

St. Thomas More Church

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Pentecost Sunday Sunday, May 20, 2018

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS WEEKLY LITURGIES

Saturday Vigil
5:00PM

Reconciliation
Saturday: 4:00-4:45PM

Sunday
7:30AM, 9:00AM, 12:30PM
10:45AM *Spanish*

English
Daily: Mon-Sat
8:30AM

Holy Day Masses
8:30AM, 7:00PM

Please contact the Parish Office for arrangements regarding
Baptisms, Funerals, and Quinceañeras



For Sacraments of Matrimony, please contact the
Parish Office six months prior to the date of the wedding

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday	9:00AM - 7:30PM	<i>Closed 1:00 - 2:00PM</i>
Friday	9:00AM - 7:00PM	<i>Closed 1:00 - 2:00PM</i>
Saturday	9:00AM - 1:00PM	

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School Website: stthomasmorealhambra.org

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

Psalm — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Second Reading — There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13)

Gospel — As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday:	Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday:	Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-11; Mk 9:38-40
Thursday:	Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50
Friday:	Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mk 10:1-12
Saturday:	Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16
Sunday:	Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Ps 33:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — El Espíritu Santo descende sobre los apóstoles (Hechos 2:1-11).

Salmo — Envía tu espíritu, Señor, y renueva la faz de la tierra (Salmo 104 [103]).

Segunda lectura — Hemos sido bautizados en el mismo Espíritu para formar un solo cuerpo (1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13)

Evangelio — Jesús se hizo presente a los discípulos y les trajo su paz. Les envió en su misión con poder para perdonar o atar los pecados por el Espíritu Santo (Juan 20:19-23)

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes:	Sant 3:13-18; Sal 19 (18):8-10, 15; Mc 9:14-29
Martes:	Sant 4:1-10; Sal 55 (54):7-11a, 23; Mc 9:30-37
Miércoles:	Sant 4:13-17; Sal 49 (48):2-3, 6-11; Mc 9:38-40
Jueves:	Sant 5:1-6; Sal 49 (48):14-20; Mc 9:41-50
Viernes:	Sant 5:9-12; Sal 103 (102):1-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mc 10:1-12
Sábado:	Sant 5:13-20; Sal 141 (140):1-3, 8; Mc 10:13-16
Domingo:	Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Sal 33 (32):4-6, 9, 18-20, 22; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

Collections for 5/13/18

5:00 PM	\$1,471.00
7:30 AM	\$1,036.00
9:00 AM	\$1,358.00
10:45 AM	\$483.00
12:30 PM	\$475.00
By mail/online	\$520.00
Bldg Fund	\$1,275.00
Special Projects	\$150.00
Ascension	\$234.00
Total	\$7,002.00

Thank You!

Gracias!

Summer is just around the corner!



Catholic and public school students are welcome to attend a summer program for students who will be entering Kindergarten through Grade 4. We will have one four-week session that will offer academic enrichment and remedial curriculum from 8 AM to Noon, beginning July 2 through July 26. The tuition for Summer School is \$125.00 a week per student.

Check the STM school website for a registration form, or call for more information. www.stthomasmorealhabra.org



**Blood Drive
St. Thomas More Church
and School**

**Location: Parish Hall
2510 South Freemont Avenue
Alhambra, CA 91803**

**Sunday, June 3, 2018
8:30 AM to 2:30 PM**

To schedule an appointment, log onto www.redcrossblood.org and enter the sponsor code **STMC** or call your American Red Cross Representative at 626-437-7893.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting redcrossblood.org/rapidpass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



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St. Thomas More Catholic School

FOOD SPRING FESTIVAL BINGO
SUNDAY MAY 20, 2018
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

11:00 am - Student Talent Show
1:00 pm - Raffle Drawing

Purchase a \$25 wristband for Unlimited fun at the game booths and jumpers



Dine in at the delicious food booths. Quench your thirst at the Cantina. Enjoy Bingo and win great prizes!



Bring your chairs to enjoy the festivities in the picnic area

Did You Know?

