



# Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway  
Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

## **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.

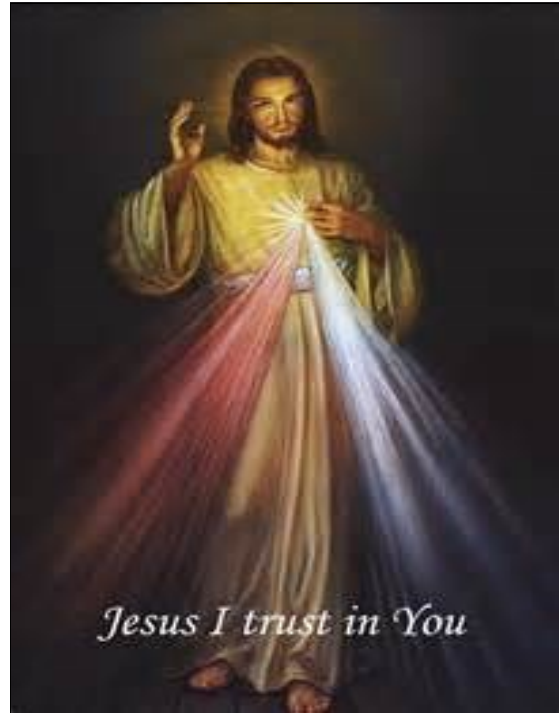
**MARRIAGE**—As soon as a couple decides to marry, and BEFORE making any other arrangements, call the Church Office to schedule an appointment with the Parish Office or one of the deacons.

**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.



## *April 3 2016 Sunday of Divine Mercy Second Sunday of Easter*

### *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

**April 3, 2016**  
**Sunday of Divine Mercy**  
**Acts 5:12-16**  
**Psalm 118: 2-4, 13-15, 22-24**  
**Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19**  
**John 20:19-31**

### **Saturday--April 2—First Saturday** *(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm—John F. Joy Sr. *by the Paino family*

### **Sunday—April 3—Sunday of Divine Mercy**

8:00am—Reddy Ballo *by Dcn. Ed & Laura Vigneaux*;  
James F. Bonfandio *by JoAnn Eyring*; Lisa Codispoti *by the Codispoti family*; Edith Cooper *by Stacy Crilly*;  
Joseph Cornacchioli *by the Citro family*; Steve Densler *by Steve Dunlop*; Casano Holmes *by the Holmes family*;  
Frank Maddaloni *by Frank & Vivianne Latorre*; Ruth Jean Monory *by Joe & Linda Lamberta & Mary Collen*;  
John Reilly *by Ralph & Ursula Molinaro*

9:15am—Joan Hartnett *by the Recce family*

10:45am—Lucy DeLuca *by Jerry & June Pashkin*

12:15pm—Joan Hartnett *by Pat & Frank Lewis*

### **Monday—April 4—The Annunciation of the Lord**

9am—Ida Marcello *by Ralph C. Marcello*

### **Tuesday—April 5—St. Vincent Ferrer**

9am—Mary Dahlquist *by Marie Utter*

### **Wednesday—April 6**

9am—Joan F. Harnett *by Marie Utter*

### **Thursday—April 7—St. John Baptist de la Salle**

9am—Gin & Mike Severino *by Rose Milazzo*

### **Friday—April 8**

9am—Marie Kinney *by Marie Sesti*

### **Saturday--April 9**

9am—Msgr. Robert J. Kirwin

### *(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm—Leland M. Acampora. *by Camille & Rick*

*Annichiarico*

### **Sunday—April 10—Third Sunday of Easter**

8:00am—Carmine LaBarca *by Marie & Frank Moretti*

9:15am—Daniel Connors *by Joanna Scaduto & Brian LaMarr*; Vernice Mims *by Stephanie Scaduto*;

George Winter *by Dcn. Ed & Laura Vigneaux*

10:45am—Jack Keenan & Gerry Cusack *by the family*

12:15pm—Antonia Savino *by Anna Savino (daughter)*



## **PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Mary Bein; Charles Boston; Linda Sue Cappisillo; Gerald Gilson; Judy Granville; Ann

## Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

**April 10, 2016**  
**Third Sunday of Easter**  
**Acts 5:27-32, 40B-41**  
**Psalm 30: 2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13**  
**Revelation 5: 11-14**  
**John 21: 1-19**

### **A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John:**

At that time, Jesus revealed himself again to his disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. He revealed himself in this way. Together were Simon Peter, Thomas called Didymus, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, Zebedee's sons, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We also will come with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. When it was already dawn, Jesus was standing on the shore; but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They answered him, "No." So he said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish. So the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord." When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he tucked in his garment, for he was lightly clad, and jumped into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, for they were not far from shore, only about a hundred yards, dragging the net with the fish. When they climbed out on shore, they saw a charcoal fire with fish on it and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you just caught." So Simon Peter went over and dragged the net ashore full of one hundred fifty-three large fish. Even though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. This was now the third time Jesus was revealed to his disciples after being raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" Simon Peter answered him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." He then said to Simon Peter a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Simon Peter answered him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." Jesus said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Amen, amen, I say to you, when you were younger, you used to dress yourself and go where you wanted; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." He said this signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when he had said this, he said to him, "Follow me."

### **Focus Questions:**

1. Relate an experience when someone did not give up on you, someone overlooked what you did and offered you a sense of peace.
2. What questions does Jesus keep asking you?
3. Who are the "sheep" Jesus entrusted to your care?

### **Family and children's question:**

Jesus forgave Peter. Who are the people you need to forgive?

& Anthony Iovino; John Marquette; Kenneth; Edward McCormick; Morgan Leary (age 7); Lorraine Mango-Follini; Jean Marsala-Kieffner; Beatrice Okorn; Richard Stout; Andrew J. Valentine; Andrew M. Valentine; Denise Zappia; 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 **September 30 2016**. Please resubmit any names you wish to have continued.*

## **PRAY FOR THE DECEASED**

Hilda Ronga; RoseMarie Klimar; John F. Mulitz Jr., our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

## **FR. ANTONY'S LETTER**

Dear Friends,

**Little Dennis began falling out of a tree and cried,** "Lord, save me, save me!" There was a pause and he said, "Never mind, Lord, my pants just got caught on a branch." Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen. (Hebrews 11:1)

**Today's Gospel is the story of doubting Thomas.** The Risen and Living Jesus appeared to the disciples but Thomas was not there. When the disciples told him this on his return Thomas was not ready to believe their story unless he would see and touch the Risen Jesus. Later when Jesus actually appeared and invited Thomas to touch Him, Thomas did not attempt to touch him but surrendered to the living presence of Jesus crying 'My Lord and my God'.

**What is needed is not proof but faith to experience the presence of Jesus.** Proofs can establish a fact about a person. But It is Faith and only Faith that will and can make us feel, relate, communicate and love the human persons. The Risen Jesus appears primarily to relate with us, not merely to prove his presence. **Life is more an experience of oneself and the other in faith and love** than a bare fact established by proofs and evidences. Touching (physical proofs) cannot make any one believe in the other. But believing can certainly lead us to touch the other in love. By proving to the other that I am alive, I cannot make the other to love me. But by loving the other I can prove to the other that I am meaningfully alive to that person. In life, proof is not the main product

of living but only a byproduct. Love is the main product of life and that love cannot live unless we believe in each other'. That is why Jesus concludes today's story with the truth, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." (John 20:29).

**This Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday.** This is the Year of Mercy. Let us confide our lives and commit our living moments into Divine Mercy, to continue in the power of God's Mercy. Fr. Harold invites us all to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet every Wednesday at 3:00pm in our Church. It is a beautiful spiritual moment of praying meditatively the highest gesture of God's Mercy—the death of Jesus, the Son of God. It will last not more than 15 minutes. All are welcome.

**First Holy Communion** of our children will be celebrated during the next two weekends April 9 and 10, and April 16 and 17 at the 5:00 pm mass on the Saturdays and at the 12:15 pm mass on the Sundays. We appreciate everyone's understanding if their usual seat is not available at those Masses.

