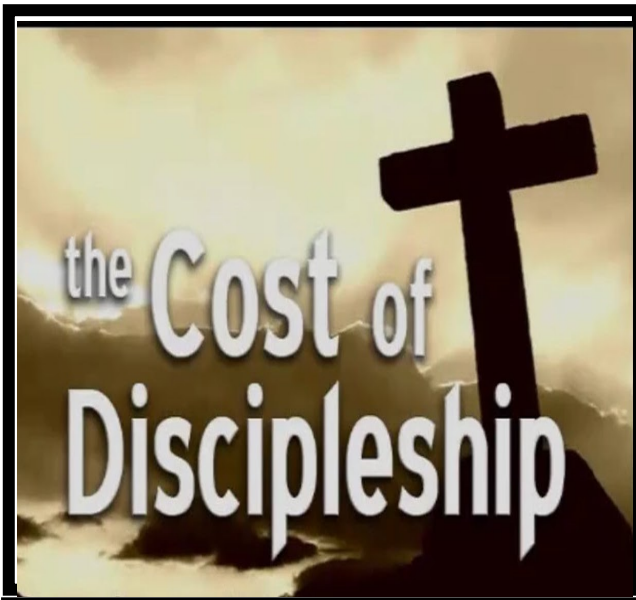


October 19, 2025



Welcome to St. Thomas More Catholic Church

Thank you for celebrating with us today!

We warmly welcome you to our humble place of worship, where we hope you will have a loving experience of God.

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 and living the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Sustainable only by your contributions, your generosity is sincerely appreciated.

Once again, we welcome you, 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)

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

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Coordinator (*open*)

**Alli Fuentes, Alicia Perez,
Cesar Paez, Noe Carrizales,
& Ruben Alvarado**

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

**David Allen - Coordinator
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Rita Davis & Charles Lange**

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

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 **9 months** prior to desired ceremony date.

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.

PARISH OFFICE STAFF

PASTOR - Rev. Ed Gonzales

EMAIL FrGonzales.STMC@GMAIL.COM

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Martha Guerra..... EXT 101

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

CLOSED FOR LUNCH

12 - 1 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

CONTACT US

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STMParish@Live.Com

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Gospel Meditation:

A woman in my parish has an adult son who has rejected his faith. She prays for him every day. She lights candles, says rosaries, and asks God again and again to bring him back. But nothing changes. Is God listening? Is He delaying? She told me once that she feels like the widow in Jesus' strange parable — crying out for justice, but hearing only silence. And yet, she said, she is at peace. I asked why. She responded, "God is already answering. I just can't see it yet."

She embodies something of the mystery in Jesus' parable this week in Luke 18. A powerless widow demands justice from a corrupt judge. This isn't about wearing God down until He gives in. It's about faith in the justice that is already coming. The widow isn't just persistent; she believes that justice is inevitable. And when Jesus points to the judge's words — his fear of being "struck" — He hints at something deeper: God's justice does not creep in gradually. It strikes. It comes like lightning.

Blessed Mary is, of course, the ultimate widow demanding justice. At the foot of the cross she stands before what looks like the ultimate injustice — the brutal execution of her son. But she did not despair. She did not beg for a last-minute rescue. She knew that justice was not delayed. In fact, it was happening. The power of the cross was already unleashing justice upon the world — suddenly, decisively, like a blow that would topple every corrupt power, making even the most corrupt fear her strike.

This parable asks us: will the Son of Man find faith on earth? Or will we mistake God's silence for absence? The cross proves that justice is not slow. It is only hidden. The lightning has already struck. In the cross, justice is speedily being done.

— Father John Muir

Meditación del Evangelio:

Una mujer de mi parroquia tiene un hijo adulto que ha rechazado su fe. Ella reza por él todos los días. Enciende velas, reza rosarios y le pide a Dios una y otra vez que lo traiga de vuelta. Pero nada cambia. ¿Está Dios escuchando? ¿Se está demorando? Una vez me dijo que se siente como la viuda de la extraña parábola de Jesús: clamando por justicia, pero solo escuchando silencio. Y, sin embargo, dijo, está en paz. Pregunté por qué. Ella respondió: "Dios ya está respondiendo. Simplemente no puedo verlo todavía".

