



# 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) 919-5494



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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

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Chinese Chaplain

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Parochial Vicar Emeritus

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Rev. Francis Li

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Rev. Joseph Justice

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Deacon Tin & Mrs. UyenLan Nguyen

Deacon Leonard & Mrs. Nancy Sun

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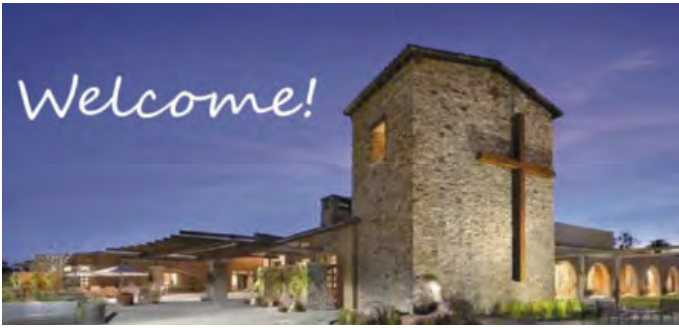
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### Office Hours:

**Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm**

**Saturday: 9:00am-2:00pm**





*Rest in Peace*  Ramona Chavez  
Clayton Ikei

*Marriage Banns* Trevor Hyman & Sabrina Alonso



**Collections and Expenses**

3/11/2024- 4/7/2024 (5 weeks)

	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Sunday Collection	\$68,154	\$58,329	\$126,483
Maintenance Fund	\$773	\$1,820	\$2,593
Other income	\$9,239	\$7,983	\$17,222
Good Friday	\$6,523	\$315	\$6,838
Easter	\$45,150	\$5,337	\$50,487
Total income	\$129,841	\$73,783	\$203,624

Regular Expenses	\$162,941
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Believe & Grow Capital Campaign	\$59,676	\$50,051	\$109,727
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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!***

**MASS INTENTIONS** 

- Sat 4/13 4:00pm †Mr & Mrs Vu Huu Chuong  
6:00pm Graciela Murillo
- Sun 4/14 8:00am †Julio and Irene Sinocruz  
9:30am Amapola P. Cruz  
11:30am †Josephina De La Cruz  
Dalen Martin  
†Blanca Joven de la Fuente  
†Mazie Bonfiglio  
†Thomas Stevenson  
†Anna Maria Tran Lylan  
†Rudy and Emma Thurau  
1:00pm Ysabel De Gonzalez  
3:00pm PRO POPULO  
5:00pm Sheila Evans
- Mon 4/15 8:00am Barbara Catiller
- Tues 4/16 8:00am Anita De La Riva
- Wed 4/17 8:00am Jacinda Fulchur
- Thurs 4/18 8:00am †Ken Freund
- Friday 4/19 8:00am †John Nguyen
- Sat 4/20 8:00am  
Steven Tran †Agnes Q Sinocruz  
Lydia Rebugio †Vicente Quezada  
Shawn Thatcher †David Honglo  
The Nault Family †Zenaida Leung  
†Cristina Soson

**PRAYERS FOR HEALING**

- |                           |                             |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Flory Aguilar             | Christy Miller              |
| Baby Dean Alvero          | Jim Miller                  |
| Eddie Anderson            | Linda Moore                 |
| Sal Baldomar              | Deirdre Morley              |
| Froy Becerra              | Sharon Morley               |
| Joann Calachico           | Matthew Muro                |
| Sofia Cardona             | Susan Navarrete             |
| Carole Caplett            | Ernie Natividad             |
| Cynthia Chavez            | Julie Nguyen                |
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| Victor Cota               | Sharon Pataray              |
| Sebastian de Leon         | Jacqueline Claire Poznoski  |
| Beata Durdovic            | Donna Publico               |
| Cecelia Duzynski          | Sandra Quezada              |
| Kathy Encinas             | Ryan Quinn                  |
| Joseph Franco             | George Quitarano            |
| Tony Galati               | Paula Jane Ramirez          |
| Marco Gama                | Al & Elizabeth Rangitsch    |
| Anthony Gaona             | Guadalupe Rivas             |
| Tina Halberg              | Pauline Rocha               |
| CJ Hassett                | Donna Rohrer                |
| Doug & Kathie Hibbard     | Norma Santiago              |
| Drew Hoang                | John Selig                  |
| Sharon Jones              | Susan Shadley               |
| Angela Judy               | Mark Stannard               |
| Natalie and Warren Julian | Tara Summers                |
| Gail Kurosawa             | Maria Guadalupe Vasquez     |
| Lauren Leal               | Jesus Villanueva            |
| Jack Light                | Raymund Villanueva          |
| Richard Lombardi          | Bill Whiteside              |
| Joseph Manglona           | Kristine & Brandon Williams |
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| Desmond McMahon Family    |                             |