**Please mark your calendar for the volunteer appreciation party** on Friday May 6<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm. It is a dinner/dance evening for all the volunteers. The dinner is free; but please ensure your place by depositing a \$20 check which will be returned to you when you show up for the dinner. Since our volunteers number over 325, and our Walden Hall has only limited space, I am limiting the invitation to volunteers only. Please understand.

Welcome to all volunteers for the appreciation party.  
**OUR PRIEST CELEBRANTS** (*Subject to last minute changes*)

	<u>This Weekend</u> (April 2/3)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (April 9/10)
<u>Saturday</u> 5:00 pm	Fr. Irinel	Fr. Antony
<u>Sunday</u> 8:00am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Harold
9:15am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Harold
10:45am	Fr. Harold	Fr. Irinel
12:15pm	Fr. Harold	Fr. Antony

With love and prayers,  
Fr. Antony

## **PARISH OUTREACH**



Spring is here!! The flowers are blooming, the air smells fresh and the atmosphere is one of hope and renewal! This week, we have news of Islip town services for Seniors; transportation (224-5686), hot lunches at the Islip Town Senior

**Centers**

(595-3510), residential repair programs (224-5424), and expanded in-home services for the elderly (853-8200). If you are residing in the Town of Islip, and are a Senior (60 and over), then you may avail yourself of these services. There are also Senior Centers for socialization throughout the Town of Islip.

If you have leftover canned or other non-perishable items after the holiday, you may bring them to Outreach, where we will accept them and give them to our clients. We are here from Monday through Thursday from 10 am to 2 pm.

**St Vincent de Paul Conference**

Spring is here and we are all looking forward to warmer temperatures and flowers popping up in our gardens. However, the needs of some of our neighbors continue to hold them in despair. Please remember to help us so we can help them.

**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:** Some of our conference members are sharpening their negotiating skills with landlords, other resources, and sometimes the person in need, so that a workable solution to the present problem, as well as the prevention of the same problem in the future, can be accomplished. The high cost of housing in LI continues to plague even those with a professional degree..

**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	John Chester
Carl F. Greiner	Michael White
Scott Lovelock	Thomas LaFemina
Justin Schneider	William Gregory

Christopher Day  
 Thomas Nichols  
 Kaitlyn Nachtman  
 Adam Papaizai  
 Jessie Bernstein  
 Kyle Rathje  
 William R. Rathje  
 Timothy Fallon  
 Tim Morris  
 Thomas Migliara  
 Bryan Figueiredo  
 Andrew Lombardi  
 Sean Hendrickson

Jason Doyle  
 John Karies  
 John Nachtman  
 Michael Poist  
 Michael Polanski  
 Ryan Smith  
 Ethan Bernstein  
 Philip Guidone  
 Antonia Marie Rivera  
 John Burk  
 Alex Lombardi  
 Christopher Sidor  
 Michael Knipper



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.

**E-MAIL & ADDRESSES**

Rectory –rectory@stmli.org  
 Youth Ministry Website—www.stthomasmoreyouth.org  
 Pat Chapin - Pchapin@optonline.net  
 Mary Ellen Carroll - Mecarroll@optonline.net  
 Outreach - Stmoutreach@optonline.net  
 Joe Gast - gast.joe@gmail.com  
 Deacon John Rapacki– deaconjohn@stmli.org  
 Altar Servers Ministry- altarservers@stmli.org  
 Personal Prayer - SpiritualOrientations.com  
 To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following: Barbara & Joe Fratamico—  
 JFRAT@optonline.net  
 Youth Ministry Corner—If you have any questions about the program, please contact Joe Gast, Youth Minister.

**H.Y. O. Women’s Softball:**



Registration is now open for our summer league for Hauppauge School District residents age 30and over. Come out and join the fun! You’ll see many St. Thomas More parishioners out on the field! Go to hyosoftball.com for more information and registration form or contact Carol Remondino at (631)938-6496, email: Carol.Remondino@yahoo.com. Deadline for registration is June 5, 2016.

