

Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway
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Pastoral Staff

Rev. Msgr. Francis S. Midura, Pastor
Rev. Peter O'Rourke, CP (*in residence*)
Rev. Robert Dahlke, SJ, Weekend Priest
Deacon Robert D. Weisz
Deacon Edward R. Vigneaux
Deacon John S. Rapacki

Religious Education

Patricia Chapin, Co-director
Mary Ellen Carroll, Co-director

Parish Outreach

Staffed by volunteers

Justice & Peace

Ralph Molinaro, Chairperson

Music Ministry

Emilia Savarese, Facilitator

Youth Ministry

Joe Gast, S.C., Youth Minister

OUR PARISH SACRAMENTAL LIFE - EUCARIST

Weekend Masses: Saturday: 5pm
Sunday: 8am, 9:15am, 10:45am, 12:15pm
Weekday Mass: 9am, Monday through
Saturday.

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.



“He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up.” Mark 1:31

February 5, 2012 Fifth Ordinary Sunday

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
Religious Ed—	234-0397	FAX 234-1199
Outreach—	234-3149	FAX 234-1199
Church Lobby—	348-9378	

<p style="text-align: center;">Masses for this coming week</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Growing through the Sunday Scriptures</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">February 5, 2012 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Job 7:1-4, 6-7 Psalm 147: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23 Mark 1:29-39</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">February 12, 2012 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 11 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1 Mark 1:40-45</p>
<p>Saturday—February 4 <i>Anticipated Mass for Sunday</i> 5pm—Rose, Michael Rocco & Leonard Viso <i>by the Butindari Family</i></p> <p>Sunday—February 5—Fifth Ordinary Sunday 8am—Barbara Buonnano 9:15am—Patricia Marro <i>by Raymond Marro</i> 10:45am—Joseph Bitet <i>by the Hauppauge Rotary Club</i>, Robert A. Burnard, Sr. <i>by Paul Goebeler</i>, Gabe Butera <i>by</i> <i>Mr. & Mrs. Robert McKeon</i>, Angelina Grieco <i>by Kieko</i> <i>McKeon</i>, Vincent Kowalski <i>by the Kowalski family</i>, Winfield Reed <i>by Walter & Katherine Drechsler</i>, Josephine Sadowski <i>by Barbara Jones</i>, Austin Schneider <i>by the Favoroso family</i>, Constantine Zuzzolo <i>by Mary Ann & Ralph Rantz</i>, For the People of the Parish 12:15pm—Robert Leupold <i>by Rosemary Forte</i></p> <p>Monday—February 6—St. Paul Miki & Companions 9am—Ralph Marcello <i>by Rita & Kaz Stasiak</i></p> <p>Tuesday—February 7 9am—Ernest Ranalli, Sr., <i>by Sweeney, Brian O'Keefe,</i> <i>William Sweeney, Kevin Malloy</i></p> <p>Wednesday—February 8—St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita 9am—David Casey <i>by Fintan & Margaret Stapleton</i></p> <p>Thursday—February 9 9am—Jeanne Baer <i>by Ed Baer</i></p> <p>Friday—February 10—St. Scholastica 9am—Antonino Speciale <i>by the Carbone family</i></p> <p>Saturday—February 11—Our Lady of Lourdes— World Day of the Sick 9am—Sandra Kowalski <i>by Kenneth Kowalski</i> <i>(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)</i> 5pm—MaryAnn Swanson <i>by the Rapacki, Kluse & Dugan families</i></p> <p>Sunday—February 12—Sixth Ordinary Sunday 8am—Louis Giuliano <i>by Phyllis Senner</i> 9:15am—Elisabeth Cornelia Vink-Van Daalen <i>by the Keely</i> <i>family</i>, Gabriel Butera <i>by Heather Ganz</i>, Camille Desepolt <i>by</i> <i>the Carlino Family</i>, Helen Mananza <i>by Mae Devine</i>, Frank Nitto <i>by Maureen Weber</i>, Josephine Sadowski <i>by the Buynak</i> <i>family</i>, John Joseph Sperandeo, Jr. <i>by Heather Ganz</i>, Arnold Woodbury <i>by the Eyring family</i> 10:45am—Dominic Bove <i>by Marie Bove</i> 12:15pm—Arthur Loiacono <i>by Mario Russo</i></p>	<p>A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark: A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean. Then, warning him sternly, he dismissed him at once. He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly. He remained outside in deserted places, and people kept coming to him from everywhere.</p> <p>Focus Questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Jesus reaches out to the lepers who were outcasts. Who do you have a hard time accepting? 2) Jesus restored the leper to the community. Describe a time when you made an outsider feel welcome. 3) What would you ask Jesus to heal in you? <p>Family and children's question:</p> <p>Who are the people you comforted or helped this week? How many hugs did you give out?</p>

