

Catholic Church Community of

**St. Thomas More** 

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge NY 11788

## JUNE 2ND, 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.

# FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

## Parish Resources

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# Masses June 1st - June 9th, 2024

Saturday, June 1st: St Justin	Mark 3:20-35 (Ordinary 10)		
5pm- Augie Vrondis by Betty Vrondis	Jesus came home with his disciples. Again the crowd gathered, making it impossible for them even to eat. When his relatives heard of this they set out to seize him, for they said, "He is out of his mind." The scribes who had come from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "By the prince of		
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	demons he drives out demons." Summoning them, he began to speak to them in		
Dottie & Frank Lossani by Mary Romano	parables, "How can Satan drive out Satan? If a king-		
11:30am- Jeanette Molfetto by The Rieger Family	dom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand; that is the end of him. But no one can enter a strong man's house to plunder his property un- less he first ties up the strong man. Then he can plunder the house. Amen, I say to you, all sins and all blasphemies that people utter will be forgiven them. But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an everlasting sin." For they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." His mother and his brothers arrived. Standing outside they sent word to him and called him. A crowd		
Patricia O'Connell by Matt & Nancy O'Connell			
Monday, June 3rd: St Charles Lwanga & Companions			
9am– Cirilo Castro by Judy Coyle & Eunice Struzinski			
Tuesday, June 4th:			
9am– Greg Kaloustian by Phil & Dottie Castaldo			
Wednesday, June 5th: St Boniface			
9am- Christopher Valente by The Eyring Family			
Thursday, June 6th:			
9am- Alicia Marie DeRicco by Michele Yen	seated around him told him, "Your mother and your brothers and your sisters are outside asking for you." But he said to them in reply, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking around at those seated in the circle he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers. For whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."		
Friday, June 7th: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus			
9am- Sybil Smith by Marilyn Miller & Family			
Saturday, June 8th: The Immaculate Heart of the BVM			
5pm- Michael Marcello by Kathryn & Michael Napolitano	Focus Questions for 6/9/24		
Sunday, June 9th: Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mark 3:20-35		
8am- Livia Liberatoscioli by Mr & Mrs Dieter Thomann & Family	1: What does "doing the will of God" mean in your everyday life?		
9:30am- Christopher Loring by Joan Loring	2: Describe a way you need to be guided by the Holy Spirit. 3: Relate a time when your family did not under- stand you. Family & Children's Question: Talk about how the church is like a family.		
Tommy Buys by Arlene & John Aspromgos			
11:30am- Marie Madden by Marie Koch & Warren Soper			
Thomas Zarem by Carol & Robert Kolomechok			



Readings for Next Week June 9th, 2024 (Ordinary 10) Genesis 3:9-15 Psalm 100:1-8 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 Mark 3:20-35



# Fr. Antony's Letter

Dear Friends,

A businessman in Switzerland watched the clockmaker carving out the case of a cuckoo clock. He commented at his slow rate of progress, "My friend, you'll never make much money that way." "Sir", the clockmaker replied, "I'm not making money, I'm making cuckoo clocks."

Life/living is not an act of using one's energy and time in doing something, rather it is an expression of oneself in engaging one's energy and time creatively.

**Today is the Solemn Feast of Corpus Christi** – Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Today's feast invites us to recognize Jesus's self-offering presence in the sacramental form of bread and wine; bread represents His Body and the wine His Blood. Jesus has become an available living presence in order to relate and become a part of us. We become what we eat. Eating Jesus in the form of bread and wine, we become Jesus's presence living within us. Then, we too declare what St. Paul claimed in his letter to his church in Galatia "I live, no longer I, but Christ lives in me; insofar as I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God who has loved me and given himself up for me" (Galatians 2:20).

When Christ lives in us, our living is empowered by Him. Our expressions will be that of Christ. Our words, acts, and our style of living will be generated in Christ's truth and life. Being nurtured by the divine food of His Body and Blood, we become blood relatives of God, beloved daughters and sons of God. We begin to treat and relate with others as Jesus did. We become an extension of Jesus. All of us who share Jesus's body and blood become His body. We and Jesus become one. We do what Jesus would do in His body. We say what Jesus would like to say.

