

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



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

Pastor

Parochial Vicar Chinese Chaplain Parochial Vicar Emeritus Weekend Assistants

Deacons

Rev. Eugene J. Lee

values he modeled of friendship, integrity and courageous love of God.

Rev. Thomas Tran Rev. Francis Li 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: After-hours emergency: Fax: Religious Education: Youth Ministry: 949-551-8601 949-551-8601 ext. 7 949-551-5879 949-551-8029 949-551-8602

Office Hours: Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm Saturday: 9:00am-2:00pm

Founding Pastor



September 3, 2023 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct." - Mt 16:26-27



STM raised over \$18,000!

God, bring consolation and relief

Collections and Expenses 8-21-23 to 8-27-23

	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Sunday Collection	\$15,042	\$11,598	\$26,640
Maintenance Fund	\$187	\$40	\$227
Other income	\$1,756	\$7,225	\$8,981
Total income	\$16,985	\$18,863	\$35,848
	Regular Expenses		\$53,090
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Believe & Grow Capital Campaign	\$530	\$7,420	\$7,950

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

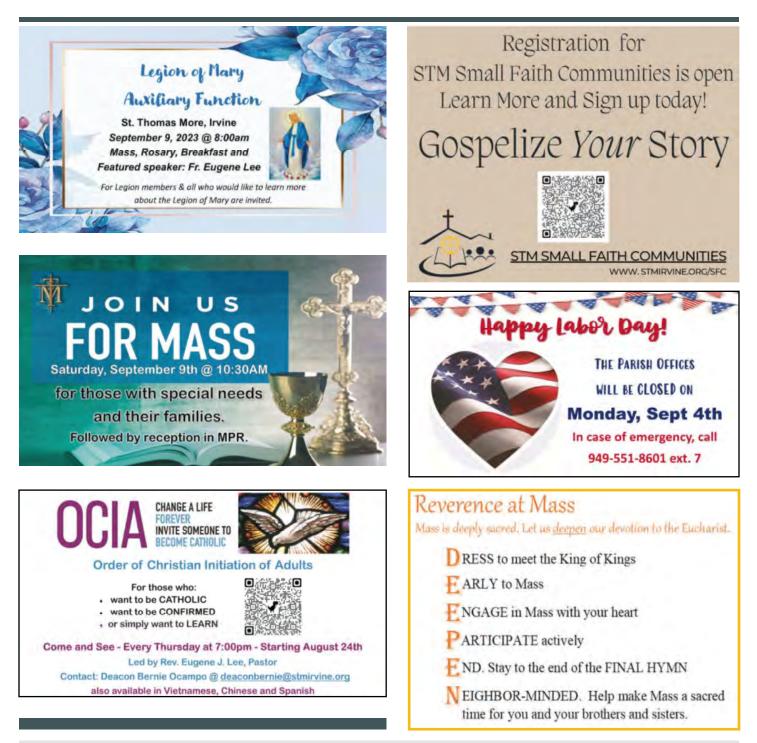
Sat 9/2		†Dominic Vu Huu Dinh †Levy Santos
Sun 9/3	9:30am 11:30am 3:00pm	 †Edward Andrade †Liam Conlon †Lilia Gutierrez †Beatrice Lopez John Miller, Jr. Alex San Juan Quin Fitzpatrick †Dominico P. Do Pro Populo †Naugab Lee †Pat Cakebread
Mon 9/4	8:00am	Kristine P. Angeles
Tues 9/5	8:00am	†Victims Who Died in Maui Fire
Wed 9/6	8:00am	†Sara Loats Sutherland
Thurs 9/7	8:00am	Dan Louie
Fri 9/8	8:00am	†Dan Van Dorpe
Sat 9/9	8:00am	†Marie Lizzie Johnson †Deceased of Misquitta Family Sonny Obillos Rachel & Nik Cinco-Hedde & Family Clare Dandekar Johanna Harris Richard & Jackie Lombardi

