# Catholic Church Community of

# St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway Hauppauge, NY 11788-4204

#### **Pastoral Staff**

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Music Ministry Emilia Savarese, Facilitator

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Joe Gast, S.C., Youth Minister

#### OUR PARISH SACRAMENTAL LIFE -

**EUCHARIST** 

Weekend Masses: Saturday: 5pm Sunday: 8am, 9:15am, 10:45am, 12:15pm Weekday Mass: 9am, Monday through Saturday except Thursday when there is Morning Prayer.

BAPTISM—As soon as your child is born, please call the Church Office to make Baptism arrangements. Preparation session and welcoming Mass attendance are required.

MARRIAGE—As soon as a couple decides to marry, and BEFORE making any other arrangements, call the Church Office to schedule an appointment with Fr. Midura or one of the deacons.

RECONCILIATION—Celebrated in Church every Saturday from 4pm to 4:45pm, or by previous appointment with Fr. Midura.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK—Call the Church Office to request visitation of the sick.

CONFIRMATION—Those who have not been confirmed should call the Church Office to receive further information.

*HOLY ORDERS*—Contact Fr. Midura for more information about the priesthood or diaconate.



# November 6, 2011 Thirty-Second Sunday Ordinary Time

Parish Mission Statement:
St. Thomas More Roman Catholic Church is a
parish community striving to share the Spirit of Love through
Prayer, Worship, the Sacraments
The Teachings of the Church, and
Our concern for others through Christian Stewardship.

#### **Telephones:**

| Rectory—      | 234-5551 | FAX 234-6412 |
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| Religious Ed— | 234-0397 | FAX 234-1199 |
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| Church Lobby- | 348-9378 |              |

# Masses for this coming week

November 6, 2011 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Wisdom 6:12-16 Psalm 131:1,2,3 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 or 4:13-14 Matthew 25:1-12

# Saturday—November 5 (Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Michael Cisternas by Mom & Charlie

#### Sunday—November 6—Thirty-Second Ordinary Sunday

8am—Jon Cacciabaudo by Elinor & Dawn Warren
9:15am—Alphonson McDonald by Mark Biesiadecki
10:45am—Those included in our All Souls Novena
12:15pm—Larry Forgione by Alfred & Dorene Brienza,
Michael Kowalewski by the Tkacz Family, Charles Kraus by
Kay & Joe Babits, Mickelson & Williams Families by
Barbara Mickelson, Rose Rossomano by Margaret Kane,
Michael Ryan by Eileen Ryan, Elinor Warren by Rose
Milazzo, Intentions of Thomas & Bernadette Busiello (living)

#### Monday—November 7

9am—Those included in our All Souls Novena

#### Tuesday-November 8

9am—Those included in our All Souls Novena

Wednesday—November 9—The Dedication of the

#### Lateran Basilica in Rome

9am—Those included in our All Souls Novena

Thursday-November 10-St. Leo the Great

9am—Those included in our All Souls Novena

#### Friday—November 11—St. Martin of Tours— Veterans' Day

9am—Those included in our All Souls Novena Saturday—November 12—St. Josaphat

9am—Florence Struck

#### (Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Kenneth Balling by Rosemary Balling

#### Sunday—November 13—Thirty-Third Ordinary Stewardship Sunday

8am—Clara Terenzi by her loving Family
9:15am—Dolores Walden by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Hauk
10:45am—Butera Family—Mass of Thanksgiving
by Mary & Gabe Butera
12:15pm—Taylor Reardon by Eileen & Al Weidig

# Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

November 13, 2011 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 Psalm: 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 Matthew 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

#### A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew:

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "A man going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them. To one he gave five talents; to another, two; to a third, one--to each according to his ability. Then he went away. Immediately the one who received five talents went and traded with them, and made another five. Likewise, the one who received two made another two. But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money.

After a long time the master of those servants came back and settled accounts with them. The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' Then the one who had received two talents also came forward and said, 'Master, you gave me two talents. See, I have made two more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' Then the one who had received the one talent came forward and said, 'Master, I knew you were a demanding person, harvesting where you did not plant and gathering where you did not scatter; so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground. Here it is back.' His master said to him in reply, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I did not plant and gather where I did not scatter? Should you not then have put my money in the bank so that I could have got it back with interest on my return? Now then! Take the talent from him and give it to the one with ten. For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And throw this useless servant into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth."

