

Sharing
the Spirit
of Love

Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge NY 11788

January 26th, 2025



Parish Mission

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.

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Resources

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<https://www.stmli.org>

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Masses January 25th - February 2nd 2025

Saturday, January 25th:

5pm- Eric Kiselewsky *by The Gomer Family*

Sunday, January 26th: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am- The People of the Parish of St. Thomas More

9:30am- Sally, Fran, Ann, & Theresa *by Vincent Murray*

11:30am- Reggie Lane *by Rita & Kaz Stasiak*

Linda Dowling *by Ross & Marie Bracco*

Monday, January 27th:

9am- Peggy Stepanek *by Judy Coyle*

Tuesday, January 28th: St Thomas Aquinas

9am- John Pomarico *by Molly & Frank Prisinzano*

Wednesday, January 29th:

9am- John Reddy *by Eleanor Trimble*

Thursday, January 30th:

9am- The People of the Parish of St. Thomas More

Friday, January 31st: St John Bosco

9am- The People of the Parish of St. Thomas More

Luke 2:22-32/40 (Presentation)

When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph took Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, just as it is written in the law of the Lord, *Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord,*

and to offer the sacrifice of *a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons*, in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord.

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. He came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, he took him into his arms and blessed God, saying:

“Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel.”

Saturday, February 1st:

5pm- Eric Kiselewsky *by The Gomer Family*

Sunday, February 2nd: The Presentation of the Lord

8am- The People of the Parish of St. Thomas More

9:30am- John Puglisi *by Joe & Patty Citro*

11:30am- Jean & Ron Cirino *by Lou & Emilia Savarese*

Focus Questions for Presentation

Luke 2:22-40

- 1: Traditionally, the words of Simeon in today's Gospel are the last prayer of the night. What prayer do you like to say at the end of the day?
- 2: Relate an experience when you brought a child for Baptism.
- 3: Anna gave thanks to God for Jesus. What are you most thankful for?

Family & Children's Question:

Anna and Simeon spent much time in the Temple. How important is going to church for your family? What can you do to encourage devotion like Simeon and Anna's?

Readings for This Week

January 26th, 2024 (Ordinary 3)

Nehemiah 8:2-6,8-10

Psalm 19:8-10,15

1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Luke 1:1-4,4:14-21

Readings for Next Week

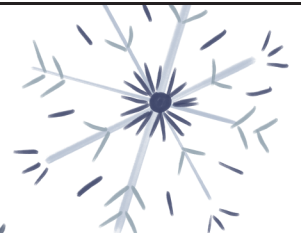
February 2nd, 2024 (Presentation)

Malachi 3:1-4

Psalm 24:7-10

Hebrews 2:14-18

Luke 2:22-40



THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME

TO BRING GOOD NEWS TO THE POOR,

HE HAS SENT ME TO PROCLAIM RELEASE TO THE CAPTIVES

TO LET THE OPPRESSED GO FREE.



TO RECOVER SIGHT TO THE BLIND

TO PROCLAIM THE YEAR OF THE LORD'S FAVOR

JESUS QUOTING ISAIAH

SIXTY-ONE

LUKE 4:16-19

Parish Operations

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection from:
Jan 18th & 19th

\$5172

Thank You!

*St. Thomas More Parish needs your support
now more than ever!*

**Rectory Office Hours
Monday-Friday
9:30 AM - 3:00 PM**

If in need of the immediate attention of a priest during non-office hours please call **(631) 234-5551** and choose option 4

*All other calls received after office hours
will be returned the next business day.*

Calendar Club Winners

Winners for January will be published at the end of the month. There is still time to claim your spots for 2025!

**PRAY
FOR
PEACE**

LET'S UNITE IN LOVE
AND UNDERSTANDING TO CREATE A
PEACEFUL WORLD.



