

Sharing
the Spirit
of Love

Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge NY 11788

① ETERNAL TRINITY

① UNFATHOMABLE
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① DIVINITY

① DEEPEST SEA



WHAT GREATER GIFT COULD YOU GIVE?

MAY 26TH, 2024

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.

MOST HOLY TRINITY

Parish Resources

Website:

<https://www.stmli.org>

Instagram:

@stm_church

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Masses May 25th - June 2nd, 2024

Saturday, May 25th:

5pm- Nicholas Conzo *by Angela Conzo*

Sunday, May 26th: The Most Holy Trinity

8am- Samuel Infantino *by Christine Barraco*

9:30am- Carol Ann Bartollotta *by Robert & Louisa Sanfratello*

Maureen DeMarinis (healing) *by Paula & Sal Campo & Family*

11:30am- Cirilo Castro *by Their Family*

Mary & Walter Anderson *by Al & Eileen Weidig*

Monday, May 27th:

9am- Joel Miller *by The Miller Family*

Tuesday, May 28th:

9am- Zeljka Hriljac *by Ratka & Joseph Sanutic*

Wednesday, May 29th:

9am- Thomas Fine *by The Fine Family*

Thursday, May 30th:

9am- Marie Utter *by Mary & Robert Utter*

Friday, May 31st: The Visitation of the Bldsd Virgin Mary

9am- Ida Marcello *by Ralph C Marcello*

Saturday, June 1st: St Justin

5pm- Augie Vrondis *by Betty Vrondis*

Joseph Codispoti *by The DiMarco Family*

Sunday, June 2nd: Corpus Christi

8am- Virginia A Bothe *by The Rodriguez Family*

9:30am- Marie Utter *by Evelyn Mentock*

Dottie & Frank Lossani *by Mary Romano*

11:30am- Jeanette Molfetto *by The Rieger Family*

Patricia O'Connell *by Matt & Nancy O'Connell*

Mark 14:12-16,22-26 (Corpus Christi)

On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?" He sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the city and a man will meet you, carrying a jar of water. Follow him. Wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says, "Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"' Then he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready. Make the preparations for us there." The disciples then went off, entered the city, and found it just as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover.

While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Focus Questions for 6/2/24

Matthew 28:16-20

- 1: Do you trust Jesus enough to follow his instructions?
- 2: Describe a time where you went on faith alone
- 3: What is your favorite part about receiving the True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist?

Family & Children's Question:

Say grace as a family before dinner each night this week.

Readings for This Week

May 26th, 2024 (Most Holy Trinity)

Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40

Psalms 33:4-5,6,9,18-19,20,22

Romans 8:14-17

Matthew 28:16-20

Readings for Next Week

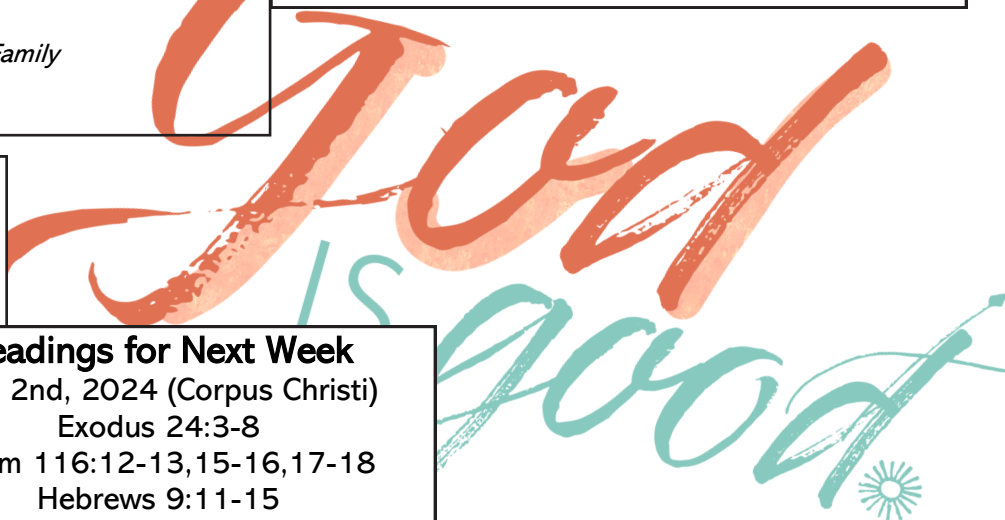
June 2nd, 2024 (Corpus Christi)

Exodus 24:3-8

Psalms 116:12-13,15-16,17-18

Hebrews 9:11-15

Mark 14:12-16,22-26



Fr. Antony's Letter

Dear Friends,

After a heated argument with his wife, the husband said, "Why can't we live peacefully like our two dogs who never fight?"

