



Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

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Rev. Antony Asir, Pastor
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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.



PARISH LENTEN MISSION *March 14–17, 2016*

February 14, 2016
First Sunday of Lent

Telephones:

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Religious Ed—	234-0397	FAX 234-1199
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Masses for this coming week

February 14, 2016
First Sunday of Lent
Deuteronomy 26:4-10
Psalm 91: 1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15
Romans 10: 8-13
Luke 4:1-13

Saturday--February 13

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Maria Salina *by Robert & Kevin*

Sunday—February 14—First Sunday of Lent

8am—Sal Alogna *by Tommy & Cookie;*

Eddie Brumhoelzl *by Fred Dunlop;* Ann Marmo *by*

Fred Dunlop; Evelyn Scollon *by the Citro family*

9:15am—Rose & Edward J. Borowski *by Paul, Kathy & Amanda Borowski*

10:45am—Jeanne & Julius Sauchelli; Julia &

Louis Fiore *by Robert & Madeline Sauchelli*

12:15pm—Mary Jane Wilbert *by the Brosnan family*

Monday—February 15

9am—Doris Marie D'Antonio *by the Crudden family*

Tuesday—February 16

9am—Matthew Casey McDonald *by Ruthann McDonald*

Wednesday—February 17—The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

9am—Joseph Giardino *by Judy & Ken Granville*

Thursday—February 18

9am—Dave Saenz (living) *by Patrick Keena*

Friday—February 19

9am—Martin Saeng (living) *by Augustin Keena*

Saturday--February 20

9am—Joan Hartnett *by the Keena family*

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Veronica Saenz *by Patrick Keena*

Sunday—February 21—Second Sunday of Lent

8am—Evelyn Scollon *by Lou & Emilia Savarese*

9:15am—Nanette DeMetropolis *by the Adams family;*

Richard Gawronski *by the Tkacz family;* Ellen Nieman *by John Viviani*

10:45am—Maryann McCarthy *by the Kelley family*

12:15pm—Jim Baker *by the St. Thomas More*

Columbiettes

PRAY FOR THE SICK

James Adams; Lynn Alipert;

Anthony Augrigliaro; Mary Bein; Louise Beltrani;

Karen Berlet; Mackenzie Borchers;

Charles Boston; Msgr. Patrick Brown;

James D. Calandrella; Linda Sue Cappisillo;

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

February 21, 2016
Second Sunday of Lent
Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18
Psalm 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14
Philippians 3:17-4:1
Luke 9:28B-36

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke:

Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him.

As they were about to part from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

But he did not know what he was saying.

While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said,

"This is my chosen Son; listen to him."

After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone.

They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.

Focus Questions:

1. When has someone you thought you knew well surprised you?
2. What do you need to do this Lent to become the person God intended you to be?
3. Which of your relationships needs to be transformed?

Family and children's question:

Where are you able to see Jesus in the faces of others?



D'Angelo Caruso; Marge Chester; Baby Clare Elezabert; Claire Cooper; Dorothy Copeland; Bernice Cuomo; Fr. Robert Dahlke; Jenn Dobbs; Florence and Anthony Donato; Walter Drechsler Jr.; William Driscoll; Thomas

Duffy; Frank Dunn; Leona Esposito; Tony Fairfax; Josephine Farella; Fernando Francisco; Kate Fuoto; Gerald Gilson; Diane Gonzalez; Judy Granville; Richard Gutmann; Glenn Hollins; Casano A.S. Holmes; Anthony Importuna; Irene Janis; Laura Jennings; Steven Johnston; James Kavanagh; Kenneth; Elaine Kleenstauber; Theresa Kuleis; Richard Landi; Olivia Macchio; Cindy Mango; Lorraine Mango-Follini; Jean Marsala-Kieffner; Romolo Marcucci; Frankie Martinelli; Jean Mascia; Terri Ilardi McKee; Kathleen Morrissey; Sue Morrissey; Irene Mozder; Josephine Mula; Victoria Nelson; Bernadette O'Brien; Maureen O'Donnell; Beatrice Okorn; Jeanne Oliveri; Joe P; Arlene Palazzolo; Sandra Paterson; Ceffy & Peppi Perez; Joseph Peter; Randy Pistritto; Ralph Rantz; Nicole Reid; Dolores Roberts; Rosalie Rocchio; Madeleine Sauchelli; Michale Selvaggio; Daniel Skinnon; Margaret Stahura; Kaz Stasiak; Richard Stout; Carson Tianna; Chase Turano; Greg Williams; Nicolas Wittreich; Fran Zeppetella; Baby Joey Ziegler.

