



Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway
Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

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 - EUCCHARIST

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

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

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

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

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK—Call the Church Office to request visitation of the sick.

CONFIRMATION—Those who have not been confirmed should call the Parish Office to receive further information.

HOLY ORDERS—Contact the Parish Office for more information about the priesthood or diaconate.



September 14, 2014

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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:

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Religious Ed—	234-0397	FAX 234-1199
Outreach—	234-3149	FAX 234-1199
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Masses for this coming week

September 14, 2014
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Numbers 21:4b-9
Psalm 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38
Philippians 2:6-11
John 3:13-17

Saturday—September 13

Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Mickelson & Williams families *by Barbara Mickelson*

Sunday—September 14—The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8am—Nick Liberatoscioli *by his family*

9:15am—Edward Borowski *by Emilia Savarese*

10:45am—Joseph Marshall *by Ken & Judy Granville*

12:15pm—Rose Santimauro *by Robert & Madeline Sauchelli*

Monday—September 15—Our Lady of Sorrows

9am—Christopher Kaiser *by Brocco*

Tuesday—September 16—Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian

9am—Ellen Wilmott *by Gareth Wilmott*

Wednesday—September 17—St. Robert Bellarmine

9am—Marin J. Lamia *by Judy Coyle*

Thursday—September 18

9am—Dolly Muenkel *by Marian & Arthur Stevens*

Friday—September 19—St. Januarius

9am—Thomas Scully *by Bob & Barbara Plansker*

Saturday—September 20—Sts. Andrew Kim Taegon and Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions

9am—St. Thomas More Youth Ministry Adults *by Joe Gast*

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Jack Graham *by the Christianson family*

Sunday—September 21—Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am—Rose Borowski *by Paul, Kathy & Amanda Rose*

9:15am—Robert Zimmerman *by Kathryn Schook*

10:45am—Lorraine & Philip Purcell *by Charlie & Janice Bell*

12:15pm—Lawrence Keeley *by Geraldine Covino*

PRAY FOR THE SICK



James & Rita Basile; Charles Boston;
Lauren Elizabeth Burke; Fred Busse;
Thomas Buttles; Linda Sue Cappisillo;
Jamie Castro-Mango; Cecelia Cellucci;

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

September 21, 2014
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 55:6-9
Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18
Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a
Matthew 20:1-16a

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew:

Jesus told his disciples this parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. Going out about nine o’clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, ‘You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.’ So they went off. And he went out again around noon, and around three o’clock, and did likewise. Going out about five o’clock, the landowner found others standing around, and said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ They answered, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You too go into my vineyard.’ When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.’ When those who had started about five o’clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage. And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying, ‘These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day’s burden and the heat.’ He said to one of them in reply, ‘My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?’ Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Focus Questions:

1. What is your first reaction to this Gospel?
2. Describe a time when your generosity was misunderstood.
3. Relate an experience when you benefited from someone being generous to you and not merely fair.

Family and children’s question

Talk about the ways you have shown generosity to others.

Dennis Chase; John M. Clancy; Maria Connolly;
Deanna Cotsalas; E.J. Crean, Jr.; Donald Crocker;
Tom Devine; Robert Diehl; Thomas Duffy; John E.
Dunn; Ralph & Carmen Fedele; Gregory Firpo;
Sean Fitzpatrick; Barbara Foberg;
Lorraine Follini Mango; Domingo & Fernando Francisco;
Allie Frey; Tom Gernon; Felicia Grippo;
Gloria Maria Harmel; Mary Happe; Cathy Heckman;
Joseph Hauk; Ann Iovino & son Anthony; Irene Janis;
Stephanie Kane; Jeff Kennedy; Elaine Kleinstaubler;
Ann LoCastro; Lauren Lossani; Jerome Lukas; Kenneth;
Moran Leary (age 6); Jean Marsala-Kieffner;
Laura Manoussos; Thurman (Buddy) Marshall;
Mark Martine; Michael McElroy; Patricia McElroy (for
strength); Cody McGill; Ian McGill; Marge McGowen;
Terri Ilardi McKee; Teri Miliano; Stella Minecci;
Kathleen Moccia; Danielle Mollica; Thomas Mooney;
Victoria Nelson; Christine Owen; Joe P; John Panero;
Joseph Peter; Jason Pilgrim; Pat Porter;
Baby Rylan Rolston; Carlos Sanchez; Autilia Santoro;
Connie Sbrocchi; Walter Seidel; Ryan Soltis;
Thomas Stahura; David T; Chase Turano;
Andrew J. Valentine; Andrew M. Valentine;
Ellen Vinson; Louise Vitiello; Lorraine White;
Mikki Wilbert; Linda Wilkonski; Rocco Zappia;
Virginia Zarrella

