

# 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.

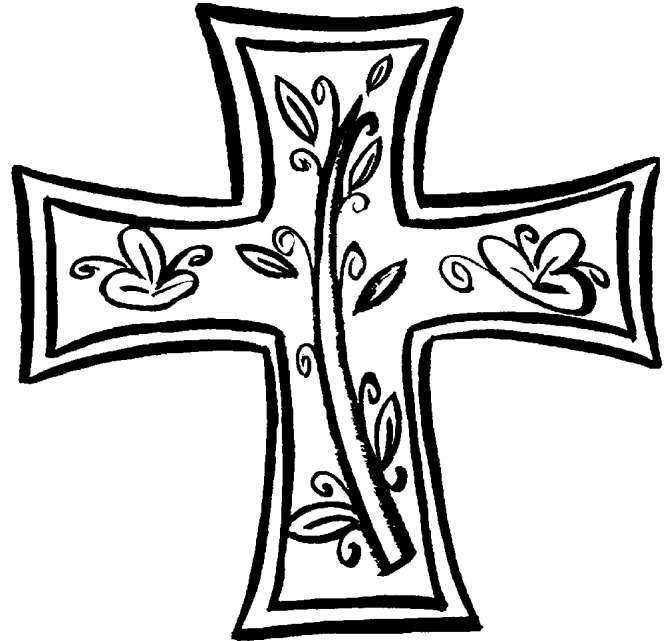
**MARRIAGE**—As soon as a couple decides to marry, and BEFORE making any other arrangements, call the Church Office to schedule an appointment with the Parish Office or one of the deacons.

**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.



# “The Lord is our righteousness.”

*February 17, 2013  
First Sunday of Lent*

*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>February 17, 2013 First Sunday of Lent Deuteronomy 26:4-10 Psalm : 91: 1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15- Romans: 10: 8-13 Luke 4:1-13</p>	<p>February 24, 2013 Second Sunday of Lent Genesis: 15:5-12, 17-18 Psalm 3:17-4:1 Philippians: 3: 17-4:1 Luke:9:28b-36</p>

**Saturday—February 16**

*(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm—Mary Agnes & Joseph Coady & family (Living) by *Ann & Mike Gavigan*

**Sunday—February 17—First Sunday of Lent**

8am—Patricia Colarullo by *Aurelie & John Hendry*; Jo-Ann Fannon by *Lottie & Chet Kalenty*; Alexander & Louise Protosow by *Dorothy DeSantis*; Theresa Shay by *the Buynak family*; Mary Stondell by *Brian O'Keefe*

9:15am—Robert McKeon by *Fred & Jean Klarman*

10:45am—Frances Rapacki by *Evelyn Batt*

12:15pm—Miriam McHugh by *Joe & Linda Lamberta*

**Monday—February 18**

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

**Tuesday—February 19**

9am—Pauline Turchiano by *Al & Arlene Mellina*

**Wednesday—February 20**

9am—Robert Weaver by *Tom & Catherine Kugler*

**Thursday—February 21—St. Peter Damian**

9am—Edward Graneagnola by *Gerald Joyce*

**Friday—February 22—The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle**

9am—Lillian Munzer by *Marie & Ross Bracco*

**Saturday—February 23—St. Polycarp**

9am—Fanny Tutone

*(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm—Fabio DiMeglio by *Michael & Vivian Jacob*

**Sunday—February 24—Second Sunday of Lent**

8am—Helen DiCola by *Dottie Lossani*

9:15am—Dominic Bove, Therese & Paul Nuzzi by *the family*; Diane Collins by *Brian O'Keefe*; Jo-Ann Fannon by *the Russo family*; Mary Jo Kendall by *Kathryn Schook*; Eva Martinez by *Andrew J. Valentine*; Jo-Ellen Sadowski by *the Buynak family*;

