

# St. Thomas More Church

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## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup> 2017

### 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

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

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**Principal:** Judy Jones (ext. 128)

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### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The woman who fears the LORD is to be praised  
(Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31).

**Psalm** — Blessed are those who fear the Lord (Psalm 128).

**Second Reading** — Brothers and sisters, you are children of the light (1  
Thessalonians 5:1-6).

**Gospel** — To all those who have, more will be given, and they will have  
an abundance (Matthew 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119:53, 61, 134,  
150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43

**Tuesday:** 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10

**Wednesday:** 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15; Lk 19:11-28

**Thursday:** 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lk 19:41-44  
Thanksgiving Day, Suggested:

Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

**Friday:** 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11-12; Lk 19:45-48

**Saturday:** 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19; Lk 20:27-40

**Sunday:** Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt  
25:31-46

### LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — Un esposo es capaz de confiar su corazón a su esposa  
que es como una joya (Proverbios 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31).

**Salmo** — Bendito sean los que temen al Señor (Salmo 128 [127]).

**Segunda lectura** — El día del Señor vendrá como el ladrón en la noche  
(1 Tesalonicenses 5:1-6).

**Evangelio** — Porque has sido fiel en lo poco, ven a compartir la alegría  
de tu Señor (Mateo 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]).

### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

**Lunes:** 1 Mac 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Sal 119 (118):53, 61,  
134, 150, 155, 158; Lc 18:35-43

**Martes:** 2 Mac 6:18-31; Sal 3:2-7; Lc 19:1-10

**Miércoles:** 2 Mac 7:1, 20-31; Sal 17 (16):1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15;  
Lc 19:11-28

**Jueves:** 1 Mac 2:15-29; Sal 50 (49):1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lc 19:41-44  
Día de Acción de Gracias (sugerencia):

Sir 50:22-24; Sal 145 (144):2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lc 17:11-19

**Viernes:** 1 Mac 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Cr 29:10bcd, 11-12; Lc 19:45-48

**Sábado:** 1 Mac 6:1-13; Sal 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19; Lc 20:27-40

**Domingo:** Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Sal 23 (22):1-3, 5-6;  
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

### Collections for 11/12/17

5:00 PM	\$1,171.00
7:30 AM	\$801.00
9:00 AM	\$1,157.00
10:45 AM	\$520.00
12:30 PM	\$827.00
By mail/online	\$617.00
Bldg Fund	\$691.00
Special Projects	\$20.00
Altar Society	\$39.00
All Souls	\$124.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,967.00</b>

**THANK YOU!**

**GRACIAS!**

# The 2017 STM

## Christmas Toy Drive

Now Through Friday,  
December 15, 2017

Please bring an Unwrapped New Toy for a girl or a boy, ages Newborn - 14 years that you would like to donate to your classroom. All toys will be donated to the Hillsides Foundation.

Christmas Toy Drive.



Whoever has a heart full of love always has something to give. - Pope John XXIII

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT  
WORKING ON THE MARGINS

Thank you for your generous support last week to the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish we raised \$[amount] to support those on the margins living in poverty. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give!

Visit [www.usccb.org/nationalcollections](http://www.usccb.org/nationalcollections) and click "How to Give" on the left.

find us on  
**Facebook**  
[www.facebook.com/StThomasMoreAlhambra](http://www.facebook.com/StThomasMoreAlhambra)

### Spaghetti with Santa Hosted by Knights of Columbus

Saturday, December 2nd @ 6:00 PM

Spaghetti dinner, Christmas caroling, visit from Santa, and toy drive.

Kids free, adults \$10.

For more info or tickets call Mike Stauffer 310-916-8419.

### Sunday Breakfast



**No breakfast this Sunday**

**Please join us next week**

**Tree of Giving**  
December 2 - December 17

'Tis the Season! Please stop by and select an organization's card from the Tree of Giving.

Wrap your gift, attach the tag, and put it under the tree. If your gift is cash or check, place it in a sealed envelope with the name of the organization written on the outside and turn it in to the rectory.

We must receive all gifts by December 17 to ensure delivery before Christmas. If you have any questions, please call the STM Secretary at

(626) 284-8333 x141.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**CURRENT EVENTS**

