



# St. Thomas Aquinas Church

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Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 18, 2020



## “Joy of Sharing” Fundraiser Update

Many of you have already opened your hearts to experience the joy, fulfillment, and happiness through sharing God’s abundance.

We are happy to share that last week we collected **\$11,625** in donations to help sustain our daily operations and provide services to our parishioners.

We are very grateful for all those who have contributed and hope many more parishioners will join them in the coming weeks.

Please return your donation card and generous contributions by November 15.

**2020 CCA of St. Thomas Aquinas  
Fundraising Committee**

## Parish Directory

Our 2018 – 2019 Parish Pictorial Directory is now available for order. It has been a while since we started the project and the pandemic further delayed the production, but is now ready and available for pre-order purchase. Approximately 150 families and 30 ministries were photographed for this valuable pictorial of our parish history. For only \$15 you will receive a soft cover book of photos capturing a special time of our parish. You may order you Parish Pictorial Directory by:

- Downloading the attached form and placing the order and payment of \$15 in our regular collection basket or mail your payment to our parish office
- Using our egiving platform Faith Direct. You can go online to [faith.direct/CA779](http://faith.direct/CA779), this is a safe and secure site. You may make a one-time donation for \$15, annotating “Pictorial Directory” in the “Note” field.
- Pick-up an order form at the table by our altar and return it to the parish office mail slot or place it in our collection basket with your \$15 payment.

## Refreshed Website

The leaves are falling and autumn is well underway. With the change of season comes a change in the look of our parish website. The Archdiocese partnered with eCatholic to engage them in creating websites for all Los Angeles Archdiocese parishes at no cost to the parish.

We took advantage of the offer and moved forward with redesigning our website. Please take a few minutes to look at our refreshed website and let us know what you think and provide any recommendations you may have.

You can visit us at [www.stampk.org](http://www.stampk.org).

## English Bible Study Fall Session

Our English Bible study class continues to meet every Wednesday from 7 PM – 8 PM via zoom. The Gospel of Mark will be the topic of reflection and lively discussion. New members are welcome.

To join just use the link below:

[us02web.zoom.us/j/3956705686](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3956705686)

Meeting ID: 395 670 5686



## All Souls Novena

All deceased loved ones may be included in our November All Souls Novena by contacting the parish office at (323) 264-4447, by email: [parishoffice@stampk](mailto:parishoffice@stampk) or placing your All Souls envelope in our regular collection basket. Envelopes are available for pick up by the altar. Deadline is Thursday, October 28th. The Novena will be held from Nov.2<sup>nd</sup> – Nov.10<sup>th</sup>.

## Blood Drive Life Saving Success

The Red Cross is truly grateful to all STA blood donors and to STA for the use of our parish hall. Last week's blood drive surpassed their goal. They collected 27 pints of blood which means up to 84 hospital patients will be affected, so thank you so much! Your blood donation will help address the Red Cross's emergency appeal for blood and platelet. According to the Red Cross, the "Bobcat Fires" have had a severe effect on blood collections. You may have saved a life!

## Monterey Park Police Dept. Cyber Safety Class

Join our Monterey Park Police Department for a Cyber Safety Presentation on Wednesday, October 21st from 6:00 pm 7:30 pm on Zoom. Please see the link below for more information. We hope you will take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to learn additional ways to keep your child safe online. **Additional Info:** <https://www.smores.com/3a91r>

## School News

### Support our STA School Wood Mountain Christmas Tree Sale!

Pre-Order trees now through Nov. 16 for pick-up on Saturday, December 5. In addition to placing orders in the school office or by phone, we now have an online store where you can order. Send the link below to family and friends and encourage everyone to pre-order trees, wreaths, or garland!

<https://fundraiser4us.com/zz/STASchool/>

### 2020-2021 Student Council

We would like to congratulate our new members of STA School Student Council!

**Advisor:** Ms. Mendiaz

**President:** Evan Cheung

**Vice President:** Natalia Ramos

**Secretary:** Vincent Hernandez

**Treasurer:** Emma Matamoros

**Historian:** Ava Hernandez

**Commissioner of Academics:** Brandon Lee

**Commissioner of Spirit:** Sofia de la Torre

**Commissioner of Sports:** Alan Retana

## Calling All Youth Ministries

We are updating our ministries listing and need all ministries who work with minors (under 18 years old) to contact the parish office to ensure you are on our authorized ministries list. You may call (323) 264-4447 or email: [parishoffice@stampk.org](mailto:parishoffice@stampk.org).

