

*St. Thomas More Catholic Church
Pentecost Sunday
May 19, 2024*



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.

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Mass Schedule</u></p> <p>Monday thru Thursday 8:00 a.m. Friday (S.T.M. School Mass) 8:00 a.m. Saturday 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>Sunday 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. (Español)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Holy Days of Obligation</u> <u>Day Before Holy Day</u> Vigil Mass 6:30 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Actual Holy Day</u> 8:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. (Español)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL</u> Maggie Briseño - Coordinator Gilbert Cantú, Alli Fuentes, Alicia Perez, Cesar Paez & Vicky Smith.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL</u> David Allen - Coordinator RoseMarie Evancho, Michele Allen & Rita Davis</p> <p style="color: red;">"The parish does not ask for favors either by email or text to parishioners asking to purchase gift cards of any sort."</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Holy Sacraments</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Reconciliation</u> Saturday: 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. or by Appointment</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Baptism</u> 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. (Vigil Mass)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Marriage & Quinceañera's</u> Contact the Pastor at least 6 months prior to date of celebration.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Anointing of the Sick</u> Those facing hospitalization, surgery or have a significant illness and desire physical & spiritual healing are asked to call the office to schedule an anointing.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Eucharistic Adoration</u> 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.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Religious Education Office</u> We offer Religious Education (including Sacramental Preparation) in English & Spanish for children in grades 1 through 12. Please call the Rectory for more information.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>St. Thomas More Catholic School</u> 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</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HOME OF THE KNIGHTS</p>
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1:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

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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

CONGRATULATIONS!!

To all who have received Sacraments for the first time during this Easter Season.

To those attending our RCIA and RCIA-C programs who have received their Sacraments of Initiation...

To those young people attending our weekly Faith Formation Classes who have made their First Confession and First Holy Communion.

To those young adults who are soon to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation!

Congratulations to you all!!

But please... Don't think you have "graduated" from Catholic Learning. There is sooo much more!

This is only the Beginning!

If you are 18 years or older and would like to know more about our faith...

I invite you to join us this fall when we begin a new RCIA Year.

Questions? Call the Parish Office or talk to Deacon Tim.



YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

May 12, 2024

Sunday Collection	\$ 4,984.34
Vigil Candles.....	\$ 170.11
Facilities Improvement.....	\$ 10.00
Helping Hands.....	\$ 65.00
STM School.....	\$ 697.15
Mothers Day.....	\$ 52.00
Mass Intentions.....	\$ 90.00
Donations.....	\$ 10.00

Second Collection May 25 - 26:

Helping Hands Fund



June Jamboree

Honorees

Msgr. Patrick Ragsdale

&

Rev. James Conway

Friday, June 7, 2024

6:30 p.m. — 10:30 p.m.

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If unable to attend, please consider making a donation to Padua Place,
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Gospel Meditation:

I hope you'll acknowledge with me a simple fact: it's not normal to have tongues of fire "part and come to rest" on people. It is actually pretty strange. Yet that is precisely what we celebrate in this feast of Pentecost. How can this mean something to us in our daily lives?

Jews had a tradition that heaven is a temple made of bricks of fire. So, through the apostles, the heavenly temple is coming to earth. But this fire looks like tongues, not bricks. That means that heavenly speech will be crucial to building a dwelling place for God on earth among men and women. So, it's no surprise when the apostles begin to speak in a miraculous way that is understood by all language groups. They are speaking of what God has done in and through Jesus: bringing heaven to earth and uniting all peoples to God and to each other.

How often our speech divides: gossip, slander, insults, and so on. How strange and rare it is when people speak in ways that truly unite instead of divide. Imagine how powerful it would be if you and I began to speak at home, at work, and in our community in a way that made people hear heavenly speech. Imagine if you spoke of the mighty deeds of God in a way that everyone could understand. That's precisely what the Holy Spirit descends upon us to do. Ask Him to come as a tongue of fire to you once again, and He will. Then speak!