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Flory Aguilar Eddie Anderson Sal Baldomar Froy Becerra Sofia Cardona Carole Caplett Bob Catiller, Sr. Lou and Nancy Chereny Amy Cooney Victor Cota Sebastian de Leon Beata Durdovic Cecelia Duzynski Kathy Ellis Scott Fennel Joseph Franco Tony Galati Marco Gama Anthony Gaona Alina Gram Tina Halberg CJ Hassett Doug & Kathie Hibbard Eric Howarth Brooke Huismans Maria A. Johnson Sharon Jones Natalie and Warren Julian Richard & Elizabeth Kulas Jacqueline Lamm Kevin Lee Patrick Lee Dolly Lewis Jack Light Richard & Jackie Lombardi Stephanie Lozano Joseph Manglona Patrick Mar

Fred Martinez Terry & Kathy McGaughan Ross Meador Christy Miller Jim Miller Virginia Miller Elena Monico Linda Moore Sharon Morley Baby Rosemary Mungia Matthew Muro Ernie Natividad James Natividad Karen Norton Aileen Perez Dave Perry Jerry & Evie Pilkington Jacqueline Claire Poznoski Donna Publico George Quitoriano Paula Jane Ramirez Guadalupe & Enrique Rivas Pauline Rocha Donna Rohrer Eileen Rossi Ann Rupp Norma Santiago Haseen Sarpas Susan Shadley Mark Stannard Tara Summers Maria Guadalupe Vasquez Jesus Villanueva Ravmund Villanueva Kristine and Brandon Williams Michele Wills Les Wong

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



Mission Cooperative Appeal: Next Weekend, Sept 9 & 10



Sister Carole Marie Blazina, SC and Sister Barbara Einloth, SC from the Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill will be visiting St. Thomas More this year as part of the Mission Cooperative Appeal during the weekend of September 9th and 10th. The Sisters serve in missions in Ecuador, China,

and South Korea assisting children with disabilities. The Sisters and staff teach and offer training in life skills to children who are physically and mentally challenged. The funds received in 2023 will provide much needed books for the library, school supplies, lunches at their school for children with disabilities and food to the families of those struggling in Ecuador. Assistance is also needed in the early education center for the disabled in China. They are in great need of supplies and for operational expenses. Your support is greatly appreciated.





CONFIRMATION

WED 7PM

Confirmation Registration

Registration for Confirmation for the 2023-2024 is now open. If you are a returning C1 student or if you would like to register your high school student for Confirmation, please go to stmirvineym.org and click on Confirmation to register.

YOUTH MINISTRY

SUN 6AM

WED 7PM

Core Team

The STM Youth Ministry team would like to thank Anthony Miyashiro and Sam Hawley-Browder for their service to God's young people. We are so thankful for your 'Yes'' during the time on the team. Please be assured of our prayers as you journey to College and the Army.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Catechists Needed

If you love your Catholic Faith and desire to help young people devolop and foster a relationship with the Lord, please consider being a High School Catechist. For more Information, please send an email to Abraham@stmirvine.org

YOUTH MINISTRY

MON 7PM

Bible Study

Confirmation class may be over but God is still calling you to pursue Him! Join us Mondays for our high school bible study! We meet in the Youth Ministry Office. See you there

r.e.p. Corner



Volunteers Needed for 2023/2024 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 Registration for our Religious Education Program is NOW OPEN

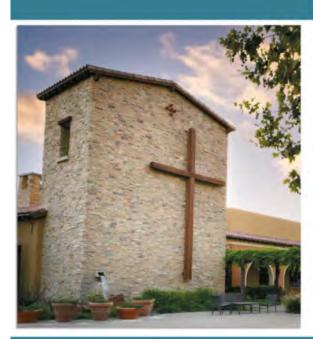
and classes are filling up. Please visit: rep.stmirvine.org to register your students in Grades K-8 right away! Waitlists will begin Sept. 1st and classes will begin the week of Sept. 10th

> For any questions, contact the REP Office at <u>rep@stmirVine.org</u> or (949) 551-8029.

The Library Corner

The St Thomas More Parish Library staff would like to wish all our parishioners a Happy 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Parish Library will not be open today.

The Catholic Church will celebrate the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Friday, September 8, nine months after the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8. Mary was born to Joachim and Anne, who were later canonized as Saints. The Bible does not record Mary's place of birth, however, according to the Gospel of James, an apocryphal text, it is believed to be in Sepphoris located in central Galilee northwest of Nazareth. Jerusalem is described by St. Sophronius of Jerusalem as the birth place. Other speculation states that the birthplace of Mary was near the Sheep Gate and Pools of Bethesda where the Church of St Anne resides today. This Feast was first celebrated in Rome in the year 701 by Pope Sergius I. St. Augustine described the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary as an event of Cosmic and Historic significance and an appropriate prelude to the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. The best way to say Happy Birthday to our Heavenly Mother is to pray the Rosary. Mater Dei.



