

# 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

Sacramental preparation and accommodations for people with

disabilities: contact Tara in the office







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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

frontdesk@stmirvine.org

949-551-8601 Office:

After-hours emergency: 949-551-8601 ext. 7

949-551-5879

949-551-8029 Religious Education: Youth Ministry: 949-551-8602

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# THE HOLY **FAMILY**

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. - Lk 2:51-52



The parish offices are closed for Christmas break and will open on January 2nd. For emergencies, call (949) 551-8601 ext 7



#### **Collections and Expenses**

12/9/24/2024-12/15/2024

	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Sunday Collection	\$19,826	\$13,049	\$32,875
Maintenance Fund	\$114	\$190	\$304
Other income	\$10,067	\$2,369	\$12,436
Total income	\$30,008	\$15,608	\$45,616
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	Regular Expenses		\$121,645

Capital Campaign \$33,053 \$30,371 \$63,424

Campaign Expenses \$7,432

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

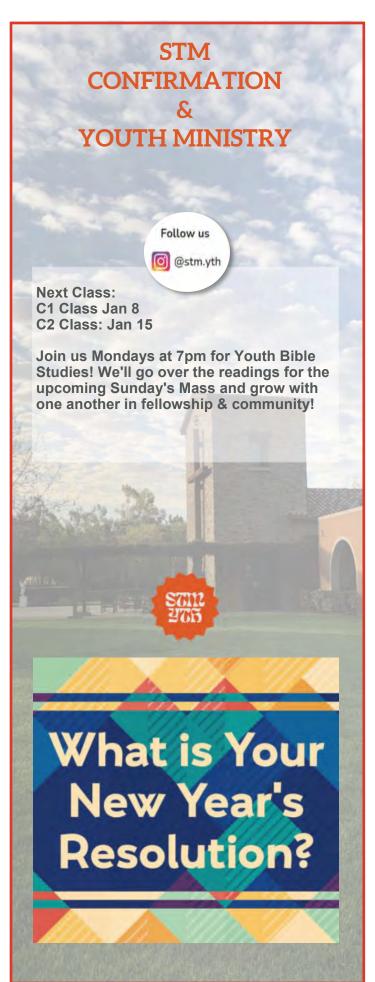
Sat 12/28		†The Nguyen-Troung Family The Whalen Family Nora Natividad Meli Cayaba †Sebastian Thomas †Mary Joppan †Jose Chavady †William Tully
Sun 12/29	9:30am 11:30am 1:00pm 3:00pm	Zackery Liam Silvas †Mike Dempsey †Andrea Maciel Catherine Rebolledo Dang Nguyen PRO POPULO
Mon 12/30	0.004111	Heather and Alan Lemire
Tues 12/31	8:00am	†Luis Caceres Rosie Munoz †John R. and Dorothy Drake
Wed 1/1	9:00am	†Cristina Laarni David Thang Van Le and Thu-Oanh Vu †Virginia Camero
Thurs 1/2		†Jackson Scharff
		†Amparo and Virgilio Sanchez Sr.
Fri 1/3		Anne Nguyen
Sat 1/4		†Gene San Juan †All Souls in Purgatory

# Pray for the Sick

Flory Aguilar Ron Merse Paul Miller Baby Dean Alvero Froy Becerra Deirdre Morley Daniel Bernabe Susan Navarrete AJ Cabrera Ernie Natividad Jasmine Cabrera Eileen Ohlander Kirsten Cabrera Ben Pataray Kelly Carter Sharon Pataray Lou and Nancy Chereny Liz Pennington Paul Cook Jacqueline Claire Poznoski Victor Cota Donna Publico Paul Curran Sandra Quezada Chaz Decoteau Ryan Quinn Cecelia Duzynski George Quitoriano Nina Leones Espino Paula Jane Ramirez Maria Fernandes Al & Elizabeth Rangitsch Guadalupe Rivas Tony Galati Marco Gama Jose Guadalupe Rivera Anthony Gaona Pauline Rocha Lisa Greubel Donna Rohrer CJ Hassett Norma Santiago Doug & Kathie Hibbard John Selig Drew Hoang Tara Summers Cristeta Jaropillo Sally-Ann Thomas Angela Judy Lisa Turner Natalie and Warren Julian Pete Villanueva Miriam Kasperowicz Jesus Villanueva Tiesha Kelley Raymund Villanueva Vivian Knisely Bill Whiteside Lauren Leal Kristine & Brandon Williams Brielle LeMire Michele Wills Joseph Manglona Andy Zelinko Nilda A. Medalle

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





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# MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

Religious Education classes 4 the REP
Office will be on break for the
Christmas holidays from

December 21<sup>st</sup> through
January 8<sup>th</sup>.

We look forward to seeing you and your family in the new year!





The REP staff wishes all of our students, teachers and families a happy, holy and joyous Christmas!

See you all in 2025!

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



The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make His face shine upon you, And be gracious to you: The Lord lift up His countenance upon you. And give you peace.

