

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

115 Kings Highway  
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**OUR PARISH SACRAMENTAL LIFE -  
EUCCHARIST**

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 arrange-  
ments, 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.



*Mk 1:8*

*I have baptized you with water; but he  
will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.*

*December 4, 2011  
Second Sunday of Advent*

*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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Outreach—	234-3149	FAX 234-1199
Church Lobby—	348-9378	

Masses for this coming week	Growing through the Sunday Scriptures
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>December 4, 2011</b>  <b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>  <b>Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11</b>  <b>Psalm 85:9-10-11-12, 13-14:</b>  <b>2 Peter 3:8-14</b>  <b>Mark 1:1-8</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>December 11, 2011</b>  <b>Third Sunday of Advent</b>  <b>Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11</b>  <b>Luke 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54</b>  <b>1 Thessalonians 5:16-24</b>  <b>John 1:6-8, 19-28</b></p>
<p><b>Saturday—December 3</b>  <i>(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)</i>            5pm—Rose, Michael, Rocco &amp; Leonard Viso  <i>by the Butindari Family</i></p> <p><b>Sunday—December 4—Second Sunday of Advent</b>            8am—James Mangiapane <i>by Barbara Mangiapane</i>            9:15am—Sgt. Anthony DeSocio <i>by Joan &amp; Jim Murphy,</i>  <i>Lt. Daniel De Socio and Richard Hohn</i>            10:45am—Salvatore Bottari <i>by Gino &amp; Joanne Leocadi,</i>  <i>Connie Coronello by Margaret &amp; Joseph Gill, John Economos</i>  <i>by Thomas Busiello, Alice Gill by Joseph &amp; Margaret Gill,</i>  <i>Vincent Mazza by Debbie Press, Vincenzo Paniccia by the</i>  <i>Sanfratello Family, Bill Philip by Tony &amp; Angela Ciancio,</i>  <i>Marie Angela Pizzurro by Margaret &amp; Joseph Gill, Peter</i>  <i>Romano (Living) by Michael &amp; Vivian Jacobs, Anthony</i>  <i>Santora by Peter &amp; Mary Romano &amp; Family, Michael Leocadi</i>  <i>by the Leocadi family, Phyllis Averna by the Leocadi family</i>            12:15pm—Joseph Fleming <i>by the Nigro Family</i></p> <p><b>Monday—December 5</b>            9am—For the People of the Parish</p> <p><b>Tuesday—December 6—St. Nicholas</b>            9am—Lisa Codispoti <i>by Fran &amp; Tom Wieland</i></p> <p><b>Wednesday—December 7—St. Ambrose</b>            9am—Alice Gill <i>by Elaine Mocchia &amp; Family</i>            7pm—For the People of the Parish</p> <p><b>Thursday—December 8—The Immaculate Conception of            the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>            9am—George &amp; Anna Greggo <i>by Anne McComiskey</i>            12:10pm—Florence Struck            7pm—Joseph V. Roberti &amp; Maureen Peacock  <i>by the Roberti Family</i></p> <p><b>Friday—December 9 —St. Juan Diego</b>            9am—The Hewes Family <i>by Donna Mott</i></p> <p><b>Saturday—December 10</b>            9am—Bernadette Winzinger  <i>(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)</i>            5pm—Antoinette &amp; Joseph Butindari <i>by the Butindari Family</i></p> <p><b>Sunday—December 11—Third Sunday of Advent</b>            8am—Catherine &amp; William Kelleher <i>by Marie Utter</i>            9:15am—Daniel Linehan <i>by Sherine, Sam &amp; Family,</i>            10:45am—Ann &amp; Frank Giordano  <i>by the O'Shaughnessy Family</i>            12:15pm—Arthur &amp; Marilyn Bosiello (Living) <i>by Thomas &amp;</i>  <i>Bernadette Bosiello, Robert Covino, Jennie &amp; Peter Nicastro</i>  <i>by Geraldine Covino, Cathy Dupino by Antonietta Volpe,</i>  <i>Kelly Rose by the Rose Family, Lisa Rosmini by Joan &amp;</i></p>	<p><b>A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John:</b>            A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light. And this is the testimony of John. When the Jews from Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to him to ask him, "Who are you?" He admitted and did not deny it, but admitted, "I am not the Christ." So they asked him, "What are you then? Are you Elijah?" And he said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" He answered, "No." So they said to him, "Who are you, so we can give an answer to those who sent us? What do you have to say for yourself?" He said: "I am <i>the voice of one crying out in the desert, 'make straight the way of the Lord,'</i>" as Isaiah the prophet said." Some Pharisees were also sent. They asked him, "Why then do you baptize if you are not the Christ or Elijah or the Prophet?" John answered them, "I baptize with water; but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie." This happened in Bethany across the Jordan, where John was baptizing.</p> <p><b>Focus Questions:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What do you have to clear away to prepare for the Lord?</li> <li>2. How do you reflect the light of Jesus in your life?</li> <li>3. Advent is a time when people are moved by the Spirit to help the poor and needy. How are you responding to the Spirit and reaching out to the poor and needy?</li> </ol> <p><b>Family and children's question:</b>            John spoke about the Light of God coming into the world. Jesus, the Light of the World shows us the love and compassion of God for the poor. How have you shown love and compassion to the poor this week?</p>