*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

Leland Acampora; our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Agent to writer: I have some good news and some bad news.

Writer: First tell me the good news.

Agent to writer: Paramount just loved your story, absolutely ate it up.

Writer: That's fantastic – and the bad news?

Agent: Paramount is my dog.

Every temptation peripherally sounds as good news but is a bad news substantially.

The Gospel of the First Sunday of Lent narrates the three temptations of Jesus. The first one is the devil's

suggestion that Jesus could finish his 40 days of fast by turning stone into bread. The second and third temptations are the devil's outward invitation to Jesus to enjoy glory and authority over the whole world, but inwardly a challenge to subject his identity to the devil and to doubt God's promise. Every temptation is a sugar coated trap. It attracts us with its sweetness only to get entrapped to live in our weakness and loss.

None of the three times did Jesus fall into the trap of the devil, in the sweet-coated attraction offered to him.

Jesus' reply to the devil shows how Jesus values his inner reality of being a Son of God, is worthier living than enjoying all the sugar-coated offers that the devil places before him. Jesus invites us to see our inner worth of being God's children.

Today's readings remind us that we are the freed and saved ones. No one can enslave us unless we yield to them. Let us follow Jesus and live like Him in the face of temptations. Let us never succumb to sugar coating; let us awaken to our inner worth

We have begun the Holy Time of Lent. We call it holy time, not that the time has anything holy, but it offers an invitation to become holy. To be holy is to think and act, not in our selfish way, but as God would. To become holy, we must first be aware of God's presence in and around us. Once God's awareness becomes our experience all that we do and say will express God's presence. This is what Jesus means when he asks 'to be perfect just as your Heavenly Father is perfect.' (Mt. 5:48).

Of course we cannot in any way be just like God our Heavenly Father. But we can allow God to be experienced by us and allow God to be experienced in our words and deeds. Lent is the time we seriously make efforts to be aware of God's available presence in and around us and allow God to be our words and actions. All our Lenten spiritual practices like praying, fasting and almsgiving are merely the means of growing into God's awareness.

In our Parish we pray the Stations of the Cross every Friday at 7:00 pm for a particular intention. This Friday February 19th we pray for those who are looking for a job, struggling to make their ends meet without a full time job, who live in debt and who suffer without proper benefits.

I will be offering four 60-minute sessions of Pranayama - Breathing Meditation for four Tuesdays; two in February on the 16th and 23rd and two in March on the 1st and 8th. The morning session will be at 9:45 am in Kirwin Hall, immediately following the 9:00 am mass in Kirwin Hall; the evening session will be at 7:00pm in the Church. The first 30 minutes of the session will be an explanation of the basics and the second half will be the spiritual exercise of the breathing mediation called

Pranayama, - 'integration of oneself through breathing (prana).

Our yearly Lenten project is another opportunity to serve God through serving others. This year we invite you to join Catholic Relief Service (CRS) in educating the refugee children in refugee camps in the war-torn zones of the Middle East and in our continent of America. Let us eagerly partake in this corporal act of mercy of almsgiving during this Year of Mercy.

Please expect a letter from Faith Direct or you may have already received one. The letter will explain how you can make church offerings electronically. In times of bad weather like snow storms people are not able attend church and thus not able to partake in freewill offerings. Faith Direct is an electronic way of giving. This helps a steady contribution to the Church when you are travelling or as a snow bird go down to Florida. Faith Direct helps you to support our Church steadily even when you are not able to attend here due to various reasons. If you want to participate in it, please contact the Rectory.

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

	<u>This Weekend</u> (February 13-14)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (February 20-21)
<u>Saturday</u> 5:00 pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Irinel
<u>Sunday</u> 8:00am	Fr. Harold	Fr. Antony
9:15am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
10:45am	Fr. Harold	Fr. Harold
12:15am	Fr. Irinel	Fr. Harold

With love and prayers,
Fr. Antony

PARISH OUTREACH

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!!!!!!



