



Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

September 3, 2017

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



**"If any want to become
my followers, let them
deny themselves and
take up their cross
and follow me."**

Matthew 16:24

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

September 3, 2017
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jeremiah 20: 7-9
Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9
Romans 12:1-2
Matthew 16: 21-27

Saturday, September 2

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm Eileen Arlin by *Evelyn Mentock & Sal DiBenedetto*

Sunday, September 3--Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Don Friedman by *Chris & Gert Hirsch*
9:15am Patricia Godfrey by *the Niemann family*
10:45am Judy Granville by *Elizabeth & Margaret Kane*
12:15pm Lillian Oddo by *the Young at Heart*

Monday, September 4

9am Kenneth Brosnan by *John & MaryAnn Egan*

Tuesday, September 5--St. Teresa of Calcutta

9am Lucille Mastrandrea by *Michael & Florence Acquafredda*

Wednesday, September 6

9am John Blount by *Marie Utter*

Thursday, September 7

9am Jean Ammirati by *Nicky & Patti Giacalone*

Friday, September 8--The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9am David McKell by *Kathy & Clay Chin*

Saturday, September 9--St. Peter Claver

9am Frank Sesti by *the Sesti family*

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm Joan Batchelor by *Joanne & Robert Rennhack*, Nick Liberatscioli by *his family*, Mickelson & Williams families by *Barbara Mickelson*, Patrick Perrone by *Elsa Alvarado*, Mario Telese by *the Heberer family*

Sunday, September 10--Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Joe Hauk by *the Hauk family*
9:15am Mae McNerney by *the family*
10:45am Julia & Louis Fiore; Jeanne & Julius Sauchelli by *Madeline & Robert Sauchelli*,
12:15pm Anthony Bocchimuzzo by *a County Resident*

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

September 10, 2017
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ezekiel 33: 7-9
Psalm 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9
Romans 13: 8-10
Matthew 18: 15-20

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew:

Jesus said to his disciples:

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, so that every fact may be established on the testimony of two or three witnesses."

If he refuses to listen to them, tell the church. If he refuses to listen even to the church, then treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector.

Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.

For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Focus questions:

1. How many grudges do you carry? Relate a time when you got rid of a grudge.
2. How easy/hard is it for you to confront another person?
3. Describe a situation when you gathered with fellow believers and felt Jesus in your midst.

Family and children's question:

Talk about a time when your prayers were answered but not as you expected them to be answered.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

I read a wise saying. “The dull thing about taking the straight and narrow path is that you seldom meet anybody you know.” Jesus said something to this effect, “How narrow the gate and constricted the road that leads to life. And those who find it are few.” (Matt. 7:14)

Today's Gospel speaks about the narrow and painful path that Jesus has to walk. It is the continuation of last week's gospel. Peter was complemented by Jesus for having revealed that Jesus is the Messiah. The same Peter is rebuked by Jesus for having ill-advised Jesus not to take the narrow path of crucifixion, death and resurrection. Then Jesus continues saying that his disciples must be ready to walk the same path of the cross to follow him.

Jesus is Messiah both in his power and suffering. He is not only a glorified Messiah by his miracles and wisdom filled words, but also a serving Messiah in sharing with us all the suffering and death. He not only shows who he is but also serves to show how much He loves us. As His disciples and followers we too are called to take up the path of not only showing how good and able we are but also how much we are willing to serve. Let us strive to follow Jesus in service willing to carry the cross, the burden of others, in love.

Golden Jubilee – May God renew and rebuild us: Since last December we have celebrated at least two events every month in grateful commemoration of what God has done in and for us for the past 50 years. The events were both social and spiritual celebrating God's love for us and our love for God and each other.

We hope to begin the work of the renovation of the Sanctuary on the first of October and complete it by Christmas. During the time of renovation the church will remain closed. We will have our daily and weekend masses and all the other sacramental celebrations in Walden and Kirwin Halls.

Please bear with the inconvenience. Our patience and co-operation to accommodate the inconveniences with a smile will be a God-given moment of grace to build and grow as community of love and service. Thank you for your understanding.

New long-lasting and energy efficient bulbs have been installed in the Parking lot. As a result our Parking Lot is brightly illuminated. The new paving for the parking lot will begin next year.

