

Catholic Church Community of
St. Thomas More
115 Kings Highway

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Antony Asir, Pastor
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

Music Ministry

Emilia Savarese, Facilitator

Youth Ministry

Joe Gast, s.c., Youth Minister

**OUR PARISH SACRAMENTAL LIFE -
EUCHARIST**

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

BAPTISM—As soon as your child is born,
please call the Parish Office to make Baptism
arrangements. Preparation session and
welcoming Mass attendance are required.

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

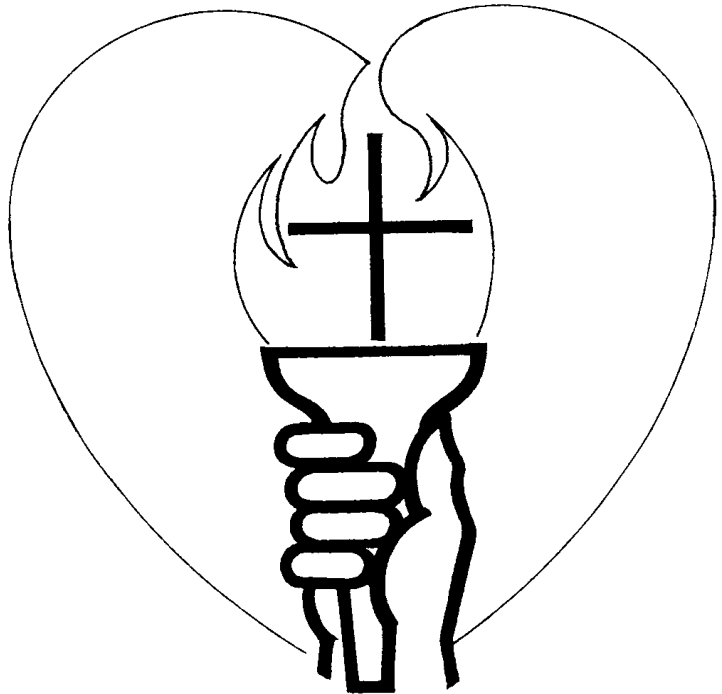
RECONCILIATION—Celebrated in Church
every Saturday from 4pm to 4:45pm, or by
previous appointment with the Pastor.

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.

*Take hold of
the eternal life.*



September 29, 2013

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Mission Statement:

*St. Thomas More Roman Catholic Church is a
parish community striving to share the Spirit of Love through
Prayer, Worship, the Sacraments
The Teachings of the Church, and
Our concern for others through Christian Stewardship.*

Telephones:

Rectory—	234-5551	FAX 234-6412
Religious Ed—	234-0397	FAX 234-1199
Outreach—	234-3149	FAX 234-1199
Church Lobby—	348-9378	

