

**St. Thomas More Catholic Church**  
**Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**  
**June 2, 2024**

*"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." -John 6:51*



**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**

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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.

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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*

**The Fruits of Holy Communion:** The Eucharist, like all sacraments, offers its own unique grace. We receive a special share in God's life that helps us in our faith journey. We are given all we need to sustain and nurture our relationship with God. The Eucharist is the source and summit of our Christian life. Everything we are and everything we hope to become is found in this sacrament. It is essential to the life of the church, to each member of the church. ***Without it, there is no church!*** The Eucharist is the center of our spiritual life and has enormous effects on our growth, our holiness, and our way of life.

The *Fruits of Holy Communion* are the benefits we receive from the sacrament. These fruits of Holy Communion are discussed in the catechism in the article on the Eucharist. The primary benefit is union with Christ. We become one with Him sacramentally, just as we hope to become one with Him for eternity. The Eucharist also separates us from sin, both past and future. It forgives the venial sins of the past and, by the love we receive, protects us from mortal sin in the future. The church community is also unified and strengthened by the Eucharist. It unites us to the poor and offers the pledge of eternal life.

**YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

**May 26, 2024**

Sunday Collection .....	\$ 4,486.99
Vigil Candles.....	\$ 132.09
Facilities Improvement.....	\$ 50.00
Helping Hands.....	\$ 702.54
STM School.....	\$ 25.00
Fathers Day.....	\$ 195.00
Mass Intentions.....	\$ 5.00
Assumption Seminary.....	\$ 100.00
Donations.....	\$ 3,000.00

***Second Collection June 8 - 9:  
Our Facilities Improvement Fund***



**MAY SHE REST IN PEACE:**

May God comfort the family and friends of

***Catherine Bormann***

*(Daughter of Parishioner Sue McCarthy)*

Who died recently

Our sincere sympathy and assurances of prayers are extended to

Sue and the McCarthy / Bormann Family

***May she Rest in Peace.***

**Gospel Meditation:**

The best way to understand the Eucharist is to recall God's long, careful teaching process beginning in the Old Testament. This week in Exodus 24, we learn the basic pattern. Moses reads the dictates of God's law to the people, who profess their allegiance to it. Then Moses takes representatives of Israel's twelve tribes and splashes the sacrificed blood of animals in two directions: on the altar and on the people. It's clear and serious business: clear, because the participants are entering a blood-bond with God Himself; serious, because the dead animals symbolize the life-and-death stakes at play.

Many centuries later, God uses the experience at Sinai to teach us something new. At the Last Supper, like a *new Moses*, Jesus proposes to "pour out" blood as a new covenant. It will land on the altar of the cross and the lips of his disciples. They have promised to be obedient to him who is God's law in flesh. This renews and elevates the breath-taking romance God wants with His people, unfolding from Sinai to this Supper.

The Body and Blood of Christ is the sacrificial action whereby this covenant is strengthened.

How hopeful that, like us, the Israelites and the apostles repeatedly fail to live up to their promises and discover that the blood of the covenant continually renews and refreshes them. Today the blood of Christ faithfully flows, to unite and renew, moving us forward toward where our great teacher is taking us. This week, we should say a renewed "*Amen*" to God who so carefully teaches us how to be one with Him in this new covenant.

— Father John Muir

**Meditación del Evangelio:**

La mejor manera de entender la Eucaristía es recordar el largo y cuidadoso proceso de enseñanza de Dios que comienza en el Antiguo Testamento. Esta semana en Éxodo 24, aprendemos el patrón básico. Moisés lee los dictados de la ley de Dios al pueblo, que profesa su lealtad a ella. Entonces Moisés toma a representantes de las doce tribus de Israel y salpica la sangre sacrificada de los animales en dos direcciones: sobre el altar y sobre el pueblo. Es un asunto claro y serio: claro, porque los participantes están entrando en un vínculo de sangre con Dios mismo; serio, porque los animales muertos simbolizan lo que está en juego a vida o muerte.

