

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

### Pastor

Deacons

Parochial Vicar Chinese Chaplain Parochial Vicar Emeritus Weekend Assistants

\* Livestreamed Masses

Rev. Eugene J. Lee 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

<u>Office Hours:</u> Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm Saturday: 9:00am-2:00pm

Founding Pastor

### September 10, 2023

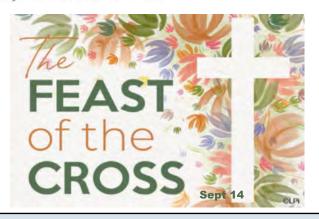
23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." - Mt 18:19-20



Rest in Peace

Beatrice Lopez Arturo Samcam



### <u>Collections and Expenses</u> 8-28-23 to 9-3-23

|                                    | Collection       | E-Giving | Total    |
|------------------------------------|------------------|----------|----------|
| Sunday Collection                  | \$15,514         | \$17,523 | \$33,037 |
| Maintenance Fund                   | \$139            | \$395    | \$534    |
| Other income                       | \$1,940          | \$7,836  | \$9,776  |
| Total income                       | \$17,593         | \$25,754 | \$43,347 |
|                                    | Regular Expenses |          | \$44,066 |
| Believe & Grow<br>Capital Campaign | \$300            | \$4,290  | \$4,590  |

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 9/9    | 4:00pm<br>6:00pm | †Nga Phan<br>†Dalisay B. Heath   |
|------------|------------------|--|
| Sun 9/10   | 8:00am<br>9:30am | Pro Populo<br>†Nga Phan<br>†Trevor Torres<br>†Dominico P. Do<br>Sonny Obillos<br>†Joan & Charles Pavonarius<br>Gary Belz<br>Jackie Lombardi<br>†Maria Zaragoza<br>†Virginia Terrell<br>†Viriginia Burkhart |
|            | 1:00pm           | †Rosa Santos<br>Mariana & Claudio Ruiz   |
|            | 3:00pm<br>5:00pm | Joonsik Peter Kang<br>†Paul Ho Khac Nghiem   |
| Mon 9/11   | 8:00am           | †Souls in Purgatory  |
| Tues 9/12  | 8:00am           | Survivors of Maui Fire   |
| Wed 9/13   | 8:00am           | †Edilberto Rubio   |
| Thurs 9/14 | 8:00am           | †Anna Nguyen   |
| Fri 9/15   | 8:00am           | The Alberto Family   |
| Sat 9/16   | 8:00am           | Gia Villanueva Martin<br>Johanna Harris<br>Claudia Lowe  |

### 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 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: This Weekend, Sept 9 & 10



Sister Carole Marie Blazina, SC and Sister Barbara Einloth, SC from the Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill are visiting St. Thomas More this weekend as part of the Mission Cooperative Appeal. 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 funds to cover operational expenses. Your support is greatly appreciated!



#### **HOLY SPIRIT NITE** Registration for STM Small Faith Communities is open **Tuesday, Sept 19th** Learn More and Sign up today! Fr. Thomas Tran Gospelize Your Story 7:00 - 9:00 PM @STM Live The Liturgy STM SMALL FAITH COMMUNITIES Inspiration of the Week WWW.STMIRVINE.ORG/SFC Our personal relationship with Christ is important, Whole prayer is nothing ves - but thank God, that is not all there is to but love. being a Christian. We depend upon the support, ting Other the encouragement, and even the correction of -St. Augustine the rest of the Body of Christ. Observances for the week of **On Website** Share your prayer intentions stmirvine.org September 10, 2023 Pray for others by becoming a Prayer Partner Share stories of answered prayers Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Grandparents' Day In the church Write your prayer intentions in the book Monday: Patriot Day **Tuesday:** The Most Holy Name of Mary LISTEN St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Wednesday: Doctor of the Church Thursday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Friday: Our Lady of Sorrows "If your brother sins against you, go Saturday: Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, and tell him his fault between you Martyrs and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother. Next Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; MATTHEW 18:15 Catechetical Sunday



### 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

#### 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

WED 7PM

MON 7PM

SUN 6AM

### 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

**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





Important REP News The start date for REP classes has been moved ONE WEEK to September 19<sup>th</sup> 4 20<sup>th</sup>! Please note that registration for our Religious Education Program is STILL OPEN and classes are filling up. Please Visit: rep.stmirvine.org to register your students in Grades K-8 right away!



Volunteers Needed for 2023/2024 We are still 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) 552-8029.

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 23<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Parish Library will be open today from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

How would you like to embark on a journey through time with the saints to see the seven sorrows of our Lady as if it was happening today? You can be a witness to the key events in the life of our Lord and our Lady, including the 'Seven Sorrows' of the Blessed Virgin Mary, as approved in 1815 by Pope Pius VII. You will experience each sorrow and joy through the eyes of the saints and angels. If you are interested in these events, then the STM Parish Library has a book, entitled '<u>Splendor of Sorrow</u>', authored by Ed Doherty, a priest in the Melkite Greek Catholic Church. The author traverses these events for us; from the prophecy of Simeon and the Flight into Egypt, through the Way to Calvary, the Crucifixion and Jesus being laid in the Tomb. His insight into the Mother of God and how God's light shines even in the suffering of this world, shows us how to find the mystery of divine joy within. Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother. (MRY)



# 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 AYSFORLIFE

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



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There is no retirement age from the work

of proclaiming the Gospel and handing

down traditions to your grandchildren.