10:45am—Marina Loto by *Lou & Emilia Savarese*

12:15pm—Margaret Cussen by *James Cussen*

***PRAY FOR THE SICK***

Anna LoCastro; August Vrondis, Nadine Follini, Lorraine Mango-Follini, Cindy Mango, Jean Marsala-Kieffner,, Ann & Anthony Iovino, Diane Savano, John O'Donnell, Oscar Steadman, George Licata, Thuy Wilmott, William Booth, Dolores Poehl, Kathy Badalaty, Bill Randazzo, Joseph Carraba, Fred Busse, Clem Vaccarro, Teresa Shannon, Marge Giachetti,,Virginia Lottt, Roseann Dorchow, Louise Lott, Freddy Zamparella, Cathy Covino, Connie S. Brocchi, Penny



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

Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As they were about to part from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." But he did not know what he was saying. While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.

**Focus Questions:**

1. Describe a time when you felt transformed by a prayer experience.
2. Share an experience that you wanted to last longer. How was that like the apostles' experience?
3. Relate a time when you were not able to put into words some awesome experience you had. Looking back on that where do you see the hand of God?

**Family and children's question**

Talk about how you can find the time to pray each day. At the end of the week talk to each other about what that was like.

Henrich, Chuck Hall, Gary Surdi, Linda Sue Cappisillo, Tom Devine, Patsy Richards, Josie McGuire, Chase Turano, Joseph Peter, Victoria Nelson, Chuck Hall, Penny Henrich, Maryann Che, Janice De Simone, Susan McElroy, Lucille Schillaci, Teresa Atchison, Charles Boston, Nancy Aluisa, Anthony Donato, Martha Scollins, Casano A. S. Holmes, Joyce Riegal, Catherine A. Babits, Arlene Larosa, Dale R. Grippo, Pennny Heinrich, Antonette Solano, William Radcliffe, Baby Michael Joseph Loparo (7 weeks old), Conrad Gangone, Susan Raphael, Lucille Borrello, Henry Kwiecinski, Elaine Kleinstaubler, Judith Reilly, Alexa Shea Jarvis, Irene Aberle, Maureen O'Donnell, Dolores Berrafato, Diane Sloss, Agnes Gollhofer, Kathy Badalaty, Tadeusz Kostrzewa, Cindy Mango, Lorraine Mango-Follini, Juliette Gerlach, Leona Esposito, Mathilde Cormier, Richard Stout, James & Rita Basile, Theresa Caiata, Ellen-Jane Vinson, Jeanine Flandina-Walsh, Sean Walsh, Stella Minecci, Ted Stahura, Tom Stahura, 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, Jean Marsala-Kieffner.

*(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**

Dolores Turano; Jo-Ann Fannon; Alexander R. Protosow; Louise Protosow; our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

## **FR. ANTONY'S LETTER**

Dear Friends,

**First Sunday in Lent:** We have begun Lent by the imposition of ashes on our foreheads this past Wednesday. Wearing ashes is a symbol to remind us of the worth of the human body which will eventually be reduced to ash or dust after death. When we received ashes, the priest or minister said to us, "Repent and believe in the Gospel of Jesus Christ". These words invite us to see the value of the ash in the light of what happened to Jesus' body. Jesus died but rose again on the third day. The 40 days of Lent is the journey from Ash to Resurrection.

**We have inbuilt Spiritual Power:** We are not merely human bodies to end up in ashes but we carry within us the spiritual capacity/potency to rise again with Jesus. Lent is a call to remind us of our inner power to rise from the natural condition of our human body which will end up in ashes to the glory of resurrection by the grace of Christ's Resurrection.

**Lent is a Journey:** Lent starts with Ash Wednesday with wearing ashes but ends with Holy Week commemorating the

death and celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus in Easter. It is a big spiritual exercise inviting us to journey with Jesus towards the power of Resurrection.

**Why fast and pray?** During Lent we are encouraged to take a bit more time than usual to pray and to practice Fasting and Abstinence. Fasting is taking one full meal on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Abstinence is no meat on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays in Lent. Praying, fasting and abstaining from meat are spiritual acts to evoke in us the spiritual power that God has shared with us through the death and resurrection of Jesus. These spiritual acts build our spiritual strength and create in us a spiritual awakening. Let us take Lent seriously. Let us spend a little more time in prayer and try to observe the Lenten practice of Fasting and Abstinence.

