



Catholic Church Community of
St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

February 12, 2017

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Parish Mission Statement:

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

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Masses for this coming week

February 12, 2017
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 58: 7-10
Psalm 112: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
1 Corinthians 2: 1-5
Matthew 5: 20-22A, 27-28, 33-34A, 37

Saturday, February 11—Our Lady of Lourdes

9am Msgr. Robert J. Kirwin

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm Salvatore DeLuca *by the Bott family*

Sunday, February 12—Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am Terri Hillebrand *by Bob Aberle*

9:15am Frank Genovese *by Lou & Emilia Savarese*

10:45am Maria Lott *by Marilyn Miller*

12:15pm Robert Aglialoro *by Kerri, Jonathan & Max Ferman*

Monday, February 13

9am Msgr. Robert J. Kirwin

Tuesday, February 14—St. Cyril & St. Methodius

9am Lilian Munzer *by Len Munzer*

Wednesday, February 15

9am John & Susan Zimoulis (living) *by Marie Utter*

Thursday, February 16

9am Matthew Casey McDonald *by Ruthann McDonald*

Friday, February 17—The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

9am Joseph Giardino *by Ken & Judy Granville*

Saturday, February 18

9am Diego Saenz (living) *by Augusta Keena*

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm Louis Pontillo *by Lou & Emilia Savarese*

Sunday, February 19—Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am James G. Buckley *by the Long Island Swimming Officials*; Charles Crispino *by the Fontana family*; Anita Gawronski *by Dcn. Ed & Laura Vigneaux*; Robert Milano *by the Martino family*; Loretta Muenkel *by Rosemarie & Bob Nick*; Joan Saverese *by Fred Dunlop*; Heinrich Spreizer *by the Biesiadecki family*

9:15am Salvatore DeLuca *by Vic & Ellen Cardinali*

10:45am Dorothy Sauchelli-Balin *by Marilyn Miller*

12:15pm Robert Aglialoro *by Tricia Norton, Scott & Katie Horton*

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

February 19, 2017
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Leviticus 19: 1-2, 17-18
Psalm 103: 1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13
1 Corinthians 3: 16-23
Matthew 5: 38-48

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew:

Jesus said to his disciples:

"You have heard that it was said,

An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.

But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil.

When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well. If anyone wants to go to law with you over your tunic, hand over your cloak as well.

Should anyone press you into service for one mile, go for two miles. Give to the one who asks of you, and do not turn your back on one who wants to borrow.

"You have heard that it was said,

You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.

But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father, for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust.

For if you love those who love you, what recompense will you have? Do not the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet your brothers only, what is unusual about that? Do not the pagans do the same? So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect."

Focus questions:

1. Describe a time when someone went the extra mile for you.
2. Relate a time when you turned the other cheek.
3. Relate an experience of forgiving someone who wronged you.

Family and children's question:

Talk about what Jesus is saying in the Gospel about loving and forgiving even the people who hurt you. Talk about the times when you were able to do that.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Mother: “How could you be so rude as to tell your sister she’s stupid? Tell her you’re sorry.”

Boy: “Sis, I’m sorry you’re stupid.”

Yes, the boy obeyed his mom by expressing his ‘sorry’ but his act of obedience did not have the spirit of sorry for hurting his sister. The law is not merely an act of doing something but a means of living one’s goodness and avoiding the occasions of hurting.

Today’s readings liberate us from the burdens of law by living the spirit of the law. The purpose of the law is to save us from evil and death and thus enable us to savor the goodness and the fullness of life. The aim of the law is not merely to impose upon us the ‘do’s and ‘don’ts. Rather the law focuses on our freedom to choose good over evil, life over death. Thus law is not an external agent but an internal ignition to choose goodness and life.

In today’s Gospel Jesus treats the law as an initial inspiring agent to rightly activate our inner, positive, spiritual force. The law does not contain any power. It can only stipulate and thus offer a choice to do or not to do an act. Rather we empower the law with our positive or negative response to it. Jesus asks us to take the law to inspire the inner positive spiritual force to bring out the best from us.

Jesus gives various examples on how to handle the law. The aim of the law ‘you shall not kill’ is not to inform us what we should or should not do in order to avoid murder. Rather, the law invites us to realize how spiritually and positively potent we are to be the best to avoid the anger which is the cause of murder. Let us not limit ourselves with ‘do’s and ‘don’ts but bloom with our inner spiritual power to be the best.

