

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.

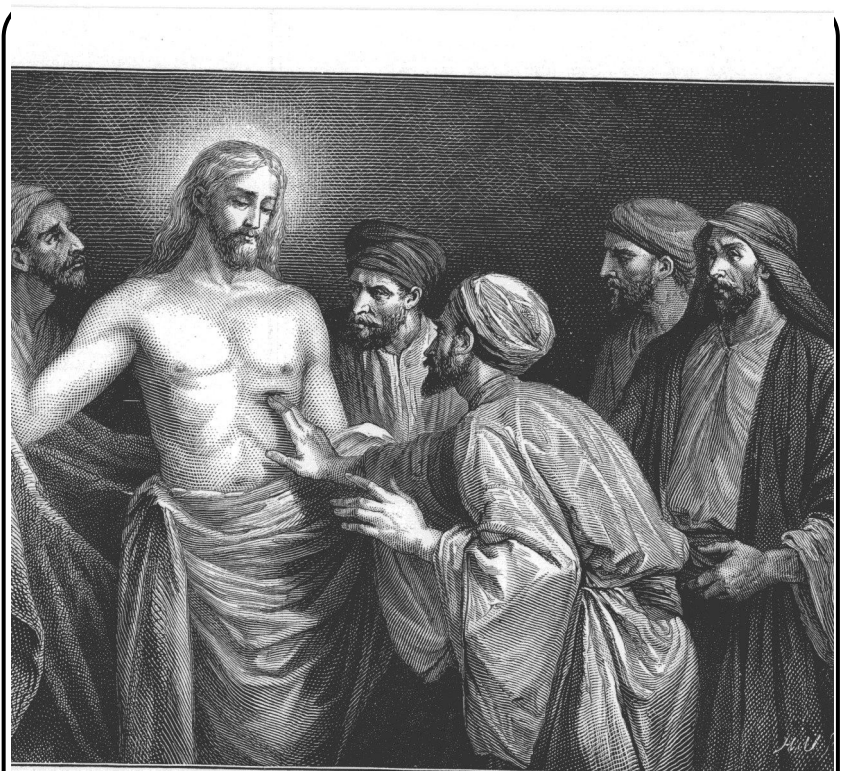
**MARRIAGE**—As soon as a couple decides to  
marry, and BEFORE making any other arrange-  
ments, call the Church Office to schedule an  
appointment with one of the deacons.

**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.



DOUBTING THOMAS ANSWERED.

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**April 27, 2014**  
**Second Sunday of Easter**  
**(Sunday of Divine Mercy)**

**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	

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Masses for this coming week</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Growing through the Sunday Scriptures</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"> <b>April 27, 2014</b>  <b>Second Sunday of Easter</b>  <b>Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47</b>  <b>Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24</b>  <b>1 Peter 1:3-9</b>  <b>John 20:19-31</b> </p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> <b>May 4, 2014</b>  <b>Third Sunday of Easter</b>  <b>Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 22-23</b>  <b>Psalm 16:102, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11</b>  <b>1 Peter 1:17-21</b>  <b>Luke 24:13-35</b> </p>

**Saturday—April 26**

*(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm—Victoria Mirro *by the Paino Family*

