



SAINT THOMAS MORE CHURCH CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY

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2st Sunday of Lent, March 4, 2007

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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:

Anyone who is ill and unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Communion may call the office to schedule a visit.

Anointing of the Sick:

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

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.

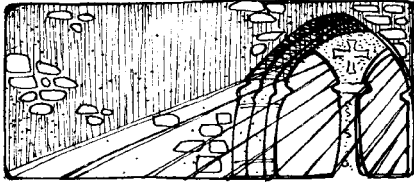
I choose to become a member of St. Thomas More and commit myself to building a community that seeks to act justly, love tenderly, and walk humbly with God. I will commit myself to this mission by my active & consistent presence at worship each week & will respond consistently by my financial giving even 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 contribution. Yes, please

_____ No, thanks. _____ Subscribe to our mailing list by e-mailing us: stmchurch@aol.com



Second Sunday of Lent March 4, 2007

*The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom should I fear?*

— Psalm 27:1

The Week's Parish Events

**Mon., Mar 5—
Bible Study &
Prayer group**
7:30 pm, Scanlan
Hall

**Tue., Mar 6—
Legion of Mary,**
7 pm Scanlan Hall

**Wed, Mar 7—
Soup & Scripture
For Lent, 7 PM,**
Scanlan Hall

**Thurs., Mar 8—
Men's Bible
Study & Prayer
Group, 7:30 pm,**
Chapel

**Fri., March 9—
Stations of the
Cross, 7 pm**

**AACC Youth
Grp, 6:30 pm,**
Scanlan Hall

Prince of Peace,
8:30pm, Scanlan
Hall

**Sat., Mar 10—
Burmese Mass,
10 am**

**STM Church
Crab Feed, 7 pm,**
Carroll Hall

**Bible Study &
Prayer Group,**
6:30 pm, Chapel

The Spirit of LENT Second Sunday of Lent (C) By Msgr. Labib Kobti

I was touched by the commitment of a wonderful and great family who decided to bring their children to be baptized and receive first communion. The parents are not Catholic and do not even have the faith that we have. Despite that they bring every week their children to mass and to classes. When I asked about future commitment after the baptism and first communion of the children, to my great surprise I was assured that they will continue to bring their children always to mass and to practice the Catholic faith. I felt myself saying the same thing that Jesus had said to Roman Centurion (Romans used to believe in different gods and the Emperor as the representation of a god) who asked him to heal his servant: "Amen I say to you, in no one in Israel have I found such faith. I say to you, many will come from east and west, and will recline with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob at the banquet in the kingdom of heaven, but the children of the kingdom will be driven out into the outer darkness, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth" Matthew 8:5-13

Yes, I see in the faith of this dear and wonderful family a much better faith than many who are Catholics by name only. These people who have been baptized and formed as Catholics and got their first communion and confirmation, but are not committed in their faith. They rarely come to mass or even to live as Christians. There is no difference between them and any other religions or any non-religious people.

Yes, I see in the commitment of this dear and wonderful family a good example for some of us who pretend to be good Christians but we know honestly that we are not. And because of us many people doubt our Catholic faith. In fact the bad example can be noticed a hundred times more than the good example.

Lent is a time of reflection. The church calls us to think of what we could do in our lives:

- * Am I happy in what I am doing and living?
- * Is there something that I need to change in my life?
- * How I can make my family (school, university, at work) live better Lent?

God is calling us. This is the spirit of Lent.

In today's Reading from St. Paul, Philippians 3:17-4:1 we read: "Many conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their God is their stomach; their glory is in their "shame". Their minds are occupied with earthly things...".

Ask yourself, "Am I one of these people?"

The good family mentioned above set a good and wonderful example for us of living a real time of renewal in the spirit of Lent.

Regular Activities

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

Full Plate Program: Thanks for your support of this program. Pls. bring your donations & place them in the green bins at the church entrance. Menu items: 1 box of cereal, 1 can of stew or chili, 1 can of tuna or chicken, 1 container of fruit juice. No glass items, please. Thanks.



***Daylight Savings**
Time starts on **March 10th**— Remember to set your clocks ahead. Avoid showing up for the 10 AM Mass at 11 AM!

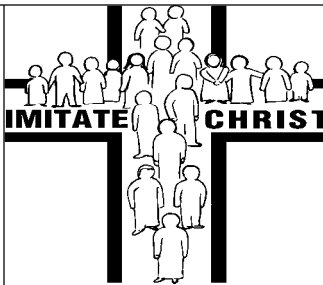
*Everyone is invited to join us for the **Stations of the Cross** at 7PM this Friday.

***Soup and Scripture Suppers,** our sharing of simple suppers during which we will reflect on the weekly scriptural readings for Lent meet every Wednesday during Lent. As an act of penance, please bring your own bowl and spoon. Please contact Linda Shah at (415) 218-0401 or the church rectory (415) 452-9634 if you can help with preparations.

***Lenten schedule:** If you don't have our Lenten schedule, please pick up a copy at the vestibule of the church. Stick it on the refrigerator door where it easily accessible.



***Many thanks** to all who graciously responded to our plea and filled out and returned their registration and electronic fund transfer authorization forms. If you haven't yet done so, please fill out your forms and return them to the rectory or drop them off in the vestibule of the church. We **THANK YOU** in updating our files.



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***Music of Feasts and Seasons:** Everyone is invited to the 2007 Archdiocesan Choral Festival on at St. Cecilia Church, 17th & Vicente on Sunday, March 11, 2007 at 4 PM. A free will offering will be taken.

*There will be a **follow-up training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** (Bringing Holy Communion to the homebound and the Rites of Communion of the sick) on March 13 & 15, 2007 at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, St. Mary's Cathedral from 7-9 PM. Free to those who recently attended training sessions. Please let our priests or Mass coordinators know if you would like to attend.

*Alma Via is inviting STM parishioners to a **Lenten Morning of Reflection with Bishop Ignatius Wang** on March 24, 10:30 to 12:30. Lunch is included. See flyer on church bulletin board for details. RSVP by March 12 to (415) 337-1339.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mar 4 -March 10, 2007

- 3/04 Sun 10:00 am William Manion †
8:00 pm People of STM
- 3/05 Mon 8:30 am Jeffrey Law, Sp. Int.
- 3/06 Tue 5:30 pm Mark Conde†
- 3/07 Wed 8:30 am Lutgarda Briones†
- 3/08 Thu 5:30 pm Irene & Russell de Havent†
- 3/09 Fri 8:30 am Joseph Samiere† & Family
- 3/10 Sat 8:30am Francisco Librojo (b'day)
5:00pm Olga Knadler, Sp. Int.

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

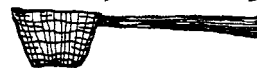


all the sick people in our parish, especially Leo Carew, Elias Santizo, Tony Castorena; John Silva, Lily Santos, Flor Sotto, and Fawzi

Bajalieh; for all who are sick and homebound and are unable to join us for Holy Mass; and for those recently deceased in our parish.

(To keep these names on the list, please notify us every 2 weeks.)

Weekly Offering



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**Weekend of Feb 25:
\$3,357**

Thanks for your generosity and support.



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***Our STM School** is still taking applications for this upcoming school year. If you have a child who is ready for kindergarten or might want to move

to our school, drop by the school for an application form.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Lent;
- Wednesday:** Ss. Perpetua & Felicity
- Thursday:** St. John of God
- Friday:** St. Frances of Rome; First Friday; World Day of Prayer; Abstinence