

**The Catholic Community  
of St. Thomas More**

**Directory of Ministries**



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# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. THOMAS MORE

## DIRECTORY OF MINISTRIES

### PARISH MINISTRIES

#### I. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS MINISTRY

The mission of the Building & Grounds Ministry is to provide technical support to assure that the current and future facilities needs for the parish and school are met. This mission is fundamentally one of planning for and overseeing construction of new buildings, and maintaining current buildings and grounds.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL PORTFOLIO HEAD:** Carlos Lima, (919) 942-6232, calima@st-thomasmore.org

##### 1. **Buildings and Grounds Committee**

A variety of groups in which members provide technical support to ensure current and future environment and space needs. Mission is planning and overseeing construction for new buildings and/or improving or maintaining current buildings and grounds. Contact Carlos Lima, (919) 942-6232, calima@st-thomasmore.org.

##### 2. **Columbarium Committee**

The Columbarium Committee is responsible for assisting the Pastor in the administration of the St. Thomas More Memorial Garden and Columbarium in accordance with the requirements of the Diocese of Raleigh and this policy. Contact Dennis Egan, (919) 942-6265; degan@st-thomasmore.org.

#### II. CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION MINISTRIES

Catholic Formation Ministries are educational, spiritual and catechetical programs with the purpose of bringing knowledge of Christian living, the Catholic faith and sacramental preparation to STM parishioners. As such they should touch the lives of every member of the community and should provide effective resources for personal and communal spiritual development.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL PORTFOLIO HEAD:** Dave Norris, (919) 968-6730, Dnorris@us.ibm.com; Sue Wolf, (919) 942-5425, susanne.wolf@unc.edu,

##### 1. **Adult Faith Formation**

Ministry of adult formation and education offers catechetical opportunities through study of Scripture, Church Teaching and Social Justice. Contact Jim Hynes at (919) 933-1041, jhynes@st-thomasmore.org.

##### 2. **Baptism Preparation**

Help parents prepare for responsibilities and liturgy of this first Sacrament. Volunteers present Church teaching and responsibilities as well as logistics of the baptismal liturgy. Meetings held the 1st Thursday every month. Contact Rex Teves, (919) 493-4006, cell@mindspring.com.

##### 3. **Bible Study**

The Denver Bible Study meets weekly for four-year in-depth study of the Bible. Participants may join at any time. Contact Jim Hynes, (919) 933-6237 or jhynes@st-thomasmore.org.

##### 4. **Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)**

Children ages 4-8 gather during 5:15 p.m., 9:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m. Sunday Masses to hear and reflect on the Word of God proclaimed, and to pray according to their age of faith development. Contact Kelly Fulton

(5:15 and 9:15 Masses), 919. 370.7471, fultonkelly@hotmail.com; or Gina Watring (11:15 am), 919. 967.5598, ginawatring@yahoo.com.

**5. Disciples in Mission**

Parishioners participate in a program that integrates Sunday liturgies, small faith-sharing groups and catechesis into coherent experiences of evangelization. Contact Gail Komives at (919) 942-8520, gmkomives@aol.com.

**6. Elementary Faith Development**

Volunteer catechists teach children prechildren Pre-K through grade 5 prayers, beliefs, doctrine, traditions and sacraments of the Catholic faith through Lectionary catechesis, based on sacred scriptures, liturgy and traditions of the Church. Contact Jim Hynes, (919) 942-6237, jhynes@st-thomasmore.org.

**7. JustFaith**

JustFaith is an opportunity to experience a spiritual journey into compassion through an in-depth study of Catholic social teaching through Scripture, theological reading, retreats and direct experience. Participants must commit to a 30 week program. Contact Jim Hynes, (919) 942-6237, jhynes@st-thomasmore.org.

**8. Landings Program for Returning Catholics**

Ministry for welcoming those who wish to investigate returning to the Catholic Church. Contact Ken Reeb, 918-3536, kreeb@earthlink.net.

**9. Library Committee**

Members maintain parish library and encourage parishioners to borrow books, tapes and other educational materials. In addition, prepare and manage book cart in narthex after weekend Masses. Contact Jim Hynes, (919) 942-1040 ext. 237, jhynes@st-thomasmore.org.

**10. Marriage Preparation**

This is a married couple ministry that serves to support engaged couples preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony. During the six months preparation time, the married couples help engaged couples complete paperwork needed by the Diocese, share their experience of their sacramental married life with the engaged, and spend several evenings helping interpret the FOCCUS tool engaged couples take to help them prepare for their upcoming wedding and lifetime together. Contact Jane or Jerry Kyle, (919) 942-6578, jkyle@nc.rr.com.

**11. Nursery Ministry**

Nursery Ministry is much more than babysitting at Mass. It is catechesis for the very young, their first contact with faith development and instruction. Coordinator is Cynthia Monarrez-Larrick, (919) 933-6914, monarrez@nc.rr.com.