WE ARE HIRING

ARE YOU THE ONE? COME WORK WITH US!

- 2 Positions Available:
- 1. Front Desk Receptionist
- 2. Religious Education Admin. Assistant

Work for STM, where what you do is more than just a job.

It's a faith-filled opportunity to serve others in a meaningful way.

Call the office at (949) 551-8601 ext. 213 to find out more.



September 27 - November 05 40 DAYS FOR LIFE.

Get involved in a worldwide mobilization through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, that has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers!



"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." MATTHEW 16:24b

With God's help, here are the proven results: Help save lives in our community here's how:

Will you sign up to **pray a one hour** shift or **five or six one hour** shifts on the sidewalk? God will use your generosity. Invite a friend!

23.525 LIVES SAVED 251 ABORTION WORKERS QUIT 142 ABORTION CENTERS CLOSED

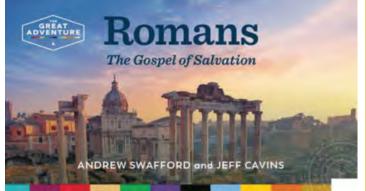
Vigil location: Outside 700 S. Tustin St. Orange, CA



40daysforlife.com/orange







NEW BIBLE STUDY! Romans: The Gospel of Salvation

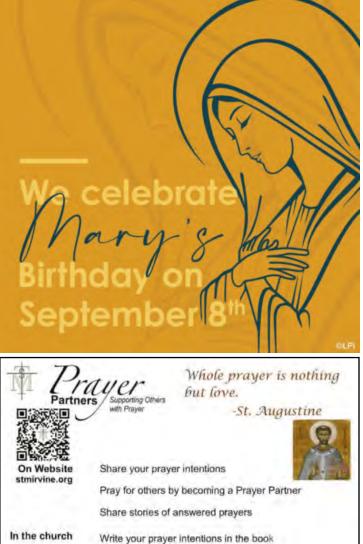
Paul's letter to the Romans has been at the center of reflection, conversion, and controversy from the very beginning. Our newest study will help make sense of the difficult passages regarding faith, works of the law and justification.

Join us for *Romans: The Gospel of Salvation*, our brand new Saturday Bible Study. This study will help give you an authentically Catholic, comprehensive, and simple way to understand this challenging epistle. Participants will view a video during the week and meet via Zoom every Saturday morning at 9AM for a lively group conversation and fellowship. To register, contact Deacon Tony at deacontony@stmirvine.org

Observances for the week of September 3, 2023

Sunday:	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	Labor Day
Friday:	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday:	St. Peter Claver, Priest
Next Sunday:	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day





Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

A love of suffering does not come naturally to us as humans. We have no instinct to throw our arms around a rough and heavy cross — no, we shy away from it. But as adopted children of God, crafted lovingly in His image, our inheritance is the grace to do what feels so impossible.



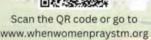


Good and Gracious God, You created human beings in Your image and likeness And gave us dominion over creation to be stewards of the land and co-creators of Your Kingdom. Jesus, You became one of us and labored as a carpenter. You ask all people -whatever our state of life -to follow you faithfully. Holy Spirit, bless all workers this Labor Day. May all our actions be animated by Your love, as we do all things for the glory of God. Amen.

Come and Be Uplifted!

When Women Pray's 13th Annual Prayer Breakfast Saturday, Sept. 30th 8am - 1pm Join us for a faith-filled morning of prayer, breakfast, music, fellowship, and inspiration with featured speaker Renée Bondi! Attendance is FREE but

registration is required.







