

## THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

*2nd Sunday of Lent*

First Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

Second Reading: Philippians 3:17—4:1

Gospel: Luke 9:28b-36

## NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

*3rd Sunday of Lent*

First Reading: Exodus 17:3-7

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Gospel: John 4:5-42

### Presider Schedule March 6th-7th

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| <b>5:00pm (Sat.)</b>     | Fr. Ward    |
| <b>8:00am</b>            | Fr. Maurice |
| <b>9:30am</b>            | Fr. Ward    |
| <b>11:30am</b>           | Fr. Maurice |
| <b>5:00pm (LifeTeen)</b> | Fr. Maurice |

### Ushers for March

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| <b>5:00pm (Sat.)</b> | <b>8:00am</b>          |
| Pat Portolese, Capt. | Ed dos Remedios, Capt. |
| Darwin Rieck         | Vern Gestson           |
| Arnold Wheeler       | Glen Holberg           |
| Dave McWayne         | Niniva Tupua           |
|                      | Jose Gallegos          |
| <b>9:30am</b>        | <b>11:30am</b>         |
| Tom Cooney, Capt.    | Manny Juzon, Capt.     |
| Dick Ptacek, Capt.   | Victor Valle           |
| Adam Weyant          | Anne Duncombe          |
| Eddie DeGuzman       | Felicisimo Reyes       |
| Jack Geisler         |                        |
| Hieu Bui             |                        |

### Altar Servers March 6th-7th

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| <b>5:00pm (Sat.)</b> | <b>8:00am</b>      |
| Book: Fallon B       | Book: Elizabeth D. |
| Bell: Margaret C.    | Bell: Martin B.    |
| Cross: Brendon M.    | Cross: Victoria S. |
| <b>9:30am</b>        | <b>11:30am</b>     |
| Book: Caroline F.    | Bell: Lara M.      |
| Bell: Anne F.        | Book: Albert M.    |
| Cross: Maddie D.     | Cross: Jacob M.    |



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| <b>5:00pm</b>    |
| Book: Katey M.   |
| Bell: McKenna W. |
| Cross: Jordan W. |

Jesus took Peter, John and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying, his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem.

Luke 9: 28-31

## THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

### Sunday—February 28th-Masses-2nd Sunday of Lent

Faith Formation Classes-CLOW

12:30pm-Fil-Am Group-Parish Office Meeting Room

1:00pm-Vietnamese Language Class-Adult Ed. Room/  
Comm. Cntr Meeting Room

5:00pm-LifeTeen Mass- LifeNight following

### Monday—March 1st

6:30pm-Edge-Dalton Hall

6:30pm-Mission Choir-Music Room

7:00pm-USCCA-Renggli Room

### Tuesday—March 2nd

9:30am-Bible Study-Renggli Room

6:30pm-CDA Officers Meeting-Library

7:00pm-Bible Study-Renggli Room

7:00pm-Catholicism 101-Comm. Cntr Meeting Room

7:00pm-Justice & Peace Commission-Parish Office

### Wednesday—March 3rd

6:00am-Mass-Chapel

6:30pm-Confirmation Classes-Youth Room

6:30pm-Faith Formation Class-Library

6:30pm-Benediction & Rosary-Church

7:00pm-9:30am Choir Practice-Chapel

7:00pm-Multicultural Choir Practice-Music Room

7:00pm-RCIA-Renggli Room/Comm. Cntr Meeting Room

7:00pm-Liturgy Commission-Parish Office

### Thursday—March 4th

9:30am-USCCA-Youth Room

7:00pm-MOM's Group-Renggli Room

7:00pm-Lux Mundi-Youth Room

7:00pm-CYO Committee Meeting-Library

### Friday—March 5th

9:30am-Adoration-Chapel

6:00pm-Stone Soup-Dalton Hall

7:00pm-Stations of the Cross-Church

### Saturday—March 6th-Mass

12:00am-Adoration-Chapel

8:00am-Benediction followed by Mass with Anointing-  
Chapel

9:00am-Bible Study Retreat-Renggli Room

### Sunday—March 7th-Masses-3rd Sunday of Lent

KofC Pancake Breakfast

Faith Formation Classes-CLOW

12:30pm-Multicultural Comm.-Parish Office Meeting Room

1:00pm-Vietnamese Language Class-Adult Ed. Room/  
Comm. Cntr Meeting Room

5:00pm-LifeTeen Mass- Youth Reconciliation Service  
following Mass-Church

**Parish News**

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

(Information stated below is based on Fiscal Year July 2009-June 2010)

In gratitude to God for the gifts we have received, parishioners and visitors made this return to the Lord.