**12. RCIA (Initiation Ministry) - Adults**

The catechumenate provides pastoral formation and guidance aimed at training in the Christian life those adults who are seeking baptism or Christians of other traditions who have been called to reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church. The entire community is invited to participate, by being a sponsor and in witnessing to the mystery of salvation celebrated in the sacraments of initiation. Contact Andrew Casad, (919) 942-6235, acasad@st-thomasmore.org.

**13. RCIA (Initiation Ministry) - Children**

The catechumenate for children provides the same formation as given adults but is adapted for children ages 7-17 who wish to become Catholic. Volunteers are trained to teach Faith development and offer support. Contact Jim Hynes, (919) 942-6237, jhynes@st-thomasmore.org.

#### **14. Vacation Bible School**

Children ages 4-14 explore their Catholic faith in a weeklong summer fun environment. Volunteers 14+ years needed. Contact Jim Hynes, (919) 942-6237, [jhynes@st-thomasmore.org](mailto:jhynes@st-thomasmore.org).

#### **15. Youth Ministry**

The youth ministry programs provide faith formation and sacramental preparation through catechesis as well as retreat opportunities, service outreach, and social events.

- a) **Junior High Youth Ministry (JYM), Grades 6-8:** Georgie Clemens, (919) 942-6240, [gclemens@st-thomasmore.org](mailto:gclemens@st-thomasmore.org).
- b) **Total Youth Ministry (TYM), Grades 9-12:** Sonia Honey, (919) 942-6238, [shoney@st-thomasmore.org](mailto:shoney@st-thomasmore.org).

### **III. COMMUNICATIONS**

The mission of the Communications Portfolio is to promote awareness of the various St. Thomas More ministry efforts with our parishioners, school community, neighboring parishes and the general public; and to develop creative materials that inform, communicate and celebrate the wide variety of activities occurring within our community.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL PORTFOLIO HEAD:** Amy Lorenti, (919) 969-2740, [lorenti\\_writes@yahoo.com](mailto:lorenti_writes@yahoo.com)

#### **1. Communications Committee**

Develop creative ways and means to share God's message and the ministry efforts of all STM portfolios with our parishioners, school community, neighboring parishes, Raleigh Diocese, Piedmont Deanery, and the secular community. Contact Amy Lorenti, (919) 969-2740, [lorenti\\_writes@yahoo.com](mailto:lorenti_writes@yahoo.com).

### **IV. COMMUNITY LIFE MINISTRIES**

The Community Life Ministries promote the celebration of life and community in our parish and enable parishioners to look to St. Thomas More as a focal point for their social relationships. The Community Life ministries bring parishioners together in prayer, service, celebration, and recreation, strengthening the social bonds among them and building on the foundation of an active parish community.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL PORTFOLIO HEAD:** Danelle Lobdell (919) 968-2859, [epiwar@yahoo.com](mailto:epiwar@yahoo.com) and Marguerite Wilkinson, (919) 967-9598, [gamih@bellsouth.net](mailto:gamih@bellsouth.net)

#### **1. Bereavement Ministry**

Reaches out and offers support to those experiencing loss of a loved one due to death. All information is kept confidential. If interested, please contact Joyce Loeb sack, (919) 403-8256, [jloeb sack@earthlink.net](mailto:jloeb sack@earthlink.net).

#### **2. Catholic Mothers' Network**

Members celebrate motherhood by meeting once a month to explore parenting issues in the context of Catholic faith. Contact Elizabeth Tolman, [mamutconsoul@yahoo.com](mailto:mamutconsoul@yahoo.com), (919) 361-3431.

#### **3. Catholic Women's Book Club**

This group meets once every three weeks for social time and to reflect on various books regarding the Catholic Faith and issues facing our world today. Contact: Sue Wolf at (919) 942-5425, [susanne.wolf@unc.edu](mailto:susanne.wolf@unc.edu) or Karen Lewis, (919) 929-0651, [tokyokaren@yahoo.com](mailto:tokyokaren@yahoo.com).

#### **4. Dinner Club**

Groups are formed in the Fall and meet once a month through May in each other's homes. Great way to meet new people! Contact Sandy Daquila, (919) 401-2805, [sandaq@verizon.net](mailto:sandaq@verizon.net).

**5. Elizabeth Ministry**

Offers support and outreach to women and their families through the joys, challenges and sorrows of the child-bearing years and beyond. If you are interested in becoming a minister or know someone who could use support, contact Heather Lanasa, (919) 403-0227, heatherlanasa@yahoo.com.

**6. Funeral Committee**

Provide receptions for families who have funeral Masses or ceremonies at STM. Volunteers plan, prepare food, set up, serve and clean up after receptions. Contact Marianne Wolf, (919) 732-4915, ncwolf@visionet.net.

**7. Intercessory Prayer Team**

Members of this team will pray once a month for the needs of our parishioners who have made specific prayer requests to the St. Thomas More Parish Office. Intercession will include reading from Scripture and from a book by the author, Joy Lamb, entitled "The Sword of the Spirit, the Word of God". The Team meets on the second Monday of each month from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. For more information, contact Anneke Jakes at (919) 542-1548, ajakes1@embarqmail.com.