#### Focus Questions:

- 1. Describe a time when you were afraid to act.
- 2. What are the gifts God has given to you? What do you do with those gifts?
- 3. What things are you doing to invest in a richer life with God? *Family and children's question:*

What talent do you have that you think others might not appreciate or may even make fun of? Who encourages you to use your talent?

#### PRAY FOR THE SICK



Joe Macaluso, Robert Lowis, Charles Boston, Carol Nische, Evelyn Hirsch, Kelly Rooney, Thuy Wilmott, Dale Grippo, Joseph Calvacca, Sam Prince, Anna LaRocca, Jackie & Richard Matthews, Joseph Esposito, Josephine Sadowski, Adelaide Fallon, Judy Scott, Anthony Pagano, Jean Marsala-Kieffner, Chase

Turano, Renee Munzer, Irene Aberle, Tom Stahura, Victor Buzzanca, Rita Basile, Marie D'Anna, William Boyle, Charlie Parker, Suzanne Coad, Susan Madden, Danny Calandrella, Pat Chapin, Geri Catapano, Clare Libonati, Lenny Forte, James Basile, Daniel Labbe, Joseph Peter, Victoria Nelson, Ruth Wuerth, Andrea Walker, Ed DiBene, Toniann Dorohow, Daniel & Mary Skinnon, Arlene LaRosa, Mary Brienza, Marie Dunn, Tom Pipia, Mathilde Cormier, Grace Ferrero, Joe Pedone, Janie Di Simone, Ray Chirurgi, John LaRocca, Kathryn Badalaty, Grace Palladino, Serfina Maraviglia, George Petraski, Eamon Tuberide, Gary Surdi, Eileen Immarino, Frank Vaccaro, Dennis LaRosa, Cookie Ferrero, Dennis Chase, Giovanni Dominick Cipriani, Alan Lathrop, Maryanne Lagnese, Victor Baliunas, Mary Ann O'Gara, Denise Mays, Michael Mason, Charleen & Jimmy Spiers, Terri Ilardi McKee, John Caffrey, Barbara Fratamico, Joann Fannon, Linda Sue Cappisillo, Mark Venezia, Jennifer Savarese, Mimi Dickson, Edward Duffy, Shawn Cook, Katherine Drechsler, Lucja Kostrzewa, Katie Kiss, Joseph Hauk, Maureen O'Donnell, Robert Boney, Teresa Szepietowska, Fred Busse, Lawrence Shannon, James & Phyllis Cable, Elaine Kleinstauber, Debra Lewis, Henry Kwiecinski, Tom Devine, Jonathan Reardon, Linda Bucceri, Thomas McGuire, Yvonne Williams, Joseph Nappi, Felicia Spiers. (We ask those who wish to have the sick listed in the bulletin to submit their names through the collection or drop the name(s) off at the Church Office. Please use the cut-out in the bulletin for your convenience. This current list expires the last Sunday of November).

### PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Robert Morrissey, Anthony Rumpolo, Stanislaw Mocarski, our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

# FROM FR. MIDURA

OUR LITURGY FOR SUNDAY—The message of today's Gospel is a simple one: Someday life will end; we do not know when that day will come; be ready. It is a sobering message, but not one that should make us afraid or sad. Instead, let us embrace today fully alive, so that when the day comes for us to leave this earth, we may do so without regret.

**ELECTION DAY**—This Tuesday is Election Day. Even though some might consider it an "off year" election, it still is important to use our right to vote. For some, the feeling is that it is time for a change and the time to get others in who will replace those who have done nothing except for

themselves and special interests. For some, the feeling is that there are good people who need to stay in because they have done their best in meeting the needs of as many as possible. For some, incumbents and candidates who do not represent moral values and principles upon which our country was originally based and fought for need to be sent a message or be sent packing.

Whatever variables we want to include, we are Catholic

Christians and we need to assess each lever we pull or button we push or mark we make so that we can face God also with the choice and decision we made. Get out and vote!

SILVER & GOLD WEDDING CELEBRATION—We will have a celebration honoring all couples married 25 years this year or who are celebrating 50 and more years of marriage. It will be on Saturday, November 26, at the 5pm Mass. Any couples who were married in the Catholic Church in 1986 or 1961 and before are cordially invited to attend the Mass with their family and friends. Please complete and return the cut-out in the bulletin by November 21 to help us prepare for this beautiful celebration.

