



Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

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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.

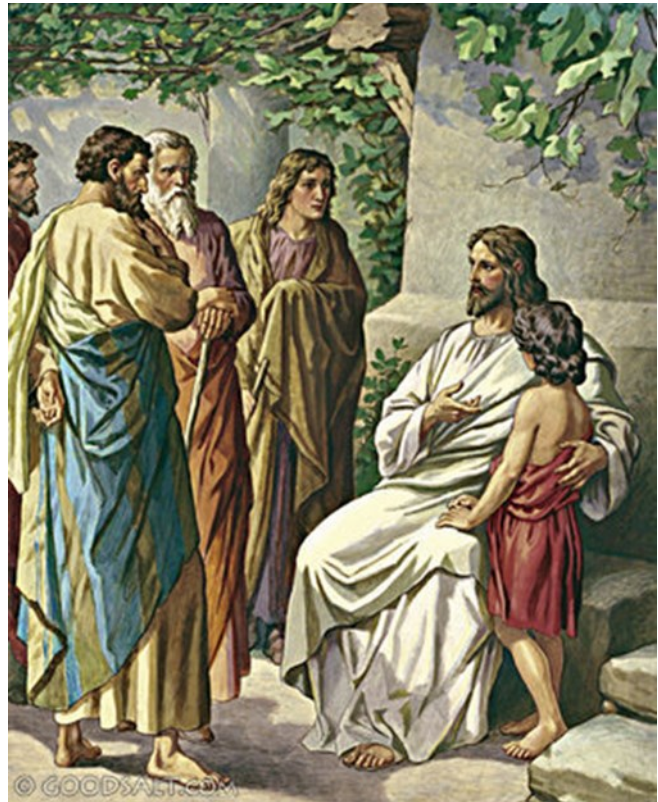
MARRIAGE—As soon as a couple decides to marry, and BEFORE making any other arrangements, call the Church Office to schedule an appointment with the Parish Office or one of the deacons.

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 20, 2015

Twenty-Fifth 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

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

Saturday—September 19

(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*,
Kathlyn, 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 Tortora *by the Leocadi family*

12:15pm—Louis Corte *by Al & Eileen Weidig*

Monday—September 21—St. Matthew

9am—Lillian Munzer *by Len Munzer*

Tuesday—September 22

9am—Leon Maganza *by Ann & Lou Anatrella*

Wednesday—September 23—St. Pius of Pietrelcina

9am—Rosina Van Acker *by the Cercone family*

Thursday—September 24

9am—Frances Hubbs *by St. Thomas More Columbiettes*

Friday—September 25

9am—Marilyn & Joel Miller (50th Anniversary—
Thanksgiving) *by John & Aurelie Miller-Hendry*

Saturday--September 26—St. Cosman & St. Damian

9am—Peter Sanfratello *by Paticia Frederick*

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Ann Norris *by Theresa Lund & family*

Sunday—September 27—Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am—Stephen & Michael Smykowski *by Mr. & Mrs.
Heim*

9:15am—John Marra *by Laura Giardino*

10:45am—Gary Hannon *by the Grippo family*

12:15pm—Alvaro Collarini *by Betty Kane*; Michael
Divers *by Vincent P. Crudden & family*; Rose Nailie
Germain *by Betty Kane*; Joseph Giardino *by Betty Kane*;
Corinne L. Jagde *by the Lee family*; Salvatore Pisano *by*

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

September 27, 2015
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Numbers 11: 25-29
Psalm 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14
James 5:1-6
Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark:

At that time, John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us."
Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us. Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward.

"Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna, into the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life crippled than with two feet to be thrown into Gehenna. And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. Better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into Gehenna, where 'their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.'"

Focus Questions:

1. Describe a time when you were surprised by someone of little faith acting compassionately toward people in need.
2. What prevents you from acting compassionately toward strangers in need?
3. Relate a time when someone outside your group was misjudged by those inside your group. How did you act?

Family and children's question:

Jesus speaks about giving water to the thirsty. Talk about the ways that you as a family can help some of the millions of people around the world who do not have access to clean water.

Elizabeth & Peggy Kane; Fina Randazzo by Mr. & Mrs. Bounaparte; Peter Sanfratello by the De Caroli family & the Mesoraca family; Thomas Warmuth by the Warmuth family; Christopher Weidig by Elizabeth Kane

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; Josephine Farella; John J. Foley; Mary Ann &
Brian Foley; Cindy Mango; Lorraine Mango Follini;
Nadine Follini; Sergio Franco; Fernando Francisco;
Arlene Gaslow; Terance Gaslow; Richard Landi;
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
Kleinstauber; 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 Pistritto;
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 Vrabel;
Al Weidig; Greg Williams; Eileen Zappia;
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

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

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

A gorilla walked into a store and ordered a fifty-cent sundae. He put down a ten dollar bill to pay for it. The clerk thought, "what can a gorilla know about money?" So he handed back a single dollar in change. As he did he said, "you know, we don't get many gorillas in here." "No wonder," answered the gorilla, "at nine dollars a sundae!"

