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 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. We welcome you, again, and thank you for celebrating with us.



 $\frac{Mass\ Schedule}{Thursday}$ 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."

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Maggie Briseño - Coordinator Gilbert Cantú, Alli Fuentes, Alicia Perez, Cesar Paez & Vicky Smith.

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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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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.

<u>Celebrated on:</u>

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

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)

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Monday-Friday 8:30 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M.

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CONTACT US 210.655.5070 (Office) **EMAIL**: STMPARISH@LIVE.COM WEBSITE:

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Gospel Meditation:

A few years back, I felt as if I couldn't hear God's voice the way I used to. The words in the Bible seemed like cold ink on a page. Prayer felt like sitting anxiously in a lonely room. I was worried — how could I, a priest, preach or help others if I couldn't hear God's voice? It went on for months.

Then a friend encouraged me to go on a retreat and spend as much time as possible in silence. After a day or two of quiet prayer, I noticed gentle but clear thoughts of repentance in two specific areas of my life. I asked God for the grace to change, and I went to confession. Suddenly, the divine silence that haunted me was filled with a sense of God's closeness and goodness. I realized, gratefully, that God had been speaking to me in the quiet voice of my conscience.

This week we hear Jesus say, "My sheep hear my voice. I know them and they follow me" (John 10:27). Jesus links the hearing of his voice to following him. He speaks to us in our conscience in an intimate, personal way, when we most need to hear him. When you feel deaf to God's voice, perhaps it is time to listen in silence for His voice in your conscience calling you to hear and follow the Good Shepherd of your soul.

— Father John Muir

Meditación del Evangelio:

Hace unos años, sentí como si no pudiera escuchar la voz de Dios de la manera en que solía hacerlo. Las palabras de la Biblia parecían tinta fría en una página. La oración se sentía como estar sentado ansiosamente en una habitación solitaria. Estaba preocupado: ¿cómo podría yo, un sacerdote, predicar o ayudar a otros si no podía escuchar la voz de Dios? Se prolongó durante meses.

Entonces un amigo me animó a ir a un retiro y pasar el mayor tiempo posible en silencio. Después de uno o dos días de oración en silencio, noté pensamientos suaves pero claros de arrepentimiento en dos áreas específicas de mi vida. Le pedí a Dios la gracia de cambiar, y fui a confesarme. De repente, el silencio divino que me perseguía se llenó de una sensación de cercanía y bondad de Dios. Me di cuenta, agradecida, de que Dios me había estado hablando con la voz tranquila de mi conciencia.

Esta semana escuchamos a Jesús decir: "Mis ovejas oven mi voz. Yo los conozco y ellos me siguen" (Juan 10:27). Jesús vincula el oír su voz con seguirlo. Él nos habla en nuestra conciencia de una manera íntima y personal, cuando más necesitamos escucharlo. Cuando te sientas sordo a la voz de Dios, tal vez sea el momento de escuchar en silencio Su voz en tu conciencia que te llama a escuchar y seguir al Buen Pastor de tu alma.

YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE May 4, 2025

Sunday Collection	\$ 8,512.12
Catholic Home Missions Appeal	\$ 40.00
Assumption Seminary	\$ 40.44
Vigil Candles	\$ 142.78
STM School	\$ 26.00
Holy Land / Good Friday	\$ 10.00
Mother's Day Novena	\$ 411.00
Easter	\$ 115.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 70.00
Donations	\$ 25.00

Second Collection May 17 - 18: to Support our STM School



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

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Our Knights of Columbus

Council 7386

Is hosting a "Chicken on a Stick" Meal on Sunday, May 25th In Carolan Hall

Cost is \$8.00 per Stick

Proceeds will support Parish Activities.

Come, join us in chasing-down that chicken!!

Hope to see you there.



Our Vacation Bible School is looking for teachers and teen volunteers to help with this year's VBS program.

No experience is needed. Email Becki Lacayo if you interested: Becki.Lacayo@gmail.com





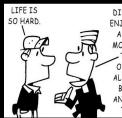
SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Our English Prayer Group would like to invite you to a Special Presentation on the *Sacred Memories of Mary*...

Things only Mary could have known and passed on to the Apostles... and us.

Guest Speaker: our own Melba Fisher Thursday, May 15th beginning at 6 pm In the Church

(this is a free event)



DID YOU EVER ENJOY A GREAT ADVENTURE MOVIE WHERE THE HERO OVERCOMES ALL KINDS OF BAD STUFF AND WINS IN THE END?





WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Today, we observe

The World Day of Prayer for Vocations

also known as

"Good Shepherd Sunday."

The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to,

"Pray the Lord of the Harvest to send laborers into his harvest"

(Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2).

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS



PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY

Please join us as we pray the

Holy Rosary

at the Grotto outside the Parish Office In celebration of the 108th Anniversary of Mary's first apparition at Fatima

Saturday, May 17, 2025 @ Noon (inclement weather - we will move into the Church)

Need More Information?

Contact:

David Barrera @ (210) 793-0794





A Special Prayer for Mother's Day

On this day, O Blessed Mother, I (We) place our Mothers in your hands.

I (We) ask that you put your arms around her just as you did with Joseph and the child Jesus.

I (We) know that being a Mother is a special gift and this woman for whom

I (We) take this flower has been a gift to many.

Show me (us), O Blessed Mother, how to love her even more while she is living and in her death.

On this day, O Blessed Mother, I (We) offer this prayer of gratitude for Mom. I (We) ask God in Christ in Spirit to give her the grace she needs to be at peace in this world and in the next.

For Mom's Living:

I give her a prayer and blessing with love. In the name of the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

For Mom's Deceased:

Mom I loved you while you were living and I pray you rest in peace.
In the name of the Father, the Son, and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Una oración especial por el Día de las Madres

En este día, Santísima Madre, te pongo a mamá en tus manos. Les pedimos que pongan sus brazos alrededor de ella tal como lo hicieron José y el niño Jesús. Sabemos que ser mamá es un regalo especial y tomo esta flor para esta mujer para quien ha sido un regalo para muchos.



Santísima Madre muéstrame cómo amarla aún más mientras que ella está viva y en su muerte.

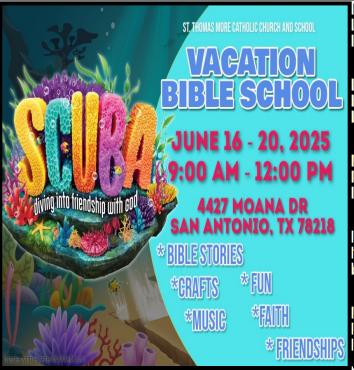
En este día, Santísima Madre, ofrezco esta oración de gratitud por mamá. Le pido a Dios en Cristo en su Espíritu que le dé la gracia que necesita para estar en paz en este mundo y en el próximo.

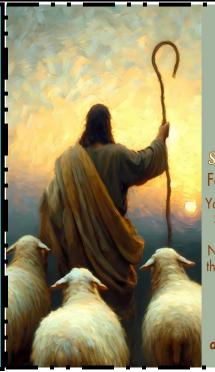
Para la mamá viva:

Le doy una oración y una bendición con amor. en el nombre del Padre, del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo. Amén.

Para la mama difunta:

Mamá te amé mientras vivías y te ruego que descanses en paz. en el nombre del Padre, del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo. Amén.





MAY 11, 2025
GOOD
SHEPHERD
SUNDAY

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This Week at Our Parish		
Sunday, 10:00 am	May 11, 2025 - Mother's Day / Day of Prayer for Vocations KC Breakfast - Cancelled	
Monday, 6:00 pm 6:15 pm	May 12, 2024 KC 3Degree Mtg - <i>Carolan Hall</i> Guadalupanos Monthly Rosary - <i>Church</i>	
Tuesday, 5:30 pm	May 13, 2024 Divine Mercy - Rectory Mtg Room-1	

Pastoral Council Mtg - Rectory Mtg Room-1

Grupo de Oracion Choir Practice - Church

Coro Alegria Choir Practice - Church

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

6:30 pm

7:00 pm

5:30 pm CDA Tea Party Meeting - Meeting Room 7:00 pm KC Meeting 2 - Meeting Room 1

Thursday, May 15, 2025 Charismatic Prayer Grp - Church 6:00 pm 7:00 pm OCIA - Rectory Mtg Room-1

Friday, May 16, 2025 11:30 am Friday Adoration - Church 2:00 pm Middle School Dance - Carolan Hall 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion - Church

Saturday, May 17, 2025

12:00 pm Pastoral Council BINGO Event - Carolan Hall

Public Square Rosary - Grotto in front of Parish Office 3:30 pm Cenaculo de la Divina Misericordia - Rectory Mtg Rm

