

Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway
Hauppauge, NY 11788-4204

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Brian Barr, Administrator
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

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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 - EUCHARIST

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 Parish 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 the Parish Office or one of the deacons.

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

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

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

HOLY ORDERS—Contact the Parish Office for more information about the priesthood or diaconate.



September 16, 2012
Twenty-Fourth Sunday in
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
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;">September 16, 2012 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 50: 5-9a Psalm 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 James 2:14-18 Mark 8:27-35</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">September 23, 2012 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Wisdom 2:12, 17-20 Psalm 54: 3-4, 5, 6 and 8 James 3: 16-4:3 Mark 9:30-37</p>

Saturday—September 15

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Frances Rapacki *by Judith & Thomas Kluse*

Sunday September 16—24th Ordinary Sunday

8am—Msgr. Francis S. Midura *by Edward & Joan Carney, Ellen Wilmott by Gareth Wilmott*

9:15am—Josephine DeBenedetto *by Lisa & John Brant*

10:45am—Beatrice Lyons *by Egon, Joan & Niccona Teichert*

12:15pm—Anna Ippolito *by the Carlino family*

Monday—September 17—St. Robert Bellarmine

9am—Sandra Kowalski *by Kenneth Kowalski*

Tuesday—September 18

9am—For the People of St. Thomas More Parish

Wednesday—September 19—St. Januarius

9am—Jean Rose Scandariato *by Linda & John Piantieri*

Thursday—September 20—St. Andrew Kim Tái-gõn;

St. Paul Chõng Ha-sang & Companions

9am—Midura & Margas families *by Evelyn Batt*

Friday—September 21—St. Matthew

9am—Frances Rapacki

Saturday—September 22

9am—Joseph Peirano

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—John & Mary Barry *by Lillian Gibbs, Frances D'Onofrio by Vivian D'Onofrio, Gary Hannon by daughter & family, Msgr. Francis S. Midura by Vivian & Michael Jacobs, Jean Popielarz by Edward Borowski, John Souza by Keith & Lois Christianson & family*

Sunday—September 23—Twenty-Fifth Ordinary Sunday

8am—Maria Nigro *by Anthony Nigro*

9:15am—Rosa Leonardi *by Benito Gaudio*

10:45am—Rose Borowski *by the Borowski family*

12:15pm—Rose Manereno *by Carlyn & Jim Borella*

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark:

Jesus and his disciples left from there and began a journey through Galilee, but he did not wish anyone to know about it. He was teaching his disciples and telling them,

"The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise."

But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to question him. They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them,

"What were you arguing about on the way?"

But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them,

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."

Taking a child, he placed it in the their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them,

"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."

Focus Questions:

- 1.How have experiences in your life affected the way you relate to Jesus?
- 2.Who is Jesus to you?
- 3.What do you have to give up to follow Jesus?

Family and Children's Question:

Peter misunderstood who Jesus was. Talk about a time when you misunderstood someone you thought you knew.

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Ron Lupo, Sally Rolfe, Richard Tulipan, Amy Merkle, Carmela Locciscano, Eileen Iammarino, Ann Retmanski, Chase Turano, Carrie Nickles, Jeanine Flandina-Walsh, Sean Walsh, Teresa Atchison, Josephine Reggio, Anita Ilardi, Katherine Drechsler, Natalie Grippo, Lillian Munzer, Jean Marsala-Kieffner, Dennis Chase, Marissa Fokar, Kay & Joe Babits, Bob Sydlo, Maureen O'Donnell, Stella Minecci, Irene Aberle, Richard Landi, Tom McGuinness, Edward Duffy, Tom Devine, William Heidenreich, Thuy Wilmott, Ronald Pauze, Mary Schiller, Terri Ilardi McKee, Lorraine Mangofollini, Alexa Shea Jarvis, Maria Bettua, Anne & Anthony Iovino, Leona Esposito, Maryann Rantz, Brian & Katelyn Kilroy, Penny Henrich, Dale Grippo, John LaRocca, Terry Morris, Art & Deloras Zimmer, Helen Bagdonas, Robert Horoski, Conrad Gangone, James & Rita Basile, Teresa Szepietowska, Agnes Gollhofer, Laura Privette, Joseph Peter, Victoria Nelson, Jo-Ann Fannon, Marie Dunn, Gladys, James & Dan Dippel, Jennifer Savarese, Ruth Weurth, Andrea Walker, Tom & Ted Stahura, Joseph Placa, Phyllis Senner, Karen Berlet, Joe Capra, Richard Stout, Charles Boston, Diane Sioss, Andrew Spano, Vito Baliunas, James and Barbara Alesi, Veronica Mattes, Daniel Skinnon, Angelo Guzman, Richard Gormley, Jr., Norma Cottrell, Chris Kelly, Cindy Soto, Lester Soto, Lorenzo Fernandes, Joe Dunn, Elaine Kleinstauber, Linda Wilkonski, Thomas McGuire, Denise Zappia, James Nachtman, Charles Longwell, Marie Cantwell, Maureen Flynn, Trudi Webb, Kathy Badalaty, Arlene LaRosa, Michael Mason, Victor Buzzanca, Denise Mays, Chris Kelly, Linda Sue Cappisillo, Lucja Kostrzewa, Bill Radcliffe, Henry Kwiecinski, Elaine Kwiecinski, Crista Bruno, Ellen Jane Vinson, Donna Kossack, Patsy Richards.