**Sunday—April 27—Second Sunday of Sunday—  
(Sunday of Divine Mercy)**

8am—Herbert Minet *by Eleanor Minet*

9:15am—Daniel Barry *by Antoinette (Toni) Hutchison;*

Magdalen Connolly *by the family;* Joe Gambino *by*

*Anthony & Cookie Sparacino;* Cecilia Gillen *by*

*Deacon Ed & Laura Vigneaux;* Phyllis Morrow *by*

*Sylvia Graf;* Gerald Parr *by the Cercone family;*

John Russel *by Deacon Ed & Laura Vigneaux;*

Michele & Antonia Savino *by Anna Savino;*

Frances Simonetti *by Maryann Bonis;* Michael Tirino *by*

*Adeline & Chris;* Jim Vanartskalen *by Rob & Jill*

*Barnett*

10:45am—Robert McKeon *by Kieko McKeon*

12:15pm—Robert F. Covino *by Geraldine Covino*

**Monday—April 28—St. Peter Chanel; St. Louis  
Grignon de Montfort**

9am—Cecilia Gillen *by Ross & Marie Bracco*

**Tuesday—April 29—St. Catherine of Siena**

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

**Wednesday—April 30—St. Pius V**

9am—Raymond McDermott *by*

*Mr. & Mrs. Thomas McDermott*

**Thursday—May 1—St. Joseph the Worker**

9am—Cecilia Gillen *by Lou & Emilia Savarese*

**Friday—May 2—St. Athanasius**

9am—Mary Russo *by Linda & Richard Marinello*

**Saturday—May 3—Saints Philip and James**

9am—Donna Feicco *by Marilyn & Joe Amodio*

*(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm—Vito Onorato *by Marcia & Jack Gaudet*

**Sunday—May 4—Third Sunday of Sunday—**

8am—Susan Gaffney *by Anita & John Fleming*

9:15am—Emma Finley *by Ann Campasano*

10:45am—Marie Macina—First Anniversary *by*

*Nancy & Raymond Regan*

12:15pm—Kenneth Balling *by Rosemary Balling*

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

That very day, the first day of the week, two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped, looking downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have taken place there in these days?" And he replied to them, "What sort of things?" They said to him, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a sentence of death and crucified him. But we were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel; and besides all this, it is now the third day since this took place. Some women from our group, however, have astounded us: they were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body; they came back and reported that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who announced that he was alive. Then some of those with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women had described, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures. As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?" So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the

way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of bread.

**Focus Questions:**

1. Describe a time when your eyes were opened so that you recognized Jesus in your life.
2. Relate a time when you encountered Jesus in a place you did not expect.
3. Name a person who was with you on a difficult road. How did that person help you?

**Family and children's question**

Describe a meal that you shared with family and friends.

## PRAY FOR THE SICK



Edward Borowski; Charles Boston;  
Cathleen Buchanan; Fred Busse;  
Linda Sue Cappisillo; Jamie Castro-Mango;  
Cecelia Cellucci; John M. Clancy;  
Maria Connolly; Tom Devine; Robert Diehl;  
Sal DiSalvo; Thomas Duffy;

Lorraine Follini Mango; Tom Gernon;  
Gloria Maria Harmel; Mary Happe; Joseph Hauk;  
Ann Iovino & son Anthony; Elaine Kleinstaubert;  
Henry Kwiecinski; Ann LoCastro; Jerome Lukas;  
Thurman (Buddy) Marshall; Cody McGill; Ian McGill;  
Marge McGowen; Teri Miliano; Thomas Mooney;  
Victoria Nelson; Joseph Peter; Jason Pilgrim;  
Pat Porter; Baby Rylan Rolston; Carlos Sanchez;  
Ryan Soltis; Chase Turano; Andrew J. Valentine;  
Andrew M. Valentine; Janet Weil; Mikki Wilbert;  
Linda Wilkonski

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

## PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Joseph Anthony Grillo; Mary Gari; William H. Fortcher, Jr.; Virgil L. Malatesta; our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

## FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

**The city editor had just been informed that a wire had fallen across Main Street in a storm. He assigned**

two reporters to the story. "No one knows whether the wire is live or not," he said, "so one of you is to touch it, and the other is to write the story." We know what will happen if one touches the live wire.

**Today's Gospel is the story of doubting Thomas.** The Risen and Living Jesus appeared to the disciples but Thomas was not there. When the disciples told him of this on his return, Thomas was not ready to believe their story; he wanted to touch the Risen Jesus to believe that He is alive.

Later when Jesus actually appeared and invited Thomas to touch Him, Thomas did not attempt to even do so but surrendered to the live presence of Jesus crying 'My Lord and my God'.

**What is needed is not proof but faith to experience the presence of Jesus.** Proofs can establish a fact but only faith will enable one to feel, relate, communicate and love. Jesus appears primarily to relate with us, not merely to prove his presence. **Life is more an experience of oneself and the other in faith and love** than a bare fact established by proofs and evidence. Touching (physical proofs) cannot make any one believe in the other. But believing can certainly lead us to touch the other in love.

