



Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway
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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.

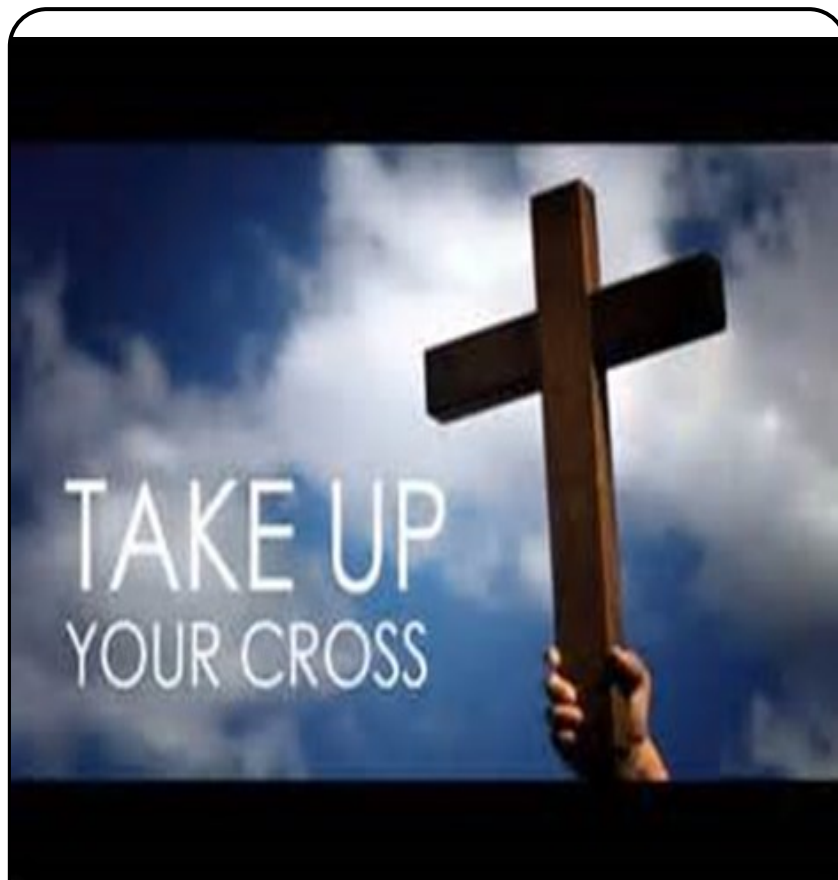
MARRIAGE—As soon as a couple decides to marry, and BEFORE making any other arrangements, call the Church Office to schedule an appointment with the Parish Office or one of the deacons.

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.



September 13, 2015

Twenty-Fourth 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:

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| Rectory— | 234-5551 | FAX 234-6412 |
| Religious Ed— | 234-0397 | FAX 234-1199 |
| Outreach— | 234-3149 | FAX 234-1199 |

Masses for this coming week

September 13, 2015
Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 50:5-a
Psalm 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9
James 2:14-18
Mark 8:27-35

Saturday—September 12

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Jane Wolfe by *Annie Hynes*

Sunday—September 13—Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am—Joseph Hauk by *Josephine & family*

9:15am—Thomas Devine by *the Recce family*; Nick Liberatoscioli by *his family*; Mickelson & Williams families by *Barbara Mickelson*; Peter Sanfratello by *the De Carolis family & the Mesoraca family*; Rick Scholmann by *Paul, Kathy & Amanda Borowski*

10:45am—Joan Fisher by *Marilyn & Joel Miller*

12:15pm—Steve Tursellino by *the Grippio family*

Monday—September 14—The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

9am—Jude Thomas Keena

Tuesday—September 15—Our Lady of Sorrows

9am—Maria Manzi by *her sister & family*

Wednesday—September 16—St. Cornelius & St. Cyprian

9am—Steven Donahue by *Michael & Vivian Jacobs*

Thursday—September 17—St. Robert Bellarmine

9am—Thomas Devine by *Don & Mary Friedman*

Friday—September 18

9am—Lillian Munzer by *Len Munzer*

Saturday--September 19—St. Januarius

9am—In gratitude for St. Thomas More Youth Ministry Adults by *the Youth Group kids*

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Jeffrey Brown by *the Brown family*

Sunday—September 20—Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am—William F. Daly by *Egon & Joan Teichert*

