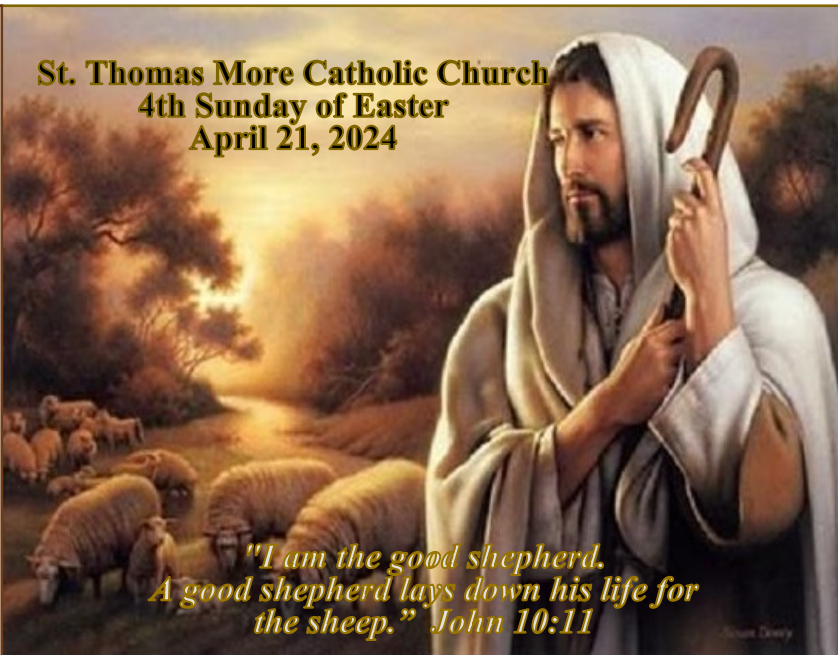


Welcome to St. Thomas More Catholic Church

Thank you for celebrating with us today. We warmly welcome you to our humble place of worship. 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 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.

St. Thomas More Catholic Church
4th Sunday of Easter
April 21, 2024



"I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." John 10:11

Mass Schedule

Monday thru Thursday	8:00 a.m.
Friday (S.T.M. 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)

Holy Days of Obligation

Day Before Holy Day

Vigil Mass 6:30 p.m.

Actual Holy Day

8:00 a.m.

6:30 p.m.

(Español)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

David Allen - Coordinator
RoseMarie Evancho, Michele Allen & Rita Davis

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

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. (Vigil Mass)

Marriage & Quinceañera's

Contact the Pastor at least 6 months prior to date of celebration.

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.

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

PARISH OFFICE STAFF

PASTOR - REV. ED GONZALES
EMAIL FRGONZALES.STMC@GMAIL.COM

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE -
DEACON (RET) TIMOTHY M. TATE SR. EXT. 106

DEACON - ROLANDO GUERRA

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT - FLOR MATA . . . EXT. 100

BOOKKEEPER - RHONDA VILLALOBOS

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
/SACRAMENTAL RECORDS - MARTHA GUERRA. . . EXT. 101

FACILITIES MANAGER - JOSE LUIS HERNANDEZ

4411 Moana Drive
San Antonio, Texas 78218

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday
8:30 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M.
CLOSED FOR LUNCH
12:00 P.M. TO 1:00 P.M.
1:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

CONTACT US

210.655.5070 (Office)

EMAIL :
STMPARISH@LIVE.COM

WEBSITE:
THOMASMORESATX.ORG

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons.

Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call.

May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen

ORACIÓN POR LAS VOCACIONES

Dios Padre nuestro, te damos gracias por llamar a hombres y mujeres a servir en el Reino de tu Hijo como sacerdotes, diáconos y personas consagradas.

Envía tu Espíritu Santo para ayudar a otros a responder generosa y valientemente a tu llamado.

Que nuestra comunidad de fe apoye vocaciones de amor sacrificial en nuestros jóvenes y jóvenes adultos.

