

**St. Thomas More Catholic Church**  
**11th Sunday In Ordinary Time**  
**June 16, 2024**

*"...Walk By Faith Not By Sight..."*  
*Corinthians 5:7*

**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

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  
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**"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](http://www.St-Thomas-More-School.org)

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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*

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**June 9, 2024**

Sunday Collection .....	\$ 4,396.34
Vigil Candles.....	\$ 122.16
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Helping Hands.....	\$ 15.00
Fathers Day.....	\$ 63.00
Mass Intentions.....	\$ 205.00

***Second Collection June 22 - 23:  
to Support Our STM School***



**A Father's Day Blessing**



Single fathers usually sit in the back row of their children's school performances.

Fathers who are married usually sit as close to the front of the audiences, with their spouses. Why is this?

Well, we all know how important mothers are to the well-being of a family. However, we as a culture look at single fathers with a bit of suspicion.

Fathers are as important as mothers are, but offer a different perspective on life and bring a much needed role in bringing up children. Let us welcome all fathers today to the front row of our lives and acknowledge how important they have been, and continue to be in our lives.

*Let us pray...*

Gracious God and Father, our first father, You are the One who has brought us to life in this world you created. You created us and everything around us. We turned away from you and only after disappointing you did we return your love.

Look with favor on our earthly fathers. They helped create us in your image. We have disappointed them, but have come to realize just how important they are to us.

Bless all our fathers, living and deceased, with comfort and health. We bring all their needs to you and ask for strength so they may live worthy lives.

We ask all this in the name of your Son, our model of what it means to reverence our fathers.

In Christ's name.

*Amen.*

**Gospel Meditation:**

My mother and father fell in love with each other rather quickly. It was only a span of two months between their first meeting and quiet betrothal. They waited for a significant period of time before going public with the happy news. It simply wasn't time. Love's strength and speed can sprout scandal in public. Until the big reveal, they gave the outside world only little hints, gestures, and riddles.

Something like this — but even more wonderful — is at play when Mark says of Jesus, "he did not speak to them without a parable, but to his disciples in private he explained everything." Jesus is the long-awaited messiah-king, but his identity as the Lord and Son of God is so new, surprising, and scandalous to human ears that the big reveal would have to wait. Thus, his parables are riddles, meant to conceal more than reveal.

Even the disciples — who hear things explained directly — barely grasp what he is up to. It's only at the cross that Jesus' love for Israel and the world is explicitly revealed. Until then, much stays hidden and comes in riddles.

So it goes with us, too. I wonder at times why doesn't the Lord just speak to us directly in prayer about what we should do, or how to fix our problems. Or why doesn't he reveal himself directly to powerful leaders who are slow to act? Why does he allow life so often to be confounding, contradictory, and crazy? Because it simply isn't time yet. One glorious day, it will be. Until then, he teaches us in riddles, and only sometimes explains them

— *Father John Muir*

**Meditación del Evangelio:**

Mi madre y mi padre se enamoraron el uno del otro bastante rápido. Solo transcurrieron dos meses entre su primer encuentro y su compromiso tranquilo. Esperaron un período de tiempo significativo antes de hacer pública la feliz noticia. Simplemente no era el momento. La fuerza y la velocidad del amor pueden provocar escándalos en público. Hasta la gran revelación, solo daban al mundo exterior pequeñas pistas, gestos y acertijos.

Algo como esto, pero aún más maravilloso, está en juego cuando Marcos dice de Jesús: "No les habló sin parábola, sino que a sus discípulos les explicó todo en privado". Jesús es el tan esperado mesías-rey, pero su identidad como Señor e Hijo de Dios es tan nueva, sorprendente y escandalosa para los oídos humanos que la gran revelación tendría que esperar. Por lo tanto, sus parábolas son acertijos, destinados a ocultar más que a revelar. Incluso los discípulos, que escuchan las cosas explicadas directamente, apenas comprenden lo que está haciendo. Es solo en la cruz que el amor de Jesús por Israel y el mundo se revela explícitamente. Hasta entonces, mucho permanece oculto y viene en acertijos.

