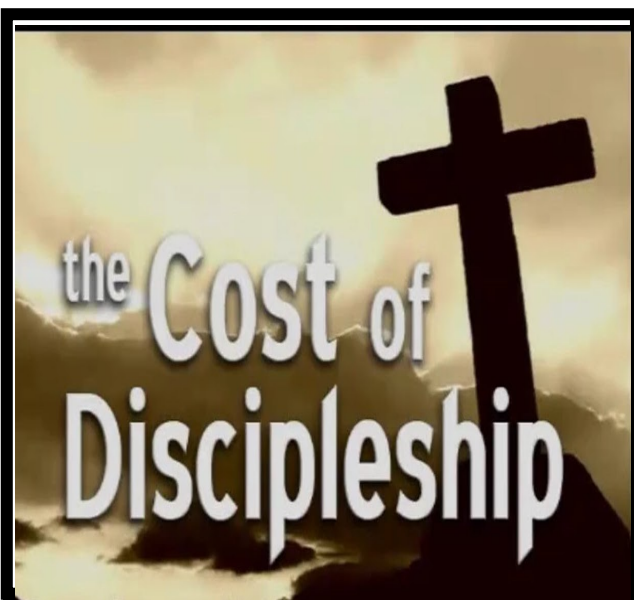


September 7, 2025



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

Maggie Briseño - Coordinator
Alli Fuentes, Alicia Perez,
Cesar Paez, Vicky Smith,
& Noe Carrizales

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

EMAIL FrGonzales.STMC@GMAIL.COM

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Martha Guerra..... EXT 101

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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:

One hot Arizona summer afternoon my car ran out of gas. I phoned the parish office and begged for help. My secretary came and helped me fill the gas tank. She chided me, "If you can't manage getting your car from A to B, how can we expect you to guide the parish where it needs to go?" Point taken, Julie. I vowed to always make sure I have plenty of gas in my car.

The Lord Jesus chides us in this week's Gospel, too. He uses the two images of a man building a tower and a king marching soldiers into war to make this single point: acquire what is needed to follow him or look ridiculous. We rightly mock the builder who lacks money for his tower and the king with a short-handed army. But our mocking boomerangs back on us. How do we expect to follow Jesus to the end with insufficient detachment from our possessions and divided hearts?

The good news is, there is still time. Jesus is building a great tower to heaven—his own body. So we renounce all and give ourselves to him as his precious stones. Jesus is waging a battle against our enemy. So we forsake all and swear allegiance and march under his banner. In this way, we will finish what has begun in our discipleship. Or better put, our Lord will have the stones and soldiers required to see his great work through.

— Father John Muir

Meditación del Evangelio:

Una calurosa tarde de verano en Arizona, mi auto se quedó sin gasolina. Llamé a la oficina parroquial y pedí ayuda. Mi secretaria vino y me ayudó a llenar el tanque de gasolina. Ella me reprendió: "Si no puede llevar su automóvil de A a B, ¿cómo podemos esperar que guíe a la parroquia a donde debe ir?" Punto tomado, Julie. Prometí asegurarme siempre de tener suficiente gasolina en mi automóvil.

El Señor Jesús también nos reprende en el Evangelio de esta semana. Utiliza las dos imágenes de un hombre que construye una torre y un rey que marcha con soldados a la guerra para hacer este único punto: adquirir lo que se necesita para seguirlo o parecer ridículo. Nos burlamos con razón del constructor que carece de dinero para su torre y del rey con un ejército corto de personal. Pero nuestros bumeranes burlones vuelven sobre nosotros. ¿Cómo esperamos seguir a Jesús hasta el final con un desapego insuficiente de nuestras posesiones y corazones divididos?

La buena noticia es que todavía hay tiempo. Jesús está construyendo una gran torre al cielo, su propio cuerpo. Así que renunciamos a todo y nos entregamos a él como sus piedras preciosas. Jesús está librando una batalla contra nuestro enemigo. Así que lo abandonamos todo y juramos lealtad y marchamos bajo su bandera.

De esta manera, terminaremos lo que ha comenzado en nuestro discipulado.

O mejor dicho, nuestro Señor tendrá las piedras y los soldados necesarios para llevar a cabo su gran obra.

— Padre John Muir

YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

August 31, 2025

Sunday Collection	\$ 6,865.52
Vigil Candles.....	\$ 129.80
STM School.....	\$ 160.20
Mass Intentions.....	\$ 55.00
Donations	\$ 210.00

Second Collection: Sept 13 - 14

Special - for Gaza and Middle East

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*



ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH
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9:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

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ITEMS. THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO SELL YOUR
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ITEMS,
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AND ANY OTHER ITEMS OF VALUE.
ALL ITEMS MUST BE CLEAN AND IN GOOD
CONDITION.