HELP AND ENCOURAGEMENT AFTER THE DEATH OF A LOVED ONE

13 WEEK SEMINAR SUPPORT GROUP YOU MAY JOIN AT ANY SESSION

Mondays 7-8:30 pm • August 7 - November 6 OR Tuesdays 10-11:30 am • August 8 - November 7 St. Thomas More Parish

Register at: GriefShare.org



VOLUNIEERS NEEDED We are looking for

volunteers to help at the WWP Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, Sept 30, 2023 8am to 1pm

Help us with: Event set up Event registration Food prep Breakfast service Event clean up and much more! Interested in helping? Contact Kim: kimmievu@gmail.com or scan QR code to sign up



MY SOUL IS *this ting* FOR YOU, MY GOD. PSALM 63

SANTO ROSARIO EN ESPAÑOL - HOLY ROSARY IN SPANISH

A partir de agosto, acompáñanos a rezar el Santo Rosario cada martes de 7:00pm-8:30pm, aquí en nuestra parroquia de Santo Tomás Moro, en el salón #2. Meditaremos los misterios y haremos una reflexión del Evangelio del domingo.

Para más información, puedes comunicarte con Ana Bedoya (arbbgu@hotmail.com) o con

cualquiera de nosotros del Ministerio Hispano después de la misa dominical de la 1:00 pm. ¡Te esperamos!

"El Rosario me ha acompañado en los momentos de alegria y en los momentos de tribulación. A él, he confiado tantas preocupaciones y en él siempre he encontrado consuelo". -San Pablo II



ST. THOMAS MORE MINISTRIES

Liturgy Support

Liturgy Support		
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Sacristans	Pam Ocampo	(9) 468.6704
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Service		
Bereavement	Rosie Muñoz	(9) 551-8601
Children's Homeless Lunch Ministry	Kim Lee	(7) 293-8987
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Corazon	Norma Jean Womack	(9) 903-1472
Filipino Community	Mernie Empalmado	(9) 307-7479
Grief Share Ministry	K.C. Riley	(7) 875-8126
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Homeless Lunch Ministry	Jessica Silva	(9) 294-2875
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Respect Life	Chris Gonzales	(9) 551-8601
Safety Ministry	Fred Simon	(310) 508-5053
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	Gloria Glenn	(9) 294-9175
Spiritual Development		
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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
More Moms	Krystal Padley	(9) 551-8601
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	Teresa LeMire	(7) 832-1770
When Women Pray	Paula Hines	(7) 746-1802
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Around the Diocese...

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MORNING OF RECOLLECTION

I Want to See God

The Joy of Contemplative Life

A walk with St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Saturday, September 23
9:30 AM to 12:00 PM in Quinn Hall

We will learn from St. Thérèse of the Chi of the Mystical Life, the simplicity of the gaze and the spiritual childhood. She teac become a saint, i.e., to be happy, is within every person. "Making God Happy" is The for holiness. This is the goal that she ever before the multitude of "little souls" who carry along her "little way" to heave

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Hosted by Bishop Kevin Vann, **Bishop Timothy Freyer, Bishop Thanh** Nguyen & Bishop Tod Brown.

24TH BISHOPS' CLASSIC **GOLF TOURNAMENT** Dinner included!

UNDERWRITING & SPONSORSHIP **OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE**

Proceeds from this event benefit our Counseling program in the Catholic Schools in our diocese!

For more information, please contact philanthropy@ccoc.org or scan the QR



Do you want a more loving marriage?

Attend Worldwide Marriage Encounter!

Upcoming dates at the Heart of Jesus Retreat Center:

September 16-17 or November 4-5, 2023

Register: ocwwme.org or call 714-873-5136





If you are grieving the loss of your marriage through death, divorce or separation, join us at the Pro Sanctity Center in Fullerton on Oct. 13 to 15. A trained team leads participants

through a healing and growth program. If you are ready to move through your feelings of grief, into the light of a new beginning and hope, this weekend may be for you. Contact Kim at (714) 336-3221 or Melissa (bilingual, Spanish) at (949) 697-3352 for more information. Early registration is encouraged.



Our Lady Queen of Angels 2:42 YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Ages 21-35. Download the GroupMe app, then scan the QR code to join. We look forward to meeting you!



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A TRUTH-FILLED EVENT

St. Hedwig Catholic Church September 16-17 at 7:00-9:00pm each night

This one-night event will feature

- Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers as Emcee
- Kevin Bailey with From Success to Significance
- Dr. Robert Haddad with The Eucharist: The Glory and Presence of the New Israel
- Charbel Raish with How Islam Led Me Back to Christ
- Anna Nuzzo Special Guest musician
- Q&A Panel with all 4 speakers!





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