Groups who are not on our authorized list will not be associated with St. Thomas Aquinas church nor allowed to meet on parish grounds.

**The deadline for contacting our parish office is Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>.**

## October Respect Life Month Prayer

*Loving and faithful God, we ask for courage as we seek to protect the dignity of every person against violence, hatred, loneliness and despair. Grant parents the wisdom to form their children in your love. Bless and protect our young men and women, that they may be the peacemakers of our time. Help us build communities founded on the teachings of Jesus, which respect the life and dignity of all people. Encourage Catholics to participate in public life in a manner consistent with the mission of our Church. Give us hearts to love, hands to serve and the courage to be a voice for life and human dignity in our communities. We ask this through Christ our Lord.*

**Safeguard The Children  
DID YOU KNOW?**

**How sex offenders can mislead**

The concept of a “sex offender” can seem abstract, as if it is removed from your family and your life. But in reality, sex offenders can be anyone: neighbors, relatives, teachers, friends. Sadly, the sex offender’s skills in deception often hide this reality from us. Predators count on disbelief to hide in plain sight, often in positions that allow them to choose and groom their victims. It is no accident when we read headlines where people in positions of trust and power are arrested for sex offenses. It is critical to let go of disbelief and arm ourselves with information to protect our children. For more information, visit <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS**  
**Weekly Expenses: \$7,500.00**

10/10-11 Offertory/Online: \$6,056.00

Over/(Under): (\$1,444.00)

*Thank you for your support!*

**Mass Intentions  
For the Week**

**Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**

5:30 PM Frank Soto (D)

**Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>**

8 AM Teresa Li (Birthday)

Frank Soto (D)

Raquel O. Rivera (D)

11:30 AM Rosa Betancourt (Health)

1:30 PM Frank Soto (D)

Frank Salvador Huerta (D)

**Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>**

8 AM Teresa Li (Birthday)

**Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>**

8 AM All STA Parishioners

7 PM All STA Parishioners

**Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>**

8 AM All STA Parishioners

**Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>**

8 AM All STA Parishioners

*Please contact the parish office  
via phone (323-264-4447 ext. 102)  
or email (parishoffice@stampk.org)  
for mass intentions requests.*

## Parish Contact Information

Parish Office: (323) 264-4447  
 Chinese Ministry Office: (323) 264-4448  
 General Email: parishoffice@stampk.org  
 Parish Website: STAMPK.ORG  
 Fax: (323) 264-2524  
 Hall Rental: (323) 264-4447 ext. 102

### Parish Staff

Fr. John Kyebasuuta—Pastor  
 FrJohn@stampk.org Ext. 108  
 Fr. Justin Liu—Associate Pastor  
 FrJustin@stampk.org Ext. 106  
 Lorraine Melendez—General Manager  
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 Linda Almaguer—Parish Secretary  
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## School Information

School Office: (323) 261-6583  
 Stefanie Lutero - Principal  
 Email: SLutero@stampkschool.org  
 General Email: info@stampkschool.org  
 Website: stampkschool.org

## Religious Education Information

Office: (323) 264-1338  
 Ana Martinez - Coordinator  
 Email: stareligioused@stampk.org

# Mass Schedule

<b>Saturday Vigil</b>	5:30 PM (English)
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00 AM (English) 9:30 AM (Mandarin) 11:30 AM (English) 1:30 PM (Spanish) 3:00 PM (Cantonese)
<b>Monday</b>	7:00 PM (Chinese)
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00 AM (English)
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:00 AM (Chinese)
<b>Thursday</b>	8:00 AM (English) 7:00 PM (Spanish)
<b>Friday</b>	8:00 AM (English) <b>**1st Friday ONLY 7:00 PM**</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	8:00 AM (English)

### **Zoom Links & Passwords:**

English Masses:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/311575271>

**Meeting ID:311575271 Password: Mass**

Spanish Masses:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/912501465>

**Meeting ID:912501465 Password: Misa**

Chinese Masses:

<https://zoom.us/j/3901142241>

**Meeting ID: 3901142241**

**\*THURSDAY 8 AM ENGLISH MASS:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5897232327>

**Meeting ID:5897232327 Password: 1501**