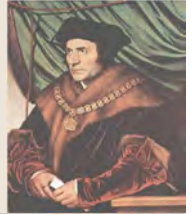




# SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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.*

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#### **Office Hours:**

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



March 27, 2022

Fourth Sunday  
of

# Lent

Whoever is in Christ  
is a new creation:  
the old things have passed away;  
behold, new things have come.

2 Corinthians 5:17



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IRVINE, CA

## New Mass Schedule

DAILY -- Monday to Saturday: 8am

### SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

4:00 pm Vietnamese/Eng  
6:00 pm English

### SUNDAY MASS

8:00 am English    1:00 pm Spanish/Eng  
9:30 am English    3:00 pm Chinese/Eng  
11:30 am English    5:00 pm English

### LIVESTREAM

Daily at 8:00 am and Sunday at 9:30 am



Welcome!

**Morning Prayer:** Wed & Fri 7:30am to 7:50am

**Adoration:** Every Friday after 7pm Stations of the Cross

**24 Hour Adoration:** on the 22nd of every month

**Saturday Confessions:** 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Mass will be available online for the sick and homebound on Sundays at 9:30am & Monday-Saturday at 8:00am. For spiritual advisement, please contact the priest to schedule an appointment.

**Baptisms and Marriages:** contact the office for details

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — God's people enter the promised land, observe the Passover, and eat of the produce of the land (Joshua 5:9a, 10-12) or 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

**Psalms** — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34) or Psalm 23.

**Second Reading** — We are now ambassadors for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) or Ephesians 5:8-14.

**Gospel** — We must rejoice when our brother who was dead in sin repents and comes back to life (Luke 15:1-3, 11-32) or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

**Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

**Wednesday:** Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

**Thursday:** Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

**Friday:** Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday:** Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

**Sunday:** Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11;

Alternate readings (Year A):

Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;

Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 3/26	6:00pm	Pro Populo
Sunday 3/27	8:00am	†Lissette Valenzuela
	9:30am	†Bill D'Andrea †Greg Lombardi †Virginia Terrell †Frank Pratt †Tony Andico †John Knusden Steve Cory The Scheuermann Family Baby Johanna Harris Ian Tsai
	11:30am	Marga Tolentino & Family
	1:00pm	Marco & Micaela Gutierrez
	3:00pm	Fr Angelus Echeverry
	5:00pm	Tony Jacome & Valeria Tovar
Monday 3/28	8:00am	Tuong Nguyen
Tuesday 3/29	8:00am	†Visitacion Alberto
Wednesday 3/30	8:00am	†Harry Dear
Thursday 3/31	8:00am	Reydina Sy
Friday 4/1	8:00am	†Jack Hoagland
Saturday 4/2	8:00am	Baby Johanna Harris



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## MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

### PRAYER & REVERENCE

**We who are receiving the unshakable kingdom should have gratitude, with which we should offer worship pleasing to God in reverence and awe.**

**- Hebrews 12:28**



Lent is my favorite season of the year. I love the disciplines, the challenges to sacrifice, the opportunities for deeper prayer, and the intensified time to focus upon the price that was paid for our salvation. The world pulls our souls towards the convenient, the pleasurable, the noisy, and the superficially attractive. Lent challenges us to run our lives on the deeper realities that require a more disciplined interior life.

The interior life, in other words, the life of the soul, absolutely needs prayer. However, the inability for people to spend prolonged time in prayer has been at a crisis level. Sin had already made the soul so weak that it struggles mightily to transcend. But now with our cell phones in the mix, our souls have become all the more distracted, restless, and dazed.

We need to embrace the way of sustained discipline, to calm our hearts, to focus, and listen. We must learn the way of prayer. Prayer is loving God. Prayer is ultimately childlike and simple. But sin has made it so complicated and difficult. Thus, we must persist in finding the time and the space to slow down, to breathe, and to be with Jesus.

Lent is such a ripe opportunity for us all because the subject of our focus is ultimate love, the passion, the suffering, and the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. When we overcome our fear and hesitations and really stop to ponder this horrific sacrifice of our Lord, we can get pulled in; we sense that we should stop, we should look, should bow our heads, we should fall to our knees, we should offer our reverence. This is prayer. Prayer is entering into the Sacred Heart of Jesus Christ.

To me, Lent is ultimately about enhancing our devotion at Mass. Mass is so sacred, so profound, and so majestic. Yet so many people neglect to appreciate the magnitude of what is happening. This is a symptom of the inability to pray, to enter the sacred mystery, to transcend into the spiritual realm. Lent helps us to rekindle the drive of the soul. Lent is all about the Mass, which is by its very nature, the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God. No more should one come to Mass dressed lackadaisically, consistently late and then leave early. Lent will help people to indeed express their love and reverence for Christ during the Mass.

So, during Lent, I urge all, to take full advantage of the many Lenten practices, especially, the Friday Stations of the Cross and Eucharistic adoration. Also, experiment with fasting, being sure to accompany the fasting with good spirituality. Refraining from meat on Fridays is important, but again, this should be done within the context of good spirituality. Again, take advantage of Lent to learn the way of prayer and of inner discipline.