Sunday collection for the weekend of Feb. 20th-Feb. 21st

Received: \$18,363.13

Needed: \$18,158.94

Year-to-date Over/(Under): \$14,145.24

Thank you for your faithful Stewardship of St. Thomas More Parish. May God bless you!

**St. Vincent de Paul Society**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul appreciates the continuing support from the parish and school. Through your generosity, we are able to help those who requested food, emergency shelter, clothing, household furnishings, utilities, rent and prescriptions. On behalf of the many recipients of your generosity, Thank You! If you are interested in becoming a member of the parish St. Vincent de Paul Society, or just want to learn more, please call Roger Guenther at (425) 774-4561.

**Lenten Donations**

This coming Lenten season, we humbly ask your support by sharing some of the following items listed below to those who also need them.

Sunday, Feb. 28th-canned tuna, salmon and or chicken

Sunday, March 7th-canned soup and or chili

Sunday, March 14th-paper products

Sunday, March 21st-pasta, spaghetti sauce, and or rice

Sunday, March 28th-diapers and or wipes

You can drop off the items to the donation bin by the Faith Formation Office. Collected items will go to St. Vincent de Paul and Angelorum.

**Lux Mundi**

There is no Thursday meeting of Lux Mundi, instead they will be joining a group called AOK (Acts of Kindness) Friends to serve a meal to the homeless in downtown Seattle. The group will meet at the church to carpool on Sunday, February 28th at 12:00pm. If you would like to meet at the location, be there by 1:00pm. Expect to be there for a least a couple of hours. It is an Outdoor Meal Site under the 1-5 bridge in Downtown Seattle at 6th and Columbia, so wear warm clothing. All are welcome to join in this service opportunity. Feel free to email luxmundi@stmp.org with questions.

**2010 Census Jobs**

There are still U.S. Census jobs available. There are flyers in the Narthex on how to apply, or call the toll-free jobs line at 1-866-861-2010.



**The Transfiguration**

Jesus' transfiguration was a moment of hope for the disciples, giving them the strength to endure the future sacrifices they would make as they formed the early Church. As we continue our journey with Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl, let us be mindful that our Lenten sacrifices help to give hope to our brothers and sisters in need.

**Catholics Come Home**

You have probably already seen the ads for Catholics Come Home placed by the Seattle Archdiocese on many TV stations. Parishes throughout Western Washington collected money to pay for these professionally produced ads which invite back those who are Catholic but who, for one reason or another, have not been worshipping or celebrating the sacraments with us. The Archdiocese has done its part. Now it is up to us. We are called to be a welcoming community, friendly and accepting to all who join us at Mass or come to our parish hoping to find their way back to parish life. Beyond that, we can be thinking of those we know – sisters and brothers, neighbors, hairdresser, co-workers, who just might welcome an invitation from you to come to St. Thomas More during Lent or the Easter season. Who could you invite to “come home”?



**Returning Catholics**

Are you a Catholic who has been away from the Church for a while? Are you wondering about the changes? Have you been hurt in some way by the Church and want to talk about it? Do you want to reconnect? Or do you have a friend, a neighbor, a co-worker, or relative who has left the church and might want to return? WELCOME BACK may be the answer. We will begin meetings soon. For more information, please contact Luciann at (425) 743-2929 ext. 111, or email luciannm@stmp.org, or marypduffy@comcast.net.

**Haiti Relief Donations**

On January 22nd, Congress passed a tax decision that allows donors to deduct their donations for the Haiti relief effort on either their 2009 or 2010 tax return. This only applies to donations give after January 11, 2010 and before March 1, 2010.

