



# SAINT THOMAS MORE CHURCH CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY

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### Campus Ministry

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Principal Joe Elsbernd

### Sacrament of Baptism (infants):

Parents and godparents must attend Baptism Preparation Class. Call the office for Schedule.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sundays 9:15—9:45 AM; Saturday 4:30 PM  
Any time upon request.

### Sacrament of Matrimony:

Contact a priest at least six months prior to planned wedding date.

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 PM

#### Sunday

8:00 AM Portuguese/Brazilian  
10:00 AM English  
11:45 AM Arabic  
8:00 PM English

#### Weekdays:

8:30 AM (Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat.)  
5:30 PM (Tue., Thu.)

#### Holy Days:

8:30 AM & 8:00 PM  
First Saturdays:  
10:00 AM Burmese

#### First Fridays:

8:30 AM  
7:00 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
8:00 PM Mass for healing

### Communion to the homebound and the ill:

Please call the office if you know of anyone who is ill and unable to come to Mass so we could bring Communion to them.

### Anointing of the Sick:

Any time upon request. If a parishioner is seriously ill at home, please inform the parish office regarding a visit and Communion.

### Funeral arrangements:

Funeral Director will contact us. If relative dies elsewhere, contact Parish Office.



If you are new to the area and not yet registered at Saint Thomas More Parish, we invite you to fill this out, cut it out and return it to the parish office/rectory or drop in the collection basket.

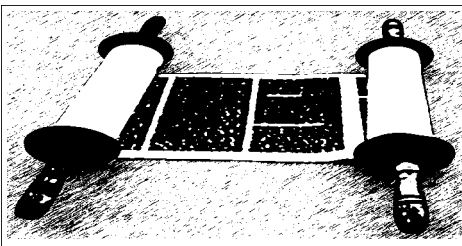
I choose to become a member of St. Thomas More and commit myself to building a community that seeks to act justly, love tenderly, and walk humbly with God. I will commit myself to this mission by my active & consistent presence at worship each week & will respond consistently by my financial giving even when I can't be present.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ I want to receive the envelopes and commit myself to a weekly contribu-

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## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 21, 2007

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. — Luke 4:18a*

### Upcoming Parish Events

**Mon. Jan 22**  
**Bible Study & Prayer group**  
7:30pm, Scanlan Hall

**Tue. Jan 23—**  
Communión & Liberación, 7pm, Scanlan Hall

**Wed. Jan 24—**  
**Boy Scouts**, 7:30 pm, Carroll Hall

**Fri Jan 19—**  
**AACC Youth Grp**, 6:30 pm, Scanlan Hall.

**Sto. Nino Novena**, 7 pm, Chapel

**Prince of Peace**, 8:30pm, Scanlan Hall

**Sat Jan 20—**  
**RCIC**, 9:30 am, Sacristy

**Teen Confirmation**, 10:30 am Sacristy

**Prayer Group**, 6:30 pm, Scanlan Hall

### “DO NOT BE SAD, AND DO NOT WEEP”

“Do not be sad,” Nehemiah said, “and do not weep” (9:9). Our days are holy when they are lived in the presence of God. So why do we weep? Not because God is not present to us. That’s impossible. We weep because we are not present to God. We lose ourselves in our fears and our wishes that things would be different than they are.

The people of Nazareth sat down to listen. Jesus sat with them, and opened up the book of Isaiah. And what passage did he turn to? A message of consolation, the promise of “glad tidings to the poor . . . liberty to captives . . . recovery of sight to the blind” and freedom for the oppressed. Then when all eyes were fixed on him, he declared, “Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing” (Luke 4:18, 21).

When is that “today”? Is it yet to come? If so, then Jesus was mistaken. Is it already past? If so, then it is not today. “Today” is now, always now.

### WE PLAY OUR PART . . . TODAY

Paul tells us that we are “Christ’s body.” He explains that in the church there are apostles, prophets, and teachers, as well as gifts of mighty deeds, “healing, assistance, administration, and varieties of tongues” (1 Corinthians 12:28). In other words, a lot of different gifts, a lot of different jobs.

In God’s work—work like setting captives free and giving sight to the blind—we have our part to play. Our part is not to fall down on our faces and weep because we haven’t done more. Our part is to recognize and acknowledge what we have done, see what else we might do, and then walk out into today and do it.

God has made this year a “year acceptable to the Lord” and this day a “holy day.” God is present to us and we need to be present to God and to God’s world. We each have our part to play, our contribution to make. Each of us can make God’s world more peaceful, more joyful, healthier, and freer. This year! Today!