Muchos siglos después, Dios usa la experiencia en el Sinaí para enseñarnos algo nuevo. En la Última Cena, como un *nuevo Moisés*, Jesús propone "derramar" sangre como una nueva alianza. Caerá en el altar de la cruz y en los labios de sus discípulos. Han prometido ser obedientes a aquel que es la ley de Dios en carne. Esto renueva y eleva el impresionante romance que Dios quiere con Su pueblo, que se desarrolla desde el Sinaí hasta esta Cena.

El Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo es la acción sacrificial por la cual este pacto se fortalece.

Cuán esperanzador es que, al igual que nosotros, los israelitas y los apóstoles fracasasen repetidamente en cumplir sus promesas y descubran que la sangre del pacto los renueva y refresca continuamente. Hoy la sangre de Cristo fluye fielmente, para unirnos y renovarnos, moviéndonos hacia adelante hacia donde nuestro gran maestro nos está llevando. Esta semana, debemos decir un renovado "*Amén*" a Dios, quien tan cuidadosamente nos enseña cómo ser uno con Él en este nuevo pacto.

— Father John Muir



**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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To Purchase Tickets:  
Scan QR Code  
Visit: <https://stmcs.betterworld.org/events/handbag-bingo>  
Call: 210-655-2882

SILENT AUCTION

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BEST DECORATED TABLE WINS A PRIZE!

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS of AMERICA  
RETREAT**



Saturday, June 15, 2024  
8 am to 12 PM

**MORNING WITH OUR BLESSED MOTHER**

**Guest Speaker: Melba Fisher**

**The Retreat begins with Mass @ 8 am  
followed by the presentation in Carolan Hall**

**All are welcome**

**(This is a Free Event)**

**Hope to see you there!!**





Today, we celebrate the **Most Holy Body and Blood of Our Lord, Jesus Christ (Corpus Christi)**... Every day... but above all days... **today**... we have to look-at and affirm / **re-affirm** our belief in what we call the **'Real Presence'** of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in the Eucharist! This is something many tend to take it for granted! We can't let that happen!

Our country's motto is **'In God We Trust!'** When we pledge allegiance... we pledge to **'one nation under God!'**

We have to wake up and realize that... the God we are Trusting in... the God we are pledging our country to... is **here!** at **St Thomas More**... and every other Catholic Church in the world... Not symbolically... but physically... and He is **'Really Present'** ... **Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity**... in the tabernacles and on the altar during Mass!

Let's not forget Him! Let's not take Him for granted! Bow / genuflect to our Lord... Pray to Him... Treat Him and His **'house'** with reverence.

The host we see in the tabernacle **IS GOD!** **Jesus**... the 2<sup>nd</sup> person in the Holy Trinity (and since they are 3 persons in one God, we know that where the Son is there also are the Father and the Holy Spirit).

Re-Affirm His **Real Presence** in your heart and share that information with your children... your grandchildren... your friends... and neighbors. Receive Him into your heart with Holy Communion and then take him into the world and share Him with others.

*Enjoy a Glorious Feast of Corpus Christi... God Bless-*



**CONGRATULATIONS!** To our Faith Formation students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend!

*May the Holy Spirit guide and inspire you in all your future endeavors.*

I remind you that this is **"NOT"** the end!!... You have **"NOT"** graduated from learning about our Faith! Our Faith is *so deep... so rich...* it can / will literally take a lifetime to learn it all.

I invite you to become involved in our Parish... involved in our Faith.

We are all called to share our talent(s) with others.

The more you are involved and sharing, the more you will be following God's call.

