If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

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.

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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
Maggie Briseño - Coordinator
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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.

<u>Celebrated on:</u>

The 4th Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. (Spanish)

The 4th Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. (Spainsh)
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.

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CONTACT US 210.655.5070 (Office)

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Gospel Meditation:

Recent studies suggest that millennials will be the first generation in America to be worse off than their parents in terms of financial earnings and job status. Many lament this.

I propose that this week's Gospel provides a hopeful way to see the trend as good news.

The Lord Jesus says, "Take care to guard against greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist in possessions" (Luke 12:15). Greed damages us with the deception that we are what we possess.

But to Jesus, this is simply not true. What makes us happy is who we are, who we become.

Does not the expectation that every generation should do better than their parents subtly mask the poison of greed? A similar attitude is mirrored in the man who demands that Jesus justly arrange his share of the family inheritance. Despite the injustice, Jesus will not play that game. In fact, he seems to prefer that the man have less than his parents. What good would having more be to this man if he becomes enslaved and miserable by greed?

What good would it be for us to have more if it means we become much less?

In allowing the man to have less, Jesus opens a space for him to become more: a man free to love. In that much more meaningful sense, perhaps he was better off than his parents. Maybe the millennials will be, too.

— Father John Muir

Meditación del Evangelio:

Estudios recientes sugieren que los millennials serán la primera generación en Estados Unidos en estar peor que sus padres en términos de ingresos financieros y situación laboral. Muchos lamentan esto. Propongo que el Evangelio de esta semana proporciona una forma esperanzadora de ver la tendencia como una buena noticia.

El Señor Jesús dice: "Cuídense de la avaricia, porque aunque uno sea rico, su vida no consiste en posesiones" (Lucas 12:15). La codicia nos daña con el engaño de que somos lo que poseemos.

Pero para Jesús, esto simplemente no es cierto. Lo que nos hace felices es quiénes somos, en quiénes nos convertimos.

¿No enmascara sutilmente el veneno de la codicia la expectativa de que a cada generación le vaya mejor que a sus padres? Una actitud similar se refleja en el hombre que exige que Jesús arregle justamente su parte de la herencia familiar. A pesar de la injusticia, Jesús no jugará ese juego. De hecho, parece preferir que el hombre tenga menos que sus padres. De qué le serviría tener más a este hombre si se vuelve esclavo y miserable por la codicia? ¿De qué nos serviría tener más si eso significa que nos volvemos mucho menos?

Al permitir que el hombre tenga menos, Jesús le abre un espacio para convertirse en más: un hombre libre para amar. En ese sentido mucho más significativo, tal vez estaba mejor que sus padres.

Tal vez los millennials también lo sean.

— Padre John Muir

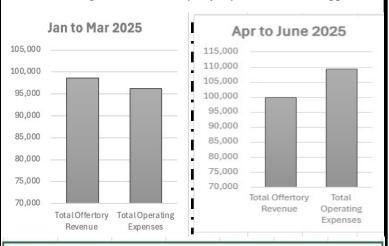
YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE July 27, 2025

Sunday Collection\$	6,045.25
Vigil Candles\$	141.11
STM School\$	711.13
Mass Intentions\$	10.00
Donations\$	400.00
Disaster Relief Services\$	30.00

Second Collection August 9 – 10 No Second Collection Next Week



Our Tithing Trends - Thank you for your continued support.



Offertory revenue is 1st collection, Mass intentions, bulletin ads, and candle contributions Expenses are salaries, benefits and regular operating expenses

Registration for our Religious Education Classes is coming soon!!

Registration has begun and will continue through August 29, 2025 at the parish office,
Monday-Friday 9am to 3pm.

Classes Begin as follows:

English – September 14th
Spanish – September 20th
Confirmation – September 28th

For more information, required documentation, or general questions, please contact
Martha Guerra, DRE,
at the parish office at (210) 655-5070

¿La inscripción para nuestras clases de educación religiosa llegará pronto!

La inscripción ha comenzado y continuará hasta el 29 de agosto de 2025 en la oficina parroquial, de lunes a viernes de 9 am a 3 pm

Las clases empiezan de la siguiente manera:

 $\begin{array}{ll} Ingl\acute{e}s & -14^{de} \ septiembre \\ Espa\~{n}ol & -20^{de} \ septiembre \\ Confirmaci\'{o}n & -28^{de} \ septiembre \end{array}$

Para más información, documentación requerida, o preguntas generales, por favor contacte a Martha Guerra, DRE, en la oficina parroquial al (210) 655-5070



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)



Are you or someone you know, interested in joining the Catholic Faith?

