



Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway
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Pastoral Staff

Rev. Antony Asir, Pastor
Rev. Harold Noviello, Associate Pastor
Deacon Robert D. Weisz
Deacon Edward R. Vigneaux
Deacon John S. Rapacki

Religious Education

Patricia Chapin, Co-director
Mary Ellen Carroll, Co-director

Parish Outreach

Staffed by volunteers

Music Ministry

Emilia Savarese, Facilitator

Youth Ministry

Joe Gast, s.c., Youth Minister

OUR PARISH SACRAMENTAL LIFE - EUCCHARIST

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

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

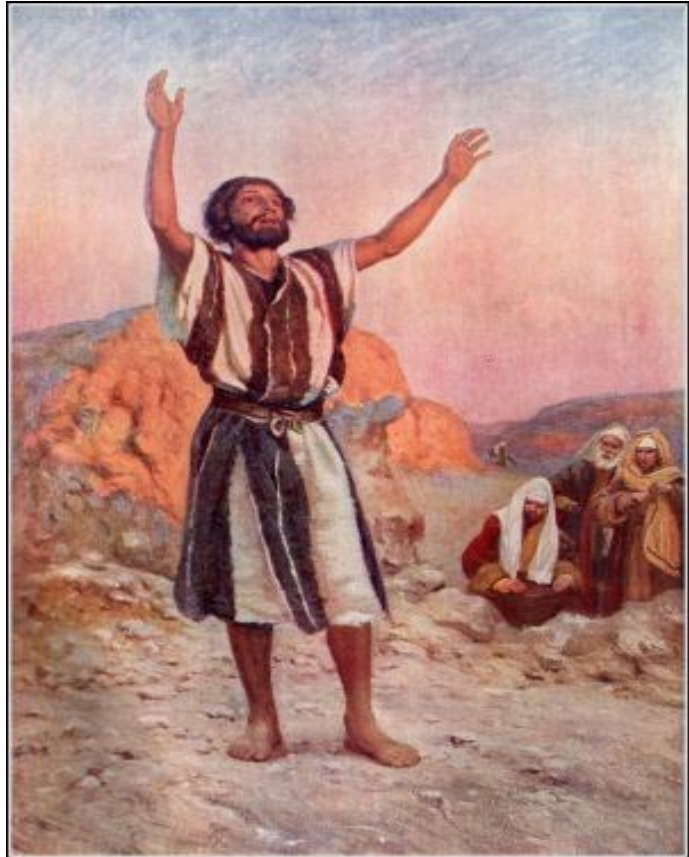
MARRIAGE—As soon as a couple decides to marry, and BEFORE making any other arrangements, call the Church Office to schedule an appointment with the Parish Office or one of the deacons.

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

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

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

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



December 6, 2015 *The Second Sunday of Advent*

Parish Mission Statement:
St. Thomas More Roman Catholic Church is a
parish community striving to share the Spirit of Love through
Prayer, Worship, the Sacraments
The Teachings of the Church, and
Our concern for others through Christian Stewardship.

Telephones:

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

Masses for this coming week

December 6, 2015
Second Sunday of Advent
Baruch 5: 1-9
Psalm 126: 1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6
Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11
Luke 3" 1-6

Saturday--December 5

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Thomas Claps *by Lew Bernard*

Sunday—December 6 —Second Sunday of Advent

8am—Lisa Codispoti *by her family*

9:15am—Sgt. A. DeSocio; Lt. D. DeSocio; Richard Hohn *by Joan & Jim Murphy*

10:45am—Sr. Nora Respoli *by Joseph & Anna Beltrani*

12:15pm—Gerard Douglas *by the McNeill family;*

Padmana Rao & Kanaka Durga *by Ellen Karibandi;*

Bernie Maddox II *by Valerie Licandro & family;*

Thomas McGrath IV *by the MacGuire family;*

Hubert J. Ward *by the MacGuire family*

Monday—December 7—St. Ambrose

9am—Leon Maganza *by the St. Thomas More*

Columbiettes

7pm—Anna Cecilia Perez de Castro *by the family*

Tuesday—December 8—The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Patronal Feastday of the United States of America)