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUR FACILITY—

Thanks to the Knights, an electric line was installed to illuminate the Church sign at the northeast entrance. Some more daffodil and tulip bulbs were planted. We missed the snow. The geese only did aerial reconnaissance. We met to go over the preliminary details of the proposed kitchen renovation in Walden Hall. The Church HVAC computer control unit is being updated to a better communication method with the service people's home base.

Another reminder to lock your vehicles and to hide any items that could be a temptation to a person wishing them. Better safe than sorry! *Progress!* 

VETERANS DAY—Veterans Day this year is this Friday, November 11. In our parish, we will acknowledge all Veterans at the 5pm Mass on next Saturday, November 12. We will have a Service at the flag pole after the Mass. All veterans are cordially invited to attend the Mass and ceremony after Mass and they are encouraged to wear their uniforms or some insignia marking their service to our country. We will formally close out our veteran's service recognition board that day and eventually install it on a wall in the parish center.

Refreshments will follow after the flag ceremony.

**CLOTHING DRIVE**—Last Sunday, over 1,100 bags of clothing were donated to the clothing drive. Thanks to the adults who came and the Confirmation candidates who came to do their service hours, the drive was successful and helpful to others.

**DOWN THE ROAD A BIT**—We will have a Wine Tasting on the afternoon of January 15 in Walden Hall. Mark the date down on your calendars.

CALENDAR CLUB 2012—Everyone is invited to join our Calendar Club for 2012. One number is \$25 and is eligible for every day's drawing. If you pay \$100, you get FIVE numbers. And, if you subscribe by November 30, you will get an extra number for a total of SIX numbers. You can also consider giving the Calendar Club out as a gift to someone. Simply

indicate this on the form you got in the mail or use the cut-out that is in this bulletin.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** will have a membership drive beginning this weekend, inviting Catholic men to join their organization.

LITURGY PEW CARDS—We put out cards in each pew to assist all of us in getting used to the upcoming changes that will take place involving prayers and responses starting on the First Sunday of Advent. We will also be rehearsing some of the music that has been adapted to some of the changes as well. It will take time to get used to the changes, but it will be time that will be needed! In the meantime, after using the pew cards, please put them back in the book racks for future usage. MINISTRIES NEED REPLENISHMENT—As time goes by some of our ministries are affected by attrition due to relocation, snow birding, retirements, etc. At the present time, we can use more lectors. Eucharistic ministers and altar servers. The requirement is a willingness to make a commitment to accept assignments to fulfill the ministry as needed. If you are interested in pursuing training in these ministries, please fill out and return the cut-out in the bulletin as soon as you can. GETTING READY FOR THANKSGIVING—Our Outreach and St. Vincent de Paul are getting for Thanksgiving time when they prepare all the fixings for the holiday meal. The generosity of so many in helping them do it is remarkable. If you wish to donate a turkey or a ham, please call Outreach or the Church Office so that we can meet you to accept your donation and properly store it until it is ready for distribution. Non-perishable items can be deposited in the bin located at the entrance of the Church.

#### **OUR PRIEST-CELEBRANTS**

(Subject to last minute changes)

This weekend: Next Sunday Saturday Msgr. Midura Fr. Dahlke 5pm Sunday 8:00am Fr. Racos Fr. Dahlke Msgr. Midura Msgr. Midura 9:15am Fr. Racos 10:45am Fr. Dahlke Fr. O'Rourke Fr. Racos 12:15pm

## JUSTICE & PEACE

Continuing from last week. Many times in this column we have referred to Matthew 25. It is the Gospel of The Sermon on the Mount. In that Gospel Jesus makes it very clear how we will be judged. Ever since the Sermon on the Mount, the Gospel and Western civilization have been on a collision course. Western civilization read the Gospel from the perspective of power instead of from the side of the poor and disestablished. Jesus taught His apostles how it could be done differently. In the Gospel of Mark, Jesus tells the disciples three tines: we must die, we must lose, we must be powerless. Each time they don't get it. They change the subject. Even Peter rebuked Jesus. He didn't get it. Jesus said: "Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as

God does, but as humans do." What does this all mean in terms of justice and peace? Do we really understand Matthew 25 and the Judgment of the Nations? Do we understand what Jesus was after in His teachings? If we do then power and prestige is not the answer. The gospels are about letting go. We have to learn to read the Gospels through the eyes of the poor. *To be continued*.

Justice is a parish affair.

Discover needs and act justly.

Together we can make a difference.

The 9th is the Dedication of the Basilica of Saint John Lateran in Rome.

The 10th is Saint Leo the Great.

The 11th is Saint Martin of Tours. It is also Veterans Day.

