



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



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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 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

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Youth Ministry: 949-551-8602
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September 8, 2024

23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"—that is, "Be opened!" - Mk 7:32-34





Hollie Barnes
John Bui

**24 - Hour
Adoration
of the
Blessed
Sacrament**




begins on Monday, September 23rd after 8:00am Mass and will end before Mass the following day

Collections and Expenses
8/26/2024– 9/1/2024


	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Sunday Collection	\$19,467	\$15,055	\$34,522
Maintenance Fund	\$136	\$430	\$566
Other income	\$2,604	\$4,481	\$7,085
Total income	\$22,208	\$19,966	\$42,174
	Regular Expenses		\$41,366
Capital Campaign	\$17,580	\$14,228	\$31,808
	Campaign Expenses		\$1,456

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!



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 9/7	4:00pm	Lisa Abbaszadeh 6:00pm Chiou Family
Sun 9/8	8:00am	†Dan Van Dorpe
	9:30am	PRO POPULO
	11:30am	James Lozano
	1:00pm	Patricia Lambaren
	3:00pm	†James Dichosa
	5:00pm	Giuliano and Giovana Pugliessa †Joseph William Myers †Bernie Gagnon
	Mon 9/9	8:00am Philippe Andrade 6:00pm †Ellen Esther Blasing Church
	Tues 9/10	8:00am †Anna Nguyen 6:00pm †Remi G. Marin
Wed 9/11	8:00am	Allen Chiou & Family
	6:00pm	†Chris Denson
Thurs 9/12	8:00am	Mario and Dina Soriano
	6:00pm	Ariel Cachola
Fri 9/13	8:00am	The Majkowski-Nguyen Family
	6:00pm	Father Angelus
Sat 9/14	8:00am	Steven Tran





Pray For...

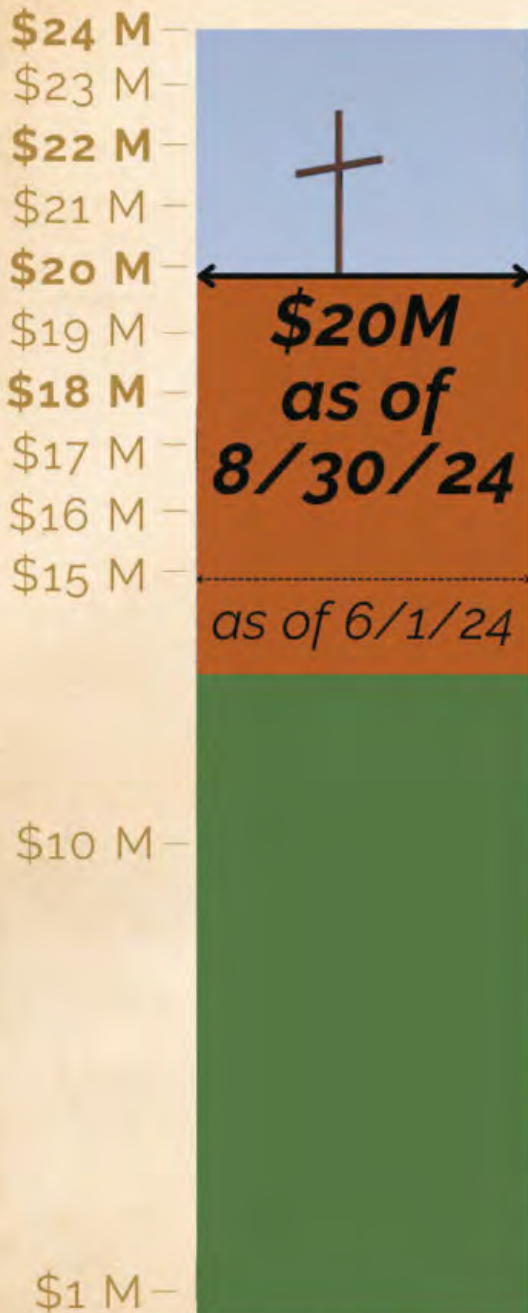
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Email bulletin@stmirvine.org to add a name to be included for one month

PLEDGE COMMITMENT

LET'S *Build* THE HOUSE OF THE *Lord*

Make your Pledge



Thank you all who have pledged already. Because of you, we have reached the initial goal of \$20 million! This may sound like we are finished, but our stretch goal is \$24 million. We are definitely still taking pledges! Every parishioner is needed to complete our journey and minimize any future construction loan. We invite you to discern and pledge using the QR code to get to buildstm.com. The pledge drive is open to everyone! There are many non-cash options to pledge. Contact Glenda in the parish office with any questions.