**8. Knights of Columbus (Paul J. Trageser Council)**

A religious fraternal men's group that supports local mentally and physically handicapped and disabled children through fundraising campaigns and personal support. Meet 3rd Wednesday of month, 7:30 p.m. Contact Gil Montoya, (919) 929-6811, gilhome@bellsouth.net.

**9. Knights of Columbus (Divine Mercy Assembly)**

Knights of the Fourth Degree focus on promoting patriotism, citizenship, and on religious education and works. They will also promote Divine Mercy, Divine Mercy Sunday, John Paul II Institute of Divine Mercy, and the Marians of the Immaculate Conception. The Assembly welcomes all parish Fourth Degree knights to join the local assembly. Contact Lee Heavlin, (919) 968-8628, LBHeavlin@pipeline.com

**10. Men's Club**

Volunteers raise funds for parish outreach ministries and STM School needs, including scholarships, primarily through monthly Pancake Breakfasts. Meets 7:30 p.m. on 1st Wednesday of month. New members are enthusiastically welcomed! Contact Terry Crook, (919) 929-6844, terrycrook@earthlink.net.

**11. Office Assistance**

Volunteers enter information into parish database, answer telephones, help with mailings, type for priests, count collections and serve parish as needed. Contact Jennifer Bartnik, (919) 942-6225, jbartnik@st-thomasmore.org.

**12. Polish-American Club**

Members meet 1st Wednesday of month during school year to engage in social, educational and cultural activities, promote Polish traditions, and to learn or improve Polish language skills. Contact Les Mazur, (919) 593-1396, lmazur@nc.rr.com.

**13. Social Committee**

Members coordinate, obtain, prepare and serve food and beverages at parish gatherings. Volunteers welcome parishioners, set up and clean up at receptions and socials. Contact Kathy Callisher, (919) 929-1038, JCallisher@cs.com.

**14. Softball Team**

Members meet, practice and play in recreational league with area churches. Contact John DeMasi, (919) 408-0915, John.DeMasi@netapp.com

### **15. St. Joseph's Ministry**

Support group to help those with job or career search and related activities such as networking, resumes, and interviewing skills. Contact Randy Morris, (919) 493-3076, wrm1358@yahoo.com, or Mike Komives, (919) 942-8520, gmkomives@aol.com.

### **16. Welcome Committee**

Members assist with welcome receptions for new parish members, collating information packets, calling newly registered members, enthusiastically welcoming new parishioners. Contact Dorri Bolesky, (919) 932-4460, chasedesigns@gmail.com.

### **17. Women's Group**

Spirituality, sociability and service are goals of this ministry, whose members meet the first Tuesday of each month for a Communion Service, followed by lunch and discussion of parish needs and opportunities to volunteer. Contact Harriet Melvin, (919) 929-4921, mvrck4921@yahoo.com.

### **18. Young Adults**

Sense of community is fostered for Catholics in their 20s and 30s who meet for discussion about issues in the Catholic Church and incorporate activities to encourage fellowship, spiritual growth, and participation in community service. Contact Danelle Lobdell, (919) 968-2859, epiwar@yahoo.com, or Alessandra Livraghi, (919) 928-8205, alessandra\_livraghi@earthlink.net.

## **V. HISPANIC MINISTRIES**

The Hispanic Ministries serve as vehicles of evangelization through which our growing Hispanic population can express, live, and grow in their faith in their native language. We seek to foster an environment where the community can interact socially and spiritually, and serve to help St. Thomas More become a fully integrated multicultural parish.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL PORTFOLIO HEAD:** Xiomara Boyce at 919.942.6239, xboyce@st-thomasmore.org

### **1. Agua Viva Prayer Group**

Members meet to praise and pray to God and to proclaim His Word. The whole family is welcome. Call Douglas Cruz at 919-883.6374.

### **2. Altar Servers**

The role of the Altar Server is to assist the presider during Liturgical celebrations. Volunteers supervise existing Altar Servers and train new servers (4<sup>th</sup> grade and up) for Masses and ceremonies. Call Margarita Sanchez at 919.619.6616 or Rosy Rayas at 336.376.1020.

### **3. Baptism Preparation**

Help parents and godparents prepare for responsibilities and liturgy of this first Sacrament. Volunteers present Church teachings and responsibilities as well as logistics of the baptismal liturgy. Meetings are held the first Friday of every month. Contact Gulnara Trauco at 919.370.7831, gulnaraT@unch.unc.edu.

### **4. Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)**

Children ages 4-8 years gather during the homily at Sunday Mass to hear and reflect on the Word of God, and to pray according to their age of faith development. Call or email Sara Vidal at 919.923.5000, saracvidala@hotmail.com.

### **5. Equipo Pastoral**

Equipo Pastoral is a vehicle of evangelization by which our Latino population can express itself, live, and grow in its faith in its own language. We look to promote an atmosphere where the community can interact spiritually and socially and help St. Thomas More become a united, multicultural parish. Contact

Xiomara Boyce at 919.942.6239, xboyce@st-thomasmore.org.

**6. Eucharistic Ministers**

Members assist the presider in distributing the Eucharist at all Masses. Some also minister to the sick and homebound. Ongoing training is offered. Contact Humberto Torres at 919.761.3683.

