



SAINT THOMAS MORE CHURCH CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY

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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, **October 28, 2007**

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 Suzanne Hockel (415) 826-6834

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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 9:30—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

7:30 PM Portuguese/Brazilian

Sunday

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.

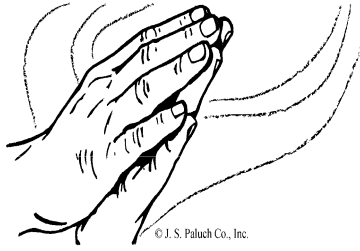
I choose to become a member of St. Thomas More and commit myself to building a community that seeks to act justly, love tenderly, and walk humbly with God. I will commit myself to this mission by my active & consistent presence at worship each week & will respond consistently by my financial giving even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



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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 28, 2007

*The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds;
it does not rest until it reaches its goal,
nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds.*

— Sirach 35:17-18a

This Week's
Parish Events

Mon, Oct 29th —

Campus Ministry: Ta-
bling, 11 am—1 PM,
SFSU

Tue, Oct 30th—

Campus Ministry: Ta-
bling, 11 am—1 PM,
SFSU

**Campus Ministry: Prayer
Group,** 12—1 PM, Rosa
Parks Bldg, SFSU

**Communion and Libera-
tion,** 7pm, Chapel

Wed, Oct. 31th—

Campus Ministry: Ta-
bling, 11 am—1 PM,
SFSU

**Thurs. Nov. 1st—
All Saints Day,
Holy Day of Obliga-
tion**

Fri, Nov. 2.—

AACC Youth Group,
6:30 pm, Scanlan Hall

Prince of Peace, 8:30
pm, Scanlan Hall

Sat. Nov 3rd —

RCIC, 9 AM, Sacristy

**Bible Study & Prayer
Group,** 6:30 pm, Scanlan
Hall.

Most Ancient of Traditions: SUNDAY (4)

(Continued from October 14th bulletin)

Sunday

The popular title, “Sunday,” is a contribution from the Germanic people and is an example of how culture and pagan traditions influenced Christian religious traditions. This title comes from pre-Christian worship of the sun. Christians, in tune with symbolism, were comfortable with this descriptive title for the most sacred of their days. From the beginning Christ had been identified as “the light of the world” (John 8:12, 9:5, 12:46), “light of revelation to the Gentiles” (Luke 2:32), “true light” who “enlightens every person” (John 1:9). This association of the Christians’ greatest day with the sun is also fitting because the sun is life-giving and never defeated, an annual lesson experienced on the occasion of the winter solstice.

Sunday Themes

Sundays had no particular themes in early Christianity until the seasons of the church year evolved. Now Sunday themes unfold in a rather elaborate way through cycles of readings from both the Hebrew and Christian Scriptures, through the official prayer formulas of the day, the homily preached, the songs sung, the colors used, rituals emphasized, and decorations hung. These themes carry the momentum of the year through the liturgical seasons of the Advent, Christmas, lent Easter, and the 33 or 34 weeks of the Ordinary Time.

When the process of initiating adult candidates into the church became more organized, some Sundays of lent became associated with preparation rituals. Baptism itself has always been connected with Sundays, primarily with the annual Pascha, or Easter, Vigil, which celebrated a sharing in Christ’s resurrection and new life. A second Sunday, Pentecost, also became a popular baptism day because of the themes of re-creation through the Spirit.

Two kinds of traditions evolved around the celebration of Sunday: (1) assembling or gathering together to share the Word and Eucharist and in doing so, keeping alive the presence and memory of Jesus, and (2) resting or avoiding unnecessary work and physical activity to keep the day holy. These traditions came to be known as Sunday observance or more negatively as Sunday obligation.

-from *Greg Dues: Revised and Updated Catholic Customs & Traditions*

Regular Activities

Parish Council	4th Tuesday, 7:30 PM	Bible Study & Prayer	Saturday, 6:30 PM
Liturgy Committee	As Announced		
Campus Ministry/Newman Club	Tuesday, 12-1 PM, SFSU Student Center	AACC Youth Group	Friday, 6:00 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 can of chili or stew, 1 can of tuna or chicken, 2 cans of vegetables, 1 plastic bottle of cooking oil. No glass items, please. Thanks.

