

# ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## About St. Thomas More

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**CONFESSION 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday 5P - 6P**

## Important Dates

25JUN: Grupo Guadalupano STM 10A  
**29JUN: SECULAR FRANCISCAN'S GAMES DAY! 10A**  
**30JUN: 2nd Collection for St Vincent de Paul**  
**30JUN: FR. Martin Farewell Dinner after MASS**  
**06JUL: ADORATION STM 10A**  
**07JUL: Rosary w Secular Franciscans STM 1130A**

## Sunday Readings

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 XII Domingo ordinario

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** Jb 38:1, 8-11  
**Psalm** 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31  
 Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.  
 Demos gracias al Señor por sus bondades.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** 2 Corinthians 5:14-17  
**Gospel** Mark 4:35-41



## MEDITATION OF THE DAY

Calm in the Knowledge of Jesus' Love  
*In your trials, don't give up turning to God with filial trust. If you call upon Jesus with faith and trust, I assure you, your prayer will be heard by*  
 Meditation of the Day continues on next page

## JUNE INTENTIONS of the HOLY FATHER

### For migrants fleeing their homes

We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger & violence, find welcome & new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

### Para los migrantes que huyen de sus hogares

Rezamos para que los migrantes que huyen de la guerra o del hambre, obligados a emprender viajes llenos de peligros y violencia, encuentren acogida y nuevas oportunidades en los países que los reciben.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR SUNDAY JUNE 23<sup>RD</sup>

Larry Campbell †  
 Melinda Sedlacek †  
 For the intentions of Scott Keller

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK LET US PRAY FOR

Deacon Cavalli  
 Cathy Larsen  
 Diana Wise  
 Angela Babcock  
 Sbaron Calboun  
 Jeff Clark  
 Pat Mortensen  
 Stephanie Lowman  
 Ben Richards  
 Brian Redgrave

Martha Martinez  
 Rod Montgomery  
 Carrie Sue Sonsteng  
 Sam Kempner  
 Tylor Koski  
 Denise Hughes  
 Kimberly Helgeson Avoy  
 Denis Helgeson  
 Sofia Garcia  
 Jim McManus

Andrea Inzunza  
 Victor Furrer  
 Bruce Hasek  
 Barbara Maldonado  
 Adriana Sepulveda  
 Senona Gonzalez  
 Samia Zumout  
 Karen Reynolds  
 David Jorgensen  
 Linda Stultz

## This Week's Readings

THE TWELFTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

**Monday; June 24<sup>th</sup>** Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist  
Mass during the Day

1st Reading: Isaiah 49:1-6

Psalm 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15

*I praise you, for I am wonderfully made.*

2nd Reading: Acts 13:22-26

Gospel: Luke 1:57-66, 80

**Tuesday; June 25<sup>th</sup>**

1st Reading: 2 Kings 19:9B-11, 14-21, 31-35A, 36

Psalm 48:2-3AB, 3CD-4, 10-11

*God upholds his city for ever.*

Gospel: Matthew 7:6, 12-14

**Wednesday; June 26<sup>th</sup>**

1st Reading: 2 Kings 22:8-13; 23:1-3

Psalm 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40

*Teach me the way of your decrees, O Lord.*

Gospel: Matthew 7:15-20

**Thursday; June 27<sup>th</sup>**

1st Reading: 2 Kings 24:8-17

Psalm 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9

*For the glory of your name, O Lord, deliver us.*

Gospel: Matthew 7:21-29

**Friday; June 28<sup>th</sup>** Memorial of Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr

1st Reading: 2 Kings 25:1-12

Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

*Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!*

Gospel: Matthew 8:1-4

**Saturday; June 29<sup>th</sup>** Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

1st Reading: Acts 12:1-11

Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

*For ever The angel of the Lord will rescue those who fear him.*

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-19

*Meditation of the Day continued from front page.*

**MEDITATION OF THE DAY** Calm in the Knowledge of Jesus' Love

*him. Remember Jesus is sensitive to our ills and has compassion on all our suffering.*