A través de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios, por los siglos de los siglos.

Amén

Walking United in Christ

Make a gift to the Archbishop's Appeal for Ministries and support our community from conception to natural death



Ways to Give:

Visit archsa.org/archbishops-appeal

Call (210) 734-1910

Mail to PO Box 7374
Kensington, CT 06037

Scan the QR code:



ARCHBISHOP'S
Appeal
for MINISTRIES
CAMPAÑA DEL ARZOBISPO PARA LOS MINISTERIOS

YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

April 14, 2024

Sunday Collection	\$ 5,113.37
Vigil Candles.....	\$ 132.00
Facilities Improvement.....	\$ 125.00
Catholic Home Missions.....	\$ 359.72
Mass Intentions.....	\$ 20.00
STM School.....	\$ 77.00
Rice Bowl.....	\$ 20.24
Donations.....	\$ 24.00

*Second Collection April 27 - 28:
To Support Our St Thomas More School*



La Campaña del Arzobispo para los Ministerios

La Campaña del Arzobispo para los Ministerios es una campaña anual que apoya a más de **30 ministerios**

compartidos que promueven la misión de la Iglesia Católica en nuestra área.

Considere realizar un donativo, de manera que Caminando Unidos en Cristo, podamos cuidar constantemente de aquellos que dependen de la Arquidiócesis y de nuestros programas para sustentar la vida y la fe.

¡Visite archsa.org/archbishops-appeal para donar hoy!

¿Tiene preguntas?
Por favor llame al (210) 734-1910.

Gospel Meditation:

Recently I was with my little dog Libby at a retreat center in the Arizona desert. I sat in a chair near a ravine filled with shrubs. Unbeknownst to me, Libby wandered down there and disappeared. Suddenly an animal's wild shriek erupted from the area. Without thinking, I bolted down into the ravine fully expecting to see coyotes, javelinas, or rattlesnakes. I didn't care. I desperately wanted to get Libby out of there, without any self-regard. Before I could face whatever danger lay hidden, my dog blissfully trotted out from an entirely different area, utterly unaware that I had (*quite heroically*) just placed my life on the line.

When the adrenaline wore off, I thought to myself: how far would I have been willing to go to save her? I don't know. But I do know, if I had literally died, my friends and family would have certainly thought me insane for dying for a dog. *No offense, Libby.*

How passionately Jesus wants us to know him and his willingness to die for us!

This week he says, "I know my own and my own know me," and "I lay down my life for the sheep."

Here we encounter an insanely excessive love for us. Christianity is a relationship and not simply a religion or ethical code.

In Jesus, God rescues and saves us. He laid down his life for you and me — and he has taken it up again.

So often we are like Libby — blissfully ignorant of the reality of both our spiritual danger and his saving

love. This Easter season, the risen Jesus calls us to be more conscious than ever before about his love.

He never ceases to lay down his life for us.

— Father John Muir

Meditación del Evangelio:

Recientemente estuve con mi perrita Libby en un centro de retiro en el desierto de Arizona.

Me senté en una silla cerca de un barranco lleno de arbustos. Sin que yo lo supiera, Libby vagó por allí y desapareció.

De repente, el grito salvaje de un animal estalló en la zona. Sin pensarlo, me lancé al barranco esperando ver coyotes, jabalinas o serpientes de cascabel. No me importaba. Quería desesperadamente sacar a Libby de allí, sin ningún tipo de autoestima. Antes de que pudiera enfrentarme a cualquier peligro que estuviera oculto, mi perro salió trotando felizmente de un área completamente diferente, completamente inconsciente de que (*heroicamente*) acababa de poner mi vida en juego.

Cuando la adrenalina desapareció, pensé: ¿hasta dónde habría estado dispuesto a llegar para salvarla? No sé. Pero sí sé que, si hubiera muerto literalmente, mis amigos y familiares ciertamente me habrían considerado loco por morir por un perro. *Sin ánimo de ofender, Libby.*

¡Cuán apasionadamente quiere Jesús que lo conozcamos a él y su disposición a morir por nosotros!

