



Catholic Church Community of
St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

October 1, 2017

Twenty-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

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Ezekiel 18:25-28

Psalm 25: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

Philippians 2: 1-11

Matthew 21:28-32

Saturday, September 30

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm Lydia Wieman *by Chris & Gert Hirsch*

**Sunday, October 1--Twenty-Sixth Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

8:00am Don Friedman *by Charles Potuzak*

9:15am A Special Intention *by Charles Potuzak*

10:45am Fred Busse *by Ralph & MaryAnn Rantz*, Patricia & Philip Camera (Living - 60th Anniversary) *by Angela Mingione*, Marie Capelli *by the Young At Heart*, Fr. Robert Dahlke *by Ralph & MaryAnn Rantz*, Carmen Fusco *by Marilyn & Joe Amodio*, Judy Granville *by Pat & Joe Marfoglio*, Bernice Kluse *by the Eyring family*, Joel Miller *by Ralph & MaryAnn Rantz*, Tyrone Ray Jr. *by Pat & Peter Handal*

12:15pm Marie Wright *by Walter & Theresa Happe*

Monday, October 2--The Holy Guardian Angels

9am Don Friedman *by John & Arlene Aspromgos*

Tuesday, October 3

9am Kenneth Brosnan *by John & Arlene Aspromgos*

Wednesday, October 4--St. Francis of Assisi

9am Kenneth Brosnan *by Joan & Don Perks*

Thursday, October 5--Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos

9am Don Friedman *by Mae Devine & Dottie Lossani*

Friday, October 6--St. Bruno; Blessed Marie Rose

Durocher--First Friday

9am Lisa Codispoti *by Joe & Betty Ann Codispoti*

Saturday, October 7--Our Lady of the Rosary--First

Saturday

9am Ana Cecilia Castro *by Milagros & family*

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm Robert F. Covino Sr. *by Geraldine Covino*

Sunday, October 8--Twenty-Seventh Sunday in

Ordinary Time

8:00am Kenneth Brosnan *by Chris & Gert Hirsch*

9:15am Bernice Kluse *by Julio & Eileen Martio*

10:45am Lucy & James Giardina *by Robert & Madeline Sauchelli*

12:15pm John Blount *by John & MaryAnn Egan*, Dorothy Esseks *by Pat & Peter Handal*, Bernice Kluse *by Deacon Ed & Laura Vigneaux*, Harold Larkin *by the Crudden family*, Alfred F. Manzella *by Marilyn & Marianne Manzella*, Michelson & Williams families *by Barbara Mickelson*, Patricia Walowitz *by Mary Jean & David Iacomette*, George Warren *by Pat & Peter Handal*.

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

October 8, 2017

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 5:1-7

Psalm 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16

Philippians 4: 6-9

Matthew 21:33-43

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew:
Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people:
"Hear another parable.

There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went on a journey. When vintage time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to obtain his produce. But the tenants seized the servants and one they beat, another they killed, and a third they stoned. Again he sent other servants, more numerous than the first ones, but they treated them in the same way. Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.' They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?"

They answered him,

"He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper times."

Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures: *The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes?*

Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit."

Focus questions:

1. Describe a time when people outside the church seemed to have more understanding and love than those within the church.
2. Relate a time when rejection turned into something positive for you.
3. How might you miss or reject the goods Gods sends each day?

Family and children's question:

Talk about a time when you recognized Jesus in those around you. What did they do or say to help you see Jesus?

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Little Mary, the daughter of a radio announcer, was invited to a friend's house for dinner. The hostess asked if Mary would honor them by saying grace. Delighted, the little girl cleared her throat, looked at her wristwatch and said, "This food, friends, is coming to you through the courtesy of Almighty God."

Children are more the imitators doing what the parents do rather than what the parents say. Deeds speak louder than words.

Today's Gospel invites us to be a people of deeds, not of mere words. We are the children of God who speak what God does and does what God speaks. There is no division in God's will, speech and deeds. The more we practice this non-divisiveness in our will, speech and deeds, the closer we come to experience God realistically.