Are you a Baptized Catholic and would like to complete your Sacraments of Initiation?

(Holy Communion and / or Confirmation)

Are you a Catholic? - or not - and, just want to know more about Our Faith?

I invite you to join us on Thursday evenings beginning Sept 4th at 7 pm (*mark your calendar*) in the Rectory Meeting Room

All you need to bring... is yourself!

Life in the Holy Spirit

Our Spanish Prayer Group Invites You to our Life in the Holy Spirit Seminar

Saturday, August 30, 8 a.m. -7 p.m. Sunday, August 31, 8 a.m. -7 p.m.

This is free event and <u>all</u> are welcome 16 years old and up.

If you have a question call 210-843-9756

Vida en el Espíritu Santo

Nuestro Grupo de Oración te invita a nuestro Seminario de *Vida en el Espíritu Santo*.

Sábado, 30 de agosto de 8 a.m. a 7 p.m. y Domingo, 31 de agosto de 8 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Este es un evento gratuito y <u>todos</u> son bienvenidos a partir de los 16 años.

Si tiene pregunta, llame al 210-843-9756

Welcome Rev. Boniface Golo Tye

Fr. Boniface is a priest from the Diocese of Cape Palmas in Liberia. He is here requesting our help / support for St. Paul College Seminary.

St Paul College Seminary is the only tertiary institution owned by the Bishops Conference of Liberia (CABICOL) founded in 1974 for the formation of young men to the Holy Catholic priesthood. Over the years, it has produced many priests and bishops (present bishops are all products of St. Paul).

The seminary suffered a great set back due to the many years of civil war (15 yrs) in Liberia. The seminary had its own toll of the effects of war; its infrastructures were all either destroyed, burned down, or vandalized.

Thank God the war is over, and the seminary continues to be used as a place of formation to the priesthood for our young brothers aspiring to be priests. The seminary needs a lot of help in terms of support for the reconstruction and renovation of its infrastructure.

There is need for support to help:

- 1. To provide electricity via generators No public electricity.
- 2. To provide safe water for students No running water.
- 3. With provision of livelihood there is no subsidy from Rome and the economy of Liberia is in bad shape.
- 4. With support of money to help with toiletries, pocket money, and transportation since many seminarians are from poor homes / families and these families are all unemployed Seminary provides.
- 5. With tuition of seminarians (\$1,500 yearly per student) because their bishops find it difficult to pay due to the economic situation of the country.

The appeal in favor of the St. Paul College Seminary will greatly help to solve / cater to some of these problems. Please help.

Fr. Boniface



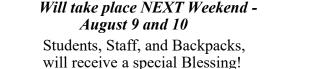
ATTENTION

<u>All</u> School Principals, Students, Teachers, Staff

Our Annual BACK TO SCHOOL

Backpack Blessing

Will take place NEXT Weekend



Calling all 8th Graders and High Schoolers Join "The Crew"

Sign up to help your parish community and be the hands and feet of Jesus.

We will have a sign up after all the masses on August 9 & 10. Pick up a flyer at church exits.

SENIOR Sock Hop

Save the date:
Saturday, September 13 from 2 - 5 pm

(more info to follow)



Holy Hour

THIS THURSDAY at 6 pm.

Come... Spend some quiet 'one-on-one' time with Our Lord...

present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Hope to see you there.



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"Be the change you wish to see in the world and light up the darkness."

This Week at Our Parish

Sunday, 10:00 am August 3, 2025 KC Mass - *Church*Monday, August 4, 2024

7:00 am Guadalupanos Kickapoo Trip Check-in - Carolan Hall

Tuesday, August 5, 2024

10:30 am
5:30 pm
7:00 pm
Charismatic Prayer Grp - Rectory Meeting Room
Divine Mercy - Rectory Mtg Room-1
Coro Alegria Choir Practice - Rectory Mtg Room-1

Grupo de Oracion Choir Practice - Church

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

5:30 pm Guadalupanos Board Mtg - Rectory Mtg room 6:00 pm KC 3Degree Officers Mtg - Carolan Hall

Thursday, 6:00 pm Holy Hour - Church

Friday, 9:00 am Friday Adoration - Church

7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion - Church

Saturday, August 9, 2025

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

Sunday, August 10, 2025

8:00 am STM School Open House - School









Lecturas de la Semana del 3 - 10 Agosto

Lunes: Nm 11:4-15; Sal 80:12-17; Mt 14:13-21

Martes: Nm 12:1-13; Sal 50:3-7,12-13;