## **RESPECT LIFE NEWS**

**ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
**HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, April 5, 2016 at 7pm.**

### ***Catholics for Freedom of Religion***



*"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof;" 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment to the Constitution*

#### **Hostility to Religion Harms Everyone:**

The increasing numbers of documented legal, cultural, and social attacks on religion are rising like floodwaters. These attacks are sweeping away small businesses, careers, and ministries, demonstrating a denial of human tolerance and compassion.

The animus toward religion springs from a relatively small but powerful sector of society composed of influential people and organizations who consider active faith as irrelevant at best and dangerous to social progress at worst. Good employees are being unlawfully fired and productive businesses recklessly harmed.

Religious freedom is in the First Amendment because all other freedoms rest upon it. Without the concept of a higher authority to make government accountable to unchanging principles of justice, all other freedoms are at risk of being violated, redefined, or revoked by government. (firstliberty.org, 3/17/16)

#### **"Equality Act" May End Christian Freedom & Rights:**

The unjust and unequal "Equality Act", introduced in Congress before summer, 2015, would essentially wipe out free speech and religious liberty on the issues of sexual orientation and gender identity, granting this group special protections designed to nullify any Religious Freedom Restoration acts, rendering them powerless under this bill. (wnd.com, 8/11/15)

**Please continue to pray for Little Sisters of the Poor as their case is now being deliberated by the Supreme Court.**

#### **Events:**

\* April 9, 2016, 1:00 PM, **Holy Hour of Adoration for Little Sisters of Poor**, St. Bernard Church, 3100 Hempstead Typk., Levittown; 2:00PM, talk by Pastor Ralph Sommers

- \* April 10, 1:00 PM, **KrisAnne Hall**, Nationally Renowned Constitutional Speaker, Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, event held in Church, 75 Parkside Drive, Point Lookout, NY 11569
- \* April 20, 2016, **Thomas Renker**, Counsel for Diocese of Rockville Centre, and **Barbara Samuells**, President, Catholics For Freedom of Religion, St. John the Evangelist, event held in Parish Auditorium, 25 Ocean Ave., Center Moriches, NY 11934



As part of the **Year of Divine Mercy**, we will start to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet every Wednesday, starting on April 6, 2016 at 3:00 pm in the 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:

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

**May 9—The Magician's Lie** by Greer Macallister  
Facilitator—Jo Garvey

### **SUPPORT COLLECTION**

Collection of March 27, 2016 \$32,772.50



## Faith and Light Meeting

Friday, April 8th at 7:00 pm  
St. Thomas More Church Hall  
115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY.

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).*

## Friars Golden Kids Carnival

On Sunday, **April 24, 2016** St. Anthony's High School will host a Carnival for children with special needs and their families. The event will be at the Student Center of St. Anthony's High School from **1 to 4 pm**.

The day will include inflatables, carnival games, dancing, and other appropriate activities. A late lunch/early dinner will be provided. There is no cost for families, although donations are gratefully accepted at Check-in and are greatly appreciated to offset the cost of the day.

Deadline for Registration is Friday, April 15 so t-shirts and food can be ordered. For information please email [FriarsGoldenKidsCarnival@gmail.com](mailto:FriarsGoldenKidsCarnival@gmail.com)

## RCIA

Blessings and congratulations to our neophytes who were fully initiated into the Catholic Community at the Easter Vigil. Please welcome our new brothers and sister, Michael Smith, Alison Radonis, Michael Milone and Michael Zeitner.

The RCIA team would like to thank the entire St. Thomas More Community for sharing the Spirit of Love through prayer and worship with our neophytes who will now join us at the Eucharistic table of the Lord.

We would like to thank the following parishioners for using their gifts and talents to help bring the teachings of the church to our new brothers and sister. Thank you to Father Anthony, Deacon Bob, Deacon Ed and Laura Vigneaux, Deacon John and Christine Rapacki, Mary Ellen Carroll, Emilia Savarese and the choir, Celine D'Souza, Tony Procaccini, Frank Bayer, Bill and Jamie Stahura, Steve Loccisano and the Knights of Columbus, the hospitality committee, Lou Anatrella, Vivian Jacobs, Ryan Radonis, Nora White and Marion Gervais.

