

Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Antony Asir, Pastor
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Deacon John S. Rapacki

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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 arrangements, 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.



December 22, 2013
Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 25, 2013
The Nativity of the Lord
(Christmas)

Parish Mission Statement:

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

Telephones:

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

Masses for this coming week	Growing through the Sunday Scriptures
<p style="text-align: center;">December 22, 2013 Fourth Sunday of Advent Isaiah 7: 10-14 Psalm 24: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Romans 1: 1-7 Matthew 1: 18-24</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">December 29, 2013 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 Psalm 128: 1-2, 3, 4-5 Colossians 3:12-21 Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23</p>

Saturday—December 21

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Dominick & Annette Butindari *by the Butindari family*

Sunday—December 22 —Fourth Sunday of Advent

8am—Rev. Msgr. Francis S. Midura *by Joyce Spincola*

9:15am—William Caravana *by the Lusardi family*

10:45am—Dominick Bove *by Marie Bove*

12:15pm—Dotty Brengel *by the Fennell &*

Sclafani families; John Emilio by Len Munzer;

Donna Feustel by Marty & Nancy Macaluso;

Grace Giacomo by Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Rogers;

Marie Lehmann by Kay & Walter Drechsler;

Nick Liberatoscioli by his family; Carol Licandro by

Valerie, Bobby & Bob; Joseph Madsen by Marty &

Nancy Macaluso; Robert Mohlenbrok by

Lois Mohlenbrok & family; Terry Ann O’Connell by

Ken & Judy Granville; Philip Purcell by Judy Coyle

Monday—December 23—St. John of Kanty

9am—Rose Coyle *by Mom & Dad*

Tuesday— December 24

9am—Mickelson & Williams families *by*

Barbara Mickelson; Anthony Sievers by Joseph & Babs Importuna

3:30pm—Those who supported our Flower Fund

5:30pm— Those who supported our Flower Fund

8:00pm—Those who supported our Flower Fund

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

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

9am— Those included in the Christmas Mass
Remembrance

10:45am—Those who supported our Flower Fund

12:15pm—Those included in the Christmas Mass

Remembrance

Thursday— December 26—St. Stephen

9am—Herbert Minet *by Chris & Amy Pardini*

Friday— December 27—St. John the Evangelist

9am—Jan, Genowefe, John & Msgr. Francis S. Midura

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew:

When the magi had departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you. Herod is going to search for the child to destroy him.”

Joseph rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed for Egypt. He stayed there until the death of Herod, that what the Lord had said through the prophet might be fulfilled,

Out of Egypt I called my son.

When Herod had died, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, “Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child’s life are dead.”

He rose, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go back there. And because he had been warned in a dream, he departed for the region of Galilee. He went and dwelt in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, *He shall be called a Nazorean.*

Focus Questions:

1. Describe a time when you felt God guide you out of danger or a difficult situation.
2. How do you see your family as a holy family?
3. Relate a time when a crisis forced your family to leave home.

Family and children’s question:

How do you encourage each other to be more prayerful during this season?

Saturday—December 28—The Holy Innocents

9am—For all the unborn

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Dominick & Annette Butindari *by the Butindari family*

Sunday—December 29 —The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

8am—Robert Rosmini *by Fran Rosmini*

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

10:45am—Michael Cisternas *by Mom & Charlie*

12:15pm—John Barry *by Jane Lewis; Bill Evert by Marilyn & Joe Amodio; Alfonso Galato by Deacon Ed & Laura Vigneaux; Ondina Gibbs by Deacon Ed & Laura Vigneaux; Msgr. Francis S. Midura by Barbara Mickelson; Olga Patorak by*

Ken & Judy Granville; Mary & Michael Quinn by the Merget family; Dolores & Edward Smith by Diane & Edward Crean; Cammy Ward by Marilyn & Joe Amodio; Ray Wittneben by Deacon Ed & Laura Vigneaux