*Today’s Readings: Nehemiah 8:2–4a, 5–6, 8–10; Psalm 19:8–10, 15; 1 Corinthians 12:12–30 [12–14, 27]; Luke 1:1–4; 4:14–21*

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### Regular Activities

AACC Youth Group	Friday, 6:30 PM	Bible Study & Prayer Group	Monday, 7:20 PM
Campus Ministry/Newman Club	Tuesday, 12-1PM, Student Center	Legion of Mary	Saturday, 6:00 PM
Liturgy Committee	As Announced	Parish Council	1st & 3rd Tuesday, 7 PM
Perpetual Novena: Sto. Nino	Last Friday, 7 PM	Prince of Peace	4th Tuesday, 7:30 PM
			Friday, 8:30 PM

**Full Plate Program:** Thanks for your support of this program. Pls. bring your donations of canned foods and dry goods & place them in the green bins at the church entrance. January menu items: 1 bag of rice, 1 can of meat, 1 can of mixed fruits, 1 fruit juice. No glass items, please. Thanks.



**\*Welcome** to Thomas Durst! Thomas is a fresh college graduate who is helping out at STM for a few months. Please introduce yourself when you have a chance and thank him for his time and generosity to our parish. As he will be part of our STM Church staff while he is with us, Thomas can be reached at the parish phone number [(415) 452-9634]. His email address is thomasdurst@yahoo.com.

\*Enclosed in this bulletin is a sheet asking for information about yourself and your family. Please **fill it out** and **return** to the parish office either by dropping it off in the rectory or in the collection basket, or mailing back to us. Needless to say, this information will be kept confidential but will help us to be of better and more meaningful service to our parish families.

\*Dates are still available for **Mass Intentions** for your departed friends and family members and for special intentions of the living. Please call the rectory to schedule.

\*Everyone is invited to our **Novena to the Santo Nino** on Friday at 7:00 PM in the chapel.

\*Our annual **Santo Nino fiesta** celebration has been scheduled for February 17th. Novena will start at 4 PM and we will join the celebration of the 5 PM Mass. A potluck reception will follow in Scanlan Hall.

**TEMPER AND PRIDE**

Temper is what gets most of us into trouble. Pride is what keeps us there.—Anonymous

*Respect Life*



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**\*Single Catholic men, 21 years of older:** *Do you think God might be calling you? Have you ever thought about becoming a Catholic Priest?* You are invited to attend a Discernment Retreat, 4 pm on Friday, Jan 26 through 1 pm on Sunday, Jan 28, 2007 at St. Patrick's Seminary to better understand if a vocation to the ministry of God's priesthood is for you! Retreat will include prayer, discussion and presentations about the priesthood, group interaction & following the daily routine of a seminarian. For more info, pls see one of our priests.

\*Heads up: All **married couples** in the SF Bay Area are invited toon Saturday, Feb. 10th at 10:00 AM for the annual anniversary Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral. **This Mass is to celebrate the sacrament of Marriage**, to renew your vows, and to show your support and encouragement for all married couples.

**Pls. go to [www.sfcatholic.com](http://www.sfcatholic.com)/sfm email [info@sfcatholic.com](mailto:info@sfcatholic.com).**

**school news**

\***Crab Bowl** is on the 28th, Remember to turn in your raffle tickets.

\***Catholic Schools Week** will be from January 29th to February 4th. A family Mass will mark its culmination. Please pencil it in your calendar and make an effort to come and enjoy our children's work which will be exhibited in the school premises during that week.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Jan 21—Jan 27, 2007

- 01/21 Sun 10:00 am Lilly Quock†  
8: 00 pm Romeo Cruz
- 01/22 Mon 8:30 am
- 01/23 Tue 5:30 pm
- 01/24 Wed 8:30 am Zenaida Seminiano†
- 01/25 Thu 5:30 pm
- 01/26 Fri 8:30 am Richard Knadler†
- 01/27 Sat 8:30 am  
5:00 pm Pablo Sanchez†

Call the office to schedule your Mass. Participating in the Mass you offer is appreciated.



**All the sick people in our parish especially** Zenaida Salamat, Martha Panaszewicz, Rhona Palencia, Mary Lee Burke, George Crawford, William & Deena Tannous, Nazzal Nazzal, Abdallah Bajalieh; for those recently deceased in our parish and all deceased children and victims of abortion.

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Your offerings for:  
The Weekend of Jan 14:  
**\$3,610**  
Offertory to **Home Missions:**  
**\$641**  
Thank you very much for your generosity!

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Today's second collection is for the victims of typhoons in the Philippines. As usual, we count on your generosity. Thank you.

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\*Your **tax deductible letters** will be sent out by the end of the month. Thanks for your patience.

**SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sun: 3rd Sunday-Ordinary Time
- Mon: St. Vincent; Day of Penance for Violations to the Human Person
- Wed: St. Francis de Sales
- Thu: The Conversion of St. Paul; Wk of Prayer: Christian Unity
- Fri: Ss. Timothy & Titus
- Sat: St. Angela Merici; Blessed Virgin Mary