



SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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

†Rev. John E. Janze

Office Information

Office hours:

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

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August 3, 2025

18th Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

[Jesus] said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." - Lk 12:15

WELCOME TO STM!



Carmencita Reyes

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Racquel Aguinaldo	Joseph Manglona
Flory Aguilar	Nilda A. Medalle
Froy Becerra	Ron Merse
Daniel Bernabe	Deirdre Morley
Kelly Carter	Susan Navarrete
Bob Catiller	Ernie Natividad
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Michael Collins	Sharon Pataray
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Paul Curran	Armando Peña
Chaz Decoteau	Jacqueline Claire Poznoski
Mary Rose Del Mundo	Donna Publico
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Jamael Edwards	George Quitoriano
Maria Fernandes	Al & Elizabeth Rangitsch
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Marco Gama	Celsa Roberti
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Cristeta Jaropillo	Donny Stoufus
Angela Judy	Lisa Turner
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Chris Kasko	Jesus Villanueva
Tiesha Kelley	Raymund Villanueva
Vivian Knisely	Linda Vito
Ashly Leal	Bill Whiteside
Lauren Leal	Michele Wills
Brielle LeMire	Andy Zelinko
Etienne Lemye	Joe & Judy Zwetow

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



Sat 8/2	4:00pm	†Ho Ngoc and Cuc Vu Dang
	6:00pm	†Chad Matthew Eadie
Sun 8/3	8:00am	†Raymond Curtis
		†Aurelio San Diego
		Regina Hager
		Charlotte Walter
		The Enciso Family
	9:30am	PRO-POPULO
	11:30am	†Carmencita Reyes
	1:00pm	†Claudio Bedoya
	5:00pm	Heather & Martin Kasko Family
Mon 8/4	8:00am	†Dr. James Grimes
	6:00pm	†Joseph Lui
Tues 8/5	8:00am	†Edward Andrade
	6:00pm	Melissa Hick
Wed 8/6	8:00am	Steven Tran
	6:00pm	The Parada-Weihs Family
Thurs 8/7	8:00am	†Manuel Pascua, Jr.
	6:00pm	†Dr. James Grimes
Fri 8/8	8:00am	Amelia Ramirez
	6:00pm	Jennifer Natividad
Sat 8/9	8:00am	†Jose Robles Llana
		Teresa Tran



Welcome to God's Family!

Faustin Fleming
Yanting Li
Levi Lyu
Elizabeth Tu



Our Jamaica Mission Team is heading out Friday, August 1st! Fifteen young adults from STM and Fr. Eugene will be serving with the Missionaries of the Poor in Kingston through August 10th. They'll be caring for the most vulnerable and sharing



Christ's love through hands-on service and prayer. Let's lift them up in prayer as they go on mission! We're proud to send them out from our parish. Stay tuned for an update to follow in the coming weeks!

LET'S CELEBRATE!

St. Thomas More's 30th Anniversary is coming in 2026!

If you have any photos of our STM history, please email them to:
Photos@stmirvine.org

Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee 2025

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us in
your son, Jesus Christ, our
brother, and the flame of charity
enkindled in our hearts by the
Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the
blessed hope for the coming of
your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into
tireless cultivators of the seeds of
the Gospel. May those seeds
transform from within both
humanity and the whole cosmos in
the sure expectation of a new
heaven and a new earth, when,
with the powers of Evil
vanquished, your glory will shine
eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of
heaven. May that same grace
spread the joy and peace of our
Redeemer throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.
Amen

Pope Francis



**Pickup the Jubilee 2025 pamphlet at
STM for Monthly Events
to celebrate the Jubilee Year
together as a Parish**

AUGUST

Jubilee for Youth and Young Adults

- **Flower of Hope project** - Participate in providing needs for Casa Teresa, homes for young ladies. Pick a flower on **August 2nd-3rd** and bring donated item(s) in on **August 16th-17th**
- **Special Masses** on **August 16th-17th** to bless all youth and young adults
- **Prepare meals** with the Homeless Lunch Ministry on **Monday, August 18th @ 5-6pm** in MPR

CONFIRMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

Join us for
"Preach at the Beach" this
Monday, August 4th!

Follow us on
Instagram @stm.yth
for more info!

Follow us



STM YOUTH SUMMER

6/16

Bible Study

STM Courtyard
7:00-8:30pm



7/20

Youth Night

St. Thomas More
6:00-8:15pm



6/22

Youth Night

St. Thomas More
6:00-8:15pm



7/21

Preach at the Beach!

Location TBD
7:00-8:30pm



6/23

Bible Study

STM Courtyard
7:00-8:30pm



7/28

Bible Study

STM Courtyard
7:00-8:30pm



6/30

Bible Study

STM Courtyard
7:00-8:30pm



8/1-3

Steubenville Conference

San Diego, CA
Interest Form in Insta bio!

7/7

Preach at the Beach!

Location TBD
7:00-8:30pm



08/4

Preach at the Beach!

Location TBD
7:00-8:30pm



7/14

Bible Study

STM Courtyard
7:00-8:30pm



08/11

Bible Study

STM Courtyard
7:00-8:30pm



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REP Registration News

We are so excited to announce that
registration for our Religious
Education Program (Grades K-8) is

NOW OPEN!

Please visit: stmrep.stmirvine.org
to register your students right away!



Volunteers Needed for 2025/2026

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.

Grief & Share

Grief Support Group

Help and Encouragement
after the death of a loved one.

10:00 - 11:30 AM
August 19 - November 18, 2025

St. Thomas More
Multipurpose Room

Please Register At
griefshare.org

STM Choir Interest Sunday!

August 9th and August 10th



STM Music Ministry is looking for more
voices and instrumentalists!