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
 Janice Bini
 Joseph Bittner
 Jean Blaney
 Mary Brussell
 Anthony C. (5 yrs)
 Daniel Callihan
 Christina Cammarata
 Barbara Cappisillo
 Linda Sue Cappisillo
 Dona Caragol
 John Colosi
 Thea Constantatos
 Donald Crocker
 Mary Cullin
 Caroline De Santis
 Amanda De Rosa
 Preston De Rosa (2 years old)
 Florence & Anthony Donato
 Walt Drechsler Jr.
 Elvira DuBritz
 Leona Esposito
 Dominga Francisco
 Elvira Du Britz
 Andrew Gallo
 Connie Gennaro
 Ciro Ghiraldi
 Gerald Gilson
 Isabelle Grenier
 John Hanna
 Richard Happe
 Olive Harrison (16 months)
 Jamie Hawkins
 Jane Hoffman
 Laurie Holmes
 Theresa Huebner
 Anita Ilardi
 Joseph Jacklets
 Regina Jeskie
 Suzy Johnson
 Costa Katsapis
 Jean Marsala Kieffner
 Theresa Marvelli
 Elaine Kleenstauber
 Dr. C. Lalli
 Luigi Lanzo
 Anne Leggio



Wayne Leo
 Phillip Lloyd
 Patricia Loicano
 Nicolas LoRusso (2 years old)
 Mike Masone
 Laura Mattioli
 Cindy Mango
 Jackie Marcello
 Diane McCann
 Terri Ilardi McKee
 Camille Mendalia
 Sharon Mills
 Marie Minutillo
 Rosie Miranda
 Ralph Molinaro
 Dorothy L. Monaco
 Barbaralynn Moseman
 Leo Myly
 Betty Napoli
 Caidee Nielsen (2 years old)
 Victoria Nelson
 Beatrice Okorn
 Fr. Peter O'Rourke
 Joseph P.
 Dorothy Pagano
 Rainey Pappas
 Mary Ann Peet
 Fern Peppe
 Kim Rico
 Mary Ruchalski (10 yrs. old)
 Robert Schernowitz
 Elyse Schrage
 Teresa Shannon
 Daniel Skinnon
 Mary Spinosa
 Richard Stout
 Andrea Suess
 Chase Turano
 Andrew J. Valentine
 Andrew M. Valentine
 Debbie Ward
 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.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Bernice Kluse, Frank M. Grieco, Donald H. Kearny, Fr. Peter O'Rourke, our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Ethan Bernstein	Dylan Kowalski
Jessie Bernstein	Alex Lombardi
Anthony Broncatello	Thomas LaFemina
John Burk	Andrew Lombardi
David Chester	Scott Lovelock
John Chester	Thomas Migliara
Nicholas Chester	Tim Morris
Theresa Chester	John Nachtman
Eddie Cullum	Kaitlyn Nachtman
Eric Cullum	Thomas Nichols
Christopher Day	Adam Papaizai
Timothy Fallon	Michael Poist
Bryan Figueiredo	Michael Polanski
Karin Fitzgerald	Kyle Rathje
Nicholas W. Flanary	William R. Rathje
J.T. Foltz	Antonia Marie Rivera
Mike Foltz	Ana Karen Sanchez
William Gregory	Donovan Sanchez
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

SOCIAL MEDIA & EMAIL**Websites**

www.stmli.org
www.stthomasmoreyouth.org

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

Instagram

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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

Whew!!! We made it through the Back-to-School-Giveaway...and thanks to your fabulous generosity, we made so many children and their parents so happy for the beginning of school!!! However, it's not like we can rest on our laurels – there will always be needy people, and it will always be up to those who have enough to be able to share, to do just that. For those of you who have an overabundance of produce from your garden, bring it to Outreach...our clients would love fresh food! The next best things you could bring are those items that are so appreciated: cereals, soups, coffee, toothpaste, peanut butter, pastas, tomato sauce, tuna fish, mayonnaise, canned vegetables, shampoo, cleaning supplies, soaps, etc. Please do not donate outdated food.