*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

Edwin Allyn Young, Petrina Carty; our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

This Sunday is the Solemn Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. The cross was the instrument of a death-sentence in Jesus's time; so what is there to be exalted in a cross? To die on the cross is to die a criminal's death in shame and pain. There is nothing is to be proud of in a cross.

Surely the Cross is not something to be proud of for what it did to Jesus. It only gave Him pain, shame and death. But the Cross is to be proud of because of who hung on the Cross; Jesus the Son of God took it as an instrument to show His sacrifice

and committed love for those who believe in Him and His teaching. Jesus turned the Cross into a symbol and step to a glorified life of Resurrection. The instrument of death was turned into a symbol of love and the means of grace and life.

For ages the glory of the Cross is sung comparing the fruit of the tree in the Garden of Eden which caused sin and death, to the fruit (Jesus) of the tree (Cross) on Calvary bringing forgiveness and eternal life. Continuing with the same comparison of images, St. Paul in his letter to the Romans, says the original Adam brought slavery and death and the new Adam (Christ) brings freedom and life. (Letter to Romans 5:12-21)

On the feast of the Exaltation of the Cross, Jesus on the Cross illumines us with His grace that if we want, we can, like Him change the meaning of the Cross we bear. We can choose either to curse the cross that is imposed upon us or we can change the meaning and pain of the cross by the grace with which Jesus empowers us. Nothing can be imposed upon us unless we yield to it; likewise we can change any negative meaning of the Cross into something positive like the Resurrection by the power that Jesus shares with us in our Baptism. "If we have died with Christ (Cross) we believe that we shall also live with him." (Romans 6:5-11).

This week St. Thomas More celebrates the Beach Mass and Picnic at Otto Schubert Beach, Nissequogue, starting with Mass at noon. It is one of the socio-spiritual events of our Parish family beginning with mass followed by lunch with burgers, hot dogs, chips, and beverages. We thank all the volunteers and participants who make this event both socially and spiritually celebrative and meaningful. I am grateful to Rochelle Rouse and Pam Tarry for having spear-headed the event and for having coordinated all the activities. Thanks to all.

Our Church mourns the terrible suffering of Christians and other victims of violence, especially in the Middle East. With great concern for the ongoing crises in the Middle East, the cradle of Christianity, the Church mourns the terrible sufferings of Christians and all the victims of violence who are struggling to survive, protect their children and live with dignity in dire conditions. The Diocese of Rockville Centre has already sent more than \$150,000 to help the local Caritas organizations in Iraq and Jordan to assist in

the care of refugees. We receive regular updates from the local Church leaders and these organizations. These updates may be viewed on the diocesan website.

Our Diocese joins in this effort by asking for a Special Collection for the Middle East on the weekend of September 27-28, 2014 and by setting aside a day of prayer and fasting on October 4, 2014. Bishop Murphy has set aside Saturday, October 4, 2014, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, as a special day of fasting and prayer for peace. .

I will be doing my Retreat for a week from Tuesday September 16th to Tuesday, September 23rd. I will not be in the Parish. Please pray for me that God may inspire and empower me with His Spirit to serve you all enthusiastically.

