

## THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

*3rd Sunday In Ordinary Time*

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Gospel: Luke 1:1-4, 4-14-21

## NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

*4th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:31—13:13

Gospel: Luke 4:21-30

### Presider Schedule

January 30th-31st

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

### Ushers for January

<b>5:00pm (Sat.)</b>	<b>8:00am</b>
Pat Portolese, Capt.	Dave Kowalski, Capt.
Patrick Wessels	Rob Balen
Vincent Nguyen	Dan Wood
David McWayne	Niniva Tupua
	John Balch
<b>9:30am</b>	<b>11:30am</b>
Jonas Mitchell, Capt.	Rick Jorgensen, Capt.
Dick Ptacek	Robert Wongkaren
John Alexy	Andra Amador
Donna Alexy	
John Abate	
Hieu Bui	

### Altar Servers January 30th-31st

<b>5:00pm (Sat.)</b>	<b>8:00am</b>
Book: Margaret C.	Book: Abraham L.
Bell: Abigail A.	Bell: Martin B.
Cross: Celia A.	Cross: Elianna L.
<b>9:30am</b>	<b>11:30am</b>
Book: R.J. D.	Bell: Shea M.
Bell: Maddie D.	Book: Lis L.
Cross: Conner F.	Cross: Finn M.
<b>5:00pm</b>	
Book: Jordan W.	
Bell: McKenna W.	
Cross: Madeline J.	



## THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

### Sunday—January 24th-Masses

Faith Formation Classes-CLOW

1:00pm-Vietnamese Language Class-Adult Ed. Room

5:00pm-LifeTeen Mass with LifeNight following

### Monday—January 25th

6:30pm-Edge-Dalton Hall

6:30pm-Mission Choir-Music Room

7:00pm-USCCA-Renggli Room

### Tuesday—January 26th

9:30am-USCCA-Youth Room

9:30am-Bible Study-Renggli Room

7:00pm-Bible Study-Renggli Room

7:00pm-Stephen Ministry-Parish Office

7:00pm-Catholicism 101-Library

### Wednesday—January 27th

6:30pm-Faith Formation Classes-Library

6:30pm-Confirmation Classes-Youth Room

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

7:00pm-Multicultural Choir Practice-Music Room

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

### Thursday—January 28th

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

7:00pm-Lux Mundi-Youth Room/Comm. Cntr Meeting Room

7:00m-Pastoral Council-Parish Office

### Friday—January 29th

7:00pm-Life In The Spirit Seminar-Chapel/Parish Office

### Saturday—January 30th-Mass

9:00am-Life In The Spirit Seminar-Parish Office/Church

6:00pm-School Movie Night-Dalton Hall/Renggli Room

### Sunday—January 31st-Masses

KofC Pancake Breakfast

School Open House

Faith Formation Classes-CLOW

1:00pm-Vietnamese Language Class-Adult Ed. Room

5:00pm-LifeTeen Mass with LifeNight following

He stood up to read and was handed a scroll from the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord. Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

Luke 4:17-21

## 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 Jan. 16th-Jan. 17th

Received: \$21,985.71

Needed: \$17,784.87

Year-to-date Over/(Under): \$10,435.77

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

### Maintenance Commission Person of the Year

Congratulations to John Anderson for his selection as the Maintenance Commission's Person of the Year. John has been a tremendous influence in many areas of maintenance within the parish over the course of many years. His efforts and outstanding project supervision skills were immensely helpful during last summer's paint project and led to the project being completed on time and under budget. Thank you, John, for all that you do for our parish!

### Lux Mundi

What would you do if a woman as bright as the sun appeared to you and asked you to use your life in service of her Son? Come find out what people throughout history have done when Our Lady appeared to them. What are the Marian apparitions, how do we know they are real, what does the Church say about them, get all your questions answered. The Young Adult Group will meet in the Youth Room this Thursday, Jan. 28th from 7-8:30pm. Check out the website for more information about the group at [www.stmp.org/community/lux-mundi](http://www.stmp.org/community/lux-mundi).

### To Help the Haiti Earthquake Victims

Catholic Relief Services (CRS), the official international humanitarian agency of the U.S. Catholic Church, is responding to victims of the earthquake in Haiti. To donate, please call 1-877-HELP-CRS, donate online at [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org), or send a check to CRS/Archdiocese of Seattle, 710 9th Ave, Seattle, WA 98104 (on the memo line write, Haiti Earthquake).

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

You are invited to Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 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. This is your opportunity to spend some quiet time with God, so don't miss out.

### 2010 Lenten Revival Mission

My kids don't go to church anymore. Will they be able to go to heaven? How about my grandchildren who aren't even baptized? How can I get my family to come back to the church? These questions and many more will be discussed at the parish Lenten Revival Mission, Feb. 22nd-25th from 7:00pm-8:30pm. Catholic evangelist, Fr. Paul Boudreau will be here to lead us in four grace-filled evenings of reflection on what it means to be Catholic today. All are invited to come and enjoy an hour and a half of his humor and insight each night as he makes our faith come alive.

### Angelorum

The folks at Angelorum would like to take this opportunity to thank all their supporters for all the Christmas donations-from the handmade baby hats to the warm maternity clothes, diapers and of course the monetary donations. New Year's Eve was spent moving to their new location at 176th St SW and Hwy 99 which is operating under the name Next Step Pregnancy Services, a Ministry of Angelorum. They are actively working on their medical conversion and they have three specific needs: office volunteers, two Medical Personnel to perform ultra sounds for their clients-these include RN's, LPN's or RDM's, and a Medical Director to oversee the whole operation. The Medical Director must be a MD or DO and would have a volunteer time commitment of about two hours a week. The ultra sound machine will be coming in the Spring compliments of the 4US organization and the Knights of Columbus. If you, or if you know of anyone interested in these positions, or for questions, please contact Kathy Gipson, Executive Director at (425) 329-4569 or [Kathy@angelorum.org](mailto:Kathy@angelorum.org).