Nov 1st & 2nd

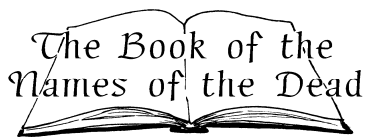
*Please remember: **Thursday, November 1st is All Saints Day.** It is a holy day of obligation. As is our usual practice for special days of obligation, Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 in the morning as well as at 8:00 in the evening. Please come to either one of those Masses.

*Friday, Nov. 2nd is **The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls).** As it happens to be the first Friday of the month also, we will have our usual **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 7 pm and Candle light Healing Mass at 8 pm.,** aside from our regularly scheduled Mass at 8:30 in the morning.

*Please use the envelopes at the vestibule & the side entrances of the church for your list of names to go in our **Book of Names of the Dead.** Kindly draw up your list, put in the envelopes provided and drop off either in the offertory basket or in the office. Your list will then be transferred to the book. This book will be placed close to the altar & we will be praying for those listed there during the month of November. A small offering would be appreciated.

*Alma Via is inviting all seniors to a **free lunch and entertainment** at on Monday, November 12, 2007 from 1:30 to 3:00 pm. Please **RSVP** (needed) by calling 337-1339 or email namire-shani@eldercaralliance.org.

*Everyone is invited to our **"All Souls Night"** on **Sat, Nov. 3rd from 6-11pm in Carroll Hall,** sponsored by our FLA Youth Grp. Come in a scary costume & your favorite food to share. Be ready for games, dancing, food & fun!



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will be at the altar the whole month of November. Get your list in to the office asap.

Thank you to all who have returned their stubs & money. Your support of our annual raffles is very much appreciated. If you and your family have not yet done so, please send your stubs and payment in. We hope to hold the drawing on schedule (November 24th). Please support our church by buying the tickets yourself or selling them to your friends and officemates. This year we have cash prizes: 1st Prize: \$2,000, 2nd Prize: \$1,000 and 3rd Prize: \$500

*Thank you to all who came and celebrated the **Feast Day of Our Lady of Palestine & Jordan** last Sunday. Again, the collective effort of our church family showed. The celebration with the Knights and Ladies of the Holy Sepulcher and Archbishop Niedeaer as celebrant was a most heartfelt and warm outpouring of our love of Our Holy Mother .

*The City is again conducting free Disaster Preparedness Training in Scanlan Hall on Thursday evenings from 6:30—9:30; Nov. 1, 8, 15, 29, Dec. 6 & 13. Please plan on coming to this **NERT (Neighborhood Emergency Response Team)** training. We never know when a disaster comes, it is always best to be prepared. Kindly take a flyer (at the vestibule of the church) and register either with the office or sffdner@sf.gov or call (415) 970-2024.

MASS INTENTIONS

Oct 28th - Nov 3rd

- 10/28 Sun 10:00 am Vicente Nepomuceno †
8:00 pm People of the Parish
- 10/29 Mon 8:30 am Brenda Boles†
- 10/30 Tue 5:30 pm Sharon Snow†
- 10/31 Wed 8:30 am Herminia Zamora Family(thnks)
- 11/01 Thu 8:30 am Souls in Purgatory†
8:00 pm Reynaldo A. Mendoza†
- 11/02 Fri 8:30 am Napoleon U. Flores, Sr. †
8:00 pm Victoria Medina (B'day)
- 10/27 Sat 8:30 am Estanislao Rescordado†
5:00 pm Louis Braganza

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



All the sick people in our parish, especially, Maria O'Donoghue, Irin Mullin, Rhona Palencia, Drunber Belleza, Tony Castorenas, Salwa Qare, Randy Imler,

Gunter & Annie Meyer and those who are bedridden and afflicted with debilitating illnesses.

All the deceased from our parish, especially Issa Feleifel and those who succumbed to cancer.

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

Weekly Offering



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**Weekend of 10/21/07:
\$4,199**

**World Mission Sunday
Offering: \$1,411**

Thank you for your generosity!

**Turn Clocks
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**....on Sunday,
November 4th.**

We, the STM family and priests, unite with our Burmese community as we continue our prayers for peace in Myranmar...