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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



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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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Youth Ministry: 949-551-8602

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am-2:00pm
frontdesk@stmirvine.org
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SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:14-15



THE PARISH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED

Labor Day
Monday, Sept 2nd

In case of emergency, call
949-551-8601 ext. 7

Mass will be at 9am - no 6pm Mass



- Sat 8/31 4:00pm Bud Mertz
6:00pm †Nieva Santos
- Sun 9/1 8:00am Paraon N. De Quiroz
9:30am †Carlos Holanda
11:30am †Father Phillip
†Melida Nelson Escobar
1:00pm The Hassett Family
3:00pm †David Chen
5:00pm PRO POPULO
- Mon 9/2 9:00am Claudia Añorve
- Tues 9/3 8:00am Teresa Tran
6:00pm Sean Nguyen
- Wed 9/4 8:00am Jimmy and Family Cusimano
6:00pm †Rolando Padama
- Thurs 9/5 8:00am †Archie Cachola
6:00pm †Edward Andrade
- Fri 9/6 8:00am †Katushka Fischmann
6:00pm Dina F. Soriano
- Sat 9/7 8:00am Paul Brickett
Nassar Abbaszadeh
†Paul Chieu Tran
†Anna Kim Tran
†Paul Trung Tran
†Souls in Purgatory
†David Chen
†Thomas Dunn



Collections and Expenses

8/19/2024 – 8/25/2024

	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Sunday Collection	\$17,425	\$10,570	\$27,995
Maintenance Fund	\$267	\$80	\$347
Other income	\$1,189	\$4,935	\$6,124
Total income	\$18,881	\$15,585	\$34,466
	Regular Expenses		\$57,208
Capital Campaign	\$22,835	\$11,887	\$36,222
	Campaign Expenses		\$38,292

If you would like to give online, please click on the e-giving link in the top corner of the STM website. All donations to the capital campaign will be used exclusively to pay for the construction costs to build the new church. Moreover, maintenance fund donations can be used to pay for the construction costs to build the new church and for the maintenance and repairs of the existing buildings and property. If you have questions, please call the office. Thank you for your generosity!



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



**BLESSING OF STUDENTS
BEFORE THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR**

Lord our God, in your wisdom & love
You surround us with the mysteries of the universe.

Send Your Spirit upon these students
and fill them with Your wisdom and blessings.

Grant that they may devote themselves to their studies
& draw ever closer to You, the source of all knowledge.

We also ask you to bless their parents, teachers, and
mentors who walk with them, support them, and guide
them on their journey.

We ask this in the Name of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

R/. Amen.

The power of the Gospel for
YOUR everyday life



*New Groups starting
this Fall....*



STM SFC
STM Small Faith Communities

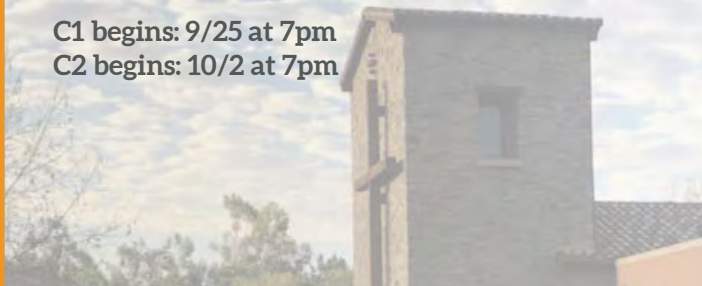


STM CONFIRMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

Join us Mondays at 7pm in the Fireside Room for Bible Study! We'll go over the readings for the upcoming Sunday's Mass and grow with one another in fellowship & community!

Registration for the 2024-25 High School Confirmation program is open! This two-year program is designed to help teens journey with Jesus Christ and His church as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Visit stmirvineym.org for more information and to register your student for the Fall.

C1 begins: 9/25 at 7pm
C2 begins: 10/2 at 7pm



Are you being called to serve?

BE A YOUTH MINISTRY CORE MEMBER!

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We need adult (18+) volunteers to serve in our STM Youth Ministry and Confirmation program!

- Must be a practicing Catholic that upholds all of the Church's teachings of Faith and Morality.
- openness to serve high school aged teenagers. (Sunday and/or Wednesday nights)
- can attend Confirmation weekend retreats

For more information please Email:
gerry@stmirvine.org

REP. CORNER



Volunteers Needed for 2024/2025

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.



REP Registration News

As school is getting started, it is important to remember to get your student registered for Religious Education as well!

Please visit: rep.stmirvine.org to register your students in Grades K-8 right away!



To all families that have already registered: You should have received an email message from the REP Office this past week. If you did not receive anything, please contact us as soon as possible to make sure we have your family in our system!



SAVE THE DATE!

