



Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway
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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.



November 30, 2014 First Sunday of Advent

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

November 30, 2014
First Sunday of Advent
Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7
Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:33-37

Saturday—November 29

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Jadwiga & Stefan Tkacz *by the Tkacz family*

Sunday—November 30—First Sunday of Advent

8am—Rev. Paul Surlis *by Janet & Richard Weil*

9:15am—Marin J. Lamia *by Charley & Janice Bell*

10:45am—Vincenzo Paniccia *by the Sanfratello family*

12:15pm—Mary & Bill Fortmeyer *by Rocco & Rose*

Marie Amoroso

Monday—December 1

9am—Denise Joyce *by Diane Phelan*

Tuesday—December 2

9am—Joseph H. Hauk *by May Devine & Dottie Lossani*

Wednesday—December 3—St. Francis Xavier

9am—Dolores F. McDonough *by Theresa Lund*

Thursday—December 4—St. John Damascene

9am—Joseph H. Hauk *by Jeanne & Chris Faria*

Friday—December 5—First Friday

9am—Kelly Joyce *by Elizabeth Atkinson*

Saturday—December 6—St. Nicholas—First Saturday

9am—Lisa Codispoti *by Betty Ann & Joe Codispoti*

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

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

Sunday—December 7—Second Sunday of Advent

8am—Leonard Oliveri *by St. Thomas More Columbiettes*

9:15am—Sgt. Anthony De Socio, Lt. Daniel De Socio,
and Richard Hohn *by Jim Murphy*

10:45am—Emilia Leocadi *by Ann Marie Butera*

12:15pm—Marin Lamia *by the Malon family*

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Rita Basile; Charles Boston; Barbara Burns;
Parker Broderick; Baby Luke Brodersen;
Fred Busse; Linda Sue Cappisillo;
Jamie Castro-Mango; Maria Connolly;
Norma Cottrell; Debra Deveney; Tom Devine;
Thomas Duffy; John & Maureen Dunn; Raphael Fedele;
Nadine Follini; Rose Fuls; Tom Gernon; James Gima;
Debbie Harabedian; Theresa (Terri) Hillerbrand;
Casano A.S. Holmes; Terri Ilardi; Ann Iovino & son

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

December 7, 2014
Second Sunday of Advent
Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
Psalm 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14
2 Peter 3:8-14
Mark 1:1-8

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark:

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God.

As it is written in Isaiah the prophet:

*Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;
he will prepare your way.*

A voice of one crying out in the desert:

*“Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths.”*

John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. People of the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. John was clothed in camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey. And this is what he proclaimed:

“One mightier than I is coming after me.

I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals.

I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

Focus Questions:

1. How does this season test your patience?
2. What do you do to try to be more patient?
3. In what ways are you ready to meet the Lord? What do you need to do to get ready?

Family and children’s question

Advent is a time for waiting and patience. Talk about a time when you had to wait for something. How patient were you?

Anthony; Irene Janis; Stephanie Kane; Kenneth; Elaine Kleinstauber; Morgan Leary (age 6); Lauren Lossani; Jean Marsala-Kieffner; Lorraine Mango-Follini; Thurman (Buddy) Marshall; Terrence Martin; Michael McElroy; Patricia McElroy (for strength); Stella Minneci; Kathleen Moccia; Louis Morales, Sr.; Victoria Nelson; Jean Noschese; Irene O'Leary; Joan O'boyle; Maureen O'Donnell; Joe P; Mary Ann Peet; Joseph Peter; Joseph Placa; Baby Ryan Rolston; Carlos Sanchez; Jennifer Savarese; Brenda Sichlina; Ted Stahura; Thomas Stahura; Oscar Steadman; Elven Tangel; Chase Turano; Andrew J. Valentine;

Andrew M. Valentine; Ellenjane Vinson

*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 29, 2015.** Please resubmit any names you wish to have continued.)*

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Louis Morales, Sr., Joseph Macaluso; our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

BRANCH FUNERAL HOME—The Vigilante family and the staff of Branch Funeral Home would like to extend an invitation to family members who have lost a loved one on a trip to Calverton National Cemetery. Details are:

Date: **Wednesday, December 3, 2014**

Arrival at Calverton: 9:45 AM

Departure from Calverton: 2:00 PM

Bus Pick-up Times & Locations: (Bus will make stops at both locations on return trip)

8:00 am —**The Branch Funeral Home**,
190 East Main St., Smithtown

8:15 am — **Smithtown Senior Center**,
420 Middle Country Rd., Smithtown.

