



Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

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Pastoral Staff

Rev. Antony Asir, Pastor
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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 arrange-
ments, 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.



May 1, 2016
Sixth 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
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Masses for this coming week

May 1, 2016
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29
Psalm 67: 2-3, 5, 6, 8
Revelation 21: 10-14, 22-23
John 14:23-29

Saturday--April 30

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Jack G. Reilly *by Ralph C. Marcello*

Sunday—May 1—Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00am—Lisa Rosmini *by Francine Rosmini*

9:15am—Joan Hartnett *by Vera Rymer*

10:45am—Constance Anderson *by Al & Eileen Weidig*

12:15pm—Jack G. Reilly *with love by your small faith sharing group.*

Monday—May 2—St. Athanasius

9am—Casey McDonald *by Mike & Vivian Jacobs*

Tuesday—May 3—St. Philip and St. James

9am—Anna & Fabio DiMeglio *by Michael & Vivian Jacobs*

Wednesday—May 4

9am—Joan Leddy *by Mae Devine*

7pm—Msgr. Robert Kirwin

Thursday—May 5—The Ascension of the Lord

9am—Matthew Casey McDonald *by Ruthann McDonald*

7pm—Msgr. Robert Kirwin

Friday—May 6—First Friday

9am—Debra Cameron *by Frank & Eileen Stuart*

Saturday--May 7—First Saturday

9am—James Cussen Sr. *by James Cussen*

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Anna Breslin *by the Chin family; Harry Chery by*

Linda & Richard Marinello & family; Giuseppina

Di Benedetto by the Tesoro family; Mitchell Henderson

by the Cloke family; Rosemary O’Keeffe by the Donnelly

family; Jack Reilly by John Hendry &

Aurelie Miller-Hendry; Jane Waters by William Waters

Sunday—May 8—Seventh Sunday of Easter—

Mother’s Day

8:00am—Mother’s Day Novena

9:15am—Mother’s Day Novena

10:45am—Mother’s Day Novena

12:15pm—Mother’s Day Novena



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Anthony Augugliaro; Mary Bein;
Charles Boston; Linda Sue Cappisillo;

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

May 8, 2016
Seventh Sunday of Easter
Acts 7: 55-60
Psalm 97: 1-2, 6-7, 9
Revelation 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20
John 17:20-26

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John:

Lifting up his eyes to heaven, Jesus prayed saying:

“Holy Father, I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me. And I have given them the glory you gave me, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may be brought to perfection as one, that the world may know that you sent me, and that you loved them even as you loved me. Father, they are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me, that they may see my glory that you gave me, because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Righteous Father, the world also does not know you, but I know you, and they know that you sent me. I made known to them your name and I will make it known, that the love with which you loved me may be in them and I in them.”

Focus Questions:

1. Jesus said his followers were a gift to him from the Father. How does being considered a gift from God impact you?
2. Jesus prayed that the world may believe in him. How do you give witness to your faith?
3. Jesus prayed that his followers are one as he and the Father are one. Describe a time when you experienced that unity with other followers of Jesus.

Family and children’s question:

Jesus talked about the love he and the Father have. Today is Mother’s Day. What will you do to express love for your mother?

Michael Chiques; Donald Crocker;
 Joyce D'Donato; Walter Drechsler Jr; Thomas Duffy;
 Janet Fiedler; Virginia Flore; Nadine Follini;
 Fernando Francisco; Gerald Gilson; Judy Granville;
 Diane Heron; Laurie Holmes; Ann & Anthony Iovino;
 Morgan Leary (age 7); John Marquette; Kenneth;
 Edward McCormick; Cindy Mango;
 Lorraine Mango-Follini; Jean Marsala-Kieffner;
 Jim Moran; Irene Mozder; Terri Ilardi McKee;
 Victoria Nelson; Maureen O'Donnell; Beatrice Okorn;
 Joe P.; Joseph Peter; Robert Shernowitz; Daniel Skinnon;
 Richard Stout; Joseph Placa; Andrew J. Valentine;
 Andrew M. Valentine; Helen Vrabel; Greg Williams;
 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

Ed McCormick; our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Pam: I fell off a sixty-foot ladder today.

Sam: It's a miracle you were not killed.