Today's fact: Starch is used as a binder in the production of paper. It is the use of starch coating that controls ink penetration when printing. Cheaper papers do not use as much starch, and this is why your elbows get black when you are leaning over your morning paper.

And today's household hint: If you accidentally over-salt a dish while cooking, drop in a peeled potato. It will absorb the excess salt.

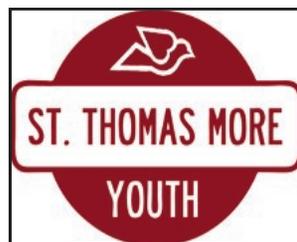
St Vincent de Paul Conference

" A Thank You From A Neighbor In Need"

.....just wanted to thank you and everyone for all your help once again. I (and my daughter) would be homeless without you and hope one day to be in a position to give back.....

Sometimes working with our neighbors in need is a quick exchange of information and minimum use of resources; other times our assistance takes months of work and many resources (as in this situation)

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 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!

St. Thomas More Monsignor Francis S. Midura Council 6062



VETERANS PHOTO BOARD

The Knights of Columbus will be accepting photos for the Veterans Board in Walden Hall. We will be putting up a new board as needed. The following items will be necessary.

- 3 x 5 photo (no exceptions)**
- Branch of Service**
- Years served**
- Rank or Rate (where possible)**

Please leave all information in an envelope with your name and phone number addressed to Jerry Ferrara, Grand Knight, and leave it at the rectory.

CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION



Catholics for Freedom of Religion

www.cffor.org

As this new school year begins, let us empower our children.

Help them learn they are "Free to Be - Students of Faith"

Catholics For Freedom of Religion has developed a powerful lesson to inform students, parents and teachers about "THE BIG SECRET" - that "Public Schools are **not** God-Free Zones!" This lesson presents important information from the U.S. Department of Education and the First Amendment to the Constitution. Over 2,500 have heard this lesson so far, and frequent comments are: "I didn't know these facts." "Every parent and student should know this!"

There is a misperception that bringing religion into schools in any form is prohibited, resulting in students being silenced, shamed and even disciplined for protected speech and behaviors. This perception is **wrong** since there are strong protections for student religious expression at many appropriate times in public schools. For instance:

1. Students can express their faith at school, unless it's disruptive or coercive. They can comment about their own religious views in class or in assignments as long as it's related to the discussion.
2. Students can pray alone or in groups as long as the school doesn't sponsor the event and others aren't pressured to participate.
3. Public schools can teach about religious holidays or religious practices and discuss their influence on our culture so long as it is objective rather than devotional.
5. Choirs can sing and orchestras can play sacred music; book lists can include religiously themed literature, and drama students can enact religious plays - all as part of the school's academic program, especially when mixed with secular works.
6. Students can form religious groups and clubs when the school allows non curriculum-related clubs.

Religious freedoms in our country protect, in law, the rights of children to live their faith among their peers in many appropriate school situations each day. Learning these religious liberties will clarify to students, parents and teachers that schools are not God-free zones.

ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, September 5, 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 Circle of Women will meet again on Sept. 11, 2017 when the book for discussion will be Stoner by John Williams--Facilitator Nina Busse.

Altar Servers Needed



Do you attend Mass?

Have you ever thought about doing community service?

Do you feel a connection to be part of your church community?

Have you made your First Communion?

Are you an adult who served as a child and would like to be part of the mass again?

We are in need of altar servers to serve at least two times per month. Schedules can be arranged around your family/school commitments. Be part of the church community while fulfilling community service for school groups or Confirmation requirements.

Please email either Deacon Ed or Dorothy Castaldo at altarservers@stmli.org or you can contact the rectory at 631-234-5551 for more information on the next training session.

Banns of Marriage

I & II Ryan Moore & Yimin Zhu

I. Adam Rogers & Kimberly Brown

I. Michael Zeitner/Elizabeth Zeitner

I. Robert Newman/Marissa Citro

ST. THOMAS MORE'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The Children's Choir is looking to expand its membership. Children grow richer in spirit when they participate in community activities. They too are a part of the Body of Christ, and they will always remember singing in the choir.