For the month of February we have two celebrations to highlight our Golden Jubilee. 1) All the First graders with their families will have a family bingo night on Monday, February 13th. This is tuned towards the young families. 2) On Saturday, February 18th following the 5:00 pm Mass, the St. Vincent DePaul of our Parish hosts Valentine Sock Hop. All are welcome. Tickets are sold in the Narthex. Come let us celebrate with our families. Come, be a part of our history.

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Antony Asir, Pastor
Deacon Robert D. Weisz
Deacon Edward R. Vigneaux
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.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Anthony Augugliaro	Joseph Jacklets
Bernadette	Irene Janis
John & Michele (LoGrande)	Ira Karten
Bongiorno	Patrick Keegan
Peter Bongiorno	Kenneth
Donna Borowski Billott	Jean Marsala Kieffner
McKenzie Borchers	Elaine Kleinstauba
Cheryl Borden	Dr. C. Lalli
Charles Borghardt	Morgan Leary (age 8)
Brandon Boswell	Anne Leggio
Christina Cammarata	Wayne Leo
Barbara Cappisillo	Nicolas Lorusso (17 months)
Linda Sue Cappisillo	Frank Mamburc
Coleen Cizon	Cindy Mango
John Coen	Laura Mattioli
Donald Crocker	Terri Ilardi McKee
Bernice Cuomo	Rose Messina
Preston De Rosa (2 years old)	Marie Minutillo
Anthony Donato	Leo Murphy, Sr.
Florence Donato	Caydee Arthur Nielsen
Walt Drechsler Jr.	Sally O'Connor
Sofia Drobinko	Beatrice Okorn
Michael Faithfull	Judy Pappas
Fran Falkowski	Rainey Pappas
Claudia Fiore	Joseph P
Millie Fiore	Joseph Placa
Nadine Rose Follini	Ross Placa
Scott Gaertner	Hilda Reese
Jean & Gerald Gilson	Anna & Leland Reid
Judy Granville	Benita Roehm
John Hanna	Mary Ruchalski
Mr. & Mrs. Heinrich	Mary Ann Russo
Richard Heller	Elyse Schrage
Dylan Hollins	Teresa Shannon
Laurie Holmes	Carolene & Bob Shernowitz
Stephanie Horoski	Daniel Skinnon
Patricia Hrycyk	Charles A. Stepanek
Anita Ilardi	Baby Reese Sylvain (2 weeks)
Barbara Importuna	Jeannie Sullivan
Ann & Anthony Iovino	Marie Swartz
Jacqueline	Jane Troiano
Kidd Iovino	Chase Turano



*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, 2017.***

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Ethan Bernstein	Thomas LaFemina
Jessie Bernstein	Alex Lombardi
Anthony Broncatello	Andrew Lombardi
John Burk	Scott Lovelock
David Chester	Thomas Migliara
John Chester	Tim Morris
Nicholas Chester	John Nachtman
Theresa Chester	Kaitlyn Nachtman
Eddie Cullum	Thomas Nichols
Eric Cullum	Adam Papaizai
Christopher Day	Michael Poist
Jason Doyle	Michael Polanski
Timothy Fallon	Kyle Rathje
Bryan Figueiredo	William R. Rathje
William Gregory	Antonia Marie Rivera
Carl F. Greiner	Justin Schneider
Philip Guidone	Christopher Sidor
Sean Hendrickson	Ryan Smith
John Karies	Michael White
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.

SOCIAL MEDIA & EMAIL

Websites

www.stmli.org
www.stthomasmoreyouth.org

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/StThomasMoreHauppauge/>

Instagram

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- stm_yg

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Altar Servers Ministry:	altarservers@stmli.org
Personal Prayer	SpiritualOrientations.com

To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following: Barbara & Joe Fratamico at

BJFRAT@optonline.net

PARISH OUTREACH

It's almost Valentine's Day!!



What do we think of, when we think about this holiday? We think of loved ones, and we think of gifts, but do we stop to think about WHY we celebrate this day? More than just a knee jerk reaction to an event, we should consider the motivation behind the celebration...it's a day to let others know how much we appreciate them.