— Father John Muir

Meditación del Evangelio:

Espero que reconozcas conmigo un hecho simple: no es normal que las lenguas de fuego "se separen y descansen" en las personas. En realidad es bastante extraño. Sin embargo, eso es precisamente lo que celebramos en esta fiesta de Pentecostés. ¿Cómo puede esto significar algo para nosotros en nuestra vida diaria?

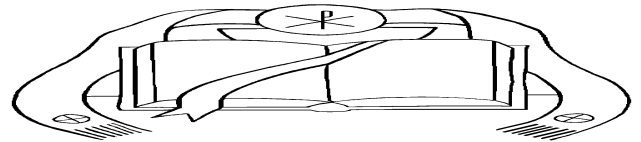
Los judíos tenían la tradición de que el cielo es un templo hecho de ladrillos de fuego. Entonces, a través de los apóstoles, el templo celestial viene a la tierra. Pero este fuego parece lenguas, no ladrillos. Eso significa que el habla celestial será crucial para construir una morada para Dios en la tierra entre hombres y mujeres.

Por lo tanto, no es sorprendente cuando los apóstoles comienzan a hablar de una manera milagrosa que es entendida por todos los grupos lingüísticos. Están hablando de lo que Dios ha hecho en y a través de Jesús: traer el cielo a la tierra y unir a todos los pueblos a Dios y entre sí.

Con qué frecuencia nuestro discurso se divide: chismes, calumnias, insultos, etc. Qué extraño y raro es cuando las personas hablan de maneras que realmente unen en lugar de dividir. Imagínese lo poderoso que sería si usted y yo comenzáramos a hablar en casa, en el trabajo y en nuestra comunidad de una manera que hiciera que la gente escuchara el habla celestial. Imagínese si hablara de las poderosas obras de Dios de una manera que todos pudieran entender. Eso es precisamente lo que el Espíritu Santo descende sobre nosotros para hacer.

Pídele que venga como lengua de fuego a ti una vez más, y Él lo hará. ¡Entonces habla!

— Father John Muir



**Fr. Ed -
A Belated
CONGRATULATIONS**

***On the 3rd Anniversary of your Ordination!
May 15, 2021***

**May God continue to bless you and your ministry
For many, many years to come.
Our prayers are with you.
With Love and Thanksgiving...**

Your STM flock.

**Handbag
BINGO**

Join us for a night of fun and games and win fabulous designer handbags!!

Pre-sale tickets only!
FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 2024

5PM - Doors Open
6:30PM - Bingo STARTS

STM's Carolan Hall
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PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

Join us as we pray for those who have died in defense of our country and for those currently serving in our military.

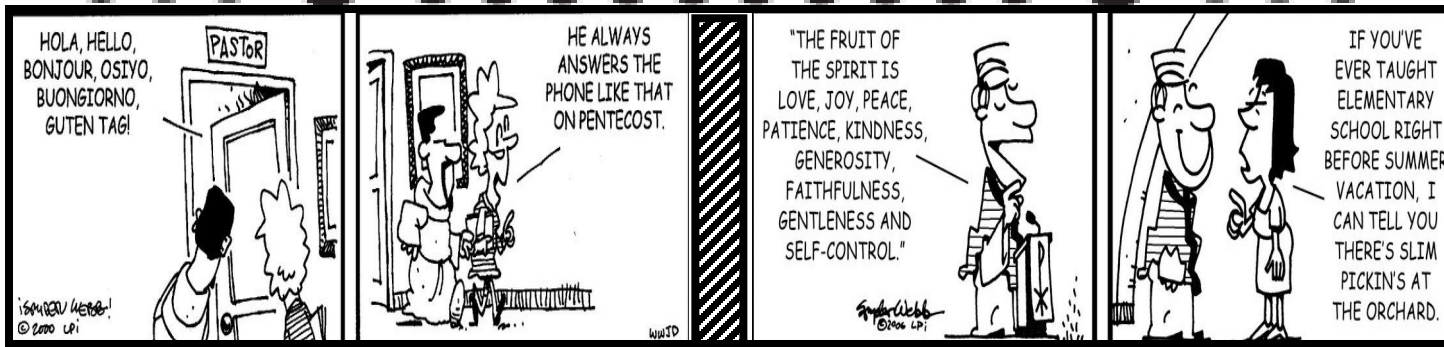
You are invited to join us as we pray:

The Holy Rosary at the Grotto Outside the Rectory Office Saturday, May 25, 2024 @ Noon

(if inclement weather we will move into the Church)

Want More Information?