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Kathy Badalaty; James & Rita Basile;
Bill Bell; Charles Boston; Arlene Bove;
Fred Busse; Tom B. Buttles;
Linda Sue Cappisillo; Sonny Carlucci;
Jamie Castro-Mango; Maryann Che;

Thomas Diana; Tom Devine; Florence & Anthony Donato; Joanna Dove; Katherine Drechsler; William Driscoll; Jason Elias; Lorenzo Fernandes; Roma Fierro; Michael Filaseta; Barbara Foberg; Conrad Gangone; Ed Gast; Tom Gernon; Mary Happe; Penny Henrich; Ann & Anthony Iovino;

Laura Jennings; Claire Keating; Elaine Kleinstauber; Henry Kwiecinski; Lorraine Mango-Follini; Nicole Mango-Follini; Jean Marsala-Kieffner; Marge McGowan; Cathleen McQuade; Teri Miliano; Stella Minecci; Vicki Nelson; toddler Lila Nitsch; Pat Owens; Leona Papareto; Albert Pastore; Joseph Peter; Bill Radcliffe; Cecilia Rantz; Marie Reddy; Carlos Sanchez; Walter Seidel; Denise Siele; Ray & Kathy; Aileen Soler; Jennifer Spears; Ted Stahura; Tom Stahura; Oscar Steadman; Richard Stout; Chase Turano; Andrew M. Valentine; Andrew J. Valentine; Grace Von Ancken; Leo Vannoni; Ellen-Jane Vinson; Mikki Wilbert; Linda Wilkonski; Thuy Wilmott

*(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 March 31, 2014.** Please resubmit any names you wish to have continued.)*

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Priscilla J. McAllister; Carole S. Portuzak;
Italo T. Terenzi; our deceased loved ones and our
deceased servicemen and women.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

A psychiatrist received a Christmas greeting from one of his patients. It read "I am having a great time. I wish you could be here to tell me why."

In the Gospel today Joseph, the spouse of Mary the mother of Jesus, knows that there is something inexplicably divinely good happening in Mary's pregnancy. But he could not explain to his human reasoning the possibility of this happening without his living together with Mary. He needed a divine explanation from an Angel of the Lord in his dream. Once he got that divine reasoning, he begins to be at peace with himself and joyfully accepts Mary as his wife, engaging in the story of God.

It is Christmas in two days. This is the 'wonderful time of the year'. God in Jesus' birth is the reason for our celebration. Christmas invites us to see the divine reasoning in our life, as it did for Joseph in today's Gospel. When we get hold of the divine reasoning in our life, even those inexplicable human situations will find their true meaning. Let us look at the manger and take our life as a gift to celebrate it in the divine light of Jesus, the child in the manger.

This..... is... the ...way.... The... Church.... Looks....when One....looksat it... fromthepulpit.....during.....a.... mass...on.....a.....regular..... Sunday

BUT

ThechurchwilllooklikethisatthemassesonChristmaseveandChristmasday.

We may feel like Mary and Joseph who had to end up in the stable because there was no room for them in the inn. At Christmas mass, if you happen to be displaced from your usual seats in the Church, please treat yourselves like the Holy Family. Your new seat is the manger and the birth of Jesus will definitely take place. Let us welcome and celebrate with all present.

As a parish family let us wish each other a Merry Christmas. As pastor, I wish you all a Merry Christmas. May the divine Child born in a manger make your hearts and home as his manger and fill them with His divine glory.

Tree Lighting: On Saturday, December 14th, after the 5:00 pm Mass we had the Tree-lighting Celebration. The lighted tree reminds us of the Star that appeared at the birth of Jesus. The star led the three Magi and brought them to the place where Jesus was born. The lighted tree points us to the place where Jesus is born in our hearts, homes, and churches, plus at malls and other public places wherever the trees are lighted.

