



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

Office hours:
Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am-2:00pm
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Fax: 949-551-5879
Religious Education: 949-551-8029
Youth Ministry: 949-551-8602

September 15, 2024

24TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

“Whoever wishes to come
after me must deny himself,
take up his cross, and
follow me.” - Mk 8:34





Violeta Penaredondo

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

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



MASS INTENTIONS



- Sat 9/14 4:00pm Dominico P. Do
 6:00pm †Ricardo Platero
 †Nicasio Naranjo
- Sun 9/15 8:00am PRO POPULO
 9:30am Steve Rin
 11:30am †Jack Light
 1:00pm Addylin
 3:00pm
 5:00pm †Lim Chun Hiong
- Mon 9/16 8:00am Gia Villanueva Martin
 6:00pm Benjamin and Dichosa Family
- Tues 9/17 8:00am Santoso and Rosette Judo
 6:00pm Reynoldo and Candelaria Punla
- Wed 9/18 8:00am †Lauro Pineda
 6:00pm Ana Rosa De Cabanillas
- Thurs 9/19 8:00am Tom Costello
 6:00pm Steve Lemire
- Fri 9/20 8:00am Kaitlyn Lucia Nguyen Majkowski
 6:00pm †Agnes Sinocruz
- Sat 9/21 8:00am Chona Cruz
 Flora Nicdao Javier
 Carol San Juan
 †James Carl Dichosa



Collections and Expenses

9/2/2024- 9/8/2024

	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Sunday Collection	\$22,104	\$14,099	\$36,203
Maintenance Fund	\$431	\$150	\$581
Other income	\$7,230	\$5,157	\$12,387
Total income	\$29,765	\$19,406	\$49,171

Regular Expenses	\$63,775
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Capital Campaign	\$14,516	\$41,118	\$55,634
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Campaign Expenses	\$321
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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!

Pray For...

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flory Aguilar Baby Dean Alvero Eddie Anderson Sal Baldomar Froy Becerra Daniel Bernabe Joann Calachico Sofia Cardona Cynthia Chavez Lou and Nancy Chereny Victor Cota Chaz Decoteau Cecelia Duzynski Kathy Encinas Nina Leones Espino Tony Galati Marco Gama Anthony Gaona Lisa Greubel CJ Hassett Doug & Kathie Hibbard Drew Hoang Cristeta Jaropillo Sharon Jones Angela Judy Natalie and Warren Julian Tiesha Kelley Vivian Knisely Lauren Leal Brielle LeMire Joseph Manglona Terry & Kathy McGaughan Desmond McMahon Family Nilda A. Medalle Ron Merse | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christy Miller Jim Miller Linda Moore Deirdre Morley Matthew Muro Susan Navarrete Ernie Natividad Julie Nguyen Eileen Ohlander Ben Pataray Sharon Pataray Liz Pennington Jacqueline Claire Poznoski Donna Publico Sandra Quezada Ryan Quinn George Quitoriano Paula Jane Ramirez Al & Elizabeth Rangitsch Guadalupe Rivas Jose Guadalupe Rivera Pauline Rocha Donna Rohrer Norma Santiago John Selig Mark Stannard Tara Summers Sally-Ann Thomas Lisa Turner Jesus Villanueva Raymund Villanueva Bill Whiteside Kristine & Brandon Williams Michele Wills |
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Email bulletin@stmirvine.org to add a name to be included for one month



Saint of the week

St. Mary Joseph Rossello (1811-1880) was born to a poor family in Liguria, Italy. She was prevented from entering established religious orders because she lacked a dowry. However, the bishop of Savona helped her open a school and establish her own order, which never required a fee to enter.

Prayer for Catechism Students

Dear God,
 You never stop drawing us closer to You.
 Pour Your grace upon these young disciples as they learn about You.
 Attract them. Challenge them. Love them. Guide them. Bless them.
 Amen.



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 St. Thomas More Church, Irvine

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Join Fr. Eugene and Fr. Tom
 Pray the Rosary every night on Zoom
 At 8PM starting October 1st

OCTOBER

Month of the Holy Rosary

Click on the Rosary button on our website:
stmirvine.org/rosary

Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"Take up your cross and follow me." Jesus tells us. We are called to have a faith that is defined by the willingness to go where Christ has gone, and to do what Christ has done, to see Christ in others and to love them as he loves us.

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



OUR AWESOME VOLUNTEERS!!!

A huge thank you goes out to all of the adults and teens who have volunteered so far to share their faith with the young people of our parish! They are being officially commissioned as catechists at Masses this weekend. Please keep these generous ladies and gentlemen in your prayers.

Please note it is still not too late to volunteer!

We could still use your help!

To volunteer in this rewarding ministry, please contact the REP office at (949) 551-8029.



Classes are filling up fast!

Registration for our Religious Education Program is still open, but you need to register on-line VERY SOON! In fact, some classes are already full, and waitlists have started! So, make sure to visit: rep.stmirvine.org right away to register for a fun & spiritual year!