Our real weakness is not failure to do good and the temptation to do evil. Our weakness consists in being divided between our word and deed. Though we wish to do good things we easily give up our will to do it. The same way, though we hate to do bad things we yield to our desire and end up doing them. If only we can integrate our word (thought and speech) and deed to be persons of one will, we will begin to experience ourselves as persons created in the image of God who is ONE/UNDIVIDED in Will, Speech and Deed. Let us pray for the un-divisive heart, honest words, un-hypocritical actions to be person of integration.

The month of October begins another important phase of our Parish Golden Jubilee celebration--our, Church renovation. The main church will remain closed during the work of the renovation. We will have our Sunday and daily Masses in the Kirwin and Walden Halls. We have to go through some inconvenience during these three months of construction. But as we know, change and growth always precede with inconvenience. We are a growing church for the last 50 years. Now let us allow God to build us, not only the physical structure but also the spiritual reality of being Christ's Church in each of us. Let us live through this spiritual time of growing towards something New and Godly in each of us.

We will continue to do all the spiritual activities as we did in the main church. Hall-church will not deprive us of any spiritual fruits during this time of renovation in the main church. All activities will go on and all sacraments will be administered and celebrated.

Our Finance Campaign is at its last phase. We are short of just \$190, 000 to reach the one million dollar goal. Just as in a running race, the runner summons up all his strength at the last leg to finish the race, so also at this point, whatever amount small or large you give will put us over the goal faster. People have given from \$100 to \$ 40,000. Our campaign has been conducted on the basis of equal sacrifice, not equal giving. So I kindly request those who are still considering giving, to please make a donation.

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

EUCHARIST

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
 Pat Booth
 Mary Brussell
 Anthony C. (5 yrs)
 Daniel Callihan
 Christina Cammarata
 Barbara Cappisillo
 Linda Sue Cappisillo
 Dona Caragol
 Swami Chettiar
 John Colosi
 Thea Constantatos
 Donald Crocker
 Mary Cullin
 Joey Cullum
 Caroline De Santis
 Amanda De Rosa
 Preston De Rosa (2 years old)
 Florence & Anthony Donato
 Walt Drechsler Jr.
 Elvira DuBritz
 Duke
 Leona Esposito
 Dominga Francisco
 Andrew Gallo
 Connie Gennaro
 Ciro Ghiraldi
 Gerald Gilson
 Isabelle Grenier
 John Hanna
 Richard Happe
 Olive Harrison (16 months)
 Jamie Hawkins
 Barbara Hickey
 Jane Hoffman
 Laurie Holmes
 Theresa Huebner
 Anita Ilardi
 Anne & Judi Iovino
 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
 Diane McCann
 Terri Ilardi McKee
 Camille Mendolia
 Sharon Mills
 Marie Minutillo
 Rosie Miranda
 Ralph Molinaro
 Dorothy L. Monaco
 Barbaralynn Moseman
 Ellen Murphy
 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

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
 Karin Fitzgerald
 Nicholas W. Flanary
 J.T. Foltz
 Mike Foltz
 William Gregory
 Carl F. Greiner
 Philip Guidone
 John Michael Haffner
 Sean Hendrickson
 John Karies
 Michael Knipper
 Dylan Kowalski
 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
 Ana Karen Sanchez
 Donovan Sanchez
 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

www.stthomasmoreyouth.org

Facebook

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

Instagram

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- stm_yg

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joe.gast@stmli.org

Altar Servers Ministry:

altarservers@stmli.org

Personal Prayer

SpiritualOrientations.com

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

BJFRAT@optonline.net

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Jacqueline Marcello, Patricia M. Sheehan, our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

PARISH OUTREACH

It's never too early to think about our clothing drive that takes place the last weekend of October. As the humidity falls, and the days become crisper, we resolve to tackle our closets and remove whatever items have become superfluous. What better time than now, to donate those clothes to our St. Vincent

DePaul truck? We have student helpers, to help carry those heavy bags (and to earn community service), so no need to worry about getting them to the truck.