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Prayers for Our Community

Pray for the Sick

Eddie & Meggie Adams	Linda Heller
Maria U. Aldaba	Maryann Landi
Joseph Barrett	Richard Landi
Gregory Bennett	Eileen Macholz-Barr
Karen Benson	Marge McGowan
Marie Bracco	Meagan
Peter Cappisillo	Kevin Morrissey
Vincent Carlino	Ellen Murphy
Lillian Catalano	Carol Persan
Fran Cooke	Nunzio (Steve) Puleo
Patricia Culbert	Tim Ryan
Grayson Danielski	Angelo Santangelo
Michael Davis	Rita Schug
Brian Fagioli	Noah Simonetti
Shane Farmer	Kevin Spence Sr
Barbara Foberg	Christy Torkelsen
Brendan Gallagher	Andrew M Valentine
Connie Giunta	Janet Ward
Rick Goodhart	Lorraine White
Stephanie Goodhart	

*this listing will expire on March 31st, 2025

Pray for the Deceased



Henry Uvino
Genevieve Leun
Arputha Mary Asir
Marguerite "Peggy" Stepanek
Joseph Kresse
Dominick Montanino

We continuously pray for our deceased loved ones.

Pray for Our Military

Please continue to pray for the brave members of our parish family who serve our country:

Troy A. Maida	Joseph Kirsch
Connor Hendrickson	Allen Kirsch
Evan Hendrickson	Nicholas Gajda
Ryan Smith	Alexandria Feys Gajda
Will Maley	Andrew Lynch



We also pray for our veterans, that they receive the support they need here at home.



Altar Bread & Wine Memorial

1/27-2/2



To arrange the memorial for the Altar Bread & Wine, contact the Rectory. Donation for the week is \$50.

Pray for our Clergy

Fr Antony Asir	Deacon Bob Weisz
The Capuchin Friars	Deacon Matt Surico
Fr Lenny Carlino	Bishop John Barres
Fr Alex Mariadass	Pope Francis
Deacon Ed Vigneaux	



...and for all those men and women considering a life of devotion to God.

Parish Social Ministry

“Remember the time of hunger in the time of plenty, poverty and want in the day of wealth.”
~Sirach 18:25



ST. THOMAS MORE
† PARISH OUTREACH †

Monday – Thursday 10AM to 2 PM
631-234-3149
Outreach@stmli.org

Our needs for the month...

Boxed Milk
Peanut Butter
Drinks
Shampoo
Soap Bars
Detergent

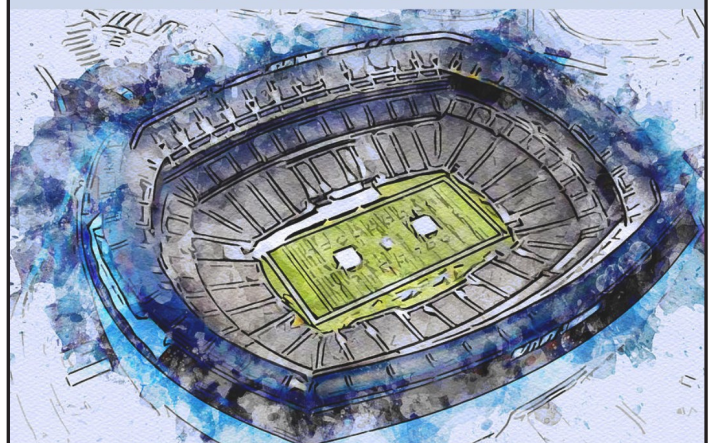
We appreciate all of your donations!
Please remember that it is difficult for us to use large cans, bottles, bags of rice, etc. as many of our neighbors do not have the ability to store extra food.
Packages for 2-4 people are ideal.

Please reach out to Parish Outreach if you are, or know of someone, in need of support. Keep our elderly neighbors in mind and let us know if there is anyone you would like us to reach out to.

Poverty Awareness Month 2025

The child poverty rate in the US more than doubled from 2021 to 2022 - the largest year-to-year spike on record, resulting in an additional 5.2 million children living in poverty, according to the latest Census update. The increase in child poverty in 2022 is largely the result of the expanded Child Tax Credit's expiration (usccb.org).

