

August 26, 2007 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekday Masses

Monday, August 27—9 AM-Mass-Chapel
Tuesday, August 28—9 AM-Mass-Chapel
Wed., Aug. 29— Mass-5:30 pm-Chapel
Thursday, August 30—9:00 am-Mass-Chapel
Friday, August 31—9:00 am-Mass-Chapel
On days with funerals, no daily Mass. Join us at the funeral.

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21
Second Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13
Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29
Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a
Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

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K of C Grand Knight: Brian Zadorozny—743-6007
Catholic Daughters Regent: Debbie Olson—787-2490

Parish Website-www.stmp.org

K of C website-www.orgsites.com/wa/kofccouncil5816

Come and celebrate St. Thomas More Parish

"Living the real presence of Christ through Diversity."

Multicultural Festival

Saturday, Sept. 15

10 am to 5 pm

Free Admission

- Folk Dancing and Music
- Ethnic Food
- Costumes & Artifacts
- Essay Contest
- Multi-lingual Mass at 5 pm



**RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE
AFTER ALL MASSES FOR \$2 EACH**

First Prize - 42 inch Flat Screen T.V.

Second Prize - DVD Camcorder

Third Prize - Nintendo Wii

ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH IS SEEKING A FULL TIME ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT.

Experience in Microsoft Word and Publisher required. Database and Church related experience a plus. Competitive salary and benefits. Please send resume to St. Thomas More Parish, 6511 - 176th Street SW, Lynnwood, WA 98037.

Position Available: STMP is seeking a hands-on Maintenance Supervisor to be responsible for the maintenance of equipment, buildings and grounds. Individual must be mechanically inclined, organized, and able to work independently. Salary and benefits available in accordance with Archdiocesan policy. Questions and resumes should be directed to Ed dos Remedios at 743-2929 x 17.

"Conversations With Fr. Bob"

Tune in Tuesday, August 28th to "Conversations with Father Bob". This week, guest host Deacon Patrick Moynihan will speak with **Tom Allen**, the Executive Producer and Director of the groundbreaking film "Champions of Faith: Baseball Edition". This is a one hour film featuring game highlights and personal interviews with several professional baseball players who share their Catholic faith.

"Conversations with Father Bob" is broadcast on Sacred Heart Radio KBLE AM 1050 every Tuesday, 5:00-6:00 PM and Thursday 9:00-10:00 PM. It also airs every Saturday morning, 8:00-9:00 AM on KKNW AM 1150.

"Conversations with Father Bob" is an outreach ministry of St. Thomas More Catholic Church, Lynnwood, WA and is a listener-supported program. Archived programs can be accessed from **www.conversationswithfatherbob.com**
CD's of past programs are available in the Narthex

Faith Formation

Faith Formation Classes for parish children 4 years through Fifth Grade begin Sept. 23rd. Registration forms are available in the narthex and the parish office. For information or to offer to help in the classrooms call Luciann at 743-2929 ext. 21.

We will soon begin our family preparations for those children Second Grade and older who will be making the First Reconciliation (Confession, Penance) in November and their First Eucharist (Communion) in April. Children must be currently receiving religious education in the parish Faith Formation program or St. Thomas More School. Parents are asked to attend a meeting on either Thursday, September 27th or Sunday, September 30th to learn more about preparing their children for the Sacraments.

Children's Liturgy of the Word will continue at the 9:30 and 11:30 Masses throughout the summer, except when no catechists are available.

RCIA meets on Wed. evenings, 7:00, in the Community Center Library. There are groups for both adults and children. If you or someone you know is interested in exploring becoming Catholic please call Luciann. Those who are inquiring into membership in the church meet every other week. Call Luciann for dates.

Children seven and older who are not yet baptized and want to explore receiving the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist are prepared in our RCIA process. If you have such a child and wish to learn more about this please call Luciann at 743-2929, ext. 21.

Baptisms for infants and young children are scheduled for the weekends of September 30th and November 11th. Parents must be registered in the parish and take a class to prepare them for their role as Catholic parents. Godparents must be Confirmed Catholics and take classes before the baptisms. Call Luciann for more information.

Divorce and Beyond

Divorce and Beyond is a program for divorced and divorcing Catholics. St. Thomas More Parish will host a group beginning Tuesday, September 18 at 7 pm that will run for 8—10 weeks. Cost is \$20. Pre-registration is required. For further information or to register, call Christine MacDonald at 741-0917 or contact her at cmacdonald5@verizon.net

Finance Council: If you are interested in serving on the Parish Finance Council please call Ed dos Remedios at 743-2929, ext. 17. **We need to fill 4 positions.**

Kitchen Committee Needs Your Ideas!