Here's another CONTRANYM for you: CUSTOM. Its definition is "a common practice or a special treatment." It is our custom, in the United States and elsewhere, to celebrate this day as one in which we remember those we love in a romantic way, or those we love as our children or grandchildren. We exchange cards and perhaps flowers and candy, or a gift. But we also "customize" treatment, as when we ask for special services at a hotel, or perhaps when ordering a car.

Here at Outreach, we have hoped that donations will become "customary" for our parishioners, even while sometimes asking you to "customize" your donations at

holiday times, with turkeys, hams, etc. At this point in time, we are just asking for customary donations, as we are still restocking depleted shelves.

St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Smithtown will have its monthly "Coffee and Conversation" meeting on February 21st, for all single, widowed, divorced or separated "Baby Boomers" (45 -60plus). The meeting will be held in the back of the school. For further information, please call 631-265-2668 from 10-2 on weekdays.

St Vincent de Paul Conference

Instead of the post-Christmas doldrums, we are busy responding to calls from our neighbors and preparing for our second annual Family St. Valentine Dance. Please support this fundraising event so we might continue to assist our neighbors in need.

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: Many calls are coming in for rent assistance. You all know how high rents are on Long Island and one serious illness, accident, or loss of job, can set up a downward spiral toward eviction. Sometimes we can help, sometimes not, but we attempt to find and use as many resources as possible to offer aid.

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. Visit us on Facebook and 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

John Chester
Michael White
Thomas LaFemina
William Gregory
Jason Doyle



Thomas Nichols	John Karies
Kaitlyn Nachtman	John Nachtman,
Adam Papaizai	Michael Poist
Jesse Bernstein	Michael Polanski
Kyle Rathje	Ryan Smith
William R. Rathje	Ethan Bernstein
Timothy Fallon	Philip Guidone
Tim Morris	Antonia Marie Rivera
Thomas Migliara	John Burk
Michael Fensterer	Bryan Figueiredo
Alex Lombardi	Andrew Lombardi
Christopher Sidor	Sean Hendrickson

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, March 1, 2016 at 7pm.

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

**Sunday—February 14—Second Collection:
Church in Need—at all Masses**

Youth Pancake Breakfast after Masses at 8:00am,
9:15am and 10:45am

7pm—Youth Ministry Meeting—Walden/Kirwin Halls

Wednesday—February 17

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

4:30pm—Knights of Columbus—Walden Hall

Thursday—February 18

5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

7:30pm—Choir—Church



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:

March 14—Two Steps Forward: A Story of Persevering in Hope by Sharon Brown—
Facilitator—Caroline De Santis.

April 11—Sisterland by Curtis Sittenfeld—
Facilitator—Barbara Fratamico

RCIA

We are in the RCIA Process with four people journeying to the Easter Sacraments. They rely upon your example and prayers as they strive to become disciples of Christ. We ask the community of Saint Thomas More to pray for Michael Smith, Michael Milone, Alison Radonis, and Michael Zeitner that during Lent the spirit will guide them in their search to grow closer to Christ.

Catholics for Freedom of Religion



Let us pray for the Little Sisters of the Poor, that they can avoid bankrupting fines.

"If this appeal is lost, government becomes head of every religious denomination in the country by its assumed authority to determine what is, in fact, a sin." Thomas More Law Center

The Supreme Court will hear arguments on March 23 in the case of Little Sisters of the Poor to determine if they and other faith-based ministries can be forced to change their health-care plans "to offer drugs that violate their religious beliefs when those same drugs could be made available through healthcare exchanges," said Becket Fund For Religious Liberty.

"After promising that the Little Sisters religious beliefs would be protected, the government created a new regulation requiring that the Little Sisters change their healthcare plan to offer drugs that violate Catholic teaching," the Becket Fund explained. "One third of U.S. workers are employed by secular companies (e.g. Exxon, Visa) that are exempt from having to provide these same drugs since their health plans are grandfathered" www.WND.com 2/1/16; media@becketfund.org, 1/29/16

All tyranny needs to gain a foothold is for people of good conscience to remain silent." Edmund Burke

E-MAIL & ADDRESSES

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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— JFRAT@optonline.net
Youth Ministry Corner—If you have any questions about the program, please contact Joe Gast, Youth Minister.
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 the parish's regional school, or visit the school website at www.holyfamilyregional.com

YOUNG AT HEART

The next meeting of the Young At Heart will be in Walden Hall on Friday, February 26, 2016 at 1pm.