POPE FRANCIS



# PRAY TO END ABO

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!

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



23.525 LIVES SAVED 251 ABORTION WORKERS QUIT 142 ABORTION CENTERS CLOSED

## 40daysforlife.com/orange

# HARDEN NOT YOUR HEARTS.



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.



Scan the QR code or go to www.whenwomenpraystm.org



GRIEF SHARE

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

### when y women PRAY...

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

TIFFRS









"Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest!" [Matt. 11:28]

### Mass is deeply sacred. Let us <u>deepen</u> our devotion to the Eacharist

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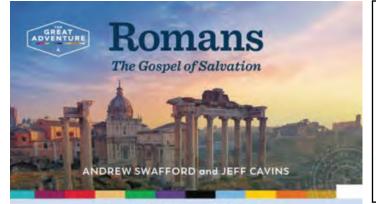
**Reverence at Mass** 

NGAGE in Mass with your heart

PARTICIPATE actively

ND. Stay to the end of the FINAL HYMN

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



### **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



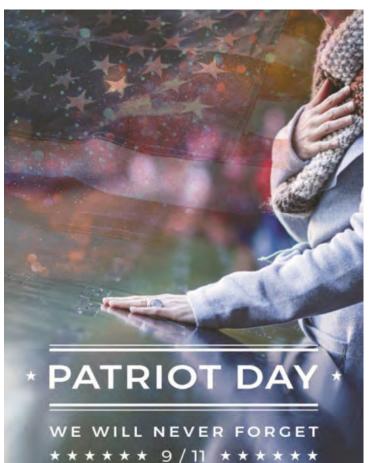




or simply want to LEARN

Come and See - Every Thursday at 7:00pm - Starting August 24th Led by Rev. Eugene J. Lee, Pastor Contact: Deacon Bernie Ocampo @ deaconbernie@stmirvine.org also available in Vietnamese, Chinese and Spanish





### ST. THOMAS MORE MINISTRIES

### Liturgy Support

| Liturgy Support                                |  |                              |
|--|--|------------------------------|
| Altar Servers                                  | Mary Jane Rin                                  | (9) 627-7125                 |
| Art & Environment                              | Amee Cuevas                                    | (9) 551-8601                 |
| Eucharist to the Homebound                     | Fran Necikowski                                | (7) 505-4816                 |
| Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion      | Jerry Donaldson                                | (9) 552-5485                 |
| Lectors  | Ed Ferguson                                    | (951) 313-4942               |
| Music Director, Including Wedding Music        | Keith Rattay                                   | (9) 551-8601                 |
| Sacristans                                     | Pam Ocampo                                     | (9) 468.6704                 |
| Ushers   | Frank Ornelas (9) 857-9044 Joe Ma              | artin (9) 385-3741           |
| Devich   |  |                              |
| Parish<br>Deliver and Crew Teacher Compaier    | L'es VenDeme                                   | (7) 257 2000                 |
| 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                 |
| Companya anto                                  |  |                              |
| Sacraments<br>Baptism Coordinator              | Windy Lozano                                   | (9) 551-8601                 |
| Confirmation                                   | Abraham Villela                                |                              |
| First Communion                                | Barbara Catiller                               | (9) 551-8602<br>(0) 551 8020 |
| First Reconciliation                           | Barbara Catiller                               | (9) 551-8029<br>(9) 551-8029 |
|  |  | (9) 468-6604                 |
| Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) | Deacon Bernie & Pam Ocampo<br>Contact office   |                              |
| Marriage Case Support                          |  | (9) 551-8601<br>(0) 551 8601 |
| Marriage Encounter                             | Mike & Lisa Bergler<br>Marcella Maurer         | (9) 551-8601<br>(0) 551 8601 |
| Wedding Coordinator                            | Marcena Maurer                                 | (9) 551-8601                 |
| 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                              | Victor Cota                                    | (9) 400-7743                 |
| Homeless Lunch Ministry                        | Jessica Silva                                  | (9) 294-2875                 |
| Knights of Columbus Council #13111             | Jake Lowe                                      | (657) 363-7281               |
| 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                          |  |                              |
| 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                 |
| 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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If you are feeling called to serve in one or more of our ministries, please email: <u>serve@stmirvine.org</u>

Around the Diocese...



This September 23 & 24, you're invited to process with Jesus through Irvine, CA and share God's presence to those around you.



### **Route Information**

- · Sat., Sept. 23 / 8:00 AM / Route begins at St. Thomas More Church
- · Sat., Sept. 23 / 11:00 AM / Route begins at Our Lady of Peace Korean Center
- Sun., Sept. 24 / 1:45 PM / Route begins at St. John Neumann Church
- Sun., Sept. 24 / 4:30 PM / Route begins at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church

Register: linkin.bio/orangediocese

Guest Speaker Dr. Christina Chan

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

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We will learn from St. Therese of the Child leaus, Doctor of the Mystical Life, the simplicity of the contemplative gaze and the spiritual childhood. She teaches us that to become a saint, i.e., to be happy, is within the reach of every person. "Making God Happy is Therese's program for holiness. This is the goal that she even today, sets before the multitude of "little souls" whom she hopes to carry along her "little way" to heaven.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7 AT 8:30 AM OUR LADY OF LA VANG SHRINE AT CHRIST CATHEDRAL

8:30 AM ROSARY 9:00 AM MESSAGE 9:15 AM MASS 10:15 AM ELCHARISTIC PROCESSION

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