Pam: Oh, I only fell off the first rung.

Words have limited meaning. The subtle use of a word can conceal or twist its real meaning. Unless we wish to hear the words beyond their limitations we cannot grasp the meaning expressed by the speaker. It is the same story with our human limitations. We have a richer inner self which gets expressed through our limitations.

In the first reading the early Church takes the bold step to cross the limitations of circumcision (Jewish – Rite) in order to welcome the non-circumcised (non-Jewish) Christians into the community of believers in Jesus. When they experienced that God works even among the non-circumcised, they were liberated from the narrow understanding that circumcision is a necessary step to believe in Jesus Christ. It is not through some rite but through a believing heart which is the way to live and love God and others.

In the Gospel Jesus reminds his disciples that they might not have everything to start the church but the Holy Spirit will supply all that they lack. The Church is not what we have or lack but whom we believe in. We will never be a perfect church and possess all the

sufficient tools to express our faith. The basic call is to believe that it is not us but God who works in us. God provides sufficient divine grace to us, the Church. Let us allow the Holy Spirit, the promised gift of God from Jesus to illumine and empower us to be God's messengers and servants.

The Feast weekend celebration of our Parish Patron, St. Thomas More is the second weekend of June-- Friday June 10th, Saturday June 11th, and Sunday June 12th. You can find detailed information inside this bulletin. Please save these dates and be a part of these events. Also, I kindly remind you of the yearly Parish Feast Raffle, the major fund raiser for the parish. You will get raffle tickets in the mail. They will also be sold in the Narthex. By buying a ticket or tickets you become an eligible potential winner of a great prize and a supporter of the parish. You are our parish family. Let us be part of it, celebrate and support it.

Electronic Giving - Soon you will get a letter from 'Faith Direct' encouraging us to participate in Electronic giving. Already a number of parishioners give their weekly offerings electronically by way of credit cards and through banks. Faith Direct helps a steady giving and support to our parish even when you are away for various reasons. Please consider 'Faith Direct'.

Mercy Year Diocesan Pilgrimage to enter the Door of Mercy: As part of the celebration of this Jubilee Year of Mercy, please consider participating in the Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC.

The date of the pilgrimage is Saturday, September 24, 2016. Please contact our pilgrimage coordinators, Willie and Jerry Ferrara at 631-806-4628 for more information on this wonderful event and to reserve a seat on the bus. Please join the pilgrimage .

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

	<u>This Weekend</u> (April 30/May 1)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (May 7/8)
<u>Saturday</u> 5:00 pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Harold
<u>Sunday</u> 8:00am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
9:15am	Fr. Irinel	Fr. Harold
10:45am	Fr. Harold	Fr. Antony
12:15pm	Fr. Harold	Fr. Irinel

With love and prayers,
 Fr. Antony

PARISH OUTREACH



It's almost time for the next holiday – Memorial Day ...and that means the unofficial beginning of summer...but wait—we're getting ahead of ourselves!

While you're waiting for the REAL spring to begin, how about remembering our clients, and their need for food no matter WHAT the season! Please drop off what you can, either in the bins at church or at Outreach across the street, where we are available from 10:00 – 2:00, Monday through Thursday. We need chicken parts, hamburgers, hot dogs, cereal, pasta, personal products, etc. Thanks!

The stories about generosity continue: Cathy Henselder's 6th grade Confirmation class sent in several bags of food. Girl Scout Troop 428, under the leadership of Lisa Costi and Allyson Agosta, with the help of Rylee Agosta, Stephanie Costi, Michela Costigliola and Grace Regan, donated 301 items of food, personal care items, and paper goods. These items were collected as part of the "Food for Friends" food drive that took place throughout Suffolk County recently. Thank you to all the adults who supervised these activities for showing the next generation of adults how to be compassionate, empathetic individuals in their community!

Just to let you know: I was reading a book about anti-gravity. I just couldn't put it down.

St Vincent de Paul Conference

A Blessed Easter season to all! As we all journey towards Pentecost, sometimes referred to as The Birthday of the Church, please pray for all those who journey with us, who may not be as fortunate as we are. A little prayer for our neighbors in need will go a long way!