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# WELCOME



*Congratulations to our Newly Baptized and all who received the Sacraments of Initiation during the Easter Season. Please continue to keep them in your prayers!*

Christopher	Adriance
Avery	Allen
Kaitlyn	Alvarez
Andre	Arakelian
Melanie	Arakelian
Karineh	Arakelian
Catalina	Araujo
Kevin	Ayora
Lynda	Bui
Max	Chabez
Crystal	Chabez
Jamie	Chan
Rachel	Cheng
Edward	Cheng
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Dane	Cook
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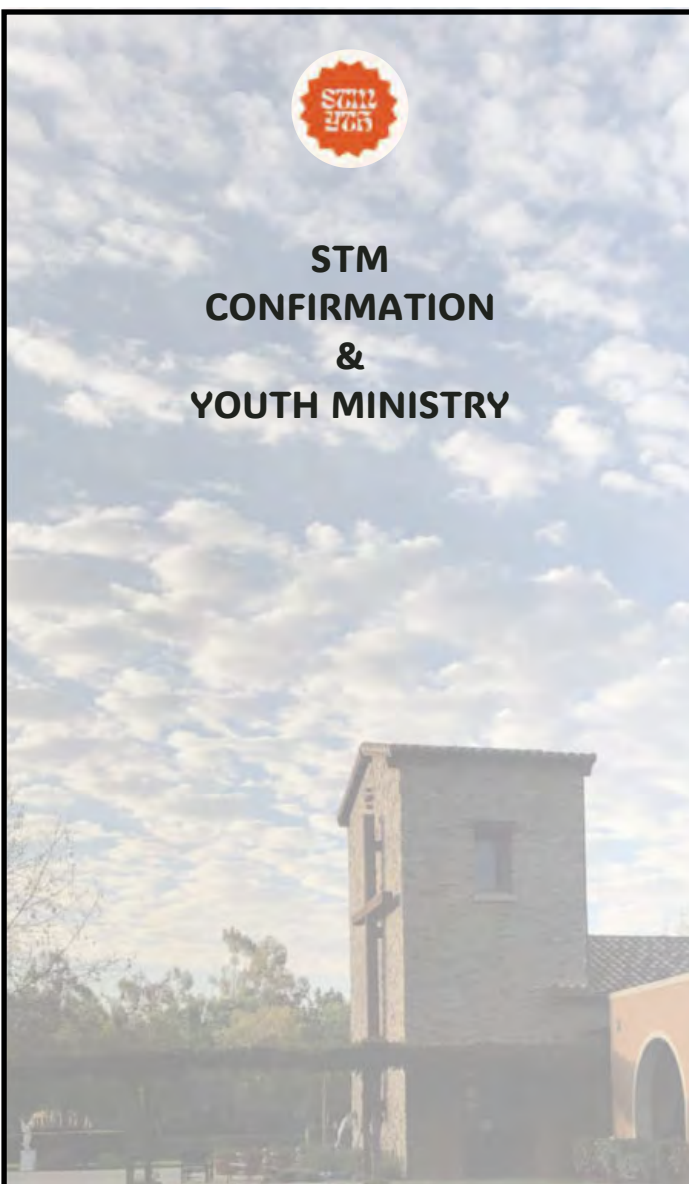


Lee	Huang
Emily	Lee
Kiki	Liu
Tina	Lo
Raymond	Mak
Emery	Marr
Lauren	McElroy
Greg	Moore
Chinh Thi	Nguyen
Courtnei	Pham
Steven	Phan
Cameron	Scott
Steve	Singleton
Bailey Michael	Tong
Presly Catherine	Tong
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Spencer	Vito
AJ	Walker
Cassie	Walker
Matthew	Walker
Wendy	Walker
Rachel	Widjaja





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**Upcoming Confirmation Classes**

**C1 Classes: April 24**

**C2 Classes: 17**

**YTH Nites: Sunday at 6PM**

**High school teens, join us for Adoration**

**YTH Nites on April 28th and May 5th!**

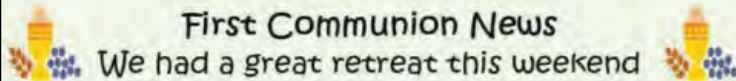
**Monday Night Bible Study**

**Join us Mondays at 7pm in the Youth Room  
for Bible Studies! We'll go over the readings  
for the upcoming Sunday.**

**REP.  
CORNER**



**First Communion News**



We had a great retreat this weekend for our First Communicants and their parents & guardians. Many thanks go out to all of the volunteers that made this event such a huge success!



A reminder to our First Communion families that your child's First Communion banner is **DUE** no later than Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the REP Office with questions.



Our parish will once again have a large group of young people (150+) receiving their First Communion during Masses on **May 4<sup>th</sup> & May 11<sup>th</sup>**.