The 12th is Saint Josaphat.

**FEEDING THE PIGGY**—You are always invited to lend your support of the "piggy" in the Church lobby by placing any spare quarters into the tube. As soon as we accumulate \$500 we will forward that amount so that a heifer can be purchased for a suitable family.

#### **MEN'S GATHERING**

The next meeting of the Men's Gathering will be on Thursday, November 10, at 7:30pm in the Religious Ed Building. Presenters will be Ross Bracco and Robert Ross. They will speak on a selection from the Book of Revelation. All men are cordially invited to attend.

# PARISH OUTREACH & ST. VINCENT de PAUL NEWS

Our mission to help people incorporate St. Thomas More Parish Outreach and the St. Thomas St. Vincent de Paul Conference.

#### THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Our Thanksgiving Food Drive is now underway and we will be collecting food items needed for our clients' Thanksgiving dinners. We would be grateful for donations of any of the items listed below or items that you would include in your own dinner. Some suggestions for our baskets are: Turkeys or Hams, Stuffing, Potatoes, Turkey Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Apple Juice, Vegetables, Fruits, Coffee, Tea & Desserts. Nonperishables may be left at the Church in the food cart. Please bring Turkeys and Hams to Parish Outreach. To help us prepare, it is IMPORTANT that all food for Thanksgiving be in by

# MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14<sup>th</sup>-Thank you!

<u>Urgent Request</u>: One of our seniors can no longer drive and very much wants to attend Sunday Mass. If several people could offer their assistance to drive her on a one-Sunday-amonth basis, it would be a great help and much appreciated. Please call Outreach for further information.

Voice of Help – Under a federally funded grant awarded to the

Smithtown Community Development Dept., emergency response units are available for residents of Smithtown Township. These units are activated by the recipient in a medical emergency situation and are on a loan basis as long as necessary. There is a small monthly monitoring fee.

Assessment is required. For information, please call: 360-7616

#### CIRCLE OF WOMEN

It is the mission of the *Circle of Women Book Group* to focus on the spiritual influence of contemporary writing that facilitates our own reflections of God's action in our daily lives. The next book discussions will be:

November 14—Meeting to make the book selections for the next Book Club calendar year—December 2011 thru June 2012. For further information and/or to register, call Ann at 265.8302. Meetings are held in Walden Hall meeting room starting at 2:30pm.

#### **BIBLE STUDY**

**BIBLE STUDY**—Fr. Bob Dahlke presents a Bible Study on the Book of Exodus at St. Thomas More. Sessions start at 7:30pm on Sunday evenings, with the same material repeated at 9:45am on Monday mornings, in the meeting room of the Church building. Please bring a Bible with you (NRSV and NAB especially recommended) and perhaps a friend or neighbor.

# PRAY FOR OUR SOLDIERS

Philip Root David Probst Scott Lovelock Candice Gagnon Randy Donaldson Christopher Day Thomas Nichols Wesley John Pritchett Christopher Sidote James Fensterer Daniel Cribbin Joseph Marziotta William Gregory Justin Schneider Christopher Mustakas Greg Boes

Thomas Mangini

If you have a service member or know of someone who is serving our country and you would like their name added to this list, please submit their names through the collection basket or the Church Office. If they have returned, let us know.

## RECENT BAPTISMS

The community of St. Thomas More welcomes its newest members who recently were baptized.

Jasmin Grace & Shaila Faith Kropp, twins of Timothy and Sun

# THINKING ABOUT ??

#### **BECOMING A CATHOLIC?**

- Are you a baptized Catholic who was never confirmed?
- Are you someone baptized in another faith but interested in becoming a Catholic?
- Are you someone who was never baptized?

If any of these apply to you, consider our parish *RCIA* (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) process. For information, contact Ann Russo through e-mail, <a href="mailto:redaa@aol.com">redaa@aol.com</a> or 543-2740. If there is no answer, contact Fr. Midura at the Church Office.

#### RESPECT LIFE NEWS

ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**HOLY HOUR:** Every 4th Monday of the month at 7:45pm. The next date is: Monday, November 28.

All are welcome to come and pray before the Blessed Sacrament for a deeper respect for life, for world peace, for our Parish community and for our personal intentions. The Litany and Rosary will be recited, as well as the Divine Mercy Prayers, and there will be quiet time for meditation. Come and spend a special hour with the Lord.

#### THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Sunday—November 6

2pm—Baptisms—Church

7:30pm—Bible Study—Meeting Room

Monday—November 7

9:45am—Bible Study—Meeting Room

7pm—Youth Ministry—Walden Hall

Thursday—November 10

5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

7:30pm—Columbiettes—Kirwin Hall

7:30pm—Men's Gathering—Religious Ed Center

8pm—Choir—Church

Friday—November 11—Veterans' Day

7pm—YoungAtHeart—Walden Hall

Saturday—November 12

5pm—Veterans' Day Ceremony—Church

Sunday—November 13

9:15am—Welcome Babies—Church

2pm—Baptisms—Church

7:30pm—Bible Study—Meeting Room

## **E-MAIL & ADDRESSES**

Youth Ministry Website—www.stthomasmoreyouth.org

Parish Secretary - Stm73@live.com

Pat Chapin - Pchapin@optonline.net

Mary Ellen Carroll - Mecarroll@optonline.net

Outreach - Stmoutreach@optonline.net

Youth Ministry (Joe Gast) - Gast.Joe@gmail.com

Justice & Peace - Natman32@aol.com

Fr. Dahlke - RWDahlke@Jesuits.net

Personal Prayer - Spiritual Orientations.com

To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following: Barbara & Joe Fratamico—BJFRAT@optonline.net

"RELIGION AND ROCK" - Tune into and listen to Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sundays, 7am to 8am, on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 FM. Also, listen on Saturdays at 11pm on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, and XM Satellite, Channel 117.



Topics:

November 13—Family Life

November 20—Thanksgiving

November 27—Responsibility

**MEN'S GATHERING** website. Go to the parish website at http://www.buoy.com/~stm or stmli.org and click Men's Gathering. You will have to give a password known only to you to open and read the message.

#### A note of appreciation

The Men's Gathering wishes to thank Deacon John Rapacki for a very interesting talk he presented to the men at their monthly meeting on Thursday October 13. It gave the men something to think about in developing their relationship with Jesus.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS—You can check online for any updates at http://calendar.yahoo.com/stmreled HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL SCHOOL, Commack, New York—Grades Nursery through 8<sup>th</sup>. You may contact the school at parents@holyfamilyregional.com to schedule a tour of this parish's regional school, or visit the School website at <a href="www.holyfamilyregional.com">www.holyfamilyregional.com</a>

### **CALENDAR CLUB 2011**

Here are the winners drawn for the latest week.

October 23—\$50—536—Jack & Caroline DeSantis

October 24—\$25—242—Lou & Ann Anatrella

October 25—\$25—945—Joan & Vic Castellano

October 26—\$25—216—Jo Mirabito

October 27—\$25—86—Chet & Lottie Kalenty

October 28—\$25—569—Charles & Alice Longwell

October 29—\$25—8—Dolores & Howard Spegman

**CEREAL BOX TOP COUPONS** - Drop them off in the Church lobby drop-off box and we will use them to buy things for the students in our regional school.

**USED CELL PHONES?** - If you can, please bring your old ones to the Church lobby drop-off box. We recycle them for cash.

**USED PALM**—If you have blessed palm from previous years, you can bring it to the receiving bin in the Church lobby at your convenience.

#### A WEB SITE THAT PAYS ST. THOMAS FOR USING IT —

Want to know how you can support St. Thomas More? By entering the search engine known as *Goodsearch.com* and doing any shopping on the various web sites listed, a certain portion of the sale will be credited to St. Thomas More. It does not involve any additional cost to the purchaser nor is there any attached surcharge to the sale order involved. I did not compare the same web sites listed alone with the one listed with GoodSearch yet. Here is how it works:

ENTER: www.GoodSearch.com

Where it states: "Who do you Good Search for?"

And "Enter your charity here"

ENTER: St. Thomas More And then verify by selecting "St. Thomas More, Hauppauge, NY"

Once it is verified as our parish, select the SHOPPING tab and choose whatever category you want, from travel to food to entertainment. Thanks for shopping online and thanks for the donation that we will receive on your behalf.

## DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE 50th EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS IN IRELAND

The Diocese of Rockville Centre is sponsoring a pilgrimage to the 50<sup>th</sup> Eucharistic Congress which will be held in Dublin, Ireland under the leadership of Bishop John C. Dunne, auxiliary Bishop of our Diocese. The dates are *June 4 - 13*, 2012. Msgr. Jim McNamara, pastor at Holy Cross Church in Nesconset, is coordinating the pilgrimage events. This pilgrimage is open to everyone.

