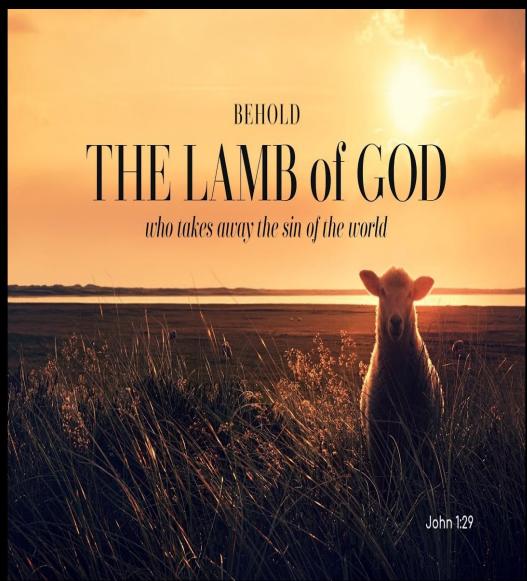


January 18, 2026



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
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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)

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by email or text to parishioners asking to
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Coordinator Alicia Perez,
Alli Fuentes, Cesar Paez,
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Marriage & Quinceañera's

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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.

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Gospel Meditation:

It's common to hear belief in Jesus and the Church mocked as blind faith and credulity. But in reality, it is deeply human and rational. Think about it: we rely on the testimony of others constantly. I trust chemists who certify the safety of toothpaste and cleaning products. I trust engineers when I use a microwave or drive over a bridge. Why? Because they have studied and seen what I have not, and their testimony proves itself in daily life. That kind of trust is not irrational; it is how human knowledge works.

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist declares: "Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God" (John 1:34). That is the language of an eyewitness. It invites us into a very human act: trusting someone who has directly encountered something — or Someone — we have not yet fully seen ourselves.

The Church's faith is built on this kind of reliable sight-based testimony. The Apostles did not make abstract claims. They saw, followed, suffered for, and proclaimed Jesus Christ. Over centuries, their witness — carried in Scripture, in the lives of the saints, and in the sacramental life of the Church — has proven dependable.

We come to know its truth by assenting to it, by living and studying it, praying with it, trusting it.

Faith in Christ is not a childish leap into the dark. It is a step into the light of testimony that proves itself over time.

— Father John Muir

Meditación del Evangelio:

Es común oír burlas de la fe en Jesús y en la Iglesia como fe ciega y credulidad.

Pero en realidad, es profundamente humana y racional. Piénsalo: dependemos constantemente del testimonio de los demás. Confío en los químicos que certifican la seguridad de la pasta dental y los productos de limpieza. Confío en los ingenieros cuando uso un microondas o conduzco por un puente. ¿Por qué? Porque ellos han estudiado y visto lo que yo no, y su testimonio se demuestra en la vida diaria. Ese tipo de confianza no es irracional; Así es como funciona el conocimiento humano.

En el Evangelio de hoy, Juan el Bautista declara: "Ahora he visto y he testificado que es el Hijo de Dios" (Juan 1:34). Ese es el lenguaje de un testigo presencial. Nos invita a un acto muy humano: confiar en alguien que ha encontrado directamente algo —o Alguien más— que aún no hemos visto del todo.

La fe de la Iglesia se basa en este tipo de testimonio fiable basado en la vista. Los Apóstoles no hicieron afirmaciones abstractas. Vieron, siguieron, sufrieron y proclamaron a Jesucristo. A lo largo de los siglos, su testimonio — plasmado en las Escrituras, en la vida de los santos y en la vida sacramental de la Iglesia— ha demostrado ser fiable. Llegamos a conocer su verdad asintiendo a ella, viviendo y estudiándola, rezando con ella, confiando en ella.

La fe en Cristo no es un salto infantil a la oscuridad. Es un paso hacia la luz del testimonio que se demuestra con el tiempo.

