



Catholic Church Community of
St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

November 19, 2017

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Using Your *Talents*

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

November 19, 2017
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
 Psalm 128: 1-2, 3, 4-5
 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
 Matthew 25:14-30

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

November 26, 2017
**The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe**
 Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17
 Psalm 23: 1-2, 2-3, 5-6
 1 Corinthians 15: 20-26, 28
 Matthew 25: 31-46

Saturday, November 18

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm Judy Granville by *Laura Giardino*

Sunday, November 19--Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Tony Pagano by *Jim & Marie Marsala*
 9:15am Jean Bacotti by *Louis Bacotti & family*
 10:45am Filomena Camilli by *Teresa Paniccia,*
 John Anthony Clarke by *Deacon Ed & Laura Vigneaux,*
 Mary & William Fortmeyer by *Rosemarie Amoroso,*
 Judy Granville by *Kieko McKeon,* Bernice Kluse by *Ann &*
 Lou Anatrella, William D. Manning by *JoAnn Eyring,*
 Jacqueline Marcello by *Maryann & Kristian Gregorace,*
 Vincenzo Paniccia by *the Sanfratello family,*
 Francis J. Vecchione by *the Chase Sensale Law Group*
 12:15pm Edward Skrzypek by *Mary Ellen Skrzypek*

Monday, November 20

9am Don Friedman by *Augie & Betty Vrondis*

Tuesday, November 21--The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9am John Blount by *the LoRusso family*

Wednesday, November 22--St. Cecilia

9am Cecilia Halpin by *Marie Utter*

Thursday, November 23--St. Clement I; St. Columban; Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro; Thanksgiving Day

9am Don Friedman by *Laura Giardino*

Friday, November 24--St. Andrew Dũng-Lac and Companions

9am Lewis Jim Baker by *Betty Baker*

Saturday, November 25--St. Catherine of Alexandria

9am Joseph Musanti by *Andrew & Rhonda Tortorici*

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm Daniel Skinner by *the Brosnan family*

Sunday, November 26--Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00am Don Friedman by *Christine & Kevin Donnelly*
 9:15am John Blount by *Frank Lyons*
 10:45am Rita L. Schock by *Eleanor & Joseph Gowell*
 12:15pm Robert Dillon by *Nancy & Marty Macaluso,*
 Carol Dirusso by *John Turner & Yolanda Schweers,*
 Bernice Kluse by *John & MaryAnn Egan,*
 James Steadman IV by *Patricia & Peter Handel*

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew:

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?'" And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.'

Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?'

He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.'

And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

Focus questions:

1. After reading the Gospel, do you consider yourself a sheep or a goat? What do you have to do to become more of a sheep?
2. Describe a time when you found it difficult to do what God was asking of you.
3. Relate a time when you or someone you knew judged those in need as not worthy of help.

Family and children's question:

Talk about what you can do to respond to someone who is hungry, thirsty, in need of clothes or shelter, sick or imprisoned.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

When I googled “the worth of human body” this is what I found, “The current monetary worth placed on the basic “elements” in an individual human body is \$4.50: \$3.50 for the skin and the remainder of the worth assigned in the aggregate to the major elements — \$1.00” For most of us the value of the human body is priceless; but we do well to remember a quote attributed to Thomas Edison, “From his neck down a man is worth a couple of dollars a day, from his neck up he is worth anything that his brain can produce.”

Today’s Gospel story of Jesus explains that our worth depends upon our contribution to life. We can be creative to double our worth like the first two servants. Or we can bury our worth like the third servant trying to find excuses or justifications for our inactiveness. The meaning and joy of living does not consist of how much or how little we have. **Life is basically creative.** Whoever creatively applies all that they are and all that they have, will find the true meaning of life and the joy of living. Life is a creative application of oneself not a mechanical production of one’s possessions. Life is a creative engagement of one’s whole self with the confidence of growing, not reducing oneself with unnecessary and imaginary fear. Let us pray that all our deeds and words be the creative expression of promoting growth and liveliness.

