

## THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

*33rd Sunday In Ordinary Time*

First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

## NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

*Our Lord Christ The King*

First Reading: Daniel 7:13-14

Second Reading: Revelation 1:5-8

Gospel: John 18:33b-37

### Presider Schedule November 21st-22nd

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

### Ushers for November

<b>5:00pm (Sat.)</b>	<b>8:00am</b>
Al Meucci, Capt.	Juan Marzo, Capt.
Ray Michlig	Ed dosRemedios
Devin Meucci	Don Dowling
Jack Webster	Adonis Escelicas
<b>9:30am</b>	<b>11:30am</b>
John Weith, Capt.	Gael Reedy, Capt.
Dick Ptacek, Co-Capt.	Zarina David
Oly Javidando	Chien Chang
Jose Garcia	Vincent Obino
Donna Kalaw	Devron Lam
Matt Gomez	

### Altar Servers November 21st-22nd

<b>5:00pm (Sat.)</b>	<b>8:00am</b>
Book: Knights of Columbus	Book: Nick M.
	Bell: Elizabeth D.
<b>9:30am</b>	<b>11:30am</b>
Book: Charmaine B.	Book: Leanna T.
Bell: Anne F.	Bell: Tina D.
Cross: Stephen G.	Cross: Jacob J.
<b>5:00pm (LifeTeen)</b>	
Book: Joshua M.	
Bell: Peter H.	



## THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

### Sunday—November 15th-Masses

Baptisms-Church

Faith Formation Classes-CLOW

2:00pm-Unplugging Christmas-Comm. Cntr Meeting Room/  
Library

5:00pm-LifeTeen Mass followed by LifeNight

### Monday—November 16th

6:30pm-Edge-Dalton Hall

6:30pm-Mission Choir-Music Room

### Tuesday—November 17th

9:30am-Mother of Perpetual Help Novena-Chapel

9:30am-Bible Study-Renggli Room

9:30am-USCCA-Youth Room

7:00pm-Finance Council-Parish Office

7:00pm-Bible Study-Renggli Room

7:00pm-Immigration Focus Group-Library

### Wednesday—November 18th

6:30pm-Faith Formation Class-Library

6:30pm-Eucharistic Benediction and Rosary-Church

6:30pm-Confirmation Class-Youth Room

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

7:00pm-Multicultural Choir Practice-Music Room

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

### Thursday—November 19th

9:30am-Light Weigh-Youth Room

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

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

7:00pm-Youth Commission-Parish Office

7:00pm-Pastoral Council-Library

7:00pm-LifeTeen Band Practice-Music Room

### Friday—November 20th

9:00am-Adoration (All Day)-Chapel

4:00pm-Fransican Group-Parish Office Library

6:30pm-Parents Club Mother/Son Bunco Party-Dalton Hall

7:00pm-Vietnamese Choir Practice-Music Room

### Saturday—November 21st-Mass

12:00am-8:00am-Adoration-Chapel

8:00am-Benediction w/Mass Following-Chapel

9:00am-1st Reconciliation Retreat-Several Rooms

6:30pm-Bingo Night-Dalton Hall

### Sunday—November 22nd-Masses

Faith Formation Classes-CLOW

1:00pm-Parol Making-Renggli Room

2:00pm-Unplugging Christmas-Comm. Cntr Meeting Room/  
Library

5:00pm-LifeTeen Mass followed by LifeNight

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## 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 Oct. 31st-Nov. 1st  
 Received: \$22,399.46  
 Needed: \$21,491.62  
 Year-to-date: \$338,053.99  
 Year-to-date Over/(Under): \$8,592.96

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

#### Parish Stewardship Campaign

Thank you to those parishioners who have returned their commitment cards for our annual Parish Stewardship Campaign. The totals are:

Number of Commitment Cards returned to Date: 210  
 Registered Parish Households: 1,859  
 % of Registered Households Returning Cards: 11%  
 Returned Commitment card goal for this year: 1,100  
 % of Goal Achieved: 19%

If you haven't returned your commitment card, please return it so we can meet our parish participation goal! It is our hope that all Parish families complete a commitment card and bring it to Mass next weekend or mail it to the parish office. Thank you for your support of the parish!

