

Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway

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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.



March 9, 2014
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>March 9, 2014 First Sunday of Lent Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7 Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 Romans 5:12-19 Matthew 4:1-11</p>	<p>March 16, 2014 Second Sunday of Lent Genesis 12:1-4a Psalm 33:4-5, 5-6, 18-19, 20, 22 2 Timothy 1:8b-10 Matthew 17:1-9</p>

Saturday—March 8

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Sophie Pankus *by Al Pankus*

Sunday—March 9 —First Sunday of Lent

8am—Catherine Nocerino *by Emilie Segal*

9:15am—John Soldo *by the Sirignano family*

10:45am—Helen Iovino *by your friends at Young At Heart*

12:15pm—Patrick & Michele Keena & family *by The Szewczyk family*

Monday—March 10

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

Tuesday— March 11

9am—Living & Deceased members of the Potuzak family *by Charles Potuzak*

Wednesday— March 12

9am— Lillian Munzer *by Len Munzer*

Thursday— March 13

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

Friday— March 14

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

12:10pm—For the People of St. Thomas More Parish

Saturday—March 15

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

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Edmund Gast

Sunday—March 16 —Second Sunday of Lent

8am—Monique Tartt *by Lou Bernard*

9:15am—Antanas Bagdziunas *by the Linden family*

10:45am—Thomas Collins *by Kathryn Schook*

12:15pm—William Richard Brazil *by Laura & Bruce Latman*

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Kathy Badalaty; James & Rita Basile;



Michael Basile; Bill Bell; Charles Boston;
Arlene Bove; Fred Busse; Tom B. Buttles;
Linda Sue Cappisillo; Sonny Carlucci;
Jamie Castro-Mango; Maria Connelly;
Claire Cooper; Veronica Corvasce; David;
Thomas Diana; Tom Devine; Robert Diehl;

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew:

Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply,

“Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.”

While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said,

“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.”

When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying,

“Rise, and do not be afraid.”

And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone.

As they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus charged them,

“Do not tell the vision to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

Focus Questions:

1. Describe a time when an experience you had changed how you looked at life.
2. Where are you called to bring the light of Christ?
3. Describe a time when you had to get back to business after an exciting time. What helped you to retain some of the enthusiasm you felt?

Family and children’s question

How do you plan to listen for God this Lent?

Florence & Anthony Donato; Joanna Dove;
Katherine Drechsler; William Driscoll; Thomas Duffy;
Jason Elias; Leona Esposito; Lorenzo Fernandes; Roma
Fierro; Michael Filaseta; Barbara Foberg;
Fernando Francisco; Conrad Gangone; Tom Gernon;
Mary Happe; Joseph Hauk; William Heidenreich;
Penny Henrich; Aaron Hilf; Ann & Anthony Iovino;
Laura Jennings; Claire Keating; Elaine Kleinstauber;
Henry Kwiecinski; Lorraine Mango-Follini;
Nicole Mango-Follini; Jean Marsala-Kieffner;
Tadeusz Kostrzewa; Cody McGill; Marge McGowan;
Cathleen McQuade; Teri Miliano; Stella Minecci;
Vicki Nelson; toddler Lila Nitsch; Sally O'Connor;
Pat Owens; Leona Papareto; George Pazolt;
Albert Pastore; Joseph Peter; Connie Polik;
Fred Polick; Peggy Place; Bill Radcliffe; Cecilia Rantz;
Connie Polik; Fred Polik; Marie Reddy; Joel Rivera;
Sally Rolfe; Carlos Sanchez; Ben Savage; Denise Siele;
Walter Seidel; Ray & Kathy; Aileen Soler;
Jennifer Spears; Jan Stahura; Ted Stahura;
Tom Stahura; Oscar Steadman; Richard Stout;
Nancy Sturnialo; Chase Turano; Andrew J. Valentine;
Andrew M. Valentine; Grace Von Ancken;
Ellen-Jane Vinson; Mikki Wilbert; Linda Wilkonski;
Thuy Wilmott; Eileen Zappia

*(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

George Culbert; Maryann Che; Leo Vannoni; our
deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and
women.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Jim got into a bus and found himself sitting next to a young man who was looking shabby and homeless. He was wearing only one shoe.

