

Welcome to St. Thomas More Catholic Church

Thank you for celebrating with us today!

We warmly welcome you to our humble place of worsh ip, 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 RoseMarie Evancho, Michele Allen , 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 FrGonzales.STMC@GMAIL.COM

Parochial Vicar - Rev. Man Nguyen

Pastoral Associate -

Deacon (RET) Timothy M. Tate, Sr. EXT. 106

Deacon - Rolando Guerra

Deacon - Dennis Caballero

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St. Thomas More Catholic Church 4411 Moana Drive San Antonio, Texas 78218

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 210.655.5070 (Office)

EMAIL:

STMParish@Live.Com WEBSITE:

ThomasMoreSATX.Org

Gospel Meditation:

A priest friend of mine received a call from a family whose elderly mother was dying.

Within thirty minutes, he was at her bedside, offering the consolation of the sacraments, anointing her with the oil of the sick, and commending her soul to God. She passed not long after, and for months, her family spoke of their deep gratitude for his presence. When I phoned him to commend his faithful ministry, he simply said, "I was just doing my job."

His words brought to mind Jesus' teaching this week in Luke 17:10: "So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty." In a world that often seeks recognition and applause, the Lord invites us into a different mindset — one of humble service.

The priest did not see his response as extraordinary; he saw it as a grace to fulfill his vocation.

How tempting it is to seek affirmation for doing what I ought to do! Yet Jesus reminds us that true discipleship is not about grandstanding but about quiet faithfulness. It is enough to have served. It is enough to have loved.

It is enough to be grateful that we were given the chance to do our duty in the first place.

Whether in priesthood, parenthood, or any vocation, what peace-soaked freedom there is in simply doing what is asked of us. No more, no less. Jesus, that is how you quietly love us.

— Father John Muir

<u>Meditación del Evangelio:</u>

Un sacerdote amigo mío recibió una llamada de una familia cuya anciana madre se estaba muriendo. En treinta minutos, estaba junto a su cama, ofreciéndole el consuelo de los sacramentos, ungiéndola con el aceite de los enfermos y encomendando su alma a Dios. Ella falleció poco después, y durante meses, su familia habló de su profunda gratitud por su presencia. Cuando lo llamé por teléfono para elogiar su fiel ministerio, simplemente dijo: "Solo estaba haciendo mi trabajo".

Sus palabras trajeron a la mente la enseñanza de Jesús esta semana en Lucas 17:10: "Así también vosotros, cuando hayáis hecho todo lo que se os ha mandado, decid: 'Somos siervos indignos; solo hemos cumplido con nuestro deber'". En un mundo que a menudo busca reconocimiento y aplausos, el Señor nos invita a una mentalidad diferente, una de servicio humilde.

El sacerdote no vio su respuesta como extraordinaria; Lo vio como una gracia para cumplir su vocación.

¡Qué tentador es buscar afirmación para hacer lo que debo hacer! Sin embargo, Jesús nos recuerda que el verdadero discipulado no se trata de grandilocuencia sino de fidelidad silenciosa. Basta con haber servido.

Basta con haber amado. Basta con estar agradecidos de que se nos haya dado la oportunidad de cumplir con nuestro deber en primer lugar. Ya sea en el sacerdocio, la paternidad o cualquier vocación, qué libertad empapada de paz hay en simplemente hacer lo que se nos pide. Ni más ni menos. Jesús, así es como nos amas en silencio.

— Padre John Muir

YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

September 28, 2025

Sunday Collection\$	6,240.71
Vigil Candles\$	157.38
Mass Intentions\$	20.00
STM School\$	155.40
Donations\$	150.00
Truck Raffle\$	1,500.00
Basket Raffle\$	420.00
BINGO\$	965.25

Second Collection: Oct 11 - 12

Hope for the Future

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



Sometime back, a parishioner asked me about the lyrics to the song we sing just before Communion. He said... you know, the song that begins "On This Daay-eee. you know the one...

Well, we talked and I explained the tune to him. No problem. Case closed... or so I thought. Then several other parishioners started asking the same question and it has 'surfaced' again... so I thought I'd try to explain it here. First of all... the song lyrics does NOT go "On This Daay-eee..."

The song they are referring to that we sing just before Holy Communion is the "Lamb of God"... but we sometimes say / sing it in Latin. In Latin it is translated... "Agnus Dei."

The lyrics go: **ENGLISH**

LATIN

ROUGH PRONUNCIATION

Lamb of God,

you take away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,

you take away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,

you take away the sins of the world, Grant us peace.

