



Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

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Parish Outreach

Staffed by volunteers

Music Ministry

Emilia Savarese, Facilitator

Youth Ministry

Joe Gast, s.c., Youth Minister

OUR PARISH SACRAMENTAL LIFE - 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.

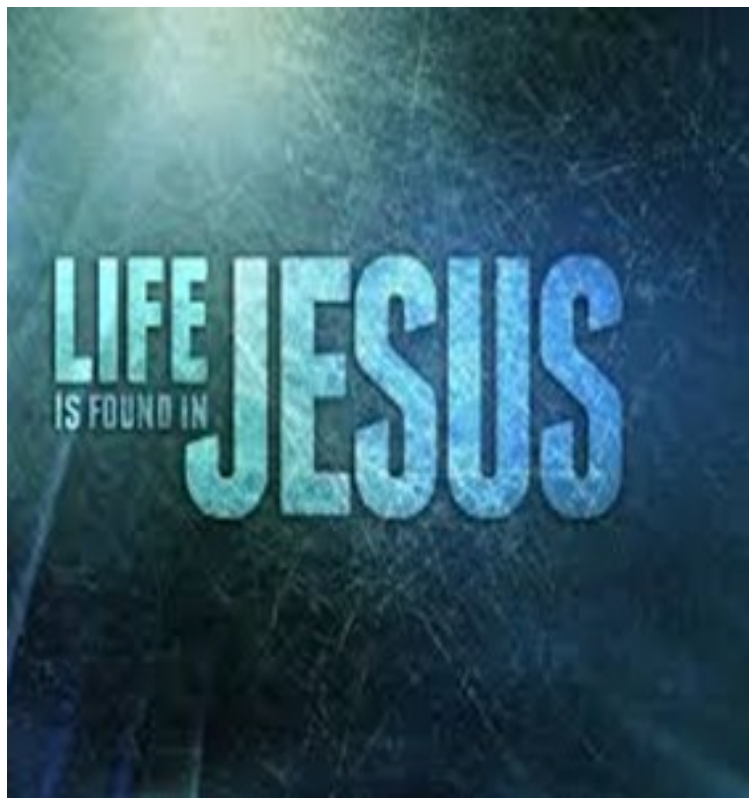
MARRIAGE—As soon as a couple decides to marry, and BEFORE making any other arrangements, call the Church Office to schedule an appointment with the Parish Office or one of the deacons.

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.



August 23, 2015

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Masses for this coming week

August 23, 2015
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b
Psalms 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21
Ephesians 5:21-32
John 6:60-69

Saturday—August 22

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Jaime Rodriguez *by parents & family*

**Sunday—August 23—Twenty-First Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

8am—Jane Waters *by Barbara Chase*

9:15am—Edward J. Crean Jr., *by Maureen Fallona*

10:45am—Joseph Giardino *by Augie & Betty Vrondis*

12:15pm—Andy Caputo *by the Mileti family*; Rev. Sister

Helene Fee, IHM *by the Kane family*; Sandra Kowalski

by Kenneth Kowalski; Scott Lally *by Aurelie &*

John Hendry; Mary M. Lilly *by Mary Drake-Kowalski*;

Vincenzo Mineo *by Edward Silva*; Peter Sanfratello *by*
Mrs. Lamia

Monday—August 24—St. Bartholomew

9am—Jane Waters *by Maria & Tony Rotolico*

Tuesday—August 25—St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz

9am—Lillian Munzer *by Len Munzer*

Wednesday—August 26

9am—Leon Maganza *by John & Mary Ann Egan*

Thursday—August 27—St. Monica

9am—William Finley *by Patricia Giacalone*

Friday—August 28—St. Augustine

9am—Toni Miranda *by Arlene & John Aspromgos*

**Saturday--August 29—The Passion of St. John the
Baptist**

9am—Joseph Hauk *by Dorothy Dawdy*

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Joan Stuppi *by Christine & Kevin Donnelly*

**Sunday—August 30—Twenty-Second Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

8am—Joseph Hauk *by Jo Hauk*

9:15am—Lucy De Luca *by Ellen & Vic Cardinali*

10:45am—Alfred Manzella *by Kathleen Rudy*

12:15pm—Jean Curran *by Diane & Michael Sheehan*

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Mother Mary Angelica; Phil Bamonti;
Richard Bamonte; Rita Basile; Mary Bein;
Enza Bloise; Charles Boston; Donald Brassil;
Mary Lynn Brassil; Baby Luke Brodersen;

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

August 30, 2015
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8
Psalms 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5
James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark:

When the Pharisees with some scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands. —For the Pharisees and, in fact, all Jews, do not eat without carefully washing their hands, keeping the tradition of the elders. And on coming from the marketplace they do not eat without purifying themselves. And there are many other things that they have traditionally observed, the purification of cups and jugs and kettles and beds. —So the Pharisees and scribes questioned him, “Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?”