9am—Arlene Mellina *by Gaetano Turchiano*

7pm—Christopher Weidig & Joseph Giardino *by Judy &
Ken Granville*

Wednesday—December 9—St. Juan Diego

Cuauhtlatatzin

9am—Grace Parisi *by Frank & Vivianne Latorre*

Thursday—December 10

9am—Leonard & Ann Gallo *by the Wieland family*

Friday—December 11—St. Damasus I

9am—Pasquale Febbraro *by Aunt Mary Ann & Uncle
Leon*

Saturday--December 12—Our Lady of Guadalupe

9am—Evelyn A. Scollon *by Nancy Fornabia*

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Marin Lamia *by wife Ann Lamia & family*

Sunday—December 13 —Third Sunday of Advent

8am—Priscilla McAllister *by Ed McAllister*

9:15am—Annette Berg *by Gino & Joanne Leocadi;*

Michael Leocadi *by Gino & Joanne Leocadi;* Eleanore Porter *by Judy Coyle;*

12:15pm—James E. Dailey *by Kathleen Murphy*

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

December 13, 2015
Third Sunday of Advent
Zephaniah 3: 14-18A
Psalm Isaiah 3:14-18A
Philippians 4:4-7
Luke 3:10-18

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke:

The crowds asked John the Baptist, "What should we do?" He said to them in reply, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized and they said to him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He answered them, "Stop collecting more than what is prescribed." Soldiers also asked him, "And what is it that we should do?" He told them, "Do not practice extortion, do not falsely accuse anyone, and be satisfied with your wages."

Now the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Exhorting them in many other ways, he preached good news to the people.

Focus Questions:

1. How does the realization of God in your midst enkindle in you a love that reaches out to those in need?
2. Describe a time when you were looking forward to something for the first time.
3. Where or how do you experience God coming to you in the ordinary events of your life these days?

Family and children's question:

Besides physical presents what would you like to give each member of your family this Christmas?

PRAY FOR THE SICK



James Adams; Lynn Alipert; Lewis (Jim) Baker; Karen Berlet; Mackenzie Borchers; Charles Boston; Msgr. Patrick Brown; James D. Calandrella; Linda Sue Cappisillo; Marge Chester; Claire Cooper; Dorothy Copeland; Fr. Robert Dahlke; Jenn Dobbs; Walter Drechsler Jr.; Thomas Duffy; Gerald Gilson; Diane Gonzalez; Judy Granville; Richard Gutmann; Glenn Hollins; Casano A.S. Holmes; Irene Janis; Laura Jennings; Steven Johnston; James Kavanagh; Kenneth; Elaine Kleenstauber; Richard Landi; Olivia Macchio; Cindy Mango; Lorraine Mango-Follini; Arlene Kaley; Jean Marsala-Kieffner; Frankie Martinelli; Jean Mascia; Terri Ilardi McKee; Kathleen Morrissey; Sue Morrissey; Irene Mozder; Victoria Nelson; Maureen O'Donnell; Beatrice Okorn; Jeanne Oliveri; Joe P; Joseph Peter; Randy Pistrutto; Ralph Rantz; Rosalie Rocchio; Margaret Stahura; Kaz Stasiak; Richard Stout; Chase Turano; Angela Vicquery; Diane Weisz; Greg Williams; Fran Zeppetella.

*We ask those who wish to have the sick listed in the bulletin to submit their names through the collection or drop the name(s) off at the Church Office. Please use the cut-out in the bulletin for your convenience. This listing will expire on **March 31, 2016**. Please resubmit any names you wish to have continued.*

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

L. Jim Baker; Edward Skrzypek; our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Baseball is talked about a great deal in the Bible....in the beginning....Eve stole first... Adam stole second....Gideon rattled the pitchers.... Goliath was put out by David....the Prodigal Son made a home run.... We can go on describing various other biblical events in terms of baseball. Likewise when God wanted to communicate with us humans in human terms, God sent Jesus to be born as a human, as one of us. That is God's way of describing his divine love and message in human terms.

Today's Gospel ends with the quote from prophet Isaiah, "All flesh will see the salvation of God." The same Isaiah said at the time of his calling by God that seeing God would put him to death (Isaiah 6:5); but now he boldly foretells that human flesh will see God's salvation.

Today's Gospel gives lots of historical details as to when exactly John the Baptist was calling people to look for the birth of Jesus. These details situate John's proclamation to have happened at a particular point of our human history. Thus they show that Jesus' birth is an event of our human history. It took place in human times in a human way for humans to see. Humans saw the birth of God. As Isaiah says, the human flesh has seen God's salvation in the birth of God, in Jesus' birth.