**7. Funeral Committee**

Members provide receptions for families who have funeral Masses or ceremonies at STM. Volunteers plan, prepare food, set up, serve and clean up after receptions. **Ministry leader position is available.** Contact Xiomara Boyce at 919.942.6239, xboyce@st-thomasmore.org..

**8. Hospital Visitation**

Members visit and bring the Eucharist to Catholics who are in UNC and Duke Hospitals and wish to receive Holy Communion. Call Ismael Galvan at 919.929.1740.

**9. Hospitality and Welcome**

Members help with welcome receptions for new parishioners, make welcome packages, and call newly registered members. Call Eleno Gonzalez at 919.933.2165.

**10. Latina Health Fair**

An annual event providing free health screening and information, targeting the area's Spanish speaking population. Committee volunteers are needed to coordinate agencies, publicity, food and entertainment. Committee meets twice a month for the three months preceding the Spring event. Translators, set-up and clean-up volunteers needed the day of the Fair. Contact Sandy Clark, (919) 932-9478, clarkdwsc@earthlink.net.

**11. Lectors**

Lectors proclaim God's word in readings at weekend and Holy Day Masses. Training for all lectors is held annually and individually as needed. Contact Jaqueline Celaya at 919.969..2562, jackiejerry@yahoo.com.

**12. Marriage Preparation**

This is a married couple ministry that serves to support engaged couples preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony. During the six months of preparation, the married couples help engaged couples complete forms required by the Diocese, share their experience of their sacramental married life with the engaged couple, and spend several evenings to prepare for their upcoming wedding and lifetime together. Call Gladys Morris at 919.732.3101, gladysmorris@aol.com.

**13. Mass Coordinators**

Members ensure that Altar Servers, Lectors, lighting, sound, candles, and all elements are ready for celebration of the Mass. Call Gerardo Celaya at 919.260-6215, jackiejerry@yahoo.com.

**14. Quinceañeras**

Volunteers help with the preparations, rehearsals and Masses for the Quinceañeras. Call Maria Guadalupe Ariza at 919.928.0166.

**15. RCIA (Initiation Ministry)**

The catechumenate provides pastoral formation and guidance aimed at training in the Christian life those adults who are seeking baptism or Christians of other traditions who have been called to reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church. The entire community is invited to participate in the celebration of this sacrament of initiation. Contact Juana Rossi at 919.259.3818, jsiles50@hotmail.com.

**16. Rosary Ministry**

Contact Ana Maria Alvarado at 919.929.8139, emartinez789@bellsouth.net.

### **17. Sister Parish Steering Committee**

Members promote evangelization between our Hispanic and non-Hispanic parishioners while strengthening the ties with Santa Cruz, our parish sister in Juventino Rosas in Guanajuato, Mexico. Contact Mauricio Castro at 919.423.6332, Macalcde@aol.com; or Ken Reeb at 919.918.3536, kreeb@earthlink.net.

### **18. St. Cecilia Choir**

Open to men and women who want to lead the congregation in the songs of the Liturgy, to prepare psalms, and to teach new songs. New members receive training. Contact Marianne Kremer at 919.929.2059, allegromaria@webtv.net.

### **19. Wedding Committee**

Volunteers assist with wedding rehearsals and the ceremonies. Training provided. Contact Soleir Gordon-Shaefer at 919.302-9743, dschaefer9@aol.com.

### **20. Young Adults**

A sense of community is fostered for Catholics over 18 years (in their 20s and 30s) who want to meet for discussion about issues in the Catholic Church and incorporate activities to encourage fellowship, spiritual growth, and participation in community service. Ministry Leader position open. Contact Director of Hispanic Ministries, Sonia Honey, at 919.942.6239 or shoney@st-thomasmore.org

## **VI. LITURGY MINISTRIES**

The mission of the Liturgy Portfolio is to provide coordination, training, and planning so that parishioners can encounter God and each other in word, sacrament, and one another. We strive to create joy-filled religious celebrations as the people of God gather to worship bringing their lives, ministries, needs, and hopes to God and to each other.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL PORTFOLIO HEAD:** Bob Troy, (919) 933-8509, rtroyjr@mindspring.com

#### **1. Altar and Sanctuary Care**

Members wash and iron altar cloths, purificators and towels, and clean the church. Volunteers rotate work schedule. Contact Gay Brashear, (919) 918-3469, brashrh@hotmail.com.

#### **2. Altar Servers**

The role of the altar server is to assist the presider during liturgical celebrations. Volunteers monitor existing and train new altar servers (4th grade and up) for Masses and ceremonies. Contact Jim Bauer (919) 593-8032, jimmydbauer@aol.com.

#### **3. Environment & Art Committee (and Plant & Flower Subcommittee)**

This committee enhances the worship space through the use of art. Volunteers decorate for the liturgical seasons, and provide and plan for the environment and art of the church. Contact Barbara Wasik, (919) 942-3946, wasik@unc.edu.

