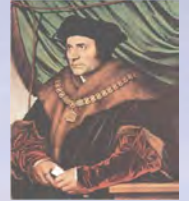




SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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



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/English

3:00 pm Chinese/English

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

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

Baptisms and Marriages: contact the office for details



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

Parochial Vicar Emeritus

Weekend Assistants

Deacons

Founding Pastor

Rev. Eugene J. Lee

Rev. Kiet Ta

Rev. William Krekelberg

Rev. Joseph Horn, O Praem

Rev. Joseph Justice

Deacon Tony & Mrs. Mary Patronite

Deacon Tin & Mrs. UyenLan Nguyen

Deacon Leonard & Mrs. Nancy Sun

Deacon Bernie & Mrs. Pam Ocampo

†Rev. John E. Janze

Office Information:

Office:

949-551-8601

After-hours emergency:

949-551-8601 ext. 7

Fax:

949-551-5879

Religious Education:

949-551-8029

Youth Ministry:

949-551-8602

Office Hours:

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

Saturday: 9:00am-2:00pm



July 17, 2022

“Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me.”

Luke 10:40

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Abraham and Sarah show hospitality to messengers of the LORD (Genesis 18:1-10a).
Psalm — He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord (Psalm 15).
Second Reading — The mystery hidden from generations past has been manifested; it is Christ in you, the hope for glory (Colossians 1:24-28).
Gospel — Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. Mary has chosen the better part (Luke 10:38-42).
 The English translation of the Psalm Responses from the Lectionary for Mass © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

NEW BIBLE STUDY!
Gospel of Matthew
Every Wednesday at 7pm
beginning July 13th

Come join with Fr. Kiet Ta and John Thai who will be leading the study in the St. Nicholas Room.

Bring your Bible and enthusiasm!

Questions? Contact frkiet@stmirvine.org

Mass Intentions

Saturday 7/16	4:00pm, 6:00pm	Hong Le Pro Populo
Sunday 7/17	8:00am 9:30am 11:30am 1:00pm 5:00pm	Rita Moletta Darryl and Mernie Empalmado Alfonso Delicana, Jr. Mila Paredes †Francis Feldman †Adela Ventura Echenique †Enrique Penaloza Flores †Christopher Kraushhaar †John Bates †Lien Paula Han †Jacki Sundheim
Monday 7/18	8:00am	Lisa Bergler
Tuesday 7/19	8:00am	Tony Nguyen
Wednesday 7/20	8:00am	†Florencia Villanueva
Thursday 7/21	8:00am	Fernando Ruiz
Friday 7/22	8:00am	†Ramon "Poche" Navarro
Saturday 7/23	8:00am	Gary Lopez Carol Smith Del Villar Family Eddy & Lily Natividad †Max and Margarita Miramontes †Virginia Camero †Stephen Fearon

*Be still, and know that I am God.
 ~ Psalm 46:10*

*Listen. Reflect.
 Ponder.*

*Love. Adore.
 Surrender.*

*Pray. Meditate.
 Contemplate.*

*Transcend. Deepen.
 Enter.*

*Find healing, peace,
 and power.*

*Breathe. Rest.
 Pause.*

Simply be with God.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
EVERY FRIDAY AT 6 PM
 24-Hour Adoration on the 22nd each month

REFLECTION QUESTION:

How has the Lord shown favor to me?

Today's theme on the readings: PRAYER AND SERVICE
 How do we bring balance and joy to our lives of prayer and service to our loving God?

In the Gospel today, Jesus tells Martha that her concern about doing the right thing as dictated by Jewish tradition might not be the best use of her energies. Her sister, Mary, who sits in rapt attention at Jesus' feet, should not be rebuked. Is Jesus trying to show Martha that she needs to make time for her spiritual nourishment?

Abraham and Sarah in the first reading seem to be just like Martha. And yet Abraham's eager welcome and joyful serving of his "visitors" seems almost spiritual. How like Paul, in the second reading, rejoicing in his service to the gospel! We hear in the psalm that those who do justice will live in the Lord's presence. Prayer and service—what greater joy could there be? Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Collections and Expenses

7-4-22 to 7-10-22

	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Sunday Collection	\$18,626	\$12,346	\$30,972
Maintenance Fund	\$1,052	\$424	\$1,476
Other income	\$5,262	\$2,238	\$7,500
Total income	\$24,940	\$15,008	\$39,948

Regular Expenses	\$45,865
------------------	----------

Believe & Grow Capital Campaign	\$316	\$12,690	\$13,006
---------------------------------	-------	----------	----------

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!

