



Catholic Church Community of  
**St. Thomas More**

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

May 21, 2017

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.*

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## ***Masses for this coming week***

May 21, 2017  
Sixth Sunday of Easter  
Acts 8:5-8, 14-17  
Psalm 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20  
1 Peter 3:15-18  
John 14:15-21

### **Saturday, May 20**

*(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm Clem Vaccaro by *John & Arlene  
Aspromgos*

### **Sunday, May 21—Sixth Sunday of Easter--Mother's Day**

8:00am Marge Chester by *Betty Ann & Joe  
Codispoti*, Judy Granville by *Chet &  
Lottie Kalenty*, Lydia Wieman by *Dcn. Ed  
& Laura Vigneaux*

9:15am Joseph Raio by *Dolores Gallegro*

10:45am Dorothy Sauchelli-Balin by *Mom & Dad*

12:15pm Rita L. Schock by *Melissa Gowell & sons*

### **Monday, May 22--St. Rita of Cascia**

9am Julia L. Porth by *Joe & Betty Ann Codispoti*

### **Tuesday, May 23**

9am Lydia Wieman by *Augie & Betty Vrondis*

### **Wednesday, May 24**

9am Mary Beth Weidig by *Marie & Stan  
Boyarsky*

7pm Robert Specht Jr. by *Peter Handal*

### **Thursday, May 25--The Ascension of the Lord --Holy Day of Obligation**

9am Irene Aberle by *Bob Aberle*

7pm Gladys Christiansen by *Peter Handal*

### **Friday, May 26--St. Philip Neri**

9am Matthew Casey McDonald by *Chris Paino*

### **Saturday, May 27--St. Augustine of Canterbury**

9am Msgr. Robert Kirwin

*(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm Joel Miller by *Ken & Judy Granville*

### **Sunday, May 28—Seventh Sunday of Easter**

8:00am Lydia Wieman by *Al & Eileen Weidig*

9:15am Judy Granville by *Laura & Ed Vigneaux*,  
Mickelson & Williams families by *Barbara  
Mickelson*, Roberta Pistorius by *Emilia  
Savarese*, Joseph M. Rot by *wife Maria Rot  
& family*, Nicolina Santuci by *Bernard  
Nagel*

10:45am Dorothy Sauchelli-Balin by *Grace Harold*

12:15pm Paul Coyle by *Judy Coyle*

## ***Growing through the Sunday Scriptures***

May 28, 2017  
Seventh Sunday of Easter  
Acts 1:12-14  
Psalm 27:1, 4, 7-8  
1 Peter 4:13-16  
John 17:1-11a

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John:

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said,  
"Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that  
your son may glorify you, just as you gave him authority  
over all people, so that your son may give eternal life to all  
you gave him. Now this is eternal life, that they should  
know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent,  
Jesus Christ. I glorified you on earth by accomplishing the  
work that you gave me to do. Now glorify me, Father, with  
you, with the glory that I had with you before the world  
began.

"I revealed your name to those whom you gave me out of  
the world. They belonged to you, and you gave them to  
me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that  
everything you gave me is from you, because the words  
you gave to me I have given to them, and they accepted  
them and truly understood that I came from you, and they  
have believed that you sent me. I pray for them.

I do not pray for the world but for the ones you have given  
me, because they are yours, and everything of mine is  
yours and everything of yours is mine, and I have been  
glorified in them. And now I will no longer be in the world,  
but they are in the world, while I am coming to you."

### **Focus questions:**

1. Name two ways that help you to get to know Jesus better.
2. How do you pray best?
3. Describe a time when you found it difficult to pray.

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

Pray before meals this week. Take turns being the leader of prayer.

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

Dear Friends,

**A joke book had a funny saying, "Going out of business has becomes so profitable** for one merchant that he is opening a chain of going out of business." The phrase "Going out of business" creates an idea in the mind of the buyers that the merchandise will be less costly than in the regular stores. Going out of business is a loss for the business-owner, but a gain for the buyer.