*In days of trial, rekindle your confidence. Recall that God has promised his aid to those who persevere in prayer. You should pray to Jesus like this: "Yes, my God, precisely because you delay in answering me, I have hope you will hear me, and the more you reject me, the more will I surrender myself with greater trust and ardor into your paternal arms."*

*Jesus has promised to help us in all circumstances. He will never be the first to abandon us. If Jesus delays in hearing you and seems to refuse you the grace you seek, you must convince yourself that this is in the plan of his fatherly love for you. He wants to try you, to increase your faith and your merits and form you by making you practice patience. Adore his plans and bless him always.*

*"Think of me," Jesus tells us, "and I will look after you and everything that concerns you." Abandon yourself to God and he will lead you wherever he wants. Knowing that he is leading you, you should remain peacefully in his hands. — BLESSED CLELIA MERLONI*

*Blessed Clelia Merloni († 1930) founded the Congregation of the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in 1894. Today they share the love of the Heart of Jesus on four continents. / From Spiritual Anthology: Elements in the Spirituality of Mother Clelia Merloni, Sr. M. Clare Millea, Tr. © 1992, Edusc Sacred Heart University Press, Bauru, São Paulo, Brazil.*

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- **CAMINO EUCARÍSTICO | 13 de julio** | Abby of Our Lady of New Clairvaux 26240 7th St., Vina, CA. 96092 | 530.839.2161 | 8A-Confesión disponible; 9A - Misa Votiva del Corpus Christi; Adoración; Hospitalidad | Necesita transporte? Comuniquese con Jim Collins para hacer arreglos por correo electrónico: [jimcollins\\_95991@yahoo.com](mailto:jimcollins_95991@yahoo.com) o visítelo después de la Misa.
- **EUCHARISTIC CAMINO | July 13 | 8A** | Abby of Our Lady of New Clairvaux 26240 7th St., Vina, CA. 96092 | 530.839.2161 | 8A-Confession; 9A-Votive Mass o Corpus Christi; Adoration ; Hospitality | Need transportation? Contact Jim Collins for arrangements by email [jimcollins\\_95991@yahoo.com](mailto:jimcollins_95991@yahoo.com) or see him after Mass.



### ¡Notas rápidas de Santo Tomás Moro!

- **¡Es tiempo de vacaciones!** El verano está aquí. Es hora de dejar de lado tus preocupaciones y salir a la carretera. Nuestra parroquia seguirá necesitando atención y apoyo mientras usted no esté. Contribuya en línea mientras esté de vacaciones. Simplemente vaya a [stmparadise.net](http://stmparadise.net), en la parte superior central de la página, haga clic en DONACIONES. Siga las indicaciones; o vaya a <https://www.wesharegiving.org/app/giving/WeShare-20000315?tab=home>
- **¡NO HAY SACRAMENTO DE RECONCILIACIÓN PARA JUNIO EN STM!** El Padre Martín estará de vacaciones durante la mayor parte de junio.
- **¡SE VIENE LA FIESTA EN EL PARQUE!** Necesitaremos ayuda en Kids Corner con la instalación, los juegos, las manualidades y el desmontaje el miércoles 10 y 31 de julio. Consulte a Chris Rehmann después de la misa para obtener más información y consulte la contraportada del boletín.

**¡Bienvenidos a junio! Este mes está dedicado al Sagrado Corazón de Jesús. El Corazón de Jesús; Símbolo de amor. ¿Pero por qué Su Corazón?**

Porque en todos los idiomas, en todas las épocas, el corazón es considerado el símbolo natural del amor y del afecto. ¿Qué símbolo más natural y expresivo hay, entonces, del amor excesivo de Jesús que su Sagrado Corazón?



**Welcome to June! This month is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Heart of Jesus; Symbol of Love. But why His Heart?**

Because in every language, in every age, the heart is regarded as the natural symbol of love and affection. What

more natural and expressive symbol is there, then, of the excessive love of Jesus than His Sacred Heart?