9:15am—Christopher H. Weidig by *Florence & Michael Aquafredda*

10:45am—Filomena Camilli by *Teresa Paniccia*; William F. Daly by *Jack & Marcia Gaudet*; Antonina Griffo by *the Prayer Group*; Frank Judice by *Rita Himes, Kathryn, Paul & Amanda Borowski*; Henry Keppel by *Barbara & Bob Horoski*; Emilia Leocadi by *the Leocadi family*; Dolores Ruocco by *Dcn. Ed & Laura Vigneaux*; Peter Sanfratello by *Mary Ann & Ralph Rantz*; Gioacchino Spagnola by *the Leocadi family*; Phillys

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

September 20, 2015
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wisdom 2:12, 17-20
Psalm 54:3-4, 5, 6-8
James 3:16-4:3
Mark 9:30-37

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark:

Jesus and his disciples left from there and began a journey through Galilee, but he did not wish anyone to know about it. He was teaching his disciples and telling them, “The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise.”

But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to question him.

They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them,

“What were you arguing about on the way?”

But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, “If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.”

Taking a child, he placed it in the their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them,

“Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me.”

Focus Questions:

1. Relate a time when you were involved with a group of people who were all jostling to be important. How did you react?
2. Describe a time when you ended up last.
3. What childlike qualities do you have that help you to be a better disciple?

Family and children’s question:

Describe a time when you gave up something to be more like Jesus.

Tortora by the Leocadi family
12:15pm—Louis Corte by Al & Eileen Weidig

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Mother Mary Angelica; Phil Bamonti;
Richard Bamonte; Rita Basile; Mary Bein;
Louise Beltrani; Enza Bloise; Charles Boston;
Donald Brassil; Mary Lynn Brassil;
Baby Luke Brodersen; 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.; Ann &
Anthony Iovino; Irene Janis; Samantha Janowitz;
Steven J. Johnston; Stephanie Kane; James Kavanagh;
Kenneth; Jean Marsala-Kieffner; Elaine Kleinstaubler;
Ann Kochaluba; Lauren Kubernat; Richard Landi;
Morgan Leary; Wayne Leo; Angelo Levi;
Nancy Link; William Link Sr.; Lauren Lossani;
Olivia Macchio; Anna Mario; Frankie Martinelli;
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; Ceferina
(Ceffy) & Eusebio (Pepy) Perez; Randy Pistrutto;
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;
Michael Selvaggio; Lawrence Shannon; Terry Shannon;
Robert Smith; Patricia Stankes; Richard Stout;
Rabbi Paul Swerdlow; Craig Teitler; Ida & Peter Trink;
Daniel C. Trucano; Chase Turano; Andrew J. Valentine;
Andrew M. Valentine; Rose & Rudolph Valentino;
Ronald Valerio; Gloria Verrelli; Helen Vlabel;
Al Weidig; Greg Williams; Carmela Zepetella;
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

Joseph Carraba; Mary Lombardi; Catherine "Bunny"
McGuire; our deceased loved ones and our deceased
servicemen and women.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

**Late one night in an insane asylum one inmate
shouted, "I am Napoleon."**

Another asked, "How do you know?" The first inmate
said, "God told me."

Just then, a voice from the next room shouted, "I did
not."

We live in a world of pluralistic opinions which can
easily distract us from the truth. In the world of multiple
opinions, it is hard to discern the voice of truth amidst the
noises we hear. They may sound good and at times very
logical but may drift us from the road of truth we travel.

**In today's Gospel Jesus asks his disciples what people
say about him.** The disciples voice the various opinions
that people have about him. But Jesus does not settle for
any opinion. He lives his call from God, the purpose that
God has set for him. It would have been easy for him to
live up to the popular opinion. But life does not consist in
one's popularity. If popularity becomes the goal of life,
life will be shaped by the poll numbers... as it happens in
today's political world. Life is lived from the force of the
inner conviction that God reveals in each of us.

**After hearing all the opinions of people and the
disciples, Jesus proclaims that his life is his own
conviction of suffering, dying and rising again.** Even
though Peter tries to distract him, Jesus never gives up his
conviction but invites them to follow him. 'To follow
him' is to understand and live our life in the spiritual
conviction as Jesus did. Let us not be carried away by the
opinions and description of life the outside world offers
to us. Let us reach our inner self in spiritual moments of
prayers and allow God to reveal to us the meaning of our
life. Let us pray for the strength to follow Jesus. Let us
not be drifted away from God's revelation of who we are
and what we should do.

**Last call to be a part of Our annual Mgrs. Francis S.
Midura Memorial Golf Outing on Thursday
September 17th at 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.