Members of the **Plant and Flower Subcommittee** decorate the church with flowers and plants and attend to all aspects of their care within the worship space at St. Thomas More. Adults and teens are welcomed. Contact Kathy Schuler at 919.929-8097 or kdschuler714@aol.com.

#### **4. Eucharistic Ministers**

Members assist the presider in distributing the Eucharist at all Masses. Some also minister to the sick and homebound. Ongoing training is offered. Contact Jane or Jerry Kyle, (919) 942-6578, jkyle@nc.rr.com.

## **5. Hospitality Ministers**

Members greet and welcome parishioners and visitors at weekend Masses, provide seating assistance, and distribute bulletins. Contact Jane Kyle, (919) 942-6578, [jkyle@nc.rr.com](mailto:jkyle@nc.rr.com) or Andrew Casad, (919) 942-6235, [acasad@st-thomasmore.org](mailto:acasad@st-thomasmore.org).

## **6. Lectors**

Proclaim God's word in readings at weekend and Holy Day Masses. Training for all lectors done annually and individually as needed. Contact Mike Komives, (919) 942-8520, [gmkomives@aol.com](mailto:gmkomives@aol.com).

## **7. Liturgy Committee**

Liturgy Committee meetings are open to anyone who would like to help shape and plan liturgical celebrations at St. Thomas More. The Committee is also comprised of the Pastoral Council Liturgy Portfolio Head, the Director of Liturgy, the heads of our liturgical ministries, and the Sacristans. Meetings are generally on the third Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the Santa Cruz Room. If you have an issue you would like addressed but cannot attend meetings, or if you would like to be involved, please contact Andrew Casad, (919) 942-6235, [acasad@st-thomasmore.org](mailto:acasad@st-thomasmore.org) or Bob Troy, (919) 933-8509, [rtroyjr@mindspring.com](mailto:rtroyjr@mindspring.com).

## **8. Mass Coordinators**

Members ensure that altar servers, lectors, lighting, sound, candles, and all elements are ready for celebration of Mass. Contact Jane Kyle, (919) 942-6578, [jkyle@nc.rr.com](mailto:jkyle@nc.rr.com).

## **9. Wedding Committee**

Volunteers assist with wedding rehearsals and the ceremonies. Training provided. Contact Cheryl Filpus (919) 967-8963, [cheryl@filpus.org](mailto:cheryl@filpus.org).

## **VII. MUSIC MINISTRIES**

The mission of the Music Portfolio is to develop the talent, skills and musicianship of each singer/instrumentalist as together we as a Community explore, prepare and share a diversity of sacred song with particular focus on the musical treasures of the Catholic Church.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL PORTFOLIO HEAD:** Beth Evans, (919) 967-3106, [evans139@email.unc.edu](mailto:evans139@email.unc.edu)

### **1. Cantors**

Open to men and women high school age and up. Lead congregation in singing at liturgy, prepare psalms, Gospel and other acclamations, introduce new music to the congregation. Provide music for weddings, funeral Masses and ceremonies. New cantors receive personal training, all receive coaching. Contact Roger Petrich, (919) 942-6233, [rpetrich@st-thomasmore.org](mailto:rpetrich@st-thomasmore.org).

### **2. Celebration Singers**

Serves 9:15 a.m. Mass, mid-August to mid-June, and major feasts and sacramental services. Open to high school and older, vocalists and instrumentalists. Rehearse Tuesday, 7:30-9:00 p.m. Contact Barbara Reynolds, (919) 493-6883, [bareynolds@nc.rr.com](mailto:bareynolds@nc.rr.com).

### **3. Chelsea Chimes (Handbell Choir)**

Malmark handbells are used by members, men and women high school age and up. Ringing choirs perform at numerous weekend and Holy Day Masses. Rehearse Thursday, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Contact Roger Petrich, (919) 942-6233, [rpetrich@st-thomasmore.org](mailto:rpetrich@st-thomasmore.org).

#### **4. Instrumentalists**

People proficient on string, woodwind, brass and percussion instruments are welcome and encouraged to enhance choirs. Solo singers serve weddings, funerals, and liturgical seasons. Contact Roger Petrich, (919) 942-6233, rpetrich@st-thomasmore.org.

#### **5. Music Librarians**

Our choirs sing literally hundreds of pieces of music each season, all needing to be handed out, then collected and re-filed. New music also needs to be processed. Database skills are helpful. Hours are flexible. No singing abilities or librarian experience is needed, but requires attention to details. Contact Roger Petrich, (919) 942-6233, rpetrich@st-thomasmore.org,

#### **6. MORE Praise**

Open to students in grades 6-8. Learn music reading, singing technique, liturgical awareness and preparing songs for liturgy. Rehearse Thursdays, 11:30am-noon. Contact Roger Petrich, (919) 942-6233, rpetrich@st-thomasmore.org.

#### **7. Schola Cantorum**

Serves 11:15 a.m. Mass, September-June, and all major feasts. Members are high-school age and older. Extensive repertory employed, from chant to Renaissance motets to *Messiah* to contemporary composers, and our own Roger Petrich. Rehearse Wednesday, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Contact Roger Petrich, (919) 942-6233, rpetrich@st-thomasmore.org.