Masses for this coming week	Growing through the Sunday Scriptures
<p style="text-align: center;">September 29, 2013 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Amos: 6: 1a, 4-7 Psalm 146: 7, 8-9, 9-10 1 Timothy 6: 11-16 Luke: 16: 19-31</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">October 6, 2013 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Habakkuk: 1: 2-3; 2:2-4 Psalm 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 Luke: 17: 5-10</p>
<p>Saturday—September 28 <i>(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)</i> 5pm—Debra Banninger <i>by Elaine Hahn</i>; John & Mary Barry <i>by Jane Lewis</i>; James Cameron <i>by Walter & Terry Happy</i>; Katherine G. Cloke <i>by the Citro family</i>; Tami Vigneaux <i>by the Citro family</i></p> <p>Sunday—September 29—Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8am—Raymond McDermott <i>by Thomas & Catherine McDermott</i> 9:15am—John Kelly <i>by the Hughes family</i> 10:45am—Puzelli & Mirabella families <i>by Madeline & Robert Sauchelli</i> 12:15pm—Anna Farino <i>by the Cercone family</i></p> <p>Monday—September —30—St. Jerome 9am—Joseph & Lourdes Reistetter <i>by the family</i></p> <p>Tuesday— October 1— St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus 9am—Rose Esposito <i>by the Sarcone family</i></p> <p>Wednesday— October 2—The Holy Guardian Angels 9am— For the people of St. Thomas More Parish</p> <p>Thursday— October 3 9am—For the people of St. Thomas More Parish</p> <p>Friday— October 4—St. Francis of Assisi—First Friday 9am— Elizabeth Peterson <i>by William Degaynor</i></p> <p>Saturday—October 5 —First Saturday 9am—For the People of St. Thomas More Parish <i>(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)</i> 5pm—Dominick Butindari <i>by the Butindari family</i></p> <p>Sunday—October 6 —Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time 8am—John & Mary Barry <i>by Jane Lewis</i>; Maryanne Bellacicco <i>by the Blank family</i>; Eugene Burns <i>by Len Munzer</i>; Katherine Cloke <i>by Marie Drago</i>; Lisa Codispoti <i>by BettyAnn, Joe Codispoti & family</i>; Rev. Charles Girnius <i>by Mr. & Mrs. Vitkovich & sons</i>; The Hewes family <i>by Donna Mott</i>; Mario Langelli <i>by Rose Milazzo</i>; Mickelson & Williams families <i>by Barbara Mickelson</i>; Angela Sciascia <i>by Rose Milazzo</i>; 9:15am—Joseph S. Babits <i>by Mr. & Mrs. Sonny Orlando</i> 10:45am—The Leopold family (living) <i>by the Constantine family</i> 12:15pm—Robert Covino <i>by Geraldine Covino</i></p>	<p>A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke: The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." "Who among you would say to your servant who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here immediately and take your place at table'? Would he not rather say to him, 'Prepare something for me to eat. Put on your apron and wait on me while I eat and drink. You may eat and drink when I am finished'? Is he grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded? So should it be with you. When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'"</p> <p>Focus Questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Recall a time when you were cured of an illness or broken relationship.2. Describe a time when you were accepted when you thought you would be rejected.3. Speak of a person you know who is truly grateful for what they have. How has this person changed how you perceive life? <p>Family and children's question: Share a time when you did not show gratitude to God or to others. How did you change that?</p>

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Teresa Atchison; Catherine Babits; Kay Babits; Kathy Badalaty; Karen Bakofsky; Dan Barry; James & Rita Basile; Marie Belfi; Bev Bienemann; Charles Boston; Brandon Bowen; Fred Busse; Tom B. Buttles; Linda Sue Cappisillo; Ana Cecilia Castro; Dennis Chase; Maryann Che; Cathy Covino; Donald Crocker; Janice De Simone; Tom Devine; Phyllis Diesso; Anthony & Florence Donato; Phyllis Dorchow; Katherine Drechsler; Robert Driscoll; Leona Esposito; Lorenzo Fernandes; Jeanine Flandina-Walsh; Carmen & Ralph Fedele; Lorenzo Fernandes; Barbara Foberg; Conrad Gangone; Vincent Gianatti; Tom Gernon; Andree Germain; John Grant (Healing); Nichole Granville; Ralynne Hanna; Paul Heltsey; Penny Henrich; Casano A.S. Holmes; Jim Ilardi; Terri Ilardi; Ann Iovino & son Anthony; Akalski John; Claire Keating; Patrick Keena, Sr.; Sister Maureen Kelly; Hank Killian; Elaine Kleintauber; Henry Kwizcinski; George Licata; Michelle Lindsley; Maria Lott; Cindy Mango; Jamie Mango; Lorraine Mango-Follini; Nicole Mango-Follini; Jean Marsala-Kieffner; Frances Mattace; Veronica Mattef; Anna Mario; Jeaneen McGee; Josie McGuire; James McKiski; Barbara Miller; Donald Mulvey; Gregg Myers; Victoria Nelson; Toddler Lila Nitsch; Sarah O'Connor; ; Maureen O'Donnell; Robert Owen; Albert Pastore; Joseph Peter; Frederic Pilgrim; Jason Pilgrim; Joseph Placa; Sandra Polke; Jack Povey (baby); Bill Radcliffe; John Reddy; Patsy Richards; Martha Rooney; Carlos Sanchez; Mary SanFilippo; Lucille Schillaci; Ellen Seabrook; Anthony Paul Sheridan; Denise Siele; Dolores Spelman; Richard Stout; Gary Surdi; Joe Tese; MaryAnn Tinger; Faye & Walter Tinney; Chase Turano; Andrew Mark Valentine; Ellen Jane Vinson; Grace Von Ancken; Jack Weiser; Linda Wilkonski; Ann Willis; Gareth Wilmott; Thuy Wilmott; Ray & Kathy