YAH Date Change:

Our **St. Patrick's Day Luncheon** has been changed to **March 4th** at 1:00 pm.



Friday, March 18th will be a regular meeting day. Refreshments will be served at all meetings or events.

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of February 7, 2016 \$9,747.50

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

Pat Chapin in On the Road Again! Discover Scotland on October 3-10, 2016. Visit the regal city of Edinburgh. Tour the Orkney Islands, cruise on Loch Lomond, the largest lake in the United Kingdom. Enjoy a stunning drive to the Isle of Skye. Per person rate is \$3,699; single room is \$4,149. Price includes 14 meals, transportation to and from the airport and a professional tour guide upon arrival in Scotland. For more information contact **Pat at 631-672-4402. Reserve your spot today; space is limited!**

Widowed, Divorced and Single Catholics of Long Island—Meeting at St. Frances de Chantal School, 1309 Wantagh Ave., Wantagh—Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at 7:30pm. Please bring proof of single status to join. Refreshments served after meeting. For info call Carol at 516-794-4933 or Barbara at 516-798-2858.

Catholic Cruise Eastern Caribbean—7-night cruise with Fr. Salvatore Scieurba **Nov. 26th to Dec. 3rd, 2016** on Holland America's Eurodam out of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Ports of Call: Grand Turk Island, Turks & Caicos° San Juan, Puerto Rico° Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, US V.I.° Half Moon Cay, Bahamas (Cruiseline Private Island). Prices begin at \$1658 for 2 passengers including all fees and taxes. Daily Mass offered. Deposit of \$350 pp will reserve your cabin. Space is limited. For further info or to register, contact Robert or Eileen at 860-399-1785 or Eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com
(Second Notice)

In honor of Black History Month—The Brooklyn Vicariate for Black Catholic Concerns & The Rockville Centre Office of Multicultural Diversity invites you to a **Revival** with Rev. Freddy Washington, CSSp, Pastor of St. Mark the Evangelist, Harlem, NY. **Fri., Feb. 12, 2016, 7:30pm, St. Brigid Church, Westbury; Sat. Feb. 13, 2016, 7:30pm, St. Joseph Church, Sutphin Blvd. Jamaica, NY.** Theme: "An Instigator of Peace: **McGann-Mercy Principal's Dinner**—Saturday, February 27th at 6:00 P.M. at Giorgio's Baiting Hollow—Honoring: Sister Elaine Hanson, RSM and the Sisters of Mercy and the late Richard Spanburgh '60 and the Class of 1960, our first graduating class. Call Liz McBurnie at extension 403 for more information

A Special St. Patrick's Celebration With Andy Cooney & Phil Coulter In Concert—Dominican Village, a sponsored ministry of the Sisters of Saint Dominic in Amityville,, will host a benefit concert in the NYCB Theatre in Westbury on **Sunday, March 13, 2016 at 3 PM.** CELTIC CROSSINGS in Concert will feature "Irish America's favorite son" Andy Cooney and Ireland's legendary songwriter and performer Phil Coulter,

accompanied by the Irish Pops Ensemble, Hibernian Festival Singers and special guest Geraldine Branagan. Proceeds of this event will benefit Dominican Village, a not-for-profit, non-sectarian Independent and Assisted Living Retirement Community in Amityville, NY.

Tickets for this joyful, magical "Celtic Spirit" concert can be purchased directly through Dominican Village or TicketMaster.com Tickets now on sale \$69.50 or \$54.50. For more information please call Dominican Village at (631) 842-6618.

Fatima/Lourdes/Nevers/Paris—Catholic Pilgrimage—September 12 - 22, 2016,

Fr. Alessandro da Luz, Spiritual Director/Our Holy Redeemer—2 Nights Fatima/1 Night Spain/ 2 Nights Lourdes/1 Night Nevers/ 2 Nights Paris/Daily Mass. Air from JFK / Breakfast & Dinner daily. For a flyer or more information call Cathie or Mike Milano 631-569-2620.