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

	This Weekend (Sept.13/14)	Next Weekend (Sept.20/21)
<u>Saturday</u>		
5:00	Msgr. Boccafola	Fr. Dahlke
<u>Sunday</u>		
8:00am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Bala
9:15am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Irinel
10:45am	Fr. Dahlke	Msgr. Boccafola
12:15pm	Fr. Irinel	Msgr. Boccafola

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.



Now that our Back-to-School Marathon has “run” its course, we are back to our usual business—food. We need meat, as our supply of easy summer grilling foods has been depleted; we need cutlets, hamburgers, hot

dogs...and their buns. Whatever protein you can donate will be much appreciated. Our stock of personal items, such as shampoos, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, etc. needs replenishing, as does our cereals, pastas, soups, peanut butter, mac and cheese, etc. Whatever you can spare, we can use. Please don't donate things that have

been in your pantry for years, though.

And...

It's not too early to think about our Clothing Drive in October...start gathering your unneeded or outgrown clothes now, and make room for those spiffy new things you're going to get!!

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 to assist those in our community.

For more information, please call 234-3249.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

David Chester
Carl F. Greiner
Scott Lovelock
Justin Schneider
Christopher Day
Thomas Nichols
Kaitlyn Nachtman
Adam Papaizai
Jesse Bernstein
Kyle Rathje
William R. Rathje
Timothy Fallon
Robert Murtha
Thomas LaFemina

John Chester
Michael White
Christopher Mustakas
William Gregory
Jason Doyle
John Karies
John Nachtman,
Michael Poist
Michael Polanski
Ryan Smith
Ethan Bernstein
Philip Guidone
Michael Fitzgerald



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:

FREE TO SPEAK: Religious Liberties Students
Need to Know (continued)



2. *Students have the right to pray, read the Bible or other religious material and talk about their faith at school.*

When a FL teacher banned her 5th grade student from reading the Bible during a free-reading period and then called his father saying, "He is not permitted to read those books in my classroom", the father contacted Liberty Institute. They reminded the district that the child's civil rights to religious free speech and free exercise were being violated. (newsmax.com, 5/5/14)
"Among other things, students may read their Bibles or other scriptures, say grace before meals, and pray or study religious materials with fellow students during non-instructional time." (U.S. Department of Education)

3. *You can organize prayer groups and religious clubs, and announce your meetings.*

A L.I. High School student was told he couldn't start a Christian club called "Christians United in Faith" at his school because of its religious nature. Catholics For Freedom of Religion directed his family to Liberty Institute for help. The attorneys began with letters to the school district who finally reversed their decision and allowed the club. (independent sentinel.com, 12/19/13)
"Students may organize prayer groups, religious clubs,... to the same extent that students are permitted to organize other non-curricular student activities groups." (U.S. Department of Education)

CFRR Events:

Thomas Renker, General Council of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, has long been involved in efforts to protect religious liberties. He will be hosted by CFRR in several parishes to discuss the fallout from the Supreme Court "Hobby Lobby" decision and the ongoing attacks on freedom of religion posed by the HHS mandate and other governmental and social initiatives.

Sept 16, St. Bernard, Levittown @ 7PM

Sept 22, Our Lady of Mercy, Hicksville @ 7:30PM

Sept 25, St. Matthew, Dix Hills @ 7PM

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, October 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.

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 re-launched our website with a brand new design.

We even have a much easier to remember web address now: 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 and bookmark it for future use.

YOUNG AT HEART

The next meeting will be at 1 pm in Walden Hall on
Friday, September 26, 2014



SINGING IS A BLESSING FOR ALL TO SHARE



The end of summer is in sight – and although we enjoy the easing of our schedules, those of us in the STM Choir are always happy to come together to sing again!