— Padre John Muir

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Pour forth Your Holy Spirit upon our families,
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To offer up the sacrifice of the Mass;
To lead the little ones to You;
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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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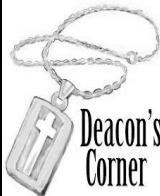
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From time to time, questions come up and I feel that one person has the question... do does someone else. So...

Question: What does an Annulment do... and...

After a divorce, is a Catholic obligated to pursue an annulment?

Answer: Many Catholics are not sure what, exactly, an annulment is... or does.

An annulment does not deny that a marriage took place, nor does it deny that there once was love. It does not mean that everything in the marriage was wrong. An annulment does not negate children, nor make them illegitimate. An annulment addresses the spiritual aspect of marriage.

In effect, an annulment says that at the time of the wedding, there was either something present or something absent that prevented the ***Sacrament of Matrimony*** from taking place.

It is a spiritual determination that, if granted in the affirmative, allows a person to marry in the Church.

Annulments have no legal standing and are unable to be used in a civil court.

Therefore, a Catholic has *no moral obligation* to pursue an annulment.

A divorced Catholic (*with or without an annulment*) may, and should still enjoy Mass and receive the Eucharist... provided they are free from mortal sin (*same rules apply for everyone*).

However, when the tragedy of divorce occurs, and there is no hope for reconciliation, an annulment may help bring some spiritual closure to a person's life.

Some people have found the process to be healing while others have found it to be difficult.

Speak to your priest to decide what is best for you.

Next week: What constitutes a valid marriage in the eyes of the Church.

Do I even need an annulment?

'till next time... God Bless - dt



Beginning Experience of San Antonio

"Coping with Life Alone"

is a one-day introductory program designed to help those who are grieving the loss of a spouse due to death, divorce, or separation.

The program helps participants deal with their loss and focus on what lies ahead. It is a day of support for those who are seeking hope and healing.

While it is intended to assist those newly grieving, all who have experienced a spousal loss are welcome to attend.

The online session is scheduled for:

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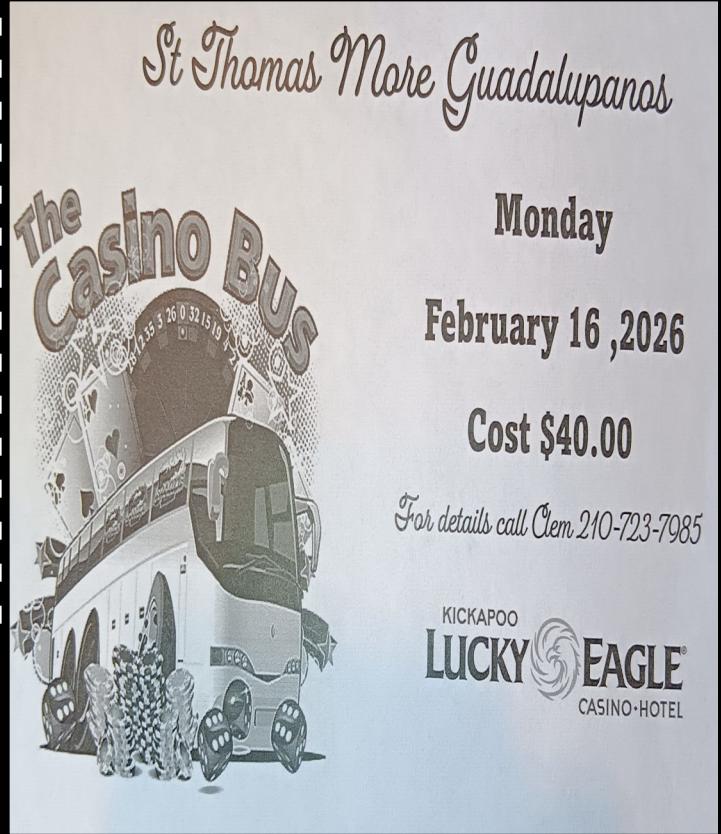
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This Week at Our Parish***** Truck Raffle Ticket Sale - after all Masses This Weekend *******Sunday, January 18, 2026**