**This weekend ... children of our parish celebrate their First Holy Communion.** They are going to touch Jesus by believing and receiving the Eucharist in the form of Bread and Wine. In our children we are invited to renew our faith – our believing – in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharistic bread and wine. Every time we gather to celebrate Mass we renew our belief in Jesus by remembering the Last Supper when He offered His presence in the Eucharist in the form of Bread and Wine.

**Spring Flower sale is on.** The Order form is found in today's bulletin. You can order your flowers until April 28 and pick up on the weekend of May 16-17.

**You can get your tickets for Military Bridge and Night at the Races** in the Narthex. They are fun-filled ways of fundraising for parish. Please support these events.

**Please mark your calendar for the volunteer appreciation party** on Friday May 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. It is a dinner and dance evening for all the volunteers. The dinner is free; but please ensure your place with a check for \$20 which will be returned to you when you show up for the dinner. A cordial welcome to all volunteers for the appreciation party.

**I am flying to Erode, India on 4/28 to visit my mom and to baptize** my niece's baby girl, Michelle Mystica and I shall be back on 5/16. My older brother Francis is the grandfather of Michelle. I, as his younger brother is called in my language as 'Chinna Thatha', meaning 'small Grand Father' ..oops... I have grown another generation older, joining the generation of all the 'grands'.

**Thanks a million for your generosity in supporting the Lenten Project .** We made \$ 8948 towards building St. Michael's Cathedral in my home diocese of Coimbatore, India where I was ordained as priest and served as associate pastor for two years. I will take with me the check of \$ 8948 on behalf of the St. Thomas More parish family and present it to the Bishop and the Pastor of the Cathedral. I thank you all from my heart and appreciate your generosity.

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

	<u>This Weekend</u> (April 26/27)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (May 3/4)
<u>Saturday</u>		
5:00pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. John Rufus
<u>Sunday</u>		
8:00am	Fr. Dahlke	Msgr. Boccafola
9:15am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Bala
10:45am	Fr. John Rufus	Fr. John Rufus
12:15pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Dahlke

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony

## **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.*

## **Once Again, "Thank You"!!!!**

Once again, you, meaning the parishioners of St. Thomas More, have enabled our clients to have a brighter Easter than they otherwise might have had. Once again, you have come through for us, when you might have just thought "someone else will do it", and made people's Easter something special. Please know that there is gratitude for all that you do. One example of this outpouring of generosity is the family who came in with a dozen baskets, hand made, complete with cards made by the children. Need we say more?



Spring is Here!!!!

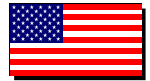
On Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, the Town of Islip will be celebrating the Earth Day Festival with vendors, entertainment, live music and exhibits. (rain date Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>). For details call (631) 595-3630.

## **Essential Transportation Program from the Town of Islip**

*Transportation services are provided for Islip Seniors who have no access to private or public transportation and cannot afford taxi fare. This program provides transportation to our senior centers, medical and health care facilities, government services and food shopping within the Town of Islip. Please call two weeks before service is needed. A voluntary fee of \$2.00 is suggested. For further information please call (631)-224-5686.*

## **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 | Michael Poist        |
| Jesse Bernstein   | Michael Polanski     |
| Adam J. Cussen    | Kyle Rathje          |
| Ryan Smith        | William R. Rathje    |
| Ethan Bernstein   | Timothy Fallon       |
| Philip Guidone    | Robert Murtha        |



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:**

Among the ruins of Superstorm Sandy, the second-costliest in U.S. history, were many churches and houses of worship. Federal funds were allocated to help communities rebuild, but FEMA refused to allow any funds to repair houses of worship. In response, the U.S. House of Representatives voted overwhelmingly to end FEMA's religious discrimination. The bill stalled in the Senate and the churches have been denied any assistance.