**Sixth Sunday of Easter is the 36<sup>th</sup> day of Easter.** In four days, this Thursday, the 40<sup>th</sup> day of Easter, we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord. Ascension is the time when Jesus is 'Going out of the World' as if His business with us has come to an end. Jesus says that His ascension would not leave us orphans. He promises to send us another Advocate, the Holy Spirit who will remain WITH us and IN us.

**His 'Going Out' of the world may look like that we are abandoned (orphaned) by Jesus.** Rather it would help us to realize our inner worth. Jesus' going away from us is His way of bringing His Spirit of truth into each one of us. What one could see, hear and feel in Jesus can now be internally realized by the Holy Spirit in each of us. What Jesus was doing externally in His earthly ministry is going to be done by the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. His going away from the world is nothing but coming into each of us as an inner truth and power. Let us celebrate His Ascension and let us pray ardently for the coming of the Holy Spirit into our hearts. Let us open ourselves for the Holy Spirit of God to dwell in us.

**50<sup>th</sup> Golden Parish Feast: We celebrate the feast of our Parish Patron St. Thomas More** the weekend of June 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. At this Golden Jubilee year we would like to pray the jubilee blessings on married couples. We invite all married couples, from the newly married to the longest number of years of marriage. During this mass they would renew their vows and we would celebrate them thanking God for the gift of their married love and witness of God's creative love. I personally invite all married couples with a heart full of joy and gratitude.

**We have begun our Capital Campaign.** Our goal is to raise one million dollars to renovate the Sanctuary and to pave the parking lot. Parishioners are responding to the needs of the renovations in and around the church by pledging. So far 50 families have already made pledges which have brought over \$318, 000 to our Campaign. St. Thomas More is known for its generosity and family spirit. Let us participate enthusiastically in the campaign.

**We are the fruits of our past generations.** Similarly our future generations will be our fruit. We thank God for having guided us in the past. Let us surrender our present to his guidance. Let us pray to the Lord to guide and support our endeavors now. In gratefully surrendering our present to God, we form a powerful future in God's providence. Let us always prayerfully remember the words of Psalm 127, "Unless the Lord build the house, in vain is the builder's labor. Unless the Lord guard the city, in vain does the guard keep the watch."

**.Living memoir - Golden Jubilee Journal:** In celebration of our Golden Jubilee we want to release a journal of our parish family. It would serve us as a time capsule bringing the past to the present and rendering the present as a living document featuring pictures and stories for the future. I invite you to be a part of this living memoir. Please look for details in the coming weeks.

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  
 Karen Berlet  
 Bernadette  
 Joseph Bittner  
 Jean Blaney  
 Mary Brussell  
 Daniel Callihan  
 Christina Cammarata  
 Barbara Cappisillo  
 Linda Sue Cappisillo  
 Thea Constantatos  
 Donald Crocker  
 Mary Cullin  
 Caroline De Santis  
 Amanda De Rosa  
 Preston De Rosa (2 years old)  
 Walt Drechsler Jr.  
 Dominga Francisco  
 Andrew Gallo  
 Connie Gennaro  
 Gerald Gilson  
 John Hanna  
 Olive Harrison (16 months)  
 Tony Hollins  
 Laurie Holmes  
 Theresa Huebner  
 Joseph Jacklets  
 Suzy Johnson  
 Kenneth  
 Jean Marsala Kieffner  
 Dr. C. Lalli  
 Luigi Lanzo  
 Wayne Leo  
 Anne Leggio  
 Nick Livote  
 Phillip Lloyd  
 Nicolas LoRusso (22 months)  
 Cindy Mango  
 Jackie Marcello  
 Mike Masone  
 Terri Ilardi McKee  
 Marie Minutillo  
 Rosie Miranda  
 Ralph Molinaro  
 Barbaralynn Moseman  
 Beatrice Okorn  
 Joseph P.  
 Mary Ann Peet  
 Mary Ruchalski (10 yrs.  
 old)



Elyse Schrage  
 Daniel Skinnon  
 Richard Stout  
 Andrea Suess  
 Chase Turano  
 Andrew J. Valentine  
 Andrew M. Valentine