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Joseph Place, Richard Landi, Linda Sue Cappisillo, Dennis Chase, James Cable, Terri Ilardi McKee, Frank Sesti, Charles Boston, Jennifer Savarese, Sal Alessi, Claudia Fiore, Tom Devine, Irene Aberle, Vito Baliunas, Teresa Szepietowska, Chase Turano, Linda Wilkonski, James Nachtman, Bob Sydlo,

Casey McDonald, Henry Kwiecenski, Ann Iovino, Veronica Mattes, Victor Buzzanca, Elaine Kleinstauber, Josephine Campanelli, Lucja Kostrzewa, Katherine Drechsler, Jean Marsala-Kieffner, Edward Duffy, Catherine Kiss, Conrad Gangone, Patrick Quinn, Denise Mays, Pat Owens, Andrea Walker, Tom Stahura, Judy Vartanian, James & Rita Basile, Joe Dunn, Thomas McGuire, Caroline Grigas, Arlene LaRosa, Joseph Peter, Ellen Jane Vinson, Victoria Nelson, Peter Calandrella, Ruth Weurth, Martha McDonald, Doreen Montalbano, Anthony Iovino, Lorraine Mango-Follini, Jackie Berntsen, Phyllis Senner, Thuy Wilmott, Kathryn Badalaty, Alexa Shea Jarvis, Dennis Ligus, Jerry & Maria Bettua, Brian Kilroy, Elven Tangel, Marie Dunn.

(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 March.)

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Lena Magro, Mary Garone, Helen Schmidt, George Vattakudiyil, Clare Libonati, our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

FROM FR. MIDURA

OUR LITURGY FOR SUNDAY—In the first reading today we hear about Job, who is suffering; about Jesus' compassion for the suffering; and about Paul, who dedicated his life to telling people about Jesus. As we worship today, let us ask for the grace of dedication to true discipleship, compassion for others and trust in God when we are suffering.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2013—The 2013 Mass Book is available for reserving Masses for those who have died and also for the intentions of those who are living. When you come down to arrange Masses, please have your choices and intention names written down in case the Office is busy.

This way we can arrange the Masses for you. The diocesan standard stipend for Masses, beginning in 2013, will be \$20 for a single Mass intention and \$15 for a Mass with multiple intentions. There are available dates for this year 2012 also.

OUR LISTING OF THOSE WHO ARE ILL—If you do not see on the list the name of a friend or family member who is ill, kindly return the cut out in the bulletin to the Church Office or place it in the collection basket. Please make sure that the person whose name you are submitting does not have an objection to their name(s) being published.

PHONE CARDS FOR THOSE DEPLOYED—Last

weekend, Daniel Mitola speak at some of the Masses asking for support to purchase phone cards to be given to member's of his father's National Guard Unit members who are currently serving overseas and who cannot afford to call home as often as they would like. Thanks to the generosity of those who listened to Daniel last weekend, he collected \$2,247 which was quickly converted to the purchase of phone cards that will be distributed to those serving overseas. Daniel thanks everyone for supporting his efforts.

ACKNOWLEDGING OUR SCOUTS—On February 5, we celebrate Scout Sunday in our parish. The young members and their leaders and guides are in our prayers this month.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUR FACILITY—We are still waiting for the ground to harden so that we can continue tree pruning around the Religious Ed and Rectory buildings. We removed the porch in back of the Religious Ed building since that aluminum roof was no longer safe due to a person walking on it to clean the gutters a couple of years ago. It is being replaced by a new porch roof. A door that used to be in the back of the Religious Ed building will be reinstalled so that there is an additional exit to the one existing exit. The guest bath in the rectory was replaced and no longer is there a threat to the user ending up in the basement because of rotted floor boards.

