



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



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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

Parochial Vicar Emeritus

Weekend Assistants

Deacons

Founding Pastor

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:

949-551-8601

After-hours emergency:

949-551-8601 ext. 7

Fax:

949-551-5879

Religious Education:

949-551-8029

Youth Ministry:

949-551-8602

Office Hours:

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

Saturday: 9:00am-2:00pm



October 22, 2023

**29TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

**"Repay to Caesar what
belongs to Caesar and
to God what belongs
to God." - Mt 22:21c**



PLUCKY'S GROWING FAMILY RETURNING TO STM SOON!



We're getting ready for our annual visit by Plucky the Turkey who will be joining us here on

Saturday, October 28th and Sunday, October 29th.

Please help us to stuff Plucky's tummy with cash and checks so that those who are most in need will be able to enjoy a wholesome and hot holiday meal. In 2022 your contributions helped provide meals to many hundreds of local families and individuals. Thank you and may God Bless you!!!

Please call Kathy @ 949/856-2727 if you have questions.



Remembering all souls.

We will be placing pictures of our dear departed onto our parish hall walls throughout the month of November.

If you are interested in including your loved one's photo, please email the photo to:
uploads@stmirvine.org

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Collections and Expenses



Due to early bulletin deadlines, the collections and expenses are unavailable. Please check back on the weekend of October 28th and 29th for the updated figures.

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 10/21	4:00pm	Nga Hai Nguyen
	6:00pm	†Ruth DeGeorge
Sun 10/22	8:00am	PRO POPULO
	9:30am	Kyla Obillos
	11:30am	Robert Shake
		Annmarie Ferri
		Rachel & Nik Cinco - Hedde
		†Ralph Allison
		†Mary Ann Arras
		†Nick Victoriano, Jr.
		†Naugab Lee
		†Frank Giannantonio
		†Susie Giannantonio
	3:00pm	†Kwei-Ying Wong
	5:00pm	†Evangeline Henares
Mon 10/23	8:00am	Deacon Bernie Ocampo
Tues 10/24	8:00am	†Raymond Rusandhy
Wed 10/25	8:00am	Mailia Lozano
Thurs 10/26	8:00am	Raphael Eric Maristela
Fri 10/27	8:00am	†Emmanuel Maristela
Sat 10/28	8:00am	Patricia Jean Ramirez



PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Flory Aguilar	Patrick Mar
Eddie Anderson	Fred Martinez
Sal Baldomar	Terry & Kathy McGaughan
Froy Becerra	Ross Meador
Sofia Cardona	Christy Miller
Carole Caplett	Jim Miller
Cynthia Chavez	Virginia Miller
Lou and Nancy Chereny	Linda Moore
Elaine Chiou	Sharon Morley
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Amy Cooney	Matthew Muro
Victor Cota	Ernie Natividad
Sebastian de Leon	James Natividad
Beata Durdovic	Karen Norton
Cecelia Duzynski	Aileen Perez
Kathy Ellis	Dave Perry
Joseph Franco	Jerry & Evie Pilkington
Bill Flood	Jacqueline Claire Poznoski
Tony Galati	Donna Publico
Marco Gama	Sandra Quezada
Anthony Gaona	George Quitoriano
Alina Gram	Paula Jane Ramirez
Tina Halberg	Guadalupe Rivas
CJ Hassett	Pauline Rocha
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Eric Howarth	Eileen Rossi
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Jacqueline Lamm	Mark Stannard
Kevin Lee	Tara Summers
Patrick Lee	Maria Guadalupe Vasquez
Dolly Lewis	Jesus Villanueva
Jack Light	Raymund Villanueva
Richard & Jackie Lombardi	Kristine and Brandon Williams
Joseph Manglona	Michele Wills

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

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

OCTOBER

Month of the *Holy Rosary*

Week 4: Pray for the respect of the life of the unborn child.