*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, 2017.***

**PRAY FOR THE DECEASED**

Michael Keegan, our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY**

Ethan Bernstein  
 Jessie Bernstein  
 Anthony Broncatello  
 John Burk  
 David Chester  
 John Chester  
 Nicholas Chester  
 Theresa Chester  
 Eddie Cullum  
 Eric Cullum  
 Christopher Day  
 Timothy Fallon  
 Bryan Figueiredo  
 Nicholas W. Flanary  
 William Gregory  
 Carl F. Greiner  
 Philip Guidone  
 Sean Hendrickson  
 John Karies  
 Michael Knipper



Alex Lombardi  
 Thomas LaFemina  
 Andrew Lombardi  
 Scott Lovelock  
 Thomas Migliara  
 Tim Morris  
 John Nachtman  
 Kaitlyn Nachtman  
 Thomas Nichols  
 Adam Papaizai  
 Michael Poist  
 Michael Polanski  
 Kyle Rathje  
 William R. Rathje  
 Antonia Marie Rivera  
 Justin Schneider  
 Christopher Sidor  
 Ryan Smith  
 Michael White

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](http://www.stmli.org)  
[www.stthomasmoreyouth.org](http://www.stthomasmoreyouth.org)

**Facebook**

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

**Instagram**

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 To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following: Barbara & Joe Fratamico at  
[BJFRAT@optonline.net](mailto:BJFRAT@optonline.net)

## PARISH OUTREACH

It's official – Spring is here! The flowers are being planted, the lawns are being mowed, the summer getaways are being planned ( and camps as well), and moods have been lightened!! We want to take this opportunity to thank a couple of groups who have been active on our behalf; the 6<sup>th</sup> grade religion class of Janet Mangarfas, who scoured their neighborhood for items to be used by our clients here in Outreach, and the Junior Girl Scout Troop 134 from Hauppauge, who stationed themselves by Shoprite to collect food for our Food Pantry. Both groups are gratefully appreciated for their efforts on our behalf.



Just a brief note to remind everyone that there will be a Military Bridge on June 9<sup>th</sup> here at St. Thomas More Church. Please understand there is no bridge, and it is not a military exercise. It is a night of fun and prizes...we do try for a sort of military precision in the way the game is played, but we laugh a lot when precision is not the outcome! You can contact Marie Utter at 631-234-4102. You'll be glad you did!

## St Vincent de Paul Conference

A point to ponder: from the Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47

"All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their property and possessions and divide them among all according to each one's need. Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes."

Sound familiar? It should, it was the first reading on April 22/23. This does sound like heaven on earth, but we are not there yet. That's why we ask for your help to assist our less fortunate neighbors.

Please pray for our neighbors in need and aid your St. Thomas Conference in whatever way you can. Thank you.

### THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

#### Sunday, May 21--Hospitality Sunday

10:45am--May Crowning--Church

11:45am--RCIA--Meeting Room

7pm--Youth Ministry-WH/KH/Kitchen

#### Monday, May 22

6:30pm--Alpha Program--Walden Hall/Kitchen

#### Tuesday, May 23

6:30pm--Pastoral Facilitators--Rel. Ed. Center

7pm--Pastoral Council--Rectory

#### Thursday, May 24--Ascension Thursday--Holy Day of Obligation

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

7:30pm--Choir Rehearsal--Church

#### Friday, May 26

1pm--Young at Heart-Walden Hall

## Congratulations! CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS

Here are the winners for May 14 - 20, 2017

Sun..	May	14	\$75	#409	STM Outreach- <b>Mother's Day</b> (gift of Betty Kane)
Mon..	May	15	\$25	#905	Wyatt Tate
Tues..	May	16	\$25	#. 17	Walter Brennan
Wed.	May	17	\$25	#848	Madeline & Ed Drobinko
Thurs.	May	18	\$25	# 230	Joan & James Murphy
Fri..	May	19	\$25	# 4	Bill & Lori Rudden
Sat.	May	20	\$25	#316	Teresa Shannon

## CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION



Catholics for Freedom of Religion

[www.cffor.org](http://www.cffor.org)

On May 4, 2017, National Day of Prayer, President Trump issued

*"Executive Order Promoting Free Speech and Religious Liberty"*

### Religious Discrimination by Grand Canyon Officials:

A highly respected geologist has filed a complaint against the Grand Canyon National Park, accusing officials of denying him a research permit due to his "Christian faith and scientific viewpoints informed by his Christian faith," said Alliance Defending Freedom Senior Counsel.