### **VIII. OUTREACH MINISTRIES**

The mission of the St. Thomas More Outreach portfolio and Community Involvement Committee is to promote the awareness of Catholic Social Teaching, internal and external to the STM Parish Community. We also guide and encourage parish involvement in social justice issues locally and beyond to work for a more just and peaceful society.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL PORTFOLIO HEAD:** Tish Galu, (919) 960-4437, galu@bellsouth.net

#### **1. AIDS Care Support Team**

Support HIV-positive people needing friendship and care. Weekly visits are scheduled, and volunteers help with transportation, shopping or other needs to help keep people home for care. Contact Colette Bean, (919) 489-2644, candcgrandkids@verizon.net.

#### **2. Caring and Sharing Center**

A center to receive and to share household and seasonal clothing items with our NEEDY poor in Orange and surrounding counties. Many volunteers are needed to help with welcoming our guests and sorting items. Contact Alice Kessing, (919) 942-3289, akessing@netzero.com, or Theresa Keller, (919) 942-6230, tkeller@st-thomasmore.org.

#### **3. Catholic Charities**

Offers counseling for individuals, couples and families. Family Life programs and financial assistance are available. Support is provided for the poor from all communities, Spanish-speaking and English. Contact Barbara Stickford, (919) 932-3544.

#### **4. Community Involvement Committee (CIC)**

Members meet monthly to discuss and plan ways to promote and exercise Catholic social teaching within our parish and in the community. Contact Tish Galu, (919) 960-4437, galu@bellsouth.net.

- 5. Habitat for Humanity**  
 Provides adequate and affordable housing for working poor. Volunteers work rotating schedule at a home site, other volunteers prepare and supply lunch for workers. Contact Linda Heffernan, (919) 942-6862, [jheffernan@nc.rr.com](mailto:jheffernan@nc.rr.com), or Susan Doyle, (919) 933-3291, [spdoyle@prodigy.net](mailto:spdoyle@prodigy.net).
- 6. Homestart Shelter for Women and Children**  
 Parishioners provide dinner for approximately 20 women and children who are homeless and temporarily living at the shelter. Working in teams, we are able to provide meals 5 nights each month. Teams can prepare the meal at home and deliver it or prepare the meal right at the shelter. It's a good way to involve children. Contact Julie Bauers, (919) 967-2534, [jbauers@nc.rr.com](mailto:jbauers@nc.rr.com).
- 7. Hospital Visitation**  
 Members visit and bring the Eucharist to Catholics who are in UNC and Duke Hospitals and wish to receive Communion. Contact Anneke Jakes, (919) 542-1548, [ajakes@albc-usa.org](mailto:ajakes@albc-usa.org), or Shelia Flannery, (919) 542-5460, [sflannery@mind-spring.com](mailto:sflannery@mind-spring.com), or Theresa Keller, (919) 942-6230, [tkeller@st-thomasmore.org](mailto:tkeller@st-thomasmore.org).
- 8. IFC Community House (Men's Shelter)**  
 Area congregations and university students staff facility. Receptionists and building monitors needed for 3-hour shifts. Evening volunteers work once a week. Overnight volunteers work once a month, from 6:30 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. Contact Kathie Kearns, (919) 932-9705, [kkearns@co.orange.nc.us](mailto:kkearns@co.orange.nc.us) or Jane Hathaway, (919) 403-2111, [jhathaway1@nc.rr.com](mailto:jhathaway1@nc.rr.com).
- 9. IFC Community Kitchen**  
 An IFC program that serves the poor and needy, cooking groups plan, prepare and serve meals. Volunteers work twice a month 6:00-7:45 a.m., twice a month 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., and once a month 4:00-6:30 p.m. You are welcome on a one-time basis. Contact Wesley Norwood, (919) 967-0643, Kristin Lavergne, (919) 929-6380, or Coordinator, (919) 967-0643 ext. 15, [kitchen@ifcmailbox.org](mailto:kitchen@ifcmailbox.org).
- 10. IFC Crisis Intervention**  
 Members from local churches provide leadership and staff to address issues and problems of needy in Chapel Hill and Carrboro. Volunteers interview and assist IFC clients, work in community kitchen and shelter. Contact IFC office, Kristin Lavergne, (919) 929-6380, [servicesdirector@ifcmailbox.org](mailto:servicesdirector@ifcmailbox.org), or Barbara Stickford, (919) 932-3544, [jimstick@mindspring.com](mailto:jimstick@mindspring.com).
- 12. Latina Health Fair**  
 An annual event providing free health screening and information, targeting the area's Spanish speaking population. Committee volunteers are needed to coordinate agencies, publicity, food and entertainment. Committee meets twice a month for the three months preceding the Spring event. Translators, set-up and clean-up volunteers needed the day of the Fair. Contact Sandy Clark, (919) 932-9478, [clarkdwsc@earthlink.net](mailto:clarkdwsc@earthlink.net).
- 13. Meals on Wheels**  
 Volunteers deliver meals at lunchtime to those unable to prepare them for themselves. We meet at Binkley Baptist Church at 10:45 am, Monday through Friday. The time commitment is about an hour once a week, or as a substitute driver, on an as-needed basis. Contact Stacey Yusko at (919) 929-9752, [staceyyusko@yahoo.com](mailto:staceyyusko@yahoo.com).
- 14. Migrant Worker Outreach**  
 Assembles care kits for migrant workers during the summer months using parishioner donations. Volunteers are needed in June, July and August only. Contact Helen Johnston, (919) 942-9092, [ddandp3@aol.com](mailto:ddandp3@aol.com) or Patty Farlow, (919) 967-7387, [owlady@nc.rr.com](mailto:owlady@nc.rr.com).