<b>Saturday, November 25, 2017</b>		
No Confirmation Class		
<b>Sunday, November 26, 2017</b>		
No Breakfast or Religious Education Class		
<b>Monday, November 27, 2017</b>		
9:30am Legion of Mary	Ministry Center	
7PM RCIA Class	Ministry Center	
7:30PM-9PM Youth Band Practice	Church	
<b>Tuesday, November 28, 2017</b>		
9AM - 9:30AM Our Lady of Wisdom Prayer Group	Church	
7:45PM English Choir Practice	Church	
<b>Wednesday, November 29, 2017</b>		
9AM - 9:30 Mother of Perpetual Help AM Novena	Church	
7:00PM Bible Study	Ministry Center	
<b>Thursday, November 30, 2017</b>		
6:30PM Youth Nights	Ministry Center	
8:00PM Spanish Choir Practice	Church	
<b>Friday, December 01, 2017</b>		
9AM - 1PM Eucharistic Adoration	Church	
7:00PM Divine Mercy	Ministry Center	
<b>Saturday, December 02, 2017</b>		
6:00PM Confirmation Class	Ministry Center	
6:00PM Spaghetti with Santa		
<b>Sunday, December 03, 2017</b>		
No Breakfast		
9AM-12PM Religious Education Class	School	
2PM-3:30PM English Choir Practice		

**MASS SCHEDULE**

<b>Saturday, November 25, 2017</b>		
8:30 AM	Fr. Donovan	Parishioners of STM
4:00PM	Fr. Thai	Confessions
5:00 PM	Fr. Thai	Patrick Yiu† Robert Kirin†
<b>Sunday, November 26, 2017</b>		
7:30 AM	Fr. O'Neill	Anna Ly Tran†
9:00 AM	Fr. Thai	Domingo R. Santos† Honorio Manalang Jr.†
10:45 AM	Fr. Thai	Rafael Garcia Jr.† Juana Yllescas†
12:30 PM	Fr. Donovan	Isaiah Gutierrez†
<b>Monday, November 27, 2017</b>		
8:30 AM	Fr. Thai	Parishioners of STM
<b>Tuesday, November 28, 2017</b>		
8:30 AM	Fr. Andrew	Maria Elena & Ruben Alatorre†
<b>Wednesday, November 29, 2017</b>		
8:30 AM	Fr. O'Neill	Mercedes Bica†
<b>Thursday, November 30, 2017</b>		
8:30 AM	Fr. Andrew	Parishioners of STM
<b>Friday, December 01, 2017</b>		
8:30 AM	Fr. Thai	Fr. Thai Le and Family
<b>Saturday, December 02, 2017</b>		
8:30 AM	Fr. Donovan	Parishioners of STM
4:00PM	Fr. Thai	Confessions
5:00 PM	Fr. Thai	Patrick Yiu† Choni Coyle: Birthday
<b>Sunday, December 03, 2017</b>		
7:30 AM	Fr. Andrew	Anna Ly Tran†
9:00 AM	Fr. Thai	Joel, Antonio & Valentina Tiu†
10:45 AM	Fr. Thai	Socorro & Alfredo Rios†
12:30 PM	Fr. Andrew	Leonor Orozco†

*Please Pray for the Sick*

Fr. Jeremiah O'Neill

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

*Pray for the Dead*

Josephine Barrera	Jose Anibal Iainez
Mercedes Bica	Clare Ryan
Frank Bush	Cornelio Sanga Sr.
Maria Endara	Solomon Ylma



Hello!

Whenever I visit Madrid in Spain, I always visit the Museo del Prado which located in the heart of the city. Museo del Prado has one of the world's finest collections of European art dating from the twelfth century to the early nineteenth century. In addition to the European art, I am also impressed by a tall wall that stands outside the museum with the inscriptions in Spanish, saying "There are many things will come and go but good deeds will remain forever." I do not know who said or wrote that phrase; but I do know good things

are created by God.

Today is the last Sunday of Church's calendar, and next Sunday the Church will begin new calendar with First Sunday of Advent. We end the Church's calendar with the Feast of Christ the King. The Gospel describes there will be consequence for those who failed to do good things for others; especially for those in need. Last Sunday, Pope Francis marked the first World Day of the Poor, in which he invited some four thousand poor and needy people to St. Peter's Basilica to celebrate Mass and had lunch with them!

When we hear the stories of less fortunate children, either in our neighborhoods or around the world. As Christians we can't simply say, "I have nothing to do with them, my responsibility is to my family, and their stories have nothing to do with me." As Jesus' followers we just can't ignore the good and caring nature that God has instilled in each of us. Thus, we are bound to exercise God's gift and respond to the needs of others in various and loving ways.

People in need are mentioned a lot during Jesus' ministry. His actions compassion, and words of love for the poor reminded His followers that to be His true followers, they needed to follow His examples. God humbled Himself, became Man, and lived a simple life amid the poor and marginalized people. We can't advocate that someone's poverty is not our fault and therefore we do not need to bother! Poverty is not a crime or sin; it is a personal and temporary crisis. When a person is in trouble, he or she does not want to be in such a situation. For those who have the means to help but choose to ignore the call contradicts her or his profession and active faith.

We just celebrated Thanksgiving Day couple of days ago. We are so happy to have God as our Father and Creator who has blessed us with life, family, friends, job, nature, and so much more. We should pause for a moment each day to observe the people and things in our lives! We can't have them without God's blessings. Thus, we give thanks to God always. We are called to share our blessings with others through our practical and tangible good deeds; it is our identity. We learned from today's gospel that when we bless, share, and spend time with the sick, poor, imprisoned, and those in need, we are caring for Jesus!