# February 28, 2010

## Stewardship Commission News

### STEWARDSHIP COMMISSION

#### Prayer...Formation...Service...Hospitality

Stewardship is a source of grace when it helps us develop a lifestyle of sharing. When we respond to God's goodness by growing in gratitude, responsibility and generosity, we can experience the difference that stewardship makes in our daily lives. Stewardship is not a program, it is a way of life that requires nourishment and practice. A Christian steward is one who makes a conscious decision to remain open to God's grace and to respond generously from the heart to whatever opportunities and challenges that may come.

Congratulations to the Criminal Justice/Jail Ministry which gained 5 new members when they were featured as the "Ministry of the Month".

Please contact Pat Edge to sign up your ministry for the Ministry of the Month at [peteedge@comcast.net](mailto:peteedge@comcast.net), call (425) 355-9195, or sign up on the parish website, [www.stmp.org](http://www.stmp.org).

#### *Thank You!*

Please thank and support the bulletin advertisers, whose generosity provides this bulletin free to the Parish.

Advertiser of the Week:



**Stadium Flowers**



### Youth News!

**Next week is our monthly potluck following the 5pm Life Teen Mass. Join us!**

Tonight we are talking about vocations. Meet in the hall for dinner at 6:00 and youth group will follow until 8:15

Monday night is The Edge from 6:30—7:45 in Dalton Hall. Come check us out!

Confirmation class this Wednesday night, at 6:30 in the youth room.

For those 6-8th graders looking for a summer service opportunity, come see what we are doing this summer on Thursday March 4th at 7pm in the school 7th grade classroom. This is an information meeting for parents, youth need not be there.

Junior High Rally is March 6th for all 6-9th graders. This day long event is focused on "diving Deep" into the ocean of our Faith. The day includes energetic workshops, Liturgy with the Bishop AND TONS of FUN with other Junior High Youth. Pick up your registration packed in the narthex or give Angela a call.

\*\*\*\*Join us Sunday at 5 pm for LIFE TEEN MASS \*\*\*\*

**Contact Angela if you have questions about anything above or just general questions at 743-2929 x106 or at [angelac@stmp.org](mailto:angelac@stmp.org)**

## Ongoing Opportunities

### Lenten Day of Reflection

A Lenten Day of Reflection for Women and Men, "The Healing Power of Forgiveness" led by Fred Brandauer, CSJP-A and Marie Materi, CSJP-A will be held at St. Mary-on-the-Lake Chapel-1663 Killarney Way, Bellevue on Saturday, March 6th from 9:30am-3:00pm. A free-will offering is appreciated. Please bring a sack lunch. For more information contact Carmel Little at (425) 454-7909 or email [peace@csjp-olp.org](mailto:peace@csjp-olp.org).

### Project Rachel

If you are hurting from a past abortion experience, the Church is calling you home to heal. Healing and hope are awaiting you on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. Please call Valerie at 1-800-822-HOPE (4673) for more information. Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services.

### COUNSELING AVAILABLE

If you need assistance with individual or relational issues, leave a message on the confidential line for our parish counselor, Connie Brousseau, MA LMHC at 425-742-6752. Insurance, sliding scale and parish assistance available.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

You are invited to Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday and Saturday, March 5th-6th. Adoration begins at 10am on Friday morning and ends at 8:30am Saturday morning with benediction and a Mass. You can now sign-up for Adoration on the Parish website at [stmp.org](http://stmp.org). If you don't have internet access, please call John Alexy at (425) 742-0239.

### United States Catholic Catechism

Sessions on the study of the United States Catholic Catechism will be held on Mondays from 7pm-9pm in the Renggli Room. There are also sessions Thursday mornings from 9:30am-12noon in the Youth Room. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Olson at (425) 787-2490 or email her at [debieolson@comcat.net](mailto:debieolson@comcat.net).

### MOMs Fellowship

MOMs Fellowship meets again on Thursday, March 18th from 7-9pm in the Renggli Room. They will be continuing their "Sisters In Scripture" bible study. For information, contact, Kelly Costinett at (425) 741-3510, or email [Kellyscraps@cozz.net](mailto:Kellyscraps@cozz.net)

## 2nd Sunday of Lent

# February 28, 2010

## Faith Formation For The Parish

Catholic parents promise at Baptism to bring up their child to know God and follow His Commandments. Catholic parishes provide both Catholic schools and Faith Formation programs so that the development of the Faith is available to all.