Please call Branch Funeral Home at 631-724-9500 to reserve a seat on the bus by **Wed., Nov. 25, 2014.**

For your convenience, you may call the above number to order grave wreaths. Your order will be waiting for you on the bus the day of the trip.

This is a **Free** trip sponsored by the Branch Funeral Home. Coffee, cookies and cold drinks will be served along with pizza on the way back. The bus has a lavatory.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

A man in a restaurant gently touched the arm of a man putting on an overcoat. "Excuse me," he said, "but do you happen to be Mr. Smith of Newport?"

"No. I'm not!" the man answered impatiently.

"Oh-er-well, you see, I am Mr. Smith of Northport, and that's his overcoat you are putting on."

This weekend we begin the Season of Advent, the time of preparation to welcome the birth of Jesus in our hearts and home. The readings of the First Sunday of Advent invite us to "Stay Awake."

As Christmas is fast approaching the great temptation is to run after sales and finish wrapping gifts before December 24th. In this yearly rush we may forget to give quality time to refresh in us why we do what we do at this time of the year. Christmas is not about giving gifts but about realizing that which makes us give the gift and to experience that which makes us choose that gift for our family or friends .

It is not the purse but something deep in our heart that makes us decide whatever we do and for whomever we do so. Advent is the time to give quality time to realize and experience that something deep in our heart.

Let us try to find some quiet time in the midst of this busy season every day to recapitulate ourselves. May all that we do be inspired from our heart. Let us not be overwhelmed by the business and find ourselves tired and tensed. Let not this Christmas be a repetition but a time to refresh our heart; an occasion to renew our relationships.

Advent Candles: As we light an Advent candle each week, may it deepen in us the significance of this time and rightly prepare us to receive the blessings of Christmas both in our hearts and our homes. Let us 'stay awake' and not lose ourselves in routines.

December 8th is the Solemn Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a Holiday of Obligation. Masses are at 9:00 am and 7:00 pm. There is no mass at 12 noon.

December 13th is the Christmas Tree Lighting after the 5:00pm mass. After the tree lighting, Santa will make a special visit in Walden Hall.

There is a meeting scheduled on December 6th for all liturgical ministers such as Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and those who help at the altar. It will begin with mass at 9:00am and will continue in Walden Hall with coffee and bagels. I recommend all to attend the meeting to spiritually enhance our Liturgical celebration.

Congrats to Bob Matietta and Brian Mannix and all the other coaches who brought the whole basketball team of St. Thomas More to the 9:15 am mass last Sunday, November 23rd. May God bless their endeavor in

forming the young people through physical and mental discipline.

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

	This Weekend (Nov. 29/30)	Next Weekend (Dec. 6/7)
<u>Saturday</u>		
5:00	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
<u>Sunday</u>		
8:00am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Cornelius
9:15am	Fr. Irinel	Fr. Irinel
10:45am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
12:15pm	Msgr. Boccafolo	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.

Thank-you!



Outreach is very grateful to each of you for your donations of turkeys and food baskets for our clients so they could enjoy a traditional thanksgiving dinner. On their behalf, a million thanks and may God bless you for your kindness and generosity.

Wishing you a Blessed Advent!

**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

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| David Chester | John Chester |
| Carl F. Greiner | Michael White |
| Scott Lovelock | Thomas LaFemina |
| Justin Schneider | William Gregory |
| Christopher Day | Jason Doyle |
| Thomas Nichols | John Karies |
| Kaitlyn Nachtman | John Nachtman, |
| Adam Papaizai | Michael Poist |
| Jesse Bernstein | Michael Polanski |
| Kyle Rathje | Ryan Smith |
| William R. Rathje | Ethan Bernstein |
| Timothy Fallon | Philip Guidone |
| Michael Fitzgerald | Tim Morris |
| Thomas Migliara | |



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:



Today is the First Sunday of Advent, a time of preparation for Christmas. By proclaiming the Christ Child's coming publicly and joyously we live our faith and, by doing so, preserve and strengthen America's religious liberty.

