# St. Thomas More Society

of San Francisco

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Chaplain Msgr. Labib Kobti

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"[Pride is] the mischievous mother of all manner of vice [and if it has been allowed to develop] carries with it a blindness almost incurable."

Saint Thomas More

Dear Friends,

**Executive Committee** 

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I hope you have enjoyed the summer. The St. Thomas More Society ("STMS") has some very good events planned for the remainder of 2009. We hope that you will be able to join us for some or all of them.

#### **Upcoming Events**

## SPECIAL LUNCHEON September 24, 2009 Honoring Past Award Recipients and Past Presidents

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to a special luncheon meeting of the St. Thomas More Society honoring all past Award Recipients and past Presidents to be held at a <u>NEW LOCATION</u>:

Thursday, September 24, 2009 at Noon at The Family Club Corner of Bush and Powell Sts. San Francisco, California

Parking is available on Bush between Mason and Powell (across from the Family Club) and also a block east on Bush in the Sutter Stockton Garage.

We are privileged to have University of San Francisco President, **Fr. Stephen A. Privett, S.J.**, as our luncheon speaker. Fr. Privett will address USF's mission and Catholic education.

This promises to be a great opportunity to renew some old relationships and forge some new ones. To reserve a spot at the luncheon, please RSVP to Susan Finnegan, at <a href="mailto:sfinnegan@hansonbridgett.com">sfinnegan@hansonbridgett.com</a>. An RSVP form to submit with your check is also attached below.

#### RED MASS AND AWARD DINNER October 22, 2009

It will not be very long before our annual premier event, the Red Mass and Award Dinner. This year the Red Mass will again be held at Sts. Peter & Paul Church in Washington Square with the Award Dinner to follow at the Italian Athletic Club nearby. We are very pleased to announce that Archbishop Niederauer will celebrate the Mass and deliver the homily. We are also very pleased to announce that our award recipient this year is First District Court of Appeal Justice Robert L. Dondero. Please save the date and

look for your invitation in the mail in September. If for whatever reason an invitation does not find its way to you by the end of September, please do not dismay. Simply, contact Susan Finnegan, at <a href="mailto:sfinnegan@hansonbridgett.com">sfinnegan@hansonbridgett.com</a> (415) 777-3200 to make your reservation to attend this terrific event.

#### Other Events

Last Thursday evening, STMS members gathered for another "Theology on Tap" session. USF Law School Dean Jeffery Brand and USF Director of Campus Ministry Fr. Donal Godfrey, S.J., led a very interesting discussion over beverages at the Holding Company concerning "whether anyone reads the Bible anymore and, if so, why." The success of the Theology on Tap sessions has been gratifying. Look for an announcement of at least more session before the end of the year.

Luncheons are also planned for November and December. November's is our annual pastors' luncheon and we will present the award winning essay at our December luncheon. Watch for dates and details to follow.

#### Dues

It's an oft repeated refrain from us, but it remains an important one. If you have not already done so, please renew your membership now and encourage someone else you know to join us this year. Please submit a completed application form (attached below). Thank you.

Your good servant,

Gregory E. Schopf

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### ST. THOMAS MORE SEPTEMBER 24, 2009 LUNCHEON RESERVATION

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I plan to attend the St. Thomas More Luncheon at NOON on September 24, 2009 at a <u>NEW LOCATION</u> The Family Club Corner of Bush and Powell Sts., SF, CA.	
Please reserve places at \$45 per person (over 10 years in practice).	
Please reserve places at \$38 per person (10 years and under in practice).	
Please reserve places at \$20 per person (law students and clergy).	
Member name:	
Member e-mail:	
Names of other attendees for whom payment is submitted:	
I would also like to sponsor one or more students or members of the clergy at \$20 per person include \$ in my check for such purpose.	and
The total amount of my enclosed check made payable to the "St. Thomas More Society of San Frances	cisco" is
Please RSVP and send checks to:	
J. Dennis McQuaid, STMS Secretary	

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# ST. THOMAS MORE SOCIETY OF SAN FRANCISCO MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Please accompany this application with current dues. Annual dues are \$100 for attorneys over five (5) years in practice, \$50 for attorneys with five (5) years or less in practice and \$25 for law students. Please make checks payable to **St. Thomas More Society**.

Return application and check to:

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