This Thursday is the Great Feast of Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is the moment when we stop and look at life to be much more than a mechanical production or a business contract. We celebrate this feast at the end of the harvest. We witnessed in nature how each single seed has brought forth multiple fruit. We laid out a very small amount and nature creatively paid us back in abundance. Just the realization of this abundance inspires in us a feeling called THANKSGIVING. Likewise our relationships in life offer us much more than we put in them. In this mystery of abundant reward from Nature and Life’s relationship let us stop for a moment to reflect and raise our hearts in appreciations of the gifts that made us who we are and offered to us all what we have. Happy Thanksgiving to all of you who are the primary reasons of my being, who I am and of having all that I have. HAPPY THANKSGIVING.

Renovation work is progressing well. The Sanctuary floor is prepared to be paved with marble. The center medallion for the Crucifix is ready to be affixed. Carpentry works covering the air-conditioning ducts and the bare columns will follow. The two niches for the Blessed Mother and our Patron, St. Thomas More are ready and soon will be decorated with a marble background. Please continue to pray that all goes well and we may celebrate Christmas in the renovated Church.

Please do not leave religious articles, holy pictures or gift rosaries that you receive in your personal mail in the Church . I request that you please dispose of them as you do your unwanted mail. Please do not leave them in the church in order to avoid clutter.

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Antony Asir, Pastor
Deacon Robert D. Weiss
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

EUCARIST

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

Barbara Bamonti
 Karen Berlet
 Bernadette
 Janice Bini
 Joseph Bittner
 Jean Blaney
 Pat Booth
 Pamela Brosnan
 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
 Jane Hoffman
 Laurie Holmes
 Theresa Huebner
 Anita Ilardi
 Anne & Judi Iovino
 Joseph Jacklets
 Regina Jeskie
 Suzy Johnson
 Richard Kaler
 Costa Katsapis
 Jean Marsala Kieffner
 Albert Kunz
 Theresa Marvelli
 Elaine Kleenstauber
 Dr. C. Lalli



Luigi Lanzo
 Morgan Leary (age 8)
 Anne Leggio
 Wayne Leo
 Nancy Link
 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
 Dorothy L. Monaco
 Barbaralynn Moseman
 Ellen & Leo Murphy
 Betty Napoli
 Caidee Nielsen (2 years old)
 James Nielsen (16 years old)
 Victoria Nelson
 Fr. Harold Noviello
 Sarah O'Connor
 Beatrice Okorn
 Joseph P.
 Dorothy Pagano
 Rainey Pappas
 Mary Ann Peet
 Fern Peppe
 Joan Popp-Maniuszko
 Robert K. Rathje
 Kim Rico
 Venjamin Rivera
 Mary Ruchalski (10 yrs. old)
 Robert Schernowitz
 Elyse Schrage
 Teresa Shannon
 Kim Shernowitz
 Daniel Skinnon
 Mary Spinoso
 Dorothes Stempel
 Richard Stout
 Andrea Suess
 Chase Turano
 Andrew J. Valentine
 Andrew M. Valentine
 Debbie Ward
 Rosalind Warmuth
 Gregory Yule
 Joey Ziegler

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

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
 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
 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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 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

We have turned our attention to Thanksgiving, and how to help our clients enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving dinner. Think about your own holiday dinner; what are the kinds of foods on YOUR dinner table? If you could contribute something to our clients' Thanksgiving dinner, that would be wonderful. Some suggestions would be canned vegetables, gravy, potatoes (either sweet or regular), cranberry sauce, stuffing, macaroni and cheese, and, of course, TURKEY!!!! Contributions of turkeys would be greatly appreciated, as would just the turkey breast for those clients who cook with microwave ovens.



And lest we not forget, CHRISTMAS is coming!!!! The Giving Tree will be set up over the week-end of November 18th.

Bakers trade bread recipes on a knead-to-know basis...

Did you know it is physically impossible for pigs to look up into the sky?

St Vincent de Paul Conference

The St. Thomas More Conference of SVdP is part of a local, national and international Catholic organization. Below is a blurb from the SVdP newsletter of Long Island that we hope will increase your understanding of who we are.

Any questions, or comments, please call [631 648 2760](tel:6316482760)

SNAPSHOT

VISIT US ONLINE: SVDPLI.ORG

[SVDPLongIsland](#)

OUR MISSION

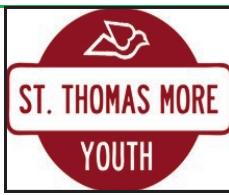
Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization, leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, and patron, St. Vincent de Paul.