"No, they don't fight," his wife agreed. "But tie them together and see what happens!" Living together is not that easy. There is no method or mechanics that a couple can apply to make it happen. Living together is a mystery that LOVE alone can make happen in good and bad, sickness and health.

This Sunday is the Solemn Feast of The MOST HOLY TRINITY. The feast of One God in three persons. Three persons of the Trinity live together as one Godhead. Neither one of them dominates nor is submissive to the other. In Catechism we must have learned that the Trinity is the unity of three persons without either confusing the persons or dividing the substance. This is one of the best ways of understanding how the love relationship of the three persons of one Godhead operates the unity among them. Each one of them lives in their uniqueness. They don't give up their own uniqueness while relating to each other. At the same time none of them lose their uniqueness (substance) because of their relationship with each other.

This is possible only in and through LOVE. The beloved and the lover keep living their uniqueness (substance) and at the same time share their uniqueness with each other. They don't dominate or become subservient to the other. Each of them grow in the other and are enriched by the other. Love leaves neither the lover nor the beloved unchanged/unaffected. Loving involves three growings: 1) Growing within oneself 2) growing of oneself in the other; 3) growing of the other in the oneself. The Trinitarian Union is mathematically or logically an unexplainable riddle. LOVE alone can make this beautiful mystery of the Trinity experienced by the believers, because the Holy Trinity is a mystery of LOVE. Love can be known only by love and not by anything else.

This God of three persons is the expression of true love to each other in the Trinity. God who creates the universe is the Father. God who redeems the Universe from its corruption (Sin) is the Savior, Jesus Christ. God who empowers and sanctifies the Universe is the Holy Spirit. Thus, they reveal/manifest their loving nature in the Universe. So, whoever loves the other and the universe is on the right track towards the experience of the God of Love, the Holy Trinity.

Anything that pertains to the realm of Love cannot be interpreted or explained by any human system or science. Love can only be experienced. The feast of the Holy Trinity invites us to enter the mystery of love. It liberates us from the world and the habit of measuring and controlling. It takes a lover to know the beloved. To experience love one should be a lover. Let us all be lovers.

With love and prayers,
Fr. Antony



His Presence Is Real - Reflections on the Eucharist by Deacon Matt

The Mass: Concluding Rites

Once the Liturgy of the Eucharist concludes with the reposition of the leftover hosts in the tabernacle and the purification of the vessels, we enter into the final portion of the Mass: the Concluding Rites. This is an essential part of the Mass rather than an after-thought.

This part begins as the priest and the rest of the assembly stands. He offers the invitation "Let us pray." This *Prayer After Communion*, different for each Mass based on the week in the liturgical cycle, summarizes all that we have experienced. An unofficial part of the Mass, the announcements (which are a tradition that goes back centuries), occur now, or before the Prayer.

The priest then offers the *Greeting* ("The Lord be with you"). In certain special times of the Church year, there will be a solemn blessing, and the deacon will instruct all to bow our heads and say "Amen" after each invocation. The usual Trinitarian *Blessing* follows.

The last words of the Mass are actually spoken by the deacon, in the



dismissal. He will say one of four phrases: "Go in peace," "Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life," "Go forth, the Mass is ended," or "Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord." And, after the assembly responds "Thanks be to God," the deacon and priest kiss the altar and process out of the church, symbolic of our procession from the church back into our daily lives.

The dismissal is perhaps the most important part of the Mass apart from receiving Jesus in the Eucharist. The old Latin dismissal, *Ite Missa est* (Go, you are sent), is where we get the word Mass from. The fruits of Holy Communion come to their true fulfillment when we, who have experienced the Real Presence of Jesus at Mass, now bring the truth of the Gospel out to the world, and into action.