(3/21/13, [www.breitbart.com](http://www.breitbart.com))



"The liberties of our country, the freedoms of our civil Constitution, are worth defending at all hazards; it is our duty to defend them against all attacks. We have received them as a fair inheritance from our worthy Ancestors ...It will bring a mark of everlasting infamy on the present generation ...to be cheated out of them by the artifices of false and designing men." (Samuel Adams, 1771, The Boston Gazette)

Today, on Divine Mercy Sunday, we are reminded of Jesus' words to St. Faustina,

*Write: before I come as a just judge, I first open wide the door of My mercy. He who refuses to pass through the door of my mercy must pass through the door of My justice...*(St. Faustina's Diary, paragraph 1146)

## **RESPECT LIFE NEWS**

**ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
**HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, May 6, 2014, 7—8 pm.**

### **PRO LIFE**

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



**St. Thomas More-  
Monsignor Francis S. Midura  
Council 6062**

**SPRING FLOWER SALE:** Order forms for flowers are in the Bulletin. PICK UP will be after Masses on May 17-18; 2014

**BLOOD DRIVES:** May 22 Thursday 3-8:30PM  
Save the date for the next Drive Sept.16.

## **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**

## **NEW WEBSITE—ST. THOMAS MORE**

Did you know that St. Thomas More has a website? We've had one in various forms since 1996, but we have found that many parishioners don't always make use of it. Recently the STM Pastoral Council has been discussing social media and the Internet at length. Like most communities, we have a growing population of persons who use several types of electronic media to stay in touch with information and keep their lives organized. In order to more effectively communicate parish information, we will be making more use of Facebook and Twitter. We have also relaunched our website with a brand new design.

We even have a much easier to remember web address now: [stmli.org](http://stmli.org) (that stands for "St. Thomas More, Long Island").

The website can be viewed not only on your computer, but on a smartphone or tablet as well. You will be able to link to our parish Facebook page and get connected to the Facebook and Twitter accounts of our Religious

### Education program and our Youth Program.

We will have contributed articles and postings from several areas of the parish, including some of our ministries, and will have a calendar of events covering both regular events as well as the special ones that take place during seasons such as Lent and Advent. There will be several other features added to site in the coming weeks. For now, make sure you check out the new site by going to [stmli.org](http://stmli.org) and bookmark it for future use.

### **CALENDAR CLUB 2014**

Here are the winners: April 27 to May 3, 2014  
CONGRATULATIONS!

April	27—Sun.	\$200 #605—Barbara Schriefer
April	28—Mon.	\$25 #390—John & Jayne Limandri
April	29—Tues.	\$25 #492—Margaret Turner
April	30—Wed.	\$25 #789—Elena & Ernie LaFontaine
May	1—Thurs.	\$25 #112—John & Mary Fitzgerald
May	2—Fri.	\$25 #908—Warren & Carole Holtje
May	3—Sat.	\$25 #300—James Cussen

### **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.



Jennifer Mooney & Brian Milleison  
Valerie Taylor & Russell Andreasi  
Danielle Kirklava & Stephen Matteo  
Nicole Ferraro & Manuel Cancel  
Dana Castaldo & Dennis Ryan  
Vanessa Batista & Michael Jenosa

## **MINISTRY MATTERS AT ST THOMAS MORE**

*This Ministry offers a unique and compassionate opportunity to those who seek the Lord's help in healing and adjusting to the loss they have experienced –*

### **BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY**

When a loved one dies, we are deeply hurt and wounded. Knowing the stages of grief will not lessen the heartache experienced by this loss, but it may help the healing to begin.

The Bereavement Ministry meets about twice a year to offer the grieving an opportunity to share their feelings in a caring and compassionate group setting. The group is open to all adults who are mourning the loss of a loved one. The group is run by a trained facilitator, offering general information about the bereavement process, validation of the individuality of each person's journey through it, and a safe environment in which to share feelings with others who will understand.

Grief, like a deep wound, takes time to heal. There is no right way or wrong way – or timeline for healing. We are each uniquely created by God, and we each cope with our loss and find healing in our own unique ways and time.