James Hartnett, Constantine "Sam" Zuzzolo by Judy Coyle

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Casey McDonald, Charles Boston, Jennifer Savarese, Thuy Wilmott, Dennis Chase, James & Phyllis Cable, Terri Ilardi McKee, Kathryn Badalaty, Linda Sue Cappisillo, Bob Sydlo, Conrad Gangone, Denise Mays, Jean Marsala-Kieffner, Edward Duffy, Josephine Campanelli, Jerry & Maria Bettua.



*(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 end of January.)*

## PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Father Richard Nilsson, Sister Grace Sullivan, Grace Ferrero, Anthony Pagano, Joan Heller, our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

## FROM FR. MIDURA

**OUR LITURGY FOR SUNDAY**—In the Gospel today we hear John the Baptist exhorting us to prepare the way of the Lord. If we are to be Christ-bearers in this world, we must be willing to empty ourselves of all that is not compatible with Christ. This is a lifelong process and it is helpful to have good companions along the way — like those of us gathered here. Let us pray today to continue together on the way of perfection and welcome Jesus into our lives.

**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**—This Thursday, December 8, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a Holy Day of Obligation when Catholics are obliged to attend Mass.

In her honor, Masses will be at 7pm on December 7 and at 9am, 12:10pm and 7pm on December 8.

**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR LIFE**—For the past 22 years, the faithful throughout our land assemble in prayer and adoration before the Blessed Sacrament to pray for a Respect for all Human Life. In our parish we will have Prayer and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after the 7pm Vigil Mass on Wednesday and end with Benediction at 9pm. All are invited to take part in this Holy Hour.

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**—Everyone is invited to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance in preparation for the celebration of Christmas. Join our young people on Saturday at 10:30am and at 3:30pm as we celebrate Penance.

**THE GIVING TREE** in the Church Lobby is decorated with suggestions on how we can help in presenting gifts at Christmas to those who are in need.

**CHRISTMAS ITEMS** to help remind ourselves of the place of Jesus in this beautiful season will be available in the Church lobby for your consideration until supplies run out. We thank the Knights of Columbus for facilitating this opportunity for everyone.

**DEDICATION OF THE WALKWAY TO MARY**—On next Sunday, December 11, after the 9:15am Mass, we will

dedicate the walkway leading to Mary's shrine. Once again, we thank Rocco Recce for his fine work in constructing this walkway as his project to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout. Sometime after the New Year he will have completed all of his requirements and will officially receive the rank of Eagle Scout.

**BLOOD DRIVE**—We will have a Blood Drive on Wednesday, December 28, from 2:30pm to 8:30pm in Walden Hall. We all know how critical it is to have adequate blood supplies on hand to help people who require it. Regular donors are asked to set time aside to be donors again. Those who have not yet donated are asked to consider being donors. Your donation will be welcomed by the one who receives it.

**REMEMBERING PEARL HARBOR**—On December 7, 1941, our country was plunged into World War II with the attack on Pearl Harbor. Even though it was 70 years ago, there are still veterans from that conflict who are living. Let us say a prayer for all those who served in World War II.

**WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUR FACILITY**—There is no simple way to do things at times. We ordered some tables for the Church to replace ones that have been broken. The delivery truck comes down Kings Highway and proceeds to pull the cablevision wires attached to the telephone pole and the rectory. Seems that the tires in the delivery truck were inflated and raised the truck too high! The recent temperatures have saved heating costs but are also causing the trees to show buds that are not due until March or April. *Progress!*

**WINE TASTING**—We will have a Wine Tasting on the afternoon of January 15 in Walden Hall. Mark the date down on your calendars. Please return the cut out in the bulletin to make your reservations. Cost for the tasting is \$30 per person. From previous comments attendees will not be disappointed.

**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. 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. Drawings for 2012 will not begin until February 1, 2012.

**LITURGY PEW CARDS**—It will take time to get used to the changes. The pew cards are in the racks for our convenience. In the meantime, after using the pew cards, please put them back in the racks for future usage.

**PUTTING YOUR OLD CELL PHONES TO USE**—All of us face the need to replace our cell phones due to obsolescence, the need for a change, etc. We will gladly accept your no longer needed cell phone and send them out and get a cash rebate for doing so. Simply place your old phone in the container in the window sill on the right when you enter the main lobby of the Church.

**POINSETTIAS FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON**—We will offer Poinsettias for purchase. Colors are Red, White and Pink in 7" pots. They have around 9 flowers per pot. Cost is \$15 each and deadline for ordering is this coming Thursday, December 8. We will try to have some extras available for sale next weekend.

**REVERENCE WHEN RECEIVING THE EUCHARIST**—We are asked to make a head bow as we approach to receive the Body of Christ and the Blood of Christ.

**LONG ISLAND CATHOLIC SUNDAY** is this Sunday, December 4. Please help support our diocesan newspaper with your donation of \$20 or more, to assure that this important Catholic voice continues to be delivered into your home and the homes of Catholics throughout Long Island. If you do not yet receive the Long Island Catholic, please complete and return the cut-out in today's bulletin.

## OUR PRIEST-CELEBRANTS

(Subject to last minute changes)

This weekend:      Next Sunday

Saturday

5pm

Fr. O'Rourke      Fr. Racos

Sunday

8:00am

Fr. Racos      Fr. Dahlke

9:15am

Msgr. Midura      Msgr. Midura

10:45am

Fr. Dahlke      Msgr. Midura

12:15pm

Msgr. Midura      Fr. O'Rourke

## JUSTICE & PEACE

*Continuing from last week on social justice.* We left off by saying that the reign of Jesus required conversion. A faithful life trying to live the Gospel message required of sinners both personal and social repentance. The problem is that sin, either personal or social, does not seem to exist in our society. There is great class exploitation in society today. There is a great disparity between the have and have not's. Many people have lost jobs, homes and money. A whole class of people are now destroyed and will take a long time to recover. Many don't have the time to recover. Idealism alone would never overcome class exploitation. What does this all mean in terms of justice and peace? There is no Gospel that is not a social Gospel. If we are trying to be faithful to the teachings of Jesus then we must take our faith into the social and political arena. Real change in the exploitation of people and nations will happen when we see that every Gospel is a social Gospel. To be a follower of Jesus requires action on our part. Let us not forget our brothers and sisters who are suffering today. Let us try to make Christmas better for them.

*Justice is a parish affair.*

*Discover needs and act justly.*

*Together we can make a difference.*

The 6th is Saint Nicholas.

The 7th is Saint Ambrose.

The 8th is the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The 9th is Saint Juan Diego.

**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 forward that amount to Heifer International so that a heifer can

be purchased for a suitable family.

## YOUTH MINISTRY CORNER

If you have any questions about the program, please contact Joe Gast, Youth Minister at [JGSalesian@aol.com](mailto:JGSalesian@aol.com) or check out our website at [www.stthomasmoreyouth.org](http://www.stthomasmoreyouth.org).