Rehearsals for both the Adult and Youth Choirs are on Thursdays – 5:30-6:30pm for the Youth, and 7:30 to 9:30pm for Adults. We are always looking for new singers in all voice parts. If you like to sing – why not give us a try?? It doesn't have to be a "forever" commitment – stop by and get acquainted - you are most welcome to join us!

Youth Choir should be in 3rd Grade through High School.

For more information call EMILIA SAVARESE at 724-8820.

Or complete the info below and drop in the collection basket or at the Rectory:



NAME _____

Tel# _____

GRADE (Youth) _____

ST. THOMAS MORE MASS BOOK— 2015



The Mass Book for 2015 is available for intentions. Mass stipends are \$20 for a Mass with a single intention and \$15 for a Mass of multiple intentions. The large hard cover memorial card is an extra \$5.



St. Thomas More Monsignor Francis S. Midura Council 6062

It's great to be back after a beautiful summer--hope you all enjoyed the wonderful weather!

Columbian year 2014-2015 promises to be a busy and productive year under the leadership of Grand Knight Steve Loccasano. If you are a Catholic man over the age of 18 please consider joining St Thomas More-Msgr. Francis S. Midura K of C Council.

There will be a recruitment drive in mid-October but applications are taken anytime - call GK Steve at 631-357-4122 for further information.

At the east end of the Church you will see our new sign and the Columbiette's new sign . Good job to those brothers that worked on the signs.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Blood Drive : Sept.16; 2:30PM - 8:30 PM in Walden Hall

Fall Plant sale : Mid October

Food Drives for Outreach: at Waldbaums Nov. 8 and Nov. 22

Veterans' Day Mass : Saturday 5PM

Spaghetti Dinner: Nov.15



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 next meeting will be on:

Oct. 13, 2014—The Orchardist by Amanda Coplin—Facilitator—Marie Bracco

Nov. 10, 2014—The Book Thief by Markus Zusak—Facilitator—Aurelie Miller Hendry

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of Sept. 7, 2014 \$8,954.00

CALENDAR CLUB 2014

Here are the winners: September 7—13, 2014

CONGRATULATIONS !

Sun. Sept. 7—\$50;#478—Carol & Bill Link
Mon. Sept. 8—\$25;#943—Chris & Gert Hirsch
Tues. Sept. 9—\$25;#408—Christine & David Malone
Wed. Sept. 10—\$25;#768—Al Pankus
Thurs. Sept. 11—\$25;#387—Eleanor Kingsley
Fri. Sept. 12—\$25;#876—Rosemarie & Rocco Amoroso
Sat. Sept. 13—\$25;#301—Donna & Gary Fortmeyer

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.

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.

E-MAIL & ADDRESSES

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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.

CONGRATULATIONS!

St. Anthony's High School has advised us that the following students of our parish have made the Honor Roll for the Academic Year 2013-2014.

Alex Aliscio	Victoria Cipri
Maggie Curley	Kayla DeCristofaro
Victoria Faulisi	Emily Gallagher
Michael Haggerty	Morgan Lulley
Madison Lulley	Terence Mooney
Nicole Palmer	Nicole Pikulik
Rebecca Safranek	William Waters
Joseph Zappulla	

Holy Family Regional School



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Diocese of Rockville Centre

Commack, NY 11725

Holy Family Regional School is back in session and everyone is excited to be back! We would like to welcome our new Principal Mr. Anthony Giordano and all of our teachers. We are looking forward to continue building on our inter-parish relationships from last year. Please join us at our first fundraising event at APPLEBEE'S. Everyone is welcome.

HFRS Breakfast Fundraiser Saturday, September 20th 8am-

Where: Applebee's 105 Veterans Memorial Highway, Commack

We would like to invite everyone to come and help support our Regional School. Tickets can be purchased at the door for only \$12 each. Meal includes pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs and a beverage (coffee, juice, soda or tea)

Any questions, please contact Karen Schifellite at 631-745-6752 or karenschifellite@yahoo.com.