We will be rehearsing from 5:30 to 6:30 pm on Thursdays in the church and we will be singing at the 9:15 am Sunday Mass. We invite all children 2nd Grade and above to join our group of choristers. Parents are most welcome to sing along with their children weekly if they would like to encourage their children to participate. Rehearsals will resume on September 7th.

Jesus said "Let the little children come to Me." What better way than to come to Him with joyous song?

Please complete the form below and leave it on the organ:

CHILD'S NAME _____
 PARENT: _____

CHILD'S GRADE: _____
 TEL: _____

For more information, please call Emilia Savarese at 631-724-8820.

WE ARE ALSO TAKING A PARISH MUSIC SURVEY – Please complete the form and leave it on the organ:

MUSIC SURVEY 2017 – ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH
Please print legibly

Does anyone in your family play an instrument?

(check one)

Middle High

Specify

Name	School	School	College
Adult	instrument		

Do you currently have an instrument?

_____yes _____no

Would you/he/she be willing to play for liturgy in an ensemble?

Check one: Weekly Seasonally (Christmas, Easter)

Occasionally Can't now; maybe later

How may we contact you?

Name : _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

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.

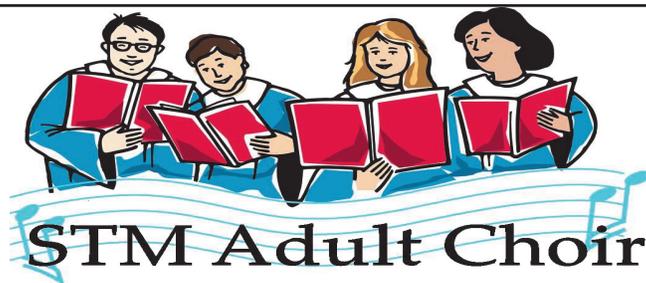
CEREAL BOX TOP COUPONS—Drop them off in the Church lobby drop-off box and we will use them to buy things for the students in our regional school.

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.



The choir is looking for new members to join our group. You do not have to know how to read music, just be able to sing in key. We need all voices in Bass, Tenor, Alto and Soprano.

We rehearse Thursdays, 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm and sing at the 10:45 Mass on Sunday morning. We are celebrating 50 glorious years of serving through song. Why not become part of our jubilee year and add your voice to the celebration?

We have taken a summer break and will return September 7th.

To join or for more information, please call Emilia at 631-724-8820.

Thank you and God Bless You!

RCIA

Have you thought about becoming a Catholic?
Were you baptized Catholic, or in another Christian church, and never received Holy Communion, Reconciliation, or Confirmation?

The RCIA Team at St. Thomas More parish is here to answer any and all questions

RCIA begins in September.

If you are interested, call Ann Russo, [631-543-2740](tel:631-543-2740)

ATTENTION GOLFERS!

IT IS BACK!



The 5th Annual Msgr. Francis S. Midura Golf Outing will be held September 25, 2017 at the beautiful Rock Hill Golf Course in Manorville.

A Registration Form can be found in this Bulletin.

Any questions please call: Al Weidig [631-838-3293](tel:631-838-3293) or Joann Eyring [631-987-9901](tel:631-987-9901)

SEE YOU AT ROCK HILL.



St. Thomas More Parish History Documentary Movie



**Friday Sept. 15 - Two showings:
1:30 pm and 7:30 pm in Walden Hall**

Come learn about how our parish started and
grew over our first 50 years!

If you've been here since the start, relive some great memories.
If you have joined us along the way, learn how the parish was shaped.

**The movie includes interviews with past clergy, current
parishioners and staff & some rare photos, video and memorabilia**

Light refreshments will be served - there is no admission charge
Copies of the DVD can be ordered for \$10 each at the showing!



The Mass Book for 2018 will be available for intentions
from **Wednesday, September 6, 2017** onwards.
Mass stipends are \$20 for a Mass with a single intention
and \$15 for a Mass of multiple intentions. The large hard
cover memorial card is an extra \$5.

50th Anniversary Journal

It's not too late to be a part of the Parish 50th
Anniversary Journal! We will continue to accept ads for a few
more weeks.

Please see samples, pricing and information at
<http://www.stmli.org/content/journal>. Please email
stm50journal@stmli.org with questions.