OVER 90,000 CHILDREN ON LONG ISLAND ARE LIVING IN POVERTY.



THATS MORE KIDS THAN CAN FIT IN METLIFE STADIUM



In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reads the words of scriptures: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor." Our role as Vincentians is to try to assist our neighbors in need and that goal is only possible with your support.

We are grateful for your support of our recent fundraiser, The Wall of Envelopes, and congratulate our winners: Joan Shea, Evelyn Mentock, and Jack & Caroline DeSantis.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Which Old Testament Prophet is most quoted in the New Testament?

- a: Daniel
- b: Ezekiel
- c: Isaiah
- d: Zechariah



Answer: C (Isaiah). More than any other prophet, Isaiah is quoted or alluded to over 60 times in the NT. Daniel and Zechariah are roughly tied for second place.

Young at Heart
New Members Always Welcome!

Next Meeting: February 14th
Valentines Day!

RSVP to Anna, or call for more info
631-234-0714

SUNDAY Masses



JOIN US EVERY WEEK!

- (VIGIL MASS) **SATURDAYS @ 5PM**
- (QUIET MASS) **SUNDAYS @ 8AM**
- (FAMILY MASS) **SUNDAYS @ 9:30AM**
- (ADULT CHOIR) **SUNDAYS @ 11:30AM**

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. ~John 6:56

OUR LADY

QUEEN OF PEACE

ادعو لنا молися за нас

bete Проσευχηθείτε ora
für ruega por nosotros για εμάς pro
uns молитесь за нас pray for us התפלל למענו nobis



The Spirit of the Lord

is on me, because
he has anointed me
to proclaim good
news to the poor.

Luke 4:18, NIV

Pre-Cana 2025

Please pray for these couples
as they take the next step in
the journey to Holy Matrimony

Juliana Kalinsky
&
Steven Marini

Samantha Vermilyea
&
Robert Smith

Diana Falcone
&
Deni Yang



2024 Parish Contribution

To request a copy of your 2024
contributions for tax purposes, please write
down your name and submit this form in
the collection basket, or to the Rectory.

Alternative: scan the QR code!

Name: _____

*If you use Faith Direct, you can obtain
your tax information via their website.



Calendar Club 2025

The Every Day Lotto!

Numbers are drawn every day of the year (except during the Easter Triduum). The lucky winner of each day is awarded \$25 (or \$50 on Sundays and Holy Days!)

One number for \$25, or 5 numbers for \$100.

Buy as many entries as you want, and win as many times as your luck allows! You can even purchase numbers as gifts for family and friends.

The Calendar Club is a great way to support our parish, and a very important annual fundraiser for us! Please fill out the form below and return it to the rectory, or put it in the basket during Sunday collection.

NAME(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

ONE for \$25 TWO for \$50 THREE for \$75 FIVE for \$100

LAST CHANCE

**ALL ENTRIES DUE
BY TUES 1/28**

TOTAL ENCLOSED: _____

Please place in envelope labeled Calendar Club 2025 and return to the rectory or the Sunday collection basket. Thank you!

**St Thomas More
Columbiettes 6062**

BAKE SALE

Fundraiser!
**Join us after mass on February
15th and 16th for:**
**Baked Goods
Basket Raffles
50/50**



St. Thomas More Choir

Have you ever felt the joy of singing from your heart? Imagine raising your voice in harmony with others, filling the church with heavenly music, and being part of something truly special

Whether you're a seasoned vocalist or simply love to sing, we welcome you! No formal training is required—just a love for music and a desire to be part of a beautiful tradition. Every voice matters, and together we create something magical that touches hearts and souls at every Mass.

Why join?

Make a Joyful Noise: Use your gift of music to glorify God

Build Community: Connect with fellow parishioners in a fun, welcoming environment

Lift Spirits: Help lead worship and inspire others through song.

When?

Children

Rehearsal: Thursdays 5:30-6:30

Mass: Sundays 9:30

Adults

Rehearsal: Thursdays 7-8:30

Mass: Sundays 11:30