Sharing the Spirit

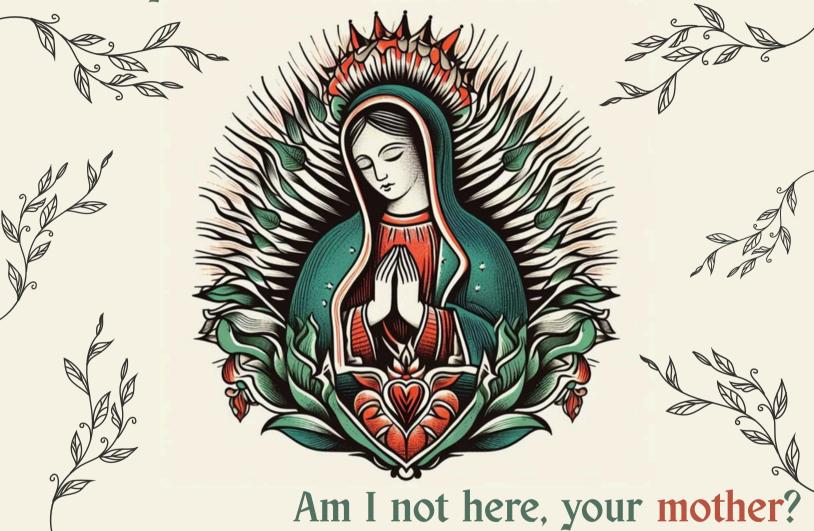
Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

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May 11th 2025

Let not your heart be disturbed...



This Week's Readings
Acts 13:14,43-52
Psalm 100:1-3,5
Revelation 7:9,14b-17
John 10:27-30

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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This Week's Masses

Saturday, May 10th

5:00pm Mother's Day Novena

Sunday, May 11th

Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00am Mother's Day Novena

9:30am Mother's Day Novena

11:30am Mother's Day Novena

Monday, May 12th

9:00am Mother's Day Novena

Tuesday, May 13th

9:00am Mother's Day Novena

Wednesday, May 14th

9:00am Mother's Day Novena

Thursday, May 15th

9:00am Mother's Day Novena

Friday, May 16th

9:00am Mother's Day Novena

Saturday, May 17th

5:00pm Len Munzer, Bernie Nagel

John Puglisi, Peggy Stepanek

Sunday, May 18th

Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00am Marie Papola

Joan Rehm

9:30am Arputha Mary Asir

Matthew Adrian

11:30am Richard Stout

Marie DeSantis Gradnaniello



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.

Saints of the Week

St. Damien de Veuster (5/10) Sts. Nereus and Achilleus (5/12)

St. Pancras (5/12)

Our Lady of Fatima (5/13)

St. Mattias the Apostle (5/14) St. Isidore the Farmer (5/15)

St John I (5/18)

Saints in heaven, pray for us

Prepare for Next Weekend

Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 18th 2025

<u>Readings</u>

Acts 14:21-27 Psalm 145:8-13 Revelation 21:1-5a John 13:31-35

Focus Questions

- 1: Describe a time when you put aside your own interests to be available for others.
- 2: Talk about some of the people whose love made you the person you are today.
- 3: Relate a time when you celebrated the love of the people who are special in your life.

Families: Talk about how you can reach out to others who could use the love that God has put into your heart.

Gospel of John (13:31-35)

When Judas had left them, Jesus said,

"Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him.

If God is glorified in him,

God will also glorify him in himself,

and God will glorify him at once.

My children, I will be with you only a little while longer.

I give you a new commandment: love one another.

As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.

This is how all will know that you are my disciples,

if you have love for one another."





From the Pastor

A **school principal received a phone call**. The voice said, "Thomas Bradley won't be in school today." The principal was a bit suspicious of the voice. He asked, "Who is speaking?" The voice came back, "My father."

Today is the Fourth Sunday of Easter. **In today's Gospel Jesus says, "The Father and I are one."** They cannot be separated. Jesus affirms that the same oneness exists between him (the shepherd), and us (His sheep). The inseparable oneness between Jesus and his believers resembles the oneness that exists between Jesus and God the Father. As God and Jesus cannot be separated, so too Jesus, who is the Good Shepherd, cannot be separated from His Sheep.