It's a way to show kindness...and isn't that something that should be celebrated every day? It shouldn't be something that's relegated to a date on a calendar, but rather a way of behaving toward others as a normal routine. Your special beloved one should be celebrated outstandingly, of course, but doesn't it feel good to behave toward others in a manner in which YOU would like to be treated? Forget the guy who cut you off ; forget the person who drove through a puddle at high speed and soaked you as you stood waiting for the light to change....instead, imagine how you would have behaved differently and focus on engendering that behavior in others.

God would want you to ☺

St Vincent de Paul Conference

We have been made aware of a family here in our Hauppauge community in need of help. The family has just lost their father who was the sole provider and caretaker. He leaves behind five boys who are trying to keep their family together and to stay in the home that they grew up in. A GoFundMe page has been created by a community resident to help the boys try to achieve this goal. Below is the link to the GoFundMe page. If you can, please go to the page and donate whatever is within your means. A little bit of help by many can achieve things we can't even imagine. Thank you and God Bless.

<https://www.gofundme.com/TheHolderFamily>

OUR PRIEST CELEBRANTS

(Subject to last minute changes)

	<u>This Weekend</u> (Feb. 11/12)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (Feb. 18/19)
Saturday		
5:00 pm	Fr. Antony	Msgr. Boccafola
Sunday		
8:00am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
9:15am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
10:45am	Msgr. Boccafola	Fr. Antony
12:15pm	Fr. Bala	Fr. Fred



AARP FREE TAX SERVICE

Have your income taxes done by professionals!

Call the following for an appointment:

Smithtown Senior Center
631-360-7616

Hauppauge Library
631-979-1600

You do not have to be a senior or an AARP member. Save yourself some money by using this service.

CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION

Catholics for Freedom of Religion

www.cffor.org



"In a world where various forms of modern tyranny seek to suppress religious freedom ... it is imperative that the followers of the various religious traditions join their voices in calling for peace (and) tolerance..."

Pope Francis

Another American town responds:

Knightsdown, IN - When residents learned that city officials had caved into removing a large illuminated cross from the town's Christmas tree after the threat of a lawsuit, they decided to fight back by putting crosses in their windows and in their yards, letting the world know that they would not let "Christ" be taken out of Christmas.

"The Cross will come down but we can still light the town with crosses...instead of just one cross, we can now have hundreds, we can light them everywhere in town," said a local Facebook post. (lifesitenews.com, 12/20/16)

"Hall of Shame" 2016 report continued:

"We felt it was very important this year that we highlight three countries where religious discrimination and persecution are deemed unusual but have reached a certain threshold of concern. These are Mexico, Russia, and sadly, the United States," said International Christian Concern president, Jeff King.

"Christians in the U.S. are facing constant attacks in the media and are being marginalized through the law. The media portrays Christians as bigoted, racist, and close-minded."

The First Liberty Institute reports that attacks on religious liberty doubled between 2012-2015.

(persecution.org, Hall of Shame report)

Compliments to:

* St. Therese of Lisieux, Montauk, for inviting Patricia Flynn, Treasurer and a Director of Catholics for Freedom of Religion, to speak about "Religious Freedom Day" during all masses January 14-15.

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 7pm.

We pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet every
Wednesday, 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 2:30 pm in Walden Hall. For further information and/or to register, call Marilyn at 631.234.5805 or Joan at 631.234.1739.

The following book will be discussed on:

Feb. 13- Me Before You by JoJo Moyes--

Facilitator: Caroline DeSantis

March 13- The Rosie Project by Graeme Simsion--

Facilitator: Ann Belluardo

ICELAND HERE WE COME!

Thank you for your overwhelming interest in the trip to Iceland on October 17-23, 2017. There will be an information night on Tuesday, March 14th at 7 pm, in Kirwin Hall.

You will be invited to sign up at that time if you have not already done so. Space is limited; so if you would like to sign up before March 14th I am accepting applications and deposits at this time on a first come first serve basis. Thank you again and I will see you on March 14th.

Peace, Pat



Parish History Project

Work continues on the video documentary of our parish's history for the Golden Jubilee. We thank those that have contributed personal memories and pictures so far.

We could still use more! We really would love photos, prayer cards, flyers, etc., from the years 1967-1989. Photos of sacraments are very welcome!