Missionary Cooperative Appeal



MISSION OFFICE

Fr. Michael & Br. David
US-China Catholic Association
July 23 & 24, 2022



Rest in the Love of Christ



Maria Cabral
 Robert Gallegos



PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING



Flory Aguilar
 Tammy Daneman
 Tina Halberg
 Julissa Huerta
 Natalia Julian
 Ernie Natividad
 Susan Nakagama

Deacon Tony Patronite
 Fr. Patrick Philbin
 Norma Santiago
 Jack Scharff
 Cheryl Skudlarski
 Michele Wills

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



CONFIRMATION

WED 7PM

Confirmation Registration

Registration for the 2022-2023 Confirmation year opens soon. If you would like to be notified when registration is live, please email Confirmation@stmirvine.org to be placed on our notification list.



YOUTH MINISTRY

MON 7PM

The Summit

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



YTH NITES

SUN 7PM

Spend Your Summer With Us

Join us Sunday, July 24th for our Summer YTH NITE! All high school students and incoming freshman are invited. Invite a friend and enjoy some food, fellowship, and a message on St. Paul.



YOUTH MINISTRY

FRI 7PM

JR. CORE TEAM

Please pray for our new Jr. core team members: Anita Smith, Sebastian and Nicholas Nieto, Aiden Jayakumar, Ruby Reynaud, Gianna Cabral, Lauren Smith, and Keira Vu.



R.E.P. CORNER



REP Registration News

Registration for our Religious Education Program for Grades K-8 will open very soon! Please stay tuned to the bulletin and website for further information.



Volunteers Needed for 2022/2023

We are already recruiting teachers, substitute teachers and parent volunteers for the upcoming school year. For more info on sharing the love of our faith with the young people of our parish, please contact the REP office at (949) 551-8029.



For any questions, contact the REP Office at rep@stmirvine.org or (949) 551-8029.



The Library Corner

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



The St Thomas More Parish Library staff would like to wish all our parishioners a Happy 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Parish Library will be open today from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

The Eucharist, the Real Presence, is the most holy and blessed Sacraments of the Catholic Church. The Parish Library has an excellent book on this topic titled, *'In the Presence of Our Lord'*, authored by Father Benedict J. Groeschel and James Monti.

Father Groeschel shows the theological, historical and psychological reasons for Eucharistic devotion, which has always been a source of comfort to those who seek a deepening of faith. As Catholics, we know that the presence of Christ's true body is in this Sacrament, which rests upon Divine authority. For our Lord said, 'this is My body which shall be delivered up for you', so we have no doubt that this is true since He is the Truth.

Also, the feast day of Saint Mary Magdalene is on Friday, July 22, 2022.

Congratulations Fr. Louis Hager, O Praem



We are proud of you! With love and prayers from your St. Thomas More Family!

A reflection from Fr. Louis...

By the grace of God, I was born into a wonderfully large (and largely wonderful) family of ten kids, with two loving parents. Our schooling journey ranged from parochial school, to public high school, to Catholic high school, to homeschool, to community college, to State University. But the one constant amidst any stage of school was the communal singing my whole family did at Mass as a choir. I think that singing together as a family has been one of the greatest contributors to my own formation leading me to become the Catholic man—and now **priest**—that God has so desired of me. Because of my family's singing at Mass—at St. Thomas More—I got involved with other ministries at the parish: music for the youth Mass, confirmation retreats, young adult adoration, Life Teen, XLTs, and more. I have so cherished the moments of helping out at the parish on many levels. And throughout all of this God indeed worked to fashion His plan in the heart of one who came to share in His own love for His Church. Having finished up my two years at the local community college, and worked for another year, God gave me the grace to pursue a path that only He can call one to. I entered St. Michael's Abbey as a postulant in the late summer of 2014, received the white habit at Christmas of the same year, entered the more official novitiate years of formation, and eventually received a masters in theology from a seminary based out of Toronto, Canada. Having just finished a year of additional studies this past year out in Rome, Italy, the Good Lord has now seen fit to raise my very little self to the undeserved but joyfully accepted dignity of the Priesthood. I am just bursting with the abundance of His grace and ever so grateful for His unending mercies. I ask that you continue to pray for me as I continue to strive to do His will, and know that I shall be praying for you my beloved home parish of St. Thomas More, for whom, as faithful members of Christ's Body, I have been united to the sacrificial victim upon the altar. *For it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.*

Reverence at Mass

Mass is deeply sacred. Let us deepen our devotion to the Eucharist.

