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SAINT THOMAS MORE CHURCH CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY

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STM Mission Statement

"We are a diverse Eucharistic family united in Jesus Christ and His Church. We accomplish our mission to spread the message of God's love through the gifts of the Holy Spirit who guides and inspires us and with the prayers of our Blessed Mother, Mary."

Fourth Sunday of Easter April 25th, 2010

The Judas Effect By Msgr. Labib Kobti

He chose him, he loved him, he helped him, he made from him an apostle, he trusted him with the money, he washed his feet. He taught him to love, to be good, to be perfect, to be a good example. But Judas betrayed him. He sold him to his enemies for money. He betrayed him with a kiss; the symbol of love became a way to turn one's back to what is great in the human heart. This is so bad.

This Judas effect is spread all over. You can find good teachers and bad ones at school. You can find good doctors and nurses and bad ones at a hospital. You can find good parents and bad one in a family. You can find good priests, good bishops, and bad ones in a church. Today this Judas effect is touching the Catholic Church. We read every day about the many Judases here and there. It can get worse in days, weeks, and months. We feel so disoriented, so confused, and so hurt. It is the Judas effect in our human nature.

I as, as Catholic priest feel that I want to kneel and pray. Only in kneeling and recognizing the Judas effect in my Church can I start to purify my intentions, my heart, and my life and build the future of the Church. Humbly kneeling in front of God and the people and confessing that the Catholic Church must rediscover the truth of the Resurrection and the need to be washed again by the blood of Christ—that is what is required. I give thanks for these moments in which I need to kneel. These moments are important for the Church to humble itself and recognize that it is the Church of real sinners. Kneeling and confession will help me to know my dimension as a sinner.

As I kneel and pray with my parishioners, I recognize also that I am the Church of the saints. These past years I saw Mother Theresa, Father Damian of Molokai, and many other great people from the same Church of the sinners. I recognize my human condition and see that others are also, like me, touched by the Judas effect.

As I kneel, I pray with my parishioners that we keep our faith strong in the Lord and not in humans and ask God to help us to sanctify ourselves and purify our intentions at the service of humanity. I pray that our people will be spared the Judas effect.

While he was still speaking, a crowd approached and in front was one of the Twelve, a man named Judas. He went up to Jesus to kiss him, Jesus said to him, "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?" (Lk 22:47-48)

Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do." (Lk 23:34)

Jesus responds by forgiving and His Resurrection gave us all Redemption.

A Prayer for the Spiritual Renewal of Priests

Lord Jesus, hear our prayer for the spiritual renewal of priests. We praise you for giving their ministry to the Church. In these days renew them with the gifts of your Spirit. You once opened the Scriptures To the disciples on the road to Emmaus. Now renew your ordained ministers With the truth and power of your Word. In the Eucharist you gave the Emmaus disciples Renewed life and hope. Nourish priests with your own Body and Blood. Help them to imitate in their lives the death and resurrection they celebrate at your altar. Give priests enthusiasm for the Gospel, zeal for the salvation of all, courage in leadership, humility in service, fellowship with one another and with all their brothers and sisters in You. For You love them, Lord Jesus, And we love and pray for them in Your name. **Amen**

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This Week's Events

Mon. April 26th

Prayer Group: Brazilian Community
7PM-9PM

Tue. April 27th

Legion of Mary,
Scanlan Hall, 6:00 pm
Communion & Liberation,
Scanlan Hall, 8:00 pm

Wednesday. April 28th

Internat'l Food Festival Meeting
7:30pm Scanlan Hall

Friday April 30th

AACC Youth Group
6:30pm Scanlan Hall
First Friday Adoration
Healing Mass 8pm

Saturday May 1st

Burmese Mass 10am and
fellowship in Scanlan Hall till 5pm
RCIC Classes , 9:00am
in Flower Sacristy
Bible Study Group at
Alma Via 7:00pm

SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass: 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 Fridays: 8:30 AM Mass

7:00 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Followed by Mass for healing at **8:00 PM**

First Saturdays: 10 AM Burmese Mass

First Sundays: 5:30 PM Tagalog Mass

Sacrament of Baptism (infants): Parents should be registered in the parish. 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: Registered couples contact us at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

Communion to the homebound and the ill: Anyone who is ill and would like to receive Communion 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 should contact Parish Office.

For Children and Youth: Under 2 years old, STM offers a "Crying Room" where parents can follow Mass, while children play away from the community. Over 6 years old, we have the "Children's Liturgy", RCIC and RCIA and FLA groups and Summer Camps

For Adults: English Charismatic group, Sundays 6:00 PM; St. Benedict's Group (18-late 20's) 2nd and 4th Saturday 2:00-4:00 PM; Arabic Youth Group, Fridays 6:30 PM; Brazilian Charismatic group, Mondays 7:00 PM; Burmese Youth Group, Sundays 2:00 PM; SFSU Campus ministry, Thursdays 7:00 PM (on Campus) [Pls call the office for contact numbers.]

For Families: Bible Study, Saturday at 7:00 PM; Couples For Christ: Saturday 5:00 PM; Legion of Mary; Communion & Liberation; Perpetual Novena to the Sto. Nino; Prince of Peace and Friday adoration, Knights of Columbus, **Holy Land Institute.org**, Pilgrimage ministry. **Queenofpeacefoundation.org**, An independent Foundation created to serve the needy.