**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](http://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](mailto:parents@holyfamilyregional.com) to schedule a tour of the parish's regional school, or visit the school website at [www.holyfamilyregional.com](http://www.holyfamilyregional.com)

**USED EYE GLASSES**—The Volunteer Optometrist Service to Humanity (VOSH) is a group of Ophthalmologists/Optomtrists 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.

## **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](http://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](http://stmli.org) and bookmark it for future use.

## **COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(First Notice)*

**St. Catherine of Siena Medical Center** is looking for Eucharistic ministers willing to serve in the hospital on weekdays or on weekends. We very much appreciate your considering this way of ministering to those who are ill. Please call Eileen T. McMahon, one of the chaplains, from Mondays to Wednesdays at 631-862-3104 or email [Eileen.mcmahon@chsl.org](mailto:Eileen.mcmahon@chsl.org)

**Shrine of St. Anne's Columbiettes—Fundraiser Surprise Bingo—April 8, 2016.** Winner receives a mystery gift. Admission \$10.00 donation includes game card, coffee/tea & dessert. Doors open 7 pm. Knights of Columbus, 96 Second Ave., Brentwood, NY. For information contact Viviana Garamy at 631-231-1859.

**St. Anthony's High School Theatre Company—Disney "The Little Mermaid"—Thursday, April 14—7 pm; Friday, April 15 — 7:30 pm, Saturday, April 16 — 2 pm\* and 8 pm.** Tickets are available at the door for \$10. \*\$5 age 12 and under 2 pm show only. St. Anthony's High School, 275 Wolf Hill Rd., South Huntington, NY. For more info. Please email [LCordina@stanthonys.org](mailto:LCordina@stanthonys.org).

**St. Sylvester's Big Band "Jump into Spring" Social and Dance** featuring "The Savoy Swing Band—**Saturday, April 16, 2016 from 7 to 10pm.** Admission: \$10 pp, beverages and snacks are included—at St. Sylvester's Parish Center, 68 Ohio Ave., Medford, NY. (Directions: L.I.E. exit 64, one light south on Rte. 112, RT on Robinson Ave. one block in). Visit us on our website: [www.goodolddanceband.com](http://www.goodolddanceband.com) or call Mike at 631-730-3333.

**Shrine of Our Lady of the Island—The 300th Anniversary of our Founder St. Louis de Montfort. April 20—28, 2016—Solemn Novena in honor of St. Louis de Montfort.** April 20—The Young Apostle. April 21—The Heart of a Missionary. April 22—The Friend of the Poor. April 23—The Pilgrimage to Rome. April 24—The Sisters of Wisdom—April 25—The Calvary at Pontchateau. April 26—The Queen of All Hearts. April 27—The Company of Mary. April 28—The 300th Anniversary of his Birth into Glory. Every day 11 am Rosary, 11:30 am Mass, 1 pm Novena, Prayer and Conference.

**Molloy College, Rockville Centre, NY—Spring Open House—Sunday, April 24—1 pm.**

**St. Frances de Chantal School —1309 Wantagh Ave., Wantagh, NY—Meeting—Widowed, Divorced & Single Catholics of Long Island—Tues., April 26 at 7:30 pm.** Please bring proof of single status to join. Refreshments served after meeting. For info call Carol at 516-794-4933 or Barbara 516-798-2858, *(Second Notice)*

**St. Joseph Renewal Center—1725 Brentwood Rd., Bldg. 4, Brentwood.** Programs for April—Gathering of Women—April 5—10 am to 12 noon Offering: \$15

Living with Alzheimer's & Dementia—April 6; 1 to 2:30 pm. Free will offering.

Guided Meditation for Inner Healing—April 6; 7 to 8 pm. Offering \$15 (\$25 for Individual session by appointment)

Deepening your Spiritual Practice through the use of FOCUSING—April 6; 7 to 9 pm. Offering \$15

Men 2 Men Gathering—April 9; 8 am to 9:30 am. Offering \$20 includes breakfast

Wellness Retreat "Tools for Alignment"—April 15-17; Offering \$190 for the weekend. Includes all meals and accommodations.

