



SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH



51 Marketplace Irvine, CA 92602 • 949-551-8601 • www.stmirvine.org

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

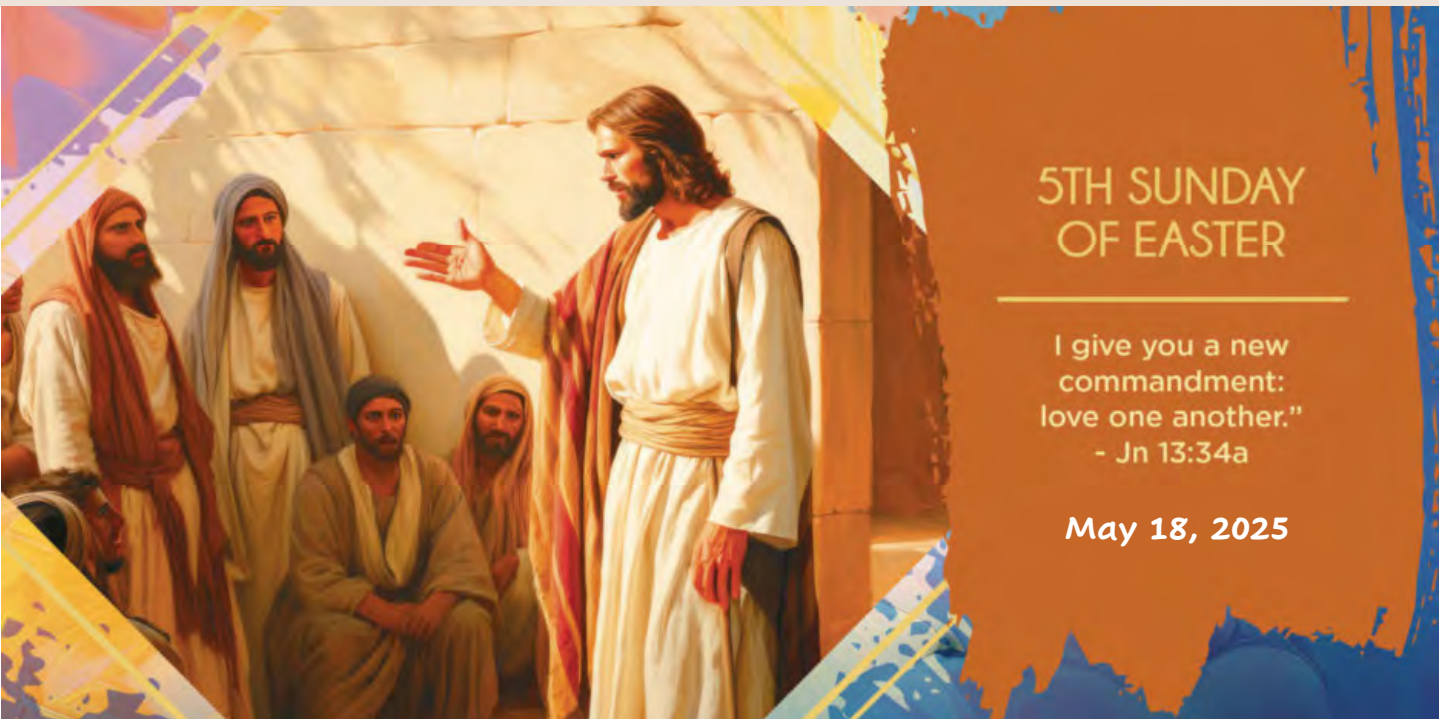
Rev. Thomas Tran
Rev. Francis Li
Rev. Joseph Horn, O Praem
Rev. Joseph Justice
Deacon Tin & Mrs. UyenLan Nguyen
Deacon Leonard & Mrs. Nancy Sun
Deacon Bernie & Mrs. Pam Ocampo

†Rev. John E. Janze

Office Information

Office hours:
Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am-2:00pm
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Office: 949-551-8601
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5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

