



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."

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

June 6th, 2010

"The Body of Christ." We have heard the priest, deacon or Eucharistic Minister say that to us ever since we first started receiving communion. But what exactly does it mean? It means more than flesh and blood, bones and sinews, veins and arteries. After all, when the Son of God, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, became flesh, but he didn't simply become five to six feet of sheer matter, organic chemicals. He became a person. He was like us in all things but sin, as the Fourth Eucharistic Prayer proclaims.

When Jesus walked the roads of Palestine, he was not a Middle Eastern robot, triggered by a remote control located in heaven. Jesus was a real human being. He learned by experience how to shape an idea, how to talk in Aramaic. He learned by living when anger was justified and when it was not justified. He wept over the Holy City Jerusalem that had become anything but holy. He wept over the death of his friend, Lazarus. He knew what it was like to become hungry and tired, to be called a madman by his relatives, to have no place to rest his head. And when he died, he did not pass away serenely with caring relatives praying as he drifted off into heaven. He died in agony, one so terrible that the mere thought of it changed his sweat to blood the night before.

Simply enough, when we say "the Body of Christ," we mean a human being, intelligent, sensitive emotional and loving. When we say "the Body of Christ," we mean someone so like us that for at least thirty years his own townspeople saw nothing special about him. That "body" came out of a mother's body, "grew in wisdom and years," preached his Father's word and died on the cross, all for one reason. Never in his thirty-three years of life was there ever a moment when he could not have declared, "This Body is given for you."

That is what the Incarnation of the Son of God, Christmas, is about. Jesus' body and his blood are given for you, and given for me. But why? St. Paul says the answer is easy: "He loved me and gave himself up for me." He loves you and gives himself up for you. He loved us so much that he was willing to be born as we are born, grow as we grow, die as we will die, although with a far greater agony than we would ever wish on anyone. Jesus loves us so much when he left us, he left his risen body with us under the appearance of bread and wine. This is the body that we celebrate today, the sacrament of the Body and Blood of the Lord, Jesus Christ, hidden indeed but remarkably real, for in the Eucharist we receive the Lord, body and blood, soul and divinity.

The Body and Blood are given for us. He is there and will be there till there is no more time in the world. But why? Pope Pius XII, the Pope of the 1940's and 50's put it this way: When we receive worthily, we are what we receive. We are transformed into Christ. This is the love that we cannot fathom, "his body is given up for us, from Bethlehem to Calvary, from a stable to a cross, his body is for us. Even now, in high heaven or in a host, his body is for us.

"The Body of Christ," "Amen." "The Blood of Christ." "Amen." Jesus, the One from the Father, enters our bodies in the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

The mission of the Christian, the reason for our being, yours and mine, is to make the presence of Christ a reality to the world. We cannot do this on our own. Life is too complicated. We are too complicated. iPods and X games, computers of every shape and size, cell phones that have removed peace from our lives, cars and bars, we are hostages to the society we have created. We run around with no time. How can we bring the Gospel, the Good News, to the world? The Good News can only flow through us when we become the one we are proclaiming. That is why he gave his body and blood for us. We are transformed into Christ because the world needs its Savior. We have got to fight against the spiritual laziness that relegates the Eucharist to a sacramental, as though taking communion is on the same level as making the sign of the cross with Holy Water. We have to prepare to receive the Lord, not just in the prayers we say moments before Mass but in the life we lead the week before Mass. We have to celebrate the Presence within us, not just in the pews after communion but in the way we treat others, with the Kindness of the Lord. We have to be mystics in a concrete world, for we have received the mystical to sanctify the world. May the Eucharistic Gift, the Body and Blood of Christ, continue to feed us and lead us.

Fr Joseph Pellegrino—jspaluch.com

Prayer on the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ

Lord Jesus Christ, we worship You living among us in the Sacrament of Your Body and Blood. May we offer to our Father in heaven a solemn pledge of undivided love. May we offer to our brothers and sisters a life poured out in loving service of that kingdom where You live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen



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This Week's Events

Mon. June 7th

Prayer Group: Brazilian Community
7PM-9PM

Tue. June 8th

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

Wednesday June 9th

Last day of school
Baptism Class 6:30pm in Rectory

Friday, June 11th

AACC Youth Group,
Scanlan Hall, 6:30pm

Saturday June 12th
SBYAG

Scanlan Hall 1pm-5pm
Couples for Christ
Scanlan Hall 7pm-10pm
Bible Study Group
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.

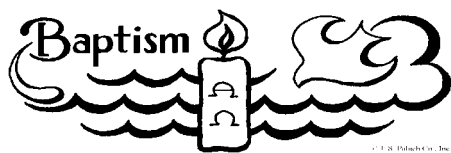
ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Best wishes for St Thomas More School Class of 2010** on their graduation last Fri June 4th. May the future shine bright as they prepare for High School this fall semester!



*** Thank you to all who have been praying for Monsignor Labib** who is steadily recuperating from a kidney transplant. We are very blessed to have him continue as pastor and see God has intervened to the benefit of all. **The new kidney is not working yet, it is still sleeping, he will continue to do dialysis meanwhile.** We continue praying so he will get well soon!

*** Baptism Preparation Classes:** For all parents /godparents interested in receiving these classes there will be two dates: **Wednesday June 9 & June 16 at 6:30pm in the Rectory.** Please call the office for details regarding classes or info regarding baptisms.



We welcome **newly baptized** members of STM family for this weekend: Jacelle Lisamarie Malbas, Napoleon Kainalu Morata Cabading, and Logan Jeanette Johnson.



***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 to July 9th, Monday to Friday 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. **Please register as soon as possible.** For info please contact Maria Tanedo at (650) 296-0376. Email: iyatanedo@gmail.com or Catherine Nepomuceno at (650) 303-1232 email: catapps@gmail.com.

***Festa Junina:** Heads up for our Brazilian Community preparing their annual festival "Festa Junina" on **Saturday, June 19th** at Carroll Hall. All parishioners very are welcome to enjoy this special event!

***Congratulations to the Newly Married:** Ashraf Zeidan & Mirna Hanania; Reynaldo Luena & Janet Manzano.



MASS INTENTIONS

June 6th—June 12th, 2010

6/06 Sun 10:00am Clemente Diaz †
8:00pm All Souls in Purgatory†
6/07 Mon 8:30am Rhona Palencia (hlg)
6/08 Tue 5:30am Corazon Cortez (B'day)
6/09 Wed 8:30am All souls in Purgatory †
6/10 Thu 5:30 pm Sara & Collin F. Noguera (hlg)
6/11 Fri 8:30am Rosita Avilas †
6/12 Sat 8:30am Abouna Labib (hlg)
5:00pm Samiere Family

Attending the Mass you offer is appreciated.



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

cially, Msgr. Labib Kobti, Jackie Hiatt, Ruby Jimenez, Joseph Charles, 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 Frida Bandak.**

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

Weekly Offering



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**Weekend of:
May 30th, 2010
\$ 3,541.29**

2nd Collection: For Needy
\$621.06

**Thank you for your
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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