### 15. Pregnancy Support Services

An inter-denominational Christian group providing support and service to young women in crisis-pregnancy situations. Services are free, confidential and available to anyone in need. Volunteer opportunities as counselors, receptionists or clothing closet organizers are available. Contact Mimi Every, Director, PSS Chapel Hill, (919) 942-7318 or PSS Durham, (919) 490-0203 or Marci Morgenlander, (919) 489-5188, mmorgenlander@nc.rr.com.

### 16. Refugee Resettlement

Members provide refugees emigrating to the U. S. with financial, housing, service agency and other informational assistance. Seeking new leadership. Contact Tish Galu, (919) 960-4437, galu@bellsouth.net.

### 17. Respect Life Committee

Ministry currently seeking leadership to serve our parish with educational activities regarding life issues. Contact Maureen Earnhardt, (919) 967-3253, digitaldavid@bellsouth.net.

### 18. Sick and Shut-Ins

STM members provide assistance and/or Eucharist for our sick and shut-in parishioners. Contact Joanne Caye, (919) 933-9883, jscaye@email.unc.edu, Chantal Shafroth, (919) 929-5428, cmshafroth@earthlink.net, or Theresa Keller, (919) 942-6230, tkeller@st-thomasmore.org.

## PARISH LEADERSHIP MINISTRIES

### I. FINANCE COUNCIL 2007-08

Members advise the Pastor and support parish staff in preparation of budget, investigation of items with financial impact, and review reporting of financial results. Strategic planning for long-term parish needs with Pastoral Council, Stewardship Committee, STM School.

**Co-Chairs:** Dale Dickerson (919) 949-3998, el1406@nc.rr.com

Delynn Alexander	Endowments
Gregg Davis	
Rev. John Durbin	Pastor, Staff Liaison
Dennis Egan	Dir. Development, Staff Liaison
Jacques El-Chayeb	
Carlos Lima	Parish Administrator, Staff Liaison
Nancy McGuire	
Michele O'Donnell	Communications
Donna Olsen	Financial Services, Staff Liaison
Scott Remmy	School Advisory Board
Jill Rengan	Offertory Analysis
John Roger	

### II. NEW BUILDING COMMITTEE

The New Building Committee was appointed by the pastor in 2003 to achieve the following: (1) validate, and update as necessary, the Master Plan documented in February, 1996 during construction of the church and upper school; (2) define the requirements for a new parish multi-purpose building; develop the specific design, contents and cost of that building; develop, contract, and execute the project according to established timelines; and (3) determine whether there are additional projects needed to fulfill STM's mission.

**Co-Chairs:** Bob Smith, (919) 408-3014, RLSUSN@nc.rr.com  
Meade Christian, (919) 942-4435, meadech@aol.com,

Dennis Egan	Chair, Capital Campaign Subcommittee	degan@st-thomasmore.org; (919) 960-4195
Jim Eichel	Co-chair, Construction/Architecture/Design	jeichel@accentllc.com; (919) 929-3340.
Ken Reeb	Chair, Requirements Subcommittee	kreeb@earthlink.net; (919) 918-3536
Mike Komives	Chair, Communications Subcommittee	gmkomives@aol.com; (919) 942-8520
Shelayne Sutton	Co-chair, Construction/Architecture/Design	shelayne@nc.rr.com; (919) 967-4110
Tim Mann	Chair, Finance Subcommittee	tonkmann@aol.com; (919) 932-8714
Ann DiGiano		
Bob Weickert		
Carlos Lima		
Chris Elam		
Dan Schaefer		
Jim Hynes		
Laura Stewart		
Malcolm White		
Michele Silva		
Philip Stadter		
Regina Mattera		
Rev. John Durbin		

### **III. PASTORAL COUNCIL 2007-08**

The primary leadership organization of the Parish is comprised of the Parish Council president, members of the Finance Council and School Board, and the leaders of the various Portfolios within the parish. The council operates under the oversight and cooperation of the Pastor and the Parish Team of staff liaisons, and serves as the primary integrating force of the parish. The mission of the Pastoral Council is to consult with the Pastor on matters of importance to the parish community, aiding him to fulfill the Mission and to pursue the vision of the parish through focused discussion and prayerful deliberation and discernment.

