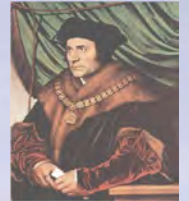




# SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH

51 Marketplace Irvine, CA 92602 · 949-551-8601 · www.stmirvine.org



## 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/English

3:00 pm Chinese/English

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

**Saturday Confessions:** 1:00pm to 3:00pm

**Baptisms and Marriages:** contact the office for details

**TEXT TO GIVE: 949-344-2801**



**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

Parochial Vicar Emeritus

Weekend Assistants

Deacons

Founding Pastor

### Rev. Eugene J. Lee

Rev. Kiet Ta

Rev. William Krekelberg

Rev. Joseph Horn, O Praem

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Deacon Tin & Mrs. UyenLan Nguyen

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Deacon Bernie & Mrs. Pam Ocampo

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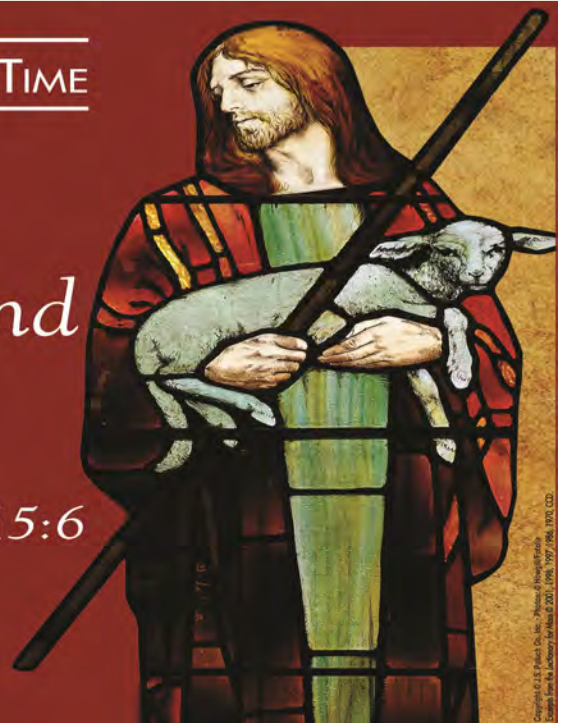
**Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm**

**Saturday: 9:00am-2:00pm**

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Rejoice with me  
because I have found  
my lost sheep.*

*Luke 15:6*



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*All ladies of the parish,*

Join us on  
**Monday, Sept 12th**  
 at 7:00pm in MPR  
 for our YLI  
 monthly meeting


*We look forward to seeing you!*

*Young Ladies Grand Institute*  
A CATHOLIC WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION

**TODAY'S READINGS**


**First Reading** — Because Moses interceded, the LORD relented and did not punish the people (Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14).  
**Psalm** — I will rise and go to my father (Psalm 51).  
**Second Reading** — Paul expresses his gratitude for being appointed to the ministry (1 Timothy 1:12-17).  
**Gospel** — There is great rejoicing in heaven when a sinner repents (Luke 15:1-32 [1-10]).

**NEW BIBLE STUDY!**  
 on Zoom  
 Saturdays at 9:00 AM



**What We Believe**  
 THE BEAUTY OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH

To register, contact Deacon Tony  
[deacontony@stmirvine.org](mailto:deacontony@stmirvine.org)



Saturday 9/10	4:00pm 6:00pm	†Ana Maria Nga Phan †Stephanie Pekarcik
Sunday 9/11	8:00am 9:30am	Pro Populo Baby Johanna Harris Valentina Bizzarri Abbott Damian †Kay Bogert †Gen. Romeo San Diego
	11:30am 1:00pm 5:00pm	Jim Lozano Fr Angelus Echeverry †Salving Tabone
Monday 9/12	8:00am	†Dan Van Dorpe
Tuesday 9/13	8:00am	Santoso & Maria Rosette M. Judo
Wednesday 9/14	8:00am	Glory & Gloria P. Felipe
Thursday 9/15	8:00am	†Joseph Phan Nguyen
Friday 9/16	8:00am	Gia Villanueva Martin
Saturday 9/17	8:00am	Karennna Martin Paul and Cora Nudas Alberto Family Chau and Long Nguyen Peter and Sally Nguyen †Agnes Gilmore †Bill Parsons †Glen Cope