WE WILL ALSO HAVE BINGO, CHICKEN BBQ PLATES,
SODAS, WATER AND A BASKET RAFFLE AMONG
OTHER THINGS.

COST FOR SPACE

10 x10 SPACE - \$45.00
(DOES NOT INCLUDE TABLE OR CHAIRS)

THERE WILL BE A \$20.00 NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT
REQUIRED TO HOLD SPACE.

FULL PAYMENT FOR SPACE MUST BE PAID
1 WEEK BEFORE EVENT.

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT
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210-834-7640
MAGGIE060967@YAHOO.COM
WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS
FRIDAY OCTOBER 10, 2025.



Welcome Back!!!

Our Knights of Columbus - Council 7386 - Breakfast

Come... Join us for *Breakfast and Fellowship!*
Beginning NEXT Week, Sunday, Sept 14th from 8:30 - 11:45 am
(and then every 2nd and 4th Sunday of each Month)

See some old friends... and meet some new ones!

Tacos - Pancakes - Huevos Rancheros - and MORE!!
(all... very tasty and v-e-r-y reasonably priced)



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 at 7 pm
in the Rectory Meeting Room

All you need to bring... is yourself!

Hope to see you there! DT



ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH

SOCK DANCE HOP

SEPT 13 Saturday
2:00-5:00 PM
FREE ADMISSION
LUNCH INCLUDED

SENIOR DANCE
65 AND OLDER



Save The Date
September 27, 2025
(9am-11am)
Music Ministers Workshop
For all Presently Serving and
those who would like to join .
More to Come !!



Reserve la fecha
27 de septiembre de 2025
(9am-11am)
Taller de Ministros de Música
Para todos los que actualmente sirven y
aquellos que deseen unirse. Mas a venir!!



Healing Holidays Making your Grief Count



Grief during the Holidays is always challenging. The holiday season renews memories, family ties, and traditions. We become painfully aware that our loved one is no longer present, and the pain of our loss is confused with the spirit of the season making it difficult.

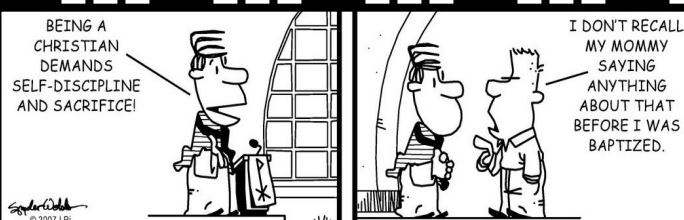
How do we allow ourselves in these difficult times, to “*make our grief count*” and find our grounding?

The Porter Loring Bereavement Office will be presenting a workshop that will help identify resources that contribute to self-compassion and enhance our resiliency. It will help families embrace their grief while strengthening characteristics of resilience... To use the holidays to discover how their loved one can live on into their life story, using this special time to continue to heal.

Wednesday, October 8th from 10 - 11:30 am

There is no charge for this workshop.

Presenter: Cindy Libera, SPX Stephen Minister Leader



I DON'T RECALL MY MOMMY SAYING ANYTHING ABOUT THAT BEFORE I WAS BAPTIZED.

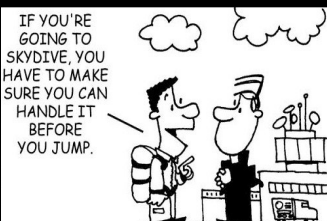


“The Crew”

A Service Club

Be the hands & feet of Jesus

Open to young people , Grade 8th - High School .
“The Crew” will assist our STM Parish with table and chair set up in Carolan Hall when needed . This is a one year commitment . Please sign up by the piano or rectory .



THAT'S PRETTY MUCH WHAT THEY TOLD US IN SEMINARY.



This Week at Our Parish

*** St. Joan of Arc selling Raffle Tickets after all Masses ***

Sunday, September 7, 2025

10:00 am KC Corporate Mass - Church

Monday, September 8, 2025

5:30 pm Guadalupanos Board Mtg - Rectory Mtg Room-1

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

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

6:30 pm Pastoral Council Mtg - Rectory Mtg Room-1

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

Grupo de Oracion Choir Practice - Church

Wednesday, September 10, 2025

6:00 pm KC 3Degree Officers Mtg - Carolan Hall

Thursday, September 11, 2025

6:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Group - Church

6:30 pm CDA Board Mtg - Rectory Dining Room

7:00 pm OCIA - Rectory Mtg Room-1

Friday, September 12, 2025

12:00 pm Friday Adoration - Church

6:15 pm Guadalupanos Monthly Rosary - Church

7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion - Church

Saturday, September 13, 2025

2:00 pm Senior "Sock-Hop" - Carolan Hall

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

Sunday, September 14, 2025

8:00 am KC Breakfast - Carolan Hall



11 DE SEPTIEMBRE

NUNCA OLVIDEMOS



Sanctuary Light Intention:
Health - Deacon Rolando Guerra

(9/13 - 10/13)