(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 listing will expire at the end of the month. Please resubmit any names you wish to have continued.)

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Dale Eltman, Sylvie Almonor, Agnes Nagel, Msgr. Francis S. Midura our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

A NOTE FROM FR. BRIAN

Recently, I mentioned that I had just returned from a Mass at St. Agnes Cathedral where four men were ordained Deacons by Bishop Murphy. Being there, I was reminded of the power of the Ordination Rite. One aspect of the ritual involves the promise of obedience in which the candidate kneels before the bishop and promises obedience to him and his successors. Like a bride or groom on their wedding day, making promises on the happiest day of your life is easy, but remaining true to those words 10 or 20 years down the road can be a different story. It seems to me, it's exactly that leap of faith, that trust that God will always catch us, despite the challenges and

uncertainty, that makes those promises so powerful. At the end of July, I was on vacation in Rhode Island when Bishop Murphy asked me to fill in at St. Thomas after the death of Fr. Midura. In the days following his funeral, I remember being more than a little overwhelmed. As crazy as things were, I also remember being struck by the kindness and welcome of this great parish. Here's the simple fact: if I hadn't made a similar promise of obedience when I was ordained a Deacon 20 years ago, I never would have had the experience of these last six weeks. Rhode Island will always be there, but having the opportunity to encounter the faith of a community like St. Thomas is something I will always be grateful for. That awesome promise of obedience opens doors for priests to enter the lives of people in so many powerful ways. The more we surrender our own agenda to His, the more we encounter His grace. These last few weeks have proven that for me and I want to thank you for that. I also want to thank all those who attended the Parish Open Meeting on Sept. 6th. The turnout was amazing. It was inspiring to see so many, of all ages, gathering in the name of the parish. I know several priests have expressed interest in becoming the next Pastor. If I was in a different position and finishing my work in the Vocations Office, believe me, I would have been on that list. Unfortunately, St. Thomas is too big and too far from Rockville Centre to continue to do both jobs. Bishop Murphy has asked me to become Administrator at St. Mary of the Isle Church in Long Beach. That assignment will begin some time in October after a new Pastor has been named for St. Thomas More. St. Mary's is a much smaller parish and about 20 minutes from the Vocations Office in Rockville Centre, which hopefully, will make doing both jobs more manageable. In the meantime, you're all stuck with me for a few more weeks. Thanks again and have a great week.
Fr. Brian

STM NEWS

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUR FACILITY—We are currently still seeking vendors to bid on various aspects of the new kitchen project. Hopefully, we can make the necessary decisions within a short period of time and then be able to move on with the construction and completion. *Progress!*

SCRIP SELLERS—We are in need of volunteers to sell Scrip at some of the weekend Masses. It does not take much time to facilitate sales, just interest and willingness. If you can give the time, please call the Parish Office and we will train you.

SERVICE MEN & WOMEN RECOGNITION BOARD—The photos of all our servicemen and women were installed several months ago in Walden Hall, after being on display in the lobby for almost two years. Some service people's photos were not included for some reason. We will add another board along side the current one in the late Fall. If anyone still wants to add their photo or the photo of a family member who served our country, we will accept them until September 30. Please bring the photo including

the rank and service record and drop it off in the Church Office.