"You've evidently lost a shoe, son" said Jim.

"No, man" came the reply. "I found one." The moral of the story is this: what is evident to someone does not mean it is the truth.

In the Gospel today, the tempter (Satan) proposes to Jesus what he must evidently do after fasting for forty days. It is evident that Jesus needs to eat, and he does have the power to change stone into bread. But, though it is evident, it is not the whole truth. Using his power just

to appease his hunger is to reduce himself to bodily hunger. But it was more evident to Jesus that there is another hunger for God in him, which is a result from the spiritual exercise of fasting for 40 days. That is why he replies to the tempter 'One does not live by bread alone but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.'

Life does not comprise of appeasing bodily hunger alone. Life has a deep spiritual hunger too. We are not just a physical body. We are created after God's image. We carry within us something precious of God. Lent is the time we are called to experience that Godly precious thing in us.

All Lenten exercises such as, fasting, praying, giving alms, abstaining from meat on Fridays, Stations of the Cross, the Lenten Mission in April, attending mass etc. are all spiritual moments when we avail ourselves to experience this Godly precious thing in us. Let Lent serve as a wake-up call to a spiritual experience of the Godly identity in us.

The Stations of the Cross is prayed every Friday at 7:00 pm for different intentions. This Friday, March 14 we pray for those looking for employment and struggling to make ends meet, for those who live in debt and for those who suffer because of jobs without any benefits. On Friday, April 11th we will have a soup supper at 6:00pm followed by Stations of the Cross.

One of our special Lenten spiritual exercise is the Lenten Mission on the weekend of April 4-5. Please see the flyer in this bulletin.

Please remember that this Tuesday, March 11th after the 9:00am mass and on **Thursday, March 13th** at 7:00pm, we will gather for the study of Pope Francis's letter, 'Joy of the Gospel' hosted by the ministry of Justice and Peace.

Every Lent our parish does a Lenten project of helping the poor by our financial contribution. This year I request our parish to help my home diocese in Coimbatore, India. Last September when I spent my vacation with my mom in India, I had the opportunity to visit the Cathedral parish where I was ordained a priest and where I served as an associate for two years. The township ordered the cathedral church built by French missionaries 150 years ago to be pulled down as the building was no longer safe. The congregation had to worship in a tent which held 300 people while the rest had to stand outside the tent throughout the entire mass. The parishioners along with their pastor and bishop have requested our help to build the new church. You can view some pictures in the Narthex of the present tent-church and people at work. I felt that as my home diocese is generous to share me, their priest, for our spiritual needs here, we can share with them a little of what we can afford as a sign of our generosity towards them. Please

consider this Lenten Project. I request you my people here to help the people in India who continue as well to be my people since 1982. I will fill you in with various other details about this project in forthcoming bulletins.

There is parking for disabled persons by the curb near the front entrance of the church. Please restrict parking to the designated places only. Please do not park cars in the undesignated places by the other curb near the front entrance. Since last week I have been leaving gentle reminder notes on cars that continue to be parked in the undesignated areas not to do so. Please consider the safety and convenient flow of traffic.

Our Parish High School Youth ministry hosted a fantastic family oriented Mardi Gras Breakfast after every mass last Sunday, March 2nd. Congrats and thanks to all those who helped cook and serve breakfast. Thanks to all the mentors of the youth ministry for organizing the whole event with the youth group from its planning to its end. Thank you for an excellent job of clean-up.

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

	<u>This Weekend</u> (March 8/9)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (March 15/16)
<u>Saturday</u> 5:00pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
<u>Sunday</u> 8:00am	Fr. Antony	Fr. John Rufus
9:15am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
10:45am	Fr. John Rufus	Fr. Racos
12:15pm	Fr. Dahlke	Fr. Antony

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony

YOUNG AT HEART

Our St. Patrick's Day Luncheon is on **Friday, March 21, 2014** at 1 p.m. The cost will be \$13 per person.

