

St. Thomas More Catholic Church

14th Sunday In Ordinary Time

July 7, 2024

My Grace is sufficient for you,
For my Power is made Perfect in Weakness
-2Corinthians 12:9

Welcome to St. Thomas More Catholic Church

Thank you for celebrating with us today. We warmly welcome you to our humble place of worship. Our Lord Jesus comes to us in word and sacrament as we celebrate His life, death and resurrection at Holy Mass. If this is your first time visiting, we hope you find a new spiritual home away from home. Founded in 1964, our parish has a long tradition of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Sustainable only by your contributions, your generosity is sincerely appreciated. We welcome you, again, and thank you for celebrating with us.

Mass Schedule

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| Monday through Thursday | 8:00 a.m. |
| Friday (STM School Mass) | 8:00 a.m. |
| Saturday | 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. |
| Sunday | 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. (Español) |

Holy Days of Obligation

Day Before Holy Day

Vigil Mass - 6:30 p.m.

Actual Holy Day

8:00 a.m.

6:30 p.m.

(Español)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Maggie Briseño - Coordinator
Gilbert Cantú, Alli Fuentes, Alicia Perez,
Cesar Paez & Vicky Smith.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

David Allen - Coordinator
RoseMarie Evancho, Michele Allen & Rita Davis

**"The parish does not ask for favors either
by email or text to parishioners asking to
purchase gift cards of any sort."**

Holy Sacraments

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 to 4:45 p.m.
or by Appointment

Baptism

Parents and God-Parents must attend class prior to the Baptism.

Celebrated on:

The 4th Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. (Spanish)
The 4th Saturday of the month at 5:00 p.m. (English)

Marriage & Quinceañera's

Contact the Pastor at least 6 months prior to date of celebration.

Anointing of the Sick

Those facing hospitalization, surgery or have a significant illness and desire physical & spiritual healing are asked to call the office to schedule an anointing.

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday Adoration after Mass until 5:00 p.m.
Monthly English Holy Hour is the 1st Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m.
La Hora Santa Mensual es el primer Viernes del mes a las 7:00 p.m.

Religious Education Office

We offer Religious Education (including Sacramental Preparation) in English & Spanish for children in grades 1 through 12.
Please call the Rectory for more information.

St. Thomas More Catholic School

Our school offers excellent Academic opportunities for children beginning at 18 months up to 8th grade. Tuition assistance programs are available for families that qualify. For more information please call 210-655-2882 or visit our website: www.St-Thomas-More-School.org

HOME OF THE KNIGHTS

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday

8:30 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M.

CLOSED FOR LUNCH

12:00 P.M. TO 1:00 P.M.

1:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

CONTACT US

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PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons.

Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call.

May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen

ORACIÓN POR LAS VOCACIONES

Dios Padre nuestro, te damos gracias por llamar a hombres y mujeres a servir en el Reino de tu Hijo como sacerdotes, diáconos y personas consagradas.

Envía tu Espíritu Santo para ayudar a otros a responder generosa y valientemente a tu llamado.

Que nuestra comunidad de fe apoye vocaciones de amor sacrificial en nuestros jóvenes y jóvenes adultos.

A través de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios, por los siglos de los siglos.

Amén

Holy Hour

THURSDAY
July 11 @ 6 pm.

Hope to see you there



la Hora Santa

VIERNES
el 12 de julio
a las 7 pm.

Espero verte allí.



St. Vincent de Paul
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Your donations allow us to keep our shelves stocked.

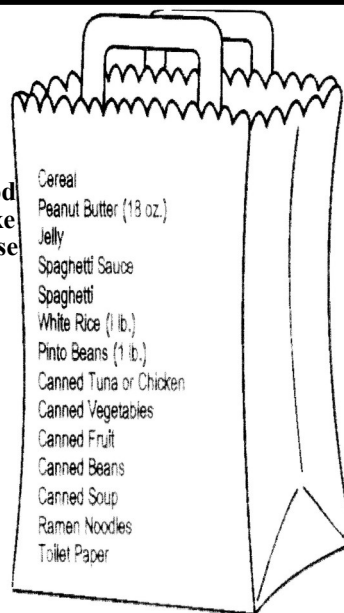
By purchasing a few extra food items each week, you can make a difference in the lives of those who need help!