We have been introduced to many new clients lately, because the need still exists, even in middle class Hauppauge, for help with food and basic need products. Our clients are not only people who are out of work: they include people who have two incomes yet still can't afford all their bills; we have people who have been struck with a catastrophic illness; we have people who have had to shelter relatives because they had nowhere else to go.

The list is diverse, but the important word is NEED. You can help fill that need.

Overheard: Why do watermelons have fancy weddings? Because they cantaloupe...

And did you know? ...Like fingerprints, everyone's tongue print is different!

St Vincent de Paul Conference

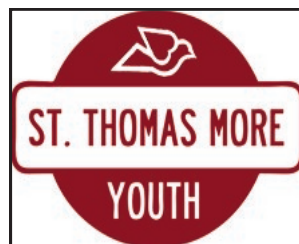
Once again, we thank all our supporters and donors for a successful Harvest Dance and Church Auction!

Without your support, we would not be able to assist our Hauppauge neighbors in need.

A special thank you to our fundraising chairperson and committee; all of whom say yes to the silliest of ideas and work tirelessly to make them a reality!

THANK YOU!

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

Supreme Court to Hear Baker's Religious Freedom Case:

The Supreme Court will rule next year on whether government may coerce Christians, Jews, and Muslims to use their creative gifts to celebrate same-sex marriage. It will review the case of baker, Jack Phillips, of Masterpiece Bakeshop, CO, who cites his Christian faith in declining to create a custom cake for a same-sex wedding.

"I will serve anyone who comes in," Phillips said. However, designing a same-sex wedding cake would cross a line for him. "I shouldn't be forced to create a cake that goes against my faith."

Alliance Defending Freedom are asking the justices to rule on whether Colorado's public accommodations law, forcing Phillips to use his artistic skills in a way that violates his conscience and sincere Christian beliefs about marriage, violates the free speech or free exercise of religion clauses of the Constitution's First Amendment.

"Tolerance should be a two-way street," said an ADF attorney. "The First Amendment protects Jack's right to create artistic expression that is consistent with his core convictions."

In a totally opposite ruling than for the Phillip's case, in 2015 the Colorado Civil Rights Division ruled that another CO baker did **not** discriminate against a Christian by refusing to make two cakes in the shape of a bible with scripture passages and imagery that the baker interpreted to be anti-gay.

(latimes.com, 6/26/17, 9/12/17 ; dailysignal.com, 6/26/17; thedenverchannal.com, 4/3/15; nationalreview.com, 8/14/15)

"The spirit of our age is profoundly secular. And secularism accepts religion - if it accepts it at all - only on its own terms. Under this view, religion is subordinated to the political interests of the secular state and it is precisely this subordination of religion to the state that the First Amendment seeks to prevent."

Pope Benedict XVI

ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 7pm.

We pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet every
Wednesday, at 3:00 pm in the Church.

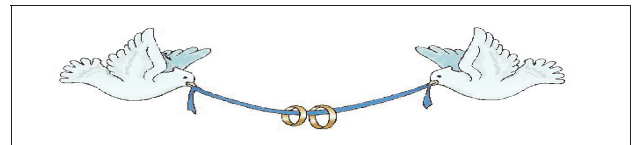


CIRCLE OF WOMEN

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 on October 9, 2017. The book for discussion will be Defending Jacob by William Landay--Facilitator Jo Garvey.



GOLDEN WEDDING JUBILEE

This fall, couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at liturgies on Sunday, October 22, 2017 at the Church of St. Rose of Lima in Massapequa and on Sunday, November 19, 2017 at the Church of Christ the King in Commack. Both liturgies will begin at 2:30 p.m. *Couples may register for ONE liturgy.* There will be additional celebrations in the spring for those who may find that more convenient. Dates for the spring celebrations will be communicated at a later time.

Please call the Rectory office at 631-234-5551 to register. **Registration must be received by the Office of Worship by October 9th for the October 22nd liturgy and by November 6th for the November 19th liturgy.**

If you have any questions you may call 516 678-5800, extension 207.