Of course, all along, we all know that Lent leads to Easter. The sacrifice leads to new life. Easter is about the glorification of Jesus Christ. It is his victory, his reign, his glory, and his majesty that we celebrate, which should motivate us even more to make Lent count.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Eugene J. Lee,  
Pastor

# LENTEN SEASON

40 Days of Personal Renewal in Prayer, Fasting & Almsgiving



**Friday, April 1** 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM - K of C Lenten Fish Fry  
7:00 PM - *Living Stations of the Cross & Adoration*

**Friday, April 8** 6:00 PM - **SPIRITUAL LENTEN MEAL**  
A silent meal of bread & water  
with a reflection by Fr. Eugene  
7:00 PM - Stations of the Cross & Taizé Adoration



## Confessions & Lenten Penance Service

Confessions every Saturday from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

**STM Lenten Penance Service Tuesday, March 29 @7:00 PM**

Extra Confessions: Monday, March 28th to Friday, April 1st at 7:00 PM

Extra Confessions: Monday, April 4th to Friday, April 8th after 8:00 AM Mass

# Holy Week

## Palm Sunday

Vigil, April 9 4:00 PM (English/Vietnamese) • 6:00 PM

Sunday, April 10 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
1:00 PM (English/Spanish) • 3:00 PM (English/Chinese) • 5:00 PM



## The Sacred Paschal Triduum

### Holy Thursday, April 14

8:00 AM Morning Prayer

**7:00 PM MASS OF LORD'S SUPPER**

8:30 PM to 7:30 AM (next day) Simple Adoration

*All are welcome to come throughout the night to pray and keep vigil with our Lord.*



### Good Friday, April 15

8:00 AM Morning Prayer & Divine Mercy Novena begins

2:00 PM Stations of the Cross

**3:00 PM CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION**

4:00 PM Veneration of the Cross

6:00 PM Stations of the Cross

**7:00 PM CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION**

### Holy Saturday, April 16

8:00 AM Morning Prayer & Divine Mercy Novena (\*\*)

9:00 AM Blessing of Baskets and Easter Egg Hunt

(\*\*) Divine Mercy Novena will be continued on Easter Sunday in the Blessed Sacrament

Chapel after the 9:30 AM Mass & from Monday through Saturday in the hall after the 8:00 AM Mass.

## Easter Sunday

**EASTER VIGIL, APRIL 16**

8:00 PM (Multi-lingual)

**EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 17**

6:00 AM (Sunrise Mass/Outdoors)

8:00 AM • 9:30 AM • 11:30 AM

1:00 PM (Spanish/English)

3:00 PM (Chinese/English)

5:00 PM (Vietnamese/English)



**Today's theme on the readings: LOST AND FOUND**

The parable of the father and his sons is one of the most familiar of all of Jesus' stories. The father in the parable is lavish in forgiveness and revels in the return of his young son, who was lost and now is found. The older son is also lost—lost in his refusal to forgive, lost in his failure to grasp his father's generous spirit. The Israelites spent many years lost in the desert, seeking the land of milk and honey, yet often failing to seek the God who delivered and fed them. We are sometimes lost as well. We lose sight of the Lord and the Lord's ways. God never loses sight of us, however. God waits, ready for us to come to our senses, ready to welcome us back with open arms. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

**Collections and Expenses**

3-14-22 to 3-20-22

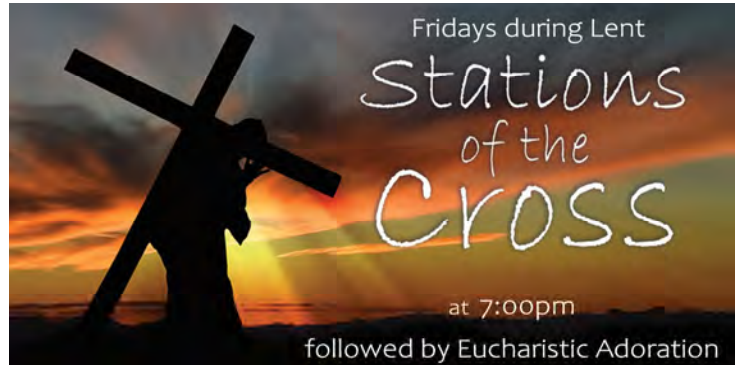
	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Sunday Collection	\$19,628	\$12,847	\$32,475
Maintenance Fund	\$525	\$128	\$653
Other income	\$2,304	\$1,929	\$4,233
Total income	\$22,457	\$14,905	\$37,362

Regular Expenses \$6,397

Believe & Grow Capital Campaign	\$1,220	\$16,912	\$18,132
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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!*



Fridays during Lent  
**Stations of the Cross**  
at 7:00pm  
followed by Eucharistic Adoration



*Eucharistic Adoration*  
**Every Friday During Lent after 7pm**  
**Stations of the Cross**  
*Let us adore the King of Kings*  
Be still, and know that I am God  
-Psalm 46:10

**Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry**

**Friday, April 1st**

4:30pm to 6:30pm



*We look forward to sharing Lenten Fridays with you!*



**Make a Lenten promise to pray for an END TO ABORTION!**

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*Rest in the Love of Christ*

Stephen Evans  
Ken Freund


**PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING**



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Athena Dorr & family      Fr. John Janze      Eileen Rossi      Michele Wills

*Please email [bulletin@stmirvine.org](mailto:bulletin@stmirvine.org) to add a name. Names will be included for one month, if requested.*



**Family Friendly Stations of the Cross**  
Come one, Come all  
Join us for a special family friendly, multi-lingual Stations of the Cross  
**Friday, April 1st at 7:00 PM**  
Presented by the youth of our parish

LIFE TEEN

Now

### The Summit

Want to grow deeper in the study of Scripture? Join us Mondays at 7pm in room 3! The Summit is a study of the following Sunday's Mass readings. All high school students are welcome!

LIFE TEEN

Thu 7:00 PM

### YTH NITE APRIL 3RD

Everyone is called to a universal vocation of holiness so we can love God and serve others. The world will change when you realize that Christ has no body but yours. Don't miss YTH NITE Sunday, April 3! We start at 6:30pm and end at 8:30pm.

CONFIRMATION

WED 6:00 PM

### Confirmation Class Schedule

C1 Dates: Feb 2, Feb 16, Mar 9, Mar 16, Mar 30, April 27.

C2 Dates: Feb 9, Feb 23, Mar 9, Mar 23, Apr 20, May 4.

# R.E.P. CORNER



## LIVING STATIONS

Please join us **THIS Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>** at 7PM for our family friendly multi-lingual Living Stations of the Cross. For any questions, call the REP Office at (949) 551-8029.



### First Communion Families:

First Reconciliations are set for **March 28<sup>th</sup> & April 4<sup>th</sup>**.



Please keep reviewing prayers (especially the Act of Contrition) & steps to Reconciliation with your children. Please check with your student's REP teacher for any further details.



During Lent, we invite our 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> 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.



## The Library Corner

Fourth Sunday of Lent  
Laetare Sunday



The St. Thomas More Parish Library staff would like to wish all our parishioners a Happy Fourth Sunday of Lent. The Parish Library will not be open today.

Today the Roman Catholic Church celebrates the Fourth Sunday of Lent, Laetare Sunday. The word Laetare means to rejoice and be happy. This is the day that the priests wear the rose-colored vestments at Mass and express the hope and joy in the midst of our Lenten fasts and penances.

In our library, we have a book, that might interest you, one that is a conversion story that ends in the priesthood. The book that I am talking about is, *'No Turning Back'*, authored by Fr. Donald Calloway, an autobiography. Fr. Calloway shares his journey home to the Catholic Church and into a personal relationship with our merciful Savior, Jesus and our heavenly mother, Mary. It is a story of second chances and unconditional love. This life changing joy is a reason for us all to rejoice and to be happy.





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THANK YOU!!



## Young Ladies Institute



### SEE'S CANDY SPRING FUNDRAISER

The Young Ladies Institute will once again have the See's Easter Fundraising event on the patio at St. Thomas More Church!! We are so happy to be able to see your faces and smiles again as you pick up your Easter candy and help us achieve our seminarian education and charitable donation goals! A variety of different types of candy will be available and we know you will "find just what you are looking for" for yourselves, for gifts, and for special events. The candy will be available after all of the Masses the weekends of **March 26-27 and April 2-3, 2022**. 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!!

## Pray every day this Lent

#PRAY40

Hallow



## Parish Blood Drive

**Monday, April 11th**

**1:00pm to 7:00pm**

Multi-purpose Room

**No "walk-ins" accepted - Please make an appointment**

**Sign-ups after all Masses**

**March 26-27, April 2-3 & 9-10**

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## Christ Renews His Parish *A Special Opportunity at STM*

Women's Weekend:

April 9-10, 2022

Register online or to learn more:

[www.ChristRenewsOC.com](http://www.ChristRenewsOC.com)

or call Patty @ (714) 390-9626



As Jesus fasted for 40 days in the desert, the Church traditionally fasts during Lent. A form of bodily prayer, fasting and abstinence in union with other Christians reminds us of our utter dependence on and love for God. A gesture of repentance, fasting is symbolic of a change of heart as we turn away from sin to live in fidelity to the Gospel.

### Lenten Regulations:

**Fasting:** Ages 18-59 fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, limiting themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals each day, with no snacking between meals.

**Abstinence:** Catholics age 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

# St. Thomas More Ministries



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drinks a cup  
of ADVERTISED coffee  
drives to work  
in an ADVERTISED car  
and then . . . .  
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believing it doesn't pay.  
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**WHY IS IT?**



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11 AM – Thanksgiving Mass in the Cathedral

12:15 PM – Salu-salo/lunch and Cultural Program at the Cathedral CC Plaza. (The program features professional & local dance troupes, rondalla music & prizes given away in a free raffle drawing. Hosted by the San Jose Filipino Ministry, a part of the Ethnic Ministries of the Diocese of Orange.)



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