Come, meet, and learn how to join the many
choirs at the patio after mass!

STM Holy Spirit Ministry invites you:

Praise and Worship

Every 1st & 3rd Friday of the month

7:30pm - 8:30pm

STM Church, Multi-purpose room

All are welcome

The evening includes praise and worship
singing, prayers, and reflection.
Bring your prayer requests.
Come to be renewed and refreshed.



STM SFC



Just when everyone thinks a
story is over, Jesus steps in and
changes everything.

JOIN US!

STM Small Faith Communities



TO BE PRO-LIFE IS TO BE PRO-WOMAN

While Pro-Choice supporters maintain they are loving women as they are killing their children, the Pro-Life movement proclaims that you cannot love the woman without loving the child. When you harm the child, you harm the mother.

Our challenge is to “Love them both!” It is a message of protection and a message of the sanctity of life. It is a call to live our lives as God has directed. We must embrace both mother and child, extending our love, our understanding, our prayers, and our protection to them both.

Pro-Woman is Pro-Life!

-STM Respect Life Ministry





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GOLF TOURNAMENT & DINNER BANQUET

**THURSDAY,
SEPTEMBER 18**

Questions? Contact Gordon:
gordonwalters11@gmail.com



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HIS PARISH

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 Sat & Sun, Sept 27-28, 2025
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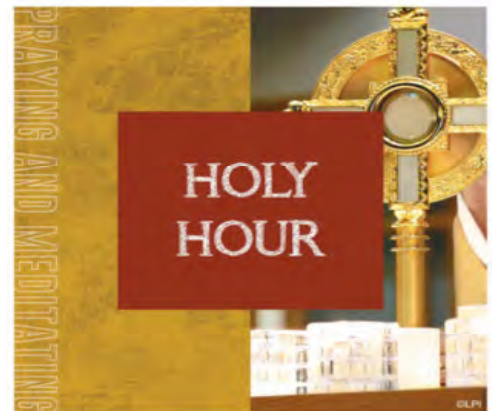
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HOLY HOUR

Devotions, *Explained!*

A holy hour is the practice of spending one hour's time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, praying and meditating on the agony of Jesus Christ.

Prayer for Open Hands

Lord, I do not know what any day holds.
 I cannot take for granted any of the gifts You have given.
 Help me to use them, then, as You would have me.
 Help me to live according to Your invitations.
 Amen.

Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus warns us that at any moment we can be called before God to face judgment. When we are, our life will be measured not in dollars or accomplishments, but in what matters to God. What do we have to show for our time spent on earth?



Young Ladies Grand Institute
**BACK TO SCHOOL
SUPPLY DRIVE**



August 9 & 10

Members of YLGI will be in the courtyard collecting school supplies for St. Joseph's School & St. Anne's School in Santa Ana.



**Monetary donations
also welcome!**

Contact Ann or Gay:
949-374-1547 or 714-832-6632

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday, Aug 14:

6pm Vigil followed by picnic

Friday, Aug 15:

8am & 6pm (multilingual)

Mass ✦ Picnic ✦ Fellowship

Join us for a Parish Picnic after the 6:00pm Mass on Aug 14

Sandwiches provided by the Knights of Columbus

Last name ending in A-O, bring side dish & P-Z, fruit or dessert to share!

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ST. THOMAS MORE MINISTRIES

Liturgy Support

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Wedding Coordinator	Marcella Maurer	(9) 551-8601

Service

Bereavement	Rosie Muñoz	(9) 551-8601
Chinese Ministry	Deacon Leonard Sun	(7) 932-1689
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Filipino Ministry	Mernie Empalmado	(9) 551-8601
Grief Share Ministry	K.C. Riley	(7) 875-8126
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Homeless Lunch Ministry	Jessica Silva & Kim Lee	(9) 294-2875 (7) 293-8987
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St. Vincent de Paul	Rick Lamoreux	(9) 331-1020
Vietnamese Ministry	Huan Le	(7) 261-9893
Young Ladies Institute	Ann Johnson	(9) 374-1547

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
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Holy Spirit Prayer Team	John Moran	(7) 401-4728
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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

Questions of the Week

First Reading:

The author of Ecclesiastes speaks of the futility of an anxious heart and restless mind. What helps to ground you in your day-to-day living?

Second Reading:

Paul encourages the Colossians to put to death the "old self" (bad behavior) and to live into the "new self" (life in Christ). What could you do this week to practice this "new self"?

Gospel:

Jesus tells the crowds the parable of the rich fool, warning against excessive material wealth. How do you balance your material needs with "what matters to God"?

Introduction to The Parables of Jesus Workshop

In the Synoptic Gospels of Mark, Matthew and Luke, Jesus frequently taught using parables instead of just directly answering the question posed to him.

Each parable has a socio-political, historical setting. What did Jesus intend to say at that particular moment? What was the effect when the audience first heard his parables? What are we to make of it today?

Let us further probe and attempt to answer these questions together at the Introduction to the Parables of Jesus Workshop. John Thai will lead a five-week workshop in the Multipurpose Room every Tuesday from 7-9 PM beginning Tuesday, July 29. Bring your Bibles and be prepared to share your thoughts. We hope to see you there!



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STM

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Noon to 1:00pm

2nd & 4th
Wednesdays
every month



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When Women Pray

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"My Hope is in Him"

Psalms 62:5

Saturday, October 11, 2025



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Featured Speaker



Angela Perez Baraquio

Educator and Author

Miss Hawaii 2000/

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EVENT SCHEDULE

7 AM - Check-in opens

8 AM - Holy Mass + Rosary

9:30 AM - Breakfast

10:30 AM - Music + Prayer

11 AM - Speaker

12:30 PM - Conclusion

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