Holy Land Museum & Shroud of Turin Exhibit

Open 9-4:30 Monday-Friday

Regular Activities

Parish Council
Liturgy Committee
Legion of Mary
Communion & Liberation
Charismatic groups for different ethnics

To Be Announced
As Announced
Tuesday, 6:30 PM
Tuesday, 8:00 PM
See schedule

Bible Study & Prayer
AACC Youth Group
Perpetual Novena: Sto. Nino
Prince of Peace
FLA Youth Group

Saturday, 7 PM at Alma Via
Friday, 6:00 PM
Third Friday, 7 PM
Friday, 8:30 PM
1st & 3rd Thu, 2nd & 4th Sat, 7 PM

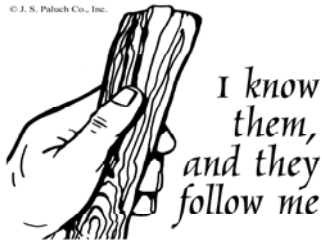
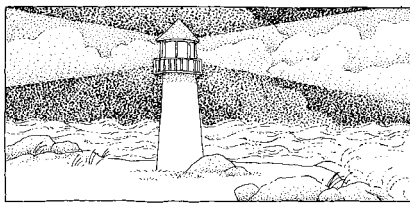
Full Plate Program: Thanks for your support of this program. Pls. bring your donations & place them in the green bins at the church entrance. Menu items: 1 pack of pasta, 1 can of beef or chicken, 1 can of tomato sauce, 1 can of fruit or fruit juice. Pls., no glass items. Thanks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***The Golden Gate Boy's Choir & Bellringers,** a regional & Catholic Choir for boys will present a special concert of voices and bells, "A Bell Spectacular" **this weekend, Sunday April 25th at 2pm** in the church. All parishioners are welcome, especially our friends at Alma Via, for this special event!

***Poker Tournament:** Come and join the family fun at this STM fundraiser on **May 15th** in Scanlan Hall from 7pm to midnight. Winners will receive precious gifts instead of cash. **As a reminder: this event is not to gamble but to join people of different ethnic groups who want to come together as a family for fun and to fundraise for our Church.**

***San Francisco Archdiocese Charismatic Renewal First Friday Mass** will be at **St Hilary Church**, 761 Hilary Dr. Tiburon, CA 94920 on **May 7th, 2010** with a rosary at 6:45pm & Mass at 7:30pm. For more information contact Michelle Fontaine at (415) 482-7717 or Moriah Stafford at (415) 756-5505.



*** Easter Flowers Offerings:** Thank you to all those who participated in our Easter Flower Offering to remember their loved ones for this Easter season. Please see the flyer inserted with names to be remembered. Also thanks to our very special flower arrangement team "**Blessed Mother Flower Group**" from our Burmese Community who have done our STM family a wonderful service in meeting our decoration needs for the church!

***Sun -n- Fun Summer Day Camp:** Our STM Faith, Love & Action Youth Group & STM Church will be sponsoring this event for children starting on **June 21st-July 9th, Mon to Fri from 7:30am-3:30pm.** The fee is \$160/week for care & camp materials (not including field trips). Afternoon Extended care is available from 3:30pm-6:30pm at an additional fee. For more info please contact Maria Tanedo at (650) 296-0376. Email: iyatanedo@gmail.com or Catherine Nepomuceno at (650) 303-1232 email: catapps@gmail.com.

***Our 2010 Annual Golf Tournament** will take place soon. We are looking for **a chairperson and a team** to help us organize it. Please call our office (415) 452-9634.

MASS INTENTIONS

April 25th— May 1st, 2010

4/25 Sun 10:00am	People of STM
8:00pm	All Souls Purgatory †
4/26 Mon 8:30am	Felix Banach †
4/27 Tue 5:30am	Sara & Collin Noguera (hlg)
4/28 Wed 8:30am	Mario Borromeo, Sr. †
4/29 Thu 5:30 pm	Sara & Collin Noguera (hlg)
4/30 Fri 8:30am	Simon Sinora †
5/01 Sat 8:30am	Socorro Bayoni †
5:00pm	Oscar Villamor †

Attending the Mass you offer is appreciated.



All the sick people in our parish, to be read during Masses: espe-

cially, Jackie Hiatt, Ruby Jimenez, James Roach, Wilfredo Fernando, Rhona Palencia Jesus Uchi, Anthony Angeles, Tina Bish, Anita Soliz, Cecilia Reyes, Brigit Suazon, Christian Yousef, Barbara Cunningham, Carmel Desmond, Gordon Lu, Ann, Iluminada Sotto and for all who are ill in our parish. **We also pray for all the deceased in our parish, especially Leo Carew (Alma Via), Yasmin Sallah and Rita Deodati.**

(Please call the office for names of people we should pray for. To facilitate this process, names will need to be taken off after 3 weeks, call the office for names to be put back in. Thanks.)

Weekly Offering



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Mass Collection

April 18th, 2010

\$ 4,424.34

Thank you for your Generosity!

REGISTRATION SLIP FOR ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH

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 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