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



"GOD LEADS, I FOLLOW"

- ✓ Register today for our 14th annual morning of prayer, music, fellowship and praise!
- ✓ Saturday, October 12, 2024
8 AM to 1 PM
- ✓ St. Thomas More Church
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KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
SR. NANCY USSELMANN
Director of the Pauline Center
for Media Studies in Los Angeles

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

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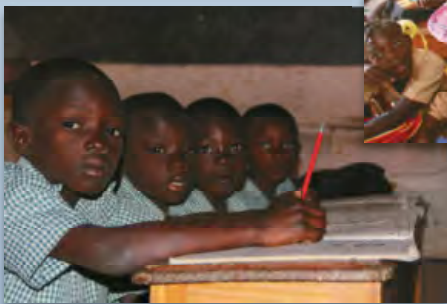
2024 Mission Cooperative Appeal

During the Masses on September 28th and 29th, parishioners will hear about the Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti's mission serving the poor of Haiti.

The second collection is dedicated to Outreach to Haiti. Your gifts support the families in the poverty-stricken area of Christ Roi (Christ the King) and 14 twinned sister parishes in the Archdiocese of Port-au-Prince, Haiti. You can help provide medical and healthcare, nutrition supplements and food, education scholarships, tutoring, workshops, training, micro-businesses, community development and complete the outfitting of a new building with our clinic in Christ Roi.

For 40 years, Outreach has been serving some of God's poorest, faith-filled, and inspiring Catholics. In the values of the Gospel, our mission provides sacramental and spiritual support linking us in faith and building relationships between the US and Haiti.

Father Frank Rouleau has lived in Port-au-Prince since 2010. He serves as Chaplain at our center in Christ Roi and leads twinning relationship among parishes in the U.S. with parishes in the Archdiocese of Port-au-Prince. He comes to share his stories and invites you to be a part of a Gospel-led mission. The People of Haiti are struggling with severe food shortages, political and gang unrest, but they find the love of Christ and peace at Church. Please pray for our Haitian brothers and sisters. We thank you for your generosity. For more information about this ministry please visit Outreach to Haiti website at www.outreachtohaiti.org.



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.

Observances for the week of September 15, 2024

- Sunday:** 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday
- Monday:** Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
- Tuesday:** St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; Saint Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
- Thursday:** St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr
- Friday:** Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chông Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs
- Saturday:** St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
- Next Sunday:** 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time




Holy Mary
Mother of God
Pray for Us

On stmirvine.org

- Enter Your Prayer Intentions
- Become a Prayer Partner and Pray for the Intentions once a week



All-Hands Safety Meeting

SATURDAY, SEPT 28
9:30AM TO 11:30AM
STM PARISH HALL



Questions of the Week

First Reading:
Isaiah stands firm in his faith as he suffered in following God's call. Can you think of a time when you supported someone in their faith?

Second Reading:
James believed that good works are the fruit of faith. Where is there a need for good works from you this week among family or friends?

Gospel:
Jesus reveals to his disciples that as the Messiah, he is destined to suffer greatly and die, but on the third day, rise from the dead. This was difficult for Peter to accept. How do you stay open to ideas you resist?

HOLY SPIRIT NITE

GUEST SPEAKER
KATHLEEN BECKMAN
AUTHOR & EVANGELIST



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Stay Planted in God's Word!




New Groups starting this Fall....



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STM Small Faith Communities

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- Lectio Divina
- Meditación del Santo Rosario
- Formación

Martes 7:00 pm o Viernes 10:00 am
Fireside Room

Contacto: Claudia Reyes
careyes2018@gmail.com





Bible Focused Formation Presents... "Opening the Bible"



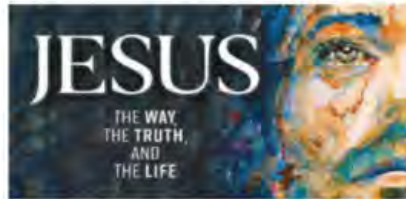
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8 Sessions



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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

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SAVE THE DATE!

Thursday, November 14, 2024

Fr. John E. Janze
MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

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Sacraments

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First Reconciliation	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
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Service

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Christ Renews His Parish	Tony Patronite	(9) 307-6215
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Cursillo	Susan Navarrete	(9) 345-9130
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Legion of Mary	Trisha Smith and Janeth Ostowari	(7) 473-3714 (9) 307-2716
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More Moms	Rosanna Iseri Novia	(9) 354-2547
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Small Faith Communities	Denyse Gagnon	(7) 501-7848
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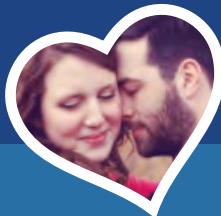
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September 29, 2024 is Priesthood Sunday: a special day set aside to honor priesthood in the United States. This is a day to reflect upon and affirm the central role of the priesthood in the life of the Church. Please participate and affirm all parish priests with a written note of appreciation. Some ideas: Thank your priest for his dedication, generosity and leadership in your parish; or state at least one way your priest has personally enriched your life and thank him; or prepare a spiritual bouquet with prayers or rosaries that you will say, or have a Mass and prayers said for your priest. Leave your notes in the church office.



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