Vincentians witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice. The Society collaborates with other people of good will in relieving need and addressing its causes making no distinction in those served because, in them, Vincentians see the face of Christ.

YOUTH MINISTRY CORNER

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

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



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)

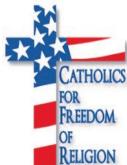
Branch of Service

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

Thanksgiving: The Religious Freedom Holiday

The Pilgrims who established the first Thanksgiving Day were in search of the freedom to practice their faith after being persecuted, arrested and fined for their form of Christianity. After fleeing England, their beloved mother country, and a ten-year sojourn in Holland, these so-called "separatists" prayerfully decided to depart for America to find what the governor of Plymouth, William Bradford, called "freedom of religion for all men."

There were 102 Pilgrims aboard the Mayflower who suffered the 67 days of rough sailing before they finally landed at Plymouth Bay in November, 1620.

After indescribable hardships, by March, 1621, less than a year after arriving, only 51 of the original 102 remained alive. Fortunately, some Native Americans taught the Pilgrims survival skills in this new land, and at the end of their first harvest, they decided to hold a feast of celebration and thanksgiving to God for their harvest, newfound friends, and freedom to worship as their hearts desired.

Now, almost 400 years later, let us reflect on the sacrifice of these brave souls who valued their freedom of religion above all security and comfort and have bequeathed to us this gift.

Proclamation: Thanksgiving Day 1789

"I do recommend and assign Thursday the 26th day of November next, to be devoted by the People of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being who is the beneficent author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be ... our sincere and humble thanks."

President George Washington

(footprintsofhope.com; mormonnewsroom.org, 11/21/11;
pilgrimhallmuseum.org)



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 December 11, 2017-- Book Selection-- Please bring a book that you would like to present to the group.

CONGRATULATIONS

Chaminade High School has advised us that the following students of our Parish have been honored with the Academic Awards Honors Pins:

Senior: Gold

Colin P. Capece
 Kyle R. Russo

Junior: Silver

William F. Dean

Sophomore: Bronze

Connor P. Heslin

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Sunday--November 19--2nd Collection Catholic Campaign for Human Development & Home Missions
 1:30 pm--Youth Ministry Thanksgiving Food Drive--
 Walden Hall

7pm: HS Youth Ministry--Walden Hall

Thursday--November 23--Thanksgiving Day

The Rectory will be closed on Thursday, November 23rd and Friday, November 24th for Thanksgiving.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

Sing to “Deck the Halls” Melody

Now's the time to join the choir

Fa la la la la; La-La-La-La

It's the sea-son to be singing

Fa la la la la; La-La-La-La

Ba-by Je-sus soon will be here,

Let's have fun, car- ol-ing, praise his name.

Join us now for this short sea-son

Fa la la la la; La-La-La-La



Young People's Choir

Rehearsals:

Saturdays -- December 2, 9, 16-- 1:30 to 2:30 pm

Masses - Christmas Eve - 3:30 pm &/or 5:30 pm.

**Sundays--December 31, & January 7, 2018--
9:15 am.**

Let us together form a Jubilee Choir to celebrate our 50th year. Help us to make it a great Christmas for everyone.

For information and to join, call:
Emilia at 631-724-8820.

Thank you and God Bless!

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@holystfamilyregional.com to schedule a tour of the parish's regional school, or visit the school website at www.holystfamilyregional.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.

Ecumenical**Worship Service**

Telecare, the Television Network of the Diocese of Rockville Centre hosts the Telecare Award of Excellence Luncheon on Tuesday, November 21st, 2017. Telecare's event will be held at the Garden City Hotel. This year, Reverend Monsignor James C. Vlaun is pleased to announce this year's honorees: Archbishop Bernardito Auza (Religious Leader Award), Charlie Rose (Leader in Broadcast Media), and Lawrence Bossidy (Business Leader Award). Robert and Catherine Grillo will serve at Co-Chairs for the event. Please visit Telecare's website at www.telecarenv.org or contact Angelica Ayroso at 516-538-8704, ext. 148 or aayroso@telecarenv.org for sponsorships, underwriting, journal ads, and in-kind donation information

All are invited to the Inter-faith Thanksgiving Service at **Temple Beth Chai**, 870 Townline Rd. in Hauppauge on **Wednesday, November 22, 2017 at 7 pm**.