JUSTICE & PEACE

Continuing from last week on educating for justice.

When we advocate for justice we empower those who seek justice. When we understand the root causes and structures of injustice, we begin to understand the difference between charity and justice. Charity is temporary. Advocacy leads to justice and solution. Every week when we come to church we see a shopping basket filled with food for our Outreach. That is admirable. When people buy Scrip they often leave some for our Outreach and that is fine. On a number of occasions people have left a 100 dollar bill for Outreach. We were able to help a lot of people but they will be back next time for more food and help because the root cause of their needs has not been solved. The Bishops (1971) in their pastoral on Justice in the World said education for justice " will awaken a critical sense which will lead us to reflect on the society on which we live and its values; it will make humans ready to renounce their values when they seek to promote justice for all people." As of now this has not happened. We still have not seen a metanoia- that fundamental change in attitude. That is why we have to continue to educate for justice. Without this there is little hope for change. Little or no hope will lead to further injustices and that will lead to no peace but further confrontation in society. *To be continued.*

Justice is a parish affair.

Together we can make a difference.

Discover needs and act justly.

Sept. 17 is St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church. It is also Rosh Hashanah for our Jewish Brethren.

Sept. 19 is St. Januarius, Bishop & Martyr

Sept. 20 is Sts. Andrew Kim T  c-g  n, Priest, Paul Ch  ng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

Sept. 21 is St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist.

Justice and Peace

Shelter for Battered Women & Children

Collection of items requested

Justice and peace will have a collection of items requested by the shelter. A table will be set up in the narthex to accept your donations Only the following items requested:

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| 1. Laundry detergent | 2. Dishwasher detergent |
| 3. Floor cleaner | 4. Disinfecting wipes |
| 5. Lysol | 6. Pampers, sizes 5 & 6 |
| 7. Food storage containers | 8. Freezer bags |
| 9. Garbage bags | 10. Toilet paper |
| 11. Paper towels | 12. Children's Tylenol |
| 13. Ibuprofen | 14. Children's cough medication |

Thank you.

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.

MEN'S GATHERING—Next meeting Thurs., Sept. 13, Rel. Ed. Center, 7:30 to 9pm. We are working hard to improve our program with interesting topics. We will have a guest speaker

from time to time. This is for all men young and older. Please plan to attend and spend some time with God and other men.

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.

OUTREACH IS IN DIRE NEED OF

FOOD. After a busy summer distributing food to our clients, our pantry shelves need serious restocking. Please help us replenish our shelves so that we can continue to service our clients who depend on us to supplement their monthly food supply. We welcome both perishable and non-perishable food such as you would use in your daily life. There is a receiving bin at the entrance to the Church for non-perishables. Perishables are gladly accepted at Outreach, as well as monetary donations and scrip, from Monday to Thursday, 10am to 2pm. We thank you for all your help.

CONSUMER DEBT LEGAL ASSISTANCE - ISLANDIA OFFICE

Thanks to the generous assistance of volunteers, Nassau/Suffolk Law Services is now offering a limited service to income-eligible residents seeking help in consumer debt matters. The extent of services includes advice and possible representation, based on volunteer staffing capacity. Please call 631-232-2400 (Suffolk) for further information.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Thomas More Conference

Hit the pavement for the poor and join the Friends of the Poor Walk!

The Friends of the Poor Walk will be held on Sat., Sept. 29, 2012, at the Bethpage State Park Picnic Area. New registration and check-in will begin at 9am, with the Walk following at 11am.

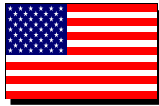
One hundred percent of all pledges made will be used by our Conference to assist our neighbors in need right here in Hauppauge.

You can register to walk at: svdpfriendsofthepoor.org or call 516-822-3132.

Can't participate? Send your donation to: St. Thomas More Conference of SVdP, and drop off your donation at the Rectory, or in the collection basket.

Any questions, contact Ann Russo at redaa@aol.com, or 543-2740.

