

St. Thomas More Church

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Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time Sunday, July 8, 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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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — They shall know that a prophet has been among them (Ezekiel 2:2-5).

Psalm — Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy (Psalm 123).

Second Reading — I am content with weaknesses and hardships for the sake of Christ (2 Corinthians 12:7-10).

Gospel — The people said: "Where did this man get all this? Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?" (Mark 6:1-6).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Ps 145:2-9; Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday:	Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115:3-10; Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday:	Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105:2-7; Mt 10:1-7
Thursday:	Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16; Mt 10:7-15
Friday:	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17; Mt 10:16-23
Saturday:	Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33
Sunday:	Am 7:12-15; Ps 85:9-14; Eph 1:3-14 [3-10]; Mk 6:7-13

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Ezequiel es enviado como el profeta de Yavé a los rebeldes y obstinados Israelitas (Ezequiel 2:2-5).

Salmo — Están nuestros ojos en el Señor Dios nuestro, esperando su misericordia (Salmo 123 [122]).

Segunda lectura — Pablo reconoce sus debilidades y se gloria de ellas, para que la fuerza de Cristo habite en él (2 Corintios 12:7-10).

Evangelio — Jesús predica en la sinagoga de su pueblo natal, dejando a los habitantes atónitos. (Marcos 6:1-6).

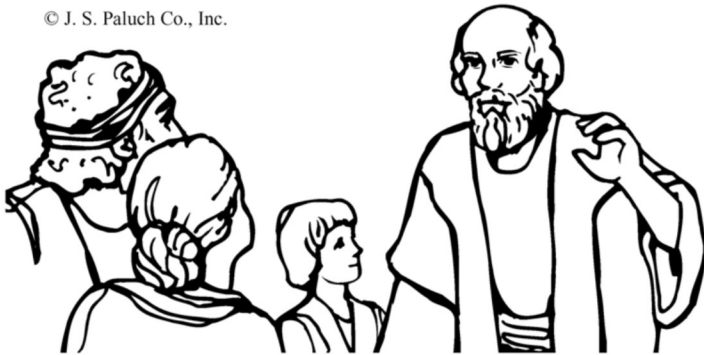
LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes:	Os 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Sal 145 (144):2-9; Mt 9:18-26
Martes:	Os 8:4-7, 11-13; Sal 115 (114):3-10; Mt 9:32-38
Miércoles:	Os 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Sal 105 (104):2-7; Mt 10:1-7
Jueves:	Os 11:1-4, 8c-9; Sal 80 (79):2ac, 3b, 15-16; Mt 10:7-15
Viernes:	Os 14:2-10; Sal 51 (50):3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17; Mt 10:16-23
Sábado:	Is 6:1-8; Sal 93 (92):1-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33
Domingo:	Am 7:12-15; Sal 85 (84):9-14; Ef 1:3-14 [3-10]; Mc 6:7-13

Collections for 6/24/18

5:00 PM	\$726.00	Thank You! Gracias!
7:30 AM	\$985.00	
9:00 AM	\$913.00	
10:45 AM	\$573.00	
12:30 PM	\$914.00	
By mail/online	\$511.00	
Bldg Fund	\$245.00	
Special Projects	\$15.00	
Air Conditioning	\$151.00	
Total	\$5,033.00	
2nd Collection:	\$2,202.00	
Mission Appeal		

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The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



But you shall say to them: Thus says the Lord God: And whether they heed or resist—for they are a rebellious house—they shall know that a prophet has been among them. Ez 2:4-5

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COLD AND MORE JUST."

—Pope Francis, *Angelus*, March 17, 2013

Peter's Pence Collection

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If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give, visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on the "How to Give" link.

*Collection totals will be published in next week's bulletin.

Did You Know?

Go beyond just saying "no" to teach children about polite exceptions

Rules about politeness seem to be in contradiction to the rules we teach children about avoiding predators and responding to behaviors that make them uncomfortable. It's important to expand on the idea of saying "no" when someone asks them to cross a boundary. Explain that there are situations where being rude is acceptable, if that's what it takes, and help them understand that being polite has its limits.

For a copy of the complete VIRTUS® article "Exceptions for Children on Society's Rules about Being 'Polite'".



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

If you are a newcomer to the parish and would like to register, please complete the information below. Please clip this form and bring to the parish office or deposit in the Sunday collection. **Current Parishioners, help us update our files by submitting address and phone number changes with this form.**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Sunday Breakfast

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Donuts and Coffee

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CURRENT EVENTS

Saturday, July 07, 2018		
Sunday, July 08, 2018		
8:30AM -2PM	Coffee & Donuts	Hall
Monday, July 09, 2018		
9:30AM	Legion of Mary	Ministry Center
7:30PM	Youth Band Practice	Church
Tuesday, July 10, 2018		
9AM - 9:30AM	Our Lady of Wisdom Prayer Group	Church
7:00PM	Grief Support	Ministry Center
7:45PM	English Choir Practice	Church
Wednesday, July 11, 2018		
9AM - 9:30AM	Mother of Perpetual Help Novena	Church
7:00PM	Bible Study	Ministry Center
Thursday, July 12, 2018		
8:00PM	Spanish Choir	Church
Friday, July 13, 2018		
9AM - 1PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
Saturday, July 14, 2018		
Sunday, July 15, 2018		
8:30AM -2PM	Coffee & Donuts	Hall