"[The purpose of the concluding rites] is to send the people forth to put into effect in their daily lives the paschal mystery and unity in Christ that they have celebrated." - *Introduction to the Order of the Mass, US Conference of Catholic Bishops, no. 141*

Questions? Comments? Suggestions?
Contact me at eucharist@stmli.org.

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Prayers for Our Community

Pray for the Sick

Susan Agne	Ellen Murphy
Baby Kaden	Bernice Noeker
Ana Beltrani	Matt O'Connell
Gregory Bennett	Deacon Al Pankus
Steve Cotsalas Sr	Joseph Platia
Christine DiFilippo	Nunzio Steve Puleo
Rocco DiMaggie	John Reddy
Linda Dowling	Richard Ronning
Robert Ferro	Noah Simonetti (2yrs)
Stephanie Goodhart	John Spadaro
Richard Landi	Andrew M Valentine
Ellen Lentino	Laura Vigneaux
Eileen Macholz-Barr	Debbie Ward
Jim Marquette	
Mia Mednick (10yrs)	



*this listing will expire on September 31st, 2024

Pray for the Deceased

Robert Anthony Grippo
Dorothy Schiavone

WELCOMED HOME

We continuously pray for our deceased loved ones.

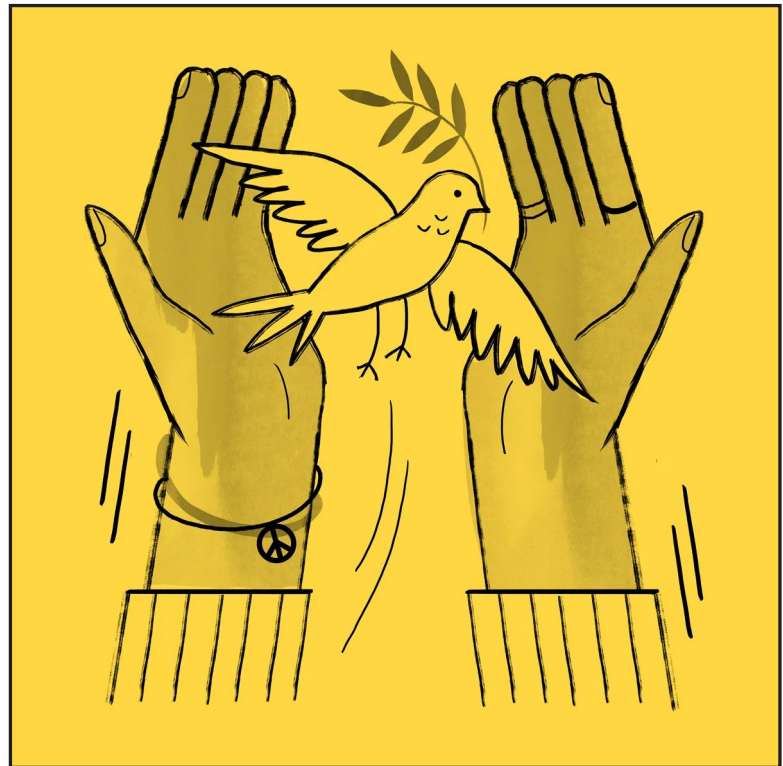
Pray for Our Military

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
Christopher Sidor	Alexandria Feys Gajda
Ryan Smith	Andrew Lynch
Will Maley	



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



Altar Bread & Wine Memorial



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
Deacon Ed Vigneaux	Pope Francis



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

Parish Operations

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection from:
May 18th & 19th

\$5298

Thank You!

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

Rectory Office Hours
Monday-Friday
9:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

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.

Please consider signing up for
Faith Direct!

Faith Direct allows you to donate directly to the church electronically. No checks. No envelopes. No calling for tax statements. And best of all, no human error. Please consider making the change and supporting our parish electronically!

<https://membership.faithdirect.net/NY227>



****UPDATE****

Faith Direct now allows parishioners to opt-in to cover the processing fee for our Parish.

If you go into Faith Direct and manage your payment options, there is now a drop-down that will allow you to opt-in to give an additional 2.5%. This helps the Church offset the cost of processing payments, and allows us to receive the full amount of your donation.

Your support is, as always, greatly appreciated.
God bless.