Diocese of Rockville Centre

Day of Prayer and Healing for Women

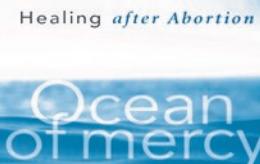
The Day of Prayer and Healing for Women is an opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God in a safe and sacred space.

The day is directed by faithful priests who have a sensitivity and a heart for those who suffer.

Saturday, December 9, 2017 Long Island Location

For more information visit: respectlife.drvc.org

To register contact: Project Rachel
1-888-456-4673 | projectrachel@drvc.org



Congratulations ! CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS

Here are the winners for November 12 - 18, 2017

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|----------------------|------------------------------|
| Sun.. Nov.. 12 \$50 | #367 John Egan |
| Mon. Nov. 13 \$25 | #523 Marie Utter |
| Tues. Nov. 14 \$25 | #906 Marilyn Manzella |
| Wed. Nov. 15 \$25 | #769 Aimee & Anthony Restifo |
| Thurs. Nov.. 16 \$25 | #929 M/M Anthony Giannelli |
| Fri. Nov. 17 \$25 | #469 Hunter Tate |
| Sat. Nov. 18 \$25 | #411 Carol & John Siedlecki |

OUR PRIEST CELEBRANTS

(Subject to last minute changes)

This Weekend
(Nov. Nov. 18-19)

Next Weekend
(Nov. 25-26)

Saturday

| | | |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| 5 pm | Msgr.Boccafola | Fr. Antony |
| <u>Sunday</u> | | |
| 8 am | Fr. Antony | Msgr.Boccafola |
| 9:15 am | Fr. Antony | Fr. Antony |
| 10:45 am | Fr. Antony | Fr. Fred |
| 12:15 pm | Fr. Fred | Fr. Antony |

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of November 12, 2017 6,499.50

Envelope users: Please enter the amount of your donation in the space provided on the envelope. This will greatly help us when counting the collection and for recording your contribution.

**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES
APPEAL 2017**

as of November 7, 2017

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|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Our Parish Goal | \$68,500.00 |
| Pledges to date | \$52,542.08 |
| Percentage of Goal | 76.7% |

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

Men's Forum at Saints Philip & James Church, St. James, NY: Monday November 20, 2017. 6:30 pm Adoration; 7:30 pm Open Forum Discussion: Topic: 'Protestants & Catholics: Called to Be One Church'. 8:30 pm Coffee & Cake. The Men's Forum is a brotherhood of Catholic men who are dedicated to growing in our faith and discipleship. Please join us!"

Hauppauge Middle School Blood Drive--Wednesday, December 6--2:30 - 8:30 pm--600 Townline Road, Hauppauge. Eligibility Requirements: Bring donor card or ID. Minimum Weight: 110 lbs. No new tattoos for past 12 months. Ages 16-25 (16 year olds must have parental permission. For questions concerning medical eligibility: www.nybc.org; 1-800-933-2566. For more information or to schedule an appointment: Michele Knopf (631) 360-2755.

Saint Anthony's High School Franciscan Brothers - Christmas Concert of Instrumental and Choral Music--Friday, December 8, 2017; Saturday, December 9, 2017--Auditorium: 275 Wolf Hill Road, South Huntington-- 7 pm. Donation: \$10.00.

(Second Notice)

Xavier Society for the Blind--With an existing catalog of over 1,400 braille and audio titles, Xavier Society for the Blind provides inspirational, spiritual and religious reading materials in braille, audio and/or large print to the blind and visually impaired community of faithful free of charge including: □ Monthly readings, prayers and responses for the Sunday Mass and selected Feast Days and Solemnities; □ Faith formation textbooks for children and adults; □ Many popular titles related to the Catholic Church, religion and spiritual themes.

If you know a family member, friend or fellow parishioner who could benefit from these services please visit website: Xaviersocietyfortheblind.org, e-mail at info@xaviersocietyfortheblind.org or call (800) 637-9193.