#### Unplug the Christmas Machine Workshop

On Sunday, November 15th and November 22nd from 2-4pm there will be workshops to help with planning a more joyous Christmas holiday. Based on the popular book Unplug the Christmas Machine by Jo Robinson and Jean Staeheli, these workshops help to reduce the stress of the holidays and increase enjoyment by encouraging simple changes in your celebrations. You will be given a chance to examine your current practices, define your values, and then combine your new insights into a workable plan for the coming Christmas season. There will be a signup sheet in the Narthex after all Masses this weekend or you can register by contacting Mary Duffy at (425) 774-3703 or email her at [marypduffy@comcast.net](mailto:marypduffy@comcast.net). The book is available in bookstores and online. It is not necessary to have a copy of the book to attend the workshops.



#### Eucharistic Benediction and Rosary

Please join us for Benediction and Rosary every Wednesday, at 6:30pm in the Church.

### Safety Issue

Please make sure that you lock your car doors and your valuables are stored safely in your vehicle while you are here for any event at St. Thomas More. Last weekend a vehicle in the parking lot was entered without permission and a purse was stolen. If anyone saw or sees any suspicious activity in the parking lots, please contact Fred Liebhaber at [fredl@stmp.org](mailto:fredl@stmp.org).



#### Keep Christ In Christmas

Keeping Christ in Christmas is keeping the very heart and meaning of the Christmas celebration alive. To celebrate



the birth of the Son of God, the Knights of Columbus and the Columbian Squires will be selling Christmas cards after all Masses starting the weekend of November 21st until the weekend of December 13th. The price of a box of cards will range from between \$6 and \$9.

#### Baptisms

This weekend we welcome with great joy twelve children into our Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism. To be baptized at the Saturday evening Mass are: Rafael Stephen, child of Sherrylyn and Romualdo Afante; Giovanni Antonio and Brooklyn Marie, children of Anthony Pope and Morgan DeFino and Randolph Anthony, child Randy Dela Merced and Sarom Kloth.

On Sunday at the 9:30am Mass we welcome Finnegan Matthew, child of Keri and Matt Thoma; Jessica Nghi, child of Tan Le and Thuy Hang Pham; and Lucy Lourdes, child of Christine and Todd Solberg.

Angelica Rose, child of Raymond and Rose Apodaca; Neeko Khalil, child of Sherrine and John Chum; Joseph William, child of Joanna and David Krueger; Lindsay Reese, child of Robert and Leah Trias, and Christos Thomas, child of Johnny and Peggy Farah will be baptized at the 11:30am Mass.

#### Altar Server Training

Calling all Altar Server Wanna Bes who are 5th grade and older. There will be 3 training sessions in November; Nov. 8th, 15th and 22nd after the 5:00pm Saturday Mass in the Church. Meet Dave Fairbank in the Narthex.

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## Parish News (cont.)

### United States Catholic Catechism

All adults are welcome to attend a study of the United States Catholic Catechism. Sessions will be held on Mondays from 7pm-9pm in the Renggli Room starting on November 23rd. There are also sessions Tuesday mornings from 9am-12noon in the Youth Room. The "International Catechism" published in 1992, which was turned into a group study by the U.S. Bishops, will be used in the sessions. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Olson at (425) 787-2490 or email her at [debieolson@comcat.net](mailto:debieolson@comcat.net).

### Feast of Christ the King

We will celebrate the Feast of Christ the King next Sunday by welcoming our Ohana Dancers to both the 9:30am and 11:30am Masses. We will also have incense at the 9:30am Mass (please take note if you have an allergy to incense).

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

You are invited to Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday and Saturday, November 20th-21st. Adoration begins at 10am on Friday morning and ends with a Mass at 8:30am on Saturday morning. 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.



### Youth News!

Senior High Youth group tonight! Come join us for dinner and a life night. We will begin in the Hall following Mass (6:00).

Junior High EDGE tomorrow night at 6:30 in the Hall. Come check us out!