**Chair:** Chris Elam, (919) 806-0377, chris@playfulportraits.com

Mary Jane Kagarise	At-Large/Secretary
Paul Merlo	At-Large
Carlos Lima	Buildings & Grounds
Dave Norris	Catholic Faith Formation
Sue Wolf	Catholic Faith Formation
Marguerite Wilkinson	Community Life
Danelle Lobdell	Community Life
Gerardo Celaya	Hispanic Ministries
Bob Troy	Liturgical Ministries
Beth Evans	Music Ministries
Tish Galu	Outreach
Laura Stewart (contact)	Stewardship
Fr. John Durbin	Pastor
Carlos Lima	Parish Administrator
Theresa Keller	Pastoral Associate
Sr. Catherine Fee	School Principal
Dennis Egan	Director of Development
Sonia Honey	Coordinator Hispanic Ministries
Laura Stewart	Facilitator of Lay Ministries
Dale Dickerson	Finance Council Representative
Beth Gunn	School Board Representative

#### **IV. STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE**

The Stewardship Committee inspires and enables parishioners to share their time, talent and treasure in the service of God, His church, and the community. But the goal of this committee is to help parishioners come to understand stewardship on a deeper level: that everything we have comes as a gift from God is a core belief of Catholics, and it is a belief that demands a response – a conversion. Living stewardship as a way of life strengthens our relationships with God, with each other, and with the local community

**Contact:** Laura Stewart, (919) 942-6229, [lstewart@st-thomasmore.org](mailto:lstewart@st-thomasmore.org)

#### **V. ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL**

**Principal:** Sr. Catherine Michael Fee, (919) 929-1546, [cfee@st-thomasmore.org](mailto:cfee@st-thomasmore.org)

##### **1. HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (HSA) 2007-08**

The Home and School Association (HSA) is an organization comprised of all STM parents and teachers. HSA members encourage and coordinate parental involvement to enrich school programs, maintain and improve the social environment among students, parents, and teachers, and raise funds to support special facilities and programs at STM.

<b>Officers</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Phone</b>
Principal	Sr. Catherine Fee	(919) 929-1546 (school)
President	Sue Ann Glower	(919) 932-1847
Vice President	Margy Schmidt	(919) 933-1915
Secretary	Mary Jo Rochelle	(919) 489-6493
Treasurer	Karen Crow	(919) 468-9186
Faculty Representative	Courtney Kuczynski	(919) 932-5911

<b>Endowment Committees</b>	<b>Chair/Co-Chairs</b>
Auction	Sarah Vrolijk; Beth Ferrell; Debbie Collier
Gift Wrap Sales	Eileen Hayter; Kerry Mann
Lunch Program	Lisa Mohny
Halloween Carnival	Sally Trauco
Special Fundraisers	Cathy Elmore; Joanne Vance
Grocery Card Programs	Yvonne Lavalley
Uniform Resale	Ellen Cairns; Elaine Andreoni

<b>Enrichment Committees</b>	<b>Chair/Co-Chair</b>
Academic Enrichment	May Chang
Community Service	Mary Voelkel
Arenal Mission	Jeannie Kao
Cultural Enrichment	Mary Jo O'Donnell
Educational Resources	Cyndy Risku

<b>Environment Committees</b>	<b>Chair/Co-Chair</b>
Communications	Patrick Pudlo
Grade Parents	Amy Harris; Pam Lane
Parent Participation Program.	Margaret Ashness; Melissa Watkins
Buildings and Grounds	Vincent Soden
Social & Teacher Recognition	Cari Yentsch
Nominations Committee	Marci Morgenlander, Mindy Gill

Upper School Social  
Safe Environment

Nora Berendsen; Beth Deacon  
Connie Scott

## 2. SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD (2007-2008)

The St. Thomas More School Advisory Board is comprised of St. Thomas More school parents and parishioners, and representatives of the parish administration and school faculty, who serve at the invitation of the Principal and the Pastor and who provide advice and guidance in fulfilling the mission of St Thomas More School: “to provide an education for each child in a God-centered environment.”

**Chair:** Matt Sullivan, (919) 810-6824, matt\_sullivan@earthlink.net

Sr. Catherine	School Principal
Natalie Dekle	Faculty Representative
Gwen Eldred	Faculty Representative
Sue Ann Glower	HSA President
Carlos Lima	Parish Administrator (representing the Pastor)
Mary Anne Fallon	Secretary
Scott Remmy	Treasurer
Beth Gunn	
Norbert Schneider	
Peggy Schneider	
Doug Zinn	

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### **The Catholic Community of St. Thomas More Mission Statement**

Believing that God is always among us and that it is the will of God that all people be saved, the mission of the people of St. Thomas More is to:

Be a welcoming, loving, and reconciling community for all peoples.

Celebrate our relationship with God and neighbor through the sacraments and the liturgy.

Strengthen our identity as Catholics through a deeper understanding and incorporation of our beliefs.

Serve Christ, both individually and collectively, through a life style firmly based in Catholic values.

### **The Catholic Community of St. Thomas More Vision Statement**

Inspired by the Courage and Conviction of St Thomas More,  
Responding to God as the Virgin Mary did, and  
Called in Baptism as prayerful Stewards  
We share our gifts of Time, Talent, and Treasure

In so doing, we strive to be “True Disciples of Jesus”