Lots of children accompanied by their parents and grandparents came for the Saturday mass in spite of inclement weather. After the mass we all loudly began the countdown from 10 to 0. The trees were lit. Then Santa Claus greeted the children, followed by a photo opportunity in Walden Hall. Thanks to Frank Bayer who captured these moments with his camera. The warmth of Christmas was in the air as families shared hot chocolate and cookies. Thanks to all the ministers of hospitality.

I thank the young people and the youth ministers for having made the event very celebrative by participating in the choir, and by engaging the children in various activities as Santa's elves.

I appreciate the hard work of all those who decorated the hall and hung the lights around the trees.

Outdoor Nativity Display: In the front lawn of the Rectory is the display of the Nativity scene. We are thankful to the families of Jane M. Cawley and Richard Llinares for this generous gift to our parish. Donors are welcome to meet the ongoing cost of maintaining it.

Despite the unpleasant weather last Saturday, Bill Stahura, Steve Paduano, Ron Catellano and Hank Paetow of the Knights of Columbus pooled their efforts together to create the big and beautiful manger. Thanks to each of them for their hard work and to their families who so generously allowed them to share their service at the busiest time of the year.

2013 Contribution Statements: Soon after the New Year we will complete the data entries of 2013 into our system. If you want a copy of your 2013 contributions for tax purposes, please complete and return the cut-out in the bulletin and return it to the Church Office. We will begin mailing them out towards the end of January.

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

Calendar Club 2014: The Calendar Club is open for 2014. This week the bulletin has the form for Calendar Club 2014. Please show your support by joining the Calendar club. Parishioners are steadily joining this club. Please join and rush for your lucky numbers You may also consider giving the Calendar Club as a gift to someone. Calendar Club is a good way of fund raising for the Parish.

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

	<u>This Weekend</u> (Dec. 21/22)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (Dec. 28/29)
<u>Saturday</u> 5:00pm	Msgr. Boccafola	Fr. Antony
<u>Sunday</u> 8:00am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
9:15am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Racos

10:45am	Fr. Dahlke	Fr. Charles
12:15pm	Fr. Racos	Fr. Antony

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony



K of C KORNER

Many thanks to all the Knights who helped during the Thanksgiving holiday. Knights from STM donated time and treasure to feed 6 needy families in our Parish and supported the Youth Group's Food Drive by cooking & driving. Donations to our neighbors in Central Islip helped Rogan-Halperin Council K of C feed nearly 400 people, Congratulations to brothers Manny Bartolotta, Jim Sheheta, Anthony Iuvino and Mike Hoffman on having completed requirements for the Order's Third Degree. Well done, Gentlemen.

Great times were had by all at the following Christmas Parties-- 12/7 for the children & grandchildren of members of STM Council. On 12/10 the Knights and their ladies had a wonderful time at Ciro's - good food and great company! On 12/14 the Council sponsored their annual Christmas Party at UCP in Commack.

New York State Council is sponsoring a disaster relief fund for the victims of the hurricane that devastated the Philippine Islands. In this season of giving, our brothers and sisters in the Philippines need our help in their time of trial. If you can give, please make your donation payable to **New York State Knights Charities Inc. Disaster Relief Fund**. Please mail to: **New York State Knights of Columbus, 359 Route 111, Building 1-Suite 2, Smithtown, N.Y. 11787.**

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

As always, the St. Thomas More Parish has been outstanding in the response to The Giving Tree program! We received toys, gifts of all kinds, and many donations of turkeys, hams and other "holiday" foods so that we were able to serve our clients in our parish. More information will follow next week with specific thanks to those individuals and groups who made special efforts this year.



Merry Christmas to all from Outreach!!!

A Christmas Blessing

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

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

To every guest who enters your presence.

May the bonds of love for one another be strengthened as you gather with your family and friends around the table of festivity and nourishment.

May you go often to the Bethlehem of your heart and visit

The One who offers you peace.