*(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 on September 30, 2013.** Please resubmit any names you wish to have continued.)*

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Ann Druckenmiller; Mary Seyfarth; Steven J. Tursellino; Robert Joseph Putko, John O'Donnell, our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Jesus narrates an eye opening story in today's Gospel – the story of the rich man and poor Lazarus. This rich man who did not notice poor Lazarus at his door steps, but later began to see him across the unsurpassable chasm between hell and heaven. Through the character of the rich man, the

Gospel introduces us to our own blindness and invites us to see the truth of life.

Most often we see conveniently but not clearly. Today's Gospel invites us, in the story of the poor man Lazarus and the rich man, to see the truth and the reality of life to be bigger than our own convenient convictions or our personal perceptions. The rich man was so engrossed in his wealth and possession that he became blind to the other poor human being, Lazarus who was lying just in front of him.

The rich man's wealth and possessions enslaved him so much that he could see life as nothing more than himself in his richness. The problem is not that he possessed too much wealth; **the real problem is that the wealth possessed him.** His possessions controlled his way of seeing and perceiving the truth, his way of acknowledging and relating with other persons.

When we are engrossed in ourselves we will be blind even to the most obvious. If we choose to be locked within our own comfort zone, we will not be able to see anything but ourselves, even though the best of the best may lie just in front of our eyes. Nothing will matter to us except our own individual selfish world.

The month of October is dedicated to Our Lady of the Holy Rosary. What is the Rosary? It is a spiritual exercise of praying repeatedly the prayers of 'Our Father', 'Hail Mary' and 'Glory Be' in five decades (One Our Father, Ten Hail Marys and One Glory Be). While repeating the prayers, we meditate on the events of Redemption that God did for us in his Son Jesus Christ. We reflect on those events which our Blessed Mother Mary lived with her Son Jesus. Since we meditate on the life of Jesus - from His conception through His ministry, passion, death, resurrection, and ascension - as well as on Mary's assumption and her coronation, the Rosary is also known as a mini Gospel in meditative prayer.

Praying five decades of the Rosary takes close to 20 minutes. Praying the Rosary is one of the ancient meditative prayers and considered effective even today in our hurry and hasty world. During the month of October if we cannot find the whole 20 minutes at one time, we can pray a decade at different times of the day; for instance upon waking up while still in bed, another decade while getting dressed or while driving to work or running errands, another while waiting in line ... whenever you are by yourself the Rosary is the best form of prayer. The Rosary can sanctify your whole day. Try and pray the Rosary and raise your heart to God.

Sunday, October 6 is Respect Life Sunday. As we celebrate Respect Life Sunday, we are reminded that the assaults on human dignity come in many forms. The Respect Life Office is charged with deepening our already strong commitment to pro-life activities and parish education. Please support this vital work through participation in the special Respect Life envelope collection. Your prayers and assistance are greatly appreciated.

Every first Tuesday of the month we have Eucharistic Adoration followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. All are welcome. Please try to avail quality time for yourself before the presence of the Lord and pray for yourselves, your families and the parish.

This one hour will have moments of group prayers and individual silent meditative prayer. You are not expected to be there for the whole hour. Whatever time you are able to spare, spend five, ten or any number of minutes before the Lord laying your burdens at His feet and be filled with His strength and solace.

Faith Direct and Sacrificial Giving: We thank those who have signed up for Faith Direct for supporting the parish and other special collections which are deducted from your checking or saving account and then transferred to our parish account. Another way of support is to charge the amount to a credit card of choice. 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 further information.

Catholic Ministry Appeal 2013: Our Parish's assessment this year is \$ 65, 300. This year we have reached the pledged total of \$ 50,562 so far which is 77.4% of our goal. Last year we attained 109.7% of our Catholic Ministries Appeal Goal. Besides helping others by our generosity, we benefited \$16, 859 for our parish from that sharing.

I ask you personally to help me and the parish meet its goal so that we can all help our brothers and sisters as well as benefit from the sharing that the parish will receive once the goal is attained. Some of you have already received a communication from the CMA Office asking for your continued support and help by making a pledge or contribution to the Appeal.