Esta semana dice: "Yo conozco a los míos y los míos me conocen a mí", y "Yo doy mi vida por las ovejas".

Aquí nos encontramos con un amor desmesurado por nosotros. El cristianismo es una relación y no simplemente una religión o un código ético.

En Jesús, Dios nos rescata y nos salva. Él dio su vida por ti y

por mí, y la ha retomado. Muy a menudo somos como Libby: felizmente ignorantes de la realidad tanto de nuestro peligro espiritual como de su amor salvador. En este tiempo de Pascua, Jesús resucitado nos llama a ser más conscientes que nunca de su amor. Él nunca deja de dar su vida por nosotros.

— Father John Muir



*** SAVE THE DATE ***

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS
OF THE AMERICAS

PRESENT A
"MARIAN RETREAT"

JUNE 15, 2024

More Information to Follow

June Jamboree
Friday, June 7th, 2024
6:00 - 11:00 pm

Honoring
Msgr. Patrick Ragsdale
Rev. James Conway

Sponsored By: **Friends of Padua**
and
Knights of Columbus
San Antonio Chapter

Benefiting: **Padua Place**
Retirement Home for Priests & Deacons

Pedrotti's North Wind Ranch
13715 FM1560, Hejotes, Texas

SAVE THE DATE
YOU ARE INVITED



St. Vincent de Paul

Needs Your Help!

The Holidays are over, but...
The need is still there!

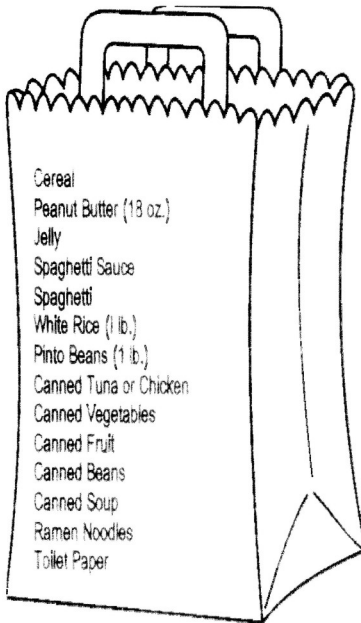
Your donations of food allow us to keep our shelves stocked.

By purchasing a few extra food items each week, you can make a difference in the lives of those who need help! The items listed are placed in food bags which those in need can get once every 30 days.

Food can be dropped off at SVdP at St Pius X—on Mon, Wed or Fri from 10 am to 1 pm.

Every donation (big or small) is appreciated.

— God Bless!



A Woman's Haven™

Pregnancy Crisis Center

"Are you passionately Pro-Life"

A Woman's Haven Pregnancy Crisis Center needs you!

We are busier than ever!

Workers are needed to serve women and their babies. Counselor, Nurse, & Receptionist positions are available.

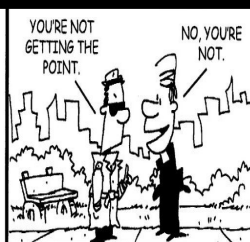
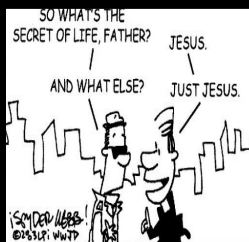
We provide all training.

**For more information, Email:
Susan.perez@awomanshaven.org**

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



ORA POR LAS VOCACIONES



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

SENIOR FIESTA - 2024

(a Free Event)

Hosted by Catholic Charities

All seniors 55+ are invited to enjoy free food, live entertainment, a wellness fair and activities.



Catholic Charities
Archdiocese of San Antonio, Inc.

SENIOR FIESTA 2024

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

WONDERLAND OF THE AMERICAS

This Weekend's Second Collection is...

