adoration



April 8th

8:00am Morning Prayer &

Divine Mercy Novena*

April 7th

8:00am Morning Prayer*

2:00pm Stations of the Cross

3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

4:00pm Veneration of the Cross

6:00pm Stations of the Cross

7:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion*

*livestreamed

9:00am Blessing of Baskets and Easter Egg Hunt

SUNDAY

EASTER VIGIL: April 8th 8:00pm (multi-lingual)

EASTER SUNDAY: April 9th

6:00am Sunrise Mass (Outdoor)

8:00am

9:30am * (livestreamed)

11:30am

1:00pm Spanish/English

3:00pm Chinese/English

5:00pm Vietnamese/English





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.



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



YOUTH MINISTRY

SUN 6PM

YTH NITE

Join us on Sunday (4/2) 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!



RE.P.



We hope that all of our students had a restful and fun Spring Break. Students in grades K-8th return to REP classes

THIS week (March 28th & 29th).





LIVING STATIONS

Please join us on Friday, March 32st at 7PM for our family friendly living Stations of the Cross. For any questions, call the REP Office at (949) 551-8029.





ELLAR SUMMER VBS NEWS-SAVE THE DATE!!!

STELLAR-Shine Jesus' Light is coming to STM the week of June 26th-30th. Planning is starting to transform our parish into a giant space station! If you are an adult who would like to volunteer, please contact 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.

Did you know that by our Catholic faith we are all called to pray and to pray without ceasing? One particular prayer that is extremely important and beautiful is the

prayer to our Blessed Virgin Mary, the Memorare. The STM Parish Library has an exceptional book on this prayer entitled, 'The Memorare Moment', authored by Father Francis J. Hoffman, (Father Rocky). Father Rocky gives us his personal account of the journey of faith he and his family experienced as they describe the powerful role of our Mother Mary, especially the power of this simple and powerful prayer. Father Rocky breaks down the prayer verse by verse to explain and put into perspective what is really being prayed. This prayer has been attributed to the reversal of the Supreme Court on the abortion issue. Saint John Paul II is quoted to say, 'We will stand up every time that human life is threatened. When the sacredness of life before birth is attacked, we will stand up and proclaim that no one ever has the authority to destroy unborn life'.

LENTEN FRIDAYS AT STM-

MARCH 31ST







4:30pm - 6:30pm

7:00pm

Adoration



Divine Mercy Novena



Chaplet Times here at STM:

Good Friday, April 7th: 8:30am

Holy Saturday, April 8th: 8:30am

Easter Sunday, April 9th: after 1:00pm Mass

and every day this week after 8:00am Mass

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16th:

Chaplet will be recited after all Masses and

sung after the 9:30am Mass



The Art and **Environment Team** would like to request donations of palm leaves to help decorate the church for Palm Sunday. They are seeking sago, fan shape, Pygmy date, coconut, majesty or anything similar. Drop off in the back, by the left side of the storage containers on Wednesday, March 29th between 3pm to 5pm.



FASTING

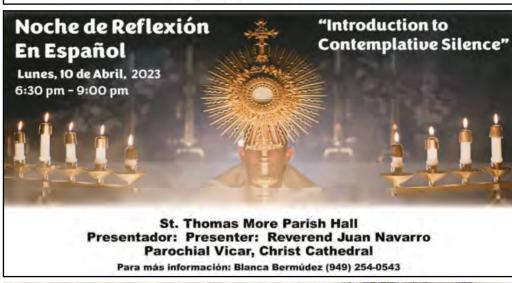
 In the dioceses in the United States, Catholics aged 18 through 59 are bound to fast on both Ash Wednesday (February 22, 2023) and Good Friday (April 7, 2023).

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.







FIFTH WEEK OF LENT





On Website

Share your prayer intentions



Pray for others by becoming a Prayer Partner



Share stories of answered prayers

At back of Church



Write your prayer intentions in the book



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

Saturday 8am thru Sunday 4pm April 29 - 30

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Spend time in Prayer, Scripture Readings, Song and Fun in Fellowship & develop a closer relationship with Sisters in Faith

> Questions? Kim Forsyth (714) 797-7492

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We will have extra Confessions this week!

March 27th-31st: Monday-Friday at 8:30am

> Saturday, APRIL 1ST: 1pm to 3pm

NO CONFESSIONS ON HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 8TH.

STM's Annual **Easter Egg Hunt**

Holy Saturday, April 8th 9:00 AM

Donations needed: Candy, Plastic Eggs Pre-made baskets or Cash

Please make donations by April 2nd in one of the collection bins

> **Volunteers needed:** 4/4—Egg stuffing

4/8—Event set-up

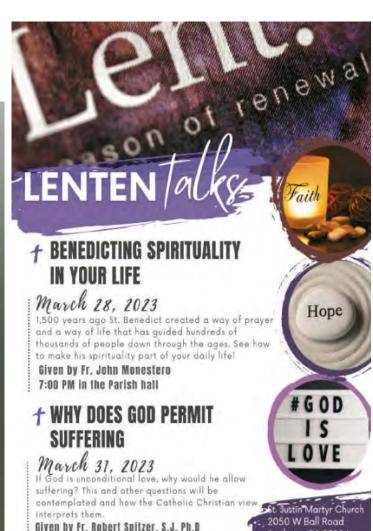
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Around the Diocese...







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Sign up for a one hour slot or a weekly slot to pray outside of abortion mill Planned Parenthood. Scan QR code to sign up to be a prayerful witness to save precious babies' lives.

Vigil location: Public Right of Way outside of 700 S. Tustin St. Orange, CA

40daysforlife.com/orange



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Religious Education	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
Spanish Bible Study	Teresa LeMire	(7) 832-1770
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