Jesus came with God's mission. Whatever God wants to do for humans, He did/does in Jesus. God so loved the world that He gave His Son for us. Jesus is the divine expression of God's love for us. Jesus expresses God's love for us in the same way that He expresses to God. As they are one, Jesus wants to be one with us. As they are inseparable, Jesus does not want to be separated from His believers. The sheep may choose to stray from the fold, but the Shepherd goes after them. The Shepherd's love is divine and knows no separation.

The **Fourth Sunday of Easter can be called "Good Shepherd Sunday,"** because its Gospel reading is always from the tenth chapter of John's Gospel which speaks various aspects of the Good Shepherd, Jesus. This year the readings of the Good Shepherd fit very well with what is going on in the Church. After the 'Novemdiales' the nine days of mourning for the late Pope Francis, on May 7th one hundred and thirty three cardinals began the Conclave to elect the NEW SHEPHERD, the Pope for the Catholic Church. By the time you read this bulletin (habemus Papam) we might have the new Pope.

Let us **pray that our new shepherd, the pope,** will be of the mind and heart of God and lead the Church, the flock of Jesus, by the gracious guidance of the Holy Spirit. May Mary, the Mother of the Church, protect and intercede for us all that we may live as Christ's witness through the guidance of the Pope, the new shepherd.

Today is Mother's Day. As we wish them well with greetings and gifts, let us pray for them that God continues to bless them with good health, cheerful hearts, and long lives. Happy Mother's Day to all mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers, godmothers, and spiritual mothers.

Please **mark your calendar. June 7th and 8th is our Parish Feast Weekend.** It starts with Saturday evening Mass at 5:00 pm in the parking lot. Sunday is the Pancake Breakfast after all Masses. The yearly Parish Raffle tickets will be available in the Narthex.

With love and prayers, Father Antony



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Prayers & Petitions

Pray for the Deceased

Pope Francis John Infranco Jack Mango **Evelyn Conroy**

We continuously pray for our deceased loved ones and all souls in purgatory.

Eileen Newcombe

St Gertrude, pray for us.

Altar Bread & Wine Memorial



Contact the Rectory to arrange a memorial for the Altar Bread & Wine. Requested dontaion for the week is \$50

<u>Pray for our Clergy</u>

Father Antony Asir Deacon Robert Weisz Deacon Edward Vigneaux Deacon Matthew Surico The Capuchin Friars Father Lenny Carlino Bishop John Barres

Pray for our Military

Please continue to pray for the brave members of our Parish Family who serve our country:

Trov 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 deceased service members, and for our veterans, in gratitude for their service, and in hope that they will find the support they need here at home.

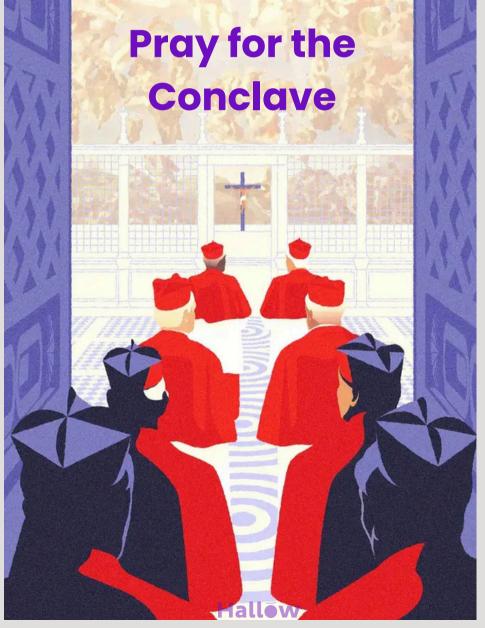
Pray for the Sick

Ana Beltrani Andrew Valentine Christopher Conley Christy Torkelsen Codier Codispoti Diane McCann Ellen Murphy Grace Harold Jo Garvey John Zuzzolo Joseph Barrett Joseph Tuffarelli

Larry Wilson Margaret Sheehan Marge McGowan Maria U Aldaba MaryAnn Landi Michael Jacobs Jr. Noah Simonetti Nunzio Puleo Peter Cappisillo Richard Landi Rosalie Malerba

*This listing will reset on September 30th, 2025

To add a name to the sick list, please fill out a card from the literature rack place it in the collection basket, or contact the Rectory by phone or email.



