

Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway
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Pastoral Staff

Rev. Antony Asir, 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 - EUCCHARIST

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.



December 23, 2012
Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 25, 2012
The Nativity of the Lord
(Christmas)
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;">December 23, 2012 Fourth Sunday of Advent Micah 5:1-4a Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 Hebrews 10:5-10-7 Luke 1:39-45</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">December 30, 2012 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 Psalm Colossians 3:12-2110:5-10-7 Luke 2:41-52</p>

Saturday—December 22

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Dominick Butindari *by the Butindari family*

Sunday—December 23—Fourth Sunday of Advent

8am—For the People of St. Thomas More Parish

9:15am—John & Mary Barry *by Lillian Gibbs*; Stefan Daniels *by the Hauppauge Rotary Club*; Barbara Diffendale *by the*

Dowd family; Mary & William Fortmeyer *by Rosemarie & Rocco Amoroso*; Jim Larson *by the Hug family*; Carol

Licandro *by the Licandro family*; Helen Maganza *with love by Emilie & Ellen Segal*; Pat McGuckin *by Amy Hughes*; Msgr.

Francis S. Midura *by Augie & Betty Vrondis*; Jean Popielarz *by Helen Straznitzki*;

10:45am—Mickelson & Williams families *by Barbara Mickelson*

12:15pm—Robert Mohlenbrok *by Lois Mohlenbrok & family*

Monday—December 24

9am—Jane Mulligan *by the People of St. Thomas More Parish*

Christmas Eve

3:30pm—Those who supported our Flower Fund

5:30pm—Those who supported our Flower Fund

8:00pm—Those remembered in our Flower Fund

10:30pm—For the People of St. Thomas More Parish

Tuesday—December 25 The Nativity of the Lord—(Christmas)

9am—Josephine Sadowski *by the Buynak family*

10:45am—Those included in the Flower Fund Remembrance

12:15pm—Those included in the Christmas Spiritual Bouquet Remembrance

Wednesday—December 26—St. Stephen

9am—Jan, Genowefa & Msgr. Francis S. Midura

Thursday—December 27 —St. John

9am—June Tempesta *by her daughter & family*

Friday—December 28—The Holy Innocents

9am— John Swinkoski *by Fintan & Margaret Stapleton*

Saturday—December 29—St. Thomas Becket

9am—Frances Rapacki *by Fintan & Margaret Stapleton*

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—John & Mary Barry *by Lillian Gibbs*; Rita Cronin *by Deacon John & Christine Rapacki*; Edward Duff *by Brian O'Keefe*; Walter Keane *by Amy Hughes*; Deceased members of

the Egan family *by John & Mary Ann Egan*; in memory of May Harder *by Mary Ann & John Egan*; Judith Ellen Lentino

by her parents; Josephine Maida *by the Batista family*; Josephine Michels *by Marleis Bisso*; Msgr Francis S. Midura

by Barbara Mickelson; Laura Ramos *by Frank & Vivianne Latorre*; Mary Scimeca *by Joseph & Mary Beltrani*; Dolly

Spitaleri *by the Hauppauge Rotary Club*

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke:

Each year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom. After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it.

Thinking that he was in the caravan, they journeyed for a day and looked for him among their relatives and acquaintances, but not finding him, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.

Focus Questions:

1. Describe a time when you lost sight of someone you loved. What was your reaction when you found him/her?
2. Describe the way family has shown you what the love of God is like.
3. How is the Holy Family a model for the way you live as a family member?

Family and Children's Question:

Talk about how Christmas was celebrated with your family. What helped bring you closer?

Sunday—December 30—The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8am—Ann Gallo *by the Gallo & Wieland family*

9:15am—Robert Rosmini *by Mildred Somma*

10:45am—Kevin Butera & Carucci family *by Mary & Gabe Butera*

12:15pm—Michael Cisternas *by Mom & Charlie*

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Anthony Donato, Martha Scollins, Casanova S. Holmes, Joyce Riegal, Catherine A. Babits, Arlene Larosa, Linda Sue Cappisillo, Antthony Turano, Dale R. Grippo, Penny Heinrich, Antonette Solano, William Radcliffe, Baby Michael Joseph Loparo (7 weeks old), Thuy Wilmott, Conrad