If you did not receive a letter from the CMA office please use the cut out in the bulletin and 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.

Advent begins on December 1st – just two months away. Kris Kindle is a ministry here in our parish for many years. It offered a wonderful way to pray in a special way for another person or family during the season of Advent.

In addition to prayer, participants also leave a small token (in secret) at the home of the person or family you are partnered with – to remind them you are thinking of them and praying for them. All the while this is done in secret, with your identity unknown to your partner participants until the celebration on Holy Family Sunday, at which time all the participants gather, usually after the 12:15 Mass.

This is an opportunity for you to meet your partner family, who has been praying for YOU! It is a wonderful way for new people to meet new friends and it's a warm and friendly way to teach children the true meaning of Christmas – with prayer, thanksgiving and generosity to others.

If this sounds like something you would like to help coordinate, please contact the Rectory and leave your name – or call Laura Giardino @ 516- 503-4159

OUR PRIEST CELEBRANTS (*Subject to last minute changes*)

This Weekend
(Sept. 28/29)

Next Weekend
(Oct. 5/6)

Saturday

5:00pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
<u>Sunday</u>		
8:00am	Fr. Charles	Fr. Antony
9:15am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Racos
10:45am	Fr. Racos	Msgr. Boccafolo
12:15pm	Msgr. Boccafolo	Fr. Dahlke

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony



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The Knights of St. Thomas More Council held an installation of officers on Sept. 7th. The event was well attended by the Knights and their families. Also in the news, Brother Larry Castello accompanied his dad in the exemplification of the 4th Degree in Pennsylvania. Congratulations to both Castellos. The Food drive held on Aug. 17th yielded nearly 500 lbs. of food for Parish Outreach. A follow up drive will be held at Waldbaum's on Nov. 9th.

Look for Plant sale ordering and a very special sale of Outdoor Nativity sets for your lawn. Both will be available over the next few weeks. .

UPCOMING EVENTS: Veterans Mass Nov. 9th at 5PM.
Spaghetti Dinner Nov. 16th following the 5PM Mass.

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.

The Food Pantry

It's officially fall, and school is back in session; the children of our clients need enough food to function well in school...if you can help out with any items from your pantry to ours, we would greatly appreciate it. You can drop off non-perishable items in the church lobby bin, or you can bring meats and vegetables, etc. to our Outreach office across the street from the Church in the Religious Education building, from 10-2 Monday through Thursday.

Smithtown Senior Citizens Center

The Smithtown Senior Citizens Center at 420 Middle Country Rd. provides a huge variety of services and entertainment to residents of Smithtown who are 60 years of age and older. There is also a Senior Citizen Advocate on site the first Friday of every month from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. If you need further information, call Laura Greif at 631-360-7616.



Transportation for Senior Islip residents

Transportation services are provided for Islip seniors who have no access to private or public transportation and cannot afford private taxi fare. This program provides transportation to Islip Senior Centers, medical and healthcare facilities, government services and food shopping within the town of Islip. Please call two weeks before the service is needed. A voluntary contribution of \$2.00 is suggested. **FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED.** Limited availability. For further information, please call 631-224-5686.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

David Chester
Carl F. Greiner
Scott Lovelock
Justin Schneider
Christopher Day
Thomas Nichols
Kaitlyn Nachtman
David W. Cussen
Michael Fensterer
Jesse Bernstein

John Chester
Michael White
Christopher Mustakas
William Gregory
Jason Doyle
John Karies
John Nachtman, Jr.
Adam Papaizai
William R. Rathje



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.

CHOIR NEWS



On September 5th, both Children's and Adult Choirs have resumed rehearsals. Children's rehearsal are from 5:30 to 6:30 pm every Thursday, and Adult Choir 7:30 to 9:30 pm every Thursday.

Please consider becoming a member of the choir if you can sing and would want to share your talents with the STM community. Children should be from 3rd grade up and adults from high school on up. You do not have to read music, just love to sing. Come make a joyful sound with the Lord! For information please call Emilia at 724-8820.

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.