**ATTENTION ALL
RELIGIOUS ED STUDENTS:
The Walk is an easy and fun way to
meet your Community Service
responsibility.**



PRAY FOR OUR SOLDIERS

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| Philip Root | Michael White |
| Scott Lovelock | Christopher Mustakas |
| Justin Schneider | Candice Gagnon |
| Christopher Day | William Gregory |
| Karin Fitzgerald | Thomas Nichols |
| Jason Doyle | Adam Cussen |

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

ADULT CHOIR NEWS

Calling anyone from high school age to join our choir family. If you love to sing and can sing in key this is the group for you! Open to all voice parts, Soprano, Alto, Tenor and Bass, not necessary to know how to read music. Commitment is rehearsals on Thurs., 7:30 to 9:30pm in the church, and we sing at the 10:45 Mass on Sundays and special feasts. Instrumentalists are also welcome. Everyone needs to be part of the big picture. Call Emilia at 724.8820 for info.

CALLING ALL CHILDREN

September and new beginnings is the perfect time to consider becoming part of the Children's Choir. We sing at the 9:15 Mass on Sundays, rehearsals on Thurs., 5:30 to 6:30pm in the Church. All children from grade 3 and up are invited to join our group. Please consider allowing your children to join to help make our celebrations more beautiful. Let us praise Jesus together in song with full minds and full voices. For info call Emilia at 724.8820.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD
WITH CHILDREN**

Dear Parents and Children:
This letter is an invitation to your child(ren) to be a part of the Liturgy of the Word with Children. Some of you may remember attending this celebration of the Liturgy last year. It is a special group of children who attend the 9:15am Mass on Sunday, those who are 4, 5 and 6 years old. During the 9:15 Mass, following the Opening Prayer and Father's Blessing, we all go together to a special room in the Parish Center, for about 20 minutes, that has been designed just for young children. In this holy place, we hear the Word of God, sing songs praising God and talk about the great things God has done for us. If your child(ren) would like, mommy, daddy, brother, sister or favorite person may also attend, although most parents prefer to remain in the adult assembly. The children

return to their families during the Preparation of Gifts (Offertory Procession).

The Liturgy will take place from September 23 through November 25, 2012, and from January 20 through February 10, 2013. There is no formal registration required; however, you may contact me at 631.265.0722, if you would like additional information about this Liturgy.

Remember, God much, and He loves prayers. So please of the Word of God. to seeing those who also to meeting those the first time this Sincerely,
Pat Oravitz
Coordinator of LWC



loves your child(ren) very hearing young children's join us in the Celebration We are looking forward were there last year, and who wish to join us for year.

K of C KORNER

As we in the Knights begin a new year under new leadership, we cannot help to reflect on the loss of our beloved Chaplain, Pastor, Friend and Brother Knight Rev. Msgr. Francis S. Midura. Our prayers are offered for the repose of his soul, to comfort his family, and to pledge our support to whomever is appointed as our new Pastor. We also would be negligent not to thank our Brothers from STM who attended to our Chaplain and the Cmdr. John J. Shea General Assembly Fourth Degree Color Corps for their presence during the wake and Masses for "the Padre."

- Upcoming events:
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| September 22 | Installation of Officers |
| November 10 | Veterans' Memorial Mass @ 5pm
Honoring Rev. Colonel Francis S. Midura |
| November 17 | Spaghetti Dinner @ 6pm |

If you need to dispose of old US Flags contact Jerry Ferrara.

Look for the K of C at Waldbaums in the near future on Saturdays—we will be collecting donated food for STM Outreach.

STM Columbiettes #6062 extends an invitation to all women interested in helping their community, to join our group. We meet once a month from September to June, a total of 10 meetings a year. We run 2 fundraisers, Nite at the Races and Supermarket Bingo, which enables us to contribute to our Church Outreach & abused families among other charities. Contact Betty at 348.3615 or Lillian at 724.9374 for info. Please join our LOVELY LADIES!

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 by phone at 543-2740 or contact the Church Office.

STM YOUTH MINISTRY

We are sponsoring a fundraiser at Modells. Customers will get 15% off with coupon and Youth Ministry will receive 5% of that purchase. Coupons are available in the Narthex and are good from Aug. 24 thru Sept. 20. Thank you for your support.