*Come to me, all you who labor  
 and are burdened,  
 and I will give you rest.*

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
 EVERY FRIDAY AT 6PM TO 7PM  
 24 HOUR ADORATION IS ON THE 22ND OF EACH MONTH

**Reverence at Mass**  
*Mass is deeply sacred. Let us deepen our devotion to the Eucharist.*

**D**RESS to meet the King of Kings  
**E**ARLY to Mass  
**E**NGAGE in Mass with your heart  
**P**ARTICIPATE actively  
**E**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.

**SYMPHONY** *on the go!* at STM



**SAVE THE DATE:**  
**10/13 @6:30 PM**

**NEW! TEXT to Give to STM Sunday Offering**



1. Open texting app
2. Type the number: 949-344-2801
3. Type dollar amount you would like to give
4. Click "enter"
5. Click link to enter info & credit card (one-time-only)
6. All set!
7. Next time, simply enter number & amount

**Collections and Expenses**  
8-29-22 to 9-4-22

	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Sunday Collection	\$19,895	\$8,908	\$28,803
Maintenance Fund	\$660	\$852	\$1,512
Other income	\$2,298	\$2,551	\$4,849
Total income	\$22,853	\$12,311	\$35,165

Regular Expenses	\$47,024
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Believe & Grow Capital Campaign	\$10,375	\$1,959	\$12,334
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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!***

*Come and Celebrate*  
**FEAST DAY of**  
**ST. LORENZO RUIZ**



All are invited to join the Celebration at  
**ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH**  
51 Marketplace, Irvine 92602

Wednesday, September 28, 2022 at 7PM  
Light food and refreshments to follow after Mass

Sponsored by the STM Filipino Ministry  
Questions? Email: [stmfilipinoministry@gmail.com](mailto:stmfilipinoministry@gmail.com)

**OCIA** CHANGE A LIFE  
FOREVER  
INVITE SOMEONE TO  
BECOME CATHOLIC



**Order of Christian Initiation of Adults**

For those who:

- want to be CATHOLIC
- want to be CONFIRMED
- or simply want to LEARN

**Every Thursday at 7:00 PM**

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Contact: Deacon Bernie Ocampo

also available in Vietnamese, Chinese and Spanish



**Rest in the Love of Christ**

Alfonso Delicana



**PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING**



Flory Aguilar  
Julie Boxley  
Marietta Charbonneau  
Beata Durdovic  
Merrie French  
Tina Halberg  
Julissa Huerta  
Virginia Jamison  
Natalia Julian  
Richard & Elizabeth Kulas  
Kevin Lee  
Patrick Lee  
Kathy Meals  
Shela Arciaga Mercado  
Dr. Hector Mireles

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Ernie Natividad  
Susan Nakagama  
Deacon Tony Patronice  
Paula Jane Ramirez  
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Jack Scharff  
Cheryl Skudlarski  
Jesus Villanueva  
Raymund Villanueva  
Michele Wills

Please email [bulletin@stmirvine.org](mailto:bulletin@stmirvine.org) to add a name.  
Names will be included for one month, if requested.



CONFIRMATION

THU 7PM

**Confirmation Registration**

Registration for the 2022-2023 Confirmation year is now closing soon. Head over to [stmirvineym.org](http://stmirvineym.org) to register. If you have any questions, please email [Abraham@stmirvine.org](mailto:Abraham@stmirvine.org). We can not wait for another amazing year.