Once again... Congratulations! And may God continue to bless you-

Fr. Ed / Dcn Tim / Dcn Rolando



**Deacon Tim,  
Deacon Rolando-  
CONGRATULATIONS**

*On the Anniversary of your Ordination!*

*Deacon Tim: June 11, 2004*

*Deacon Rolando: June 16, 2018*

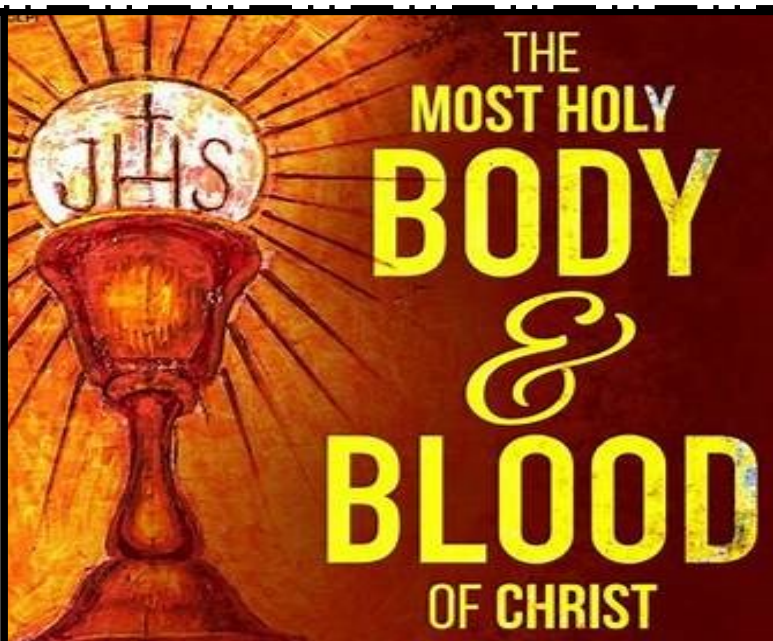
May God continue to bless you and your ministry

For many, many years to come.

Our prayers are with you.

With Love and Thanksgiving...

*Your fellow STM parishioners*



**This Week at Our Parish**

**Sunday, June 2, 2024**  
10:00 am KC Mass - Church

**Monday, June 3, 2024**  
5:30 pm Guadalupanos Board Mtg - Rectory Mtg Room

**Tuesday, June 4, 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 5, 2024**  
10:30 am Charismatic Prayer Grp Core Mtg - Rectory Mtg Rm  
6:00 pm KC 3Degree Officers Mtg - Carolan Hall  
6:30 pm CDA Spiritual Retreat Prep - Rectory Mtg Rm  
7:00 pm Guadalupanos Choir Practice - Church

**Thursday, June 6, 2024**  
6:00 pm Holy Hour - Church  
Charismatic Prayer Grp - *Cancelled*

**Friday, June 7, 2024**  
9:00 am Friday Adoration - Church  
5:00 pm STM School Purse Bingo - Carolan Hall  
6:30 pm Coro Alegria Guitar Practice - Rectory Mtg Room  
7:00 pm La Hora Santa / Grupo de Oracion - Church

**Saturday, June 8, 2024**  
2:00 pm Confirmations (Faith Formation Students) - Church

**Sunday, June 9, 2024**

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, June 1, 2024**  
8:00 am †Henry Kalinec  
5:00 pm †Christina C. Dominguez by Dominguez Family  
**STM Parishioners - Living and †Deceased**

**Sunday, June 2, 2024**  
8:00 am †David Krause  
10:00 am †John Evancho by Evancho Family  
†Medardo E. Morales & Evangelina G. Morales by Briseno / Morales Family  
by Estela Martinez

12:00 pm †Jesus Martinez Zuniga  
†Santiago Pina

**Monday, June 3, 2024**  
8:00 am †Father Dermot Brosnan by Joe & Annabell Garza

**Tuesday, June 4, 2024**  
8:00 am †Al Weinheimer by Carolyn Weinheimer  
†Paul Nguyen by Thuy Nguyen

**Wednesday, June 5, 2024**  
8:00 am †Michael McDonald by The Trimmis  
†Theresa Hoi by Kim Nguyen

**Thursday, June 6, 2024**  
8:00 am †Michael McDonald by The Trimmis  
**All Ordained Clergy and Religious**

**Friday, June 7, 2024**  
8:00 am †Baldemar Saldiva by Rosa Saldiva  
†Diana & Herman Castellon by Rosa Saldiva  
†Jose Luis Samaniego Zavala by Llanas Family

**Saturday, June 8, 2024**  
8:00 am **A Special Intention for Olga Weich**  
5:00 pm †Deceased Members of the Stensland Family