**Stations of the Cross:** On Fridays during Lent at 7:00 pm we pray the 'Stations of the Cross' on various themes, and we invite you to this prayer. This will help you experience the mystery of our suffering in the light of the death and Resurrection of Jesus. On February 15<sup>th</sup> we prayed for children and the challenges faced in the present time. This week on February 22 we will pray for those who struggle with unemployment. Please come and pray for the unemployed and the underemployed.

**Special Lenten Reflections, Vespers and Benedictions:** I want you to especially remember three dates: **Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday March 5<sup>th</sup>, and Wednesday March 13<sup>th</sup>.** On these three dates we will have Special Lenten Reflections with Vespers and Benediction. These reflections will help us to delve into different dimensions of our Spiritual Life. Please make an effort to attend as they will enrich your Spiritual Life.

**Lenten Project:** In 2010, we had the opportunity to volunteer for the Christian Appalachian Project (CAP). Our parish made donations of money, food, water, household and school supplies, which we were able to personally deliver. During our time there we volunteered in their Elderly and Housing programs. It was disturbing to see this level of poverty in our own country. The Appalachians are a very strong and proud culture. They were so thankful and appreciative. CAP reaches out and supports many people in many ways. CAP runs a housing program, an elderly program, child development centers, a domestic violence shelter, as well as a family advocacy program which provides children with school supplies and one new school outfit. Our monetary donation can go into a general fund to be used where needed, or marked for a specific program. Please help St. Thomas More this Lenten Season in supporting the Christian Appalachian Project. Please make checks out to St. Thomas More and we will send them one check for the amount collected.

**Catholic Ministries Appeal 2013:** As a part of parish Stewardship, we begin our participation in this year's Catholic Ministries Appeal. We have a commitment to support both our own parish and the Diocese. In both aspects we help people. Your generosity to the Sunday collection enables St. Thomas More to meet its responsibilities in fulfilling the Mission of Evangelization and Spiritual Care of the parish family. Your contribution to the Catholic Ministries Appeal helps our Diocese fulfill its duties as they pertain to evangelization, education and pastoral care.

**Our Parish's assessment this year is \$ 65, 300.**

Some of you have already received a communication from the CMA Office asking for your continued help and support by making a pledge or contribution to the Appeal.

I ask you personally to help me and the parish meet its goal so

that we can all help our brothers and sisters and at the same time benefit from the sharing that the parish will receive once we have reached our goal.

Last Year we achieved 109.7% of our goal for the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Besides helping others by our generosity, we received \$ 16, 859 for our parish from that sharing.

If you did not receive a letter from the CMA office please use the cut out in the bulletin to make a pledge. You can drop it in the collection plate in an envelope marked 'CMA' and we will process it for you. We thank you for your generous support.

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony

## JUSTICE & PEACE

Today is the First Sunday of Lent. We have started our parish Lenten Project for Appalachia. In faith we know that our salvation turns on the way that we treat one another. As a fallen people, all we ask for is justice. It is justice that we must offer one another. The people of Appalachia are the poorest people in America. Take a look at the posters we have on display. We ask the Father to be with us in our daily lives. May we imitate His mercy and justice in all things. What does this all mean in terms of justice and peace? The people of Appalachia need our help. If we can do anything to help these people live better than they are now we should help. If you wish to use a check please make it out to Saint Thomas More with a notation that it is for the poor in Appalachia. We will, at the completion of Lent, send one check from the parish.

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

February 18 is President's Day. Also Canada Family Day.

February 21 is St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church.

February 22 is The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle; Lenten Friday Day of Abstinence

February 23 is St. Polycarp, 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.*

### PARISH OUTREACH

When you shop over the next few weeks, please remember our

families and purchase some of the following items for our Pantry: canned fruits and vegetables, soup, peanut butter, jelly, pasta, sauce, flour, cereal, mayo, detergent and packages of meat. Your help is always appreciated.

### VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED

From time to time Outreach is need of volunteers to deliver food to clients. It would involve only one hour of your time occasionally. We have some clients who, due to illness or lack of transportation are unable to pick up their monthly supply of food. If you would like to help, please call Outreach at 234-3149 Monday through Thursday 10:AM to 2:PM Virtus training is available.

### HELP HEAL A LOSS GROUP

H.E.A.L support group for bereaved adults coping with an adult loss meets on Tuesday nights at St. Thomas of Canterbury Church, Brookside Dr., Smithtown at 7:30 p.m. Call 265-4520 in the AM or 265-2810 in the PM for further information.



### PRESIDENTS' DAY – FEBRUARY 18, 2013

“The propitious smiles of Heaven can never be expected on a nation that disregards the eternal rules of order and right which Heaven itself has ordained.”

*From George Washington's  
First inaugural Address*

### Important Informational Meeting

**All those who may be interested in the October 16<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013 trip to Greece: *In the Footsteps of Saint Paul* are invited to join Father Antony and Pat Chapin for an informational and/or registration evening on **Thursday, February 28, at 7 Pm in the Parish Center.****

Dave, a representative from Collette Vacations will present a slide show and answer any questions you may have about the trip. Light refreshments will be served. Call Pat if you have any questions.



Brochures are available upon request.

## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

David Chester  
Carl F. Greiner  
Scott Lovelock  
Justin Schneider

John Chester  
Michael White  
Christopher Mustakas  
Candice Gagnon

Christopher Day  
Karin Fitzgerald  
Jason Doyle  
John Nachtman, Jr.

William Gregory  
Thomas Nichols  
Kaitlyn Nachtman  
John Karies



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.

### CALLING ALL CHILDREN

The Children's Easter/Communion Choir will be having rehearsals soon. Please consider joining for this joyous season. We will sing Easter Sunday at the family liturgy, First Communion Masses and through the Easter season. Children 3rd grade through High School are invited to share their voices with the people of St. Thomas More. Rehearsals are: Saturday, March 9th — 1:00 to 2:00 pm;  
March 16th — 1:15 to 2:15 pm;  
March 23rd — 1:15 to 2:15 pm.  
Any questions please call Emilia at 631-724-8820.

Leave on organ

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_



GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

### K of C KORNER

The Knights of St. Thomas More Council are proud to announce a new Chaplin for our Council, Father Antony Asir. Welcome and humble thanks for assuming the office of Chaplin. Fr. Antony is truly living Jesus' Commandment - "to love one another as I loved you". We also add our thanks for his presence here at STM and for being our Shepherd.

**EASTER FLOWER SALE** The K of C will be taking orders for Easter Flowers before and after all weekend masses starting Feb. 10th through March 17th. Selections will include Easter Lilies, Hyacinths and Tulips, all of very high quality and supplied by Borella's Nursery in Nesconset. Please look for us and help our works of charity while aiding our Parish also.

The Order of Knights of Columbus has its guiding principles of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. There was an excellent example of these principles on the Friday night of the Blizzard of 2013. Brother Larry Fiedler who operates the BRIGHTSTAR Company had his hands full trying to plow out our parking lot for the weekend Masses. There was so much snow that the truck

broke one of its hydraulic lines. Fortunately, Brother Frank Huffnagel was passing by and aided Larry by plowing out the disabled truck and by blowing out all the walkways. Even our new Chaplin, Fr. Antony pitched in with the snow removal. Later in the evening Larry got additional help from Brothers Frank Mallazzo, Steve Loccasano and several others including Tom Prunty and his neighbor. We also appreciated the help of a Good Samaritan in a payloador who helped clear the access roads and lot. PGK Steve Paduano supplied hot chocolate to this intrepid crew. Special thanks to Sherri Fiedler who went for needed repair parts. It is in stories like this that we keep alive Charity, Unity and Fraternity!