The loss of a loved one can be a life changing event. It is a difficult time. We offer a Bereavement Program for anyone who thinks they may need support at this time. We are a

peer ministry, not professional counselors, but we have been trained by the diocese to present these sessions. We discuss the stages of grief and coping skills that may help you. If you are interested in joining please call the number below. When we have enough people to form a group, we will set a date.

Thank you.

Laura
[631-234-6719](tel:631-234-6719)

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

Fall Bereavement Support Group--The St. James Parish Bereavement Ministry, 429 Route 25A, East Setauket will offer a **free** 7-week peer support group for adults struggling to cope with the death of a loved one. Registration is required for this group, which will begin on **Saturday, October 7, 2017, 10:30 am to 12 noon.** For additional information and to register, please call 941-4141, ext. 341. Please note that in order to participate in this group, the loss must have occurred prior to July 1, 2017.

(Second Notice)

Volunteer (s) Needed: Catholic Charities in Amityville is seeking volunteer drivers to assist our Meals on Wheels Program. Areas of driving include Commack, Dix Hills and East Northport on Thursday & Friday. Volunteers drive own car or agency vehicle. Time is flexible as meals are frozen. If you are interested and available for this volunteer opportunity, please contact: Marry Ellen Kwiecinski, Volunteer & Intern Coordinator 516-733-7044. Your time and talent will be greatly appreciated.

America Needs Fatima's annual Nationwide PUBLIC ROSARY RALLY will be held this year on **Saturday, October 14, 2017, at 12:00 Noon** in front of St. Patrick's Church, 280 E. Main St., Smithtown (near the road). Please join us (and bring a lawn chair). If you have any questions, or need to discuss the same, please contact Carol Gabriellini at 631-981-7337.

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.



St. Thomas More Parish History Documentary Movie

Yes, I'd like to reserve a copy of the Parish History DVD!

If you can't make it to the showings and/or would like to order a DVD ahead of time, simply fill out the information below and place it in an envelope with a check made out to

"St. Thomas More Parish" in the amount of \$10.

The envelope can be dropped off to the Rectory Office.

The DVD will be available about 23 weeks after the showings.

Please contact Matt Surico at history@stmli.org with any questions.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Town: _____

Email address: _____

Rescheduled for Friday Oct. 20

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!



Blessing of Pets
Please bring your pets for a blessing of animals by Deacons Bob and Ed on Wednesday, October 4, 2017 at 4:00 pm at the Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi. The Shrine is located at the far end of our Parking Lot, across the street from the Rectory.

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of September 24, 2017 \$6,922.00

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.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2017

as of September 6, 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 Sept. 24- 30, 2017

Sun..	Sept. 24	\$50	465	Christian Chase
Mon.	Sept. 25	\$25	95	Francine Rosmini
Tues.	Sept. 26	\$25	390	Christine Wittneben
Wed.	Sept. 27	\$25	531	Angelo & Mary Joan DiFrancisco
Thurs.	Sept.. 28	\$25	596	James P. McGuire
Fri.	Sept. 29	\$25	706	Kailah Chase
Sat.	Sept. 30	\$25	212	Michael Welch

OUR PRIEST CELEBRANTS

(Subject to last minute changes)

	<u>This Weekend</u> (Sept. 30-/Oct. 1)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (Oct. 7-8))
<u>Saturday</u>		
5 pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Henry
<u>Sunday</u>		
8 am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
9:15 am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
10:45 am	Fr. Fred	Fr. Fred
12:15 pm	Fr. Henry	Fr. Antony

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Saturday--September 30

9:30am--EM Meeting--Kirwin Hall

Sunday--October 1--2nd Collection--Respect Life*

12:15pm--Presentation of albs to Altar Servers--Church

7pm--HS Youth Ministry--Walden Hall

Tuesday--October 3

7pm--Adoration--Church

Wednesday--October 4

5pm--K of C Bus. Mtg--Kit/WH/Kirwin Hall

Thursday--September 28

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

7:30pm--Choir--Church

*Respect Life Sunday

Sunday, October 1 is Respect Life Sunday. As we celebrate Respect Life Sunday, we are reminded that the assaults on human dignity come in many forms. The Respect Life Office is charged with deepening our already strong commitment to pro-life activities and parish education. Please support this vital work through participation in the special Respect Life envelope collection. Your prayers and assistance are greatly appreciated.