Smithtown High School Musical—All seniors of St. Thomas More Parish including Young At Heart are invited to a free musical (Carousel) at Smithtown High School East on Wednesday, March 12, at 3pm. No tickets required. For directions, please call 382-2000.

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.

Easter is Approaching!!!



Although it seems impossibly far away (with all the snow on the ground), Easter is actually not that far away! Therefore, we need to start thinking about traditional Easter items; the food that we donate for the food baskets we make up, and of course, the Easter baskets for the children of our clients! We need hams, potatoes, sweet potatoes, vegetables, fruit, desserts, and anything else you might include in an Easter dinner... additionally, we are starting our collection of Easter baskets, so if you want to start bringing them in, we will be accepting them with open arms!

Companion Needed Three Days/Week!

A companion is needed for a Senior Lady, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, from 10:30 – 2:30. You will need to serve lunch, play cards, chat, etc. Call 348-7533.

A Family in Need

There is a family in our parish who desperately needs diapers, size 6, for a little girl afflicted with cerebral palsy. No Huggies brand, as she is allergic to it. Please bring the diapers directly to Outreach, Monday through Thursday, from 10:00 – 2:00.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

David Chester
Carl F. Greiner
Scott Lovelock
Mustakas
Justin Schneider
Christopher Day
Thomas Nichols
Kaitlyn Nachtman
David W. Cussen
Michael Fensterer
Jesse Bernstein
Adam J. Cussen
Ryan Smith
Ethan Bernstein

John Chester
Michael White
Christopher
William Gregory
Jason Doyle
John Karies
John Nachtman, Jr.
Adam Papaizai
Michael Poist
Michael Polanski
Kyle Rathje
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.

Catholics for Freedom of Religion:



"Freedom of conscience is a sacred gift from God, not a grant from the state. No government has the right to compel its citizens to violate their conscience. The HHS rules trample on our most cherished freedoms and set a dangerous precedent." (Galen Carey, National Association for Evangelicals) This mandate dictates how much of their religious beliefs millions of Americans will be allowed to follow and how much of their Hippocratic Oath doctors will be allowed to follow.

Please join us for a special presentation by Dr. John Hassett, MD, on the "Affordable Care Act & the Complete Lives System":

Date: Thursday, March 20, 2014

Time: 7-9PM

Place: St. Thomas More RC Church,
Meeting Room

CALENDAR CLUB 2014

Here are the winners: March 2 to 8, 2014
CONGRATULATIONS!

March 2— Sun. \$50 #610—James & Joan Murphy
March 3—Mon. \$25 #168—Evelyn Kinney
March 4—Tues. \$25 #599—Arlene Mellina
March 5—Wed. \$25 #814—James P. McGuire
March 6—Thurs. \$25 # 48—Phyllis Sivori
March 7—Fri. \$25 #753—Elizabeth Murphy
March 8—Sat.. \$25 #307—Ann & Lou Anatrella

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, April 1, 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.



SAVE THE DATE: MAY 16, 2014

MILITARY BRIDGE IS COMING ...

ITS' BACK!!!! GOLF-GOLF-GOLF
SAVE THE DATE!!

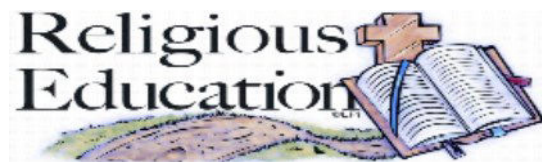
FSM-STM GOLF OUTING: JULY 21, 2014

NEW VENUE--NEW FORMAT -- DETAILS TO FOLLOW



We Need a Few GOOD People —If you would like to be part of this year's Golf Outing Committee please contact:

Al Weidig 724-2462



We are pleased to be offering a Lenten program for Kindergarteners and for those who will be attending Kindergarten next year. The six sessions will take place during the 9:15 mass on March 9, 16, 23, 30, April 6 and 13. Children will be escorted by the teachers to the classroom in Walden Hall after the homily and parents will pick them up after mass. The program is free, but we ask that you register your child by calling the Religious Education office (234- 0397) or by emailing Pat Chapin at Pchapin@optonline.net by March 4.