St. Thomas More Beach Mass and Picnic is this week September 13th at Otto Schubert Beach, Nissequogue, starting with Mass at noon. Picnic follows the mass with burgers, hot dogs, chips, and beverages.

Congrats to Skyler DeLucia, Nicholas Crociata and Nicholas Sicurelli, who through their hard work and perseverance will be awarded the Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII Religious Emblems on Sunday September 20 at Saint Agnes Cathedral.

Next Weekend September 19-20, there will be a second collection to support our retired priests residing at Saint Pius X Enriched Living Facility. Your generous support will enable them to provide quality care and attention to the priests living there.

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

| | <u>This Weekend</u> (Sept. 12/13) | <u>Next Weekend</u> (Sept. 19/20) |
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| <u>Saturday</u> 5:00 pm | Fr. Antony | Fr. Irinel |
| <u>Sunday</u> 8:00am | Fr. Antony | Fr. Harold |
| 9:15am | Fr. Antony | Fr. Antony |
| 10:45am | Fr. Irinel | Fr. Antony |
| 12:15pm | Fr. Cornelius | Fr. Harold |

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony

PARISH OUTREACH

Fall Thoughts....



It's time to turn our thoughts to falling leaves, the end of summer flowers, the days becoming shorter...and the start of all the Fall Activities!!!

We are so grateful for all the efforts of the Columbiettes in their Food Drive...they amassed an enormous quantity of food for our pantry.

Thank you, too, to the parishioners who sent in Walmart

Gift Cards and brought in school supplies for our annual Back-to-School-Supply Drive. Your efforts have made going back to school less of a stressful situation for our clients, as the cost of outfitting children for school keeps rising, and the list of needed supplies gets longer!!!

They say it's a small world...and we'd like to encourage that idea, because we need some "small" meats!!! What are those, you may ask? Chicken cutlets, hamburgers, hamburger rolls, pork chops...

The next "BIG" event on our radar is the St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Drive, held here at St. Thomas More Outreach on OCTOBER 25th. Mark your calendars, and start going through your closets!!!!!! Community Service credit will also be given to those teenagers who help out that day, loading bags onto the truck.

From our email: "9 foods that get rid of an upset stomach: bananas, ginger, plain yogurt, papaya, apple sauce, oatmeal, white rice, chamomile tea, and chicken broth."

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.

Look for our flyer about the SVdP Friends of the Poor Walk in this bulletin



Family Movie Night

Sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul—
Saturday, September 26, 2015
at 6pm.

Featured Movie:
"HOMEWARD BOUND"
For general audiences-All are welcome.

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, October 6, 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.

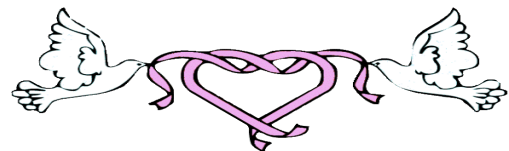
NEW WEBSITE—ST. THOMAS MORE

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.

Catholics for Freedom of Religion

"The Constitution is ... the greatest single effort of national deliberation that the world has ever seen." John Adams, Founding Father



"Religious Freedom is the Foundation of All Other Rights." Pope John Paul II

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech or of the press; or of the people peaceably to assemble and to petition the government for a redress of grievances. 1st Amendment to the Constitution

Preamble "We the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union ... to secure the Blessings of Liberty ... do ordain and establish this Constitution of the United States." **September 17, 1787**

"Constitution Day", September 17, 2015: This day commemorates the signing of the Constitution 228 years ago. U.S. citizens remember the blessings of liberty and the responsibilities of citizenship. All public schools are mandated to provide educational programming on the history of the U.S. Constitution during "Constitution Week".

Founding Fathers' Reflections:

"This Constitution is really, in its formation, a government of the people ... No government before introduced among mankind ever contained so many checks and such efficacious restraints ..." **George Washington**

"The happy union of these states is a wonder; their Constitution is a miracle; their example the hope of liberty throughout the world. Woe to the ambition that would meditate the destruction of either!" **James Madison**

Just as Freedom of Religion is the first of the freedoms in our own Bill of Rights, so also John Paul II taught us that religious freedom is the core of all human rights." Bishop William Lori

CONGRATULATIONS!