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: We continue to respond to our neighbors' calls for assistance. Very often that need is to lessen/eliminate a possible eviction, often the result of outrageous rents people are forced to pay in order to find any housing on Long Island.

A special thank you to a parishioner who used the corporate donor process through their employer which resulted in a sizeable donation to our Conference. Might you have the same opportunity at your place of employment?

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
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

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
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.

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of April 24, 2016 \$7,657.25

Envelope users: Please enter the amount of your donation in the space provided on the envelope This will greatly help us when counting the collection and for recording your contribution. Also, it is not necessary to staple your envelope or to seal it with scotch tape.

Thank you for your cooperation.

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 7pm.



Catholics for Freedom of Religion

Freedom of Conscience in Jeopardy for Health Care Workers:

Recent times have seen numerous incidents in which nurses, doctors, hospital staff and other health care workers are being pressured, required and forced to provide morally -controversial procedures.

* NY City operating room nurse, Cathy Cenzone-DeCarlo, was forced to participate in a gruesome dismemberment of a 22-week-old-fetus, threatened with loss of her nursing license and job. (uscgb.org, 12/4/15)

* CA started forcing almost all health plans to pay for all abortions without exemption for moral or religious objections. Catholic Bishops fear a mandate to force religious hospitals is next. CA policy clearly violates existing law but there are loopholes and weaknesses that make federal laws ineffective.

* Alaska Supreme Court ordered a pro-life hospital to allow its facilities to be used for abortions. (cnsnews.com, 3/29/16)

* An American accreditation agency mandated all medical students must receive abortion training. It took passage of a federal law to protect students' rights of conscience. (cqrcengage.com/catholic charities)

Cardinal Dolan, NY, and Archbishop Lori, Baltimore, chair pro-life and religious liberty committees urging support of a proposed **Conscience Protection Act** now before Congress. "While federal laws exist now to protect conscience rights in health care, there is clearly a need for legislation to make this protection truly effective," said a USCCB spokesman. (catholicnewsagency.com, 4/2/16)

"When the people fear the government, there is tyranny. When the government fears the people, there is liberty." Thomas Jefferson

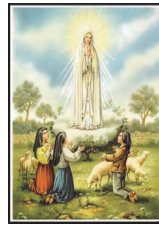
Events:

Sat., May 7, 2016, 5-6:30PM, **Congressman Lee Zeldin**, Shrine of Our Lady of the Island, 258 Eastport Manor Rd., Manorville, NY 11949

As part of the **Year of Divine Mercy**, we will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet every **Wednesday, at 3:00 pm** in the Church.



World Apostolate of Fatima



The Rockville Centre Diocese Division of the World Apostolate of Fatima is sponsoring the Fatima Centennial US Tour for Peace. This U.S. tour of the historic International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima is to commemorate the Fatima Centenary in 2017—visiting more than 100 U.S. dioceses in all 50 states.

This historic statue has visited more than 100 countries bringing the graces of Fatima and a message of salvation and hope to millions of people as she converts hearts and will bring hope across our country.

The following parishes will be hosting this Tour for Peace on:

May 24th—St. Matthew's Church, 35 N. Service Rd., Dix Hills—9:00 am to 9:00 pm

May 25th—St. Agnes Cathedral, 29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre—9:00 am to 9:00 pm

May 26th—Basilica of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary—168 Hill St., Southampton—9:00 am to 9:00 pm

May 26th—Shrine of Our Lady of the Island, 258 Eastport Manor Rd., Manorville—4:00 to 9:00 pm



Come join the Deacons of the Diocese of Rockville Centre for a Jubilee of Mercy Holy Hour

Thursday April 28, 2016 at 7PM at St Rosalie in Hampton Bays

Wednesday September 14, 2016 at 7PM at St Edward the Confessor in Syosset

Wednesday November 16, 2016 at 7PM at St Matthew in Dix Hills

Angel of Hope: A Walk to Remember

On Saturday, May 7th, 2016 Angela's House will be hosting an *Angel of Hope: A Walk to Remember*. This event will take place at Eisenhower Park, where the Angel of Hope statue has stood since 2008. During the past eight years a candle light vigil has been held on the first Saturday of December, which gives hope to over 300 individuals that attend this spiritual gathering. Due to the positive response, this walk is created as an additional event for people to come together.