Thanks to everyone who has already contributed to the
journal!

Attention: Ministry Leaders

Frank Bayer will be available to take a group picture of our
ministries for one last week-end as follows:

September 23 after the 5:00 pm Mass

September 24 after all Masses

We request you to assemble with your respective group at the
altar immediately following Mass. Please call Theresa at the
Rectory (631-234-5551) so that she can let the photographer
know that your ministry will be participating in the photo.

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of August 27, 2017 \$6,458.25

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.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2017

as of August 22, 2017

Our Parish Goal \$68,500.00
Pledges to date \$50,917.08
Percentage of Goal 74.3%



Congratulations! CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS

Here are the winners for Aug. 27 - Sept. 2, 2017

Sun..	Aug. 27	\$50	308	Maureen Fallona
Mon.	Aug. 28	\$25	268	Yolanda Schweers
Tues.	Aug. 29	\$25	880	Gail Audiino
Wed.	Aug. 30	\$25	286	Eileen Santangelo
Thurs.	Aug.. 31	\$25	400	Rita Lilly & Natasha Balsara
Fri.	Sept. 1	\$25	692	Bob Aberle
Sat.	Sept. 2	\$25	788	Vincent Carlino

OUR PRIEST CELEBRANTS

(Subject to last minute changes)

	<u>This Weekend</u> (Sept. 2/3)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (Sept. 9/10)
<u>Saturday</u>		
5 pm	Fr. Antony	Msgr. Boccafolo
<u>Sunday</u>		
8 am	Msgr. Boccafolo	Fr. Antony
9:15 am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
10:45 am	Fr. Fred	Fr. Fred
12:15 pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Saturday--September 2

2pm--Wedding Rehearsal: Thomas/Rooney

Sunday--September 3

2pm--Wedding: Thomas/Rooney--Church

Tuesday--September 5

9am--Staff Mass --Church

7pm--Adoration--Church

7pm--Fr. Antony's Bible Study--Walden Hall

Wednesday--September 6

7:30pm--Knights of Columbus Bus.Mtg--Walden Hall

Thursday--September 7

9am--Knights of Columbus--Kitchen

4:30pm: Wedding Rehearsal: Godwin/Punger--Church

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

7:30pm--Choir--Church

Friday--September 8

9am--Knight s of Columbus--Kitchen

1pm--Young at Heart--Walden Hall/Kitchen

3pm--Wedding Godwin Punger--Church

Saturday--September 9

1pm--Baptism--Camilleri--Church

6:15pm--KofC Installation of new Board--Church/
Walden Hall/Kitchen

YOUNG AT HEART



The next meeting will be on Friday, September 8, 2017
at 1:00 pm in Walden Hall.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

Marian Healing Ministry--St. Anastasia's Church (45-14, 245th St., Douglaston, Little Neck)--**Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2017. 7:00 pm Rosary, Mass & Healing Service.** For more information, please call St. Anastasia's Church 718-631-4454.

Smithtown Adult Basic Education--NYA Annex--Joseph M. Barton District Building--26 New York Ave., Smithtown--Free Classes--Monday & Tuesday September 11 & 12--9:00 am days --7:00 pm Evenings.

English as a Second Language (ESL)--Adult Basic Education (ABE)--High School Equivalency (HSE)--Citizenship--Financial, Family, Health, and Computer Literacy--Career Counselling/Case Management (for enrolled students). All students must register. Smithtown residency is not required. Please call 631-382-2181 for further information.

Camp Hope Day--to help children ages 5-17 who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Event will take place on **October 1, 2017.** The day includes sharing, remembering and commemorating in a nurturing and playful environment. Parents will drop off the children in the morning, share a light breakfast and then rejoin the camp at 3:00 to share in closing activities and ceremonies. The camp runs from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Lunch is also included. The camp day is held in Bayport at beautiful Camp Edey. There is no charge for the day but registration is required. Please call Laura Phillips at 631-687-2960 to register or for more information.