The prayer of St. Theresa of Avila will help us to understand what the feast of Corpus Christi (Body of Christ) can do in and with us:

Christ has no body but yours, no hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes with which he looks compassionately on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands. Yours are the hands. Yours are the feet. Yours are the eyes. You are his body. Christ has no body now but yours, no hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes with which he looks compassionately on this world. Christ has no body now on earth but yours. Amen.

Let us frequently receive Corpus Christi in order that we become the body of Christ. May the Eucharistic food (the Body and Blood of Christ) make us all God's children and grow in the love of God and each other as God's family members.

With love and prayers, Fr. Antony

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

## Corpus Christi and the Missionary Year of the Revival

Welcome to another Feast of Corpus Christi! When we celebrated this feast last year, we began the second year of the National Eucharistic Revival, a year where the focus would be in the parish. We inaugurated the year by offering a Eucharistic Procession. And I began this bulletin series, hoping to shed some light and inspiration on the many dimensions of the Eucharist.

While today's article closes my weekly series, I wanted to point out some very important things. Firstly, this weekend (weather permitting) we will once again embark on a Eucha-

ristic Procession outside the grounds of our parish after the 11:30 AM Mass. And we look ahead to the third and final year of the Revival, a missionary year.

What does this mean, exactly? Recall last week's article, about the purpose of the dismissal at Mass (in fact, perhaps one of the most important aspects of the Mass). If we are to truly be Eucharistic People,



who believe in the depth of our hearts and souls in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharistic, then we must carry this belief out into the world, into our daily lives. We need to continue to welcome our Catholic brothers and sisters back to Mass, whatever their reasons might be for staying away. We need the world to know why Jesus is vital to our everyday lives. We need to take the inspiration we may have gained from a homily, from partaking in Holy Communion, or from a Eucharistic devotion and apply it to our own lives and the lives of others. All of this because the world truly needs people like all of us - believers in the abiding presence, love and mercy of God, who so loved the world that he gave his only Son.

May God continue to strengthen our faith and transform our

hearts through his only begotten Son, both on this feast day of Corpus Christi, and especially in the year ahead.

"The Eucharist is the sacrament of love: it signifies love, it produces love. The Eucharist is the consummation of the whole spiritual life." - St. Thomas Aquinas

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

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# Prayers for Our Community

## Pray for the Sick

Susan AgneMiaBaby KadenIAna BeltraniBGregory BennettMEdward J BoneyDeSteve Cotsalas SrJChristine DiFilippoNurRocco DiMaggieILinda DowlingRicRobert FerroNoahStephanie GoodhartJRichard LandiAndEileen Macholz-BarrIJim MarquetteI

Mia Mednick (10yrs) Ellen Murphy Bernice Noeker Matt O'Connell Deacon Al Pankus Joseph Platia Nunzio Steve Puleo John Reddy Richard Ronning Noah Simonetti (2yrs) John Spadaro Andrew M Valentine Laura Vigneaux Debbie Ward

\*this listing will expire on September 31st, 2024

## Pray for Our Military

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

Troy A. Maida Connor Hendrickson Evan Hendrickson Christopher Sidor Ryan Smith Will Maley

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

# Altar Bread & Wine Memorial



# Jaclyn Aloi Marie Papola Anthony Giannelli WELCOMED HOME

Pray for the Deceased

We continuously pray for our deceased loved ones.



## Pray for our Clergy

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

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

# **Parish Operations**

## SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection from: May 25th & 26th

\$5170

Thank You!

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

## 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.

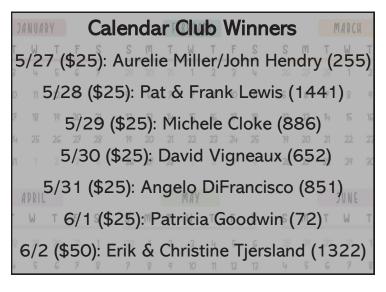
If you go into Faith Direct and manage your payment options, there is now a drop-down that will allow you to opt-in to give an additional 2.5%. This helps the Church offset the cost of processing payments, and allows us to receive the full amount of your donation.

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

## 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.





# Parish Social Ministry



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.