He responded, “Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written:

*This people honors me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
in vain do they worship me,
teaching as doctrines human precepts.*

You disregard God’s commandment but cling to human tradition..”

He summoned the crowd again and said to them, “Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile. “From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly. All these evils come from within and they defile.”

Focus Questions:

1. Describe a time when you felt that you responded to God’s word.
2. What are religious practices that help you feel closer to God?
3. Recall a time when your heart led you to do something good, but the “law” stood in the way.

Family and children’s question:

Talk as a family about what you can do to show God’s love to others.

Mary Buono; Fred Busse; James Calandrella;
Linda Sue Cappisillo; Joseph Carraba;
Paul & Catherine Carlozzo; Elizabeth Casares;
Ann Castagliola; John Coen; Patricia Coleman;
Donald J. Cooper; Edith C. Cooper; Mary Jeannie Corea;
Norma Cottrell; Mrs. Edward Crollick; Patricia Culbert;
Anne D'Auria; Debra Devaney; Anthony &
Florence Donato; Palma & Dominic Di Vito;
Walter Drechsler Jr., Thomas Duffy; John Dunn; Brian
Egan; John J. Foley; Mary Ann & Brian Foley; Lorraine
Mango Follini; Nadine Follini; Sergio Franco; Fernando
Francisco; Arlene Gaslow; Terance Gaslow; Baby Lila
Mae Greene; Nicholas Gorton; Josephine Hafner; Mary
Happe; Edward Harold; William Heidenreich; Diane
Heron; Myla Hillman; Francis Hopkins Jr.; Irene Janis;
Samantha Janowitz; Steven J. Johnston; Stephanie Kane;
James Kavanagh; Kenneth; Jean Marsala-Kieffner;
Elaine Kleinstauber; Ann Kochaluba; Lauren Kubernat;
Richard Landi; Morgan Leary; Wayne Leo; Angelo Levi;
Nancy Link; William Link Sr.; Lauren Lossani;
Olivia Macchio; Anna Mario; Mary Ellen McCarthy;
Catherine McGuire; Connor McIntosh; Terri Ilardi
McKee; Edward M. McManus, Jr.; Steven Mercado;
Kathleen Morrissey; Sue Morrissey; Irene Mozdzer; Ellen
Murphy; Victoria Nelson; Katharine & Wendel Nitz;
Jean Noschese; Beatrice Okorn; Fr. Peter O'Rourke;
Karen Owen; Joe P; Thomas Pacileo; John Pannone;
Joseph Peter; Sherri Pawluk; Joseph Placa; Ross Placa;
Josephine Poggio; Louis Pontillo; Joan Rathje;
Jeanette Rivera; Joel Rivera; Richard Ronning;
Victoria A. Russo; Carlos Sanchez;
Dorothy Sauchelli Balin; Phyllis Savino;
Jennifer Savarese; Gail Scarito; Patricia Schlake;
Lawrence Shannon; Terry Shannon; Robert Smith;
Patricia Stankes; Richard Stout; Rabbi Paul Swerdlow;
Craig Teitler; Ida & Peter Trink; Daniel C. Trucano;
Andrew J. Valentine; Andrew M. Valentine;
Rose & Rudolph Valentino; Ronald Valerio;
Gloria Verrelli; Helen Vrabel; Al Weidig; Greg Williams;
Carmela Zeppetella; Susan Zulkofske

*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 27, 2015**. Please resubmit any names you wish to have continued.*

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

“May I ask you the secret of your success?”

“There is no easy street. You just jump at your opportunity.”

“But how can I tell when my opportunity comes?”

“You can't. You've got to keep on jumping.”