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 07, 2018		
8:30 AM	Fr. Andrew	Araceli Magpantay†
4:00 PM	Fr. Thai	Confessions
5:00 PM	Fr. Thai	Patrick Yiu† Benedicto Bilog†
Sunday, July 08, 2018		
7:30 AM	Fr. Perry	Peter Sinh Nguyen† Araceli Magpantay†
9:00 AM	Fr. Thai	Lourdes Magturd† Espie Villanueva: Special Intentions
10:45 AM	TBA	Juan Garcia(Healing)
12:30 PM	Fr. Thai	Michael Manocchio† Maria Martinez: Special Intentions
Monday, July 09, 2018		
8:30 AM	Fr. Andrew	Araceli Magpantay†
Tuesday, July 10, 2018		
8:30 AM	Fr. Andrew	Seminarian Kenneth Cavara & Fr. Mark Cavara: Special Intentions
Wednesday, July 11, 2018		
8:30 AM	Fr. Thai	Rufino Santos Jr.†
Thursday, July 12, 2018		
8:30 AM	Fr. Donovan	Ralph Delgado†
Friday, July 13, 2018		
8:30 AM	Fr. Andrew	Ann Grespan†
Saturday, July 14, 2018		
8:30 AM	Fr. Thai	Parishioners of STM
4:00 PM	Fr. Thai	Confessions
5:00 PM	Fr. Thai	Bea Padilla† Ron Dominguez†
Sunday, July 15, 2018		
7:30 AM	Fr. Thai	Peter Sinh Nguyen†
9:00 AM	Fr. Andrew	Ben Ong & Lourdes Navarette†
10:45 AM	Fr. Thai	Jose Labarrera† Rafael Garcia, Sr.† Araceli Magpantay†
12:30 PM	Fr. Andrew	Sandra Martinez: Healing

Please Pray for the Sick

Fr. Jeremiah O'Neill

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

Pray for the Dead

Maria Caballero	Tony Miceli
Andrea Lozano	Victoria Petas
Francine Lozano	Amelia Ramirez
Cely Magpantay	Jeff Shaw
Michael Manocchio	



Hello.

In daily life, attitudes and words are important. Positive expressions can encourage others to change, to improve, to grow, or to succeed in life. However, negative gestures and words cause impeded growth, in both intellectual and spiritual dimensions. One such manner is the habit of judging and criticizing, and it becomes dangerous when it is subjective and prejudiced. When someone has such a predisposition toward another person or an event, it is hard to see the good values that are present.

Such a mindset has happened before, including during the time of Our Lord Jesus Christ. As we learn from today's three readings, all three prophets, who shared one common destiny, Ezekiel, Paul, and Jesus, are dismissed and rejected in their own land. They encountered the fierce opposition of stubborn listeners.

Jesus returns to his hometown and preaches to His friends and neighbors; they do not accept him. How so? Because the people of Nazareth on that day arrived with a mentality of *predisposition*—perceiving him according to their past experiences with him. They remember Him as a boy who grew up and played with their sons and daughters; they remember his mother, Mary and his dad Joseph, the carpenter. Their attitude is, “We know your history and past well; don't preach and to tell us what to do.” Because of their predisposition, Jesus could not perform any good deeds in their town. Thus, they got what they ordered!

In contemporary society, people tend to dislike living in the past. A new day brings new challenges and new possibilities. Thus, we should have no problem believing the living Word of God. When the Word of God is proclaimed, God is present in our midst. To that truth, Jesus comes and preaches to us in all walks of life. He could come to us when our mind is occupied by sadness, darkness, confusion, or disappointment brought on by life's events, or at the moment when we feel the best about our lives, extremely happy and joyful. To be ready and effective listeners to His words, we should prepare our inner life always. Sometimes the inner voices speak louder than the outside ones, for the inside is the home and the spark of wisdom that helps us to discern Jesus' message.

To accept Jesus' message, it is crucial to instill within us an attitude of humility, knowing that we depend upon Jesus' message. In humility, we recognize our sinful and weak condition. We can't flourish in life without God's mercy and forgiveness. Only in a humble mood, do we trust in God more strongly and realize that our whole being, and all our belongings are gifts from God. The more we realize our dependency upon God, the more we assure our inner peace and confidence. No one can accomplish good things in daily life without first building up the inner peace. Jesus knew that, and He came to share His word with us.

One of the most challenging things in today's lifestyle is the mentality of self-satisfaction, especially when people are doing well, mastering everything. They have successfully solved and overcome any problems during their lives. It is time to eliminate God from their lives, families, souls, and the world. Friedrich Nietzsche once said, “God is dead, God remains dead.” When people try to take God out of their lives, what is left in their innermost level of soul is emptiness and confusion. It is portrayed in today's Gospel; Jesus left them alone without any good deeds.