The Angel was brought to Long Island by Bob Policastro the founder of Angela's House. It comes from a best-selling book and television movie called *The Christmas Box* by Richard Paul Evans, who inspired this statue. In the story, an elderly woman mourns the death of her little daughter by making regular trips to the child's grave, which is marked with an angel statue (Angel of Hope). The statue evokes a profound and miraculous connection between mother and child and helps convey valuable lessons about the true meaning of life to others. This simple, non-religious but spiritual story has brought hope to thousands of parents who have endured the death of a child.

As spring begins, Mother's Day is celebrated by most families, but sadly there are many who walk with the pain of losing a child. They always have a space in their heart where that love is still carried. Our hope is to allow the Angel of Hope to be a reminder that the love shared with their child was a blessing and can always be cherished and remembered. All who knew the child, but especially their parents, need to feel hope that they will survive and move on, and that these children will never be forgotten.

Registration for the event will begin promptly at 9:30am at the Kite Field, located next to the statue, which is located in the Veterans Memorial section of Eisenhower Park. (Parking field 6 is the ideal location to park.) The ceremony, which will begin by 10:15am, will include a 20 minute non-religious, non-denominational, Spiritual Ceremony which has been written to be reflective, focusing on the love that is missed and will always be carried by the loved ones of these children. Led by Executive Director, Bob Policastro, we will also be joined by our guest speaker, David Roberts, who lost his daughter in 2003 from Cancer. David speaks nationally at conferences, writes blogs reflecting his life experiences for the *Huffington Post*, *Open to Hope* and various other online periodicals and websites. In addition, Patty Furino, a grief counsellor will lead a quiet reflection, and a simple prayer to

inspire peace.

To conclude the ceremony choirs from around Long Island have been invited. Members of the New Apostolic Church and the Willow Interfaith Women's Choir will lead the attendees and participants in singing "Clouds," a beautiful song written by Zach Sobiech. He touched so many lives with this song, and continues to do so despite losing his battle to cancer a few years ago. (You can view this song by searching for it on YouTube .

Upon its completion, the attendees will then follow a path around Salisbury Lake, hopefully inspired to look up at the clouds, knowing their child has been remembered and cherished. The walk, which is less than a mile long, will conclude at the statue. We hope to invoke the feeling of faith and hope and make this event an inspiring day for all who participate. We truly believe this type of event will help families dealing with the loss of a child during Mother's Day weekend.

For additional information, please contact Johanna Rotta at [631-796-2723](tel:631-796-2723) or via email at jrotta@angelashouse.org.

For additional information, please visit:

Website: Angel of Hope: www.angelashouse.org/angel-of-hope/

Angela's House: www.AngelasHouse.org

Congratulations

to the following students of our parish who achieved an Honor Roll average during the second trimester of this school year:

Kellenberg Memorial High School

Brandon Popp

Chaminade High School

Freshman:

William F. Dean

Sophomore:

Colin P. Capece

Kyle R. Russo



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRE-CANA COUPLES

Jeanine Denaro & Richard Delgado
Michelle Montpetit & Stephen Kmiecick
Laurie Scognamillo & Nicholas Schroeder
Allison Castaldo & Andrew Arpino
Mackenzie Jordan & Christopher DelColle

YOUNG AT HEART

On May 14th after the 9:00 am Mass we will have our Annual Communion Breakfast at the Palace Diner. The cost is only \$10 per paid member. Our YAH Club will pay all costs over this amount which will probably be around \$4-\$5. If you are planning to come, please mail a check to Elaine Moccia. Father Antony and Deacon Bob are expected to attend.

The next meeting of the Young At Heart will be on **Friday, May 13, 2016 at 1 pm** in Walden Hall.

I am running a trip to the **Sands Casino in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania** on Thursday, **May 5, 2016**. \$37, getting back \$35. All are welcome. For more information, please call **Elaine 631-766-5201**



CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS

Congratulations!