We will tend to the geese through a neighbors four legged pet who needs exercise in chasing these featured creatures of God. We have had to replace several kneelers in the Church due to improper behavior on the part of a few individuals who exerted force on the brackets until they broke!

A potential Eagle Scout is planning as his project to install and walkway and meditation area honoring St. Jude in the mall across from the Church entrance. Towards the end of the month he will speak to the congregation about his project and invite everyone's support of his Eagle Project.

The daffodils and tulips are beginning to break through the earth. Hopefully, they will not be affected by sudden cold weather snaps. *Progress!*

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 cut-out that is in this bulletin. We will again begin publishing weekly winners in the bulletin.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS AND LECTORS—We will install new altar servers next weekend and will commission lectors as they begin their ministry to the parish. We thank them all!

PUTTING YOUR OLD CELL PHONES TO USE—We thank everyone for giving us their old cell phones. As we get an amount to send, we forward it to a company that recycles them and who gives us cash for the ones that are usable.

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. Then we respond: "Amen" when we are presented with the Body of Christ or the Blood of Christ.

2011 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS—If anyone needs a record of their contributions to the parish for last year, please fill out the request cut-out that is in the bulletin. The records will contain contributions to the parish via the weekly or from the special monthly collections that regular envelope users receive in the mail.

Faith Direct users will receive a statement from them directly as will supporters of the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

We mailed or e-mailed all the statements received as of last week. We will continue to send them out as we receive them and compile them.

It used to be that 1099 and W-2 statements that were mailed had to be mailed out by January 31, but I believe that has changed now to a deadline of February 15. (I have received such mandatory statements at the end of April. You cannot do anything about it since there is no postmark on these mailings!)

WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE? - The USPS recently raised rates for all of us to send mail. Understandably, some of us have stamps that need to be complemented with certain denominations so that we have the correct amount to put on the mailing. I went to buy 1 cent stamps. They had none! I needed 10 cent stamps. There were none, except 5 cent stamps. I needed 65 cent stamps for two ounce mailings. There were none! They had 64 cent stamps, but no 1 cent stamps! Trying to mail extra weight envelopes and trying to get the correct postage caused me to have 25 envelopes returned for "extra postage" but there were no stamps to buy to make up the proper difference. As one agent said to me several months ago when I needed \$1.78 for letters, the suggestion was a variation of stamps that would have been over by 4 cents each letter. I said "No way!" You made the prices. Please print the stamps too!

OUR PRIEST-CELEBRANTS

(Subject to last minute changes)

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

JUSTICE & PEACE

Continuing from last week on seeing the Gospel through the eyes of the poor. In order to see the Gospel through the eyes of the poor, we need to have a journey inward and outward. Unless we do this it will be hard to commitment on social issues.

Understanding Jesus and the message of the Gospel requires action. In the West we have been taught to understand the Gospel in our head. For action to take place, that message has to move to the heart. This is the message we hear from the voices of women and the poor in the Third World. They are using a hands-on approach to issues of justice and peace. The advantage

to this is that it corrects itself. If we are willing to listen to these voices, it will move us from the theologies in our head to action in our heart. What does this all mean in terms of justice and peace? There have been many martyrs in the Third World. They stood on the side of the poor. Like Jesus they took the road to justice. It is a path many of us are afraid to take. We prefer the middle road. Remember how Jesus told us how we will be judged in Matthew 25. *To be continued.*

Justice is a parish affair.

Discover needs and act justly.

Together we can make a difference.

Today is World Day For Consecrated Life.

February 6th is Saint Paul Miki and companions.

February 8th is Saint Jerome Emiliani and Saint Josephine Bakhita.

February 10th is Saint Scholastica.

February 11th is Our Lady of Lourdes.

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. When we accumulate \$500 we will forward that amount so that a heifer can be purchased for a family.

OUR LENTEN PROJECT

The Justice and Peace Committee has undertaken the Vet Dogs for Veterans this year as our Lenten Project. This is local, right here in Smithtown. A representative from the organization will speak to the parish the weekend of February 18-19. Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, February 22.

We were given a tour of the facility and met with veterans and their families.