If you have an interest in joining our group the next time we meet, please leave your name at the Rectory and we will contact you. If you would like more information or would like to volunteer to help, please contact me –

**LAURA VIGNEAUX – 234-6719**

## YOUNG AT HEART

April 23, 2014—Hauppauge HS Senior Dinner & Bands  
— Free ( 6PM)



## 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:

**May 12, 2014—Someone:** novel by

Alice McDermott—Facilitator: Marilyn Miller

**June 9, 2014—Beautiful Ruins** by Jess Walter—

Facilitator: Barbara Trimarco

## 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—April 27**

7:30pm—Bible Study—Meeting Room

**Monday—April 28**

9:45am—Bible Study—Meeting Room

7pm—Youth Ministry—Walden Hall/Meeting Room

**Tuesday—April 29**

7pm—Golf Outing Committee—Rectory

**Thursday—May 1**

5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

7pm—Healing our Hearts—Rel. Education Center

7:30pm—Choir—Church

**Saturday—May 3**

7pm—Columbiettes Night at the Races—Walden Hall

**Sunday—May 4**

**St. Thomas More Youth Group Fundraiser Breakfast**  
after all Masses—Walden Hall

7:30pm—Bible Study—Meeting Room

## COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

**St. Anthony's High School Franciscan Brothers—Spring Concert of Instrumental & Choral Music—May 9 & 10—**

7:30pm—Auditorium—Donation \$10

**Shrine of St. Anne's Columbiettes—Chinese Auction—7 pm;**  
May 9—Knight of Columbus Hall, 96 Second Ave., Brentwood.  
\$5 admission includes 25 free tickets, first cup of coffee & cake.  
For more info call Jeanne 273-4863.

**Our Lady of Fatima Day—Shrine of Our Lady of the Island—**  
Manorville, NY—10am: Stations of the Cross; 11am: Rosary;  
11:30am—Holy Mass; 12:30pm: Lunch Break; 1:30pm: Movie  
“The Triumph”. For info call 325-0661,

(Second Notice)

**Molloy College—1000 Hempstead Ave., Rockville Centre—**  
**Spring Open House—April 27, 1pm.** Telephone: 516-323-4000.

**Faith & Light Meeting—May, 2 at 7pm.** Parish of the Holy  
Cross, 95 Old Nichols Rd., Nesconset. (Faith & Light is an  
international faith sharing organization for people with  
developmental challenges, their families and caregivers).

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church—800 Portion Rd., Lake**  
**Ronkonkoma—Gala Spring Chinese Auction—May 4th—Over**  
100 New Prizes; 50/50 Lottery Tree. Admission \$10 includes 25  
tickets & Coffee & cake. Doors open 1:45pm. Auction begins 3pm.

**Marianist Family Retreat Center—417 Yale Ave., Cape May**  
**Point, NJ—Mother & (Adult) Daughter Retreat—May 9-11.**  
Cost \$125 per person. For more info. call 609-884-3829 or visit  
www.capemaymarianists.org

## REMINDER:

### 2nd Annual Msgr. Francis S. Midura Memorial Golf Outing

Date: July 21, 2014

Registration Starts at 11:30 AM

Shotgun Start at 1:30 PM

Cost: \$150—Driving range, Bar-b-que

Lunch, Golf, Dinner and 2 hr. Open Bar. Giveaways,  
Raffles, and Sports Memorabilia Silent Auction.

Foursome reservations and Sign-up forms will be  
available early May.



**SAVE THE DATE !!!**

## **SUPPORT COLLECTION**

Collection of      April 20, 2014      \$30.882.00

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

**UPDATING CREDIT CARD INFORMATION**—If you get a new card or a renewal card, make sure that this information is communicated to Faith Direct.

**CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES**—If you do not receive weekly envelopes and would like them mailed to you, please use the cut out that is in the bulletin and indicate that you wish to receive them on a regular basis. Usually it takes about two weeks for your request to be completed.

### **MAINTENANCE COLLECTION**

We thank you for your support of our parish project to maintain our parish facilities. If you would like to help, please use a maintenance envelope where you obtain the bulletin.