Here are the winners for April 17– 23, 2016

Sun.	April 17	\$50 #491	Hunter Tate
Mon.	April 18	\$25 #217	Antonio Napolitano
Tues.	April 19	\$25 #296	Carol & Bill Link
Wed.	April 20	\$25 #799	Mae Devine
Thurs.	April 21	\$25 #301	Sonya Balsara
Fri.	April 22	\$25 #519	Thomas & Lee Ann DeCillis
Sat.	April 23	\$25 #400	Harold & Theresa Lund

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



USED EYE GLASSES —The Volunteer Optometrist Service to Humanity (VOSH), 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. Please consider donating your old eye glasses.

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE*(Not totally inclusive)***Sunday—May 1**

9am—Youth Ministry—Almost Cinco de Mayo breakfast, after all Masses, except at the 12:15 pm Mass.

7pm—Youth Ministry Meeting—Walden/Kirwin Halls

Tuesday—May 3

7pm—Knights of Columbus DD Meeting/WH/Kitchen

7pm—Adoration—Church

Wednesday—May 4

3pm—Divine Mercy Chaplet—Church

7pm—Vigil Mass for Ascension Thursday—Church

Thursday—May 5—Ascension Thursday—Holy Day of Obligation

5:30pm—Children's Choir—Church

7pm—Mass for Ascension Thursday

8pm—Choir—Church

Friday—May 6

7pm—Volunteer Appreciation Party—Walden Hall

7:30pm—Choir—Church

Saturday—May 7

2pm—Baptism—Church

Flower Pick-up before and after all weekend Masses.

SOCIAL MEDIA & E-MAIL

Websites:

- www.stmli.org
- www.stthomasmoreyouth.org

Facebook:
[https://www.facebook.com/St.Thomas MoreHauppauge](https://www.facebook.com/St.Thomas%20MoreHauppauge)

Instagram:

- STTHOMASMORECHURCH
- stmreligiousd
- stm_yg

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Dcn. John Rapacki: deaconjohn@stmli.org
Altar Servers Ministry: altarservers@stmli.org
Personal Prayer: SpiritualOrientations.com
To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following: Barbara & Joe Fratamico
BJFRAT@optonline.net

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS*(First Notice)*

Marian Healing Ministry—St. Anastasia's Church, Douglaston—Little Neck, NY. Tuesday, May 10 — 7 pm Rosary, Mass and Healing Service. For information call 1-718-631-4454.

The Parish of Good Shepherd—Holbrook—presents a night for parents called "Help! My Teenager is Driving Me Crazy!" —Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at 7 pm in the Church. All are welcome (even if you don't have a teen of your own). For more information contact Kathleen Reid, Pastoral Minister of Adult Formation 631-981-3889.

St. John the Baptist DHS is offering a Prep Course to prepare students for the Catholic High School Entrance Exam. We will run five 2-1/2 hour sessions beginning in September.

Four Saturday classes: 8 am to 10:30 am
 September 24th, October 1st, October 15th and
 October 22nd and One Wednesday class 6 to 8:30 pm
 October 26th.

For additional information please visit
www.stjohnthebaptistdhs.net or call 631-587-8000,
 ext. 117.

(Second Notice)

St. Catherine of Sienna Medical Center—Annual Golf Classic—Monday, May 16, 2016—Huntington Country Club. Proceeds from this event will benefit Women's Health Services at the hospital. For more information, please call Public Affairs at 631-862-3780.

Youth Ministry Corner

There are still a few spots available for our Annual Teen Retreat, 'A Sign of the Times,' being held June 3-5 at the Don Bosco Retreat Center. Total Cost is \$150. Final payments are due on May 22nd.

We have some teens that are in financial need for our upcoming retreat, the upcoming Gospel Roads Service week and YOUTHLeader Conference. If you are able to sponsor a teen financially, please reach out to Joe Gast. Anything you can do to help our teens to experience these leadership, service and spiritual experiences would be very much appreciated.

Many thanks to Drew Jenkins, John & Marti White, Dawn DeVere and the teens who led the Confirmation Retreats in April. We appreciate how you led the kids in this retreat experience before their Confirmation Day!

**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**

Our Parish Goal	\$68,500.00
Pledges to date	\$36,150.00
Percentage of Goal	52.77%



**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.

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Check for entire amount is enclosed.