And we especially would love to speak with you if you would like to share your memories on camera about those early years, whatever your role in the parish was, even if you simply have a fond memory of a particular member of the clergy. This is a video documentary, so the more people we have that can add their slice of history, the better the video will be.

If you can help us out, please contact us at a special address we've set up: history@stmli.org, or if you run into me, please feel free to speak about it directly. Thank you!

Matt Surico
History Project Coordinator



Fr. James Boesel officiates at the wedding of Curt and Joann Keely, the first wedding to take place in the then-new church building, on Saturday, November 25, 1972.
(Photo courtesy of Curt Keely)

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) 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.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

Valentines Day Social and Dance-- St. Sylvester's Community Social and Dance featuring Bill Wilkinson and his "Savoy Swing Band" A live 20pc. band with vocals playing for your listening and dancing entertainment. **Saturday February 18, 2017 -- 7pm to 10pm.** --St. Sylvester's Patricia Desmond Hall, 68 Ohio Ave. Medford NY 11763. Admission: \$15.00pp snacks and beverages included. Visit us on our website; www.goodolddanceband.com or call **(631) 730-3333**

Faith on Tap--Are you a young adult – married, single – looking for a faith community – a place where you can learn more about your faith? If so, please join us for our next Faith on Tap on **February 28, 2017** at Lily Flanagan's Pub, 345 Deer Park Avenue, Babylon, NY. We are honored to have Tom Upshur, the co-founder of the Pro Bikers for Life talk to us about his journey "Riding for the Unborn". Hear about how these strong men of faith protect the rights of the unborn throughout the country. **The talk begins at 7:30** – in the upstairs room at Lily Flanagan's Questions? Contact Marianne Sheridan at msheridan@drvc.org or [516-678-5800, ext. 615](tel:5166785800).

Kellenberg Memorial Alumni Communion Breakfast--All Kellenberg Memorial High School alumni and their families are invited to celebrate Mass on **Sunday, March 12, 2017, at 9:00 AM**, which will be immediately followed by breakfast. The speaker at the communion breakfast will be Fr. Philip Eichner, S.M., who is celebrating his 50th year of school administration. You will be able to indicate whom you would like to sit with on the registration form. You may also request to sit with one of your old teachers! We will do our best to accommodate your request. Registration is \$12 per person. Children ten years of age and under are \$6. If you have any questions, please contact Alumni Director Mr. Thomas Huggard at [516\) 292-0200 x375](tel:5162920200) or alumni@kellenberg.org. Please visit www.kellenberg.org/alumni to register online.

Lenten Day of Prayer--A Quiet Lent: Listening to St. Joseph--Friends of the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743. **Sunday, March 29, 2017--9:30 am to 3:30 pm** presented by Rev. Patrick J. Griffin, CM, Executive Director, Vincentian Center for Church & Society, St. John's University. Conferences, Lunch, Confession, Mass --\$30 per guest (RVSP by March 10, 2017). For reservations: bmalone@icseminary.edu - 631-423-0483 x 102.

Bereavement Support Group--St. Mary's Parish in East Islip is offering a free 8 week support group for adults who are struggling to cope with the death of a loved one. Registration is required for this group, which begins on **Wednesday, March 22 from 7 to 9 pm**. Refreshments will be served. For information and/or registration, please call the rectory at 631-581-4266 x 100. Please note the groups are open to people of all faith denominations. In order to participate in this group, the death must have occurred prior to Dec. 21, 2016.

(Second Notice)

Marian Healing Ministry--St. Anastasia's Church, 45-14, 245th St., Douglaston, Little Neck--**Tues., Feb. 14, 2017. 7pm--Rosary, Mass & Healing Service.** For information contact St. Anastasia Church 718-631-4454.

Widowed, Divorced & Single Catholics of Long Island--Meeting on Wednesday, February 22 @ 7:30pm--St. Frances de Chantal School, 1309 Wantagh Ave., Wantagh. Bring proof of single status to join. Refreshments served after meeting. For information call Carol at 516-794-4933 or Barbara at 516-798-2858

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of February 5, 2017-- \$8,897.50



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.

Congratulations to our 8th Grade St. Thomas More CYO girls team, who won this past Saturday, 39-26, in the diocesan semi-finals. They are now on the road to the Final Two and will play this Sunday at 12 noon for the diocesan championship. The game is at St. Mary's Girls High School in Manhasset, 1300 Northern Blvd.