11th Step Prayer Support for 12 Steppers. "A Journey to Spiritual Wholeness"—April 17; 2 to 4 pm. Free will offering.

Men's Spirituality Retreat (A Man Matters Retreat) "The Vision of the Dry Bones"—April 29—May 1. Offering \$215 incl. all means & accommodations.

## **CHILDREN'S COMMUNION CHOIR**



Calling the youth of our Parish-- Grades 3 through High School-- to be a part of the Communion Choir. It is not a long commitment and it would add so much to the Masses celebrating the First Communion of our children Also,

it would give our youth the chance to see if they would like to be a part of our family liturgy choir to sing at the weekly 9:15 am Mass.

Our rehearsals will be Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 to 1:30 pm. We will sing at the First Communion Mass on April 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm, and April 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 pm.

This is an opportunity to serve in a special way the St. Thomas More community. I hope you will consider being a part of this beautiful season. To join or for information, please call **Emilia at 724-8820.**

Thank you and God Bless.

## **THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE**

- Sunday—April 3—Sunday of Divine Mercy**  
7pm—Youth Ministry Meeting—Walden/Kirwin Halls
- Monday—April 4**  
7pm—Meeting—Feast Weekend —Kirwin Hall
- Tuesday—April 5**  
7pm—Adoration—Church
- Wednesday—April 6**  
7:30pm—Knights of Columbus—Walden/Kirwin Halls
- Thursday—April 7**  
5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church  
7:30pm—Choir—Church
- Friday—April 8**  
1pm—Young At Heart—Walden Hall  
7pm—Faith & Light—Walden Hall
- Saturday—April 9**  
5pm—First Communion Mass—Church

## **Religious Education News**

First Communion is one of the three sacraments of initiation in our Catholic faith. The process for preparing our young people here at Saint Thomas More for First Communion is a two year journey. The week of March 28<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> they will be attending a retreat which will prepare their hearts in a special way to fully participate with this worshipping community. Kindly pray for them

during this final step in their preparation. **Beginning the weekend of April 9<sup>th</sup> through the weekend of April 16<sup>th</sup>** our youngsters will be celebrating their First Communion at the 5 pm mass and the 12:15 mass. Please extend a warm welcome to them and their families as they come to the table of the Lord for the first time.

## **CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS**

### **Congratulations!**

Here are the winners for March 20– 23, 2016

Sun.	Mar. 20	<b>\$50 #199</b>	Robert Cordina
Mon.	Mar. 21	\$25 # 11	Marie Ziegler
Tues.	Mar. 22	\$25 #894	Thomas & Clara Datre
Wed.	Mar. 23	\$25 #229	Ken & Dolores Fensterer
Thurs.	Mar. 24	Holy Thursday—No Drawing	
Fri.	Mar. 25	Good Friday—No Drawing	
Sat.	Mar. 26	Holy Saturday—No Drawing	



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 24 liturgy must be received by the Diocese by April 8, 2016.

There will be reserved seating for the registered couples only. Family and friends will be seated on a first come-first served basis.

After the liturgy, there will be an opportunity to have a photo taken with the celebrating bishop if you wish.

You will be mailed a complimentary photo and certificate approximately four to six weeks after the liturgy.

## **YOUNG AT HEART**

The next meeting of the Young At Heart will be on Friday, April 8, 2016 at 1 pm in Walden Hall.



**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 2016**

<b>Our Parish Goal</b>	<b>\$68,500.00</b>
<b>Pledges to date</b>	<b>\$34,150</b>
<b>Percentage of Goal</b>	<b>49.85%</b>



**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.

**Harris Technology**—No. Amityville. Program Scheduler Mech. Eng; Finance Analyst; Electrical Eng.—Excellent Benefits—Growth Potential.

#### **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

**Jerome Stevens**—Pharmaceutical Pkg. Mechanic—Exp. Min. 5 yrs. in FDA Regulated pharm. Starting salary \$75,000.

**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.

**P.C. Richard & Son**—All stores, including new Super Store, Bellmore. No exp. Needed. Excellent benefits.

**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.