Lo mismo ocurre con nosotros. A veces me pregunto por qué el Señor no nos habla directamente en oración sobre lo que debemos hacer, o cómo solucionar nuestros problemas. ¿O por qué no se revela directamente a los líderes poderosos que son lentos para actuar? ¿Por qué permite que la vida sea tan confusa, contradictoria y loca? Porque, simplemente, aún no es el momento. Un día glorioso, lo será. Hasta entonces, nos enseña en acertijos, y solo a veces los explica

— *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](mailto: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**

Póngase en contacto con Becki Lacayo  
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Archbishop <b>Gustavo Garcia-Siller</b> MSpS	National Eucharistic Preacher <b>Fr. Tim Anastos</b>	Conference Founder & Evangelist <b>Mary Jane Fox</b>	<i>Daughter by Design</i> Author <b>Dr. Mary Ruth Hackett</b>	Your Catholic Wholeness Coach <b>Dr. Carron Silva</b>	Great Commission Theatre's <b>Veronica Peña-Montalvo</b>
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To THINK THAT GOD'S HOLY CHURCH STARTED SO SMALL, AND NOW IT'S SO HUGE...

Whoa! AND NOT JUST THE CHURCH!

SMOKE WEED!  
GIVE UP! AND GO

MK 4:26-34

**This Week at Our Parish**

**Sunday, June 16, 2024 - Father's Day**  
 8:00 am Guadalupanos Mass - *Church*  
 9:00 am Guadalupanos General Meeting - *Cancelled*

**Monday, June 17, 2024**

**Tuesday, June 18, 2024**  
 5:30 pm Divine Mercy - *Cancelled 'till September 3<sup>rd</sup>*  
 6:30 pm Coro Alegria Choir Practice - *Rectory Mtg Room*  
 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion Choir Practice - *Church*

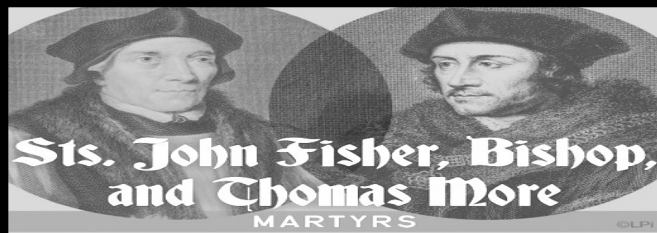
**Wednesday, June 19, 2024**

**Thursday, June 20, 2024**  
 6:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Grp - *Church*

**Friday, June 21, 2024**  
 9:00 am Friday Adoration - *Church*  
 6:30 pm Coro Alegria Guitar Practice - *Cancelled*  
 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion Fellowship - *Carolan Hall*