Life is not a waiting game for the best opportunity to present itself to bring success. Every moment of life is an opportunity to live fully well. The purpose of living is not just to succeed. Living is already a success.

In the first reading Joshua realizes that in the past God brought his people over many hurdles from the slavery of Egypt to the Promised Land. Now he believes that God was not merely bringing his people opportunities but was making them live through his care and guidance. At the strength of this belief Joshua now surrenders his future to the Lord with one of the famous quotes of the Bible “As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.” Life is not looking for opportunity but a loving surrender to God's care and guidance.

The words of Peter in today's Gospel reflect the same sentiments of Joshua. When many of Jesus' disciples left him, Jesus now asks his own twelve if they too want to leave him. Peter expresses their faith, “Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.” Then he surrenders his life to believing in Jesus, “We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy one of God.” Opportunities may come and go but the faithful surrender to God's care will make us live fully at both the favorable and unfavorable times of our life. Let us entrust ourselves to the loving and caring providence of God.

Our annual Msgr. Francis S. Midura Memorial Golf Outing will be on Thursday, September 17th at the Rock Hill Golf course in Manorville. Volunteers will help you with Registration and Sponsorship. After playing golf, there will be a silent auction of sports memorabilia during dinner similar to the one last year.

If you are not a golfer you can support this parish fund-raising event by buying raffles. Raffle tickets are sold in the Narthex. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. First prize is a \$1000 gift certificate for a Cruise, the Second prize is a Golf package at Shawnee Inn and the Third prize is an Apple I watch.

Our Golf committee is working hard for the success of this outing. Let us support them in ‘sharing the spirit of Love’ and in memory of our late beloved Pastor Msgr. Midura.

You are invited to St. Thomas More Beach Mass and

Picnic. Please remember to mark your calendar for **September 13th** at Otto Schubert Beach, Nissequogue. We will start with Mass at noon followed by a picnic with burgers, hot dogs, chips, and beverages. Please fill the Response Form in the bulletin and be a part of the parish celebration at the beach.

To help us prepare enough food, please include a check for \$5 per person with your response. Your check will be returned to you at the picnic. Families with last names beginning with A-K please bring salad (no mayonnaise please) or a relish tray. Families with last names beginning with L-Z please bring dessert. Volunteers are needed. See the sign-up sheets in the Church Lobby or call Pam at 265 3060.

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

	<u>This Weekend</u> (Aug. 23/24)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (Aug. 29/30)
<u>Saturday</u> 5:00 pm	Fr. Harold	Fr. Alex
<u>Sunday</u> 8:00am	Fr. Alex	Fr. Harold
9:15am	Fr. Harold	Fr. Irinel
10:45am	Fr. Irinel	Fr. Alex
12:15pm	Fr. Alex.	Fr. Harold

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony

PARISH OUTREACH

Summer Thoughts....



Labor Day is almost here... where did the summer go? We have our school supplies stacked and ready to go; our clients will be picking them up next week, and then it's going to be Fall... so try to get your summer activities in, and enjoy the rest of these warm days. When your routine gets back to "normal", please remember those who are not able to get away for a respite, and for whom every day is a struggle to get food on the table. For those of you who continue to donate, please know that we are so grateful for your contributions. We appreciate all that you do.

A tip from our email... "Falling air pressure causes pain in birds' ears, so if birds are flying low to the ground, it almost always means a thunderstorm is coming."

St Vincent de Paul Conference

HOW WE WORK: The St Thomas More SVdP Conference works closely with Outreach. When the need goes beyond what they can do, they call us. Or, now that we have our direct telephone number (648-2760), we can be called directly by a neighbor in need.

Then, members of our conference arrange to meet with the caller in their home to better evaluate the situation. Paperwork must be completed to assist in the evaluation. Our goal is to assist where we can.

WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING: Summer is half over and our calls continue. Some of our neighbors have needed assistance with rent arrears and gas money.

WHAT YOU CAN DO: Please use, and or give our telephone number to any neighbor who you think could use our help (648-2760). Also, please e-mail us at svdp.stm@aol.com with any questions or ideas that you think may be helpful. Please do not forget to "Like Us" on facebook. Please pray for our conference that we may continue to "walk in the footsteps of Jesus."

DONATIONS can be made as follows:

Checks: SVdP St. Thomas More Conference

Cash: place in an envelope that notes SVdP.on front, and 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 need in our community. If interested, just call or e-mail us.