Dr. Andrew Snelling had previously been allowed to conduct research in the Grand Canyon but his recent "request to obtain a few fist-sized rock samples was denied after Park officials learned of his Christian views about the Earth's beginnings."

"The case is about good science being practiced by a good scientist who is being blocked by intolerant government bureaucrats. They have shown a clear animosity toward a researcher's faith and want to trample on his civil rights," said the president of Answers in Genesis.

Scientists will always look at data and challenge one another's interpretation. "Such disagreement is how science works. But when the government starts refusing access to even collect the information because it dislikes one scientist's views, it undercuts science and violates the law," said ADF.

The case "perfectly illustrates why President Trump had to order executive agencies to affirm religious freedom, because park officials specifically targeted Dr. Snelling's religious faith as the reason to stop his research," said an ADF attorney.

(12news.com, 5/9/17; wnd.com, 5/9/17; answersingenesis.org, 5/9/17)

### Save the Date:

\* June 28, 2017, Religious Freedom Rally, keynote speaker, Bishop John Barres, Holy Trinity HS, Hicksville, 6:00pm Rosary, 7:00pm Program

## RESPECT LIFE NEWS

ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, June 6, 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:

June 12--All the Stars in Heaven by Adriana Trigiani--  
Facilitator Jean Noschese

## Congratulations !

The following students of our parish have achieved the Honor Roll:

### Kellenberg High School

Brandon Popp  
Michael Popp

### St. Anthony's High School

Krista Aliscio	Morgan Lulley
Keira Baiz	Madison Lulley
Maggie Curley	Frank Massa
Patrick Curley	Colleen Mooney
Alexander Delgado	Terrence Mooney
Emily Gungel	Brandon Mooney
Luke Gungel	Nicole Palmer
Michael Haggerty	Danielle Pikulik
Lauren Haggerty	Brianna Popolizio
Alessia Iovane	Jennifer Thompson
Nicholas Jensen	William Waters
	Christopher Wendland

### Chaminade High School

**Freshman:** Connor P. Heslin  
**Sophomore:** William F. Dean  
**Junior:** Colin P. Capece  
Kyle R. Russo

## ***Parish History Project***

We are working on collecting and duplicating the final items for our parish history project. The next few months will be spent in completing the video editing so that it may be shown to the parish in September.

We are still looking for those who would like to share their memories of the past at St. Thomas More on video. If you would like to participate in being interviewed, even if it's just a short memory to share, kindly contact us at the special email address we've setup: [history@stmli.org](mailto:history@stmli.org) (or feel free to speak to me about it if you run into me).

Any materials which have been lent to the project for duplication will be returned, if they've not been already, over the next couple of weeks. Those materials which were not identified with an owner's name will be placed into the official parish archives in the Rectory.

Thank you!

Matt Surico  
History Project Coordinator



Msgr. Francis Midura delivers the homily during the Mass celebrating the 40th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood, June 26, 2010.  
(Photo courtesy of Frank Bayer)

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***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/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)*

**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land**--Join Fr. Roy Tvrdik, S.M.M. & Fr. Jose Jacob--June 25 to July 4, 2017. Cost \$3,899 from New York. Please visit [www.pilgrimages.com/frroy](http://www.pilgrimages.com/frroy)

**Long Island Coalition for Life**--Using the "Words that Work": Effectively opposing physician-assisted suicide: Jason Negri, JD, of Patients Rights Council, will give a presentation on Sunday, May 21, 2017, 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM at the American Legion Hall, 39 Nassau Ave., Islip (behind Islip Town Hall). Learn how to compassionately respond to the concerns of the medically vulnerable and their caregivers who may think that suicide, even with the help of a doctor, is a dignified death. The seminar will educate on answering the points of those advocating for legalizing assisted suicide in NYS. Please join us. No admission fee. Light refreshments. Sponsored by the LI Coalition for Life Educational Trust: [631-243-1435](tel:631-243-1435); [info@PROLIFELI.org](mailto:info@PROLIFELI.org).