Gangone, Susan Raphael, Lucille Borrello, Henry Kwiecinski, Elaine Kleinstaubler, Judith Reilly, Alexa Shea Jarvis, Irene Aberle, Maureen O'Donnell, Dolores Berrafato, Diane Sioos, Agnes Gollhofer, Kathy Badalaty, Tadeusz Kostrzewa, Cindy Mango, Lorraine Mango-Follini, Dolores Poehl, Juliette Gerlach, Leona Esposito, Mathilde Cormier, Richard Stout, James & Rita Basile, Theresa Caiata, Ellen-Jane Vinson, Jeanine Flandia-Walsh, Sean Walsh, Stella Minecci, Ted Stahura, Tom Stahura, Tom McGuire, Teresa Achison, Katherine Drechsler, Arlene LaRosa, Carmella Loccisao, Marie Dunne, Jim Regan, Leo Vannoni, Jeanne Marie Oliveri, Conrad Gangone, Ron Lupo, Chase Turano, Tom Devine, Susan Raphael, Paul Nicholls, Linda Sue Cappisillo, Jean Marsala-Kieffner, Jo-Ann Fannon.

(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 November. Please resubmit any names you wish to have continued.)

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Herbert A. Minet, Jr., John J. Toole, Marie Dunn, Ann Marie Retmanski, Msgr. Francis S. Midura, our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends

On Christmas Eve a pastor was talking with a woman after service. She told her pastor that earlier that evening she met a bearded fellow carrying a large sack over his back. The pastor told the woman that he did not like the emphasis on Santa Claus.

She explained, "It was my son home from college." Tomorrow, Monday is the eve of Christmas. Another Christmas has come. Family will gather again. What we did last year we will repeat this year too... family, food, gifts, Santa, travel and all such things. Celebration is not just a

repetition of events and persons.

Christmas, on the part of God, is the celebration of God's participation and giving of God's self to us; on our part it is our grateful appreciation and the reception of God in our lives.

Christmas is giving and grateful receiving. It is the lively participation by giving ourselves one side and grateful appreciation and reception from the other. Christmas is not just repetition. It is the great exchange between God and humans. God comes to appear in human flesh; humans, in the human flesh, are elevated to divinity.

Christmas invites for a great exchange among us, from one self to another, from one heart to the other. Each of us knows what and how much we should open ourselves to the other. Today when we give gifts please attach a little of yourself that you want to give to the other. When we receive gifts please gratefully accept a little of the giver's self. It is not the things that get exchanged at Christmas but the self of the giver and the recipient. God with us and we with each other. On this note of Great Exchange I wish each one of you and your families **MERRY CHRISTMAS**. May the God who shares God's wonderful self with us in **Jesus, the EMMANUEL, (which means God-with-us)** open your hearts to give and receive each other in love and joy.

Tree Lighting: On Saturday, December 15th after the 5:pm Mass we had the Tree-lighting Celebration. The lighted tree reminds us of the Star that appeared at the birth of the Jesus. The star led the three Magi and brought them to the place where Jesus was born. The lighted tree points to us the place where Jesus is born in our homes, Churches, malls and other public places wherever the trees are lighted. Lots of children accompanied by their parents and grandparents were led by three kings who were supposed to have started the journey towards the manger by being led by the star. The three kings along with priests, deacons, altar servers, children and their families stood around the tree, sang a hymn and began the countdown from 10 to 0. The trees were lit. Then Santa Clause greeted the children with a photo opportunity. The warmth of Christmas was in the air when the families shared a hot cider and chocolate moment with each other. By our tree lighting we have started our journey towards the manger. This week we are closer to it. Tomorrow we will be at the manger of the Lord to celebrate His birth.

I thank all those who helped lighting the trees, the three kings, and the youth ministry who prepared Walden Hall and provided the hot chocolate and cider. Above all I greatly appreciate all those parents who brought their children to make this tree lighting more celebrative.

Calendar Club 2013: The Calendar Club is open for 2013. We still need some more members to join the Club to run this Club in profit to the Parish. Please show your support by joining the Calendar club. You can also consider giving the Calendar Club as a gift to someone. This week the bulletin carries the form for the Calendar Club 2013. Calendar Club is a good way of fund raising for the Parish.

Calendar Club 2013 will close its sale on January 31st, 2013. You are invited to join Calendar Club 2013 until the end of January 2013. The lucky numbers for the days of January will be drawn on February 1, 2013.

2012 Contribution Statements: Soon after the New Year we

will complete the data entries of 2012 into our system. If you want a record of your 2012 contributions for tax purposes, please complete and return the cut-out in the bulletin and return it to the Church Office. We will begin mailing them out towards the end of January.