**La devoción general al Sagrado Corazón ofrece 12 promesas que se enumeraron en el boletín de la semana pasada.** (Las gracias necesarias en tu estado de vida; paz en tu hogar; consuelo en todas tus aflicciones; Jesús será tu refugio seguro durante la vida y en la muerte; abundantes bendiciones en tus empresas; los pecadores encontrarán en Su Corazón la fuente de un océano infinito de misericordia; las almas tibias se volverán fervorosas; las almas fervientes ascenderán a la alta perfección; una bendición en cada lugar donde se exponga y honre la imagen de Su Corazón, se les dará el don de tocar los corazones más endurecidos; promover esta devoción estará escrito en Su Corazón; Su amor todopoderoso concederá a todos aquellos que reciban la Sagrada Comunión los primeros viernes de nueve meses consecutivos la gracia de la perseverancia final - Su Corazón será su refugio seguro en su último momento.) **A continuación se enumeran las cuatro devociones adjuntas a estas promesas:**

1. Recibir la Comunión con frecuencia.
2. Confesarse y recibir la Eucaristía los primeros viernes de cada mes durante nueve meses consecutivos. Muchas parroquias ofrecerán devociones públicas del primer viernes; si lo hacen, realice los primeros viernes públicamente. Si no se ofrece así en su parroquia, puede hacerlo en privado, confesándose, recibiendo la Eucaristía y ofreciendo sus oraciones por la intención del Santo Padre.
3. Asiste a la Adoración Eucarística durante una hora los jueves. ("¿No pudiste velar una hora conmigo?") La Hora Santa se puede hacer solo o como parte de un grupo con oraciones formales.
4. Celebra la Fiesta del Sagrado Corazón. El viernes que sigue al segundo domingo después de Pentecostés es la Fiesta del Sagrado Corazón que recuerda todos los atributos de Su Divino Corazón. Muchos católicos se preparan para esta Fiesta comenzando una Novena al Sagrado Corazón en la Fiesta del Corpus Christi, que es el jueves de la semana anterior. En la propia Fiesta del Sagrado Corazón, podemos obtener una indulgencia plenaria realizando un Acto de Reparación al Sagrado Corazón.

**Nota:** El Acta de Reparación al Sagrado Corazón se imprimirá en el boletín de la próxima semana. Debido a su extensión no hay lugar en la edición de esta semana.

**Fuente:** <https://www.sistersofcarmel.com/devotion-to-the-sacred-heart-of-jesus.php>

**Oración:** <https://www.xavier.edu/jesuitresource/online-resources/documents/2scaredheartofjesusposter-final-3.pdf> ; <https://www.churchpop.com/5-beautiful-prayers-to-the-sacred-heart-of-jesus-every-catholic-should-know/>

**General devotion to the Sacred Heart provides 12 promises which were listed in last week's bulletin.** (the graces necessary in your state of life; peace in your home; comfort in all your afflictions; Jesus will be your secure refuge during life & in death; abundant blessings upon your undertakings; sinners will find His Heart the source of an infinite ocean of mercy; lukewarm souls become fervent; fervent souls will mount to high perfection; a blessing on every place where the image of His Heart is exposed & honored; Priests will be given the gift of touching the most hardened hearts; the names of those who promote this devotion will be written in His Heart; His all-powerful love will grant all those who receive Holy Communion on the 1st Fridays in nine consecutive months the grace of final perseverance - His Heart will be their safe refuge in their last moment.) **Listed below are the four devotions attached to these promises:**

1. Receive Communion frequently.
2. Go to Confession & receive the Eucharist on the First Fridays of each Month for Nine Consecutive Months. Many parishes will offer public First Friday devotions; if they do, perform First Fridays publicly. If it isn't so offered in your parish, you can do this privately, going to Confession, receiving the Eucharist, and offering your prayers for the intention of the Holy Father.
3. Go to Eucharistic Adoration for one hour on Thursdays. ("Could you not watch one hour with me?") Holy Hour can be made alone or as part of a group with formal prayers.
4. Celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart. The Friday that follows the 2nd Sunday after Pentecost is the Feast of the Sacred Heart which brings to mind all the attributes of His Divine Heart. Many Catholics prepare for this Feast by beginning a Novena to the Sacred Heart on the Feast of Corpus Christi, which is the Thursday of the week before. On the Feast of the Sacred Heart itself, we can gain a plenary indulgence by making an Act of Reparation to the Sacred Heart.

