

Steeple Talk

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News from the STA Mass communities:

7:15 Daily Mass: This faithful community welcomes all who join them on a weekday morn.

7:30: The early Sunday morning crowd warms up the church for us all on these chilly Sundays!

8:45: The Liturgy Committee is responsible for the arrangement of the vibrant Christmas altar decorations.

10:30: Music minister Paul Prochaska invites any musicians who have an interest in participating as singers or instrumentalists to come forward and speak to him at Mass.

12:00: A convivial gathering is held in the basement hall of the Thomas House with brunch and fellowship following this Mass. Music ministry is fulfilled by the St. Ann Choir, which sings the Mass in Gregorian chant.

12:15 Daily Mass: A good place to spend the lunch hour.

St. Thomas Aquinas Site Committee

Jane Bahr Helen Baumann
Phil Coates Lorraine Dabney
Bill Mahrt Bob March
Kieran McCarty Mike McMahon
Mario Veloro Kay Williams
and occasional others

Mission Statement: The Site Committee for St. Thomas Aquinas Church works to encourage community-building within our six individual Mass communities, among our Mass communities, and within the larger parish community. We do this by enhancing our liturgies, exercising responsible stewardship of our facilities, and working to improve communications at all levels of our parish community.

Site committee meetings are usually held the 4th Wednesday of the month in the basement hall of the Thomas House. All are welcome. Contact: Helen Baumann, 327-9236, hbbaumann@aol.com.

Site Committee greetings:

The members of the St. Thomas Aquinas Site Committee extend their greetings and best wishes to all during this blessed Christmas season.

Thank you for your support of the work of the Site Committee—in ministries performed during Masses, arranging altar flowers, maintaining the church sound system, picking up bulletins in the pews after Mass, welcoming newcomers, attending Site Committee meetings, offering suggestions about painting and decorating the building, and paying attention to the commu-



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community needs announced at Masses.

We count on your support as the new year dawns. We look forward to a momentous year for the St. Thomas Aquinas Church site, marked by positive changes and community growth.

STA Site Committee plans:

Monthly Meeting:
4th Wednesday in Thomas House basement. hall.

NEXT MEETING:
Tuesday, December 30, 2008
7:30—9:00 pm.
at the home of Helen Baumann, 151 Coleridge Ave., Palo Alto, 650-327-9236.

Monthly newsletter:
Sunday before 4th Wednesday

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Site Committee meets Tuesday, December 30, 7:30 p.m.:

The next STA Site Committee meeting will sidestep New Year's Eve and meet instead on Tuesday, December 30, at 7:30 p.m., at the home of Helen Baumann, 151 Coleridge Ave., Palo Alto (in the first block of Coleridge east of Alma Street). Look for the house with the lights outlining the multi-level roof line.

Under discussion at the meeting

with be the progress on the renovations of the Thomas House, the installation of a bike rack, the investigations of the church interior task force, the exterior paint problems, city plans for planting trees on the Homer Street side of the building, and other topics.

All interested persons are invited to attend. Add a topic to the agenda by emailing Bob March at bob.march@gmail.com.