

# Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway  
Hauppauge, NY 11788-4204

## **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 30, 2012*

## *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*

### *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	

Masses for this coming week	Growing through the Sunday Scriptures
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>December 30, 2012</b>  <b>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</b>  <b>Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14</b>  <b>Psalm</b>  <b>Colossians 3:12-21:10:5-10-7</b>  <b>Luke 2:41-52</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>January 6, 2013</b>  <b>Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord</b>  <b>Isaiah 60:1-6</b>  <b>Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13</b>  <b>Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6</b>  <b>Matthew 2:1-12</b></p>

**Saturday—December 29**

*(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*

**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*

**Monday—December 31—St. Sylvester I**

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

**Tuesday—January 1—Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God**

9am—Angela Lee *by Arlene & Al Mellina*

**Wednesday—January 2 —Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen**

9am—Joseph Matteo

**Thursday—January 3—The Most Holy Name of Jesus**

9am—Casey McDonald *by Mary & Don Friedman*

**Friday—January 4—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton—First Friday**

9am—Sr. Marie Anatrella *by Mae Devine & Dottie Lossani*

**Saturday—January 5—St. John Neuman—First Saturday**

9am—John Quattrocchi

*(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm—John & Mary Barry *by Lillian Gibbs*; Marion Chisari *by Paul Rodrigues*; Marie Corrigan *by Joann & Curt Keely*; Pat & Pat Graziosi *by John & Dara Remeika*; Eileen Immarino *by Ed & Laura Vigneaux*; John William Massey *by the Cercone family*; Richard Rodrigues *by Paul Rodrigues*; Richard Roman *by Joann & Curt Keely*; JoEllen Rapacki *by Deacon John & Christine Rapacki*

8am—Frances Rapacki *by Lew Bernard*

9:15am—Carolina Gaudio *by Benito Gaudio & family & Maria Guartararo*

10:45am—Joseph Bitet *by the Rhoads family*

12:15pm—Midura and Margas families *by Evelyn Batt*

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

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, “Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.” When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet:

*And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel.”*

Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star’s appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage.” After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

**Focus Questions:**

1. Herod was envious of the newborn king. Describe a time when you saw the consequences of another’s envious behavior.
2. Describe a person or event which led you to Jesus as the star led the Magi.
3. Relate a time in your faith journey when you took a different route.

**Family and Children’s Question:**

This is the Year of Faith. How can you as a family participate in making this year a time when your faith is strengthened?

## **PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Nancy Aluisa, Cathy Covino, Anthony Donato, Martha Scollins, Casanoa S. Holmes, Joyce Riegal, Catherine A. Babits, Arlene Larosa, Linda Sue Cappisillo, Antthony Turano, Dale R. Grippio, Pennny Heinrich, Antonette Solano, William Radcliffe, Baby Michael Joseph Loparo (7 weeks old), Thuy Wilmott, Conrad Gangone, Susan Raphael, Lucille Borrello, Henry Kwiecinski, Elaine



Kleinstauber, Judith Reilly, Alexa Shea Jarvis, Irene Aberle, Maureen O'Donnell, Dolores Berrafato, Diane Sioss, 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**

Nicola Liberatoscioli, William Caravana, May Giustiniani, Herbert A. Minet, Jr., John J. Toole, Lucja Kostrzewa, 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,

**Fest of Holy Family:** This Sunday we celebrate the Solemn Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. God could have appeared in any way but in God's great wisdom Jesus was born as a human child in the family of Mary and Joseph. God respects and wants to be loved by a family of mom and dad, uncles and aunts, grandparents and in other human relationships. The feast of the Holy Family invites us to cherish and safeguard the family relationship. Let us be thankful for our families. Let us pray for struggling and separated families that Jesus the New Born may heal and make them whole.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR 2013:** A little boy's prayer: "Dear God, please take care of my daddy and my mommy and my sister and my brother and my doggy and me. Oh, and please take

care of yourself, God. If anything happens to you, we are going to be in a big mess." This prayer sets us in a right mood to start the New Year.

Last Tuesday we celebrated the Birth of God in Jesus among us. This Tuesday we shall start the New Year- 2013 by letting God lead us through the seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks and months of the year. Allowing God to lead us through in Godly ways, with Godly grace is to see ourselves in the bigger plan of God rather than in our own narrow plan.

Living just with our own plan and relying only on our strength would mean to re-live the way we have lived so far. In this there is nothing new. 2013 will be like 2012. Let us begin the NEW YEAR 2013. Let us not re-live 2012. The newness comes from allowing Christmas to happen in every day of 2013. That means we allow God to be born in us every day of 2013. God will make us see the light and the path we have not walked so far. God will strengthen us to live that Newness. Joy is to emerge New. Allow God and become New.

May the Newness of January 1st continue every day throughout 2013.

May God bring peace and prosperity to each one of you and your families.

A Happy and Healthy New Year!