K of C KORNER

Knights of Columbus Council 6062 is proud to announce the new name of the Council. We now will be known as St. Thomas More-Monsignor Francis S. Midura Council 6062. Like all of you, we pray for the soul of our late Chaplain "The PADRE" and will keep his memory alive in

this name change.

In this vein, we, along with the Parish, have been graced by Father Frank's very able replacement, Father Antony, our Chaplain who attended our most recent meeting and thanked the Knights for their support and acts of charity over the last few months. Father also encouraged the Council to participate in one or more of the wide ranging events during Lent. Each of us should avail ourselves of these opportunities to improve our spiritual life and strengthen our faith.

The Knights will be conducting a recruitment drive the weekend of March 15-16. The only requirement is that you must be a practicing Catholic male over 18 years old. Please consider membership in the largest and world-wide Fraternal Order of Catholic Gentlemen. The Order offers a multiplicity of programs that are an excellent way to sustain your own relationship with God and our Holy Church.

Congratulations and thanks to Brother Andrew Black for being appointed as Public Affairs & Publicity Coordinator for the Council.

MANY THANKS to all those who contributed coats, gloves, scarves, etc. Nearly 150 articles of clothing were put to good use in several communities surrounding our Parish.

Another big thanks to Jared, manager of the Hauppauge Waldbaum's, that will once again support a pre-Easter Food Drive with the K of C. Date & time will be announced shortly. Please look for us, especially PGK Steve Paduano !!!

Upcoming Events: Now that we have a great kitchen, PGK Ed Rogan will restore the Council's traditional St. Patrick's Day Dinner on March 22 for Brother Knights, their spouses, the Columbiettes and their spouses.

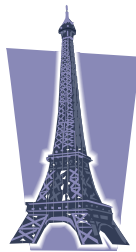
Blood Drive: May 22, 2014 — 3pm—8:30pm.



**Journey to London/Paris
SCHEDULED FOR
OCTOBER 23-30 2014**

(Walk in the footsteps of Saint Thomas More while in London and visit the sites of medieval catholic architecture and art in Paris at Notre Dame and the Louvre Museum)

Call PAT CHAPIN
For registration forms and brochure
631-234-0397



CONGRATULATIONS and THANK YOU

Our 8th Grade Confirmation Class had a Valentine Bake Sale and raised \$1,476.75 for "Free the Children" organization.

**St Vincent de Paul Conference
St Thomas More SVdP Conference**

What we do: The St Thomas More SVdP Conference helps relieve some of the burden put on Outreach. When the demand on Outreach goes beyond food and daily necessities, Outreach calls us. We contact the client and arrange to meet with them in their home. We help by paying bills, networking, finding jobs & temporary housing, providing clothes and necessary furniture.

What you can do: Support the conference. *All* of all your donations are used to help those in our community...your donations stay right here!

Although we have a close relationship with Outreach and we work hand in hand, our funds are separate from Outreach and require your support.

Donations can be made as follows:

Checks: SVdP St Thomas More Conference

Cash: an envelope that says SVdP. Leave at the rectory

Become a Vincentian. The only requirement is to have a desire to help. Together, as a conference, we offer the many skills and resources that enable us to assist those in our community.

For more information, please call 234-3149

MINISTRY MATTERS STEWARDSHIP AT ST THOMAS MORE

No introduction is needed here – this ministry is a true example of Stewardship

Family Liturgy Ministry

My name is Theresa Recce and I am a member of the Family Liturgy Ministry here at St. Thomas More. Ever since I was a child I have felt that my parish was a second home to me. When I moved to Hauppauge in 1992 and was blessed with my own family, I wanted my children to grow up with the same gift of their parish being more than just a church.

The Family Liturgy Ministry is a group whose main goal is to bring families of all ages together by planning, supplementing and assisting in activities during the 9:15 Family Mass and beyond. Our goal is to make sure that everyone feels welcome, everyone feels loved, and that there is a place for each and every person at St. Thomas More! I have been told by countless numbers of people over the years that St. Thomas More has something very special that they rarely see in other parishes.