Support our Parish

Financial Support

Collection from: May 3rd & 4th

\$5566

Please consider supporting St. Thomas More. We encourage all parishioners to try electronic giving through Faith Direct. It is both convenient and secure. For more information on Faith Direct, check the literature rack in the Narthex, or visit us online at stmli.org

Physical Support

There are many different ways to support the St. Thomas More Parish Community! Whether you are 4 or 40, 8 or 80, there are ways for everyone to be involved.

Eucharistic Ministers

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Whether giving money, time, or labor, all your support is appreciated. St. Thomas More would not exist as it does without the generosity of our Parish Family.

Parish Social Ministry

Contact Parish Outreach

631-234-3149 outreach@stmli.org Mon-Thur 10AM to 2PM

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. "When you forget yourself and think of others, this is love!"

POPE FRANCIS

Who you helped in April..

64 Families 102 Children 106 Adults

This is God's love in action!!



OUR SHELVES ARE VERY LOW ON...

Pancake Mix Syrup Jelly Coffee/Tea Drinks/Mixes Shampoo Paper Towels

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.





Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Today we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday", where we reflect on the care and love of Jesus for us.

Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will show that you are indeed the disciple of Jesus, the Good Shepherd. That gift, no matter how small, will help to reflect Jesus' love.



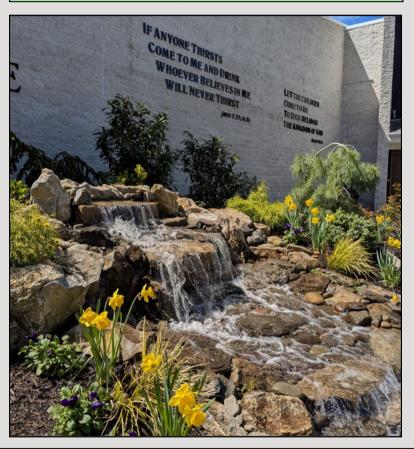
If you know someone in need, please call!

To contact us, call 631-648-2760 or email svdp.stm@aol.com



September 15th, 2025

9am Shotgun Start \$190 per golfer (before 8/15) \$200 per golfer (after 8/15)







NEXT MEETINGS: MAY 16TH COMMUNION BREAKFAST

> JUNE 13TH HOYT FARM BBQ \$25 PER PERSON

\$15 PER PERSON

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!

RSVP TO ANNA 631-234-0714

Exchange Student

In Need of a Host Family!

We are seeking out a Host Family for a 16y/o German student who will be in Hauppauge for an internship at Muller Martini from June 21st until July 12th.

Are you able to help? Please call the Rectory or email Alex (rectory@stmli.org) for more information.

Rieke is an active young woman, involved in her church, and speaks fluent English with no dietary restrictions.

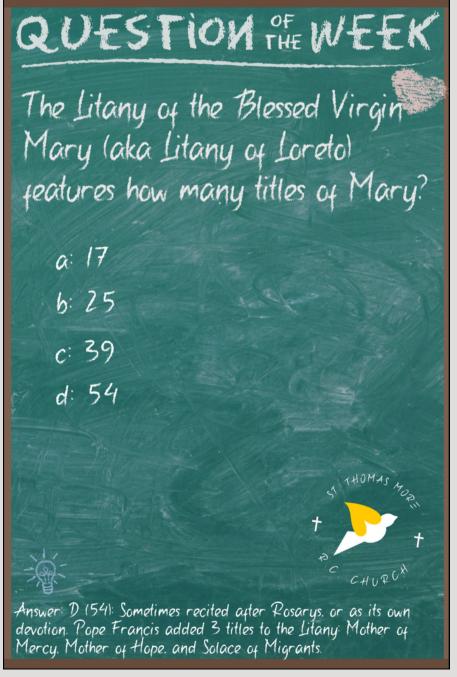
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Reflections on the 2025 DRVC Eucharistic Pilgrimage & Congress

by Deacon Matt

The wonderful and spirit-filled three-year National Eucharistic Revival will come to a formal close on Corpus Christi, Sunday, June 22. One of the highlights, of course, was the five-day National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis last July, which was the culmination of four regional National Eucharistic Pilgrimages that converged on that site. Bishop Barres and his auxiliary bishops here in our diocese wanted to give the People of God on Long Island a taste of what that experience was like, and also offer our diocese an opportunity to carry the movement forward past June 22nd.