ASSUMPTION SEMINARY

April 20 - 21, 2024

In celebration of Good Shepherd Sunday



Support the future priests of our church!



Assumption Seminary

Called. Formed. Faithful.

This weekend's second collection is...

ASSUMPTION SEMINARY

Assumption Seminary is a center for formation and multicultural education that has been serving the San Antonio area as well as other parts of the nation since 1915.

April 20 - 21, 2024 | In celebration of Good Shepherd Sunday

Ways to give

Online
Visit assumptionseminary.org/donate/

Phone
Call (210)734-5137

Mail
Send to 2600 W. Woodlawn Ave.,
San Antonio, TX 78228



Assumption Seminary
Called. Formed. Faithful.

This Week at Our Parish

**** St. Joan of Arc Selling Raffle Tickets After All Masses *****
Sunday, April 21, 2024
 8:00 am Guadalupanos Mass / Gen Mtg - Church / Carolan Hall

Monday, April 22, 2024

Tuesday, April 23, 2024
 5:30 pm Divine Mercy - Rectory Mtg Room
 6:30 pm Coro Alegria Choir Practice - Rectory Mtg Room
 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion Choir Practice - Church

Wednesday, April 24, 2024
 6:00 pm KC 4th Degree Council Chapter Mtg - Carolan Hall
 6:00 pm CDA Spiritual Retreat Prep - Rectory Dining Room

Thursday, April 25, 2024
 6:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Grp - Church
 7:00 pm RCIA - Rectory Mtg Room

Friday, April 26, 2024
**** Battle of Flowers - Parish Office Closed ****
 9:00 am Friday Adoration - *Cancelled - due to Construction*
 6:00 pm KC Breakfast Prep - Carolan Hall
 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion - Church

Saturday, April 27, 2024
 10:00 am VBS Planning Mtg - Carolan Hall

Sunday, April 28, 2024
 6:00 am Guadalupanos Kickapoo Trip Check-In - Carolan Hall
 8:30 am KC Breakfast - Carolan Hall
 10:00 am CDA Mass - Church

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 20, 2024
 8:00 am **STM Parishioners - Living and †Deceased**
 5:00 pm †Angela Jimenez by Norberto & Jeanette Pansza
 †Alfredo Sanchez by 4th Degree Assembly 2748

Sunday, April 21, 2024
 8:00 am †Ralph W. Garcia by Elda T. Garcia
 10:00 am †Steven Lee Waldron by Mom
 †Michael McDonald by the Trimmis
 †Jorge Ortega by Laura Armijo
 †Jeremias Reyes by Familia Reyes

Monday, April 22, 2024
 8:00 am †Rafael Garcia by Reyes Family

Tuesday, April 23, 2024
 8:00 am **Health & Recovery - Ramon Mata, Jr**

Wednesday, April 24, 2024
 8:00 am **Health & Recovery - Deacon Rolando Guerra**

Thursday, April 25, 2024
 8:00 am **In Thanksgiving** by Kim Nguyen
All Ordained Clergy and Religious

Friday, April 26, 2024
 8:00 am †Paul Nguyen by Thuy Nguyen
 †Donnetta Plank by Rand Family

Saturday, April 27, 2024
 8:00 am **STM Parishioners - Living and †Deceased**
 5:00 pm †Julio and Guadalupe Mendoza by Mendoza Family
 †Alfredo Sanchez by 4th Degree Assembly 2748

Sunday, April 28, 2024
 8:00 am †Ramon Mata, Sr by Jesse Perez & Family
 10:00 am †Fred Sanchez by the Trimmis
 †Michael McDonald by Maria T. Sweet
 †Kathryn Marie Sweet by Maria T. Sweet
STM Parishioners - Living and †Deceased