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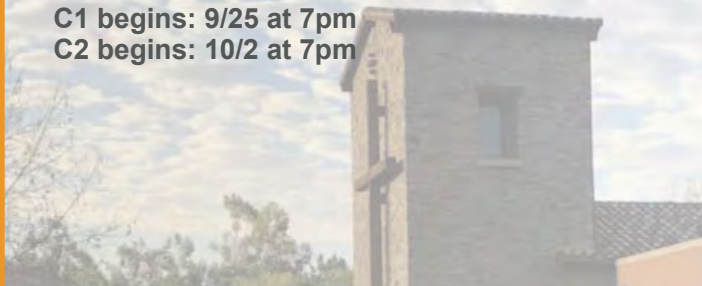


STM CONFIRMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

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



As the students of our parish head back to school over the next few weeks, please keep them all in your prayers for a fun and fruitful year.



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!



"GOD LEADS, I FOLLOW"

- ✓ Register today for our 14th annual morning of prayer, music, fellowship and praise!
- ✓ Saturday, October 12, 2024
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SR. NANCY USSELELMANN
Director of the Pauline Center
for Media Studies in Los Angeles

TOPIC:
"DISCIPLESHIP IN A CULTURE
OF 'LIKES' and 'FOLLOWS'"



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Thursday, November 14, 2024

**Fr. John E. Janze
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Questions? Contact Gordon Walters: gordonwalters11@gmail.com



Saint of the week

St. Caterina Volpicelli (1839-1894) left a life of elegant Neapolitan society to serve the Lord. She adhered to the Apostleship of Prayer, dedicating each day to the Sacred Heart. Her order, the Servants of the Sacred Heart, opened an orphanage, a lending library, and nursed cholera victims.

Prayer for Grandparents

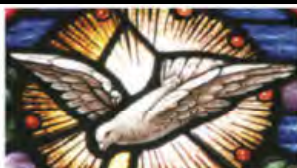
Dear God,
 What a grace to live in a world of all ages and stages. Bless our grandparents, today and always. Thank You for their experiences, wisdom, and insight. Thank You for the gifts they bring the Church. Thank You for the lessons they teach the next generations Amen.

Jesus said to Nicodemus: "No one has gone up to heaven except the one who has come down from heaven, the Son of Man." For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. - Jn 3:13, 17

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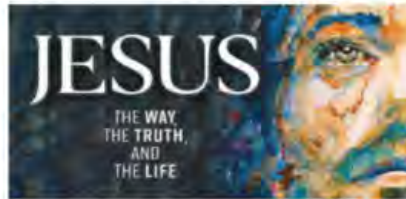
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What is the Catholic Church all about? What does it mean to be Catholic? What do Catholics believe?

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

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- Meditación del Santo Rosario
- Formación

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Contacto: Claudia Reyes
careyes2018@gmail.com

New schedule!

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Wednesdays
every month
Noon to 1PM



- STM
- Rooms 1 & 2

Questions of the Week

First Reading:
The prophet Isaiah encouraged the Israelites to be strong in their conviction that God was coming to heal them and renew creation itself. Who could you encourage to be firm in their faith this week?

Second Reading:
James taught believers to make no distinctions between the rich and the poor in their community gatherings. How do you think showing no partiality helps a community grow in faith?

Gospel:
We hear today how the people of the Decapolis were astonished at Jesus's healing of the deaf and mute. What parts of your life need healing?



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Sacraments

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First Reconciliation	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
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Legion of Mary	Trisha Smith and Janeth Ostowari	(7) 473-3714 (9) 307-2716
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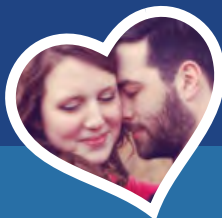
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This Fall, rekindle your love for your spouse!

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Nov 9-10

Heart of Jesus
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Knights of Columbus in the Diocese of Orange present

Orange Walk for Life

Starting at 8:30am



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5 **OUR LADY OF LA VANG SHRINE AT CHRIST CATHEDRAL**



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)



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YOUNG ADULT MEN'S VOCATION SERIES

PRAYER DISCERNMENT FELLOWSHIP

WHO Young adult men (ages 18-39) who are interested in learning more about the priesthood.

WHEN Wednesday, Sept. 4th
Wednesday, Sept. 11th
Wednesday, Sept. 18th
Wednesday, Sept. 25th

TIME 7:00PM-9:00PM

WHERE Pastoral Center

13280 Chapman Ave.
Garden Grove, CA 92840




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