**It's never too late to prepare for the Catholic High School Entrance Exam**--taught by experienced teachers from St. Anthony's High School. Call DACTEST PREP for an application - 631-663-3303. Space is limited! Call today! To download an application visit [www.dactestprep.com](http://www.dactestprep.com)

### **Newman Connection: ATTENTION PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS**

It's that time of year – Graduation! Our Teens are becoming Young Adults—starting college with a lifetime of opportunities in front of them. Help your graduates continue their journey of faith!

We would like to help our teens keep a faith connection while they are in college. Many will be away from home and out on their own. What better way to help them stay grounded and give them a safe place to meet new friends than through their university's Newman Center. Newman Centers are found on most secular universities throughout the country. These Centers provide pastoral services and ministries to Catholic students and give them a way of meeting young men and women who want to grow in their faith.

If you would like to give your son/daughter this opportunity, please take a moment to make that connection and enroll in the Newman Connection today. It's simple and easy!

To enroll please e-mail Marianne Sheridan, Director for Youth Ministry, at [msh Sheridan@drvc.org](mailto:msh Sheridan@drvc.org) by June 15th with the following information: Graduate's first and last name and the name of the college they will be attending in September 2017. It's as simple as that! This information will then be forwarded to the proper Newman Center and your son/daughter will be welcomed in the fall when they arrive at their school.

**Franciscan Spirit Tours**--Franciscan friars Fr. Michael Sevigny, OFM Cap. and Fr. Jim Sauer, OFM will lead several upcoming pilgrimages to Holy sites around the world. Proceeds benefit the work of the Franciscans. For more information, or to arrange a private, custom pilgrimage, please contact Franciscan Spirit Tours toll free at 646-736-7964 (in NY city), at [info@FranciscanSpiritTours.com](mailto:info@FranciscanSpiritTours.com) or on the web at [www.FranciscanSpiritTours.com](http://www.FranciscanSpiritTours.com). Mention you were referred by the bulletin and the parish will receive a contribution. Our upcoming pilgrimages include: "Franciscan Italy"; "Great Women of Faith" -- Paris/Lourdes/Lisieux; "Holy Land - The Living Rosary", "Footsteps of St. John Paul II"--Poland/ Prague; "Our Lady in the New World"--Guadalupe/Mexico; "Catholic Spain"; "Footsteps of Pope Francis"--Argentina/Uruguay; "Journey to Peace"--Medjugorje; "Catholic Ireland"; "Church of John and Paul"--Greece/Turkey.

### *(Second Notice)*

Long Island Coalition for Life, Inc. -- "Who is the Real Margaret Sanger?" This short video will be shown at the monthly meeting of the LI Coalition for Life on **Mon., May 22**, which begins at **7:45 PM**. Margaret Sanger is the woman behind Planned Parenthood. The May 22 meeting is at St. Regis K of C Hall, Pond Rd. and Rosevale Ave., Ronkonkoma. We will also show the video on **June 26** at Joseph Barry K of C, 45 Heitz Place, Hicksville. All are welcome. For further information: [631-243-1435](tel:631-243-1435); [info@prolifeli.org](mailto:info@prolifeli.org).





**H.Y.O. Women's Softball:**  
Registration is now open for  
**our Summer league for**  
Hauppauge School District  
residents age 30 and over.

Come out and join the fun!  
You'll see many St. Thomas More parishioners out on  
the field!  
Go to [hyosoftball.com](http://hyosoftball.com) for more information and  
registration form or contact Michele Bento at  
(631) 938-6496, email: [hauppsb2017@yahoo.com](mailto:hauppsb2017@yahoo.com).  
Deadline for registration is June 15, 2017.  
(Register by **May 15** for a \$10 discount!)

**Religious Education Registration**

On **Tuesday, June 6th at 7pm** we will be holding  
registration for all children entering 1st grade this  
September and for families new to the area. We will meet  
in the Parish Center. Please bring your child's baptism  
certificate with you. If you have any questions please call us  
at [631-234-0397](tel:631-234-0397).