I give you a new
commandment:
love one another."
- Jn 13:34a

May 18, 2025

**WELCOME
TO STM!**



Mike Michalek

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

- | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Flory Aguilar | Nilda A. Medalle |
| Froy Becerra | Ron Merse |
| Daniel Bernabe | Deirdre Morley |
| Kelly Carter | Susan Navarrete |
| Bob & Sandy Catiller | Ernie Natividad |
| Lou and Nancy Chereny | Bill Oesterreich |
| Elaine Chiou | Ben Pataray |
| Michael Collins | Sharon Pataray |
| Paul Cook | Armando Peña |
| Paul Curran | Pierette Senoski Powell |
| Chaz Decoteau | Jacqueline Claire Poznoski |
| Mary Rose Del Mundo | Donna Publico |
| Cristina Dulce | Sandra Quezada |
| Cecelia Duzynski | Ryan Quinn |
| Jamael Edwards | George Quitariano |
| Nina Leones Espino | Paula Jane Ramirez |
| Maria Fernandes | Al & Elizabeth Rangitsch |
| Ted Fliller | Guadalupe Rivas |
| Tony Galati | Jose Guadalupe Rivera |
| Marco Gama | Celsa Roberti |
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| Lisa Greubel | Norma Santiago |
| Alex Hannes | Deacon John Selig |
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| Drew Hoang | Donny Stoufus |
| Cristeta Jaropillo | Lisa Turner |
| Angela Judy | Pete Villanueva |
| Natalie and Warren Julian | Jesus Villanueva |
| Miriam Kasperowicz | Raymund Villanueva |
| Tiesha Kelley | Linda Vito |
| Vivian Knisely | Bill Whiteside |
| Ashly Leal | Kristine & Brandon Williams |
| Lauren Leal | Michele Wills |
| Brielle LeMire | Andy Zelinko |
| Joseph Manglona | Joe & Judy Zwetow |

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

**MASS
INTENTIONS**

- Sat 5/17 4:00pm PRO POPULO
6:00pm Kay Franke
Manuel Guillermo Pardo Castro
†Cathy and Richard Armijo
†John Lawrence Haley
†Michael Haley
†Pedro Mendoza
†William Marino
†Reynaldo Aldana
†Cecilia Holliday
†Lionel Sirimanne
- Sun 5/18 8:00am Mother's Day Novena
9:30am †Deacon Tony Patronite
11:30am Alex San Diego
5:00pm †Resurreccion De Jesus Surell
- Mon 5/19 8:00am Nelly Ruiz
6:00pm Mother's Day Novena
- Tues 5/20 8:00am Teresa LeMire
6:00pm †Cecilia Angeles
- Wed 5/21 8:00am Fr. Angelus Echeverry
6:00pm Deacon Tin Nguyen
- Thurs 5/22 8:00am †Quy Le
6:00pm †Francis Xavier Hung Tran
- Fri 5/23 8:00am †Eva Marie Wessell
6:00pm †Isabel Partida
- Sat 5/24 8:00am †Jorge Rivas
†Katalin Rosler
†Edith Lydia Moldovan



Collection and Expense Report 5/5/25—5/11/25

TOTALS			EGIVING TOTALS		
COLLECTION	\$	24,558.42	COLLECTION	\$	15,701.00
MAINTENANCE FUND	\$	190.00	MAINTENANCE FUND	\$	1,835.00
OTHER INCOME	\$	7,072.25	OTHER INCOME	\$	4,537.84
	TOTAL	\$ 31,820.67		TOTAL	\$ 22,073.84

Campaign Collection:	\$	3,683.66
Campaign EGIVING:	\$	19,476.96

Weekly Expenses:	\$	19,861.69
Weekly Campaign Expenses:	\$	14,746.00

ANNIVERSARY MASS

Giving thanks and praise to Almighty God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

50th Anniversary of the Ordination to the Priesthood of

Rev. Joseph C. Justice

Sunday, May 25th, 2025 at 5:00pm

Solemn Eucharistic Celebration

Reception to follow in the courtyard.