The Diocese of Rockville Centre
Golden Wedding Liturgy
Honoring Couples Married Fifty Years or More

Sunday, April 10—St. Lawrence the Martyr in Sayville

Sunday, April 24—Maria Regina in Seaford

Both liturgies will begin at 2:20pm/ Couples may register for ONE liturgy.

Registration for the April 10 liturgy must be received by the Diocese by March 25.

Registration for the April 24 liturgy must be received by the Diocese by April 8.

For questions, please call Suzanne at (516)-867-6340..

**2016 Journey of Pope Francis to Mexico
February 12—18, 2016**

To See Pope's Visit go to TV Stations below:

Long Island Television Carriers

Cablevision: CH 135/Ch 1097 (Spanish)

Direct TV: Ch 370: Dish Network: Ch 261

Verizon: Ch 285/Ch 1741 (Spanish)



We are pleased to be offering a Lenten program for Kindergarteners and for those who will be attending Kindergarten next year. The six sessions will take place during the 9:15 am mass on February 14, 21, 28, March 6, 13 and 20. Children will be escorted by the teachers to the classroom in Walden Hall before 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 February 11.

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

Call Emilia @ 724-8820

To join or for more information

CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS

Congratulations!

Here are the winners for February 1-6, 2016

Mon.	Feb. 1	\$25	#442	Andy & Kathy Turano
Tues.	Feb. 2	\$25	#500	Pat & Joan Shea
Wed.	Feb. 3	\$25	#536	Jack & Caroline DeSantis
Thurs.	Feb. 4	\$25	#301	Sonya Balsara
Fri.	Feb. 5	\$25	#361	Joseph Skrzypek
Sat.	Feb. 6	\$25	#804	Thomas & Lee Ann DeCillis

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT BREAKFAST

You’re invited to a
Applebee’s Pancake
Fundraiser for an Eagle Scout Project.

I, Skyler DeLucia will be creating a Prayer Garden for St. Thomas More off of the Saints Chapel, and I am hoping that you will be able to help me achieve that.

When: February 20, 2016 **Time:** 8am-10am

Cost: \$10 per person & \$5 (10 & under)

Where: 105 Veterans Memorial Hwy, Commack, NY, 11725

Breakfast Includes: Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Coffee, Milk, Juice.

SCOUT SUNDAY—FEBRUARY 2016

Photos: Courtesy of Frank Bayer



SUPERBOWL POOL WINNERS

Congratulations!

Sheet #1:

1st Quarter	Recce	\$ 75.00
Half Time	Tim Vigneaux	\$150.00
3rd Quarter:	Covino	\$ 75.00
4th Quarter:	Rosalie Rocchio	\$200.00

Sheet #2:

1st Quarter	Amy Hughes	\$ 75.00
Half Time	Chet	\$150.00
3rd Quarter:	Laura Vigneaux	\$ 75.00
4th Quarter:	Dcn. Bob Weisz	\$200.00



USED EYE GLASSES WANTED

The Volunteer Optometrist Service to Humanity (VOSH) is a group of Ophthalmologists/Optometrists who volunteer their time and professional skills each year for two weeks in Peru. They go to rural mountainous regions and provide optical treatment and/or eye surgery to the local villagers who live in abject poverty. The glasses donated are refurbished. After an eye exam, the villagers are given glasses closest to their prescription.

If you have any old glasses lying around, please put them to good use by donating them to our church.

Thank you very much.

**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	\$54,435.00
Percentage of Goal	78.55%



**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 2016**

I/we would like to support the Catholic Ministries Appeal for 2016.

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

Best Market-Commack-now hiring \$10 per hr. Health benefits—401 K—discount.

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.

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

Darby—Inside Sales Managers—Competitive salary—bonus—commissions. Excellent Benefits.

Geico Insurance—Sales reps, mgt trainees, claim services reps. —750 Woodbury Rd, Woodbury, NY. 9am –3pm, M-F, Open House, but apply on line first. Valid Photo ID required.

Healthcare Opportunities -

1. Good Samaritan Hospital, 631.969.8200
2. Mather Hospital, 631.476.2774
3. Brookhaven Hospital, 631.447.3708
4. Maryhaven, 631.474.4120, X212 - Contact Maryhaven directly

Housekeepers - FT—light housekeeping—own transportation

Lowe's—PT—season—February—May—all stores

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.

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.