Each year on Pentecost Sunday, the Family Liturgy Committee ties red balloons with a dove (the sign of the Holy Spirit) to cars at every mass to signify how we are all disciples of Christ and willing to share and spread the good news. We also organize a depiction of the birth of Jesus at the Christmas Eve family masses with the help of the children of our parish. During the reading of the gospel we encounter our little angels and shepherds and Mary and Joseph acting out what is being proclaimed.

Over the years, we have also added special touches to our family mass by handing out carnations on Mother's Day and a special gift on Father's Day as well as incorporating an extra prayer for all mothers and fathers on those days. **Everyone has a special gift** to share and my hope for the future of the Family Liturgy Ministry is to continue the mission of St. Thomas More... "sharing the spirit of love". I have seen my children grow and embrace the opportunity to share their gifts and talents with our "other" family. **Our team welcomes and encourages all new members to carry on our ministry.**

We meet a couple of times a year to "brainstorm" – review what works and develop new ideas. We would love your ideas and assistance to help carry out new and exciting family activities that will bring everyone together in Jesus' name. Feel free to contact me at tgr02@optonline.net

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:

March 10, 2014—Proof of Heaven by *Eben Alexander*

Facilitator: Barbara Fratamico

April 14, 2014—The Secret Daughter

by *Shilpi Gowda*—Facilitator: Joan Shea

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: johndao@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—March 16

Hospitality Sunday

8am—Youth Ministry Box City Homeless Awareness Night

10:45pm—Anointing-Healing Mass

12:15pm—RCIA—Church/Meeting Room

Monday—March 17

8:40am—Morning Prayers—Church

7pm—No Youth Ministry—Retreat Planning Meeting

7:30pm—Justice & Peace—The Joy of the Gospel

Tuesday—March 18

8:40am—Morning Prayers—Church

9:45am—Justice & Peace—The Joy of the Gospel

Wednesday—March 19

8:40am—Morning Prayers—Church

7:30pm—Knights of Columbus—Walden Hall

Thursday—March 20

8:40am—Morning Prayers—Church

5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

7:30pm—Choir—Church

7pm—Justice & Peace—The Joy of the Gospel—Meeting Room

Friday—March 21

8:40am—Morning Prayers—Church
12:10pm—Lenten Friday Mass—Church
7pm—Stations of the Cross—Church

Saturday—March 22

8:40am—Morning Prayers—Church
5pm—RCIA—Church/Meeting Room

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

St. Catherine of Siena Medical Center and Long Island Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence—Free Community Narcan Training—March 19, 2014—6-7:30 pm—Lower Level Recreation Room—St. Catherine Nursing & Rehab. Center, 52 Route 25A, Smithtown. For info/registration please call 870-3444. Space is limited.

Bereavement Conference—March 22—Kellenberg Memorial High School, Uniondale/ Keynote address: *The Human Process of Grief: A Journey of Healing, a Journey of Faith* given by Bishop Nelson Perez. For info visit <http://www.drvc-faith.org/bereavement> or call (516) 334-7990, ext. 119 or 120.

Widowed, Divorced & Single Catholics of Long Island—Meeting March 25, at 8pm—St. Frances de Chantal School, 1309 Wantagh Ave., Wantagh—Please bring proof of single status to join. Refreshments after meeting. For info call Carol (516) 794-4933 or Eileen (516) 661-4353

(Second Notice)

St. Patrick's Dance Special * FREE ADMISSION
St. Sylvester's Community Social and Dance, Live 18 piece orchestra with vocals. **March 8, 2014**, St. Sylvester's Parish Center, 68 Ohio Ave., Medford, NY. Beverages and snacks served. Visit www.goodolddanceband.com or call (631) 730-3333.