Know the signs of abuse and talk to your children about them

Some signs of abuse are too obvious to hide. Unexplained bruises and injuries may indicate abuse at home, and children who are close to a victim may notice these injuries more quickly than an adult, because they spend more time together. Children also share secrets with each other, and if a child is being abused, he/she may be more comfortable confiding in a close friend than an adult. It is important to talk to children about the signs of abuse, and encourage them to talk to you. To watch a video on this topic go to:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JNoNISIj8Ws>

Sunday Breakfast

Please join us for



Coffee and Donuts

at the
Lunch Bench area of the School

CURRENT EVENTS

Saturday, May 19, 2018		
6:00PM Confirmation Class	Church	
Sunday, May 20, 2018		
9AM-3PM STM Spring Festival	School	
Monday, May 21, 2018		
9:30AM Legion of Mary	Ministry Center	
7:00PM Youth Band Practice	Church	
Tuesday, May 22, 2018		
9AM - 9:30AM Our Lady of Wisdom Prayer Group	Church	
11:30PM Bingo	Hall	
7:45PM English Choir Practice	Church	
Wednesday, May 23, 2018		
9AM - 9:30AM Mother of Perpetual Help Novena	Church	
7:00PM Bible Study	Ministry Center	
Thursday, May 24, 2018		
6:30PM Youth Nights	Ministry Center	
8:00PM Spanish Choir	Church	
Friday, May 25, 2018		
9AM - 1PM Eucharistic Adoration	Church	
Saturday, May 26, 2018		
6:00PM Confirmation Practice	Church	
7:00PM Ultreya Group	Ministry Center	
Sunday, May 27, 2018		
8:30AM -2PM Coffee & Donuts	Hall	

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 19, 2018		
8:30 AM Fr. Andrew	Irene & Raul Dorantes † Piedad Aguilar & Nidia Manrique †	
4:00 PM Fr. Thai	Confessions	
5:00 PM Fr. Thai	Patrick Yiu † Pacita Tan Villanueva †	
Sunday, May 20, 2018		
7:30 AM Fr. Thai	Peter Phan † Sara Villareal †	
9:00 AM Fr. Andrew	John Baptist Bao Hoang †	
10:45 AM Fr. Ruiz	Ricardo Cortez † Rita Gonzales †	
12:30 PM Fr. Andrew	Michael Ca Nguyen † Martha Thua Luu †	
Monday, May 21, 2018		
8:30 AM Fr. Andrew	Parishioners of STM	
Tuesday, May 22, 2018		
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Wednesday, May 23, 2018		
8:30 AM Fr. Thai	Ann Grespan †	
Thursday, May 24, 2018		
8:30 AM Fr. Donovan	Parishioners of STM	
Friday, May 25, 2018		
8:30 AM Fr. Thai	Parishioners of STM	
Saturday, May 26, 2018		
8:30 AM Fr. Donovan	Roberto & Luna Soriano: Anniversary	
4:00 PM Fr. Thai	Confessions	
5:00 PM Fr. Thai	Hilario Camodag † Isaiah Gutierrez †	
Sunday, May 27, 2018		
7:30 AM Fr. Donovan	Peter Phan †	
9:00 AM Fr. Donovan	Dean Smith † Santos Mendiola †	
10:45 AM Fr. Thai	Rafael Garcia, Jr. †	
12:30 PM Fr. Thai	Parishioners of STM	

Please Pray for the Sick

Fr. Jeremiah O'Neill

A Mariano Aoanan	Gavin Gutierrez	P Sharon Palmiter
George Astacio	Ricardo Gutierrez	Fernando Parra
Rosa Astacio	Carolina Guzman	Jennifer Santana Pedraza
Brianna Ayestas	H Memo Herrera	Arpie Pezeshkian
B Roy Barrientos	Sally Herrera	R Dolores Ramirez
Douglas Barquero	James Householder	Rosalia Rodriguez
Patricia Bernal	I Selvia Inado	Ramon Ramos
Steven Brown	J Darwin Jenkins	Julieta Reta
Tod & Rose Marie Brown	Dennis James Johnson	Jean Reyes Williams
Ida Bustos	Gary Jones	Laura Rico
C Jessica Cabrera	K Kimbra Fossen	Maria T. Riley
Rita Campanella	Theresa Kryszek	Domenic Rizzi
Gloria Cancio	L Bill Lamb	Michael Angelo Rodriguez
S. Cano	Bertha La Barreda	Mike Romano
Burt Carranza	Anfrea Leija	Ana Romo
Evelin Carranza	William Lievense	Virginia Rosales
Celia Carmona	James Lindgren	Alissa Roybal
Erik M. Casillas	Eleanor Lopez	S Mason Saldaña
Blanca & Procoro Castañeda	Brother Martin Lorenzini	Francisco Sanchez
Jessica Cerda	Bonnie Luna	Virginia Sanchez
Joan Cervantes	Elvira Luna	Dylan Silva
Mary Louise Cruz	Rafael & Gerardo Luna	Sisi Shum
D Roger Davila	M Gilbert Madrid	Uldarica Sison
Julio Diaz	Cely Magpantay	Eddie Souza
Luz Santos Dicioco	Anna Maraldo	T Jennies Tiu
Jesus M. Dulay	Salvador Maldonado	U Leticia Ureno
E Malia Estrada	Edgardo Marin	V Richard Valdes
F Ruth Fabela	Francis Meyer	Michael Velasco
Pat Fernandez	Jean Miceli	Maria Wong Vasquez
Tony Filosa	James Montague	Norma Villar
Louis Finochio	Cheryl Morten	Ricardo & Felicidad Villegas
G Mariano G.	Marjorie Motto	Therese Huyen-Duong Thi Vu
Lupe Galvan	N Gloria Natividad	Theresa Mai Vu
Juan Garcia	Mario Nieto	W Martha Willox
Ramona Garcia	Victor Ng	Janny Wong
Daniela Garcia de la Rosa	Huy Nguyen	Jennifer Wong
Alyce Gold	P Laura Pagano	Z Christine Zampese
Adela Gonzalez	Tony Pagliotti	