Personal Note: Trip to India: My niece Sr. Bernardine Leena is making her final profession as a Religious Sister in the Congregation the Sisters of the Charity of Mary, in Kumbakonam, India on 29th December 2012. I will leave for this religious celebration soon after the 9:00 am Mass on December 25th, Christmas Day. It will be a quick visit. My family plans to have a Thanksgiving Mass in my home town Erode, India with the full fledged Sr. Leena, my niece either on the 2nd or 3rd of January depending upon when she can be with us at home after her profession. I shall be back on January 5, 2013. I am sorry I shall miss celebrating New Year with you but it was my niece's Convent that chose the date of the final profession of her religious vows. Frs. Peter O'Rourke, Bob Dahlke, Irinel Racos and .Bala Rathinam will help us with Masses and other needs during my absence.

With love and prayers
Fr. Antony Asir

JUSTICE & PEACE

Today is the fourth Sunday of Advent. We hope you have had a good Advent. Tomorrow is Christmas Eve. Tuesday is Christmas Day. Instead of our regular column the justice and peace committee wishes the best Christmas to all. We have much to be thankful for. We have a great new pastor to help us along the journey back to God.

The members of the justice and peace committee wish all the very best Christmas. —Ann Russo, Michelle Brosnan, Joan Shea, Dianne Keegan Ursula Molinaro, and Ralph L. Molinaro, Chair.

To be continued.

*Justice is a parish affair.
Discover needs and act justly.
Together we can make a difference.*

Dec. 25 is .The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Day—

A Holy and Blessed Christmas to you and your family.

Dec. 26 is St. Stephen, The First Martyr

Dec. 27 is St. John, Apostle and Evangelist

Dec. 28 is The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

Dec. 29 is St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr

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.

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 CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE PROGRAM

How can we thank you all enough for your wonderful response to the Giving Tree Program! We received gift cards, toys, gifts of all kinds, and many donations of food, turkeys, hams, etc., and so we were able to generously serve our families and neighbors in the community.

More information will follow regarding all who helped to make this Program so successful!

We at Outreach wish everyone a Very Merry and Blessed Christmas!

A Christmas Blessing

May each person who comes into your life be greeted as another Christ.

May the honor given the Babe of Bethlehem be that which you extend

To every guest who enters your presence.

May the bonds of love for one another be strengthened as you gather with

Your family and friends around the table of festivity and nourishment.

May you go often to the Bethlehem of your heart and visit The One who offers you peace.

May you bring this peace into our world.

Adapted from a prayer of Joyce Rupp

Food Drive Project:



Louisa Sanfratello/Karen Nigro's 8th grade religion class held a food drive for St. Thomas More at the King Kullen in Commack. Food and cash were generously donated to our food pantry

Helpers included Matt Overton, Matt Sanfratello, Paul Nigro, Marco Rea, James Smith, Brandon Popp, Steven Smocer, Blake Adamo, Kaitlin Cronin, Nicky Salerno, Christina Constantine and Sarah Goldman.

God Bless You for your time and effort.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY



David Chester
Carl F. Greiner
Scott Lovelock
Justin Schneider
Christopher Day
Karin Fitzgerald
Jason Doyle

John Chester
Michael White
Christopher Mustakas
Candice Gagnon
William Gregory
Thomas Nichols

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.

Telecare Telethon Time!

The Telecare Telethon is the weekend of Saturday, January 19th from 2PM -10PM and Sunday, January 20th from 12 noon to 10PM. Please tune in on Cablevision channel 29/137 or Verizon FIOS channel 296 to support our Diocesan Television Station. It will be 18 hours filled with many guest “stars” including many of the clergy, religious and dedicated lay people of our Diocese. Additionally, visits from some celebrity chefs, musical groups and New York sports teams will help fuel the enjoyment. Join Msgr. Joe DeGrocco Nelson for the 21st Telethon celebrating and consider making a or a secure donation www.TelecareTV.org.



teams will help fuel Msgr. Jim Vlaun, and Fr. Frank annual Telecare the Year of Faith donation by phone over the internet at

K of C KORNER

Our recent membership drive was fruitful with nearly a dozen men expressing interest in joining.

Thanks to the kind folks at Maloney's, you may have noticed the two beautiful "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" signs put up in the front of the Rectory and at the corner of Rabro Drive & Simeon Woods Road. Several of our Knights braved the elements and erected the signs



On behalf of the all the Brother Knights of St. Thomas More Council, we wish all our fellow parishioners a Holy and Merry Christmas. May God bless us all in 2013 with a Happy New Year!!