DRESS to meet the King of Kings

EARLY to Mass

ENGAGE in Mass with your heart

PARTICIPATE actively

END. Stay to the end of the FINAL HYMN

NEIGHBOR-MINDED. Help make Mass a sacred time for you and your brothers and sisters.



DIOCESAN
CHILDREN'S CHOIR CAMP #
AT CHRIST CATHEDRAL

JULY 25 - 29, 2022 • 9 AM - 12 PM

The banner features three young girls in orange t-shirts with musical notes and a treble clef. The background is a blue sky with a tall building.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Camillus de Lellis

Wednesday: St. Apollinaris

Thursday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi

Friday: St. Mary Magdalene

Saturday: St. Bridget of Sweden; Blessed Virgin Mary



SUGGESTED PLENARY INDULGENCE OF THE MONTH JULY 2022

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

A PLENARY INDULGENCE is granted to those who visit the Most Blessed Sacrament for at least one half hour (together with the three prerequisites (constants) of a plenary indulgence.

FR. EUGENE'S COMMENTARY & SUGGESTION

Whenever you receive Holy Communion at Mass, we are receiving the TRUE Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. THE EUCHARIST IS JESUS! We must remember how deeply sacred and lovely this Sacrament is. To enhance and deepen our reverence and faith in the Eucharist, the Catholic Church's practices Eucharistic Adoration. This is a special time and when a pastor of a parish makes it available, the people should partake in the opportunity. Here at STM, we have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday at 6:00 pm and we have a 24-hour period of Eucharistic Adoration every 22nd day of the month because St. Thomas More's feast day is June 22. So, this adoration begins immediately after the end of the 8 am Mass and ends the next day immediately before the 8 am Mass. Parishioners are urged and welcome to come anytime during those 24 hours. Of course, you can partake in Eucharistic Adoration anytime and this indulgence can be obtained at anytime throughout the year.

CONDITIONS FOR RECEIVING A PLENARY INDULGENCE

1. Do the prescribed work.
2. Receive Holy Communion within several days (before or after) of the indulgenced act.
3. Go to confession within several days (before or after) the indulgenced act
4. Pray for the Pope. An Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be can suffice.
5. Be free from attachment to all sin, even venial sin.

Creating a Culture of Life

Support can absolutely make a difference. Let's do what we can to never let a woman feel so alone and desperate as to abort her child. Awareness of the numerous resources available to women and couples who find themselves too overwhelmed to carry through with pregnancies can quite possibly save a life. Donating and volunteering at these various organizations in our local area will be concrete ways to build a Culture of Life.

PREGNANCY CLINICS / MEDICAL CLINICS

Obria: Fully licensed health care clinic – physical, mental, spiritual, and social needs – before, during and after pregnancy. 877-558-0333. <https://obria.org>

Horizon Pregnancy Clinic: Numerous services including mobile clinics. 714-897-7500 or text to 657-204-6507. <https://www.horizonpc.org>

La Habra Life Center: Licensed medical clinic offering pregnancy related services. 562-691-9395. <https://lahabralifecenter.org>

Santa Ana Life Center: Mentors/ walks with mothers, provides/refers for needed services. 714-835-5433. <https://www.lifecenterofsantaana.org>

Options United: A 24-hour hotline that can connect anyone in the US to their local pregnancy help centers. 877-398-7734. <https://www.optionsunited.com>

SHELTER / HOUSING / FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Precious Life Shelter: Emergency, transitional and single parent efficiency program providing for pregnant women with no place to live. 562-431-5025 <https://www.preciouslifeshelter.org>

Casa Teresa: A program-based shelter for pregnant women in crisis who are 18 or older. 714-538-4860 <https://casateresa.org>