## YOUNG AT HEART CHRISTMAS PARTY

On next Friday, December 9, at 7:30pm, the Young At Heart Seniors are having their annual Christmas Party. To attend members must have their dues paid for 2012. Dues can be paid that evening or a check for \$12 can be mailed to Elaine Moccia. Anyone bringing a Grab Bag item under \$10 will get one in return. There will be food, drinks, wine tasting, desserts, coffee and tea. The cost is free! For any information, call Mary Ann at 348.3531 or Bob at 686.5272.

## 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.*

THANK YOU FOR A WONDERFUL THANKSGIVING  
FOOD DRIVE!



Food and turkeys were donated in abundance. Thanks to our great Pantry Team and helpers for sorting, packing up and delivering. Thanks to the Office Core Team for their dedication. Thanks to all who donated food - Carmella D's boxes of stuffing, Faith Sharing Groups, Columbiettes, Hauppauge Fire Dept., Religious Ed. classes and the Youth Group. Thanks to Tom P. for the 30 turkeys donated. Thanks to all of you who donated anonymously and to our regular donors for your monetary contributions. With all the hard work and support by all involved and the caring of our St. Thomas More Community, our Thanksgiving Drive was a great success!

## THE GIVING TREE PROGRAM FOR CHRISTMAS – NOVEMBER 28 – DECEMBER 12

OUR GIVING TREE IS ON DISPLAY THIS WEEKEND IN THE NARTHEX. PLEASE CONSIDER GIVING TO A FAMILY IN NEED THIS CHRISTMAS. GIFT CARDS AND GIFTS MAY BE BROUGHT TO THE NARTHEX AFTER SUNDAY MASSES. GIFT CARDS MAY ALSO BE BROUGHT TO OUTREACH MON-THURS. 10AM – 2:PM

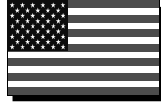
## CIRCLE OF WOMEN

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.

For further information and/or to register, call Ann at 265.8302. The Book Reading schedule for December and January is: December 11—"Jerusalem Maiden" by Talia Carner  
January 9—"My Hollywood" by Mona Simpson  
Meetings are held in the meeting room starting at 2:30pm.

## PRAY FOR OUR SOLDIERS

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



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.

## THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

### Sunday—December 4

7:30pm—Bible Study—Meeting Room

### Monday—December 5

9:45am—Bible Study—Meeting Room

7pm—Youth Ministry—Walden Hall

### Wednesday—December 7

7pm—Vigil Mass

8pm to 9pm—Holy Hour for a Respect for Life—Church

8pm—Knights of Columbus—Walden Hall

### Thursday—December 8

5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

8pm—Choir—Church

### Friday—December 9

7pm—Young At Heart Christmas Party—Walden Hall

### Saturday—December 9

10:30am—L1 Confirmation Reconciliation—Church

11:30am—G4 Reconciliation—Church

1pm—Children's Choir—Church

3:30pm—G4 Reconciliation—Church

### Sunday—December 11

7:30pm—Bible Study—Meeting Room

## 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, [redaa@aol.com](mailto:redaa@aol.com) or 543-2740. If there is no answer, contact Fr. Midura at the Church Office.

## BANNS OF MARRIAGE

(Third Time)

Kenneth Cavalieri, St. Thomas More and  
Alyssa Polumbo, St. Aidan's

## RESPECT LIFE NEWS

### ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**HOLY HOUR:** Every 4th Monday of the month at 7:45pm.

All are welcome to come and pray before the Blessed Sacrament for a deeper respect for life, for world peace, for our Parish 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.

## CALENDAR CLUB 2011

Here are the winners drawn for the latest week.