May you bring this peace into our world.

Adapted from a prayer by Joyce Rupp

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

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|-------------------|----------------------|
| David Chester | John Chester |
| Carl F. Greiner | Michael White |
| Scott Lovelock | Christopher Mustakas |
| Justin Schneider | William Gregory |
| Christopher Day | Jason Doyle |
| Thomas Nichols | John Karies |
| Kaitlyn Nachtman | John Nachtman, Jr. |
| David W. Cussen | Adam Papaizai |
| Michael Fensterer | William R. Rathje |
| Jesse Bernstein | Michael Polanski |
| Adam J. Cussen | Ryan Smith |
| Kyle 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.

Catholics for Freedom of Religion:



Pope Francis, in an interview, encouraged Catholics to pay attention to and become involved in public policy issues. "We can't play the role of Pontius Pilot and wash our hands of it (politics). Politics is one of the highest forms of charity because it seeks the common good." (Catholic News Service).

Please join us in writing to and phoning members of Congress, urging them to pass the **Health Care Conscience Rights Act (H.R.940, S.1204)**, and save our Catholic institutions. You can visit www.usccb.org/freedom for updates from the U.S. Bishops on current threats to religious freedom.

**STEWARDSHIP AT ST THOMAS
MORE**

Proclaiming the Word is a gift to yourself and to God – see the following testimony.....

Lector Ministry

My name is Michael Petagna and I am a Lector here at STM, as well as the Lector Coordinator for the last five years. As the coordinator, I am responsible to ensure that weekend and holiday masses have assigned Lectors to proclaim the Word. There are currently 28 adult lectors and 19 young lectors that are scheduled each month for this ministry. I am also responsible to train new lectors who would like to proclaim the Word.

The call to this ministry for me happened when I volunteered to be a Lector after my daughter Gabrielle joined the youth lector ministry a couple of years earlier. Some time after, I was asked to be the coordinator of the ministry. My immediate thought was to graciously turn down this offer. I could not foresee that I would have the time to take on this responsibility with my current work schedule to be able to serve this ministry properly. My work requires me to travel often, sometimes with an unpredictable schedule. I thought about why I would have been asked to become a ministry leader. I have always believed that everyone has a special gift, but was not aware of what I could offer.

When we first came to St Thomas More in 2002, I often thought about how I could be involved to help this parish and this community. My inspiration came from observing the involvement of my fellow parishioners and I knew that someday I would participate, but would put it off until a more convenient time in my life. However – in reality **there is never a convenient time.** And Stewardship is not about convenience, it is about serving God. Please give some thought to sharing your gifts with your STM family.

If you have an interest in serving as a Lector, or would like more information, please give me a call at 516.429.0932 – or email me at mpetagna22@gmail.com.

MIKE PETAGNA

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 Marilyn at 234-5805 or Joan at 234-1739.

The book reading schedule for the next meetings are:
Jan. 13, 2014—Buddha in the Attic by Julie Otsuka—
Facilitator: Aurelie Miller



RESPECT LIFE NEWS

ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, January 7, 2014, 7—8 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.

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.

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Sunday—December 22

6pm—Choir Rehearsal—Church

Tuesday—December 24—Christmas Eve

3:30pm—Family Mass

5:30pm—Family Mass

8pm—Mass

10pm—Christmas Caroling

10:30—Christmas Eve Mass

Wednesday—December 25—Christmas Day

We wish all our Parishioners and their families a very Holy and Blessed Christmas.

Christmas Day Masses at 9am; 10:45am & 12:15pm.