The items listed are placed in food bags which those in need can get once every 30 days.

Food can be dropped off at SVdP at St Pius X -
Mon, Wed or Fri
from 10 am to 1 pm.

Every donation (*big or small*) is appreciated.

God Bless!



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

June 30, 2024

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| Sunday Collection | \$ 4,575.53 |
| Vigil Candles..... | \$ 81.25 |
| Peter's Pence Fund..... | \$ 540.80 |
| Mass Intentions..... | \$ 5.00 |
| Donations..... | \$ 9.00 |

*Second Collection July 13 - 14:
Facilities Improvement Fund*



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Are you. or someone you know, interested in joining the Catholic Faith? -or-

Are you a Baptized Catholic and interested in completing your Sacraments of Initiation -
(Eucharist and / or Confirmation)? -or-

Are you Catholic (or Protestant, or Buddhist, etc.)? And, just want to know more about Our Faith?

I invite you to join us on Thursday evenings beginning September 5th at 7 pm (*mark your calendar*)

All you need to bring... is yourself!

Hope to see you there! - DT

Gospel Meditation:

Recently I watched a bunch of YouTube videos on how to optimize willpower in the face of weakness. The message was: do not accept your weakness. Crush it. Dominate it. In one video, however, at the end of a rant by a willpower coach, the muscular stoic admitted, "You'll never actually get what you want, no matter how hard you try." Amazingly, he admitted that willpower alone is not sufficient for us weak-willed humans.

What does God want us to do with our weaknesses, if crushing them with willpower won't work? For example, what should I do with my tendency to arrogance and self-isolation? Or my procrastination? Or my intellectual and physical limitations? Or my selfishness?

The counter-intuitive answer is clear in this week's words from St Paul, "I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses in order that the power of Christ may dwell in me (2 Cor. 12:9)." Boast of our weaknesses? Paul isn't promoting weak-mindedness or laziness. Rather, he perceives that Jesus loves us not despite our weaknesses but because of them. Boasting of our weakness means claiming human will is not all we have. It means turning to God whenever we feel weak, which—let's face it—is almost all the time. When we do, we learn to love our weaknesses, because it's there that we meet the strength of Christ. This week, I challenge us to find ways to boast not in willpower but in weakness.

— Father John Muir

Meditación del Evangelio:

Recientemente vi un montón de videos de YouTube sobre cómo optimizar la fuerza de voluntad frente a la debilidad. El mensaje era: no aceptes tu debilidad. Aplástalo. Dominarlo. Sin embargo, en un video, al final de una diatriba de un entrenador de fuerza de voluntad, el estoico musculoso admitió: "Nunca conseguirás lo que quieres, no importa cuánto lo intentes". Sorprendentemente, admitió que la fuerza de voluntad por sí sola no es suficiente para nosotros, los humanos de voluntad débil.

¿Qué quiere Dios que hagamos con nuestras debilidades, si aplastarlas con fuerza de voluntad no funciona? Por ejemplo, ¿qué debo hacer con mi tendencia a la arrogancia y al autoaislamiento? ¿O mi procrastinación? ¿O mis limitaciones intelectuales y físicas? ¿O mi egoísmo?

La respuesta contraria a la intuición es clara en las palabras de esta semana de San Pablo: "Más bien me gloriaré de buena gana de mis debilidades, para que el poder de Cristo habite en mí" (2 Corintios 12:9).

¿Presumir de nuestras debilidades? Pablo no está promoviendo la debilidad mental o la pereza. Más bien, percibe que Jesús nos ama no a pesar de nuestras debilidades, sino a causa de ellas. Jactarnos de nuestra debilidad significa afirmar que la voluntad humana no es todo lo que tenemos.

Significa acudir a Dios cada vez que nos sentimos débiles, lo cual, seamos sinceros, es casi todo el tiempo. Cuando lo hacemos, aprendemos a amar nuestras debilidades, porque es allí donde nos encontramos con la fuerza de Cristo. Esta semana, nos reto a encontrar formas de jactarnos no de la fuerza de voluntad sino de la debilidad.