If you like to watch great basketball and want to cheer our Hauppauge girls on to the championship, please join us on Sunday and wear your Hauppauge Blue.

We hope to see you there on Sunday.


Go Big Blue!!!



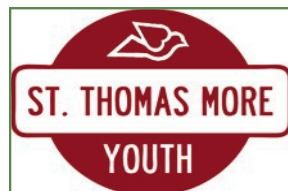
St. Thomas More
Monsignor Francis S. Midura Council 6062

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Knights of Columbus, please complete the following membership card and either drop it in the Collection basket or bring it to the rectory.

For information please contact the Grand Knight Jerry Ferrara at 631-806-3830.

	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS <small>IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.</small>	THE MAN WHO STANDS WITH US NEVER STANDS ALONE.
<input type="checkbox"/> I wish to become a member of the Knights of Columbus. <input type="checkbox"/> I desire some information regarding membership in the Knights of Columbus. <input type="checkbox"/> I am a former member interested in rejoining the Knights of Columbus.		
Name: _____ Street Address: _____ City: _____ State or Province: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____ Parish: _____ E-Mail: _____ Best time to contact: _____		
		FORM 921A - 10/04

Youth Ministry Corner



Our Registration Forms are already online for download and can be dropped off in the Parish Office or brought to Youth Ministry. Please access www.stthomasmoreyouth.org and look under FORMS.

We are always in need of additional adults who would like to serve our young people with love, faith and joy. Please reach out to Joe if you would be interested in joining our Youth Ministry team!

Online Ministry Scheduler Program.

St. Thomas More would like to introduce our current Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers, along with their parents, to our new online Ministry Scheduler Program.

If you're afraid of committing, relax. Online access to your schedule and preferences makes it easier than ever to stay involved at your pace. If you're going on vacation or need to change service times, just enter your dates online. When the unexpected comes up, instead of calling a long list of contacts to find a sub, you can easily submit your request from your smartphone, or fill in for someone who can't make it. And if you have family that serves, MSP makes sure you're not coming to different services on the same weekend. Now you can share your talents and keep control of your time.

We will be having a training session to introduce this program on February 17th at 7:00 pm. Please attend one session at your convenience.

If you are interested in joining one of these ministries please contact the rectory.

Congratulations !
CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS

Here are the winners for Feb 1 - 4, 2017.

Wed.	Feb. 1	\$25	#822	Augie & Betty Vrondis
Thurs.	Feb. 2	\$25	#567	Mary E. Conway
Fri.	Feb. 3	\$25	#788	Vincent Carlino
Sat.	Feb. 4	\$25	#231	Howard Spegman

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Sunday, February 12

10:45am--RCIA--Meeting Room

7pm--Youth Ministry--Kitchen/Walden/Kirwin Halls

Monday, February 13

2:30pm--Circle of Women--Meeting Room

6pm--Jubilee Bingo Night for Children--KH/WH

Wednesday, February 15

5:30pm--Soc. Meeting Knights of Columbus--WH

Thursday, February 16

5:30pm--Children's Choir-Rehearsal-Church

7:30pm--Adult Choir- Rehearsal--Church

Friday, February 17

7pm--Lectors & Ems Meeting--Walden Hall

Saturday, February 18

6pm--Valentine Sock Hop--WH/KH/Kitchen



On April 12th, 7:30 pm (Wednesday of Holy Week) the STM Choir will present a Cantata called "Song of the Shadows". To make this presentation come to life, we need your help. We are looking for people to play (silently) the following characters:

- Mary with Baby Jesus
- Mary with Jesus - 12 yr. old boy
- Mary at the Crucifixion
- Mary Magdalene
- Veronica
- Joseph of Arimathea
- Pontius Pilate
- Court helper
- 3 Centurions
- Candle Carrier
- Wardrobe helper
- Lighting helper

- Disciples:
- Andrew
- Bartholomew
- James
- James the Lesser
- John
- Judas
- Matthew
- Peter
- Philip
- Simon
- Thaddeus
- Thomas

If you would consider being part of this musical endeavor please call Emilia @ 631-724-8820.

Thank you and God bless!