Homecoming Farm, a Sponsored Ministry of the Sisters of St. Dominic, Amityville—*Spring Awakening: Petroleum, Poetry, and Peace: The Exploration for Ecological Hope, Economic Justice and a Sense of Peace.* **March 22**, 9:30 am—3 pm, in Helen Butler Hall, Dominican Village, 565 Albany Ave., Amityville, NY. **\$20 includes lunch.** Visit: www.homecomingearth.org or call Sr. Jeanne Clark at (631) 842-6000 x 338.

Friends of the Seminary Lenten Day—Fr. Adrian McHugh will present a Day of Prayer, at the Seminary of Immaculate Conception, 440 West Neck Road, St.

the Immaculate Conception, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, on Sunday, March 23, 2014, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The theme will be “You shall be my witnesses”. Program includes conferences, lunch, opportunity for confession, and Mass. Donation - \$25. Sponsored by Friends of the Seminary. Reservations required: 631.423.0483x102, or bmalone@icseminary.edu.

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—April 1 through May 6, 2:30—3:30 pm.

To register, call Gertrude Frein at 757-2103.

Pilgrimage to Classic Italy (Rome, Assisi, Florence, Venice) with Fr. Mickey Bancroft—Sept. 22 to Oct. 1, 2014—\$4,399 from NY. For information visit www.pilgrimages.com/frmickey.

Catholic Cruise to the Caribbean—7-night cruise—Nov. 29 to Dec. 6, 2014 on Holland America Statendam out of Miami, Florida. Ports of Call: Philipsburg, St. Maarten, Netherlands Antilles; St. Thomas, USVI; Nassau, Bahamas; Miami, Florida. Prices begin at \$1490 for two passengers –includes all port fees & taxes. Daily Mass offered. Deposits of \$250 will reserve your cabin. For info or to register, contact Doug or Eileen at 860-3999-1785 or Doug@CatholicCruisesandTours.com

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of **March 2, 2014** **\$8,660.00**

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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.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Ryan Timothy Maloney St. Thomas More, Hauppauge &
Kathryn Marie Dixon



ST. THOMAS MORE FEAST WEEKEND JUNE 21—22, 2014

If you are able to help with the dinner on Saturday night or the Pancake Breakfast on Sunday morning, please call the Rectory, 234-5551. Thank-you



Feeding the hungry

When: beginning March 9 after the 12:15 Mass.
Where: Walden Hall (White Room)
What you need to bring: A jar of peanut butter, a jar of jelly, a loaf of bread and sandwich bags.
To sign up: Contact Theresa at lunds@optonline.net. Be sure to include your phone number in the email so Theresa can contact you.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 343 (HAUPPAUGE 45th Anniversary

Spread the word! Boy Scout Troop 343 is pleased to announce the celebration of their 45th Anniversary! We will be gathering on Sunday, March 23, 2014 from 3pm—6pm for an afternoon of fun and memories at Troop 343's sponsoring organization, St. Thomas More R.C. Church on 115 Kings Highway in Hauppauge. **(Please note change of date to Sunday March 23)**. We extend an invitation to you and your family to join in this celebration. There will be time to meet with old friends and acquaintances, learn about the latest troop activities and share your remembrances of times past.

The dinner will be catered by Mama Angelina's and will be served by current Troop 343 scouts. The cost is \$10 per person (no charge for past scouts and leaders).

We are looking forward to a great evening celebration and look forward to seeing many familiar friends of Troop 343. **Please RSVP by Friday, March 14th** to drpamlinden@gmail.com or at 631-806-7152.

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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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)

E-MAIL & ADDRESSES

Rectory –rectory@stmli.org
 Youth Ministry Website—www.stthomasmoreyouth.org
 Pat Chapin - Pchapin@optonline.net
 Mary Ellen Carroll - Mecarroll@optonline.net
 Outreach - Stmoutreach@optonline.net
 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.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2014

Our Parish Goal	\$68,200
Pledges to date	\$14,570

Percentage of Goal = 21.36%

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: _____

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.

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.

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

Drivers for Charters—and Field Trips. PT—2 or 3 days a week a.m. or p.m. Top dollar salaries.

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

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.

L.I. Agency—FT/PT to work with autism population—HS or GEC—valid NYS drivers license— good benefits.

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.