ALL ARE WELCOME!


ST THOMAS MORE CHURCH

*25th Anniversary
of
Priestly Ordination*



Rev. Thomas Quốc Trần

25 Năm Hồng Ân Thiên Chức Linh Mục

"Love God, and do whatever you please:
love God and do whatever you like:
because when a soul loves God,
that very love teaches it
to avoid everything that displeases God
and to do everything that pleases Him"
St. Augustine



25TH ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY
FR. THOMAS QUOC TRAN

Tickets are available
this weekend
in the courtyard.

*25th Anniversary
of
Priestly Ordination*
Rev. Thomas Quốc Trần

Saturday, June 14, 2025

4 PM

Thanksgiving Mass

Thánh Lễ Tạ Ơn

St. Thomas More Church

51 Marketplace

Irvine, CA 92602

Friday, June 13, 2025

7 PM

Celebration Dinner

Tiệc Mừng Tri Ân

A Nine-Course Dinner Menu

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\$60

This ticket admits one person to the celebration dinner

STM CONFIRMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

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Upcoming Youth Nights: 6/22, 7/20

Youth Bible Studies will resume in June!
We look forward to seeing you there! We'll
go over the readings for the upcoming
Sunday's Mass and grow with one another
in fellowship & community!



R.E.P. CORNER



We want to wish all of our families a
fun, adventurous and faith-filled
summer!



**SUMMER VBS NEWS—
TRUE NORTH—**
Trusting Jesus in a Wild World
is scheduled for the week of
July 14th—July 18th!!



Ponder, Claudia, and all the rest of the
VBS Bible Buddies are excited to invite you
to this adventure through the Northern
wilderness! Registration will be open soon,
so stay tuned for more details.

Also, we really need some creative adults
who can help us transform our parish into a
beautiful, Northern wilderness Campsite!

If you would like to volunteer,
please contact the REP Office
at (949) 551-8029.



The word 'rosary'
means crown of
roses. We say this
prayer to honour
Our Lady and to
ask her to lead us
closer to Jesus.

Let's Pray Together!

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- **Enter** Answered Prayer Testimonials
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2025 Knights of Columbus Essay Contest!



Class of 2025 High school graduates at STM who have been accepted to a Junior College or Four Year College could win an award of up to \$1,000 by simply writing an essay of 500 - 700 words.

The deadline for Essay submissions is Monday, June 9th by 5pm.

Entry forms with details can be found on the QR Code and Parish website.

Please contact Vincent Smith with any questions at

Vincent.smith@cox.net



Five First Saturdays Devotion Begins June 7, 2025

Come join us every first Saturday beginning with the 8 am Mass and stay after to make the First Saturday devotion.

Here is what is involved:

The Five First Saturdays Devotion is a request by Our Lady of Fatima to make reparation for the sins against her Immaculate Heart. It involves

- attending confession (within 8 days before or after the First Saturday),
- receiving Holy Communion,
- praying five decades of the Rosary, and
- Meditating for 15 minutes on the Mysteries of the Rosary, all on the **first Saturday of five consecutive months.**

Our Lady promises to assist at the hour of death with the graces necessary for salvation for those who fulfill these practices.

To learn more, pickup a handout at Church for more information on the First Saturday Devotion requested by Our Lady of Fatima.





HABEMUS PAPAM

Bishop Vann, the bishops, priests, deacons, religious and the Catholic faithful of the Diocese of Orange join the entire world today in giving thanks to God for the election of our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, a man of great faith and integrity who will lead the church in a journey of faith, hope and love.

We are blessed that Pope Leo XIV harbors a deep commitment to proclaiming the Gospel and a pastoral heart that reflects Christ's mercy and compassion.