Please come and support your Catholic Regional School.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Stephen Matteo and Danielle Kriklava (*Second Notice*)
Jose Torres and Kathleen Tancredi (*Second Notice*)
Manuel Cancel and Nicole Ferraro (*First Notice*)

St. Thomas More Youth Ministry: A Home that Welcomes

Our high school youth ministry program starts a new school year with an exciting barbeque this Monday 9/15/14 from 6-9:30PM. All young people starting grades 9-12 are welcome, so bring a friend, or several! Our program aims to enable the personal and spiritual growth of teens in an accepting environment, using a myriad of activities and incorporating as much fun as possible! We are not a religious education program, but teens learn here. We are not a social club, but teens form meaningful relationships here. We encourage participation, but if a teen cannot commit to coming every Monday from 7-9PM, they are welcome to join us when they can. Registration is required; forms and more information are on our website: www.stthomasmoreyouth.org. Parents are asked to join us for a brief meeting at 6:30 the Monday of the barbeque. Meet the adult team, tell us how we can support you, and get answers to your questions. Our youth minister, Joe Gast, s.c. and the volunteer team look forward to seeing many young people and their parents as we start a new year together.

Parents: Program registration forms are **REQUIRED** for teens to participate in the program. Annual fee is \$50.00. Forms are available on our website or will be available at the Barbecue. **IMPORTANT PARENT MEETING** during the Barbecue at 6:30pm. Please make it a point to attend.

Guy's: Bring 1 box/bag snack
Girls: Bring 1 bottle of soda/juice

ST. THOMAS MORE YOUTH

DON'T MISS IT!
WE CAN'T WAIT
TO SEE YOU!

KICK OFF BARBECUE
Monday, September 15, 2014
6:00pm - 9:30pm

Visit us at www.stthomasmoreyouth.org for more information!

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)

The Holy Father’s Appeal for Prayers

All parishes in the Diocese of Rockville Centre are requested to pray for peace in Iraq, especially for our brothers and sisters who are persecuted for their faith. All the faithful are also encouraged to let our elected officials know of our concern for Christians and other religious minorities who are in dire straits in Iraq, Syria, Egypt and other countries.

Prayer:

Lord,

The plight of our brothers and sisters is deep and the suffering of Christians is severe and frightening.

Therefore, we ask you Lord to spare their lives, and to grant us all patience, and courage to continue our witness to Christian values with trust and hope.

Lord, peace is the foundation of life; Grant us the peace and stability that will enable us

to live with each other without fear and anxiety, and with dignity and joy.

Glory be to you forever.

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:

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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COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

Molloy College—Certificate Program in Irish Language & Gaelic Culture—Fall term of the Irish Studies Institute at Molloy College begins on Saturday, Sept. 27, 2014. Classes in Irish Language & Gaelic culture at all levels for school age children & adults. Tuition:\$160 for the term. Discounts apply including the Institute’s two-for-one program & 25% off for children. Follow the link at www.irishtribhes.com/molloy.html. To register on-line click on your choice of class. Or contact Catherine Tully Muscente at (516) 32304719 or email cmuscente@molloy.edu

Catholic Daughters of the Americas—Court St. Joseph No. 975—Fall Auction Fri., Oct. 3, 2014, St. Joseph’s School Auditorium, Ronkonkoma. Doors Open 6:30pm. Calling begins at 7:30pm. Admission \$8 includes 25 tickets, cake, coffee & Tea. 50-50, Door Prizes. For further info call Terri 615-2181.

St. Patrick’s Pro-Life Family-Pancake Breakfast—Sun. Oct. 5, 2014, Canning Hall, St. Patrick’s Church, Smithtown after the 9am Mass. Tickets \$10 adults; 18 & under \$5; \$30 maximum per family. For info and reservations, please call Johanna Cervellino 979-7017.

General Bereavement Group—Meets weekly for 6 sessions from Oct. 7 through Nov. 18, 2014 from 2:30 to 3:30pm, at St6. Anthony of Padua Parish Outreach, Blue Liturgy Room, Basement of Trinity School, 1025 Fifth Ave., East Northport. For registration, call Gertrude Frein 757-2103.