We need your feedback. If you or your ministry uses the kitchens at STM please feel free to give the Kitchen Committee your ideas. We are looking to replace and replenish dishes, flatware, utensils, etc. in our kitchens. Let us know what your group feels the needs are. Email Cathy Meehan at cmeehan@am-hs.org or Laura Bragg at Laura.Bragg@nordstrom.com. Or drop a note in the collection basket for us.

HOMELESS TEENS IN U DISTRICT need L through XXXL T-shirts; Men's Tennis Shoes; Men's jeans; Men's button front shirts; Large dark color backpacks; Sleeping Bags; Large, dark Hoodies. Please bring to Kathy Clark's office or call Luciann at 743-2929.

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Monday—August 27-7 pm—Faith Formation Commission-Meeting Room
Wednesday—August 29-7 pm—CLOW-Library

Communal Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated on Wednesday, Aug. 29th during the 5:30 pm Mass in the Chapel.

Re-keying the Campus Update. An announcement at Mass or in bulletin will be made before re-keying.

Housekeeper Wanted

Rosary Heights/Dominican Retreat Center looking for housekeeper to work appr. 24-28 hrs/wk. Flex schedule, great benefits. Please send cover letter and resume to Sr. Barbara Stanek, PO Box 280, Edmonds, WA, 98020; or email to rhcarriage-house@aol.com. No calls please.



Charismatic Prayer Group. August 24—Healing Mass with Fr. Peter Sanders at 7:30 pm in the Church. For more information or prayer requests call Eddie or Ellen Abelera 425-402-8568

If you are struggling with transitions or life issues (anxiety, anger, depression, stress, co-dependency, or grief), call our parish counselor, Connie Brousseau, MA LMHC at 425-742-6752. Financial assistance & insurance may apply.

SAVE THIS DATE!

September 28, Friday at 7 pm

We are inviting everyone to be a part of a Mass celebration in honor of the **Feast Day of San Lorenzo Ruiz**, the first Filipino Saint. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Ward Oakshott. There will be a reception potluck following in the Renggli Room. More details in the coming weeks.

Matt Talbot Fellowship

Matt Talbot Fellowship meets Wednesday at 7 pm in the Parish Office Library. Our focus is, "Following Matt's path to sobriety, we are Christ to each other." Questions? Call Dick at 239-3523.

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Key Passage:

Jesus answered them, “Strive to enter through the narrow door; for many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able.” Luke 13:24

Adult: What daily choices are you making that will allow you to be recognized at the doorway of the reign of God?

Child: What good habits are you practicing in order to live as Jesus asks?

Upcoming Marriage encounter Weekends

Marriage Encounter’s mission to the world is to assist couples to live fully intimate and responsible relationships by providing a Catholic “experience” and ongoing community support. Marriage Encounter is for basically good marriages. It improves communication and assists couples in refreshing their relationship. Upcoming weekends are September 14 – 16 and November 16-18. For more information check the website at www.wwme.org.

To register for either of the above weekends email SeattleWWME@ yahoo.com.

Catholic Daughters

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas invite all Catholic Women to join them. Their next meeting is Saturday, September 8 at 3 pm in the Renggli Room. For more information contact Debbie Olson at 787-2490.

HOUSE BLESSING MINISTRY

Just moved into the neighborhood? Would you like your home to be blessed? Fr. Bob has commissioned a group of parishioners to perform house blessings in behalf of the church upon request by the parishioner. Please contact Kathleen Kichline at 743-2929 ext. 13 for more information or to make arrangements for a house blessing at. Please allow at least 2 weeks notice before the house blessing.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL’S TRUCK WILL BE HERE FOR YOUR DONATIONS SEPTEMBER 15 & 16

St. Vincent de Paul will accept your donations of clothing and household items following all the Masses the weekend of September 15 and 16. Clothing for school-age children especially needed at this time of year.

Please look for the SVdP truck in the main parish parking lot. Thank you for your continuing support.

"For I was in prison and you visited me."

Would you like to be a part of a challenging but very spiritually rewarding ministry? Do you want to be a witness to God's healing touch, forgiveness, and love? This ministry might be for you. Volunteers minister to incarcerated men and women in Snohomish County Jail in Everett and to the youth at the Denny Juvenile Justice Center. We would like to invite you to join us and be a part of a dedicated group of volunteers.

In addition to volunteers, the ministry would like to request the following:

- Prayers from the STM congregation for the chaplain, inmates, and volunteers.
- Donations for religious materials or its purchase: Catholic Bibles - regular and large print Catechism of the Catholic Church, Outline of Catholic Faith- pamphlet, Catholic devotional, spiritually uplifting, inspirational books.

If you are interested in learning more about this ministry or have donations, please call Nina Houshmand at 339-6026 or Cynthia Avila at 742-4421.