The second week of Advent shows how God is not an abstract being but historically a real person among us. If we can open our heart and believe this fact we are sure to experience His birth even today. Let this advent time make us ready to see Jesus' birth in our hearts and homes.

You will find new missalettes in the pews which have all the readings, hymns and prayers for the whole year. Since they are to be used for the whole year until the end of November 2016, may I request you to please handle them gently. This year they are placed in plastic covers so that they may last the whole year long. The bookmark-ribbons are to help you find the hymns and readings easily. When not in use please place the missalettes carefully in the racks. Please do not jam books into the racks in the open position. Before leaving the church please check your pew to see that the missalettes are in order. Thank you for your cooperation.

8th of December is the Solemn Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, the patroness of our Land. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are celebrated on Monday 7th December at 7:00 pm, Tuesday 8th December at 9:00 am and 7:00 pm. On the same day Mother Church begins the **JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY**. Pope Francis will open the door of Mercy at St. Peter's Basilica and declare the Year of Mercy open. May this Year of Mercy be God given time of experiencing God's Mercy and in sharing the Divine Mercy with each other in our kindness, compassion and forgiveness.

By December of 2017, we the Parish Family of St. Thomas More will become 50 years young—we will celebrate the Golden Jubilee of our Parish. We thank God's providence for having journeyed with us. We gratefully remember our founding generations and the ongoing generations of their enthusiastic faith-filled participation in bringing up the parish to where we are now – a warm community, 'Sharing the Spirit of Love'. Our foregone generation has handed over the torch of faith to us and it is now our turn to keep the flame of faith alive and hand it over to our next generation... They started humbly in a 'Coffin Factory' and turned it over to a church in our hands. Let us add our part of making it a bit more alive and enthusiastic, a bit more welcoming and meaningful to our children and grandchildren. If each one of us could bring one more person to our congregation, it will grow exponentially bigger. Please talk to someone;

invite anyone and bring every one. Because ‘Sharing the Spirit of Love’ is our motto and identity of being St. Thomas More.

December 12th is the Christmas Tree Lighting after the 5:00pm mass. After the tree lighting Santa will make a special visit to Walden Hall. The Youth Ministry is helping to provide us dinner and refreshments at a nominal cost.

Calendar Club 2016: The Calendar Club is open for 2016. This week the bulletin carries the form for the Calendar Club 2016. Please show your support by joining the Calendar club. You may also consider giving the Calendar Club to someone as a Christmas or Birthday gift. Calendar Club is a good way of fund raising for the Parish.

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

	<u>This Weekend</u> (Dec. 5-6)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (Dec. 12-13)
<u>Saturday</u> 5:00 pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
<u>Sunday</u> 8:00am	Fr. Harold	Fr. John
9:15am	Fr. Irinel	Fr. Antony
10:45am	Fr. Harold	Fr. Irinel
12:15pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony

PARISH OUTREACH

The Giving Tree has officially begun.



Please think about taking a card and fulfilling a wish! There are opportunities to donate unwrapped toys, clothing items, and cash donations (gift cards). Any cards you can take off the tree and then return to the table in the Narthex would be gratefully appreciated.

Another contranym: To Give Out: To provide, or to stop because of a lack of supply. This contranym applies to our Outreach very aptly, because we try to provide for our parishioners who are unable to provide for their families... but it also means that without the generosity of our parishioners, we would “give out” because we would not have the food – there would be a lack of supply.

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of November 29, 2015 \$8,035.00

St Vincent de Paul Conference

Our heartfelt thanks to all our fellow parishioners. Your support this year—in any way—enabled your SVdP Conference to reach out and help your neighbors in Hauppauge. Thank you and God bless you.

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.

WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING: The loss of a job, especially in a one-parent household, can set the family’s finances into a downward spiral. Recently, we visited a single Mom with four children, and we are working to help her get back on her financial feet.

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 the 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
Alex Lombardi

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
Andrew Lombardi



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.

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.

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, January 5, 2016 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.

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.



FLOWER OFFERING—CHRISTMAS

In order for us to meet the deadline for the Christmas bulletin, kindly submit your Flower Offering envelopes with the names of your loved ones to the Rectory by **Thursday, December 10, 2015**. We request that you please print the names legibly.

Faith and Light Meeting



Friday, December 18th
at 7:00 p.m.
St Thomas More Walden Hall
115 Kings Highway
Hauppauge, NY 11788

For more information call: Marcia and Jack Gaudet at 631-439-9724

(Faith and Light is an international faith-sharing organization for people with developmental disabilities.)