The book reading schedule for the next meetings are:

Oct. 14, 2013—*The Glass Castle* by Jeanette Walls—
Facilitator: Ann Belluando

Nov. 11, 2013—*The Kitchen House* by Kathleen Grissom—
Facilitator: Marilyn Miller

Stewardship at St Thomas More

Our parish is blessed with many people who so generously share their time and talents.....here is another reflection:

Pre-Cana Ministry

My husband, Joe, and I have been host couples in St. Thomas More Pre-Cana Ministry for 19 years. When we were invited to begin this ministry, we really didn't think we would be the right couple for this ministry. We had young children, both working full time, busy schedules and not a great Pre-Cana experience prior to our wedding. But we decided to participate in training provided by the Diocese, and began to work alongside other experienced couples. Throughout the years we have been blessed to have shared this special time with our engaged couples as they begin their journey toward the Sacrament of Marriage. We look forward to seeing the couples we were introduced to through the Pre-Cana Program at Mass and within the community. It brings great joy to see them as parents with their children at Mass. Long after Mass has ended; you will often find us in the narthex chatting with our couples.

Pre- Cana is a ministry in which host couples, along with our clergy, provide a 5 week marriage preparation program for our engaged couples. Through *The Evenings for the Engaged Program*, the focus of the Pre-Cana Ministry is to introduce our engaged couples to the Sacrament of Matrimony as a vocation to love. We currently have three host couples in our St. Thomas More Pre-Cana Ministry. We welcome our engaged couples into our homes for weekly two hour sessions. Topics addressed over the course of the program include: exploring family of origin, communication, spirituality, intimacy, the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, and building a strong marriage. We conclude our Pre-Cana experience with the celebration of Mass during which our couples receive a special blessing for the engaged, and are welcomed by our parish community into the St. Thomas More family.

The engaged couples bring questions or topics which are important to them to share during our open discussion part of the evening. Each week a topic is introduced by the host couples through a more formal presentation along with shared experiences and relevant articles. The couples are encouraged to share their opinions and experiences.

Our marriage continues to be strengthened and renewed through our participation in this ministry. We are grateful for the support the St. Thomas More Pre-Cana Program receives from our pastor, Fr. Antony, our deacons and our parish family.

Patty and Joe Citro 979-6926

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, October 1, 2013 at 7 pm.

PRO LIFE

Come join us, be faithful to your faith; prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood abortion center, defend the defenseless, every Wednesday & Saturday 7:30 am till 11:00 am rain or shine, at 70 Maple Ave., Smithtown. Supporters from all denominations are welcome. The unborn need your support and help. For additional information, please contact Mary Ann & Al Rubenbauer at 864-1759.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Saturday, October 12th at 5pm —our first Youth Mass at St. Thomas More. Come celebrate the Eucharist with the youth of our parish. All are invited. Immediately following the Mass, all high school students are invited to participate in the Youth Ministry game night. Come join your friends for an evening of board games & pizza (\$2 per slice). We meet 6 to 9pm, at Walden Hall.

THINKING ABOUT ??

BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

IS GOD CALLING YOU?

- ◆ Do you feel His tug to join us in the celebration of the Eucharist?
- ◆ Have you felt the desire to learn more about becoming a Catholic. If any of these apply to you, consider our parish RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) process. For information contact :Ann Russo, e-mail: redaa@aol.com or by phone at 543-2740 or Arlene Zuzzolo, e-mail: johnandao@gmail.com or by phone at 543-6499, or the Church Office at 234-5551.

Catholics for Freedom of Religion:

Prayer and Witness in the Public Square

ROSARY RALLY

**FOR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY & THE PRESERVATION
OF CATHOLIC HEALTH CARE**



Every year, one in six hospitalized patients in America is cared for in a Catholic Healthcare facility. As of Jan. 1, 2014, the HHS (Health and Human Services) mandate imposes crushing fines on Catholic hospitals if they do not provide health insurance which covers products and services in direct violation of church teachings.

Join us to pray the rosary for the intercession of the Blessed Virgin in preserving freedom of conscience and protecting Catholic healthcare. Also, hear speakers with the latest news on the imminent threat to Catholic healthcare.

Sat., Oct. 5 from 10 to 11:30 am at

Good Samaritan Hospital, 1000 Montauk Hwy., West Islip.
Limited seating for handicapped. Call for info: 631-896-8331

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Joseph Plati, St. Patrick, Smithtown &
Allison Tufano, St. Thomas More

PRAY FOR OUR ENGAGED COUPLES

As these couples prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage through the Pre-Cana experience, we ask that you pray for them.