Mary's Path: Nationally accredited short-term residential therapeutic program facility for pregnant and parenting youth, ages 12 to 21 from the foster care system. 714-730-0930. <https://www.maryspath.org>

Let Them Live: 73% of women have abortions due to financial burden. Let Them Live offers financial support so they can choose life instead. 203-450-HELP. <https://letthemlive.org>

FOSTER CARE / ADOPTION SUPPORT

Orange County - Adoption and Foster Care
<https://www.ssa.ocgov.com/adoptfoster-care-youth-services>

Olive Crest - Adoption and Foster Care
<https://www.olivecrest.org/orange-county/>
714-543-5437

Holy Family Services (Adoption & Foster Care)
<https://hfservices.ladiocese.org/>
1231 E. Chapman Avenue Fullerton, CA 92831
714-680-6100

POST-ABORTION HEALING

Orange Diocese - Hope and Healing After Abortion
<https://rcbo.org/ministry/office-for-family-life/topics/pastoral-care/hope-healing-after-abortion/>
800-722-4356

Rachel's Vineyard

A powerful weekend retreat for healing held in various times and places across the United States.
www.rachelsvineyard.org
877-HOPE-4-ME (877-467-3463).

PRAYER / SUPPORT

40 Days for Life. An internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses.
www.40daysforlife.com

We Were Born Ready. Born Ready is the California Catholic Conference's forum to empower, equip, mobilize, resource Catholics to fulfill their baptismal call to serve women, children, and families, especially women in difficult and unexpected pregnancies.
www.wewerebornready.com

Knights of Columbus. The largest Catholic fraternal organization in the country has committed \$5 million to support prolife pregnancy centers across the country through a program called ASAP (Assistance and Support After Pregnancy). www.kofc.org

California Catholic Conference. The CCC is the official public policy voice of the Catholic Church of California. They advocate with policy makers and the public to advance the Catholic vision of human life and dignity. All are encouraged to be a part of the CCC's "Action Alerts" to receive updates on legislative activities that might require the Catholic voice to be heard.
Cacatholic.org/action-alerts

This list can be found on our website at stmirvine.org



St. Thomas More Ministries



Liturgy Support

Altar Servers	Mary Jane Rin	(9) 627-7125
Eucharist to the Homebound	Fran Necikowski	(7) 505-4816
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Jerry Donaldson	(9) 552-5485
Lectors	Tara Reynaud	(7) 925-9992
Music Director, Including Wedding Music	Keith Rattay	(9) 551-8601
Sacristans	Pam Ocampo	(9) 468.6704
Ushers	Frank Ornelas (9) 857-9044	Joe Martin (9) 385-3741

Parish

Believe and Grow Together Campaign	Lisa VanDorpe	(7) 357-3080
Bulletin Editor	Lisa Bergler	(9) 551-8601
Building Committee	Keith Rattay	(9) 551-8601
Deacons	Tony Patronite, Tin Nguyen, Leonard Sun & Bernie Ocampo	(9) 551-8601
Hospitality/Donut Ministry	Deacon Tony Patronite	(9) 307-6215
Parish Business Manager	Stephanie Miller	(9) 551-8601
Parish Office Manager	Lisa Bergler	(9) 551-8601
Welcoming Committee	Vince Salico	(7) 389-7726

Sacraments

Baptism Coordinator	Windy Lozano	(9) 551-8601
Confirmation	Abraham Villela	(9) 551-8602
First Communion	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
First Reconciliation	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)	Deacon Bernie & Pam Ocampo	(9) 468-6604
Marriage Case Support	Contact office	(9) 551-8601
Marriage Encounter	Jim & Cheryl Skudlarski	(9) 551-9156
Marriage In The Lord	Meredith & Keith Rattay	(9) 559-6464
Wedding Coordinator		

Service

Bereavement	Rosie Muñoz	(9) 551-8601
Children's Homeless Lunch Ministry	Kim Lee	(7) 293-8987
Chinese Community	Deacon Leonard Sun	(7) 932-1689
Corazon	Norma Jean Womack	(9) 903-1472
Filipino Community	Mernie Empalmado	(9) 307-7479
Grief Share Ministry	K.C. Riley	(7) 875-8126
Hispanic Ministry	Frank Ornelas & Victor Cota	(9) 857-9044
Homeless Lunch Ministry	Jessica Silva	(9) 294-2875
Knights of Columbus Council #13111	Mike Smith	(9) 300-1913
Respect Life	Chris Gonzales	(9) 551-8601
STM Veterans	Sgt. Bob Kohler	(9) 552-1895
St. Vincent de Paul	Bill Chacon	(9) 331-1020
Vietnamese Ministry	Huan Le	(7) 261-9893
Young Ladies Institute	Mary O'Leary	(9) 305-6810