**Saturday, June 22, 2024**  
 8:00 am CDA Officer Training - *Carolan Hall*

**Sunday, June 23, 2024**  
 10:00 am CDA Mass - *Church*



**Lecturas de la Semana del 17 - 23 Junio**

**Lunes:** 1Re 21:1-16; Sal 5:2-7; Mt 5:38-42

**Martes:** 1Re 21:17-29; Sal 50:3-6,11,16;  
 Mt 5:43-48

**Miércoles:** 2Re 2:1,6-14; Sal 30:20,21,24;  
 Mt 6:1-6,16-18

**Jueves:** Eclo 48:1-14; Sal 96:1-7; Mt 6:7-15

**Viernes:** 2Re 11:1-4,9-18,20; Sal 131:11-18;  
 Mt 6:19-23

**Sábado:** 2Chr 24:17-25; Sal 88:4-5,29-34;  
 Mt 6:24-34

**Domingo:** Job 38:1,8-11; Sal 106:23-26,28-31;  
 2Cor 5:14-17; Mc 4:35-4

**Readings for the week of Jun 17 – 23**

**Monday:** 1Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5:2-7; Mt 5:38-42

**Tuesday:** 1Kgs 21:17-29; Ps 51:3-6,11,16;  
 Mt 5:43-48

**Wednesday:** 2Kgs 2:1,6-14; Ps 31:20,21,24;  
 Mt 6:1-6,16-18

**Thursday:** Sir 48:1-14; Ps 97:1-7; Mt 6:7-15

**Friday:** 2Kgs 11:1-4,9-18,20;  
 Ps 132:11-14,17-18; Mt 6:19-23

**Saturday:** 2Chr 24:17-25; Ps 89:4-5,29-34;  
 Mt 6:24-34

**Sunday:** Jb 38:1,8-11; Ps 107:23-26,28-31;  
 2Cor 5:14-17; Mk 4:35-41

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, June 15, 2024**  
 8:00 am **STM Parishioners - Living and †Deceased Birthday - Suzanne Castaneda** by Virginia Rabel  
 Health of Deacon Rolando

5:00 pm

**Sunday, June 16, 2024**  
 8:00 am †Felipe Gonzales, Jr. by Nora, Loraine, & Mateo  
 †Ralph W. Garcia by Elda T. Garcia  
 10:00 am †Michael McDonald by the Trimms  
 †Ignacio Perez & Yolanda Faz by Jesse Perez & Family  
 12:00 pm †Santiago Pina by Laura Armijo & Family  
 †Joe Cantu & Jorge Ortega

**Monday, June 17, 2024**  
 8:00 am †Ralph Garcia by Joe & Annabell Garza  
 †Tillie & Abe Garcia by Daughter

**Tuesday, June 18, 2024**  
 8:00 am †Tony Lemus by Maria T. Sweet

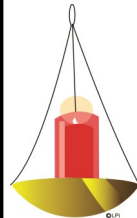
**Wednesday, June 19, 2024**  
 8:00 am †Javier Sanchez by Alfredo & Irma Sanchez

**Thursday, June 20, 2024**  
 8:00 am †Rafael Garza by Theresa Garza  
**All Ordained Clergy and Religious**

**Friday, June 21, 2024**  
 8:00 am †Vicente Khanh by Kim Nguyen  
 †Alicia D. Mora by Rosa Saldiva

**Saturday, June 22, 2024**  
 8:00 am †Jose Luis Trevino by Elda Garcia  
 5:00 pm †Elizabeth Moore  
**Special Intention: Mike Garber** by Margie Murray  
**Special Intention: Health and Recovery-Joe Willingham** by Margie Murray

**Sunday, June 23, 2024**  
 8:00 am †Dudley Creek by Johnson Family  
**STM Parishioners - Living and †Deceased**  
 10:00 am †Ignacio Perez & Yolanda Faz by Jesse Perez & Family  
**Birthday - Ramon Mata, Jr** by Mata Family  
 †Kathryn Marie Sweet by Maria T. Sweet  
 12:00 pm †Pedro Cisneros Zavala & Jesus Cisneros Cisneros by Guadalupe Soria



**Sanctuary Light Intention:**  
*Antonio & Maria Lemus*

**Liturgical Roles**

**Saturday, June 22, 2024**  
 5:00 pm **Altar Servers** - Volunteers  
**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Tim, M.Fisher, R.Saldiva,  
 T.Sweet, T.Guerrero  
**Lector** - T.Guerrero

**Sunday, June 23, 2024**  
 8 am **Altar Servers** - Volunteers  
**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Rolando, P.Klar, R.Davila.,  
 R.Castaneda, Y.Cione  
**Lector** - S.Castaneda

10 am **Altar Servers** - A.Mata, A.McCaffrey, B.Pereida  
**Eucharistic Ministers** - ~~Dcn Tim~~, CDA  
**Lector** - CDA

12 pm **Altar Servers** - A.Gomez, S.Obregon  
**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Rolando, C.Hernandez,  
 E.Obregon, M.pina, R.Gomez, H.Gomez, F.Hernandez  
**Lector** - R.Borrego / A.Chavez



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 &  
 MR. & MRS.  
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 of Joe Canales  
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**Joseph (Joe) Galvan**  
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 on behalf of  
**The Family**

**St. Thomas More Guadalupans Society**  
 Invite all men & women to our group.  
 Out Monthly Meeting & Fellowship Meets  
 The 3rd Sunday of the month, after the  
 8:00 a.m. Mass. For more information call  
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