— Father John Muir

STM Parish Anniversary

We are turning 60 years old!
We are looking for some party planners to help organize our anniversary party,

October 20, 2024

Please contact Becki Lacayo at becki.lacayo@gmail.com to help or for more information.

**Save the Date
Senior Prom**

September 15, 2024

Luncheon and Dance

To celebrate and appreciate our parishioners (65+ yrs)



More details to come.

Aniversario de la Parroquia STM

¡Cumplimos 60 años!

Estamos buscando algunos organizadores de fiestas para ayudar a organizar nuestro fiesta de aniversario,

el 20 de octubre de 2024

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Saturday, July 27, 2024

8am-4:30pm, Doors Open 7am

San Antonio Norris Conference Ctr., or Virtual

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| Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller MSpS | National Eucharistic Preacher Fr. Tim Anastos | Conference Founder & Evangelist Mary Jane Fox | <i>Daughter by Design</i> Author Dr. Mary Ruth Hackett | Your Catholic Wholeness Coach Dr. Carron Silva | Great Commission Theatre's Veronica Peña-Montalvo |
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Register Today!



This Week at Our Parish

Sunday, July 7, 2024
KC BBQ Plate Ticket Sales After All Masses
 10:00 am KC Corporate Mass - Church

Monday, July 8, 2024

Tuesday, July 9, 2024
 5:30 pm Divine Mercy - *Cancelled 'till September 3rd*
 6:30 pm Coro Alegria Choir Practice - *Rectory Mtg Room*
 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion Choir Practice - Church

Wednesday, July 10, 2024
 10:30 am Charismatic Prayer Grp Board Mtg - *RMR*
 7:00 pm Guadalupanos Choir Practice - Church

Thursday, July 11, 2024
 6:00 pm Holy Hour / Charismatic Prayer Grp - Church
 6:30 pm CDA Board Mtg - *Rectory Dining Room*

Friday, July 12, 2024
 1:00 pm Friday Adoration (1pm-5pm) - Church
 6:15 pm Guadalupanos Monthly Rosary - Church
 7:00 pm la Hora Santa - Church

Saturday, July 13, 2024
 5:00 pm KC 3rd Degree Election Dinner - *Carolann Hall*

Sunday, July 14, 2024

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 6, 2024
 8:00 am *For all the blessings the Lord has bestowed upon me*
 by MMM
 by Family
 by Gloria Villa

5:00 pm †Steven Dale Waldron
 †Arturo Cuellar

Sunday, July 7, 2024
 8:00 am by Theresa Garza
 †Rafael Garza G. Morales
 10:00 am †Medardo E. Morales & Evangelina G. Morales
 by Morales & Briseno Families

STM Parishioners - Living and †Deceased
 12:00 pm †Kathryn Marie Sweet
 by Maria T. Sweet

Monday, July 8, 2024
 8:00 am †Andres and Susie Garza
Special Intention - Luis Mendez by Joe & Annabell Garza
 by Mendez Family

Tuesday, July 9, 2024
 8:00 am †Vicente Khanh
 by Kim Nguyen

Wednesday, July 10, 2024
 8:00 am †Tony Lemus
 by Maria T. Sweet

Thursday, July 11, 2024
 8:00 am **All Ordained Clergy and Religious**

Friday, July 12, 2024
 8:00 am †Eva Quinones, and †Mary & Edward Guerra
 by Rosa Saldiva

Saturday, July 13, 2024
 8:00 am **STM Parishioners - Living and †Deceased**
Special Intention - Luis Mendez by Mendez Family
 5:00 pm †Eugenia Aguillon
 †Carmen Yanez
 by Family
 by Family

Sunday, July 14, 2024
 8:00 am †Ramon Mata
 10:00 am †Steven Lee Waldron
 †Salome H. Briseno and Carolina B. Briseno
 by Mom
 by Briseno/Morales Families