Calendar Club Winners

5/20 (\$25): Lou & Kathy DeSantis (313)

5/21 (\$25): Barbara Fratamico (429)

5/22 (\$25): James & Donna Feeney (714)

5/23 (\$25): Ralph Giambruno (587)

5/24 (\$25): Stephanie Scaduto (978)

5/25 (\$25): Curt & JoAnn Keely (483)

5/26 (\$50): John & Marti White (1470)

**IN GOD
I TRUST;**
I shall **not**
be afraid.

Psalm 56:4, ESV

Parish Social Ministry

"LORD, SEND OUT YOUR SPIRIT, AND RENEW
THE FACE OF THE EARTH"
~PSALM 104



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

The staff at Outreach....

Would like to extend our immense gratitude to the St. Thomas More Columbiettes for hosting a food drive this past Saturday at ShopRite in Hauppauge. Our gratitude goes out to all our neighbors who donated so generously and helped fill our pantry shelves. This is truly God's love in action!



All the donations to restock our shelves!!

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.

FYI....

PSEG Household Assistance Program (HAP)
– Monthly Bill Discounts
PSEG's Household Assistance Program (HAP) can lower your electric bills by about \$40 every month. You may qualify if you receive benefits from select assistance programs, including HEAP, Medicaid, SNAP and others. Please go to Psegliny.com/assistance for more information and to see if you qualify.

PSEG's Residential Energy Affordability Partnership (REAP)
REAP is a free program offered by PSEG Long Island for income-eligible customers to help save energy and lower energy bills. Customers may be eligible if they have not participated in REAP within the past five years, own or rent their primary residence and meet income guidelines

Department of Civil Service Job Openings on Long Island New York State agencies are looking to fill positions quickly, with a streamlined hiring process that removes the test requirement typical when applying for a State job.



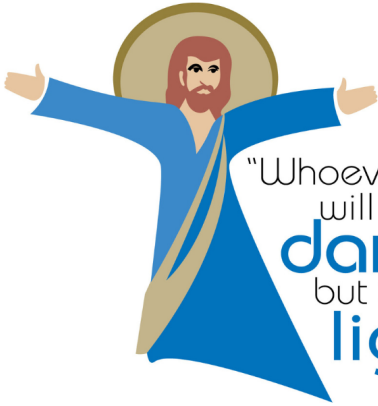
As we celebrate the mystery of the Trinity, we also realize the mystery of how much God loves and cares for us each day. Believing in this, our lives can then overflow in thanksgiving and praise.

Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will help the poor to believe in the mystery of God's love for them.

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

In Our Parish

Have you been called by Name?



"Whoever follows me
will **never** walk in
darkness,
but will have the
light of life."

JOHN 8:12

Come and follow Jesus and his teachings! If you are missing any or all of your Sacraments, or are converting from another religion, come on an incredible journey of faith, love, and community, that is the Catholic Church.

Contact OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation in Adults) by calling the rectory at 631-234-5551.

SAVE THE DATE

MSGR FRANCIS S MIDURA MEMORIAL

GOLF OUTING



September 9th, 2024

*You have received
the Spirit of adoption
as sons, by whom
we cry,*

**"ABBA!
FATHER!"**

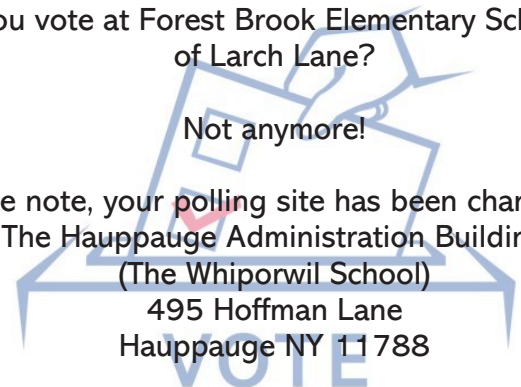
ROMANS 8:15, ESV

Community PSA

Do you vote at Forest Brook Elementary School off of Larch Lane?

Not anymore!

Please note, your polling site has been changed to
The Hauppauge Administration Building
(The Whiporwil School)
495 Hoffman Lane
Hauppauge NY 11788



In Our Parish



Communion for the Homebound

As a parish, we would like to make you aware of our ability to bring the Eucharist to our parishioners who are unable to attend Mass. It is a privilege and responsibility that we do so. We ask that you call the rectory to request Communion in the home.