Vet Dogs provide guide dogs for veterans who are blind; service dogs for those with disabilities other than blindness; physical and occupational therapy dogs to work with amputees. All of the services are at no cost to the veterans. All funding comes from generous contributions of individuals, corporations, foundations, businesses and service clubs.

We will have a poster and our "little house" to accept your donations for this worthwhile organization throughout the season of Lent. We thank you in advance.

MEN'S GATHERING

The next meeting of the Men's Gathering will be on Thursday February 9. We will have a short film on *Men You Have What it Takes*, *Masculine Adventures*, and *Men How To Live Your Life To The Fullest* by Dr. Kevin Kulik. The presentation will be made by Bill Broer. We believe this is something very special for men to hear. We are asking the women to encourage the men to hear this presentation. In order to have the space to accommodate the men, we ask you to call Ralph Molinaro to reserve a space (724-2253). Please respond by Tuesday February 7. When we have the number of men attending, Ralph

will let the men know where we are meeting. This program will be presented next month with part two. Please plan to attend this excellent film followed by a discussion.

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.



Our Food Pantry always welcomes non-perishable foods, paper goods and detergent for our clients. We would also be grateful for small packages of meat for our freezer, such as, hamburgers, steaks, chicken parts, franks, buns and bread.

Freezer items can be brought to Outreach from Monday to Thursday, between the hours of 10am and 2pm. Non-perishables can be brought to the bin at the Church entrance. Thank you.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES/TALBOT HOUSE -Talbot House is a voluntary Chemical Dependence Crisis Center, located in Bohemia which provides withdrawal and stabilization services for males and females over the age of 18 who are seeking to stop and/or withdraw from alcohol and/or drug use. The medical and clinical staff at Talbot House will assess the kind of care the person needs to begin the journey to recovery. For more info, call: 631-589-4144. The staff is available 24/7 and each call is confidential. Talbot House is a NO fee for service program.

PRAY FOR OUR SOLDIERS

Philip Root	David Probst
Scott Lovelock	Candice Gagnon
Randy Donaldson	Christopher Day
Wesley John Pritchett	Thomas Nichols
Christopher Sidote	Jason Doyle
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.

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 the next meetings are: February 13—"The Nineteenth Wife" by David Ebershoff
March 12—"People of the Book" by Geraldine Brooks

April 9—"The Heretic's Daughter" by Kathleen Kent

May 7—"Sing You Home" by Judi Picoult

June 11—"Left To Tell" by Immacule Llibagiza

Then there is a break for the Summer months.

Meetings are held in the meeting room starting at 2:30pm.

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.

PRO LIFE

Our meetings are on every Wednesday and Saturday, rain or shine, from 8am to 10:30am at the Smithtown Abortion Clinic, 70 Maple Avenue (One block south of Route 25 (Jericho Turnpike)). Come join our protest and pray with us to defend the defenseless.

YOUTH MINISTRY CORNER

If you have any questions about the program, please contact Joe Gast, Youth Minister at Gast.Joe@gmail.com or check out our website at www.stthomasmoreyouth.org.

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Sunday—February 5

2pm—Baptisms—Church

7:30pm—Bible Study—Meeting Room

Monday—February 6

9:45am—Bible Study—Meeting Room

7pm—Finance Committee—Rectory

7pm—Youth Ministry—Walden Room

Tuesday—February 7

7pm—Pastoral Council—Rectory

Thursday—February 9

5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

7:30pm—Columbiettes—Kirwin Hall

7:30pm—Men's Gathering—

7:30pm—Choir—Church

Friday—February 10

7pm—Young At Heart—Walden Hall

Saturday—February 11

5pm—Level 2 Confirmation Class Bake Sale—Lobby

Sunday—February 12

Level 2 Confirmation Level Valentine's Bake Sale—Lobby

9:15am Mass—Welcome of Babies to be Baptized—Church

9:15am Mass—Installation—Altar Servers

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 or 543-2740 or contact Fr. Midura at the Church Office.

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 - SpiritualOrientations.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:

February 5—Renewal
 February 12—Relationships
 February 19—Sacrifice
 February 26—Forgiveness
 March 4—Leadership
 March 11—Commitment
 March 18—Traditions
 March 25—Being Joyful

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.