When we aim at a one-time big profit, we must be ready to lose a life-time customer. The right attitude towards life is 'not to get a momentary profit from it' but 'to embrace it with a servant attitude.'

Today's Gospel invites us to be servants of life. Jesus, though the Son of the almighty God, became Son of Man, a humble person to serve life to us. As God, he could have delivered life for us by a command manifesting his power and might. But in God's wisdom Jesus decided to deliver life as a servant would offer his service. By way of suffering, dying and rising again, he preferred to serve life to us. Jesus is not a God who forces life upon us but rather one who embraces us with Him to grow with Him in life.

Jesus advised his disciples to do the same. "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." The life that comes from God is a living-force that falls upon us like the gentle rain, to germinate the seed that we have got in us from the word of God. Those who have a humble and open heart and a mind like a child will receive the life-force that God serves them. As St. Augustine says, "the God who created you without your permission will not save you without your permission". God in Jesus is not a God, a violent leader to force anything upon you, but a God like a servant serving life when we open our heart like a child to receive it. Let us approach God like a child.

Owing to inclement weather we unfortunately had to cancel the Beach Mass and Picnic last weekend September 13th at Otto Schubert Beach, Nissequogue. I thank very much the organizers Rochelle Rouse, and Pam Tarry, and the Knights of Columbus and the various volunteers who worked for the past one and half months to put this event together. This is the second time in the last thirteen years that we have had to cancel the Beach mass. Let us hope that next year it will be a sunny and pleasant day. We are redistributing the checks to the people who advanced them. Those who have not yet got them back please get them from the rectory.

This weekend we will bless all students and teachers at all the masses, and pray that this year may bring lots of blessings and the wisdom of God upon them, both at school and at the classes of religious education.

The second collection of this weekend- September 19-20, is for the support of 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.

We need more Cantors to lead us in song at the masses. I hear many of you singing so sweetly from the pews. All that you need is a little time to practice and boldness to lead the congregation from the pulpit. Please consider this note as my kind invitation to you and respond by calling the Rectory at 234-5551 or Emilia at 724-8820.

We have reached 71% of the our parish goal in the Catholic Ministries Appeal. We need just \$20,000 to reach the goal. I kindly request you to be a part of the appeal if you have not yet participated in it. Your help, small or big, means a lot in continuing the charitable work in and around our diocese. Also when we reach our goal we will get a rebate of \$13,000 for our parish. Please consider making a donation to the Catholic ministries Appeal. The CMA form is found in this bulletin.

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

	<u>This Weekend</u> (Sept. 19/20)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (Sept. 26/27)
<u>Saturday</u>		
5:00 pm	Fr. Irinel	Fr. Harold
<u>Sunday</u>		
8:00am	Fr. Harold	Fr. Antony
9:15am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Harold
10:45am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
12:15pm	Fr. Harold	Fr. Antony

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony

PARISH OUTREACH

Fall Thoughts....



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.

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

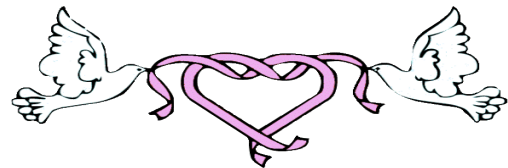
Did you know that St. Thomas More has a website? We've had one in various forms since 1996, but we have found that many parishioners don't always make use of it. Recently the STM Pastoral Council has been discussing social media and the Internet at length. Like most communities, we have a growing population 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



"Conscience is a stern monitor, but in this century, it has been superseded by a counterfeit ..."

Blessed John Henry Newman (1801-1890)

Government Versus Conscience:

An obscure law clerk, refusing to sign her name to a marriage license for a same-sex couple by citing her freedom of religion and freedom of conscience rights, is the news story of the day. She said the licenses could proceed normally if her signature were not involved, but that answer did not satisfy the complainants and she was sent to jail.

This battle ground is a particular contest of wills, with very specific competing values. Are citizens servants of their government, or the other way around? Does the government now have the right to coerce an action against one's own conscience? Is employment by that same government now a forfeiture of personal conscience?

That is absolutely what was claimed by the judge who found the clerk in contempt. "The idea of natural law superseding this court's authority would be a dangerous precedent indeed." (clashdaily.com/author/weswalker, 9/5/15)

However, America was founded by faithful and God-fearing men who despised government tyranny and sought religious freedom and individual liberty. America incorporated these universally true principles in its Declaration of Independence and Constitution. (ireportcnn.com)

"Religious freedom, an essential requirement of the dignity of every person, is the cornerstone of the structure of human rights."