Spiritual Development

Adult Faith Formation / Bible Study	Tara Reynaud	(9) 551-8601
Christ Renews His Parish	Tony Patronite	(9) 307-6215
Devotional Life Committee	Julie Whiteside	(7) 615-7205
Cursillo	Susan Navarrete	(9) 345-9130
Legion of Mary	Trisha Smith	(7) 473-3714
Library	Sam & Diana Adams	(7) 321-2405
Life Teen – High School & Young Adults	Abraham Villela	(9) 551-8602
Religious Education	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
Spanish Bible Study	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

FIRSTTEAM
REAL ESTATE

CHRISTIE'S
INTERNATIONAL REAL ESTATE

Tom Carr
PARISHIONER
REALTOR®

Lic# 02077397

mobile **310.497.8662**

TomCarr@FirstTeam.com

TomCarr.FirstTeam.com

17240 E. 17th Street
Tustin, CA 92705



ST. CECILIA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Experience More Than School

NOW ENROLLING

STUDENTS FOR PRESCHOOL THROUGH 8TH GRADE

TO SCHEDULE A TOUR, CONTACT

DIANA ANOC AT DANOC@STCECILIASK8.ORG OR CALL (714) 544-1533



WWW.MORETHANSCHOOL.ORG - 1311 SE SYCAMORE AVENUE TUSTIN, CA 92780

WHY ADVERTISE IN YOUR LOCAL CHURCH BULLETIN?

J.S. Paluch will create, produce and print your ad for less than you'd spend elsewhere. They help you reach consumers at extremely affordable rates and offer options to advertise effectively and keep pace with market change.

If you own a business or know of a local business that might like to support your local Catholic parish by advertising in its parish bulletin, please contact J.S. Paluch. Grow your business by advertising in the church bulletin and create strong connections with your target audience. Benefits include:

GREAT COVERAGE - 97% of all households attending church take at least one church bulletin home every Sunday.

GREAT VALUE - 70% of all households are aware of and look at the advertising in the church bulletin and 68% of households surveyed when making a choice between businesses are inclined to choose the one who advertised in the church bulletin.

GREAT LOYALTY - 41% of households do business with a company specifically because they are advertising in the church bulletin.

GREAT PRODUCT - 62% of households keep the church bulletin the entire week as reference.

Advertise With Us!



Learn More About Advertising In Your Parish Bulletin

Call us at **1-800-231-0805**

Email: sales@jspaluch.com

ONE PARISH

Grow in your faith,
find a Mass, and
connect with your
Catholic Community
with OneParish!



Download Our Free App or Visit

<https://www.oneparish.com>



catholicmatch®
California



CatholicMatch.com/myCA



\$5.99 Longanisa or Tocino Plate All Day
with a purchase of any drink and copy of this ad

Located in Cypress Village Shopping Center

Next to Kohl's and Albertsons

14151 Jeffrey Road, Irvine (949) 748-8855 STM

THE O'DELL GROUP

"The Family that Moves Families"



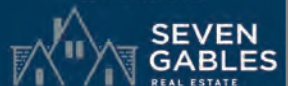
DEAN O'DELL • SARAH O'DELL

714.665-7107

THEODELLGROUP.COM

DRE #01060767 | DRE #00646527

SG DRE # 00745605



HIRING CAREGIVERS

Full-time, part-time, evenings and weekends
Personal & Companion Care Assistants



If you have a passion for caring for others, we offer unique opportunities to make a true difference in the lives of those we care for.

Care Services Include:

- Companionship
- Meal Preparation
- Personal Care
- Light Housekeeping
- Laundry
- Transportation & Errands

Applicants must be reliable and compassionate.

Apply Now!