YOUNG AT HEART

Workshop on Dementia, by Darlene Jyringi, MPS, program director for the Alzheimer's Disease Assistance Center of LI. To be held Fri., Sept. 28, 8:30pm, Walden Hall.

BIBLE STUDY

We will resume the weekend of Sept. 22-23. We will be prayerfully studying the Gospel of Mark, at the usual times (Sunday evenings from 7:30 to 9pm, repeated Monday mornings from 9:45 to 11:30am.) Bring yourself, a good Bible, and perhaps a friend as well as some "munchies" to share with the group.

CIRCLE OF WOMEN

The next meeting will be September 10. The book to be discussed will be:

"The Submission" by Amy Waldman.

The October title will be:

"Visions of the Children" by Janice Connell.

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

October is Respect Life Month

Greetings:

There are so many important events coming up, some in our immediate area.

Saturday, October 6th—Prayer Vigil for Life: 9am Liturgy, 10am Procession to Planned Parenthood, Maple Avenue, Smithtown, Prayer at Church and Refreshments. Resurrection Byzantine Catholic Church, Juniper Avenue, Smithtown. www.ResurrectionSmithtown.org

Sunday, October 7th—Stand Up For Life: 2 to 3:30pm, Rte. 110 & Jericho Turnpike, Huntington & Rte. 111 & Exit 70S—Peaceful, Prayerful, Silent Witness for Life.

Questions?? Call Alice Schneider at 265.1949.

ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT HOLY HOUR: Every 4th Monday of the month at 7:45pm, starting again in September.

NEEDED: RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY COORDINATOR

A volunteer is needed to be a liaison between our parish and the Diocese concerning the Respect Life Ministry. Responsibilities are: Corresponding with the Diocesan Respect Life Office- attending the Deanery meeting once a year and distributing Pro-Life Materials in our Parish; maintaining and updating the Respect Life Bulletin Board and brochure racks in the Church lobby; keeping our parish informed of Pro-Life Events- such as the March for Life in Washington, D.C. and the "Stand Up for Life" on L.I.; keeping the banner of Our Lady of Guadalupe for parish functions; sponsoring fundraisers for the Life Center etc.; and maintaining the Memorial Garden for the Holy Innocents. For more info, call Alice at 265-1949.

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.

THIS WEEK & NEXT WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Sunday—September 16

8:30am—Hospitality Sunday—Walden Hall

2pm—Baptisms—Church

Monday—September 17

6pm—Youth Ministry-BBQ

Tuesday—September 18

3pm—Blood Drive—Walden Hall

7pm—Bereavement Support Group—Meeting Room

7:30pm—Pastoral Facilitators—Religious Education Center

7:30pm—Justice & Peace @ Ralph's

Wednesday—September 19

7:30pm—Knights of Columbus—Meeting Room

Thursday—September 20

5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

7:30pm—Choir—Church

Friday—September 21

7pm—Justice & Peace—Last Fix—Walden Hall

Saturday—September 22

Collection for Battered Women

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

ST. PATRICK'S PRO LIFE COMMUNION

BREAKFAST—Sun., Oct 7, after the 9am Mass at St. Patrick's, Smithtown. Breakfast in Canning Hall. Guest Speaker—Assemblyman Michael J. Fitzpatrick, giving an assessment of legislation impacting pro-life issues.

For info & reservations call Johanna at 631.979.7017. Tickets are \$10/adult, \$5/under 18, \$30/family.

(Second Notice)

AMERICAN GIRL FASHION SHOW—Our Lady of

Mercy, Hicksville—October 19-21, 2012. For ticket information, please visit www.americangirlfashionshows.com.

Proceeds to benefit Our Lady of Mercy School.

HAUPPAUGE FIRE DEPT. ENGINE CO. 4—Annual Half Way to St. Patrick's Day, Sat., Sept. 22, 4 to 11pm. \$30 advance sales, \$35 at door. Children under 12 free. Corned Beef & Cabbage, Live Music. Call 433.6131 for info.

WHAT IS DEMENTIA? - STM YoungAtHeart sponsoring workshop, Fri., Sept. 28, 8:30pm. Call Bob at 686.5272 for info.

CAR WASH AT ST. THOMAS MORE—Let Boy Scout Troop 343 Sea Base Crew wash your car while you cleanse your soul on Sunday, Sept. 23 before, during and after all Masses. \$5 donation per car.