12:00 pm † Alex Gonzales



Lecturas de la Semana del 8 - 14 Julio

Lunes: Os 2:16,17-18,21-22; Sal 144:2-9;
 Mt 9:18-26

Martes: Os 8:4-7,11-13; Sal 113:3-10; Mt 9:32-38

Miércoles: Os 10:1-3,7-8,12; Sal 104:2-7; Mt 10:1-7

Jueves: Os 11:1-4,8-9; Sal 79:2,3,15-16;
 Mt 10:7-15

Viernes: Os 14:2-10; Sal 50:3-4,8-9,12-14,17;
 Mt 10:16-23

Sábado: Is 6:1-8; Sal 92:1,1-2,5; Mt 10:24-33

Domingo: Am 7:12-15; Sal 84:9-10-14; Ef 1:3-14;
 Mc 6:7-13

Readings for the week of July 8 – 14

Monday: Hos 2:16-18,21-22; Ps 145:2-9;
 Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7,11-13; Ps 115:3-4-10;
 Mt 9:32-38

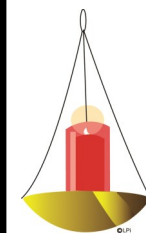
Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3,7-8,12; Ps 105:2-7;
 Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Hos 11:1-4,8e-9; Ps 80:2,3,15-16;
 Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4,8-9,12-14,17;
 Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1,2,5; Mt 10:24-33

Sunday: Am 7:12-15; Ps 85:9-14; Eph 1:3-14;
 Mk 6:7-13



Sanctuary Light Intention:

Adriana Lemus

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, July 13, 2024
 5:00 pm **Altar Servers** - Volunteers
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Tim, R.Saldiva, C.Lang,
 T.Guerrero, E.Guerrero
Lector - L.Trimm

Sunday, July 14, 2024
 8 am **Altar Servers** - Volunteers
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Tim, M.Nguyen, M.Aguirre,
 R.Castaneda, Y.Cione
Lector - Y.Cione

10 am **Altar Servers** - A.Mata, L.McCaffery, M.Lawson
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rolando, M.Briseno, L.Gifford,
 Sr.Eucharia, A.Fuentes, P+R.Mendoza
Lector - T.Garza

12 pm **Altar Servers** - A.Gomez, S.Obregon
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rolando, C.Hernandez,
 R.Gomez, F.Hernandez, C.Martinez, M.Pina, E.Obregon
Lector - D+F.Malacara



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Monthly Meeting:
3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
Contact Regent
Vicky Smith at 210-724-4994

In Memory of
The Leo Oswald &
The Fred Lansing
Families

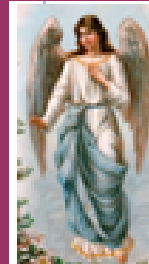


IN LOVING MEMORY
OF REX A BRIEN
&
MR. & MRS.
HILDO CASTELLON

PRAY FOR THE 3 MOST
FORGOTTEN SOULS IN
PURGATORY

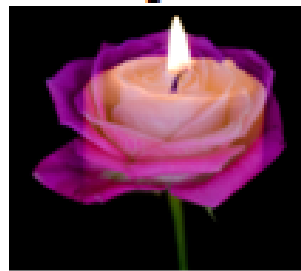


In Loving Memory
of Joe Canales
On behalf of
The Canales Family
Love Always



In Loving Memory of
Medardo E. Morales &
Evangelina G. Morales
on behalf of
The Morales &
Briseño Families

In Memory of
Christina C. Dominguez
on behalf of
The Dominguez Family



In Memory of
Dr. Steven D. Sprague
on behalf of
The Sprague Family



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&
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Joseph (Joe) Galvan
&
Billy Sheridan
on behalf of
The Family

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Invite all men & women to our group.
Out Monthly Meeting & Fellowship Meet
The 3rd Sunday of the month, after the
8:00 a.m. Mass. For more information call
WBI Torres at 210.620.2745

Archdiocese of San Antonio Procedures for Reporting Abuse

If you or someone you know has been a
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deacon, or other church personnel and
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Contact the Office of Victim
Assistance & Safe Environment at
(210) 734-7786 OR (877) 700-1888
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of
Eva M. Quiñones
on behalf of
The Quiñones
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