Thank-you

The wonderful response to last week's Second Collection for our retired priests residing at Saint Pius X Enriched Living Facility was greatly appreciated. Thank you!

YOUNG AT HEART



The Chinese luncheon of the Young at Heart will be on Friday, October 13, 2017.

**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 2017.

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. P/T Collator position-ability to lift 30-50 lbs. Must be available for all shifts. HS Diploma.

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.

7-Eleven--Multiple positions - PT- minimum age 17. Students 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 R.C. Church

Golden Jubilee Capital Campaign

“Grateful for Our Past – Planning for Our Future”

\$183,039 Needed to Reach Our Goal!

Look how far we have come! Just a few short months ago, we began our Capital Campaign to raise the funds needed to renovate our Church and repave our Parking lot. As of Tuesday, September 26th the campaign office reported one-time gifts and pledges of \$816,961 with over \$375,000 in cash down payments from 290 parish families. Now we propose a challenge to those families who have not yet participated – help us reach our goal of \$1.0 million by the end of the year.

Follow-up Efforts Begin!

Throughout October & November, follow-up activities including mailings and phone calls will begin to those families who have not had an opportunity to make their gift. If you have not made your gift, please help us move closer to reaching our goal of \$1.0 million by making your one-time gift or pledge in the coming weeks. **Please review the suggested gift plans below and continue the success of our campaign by making your gift today!**

Suggested Pledge Plans

Total Pledge	10% Down Payment	6 Semi-Ann. Payments	12 Quarterly Payments	36 Monthly Payments	48 Monthly Payments
\$5,000.00	\$500.00	\$ 750.00	\$375.00	\$125.00	\$94.00
\$4,000.00	\$400.00	\$ 600.00	\$300.00	\$100.00	\$75.00
\$3,000.00	\$300.00	\$ 450.00	\$225.00	\$ 75.00	\$56.00
\$2,500.00	\$250.00	\$ 375.00	\$188.00	\$ 63.00	\$47.00
\$2,000.00	\$200.00	\$ 300.00	\$150.00	\$ 50.00	\$38.00
\$1,500.00	\$150.00	\$ 225.00	\$113.00	\$ 38.00	\$28.00
\$1,000.00	\$100.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 25.00	\$19.00

Pledges & One-time Gifts are welcomed very much appreciated!

As you make your gift . . . Please remember

- * Pledges should be made over a period of three or four years.
- * Pledge payments are in addition to your weekly offertory.
- * Payment reminders will be mailed according to the selected payment plan.
- * **Make checks payable to: St. Thomas More Capital Campaign**

HARVEST DANCE & CHURCH AUCTION- SEPTEMBER 23, 2017



← The joy of cooking for others!



← Service with a smile!



← Shall we dance?

The Harvest Dance continued...



The Flying Nun?



and the lucky winner is...



The smiles say it all.

Blessing of the new albs for the Altar Servers on Sunday, September 24, 2017 at the 12:15 pm Mass.



Liturgical Ministry Training

***** PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION IN NASSAU AND SUFFOLK*****

1. TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: required for all those who are beginning as Ministers. Session "A" is required of **ALL** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Those who minister in hospitals, nursing homes and to homebound persons are required to attend Session "B" **in addition** to Session "A". **SESSION "A" MUST BE ATTENDED PRIOR TO SESSION "B"**.

TO REGISTER FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER TRAINING: the pastor must send a letter to Bishop Barres ***at least 5 days in advance*** requesting the training for each person attending.

DO NOT USE THE TEAR-OFF BELOW.

This letter must mention the date and place of the training session the person(s) will attend.