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



HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER MEETING

1st & 3rd Friday
7 pm in MPR



8" glass paraffin candles

October 21 & 22

Two styles:

St. Michael the Archangel & clear white candle with a Cross

Each candle has a burn time of six days and would be great for the upcoming holidays and prayer time.

\$10 for one or \$15 for two

This YLI fundraiser will support our seminarians, as well as Church and Community needs. Thank you for your support!



Be still, and know that I am God.
- Psalm 46:10

Listen. Reflect.
Ponder.

Love. Adore.
Surrender.

Pray. Meditate.
Contemplate

Transcend. Deepen.
Enter.

Find healing, peace,
and power.

Breathe. Rest.
Pause

Simply be with God.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

EVERY FRIDAY AT 6 PM

24-Hour Adoration: Mon, Oct 23rd

BELONG

"Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

MATTHEW 22:21

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BECOME CATHOLIC



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



Come and See - Every Thursday at 7:00pm

Led by Rev. Eugene J. Lee, Pastor

Contact: Deacon Bernie Ocampo @ deaconbernie@stmirvine.org

also available in Vietnamese, Chinese and Spanish



CONFIRMATION WED 7PM

Confirmation Schedule

C1: Oct 11, Oct 25, Nov 8, Nov 29, & Dec 6

C2: Oct 4, Oct 18, Nov 1, Nov 15, Dec 6, & Dec 13

YOUTH MINISTRY SUN 6PM

YTH NITE

All High School Teens are invited to our High School YTH NITE on Sunday Oct 15th. YTH NITES are Sunday night gatherings for teens to come and learn about how to apply their faith in their daily life while meeting with other Catholic youth. YTH NITES begin after the 5pm Mass and include dinner. See you there!

CONFIRMATION WED 7PM

C1 Confirmation Retreat

Attention All C1 Families, please be sure to turn in your liability forms and retreat payment no later than Oct 11th. If you need another copy, please reach out to Abraham at Abraham@stmirvine.org

YOUTH MINISTRY MON 7PM

Monday Night Bible Study

Join us Mondays at 7pm in the hall for a bible study on the upcoming Sunday's readings. Get to know God's voice in the bible so you can discern the voice of God out in the World.



R.E.P. CORNER



PARISH ROSARY

October is the month of the Rosary! We invite your family to join our parish in saying the Rosary every night of October at 8PM on ZOOM. See the parish website for log-in information.



FAMILY FUN FAIR



Enjoy food, games and crafts at our Annual Fall Family Fun Fair on Sunday, October 29th. Come join the families of our parish for a great day of fellowship! There is something fun for all ages!



ALL SAINTS' DAY & ALL SOULS DAY

We are hoping to see all of our students and families at our Masses for All Saints' Day (Holy Day of Obligation) and All Souls' Day:

Tues., Oct. 31st (All Saints' Day Vigil)
7PM Vigil Mass

Wed., Nov. 1st (All Saints' Day)
8AM, 5PM (multi-lingual) or 7PM

Thurs., Nov. 2nd (All Souls' Day)
8AM or 7PM (English/Spanish)



The Library Corner



The Parish Library will be open today from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

As a Catholic, do you think a lot about Death? Do you want to know more about the different perspectives on the subject of the end of our lives? If so, then the STM Parish Library has a book that you may find intriguing and worthwhile. The title of the book is, *'Love is Stronger than Death'*, authored by Peter Kreeft. Kreeft leads us to explore the five faces of death: first as an enemy, then a stranger, a friend, a mother and finally a lover. It is easy to see death as an enemy in which we fight against. If we see death as a stranger, we are unprepared to welcome our uninvited guest. Death as a friend gives us appreciation of ourselves, and death as a mother shows us a process of dying and being born. As a lover, death can only be embraced by the Christian belief that death gives life purpose and meaning through Jesus Christ. Our Catholic vision, the meaning of our existence and of death, is the fulfillment of our deepest desire for the infinite joy and love of God in heaven. Deus amor est.