Young Adult News!

In September the Young Adult Community will be starting a **book club!** Our first book is Left to Tell by Immaculee Ilibagiza and is the powerful story of a 22 year old girl caught in the mist of the Rwandan Holocaust. If you are interested in joining the book club, please contact Annie or Angela and a meeting time will be scheduled in later September according to the group's availability. You can pick up the book and begin reading!

Look for more upcoming information about a group dinner in September and . . .the Casting Crowns concert on Oct. 6th! Tickets are anywhere from \$20-\$45. The concert starts at 7:00pm at Overlake Christian Church.

If you are interested in going, please let Annie know by Sept 4th so that we can make sure to get a spot at the concert!

St. Benedict Parish is pleased and excited to invite you to share an experience that will challenge your mind, stir your soul and deepen your understanding of what it means to follow Christ in the 21st Century. We are sponsoring a series of 8 monthly talks by one of the most profound Christian thinkers in America today, Gil Bailie. ALL Presentations are FREE.and open to all who are interested.

SCHOOL NEWS

The **School Office** will be open from 9 to Noon beginning Monday, August 20th.

School begins Tuesday, September 4th at 8:25. First day is a noon dismissal.

Come join our precious pre-school program!

Three-year-old classes are Monday and Wednesday AM.

Four Year classes are Monday through Friday PM.

Call the school office for more information 743-4242.

St. Thomas More Parish School Registration

Come join us! St. Thomas More Parish School! Registration is currently being taken for Kindergarten, Fourth, Seventh and Eighth Grades. At that time please bring immunization records, baptism records for those not baptized here at St. Thomas More and last/current report card(s).

Attention Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick and Hospital: Pick up **Living Faith Booklets** in the Sacristy of the Chapel to the hospital and homebound when visiting.

Prayer Support for Our Troops. Would you be interested in helping create and maintain a Prayer Corner in our church with the names of those serving our country in the military and peace keeping forces? We need your good ideas. Please call Joanie Rieck at 745-8260 or Kathleen at the parish offices at 743-2929 ext. 13.

Young Adult Community

Help our Brothers and Sisters in Peru
Last week a 8.0 magnitude earthquake hit the coast of Peru, toppling homes, churches and buildings at the quake's epicenter. Hundreds died in the rubble and thousands are homeless and without food and water. The coastal highway was so badly damaged that a trip that used to take little over two hours now takes 8. Getting supplies to people is thus hampered.

Catholic Relief Services field staff are identifying critical needs and coordinating the delivery of life-saving supplies. Based on past CRS disaster relief efforts, medical equipment, food, shelter, blankets and other supplies will be critical in the next few weeks.

How can we help? Donate online at www.crs.org
Mail a check to Catholic Relief Services, PO Box 17090, Baltimore MD 21203-7090

On memo section of check : Peru Earthquake Fund
By Phone: 1-877-HELP-CRS

ST THOMAS MORE STEWARDSHIP

A STEWARD'S DAILY PRAYER

All powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give You thanks. All things are of Your making. All times and seasons obey You. You chose to create us in Your own image, and set us over the whole world in its wonder. You made us the stewards of creation, to praise You every day for Your wisdom and power. May we imitate Your Son, Jesus, in His life of service. May we be faithful stewards of all Your gifts among the people of God. Amen.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

God's gifts and his call are irrevocable. Let us praise God for all his gifts are our call!

INDIVIDUAL ACTS OF STEWARDSHIP

Bishop Morneau of Green Bay has spoken about the 12 Gardens of Stewardship. This broad concept of stewardship shows that it extends to the soul, the arts, the mind, history, technology, politics, emotions, the planet, decisions, money, relationships, the body, and perhaps others. If Stewardship consists of many gardens, then obviously it is something that needs to be planted (recognizing God as the source of all we have through prayer and thanking God for all those gifts), tended (cultivated and nurtured), and harvested (sharing with others and giving back to God).

HERE IS ONE WAY TO PLANT THE GARDEN OF STEWARDSHIP

Thank God for those who support you (emotionally, financially, spiritually.)

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT SALUTE

Thank you to our new "Hospitality" Committee for taking on the joyful task of welcoming new parishioners with a home visit.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday Collections: 8/19/2007 August Year-to-Date

Budget	16,810.92	54,501.24	
Actual	14,869.32	49,123.31	
Better (Worse)	(1,941.60)	(5,377.93)	(13,039.49)

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITY OF THE WEEK

Please consider helping with these major needs:

- K-6 School Roof - \$50,000;
 - Telephone System and Hardware - \$25,000;
 - Campus Security Improvements - \$15,000
 - Parish Network Server and System - \$10,000
- For details, call (425) 743-2929 ext. 17