Mt 14:22-36

Miércoles: Dn 7:9-10,13-14; Sal 96:1-2,5-6,9;

2Pe 1:16-19; Lc 9:28-36

Jueves: Nm 20:1-13; Sal 94:1-2,6-9; Mt 16:13-23 **Viernes**: Dt 4:32-40; Sal 76:12-16,21; Mt 16:24-28 **Sábado**: Dt 6:4-13; Sal 17:2-4,47,51; Mt 17:14-20

Domingo: Sab 18:6-9; Sal 32:1,12,18-22;

Heb 11:1-2,8-19; Lc 12:32-48

Readings for the week of Aug 4 - 10

Monday: Nm 11:4-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-7,12-13;

Mt 14:22-36

Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10,13-14; Ps 97:1-2,5-6,9; 2Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36

Thursday: Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2,6-9; Mt 16:13-23 **Friday**: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16,21; Mt 16:24-28 **Saturday**: Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4,47,51; Mt 17:14-20

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1,12,18-22;

Heb 11:1-2,8-19; Lk 12:32-48

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 2, 2025 - St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

5:00 pm Special Intention - Birthday / Juanita Cantu

Sunday, August 3, 2025 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

†Annabelle Biemer by Biemer Family
†Edward & Diana Ramirez
†Rutila & Edith Uriega by Norma Gonzales
†Argentina Welch by BAMC Family
†Olivia Lopez by Mom & Dad
†Patricia Butts by Family

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†Manuela O Villescas by STM Family
†Connie Ramirez by STM Family
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†Medardo E. & Evangelina G. Morales by Morales / Briseno Families †Samuel Orozco Perez by Orozco-Pereida Family **Birthday - Maria Elena Luevano Macias** by Orozco-Perida Family

12:00 pm STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased

Monday, August 4, 2024 - St. John Vianney, priest

8:00 am †Rudy & Mary Ellen Oswald by Evancho Family **Tuesday,** August 5, 2024 - the Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

8:00 am †Maria T. Sweet

8:00 am

10:00 am

Wednesday, August 6, 2025 - the Transfiguration of the Lord 8:00 am †Bruce E. St.Laurent by Mother

Thursday, August 7, 2025 - St. Sixtus II, Pope and Companions, Martyrs, St. Cajetan, Priest

8:00 am †Rev. David Connell

Friday, August 8, 2025 - St. Dominic, Priest

8:00 am †Marcelo Acosta by Acosta Family

Saturday, August 9, 2025 - St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin & Martyr 8:00 am †Christine Haskell by Grandmother

5:00 pm STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased

Sunday, August 10, 2025 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am †Edmond McCarthy
10:00 am †Tencha Martinez by Daughters
†Rebecca Hartsfield by Family

†Richard Ramirez by Family †Salome H. & Carolina B.Briseno by Morales / Briseno Families

Birthday - Maria Valdez Perez by Orozco-Perida Family
12:00 pm †Catarina Rosas by Rosas Family

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†Anselmo Armando Quevedo by Jardon
†Jose Guadalupe Hernandez by STM Family

†Jose Guadalupe Hernandez by STM Family †Juan Manuel & Jesus Manuel Ortiz by Familia Ortiz



Sanctuary Light Intention:

Ralph W. Garcia

(7/05 - 8/05)

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, August 9, 2025

5:00 pm Altar Servers - Volunteers

Eucharistic Ministers- Dcn Dennis, R.Alvarado, S.Chapa,

B.Trevino, C.Lange

Lector - R.Alvarado

Sunday, August 10, 2025

8 am Altar Servers - Mem.Planchon, Max.Planchon

Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rolando, M.Aguirre, Y.Cione,

L+N.Carrizales

Lector - Y.Cione

10 am Altar Servers - M.Lawson, C.Hartsfield, A.Hartsfield

Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rolando, Sr. Eucharia,

A.Fuentes, L.Gifford, N.Lawson, P+R.Mendoza

Lector - Abi.Perez

12 pm Altar Servers - A.Gomez, S.Obregon, E.Ruiz

Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Dennis, C.Hernandez,

H.Gomez, R.Gomez, F.Hernandez, I.Hernandez, L.Danica

Lector - A.Chavez / M.Cisneros



ST. THOMAS MORE Knights of Columbus Council # 7386 meets 2nd Monday of each month t 7:00 p.m.For more information call Rick Briseño at 210-834-7017

Catholic Daughters of America #2683 **Monthly Meeting:** 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m

Contact Regent Belinda Treviño at 210-275-6529

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on behalf of The Family

St. Thomas More Guadalupanos Society

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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.





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

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