Creating a Culture of Life

RESPECT LIFE MONTH

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Support can absolutely make a difference. Let's do what we can to never let a woman feel so alone and desperate as to abort her child. Awareness of the numerous resources available to women and couples who find themselves too overwhelmed to carry through with pregnancies can quite possibly save a life. Donating and volunteering at these various organizations in our local area will be concrete ways to build a Culture of Life.

PREGNANCY CLINICS / MEDICAL CLINICS

Obria: Fully licensed health care clinic – physical, mental, spiritual, and social needs – before, during and after pregnancy. 877-558-0333. <https://obria.org>

Horizon Pregnancy Clinic: Numerous services including mobile clinics. 714-897-7500 or text to 657-204-6507. <https://www.horizonpc.org>

La Habra Life Center: Licensed medical clinic offering pregnancy related services. 562-691-9395. <https://lahabralifecenter.org>

Santa Ana Life Center: Mentors/ walks with mothers, provides/refers for needed services. 714-835-5433. <https://www.lifecenterofsantaana.org>

Options United: A 24-hour hotline that can connect anyone in the US to their local pregnancy help centers. 877-398-7734. <https://www.optionsunited.com>

SHELTER / HOUSING / FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Precious Life Shelter: Emergency, transitional and single parent efficiency program providing for pregnant women with no place to live. 562-431-5025. <https://www.preciouslifeshelter.org>

Casa Teresa: A program-based shelter for pregnant women in crisis who are 18 or older. 714-538-4860. <https://casateresa.org>

Mary's Path: Nationally accredited short-term residential therapeutic program facility for pregnant and parenting youth, ages 12 to 21 from the foster care system. 714-730-0930. <https://www.maryspath.org>

Let Them Live: 73% of women have abortions due to financial burden. Let Them Live offers financial support so they can choose life instead. 203-450-HELP. <https://letthemlive.org>

FOSTER CARE / ADOPTION SUPPORT

Orange County – Adoption and Foster Care
<https://www.ssa.ocgov.com/adoptfoster-care-youth-services>

Olive Crest – Adoption and Foster Care
<https://www.olivecrest.org/orange-county/>
714-543-5437

Holy Family Services (Adoption & Foster Care)
<https://hfservices.ladiocese.org/>
1231 E. Chapman Avenue Fullerton, CA 92831
714-680-6100

POST-ABORTION HEALING

Orange Diocese – Hope and Healing After Abortion
<https://rcbo.org/ministry/office-for-family-life/topics/pastoral-care/hope-healing-after-abortion/>
800-722-4356

Rachel's Vineyard

A powerful weekend retreat for healing held in various times and places across the United States.
www.rachelsvineyard.org
877-HOPE-4-ME (877-467-3463).

PRAYER / SUPPORT

40 Days for Life. An internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses.
www.40daysforlife.com

We Were Born Ready. Born Ready is the California Catholic Conference's forum to empower, equip, mobilize, resource Catholics to fulfill their baptismal call to serve women, children, and families, especially women in difficult and unexpected pregnancies.
www.wewerebornready.com

Knights of Columbus. The largest Catholic fraternal organization in the country has committed \$5 million to support prolife pregnancy centers across the country through a program called ASAP (Assistance and Support After Pregnancy). www.kofc.org

Respect Life. RespectLife.org is a project of the USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities. The Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, under the guidance and direction of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities, works to teach respect for all human life from conception to natural death, and organize for its protection. To serve this goal, we develop resources on pro-life topics in support of the Church's mission to proclaim that every human life is a precious gift from God. www.respectlife.org

California Catholic Conference. The CCC is the official public policy voice of the Catholic Church of California. They advocate with policy makers and the public to advance the Catholic vision of human life and dignity. All are encouraged to be a part of the CCC's "Action Alerts" to receive updates on legislative activities that might require the Catholic voice to be heard. Cacatholic.org/action-alerts