Ella encarna algo del misterio en la parábola de Jesús esta semana en Lucas 18. Una viuda impotente exige justicia de un juez corrupto. No se trata de desgastar a Dios hasta que se rinda. Se trata de la fe en la justicia que ya está llegando. La viuda no solo es persistente; Ella cree que la justicia es inevitable. Y cuando Jesús señala las palabras del juez, su miedo a ser "golpeado", insinúa algo más profundo: la justicia de Dios no se arrastra gradualmente. Golpea. Viene como un rayo.

La Santísima María es, por supuesto, la viuda definitiva que exige justicia. Al pie de la cruz se encuentra ante lo que parece ser la máxima injusticia: la brutal ejecución de su hijo. Pero no se desesperó. Ella no rogó por un rescate de último minuto. Sabía que la justicia no se demoraba. De hecho, estaba sucediendo. El poder de la cruz ya estaba desatando la justicia sobre el mundo, de repente, decisivamente, como un golpe que derribaría todo poder corrupto, haciendo que incluso los más corruptos temieran su golpe.

Esta parábola nos pregunta: ¿encontrará fe el Hijo del Hombre en la tierra? ¿O confundiremos el silencio de Dios con la ausencia? La cruz demuestra que la justicia no es lenta. Solo está oculto. El rayo ya ha caído. En la cruz, la justicia se está haciendo rápidamente.

— Padre John Muir

YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

October 12, 2025

Sunday Collection	\$ 5,923.50
Vigil Candles.....	\$ 305.63
Mass Intentions.....	\$ 75.00
Hope for the Future.....	\$ 286.40
Truck Raffle.....	\$ 3,793.20
Basket Raffle.....	\$ 520.00
Donations.....	\$ 230.00
All Souls Day.....	\$ 165.00

Second Collection: Oct 25 - 26

to support our St. Thomas More School

Online Giving:



PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

*God our Father,
From eternity You appointed Your only begotten Son to be
the High Priest of the human race.
Pour forth Your Holy Spirit upon our families,
that vocations to the priesthood may be multiplied.
Lord Jesus, give us holy priests:
To offer up the sacrifice of the Mass;
To lead the little ones to You;
To strengthen the faith of believers;
To preach the Gospel to all peoples;
To bring forgiveness to sinners;
To feed souls the Bread of Life;
To comfort the suffering & dying, and
To spread Your Kingdom in our midst.*

*Mary, Mother of our High Priest,
pray for us and obtain for us an increase of holy priests.
Amen*

ASSEMBLY 2025

DAY OF PRAYER, FASTING, AND RECONCILIATION
at Jubilee Pilgrimage Sites throughout the Archdiocese

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

Slow down from daily responsibilities, give Jesus your burdens,
and recommit to your baptismal call,
renewed as *pilgrims of hope* for the world!

Assembly Schedule Saturday October 25th St. Monica Catholic Church

8:00 am Welcome & Opening Address
8 - 11:30 am Confessions with several Priests
 9:45 am Bilingual Mass Celebrant Fr. Ed Gonzales
 10:45 am Eucharistic Adoration - Deacon Luis Mata
 11:30 am Breakout session Topic: "Pilgrims of Hope
 School Cafeteria Spanish Talk—Deacon Luis Gomez
 Parish Hall English Talk- Fr. David Garcia
 12:30 Closing Prayer / Refreshments
 Followed by Pilgrim Walk on the Church grounds
 lead by Deacon Luis Gomez

NO SATURDAY EVENING CONFESSIONS

ASAMBLEA 2025

DÍA DE ORACIÓN, AYUNO Y RECONCILIACIÓN
en los lugares de peregrinación durante el Año Jubilar en la Arquidiócesis

SÁBADO 25 DE OCTUBRE

Descansa de las responsabilidades diarias, entrega tus cargas a Jesús,
y renueva el compromiso con tu llamado bautismal,
¡revitalizados como *peregrinos de esperanza* para el mundo!