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of September 9: **\$ 9233.**

USING FAITH DIRECT? - It's quick and easy! Consider having automatic deductions from either your 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.

UPDATING CREDIT CARD INFORMATION—If you get a new card or a renewal card, make sure that this information is communicated to Faith Direct.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES—If you do not receive weekly envelopes and would like them mailed to you, please use the cut out that is in the bulletin and indicate that you wish to receive them on a regular basis. Usually it takes about two weeks for your request to be completed.

FAITH DIRECT AUGUST REPORT -

Total Gross Receipts:	\$ 10,994.
Total Fees	\$ 628.
Net to Maintenance & Repair	\$ 1931.
Net to Weekend Collection	\$ 8435.

MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

Contributed to date: **\$ 437,673.**

Spent on repairs and replacements: **\$ 885,582.**

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.

SCRIP SALES

Scrip Sales—September 9: **\$2900.**

Profit to the Parish: **\$ 145.**

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 and charges at the Scrip Desk in the Lobby.

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 AMERICAN FLAGS—If you have an American flag that is no longer useable, you can bring it to the Church and we will present it to the American Legion on your behalf for proper disposal.

USED CELL PHONES - We thank everyone for giving us their old cell phones. We forward them to a company that recycles them and gives us cash for the ones that are usable.

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

A WEB SITE THAT PAYS ST. THOMAS FOR USEAGE —

Want to know how you can support St. Thomas More? By entering the search engine known as *Goodsearch.com* By 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, you will be asked to register as a supporter. Then select the SHOPPING tab and choose whatever category you want, from travel to food to entertainment. If you use it, let us know if you have any problems with it. Thanks for shopping online and thanks for the donation that we will receive on your behalf.

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

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

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 the Young Ministry website at

www.stthomasmoreyouth.org.

"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.

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.

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 basket or return to Church Office)

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 2012 Catholic Ministries Appeal.

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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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 return to Church Office)

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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 need to have 60 sales positions filled. No experience needed Sign on bonus.

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

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

DDI—Medical assistant—Nurse prac., occupational therapist, Drivers, School Custodian—Excellent benefits—Training.

Drivers—School Bus/Van—Excellent Benefits—\$20.62 for bus—\$18. for van—Training—Huntington

Gieco 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

6. St. Catherine's Hospital, Smithtown—Cashier wanted: Part-time, Permanent Position, Experience preferred. Call Donna @ 862-3006

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

Hyundai Millenium—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.

NBTY—New location—Amityville—Supervisors, Machine Operators, Packagers, Floor Inspectors, Competitive Salary, Benefits.

Newsday—Building Maintenance Supervisor. Night shift. Experience necessary; Collators—4 to 7 hour shifts—all year long. H.S. diploma—18 years or older—able to lift 50 lbs.

PC Richard & Son—Hiring all 66 stores. FT sales associates. No experience needed. Paid training. Excellent benefits.

PeaPod—Home delivery drivers, Drivers \$10./hr. plus tips. Also personal shoppers \$7.25/hr.

South Nassau Hospital—Several openings in leadership, nursing education, technical and licensed professional departments.

St. Catherine of Siena—

1. Nursing Home—Nurse Practitioners, RN supervisors, Recreation Therapists, FT/PT nights, P/T days and weekends, Rehab PT/FT—dietary;

2. Hospital—Lab Technologist & Medical Lab assistant. Physical Therapists

3. Physical Therapy Aides—PT/ Sport Services, Hauppauge. Mon. thru Fri., days and evenings.

4. Nurse Manager—MRI techs, CT techs, Lab techs.

St. Francis Hospital—Physical Therapists, PT in-patient—Sat/Sun 8am-4pm. Physical Therapist Assistants, per diem, varied days, 8am—4pm.

Town of Smithtown—PT positions for Teachers, Ass't teachers, HS diploma, 2 yrs. Experience. Smithtown, Kings Park.

Typesetter/Graphic Designer—Ronkonkoma, NY—Able to work Independently, Mac Exp. A MUST. Good working conditions—Salary competitive with experience. Full Time position. Call 631.589.6339—Printcorp.

Uncle Giuseppe's—Store Mgrs., Dept. Mgrs., Team Members in all 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.