**Thanks a million:** In gratitude and great appreciation I am indebted to the many volunteers who made our Christmas celebrations truly grand. The Choir, decorators of the crèche, altar, and the church both inside and outside, the volunteers of Outreach, the donors of flowers, our benefactors and financial supporters, and all those who participated behind the scenes in so many way. A big Thank-you to each and every one of you.

**I am in India.** As you read this bulletin, I am with my mom, my brothers and their families and with relatives and friends celebrating the final profession of religious vows of my niece Sr. Bernardine Leena, in her congregation of the Sisters of the Charity of Mary. As much as I am happy to celebrate her big day with my family in Erode, India I miss being with you all to begin the New Year. Although I may not be with you in person, I shall be very much so with you in Spirit. In that Spirit I wish you personally 'Happy and Healthy New Year 2013'.

My family in India also sends their best wishes. My niece Sr. Bernardine Leena appreciates your willingness and generosity to send me, your pastor to join her in her celebrations.

**Faith Direct and Sacrificial Giving:** We thank those who have signed up for Faith Direct as the way to support the parish by having their contributions deducted from a checking or savings account. The other way is have the amount charged to a credit card. The parish is charged the credit card fee for this type of transaction. Either choice is acceptable and appreciated. There are information forms in the Church Lobby or you may call the Church Office for information.

**Calendar Club 2013:** The Calendar Club is open for 2013. We need 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 gift to someone. This week the bulletin carries the form for Calendar Club 2013. Calendar Club is a good way of fund raising for the Parish.

Calendar Club 2013 will close its sale on January 31<sup>st</sup>. Thus you are invited to join the Calendar Club 2013 until January 31,

2013. The lucky numbers for the days of January will be drawn from February 1., 2013 onwards.

**SEMINARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

offers the following graduate degrees:

MASTER of ARTS in THEOLOGY and MASTER of ARTS in PASTORAL STUDIES.

The Spring Semester begins on January 28, 2013. Registration closes on January 22, 2013.

Courses are offered in Church History, Liturgy, Worship, Leadership skills and exciting new electives. Also new this semester are workshops being offered for those not necessarily seeking a Master's Degree but looking to enrich understanding of their faith.

For further information, please contact: Academic Office, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743; Phone: (631) 423-0483 x 112 or check their website at [www.icseminary.edu](http://www.icseminary.edu)

**LONG ISLAND CATHOLIC:** You may be aware that The Long Island Catholic is switching to a magazine format. The Diocese of Rockville Centre has provided us with 20 copies which are available in the Church Lobby. Subscription to The Long Island Catholic magazine is \$20 per year.

Before I sign off, I would like to thank you again for all that you do for St. Thomas More Church.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

With love and prayers,  
Fr. Antony

## **JUSTICE & PEACE**

What makes the Gospel news? The faith, which is created in us by God and with which we hear it as news. [Thomas Merton]. People do not hear the Gospel as God's personal word to them. For many it is the "no news, no risk" message that Thomas Merton contrasts with the real thing. They are never surprised or fed or prodded along by it. The message of the Gospel was profoundly disturbing and unsettling when it was first preached. It was so countercultural that people found it threatening, even offensive. The Beatitudes express quite plainly that God views the world through a different set of lenses. Dependence, sorrow, repentance, a longing to change—these are the gates to God's kingdom. What, does all this mean in terms of justice and peace? Challenging? Of course! Disturbing? Often. But never boring and predictable. Take Jesus seriously, and life will never be dull again.

We wish all the very best in the New Year

*To be continued.*

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

December 30 is the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

December 31 is St. Sylvester I, Pope. It is also New Year's Eve

January 1 is the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. It is also New Year's Day.

January 2 is St. Basil the Great and St. Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church.

January 3 is The Most Holy Name of Jesus.

January 4 is St Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

January 5 is St. John Neumann, Bishop.

**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**

We offer our heartfelt thanks to all who so generously and cheerfully contributed to make our Program a wonderful success! The Pantry Team did their usual terrific job of sorting and packing food baskets for our clients. To all those parishioners who chose cards from the Giving Tree for clothes, toys or gift cards for WalMart or Target a "Big Thank You." Your response will truly make a difference in the happiness of our families this Christmas. The Youth Group did their usual super job of sorting and packing up toys and gift donations with the guidance of Joe Gast, youth leaders, parents and others who assisted. You made it all go smoothly and quickly. We thank our 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade Religious Ed. classes for the many boxes of food they worked so hard to collect and for the mittens the 4<sup>th</sup> graders donated. Many thanks to the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classes for the monetary donation from their on-going bottle redemption. It was truly an amazing amount. Once again, the Hauppauge Fire Dept. remembered us with a generous contribution as well as the Hauppauge Library who gave us a monetary donation and handmade hats and gloves. The St. Thomas More Columbiettes are always there for us with a wonderful contribution. Thanks to parishioners Tom P. for the many hams he donated for our clients' dinners, Mr. & Mrs. Edward M. for their generous donation of Shoprite gift cards and all those parishioners who gave donations of cash and checks.