Contact: David Barrera @ (210) 793-0794



STM Parish Anniversary

We are turning 60 years old! We are looking for 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.



¡Cumplimos 60 años!

Estamos buscando organizadores para ayudar a organizar nuestra fiesta de aniversario, el 20 de Octubre de 2024.

Póngase en contacto con Becki Lacayo en becki.lacayo@gmail.com para obtener más información.

ATTENTION

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Volunteers are needed for our *Homebound Ministry*. We need English, Spanish, and Bi-lingual Ministers!

It doesn't require a lot of time... our home-bound parishioners really appreciate it and once again feel a part of 'our community.'

Please, pray over this ministry; see if you feel a call to serve. **Your reward will be great.**

If interested, contact the Parish Office with your Contact Info.

ATENCIÓN

Ministros Extraordinarios de la Sagrada Comunión

Se necesitan voluntarios para nuestro *Ministerio a Confinados en Casa*. ¡Necesitamos ministros que hablen inglés, español o son bilingües!

No requiere mucho tiempo... Y nuestros feligreses confinados en casa realmente lo aprecian y se sienten parte de 'nuestra comunidad'.

Por favor, oren por este ministerio; Fíjate si sientes un llamado a servir.

Tu recompensa será grande.

Si está interesado, comuníquese con la Oficina Parroquial con su información de contacto.

Save the Date *Senior Prom*

September 15, 2024
Luncheon and Dance

To celebrate and appreciate our parishioners (65+ yrs)

More details to come.



This Week at Our Parish

*** Holy Land Crafts Sale - CANCELLED ***

Sunday, May 19, 2024 - Pentecost
 8:00 am Guadalupanos Mass / Mtg - Church / Carolan Hall
 11:00 am KC BBQ Plate Sale - Carolan Hall

Monday, May 20, 2024

Tuesday, May 21, 2024
 5:30 pm Divine Mercy - Rectory Mtg Room
 6:30 pm Coro Alegria Choir Practice - *Cancelled*
 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion Choir Practice - Church
 CDA General Mtg - Carolan Hall

Wednesday, May 22, 2024
 6:00 pm KC 4Degree Mtg - Carolan Hall

Thursday, May 23, 2024
 6:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Grp - Church
 CDA Spiritual Retreat Prep - Rectory Meeting Room

Friday, May 24, 2024
 8:00 am School / Kinder Graduation Mass - Church
 11:00 am Friday Adoration - Church
 6:00 pm School - 8th Grade Graduation - Cjircj
 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion - *Cancelled*

Saturday, May 25, 2024
 10:00 am VBS Planning Mtg - Carolan Hall
 12:00 pm Public Square Rosary - Church

Sunday, May 26, 2024
 10:00 am CDA Mass - Church

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 18, 2024
 8:00 am **STM Parishioners - Living and †Deceased**
 5:00 pm †Alfredo Sanchez by 4th Degree Assembly 2748
 †Rebecca Perez by Richard & Dorothy Perez

Sunday, May 19, 2024
 8:00 am †Ralph W. Garcia by Elda T. Garcia
 †David Aguillon by Family
 10:00 am †Steven Lee Waldron by Mom
 †Michael McDonald by the Trimmis
 12:00 pm †Alicia Cisneros by Husband & Daughters