Faith Formation classes are available to children of our parish from age 4 through 5th grade, when they then enroll in the Edge for Jr High faith development. Many of our Sunday morning classes are full, but there is still room in the Wed. evening class.

### **Sacraments**

**Baptisms** for babies and young children will be the weekends of May 9th and June 27th. Parents and godparents must take two classes to prepare for raising children in the Catholic Faith. At least one godparent must be a practicing Catholic who has been Confirmed.

**First Reconciliation and First Eucharist** are celebrated when children are in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade or higher. **(They must be in their second year of religious education, at the parish school or in Faith Formation classes.)** They prepare for the sacraments in a family setting.

Parent Meetings for First Communion will be Thursday, March 11th or Sunday, March 14th at 7pm in the Renggli Room. Retreats are on April 24th, and the celebration is the weekend of May 16th.

### **Becoming Catholic**

Those who would like to explore becoming Catholic are invited to join the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**, which meets on Wed. evenings at 7:00 in the Renggli Rm.

For more information on any of the programs, please contact Luciann at ext 111 or email [luciannm@stmp.org](mailto:luciannm@stmp.org) or Sharon at ext 114 or email [sharong@stmp.org](mailto:sharong@stmp.org).

## Sacraments

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Held during Mass six times a year. Call the Faith Formation office for more information.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Notification of intent to marry must be given to the Pastoral Associate at least six months before the date you wish to be married.

**Sacrament of the Sick:** This Sacrament is celebrated with those who are seriously ill, injured, or preparing for surgery. **Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick** are available to bring the Eucharist to those who are unable to attend Mass. Please call the Pastoral Associate to arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick or for a Eucharistic Minister to the Sick.

**Funeral Masses** are celebrated on Mon., Tues., Wed., or Fri. at 11am. To schedule, call the Parish Office.

**Our Catholic Cemetery is:** Holyrood Cemetery 205 NE 205th St. Seattle Phone (206) 363-8404.

## This Week at STMP School

Thank you to all who pre-ordered chocolate! Your support helps families/students and programs at STM.



Thank you to all who attended and helped prepare students for the Primary Speech Program last Friday. Students did an awesome job speaking in public.

The annual Speech Tournament for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade is this Wednesday and Thursday in the morning. Welcome to all the parish and community judges who will be working the tournament.

Students will be attending Stations of the Cross on Friday at 1:15 PM.

The end of the second trimester is approaching quickly on March 11<sup>th</sup>.

## Ongoing Opportunities (cont.)

### **Retrouvaille of Seattle**

Is your marriage tearing you apart? Or boring you to death? Retrouvaille, a Catholic Program, can help. Learn more at [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com). Please call (206) 706-2608 for more information.

### **Marriage Encounter Weekend**

Are you exercising and dieting, jogging, swimming and going to the gym to stay fit and trim? What are you doing to keep your marriage in good shape? Do yourself and your spouse a favor, register today for the next Marriage Encounter Weekend. Weekends in 2010 will be April 30th-May 2nd, June 11th-13th and Oct. 8th-10th. Please contact Bruce and Judy White at (425) 771-9003 or Rory and Dawn Myers at (206) 772-2344 to register or for more information.

### **Steady On Your Feet Class**

Stevens Hospital is having a Steady On Your Feet Class on Wednesday, April 21st from 1:30pm-2:30pm in Auditorium B on the 4th floor. The class consists of: recommendations for maintaining good balance, home and community safety tips, how to perform daily activities safely, etc.

### **Job Opening**

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish is seeking a dynamic person to fill the full-time position of Pastoral Associate for Administration. The purpose of this position is to promote parish community, to foster goodwill and cooperation, and to insure efficiency of the parish office. Accounting knowledge; proficiency in preparing financial statements, budget preparation, ADP Payroll system, and computer experience required. Please call (425) 481-0303 for qualifications and application packet.