Thursday—December 26

5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

7:30pm—Choir—Church

Saturday—December 28

7pm—Youth Winter Ball

CALENDAR CLUB 2013

**HERE ARE WINNERS FROM DEC. 15-21, 2013
CONGRATULATIONS!**

Dec. 15—Sun. \$50 #747—Rick & Janet Mallen

Dec. 16—Mon. \$25 #931—Marie Utter

Dec. 17—Tues. \$25 #483—Nora & Jimmy Kirdahy

Dec. 18—Wed. \$25 #256—Joseph & Mary Lilly

Dec. 19—Thurs \$25 #176—John Egan

Dec. 20— Fri. \$25 #140—Pat & Joan Shea

Dec. 21— Sat. \$25.#233—Iallonardi Family

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

Twelfth Night Celebration—Sunday, January 5, 2014, 4pm.
Queen of the Rosary Convent, 555 Albany Ave, Amityville, NY.
A glorious afternoon of music with Epiphany Carols and classical works, featuring The Diocesan Choir of Rockville Centre. Call (631) 842-6000 x 209 for directions.

Post New Year's Save a Life—Blood Drive—Friday,
1/3/2014;2:30- - 8:30 pm at Walden Hall. Sign up in Narthex.
For questions, contact Eve Barnofsky at 543-8591.

(Second Notice)

St. Lawrence the Martyr Church—(corner of Main St. & Handsome Ave)—**Sayville**—will conduct a series **Catholics Returning Home** on six consecutive Mondays at 7:30pm in the Church, beginning Jan. 6th. Sessions for Catholics who have left the active practice of their faith & are seeking answers about returning to the Church. Informal sharing & an update of the Catholic faith. For details call Maria Davidson 589-3160.

St. Mary Church, East Islip—Perinatal Support Group—every second Monday of the month, starting Jan.13th, 2014:from 7:30 to 9pm for those who have suffered the loss of a baby through miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth or infancy. For info/registration, call 581-4266 x100. Grandparents welcome.

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.

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of December 15, 2013 \$8,220.00

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.

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.

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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Joe Gast - gast.joe@gmail.com
Fr. Dahlke - RWDahlke@Jesuits.net
Deacon John Rapacki— deaconjohn@stmli.org
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

Next Meeting: January 10, 2014 @ 1pm

CALENDAR CLUB 2014

I/We would like to join St. Thomas More's
Calendar Club for 2014.

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).*

Congratulations to Jillian Borghardt of Our Lady of
Mercy Academy who exhibited academic excellence for
the First Quarter marking period. She is in Grade 10 and
achieved First Honors.

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**2013 CONTRIBUTION
STATEMENT REQUEST**

I/we would like a record of our 2013 Contributions to
St. Thomas More.

NAME(s):

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

E-mail:

(Please return to the Church Office)

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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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**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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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:

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Altar Server | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Usher | <input type="checkbox"/> Greeter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> RCIA | <input type="checkbox"/> Liturgy with Children |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lector | <input type="checkbox"/> Eucharistic Minister |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Consolation Minister | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscaping/Planting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rosary Altar Society | <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Cana |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caring for Altar Plants | <input type="checkbox"/> FOCCUS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Lending Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Banner Committee |

Name::

Address:

Phone:

**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: \$ 50,712

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

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.

Christmas Tree Shop—All year customer serv. overnight associates & many depts. Also new Riverhead store.

Darby Dental—Inside sales account managers. Will train —outstanding benefit package. New openings in all depts.

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

Driver— Driver—Mon to Fri—to make deliveries in NY & L.I.—Van & Gas supplied.

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.

Geico 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](#)

Healthcare Partners IPA— Vlsimd Sfq., Nurse Care Mgrs, Marketing Sales Mgrs., Cust. Ser. Reps. Excellent Benefits.

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.

Lexus of Massapequa—New management. Exper. A plus, but will train. Great salary & benefit pkg.

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

P.C. Richards— Appliance Service Technicians to diagnose & repair full line appliances—will train, good driving record— Customer service skills—excellent benefits—van, mobile phone, uniforms supplied.

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.

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

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

Uncle Giuseppe's— Store Mgrs. Dept. Mgrs., Team members—all depts. Good Benefit Pkg.

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.