### Catholicism 101

Are you a Catholic with a good Catholic school or CCD background who feels like you didn't learn everything you need to know about our Faith? Do you wish you knew more about the Bible or the Sacraments or the Mass? Are you Catholic but never Confirmed, and would like to be? Are you married or engaged to a Catholic and wish you knew more about the Church, but don't want to make a commitment to becoming a Catholic? This class is for you!!!! We will meet on Tuesday evenings at 7:00, in the Community Center Library. Materials fee \$30. Registration forms are in the narthex, the Faith Formation Office and the Parish Office. For more information call Luciann at 743-2929, ext. 111.

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## Parish News (cont.)

### Snohomish County Jail Ministry

Did you know that Washington State has over 16.5 thousand people in prison, 13.5 thousand people in jail, and 13.6 thousand youth in juvenile detention? That's 43.6 thousand individuals in total. Did you also know that 97% of all incarcerated persons will reenter society? Potentially we have about 6.7 thousand incarcerated Catholics, plus many others who may want to meet with someone who would be willing to listen and to help them spiritually. Would you like to be a part of this challenging and rewarding ministry? Please consider supporting the Snohomish County Jail Ministry. They are always in need of financial donations for bibles, catechetical and prayer materials, and volunteers for one-on-one visits, to lead weekday prayer services, bible studies, as well as individuals who are willing to be transition partners. If interested, please contact Thomas Wagner, in the Office of the Vicar for Clergy at (206) 382-1477.



### Youth News

**Join us for Life Teen Mass at 5 p.m.!**

Join us tonight for Youth Group and the Edge tomorrow night.

**Confirmation this week!**

**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)**

### *Thank You!*

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

Advertiser of the Week:

**Stephen R. Lee, D.D. S.**



## Ongoing Opportunities

### 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 Tuesday 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).

### Marriage Encounter

Look at the calendar-it's time for a marriage tune-up. We would never expect a car to run smoothly forever without a tune-up, so why do we expect our marriage relationship to keep running smoothly without a little maintenance? Register now for a Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekend is Feb. 26th-28, 2010. To register, or for additional information, please call, Bruce and Judy at (425) 771-9003 or Rory and Dawn at (206) 772-2344

### 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. The next retreat is February 19th-21st. 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.

### Stephen Ministry

Issues, issues, issues. If it isn't the kids, it's the job, or your health, or an estrangement. The issues named can be endless. St. Thomas More has a listening ministry that is CONFIDENTIAL-Stephen Ministry. People to listen to your story. For questions, contact Karen Biermanski at (206) 920-0174.

### STM Musicians at Lynnwood Methodist Church

Come hear a sampling of some of our parish's own gifted musicians. Debbie DeMiero, Jenny Dreessen, Angie Russell and Gabe DeMiero, will be playing in concert Saturday, Jan. 30th at 7pm at Lynnwood Free Methodist Church to benefit Multiple Sclerosis. They will be performing a new arrangement of "Ave Maria" created by Debbie. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 students.

### 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 and to register.

### Eucharistic Benediction and Rosary

There will be no Eucharistic Benediction on Wednesday evenings from Dec. 23rd-Jan. 27th due to Father Maurice's absence. It will resume on Wed. Feb. 3rd. All are welcome to come and say the Rosary during this time.

## 3rd Sunday In Ordinary Time

# January 24, 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 Feb. 14th and May 9th. 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 STM School



- School will be dismissed at noon on Monday, Jan. 25th for teacher in-service day.
- Mid-Term is Tuesday, Jan. 26th
- Parent's Club Movie Night is Sat., Jan. 30th from 6-9pm. K-5th will see "Up", Middle School will see "Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince". Pizza will be served in Dalton Hall starting at 6pm. K-5 students must be accompanied by an adult. Middle School students will meet in the Renggli Room. The Book Fair will be opened from 6-7pm that evening.
- The students, staff, and faculty are preparing for the national celebration of **Catholic Schools Week** which takes place Jan. 31st-Feb. 6th. Here is a sneak peek at just some of our activities:
  - Monday-Full-dress uniform and all-school Rosary
  - Tuesday-A uniform day and a Faith Family Activity
  - Wednesday-Match Day (Spirit Day) and Parent Appreciation
  - Thursday-Superhero Spirit Day and Catholic Olympics
  - Friday-Full-dress uniform, all school Mass and Student Appreciation.

## Ongoing Opportunities (cont.)

### **Powerful Tools For Caregivers Classes**

There will be 6 Tuesday afternoon classes designed for caregivers to teach them tools they need to take care of themselves while caring for loved ones. The classes run from Feb. 2nd-March 9th from 1pm-3:30pm at the Lynnwood Senior Center-5800 198th St SW. To register, or for more information, please call (425) 670-5050.

### **O'Dea's Italian Dinner**

The O'Dea High School Father's Club is hosting an Italian dinner to raise funds for school activities and scholarships. The tickets are \$30 per person, and there will be tables for 8-10 people as well. To make your reservation go to [www.odea.org](http://www.odea.org) and click on Italian Dinner or contact John McDonald at [john@mcdonaldmccgarry.com](mailto:john@mcdonaldmccgarry.com), or for questions call (425) 774-4172.

## 3rd Sunday In Ordinary Time