To our diocese and all people of goodwill, we invite you to join in prayer for the Holy Father, so that God may grant him wisdom, courage and peace as he guides the Church into the future.

Lastly, we thank the College of Cardinals, guided by the Holy Spirit, in reaching this monumental decision.

May our Blessed Mother Mary intercede for him and all of us, as we continue the journey of faith together under the leadership of Pope Leo XIV.

In Christ's love,

Bishop Kevin W. Vann
Auxiliary Bishop Timothy E. Freyer
Auxiliary Bishop Thanh Thai Nguyen

STM Veterans Ministry
Memorial Day Poster Display
May 24 & 25

We remember and honor our Clergy and STM Veterans!

The poster features a dark background with a portion of the American flag in the top left corner. Below the title, there is a line of text and six circular emblems arranged in two rows of three. The emblems represent the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and Space Force.

Questions of the Week

First Reading:

Despite facing many hardships, Paul and Barnabas succeeded in preaching the good news of Jesus crucified and risen from the dead. How do you work through personal setbacks?

Second Reading:

At the start of his final vision, John sees the age to come in which God comes to dwell with his people on earth and all tears, pain and even death itself is gone. Who in your life needs to hear this incredible message of hope?

Gospel:

Jesus modeled for his disciples how to love one another. Do you have friends or co-workers who show you how to love others?

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The poster has a light beige background with a large green leaf graphic on the left side. The text is centered and uses a mix of serif and sans-serif fonts. The GriefShare logo is at the top, followed by the title 'Grief Support Group' in a large, elegant script. Below that is a dark brown box with white text providing the purpose of the group. The dates and times are listed in a bold, sans-serif font. At the bottom, the location and registration information are provided in a bold, sans-serif font.



Congratulations to our First Communicants!

May every Eucharist you receive be as special as your first.

Kainalu Abreu
 Bennett Adams
 Liam Alcantar
 John Alonzo
 Valeria Alvarado
 Olivia Arizabal
 Mikayla Arizabal
 Emiliano Arroyo
 Mauricio Arroyo
 Victoria Becerra
 Aubree Benavides
 Nathan Blashaw
 Nora Bruzzo
 Nixon Bui
 Anna Burns
 Austin Cano
 Jackson Cano
 Sofia Carabeo
 Thalia Carlos
 Hunter Cates
 Gracie Cortez
 Daisy Cota
 Roman Cruz
 Maya Cueto
 Mila Davis
 Emersyn dela Rosa
 Adrian Dobbin-Requejo
 Yzabella Elizarraras
 Myles English
 Logan Espinosa
 Christian Fernando
 Sofia Galindo
 Matthew Garcia
 Ethan Garcia
 Ruth Garfield
 Lia Gilbert
 Oliver Gonzalez
 Jorge Gonzalez
 Nicholas Gonzalez
 Denyse Grepo
 James O. Guerrero
 Amara Guzman
 Jordan Hattar
 Enzo Hernandez
 Thiago Hernandez
 Gabriella Hernandez
 Elias Jacobson
 Gael Juarez
 Arya Kellum
 Caleb LaBarbera
 Madison LaBarbera

Vivienne LaFont
 Ellie Laico
 Audrey Lam
 Dylan Lam
 Mason Landaz
 Aaron Le
 Emi Le
 Mia Le
 Carter Le
 Joseph Lee
 Maria Lee
 Genevieve Lemye
 Jerome Lemye
 Marymagdelene Leojhose
 Andrew Lininger
 Megan Liu
 Dominic Lopes
 Grayson Lopes
 Dylan Lu
 Thiago Lucero
 Louis Magdits
 Kayden Bao Mai
 Evan Malenfant
 Max Mar
 Jacob Mar
 Bobby-Robert May
 Addison McDevitt
 Eleanor Mescall
 Samuel Morales
 Emery Morales
 Adriane Morales
 Cassandra Nguyen
 Olivia Nguyen
 Jared Nguyen
 Hannah Kim Okerlund
 Julia Quyen Okerlund
 Adriel Pena
 London Pesigan
 Paxton Phan
 Sofia Piccolo
 Nicolette Pranata
 Miguel Prietto
 Akhil Pudota
 Lucca Pugliessa
 Nolan Reyes
 Lily Rice
 Sebastian Rose
 Nicholas Salinas
 Nolan Samson
 Kaylee Sanchez
 Gael Sanchez