(Second Notice)

Yard Sale Bonanza & Car Show. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church. 800 Potion Road, Lake Ronkonkoma. Sat., Sept. 20th 10:00-3:00. Rain or Shine.

We all need forgiveness day of reflection and prayer. Sat/, Sept. 27th 9:15am-3:30pm at Montfort Spiritual Center. 26 South Saxon Ave. Bay Shore, NY (631) 666-7500. Presenters: Fr. Gerry Fitzsimmons, SMM and Fr. George Werner, SMM

CONFIRMATION REFLECTIONS

Last May our parish was blessed when almost 200 8th Grade students received the Sacrament of Confirmation.....

During their preparation to receive the Sacrament, this question was posed to them:

If you could tell a younger sibling or cousin about why it is good to be a follower of Jesus, what would you say?

- I can bring my mistakes to Jesus and be forgiven
- Jesus is our guide.
- Jesus is always with you. It is good to know that he is

- watching over you and helping you –
- He answers your prayers. When you need his help he will help you.
- It is good to know you are not alone
- Jesus will always lead you in the right direction
- Jesus does everything for us with love. He has given up so much for us.
- Jesus gave up his life for us. It is good to have Jesus to talk to and know that he will help you
- Jesus always forgives and cares for us.
- It is good to have faith in God since God/Jesus loves us all.
- They should know what he did to save us.
- I would say how much Jesus has helped me. With his strength and guidance, I believe I am a better person...

All said with the wisdom and purity of youth.....Let us all remember the Gifts of the Spirit.....

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Saturday—Sept. 13 and Sunday—Sept. 14
Second Collection—Catholic Univ.—at all Masses
12pm—Beach Mass

Monday—Sept. 15
6pm—Youth Ministry Kick Off & BBQ

Tuesday—Sept. 16
2pm—Knights of Columbus—Blood Drive—Walden Hall

7:30pm—Diocesan Choir Meeting—Meeting Room
Wednesday—Sept. 17

6pm—Knights of Columbus—Walden Hall
7pm—Bereavement Support Group—Rectory

Thursday—Sept. 18
5:30pm—Children’s Choir—Church
7:30pm—Choir—Church

Saturday—Sept. 20
9am—Youth Ministry Mass—Church
6pm—SVdeP Movie Night—Mr. Popper’s Penguins

Saturday—Sept. 20 & Sunday—Sept. 21
2nd Collection St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility—at all Masses.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2014

Our Parish Goal	\$68,200
Pledges to date	\$48,525

Percentage of Goal	71.15%
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St. Thomas More Employment Services

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

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

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

Drivers for School Years & Charters—and Field Trips. PT—2 or 3 days a week a.m. or p.m. Top dollar salaries. Also looking for Bus drivers \$21.57 per hr. and Van Drivers \$18.83; full benefits, free training, paid while training.

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.

Fairway—Lake Grove—new supermarket. 400 new jobs.

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.

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

Newsday—Collators.\$10.73 per hr.Afternoon & evening shifts-must be able to work thru calendar year. HS diploma– 18 yrs.or older

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.

Suffolk County: 30 CNAs & LPNs needed. Positions available in Suffolk County.

New Taco Bell—Now hiring—many positions.

Town of Smithtown: PT certified teachers, teachers assistant & sub. before or after school programs Smithtown & Kings Park school districts.

See “Civil Service Notice” posted on the bulletin board for future Civil Service Exams. For more information about any of the listed positions please call 234-4629. Note - All babysitting, infant child care, nanny, home care aides, etc. positions are in the child’s home. References are required for all of these positions including nursing aides, home health care aides, etc. It is the responsibility of the employer to check all references prior to hiring.

****We have a list of names of those willing to baby-sit in their homes.

****We have a list of certified tutors for all Grades.