Lecturas de la Semana del 8-14 septiembre**Lunes:** Miq 5:1-4; Sal 12:6,6; Mt 1:1-16,18-23**Martes:** Col 2:6-15; Sal 61:6-7,9; Lc 6:12-19**Miércoles:** Col 3:1-11; Sal 144:2-3,10-13; Lc 6:20-26**Jueves:** Col 3:12-17; Sal 150:1-6; Lc 6:27-38**Viernes:** 1Tim 1:1-2,12-14; Sal 15:1-2,5,7-8,11;
Lc 6:39-42**Sábado:** 1Tim 1:15-17; Sal 112:1-7; Lc 6:43-49**Domingo:** Nm 21:4-9; Sal 77:1-2,34-38; Flp 2:6-11;
Jn 3:13-17**Readings for the week of Sept 8-14****Monday:** Mi 5:1-4; Ps 13:6,6; Mt 1:1-16,18-23**Tuesday:** Col 2:6-15; Ps 62:6-7,9; Lk 6:12-19**Wednesday:** Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3,10-13; Lk 6:20-26**Thursday:** Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1-6; Lk 6:27-38**Friday:** 1Tm 1:1-2,12-14; Ps 16:1-2,5,7-8,11;
Lk 6:39-42**Saturday:** 1Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1-7; Lk 6:43-49**Sunday:** Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1-2,34-38; Phil 2:6-11;
Jn 3:13-17**Mass Intentions****Saturday, September 6, 2025 -**

5:00 pm †Jose Luis Maldonado, Jr by Family

Sunday, September 7, 2025 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am †Anna Belle & Fabian Biemer by Family

†Edward & Diana Ramirez by Pablo & Irene

†Indalecio G & Edith Uriega by Nora Gonzales

†Ruben P. Villa by Family

†Ruben Juarez by Sylvia Roman

†Emilio, Al, Robert Litterio by Family

†Medardo E. & Evangelina G. Morales by Morales / Briseno Family

†Fidel & Margarita Velasquez by Ruben & Hope Alvarado

†Jon Ware by Dale J. Pekar

†Ramon Torres Martinez by Guadalupanos

STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased**Monday, September 8, 2024 - the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 am †Ronald & Maria Ward by Family

Tuesday, September 9, 2024 - St Peter Claver, Priest

8:00 am †Agustin & Alicia Mora by Daughter

Wednesday, September 10, 2025

8:00 am †Ruben P. Villa by Gloria Villa

Thursday, September 11, 20258:00 am **Special Intention for Melannye Alcalá** by Family**Friday, September 12, 2025 - the Most Holy Name of Mary**

8:00 am †Manuela O. Villescás by Aguirre Family

Saturday, September 13, 2025 - St John Chrysostom, Bishop and DoC

8:00 am †Roberto Rosas by Rosas Family

5:00 pm **STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased****Sunday, September 14, 2025 - the Exultation of the Holy Cross**

8:00 am †Anna Belle & Fabian Biemer by Ann & Ken Nutt

†Edward & Diana Ramirez by Pablo & Irene

†Rafael Garza by Teresa Garza

†Henry Buentello, Sr by Family

†Eloisa Juarez by Sylvia Roman

†Josefa, Reyna & Alfredo Juarez by Sylvia Roman

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

†Rafael Soria Anguiano by Guadalupe Soria

†Martita Perez by Marta Dixon

SEPTEMBER 11

NEVER FORGET

Liturgical Roles**Saturday, September 13, 2025**5:00 pm **Celebrant** - Fr. Ed**Altar Servers** - Volunteers**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Tim, S.Chapa, T.Guerrero,
J+B.Hernandez**Lector** - R.Alvarado**Sunday, September 14, 2025**8 am **Celebrant** - Fr. Ed**Altar Servers** - Max.Planchon**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Rolando, R.Castaneda,
N+L.Carrizales, E.Garcia**Lector** - S.Castaneda10 am **Celebrant** - Fr. Mon**Altar Servers** - B Pereida, A.Hartsfield, C.Hartsfield**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Rolando, E+M.Cantu,
P+R.Mendoza, H.Rodriguez, N.Rodriguez**Lector** - V.Smith12 pm **Celebrant** - Fr. Mon**Altar Servers** - A.Gomez, S.Obregon, M. Gonzales**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Tim, C.Hernandez, R.Gomez,
I.Hernandez, D.Llanas, D+F.Malacara**Lector** - A.Chavez / M.Cisneros



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on behalf of
The Family

St. Thomas More Guadalupanos 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
Will Torres at 210.620.2745

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If you or someone you know has been a
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