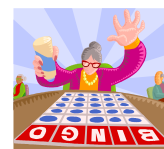
Andrea Cavaliere and Kevin Stintel
Amanda Soldano and Greg DeNezzo
Kimberly Jardin and Robert Wind
Kathryn Dixon and Ryan Mahoney
Melissa Miscione and Frank Dimopoulos

St. Thomas More Columbiettes # 6062

extends an invitation to all women interested in helping their community to join our group. We meet at St. Thomas More once a month from June to September, a total of ten meetings a year. We run two fund raisers, Nite at the Races and Supermarket Bingo, which enables us to contribute to our church outreach and to abused families among other charities.

Please call our president, Betty Baker (631) 348-3615 or our vice president, Lillian Oddo (631) 724-9374.

Please join our group of LOVELY LADIES!!!



St. Thomas More Columbiettes invite you to their annual Supermarket Bingo on **October 26, 2013** from **7 to 11 pm** in Walden Hall.

There will be a Chinese auction, a 50/50 and raffles. The price is \$10 per person, which includes cake, coffee, tea, soda and water. Tickets will be sold after every Mass; they can also be obtained by calling Betty Baker or Lillian Oder at the above numbers.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study with Fr. Robert Dahlke on St. John's Gospel will start on October 6th. The class will be at 7:30pm on Sundays and at 9:45am on Mondays in the Meeting Room.

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Sunday—September 29

12noon—Beach Mass followed by picnic.

Monday—September 30

7pm—Youth Ministry—Walden Hall

Tuesday—October 1

7pm—Holy Adoration—Church

Wednesday—October 2

7pm—Bereavement Support Group—Rectory

7:30pm—Knights of Columbus—Walden Hall

Thursday—October 3

5:30pm—Children's Choir Rehearsal—Church

7pm—Healing our Hearts—Rectory

7:30pm—Choir Rehearsal—Church

Sunday—October 6

Boy Scouts—Bake Sale—after all Masses

2pm—Baptisms—Church

7:30pm—Bible Study—Meeting Room

CALENDAR CLUB 2013

HERE ARE WINNERS FROM SEPT. 22-28, 2013

CONGRATULATIONS!

Sept. 22—Sun.	\$50	#888—August Vrondis
Sept. 23—Mon.	\$25	#868—Bernice Kluse
Sept. 24—Tues.	\$25	#588—David & Joan Marro
Sept. 25—Wed.	\$25	#771—Barbara Schriefer
Sept. 26—Thurs.	\$25	#934—Arlene Mellina
Sept. 27—Fri.	\$25	#829—Edward Skrzypek
Sept. 28—Sat.	\$25	#153—Howard & Dolores Spegman

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.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

Benefits of Caring/Wellness—Administered by The Diocese of Rockville Centre—Biometric Screenings between 11am & 5pm:

Oct. 1 at Cathedral of St. Agnes/School (Rockville Centre)

You do not have to fast prior to your screening.

You can complete your Personal Health Profile at www.mywellcall.com. You need to register first by using the Company password “drvc”.

(Second Notice)

Hauppauge Homemakers Club—a craft club that makes many items for heart, cancer, etc. patients. Meets every Wednesday at the Lake Ronkonkoma Pavilion on the Beach in Lake Ronkonkoma from September through June from 10am to 12noon, except for the business meeting on the first Wednesday of each month from 10 to 1pm. Ladies of the community are invited to join in our fun, foods & festivals. If interested, please call our president, Serafina at 467-2804.

St. Joseph Renewal Center—Brentwood—Programs Oct.

Oct. 2, 1-2:30pm “Living with Alzheimers & Dementia” Free Will Offering. **Oct. 2**—Evening Session 7:30-9:30pm; Morning Session **Oct. 6**—10am-noon “Deepening your Spiritual Practice through the use of Focusing” \$15 per session. **Oct. 2**, 7-8pm Guided Meditation for Inner Healing. Offering \$15 (\$20 Individual session by appointment). **Oct. 5**, 8-9:30am Men 2 Men Spiritual Gathering. \$20 includes breakfast. **Oct. 8**, 10am—noon

A Gathering of Women. Offering \$15. **Oct. 20**, 5-8pm Evenings for Married Couples—Taking the time to have a date night with your spouse & gathering as a community followed by a candle light dinner & prayer. Offering \$60 per couple. **Oct. 27**, 2-4 pm 11th Step Prayer—A Journey to Spiritual Wholeness. Free Will Offering.