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
Tim Morris
Thomas Migliara
Michael Fensterer

John Chester
Michael White
Thomas LaFemina
William Gregory
Jason Doyle
John Karies
John Nachtman,
Michael Poist
Michael Polanski
Ryan Smith
Ethan Bernstein
Philip Guidone
Antonia Marie Rivera
John Burk
Bryan Figueiredo



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.

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, September 1, 2015, at 7pm.

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.

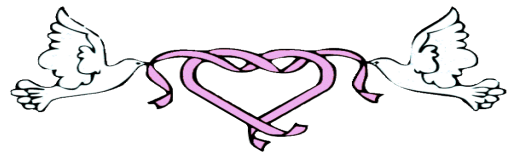
NEW WEBSITE—ST. THOMAS MORE

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.



This fall, couples who have been married fifty years or more will be honored at liturgies on **Sunday, October 4, 2015** at the Church of St. Rose of Lima in Massapequa and on **Sunday, November 8, 2015** at the Church of Christ the King in Commack. Both liturgies will begin at 2:30pm. *Couples may register for ONE liturgy.* Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory. Registration must be received by the Office of Worship by **September 18th** for the October 4th liturgy and by **October 23rd** for the November 8th liturgy. There will be additional celebrations in the spring for those who may find that more convenient. Dates for the spring celebrations will be communicated at a later time. If you have any questions you may call 1-516-678-5800, extension 207.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

(Second Notices)

Matthew J. Batista of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and
Melissa Sajewicz of St. Thomas More

Michael Jennosa of St. Thomas More and
Vanessa Batista of St. Thomas More

NEW RECTORY HOURS

As of August 31, 2015 the Rectory hours will be
Monday—Saturday 9am—4pm.
We will no longer be open in the evenings.

A Special Thanks to the St. Thomas More Faith Community

We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for the prayers and support we experienced during our recent hospitalization. The outpouring of prayers for each of us, the visits made by our brothers and sisters in Christ, and the cards and letters wishing us a speedy recovery truly follow the example and teaching of our Lord Jesus Christ. Again, many thank to all of you; we are both blessed to have you in our lives.
God Bless you all.

Marie Utter

Al Weidig



Catholics for Freedom of Religion

"It is when people forget God, that tyrants forge their chains." Patrick Henry

With the new school year will come more challenges to our children's religious freedoms.

Pledge of Allegiance Cases (2000-present):

The Becket Fund for Religious Liberty has successfully defended the words, "**under God**" in the Pledge of Allegiance in five court cases: 2004, U.S. Supreme Court; 2010 in California; 2010 in New Hampshire; 2014 in Mass.; 2015 in New Jersey. (becketfund.org)

A N.J. high school senior, Samantha Jones, defeated atheist attacks that sought to strike "under God" from the Pledge. She described America as a country of many beliefs and claimed all of those beliefs - including those of atheists - are protected by "one nation under God." "Everyone has the right to remain silent but they don't have the right to silence everybody else." (christianpost.com, 2/9/15; foxnews.com, 2/6/15)

In a majority decision in 2004, Supreme Court Chief Justice Rehnquist wrote that the term "under God" does not endorse or establish religion but it actually asserts that the term merely acknowledges the nation's religious heritage, especially the role of religion for the Founding Fathers.

The words "under God" were officially added to the Pledge in 1954. Congress wanted to explain America's disagreement with the Soviet Union about the nature of human rights. The Soviets claimed people receive their rights from the State, and therefore the State can take those rights away. In contrast, Congress said it was using the phrase "under God" to make clear that basic human rights are beyond the reach of the state. (newsmag.com, 8/9/15)

Mark your Calendar:

* Thursday, Sept. 10, 7:30PM, St. Patrick Church, 280 E Main St., Smithtown, NY 11787, in the church. Thomas Renker, General Counsel of Rockville Centre Diocese, will speak on threats we are facing to our religious freedoms. Come and learn more about how our religious freedoms are being undermined and how you can help to preserve them.

* Thursday, Sept. 17, "**Constitution Day**" is to be observed in all public schools which are mandated to provide educational programming on the history of the U.S. Constitution adopted on September 17, 1787.



ANNUAL GOLF RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

\$10 each—3 for \$20—on Sale After All Masses!