5:30 pm Guadalupanos Mass / Mtg - Church / Carolan Hall

Monday, January 19, 2026

*** Martin Luther King Day - Parish Offices Closed ***

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

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

6:30 pm CDA General Mtg - Carolan Hall

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

Grupo de Oracion Choir Practice - Church

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

6:00 pm School ESA - Carolan Hall

Thursday, January 22, 2026

5:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Grp (Eng) - Church

7:00 pm OCIA - Rectory Mtg Room

Friday, January 23, 2026

6:00 pm KC Breakfast Prep - Carolan Hall

7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion - Church

***** Truck Raffle Ticket Sale - after all Masses This Weekend *******Saturday, January 24, 2026**

7:00 am Confirmation Retreat - San Antonio Mission

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

Sunday, January 25, 2026

8:00 am KC Breakfast - Carolan Hall

10:00 am CDA Mass - Church

**Sanctuary Light Intention:**
†Abigail Rovayo

(12/27 - 1/27)

**Lecturas de la Semana del 19 - 25 enero****Lunes:** 1Sm 15:16-23; Sal 49:8-9,16-17,21,23; Mc 2:18-22**Martes:** 1Sm 16:1-13; Sal 88:20-22,27-28; Mc 2:23-28**Miércoles:** 1Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51; Sal 143:1,2,9-10;

Mc 3:1-6

Jueves: 1Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Sal 55:2-3,9-13; Mc 3:7-12**Viernes:** 1Sm 24:3-21; Sal 56:2,3-4,6,11; Mc 3:13-19**Sábado:** 2Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27; Sal 79:2-3,5-7;

Mc 3:20-21

Domingo: Is 8:23-9:3; Sal 26:1,4,13-14; 1Co 1:10-13,17; Mt 4:12-23**Readings for the week of Jan 19 - 25****Mon:** 1Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9,16-17,21,23; Mk 2:18-22**Tues:** 1Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22,27-28; Mk 2:23-28**Wed:** 1Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51; Ps 144:1,2,9-10; Mk 3:1-6**Thurs:** 1Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3,9-13; Mk 3:7-12**Fri:** 1Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4,6,11; Mk 3:13-19**Sat:** 2Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27; Ps 80:2-3,5-7;

Mc 3:20-21

Sun: Is 8:23-9:3; Ps 27:1,4,13-14; 1Cor 1:10-13,17; Mt 4:12-23**Mass Intentions****January 17, 2026** - St. Anthony, Abbot**STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased****January 18, 2026** - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

by Thuy Nguyen

by Wife

by Olga W.

by Family

by Family

by Talley Family

by Familia de Bosque Lillas

Enrique de la Torre

By Family

January 19, 2026 - Martin Luther King Day

by Kim

January 20, 2026 - St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr

by Acosta Family

Wednesday, January 21, 2026 - St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

by Family

Thursday, January 22, 2026 - Day of Prayer for Protection of the Unborn

by Family

Friday, January 23, 2026 - St. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, virgin

by Kim

Saturday, January 24, 2026 - St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and DoC

by Wife

by Evancho & Oswald Family

by Richard & Dorothy Perez

by Sue McCarthy

Sunday, January 25, 2026 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

by Thuy Nguyen

STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased

by Talley Family

by Hijos

†Irene Castaneda

by Familia de Bosque Lillas

Liturgical Roles**Saturday, January 24, 2026**5:00 pm **Altar Servers** - Volunteers**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Dennis, B.Trevino, R.Alvarado, T.Guerrero, E.Guerrero**Lector** - T.Guerrero**Sunday, January 25, 2026**8 am **Altar Servers** - Max.Planchon**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Rolando, T.Garza, Y.Cione, R.Castaneda, M.Aguirre**Lector** - S.Castaneda10 am **Altar Servers** - A.Mata, B.Pereida, A.Hartsfield**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Tim, CDA**Lector** - CDA12 pm **Altar Servers** - A.Gomez, S.Obregon, E.Ruiz**Eucharistic Ministers** - Dcn Dennis, C.Hernandez, D.Llanas, A.Chavez, D+F.Malacara, C.Martinez**Lector** - H.Gomez / I.Hernandez



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