### 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. We meet on the second Monday of the month at 2:30pm in Walden Hall. For further information and/or to register, call Ann at 265.8302. Meeting: **March 11, 2013 — A Bittersweet Season** by Jane Gross—Facilitator: Marie Bracco.  
**April 8, 2013—The Condition** by Jennifer Haigh—Facilitator: Joan Shea

### 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.

### CALENDAR CLUB 2013

Here are winners for January. Congratulations!

- Jan. 1—769—\$50—Dolores & George Nerlino
- Jan. 2—464—\$25—Patricia Dugan
- Jan. 3—906—\$25—Eleanor Stout
- Jan. 4—391—\$25—Theresa/Al/Michael Haas
- Jan. 5—67—\$25—Patricia Buzzanca
- Jan. 6—88—\$50—John & Donna Campbell
- Jan. 7—475—\$25—Donna & Gary Fortmeyer
- Jan. 8—927—\$25—Michael Brosnan
- Jan. 9—642—\$25—Jamie & Bill Stahura
- Jan. 10—84—\$25—Al & Eileen Weidig
- Jan. 11—479—\$25—John Fontana
- Jan. 12—669—\$25—Edward Skrzypek
- Jan. 13—683—\$50—Alfred Pankus
- Jan. 14—171—\$25—Yolanda Schweers
- Jan. 15—154—\$25—Elvin Tangel
- Jan. 16—162—\$25—John & Christine Rapacki
- Jan. 17—782—\$25—Ursula & Ralph Molinaro
- Jan. 18—96—\$25—Edward & Arleen Rogan
- Jan. 19—833—\$25—Ann Bellaurodo
- Jan. 20—305—\$50—Eileen Ryan
- Jan. 21—566—\$25—Stephanie Scaduto
- Jan. 22—274—\$25—Jackie Gannon

Jan. 23—313—\$25—Eleanor Kingsley  
Jan. 24—823—\$25—Francine Rosmini  
Jan. 25—76—\$25—Virginia Zablocki  
Jan. 26—841—\$25—Mary Ellen Skrzypek  
Jan. 27—864—\$50—Christopher & Gertrude Hirsch  
Jan. 28—714—\$25—Rose G. Bruno  
Jan. 29—710—\$25—Ann & Lou Anatrella  
Jan. 30—356—\$25—Rick & Janet Mallen  
Jan. 31—796—\$25—Mary Conway

## 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.

### Stop the American Holocaust

The above article has been in our Church bulletin for the past nine months. Not one person came to help. We pray the rosary and hand out fliers to people who are entering the abortion center trying to stop them. We have saved 37 children last year alone that we are sure of, there are many more. It's only for two and half hours, rain or shine, give it a try. 7:30 till 10:30... we will supply the signs. Attend three times and after that, if you don't think we are making a difference you do not have to come back.

## THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

### Sunday—February 17

Hospitality Sunday.

2pm—Baptisms—Church

### Monday—February 18

No Youth Ministry

### Tuesday—February 19

7pm—Golf Committee Meeting—Back Room Rectory

7:30pm—Justice & Peace at Ralph's

### Wednesday—February 20

7:30pm—Knights of Columbus—Walden Hall

### Thursday—February 21

5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

7:30pm—Choir—Church

### Friday—February 22

1pm—YoungAtHeart—Walden Hall

7pm—Stations of the Cross—Church

### Saturday—February 23

5pm—Religious Ed Community Night—Walden Hall, Red Room and Meeting Room

## COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

**ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA—SMITHTOWN—Free Informative Lecture Series—"Digestive Health & Nutrition Day"**—Sat. March 9th—10am-12noon. Free Screenings. For info or to register, please call 870-3444.

**HOLY CHILD JESUS PARISH—RICHMOND HILL( 111-11 86th Ave.)—Musical Workshop: Liturgy & Life** with David Haas & Lori True in Concert—Sat. March 16 @ 10am. Admission \$10; Children under 14 free. For information please contact Mr. Steve at 718-847-1860; cell (347)385-4459 or by email at johtajohtha@yahoo.com

(Second Notice)

**ST. JOSEPH'S C.Y.O. —LAKE RONKONKOMA**—invites boys and girls grades kindergarten through 8th grade to register for the spring 2013 season. Contact Jerry for registration information at 585-4048 or jrigroros@yahoo.com. Season begins March 23rd.