Please note that if you or a loved one is in need of Communion to be brought to the home, we must adhere to the following guidelines, for the safety of both the recipient and our Eucharistic Ministers:

If anyone in the home is suffering from a contagious illness, we are unable to enter the home.

There must be a companion with the recipient to ensure the safety of your loved one and our EM.

We look forward to serving you and your family.

Young at Heart
New Members Always Welcome!
Next Meeting: Fri June 14th
Hoyt Farm BBQ!

Call Anna @ 631-234-0714

WANTED Blood Drive Coordinator

After 28 years coordinating the Parish Blood Drive, Ed Rogan will be stepping down. Anyone interested in assisting the Long Island Blood Center with coordinating the semi-annual blood drives, usually in September and April, please contact Ed at 631-366-1085



The Floor Boys!

Our thanks go out to the gentlemen of our local Knights of Columbus Council 6062, who donated their time and energy to stripping, cleaning, polishing, and waxing the floors in Walden Hall!

Thank you to John Zappia, Ernie LaFontaine, Mark Anderson, Dan Fennell, Steve Mattesich, and Lenny Carlino Sr.



Happening at St. Thomas More

Coming Up @ STM

Sun May 26th, 12:30pm
Youth Group

Mon May 27th
Memorial Day
Church Offices Closed

Thur May 30th, 5:30pm
Children's Choir Rehearsal

Thur May 30th, 7:00pm
Choir Rehearsal

Sun June 2nd, 12:15pm
Eucharistic Procession

Sun June 2nd, 12:30pm
Youth Group

Tues June 4th, 7:00pm
Adoration

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday
9:00 AM

Saturday
5:00 PM

Sunday
8:00 AM
9:30 AM
11:30 AM

Confessions
Every Saturday
4:00 PM-4:45 PM

do PEACE

OUR LADY

QUEEN OF PEACE

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молися за нас

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pray for us

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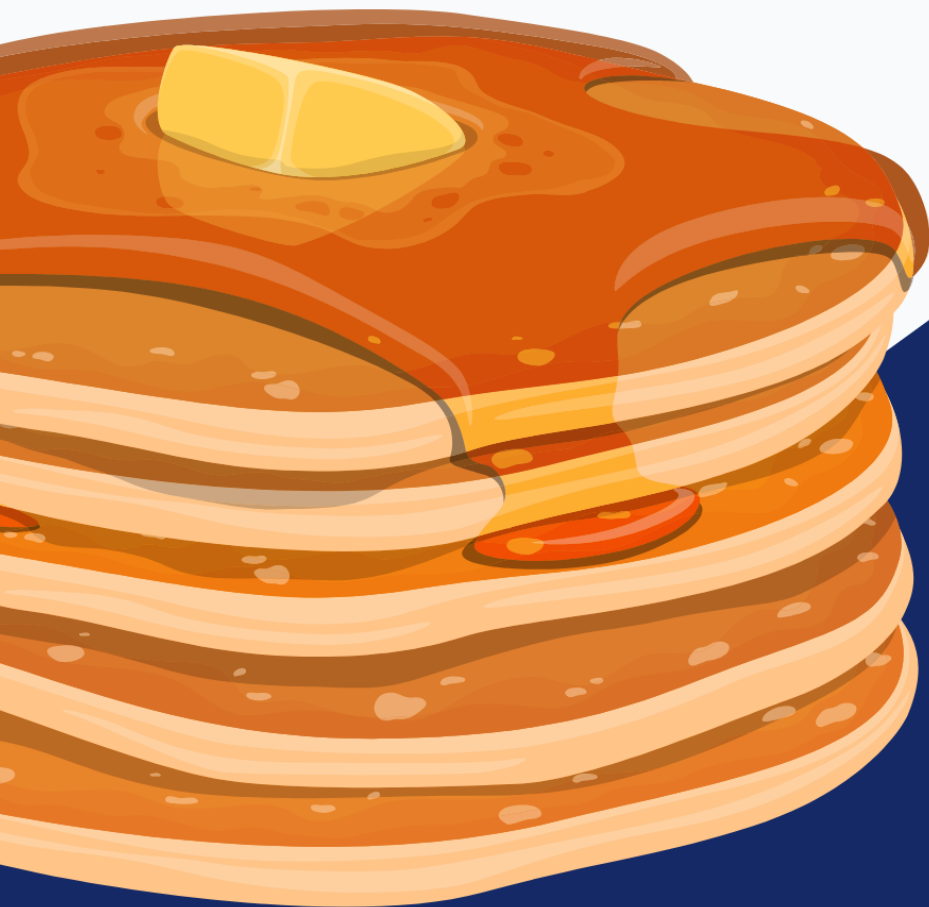
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Celebrate STM at our annual

Pancake Breakfast!