Emilia Savarese

2017 Scout Sunday at St. Thomas More
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Faith and Light Meeting

Friday, February 24th, 7:00 p.m.

St. Thomas More Church

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788

(Faith and Light is an international faith-sharing Organization for people with developmental challenges, their families and care-givers.)

HANDICAPPED ENCOUNTER CHRIST--

Volunteers are needed! Are you looking to get involved with an amazing Ministry? Handicapped Encounter Christ (H.E.C) needs volunteers for our 33rd Annual Retreat.

Retreat is held on Thursday, April 27 through Sunday, April 30, 2017 at Camp Alvernia, Centerport, NY.

H.E.C. Retreats provide an environment where persons (18+) with disabilities/handicaps along with volunteers step away from their usual routines to enjoy a prayerful gathering of songs, talks, meditations, fellowship, Eucharist, meals and to a greater and closer encounter with Jesus. This shared experience creates lasting friendships and a new outlook.

Many roles need to be filled. Please come to our first meeting on Monday, February 13, to find out what H.E.C. is all about and learn how you can help!

Meetings are held at 7 pm at St. Francis of Assisi, 29 Clay Pitts Road, Greenlawn, NY.

Meetings: Monday, February 13, Tuesday, March 14 and Tuesday, April 11.

Please send email to Longislandhec@gmail.com or call Chris Greiner at 516-51-6044 for more information, to volunteer or to request an application for some who is disabled and might be interested in attending.

YOUNG AT HEART

The next meeting of the Young At Heart will be on Friday, February 24, 2017 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:

2016 CONTRIBUTION REQUEST

I/We would like a record of our 2016 contributions to St. Thomas More.

NAME(S):

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

**REGISTRATION and/or
ENVELOPE REQUEST**

NAME(s):

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

E-MAIL:

I/we would like to register in the parish.

Please send contribution envelopes.

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

Other _____

(Please return in collection or return to Church Office)

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CALENDAR CLUB 2017

I/We would like to join St. Thomas More's Calendar Club for 2017.

NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS:

PHONE:()

One Number for \$25

OR

FIVE Numbers for \$100

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

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$

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

St. Thomas More Employment Services

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

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

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

Business Agency of KC- Field agents needed. Call Outreach (631-234-3149) for more information.

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.

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.

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

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.

Panera--Now hiring FT/PT Associates, Bakers and Shift Supervisors.

School Bus Drivers—Flexible hours—Bus Drivers. & Van Drivers. Excellent Benefits-Call now for training. Retirees welcome.

Suffolk Bus Drivers--Suffolk Co. Bus Company hiring drivers. Contact Suffolk Bus Company.

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.

Teachers, Teacher Assistants & Substitutes--Town of Smithtown & Kings Park. High School Diploma, 2 yrs. Exp. - before & after school.

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.



For Young Adults: Small Group (Ages 21 to 28)

What's a small group? It's an opportunity to connect with God and form great friendships with like-minded young adults. It's a chance to explore your spiritual side and learn more about the positive difference Jesus Christ can make in your life.

Jesus' way of life cannot be learned alone so Small Groups help give you the support, insight and encouragement you need to grow in your faith -- they take Church beyond Sunday. If you want to grow as a person and are intrigued by the idea of forming deeper relationships that grow from a shared love of Christ, then joining a Small Group might be just what you're looking for.

Small Groups will begin to meet on February 23, March 2, 9, 23 and 30 in the Pastoral Center, 50 North Park Avenue, Rockville Centre, at 7:30pm. If you are interested in joining this Small Group, please contact Marianne Sheridan at msheridan@drvc.org or [516-678-5800, ext. 615](tel:516-678-5800). The Small Group will be limited to 10 participants, so please register no later than February 19th.

You're Invited!

St. Vincent dePaul

Valentine Sock Hop

Saturday, February 18th, 6-10 pm

**Dancing!
Contests & Games!
Ice Cream
Sundaes!**

Tickets:

Available for purchase in the
Narthex or Rectory.

Adults \$15

Children (10 & under) \$7.50



Admission includes:

Food, Soda, Wine

Desserts

Door Prizes!

Contact Jo Garvey

631-265-2753 for info.

Location:

St. Thomas More
immediately following the
5pm Mass.

**Feel free to come
dressed for the 50's!**