Horario de Asamblea - Sábado 25 de Octubre Iglesia de Santa Mónica

8:00 am Bienvenidos a la Iglesia
8 a 11:30 am Confesiones con varios Sacerdotes
 9:45 am Misa Bilingüe-Celebrante P. Ed Gonzales
 10:45 am Adoración Eucarística -Diacono Luis Mata
 11:30 am Sesión de Platica - Tema: "Peregrinos de la
 Esperanza" en Español - Cafetería de la Escuela
 con Diacono Luis Gómez y
 en el Salón Parroquial con Padre David García
 12:30 Oración de Clausura / Refrescos
 Seguido de una Caminata del Peregrino en el campus
 de la Iglesia dirigido por Diacono Luis Gomez

NO HABRA CONFESSIONES SABADO POR LA NOCHE

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October 31 to
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Socks For Vets



Catholic Daughters will be helping Father
Jim Schellenberg by collecting socks for the
veterans at the GI Forum on Medina St.

Please bring your socks and place them in
the box at the back of the church

The Sock Drive will begin on
Oct. 25, 2025 and end on Nov. 2, 2025

Let's help Fr. Jim by collecting 100 pairs of
socks to help the Veterans that are in need



St. Thomas More Catholic Church & School Truck Raffle

If you would like to purchase a ticket, call (210) 655-5070 or
Stop by the Rectory. Tickets will also be available after all Masses.

Drawing will be held: Saturday, February 21, 2026
Prize must be claimed by 5 pm, Friday, February 27, 2026 or
Winner forfeits prize and a new winner will be drawn.

Purchase of ticket IS **NOT** Tax Deductible.
All proceeds benefit St. Thomas More Catholic Church

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CALLED *by* NAME

**Do you know a young man or woman
(18 years or older) who has
the qualities and calling to become
a priest or religious sister?**

The Archdiocese of San Antonio invites all parishes to participate in the **CALLLED BY NAME** program, which begins this weekend. This initiative provides us with a meaningful opportunity to pray for vocations, recognize the gifts and potential for leadership and service within our parish community, and encourage individuals to consider sharing their gifts through the priesthood or religious life.

We invite you to recommend him or her by completing the response card which is available in the church. Please place the completed card in the collection basket next weekend or return it to the parish office.

SAVocations.org/Called-by-Name

ARQUIDIÓCESIS DE SAN ANTONIO



LLAMADOS *por su* NOMBRE

**¿Conoces a un joven (de 18 años o más)
que tenga las cualidades y la vocación
para ser sacerdote o religiosa?**

La Arquidiócesis de San Antonio invita a todas las parroquias a participar en el programa **LLAMADOS POR SU NOMBRE**, que comienza este fin de semana. Esta iniciativa nos brinda una valiosa oportunidad para orar por las vocaciones, reconocer los dones y el potencial de liderazgo y servicio dentro de nuestra comunidad parroquial, y animar a los jóvenes a considerar la vocación al sacerdocio o la vida religiosa.

Te invitamos a recomendarlo(a) llenando la tarjeta de respuesta, disponible en la iglesia. Por favor coloca la tarjeta en la canasta de la colecta el próximo fin de semana o entréguela en la oficina parroquial.

SAVocations.org/Called-by-Name

This Week at Our Parish*** **Truck Raffle Ticket Sale - after all Masses** *****Sunday, October 19, 2025**
8:00 am Guadalupanos Mass / Gen Mtg - Church / Carolan Hall**Monday, October 20, 2025****Tuesday, October 21, 2025**
5:30 pm Divine Mercy - Rectory Mtg Room-1
6:30 pm CDA General Mtg - Carolan Hall
7:00 pm Coro Alegria Choir Practice - Rectory Mtg Room-1
Grupo de Oracion Choir Practice - Church**Wednesday, October 22, 2025**
6:00 pm KC 4th Degree Mtg - Carolan Hall
7:00 pm Pastoral Council Mtg**Thursday, October 23, 2025**
5:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Group - Church
7:00 pm OCIA - Rectory Mtg Room-1**Friday, October 24, 2025**
9:00 am Friday Adoration - Church
6:00 pm KC Breakfast Prep - Carolan Hall
7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion Fellowship - Carolan Hall*** **Truck Raffle after all Masses** *****Saturday, October 25, 2025**
3:30 pm Cenaculo de la Divina Misericordia - Rectory Mtg Rm-1**Sunday, October 26, 2025**
8:00 am KC Breakfast - Carolan Hall
10:00 am CDA Mass - Church**Sanctuary Light Intention:
Luz Maria Salinas**

(10/18 - 11/18)