**THE CATHOLIC TOUR**—Following the Footsteps of Pope Benedict XVI in Germany. Cities visited Munich, Markt, Altotting, Aschau with optional visits to Regensburg, Freising, Oberammergau & Salzburg (Austria). For info and questions, call toll free 1-877-627-4268 or e-mail jimadair@thecatholicstour.com

## SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of February 10, 2013 \$ 3,581/-

## SCRIPSALES

Scrip Sales Last Week: \$ 1,625/-.

Profit to the Parish: \$ 81.25.

**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.

## PRE-CANA

Please keep the following couples in your prayers as they prepare for their upcoming weddings:

- Suzanne Dertinger & Matthew Portnoy
- Ashley Rairigh & Alexander Zabielski
- Christina Bonlarron & Vincent Buonacore
- Jacqueline Migliorise & Michael Calandriello
- Jessica Polis & Matthew Tarry
- Brittany Welsh & James Fallon

## **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.

**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 USAGE** — 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](http://www.GoodSearch.com)  
 Where it states: “Who do you Good Search for?”  
 And “Enter your charity here”  
 ENTER: St. Thomas More And then verify by selecting “St. Thomas More, Hauppauge, NY”  
 Once it is verified as our parish, 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**

- Rectory –[rectory@stmli.org](mailto:rectory@stmli.org)
  - Youth Ministry Website—[www.stthomasmoreyouth.org](http://www.stthomasmoreyouth.org)
  - Pat Chapin - [Pchapin@optonline.net](mailto:Pchapin@optonline.net)
  - Mary Ellen Carroll - [Mecarroll@optonline.net](mailto:Mecarroll@optonline.net)
  - Outreach - [Stmoutreach@optonline.net](mailto:Stmoutreach@optonline.net)
  - Joe Gast - [gast.joe@gmail.com](mailto:gast.joe@gmail.com)
  - Justice & Peace - [Natman32@aol.com](mailto:Natman32@aol.com)
  - Fr. Dahlke - [RWDahlke@Jesuits.net](mailto:RWDahlke@Jesuits.net)
  - Deacon John Rapacki— [deaconjohn@stmli.org](mailto:deaconjohn@stmli.org)
  - Personal Prayer - [SpiritualOrientations.com](http://SpiritualOrientations.com)
- To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following:  
 Barbara & Joe Fratamico—[BJFRAT@optonline.net](mailto:BJFRAT@optonline.net)  
 Youth Ministry Corner—If you have any questions about the program please contact Joe Gast, Youth Minister at

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, February 14, 2013 in the Religious Education Office at 7:30 pm. Lent started with Ash Wednesday. This is an excellent time for men to gather, to share experiences, and to learn more about God. 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).

## **YOUNG AT HEART Attention Seniors**

Next Meeting : Friday, February 22 from 1pm—3 pm.  
**St. Patrick’s Celebration**—Corned Beef and Cabbage luncheon will be served on March 22nd in Walden Hall at about 1pm. Cost is \$12.50 per person. You may pay by check made out to YoungAtHeart and mailed to Elaine Moccia for the number of people attending, or you may pay at our Feb. 22nd meeting.

New members welcomed.

## **CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2013**

I/we would like to support the Catholic Ministries Appeal for 2013.

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.

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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.

**Astoria Federal Savings Bank**—Many exciting opportunities—different locations—full benefit package.

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

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

**Darby Dental**—Inside sales account managers. Will train —outstanding benefit package.

**Dayton F. Brown**—Technical Services Division, Bohemia, NY & Shelton CT. Extensive benefit package.

**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

**Gioco 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

**Home Center Assemblers**— Commack Territory— to assemble BBQ grills, lawn furniture, wheel-barrows. Paid training.

**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.

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

### **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.

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.