CALENDAR CLUB 2015

Here are the winners: Sept. 6—12, 2015

- Sun. Sept. 06—#990—\$50—Marilyn & Joe Amodio
- Mon. Sept. 07—#371—\$25—Joseph & Eileen Petre
- Tues. Sept. 08—#569—\$25—Ann & Lou Anatrella
- Wed. Sept. 09—#987—\$25—James McGuire
- Thurs. Sept. 10—#126—\$25—Ed Baer
- Fri. Sept. 11—#362—\$25—Jo Anne Thomas
- Sat. Sept. 12—#832—\$25—Mary Ann & Ralph Rantz

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Sunday—September 13

2nd Collection for Catholic Universities
12pm—Beach Mass

Monday—September 14

2:30pm—Circle of Women—Meeting Room

Tuesday—September 15

2:30pm—Blood Drive—Walden Hall

Wednesday—September 16

4:30pm—Knights of Columbus—Walden Hall

7pm—RCIA Inquirers—Meeting Room

Thursday—September 17

5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

7:30pm—Choir—Church

WANTED—CANTORS



Singers who would like to lead our parish in song at Mass.

Please see Emilia or call her at 724-8820 for information.

The St. Thomas More Columbiettes

are having a Food Drive on **Saturday, September 19th** from **9 am to 3 pm** at **Shoprite** in Hauppauge. Please stop by with your food donation.



The Small Christian Communities are hosting a movie night on **Sept. 18 at 7:00** in **Walden Hall**. The movie, **Babette's Feast** is based on a story by Karen Blixen who also wrote **Out of Africa**.

Coffee, tea and dessert will be served after the movie. If you are interested email Mecarroll@optonline.net or call 234-0397 so that we put up enough seats for all!

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

Bus Trip to 9/11 Memorial Museum—sponsored by UNICO—Islip/Smithtown. Sunday, Sept. 27, 2015. Departure at 11 am from corner of Wicks Rd & LIE South Service Rd (LIE Exit 53). Cost (includes museum entrance & transportation) \$65 adults; \$60 seniors (65+); \$58 ages 7-17. Optional Guided Tour \$20pp. Headphones \$7 pp available for purchase at the museum. For info contact Stephanie Fodera: sfodciao@aol.com. Mail checks to UNICO-Islip Smithtown, P.O. Box 5354, Hauppauge, NY 11788. Non-members please include your email address to confirm receipt of your payment.

(Second Notice)

Communion Breakfast at Seminary of the Immaculate Conception—The *Friends of the Seminary*, 440 West Neck Rd., Huntington, invite you to their Annual Communion Breakfast—Sun. Sept. 20, 2015. Mass at 11am followed by brunch & presentation in the Refectory. Celebrant & speaker will be Reverend Nicholas Zientarski, Dean of Seminarians, St. Joseph's Seminary. RSVP by Sept. 15th—\$30 per ticket. For reservations & information, call 631-423-0483, ext. 102; bmalone@icseminary.edu

Widowed, Divorced & Single Catholics of Long Island Meeting—St. Frances de Chantal School, 1309 Wantagh Ave, Wantagh—Tues., Sept. 22 at 8pm. Non-Denominational—All are welcome. Please bring proof of single status to join. Refreshments served after meeting. For info call Carol @516-794-4933 or Barbara @516-798-2858.

St. Anne's Knights of Columbus Columbiettes—96 Second Ave., Brentwood—Annual Garage Sale/Flea Market—Sat. Sept. 26, 2015. Setup begins at 8am; Sale is from 9am to 4pm. Please contact Viviana Garamy at 631-231-1859 for information or to rent a space or to donate new or used items. Cost for vendor's space is \$25.



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.

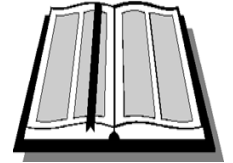
We meet on the second Monday of the month at 2:30pm in Walden Hall. For further information and/or to register, call Marilyn at 234-5805 or Joan at 234-1739.

The next meeting will be on:

September 14—The Sandcastle Girls

by Chris Bohjalian—Facilitator—Marilyn Miller

2016 MASS BOOK



The Mass Book for 2016 is now 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. Pius X Enriched Living Facility

"Caring for Those who Cared for Us"

The special collection for retired priests living at St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility will take place the weekend of September 19/20.

At retirement, our Priests often have given forty years or more to the mission of our Church and bringing people closer to Christ. The St. Pius X Residence enables these dedicated men who need extra care and attention to live at a facility that provides them with that special care, while still enabling them to serve as active fully engaged members of the community.

The Catholic Church of Long Island is blessed and privileged to be able to care for our senior priests—men who have dedicated their lives to serving God and our community.

We welcome your support of this important endeavor.