This list can be found on our website at stmirvine.org



All Saints

Vigil: Tues, Oct 31st

7:00 pm

Wed, Nov 1st

8:00 am

5:00 pm

(English/Vietnamese/Chinese/Tagalog)

7:00 pm

Holy Day of Obligation

All Souls

Thurs, Nov 2nd Mass Times:

8:00 am

7:00 pm (English/Spanish)

Intention envelopes are available on the tables after Mass or in the parish office lobby

Prayer
Partners Supporting Others
with Prayer

On stmirvine.org



- Enter Prayer Intentions
- Enter Answered Prayer Testimonials
- View and Pray for the Online Intentions
- Become a Prayer Partner – Pray for the intentions once a week.

October,
The month of the
Holy
Rosary



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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29TH
10:30am - 2:30pm

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Hosted by:
Knights of Columbus, Msgr. Timothy J Doyle Council # 13111

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ST. JOHN PAUL II
”

ANGEL TREE ELVES NEEDED!

STM's Advent Angel Tree annual event is an uplifting ministry to be shared with all of our parish family, so that anyone who wishes to can have a role in work for our good Lord for the joy of others!

If you can help at a weekend Mass on:
Dec 2nd & 3rd and Dec 9th & 10th
please sign up at stmirvine.org/AngelTree or use the QR code
(*Applicants' under age 12 please sign up with an adult.)

Deadline to sign up is Friday, Oct 27th.

We hope you will participate to provide a more prayerful Christmas to others in need.
Thank you and may God Bless you! **Questions? call Kathy @ 949-856-2727**

STM Homeless Lunch Ministry Thanksgiving Food Drive

We are collecting food items to create
Thanksgiving meal boxes for families in need

Requested food items are:

- Small bag of rice or beans
- Package of dry pasta
- Can of soup (broth or cream based)
- Can of sweet potatoes or yams
- Can of cranberry sauce
- Can of fruit or applesauce
- Muffin or cornbread mix
- Box of stuffing

Please bring food items
to the HLM booth at the
STM Family Fun Fair
on Sun, Oct 29th



SHARE THE POWER OF GOD'S LOVE IN YOUR LIFE



**JOIN A GROUP
TODAY**
www.stmirvine.org/sfc



Gospelize *YOUR* Story
STM Small Faith Communities

Grieving a death? Holidays can be hard.



Grief & Share

**Surviving
the Holidays**

St. Thomas More Catholic Church
Saturday November 18, 2023 10:00 am-12:00 pm
PLEASE register at: griefshare.org/holidays

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Step 2- Fill out information
ONE time. Make sure to
include your phone #.

Step 3 - Next time just text
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Save **949-919-5494**
in your contacts as
STM Give



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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 alegría y en los momentos de tribulación. A él, he confiado tantas preocupaciones y en él siempre he encontrado consuelo".

-San Pablo II



New session at STM!

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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 Martin (9) 385-3741

Parish

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

Sacraments

Baptism Coordinator	Windy Lozano	(9) 551-8601
Confirmation	Abraham Villela	(9) 551-8602
First Communion	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
First Reconciliation	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)	Deacon Bernie & Pam Ocampo	(9) 468-6604
Marriage Case Support	Contact office	(9) 551-8601
Marriage Encounter	Mike & Lisa Bergler	(9) 551-8601
Wedding Coordinator	Marcella 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
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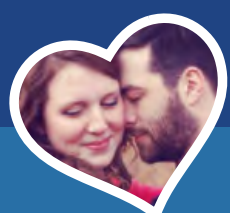


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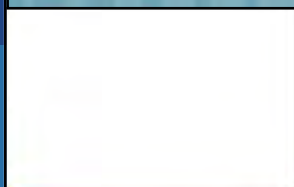
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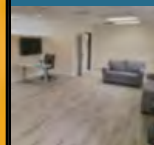
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