Holy Family Regional School—Parents Association Annual Fall Mum Sale-Fundraiser Event—Oct. 4, Outside Family Center, Holy Family Regional School, 2 Indian Head Rd., Commack—10am—4 pm.

Faith and Light Meeting—Oct. 4, 7pm—Parish of the Holy Cross, 95 Old Nichols Rd, Nesconset (Faith & Light is an international faith-sharing organization for developmentally challenged people, their families and caregivers).

St. Anne's Knights of Columbus/Columbiettes—Annual Garage Sale/Flea Market—Sat. Oct. 5. Set-up begins at 8am. Sale from 9-4pm. To rent a space (cost \$25) or to donate new or used items, please call Viviana Garamy at 631-231-1859.

St. Anthony's High School—Continuous Open House tours—Sun., **Oct. 6** from 10am to 1pm. 275 Wolf Hill Road, S. Huntington 271-2020 x 13 or www.stanthonyshs.org

General Bereavement Group—St. Anthony of Padua Parish Outreach, Blue Liturgy room, Basement of Trinity School, 1025 Fifth Ave., East Northport. Meets weekly for 6 sessions from Oct. 8—Nov. 12, 2013; 2:30-3:30pm. For registration call Gertrude Frein 757-2103.

Life Center of Long Island—Rachel's Vineyard Retreat—Oct. 11-13, 2013, Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington for those struggling with the pain associated with abortion. For questions, contact Dcn. Joe McNicholas (516) 445-3927 or at rivr@lifecenterli.org.

America Needs Fatima Nationwide Rosary Rally—Oct. 12 at noon, in front of St. Patrick's Church, Smithtown. For info call Carol Gabriellini 631.981.7337.

American Girl Fashion Show—Our Lady of Mercy School, Hicksville, Oct. 18-20, 2013. Advance registrations required. For ticket info please visit www.americangirlfashionshows.com

Save The Date—Walk for Breast Cancer Cure—20th Annual Walk for Beauty will take place in historic Stony Brook Village at 8:30 AM on Sunday, October 20. This community effort to raise funds for breast cancer has raised over \$1 million for research at Stony Brook University.

Visit stonybrookvillage.com for full information for registration sign-up and to learn about how you can donate to the virtual “Tribute Wall.”

Friends of the Seminary Communion Breakfast—Immaculate Conception Seminary, 440 West Neck Rd., Huntington. Sun., Oct. 6. Mass at 11am followed by breakfast in the Refectory. Celebrant & Speaker Msgr. Charles Fink. RVSP by Sept. 29. \$25 per ticket. For reservations & info call Seminary Development Office 423-0483 x 102 or e-mail bmalone@icseminary.edu

St. Patrick's Pro-Life Family Communion Breakfast—Canning

Hall, St. Patrick's Church, Smithtown—Oct. 6 after 9am Mass. Guest speaker Timothy Jaccard. Tickets: \$10 per adult; \$5 18yrs & under; \$30 maximum per family. Call Johanna Cervellino 979-7017 for info & reservations.

St. Sylvester-s Social—live 17 piece “Savoy Swing Band: - Oct. 12, 7-10pm. St. Sylvester's Parish Center, Coram. \$15 pp (beverages & snacks included). For info. Call 730-3333 or visit goodolddanceband.com

St. Frances de Chantal Parish Pilgrimage “In the Footsteps of

**CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS
OPEN HOUSES**

You are invited to explore the benefits of a Catholic High School Education

Please feel free to visit our schools during the times and dates listed below:

DATE:	TIME:	SCHOOL:
SEPT. 2013		
Sun. 9/29	1:30 —4:30pm	St. Dominic College Prep. HS
OCT. 2013		
Sat. 10/5	10:00—1:00pm	Kellenberg Memorial HS
	2:00—4:00pm	Chaminade HS
Sun. 10/6	11:00—3:00pm	Sacred Heart Academy

Jesus” with Fr. Peter A. Miqueli, Pastor—10-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land: March 9-18, 2014. Package Price: Inclusive per person sharing a twin room, from JFK.—\$2,295+\$695 Departure Taxes & Fuel Surcharge Tour Code: 8777-3/2014. For info call Peter's Way Tours Inc. at 1-800-225-7662

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of **September 22, 2013** **\$7734.00**

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.