Call 714.430.8388

HomewatchCareGivers.com/Tustin



Employment Benefits Include:

- Flexible Hours (Part Time and Full Time)
- Competitive Pay
- 24/7 Support Staff
- Ongoing Annual Paid Training



Serving Parish Families Since 1963



714-544-1450

220 E. Main St.
Tustin, CA 92780

www.saddlebackchapel.com

FD 1099

Saint Jeanne de Lestonnac School

Come and see what makes us different!

Serving Preschool through Eighth-grade
for over

School Tours
every Tuesday at 9am
or by appointment



**\$100 Off
New Family
Registration**

"Best kept educational secret in Orange County"



714-542-4271

www.sjdl.school.com

Tustin, CA

CatholicCruisesandTours and TheApostleship
of the Sea of the UnitedStatesof America

Take your FAITH ON A JOURNEY.

Call us today at 860-399-1785 or email
eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com

www.CatholicCruisesandTours.com

(CST 2147990-710)

Consider
Remembering
Your Parish in
Your Will.

For further information,
please call the Parish Office.



800-882-0925 Use promo code: CHURCH

SAVE up to
66%
w/promo code

**Get this
weekly bulletin
delivered by
email - for FREE!**



Sign up here:

www.jspaluch.com/subscribe

Courtesy of J.S. Paluch Company, Inc.



FINDaPARISH.com

Check It Out Today!

*The Most Complete
Online National
Directory of
Catholic Parishes*

Please Cut Out This "Thank You Ad"
and Present It The Next Time You
Patronize One of Our Advertisers

Thank YOU

Thank you for advertising in
our church bulletin.
I am patronizing your business
because of it!

Protecting **Seniors**
Nationwide

Medical Alert System

24 SEVEN



\$29.95/Mo. billed quarterly

- One Free Month
- No Long-Term Contract
- Price Guarantee
- Easy Self Installation

Call Today! Toll Free 1.877.801.8608


St. Francis Home - Non-Profit Senior
Sponsored by the Franciscan Sisters



**Is Accepting
New
Residents**

Visit Us At
www.st-francis-home.org
or call for a tour
714-542-0381

**Vocations
Don't Just Happen:
Ask
Somebody.**



Serra for Priestly and Religious Vocations



ALISO AIR, INC.
**Air Conditioning
&
Heating**
LIC. #526420
(949) 589-2021
Parish Member




WE'RE OPEN 5 FULL DAYS
FOR IN-PERSON LEARNING
PRESCHOOL-8TH GRADE

\$125 off
Registration for all new
families with this ad
www.holyfamilyk8.org

It's a great day to
be a SPARTAN
530 S. Glassell St. Orange, CA

Shirley Santos, DDS, Inc.

General & Family Dentistry
17482 Irvine Blvd., Ste B, Tustin, CA 92780
(714) 368-0222 Parishioner
www.shirleysantosdds.com



- Emergency Services
- PPO Plans Accepted
- Medical accepted (ages 2-20)
- Se Habla Español
- Convenient Hours
- Braces
- Invisalign
- Financing Available Through Care Credit
- Pilipino Po Tayo
- Wisdom Teeth Extractions

SPACE AVAILABLE

To Advertise Here...
Contact VICTORIA QUINN
today at (800) 231-0805
quinnv@jspaluch.com



Shannon Family Mortuary
Family Owned & Serving the Community Since 1933
714.771.1000
www.shannonfamilymortuary.com

**Traditional Catholic Funerals
Burials • Cremations**
Se Habla Español
Located in Old Town Orange
Pre-Planning Available



ZEGLIO
custom clothiers
BESPOKE TAILOR SHOP




Elizabeth Park, President


SUITS • TUXES • SHIRTS • WEDDING & BUSINESS
O: 949.932.0217 • C: 949.939.2007
oc@zeglio.com • @zegliooc
www.zeglio.com
2222 Michelson Dr. #228, Irvine, CA

**HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT MEDICARE?
MICHAEL IS READY TO HELP!**



Michael Corcoran, Medicare broker Local Parishioner
657-210-9380 | mcorcoran2005@gmail.com Lic. 4129387

Carissa Mijares Chandler, Esq.
ESTATE PLANNING ATTORNEY • ST. THOMAS MORE PARISHIONER
Serving the community by assisting families prepare and protect their loved ones.
Protect your most valuable asset...your family!
949-307-5061 • carissachandlerlawoffice@gmail.com



If You Live Alone You Need MDMedAlert!