To that end, there will be two events on a diocesan level: a Pilgrimage (May 31 - June 8) and a Congress (June 8). Please watch this space over the coming weeks for additional information and reflection. May I leave you with one thought at this point in time. As much as we focus on the life of our parish here in Hauppauge, we are the Body of Christ, and often it is good to see beyond the walls of our own church and to encounter our brothers and sisters in Christ in parishes across Suffolk and Nassau Counties. The 2025 Diocesan Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress affords us this chance. We have structured our 2025 St. Thomas More parish feast weekend in such a way as to allow us all to celebrate both our patron saint and the Diocesan Congress. As your appointed Parish Point Person for the Pilgrimage and the Congress, I highly recommend that you partake in as much of these events as your personal schedules will allow.





Ascension Thursday

Ascension Thursday, a Holy Day of Obligation, commemorates the ascension of Jesus Christ to the right hand of the Father 40 days after the Resurrection! This year we celebrate this Feast Day on Thursday, May 29th 2023.

St. Augustine's work appears to be the first written evidence of the observance of the feast day on Ascension Thursday, although he traces its origin to the apostles. John Chrysostom, Gregory of Nyssa, and the Constitution of the Apostles also make reference to the feast.



Find it in the Bible:

Mark 16:19

Luke 24:51

Acts 1:2

Also referenced in:
John 6:63
John 20:17
1 Corinthians 15:27
Ephesians 4:8-10
Colossians 3:3
1 Timothy 3:16
1 Peter 3:22

The Feast of the Ascension is one of the ecumenical feasts, celebrated by many Christian churches. In various faiths and provinces, the date of observation varies.

Please join us in celebration!



Mass Times

Wed 5/28 @ 7pm Thur 5/29 @ 9am Thur 5/29 @ 7pm

How to pray the Rosary

- 1: Make the Sign of the Cross
- 2: Holding the Crucifix, say The Apostles' Creed
- 3: On the first bead, say an Our Father
- 4: On the next three beads, say one Hail Mary for each
- 5: Say the Glory Be
- 6: For each of the five decades, announce the Mystery, then say an Our Father
- 7: For the next ten beads, say one Hail Mary for each, then finish with a Glory Be.
- 8: After finishing a decade, we say the prayer requested by the Blessed Virgin at Fatima:

Oh my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy.

9: After the five decades, say the Hail, Holy Queen:

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of they womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

10: Make the Sign of the Cross

*It takes about 15 minutes to pray the whole Rosary. Since we repeat the same prayers (i.e. Hail Mary 53 times), the Church helps us meditate on the Gospel by using Mysteries. Each day has 5 Mysteries, to reflect on one during each decade.

Mysteries of the Rosary

Joyful Mysteries (Mon, Sat)

- 1. The Annunciation to Mary
- 2. The Visitation of Mary
- 3. The Birth of our Lord Jesus
- 4. The Presentation of the Child Jesus in the Temple
- 5. The Finding of Our Lord in the Temple

Sorrowful Mysteries (Tues, Fri)

- 1. The Agony of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane
- 2. The Scourging of Jesus at the Pillar
- 3. The Crowning of Jesus with Thorns
- 4. The Carrying of the Cross
- 5. The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus

Glorious Mysteries (Wed, Sun)

- 1. The Resurrection of Jesus
- 2. The Ascension of Jesus
- 3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost
- 4. The Assumption of Mary
- 5. The Coronation of Our Lady in Heaven

Luminous Mysteries (Thurs)

- 1. Jesus' Baptism in the Jordan
- 2. The Wedding at Cana
- 3. The Proclamation of the Kingdom
- 4. The Transfiguration
- 5. The Institution of the Eucharist

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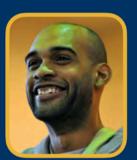


BELL D20 25

with Guest Speakers:



Dr. Edward Sri



Father Pierre Toussaint, CFR



Father Jose Diaz



Sister Mary Gabriel, SV



Father Daniel Rivera

PENTECOST SUNDAY JUNE 8



10AM-5:30PM

Saint Anthony's High School, South Huntington



Admission is free but registration is required.