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STM Small Faith Communities

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# BIBLE READING MARATHON

In celebration of the SUNDAY OF THE WORD of God on January 26, 2025
we will be reading the whole Bible NONSTOP, day and night!







BEGINS Saturday, January 25, 2025 at 4:00pm Estimated to take over 80 hours to complete! Reading will take place in the STM Library The entire reading will be livestreamed on stmirvine.org

#### SIGN UP FOR YOUR SPOT!

FOR FULL DETAILS & TO SIGNUP TO TAKE YOUR SLOT GO TO OUR PARISH WEBSITE AT STMIRVINE.ORG OR SCAN THIS QR CODE:





Organized by STM'S Small Faith Communities Ministry and the Devotional Life Committee.

For questions contact: devotional@stmirvine.org





Thank you to the

Art & Environment team and to all who donated flowers to decorate the church!

We are truly grateful for your contributions of your time, talent and treasure which helped make our campus look extremely beautiful during the Christmas Season!



Help and Encouragement after the death of a loved one.

Tuesdays 10:00-11:30 AM January 14 - April 8, 2025

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Please Register At griefshare.org

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Thank you to those who have offered prayers and have made sacrificial gifts for our NEW CHURCH!

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- · ONLINE Giving and Credit Card go to www.buildstm.com- Pledge Now
- · For stocks, bonds, or other gifts, contact Glenda in the Parish Office

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#### THANK YOU!



Dear Parishioners of St. Thomas More.

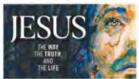
Many thanks to all of you who participated in our 2nd Annual Votive Candle Fundraiser held in November! Our prayer is that you are able to enjoy these votive candles and they aid in your prayer life.

This fundraiser enables us to continue to sponsor three seminarians, as well as assist other charitable entities. God bless you!

With Sisterly Love, YLI Holy Angels #247



#### New Bible Studies at St. Thomas More





Espanol

10 Sessions - Beginning Week of January 20, 2025

Optional days and times are available for both studies.

Register at stmirvine.org/BFFregister Questions? BibleStudy@stmirvine.org









#### Let us pray for you!

On stmirvine.org

**Enter Your Prayer Intentions** 

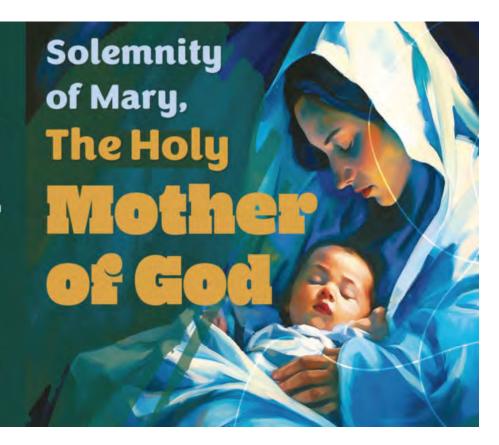
**Enter Answered Prayer Testimonials** 

Become a Prayer Partner - Pray for the Intentions once a week

# TUES, DEC 31st: 10:30PM VIGIL MASS

Followed by
Eucharistic Adoration.
Countdown to the New Year in
silence while adoring the
King of Kings.

WED, JAN 1st: 9:00am & 6:00pm



#### WELCOME FOCUS MISSIONARY, STEVEN DEBOLT



Steven Debolt is a missionary with FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students). After decades of much growth in the universities, FOCUS organization is now expanding into parishes. Steven will work with Fr. Eugene and Tara Reynaud in Adult Faith Formation. Let us welcome him!

Here is a brief note from Steven:

Hello! My name is Steven Debolt, and I am honored to serve as your parish missionary here at St. Thomas More. Over the past five years, I have dedicated my life to forming the next generation of Catholic leaders through my work with FOCUS. My journey has taken me from college campuses, where I have helped others encounter Christ and deepen their faith, to this parish community.

Beginning this January, I will work with Father Eugene as we continue to build an evangelization culture within our parish. My mission is to build upon the great work already being done here to equip ministry leaders with practical tools to encounter, accompany, and invest deeply in others. By doing this, we aim to create a ripple effect of transformation within our parish community that extends to the broader Church.

My wife, Kaity and I are also raising our growing family—our son Joey, our daughter Lucy, and our soon-to-be-born third child. We are excited to join this vibrant parish community and grow with you in faith and fellowship.

I look forward to meeting you, hearing your stories, and serving together to share the love of Christ with others.

In Christ,

Steven

#### ST. THOMAS MORE MINISTRIES

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	Amee Cuevas	
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Sacraments  Daytima Canadinator	Manage Call	(0) 551 9601
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Service		
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Corazon	Norma Jean Womack	(9) 903-1472
Filipino Ministry	Mernie Empalmado	(9) 551-8601
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Spanish Bible Study	Teresa LeMire	(7) 832-1770
When Women Pray	Paula Hines	(7) 746-1802
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4:00pm BUS DEPARTS LA to RETURN to STM

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