1st Prize: \$1000 Gift Certificate for a cruise of your choice

2nd Prize: \$500 Golf Package at Shawnee Inn on the Delaware

3rd Prize: Sport Model Apple 1 Watch - Valued at \$350

Drawing to be held at September 17 Golf Outing

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

Bereavement Support Groups—Port Jefferson— Good Shepherd Hospice Bereavement Services are open at no charge to anyone in the community who has experienced a loss through death.

Upcoming Bereavement Support Groups, led by a Bereavement Specialist, include:

Spousal/Partner Loss Group-Sept. 16-Nov. 11; 3-3:30pm
Spousal/Partner Loss Group-Sept. 15-Nov. 11; 5:30-7pm
Adult Child who has lost a Parent Group-Sept. 15-Nov. 10
5:30-7pm

Groups meet at Good Shepherd Hospice Inpatient Center, 200 Belle Terre Road, Port Jefferson. Registration required—call Diane McNamara 631-642-4200.

The Marian Healing Ministry—At the request of many people, there will be a Healing Mass on **Wed., Aug. 26 at 4pm**, at St. Kilian Church, 485 Conklin St., Farmingdale. Rosary at 4pm followed by the Healing Mass. Anointing and praying over the sick will follow Mass. Call Marie Gilmore at 516-249-8536 for more information.

(Second Notice)

Montfort Spiritual Center— Women of God who desire to be filled with the Holy Spirit are invited to a weekend retreat at the Montfort Spiritual Center from **Oct. 30th through Nov. 1st** hosted by the *LI Women's Retreat Ministry*. Our Guest Speaker, Patricia Molnar, will present "**The Reed of God**", a spiritual classic written in 1944 by Caryll Houselander. On this retreat we will look at **Mary**, the reed of God, waiting to be filled. Together we will look at how we too are called to be empty reeds so that we can share the same intimacy with Christ that Mary had. For more information please call Yvonne Bracone at 631-732-3574 or Nina McGee at 516-449-6197.



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 Circle of Women will not meet during July and August. The next meeting will be on:

September 14—The Sandcastle Girls
by Chris Bohjalian—Facilitator—Marilyn Miller

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

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

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

E-MAIL & ADDRESSES

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Mary Ellen Carroll - Mecarroll@optonline.net

Outreach - Stmoutreach@optonline.net

Joe Gast - gast.joe@gmail.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.

St. Joseph's Seminary
Offers the following graduate degrees –
MASTER of ARTS in THEOLOGY
MASTER of ARTS in PASTORAL STUDIES
MASTER OF ARTS IN CATHOLIC PHILOSOPHICAL STUDIES
FALL SEMESTER BEGINS August 31, 2015
Courses in Mariology, Liturgy, Epistles, Prophets, and Sexual Ethics
to name a few. Courses are open to those interested in pursuing a degree and those not necessarily seeking a Master Degree but looking to enrich their understanding of their faith.

EWTN **Global Catholic TV Network**

EWTN News covers the most important issues that concern you and your family. Also, receive the latest news from the Vatican and the Holy Father.

EWTN News Nightly: 6pm, Mon. through Fri

The World Over Live: 8—9pm, Thursday
(World Over Encore: 7pm Sun.; 10pm Mon.)

EWTN—Long Island Television Carriers

Cablevision: Ch 135/Ch 1097 (Spanish)

Direct TV: Ch 370

Dish Network: Ch 261

Verizon: Ch 285/Ch 1741 (Spanish)

See EWTN's list of television channels in your area: **Enter** www.ewtn.com **Select** Television/Channel Finder

CONGRATULATIONS!**CALENDAR CLUB 2015**

Here are the winners: August 16—22, 2015

Sun. Aug. 16—#593—\$50—Marilyn Manzella
 Mon. Aug. 17—#677—\$25—Rita Don Larney
 Tues. Aug. 18—#240—\$25—Jim & Marie Marsala
 Wed. Aug. 19—#538—\$25—Diane Dahlquist
 Thurs. Aug. 20—#934—\$25—Jo Anne Thomas
 Fri. Aug. 21—# 452—\$25—Chris & Gertie Hirsch
 Sat. Aug. 22—# 101—\$25—Peter & Barbara Capisillo

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE*(Not totally inclusive)***Monday—August 24**

7pm—Youth Ministry— Summer/WH

Wednesday—August 26

7pm—Registration—Religious Ed. 1st Grade & New Families—Rel.Ed. Center

Friday—August 27

7pm—Registration — Religious Ed—Walden Hall

YOUNG AT HEART

The next meeting of the Young At Heart will be on Friday, September 11, 2015 at 1pm.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
REGISTRATION**Level 1 Communion (*1st Grade*) & *New Families***Wednesday, August 26 — 7pm in the Parish Center.**

Please bring your child's original baptismal certificate.