24 Hour Protection at HOME and AWAY!

- ✓ Ambulance Solutions as Low as **\$19.95** a month
- ✓ Police ✓ Fire
- ✓ Friends/Family **FREE Shipping**
FREE Activation
NO Long Term Contracts



CALL NOW! **800.809.3352**

MDMedAlert
Safe-Guarding America's Seniors Nationwide!
24/7 365 Monitoring in the USA

"I have peace of mind... Mom remains independent."

This Button SAVES Lives! As Shown GPS, Lowest Price Guaranteed!

GPS Tracking w/Fall Detection
Nationwide, No Land Line Needed
EASY Set-up, NO Contract

ESTATE PLANNING

**Flat Fee -
\$1,700 single/\$1,900 couple**
Includes Living Trust, Will,
Advance Health Care Directive
and Financial Power of Attorney



949-677-2562
www.totrustlaw.com
Attorney Timothy J. O'Connor Local Parishioner

WHY IS IT

A man wakes up after sleeping under an ADVERTISED blanket on an ADVERTISED mattress and pulls off ADVERTISED pajamas bathes in an ADVERTISED shower shaves with an ADVERTISED razor brushes his teeth with ADVERTISED toothpaste washes with ADVERTISED soap puts on ADVERTISED clothes drinks a cup of ADVERTISED coffee drives to work in an ADVERTISED car and then refuses to ADVERTISE believing it doesn't pay. Later if business is poor he ADVERTISES it for sale.

WHY IS IT?

Mary . . . sat beside
the Lord at his feet
listening to him speak.

Luke 10:39

© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc. - Excerpts from the *Lectionary for Mass* © 2008, 1998, 1997, 1986, 1970, CCD. All rights reserved. Photo: ruskpp/Adobe Stock

ATTENTIVE TO GOD'S PRESENCE

Summer is in full swing and tent camping is often a memory-making part of it—sometimes just because of the difficulties of putting up the tent! In today's first reading we see Abraham sitting at the entrance to his tent and welcoming three unexpected strangers. By the end of the story God's covenant with Abraham is renewed with the promise that Sarah will give birth to a son. Psalm 15 answers the question, "Lord, who may abide in your tent?" The answer leaves little doubt about what is required to live in the presence of the Lord. In his letter to the Colossians Paul confirms that "the mystery" that was hidden from past ages is now being revealed. The Gospel account of Martha and Mary's ways of welcoming Jesus again emphasizes the central truth that God's promise of salvation is real and present—if only we would listen.

CHOOSING THE BETTER PART?

Is it possible to listen to the Gospel story about Mary and Martha without immediately "hearing between the lines" as Martha mutters to herself, "Why do I have to do all the work around here?" Or without always feeling the sting of Jesus' gentle reprimand of Martha? Without slotting our friends into either the "Martha" or "Mary" column? Without quickly "translating" the story into a lesson about the value of listening over action? Interestingly, Mary never says a word in this story. All of the dialogue is between Jesus and Martha. The importance of first listening to Jesus is, without a doubt, essential to discipleship. We need to be deeply rooted in the Word of God if we want to spread the Good News and stand firm in time of trial or temptation. Yet what does that mean when guests need to be fed?

WHEN WORK BECOMES OUR PRAYER

We know that hospitality to strangers was a central value in the cultural world of Jesus. Abraham's welcome of the three strangers at his tent was expected protocol for the time. Sarah's meal-making for the unexpected guests is blessed with welcome news of a son—and the keeping of God's promise to Abraham. Immediately before the Mary and Martha story in the Gospel of Luke is the story of the Good Samaritan. That parable is unwavering about the importance of action—of going out of our way for others. In the Abraham and the Good Samaritan stories, action predominates. Yet in the next chapter of Luke when a woman in the crowd shouts out, "Blessed is the womb that carried you . . .," Jesus responds, "Rather, blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it." Hymn-writer Herman Stuempfle expresses well the relationship between action and contemplation when he writes that we thank the Lord both for quiet time and for the Word that accompanies us in our work and helps make that work a prayer.

TODAY'S READINGS

Genesis 18:1–10a
Psalm 15: 2–3, 3–4, 5
Colossians 1:24–28
Luke 10:38–42