Congratulations

We have been advised by Kellenberg Memorial High School that **Brandon Popp** of our parish has been inducted into the National Honor Society.

Well done Brandon!

We are proud of your accomplishment and wish you continued success.

Catholics for Freedom of Religion



"Let us preserve freedom. Let us cherish freedom. Freedom of conscience, religious freedom ... And may you defend these rights, especially religious freedom, for it has been given to you by God himself."

Pope Francis, 9/26/15 at Independence Hall, Philadelphia

Little Sisters of the Poor and U.S. Supreme Court:

The Supreme Court's decision to hear Little Sisters of the Poor vs Burwell means that another group of Christians must beg permission to practice their faith unmolested. The Little Sisters is an international Roman Catholic Congregation founded in 1836 and operates nursing homes for the poor in 31 countries including 30 homes in the U.S.

"Our Mission is to offer the neediest elderly of every race and religion a home ... care ... until God calls them to himself." As Catholics, they follow Church doctrine and thus don't include coverage for abortion-drugs, contraception or sterilization, in their employee health plans. The Becket Fund explains, "Although the government exempts church and church-run ministries from the HHS (contraception) mandate, it argues the Little Sisters aren't religious enough for this exemption. Instead, it demands that the Little Sisters comply or pay crippling IRS fines." (spectator.org, 11/16/15)

However, many labor unions and large corporations, including McDonald's and Cracker Barrel, have received a waiver for an exemption from ACA (Affordable Care Act). (obamacarewaiver.org, 2/3/15)

"Selective enforcement of the law is the first sign of tyranny," wrote The Washington Times. "So far, seven states and 1,372 businesses, unions and other institutions have received waivers from the (ACA) law. (freedomoutpost.com, 4/26/14)

We will not compromise our faith. We will not accept rules and regulations that violate our consciences or impose actions and practices that go against the moral teachings of our faith and our Church." Bishop William Murphy, Diocese of Rockville Centre, NY

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Sunday—December 6

Knights of Columbus Poinsettia Sale after all Masses

8am—RCIA—Meeting Room

2pm—Baptisms—Church

7pm—Youth Ministry Meeting—Walden/Kirwin Halls

Monday—December 7

7pm—Vigil Mass for the Immaculate Conception

Tuesday—December 8—Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Holy Day of Obligation

Masses at 9am and 7pm—Church

Wednesday—December 9

2pm—Catholics for Freedom of Religion—Meeting Rm.

6:30pm—Baptism Prep—Church/Kirwin Hall

Thursday—December 10

5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

7pm—Columbiettes Meeting—Kirwin Hall

7pm—Bereavement Support Group—Rectory

7:30pm—Choir—Church

Friday—December 11

1pm—Young At Heart—Walden Hall

Saturday—December 12

12:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

6:15pm—Youth Ministry—Christmas Tree Lighting & Christmas Village



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:

December 14—The Lone Survivor by Marcus Luttrell—Facilitator—Joan Shea

January 11—We are all Completely Beside Ourselves By Karen Joy Fowler—Facilitator—Vivianne Latorre

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Tuesday, Dec. 8, 2015.

Holy Day of Obligation

Monday, Dec. 7—Vigil Mass at 7:00 pm

Tuesday, Dec. 8 —Mass at 9:00 am and 7.00 pm

The Rectory will be closed on Tuesday, December 8th in observance of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

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

CONGRATULATIONS!

CALENDAR CLUB 2015

Here are the winners: Nov. 29—Dec. 5, 2015

Sun. Nov. 29—#11—\$50—Marie & John Reddy
Mon. Nov. 30—#253—\$25—Anthony Rotolico
Tues. Dec. 1—#150—\$25—Madeline & Ed Drobinko
Wed. Dec. 2—#158—\$25—Dom & Joan Mancuso
Thurs. Dec. 3—#879—\$25—Ann Russo
Fri. Dec. 4—#614—\$25—Pat & Joan Shea
Sat. Dec. 5—#989—\$25—Anthony & Joanne Lumia

E-MAIL & ADDRESSES

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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—
JFRAT@optonline.net
Youth Ministry Corner—If you have any questions about the program, please contact Joe Gast, Youth Minister.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

St. Joseph Renewal Center—1725 Brentwood Rd.—Brentwood—December programs:

Men2Men Gathering—Dec. 12—8:00 to 9:30 am—Offering \$20 includes breakfast.

