



St. Thomas Aquinas Church

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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 30, 2020

Joint Food Bank Closed Permanently

Unfortunately, our long time food bank partnership with St. Stephen's Martyr church has come to an end. St. Stephen Martyr closed the food bank in March, when the pandemic began, for safety reasons. Most of their volunteers were over 65 years old and were not allowed to continue assisting with the program. Without an end in sight of the COVID-19 virus, they decided not to reopen. We are saddened by this action, but completely understand the situation.

We are looking for another organization to partner with in the future. Our parishioners were always very generous in supporting the food bank and the special holiday basket drives. We thank you for your role with feeding the needy within our community.

Message from the Religious Education Program Registration for Religious Education classes has begun



During the Pandemic time, it has become more evident of the need to provide invitations to our Faith Formation. We have an invitation that speaks to a person's heart and soul that breaks through the fears that keep people from the journey.

Registration for First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Adult Faith Formation and RCIA is now open for the upcoming year. All classes will start on September 6th, 2020 and will be given via ZOOM meetings.

If you know of any child or adult who needs to receive the sacraments of Baptism, First communion and Confirmation, please have them call Ana Martinez at the Religious Education office by phone: 323-264-1338 or email: stareligioused@stampk.org.

Parish Office Closed Monday, September 7th Labor Day

In observance of Labor Day, our parish office will be closed on Monday, Sept. 7th. We wish you a safe and relaxing holiday.



In Gratitude for Gifts Received

Summer is wrapping up and unfortunately COVID-19 cases are increasing in some areas. During this challenging time people are turning to us for help. St. Thomas Aquinas wants to answer that call but we still depend on online donations to continue our ministry.

We prayerfully invite you to sign up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/CA779

**First Friday
Adoration & Mass
September 4th**

6 PM - Adoration/Holy Hour
6:45 PM - Rosary
7 PM – Mass

We look forward to seeing you.

**Safeguard The Children
DID YOU KNOW?**

**Teach children about dealing with
disappointment**

Many young children are facing a whole new world: less playdates, fewer in-person classes, changing sports requirements, wearing masks, waving instead of giving hugs. While this is hard, it's a great time to talk to your children about how to handle disappointment when things change. Talk to your children about God's love for us and how even if we struggle to understand what is happening, God is with us through it all. Visit: lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Weekly Expenses: \$7,500.00

8/22-23 Offertory/Online: \$5,384.00

Over/(Under): (\$2,116.00)

Thank you for your support!

**Mass Intentions
For the Week**

Saturday, August 29th

5:30 PM Frank Soto (D)
Frank Benitez (D)

Sunday, August 30th

8 AM Henry Roldan (Health)
11:30 AM Thomas Ayala (D)
Eva Magdalena Huerta (D)
Ernesto Cristobal (D)
1:30 PM All Souls in Purgatory
Divina Mercy

Tuesday, September 1st

8 AM Ai Min Lau (Well-being)
Henry Roldan (Health)

Thursday, September 3rd

8 AM Ai Min Lau (Well-being)
7 PM All STA Parishioners

Friday, September 4th

7 PM Ai Min Lau (Well-being)
Ortega and Casillas
deceased family members

Saturday, September 5th

8 AM Ai Min Lau (Well-being)