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 8th. 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 www.holyfamilyregional.com

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CALENDAR CLUB 2012

The listing of Calendar Club winners for the month of January 2012 will appear in next week's bulletin.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

SONS OF ITALY-DR. VINCENZO SELLARO LODGE—CARNEVALE CELEBRATION—6pm, Sat. February 25, 2012 at the Byzantine Church of the Resurrection Reception Hall, 38 Mayflower Ave., Smithtown. Hot catered food, soda, wine, music, dancing. \$38 per person. Please call (631) 265-0205 for reservations. RVSP by February 15th.

RENTAL APARTMENT—HAUPPAUGE—Daylight apartment. Private entry & windows. 1 Large kitchen. 1 LR. 1 BR. New bath. \$1,100 monthly includes, electric, heat, cable, gas, water. Call 631.831.2380 for appointment.

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF AMITYVILLE—GRAND IRISH CELEBRATION—Dinner/dance to benefit their senior sisters on Saturday, March 3, 2012, St. Brigid's School, Westbury.

Celebration begins with Mass at 7pm followed by hot Irish dinner, Step Dancers, Bagpipers and music by the “Celtic Connection Band” at 8 pm. \$40 per person. For tickets, call (631) 842-6000 x 238 or contact Sr. Patricia Koehler at pkoehler@aol.com.

(Second Notice)

FAMILY, MARRIAGE & INDIVIDUAL THERAPY—Services provided by the Catholic Counseling Center. For info, call 631.243.2503 or website: <http://theCatholicCounselingCenter.com>

HIGH SCHOOL HONORS—The following parishioners achieved Honor Roll status at Chaminade High School: Trevor Adams, Michael Black, Keith Christianson and Kenneth Colon.

SPIRITUAL CARE COMPANION—Looking for a way to volunteer? Catholic Health Services is sponsoring a 6 week training program to become a Spiritual Care Companion. Come to an information Session on Tuesday, February 7, 9:30am to 11:30am, at Our Lady of Consolation Home, 111 Beach Drive, West Islip, NY. Trainings begin on Tuesday, February 28. For info, call Carol @631-465-6307 or Tish @631-465-6306.

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Last Sunday's Collection **\$8,097.**

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 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. Usually it takes about two weeks for your request to be completed.

SCRIP SALES

Scrip Sales Last Week: \$ 3,575.

Profit realized from sales: \$ 178.

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.

MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

Contributed to date: \$ 411,443.

Spent on repairs and replacements: \$ 753,404.

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.

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.

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 () Hospitality
- () Usher () Greeter
- () RCIA () Liturgy with Children
- () Lector () Eucharistic Minister
- () Consolation Minister () Landscaping/Planting
- () 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

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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**2011 CONTRIBUTION
STATEMENT REQUEST**

I/we would like a record of our 2011 Contributions to St. Thomas More.

NAME(s):

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

E-mail:

(Please return to the Church Office)

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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)

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CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2012

I/we would like to support the Catholic Ministries Appeal for 2012.

NAME(s)

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

Amount of the pledge: (Check one below)

\$150 _____

\$300 _____

\$500 _____

\$1,000 _____

\$1,500 _____

\$2,500 _____

\$5,000 _____

OTHER: _____ How much? _____

(Please indicate)

Check for entire amount is enclosed.

Installment enclosed. I would like to pay the rest

monthly—10 payments

bi-monthly—4 payments

semi-annually—May & September

I prefer to use a credit card. Information will be sent to you so that you can contact the CMA office directly.

(Please return to the Church Office for further processing)