When Philip Dean, a S.C. High School sophomore, was told the school band was no longer permitted to perform a medley of Christmas carols because the ACLU threatened to sue the school, his parents contacted the Alliance Defending Freedom. An ADF attorney explained the Constitution protects the right to perform religious music. Eventually, the band did perform the religious medley. (alliancedefendingfreedom.org)

Christmas and Public Schools: Fact Sheet:

*The Supreme Court has stated that teachers and students do not “shed their constitutional rights to freedom of speech or expression at the schoolhouse gate”...

*Students can sing religious carols along with secular ones during school activities without offending the U.S. Constitution.

*U.S. Secretary of Education (under President Clinton), states, “students have the right to engage in ...religious discussion during the school day as they do to engage in other comparable activity”.

*Teachers have the right to greet students with the words “Merry Christmas”. (alliancedefendingfreedom.org)

The importance each family places on the coming of Our Lord as the focus and source of our Christmas joy will renew our culture, deepen our faith and, year after year, bring us closer to God and to each other.

“Hold on to the Constitution, for if the American Constitution should fail, there will be anarchy throughout the world.” (Daniel Webster, Founding Father)

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

**ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
HOLY HOUR: Monday, December 8, 2014, after the
7pm Mass.** (There will no Adoration on Tuesday, Dec. 2).

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.



Children's Choir Note ...

Please sing to the tune: “Deck the Hall”—

*“Tis the season to be singing,
FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA, LA LA !
Now's the time to join the Choir,
Come and celebrate the Savior's birth!”*



All children are invited to belong to the Christmas Choir. We will sing on Christmas eve at the 3:30pm or 5:30pm Mass and at the 9:15am Sunday Masses during the Christmas season.

We will have rehearsals on:

December 6 from 12noon to 1pm

December 13 from 12:30pm to 1:30pm.

December 20 from 11am to 12noon

The children can share their beautiful talents for the birth of the Holy Infant and bring joy to everyone.

Please call Emilia at 631-724-8820 for further information or by Nov. 30 to join.



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

Belated HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL!

The Knights of Council 6062 were busy collecting food on November 22 at Waldbaum's. Thank you to those who shared by contributing to our drive. All contributions will be passed on to Parish Outreach. Further, the Knights through Chairman Richard Bie donated several Thanksgiving Dinner baskets to needy families in our Parish selected by Outreach .

Any Brother Knight who would like to attend the Council Christmas Party, please contact DGK Jerry Ferrara (631-806-3830). The party will be on Dec 6th in Walden Hall, will feature catered food and a DJ. Cost is \$22PP.

Look for "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" merchandise the first two weekends in December.

Many thanks to all of our brother Knights who helped in many capacities to make the Spaghetti Dinner an outstanding success. Special recognition goes to Chairman PGK Steve Paduano for his outstanding leadership for this event. Chairman Steve would like to thank all who attended and would express a special thank you to those at the end of the "chow line" who did not get a full array of all the good food for their understanding and patience. We will be adjusting our procedures next year to assure everyone a full plate.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Dec 6 Christmas Party -Knights & Columbiettes

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL! Have a wonderful Holiday Season!!

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:

Dec. 15, 2014—The Light Between Oceans by M.L. Stedman—Facilitator—Nina Busse

Jan. 12, 2014—Sensible Shoes by

Sharon Garlough Brown—Facilitator—Caroline DeSantis

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of November 23, 2014 \$8,285.00

USING FAITH DIRECT? - It's quick and easy!

Consider having automatic deductions from either your checking or savings or use a credit card to support St. Thomas More each week. With Faith Direct, there is no fee to you! Please visit the Faith Direct website at www.FaithDirect.net to sign up: our church code is **NY227**. You may also use the form located where you obtain the bulletin. We thank you for your support.

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

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

MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

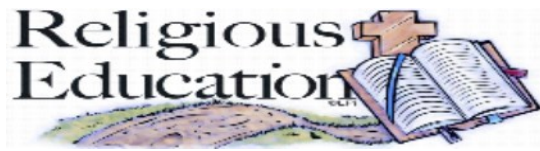
We thank you for your support of our parish project to maintain our parish facilities. If you would like to help, please use a maintenance envelope where you obtain the bulletin.