All are invited for a day of prayer, catechesis, Adoration, and Holy Mass with Bishop John O. Barres. This congress will deepen devotion and equip attendees to share the graces of the Eucharist through inspiring talks, witness testimonies, worship, fellowship, and the culmination of the Eucharistic Pilgrimage.

For registration, schedule, and more details, visit:

www.drvc.org/congress



Saturday, May 31

Opening Mass at St. Therese Montauk 10:00 am Procession through Montauk 11:00 am - 12:00 noon

Opening Mass at St. Agnes Cathedral 5:00 pm Procession to St. Christopher, Baldwin 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Procession from Our Lady of Poland to Basilica of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary, Southampton 6:00 pm

Sunday, June 1

Mass at St. Isidore, Riverhead 10:30 am Procession to St. John, Riverhead 11:30 am

Mass at Cure of Ars, Merrick 7:30 am Procession to St. Barnabas, Bellmore 8:30 am

Mass at St. Barnabas, Bellmore 10: 30 am Procession to St. William the Abbot Seaford 12: 00 noon

Monday, June 2

Mass at St. Raphael, East Meadow 7:30 am Procession to Holy Trinity High School 8:30 am

Tuesday, June 3

Sts. Philip and James, St. James Procession to St. Patrick, Smithtown 11:00 am

Wednesday, June 4

Mass at Corpus Christi, Mineola 7:30 am Procession to Chaminade High School 8:45 am

Thursday, June 5

St. John of God, Central Islip Procession to St. Anne, Brentwood 6:00 pm

Friday, June 6

Mass at St. Gertrude, Bayville 8:30 am Procession to St. Dominic, Oyster Bay 9:30 am

Saturday, June 7

Closing Mass at St. Hugh of Lincoln, Huntington Station 8:30 am

Closing Procession and Benediction St. Patrick, Huntington 11:00 am

Walk with Jesus

Mark your calendars for days of public witness, walking with Jesus on the roads of Long Island.



PRAY WITH JESUS. WALK WITH JESUS.

NASSAU

Saturday, May 31 8:00 pm Our Holy Redeemer, Freeport

> Sunday, June 1 7:00 pm Maria Regina, Seaford

> Monday, June 2 7:00 pm Holy Family, Hicksville

Tuesday, June 3 7:00 pm Our Lady of Loretto, Hempstead

Wednesday, June 4 7:00 pm Our Lady of Victory, Floral Park

Thursday, June 5 7:00 pm Notre Dame, New Hyde Park

> Friday, June 6 7:00 pm St. Patrick, Glen Cove

SUFFOLK

Saturday, May 31
7:00 pm
Basilica of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus &
Mary, South Hampton

Sunday, June 1 7:00 pm St. John the Baptist, Center Moriches

Monday, June 2
7:00 pm
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Patchogue

Tuesday, June 3
7:00 pm
St. Patrick, Smithtown

Wednesday, June 4 7:00 pm St. Joseph, Babylon

Thursday, June 5 7:00 pm St. Anne, Brentwood

Friday, June 6 7:00 pm St. Philip Neri, Northport

Each night will have:

- Eucharistic Adoration
- Eucharistic Preaching and Catechesis
- Eucharistic Processions
- Nocturnal Adoration





PENTECOST PARKING LOT MASS!

June 7th, 5:00pm Mass

step 1

Pull into the parking lot (Furthest entrance)

step 2

Park in a spot facing the Altar

step 3

Tune to Radio station 100.9 FM





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Celebrate STM at our annual

Pancake Breakfast!

Sunday, June 8th after all Masses!





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WHATS BEEN STM

Crowning of Mary at the
9:30 Mass on 5/4!



We remember and pray for Pope Francis.



Convalidation allows a civilly married couple to enter the Sacrament of Matrimony. Contact the Rectory for more info!