Please keep all of our First Communicants in your prayers during this exciting time.

**SCUBA—**

**Diving Into Friendship with GOD** is coming to STM the week of **July 8<sup>th</sup>—July 12<sup>th</sup>**.



Hope to see you all at this fun-filled, action-packed week! Stay tuned for details.



**The Library Corner**

Third Sunday of Easter

The St. Thomas More Parish Library staff would like to wish all our parishioners a Happy Third Sunday of Easter. The Parish Library will be open today from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

All Catholics know the seven Sacraments of the Church, which are: Baptism, Confirmation, Penance, Eucharist, Matrimony, Holy Orders and Anointing of the Sick. But do we know what the Sacramentals of the Church are? Sacramentals are holy things or actions of which the Church makes use to obtain for us from God spiritual and temporal favors. The bishop or priest's blessings and the things blessed are all Sacramentals that show God's honor and glory. A few of the Sacramentals most used by Catholics are: holy water, blessed candles, ashes, palms, crucifixes, saint medals, blessed rosary, statues, prayer, sign of the cross, blessed salt, scapulars and blessing of a meal. The blessings of bishops and priests have the power to turn objects such as a new rosary or statue into a Sacramental. Laity can bless objects but their blessings are more of a prayer or a plea to God. Every Sacramental blessing will praise God. Remember to treat blessed things with respect.



**Saint of the week**

St. Paul, the Apostle to the Gentiles, was the most prolific Christian missionary of all time. Due to a miraculous experience that he had on the road to Damascus, he went from persecuting early Christians to traveling all over the region preaching the Gospel of Jesus.

**Prayer in Times of Darkness**

Dear Jesus,  
When I feel troubled, alone, frightened, be with me. Be a flicker of flame in this darkness. Help me to know you in the stark seasons as I do in times of elation. You are the light I seek. Amen.

He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled. You are witnesses of these things." - Lk 24:44, 48

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~ FRIDAYS ~  
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## Thank You! Thank You! Thank you!

Thank you for your generous donations to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Without your support, we wouldn't have been able to help a number of families keep a roof over their heads, heat their homes, or put food on the table this last year. It was rough year for many families, and based on the number of calls we're currently receiving for rent and utility assistance, it appears 2024 could be just as challenging. With rising rents, higher utility bills and food inflation, many in Irvine are struggling to make ends meet, let alone handle unexpected bills or expenses. With your help, we're able to step in to provide short term assistance that prevents families from being evicted, or losing water, gas, or electricity. In addition, we help them secure food through our food pantry, which is open the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month from 1:00 to 2:00 pm at the back of the church.

For the quarter ending March 31, we deployed \$9,930 in rental assistance to help twelve families with housing needs. In addition, we deployed \$1,811 to help six families pay their utility bills, some of whom would have lost electricity without our help. We served an average of thirty families at each of our Food Pantries by partnering with Second Harvest of Orange County and supplementing their deliveries at a cost of nearly \$1,000 a month. Fortunately, we were blessed with \$6,960 in donations from our parish community, as well as a \$5,000 grant from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Orange County Council. So, thank you again for your generous donations. Without your help, none of this would be possible.

If you're interested in learning more about the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and how we help those in need, please call 949-331-1020 or email us at [volunteer@svdpstm.org](mailto:volunteer@svdpstm.org). If you'd like to donate, you can do so through the e-giving portal on the church website. Thank you so much and God bless.

Rick Lamoreux, President, Society of St. Vincent de Paul, St. Thomas More Conference.

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## 24 - Hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



begins on Monday, April 22nd after 8:00a.m. Mass and will end before Mass the following day

*The See's Easter Fundraiser, sponsored by Young Ladies Grand Institute, was a huge success, thanks to all of you! Even the rain couldn't dampen your phenomenal generosity! This year we were able to add another thousand dollars to our contribution that supports the education of our seminarians, all because of you. May the Lord "shower" you with abundant blessings! Thank you SO much!*



## Questions of the Week

### First Reading:

Peter challenges the religious leaders of Jerusalem who put Jesus to death to repent of their sins and be converted. Have you ever seen someone have a conversion to the Faith?

### Second Reading:

John tells us that we should turn to Jesus, our Advocate, when we sin and fail to keep his commandments. Can you think of a time when you sought Jesus in a time of need?

### Gospel Reading:

The resurrected Jesus taught the disciples how they were witnesses to the Scriptures being fulfilled in his suffering, death, and resurrection and that forgiveness of sins was to be preached in his name. How might you share your faith this week at home or at work?

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Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



3rd Sunday of Easter • Luke 24:35-48

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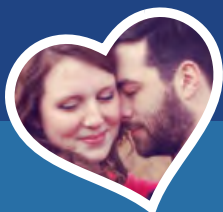


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