Wellness Program—Wednesdays—11:00am to 1:00pm—Dec. 16, Feb. 3 & March 9. \$25 per person

11th Step Prayer Support for 12 Steppers. A

Journey to Spiritual Wholeness—December 20—2 to 4:00 pm. Free will offering.

(Second Notice)

New York Tenors—Benefit Show—Hope House Ministry—Carnegie Hall—December 10 at 8pm.

Tickets and bus from Massapequa Park are between \$100 and \$122. Please call Grace Harold at 631-543-3561 for more information.

St. Anthony's High School—Franciscan Brothers—Christmas Concert of Instrumental & Choral Music Friday, Dec. 11 and Saturday, Dec. 12, 2015 at 7:30 pm—Auditorium. Donation \$10. Please call 271-2020.

Camp Fatima for boys and **Camp Bernadette** for girls are now accepting registrations for the 2016 summer season. The camps, located in the Lakes Region of NH, offer 2-week overnight sessions for children, ages 6-15. Round trip bus transportation is available out of Long Island. To request a brochure or DVD, contact Michael Drumm at 603-364-5851 or email mdrumm@campsfatimabernadette.org or visit us on the web at www.campsfatimabernadette.org.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
AND THE COLUMBIETTES**

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2015
6:30—10:30 pm**

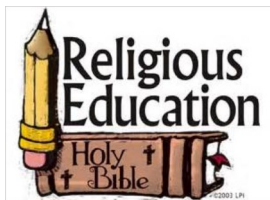


**DINNER, MUSIC D.J. AND
MUCH, MUCH MORE.**

**ADULTS ONLY.
TICKETS ARE \$22 PER PERSON.**

FOR TICKETS PLEASE CONTACT:

**JERRY FERRARA—631-806-3830
OR
WILLY FERRARA—631-806-4628.**



We are pleased to be offering an Advent program for Kindergarteners and for those who will be attending Kindergarten next year. The four sessions will take place during the 9:15 mass on November 29, December 6, 13, and 20. Children will be escorted by the teachers to the classroom in Walden Hall after the homily and parents will pick them up after mass. The program is free, but we ask that you register your child by calling the Religious Education office (234-0397) or by emailing Pat Chapin at Pchapin@optonline.net by November 25.



WANTED—CANTORS

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

Children's Choir

It's the perfect time to consider becoming a part of
the

Children's Choir.

We sing at the 9:15 Family Mass on
Sundays.

Rehearsals are Thursdays from
5:30-6:30 PM.

Adult Choir

All voice parts are welcome.

We sing at the 10:45 Mass on Sundays.
We rehearse every Thursday
7:30 to 9:30 PM



- - - Christmas is coming- - -

**And so is the formation of the young
people's Christmas Choir!**

**Grade 2 thru H.S. are welcome to share
their voices with us.**

Rehearsals are:

**December 5, 12 and 19 - Saturdays
From 12:30 to 1:30 pm.**

Call Emilia @ 724-8820

To join or for more information

**PRAYING FOR THE SICK
— Adding a name Request —**

PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING TO THE PARISH LISTING OF THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Name of person(s) who is (are) ill:
Relationship to the person who is ill:

Person making the Request:

TODAY'S DATE:

(Please place in collection basket or drop off at Church Office)

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	\$53,385.00
Percentage of Goal	77.03%



**REGISTRATION and/or
ENVELOPE REQUEST**

NAME(s):

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

E-MAIL:

I/we would like to register in the parish.

Please send contribution envelopes.

I am already registered in the parish but do not receive contribution envelopes. I would like to receive them.

Other _____

(Please return in collection or return to Church Office)

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CALENDAR CLUB 2016

I/We would like to join St. Thomas More's Calendar Club for 2016.

NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS:

PHONE:()

One Number for \$25

OR

FIVE Numbers for \$100

(If your return your form & payment by Tuesday, December. 8, 2015, you will receive a total of SIX numbers for \$100).

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

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$

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

St. Thomas More Employment Services

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

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Cablevision - 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.

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

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

Holiday Workers: UPS, Kohl's and ToysRUS—hiring for the holidays.

Housekeepers - FT—light housekeeping—own transportation

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.

Uncle Giuseppe's—now hiring in all departments and locations.

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.