We do want to include Jesus in our daily life. That is why we keep coming to the Eucharist every Sunday. We feel incomplete without listening to and receiving His words and the Eucharist. It is first and foremost to realize God's mighty hand in our lives and in our midst. That way, we are filled with the living faith and practice our faith each day. With His teachings, we will approach life with a clear and non-delusional ears and eyes.

God bless!

Fr. Thai

¡Hola!

En la vida diaria, las actitudes y las palabras son importantes. Expresiones positivas pueden alentar a otros a cambiar, a mejorar, a crecer o triunfar en la vida. Sin embargo, los gestos y palabras negativas causan impedir el crecimiento, tanto en dimensiones intelectuales como espirituales. Una de ellas es el hábito de juzgar y criticar, se vuelve peligroso cuando es subjetivo y prejuicioso. Cuando alguien tiene tal predisposición hacia otra persona o un evento, es difícil ver los buenos valores que están presentes.

Tal mentalidad ha sucedido antes, incluso durante el tiempo de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo. A medida que aprendemos de las tres lecturas de hoy, los tres profetas, que compartieron un destino común, Ezequiel, Pablo y Jesús, son despedidos y rechazados en su propia tierra. Se encontraron con la feroz oposición de oyentes obstinados.

Jesús regresa a su ciudad natal y predica a sus amigos y vecinos; ellos no lo aceptan. ¿Cómo es eso? Porque la gente de Nazaret en ese día llegó con una mentalidad de predisposición, percibiéndolo de acuerdo con sus experiencias pasadas con él. Lo recuerdan como un niño que creció y jugó con sus hijos e hijas; recuerdan a su madre, María y su padre José, el carpintero. Su actitud es: "Conocemos bien tu historia y tu pasado; no prediques y nos digas qué hacer ". Debido a su predisposición, Jesús no pudo realizar ninguna buena acción en su pueblo. ¡Así que obtuvieron lo que ordenaron!

En la sociedad contemporánea, a las personas les disgusta vivir en el pasado. Un nuevo día trae nuevos desafíos y nuevas posibilidades. Por lo tanto, no deberíamos tener ningún problema para creer en la Palabra viviente de Dios. Cuando se proclama la Palabra de Dios, Dios está presente en medio de nosotros. A esa verdad, Jesús viene y nos predica en todos los ámbitos de la vida. Él podría acercarse a nosotros cuando nuestra mente esté ocupada por la tristeza, la oscuridad, la confusión o la desilusión provocada por los acontecimientos de la vida, o en el momento en que nos sentimos que es lo mejor de nuestras vidas, extremadamente felices y alegres. Para estar listos y escuchar eficazmente Sus palabras, debemos preparar nuestra vida interior siempre. A veces, las voces internas hablan más fuerte que las externas, porque el interior es el hogar y la chispa de sabiduría que nos ayuda a discernir el mensaje de Jesús.

Para aceptar el mensaje de Jesús, es crucial inculcar en nosotros una actitud de humildad, sabiendo que dependemos del mensaje de Jesús. En humildad, reconocemos nuestra condición pecaminosa y débil. No podemos florecer en la vida sin la misericordia y el perdón de Dios. Solo con humildad, confiamos en Dios con más fuerza y nos damos cuenta de que todo nuestro ser y todas nuestras pertenencias son regalos de Dios. Cuanto más nos damos cuenta de nuestra dependencia de Dios, más aseguramos nuestra paz interior y nuestra confianza. Nadie puede lograr cosas buenas en la vida diaria sin antes construir la paz interior. Jesús lo sabía, y vino a compartir su palabra con nosotros.

Una de las cosas más desafiantes en el estilo de vida actual es la mentalidad de autosatisfacción, especialmente cuando las personas les va bien, dominando todo. Han resuelto y superado exitosamente cualquier problema durante sus vidas. Es hora de eliminar a Dios de sus vidas, familias, almas y el mundo. Friedrich Nietzsche dijo una vez: "Dios está muerto, Dios permanece muerto". Cuando las personas intentan sacar a Dios de sus vidas, lo que queda en el nivel más profundo de su alma es el vacío y la confusión. Está retratado en el Evangelio de hoy; Jesús los dejó solos sin ninguna buena acción.

Queremos incluir a Jesús en nuestra vida diaria. Es por eso que seguimos viniendo a la Eucaristía todos los domingos. Nos sentimos incompletos sin escuchar y recibir Sus palabras y la Eucaristía. Lo primero y más importante es darnos cuenta de la poderosa mano de Dios en nuestras vidas y en medio de nosotros. De esa manera, estamos llenos de la fe viva y practicamos nuestra fe todos los días. Con Sus enseñanzas, abordaremos la vida con oídos y ojos claros y no delirantes.

¡Dios bendiga!

P. Thai