Travel arrangements are being made through 206 Tours in Hauppauge. If you wish to have a brochure sent to you, you can contact Eva at 206 Tours at 631-361-4644 or <a href="mailto:eva@206tours.com">eva@206tours.com</a>.

#### COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

**HOLIDAY HELP FOR THE BEREAVED**—Open to people of all faiths—Wed., Nov. 16th, 7:30-9pm in the Sacred Heart Hall at St. Mary's Church, E. Islip (20 Harrison Ave.). Guest speaker is Marianne Esolen, LMSW. RSVP (631) 581-4266, ext. 0 by Nov. 12 as refreshments served. Free Will offering. (Second Notice)

ST. JOSEPH RENEWAL CENTER — November programs—Nov. 12— 8-9:30am Men's Spiritual Gathering; \$20 includes breakfast.

Nov. 13—5-8pm For Married Couples; Begins with candle light dinner, \$60 per couple.

Nov. 15—7:30pm Therapeutic /Guided Meditation; \$15. Weekend: Nov. 18-20—Men's Spirituality Retreat; \$180 includes accommodations and meals.

Weekend: Nov. 30 —Advent Day of Prayer, \$35 includes lunch. For reservations, call (631) 273-1187, ext. 23.

**THE BRANCH FUNERAL HOME**—(1) Seminar "Coping with the Holidays after the Loss of a Loved One" —Nov. 19 at The Branch Funeral Home, 190 East Main Street, Smithtown from 10:30 am-12noon.

(2) Free Bus Trip —Holiday Visit to Calverton National Cemetery— Wed. Nov. 30. Bus leaves the funeral home at 8:30am and the Smithtown Senior Center at 8:45 am. Call 631.724.9500 to make reservations for either or both events.

#### RETROUVAILLE—A LIFE LINE FOR MARRIED

**COUPLES**—You can save your marriage now! Retrouvaille weekend Dec. 9, 2011 at Montfort retreat house in Bay Shore. Call 1-800-470-2230 for info.

#### RELIGIOUS AWARDS FOR CATHOLIC SCOUTS—

awarded to Brownies and Cub Scouts upon completion of learning programs and projects by the Catholic Scouting Office of the Diocese of Rockville Centre. For info. call (516) 678-5800, ext. 245 or email scouting@drvc.org

### SUPPORT COLLECTION

Last Sunday's Collection:

\$ 8,279.

USING FAITH DIRECT? - Consider joining your fellow parishioners who now have automatic deductions from their checking or savings or who use a credit card to support St. Thomas More each week. With Faith Direct, you save time and reduce our expenses, and there is no fee to you! Please visit the Faith Direct website at <a href="https://www.FaithDirect.net">www.FaithDirect.net</a> to sign up: our church code is NY227. You may also use the form located where you obtain the bulletin. We thank you for your support.

**CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES**—If you prefer to have weekly envelopes mailed to you and you do not receive them, please use the cut out that is in the bulleting and indicate that you would like to receive them on a regular basis.

#### SCRIP SALES

Scrip Sales Last Week: Profit to the Parish:

\$ 4,150. \$ 207.

If you have never used Scrip, try it! They work like debit cards at the Super Market. They do not cost you anything extra. \$100 in Scrip costs \$100. We accept cash and checks at the Scrip Desk in the Lobby.

Scrip is an idea to consider when giving gifts. A list of available Scrip was mailed out last week. Look it over and if you want to order some, return the list with your choices. You should get them in about a week's time.

## **MAINTENANCE COLLECTION**

Contributed to date:

\$ 393,953.

Spent on repairs and replacements:

\$ 741,170.

We thank you for your support of our parish project to maintain our parish facilities. If you would like to help, please use a maintenance envelope where you obtain the bulletin.

## PRAYING FOR THE SICK

— Adding a name Request —

PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING TO THE PARISH LISTING OF THOSE WHO ARE ILL:
Name of person(s) who is/are ill:

Person making the Request:

Relationship to the person who is ill:

TODAY'S DATE:

(Please place in collection basket or drop off at Church Office)

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#### **CHURCH MINISTRIES**

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING A LITURGICAL MINISTER OR WANT TO SHARE YOUR TALENTS?