On Saturday, Nov. 21st following the 5pm Mass everyone is invited for an evening of Bingo fun in Dalton Hall. The cost is \$7 and children under 10 are free. There will be pizza, pop and snacks for sale. The proceeds will go towards video equipment for the Youth Room and activity scholarships.

Confirmation Classes continue on Wednesday, Nov. 18th in the youth room at 6:30. If you missed the info meetings contact Angela.

Registrations for all youth programs are available in the faith formation office or in the back of the narthex by the youth bulletin board.

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

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

## Ongoing Opportunities

### Marriage Encounter

It takes much effort just to make ends meet in our world today. Do you wish you could talk about something besides all the stresses in your life? A Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and the tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. Register today for the Weekend of your life. Contact Bruce and Judy White at (425) 771-9003 or Rory and Dawn Myers at (206) 772-2344 to register.

### MOM's Group

MOM's fellowship meeting this Thursday, Nov. 19th from 7-9pm in the Renggli Room. Kathleen Kichline will be leading us through the Sarah chapter in her book "Sisters In Scripture". Moms of all ages are welcome. For more information contact Kelly Costinett at (425) 741-3510 or email her at [Kellyscraps@cozz.net](mailto:Kellyscraps@cozz.net).

### 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

Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, just to name a few, are difficult holidays for people who have experienced significant losses in their lives. Stephen Ministry at STM is here for you. A place to tell your story or share your grief. Or perhaps, the holiday season adds more stress to your life because of illness, unemployment or special loved ones that live far way. Stephen Ministry is a CONFIDENTIAL, compassionate listening ministry. For more information, contact Karen Biermanski at (206) 920-0174.

### Light Weigh

Would you like to eat your favorite foods while you learn how to lose weight? Consider giving God a chance to touch your heart, your life and your eating. The meetings will be held on Thursdays from 10-12 noon. Please call Debbie Olson at (425) 787-2490 for more information on joining the Light Weigh Bible Study.

### 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.

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## Faith Formation For The Parish

There are **NO** Faith Formation Classes on Wednesday, Nov. 25th and Sunday, Nov. 29th-Thanksgiving Break.

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 Jan. 11th and Feb. 22nd. 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.

**1st Reconciliation and 1st Eucharist**-1st Reconciliation will be celebrated Dec. 5th, and 1st Eucharist 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 [lucianm@stmp.org](mailto:lucianm@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**



Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are participating in standardized testing this week. Please come to school rested and with a good breakfast!

The wreath sale ends on Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. These are lovely additions to the holiday and reasonably priced. Please contact the school office for more information. 425-743-4242.

The Parents' Club Mother/Son Bunco is this Friday November 20, 2009.

The Thanksgiving Food Drive continues through Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup>. Each class has designated items to bring. Please remember those less fortunate this holiday season.

The Thanksgiving Mass is Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am. This is a full-dress uniform day. Please join us.

Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup>:

**School will be dismissed for the holiday at noon. There will be no Extended Care that afternoon.**

## **Ongoing Opportunities (cont.)**

### **Urgent Need**

Catholic Community Services is in urgent need of new or gently used baby blankets, sleepers, booties, hats, sweaters, newborn-sized diapers, rattles and bottles. You can drop these items off at their office-1918 Everett Ave in Everett, or call to discuss pick up. Contact Debra Mazick at (425) 257-2101 ext. 3358. Monetary donations are also welcome.

### **Peace Days For Women**

All are invited to "Gratitude as Gift" retreat, led by Rose Anna Marti, CSJP on Wednesday, November 18th from 9:30am-2:00pm at St. Mary-on-the-Lake Peace and Spirituality Center-1663 Kilarney Way Bellevue. This is a free retreat, but a free-will offering may be made to help defray the cost. Bring a sack lunch, coffee and tea will be provided.

### **Upcoming Retreat at the Palisades**

Googling with God will be a one night retreat with Sr. Joyce Cox for young adults, to be held on November 27th-28th. For more information go to [www.seattlearch.org/palisades](http://www.seattlearch.org/palisades).

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