Eduardo SantaCruz
 Ayli Seghers
 Ella Seghers
 Sadie Seghers
 Olivia Serralde
 Diego Silva
 Caroline Sternad
 Carter Quang Vinh Swartz
 Addison Ta
 Francene Tabas
 Chloe Tan
 Francesca Tan
 Cruz Tang
 Ryan Tauanuu
 Ethan Thomas
 Emma Thompson
 Elizabeth Tran
 Everett Tran
 Avery Valdovinos
 Damian Valdovinos
 Olivia Valera
 Theodore Kai Victoria
 Ethan Vidrio
 Ivan Viecco
 Nicholas Viera
 Sophia Villarreal
 Cooper Villegas
 Alexis Vitug
 Emilie V Vu
 Lucas Khoa Vu
 Harper Vu
 Gavin Weiland
 Harvey Weiland
 Olivia Widera
 Layla Witthuhn
 Alondra Xicotencatl-Vega
 Noak Xicotencatl-Vega
 Adeline Yen
 Ariel Zinzun
 Aubree Zinzun

Received all Sacraments

Dean Boyd Barrett



We are grateful for the Religious Education Program and all the catechists and parents for preparing the students for their First Holy Communion.

ST. THOMAS MORE MINISTRIES

Liturgy Support

Altar Servers	Mary Jane Rin	(9) 627-7125
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Eucharist to the Homebound	Fran Necikowski	(7) 505-4816
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Sacraments

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Confirmation	Gerry Ordiano, Jr.	(9) 551-8602
First Communion	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
First Reconciliation	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
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Knights of Columbus Council #13111	Vincent Smith	(9) 551-8601
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Safety Ministry	Franck Reynaud	(7) 906-7569
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Vietnamese Ministry	Huan Le	(7) 261-9893
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	Steve Hastert & Stacey Howmann	(7) 319-9947 (9) 939-0998
Cursillo	Susan Navarrete	(9) 345-9130
Devotional Life Committee	Julie Whiteside	(7) 615-7205
FOCUS	Steven Debolt	(9) 382-4324
Holy Spirit Prayer Team	John Moran	(7) 401-4728
Legion of Mary	Trisha Smith and Janeth Ostowari	(7) 473-3714 (9) 307-2716
Library	Suzanna Lathrum & Romali De Souza	(9) 551-8601
Life Teen – High School & Young Adults	Bella Magetti & Hayley Moore	(9) 551-8602
More Moms	Rosanna Iseri Novia	(9) 354-2547
Prayer Partners	Mary Cope	(7) 900-0632
Religious Education	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
Small Faith Communities	Denyse Gagnon	(7) 501-7848
Spanish Bible Study (Bible Focused Formation)	Teresa LeMire	(7) 832-1770
When Women Pray	Paula Hines	(7) 746-1802

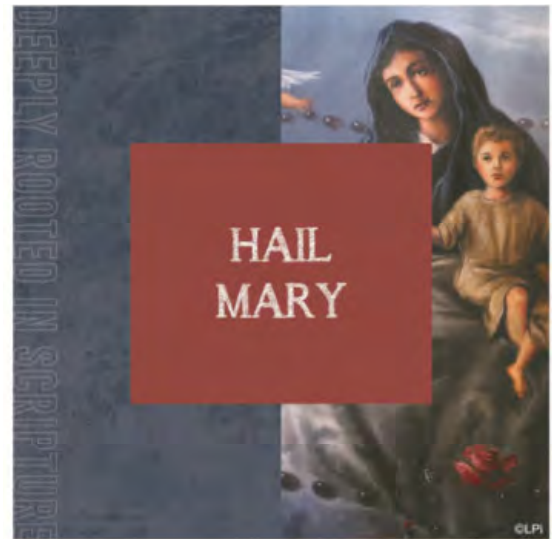
If you are feeling called to serve in one or more of our ministries, please email: serve@stmirvine.org