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

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

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 Grade. 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



We are pleased to be offering an Advent program for Kindergarteners and for those who will be attending Kindergarten next year. The four sessions will take place during the 9:15 mass on November 30, December 7, 14, and 21. 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 November 26.

CALENDAR CLUB 2014

Here are the winners: Nov. 23—Nov. 29, 2014

CONGRATULATIONS !

- Sun. Nov. 23—\$50—# 31—Matthew Weiner**
- Mon. Nov. 24—\$25—#479—Joseph & Barbara Fratamico**
- Tues. Nov. 25—\$25—#270—August Vrondis**
- Wed. Nov. 26—\$25—#89—Joseph & Mary Ann Como**
- Thurs. Nov. 27—\$75—#557—Bob & Mary Burke ***
- *Thanksgiving**
- Fri. Nov. 28—\$25—#661—Joanne Thomas**
- Sat. Nov. 29—\$25—#527—Frank & Elaine Campanella**

Congratulations and Thank you Emilia!

Our Music Ministry is a real blessing for our parish. We are especially grateful to Mrs. Emilia Savarese who has directed our choir with love and dedication for the past 35 years.



Our sincere thanks also to the members of our choir for their time and effort in sharing their beautiful voices to enhance our liturgies.



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 - dahlkesj@icloud.com
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.

YOUNG AT HEART

The next meeting will be at 1pm on Friday, December 12, 2014 in Walden Hall.

On Tuesday, December 9th, the YAH Christmas luncheon will be at 12 noon in Ciro's Restaurant, on Route 111. The price is \$26.00 pp which will be collected at our Nov. 14th meeting. If you wish you may mail your check to Elaine Moccia.



Boy Scout Troop 343
will be selling Christmas wreaths and grave blankets following each of the Masses on **Saturday, November 29 and Sunday November 30.**

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Sunday—Nov. 30

Boy Scouts Wreath Sale—after all Masses—Outside
12:15pm—RCIA—Meeting Room

Monday—Dec. 1

7pm—Youth Ministry—Walden Hall/Meeting Room

Tuesday—Dec. 2

7pm—Young Adult Ministry—Rel. Education Center

Wednesday—Dec. 3

5pm—Knights of Columbus—Walden Hall

Thursday—Dec. 4

5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

7:30pm—Choir—Church

Saturday—Dec. 6

9:45am—EM/Lector Meeting—Walden Hall

12noon—Children's Choir—Christmas Rehearsal

5pm—RCIA—Meeting Room

6pm—Choir Rehearsal—Church

6:30pm—K of C/Columbiettes Christmas Party

Sunday—Dec. 7

2pm—Baptisms—Church

7:30pm—Fr. Dahlke's Bible Study—Meeting Room

Altar Servers Wanted



Thinking about taking a more active role in your mass experience?

Why not become an altar server? Anyone who has received the sacrament of

First Holy Communion is eligible to participate in the Altar Server Ministry.

For additional information please email the coordinator at altarservers@stmli.org
(For middle school & high school students, you can receive community service credit for honor society and graduation)



**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)

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:

**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES
APPEAL 2014**

Our Parish Goal	\$68,200
Pledges to date	\$51,650

Percentage of Goal	75.7%
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Thank you for your support of the 2014 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Completing your 2014 pledge ensures that our Parish will benefit by receiving our full rebate.

**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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CALENDAR CLUB 2015

I/We would like to join St. Thomas More's Calendar Club for 2015.

NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS:

PHONE:()

One Number for 25

OR

FIVE Numbers for \$100

(If your return your form & payment by Monday, December. 8, 2014, you will receive a total of SIX numbers for \$100).

I would like to give Calendar Club numbers as Gifts. I am attaching a separate page indicating the names and addresses of individuals who will receive gifts.

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$

(Please return form to Rectory Office or place in Collection Basket).

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS*(First Notice)***Blood Drive—Hauppauge Middle School—**

Wednesday, December 3—2:30 to 8:30pm —cafeteria.

Church of St. Joseph—39 North Carll Ave. Babylon, NY—Concert—Dec. 14 at 7pm. Selections from Handel's *Messiah* and Bach's *Magnificat*, plus other choral selections, and will be preceded by a candlelight procession. Early arrival is recommended as the church is put in complete darkness promptly at 7pm.

Free will offering. Checks may be made to The Mercy INN Soup Kitchen. All proceeds benefit the Mercy INN Soup Kitchen in Wyandanch.