Sunday, May 18, 2025

8:00 am Guadalupanos Mass / Mtg - Church / Carolan Hall



Lecturas de la Semana del 13 - 18 mayo

Lunes: Hch 11:1-18; Sal 41:2-3; 43:3,4;

Jn 10:1-10

Martes: Hch 11:19-26; Sal 86:1-7; Jn 10:22-30

Miércoles: Hch 1:15-17,20-26; Sal 112:1-8;

Jn 15:9-17

Hch 13:13-25; Sal 88:2-3,21-22,25,27; Jueves:

Jn 13:16-20

Hch 13:26-33; Sal 2:6-11; Jn 14:1-6 Viernes: **Sábado**: Hch 13:44-52; Sal 97:1-4; Jn 14:7-14 **Domingo**: Hch 14:21-27; Sal 144:8-13; Ap 21:1-5;

Jn 13:31-35

Readings for the week of May 13 - 18

Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3,4; Monday:

Jn 10:1-10

Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30 Tuesday:

Wednesday: Acts 1:15-17,20-26; Ps 113:1-8;

Jn 15:9-17

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3,21-22,25,27;

Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11; Jn 14:1-6 Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14 Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5; **Sunday:**

Jn 13:31-35

Mass Intentions

May 10, 2025 - St. John of Avila, Priest and DoC Saturday, 5:00 pm STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased

May 11, 2025 - 4th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day; Day of Prayer for Vocations Sunday, †Carmen Chapa Mata by Elda Garcia 8:00 am

†Anna Belle Biemer by Biemer Family †Alice Ramirez by Family †Martha Rivera by Rosas Family †Salome H. & Carolina B. Briseno by Morales/Briseno Family

10:00 am †Thomas O'Connor by Evancho Family 12:00 pm †Deceased Mbrs of the Orozco Family by Elicia Cisneros †Animas del Purgatorio by Cisnero Familia

Birthday - Rosa Maria Reyes

Jesus Cisneros Cisneros by Guadalupe Soria

Monday, May 12, 2024 - Sts Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr 8:00 am Special Intention for Lisania Alacla & Emanuel Cantu

Tuesday, May 13, 2024 - Our Lady of Fatima Special Intention for Melannye Alacla 8:00 am

Wednesday, May 14, 2025 - St. Matthias, Apostle

8:00 am †Edward Ramirez by Ana Villalobos

Thursday, May 15, 2025 - St. Isidore

8:00 am †Glenn Shifflett & Margarita Velasquez by Irene Luevano

Friday, May 16, 2025 - Friday in the Fourth Week of Easter

8:00 am Special Intention for Srahi Alacla

Saturday, May 17, 2025 - Armed Forces Day

8:00 am Special Intention - Deacon Jim's upcoming ministry as Priest 5:00 pm †Rebecca Perez by Richard & Dorothy Perez

†Glenn Shifflett by Irene Luevano †Margarita Velasquez by Ruben & Hope

Sunday, May 18, 2025 - 5th Sunday of Easter

8:00 am STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased 10:00 am

†Edward Ramirez by Perez Family †Patricia Butts by Family †James E. Bingham by Family †Lilliana Polanod Vasquez by Martha Arrendo

12:00 pm †Animas del Purgatorio by Cisnero Familia



Sanctuary Light Intention:

Eddie Garcia

(4/26—5/26)

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, May 17, 2025

5:00 pm Altar Servers - Volunteers

Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Tim, R.Saldiva, L.Adams,

E.Guerrero, T.Guerrero

Lector - R.Alvarado

Sunday, May 18, 2025

Altar Servers - Mem. Planchon, Max. Planchon 8 am Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rolando, E.Garcia,

M.Nguyen, M+W.Torres

Lector - O.Weich

Altar Servers - M.Pereida, M.Lawson, B.Pereida 10 am

Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Tim, P+R.Mendoza, N.Lawson, H.Rodriguez, N.Rodriguez, Abi.Perez

Lector - Ali.Perez

Altar Servers - S.Obregon, A.Gomez, M.Gonzalez 12 pm Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rolando, C.Hernandez,

I.Hernandez, E.Obregon, C.Martinez, D+F.Malacara

Lector - E.Obregon / L.Lopez



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Knights of Columbus Council # 7386
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3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m

Contact Regent
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Out 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

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If you or someone you know has been a
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Contact the Office of Victim

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