Please complete the following form:

I would like to volunteer in the following parish ministry:

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| ( ) Altar Server            | ( ) Hospitality   |  |
| ( ) Usher                   | ( ) Greeter   |  |
| ( ) RCIA                    | ( ) Liturgy with Children   |  |
| ( ) Lector                  | <ul><li>( ) Eucharistic Minister</li><li>( ) Landscaping/Planting</li></ul> |  |
| ( ) Consolation Minister    |   |  |
| ( ) Plumber                 | ( ) Electrician   |  |
| ( ) Painter                 | ( ) Handy Man/Woman   |  |
| ( ) Rosary Altar Society    | ( ) Scrip sellers   |  |
| ( ) Caring for Altar Plants | ( ) Pre-Cana  |  |
| ( ) FOCCUS                  | ( )Adult Lending Library  |  |
| ( ) Banner Committee        | ( )St. Vincent de Paul Society  |  |
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### CALENDAR CLUB 2012

I/we would like to join St. Thomas More's Calendar Club for 2012.

NAME(s):

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

( ) One number for \$25.

Or

( ) FIVE numbers for \$100.

(If you return your reservation by November 30, you will receive a total of SIX numbers for \$100.)

( ) I would like to give Calendar Club numbers as Gifts. I am attaching a separate page indicating the names and addresses of individuals who will receive gifts.

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$

(Please return to Church Office or place in collection basket)



Do you know what your child is doing in school all day?

# At HFRS parent involvement is encouraged!

Come see and hear about our...

rigorous curriculum across all subject areas that meet and exceed NYS standards enrichment programs taught by our NYS certified and experienced teachers cutting edge technology including Smart Boards, distance learning, portable Macbook labs, fully-equipped computer lab with computer instruction starting in kindergarten

band beginning in 3rd grade sports beginning in 6<sup>th</sup> grade graduates academically excelling in their high school of choice; many on the high school honor roll in their first trimester

# Call for a tour 631-543-0202 or email <u>parents@holyfamilyregional.com</u>. *You'll be glad you did!*



(Above)

# Saint Anthony's Invitational at Sunken Meadow October 1, 2011

# SILVER & GOLD WEDDING CELEBRATION

We would like to attend the Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, November 26, at the 5pm Mass.

OUR NAMES:

DATE OF OUR MARRIAGE:

CHURCH OF OUR MARRIAGE:

Number attending (including us)

(Please return to the Church Office by November 21)

# CENSUS CHANGES FOR OUR HOUSEHOLD

Please make the following changes pertaining to the information on file for our family.

FAMILY NAME:

- ( ) The following person(s) no longer live at our address.
- ( ) The following person(s) are to be added to our address.
- ( ) We have a new phone number NEW NUMBER:

TYPE: ( ) Cell

( ) Residential

( ) We have a new e-mail address

OLD E-MAIL

**NEW E-MAIL** 

(Please return to the Church Office or place in the collection)

# REGISTRATION and/or ENVELOPE REQUEST

NAME(s):

ADDRESS:

PHONE: E-MAIL:

- ( ) I/we would like to register in the parish.
- ( ) Please send contribution envelopes.
- ( ) I am already registered in the parish but do not receive contribution envelopes. I would like to receive them.

( ) Other

(Please return in collection or at Church Office

**ALL SAINTS DAY CELEBRATIONS**—Recently, our young people portrayed various Saints during their weekly gatherings held at the Parish Center.

MAKING LIGHT—Recently, members of the Knights of Columbus dug deep to install conduit for electric lights that now again light up the Church sign at the parking lot entrance.







## K of C Korner November 2011

**November 19 SPAGHETTI DINNER** - Ticket Sales start 10/29-30 through 11/12-13 after each Mass. Tickets will be \$25 per family(2 adults & 2 children of the same household), \$10 per each additional adult & \$5 per additional child. Sales at the door will be very limited due to space limitations--so please get your tickets early!!

# Knights of Columbus Essay Contest

All Catholic students in Grades 8-12 enrolled in public, private, or parochial schools are eligible.

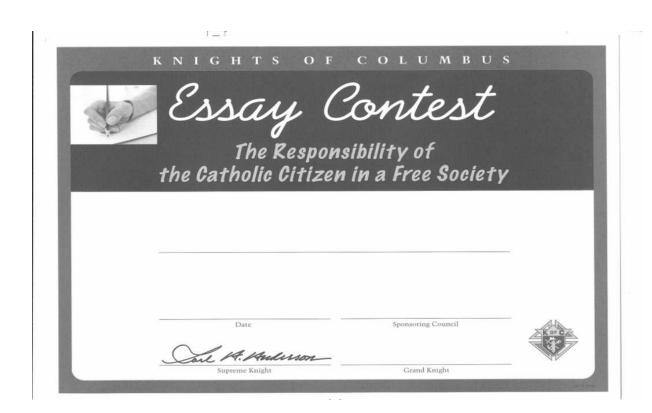
The theme is "The Responsibility of the Catholic Citizen in a Free Society."