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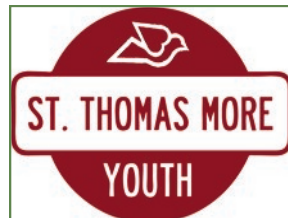
**I. & II.** Thomas Joseph Capo Jr. and  
Jacquelyn McCall

**SUPPORT COLLECTION**

Collection of May 14, 2017-- \$7,873.00

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.

**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.stthomasmoryouth.org](http://www.stthomasmoryouth.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!

**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES  
APPEAL 2017**

as of May 10, 2016

**Our Parish Goal** \$68,500.00  
**Pledges to date** \$48,007.08  
**Percentage of Goal** 70.1%



**OUR PRIEST CELEBRANTS**

(Subject to last minute changes)

	<u>This Weekend</u> (May 20/21)	<u>Next Weekend</u> May 27/28)
<b>Saturday</b> 5 pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00am	Fr. Corneille	Msgr. Boccafolo
9:15am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
10:45am	Msgr. Boccafolo	Fr. Antony
12:15pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Bala

**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:

**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 2017**

**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

**AHRC (Advantage Care Health Center)** Teachers Aides/Assistants--Special Ed- Mon-Fri 3-6 pm. Direct Support Professionals. Family Nurse Practitioner--Comprehensive Benefit Package.

**Bethpage Federal Credit Union**--PT Tellers, Outside Mortgage Loan Financial Consultant--Digital Banking--Good Benefits.

**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.

**Harris Technology- North Amityville**--Engineers, Schedulers, Estimators, Technicians. Excellent Benefits.

#### 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 Media Group**--Account executives for sales. Excellent benefits including matching 401K

**Newspaper Delivery**—Excellent 2nd income—early AM hours—car & valid NYS license.

**New York Community Bank**--Auditors, Financial Service System Engineer, Locksmith & Maintenance Mechanics--Excellent Benefits.

**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.

# St. Thomas More Church 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Golden Jubilee Capital Campaign

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## **Capital Campaign Building Momentum! Now over \$330,000 Pledged**

Our Capital Campaign continues to build momentum with additional gifts received each day. As of this past week, 63 families have returned their pledge for a total of \$336,810. This strong response is a most encouraging sign that the campaign is well on its way toward success. In the upcoming weeks every family is encouraged to consider making a generous pledge payable over a period of three to four years. **The campaign is being conducted on the basis of equal sacrifice, not equal giving. Not every family can make the same size pledge, but every family can make the same size sacrifice.**

## **Your Support is a Vote of Confidence!**

The challenge we face as a parish family is obvious; the need is clear. Now is the time for St. Thomas More to move forward with the Renovation of our Church and to repave our parking lot. We are meeting the challenge in much the same way our parents and grandparents met the challenge by establishing our parish and building the buildings we use today. By our response to this new challenge, we become an important part of that heritage and lay the foundation on which the future will be built.

## **Campaign Presentations Continue!**

All parishioners have been invited to attend a short presentation to learn more about the important details of our campaign.

**Please join us In the Church after all of the  
Masses on the weekend of June 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>**

## **Campaign Office Opens**

If you have any questions about the campaign, please call Andy White our Campaign Director at 234-5551 or on his cell phone at 516-607-3635.

*A Special Tea for Women - Saturday, May 13, 2017.*



*Thank you to all who Organized, helped and participated in this event to make it truly super-cala-fragilistic-expialidocious !*



*St Thomas More Youth Ministry*  
*Needs your support!*

Join us on **May 31, 2017** from **4:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.** at  
**Hauppauge Five Guys**  
601 Veteran's Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788

Five Guys will donate 10% of your purchase  
on May 31, 2017  
from 4:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.  
to St Thomas More Youth Ministry.

# St. Thomas More - 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Capital Campaign

## *Grateful for our Past – Planning for our Future”*

### Questions and Answers

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**Q: Why do we need to do work to the Church building?**

A: Over the years normal wear and tear have taken its toll on the interior. The flooring is deteriorating, pews and kneelers are wearing down and is in need of a fresh coat of paint. Our Sanctuary is on multiple levels which limits the amount of usable space and is a real concern because of the risk of trips and falls and the potential for serious injury. We have already had a number of trips, falls and many close calls. In addition, our beautiful Tabernacle (the presence of the Lord) and Stained Glass Windows are out of sight from our liturgy.