For more information or to donate online, go to
www.drvc.org/stpiusx

or

Call 516-379-5210 ext. 229 for more information

27th Annual Mass For Deceased Children

All who have experienced the loss of a child are invited to St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre on **Saturday, October 17, 2015** for Mass at 12:30 p.m., with refreshments to follow in the Parish Center. Come early to inscribe your child's name in the "Book of Families".

For information please contact: Deacon Darrell Buono, Office of Faith Formation at [516-678-5800 ext. 200](tel:516-678-5800) or e-mail dbuono@drvc.org

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

he Parish Blood Drive will be held on **September 15, 2015 from 2:30 to 8:30 PM.** The Long Island Blood Services is in need of blood. If you are able to give please come down to Walden Hall. If you are not sure if you can donate, please call Ed Rogan at 366-1085.



Help save a life by donating blood.

Sign up sheets will be in the Narthex.

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

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.

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 -

**JOIN THE HOSPITALITY TEAM
AT ST. THOMAS MORE**



Sunday, September 20th is our first Hospitality Sunday of the season. Besides these Hospitality Sundays there are other events during the year where we provide refreshments and encourage fellowship. We are most grateful for

our faithful bakers who always respond to our request with “just all me anytime.” WE THANK YOU ALL! We always welcome new members. If you would like to get involved with parish activities, baking a cake is a great way to get started. Call Letty Russo (265-6151) or Mary Lou Braun (751-2915) to join our team.

We are in need of some more active Hospitality Volunteers to occasionally make phone calls, make coffee, decorate, serve and help with set up and clean up. We invite you to a Breakfast Meeting on **Saturday, September 12th at 9:45 am in Walden Hall.** We will have breakfast together, discuss coming events, make new friends and share in the satisfaction of helping our parish. COME JOIN US!



**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

GOLFERS!!!! Now is the time to register for the 3rd Annual Msgr. Francis S. Midura Golf Outing. Foursomes are filling up fast and the Outing will be limited to 35 foursomes. Last year, over 130 golfers had a great time at Rock Hill Golf Course .

If you plan on attending and have not registered, now is the time to fill out the form in the insert of the Bulletin. We will accommodate singles through foursomes. If you have questions, please call Al Weidig at [631-838-3293](tel:631-838-3293) or JoAnne Eyring at [631-582-1224](tel:631-582-1224).

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.

The first meeting for any Inquirers this year will be held on **Wednesday, Sept. 16, 7 p.m. in the Meeting Room in the Church.** Anyone interested, call Ann Russo, [631-543-2740](tel:631-543-2740)

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of September 5, 2015 \$8,091.00

**CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS
OPEN HOUSES**

**You are invited to explore the benefits of a
Catholic High School Education**

Please feel free to visit our schools during the time and dates listed below.

SEPTEMBER 2015:

| DATE: | TIME: | SCHOOL: |
|-------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Saturday 26 | 11:00 am –1:30 pm | Our Lady of Mercy Academy |
| | 1:00 pm—3:30 pm | St. Dominic H.S. |
| Sunday 27 | 12:00 pm—2:30 pm | Holy Trinity Dioc. H.S. |

OCTOBER 2015:

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| Saturday 3 | 11:00 am—2:00 pm | Sacred Heart Academy |
| | 10:00 am—1:00 pm | Kellenberg Memorial H.S. |
| | 2:00 pm—4:00 pm | Chaminade H.S. |
| Sunday 4 | 10:00 am—1:00 pm | St. Anthony's H.S. |
| Sunday 18 | 10:30 am—2:00 pm | St. John the Baptist Dioc. H.S. |
| | 2:00 pm—4:30 pm | St. Mary's H.S. |
| Saturday 24 | 9:00 am—12:00 pm | McGann-Mercy Dioc. H.S. |

YOUNG AT HEART

The next meeting of the Young At Heart will be on Friday, September 25, 2015 at 1pm.

Young At Heart Chinese Buffet: We are having a Chinese Buffet Luncheon in Ronkonkoma on October 9th from 1 to 3:30pm. Cost is only \$10 pp. All STM parishioners, friends and relatives are invited. Call Bob 686-5272 for further 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)

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**

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|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Our Parish Goal | \$69,300.00 |
| Pledges to date | \$49,390.00 |
| Percentage of Goal | 71.27% |



**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.

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—light housekeeping—own transportation

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.

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.

Teaching Assistants—Smithtown & Huntington. FT/PT—HS/GED required. Exp. with children with disabilities.

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.