Tuition: \$140 for 1 child, \$175 for 2 children & \$210 for 3 or more children in the program.

SAVE THE DATE!

All Ministry Leaders – please plan to attend a Ministry Renewal on **Saturday, September 26** in Walden Hall following 9 AM Mass.

Refreshments will be served.

More information will follow -



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

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RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process through which adults decide if life as a Catholic Christian is for them.

For those not baptized or baptized in another Christian church, or baptized Catholics who have never received First Communion or Confirmation, and are interested in the process, please call the rectory at 234-5551. Have you or anyone you know had that little persistent feeling that you want to be a practicing member of the St. Thomas More Community? God might be inviting you to inquire about the Catholic Church through the RCIA process. Please call the rectory at 234-5551 for more information.

Update on Fr. Peter O'Rourke

You may have heard that Fr. O'Rourke suffered a stroke in the Philippines. He is now back in New York and wishes to thank all of you for your prayers and good wishes. Please continue to remember him in your

prayers.

The Long Island State Veterans Home kindly requests that people who wish to visit Fr. Peter do so between 2:00-4:00 P.M. in the family lounge (not in his room).

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of August 16, 2015

\$8,027.00

**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 2015**

Our Parish Goal	\$69,300.00
Pledges to date	\$48,355.00
Percentage of Goal	69.78%



**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 2015**

I/we would like to support the Catholic Ministries Appeal for 2015.

NAME(s) ADDRESS:

PHONE:

Amount of the pledge: *(Check one below)*

\$150 _____

\$300 _____

\$500 _____

\$1,000 _____

\$1,500 _____

\$2,500 _____

\$5,000 _____

OTHER: _____ How much? _____

(Please indicate)

Check for entire amount is enclosed.

Installment enclosed. I would like to pay the rest

monthly—10 payments

bi-monthly—4 payments

semi-annually—May & September

I prefer to use a credit card. Information will be sent to you so that you can contact the CMA office directly.

(Please return to the Church Office for further processing)

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

Animal Groomers—Experience FT/PT Groomers—Smithtown area.

Cablevision - Account executives sales for potential customers—canvassing assigned territory— Excellent benefits. Understand state of the Art Digital Video - PC skills - outstanding benefits. Residential Account Executive— 4 days, 12-9, Sat. 9-6 —canvassing assigned territory for potential customers, follow up leads from customer contacts.

Collators—P/T--4 hrs. starting at 10:30PM. \$10.95 per hr. Must be able to work all year and lift 50 lbs. 18 yrs. or older-HS diploma or equivalent.

Counter Servers—(1) Busy Commack Bagel Store. Flexible Hrs. FT/PT. (2) **Counter/Kitchen**—Busy Hauppauge Deli Breakfast & Lunch—will train.

Customer Service Reps—FT/PT for Newsday center—fast paced —high volume. Assoc. or Bach. degree or military exp. Good computer skills

John Esposito Memorial— PT monument sales. Phone skills, computer—retirees welcome.

Excelis—North Amityville & Bohemia-Computer, Command Control-many depts., Hiring in Engineering. Software Assemblers,etc.

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.

Long Island Federal Credit Union—Stony Brook—Financial Service Assoc.; FT/PT tellers; Home Lending Officer.

Hauppauge—FT/PT Tellers & Member Ser. Specialist. **Massapequa & Sayville**— FT/PT Tellers.

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.

School Bus Drivers—Flexible hours—Bus Drvrs. & Van Drvrs. Excellent Benefits-Call now for training. Retirees welcome.

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.

Telephonics—Hiring-Engineers, Program Mg. Info. Technology Supply chain. Finance & Business Admin. In Aerospace, defensive work. Huntington & Farmingdale. Excellent benefits.

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.