November 20—\$50—993—Dan & Bernadette Murphy

November 21—\$25—718—Patricia Chapin

November 22—\$25—1084—Tom & Eileen McManus

November 23—\$25—3—Kathy & Joe Zappulla

November 24—\$75—171—Any & Kathy Turano

November 25—\$25—254—Elizabeth Kane

November 26—\$25—234—Joan & Pat Shea

## E-MAIL & ADDRESSES

Youth Ministry Website—[www.stthomasmoreyouth.org](http://www.stthomasmoreyouth.org)

Parish Secretary - [Stm73@live.com](mailto:Stm73@live.com)

Pat Chapin - [Pchapin@optonline.net](mailto:Pchapin@optonline.net)

Mary Ellen Carroll - [Mecarroll@optonline.net](mailto:Mecarroll@optonline.net)

Outreach - [Stmoutreach@optonline.net](mailto:Stmoutreach@optonline.net)

Youth Ministry (Joe Gast) - [Gast.Joe@gmail.com](mailto:Gast.Joe@gmail.com)

Justice & Peace - [Natman32@aol.com](mailto:Natman32@aol.com)

Fr. Dahlke - [RWDahlke@Jesuits.net](mailto:RWDahlke@Jesuits.net)

Personal Prayer - [SpiritualOrientations.com](http://SpiritualOrientations.com)

To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following:

Barbara & Joe Fratamico—[BJFRAT@optonline.net](mailto: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:

December 11—Sharing Our Gifts

December 18—The Best Presents

December 25—Christmas Special

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

**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](mailto:parents@holyfamilyregional.com) to schedule a tour of this

parish's regional school, or visit the School website at [www.holyfamilyregional.com](http://www.holyfamilyregional.com)

**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](http://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.

**COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(First Notice)*

**FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS**—Celebration at the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Crown Acres Road, Centereach, Wednesday, December 28th at 7:30pm Mass. Refreshments and Fellowship will follow in the Parish Center Hall. All are invited. For info. call (631) 588-7242.

**CATHOLIC CAMPS FOR BOYS & GIRLS**—Camp Fatima for boys and Camp Bernadette for girls are accepting registrations for the 2012 summer session. The camps, located in the Lakes Region of New Hampshire, offer 2-week overnight sessions for children, ages 6-15. Round trip bus transportation available out of Long Island. For info. call Michael at (603)-364-5851 or email [mdrumm@campsfatimabernadette.org](mailto:mdrumm@campsfatimabernadette.org), or visit [www.campsfatimabernadette.org](http://www.campsfatimabernadette.org)

**ST. ANTHONY HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT** Instrumental and Choral Music. Friday and Saturday, December 9-10. 8pm. Donation: \$10.

**FREE CHILD IDENTIFICATION FINGER PRINTING** on December 11, 9am to Noon, during "Breakfast with Santa" at the Paradise Diner, 579 Vets Hwy.

*(Second Notice)*

**MARIAN HEALING MINISTRY**—Rosary, Mass & Healing Service on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2011 at the Immaculate Conception Center in Douglaston. For more info call 718-229-8001.

**APARTMENT FOR RENT** – Hauppauge, 2 BR, LR, Full

Bath, Eat-in-Kitchen, Ground Floor, Private Entrance, Bright, \$1,450 Including Utilities, No Pets, No Smoking, Call 631-835-5290 or 631-553-6539.

**YOU CAN HELP HEAL YOUR MARRIAGE—**

Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential information, or to register for upcoming weekends at the Montfort Retreat House, Bay Shore, call 1.800.470.2230.

**SUPPORT COLLECTION**

**Last Sunday's Collection: \$ 8,888.**

**USING FAITH DIRECT?** - Consider having automatic deductions from their checking or savings or use a credit card to support St. Thomas More each week. With Faith Direct, there is no fee to you! Please visit the Faith Direct website at [www.FaithDirect.net](http://www.FaithDirect.net) 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: \$ 3,825.**

**Profit to the Parish: \$ 191.**

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: \$ 399,841.**

**Spent on repairs and replacements: \$ 741,871.**

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.

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**WINE TASTING—2012**

I/we would like to come to the Wine Tasting on Sunday, January 15, beginning at 3pm.

NAME(s):

PHONE:

( ) number coming 'X' \$30 each = \$ \_\_\_\_ enclosed.

*(Please return to Church Office with payment)*

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**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)*

**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)*

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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:

- Altar Server
- Usher
- RCIA
- Lector
- Consolation Minister
- Plumber
- Painter
- Rosary Altar Society
- Caring for Altar Plants
- FOCCUS
- Banner Committee
- Hospitality
- Greeter
- Liturgy with Children
- Eucharistic Minister
- Landscaping/Planting
- Electrician
- Handy Man/Woman
- Scrip sellers
- Pre-Cana
- Adult Lending Library
- St. Vincent de Paul Society

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

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

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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.