*Sunday, June 9th after the
8, 9:30 and 11:30am Masses*



Freewill
Donation





NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Pilgrimage**



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival**

For all info, please visit:
eucharisticpilgrimage.org

Our National

EMMAUS

Moment



eucharisticpilgrimage.org

There are four regional routes, each named after a saint, that are taking place across the country from May 17 - July 16. All routes conclude at the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis. On each route, a Eucharistic Procession will take place, as well as events in churches where the Procession makes a stop.

The eastern route is named after St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and begins at St. Mary's Church, the church where Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney was serving when he founded the Knights of Columbus in 1886. This route won't travel through Long Island, but it will be going through Manhattan and Brooklyn.

- The Manhattan portion takes place primarily on Sat. May 25 and Sun. May 26, including stops at St. Patrick's Cathedral and the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton shrine in lower Manhattan. Complete information on all events in the Archdiocese of NY:
<https://events.blackthorn.io/en/DnDCa1K7/g/seton/seton-route-archdiocese-of-new-york-4a2PDnqpSC/overview>
- The Brooklyn portion takes place primarily in the evening of Sun. May 26 and Mon. May 27. Complete Brooklyn info: <https://events.blackthorn.io/en/DnDCa1K7/g/seton/seton-route-diocese-of-brooklyn-4a2PDnqpSH/overview>

Registration for certain events is requested - see the website for further information.

The Columbiettes Council 6062 Presents

BINGO NIGHT

Tickets include dinner, dessert and Bingo cards!

Things to look forward to:

\$25 gift cards prizes, grand prizes in the jackpot round, and a 50/50

(Additional Bingo boards will be available for purchase)

DINNER | PRIZES | BINGO



Saturday, June 29th
2024 at 6 PM



St. Thomas More
115 Kings Highway 11788

Tickets
\$25

Tickets will be sold at masses as the date gets closer!

Contact President Kimberly Mazzioti for questions and ticket sales

krofrano33@gmail.com



(631)372-9220

Healthy Sunday

Feast Weekend!



Free blood pressure screenings,
education, and referrals!

Sunday June 9, 2024

8A-1P

St. Thomas More Roman Catholic Church

115 Kings Hwy
Hauppauge, NY 11788





ST THOMAS MORE PRESENTS

FEAST WEEKEND RAFFLE



TICKETS:
\$50 EACH
3 FOR \$100

GRAND PRIZE: \$10,000!!!

Eucharistic Procession



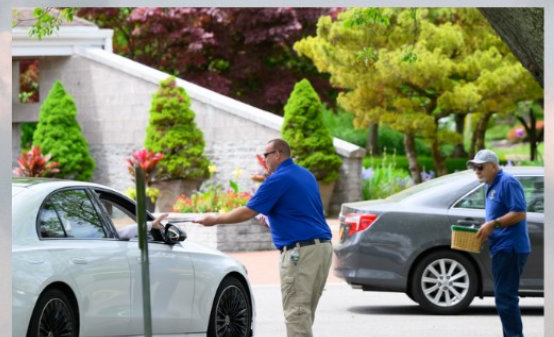
SUN JUNE 2ND, AFTER 11:30 MASS

Join us on the Feast of Corpus Christi for a Eucharistic Procession to kick off the Parish Year of the National Eucharistic Revival!

After Mass we will process out with the Presence in the monstrance, praying The Rosary and singing hymns of adoration. We will leave the church and walk down Kings Highway past Religious Ed and the Rectory, then reenter the parking lot and process past the cars, ending with Benediction.

Please come and participate in this beautiful ceremony!

Pentecost Parking Lot Mass!



First Communion Mass

Saturday, May 18th



see all the photos at www.frankbayerphotography.com/StThomasMore



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