**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](http://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 be-



### **Golden Wedding Liiturgy**

This spring, couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at liturgies on Sunday, May 4 at the Church of Maria Regina in Seaford and on Sunday, May 18 at the Church of St. Lawrence the Martyr in Sayville. Both liturgies will begin at 2:30pm.

*Couples may register for ONE liturgy.*

Registrations forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory.

Registration must be received by the Office of Worship by April 16th for the May 4th liturgy and by April 30th for the May 18th liturgy. There will be additional celebrations in the fall for those who may find that more convenient. If you have any questions you may call 516-678-5800, ext. 207.

## **Congratulations!**

Our Lady of Mercy Academy has advised us that Jillian Borghardt, Grade 10 has achieved academic excellence for the Third Quarter marking period. St. Thomas More is very proud that Lillian was on the Principal's List and wishes her continued success.



Thank you to all the fourth grade catechists and children who made this project a huge success. Your efforts raised \$401.00 and these monies will provide a very Happy Easter to local families.

### **MILITARY BRIDGE**

Tickets for Military Bridge and for Raffles for a Basket of Cheer will be sold after all Masses on:

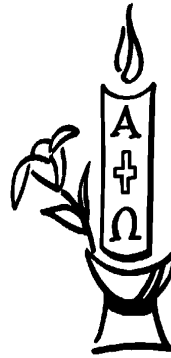
April 26 & 27 and  
May 3, 4, 10 & 11.

Cost of tickets: \$ 20 each for Military Bridge  
\$ 5 for Raffle

There will be no tickets sold at the door of the event.

### ***St. Thomas More Columbiettes News***

St. Thomas More Columbiettes are having their annual Night at the Races on May 3, 2014 at 7:00pm in St. Thomas More Church White Room (Walden Hall). The price is \$15.00 per person which includes a hero, salads, soda, wine, beer, cake and coffee. Tickets can be purchased after Mass or by calling Betty Baker at [631-348-3615](tel:631-348-3615) or Lillian Oddo at [631-724-9374](tel:631-724-9374).



### **PASCHAL CANDLE**

The Paschal Candle in the Church was donated by:

Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Fitzgerald *in memory of Patrick Quinn*

Mr. & Mrs. Steven Gabrielli *in memory of the Gabrielli & Siracusano families*

Mrs. Josephine Garvey *in memory of John Garvey*

Michael & Christine Genovese

Margaret & Thomas R. Prunty *in memory of Thomas Prunty*

Deacon John & Christine Rapacki and Family

Bianca Volpe *in memory of Thomas Aleo*

#### ***A Note from Fr. Kevin Cronin, OFM***

Fr. Cronin thanks the “good people” of St. Thomas More for the “excellent response to our Mission this past week”. He reiterated “how GREAT WAS YOUR MUSIC MINISTRY!!! A real gift to me and the Mission this week!”

The Mission collection amounted to \$4404  
Plus Tapes \$ 725  
\$5129

Thank you for your generosity.

### **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  
Altar Servers Ministry- altarservers@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](mailto:gast.joe@gmail.com) or check out the Young Ministry website at [www.stthomasmoreyouth.org](http://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](mailto:parents@holyfamilyregional.com) to schedule a tour of this parish’s regional school, or visit the School website at [www.holyfamilyregional.com](http://www.holyfamilyregional.com).

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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

Name::

Address:

Phone:

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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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### **CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2014**

**Our Parish Goal**                      \$68,200  
**Pledges to date**                      \$37,970

**Percentage of Goal**                      55.67%

## 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

**Bethpage Credit Union** - Mgrs, Loan Officers, Sales Mgrs., Head teller & P/T tellers.

**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.

**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.

**North Shore Farms—Commack**—New upscale supermarket now hiring for all depts. and times.

**P.C. Richards**— Now hiring audio installers , car alarms, remote start & more. Excellent Benefits.

Customer service skills—excellent benefits—van, mobile phone, uniforms supplied.

**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.

**Stony Brook Nurse Manager**—1) Surgical Intensive Care Unit; 2) Surgical Stgep-Down S.C. Fire Fighters Burn Center; 3) Medical Intensive Care Unit; 4) S.B. Children’s Hospital. Call Outreach for details.

**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.