As always, St. Thomas More parishioners and community rose to the occasion and we were able to provide for every family that called upon us. Thank you all for your compassion and spirit of love.

### **SUFFOLK COUNTY RESPITE CARE PROGRAM**

The Suffolk County Respite Care Program provides assistance to caregivers of frail/elderly loved ones, allowing them to take

some much-needed, affordable "time off." In-home companionship and supervision are provided by trained compassionate workers, allowing caregivers to attend to their own personal needs. The Respite program is funded by the Suffolk County office of the Ageing and the NYS Office of the Ageing. For further information, contact Carla Hollander, Supervisor, at 631-321-8229.



## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

David Chester	John Chester
Carl F. Greiner	Michael White
Scott Lovelock	Christopher Mustakas
Justin Schneider	Candice Gagnon
Christopher Day	William Gregory
Karin Fitzgerald	Thomas Nichols
Jason Doyle	

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 19<sup>th</sup> from 2PM -10PM and Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup> 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. Jim Vlaun, Msgr. and Fr. Frank Nelson for Telecare Telethon Year of Faith and donation by phone or a over the internet at [www.TelecareTV.org](http://www.TelecareTV.org).



Joe DeGrocco the 21<sup>st</sup> annual celebrating the consider making a secure donation

## 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](mailto: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.

## **Golf Committee Meeting**

Golf Tournament Committee Meeting on Thursday, January 10, 2013 at 7pm. in the Religious Ed. Meeting Room in Walden Hall.

## **THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE**

*(Not totally inclusive)*

**Tuesday—January 1—New Year's Day**

**Best Wishes for a Happy New Year!**

7pm—Youth Sale Inventory Night

**Wednesday—January 2**

7:30pm—Knights of Columbus—Walden Hall

**Thursday—January 3**

5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

7:30pm—Choir—Church

**Friday—January 4**

1pm—YoungAtHeart—Walden Hall

**Sunday—January 6**

2pm—Baptisms—Church

7:30pm—Bible Study—Meeting Room

## **COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(First Notice)*

**ST. JOSEPH RENEWAL CENTER—Brentwood—Programs in January/February:**

Jan. 2—"Living with Alzheimers & Dementia"; 1-2:30 pm. Free Will Offering (Will be held on 1st Wednesday of month).

Jan. 2—Evening Session 7:30—9:30pm

Jan. 16—Morning Session: 10am-12noon

"Deepening your Spiritual Practice through the use of Focusing" Offering: \$15 per session

Jan. 2—7—8pm: Therapeutic/Guided Meditation (For Inner Healing). \$15. (\$20 individual session by appointment).

Jan. 8—10am -12noon: Women's Spiritual Gathering. \$15.

Jan. 12—8--9:30am: Men's Spiritual Gathering. \$20 includes breakfast.

Jan. 19-20 after lunch: Men & Women's Overnight Retreat

"Anger and Forgiveness". \$85 includes accommodations

Feb. 1 4pm—Feb. 3 after lunch: Men & Women's Spirituality

Retreat "Our One Great Act of Fidelity" (Interfaith Christian

Retreat). \$180 includes accommodations.

Call for reservations 273-1187 x 123.

*(Second 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.

## **SUPPORT COLLECTION**

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

The collection for December 23 had not been counted when the bulletin went to press.

**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](http://www.FaithDirect.net) to sign up: our church code is **NY227**. You may also use the form located where you obtain the bulletin. We thank you for your support.

**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/-

Figure for Dec. 23, 2012 not available when bulletin went to press.

**Profit to the Parish:**

**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**

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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](mailto:gast.joe@gmail.com) or check out the Young Ministry website at [www.stthomasmoreyouth.org](http://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](http://stmli.org) and click Men's Gathering. You will have to give a password known only to you to open and read the message.

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 8<sup>th</sup>. You may contact the school at [parents@holyfamilyregional.com](mailto:parents@holyfamilyregional.com) to schedule a tour of this parish's regional school, or visit the School website at [www.holyfamilyregional.com](http://www.holyfamilyregional.com).

### **CALENDAR CLUB 2012**

Here are the winners for the week Dec. 23-29, 2012:

- Dec. 23, 2012—\$50—502—Mary E. Conway
- Dec. 24, 2012—\$25—77—Msgr. Midura
- Dec. 25, 2012—\$200—367—Kenneth & Dolores Fensterer
- Dec. 26, 2012—\$25—395—Pat & Frank Staluppi
- Dec. 27, 2012—\$25—638—Dan & Bernadette Murphy
- Dec. 28, 2012—\$25—497—Maria & Anthony Rotolico
- Dec. 29, 2012—\$25—123—Ursula & Ralph Molinaro

### **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

**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.

**Disaster Care Mgrs**—F/T to help L.I. recovery from Sandy. Driver's License necessary. Excellent 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.