Installment enclosed. I would like to pay the rest

monthly—10 payments

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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)

Angel of Hope: A Walk to Remember

On Saturday, May 7th, 2016 Angela's House will be hosting an *Angel of Hope: A Walk to Remember*. This event will take place at Eisenhower Park, where the Angel of Hope statue has stood since 2008. During the past eight years a candle light vigil has been held on the first Saturday of December, which gives hope to over 300 individuals that attend this spiritual gathering. Due to the positive response, this walk is created as an additional event for people to come together.

The Angel was brought to Long Island by Bob Policastro the founder of Angela's House. It comes from a best-selling book and television movie called *The Christmas Box* by Richard Paul Evans, who inspired this statue. In the story, an elderly woman mourns the death of her little daughter by making regular trips to the child's grave, which is marked with an angel statue (Angel of Hope). The statue evokes a profound and miraculous connection between mother and child and helps convey valuable lessons about the true meaning of life to others. This simple, non-religious but spiritual story has brought hope to thousands of parents who have endured the death of a child.

As spring begins, Mother's Day is celebrated by most families, but sadly there are many who walk with the pain of losing a child. They always have a space in their heart where that love is still carried. Our hope is to allow the Angel of Hope to be a reminder that the love shared with their child was a blessing and can always be cherished and remembered. All who knew the child, but especially their parents, need to feel hope that they will survive and move on, and that these children will never be forgotten.

Registration for the event will begin promptly at 9:30am at the Kite Field, located next to the statue, which is located in the Veterans Memorial section of Eisenhower Park. (Parking field 6 is the ideal location to park.) The ceremony, which will begin by 10:15am, will include a 20 minute non-religious, non-denominational, Spiritual Ceremony which has been written to be reflective, focusing on the love that is missed and will always be carried by the loved ones of these children. Led by Executive Director, Bob Policastro, we will also be joined by our guest speaker, David Roberts, who lost his daughter in 2003 from Cancer. David speaks nationally at conferences, writes blogs reflecting his life experiences for the *Huffington Post*, *Open to Hope* and various other online periodicals and websites. In addition, Patty Furino, a grief counsellor

will lead a quiet reflection, and a simple prayer to inspire peace.

To conclude the ceremony choirs from around Long Island have been invited. Members of the New Apostolic Church and the Willow Interfaith Women's Choir will lead the attendees and participants in singing "Clouds," a beautiful song written by Zach Sobiech. He touched so many lives with this song, and continues to do so despite losing his battle to cancer a few years ago. (You can view this song by searching for it on YouTube .

Upon its completion, the attendees will then follow a path around Salisbury Lake, hopefully inspired to look up at the clouds, knowing their child has been remembered and cherished. The walk, which is less than a mile long, will conclude at the statue. We hope to invoke the feeling of faith and hope and make this event an inspiring day for all who participate. We truly believe this type of event will help families dealing with the loss of a child during Mother's Day weekend.

For additional information, please contact Johanna Rotta at [631-796-2723](tel:631-796-2723) or via email at jrotta@angelashouse.org.

For additional information, please visit:

Website: Angel of Hope: www.angelashouse.org/angel-of-hope/

Angela's House: www.Angelas House.org

Congratulations

to the following students of our parish who achieved an Honor Roll average during the second trimester of this school year:

[Kellenberg Memorial High School](#)

Brandon Popp

[Chaminade High School](#)

Freshman:

William F. Dean

Sophomore:

Colin P. Capece

Kyle R. Russo

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

Aon-Multiple positions available-Cust. Serv, claims specialist, staff accountant & many more. Excellent benefits.

The Arbors-Cooks, servers, dishwashers, reception, housekeeping, maint. & more. Benefits.

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

Bethpage Fed. Cred. Union-PT Tellers, Mortgage loan off, market analyst. Top salary & Benefits.

Catholic Health Services of LI 1) Openings-Client Services-Patient Financial Systems & several others. Competitive Benefits.

2) **Superintendent Helper Male** Central Islip Condo-Windbrooke Homes drivers lic., \$12.00 per hr—15 hrs.

Cosmetology Instructor—Bilingual. Current license, HS dipl. 2 yrs. Exp. Evening & Sat. schedule. Hauppauge Beauty School.

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.

Lowes—PT—season—February—May—all stores

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.

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.