Pray for the Dead

Maria Caballero	Tony Miceli
Fernando Gutierrez	Jose Ortega
Francine Lozano	Victoria Petas
Andrea Lozano	Jeff Shaw



Hello!

There is a story of a woman whose house was burned down in a terrible fire, and she had three sons. She asked her sons to rebuild the house for her. The first son said to himself, "I am a carpenter, but I don't know anything about project planning, electricity, plumbing systems, or bricklaying; I can't build the house." The second son said to himself, "I am an electrician. I don't know anything about bricklaying, carpentry, or plumbing; I can't build the house." The third son said to himself, "I am a bricklayer. I don't know anything about carpentry, electricity, or plumbing; therefore, I can't build the house."

Each of these three sons focused on what they couldn't control rather than how they could use their own possessions and talents and bring them together to build a beautiful new house for their mother. Because they over simplified their own potentials and talents and yet overestimated their *temporary* lack, they damaged their love and relationship with their mother. Consequently, their mother's wish was never fulfilled.

After Jesus ascended, the disciples also experienced moments of *inadequacy*, *uncertainty* and *anxiety*. They revealed their fear through their isolation, locking themselves up in the room. Perhaps they contemplated leaving the mission that Jesus had entrusted to them. Despite facing difficulties and inadequacies to begin with, they remained intact, trusting in His promise. Thus, something occurred. Jesus sent His promise upon them. As we learn from the account in the Book of Acts, the Spirit came as a "strong driving wind that filled the room." What really happened on the day of Pentecost?

We do not know a lot of details about what happened, but we do know the disciples changed on Pentecost. They received the gifts of *wisdom*, *understanding*, *knowledge*, *fortitude*, *counsel*, *piety*, and *fear of the Lord*. They were overwhelmed by His love and presence, and once they received the gifts, they were led to the world to proclaim the Good News of the kingdom of God.

The three brothers in the story mentioned above gave up even before they started, for they feared being judged by each other. The disciples, however, surrendered their fear and vanity. They rendered their brokenness and vulnerability to the Spirit of God, who transformed them into joy and confidence. Thus, wherever they traveled, they proudly shared the message of the hope, peace, and love of Jesus for the world. They had come to believe that with the love and guidance of the Spirit and their openness, they could accomplish the mission!

True joy and happiness do not depend upon material possessions, or on having things always go our way or getting what we want. The core of joy and happiness is rooted in one's heart, one relationship with God's love and in doing good things for others.

Every day, I can see joyful people around the school and parish community. They leave their home, family responsibilities and pleasures behind to keep this parish and school moving. I can see volunteers; school parents gather together to plan, prepare, and support the School May Festival. I am impressed by their humble attitudes, words, and deeds as they share for the future generation and the church. Their actions and attitudes affirm their faith, love, and unity for God's people. In some way, we can compare them with the missionaries who were sent by the Risen Christ. That God's love transcends their fears, inadequacy, and limits into confidence, joy, and peace to bring the best possibilities to others.

St. Thomas More School is hosting the May Festival this Sunday in the field from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. There is a variety of choices and activities. I invite all parishioners, parents, friends, and relatives to participate in this school fundraising event. Through your prayers, support, presence and purchase of raffle tickets, food and games, you are on the mission that Jesus has entrusted to you. Mission means when we share our availability and blessings to bring the Good News to others. On this Pentecost celebration, we are strengthened by God's Spirit and sent out to proclaim His love for the world through our words and deeds.

God Bless!