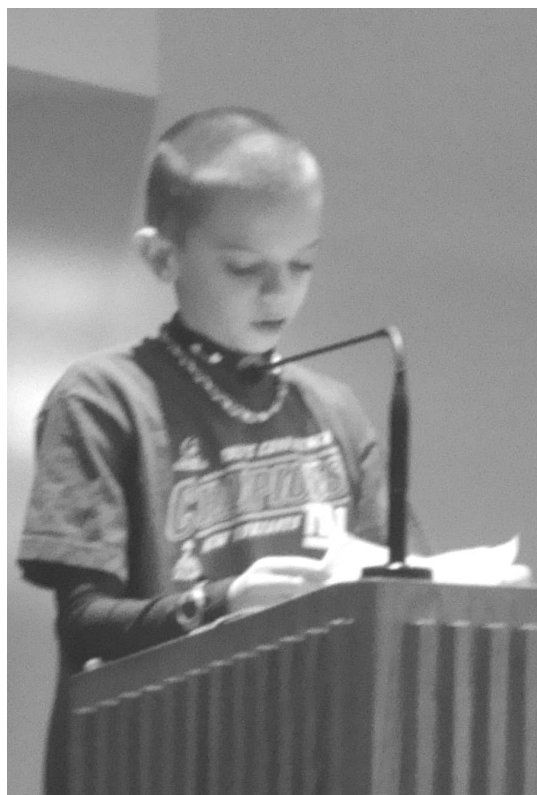
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**RELIGIOUS ED
CONFIRMATION CLASS
BAKE SALE
NEXT WEEKEND**

The members of this year's Confirmation Class will be hosting a Bake Sale after all the Masses next weekend.

Proceeds will benefit the "Free The Children" Social awareness activity of the Class.

They welcome everyone's support and generosity as has been demonstrated in the past.



HELPING THOSE WHO ARE DEPLOYED IN

AFGHANISTAN—Daniel Mitola spoke to the congregation last weekend about his project to raise money to buy Phone Cards for soldiers deployed overseas. He was able to buy 110 phone cards that will give each recipient 146 minutes of time to talk to families back home.

CHURCH BULLETIN BLOOPERS THAT HAVE APPEARED IN CHURCH BULLETINS

The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.

The sermon this morning: "Jesus Walks on the Water."
The sermon tonight: "Searching for Jesus."

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands.

The peacemaking meeting scheduled for today has been canceled due to a conflict.

Remember in prayer the many that are sick of our community. Smile at someone who is hard to love. Say "Hell" to someone who doesn't care much about you.

Don't let just worry kill you off - let the Church help.

Miss Charlene sang "I will not pass this way again," giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

Barbara remains in the hospital and needs blood donors for more transfusions. She is also having trouble sleeping and requests tapes of Pastor Jack's sermons.

The Rector will preach his farewell message after which the choir will sing: "Break Forth Into Joy."

Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24th in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.

A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.

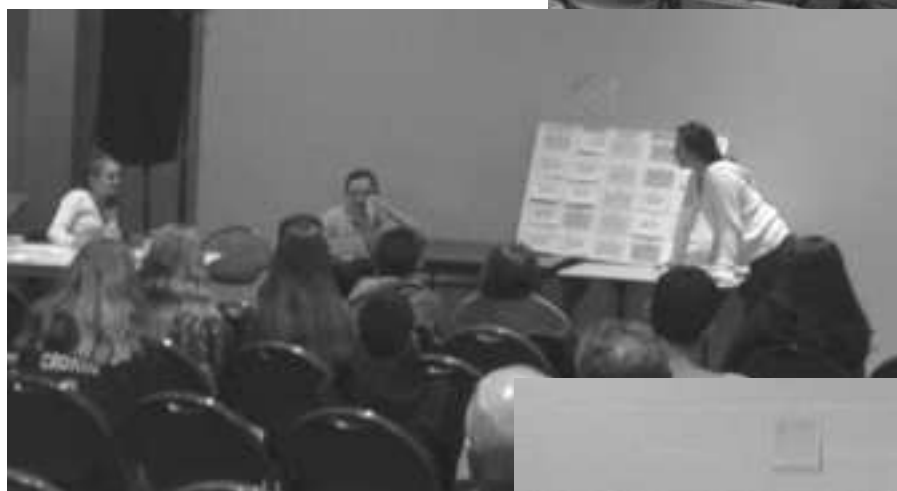
At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "What Is Hell?" Come early and listen to our choir practice.

Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.

Scouts are saving aluminum cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.

CONFIRMATION COMMUNITY DAY

Participants in the day involved the candidates Preparing for Confirmation as well as their sponsors, family members, members of our Youth Ministry and our Catechists.



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

Aerospace—Tech jobs. Control operators. Quality inspectors.

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.

Dayton T. Brown—Bohemia & Shelton, CT locations. Professional writers—aircraft, helicopter manuals. Maintenance managers, business managers.

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.

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

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.