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.

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.

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

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

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.

BLOOD DRIVE

*Give the gift of life this Christmas Season.
Donate blood—the gift that keeps on giving.*

Place: St. Thomas More—Walden Hall
When: Wednesday, December 26, 2012
Time: 2:30 pm—8:30 pm
Contact: Eve Barnofsky at 543-8591 to make an appointment

Walk-ins also welcome.

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Monday—December 24—Christmas Eve
Masses at 3:30pm (Family Mass), 5:30pm (Family Mass); 8pm and 10:30pm

7pm—No Youth Ministry

Tuesday—December 25—Christmas Day
Masses at 9am; 10:45am & 12:15pm

There is no 5pm Mass on Christmas Day

Wednesday—December 26
2:30pm-8:30pm—Blood Drive—Walden Hall

Saturday—December 29
7pm—Youth Ministry Winter Ball—Walden Hall

Sunday—December 30
3pm-6pm—Thomas Crociata: Eagle Court Code of Honor—Walden Hall

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

FAITH & LIGHT MEETING—Parish of the Holy Cross—95 Old Nichols Road, Nesconset—Friday, Jan. 4, 2013, 7pm. Faith & Light is an international faith-sharing organization for developmentally challenged people, their families and caregivers.

(Second Notice)

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH—Crown Acres Road, Centereach—Respect Life Committee—Annual celebration of the Feast of the Holy Innocents on Friday, Dec. 28 at 7pm Mass. Refreshments will follow in the Parish Center Hall. All are invited. For Info: call 585-8760 or 588-7242.

CLEARLY SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF—American Sign Language Classes—Evening Adult Education classes for levels 1, 2, 3 & Intermediate/Advanced. Spring session: Jan.30-May 1, 2013 (age 12 & up). Call Carolyn Kelly @ 588-0530 or e-mail ClearlyASL@hotmail.com for more information.

CATHOLIC CRUISE TO EXOTIC WESTERN

CARIBBEAN—7-night cruise with Fr. Shawn McKeeny, April 13 to 20, 2013 on the Carnival Dream out of Port Canaveral (Orlando), Florida. Prices begin at \$1348 for two & includes all port fees & taxes. Daily Mass & Rosary. Space limited; deposit of \$50 to reserve cabin. Contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785/dpayttc@aol.com to register or for further information

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of December 16, 2012 : \$ 10,133/-

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.

MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

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 December 16, 2012 \$2,850/-

Profit to the Parish: \$142.50

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.

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.

The next meeting of the men's gathering will be on Thursday, December 13, 2012 in the Religious Education Office at 7:30 pm. Our topic will be "Who is the God we Worship?" It is an excellent topic during Advent. Please plan to attend and bring a friend.

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.

CALENDAR CLUB 2012

Here are the winners for the week Dec. 16-22, 2012:
Dec. 16, 2012—\$50—.950—Rosalind Warmuth
Dec. 17, 2012—\$25—680—Mrs. Arlene Melina
Dec. 18, 2012—\$25—720—Marti & John White
Dec. 19, 2012—\$25—658—Terri Hillebrfand
Dec. 20, 2012—\$25—186—Mrs. Gloria Harnel
Dec. 21, 2012—\$25—104—William & Jamie Stahura
Dec. 22, 2012—\$75—61—Barbara Schriefer

YOUNG AT HEART
Attention Seniors

The Young At Heart has changed our meeting time from evenings to afternoons, from 1 to 3 pm. All parishioners of St. Thomas More aged 55 and over are welcome to join. We use Msgr. Walden Hall for all of our meetings.

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CALENDAR CLUB 2013

I/We would like to join St. Thomas More's Calendar Club for 2013.

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 form to Rectory Office or place in Collection Basket).

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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:

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

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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)

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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2012 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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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

Allscripts—Several positions—CIS Training Analyst, Interrogation, Business mgr., Service desk, and people soft financial analysts.

Atlantic Auto Group—40 sales training positions available; no experience necessary—sign on bonus. Bring résumé. Business attire required.

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

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.

Macy's—Macy's is hiring for the holidays.

Newsday—Collators—4 to 7 hr. shifts all year long. \$10.52 per hr.

P.C. Richards—Full Time Maintenance Mechanics for all 35 NY showrooms—light plumbing, electrical, carpentry, etc.

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.

United Parcel—Drivers Helpers (no license req.), seasonal, Tractor Trailer Drivers, CDI req., Package Handlers—work nights.

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.