Veterans Appreciation Day--Sunday, October 15, 2017--10 am to 2 pm--Adelphi University Hauppauge Center (55 Kennedy Drive, Hauppauge). To RSVP or for additional information please contact Director Sheila Edwards-Robinson at 516-237-8608 or email sedwards-robinson@adelphi.edu

Christmas Celebration at Carnegie Hall--Monday, December 11th at 8 pm--All proceeds go to Hope House Ministries in Port Jefferson Starring the NY Tenors: Andy Cooney, Daniel Rodriguez and Christopher Macchio with special guests Ronan Tynan and Larry Gatlin. Price will include show tickets and bus transportation from St. Patrick's. Hosted by their Something for Seniors group but all are welcome! For more information, call JoAnna at 631-439-0551.

(Second Notice)

Ronkonkoma Cenacle--Retreat Center 310 Cenacle Rd., Ronkonkoma--**September Programs:**

Thursday, September 21, 2017--1:00-4:00 pm. 12:30pm arrivals & refreshments. **LOVE NEVER DIES -**

THE HEART OF GRIEF AND HOPE. *September: Tasks & challenges of grief, the faces of grief.* This grief and healing workshop will help us find strength and hope following the death of a loved one. An opportunity to heal and name some of the hurting places loss can bring. A supportive, safe place to honor our journey and love that never dies even as time moves on. One may attend one or all of the workshops – on October 19 and November 16, 2017.

Presenter: Paul Alexander, LCSW. Offering: \$35 per session--\$20 deposit required to hold your reservation.

Sunday, September 24, 2017--1:30 pm – 4:30 pm. 1 pm arrivals and refreshments.

GET OUT OF THE BOAT!—SILENT AFTERNOON OF PRAYER. “If it is you, bid me to come to you upon the waters” (Matthew 14:28). In *Essence of Prayer*, renowned Carmelite writer Ruth Burrows insists that in order to heed Jesus’ invitation to “Come,” we have to be willing to let go of our criterion for what prayer is and what growth in the Spirit might mean. What can we discover about how real prayer entails letting go of the controls?

Presenter: Sr. Kathryn Madden, r.c. Offering: \$35 - \$20 deposit required to hold your reservation.

September 29-30, 2017 5:00 pm Friday – 4:00 pm Saturday

INTRODUCTION TO A SILENT, DIRECTED RETREAT. Are you hungry for something deeper in your spiritual life? In a prayerful, relaxed setting, this quiet overnight retreat offers the experience of silence, solitude, different ways of praying and what to talk about with your Retreat Director during your Directed Retreat.

Presenters: Sr. Kathy Scott, r.c. & Joan McGovern, Cenacle Ministry staff.

Offering \$125 - \$50 deposit required to hold your reservation.

Saturday, September 30, 2017--1:30 – 4:30 pm at the Maude Adams House, 1:00 pm arrivals & refreshments.

THIRD ACT –What’s God’s Purpose for Me after the Grandchildren Are Grown? Day of Prayer for Women over 70. What fears am I facing? How do I open myself to the Joy that Jesus is offering me? We’ll process our limitations and begin to let go of the “small stuff”.

Presenter: Sr. Margaret Rohde, r.c. Offering: \$35--\$20 deposit required to held your reservation.

St. Dominic High School Alumni--2017 Alumni Hall of Fame Dinner--Saturday, September 23, 2017--5 pm Mass at St. Dominic Church; 6:30 pm Recognition Dinner honoring Stephen Dannhauser ‘68; Al Carey ‘69; Jay Hernandez ‘96. Distinguished Alumni Mercedes Quinn ‘43; Young Alumni Maria Ehlinger ‘05; Honorary Alum Coach Tom Capozzoli (posthumous). For more information: HS.STDOMS.ORG/HALLOFFAME--516-922-4488 ext. 2225.

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.

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--Security Officer/EMT--security & safety of employees-2-3 years exp. as security or law enforcement.

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



Blood Drive

Thursday, September 21st
2:30pm – 8:30pm
115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge
Church Auditorium



Your donation will help to **save up to THREE lives.**
Our community hospitals need your help.
Please share this lifesaving gift!