Pope John Paul II, 12/16/87

Mark your Calendar

* Saturday, October 10th, 11AM - 2PM, Nassau Community College Center for Catholic Studies, Garden City, NY. Presentation: "Religion and the Civil War: Focus on the Catholic Church," keynote speaker: Brother Syriac, Chaminade H.S. faculty; free admission & lunch - must register for parking pass: 516-572-7472

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Sunday—September 20—Hospitality Sunday

2nd Collection for St. Pius X Living Facility

2pm—Baptisms—Church

6pm—Youth Ministry Kick-Off BBQ & Parent Meeting

Tuesday—September 22

7pm—Pastoral Council—Rectory

Thursday—September 24

5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

7:30pm—Choir—Church

Friday—September 25

9:45am—RCIA—Meeting Room

1pm—Young at Heart—Walden Hall

Saturday—September 26

9:45am—Ministry Leaders Gathering—Walden Hall

6pm—SVdP Movie Night—Walden Hall

St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility

"Caring for Those who Cared for Us"

Today is the special collection for retired priests living at St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility.

The Pius X Enriched Living Facility enables our senior priests who need extra care and attention to be cared for in a setting that fosters their spiritual lives, nurtures their physical well-being and guarantees that they can continue to live with dignity while accessing a wide array of social and spiritual opportunities.

Please support this extraordinary facility and the men who are living there by making a special contribution to St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility. Your donation will help ensure that we can continue this important ministry for years to come.

For more information or to donate online, go to

www.drvc.org/stpiusx

Or

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

Meet Mother Dolores Hart, OSB, the glamorous movie star who became a Benedictine contemplative nun. Meet Mother Dolores, hear her speak, purchase her autobiography, and have her autograph your book.

Friday, Sept. 25 at 3pm in St. Joseph's College Auditorium. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 631-654-0199.

The Life Center of Long Island—Annual Dinner Dance Fundraiser—Thursday, October 1 from 6pm to 11pm at the Rivera, Massapequa. Tickets for students are \$75, adults \$125. Please contact Cindy at 516-798-8746 for ticket information.

St. James Parish, East Setauket—Bereavement Support Group—free 8 week peer support group for adults struggling to cope with the death of a loved one. Registration required for this group which will begin on **Saturday, Oct. 3.** For additional information and to register, please call 941-4141, ext. 341. *Please note that in order to participate in this group, the loss must have occurred prior to July 1, 2015.*

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church—Lake Ronkonkoma Autumn High Tea—Sunday, Oct. 18 at 1:45pm. Scones, Tea sandwiches, sweets. Small basket raffle, 50/50. Bring your own cup. Wear a Hat. Prize: Most elegant and most original. Tickets \$15 in advance only. Reservations and questions—Gerry 631-585-9291

(Second 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: sfodcia@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.



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.



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 following books will be discussed on:

October 12—The Husband's Secret by Liane Moriarty—Facilitator—Nina Busse
November 9—Funny in Farsi by Firoozeh Dumas—Facilitator—Aurelie Miller Hendry

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

CONGRATULATIONS!

CALENDAR CLUB 2015

Here are the winners: Sept. 20—26, 2015

Sun.	Sept. 20	#769	—\$50—	Jordyn Weiner
Mon.	Sept. 21	#793	—\$25—	Elizabeth Murphy
Tues.	Sept. 22	#770	—\$25—	Ed & Laura Vigneaux
Wed.	Sept. 23	#350	—\$25—	Charles & Alice Longwell
Thurs.	Sept. 24	#478	—\$25—	Elizabeth Murphy
Fri.	Sept. 25	#857	—\$25—	Jo y & Joe Licari
Sat.	Sept. 26	#157	—\$25—	Larry & Fran Miron

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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



**2015 Apostolic Journey of
Pope Francis**

EWTN will have extensive coverage of all the interesting and inspiring events of the Holy Father's visit to the United States.

Long Island Television Carriers of EWTN
Cablevision: Ch 135/Ch 1097 (Spanish)
Direct TV: Ch 370: Dish Network: Ch 261
Verizon: Ch 285/Ch 1741 (Spanish)

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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.

HELLO ALL MINISTRY LEADERS!

By now you should have received the invitation to join us for a Mass and Reception on Saturday, Sept 26 at 9:00 AM. We are planning a gathering to come together once again to celebrate our different ministries and join in our shared love for how we share our gifts with St. Thomas More!
Just a reminder to please respond to let us know if you plan to attend – call or stop by the Rectory.
Hope to see you!

Fr Antony



**ST. THOMAS MORE COLUMBIETTES
PRESENTS
SUPERMARKET BINGO & CHINESE
AUCTION
OCTOBER 17th, 2015
7:00 PM - 11:00 PM
ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH
115 KINGS HWY, HAUPPAUGE
CONTRIBUTIONS \$10.00 PER PERSON
COFFEE, TEA AND CAKES
DOOR PRIZES
TICKETS WILL BE SOLD ON SUNDAYS**

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.

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.



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.

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:

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.

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of September 13, 2015 \$8,877.00

**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	\$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.