YOUTH MINISTRY

SUN 7PM

**WATER WARS YTH NITE KICK OFF**

Our annual Youth Ministry Kick Off is September 25th after the 5pm Mass! Bring your favorite water blaster and a beach towel and join us as we begin another fun year of of ministry! All high school students welcome!



CONFIRMATION

WED 7PM

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES**

Confirmation Classes are starting soon. The first C2 Class is a parent/student orientation on Wednesday September 14 at 7pm. The first C1 Class is a parent/student orientation on Wednesday September 21 at 7pm.



YOUTH MINISTRY

FRI 7PM

**THE SUMMIT**

The Summit Bible study will return on Monday September 12th at 7pm in the Patio. We will be taking a break for Labor Day.



# R.E.P. CORNER



## Volunteers Needed for 2022/2023

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!**

Please Visit: [rep.stmirvine.org](http://rep.stmirvine.org) to register your students in Grades K-8 right away! Classes will begin the week of Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>.



For any questions, contact the REP Office at [rep@stmirvine.org](mailto:rep@stmirvine.org) or (949) 551-8029.



## The Library Corner

24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

The St Thomas More Parish Library staff would like to wish all our parishioners a Happy 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Parish Library will be open today from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Did you ever wonder where the Holy Rosary came from and why we pray this ancient tradition? According to Dominican history, in 1208 the rosary was given to St. Dominic in an apparition by the Blessed Virgin Mary and this apparition received the title of Our Lady of the Rosary. The fifteen standard mysteries of the Rosary were established by Pope Pius V between 1566-1572 and Pope John Paul II added the five Luminous Mysteries in 2002. The Parish Library has an excellent book on this topic titled, *'The New Rosary in Scripture'*, authored by Edward Sri. Mr. Sri's desire is that the rosary be better understood and more widely utilized by the faithful by introducing us to the history and Biblical background of each of the twenty mysteries. The rosary is an answer to many of our current social issues today and through history has been shown to be a great deterrent from known evil. Praying the rosary may help us to open our eyes and rekindle our knowledge and enthusiasm of the mysteries of Jesus and His Mother.





## SUGGESTED PLENARY INDULGENCE OF THE MONTH SEPTEMBER 2022

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

A PLENARY INDULGENCE is granted to those who visit the Most Blessed Sacrament for at least one half hour (together with the three prerequisites (constants) of a plenary indulgence.

#### FR. EUGENE'S COMMENTARY & SUGGESTION

Whenever you receive Holy Communion at Mass, we are receiving the TRUE Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. THE EUCHARIST IS JESUS! We must remember how deeply sacred and lovely this Sacrament is. To enhance and deepen our reverence and faith in the Eucharist, the Catholic Church's practices Eucharistic Adoration. This is a special time and when a pastor of a parish makes it available, the people should partake in the opportunity. Here at STM, we have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday at 6:00 pm and we have a 24-hour period of Eucharistic Adoration every 22nd day of the month because St. Thomas More's feast day is June 22. So, this adoration begins immediately after the end of the 8 am Mass and ends the next day immediately before the 8 am Mass. Parishioners are urged and welcome to come anytime during those 24 hours. Of course, you can partake in Eucharistic Adoration anytime and this indulgence can be obtained at anytime throughout the year.

#### CONDITIONS FOR RECEIVING A PLENARY INDULGENCE

1. Do the prescribed work.
2. Receive Holy Communion within several days (before or after) of the indulgenced act.
3. Go to confession within several days (before or after) the indulgenced act
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**Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> is Priesthood Sunday: a special day set aside to honor priesthood in the U.S.**

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Examples include, but not limited to:

1. Thank our priests for their dedication, generosity and leadership in our church.
2. State at least one way our priests have personally enriched your life and thank him.
3. Prepare a spiritual bouquet with prayers, or Rosaries that you will say or request a Mass intention for them.
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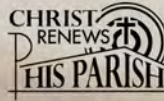
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