FOOD PANTRY
will collect donations
Sunday, May 18th

Canned food & dry packaged food
Monetary donations are also accepted
Please: NO fresh produce
NO bread or pastries
NO personal hygiene products
Thank you for your generosity!

Food Pantry
2nd & 4th Wednesdays: Noon to 1pm



Devotions, Explained!

The words of the Hail Mary – undoubtedly the most recognizable Catholic prayer after the Lord's Prayer – are deeply rooted in scripture, but Catholics did not begin to utilize the Hail Mary prayer in its current form until around the 11th century.

Prayer of Christian Love

Fill our hearts, O Lord, with Your love, the deepest, richest, purest love any of us has ever known. May Your love be our standard for love. May Your love be what we bring and communicate to the world. May Your love define us as Christians, made in Your image and likeness. Amen.



Parish Blood Drive

Wednesday, May 21, 2025
STM Multi-Purpose Room
1:00pm – 7:00pm

Give a Pint—SAVE A LIFE!

Please take an hour of your time to make a real difference to someone in need. An appointment must be scheduled prior to donation date.

Register online: redcrossblood.org
Use sponsor code **stthomasmoreirv**

Or visit the sign-up table in the patio after all masses May 3/4, 10/11, and 17/18




Observances for the week of May 18, 2025

- Sunday:** 5th Sunday of Easter
- Tuesday:** St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest
- Wednesday:** St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
- Thursday:** St. Rita of Cascia, Religious
- Next Sunday:** 6th Sunday of Easter

Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

There is an invitation in the empty tomb and the abandoned burial cloths. What great things could we accomplish, if we only believe that Christ has conquered death? Go forth this Easter season, boldly embracing the hope of the resurrection.

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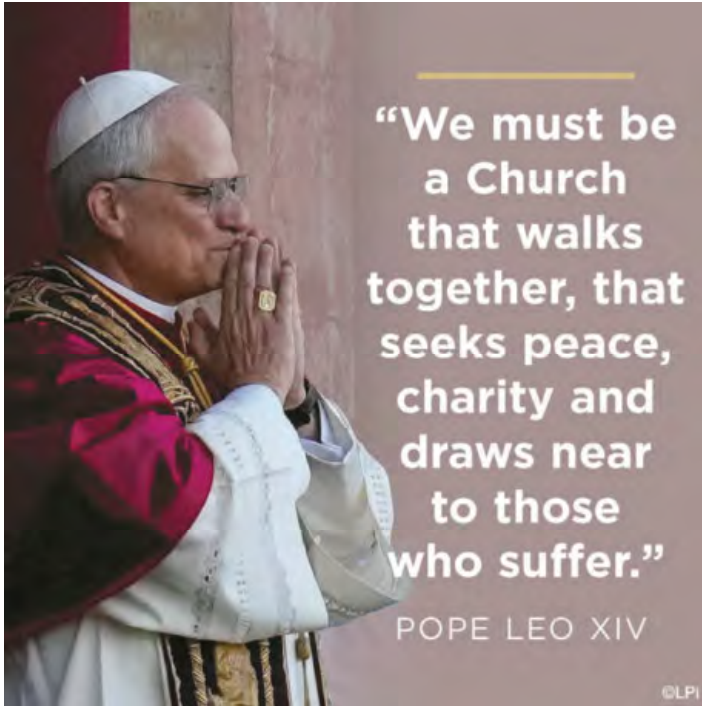
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