Agnus Dei.

qui tollis pecata mundi, Miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei,

qui tollis pecata mundi, Miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei,

qui tollis pecata mundi, Dona nobis pachem. Annyuse Dayee

Qwee tollis paycata mundi, Miseray-ray nobeese

Annyuse Dayee

Qwee tollis paycata mundi, Miseray-ray nobeese

Annyuse Dayee

Qwee tollis paycata mundi, Donna nobeese pachem

I hope this helps.

Any other question... any other songs that "sound funny" to you... please bring them to my attention.

Until next time... God Bless- DT

PUBLIC SOUARE ROSARY

Join us as we pray for: An End to Abortion, The Conversion of America, Peace in America... and the World

Saturday, October 11, 2025 @ Noon at the Grotto outside the Parish Office (in case of inclement weather, we will meet in the church)

For more information: David Barrera @ (210) 793-0794

October is the Month of the Rosary!

satan and his demons hate the rosary! They fear it! The Rosary is a powerful weapon to use against them!

So... Use your Rosary often... but especially this month!!!

Pray for your family! Pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory! Pray for Peace!

Pray for the conversion of sinners! Pray for your Priests and Deacons!

In case you missed it... the key phrase here is *USE YOUR ROSARY!!*Every day but especially during this... the Month of the Rosary!



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 <u>NOT</u> Tax Deductible. All proceeds benefit St. Thomas More Catholic Church 2025 Ford Ranger XLT Valued at \$32,453. Tickets are \$100 / each Winner is responsible for Tax, Title, License





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Las escuelas católicas son diferentes:

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School Choice (ESA) está abriendo puertas para hacer realidad este sueño.

Creemos que la fe y lo académico van juntos todos los días de la semana, no solo los domingos.

Más información: archsa.org/catholic-schools/esa





Saturday, October 18, 2025

Crafts galor! - 20+ Vendors!

BINGO

Basket Raffle - \$5. per chance -

(Your chances to win a basket are really pretty good! You are competing only with those tickets / people who are interested in that particular basket ... not all tickets sold!)



(Chicken / sausage / trimmings)

Come! Enjoy! Join the festivities! Invite a friend! You'll be glad you did!









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*** Truck Raffle and BBQ Plate Ticket Sale - all Masses *** *** CDA Bake Sale - after all Masses / School Playground ***

Sunday, October 5, 2025 10:00 am KC Mass - Church Monday, October 6, 2025

5:30 pm Guadalupanos Board Mtg - Rectory Mtg Room

Tuesday, October 7, 2025

5:30 pm Divine Mercy - Rectory Mtg Room-1

7:00 pm Coro Alegria Choir Practice - Rectory Mtg Room-1

Grupo de Oracion Choir Practice - Church

Wednesday, October 8, 2025

9:00 am Porter Loring 'Healing Holidays' - Rectory Mtg Room-1

Thursday, October 9, 2025

6:30 pm CDA Board Meeting - Meeting Room 6:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Group - Church 7:00 pm OCIA - Rectory Mtg Room-1

Friday, October 10, 2025 9:00 am Friday Adoration - Church 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion - Church

*** Truck Raffle and BBQ Plate Ticket Sale - all Masses ***

Saturday, October 11, 2025

12:00 pm Public Square Rosary - Grotto

3:30 pm Cenaculo de la Divina Misericordia - Rectory Mtg Rm-1

Sunday, October 12, 2025

8:00 am KC Breakfast - Carolan Hall

6:15 pm Guadalupanos Monthly Rosary - Church







Sanctuary Light Intention: Health - Deacon Rolando Guerra

Lecturas de la Semana del 6 - 12 oct

Lunes: Jon 1:1-2:1,11; Jon 2:3-5,8; Lc 10:25-37 Martes: Jon 3:1-10; Sal 129:1-4,7-8; Lc 10:38-42 Miércoles: Jon 4:1-11; Sal 85:3-6,9-10; Lc 11:1-4 Jueves: Mal 3:13-20; Sal 1:1-4,6; Lc 11:5-13 **Viernes**: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Sal 9:2-3,6,16,8-9;

Lc 11:15-26

Sábado: JI 4:12-21; Sal 96:1-2,5-6,11-12; Lc 11:27-28 **Domingo**: 2Kgs 5:14-17; Sal 97:1-4; 2Tim 2:8-13;

Lc 17:11-19

Readings for the week of Oct 6 - 12

Monday: Jon 1:1-2:2,11; Jon 2:3-5,8; Lk 10:25-37 Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1-4,7-8; Lk 10:38-42 **Tuesday:** Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6,9-10; Lk 11:1-4 **Thursday**: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4,6; Lk 11:5-13 Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3,6,16,8-9;

Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2,5-6,11-12; Lk 11:27-28 2Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2Tm 2:8-13; Sunday:

Lk 17:11-19

Mass Intentions

October 4, 2025 - St. Francis of Assissi Saturday,

5:00 pm †Antonio Lemus by Conce Lemus

Sunday, October 5, 2025 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 am †Anna Belle & Fabian Biemer by Family by Pablo & Irene †Edward & Diana Ramirez †Renee & Viola de la Rosa by Sylvia Roman

†Dora Littero by Sylvia Roman †Medardo E. & Evangelina G. Morales by Morales/Briseno Family

†Katherine St.Laurent by Mother-in-Law by Dale J. Pekar †Jon Ware †Joseph J. Weich by Olga & Family

by Olga †Mr & Mr Lazo Ochoa 12:00 pm STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased

Monday, October 6, 2024 - St. Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virigin 8:00 am †Gilda Waters by L.Acosta Family

Tuesday,

sday, October 7, 2024 - Our Lady of the Rosary
*** Communion Svc - Mass Intention Moved to Mon, Oct 27 *** 8:00 am by Ann & Ken †Fabian & Anna Belle Biemer

Wednesday, October 8, 2025 - Wednesday of the 27th Week in Ordinary Time *** Communion Svc - Mass Intention Moved to Mon, Oct 13 *** 8:00 am by L.Acosta Family †Abigail Rovayo

Thursday, October 9, 2025 - St. Denis, Bishop & Companions, Martyrs; St. John Leonardi

8:00 am †John P. Ryan

10:00 am

Friday, October 10, 2025 - Friday of the 27th Week in Ordinary Time

8:00 am BIRTHDAY - Rebecca McMurtry by Mom

Saturday, October 11, 2025 - St. John XXIII, Pope

8:00 am †Crisbulo Miguel by Cecilia Miguel

5:00 pm STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased

Sunday, October 12, 2025 - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

†Sobeck & Fenner Families by Biemer Family 8:00 am †Salome H. & Carolina B. Briseno 10:00 am by Morales/Briseno Family

†Pilar Aguillon by Family †Mr/Mrs Santiago Garcia by Family †Andres Garcia by Family

†Luz Maria Salinas by Fiorella Martinez 12:00 pm

†Jose Guadalulpe Hernandez by Family







Liturgical Roles

Saturday, October 11, 2025 5:00 pm Celebrant - Fr. Ed

Altar Servers - Volunteers

Eucharistic Ministers- Dcn Dennis, S.Chapa, E.Guerrero,

T.Guerrero

Lector - R.Alvarado

Sunday, October 12, 2025 8 am Celebrant - Fr. Ed

Altar Servers - Max.Planchon

Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Tim, M.Aguirre, P.Klar, E.Garcia, R.Castaneda

Lector - P.Klar

10 am Celebrant - Fr. Man

Altar Servers - A.Hartsfield, C.Lawson, J.Villalobos Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rolando, V.Smith, A.Ramirez, H.Rodriguez, N.Rodriguez, E.Nunez, N.Lawson

Lector - M.Briseno

12 pm Celebrant - Fr. Man

> Altar Servers - A.Gomez, S.Obregon, M.Gonzalez **Eucharistic Ministers -** Don Dennis, C.Hernandez,

> > A.Chavez, D.Llanes, E.Obregon, D+F.Malacara

Lector - M.Pina / M.Rivera



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3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m
Contact Regent
Belinda Treviño at 210-275-6529

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



In Loving Memory
Of
Florencio Baiza,
Louise Baiza Garza,
Robert Garza
&
Ruben Sr.& Beatrice
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In Memory
of
Jose (Joe) Galvan,
Joseph (Joe) Galvan
&
Billy Sheridan
on behalf of
The Family

St. Thomas More Guadalupanos Society

Invites all men & women to our group. Our Monthly Meeting & Fellowship Meets the 3rd Sunday of the month, after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. For more information call **Will Torres at 210.620.2745**

Archdiocese of San Antonio
Procedures for Reporting Abuse
If you or someone you know has been a
victim of sexual abuse by a priest,
deacon, or other church personnel and
you wish to file a complaint:
Contact the Office of Victim
Assistance & Safe Environment at
(210) 734-7786 OR (877) 700-1888
or email: ovase@archsa.org.

You have the right to contact law enforcement or CPS at any time. All calls or emails will be responded to within 48 hours.





In Loving Memory of Santiago G. Garcia Sr. & Martha C. Garcia on behalf of The Garcia Family

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