**Sunday, June 9, 2024**  
8:00 am †Catherine Bormann  
10:00 am †Steven Lee Waldron by Mom  
†Salome H. Briseno & Carolina B. Briseno by Briseno / Morales Family  
by Maria T. Sweet

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



**Sanctuary Light Intention:**  
*Adriana Lemus*

**Lecturas de la Semana del 3 - 9 Junio**

**Lunes:** 2Pe 1:2-7; Sal 90:1-2,14-16; Mc 12:1-12

**Martes:** 2Pe 3:12-15,17-18; Sal 89:2-4,10,14,16;  
Mc 12:13-17

**Miércoles:** 2Tim 1:1-3,6-12; Sal 122:1-2;  
Mc 12:18-27

**Jueves:** 2Tim 2:8-15; Sal 24:4-5,8-10,14;  
Mc 12:28-34

**Viernes:** Os 11:1,3-4,8-9; Sal 11:2-6;  
Ef 3:8-12,14-19; Jn 19:31-37

**Sábado:** 2Tim 4:1-8; 1Sm 2:1,4-8; Lc 2:41-51

**Domingo:** Gn 3:9-15; Sal 129:1-8; 2Cor 4:13-5:1;  
Mc 3:20-35

**Readings for the week of Jun 3 - 9**

**Monday:** 2Pt 1:2-7; Ps 91:1-2,14-16; Mk 12:1-12

**Tuesday:** 2Pt 3:12-15a,17-18; Ps 90:2-4,10,14,16;  
Mk 12:13-17

**Wednesday:** 2Tm 1:1-3,6-12; Ps 123:1b-2;  
Mk 12:18-27

**Thursday:** 2Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab,8-10,14;  
Mk 12:28-34

**Friday:** Hos 11:1,3-4,8c-9; Ps 12:2-6;  
Eph 3:8-12,14-19; Jn 19:31-37

**Saturday:** 2Tm 4:1-8; 1Sm 2:1,4-8; Lk 2:41-51

**Sunday:** Gn 3:9-15; Ps 130:1-8; 2Cor 4:13-5:1;  
Mk 3:20-35

**Holy Hour**

**THURSDAY**  
June 6 @ 6 pm.

*Hope to see you there*



**la Hora Santa**

**VIERNES**  
el 7 de junio  
a las 7 pm.

*Espero verte allí.*

**Liturgical Roles**

**Saturday, June 8, 2024**  
5:00 pm **Altar Servers** - Volunteers  
**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Tim, T.Guerrero, S.Trimm,  
L.Trimm, S.Chapa  
**Lector** - S.Trimm

**Sunday, June 9, 2024**  
8 am **Altar Servers** - Volunteers  
**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Tim, R.Saldiva, E.Garcia,  
M.Aguirre, T.Garza  
**Lector** - O.Weich

10 am **Altar Servers** - M.Lawson, C.Hartsfield, A.Hartsfield  
**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Rolando, N.Lawson, V.Smith,  
J+And.Perez, H.Rodriguez, N.Rodriguez  
**Lector** - M.Briseno

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



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 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 &  
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 on behalf of  
 The Morales &  
 Briseño Families



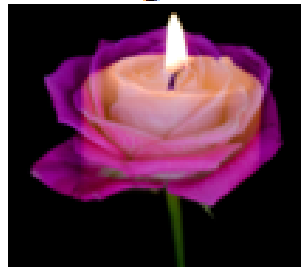
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In Memory of  
 Dr. Steven D. Sprague  
 on behalf of  
 The Sprague Family



In Loving Memory  
 Of  
 Florencio Baiza,  
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 Robert Garza  
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 Joseph (Joe) Galvan  
 &  
 Billy Sheridan  
 on behalf of  
 The Family

**St. Thomas More Gaudisipanos 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  
**WBI Torres at 210-620-2745**

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Procedures for Reporting Abuse

If you or someone you know has been a  
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Contact the Office of Victim  
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In Loving Memory  
 of  
 Santiago G. Garcia Sr.  
 on behalf of  
 The Garcia Family  
 &

In Loving Memory  
 of  
 Eva M. Quiñones  
 On behalf of  
 The Quiñones  
 Grandchildren