St. Frances de Chantal School--Meeting of Widowed, Divorced & Single Catholics of Long Island--1300 Wantagh Ave., Wantagh--Wednesday, November 29th at 7:30 pm. Bring proof of single status to join. Refreshments served after meeting. For further information, call Carol @516-794-4933/

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church--800 Portion Rd, Lake Ronkonkoma--**Annual Christmas Craft Fair**--Sunday, December 3 from 9am to 3 pm. Unique Christmas Shopping Opportunity--crafts, baked goods, raffles, refreshments. Vendors and Information call 631-846-9823.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land--May 16-25, 2018--Travel with St. Joseph's College faculty members: Sister Grace Rowland, CSJ and Father Francis Pizzarelli, SMM. For a detailed brochure call Sister Grace at 631-654-0199 or e-mail growland@sjcny.edu



St. Thomas More Golden Jubilee Christmas Ornaments will be on sale after all Masses starting December 2nd. \$5 each. Limited Supply. Get yours while they last.

PRAYING FOR THE SICK

— Adding a name Request —

PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING TO THE PARISH LIST-
ING 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 | () Hospitality |
| () Usher | () Greeter |
| () RCIA | () Liturgy with Children |
| () Lector | () Eucharistic Minister |
| () Consolation Minister | () Landscaping/Planting |
| () Rosary Altar Society | () Pre-Cana |
| () Caring for Altar Plants | () FOCCUS |
| () Adult Lending Library | () 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)

CALENDAR CLUB 2018

I/We would like to join St. Thomas More's
Calendar Club for 2018.

NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS:

PHONE:()

() One Number for \$25
OR

() FIVE Numbers for \$100

**If you return your form & payment by Sunday,
December 10, 2017, you will receive a total of SIX
numbers for \$100).**

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

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$

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

St. Thomas More Employment Services

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

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

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--**Owner is a member of St. Thomas More**--Multiple positions - PT- minimum age 17. Students welcome.

ShopRite Supermarket--Various positions open; apply on-line or go to ShopRite in Hauppauge.

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.

Uncle Giuseppe--Melville locations, deli, bakery, produce & more openings. Insurance, discount, salaries--also openings in other locations.

United Cerebral-- Positions open in Residential, Children's Adult Day Programs throughout Suffolk--Valid NYS Drivers License--HS diploma or GEC. Excellent Benefits and salaries.

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.

ANGELS and SHEPHERDS Needed!

Believe it or not, it's that time again! Time to invite all children 5 years of age and older to be angels and shepherds at our two **Family Masses on Christmas Eve**.

We ask all children wishing to participate to follow this guideline in order to have fairly equal amounts represented at both Masses.

Those whose last names begin with letters **A through M will attend the 3:30 Mass**. Those whose last names begin with letters **N through Z will attend the 5:30 Mass**.

There will be one **mandatory rehearsal and costume pick-up**. It will be **Saturday, December 23rd** and will last about one hour.

Please complete the Angel and Shepherd Form below and return it in the collection basket or return it to the Church Office **no later than** December 11, 2017.

Contact: Theresa at (631) 234-5551 or Theresa@stml.org with questions

ANGELS and SHEPHERDS

Name: _____

Would like to participate as an:

_____ **angel** _____ **shepherd**

_____ **3:30 p.m. Mass-Last Name A to M**

_____ **5:30 p.m. Mass-Last Name N to Z
(Please check appropriate Mass)**

Parent's Signature _____

Phone Number _____

Parent's E-Mail _____

(Return no later than December 11, 2017)

St. Thomas More Church

50th Anniversary Golden Jubilee

Capital Campaign

Over \$908,000 Pledged – Thank You!

Help Us Reach Our Goal

On behalf of Father Antony and the campaign committee we thank you for your strong support for our capital campaign. As of this past week, 420 families have returned their pledge for a total of \$908,224. **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.

Thank you for your prompt pledge payments to the Capital Campaign!

Pledge Payment reminders are being mailed on or about the 15th of each month and include a statement of your pledge and a return envelope. We are pleased to report that a majority of families are on time or ahead of schedule with their pledge payments. This helps a great deal as we are now underway with the renovation of the Church.