Lecturas de la Semana del 22 - 28 apr

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 12:24-13:5; Sal 66:2-3,5,6,8;
 Jn 12:44-50
Jueves: 1Pe 5:5-14; Sal 88:2-3,6-7,16-17;
 Mc 16:15-20
Viernes: Hch 13:26-33; Sal 2:6-11; Jn 14:1-6
Sábado: Hch 13:44-52; Sal 97:1-4; Jn 14:7-14
Domingo: Hch 9:26-31; Sal 21:26-28,30-32;
 1Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

Readings for the week of Apr 22 - 28

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3,4; Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: Acts 12:24-13:5a; Ps 67:2-3,5,6,8;
 Jn 12:44-50
Thursday: 1Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3,6-7,16-17;
 Mk 16:15-20
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
Sunday: Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-28,30-32;
 1Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8



Sanctuary Light Intention:
Steven Lee Waldron

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, April 27, 2023
 8:00 pm **Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Tim, R.Saldiva, R.Alvarado,
 K.Ball, C.Lang
Lector - T.Garza

Sunday, April 28, 2023
 8 am **Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Tim, M.Aguirre, R.Castaneda,
 R.Davila, P.Klar
Lector - S.Trimm

10 am **Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Rolando, CDA
Lector - CDA

12 pm **Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Rolando, C.Hernandez,
 M.Pina, E.Obregon, I.Hernandez, R.Gomez, H.Gomez
Lector - L.Lopez / E.Licon



**PRAY FOR PEACE
 IN THE MIDDLE EAST
 AND
 IN THE WORLD!**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
ST. THOMAS MORE
 Knights of Columbus Council # 7386
 meets 2nd Monday of each month
 at 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
 Vicki Smith at 210-724-4994

In Memory of
 The Leo Oswald &
 The Fred Lansing
 Families



IN LOVING MEMORY
 OF
 REX A. BRIEN
 &
 MR. & MRS.
 HILDO CASTELLON



PRAY FOR THE 3 MOST
 FORGOTTEN SOULS IN
 PURGATORY



In Loving Memory
 of
 Joe Canales
 On behalf of
 The Canales Family
 Love Always



In Loving Memory of
 Medardo E. Morales
 &
 Evangelina G. Morales
 on behalf of
 The Morales
 &
 Briseño Families

KAPS
 ROOFING & CONSTRUCTION

Residential & Commercial
 5510 FM 78
 Kirby, Texas 78219
 210-753-5158

Free Estimates
 Licensed & Insured

www.kapsrc.com
 Email: larry@kapsrc.com

In Memory of
 Christina C. Dominguez
 on behalf of
 The Dominguez Family



In Memory of
 Steven D. Sprague
 on behalf of



In Loving Memory



In Loving Memory
 of
 Florencio Baiza,
 Louise Baiza Garza,
 Robert Garza
 &
 Mr. & Mrs.
 Ruben Rodriguez Sr.

**Music
 Spectrum**
 Publishing Company

Allied Women's Center
 SAVING BABIES
 SINCE 1994
 210-224-7077



ALLIEDWOMENS CENTER.ORG

PREGNANT AND NEED HELP?
 INFO@ALLIEDWOMENS CENTER.ORG
 HURTING AFTER AN ABORTION?

hopeafterabortion.com
 210-342-4673
 project rachel
 Peace starts here

rachel@anewchoice.com



In Memory of
 Jose (Joe) Galvan,
 Joseph (Joe) Galvan
 & Billy Sheridan
 on behalf of
 The Family

St. Thomas More Guadalupanos Society
 Invite all men & women to our group.
 Our Monthly Meeting & Fellowship Meets:
 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 1-877-700-1888
 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.

ASE

LAW OFFICE OF
 SEGUNDOE FARRAH

- Immigration
Immigración
- Wills & Estate
 Planning
Testamentos

(210) 596-9954

Call or Text • The Difference Today

www.segundoeifarrah.com



In Loving Memory
 of
 Santiago G. Garcia Sr.
 on behalf of
 The Garcia Family
 &
 In Loving Memory
 of
 Eva M. Quiñones
 On behalf of
 The Quiñones
 Grandchildren