Lecturas de la Semana del 20 - 26 oct**Lunes:** Rom 4:20-25; Lc 1:69-75; Lc 12:13-21
Martes: Rom 5:12,15,17-21; Sal 39:7-10,17; Lc 12:35-38
Miércoles: Rom 6:12-18; Sal 123:1-8; Lc 12:39-48
Jueves: Rom 6:19-23; Sal 1:1-4,6; Lc 12:49-53
Viernes: Rom 7:18-25; Sal 118:66,68,76,77,93,94;
Lc 12:54-59
Sábado: Rom 8:1-11; Sal 23:1-6; Lc 13:1-9
Domingo: Eclo 35:12-14:16-18; Sal 33:2-3,17-19,23;
2Tim 4:6-8,16-18; Lc 18:9-14**Readings for the week of Oct 20 - 26****Monday:** Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Rom 5:12,15b,17-21; Ps 40:7-10,17; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4,6; Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Rom 7:18-25; Ps 119:66,68,76,77,93,94;
Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 13:1-9
Sunday: Sir 35:12-14,16-18; Ps 34:2-3,17-19,23;
2Tm 4:6-8,16-18; Lk 18:9-1**Mass Intentions****Saturday, October 18, 2025 - St. Luke, Evangelist**
5:00 pm †Jose Luis Maldonado, Jr by Mora Family
†Christina C. Dominguez by Dominguez Family
†Raul & Maria Salinas by Family
Sunday, October 19, 2025 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 am **STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased**
10:00 am †Charles & Genevieve Oswald by EvanchoFamily
†David Aguillon by Family
†Jon Ware by Dale Pekar
†Virginia Gay and Terry Sweet by Rand Family
†Joe Gimesky by Family
12:00 pm †Vanessa Cantu & Ceasar Armijo by Laura Armijo
Monday, October 20, 2024 - St. Paul of the Cross, Priest
8:00 am †Juan Mireles by .Janie Mireles
Tuesday, October 21, 2024 - Tuesday in the 29th Week in Ordinary Time
8:00 am †Joseph Ryan
Wednesday, October 22, 2025 - St. John Paul II, Pope
8:00 am †Joseph Davis by Jackson & Catherine Hall
Thursday, October 23, 2025 - St. John of Capistrano, Priest
8:00 am **Special Intention for Angel Alcala** by Family
Friday, October 24, 2025 - St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
8:00 am †Ralph W. Garcia by Elda T. Garcia
Saturday, October 25, 2025 - Saturday in the 29th Week in Ordinary Time
8:00 am †Crisbuolo Miguel by Cecilia Miguel
5:00 pm **Special Intention 58 yrs - Mr/Mrs Richard Perez**
Sunday, October 26, 2025 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 am †Anna Belle & Fabian Biemer by Family
†Rafael Garza by Theresa Garza
†Edward & Diana Ramirez by Pablo & Irene
†Tony Negrete by Guadalupanos
Special Intention for Health Debra Anne Oliver by Mom & Dad
STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased
10:00 am †Marcellino Llanas by Talley Family
12:00 pm **Special Intention on her Birthday - Katie Barrera****Liturgical Roles****Saturday, October 25, 2025**
5:00 pm **Celebrant** - Fr. Man
Altar Servers - Volunteers
Eucharistic Ministers- Dcn Dennis, R.Saldiva, B.Trevino,
T.Guerrero, N.Carrizales
Lector - T.Guerrero
Sunday, October 26, 2025
8 am **Celebrant** - Fr. Man
Altar Servers - Max.Planchon
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rolando, E.Nunez, P.Klar,
M.Nguyen, A.Garza
Lector - Y.Cione
10 am **Celebrant** - Fr. Ed
Altar Servers - M.Pereida, M.Lawson, C.Lawson
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn CDA
Lector - CDA
12 pm **Celebrant** - Fr. Ed
Altar Servers - A.Gomez, S.Obregon, M.Gonzalez
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Tim, C.Hernandez, D.Llanas,
F.Hernandez, E.Obregon, D+F.Malacara
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The Dominguez Family



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of
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Joseph (Joe) Galvan
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on behalf of
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St. Thomas More Guadalupanos Society

Invites all men & women to our group.
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Archdiocese of San Antonio Procedures for Reporting Abuse

If you or someone you know has been a
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you wish to file a complaint:
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or email: ovase@archsa.org.

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In Memory of
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