Making your pledge or payments by Credit or Debit card is easy and convenient

Making your gift or pledge payments is easy, simply log onto the parish web-site at www.stmli.org and click on the Parish Life button and then the Faith Direct link, indicate the parish code NY227 and select the option of onetime payments to make a down payment or onetime gift or recurring option for making payments. Any questions, call our campaign director, Andy White at 516-607-3635 for more information.

VETERANS DAY MASS AT ST. THOMAS MORE - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2017





Join Krist Kindle and share your love of Christmas with another STM family this Advent season

The week before Advent begins you will receive, in the mail, the name of another parish family whom you can pray for and surprise with notes, telephone calls, or a small token gift once a week for each of the four weeks of Advent.

Please fill out the attached form and drop it in the box in the narthex or at the rectory by November 26th. At a celebration on January 7, 2017, the secret partners are revealed. This is a wonderful way to meet new friends and a warm and friendly way to teach children the true meaning of Christmas with prayer, thanksgiving and generosity to others.

At the Meet and Greet on the 7th, we would like to have the children in the families present a short Epiphany play. Please circle 'Yes' on the form if your children would like to take part.

Barbara Haynes 631 854-3124 kksmom1950@aol.com
Anita Combs 516 659-0336 anitacot@hotmail.com

Yes! We want to be part of Krist Kindle!

FAMILY NAME _____ PHONE NUMBER _____

ADDRESS _____ EMAIL _____

FAMILY MEMBERS, AGES, INTERESTS

Yes! Our children want to take part in the Epiphany skit!

No thank you. Maybe next year...



ST. THOMAS MORE GOLDEN JUBILEE CLOTHING SALE

As part of our golden jubilee celebration we are pleased to offer a variety of commemorative shirts, fleece, and sweatshirts for sale

These will be available by pre-order only and all orders will be delivered in time for the Christmas holiday

The STM Golden Jubilee logo will be embroidered on all shirts

Samples will be on display in the church lobby beginning the weekend of November 4th and 5th

Tee shirts: Youth sizes – S/M/L Adult sizes – S/M/L/XL*

Crewneck Sweat Shirts: Youth sizes – S/M/L Adult sizes – S/M/L/XL*

Full zipper fleece: (mens/womens) Adult sizes - S/M/L/XL*

Short sleeve golf shirts (mens/womens) Adult sizes - S/M/L/XL*

*2XL/3XL/4XL are available for \$2 more per shirt

Order Deadline: *Sunday November 19, 2017* for Christmas Delivery

Please place order in collection basket or drop-off at the Rectory

Questions? Contact Marti White at 631-234-3424

ST. THOMAS MORE GOLDEN JUBILEE CLOTHING SALE

Order Form

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Tee shirts: Youth and Adult - \$10.00 each Athletic Grey

Youth Sm _____ Youth Med _____ Youth Lge _____

Adult Sm _____ Adult Med _____ Adult Lge _____

Adult XL _____ Special Order Sizes _____ (add \$2)

Crewneck Sweatshirts: Youth and Adult - \$15.00 each Athletic Grey

Youth Sm _____ Youth Med _____ Youth Lge _____

Adult Sm _____ Adult Med _____ Adult Lge _____

Adult XL _____ Special Order Size _____ (add \$2)

Short Sleeve Golf Shirt: Adult sizes only - \$ 20.00 each Cool Grey

Women: SM _____ Med _____ Lge _____ XL _____

Men: SM _____ Med _____ Lge _____ XL _____

Special Order Size _____ (add \$2)

Full Zipper Fleece: Adult sizes only - \$30.00 each Deep Smoke

Women: SM _____ Med _____ Lge _____ XL _____

Men: SM _____ Med _____ Lge _____ XL _____

Special Order Size _____ (add \$2)

Amount Enclosed: _____

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Phone #: _____

Quantity: _____ Total Paid: _____

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TO PAY BY CREDIT CARD, PLEASE CONTACT THE
PARISH OFFICE AT 631-234-5551

CHECKS & ORDER FORMS CAN BE DROPPED OFF
OR MAILED TO THE PARISH OFFICE AND MUST BE RECEIVED NO
LATER THAN **NOVEMBER 30, 2017**