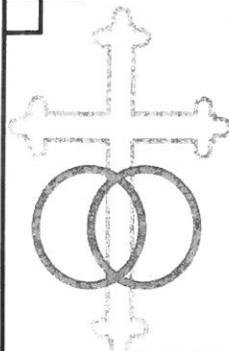
THANK YOU FOR CARING!

Eligibility Criteria:

- Bring your Blood Donor Card or ID with signature or photo.
- Minimum weight 110 lbs.
- Age 16-75 (16 year olds must have parental permission).
- Eat well (low fat) & drink plenty of fluids
- No tattoos for the past 12 months

For questions concerning medical eligibility call 1-800-688-0900 www.nybc.org.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact:
Ed Rogan (631)366-1085



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

Sunday, October 22 — Church of St. Rose of Lima in Massapequa

Sunday, November 19 — Church of Christ the King in Commack

Both liturgies will begin at 2:30 pm / Couples may register for ONE liturgy.

- Please fill in the form below, have it signed by your pastor or someone designated by him and return to the Office of Worship.
- Approximately one week before the liturgy, you will be mailed a letter confirming your registration and directions.
- There will be reserved seating for the registered couples only. Family and friends will be seated on a first come-first served basis.
- After the liturgy, there will be an opportunity to have a photo taken with the celebrating bishop if you wish.
- You will be mailed a complimentary photo and certificate approximately four to six weeks after the liturgy.

Please mail completed form to : Suzanne Lynn
 Diocese of Rockville Centre
 42 Bermingham Place
 Williston Park, NY 11596

Registration for the October 22nd liturgy must be received by October 9th.
 Registration for the November 19th liturgy must be received by November 6th.
 For questions, please call Suzanne at 516-678-5800, ext.207.

(cut here and return form below)

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Mr. _____ Mrs. _____
 First Name First Name Last Name

_____ Address Town Zip Code

Wedding Date _____ Phone # _____
 mm/dd/yy Area code + Number

We will attend the Golden Wedding Celebration on:

_____ Sunday, October 22, St. Rose of Lima, Massapequa

_____ Sunday, November 19, Christ the King, Commack

I wish to Lector _____ Name _____

In order to seat those who require special assistance accordingly, please let us know if you or your spouse use a: wheelchair _____ cane _____ walker _____

_____ Current Parish Town Current Pastor's Signature

VIRTUS TRAINING

Thank you for volunteering for the many ministries here at Saint Thomas More Parish. Your service to this community is a treasure.

All volunteers must complete **VIRTUS TRAINING** in order to continue in ministry. If you have not already attended training, **Pat Chapin** will be conducting the next session here at Saint Thomas More.

Mark your calendar

Wednesday, September 27 at 7pm – 9 pm

In the Parish Center

Please pre-register at the Religious Education office at 631-234-0397. All catechists need to complete this training to be a Catechist or Leader. For your convenience here is a list of parishes in our vicinity also offering the Virtus Training; kindly call to register.

Saint James Setauket

631-941-4141

Tuesday, September 5 @ 10 am

Thursday, September 7 @ 7 pm

Saint Elizabeth Seton Ronkonkoma

631-737-4388

Wednesday, September 20 @ 7 pm

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Centereach

631-585-3601

Tuesday, September 26 @ 7 pm



St. Thomas More

Beach Mass & Picnic

Sunday, September 10, 2017

Otto Schubert Beach, Nissequogue

Mass at 12:00pm noon

Picnic to follow

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chips, and Beverages provided

—Response Form—

Please print clearly

Family Name: _____ Phone: (_____) _____ -

Number attending _____ Adults _____ Children under 12

Please indicate food choices, 2 items per person:

_____ **Hamburger** _____ **Hot Dog** _____ **Veggie Burger**
(E)

(Eg.: A family of 4 needs to indicate a total of 8 items)

(This will help us order the correct amount of food)

To help us prepare enough food, please include a check for **\$5 per person** with your response. **The check will be returned to you at the picnic when you sign in.** You will receive one ticket per reservation.

Families with last names A-J will be asked to bring a dessert.