Submittals are to be typed and between 500 &750 words. Grade winners will be awarded prizes at the local level.

Winning entries will be forwarded to the NY State Council for State-wide judging and if chosen, submittals be forwarded to the Supreme Council for judging at the International level.

Details are available from Deacon John Rapacki or from Past Grand Knight Joe Beltrani or you can leave your name and phone number at the Church Office (234.5551).

#### **DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 11, 2011**



# St. Thomas More Employment Services

\*Are you presently unemployed and looking for a part-time or full-time job? \* Do you have or know of any job openings? If so, call our Employment Services Office, 234.4629 and leave a message for Mae Devine or call Mae on Monday mornings. Calls are kept in strict confidence.

#### **POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

Arbors, Islandia—Recreation Aid. F/T. Clean driving record. Tuesday through Saturday.

Atlantic Auto Group—NY's largest Auto Dealer—now staffing West Islip location in Service and Sales. Excellent Benefits.

Bank of America—PT/FT positions for tellers and sales. Benefits for both PT/FT.

<u>Cablevision</u> - Understand state of the Art Digital Video - PC skills - outstanding benefits.

Clerks and Drivers—Brendel's of New York opening Hauppauge Bagel & Catering Business.

<u>Director of Nursing</u>—Veterans Home, Stony Brook. Must have NYS RN's license. BS in nursing. Experience.

Engineers—ITT Amityville. Senior Software, Digital Design. RF engineers. Competitive salaries. Benefit package.

<u>Geico Insurance</u>—Sales reps, mgt trainees, claim services reps. —750 Woodbury Rd, Woodbury, NY. 9am –3pm, M-F, Open House, but apply on line first. Valid Photo ID required.

#### **Healthcare Opportunities** -

- 1. Good Samaritan Hospital, 631.969.8200
- 2. Mather Hospital, 631.476.2774
- 3. Brookhaven Hospital, 631.447.3708
- 4. Maryhaven, 631.474.4120, X212 Contact Maryhaven Directly
- 5. St. Charles, 631. 476.5999—<u>Fox</u>

**Housekeepers** - FT/PT positions for small offices and homes.

<u>Hyundai Millennum</u>—Grand Opening—all positions—trainable, committed, communication skills—paid training, excellent health benefits, bonus and advancement.

<u>Mather Hospital</u>—Seeking Assistant Director of Surgical Services, nurse specialist, nurse practitioners, RNs, surgical techs, unit secretaries.

Mgt/Non-Mgt Positions Available - St. Francis Hospital, Roslyn. Contact Human Resources directly.

Nurse Managers—Veterans Hospital, Northport. BSN required. 3-5 years experience. Citizenship required.

<u>PC Richard & Son</u>—Now hiring full time sales associates for all stores. FT/PT clerical positions. Heavy phones. Data entry. Use of cash registers.

#### St. Catherine of Siena-

- 1. <u>Nursing Home</u>—Nurses, RN Supervisors, FT/PT nights, P/T days and weekends, Rehab PT/FT—dietary; <u>Hospital</u>—Lab Technologist & Medical Lab assistant
- 2. <u>Physical Therapy Aides</u>—PT/ Sport Services, Hauppauge. Mon. thru Fri., days and evenings

<u>School Bus/Van Drivers</u>—Flex hours, full benefits, paid holidays, vacations. 401k, health benefits after 6 months. Huntington, Manhasset, Northport.

South Nassau Communities Hospital—Professional Positions-FT/PT. Also, openings in Family Medicine Services.

<u>Uncle Giuseppe's</u>—Dept. Mgrs. And Team Members. Various store locations and departments.

<u>Warehouse</u>—Full Time, 1st & 2nd shift press operators, die cutters, shipping & receiving & other positions.

See "Civil Service Notice" posted on the bulletin board for future Civil Service Exams. For more information about any of the listed positions please call 234-4629. Note - All babysitting, infant child care, nanny, home care aides, etc. positions are in the child's home. References are required for all of these positions including nursing aides, home health care aides, etc. It is the responsibility of the employer to check all references prior to hiring.

\*\*\*\*We have a list of names of those willing to baby-sit in their homes.

\*\*\*\*We have a list of certified tutors for all Grades.