As you come to our church during this time, you will see a tall Christmas tree standing in the sanctuary area. There are stars hanging on the tree. You can take one or more and follow the directions inside it. When you bring your blessing back and place it underneath of the Christmas tree. Your blessings will be delivered to children who otherwise would not have anything for Christmas. You will send them not only a gift, but also hope, happiness, and joy. It's a way of saying, "somebody out there cares and loves me though I don't even know them."

Good deeds remain forever because God is good! God knows we sometimes struggle to share or pay attention to others due to our nature. However, He also knows we try each day to be better and to do good for others. We acknowledge Jesus Christ as our King of love, life, and truth. We strive each day to follow our King through our love and care for those who are most in need.

God bless!

Fr. Thai

¡Hola!

Cada vez que visito Madrid en España, siempre visito el Museo del Prado que está en el corazón de la ciudad. El Museo del Prado es una de las mejores colecciones de arte europeo del mundo desde el siglo XII hasta principios del siglo XIX. "No sé quién dijo que hay muchas cosas que irán y vendrán". No sé quién lo dijo, o escribió esa frase; pero no sé que las cosas buenas son creadas por Dios.

Hoy es el último domingo de la Iglesia, y el próximo domingo será el viernes del Domingo de Adviento de Fris. Terminamos el calendario de la Iglesia con la Fiesta de Cristo Rey. El Evangelio describe que habrá consecuencias para aquellos que no hacen las cosas por los demás; especialmente para aquellos en necesidad. El domingo pasado, el Papa Francisco marcó el primer Día Mundial de los Pobres, en el que invitó a unas cuatro mil personas pobres y necesitadas. La Basílica de San Pedro para celebrar la misa y almorzar con ellos

Cuando escuchamos las historias de niños menos afortunados, ya sea en nuestros vecindarios o en todo el mundo. Como cristianos no podemos simplemente decir: "No tengo nada que ver con ellos, mi responsabilidad es con mi familia, y sus historias no tienen nada que ver conmigo. naturaleza que Dios ha inculcado en cada uno de nosotros. Por lo tanto, estamos obligados a ejercer el don de Dios y responder a las necesidades de los demás de diversas maneras y amor.

Las personas necesitadas son muchas durante el ministerio de Jesús. Sus acciones son compasión, y las palabras de amor son para los pobres. Dios se humilló a Sí mismo, se hizo Hombre y vivió una vida sencilla en medio de los pobres y marginados. No podemos defender que la pobreza de alguien no sea culpa nuestra y, por lo tanto, ¡no necesitamos molestarnos! La pobreza no es un crimen o pecado; Es una crisis personal y temporal. Cuando una persona está en problemas, él o ella no quiere estar en tal situación. Para aquellos que tienen los medios para ayudar pero eligen ignorar la llamada, contradice.

Acabamos de celebrar el Día de Acción de Gracias hace un par de días. Estamos muy felices de tener a Dios como nuestro Padre y Creador que nos ha bendecido con la vida, la familia, los amigos, el trabajo, la naturaleza y mucho más. ¡Deberíamos detenernos un momento cada día para observar a las personas y cosas en nuestras vidas! No podemos tener las bendiciones de Dios. Por lo tanto, le damos gracias a Dios siempre. Estamos llamados a compartir nuestras bendiciones con otros a través de nuestras buenas acciones prácticas y tangibles; es nuestra identidad Aprendemos del evangelio de hoy que bendecimos, compartimos y pasamos tiempo con los enfermos, los pobres, los encarcelados y los necesitados, ¡estamos cuidando de Jesús!

Cuando venga a nuestra iglesia durante este tiempo, verá un alto árbol de Navidad de pie en el área del santuario. Hay estrellas colgando en el árbol. Puedes tomar uno o más y seguir las instrucciones dentro de él. Cuando recuperes tu bendición y la colocas debajo del árbol de Navidad. Sus bendiciones serán entregadas a los niños que no tendrían nada para Navidad. No solo recibirá un regalo, sino también esperanza, felicidad y alegría. Es una forma de decir: "Alguien por ahí me quiere y me quiere, aunque yo ni siquiera los conozco".

¡Las buenas obras permanecen para siempre porque Dios es bueno! Dios sabe que tenemos que luchar para compartir o prestar atención a los demás debido a nuestra naturaleza. Sin embargo, también sabe que intentaremos que cada día sea mejor para otros. Reconocemos a Jesucristo como nuestro Rey de amor, vida y verdad. Atacamos cada día para seguir nuestro amor y cuidar a aquellos que más lo necesitan.

Dios los bendiga!

P. Thai