**NOTE:** The Act of Reparation to the Sacred Heart will be printed in next week's bulletin. Due to its length there is no room in this week's edition.

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**PARISH UPDATES**

*The STM DateBook*

- ☑ **Tuesday, June 25 | Martes 25 de Junio**  
*Grupo Guadalupano STM 10A*
- ☑ **Saturday, June 29 | Sábado 29 de Junio**  
*Secular Franciscans Annual Games Day! STM 10A*  
*Franciscanos Seglares del Paraíso*  
*Día Anual de los Juegos STM 10A*
- ☑ **Sunday, June 30 | Domingo 30 de Junio**  
*2nd Collection for St. Vincent de Paul*  
*Segunda Colecta para San Vicente de Paúl*
- ☑ **Sunday, June 30 | Domingo 30 de Junio**  
*Farewell Dinner for Fr. Martin*  
*STM After Mass*  
*Cena de despedida del Padre Martín*  
*STM Después de la Misa*



**Franciscanos Seglares del Paraíso**  
**Día Anual de los Juegos**  
**Sábado 29 de junio | STM | 10A a 2P**  
**Entradas \$10 - ¡Boletos a la venta ahora después de la Misa!**  
**Juegos, Comida, Premios de la Rifa, Subasta Silenciosa**  
*Todo el dinero recaudado va a San Vicente de Paul*



**Farewell Dinner June 30 After Mass**  
Father Martin's last Sunday at STM is June 30th. The Knights of Columbus are planning a dinner in his honor Sunday, June 30 after Mass.  
**Please save the date!**

**Cena de despedida 30 de Junio**  
**Después de la Misa**  
Misa El último domingo del Padre Martín en STM es el 30 de junio. Los Caballeros de Colón están planeando una cena en su honor el domingo 30 de junio después de la.  
**¡Por favor reserva la fecha!**



**Secular Franciscans of Paradise Annual Games Day**  
**Saturday, June 29 | STM | 10A to 2P**  
**Tickets \$10 - On Sale Now After Mass!**  
**Games, Food, Raffle prizes, Silent Auction**  
*All proceeds go to St. Vincent de Paul*

**A NEW MINISTRY AT ST. THOMAS MORE**



**Do you love arts and crafts? Sewing? Being creative?** St. Thomas More Parish invites you to consider a new ministry: *The Quilting/Prayer Shawl Ministry*. This ministry sews, knits or crochets prayer shawls to bring comfort and a sense of peace and love

to adults or children with a physical or emotional illness, living with a chronic condition, in treatment for a life-threatening illness or experiencing a crisis. And for the joyful experience of welcoming a new baby! The crafters pray over their creations while they are being made. Interested? See Donna Helgeson after Mass.

**UN NUEVO MINISTERIO EN STM**

**¿Te encantan las artes y la artesanía? ¿De coser? ¿Ser creativo?** La Parroquia St. Thomas More lo invita a considerar un nuevo ministerio: *Ministerio de Acolchado/Mantón de Oración*. Este ministerio cose, teje o teje chales de oración para brindar consuelo y una sensación de paz y amor a adultos o niños con una enfermedad física o emocional, que viven con una condición crónica, en tratamiento por una enfermedad potencialmente mortal o que atraviesan una crisis. ¡Y por la feliz experiencia de dar la bienvenida a un nuevo bebé! Los artesanos rezan por sus creaciones mientras las realizan. ¿Interesado? Vea a Donna Helgeson después de la misa.



**STM QUICK NOTES (En español en la página 2)**

- **IT'S VACATION TIME!** Summer is here. Time to throw your cares away and hit the road. Our parish will still need care & support while you're away. Please contribute online while you're on vacation. Just go to [stmparadise.net](http://stmparadise.net), at top center of page click DONATIONS. Follow the prompts; or go to <https://www.wesharegiving.org/app/giving/WeShare-20000315?tab=home>
- **NO SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION FOR JUNE AT STM.** Father Martin will be away on vacation for most of June.
- **PARTY IN THE PARK IS COMING!** We'll need help at Kids Corner with set up, games, crafts, and teardown on Wed., July 10 & 31. See Chris Rehmann after Mass for more info and watch the bulletin back page.