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REV. JOSE CHAVARIN, J.C.L., *Chaplain*

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Dear Colleagues,

Last month we had an excellent luncheon presentation by Sister Cynthia Canning, SNJM, and Travanti Lockhart, representing Next Step Learning Center, an innovative adult and family literacy program in Oakland. Their address was articulate, captivating and very well presented. It was truly impressive to learn about their fantastic non-profit, community based organization that addresses the critical problem of illiteracy in our community by teaching basic literacy, pre-GED and GED preparation to underserved adults in Oakland. Next Step Learning Center fulfills such a critical need in the community, with a budget funded primarily by grants and donations. If you are interested in volunteering or making a donation to this very worthy organization you can get more information on their website: <http://www.nextsteplc.org>

We are pleased to announce that our June luncheon guest speaker is Ms. Marianne O. Burnnett, '67, an expert speaking to us on the "Law of War and Detainee Operations." The issues raised by this discussion are extremely timely in light of the current U.S. military operations and existing U.S. detention facilities in Iraq, Afghanistan, Guantanamo Bay and elsewhere.

Our luncheon will be on June 22, 2006, which also happens to be the feast day of our patron saint, St. Thomas More. Before lunch we will have a short mass beginning at 11:30 am. So mark your calendars for **Thursday, June 22**. Mass will be at 11:30, followed immediately by the luncheon at noon. We are in our regular location at the Carnelian Room, 52nd Floor, 555 California Street, San Francisco.

****New Luncheon Price**→The Carnelian Room has notified us of an increase in their luncheon prices. The increase, figuring in taxes, is nearly three dollars per person. Therefore, although we regret having to do so, beginning with the June luncheon, we are increasing the luncheon price to \$38 per person. For law students, the luncheon price will remain \$15.

For those from whom we have received payment of annual membership dues, we enclose with this newsletter a copy of our Membership Directory. If you would like a Membership Directory, it is not too late to send your dues to our Treasurer Tom Reed (\$50, \$25 if you have been in practice less than three years, and \$10 if you are a law student). Please remember that our Membership Directory is for business purposes and should not be used for any other type of solicitation. Also, it should not be distributed to any third parties. Thank you for your cooperation in respecting the privacy of our members.

**** Upcoming dates:**

Thursday, September 21: September luncheon with guest speaker → California's newest Associate Supreme Court Justice Carol A. Corrigan.

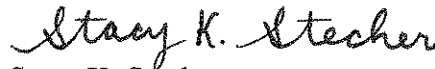
Friday, September 29: Giants game. Come see your Giants take on the dreaded Dodgers in the last home stand of the season.
Call or email me to Reserve your tickets now !

Thursday, October 19: Annual Red Mass/Dinner.

As always, we invite you to check for information about the Society and our upcoming events on our website: www.stthomasmore-sf.org

I very much look forward to seeing you at our June luncheon.

Sincerely,



Stacy K. Stecher
President

Please reserve _____ places at **\$38** per person (\$15 for law students) for the Society luncheon on Thursday, June 22, 2006. My check, payable to the St. Thomas More Society, for \$_____ is enclosed.

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I would like to sponsor a law student, today's speaker or our chaplain. Enclosed is an additional \$_____.

Please reserve for June's Luncheon by Monday, June 19, 2006.