Fr. Thai

¡Hola!

Hay una historia de una mujer cuya casa fue quemada en un incendio terrible, y ella tenía tres hijos. Ella les pidió a sus hijos que reconstruyan la casa para ella. El primer hijo se dijo a sí mismo: "Soy carpintero, pero no sé nada sobre planificación de proyectos, electricidad, sistemas de plomería o albañilería; No puedo construir la casa ". El segundo hijo se dijo a sí mismo: " Soy electricista. No sé nada sobre albañilería, carpintería o plomería; No puedo construir la casa ". El tercer hijo se dijo a sí mismo: " Soy albañil. No sé nada sobre carpintería, electricidad o plomería; por lo tanto, no puedo construir la casa ".

Cada uno de estos tres hijos se centró en lo que no podían controlar, en lugar de como podían usar sus propias posesiones y talentos, y reunirlos para construir una hermosa casa nueva para su madre. Debido a que simplificaron demasiado sus propios potenciales y talentos y, sin embargo, sobreestimaron su falta temporal, dañaron su amor y relación con su madre. En consecuencia, el deseo de su madre nunca se cumplió.

Después de que Jesús ascendió, los discípulos también vivieron momentos de insuficiencias, incertidumbre y ansiedad. Revelaron su miedo a través de su aislamiento, encerrándose en la habitación. Tal vez contemplaron abandonar la misión que Jesús les había confiado. A pesar de enfrentar dificultades e insuficiencias para empezar, se mantuvieron intactos, confiando en su promesa. Por lo tanto, algo ocurrió. Jesús envió su promesa sobre ellos. Como aprendemos del relato en el Libro de los Hechos, el Espíritu vino como un "fuerte viento que llenaba la habitación". ¿Qué sucedió realmente en el día de Pentecostés?

No sabemos muchos detalles sobre lo que sucedió, pero sí sabemos que los discípulos cambiaron en Pentecostés. Recibieron los dones de sabiduría, entendimiento, conocimiento, fortaleza, consejo, piedad y temor del Señor. Estaban abrumados por su amor y presencia, y una vez que recibieron los dones, fueron guiados al mundo para proclamar las Buenas Nuevas del reino de Dios.

Los tres hermanos en la historia mencionada arriba se rindieron incluso antes de comenzar, porque temían ser juzgados el uno por el otro. Los discípulos, sin embargo, rindieron su miedo y vanidad. Prestaron su fragilidad y vulnerabilidad al Espíritu de Dios, quien los transformó en alegría y confianza. Por lo tanto, donde sea que viajen, orgullosamente compartieron el mensaje de la esperanza, la paz y el amor de Jesús por el mundo. Habían llegado a creer que, con el amor y la guía del Espíritu y su apertura, ¡podrían cumplir la misión!

La verdadera alegría y la felicidad no dependen de las posesiones materiales, o de que las cosas siempre sigan nuestro camino o consigamos lo que queremos. El corazón de la alegría y la felicidad está arraigado en el corazón, una relación con el amor de Dios y hacer cosas buenas por los demás.

Todos los días, puedo ver personas alegres en la escuela y en la comunidad parroquial. Abandonan su hogar, las responsabilidades familiares y los placeres para mantener esta parroquia y la escuela en movimiento. Puedo ver voluntarios; los padres de la escuela se reúnen para planificar, preparar y apoyar el Festival Escolar de Mayo. Estoy impresionado por sus actitudes humildes, palabras y obras, ya que comparten para la generación futura y la iglesia. Sus acciones y actitudes afirman su fe, amor y unidad para el pueblo de Dios. De alguna manera, podemos compararlos con los misioneros enviados por Cristo Resucitado. Que el amor de Dios trasciende sus miedos, inadecuación y límites a la confianza, la alegría y la paz para brindar las mejores posibilidades a los demás.

La escuela Santo Tomas Moro organizara el Festival de Mayo este Domingo en el campo de 8 a.m. a 2 p.m. Hay una variedad de opciones y actividades. Invito a todos los feligreses, padres, amigos y parientes a participar en este evento de recaudación de fondos de la escuela. A través de sus oraciones, apoyo, presencia y compra de boletos para la rifa, comida y juegos, usted está en la misión que Jesús le ha confiado. Misión significa cuando compartimos nuestra disponibilidad y bendiciones para llevar las Buenas Nuevas a otros. En esta celebración de Pentecostés, somos fortalecidos por el Espíritu de Dios y enviados a proclamar Su amor por el mundo a través de nuestras palabras y acciones.

¡Dios bendiga!

P. Thai