2. TRAINING FOR LECTORS: PLEASE USE THE TEAR-OFF BELOW.

TIMES AND PLACES FOR MINISTRY TRAINING:

In Nassau: EM "A" Session and Lectors

October 14, 2017; 9 AM—1 PM

St. Agnes Parish Center, Rockville Centre

In Suffolk: EM "A" Session and Lectors

October 21, 2017; 9 AM—1 PM

St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays

"B" session for Extraordinary Ministers

November 4, 2017; 9 AM—1 PM

St. Agnes Parish Center, Rockville Centre

"B" Session for Extraordinary Ministers

October 28, 2017; 9 AM—1 PM

St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays

EVENING SESSIONS for Extraordinary Ministers and Lectors at St. Elizabeth, Melville

Session "A" - Wednesday, October 4, 2017; 7:00—10 PM

Session "B" - Wednesday, October 18, 2017; 7:00—10 PM

WORKSHOP FEES:

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: \$30 per person

Lectors: \$20 per person

REGISTRATION FORM FOR LECTOR TRAINING ONLY

Mail this registration to the Office of Worship, PO Box 9023, Rockville Centre, NY 11571-9023,
e-mail to worship@drvc.org, or fax to 516-764-3316.

I wish to register for Lector Training

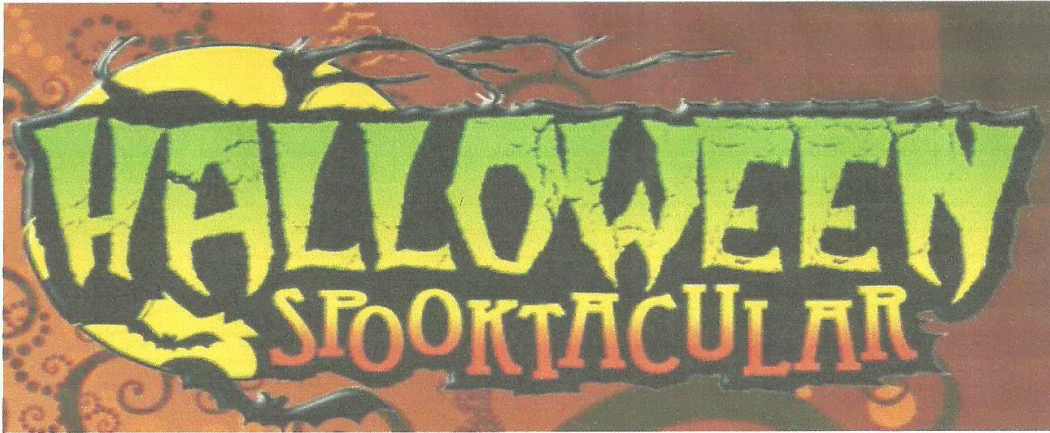
St. Agnes Parish Center, Rockville Centre (Saturday, October 14, 2017)

St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays (Saturday, October 21, 2017)

St. Elizabeth, Melville (Wednesday, October 4, 2017)

Name Phone

Parish Town



COLUMBIETTES OF ST. THOMAS MORE/MSGR MIDURA COUNCIL #6062

PROUDLY PRESENTS SPOOKTACULAR BINGO!!!!



FRIDAY OCTOBER 13TH ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH

DOORS OPEN AT 7PM.

MANY GHOULISH AND OUT OF THIS WORLD PRIZES!!!!

\$10 PER PERSON. SODA, WATER, COFFEE AND DESSERTS INCLUDED.

SCARY ISN'T IT. BOOOOOOOOOOOOO

ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH OUTREACH

ANNUAL CLOTHING DRIVE

ST. VINCENT de PAUL

SUNDAY OCTOBER 29, 2017

9AM – 1 PM

**TRUCK WILL BE PARKED IN FRONT OF
PARISH OUTREACH GARAGE
119 KINGS HIGHWAY, Hauppauge**

**Clean, gently used clothing
can only be accepted on
Sunday October 29th,
DUE TO LACK OF STORAGE SPACE**