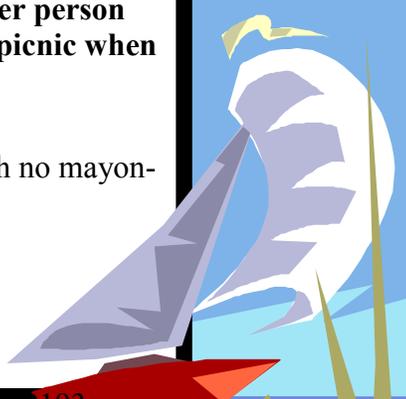
Families with last names K-Z will be asked to bring a salad (with no mayonnaise) or a relish tray.

Please **return** this form by **Sunday, September 3, 2017**

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!!!

See sign-up sheets in church lobby

For information contact Rochene 651-258-9193



Join us for the

Harvest Dance & Church Auction!



Sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul - St. Thomas More Conference,
The Knights of Columbus & Columbiettes

6pm - 10pm Saturday, September 23, 2017

St. Thomas More Church immediately following 5pm Mass

YEE HAW!

- * BID ON FUN ITEMS
- * COUNTRY LINE DANCING INSTRUCTOR
- * DJ - DANCE REQUESTS TAKEN
- * 50/50 - DOOR PRIZES & RAFFLES

\$20 per person

* Children 12 & under (\$10)

Your admission includes:

- Country Style Food Buffet
- Chili Dogs, Chicken, & More
- Wine, Soda, & Water
- Coffee, Tea, & Desserts



Celebrate 50 Years of St. Thomas More
1967-2017

Tickets available in the Narthex after each Mass
For more information please call:
Jo Garvey 631-265-2753

Msgr. FRANCIS S. MIDURA FIFTH ANNUAL MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

Celebrating 25 Years of STM Golf & 50 Years as a Parish of Faith

Monday September 25, 2017

ROCK HILL GOLF COURSE

(Shotgun Start 10:30AM) \$160 Per Golfer. ~ \$600 Per Foursome.

Includes: *Breakfast ,Beverages on the CourseDinner Buffet & Open Bar.*

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WITH YOUR PAYMENT

Names of Golfer(s) : _____

Name of Contact Person or Individual Golfer _____

Phone #: _____ () I need to be assigned to a Foursome

Address : _____

**2017 RAFFLE PRIZES: 1st PRIZE -- 55" LG LED UHD TV
& LG SOUND BAR**

**2nd Prize Apple iPad 3rd Prize Ladies Dress Watch
(donated by Bunty Jewelry Store-Commack)**

4th Prize Mallet style Putter (or equivalent value golf gift)

5th Prize FITBIT Blaze Smart watch

Return Entire Form to: St. Thomas More RC Church -Attn. Golf Outing

115 King's Highway, Hauppauge N.Y. 11788



St. Thomas More R.C. Church

115 KINGS HIGHWAY • HAUPPAUGE, NEW YORK 11788-4204
(631) 234-5551 • FAX: (631) 234-6412

50th Anniversary Journal Advertising Form

Advertiser: _____

Contact Name: _____ Phone/FAX _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____ Total Cost: _____

Special Instructions: _____

Signature: _____

We wish to advertise in the 50th Anniversary Journal supporting St. Thomas More Parish.

- Ad Size:** Family Booster, \$25 Memorial Booster, \$25 Quarter Page, \$75
 Half Page, \$150 Full Page, \$275 One-line Family Acknowledgement, \$15
 Family Photo Ad, \$40 (**Family photos to be taken at parish after each Mass on weekends: 7/29 & 7/30, 8/5 & 8/6 and 8/12 & 8/13; Please RSVP for the day and time by calling the Rectory at 631-234-5551 and ask for or leave a message for Theresa**)

ADVERTISING

- Exact ad is attached (*please scale to size*) *PDF file of ad is emailed Ad wording is below

Please email PDF file to stm50journal@stmli.org **ALL ADS ARE DUE BY JULY 31, 2017*

AD TEXT (*please print CLEARLY – type and placement determined by Journal Committee*)

 For examples of ads, please see samples at the church website, www.stmli.org.

 To adhere to copyright law, please use personal photos for ads, or professional photos with permission from the photographer/copyright holder.

Ads should be returned to the Parish Office.

Please make checks payable to:
St. Thomas More R.C. Church

Please contact the Parish Office at
631-234-5551 for credit cards.