Monday, May 20, 2024
 8:00 am **Health - Dcn Rolando**

Tuesday, May 21, 2024
 8:00 am †Vicente Khanh by Kim Nguyen
Special Intention for Olga Weich

Wednesday, May 22, 2024
 8:00 am †Olivia Lopez by Jose & Stella Lopez
 †Tench Martinez by Daughters

Thursday, May 23, 2024
 8:00 am **All Ordained Clergy and Religious**

Friday, May 24, 2024
 8:00 am †Patricia Butts by Family & Friends
 †Samuel Orozco Perez by Family & Friends

Saturday, May 25, 2024
 8:00 am **STM Parishioners - Living and †Deceased**
 5:00 pm †Alfredo Sanchez by 4th Degree Assembly 2748
 †Domingo Delgado by Family

Sunday, May 26, 2024
 8:00 am †Yolanda Reyes by Family
 †Rafael Garza by Theresa Garza
 10:00 am †Michael McDonald by The Trimmis
STM Parishioners - Living and †Deceased
 12:00 pm †Kathryn Marie Sweet by Maria T. Sweet

Lecturas de la Semana del 20 - 26 mayo

Lunes: Gn 3:9-15,20; Sal 86:1-3,5-7;
 Jn 19:25-34

Martes: Sant 4:1-10; Sal 54:7-11,23; Mc 9:30-37

Miércoles: Sant 4:13-17; Sal 48:2-3,6-11;
 Mc 9:38-40

Jueves: Sant 5:1-6; Sal 48:14-20; Mc 9:41-50

Viernes: Sant 5:9-12; Sal 102:1-4,8-9,11-12;
 Mc 10:1-12

Sábado: Sant 5:13-20; Sal 140:1-3,8;
 Mc 10:13-16

Domingo: Dt 4:32-34,39-40; Sal 32:4-6,9,18-20,22;
 Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

Readings for the week of May 20 - 26

Monday: Gn 3:9-15,20; Ps 87:1-3,5-7;
 Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11,23; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3,6-11;
 Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4,8-9,11-12;
 Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3,8;
 Mk 10:13-16

Sunday: Dt 4:32-34,39-40; Ps 33:4-6,9,18-20,22;
 Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20



Sanctuary Light Intention:
Adriana Lemus

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Liturgical Roles

Saturday, May 25, 2023
 5:00 pm **Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Rolando, K.Ball, S.Chapa,
 T.Garza
Lector - T.Guerrero

Sunday, May 26, 2023
 8 am **Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Tim, P.Klar, R.Saldiva,
 M.Aguirre, Y.Cione
Lector - S.Trimm

10 am **Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Tim, CDA
Lector - V.Smith

12 pm **Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Rolando, C.Hernandez,
 R.Borrego, A.Chavez, R.Gomez, H.Gomez,
 C.Martinez
Lector - L.Lopez / N.Obregon

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 Rick Briseño at 210-834-7017

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



In Memory of
Jose (Joe) Galvan,
Joseph (Joe) Galvan
 & **Billy Sheridan**
 on behalf of
The Family

St. Thomas More Guadalupanos Society
 Invite all men & women to our group.
 Our Monthly Meeting & Fellowship Meets:
 3rd Sunday of the month after the
 8:00 a.m. Mass. For more information call
 Will Torres at 210.620.2745

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



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 Procedure for Reporting Abuse
 If you or someone you know has been
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 Contact the Office of Victim
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 All calls or emails will be
 responded to within 48 hours.



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

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
Florencio Baiza,
Louise Baiza Garza,
Robert Garza
 &
Mr. & Mrs.
Ruben Rodriguez Sr.



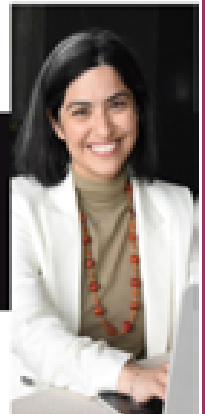
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 &
Evangelina G. Morales
 on behalf of
 The Morales
 &
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 &
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 of
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 On behalf of
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