**Q: Why do we need to conduct a fundraising campaign?**

A: The money received in the weekly offertory is used for the normal operating expenses of the parish, including salaries, utilities and funding of different groups and ministries. The capital campaign will provide the necessary funds that are needed to complete the necessary work without depleting our reserves or putting the parish in debt.

**Q: What is the Priority order of the individual projects?**

A: The first priority is to update the interior of the Church, then to repave the parking lot, add drainage and lighting and fix the curbs and walkways.

**Q: When will the work begin?**

A: The timeline is to complete Phase I as described in the brochure in the Fall of 2017 and Phase II in the Summer/Fall of 2019.

**Q: Why am I being asked to pledge rather than pay cash?**

A: We cannot expect to reach our goal with one-time donations. Pledging allows you to give what you truly believe to be a thoughtful, generous and proportionate gift. Pledging permits making larger gifts by spreading out the payments over a three to four year period. However, we appreciate onetime gifts and a 10% (or more) down payment on your pledge to help us with paying for these projects sooner and avoiding fees and interest costs.

**Q: Is a down payment necessary to begin my pledge?**

A: No. You can simply complete the pledge envelope without a down payment and incorporate the entire amount of the pledge into future payments.

**Q: Can I pay more than a 10% down payment?**

A: Yes. You can pay more than 10%.

**Q: I am leaving the Church in my will, isn't that enough?**

A: While we are happy that you have generously planned to remember the parish in your will, please keep in mind that this campaign addresses our most pressing needs.

**Q: Can I pay with my Credit Card or Debit Card?**

A: Yes. You will be able to use Faith Direct to pay your pledge. Indicate your interest in paying by credit card by checking the box on the pledge envelope.

**Q: Is my pledge tax deductible? Are gifts other than cash acceptable?**

A: All payments on a pledge are tax deductible to the full extent provided by law in each year of your pledge payment period. Funding your pledge with matured securities may provide additional tax benefits to you.

**Q: Can we use local contractors for any of the work?**

A: Yes and we hope to. Each project will be put out to bid and our hope is to obtain the best price, quality of work and they are a local company.

**Q: Can we direct that our donation be used for a specific project?**

A: Yes. If you wish you may designate your gift be used to fund one of the specific projects or phases we have outlined. Simply mark your intention on the pledge form and this will be honored.

**Q: Will there be Memorials and how will gifts be recognized?**

A: The Brochure will detail individual items and gift plan memorials that will be recognized on a new Memorial plaque that will be prominently displayed in the vestibule of the Church.



**Last Call to All Married Couples  
for the Mass on June 11, at 12:15**

St. Thomas More, our patron, was a man of great faith, a lawyer and family man. Born in 1478, he married Jane Colt in 1505. She died in 1511 and he soon married again, Alice Harpur Middleton. He was considered a doting father, often writing letters to his five children when he was away on business. More was a man of tremendous integrity, and died as a martyr for our faith.

Our parish has been dedicated to him for the past 50 years, and we have celebrated many sacraments. As part of this year's Golden Jubilee we are planning a Mass for ***all Married Couples in our parish***, on:

Sunday, June 11, 2017, at 12:15pm.

Light refreshments will follow the Mass. Your families are welcome as well.

If you are planning to attend this celebration, or if you know of a couple who was married here and has since moved away, please fill out the coupon below and drop it in the basket or send it to the rectory so we can plan ahead. We need your responses by **May 21, 2017**. Thank you.

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Names

Address

Telephone

Church and Date of Wedding



# Military Bridge

Friday, June 9, 2017

## St. Thomas More Outreach

In Walden Hall (The White Room)

Doors Open: 6:30pm

Instruction: 7:00pm

Game Begins: 7:30pm Sharp

### Come Join the Fun!

Chinese Auction—Game Prizes  
Door Prizes—Refreshments  
(Wine, Cheese, Coffee, Desserts)

**All for \$20 per person**

This is a simple card game that everyone can learn—A great way to mix and mingle with your parish friends (and you don't even have to SALUTE!!!)

Tickets on Sale weekends  
after masses

**NO TICKETS SOLD AT  
DOOR**