Catholic Cruise to New England and Canada—

7-night cruise, May 16 to May 23, 2015 on Holland America Maasdam out of Montreal, Canada. Prices begin at \$1988 for 2 Passengers and includes all port fees & taxes. Deposit of \$350 will reserve your cabin. For further information, contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785 or Doug@CatholicCruisesandTours.com

(Second Notice)

Marian Healing Ministry—St. Anastasia Church, 45-14, 245th St., Douglaston, Little Neck—**Tuesday, December 9, 7pm.** For info call 718-631-4454.

St. Anthony's High School Franciscan Brothers—
Christmas Concert of Instrumental and Choral Music —Friday, December 12 & Saturday, December 13, 2014 at 7:30pm in the Auditorium. Donation \$10.

St. Joseph Renewal Center—1725 Brentwood Rd.

Bldg. #4, Brentwood—December programs:

-Deepening your Spiritual Practice through the use of Focusing—**Dec. 3, 7:30 to 9:30 pm.** Offering \$15.

-Guided Meditation for Inner Healing—**Dec. 3; 7pm to 9pm.**

Offering \$15

-Living with Alzheimer's & Dementia—**Dec.3; 1pm to 2:30pm.** Free will offering

-Advent Day of Prayer—**Dec. 3; 10am to 3pm.** Offering \$40 includes lunch.

-A Gathering of Women—**Dec. 9; 10am to 12 noon.** Offering \$15.

Men 2 Men Gathering—**Dec. 13; 8 to 9:30 am.** Offering \$20 includes breakfast.

11th Step Prayer—**Dec. 21; 2 to 4pm.** Free will offering.

If interested, please call Joanne at 631-273-187 x.123.

Dominican Village, sponsored by the Sisters of St. Dominic is a not-for-profit retirement Community in Amityville, NY. It provides both independent living & assisted living apartments for senior citizens. For more information and/or to arrange for a visit, please call (631) 842-6091.

St. Thomas More/**Msgr. Francis S. Midura Council #6062
Columbiettes**

The Knights of Columbus and the Columbiettes are having a joint adult Christmas Party in Walden Hall on Saturday, December 6, 2014 at 6:30pm. Each member is invited to attend along with their spouse, family members or friends. The cost of the party is \$22.00 per person. Please contact Willy Ferrara at 806-4628 if you are interested.

The Columbiettes are looking for Catholic women who would like to give up an evening once a month for ten months out of the year, and two days for our fund raisers.

We meet once a month on the second Thursday of every month; we also hold two fund raisers a year to help our community. A great time is had by all.

If interested in joining please contact Betty Baker, President at [631-348-3615](tel:631-348-3615).



The St. Thomas More CYO Basketball team

Good luck for the Basketball season!

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—Outside mortgage Loan Officers, Mortgage Sales Mgrs, Branch Mgrs., Head Tellers; P/T Tellers at various locations.

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

Diligent Credit Solutions—Sales Trainees, Account Executives; Sales Consultants—they will train right candidate.

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

Hiring for Holidays— Big Retailers hiring—Fed. Ex—Kohl's—Macy—Sports Authority—Target—Toys R Us—UPS—Walmart

Housekeepers - FT/PT positions for small offices and homes.

Island Federal Credit Union—1) Branch Mgr—Massapequa/Stony Brook; 2) Home Lending Officer— Stony Brook; 3) Financial Service Associates—Hauppauge; 4) Facilities Technician; 5) Head Teller—Brookhaven Town area; 6) Tellers FT/PT-Excellent Benefits & Salary

J.S. Pharmaceuticals Inc.—Now hiring all depts. 4 day work week.401K Profit Sharing, medical, paid vacation.

Newsday—Senior Accountant—Assist in month end process—prepare & review balance sheets, inventory, etc. Collators.\$10.73 per hr. Afternoon & evening shifts-must be able to work thru calendar year. HS diploma– 18 yrs.or older —Accountant—Senior—assist journal entries, prepare & review accruals, inventory procedures, etc. 2 yr. experience, CPA preferred.

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

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

Panera's, Hauppauge—now hiring.

Ram Marketing—Telephone Reps for busy company.—must have can-do attitude & be customer service oriented-near Smithtown Mall.

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.

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.