"GOD LEADS, I FOLLOW"

- ✓ Our 14th Annual Morning of Prayer
- ✓ Saturday, October 12, 2024
- ✓ 8 AM - 1 PM
- ✓ St. Thomas More



KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
SR. NANCY USSELMANN,
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Center for Media Studies
in Los Angeles

REGISTRATION OPENING SOON!



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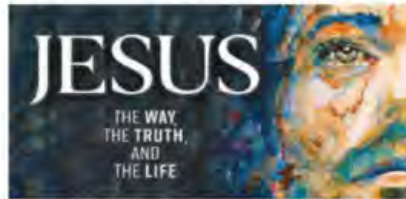
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Fall 2024
8 Sessions



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Winter 2025
10 Sessions



Study on the life of Jesus. Get to know His Jewish background, His ministry and how much He changes all our lives!

Spring 2025
10 Sessions



What is the Catholic Church all about? What does it mean to be Catholic? What do Catholics believe?

To Register for "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible" use the QR Code or www.stmirvine.org/BFFregister

All Sessions on Site

English	Saturdays	9:00am – 10:30am	Begins Sept 14
English	Mondays	7:00pm – 8:30pm	Begins Sept 16
English	Wednesdays	9:00am – 10:30am	Begins Sept 18
Espanol	Lunes	7:00pm – 8:30pm	Comienza Sept 16
Espanol	Miercoles	10:00am – 11:30pm	Comienza Sept 18

More Info: STMBibleFocusedFormation@gmail.com or Mar Cunningham at 714-552-8711

Congratulations to The Legion of Mary



A second Legion of Mary Praesidium has been formed at St. Thomas More, Irvine. The new Praesidium is called **Our Lady, Ark of the New Covenant**. They meet on Tuesdays at 7pm – 8:30pm in Room #1. President: Janeth Ostowari. Other officers of this new Praesidium includes: Emma Phelan, Vida Gotico and Jennifer Mendoza. **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Praesidium** continues to meet on Mondays at 7pm – 8:30pm in Room #1.

Lectio Divina Meditación del Santo Rosario Formación

Cenáculos de Oración

Escuela De Virtudes

Martes 7:00 pm o Viernes 10:00 am
Iniciamos Agosto 2024
Sesión una vez a la semana de una hora y media
Traer Biblia y Rosario
Informes: Claudia Reyes y Blanca Bermudez
Contacto: careyes2018@gmail.com

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Saint of the week

St. Basil the Great (329–379) shares his feast day with his friend St. Gregory of Nazianzen. These accomplished men fought against heresies that threatened the foundations of the early Church, shaping doctrines around Christ's divinity and the nature of the Holy Trinity.

Prayer for Labor Day

Dear Lord,
Bless and protect the men and women whose hard work provides food and shelter to them and their families, services to our communities, and care to our world. Be with them as they work, but also as they rest and recreate in Your care. Amen.

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- Mk 7:14-15

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Christ Renews His Parish

Women's Weekend
Sat - Sun Sept 14th-15th
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Men's Weekend
Sat & Sun Sept. 21st-22nd
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The Pharisees did not understand that the law is more than an action to be carried out. We are called to be doers of the word and not hearers only. Let the law take root in your heart, and it will bear fruit in your works.

Questions of the Week

First Reading:

Moses urged Israel to follow God's commandments, in order to become a "great nation," filled with "wise and intelligent people." Where do you see our nation following God's commandments?

Second Reading:

James sees religion at its best when it cares for those on the margins of society and resists the false trappings of the world. How might you help someone less fortunate than you this week?

Gospel:

Jesus challenged the Pharisees and scribes of Jerusalem on how they interpreted traditional Jewish purity laws. What do you think helps someone have a "clean heart?"

GROWING WITH THE Gospel

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Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time • Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

New Session at STM

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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.

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Young Ladies Institute	Rhonda Kersting	(7) 292-8251

Spiritual Development

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Christ Renews His Parish	Tony Patronite	(9) 307-6215
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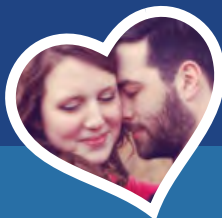
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Journey of Hope Healing and Recovery from Divorce

Wednesday Series **Sept 11 - Dec 11, 2024**
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.


In Person or on Zoom
Rooms 3 & 4 Parish Center

St. Joseph Catholic Church
717 N. Bradford Avenue
Placentia, CA. 92670

Book and Materials: \$25
"Divorced, Catholic? Now What?"
by Lisa Duffy & Vince Frese



To Register, scan the QR code or go to the website:
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Orange Diocese Magnificat Prayer Breakfast

Hosted by Our Lady Queen of Peace Chapter

Saturday, Sept. 21, 2024
9:30am to 12:30pm
Cultural Center, Christ Cathedral

Guest Speaker:
Catherine Lanni



"So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love".
(Corinthians 13:13)