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)*

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**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*

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## CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA ORDER

I/we would like to order Poinsettias.

NAME(s):

PHONE:

Colors:

- Red
- White
- Pink

Total "x" \$15 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed.

*(Please return to the Church Office by December 8)*

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## LONG ISLAND CATHOLIC

I/we would like to receive the Long Island Catholic newspaper.

NAME(s)

Address:

Phone:

*Please include \$20 subscription with this coupon and place in collection basket or leave at Church Office.*

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**Keep  
Christ  
In  
Your  
Christmas  
Season!  
KofC KORNER -**

December 2011

**SPAGHETTI DINNER** on November 19 - a Great Time & Great Food---terrific combination. Nearly 250 people enjoyed each others' company & Pasta Bouno . Music was provided by DJ PGK Mike Baker. Many thanks to the Columbiettes & the Youth Group for their help to the 30 or so brothers of Council 6062.



**Knights Outreach**—Thanks to all Brother Knights in helping pack turkeys & all the trimmings for needy families in our community.

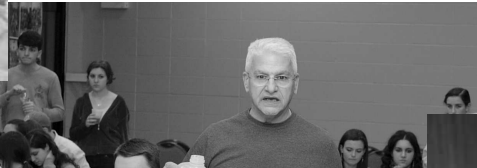


### December Events

- December 3**—The Knights & the STM Choir will be bringing Christmas cheer to the clients of UCP in Commack.
- December 10**—Council Family Christmas Party for the Knights & their families. We also are opening the party to any member of the STM family ( Santa is taking a little break from hard work so please help & bring a gift clearly marked for any children you may bring) Party will be in Walden Hall @ 6PM - following 5PM Mass.
- December 25**—a Blessed & Merry Christmas to all --- **KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS!**
- K OF C Free Throw Coming in Mid January !!! Look for details in the next K of C Korner.*
- YOUTH MINISTRY**—Pictured are members of our Youth Ministry who went to homes in our community on November



21 asking for donations to our Food Pantry. Afterwards they all gathered in Walden Hall to celebrate a turkey dinner with one another.





## **ANGELS and SHEPHERDS Needed!**

Believe it or not, it's that time again! Time to invite all children 5 years of age and older to be angels and shepherds at our two Family Masses on Christmas Eve.

We ask all children wishing to participate to follow this guideline in order to have fairly equal amounts represented at both Masses.

Those whose last names begin with letters **N through Z will attend the 5:30** Mass.

Those whose last names begin with letters **A through M will attend the 3:30** Mass.

You will be notified of the one **mandatory rehearsal and costume pick-up**. It will be a Saturday in December and will last about one hour.

Please complete the Angel and Shepherd Form below and return it in the collection basket or return it to the Church Office no later than December 5, 2011.

## **ANGELS and SHEPHERDS**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Would like to participate as an:**

\_\_\_\_\_angel      \_\_\_\_\_shepherd

\_\_\_\_\_ **5:30 p.m. Mass-Last Name N to Z**

\_\_\_\_\_ **3:30 p.m. Mass-Last Name A to M**  
**(Please check appropriate Mass)**

**Parent's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's E-Mail** \_\_\_\_\_

***(Return no later than December 5, 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

**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.

**BJ's**—Deer Park. Positions in all departments.

**Cablevision** - Understand state of the Art Digital Video - PC skills - outstanding benefits.

**Director of Nursing**—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.

**Geico Insurance**—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—Fox

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

**Hyundai Millennium**—Grand Opening—all positions—trainable, committed, communication skills—paid training, excellent health benefits, bonus and advancement.

**ITT Exelis**—Bohemia and N. Amityville. Technicians, coordinators, assemblers. US citizenship necessary. Comprehensive benefits package.

**Mather Hospital**—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.

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

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

**Second Income Opportunity**—Newsday Delivery. Early AM hours. Valid NYS driver's license.

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

**Uncle Giuseppe's**—Dept. Mgrs. And Team Members. Various store locations and departments.

**Warehouse**—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.