**ST. THOMAS MORE MASS
BOOK—2014**

The 2014 Mass Book is available for reserving Masses. All Mass stipends are \$20 for each Mass. If you wish to have a large hard cover memorial card, the cost is an extra \$5.00.

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

CEREAL BOX TOP COUPONS - Drop them off in the Church lobby drop-off box and we will use them to buy things for the students in our regional school.

USED CELL PHONES - We thank everyone for giving us their old cell phones. We forward them to a convent that recycles them and uses the proceeds for the poor.

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. Here is how it works:

ENTER: www.GoodSearch.com

Where it states: “Who do you Good Search for?” “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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Pat Chapin - Pchapin@optonline.net

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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.

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.

**YOUNG AT HEART
Attention Seniors**

Next Meeting: Friday, October 11, 2013 at 1pm .

FALL PLANT ORDER FORM

Please have your orders in by Sept. 27, 2013. Orders will be ready for pick-up on Oct. 5 & 6.

NAME:

PHONE:

\$5 each:

Hardy Garden Mums

() Red () Yellow () White

() Bronze () Purple

() Ornamental Cabbage

() Ornamental Kale

() TOTAL ordered "x" \$ 5 each = \$ _____ enclosed.

\$10 each:

() Corn Stalk

() Hay

() TOTAL ordered "x" \$10 each = \$ _____ enclosed.

Back by popular demand those beautiful Tulip & Daffodil bulbs..

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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:

Relationship to the person who is ill:

Person making the Request:

TODAY'S DATE:

(Please place in collection basket or drop off at Church Office)

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CHURCH MINISTRIES

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING A LITURGICAL MINISTER OR WANT TO SHARE YOUR TALENTS?

Please complete the following form:

I would like to volunteer in the following parish ministry:

- () Altar Server
- () Usher
- () RCIA
- () Lector
- () Consolation Minister
- () Rosary Altar Society
- () Caring for Altar Plants
- () Adult Lending Library
- () Hospitality
- () Greeter
- () Liturgy with Children
- () Eucharistic Minister
- () Landscaping/Planting
- () Pre-Cana
- () FOCCUS
- () Banner Committee

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.

(Please return to the Church Office for further processing)

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CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2013

OUR PARISH GOAL: \$ 65,300

PLEGGED TO DATE: \$ 50,562

77.4% of goal met.

St. Thomas More Employment Services

*Are you presently unemployed and looking for a part-time or full-time job? * Do you have or know of any job openings? If so, call our Employment Services Office, 234.4629 and leave a message for Mae Devine or call Mae on Monday mornings. Calls are kept in strict confidence.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Atlantic Auto Group—150 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.

Caterpillar Dealer—Holtsville & Bronx. Service Mgrs., Supervisors, Electric Power Generator Techs, Diesel/Heavy Equipment Techs. Attractive benefit package.

Collators—PT- \$10.52 per hr. 4 hr. shifts—all year long for Newsday 18 yrs. Or older. HS.

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

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

Exelis—ITT— North Amityville—1. Program Director—#9957BR—Electron warfare—direct programs, negotiate contracts, manage staff—experience—US citizenship. (2) IT Specialist #8932BR—Troubleshoot & test components/devices— BS in IT or engineering. 1 yr. experience. Competitive salary—Benefits.

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

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.

JS Pharmaceuticals—Process Operators, office assistants, chemists/analysts, warehouse—401K—profit sharing—medical—pd. vacation.

Newspaper Delivery—Excellent 2nd income—early AM hours—car & valid NYS license.

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

School Bus/Van Drivers—Huntington Coach-free training. Full Benefit Pkg \$21.07 Bus; \$18.30 Van.

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.

Target—Huntington—new store— Team members—Competitive salary, discounts, flexible hours.

Town of Smithtown—Sub PT teachers & teacher assistants. Smithtown & Kings Park School Districts.

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.