ST. THOMAS MORE

**†**PARISH OUTREACH**†** 

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

## 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.



Today as we celebrate the gift of the Body and Blood of Christ, let us pray for those who are hungry, malnourished, and starving.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call or email us so that together we can try to help. We can be reached at 631-648-2760 or by email at svdp.stm@aol.com

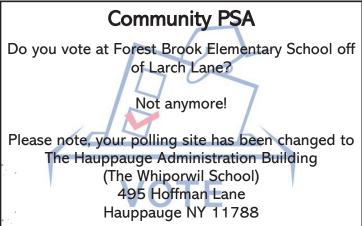
# In Our Parish Have you been called by Name?

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

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.







## Fr Antony is here to stay!

On October 29th, 2024, I will be turning 70 years old. After this age, pastors will be appointed only on a "one year at a time" basis. Bishop Barres has asked me to continue as the Pastor of St. Thomas More until June 2025. I am very happy to serve you for another year. Let us grow as a Parish Family of St. Thomas More, as long as God's will and the Diocesan needs require me to serve you.

> Lovingly, Father Antony Asir





# In Our Parish



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.

## 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



## Children's Liturgy







Children ages 4-8 are invited to join us each Sunday at the 9:30am Mass. Scripture and Faith on their level!





## Happening at St. Thomas More

## Coming Up @ STM

Sun June 2nd, 12:30pm Youth Group

Tues June 4th, 7:00pm Adoration

Wed June 5th, 7:00pm Knights of Columbus Business Meeting

Thur June 6th, 5:30pm Children's Choir Rehearsal

Thur June 6th, 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Sun June 9th, all day Feast Weekend! Healthy Sunday! Pancake Breakfast! Raffle Drawing! Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday 9:0 0 A M

Saturday 5:0 0 PM

Sunday 8:00 A M 9:3 0 A M 11:3 0 A M

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\* The Body of Christ

Adoration and Benediction led by Deacon Matt!

Tuesday, June 4th at 7:00 pm

Word, Music, and Silent Prayer



# Celebrate STM at our annual

# **Pancake Breakfast!** Sunday, June 9th after the 8, 9:30 and 11:30am Masses



# Healthy Sunday



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



# GRAND PRIZE: \$10,000!!!

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# ERST WEEKEND

**ST THOMAS MORE PRESENTS** 







# God bless all Confirmed!

May 20th, 2024

























"But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you." John 14:26



Congratulations to Youth Group members Caesar, Dominic, and Bella!









# NOVENA PRAYERS ST. THOMAS MORE

## Litany of St. Thomas More

(to be prayed each day after the Novena prayers that follow)

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

St. Thomas More, Model of Integrity and Virtue in Public and Private Life, pray for us. St. Thomas More, Servant of the Word of God and the Body and Blood of Christ, pray for us. St. Thomas More, Model of Holiness in the Sacrament of Marriage, pray for us. St. Thomas More, Teacher of his Children in the Catholic Faith, pray for us. St. Thomas More, Defender of the Weak and the Poor, pray for us. St. Thomas More, Patron of Statesmen, Politicians and Lawyers, pray for us. St. Thomas More, Patron of Justices, Judges and Magistrates, pray for us. St. Thomas More, Promoter of Human Life and Dignity, pray for us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Spare us O Lord. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Graciously hear us O Lord. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Have mercy on us.

Dear St. Thomas More, you had a very strong faith in the providence of God to completely surrender every moment of your life to the holy will of God. I pray through your intercession that I may be freed all our fears and anxieties; that I may face life with courage and joy. Pray for me that God may grant me and my family good health and cheer of heart. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## <u>First Day</u>

## (for each of us)

Dear St. Thomas More, in your earthly life, you were a model of prudence. You never thrust yourself rashly into any serious undertaking; instead, you tested the strength of your powers and waited on God's will in prayer and penance, then boldly carried it out without hesitation. Through your prayers and intercession, obtain for me the virtues of patience, prudence, wisdom and courage. Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...

## <u>Second Day</u>

## (for our Children)

Dear St. Thomas More, in your earthly life, you were a model of diligence. You shunned procrastination, applied yourself with fervor to your studies, and spared no effort in achieving mastery in any skill. Through your prayers and intercession, obtain for our children the virtue of diligence and persistence in my preparations for all undertakings. Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be

## Third Day

## (for the unemployed)

Dear St. Thomas More, in your earthly life, you were a model of industriousness. You threw yourself wholeheartedly into everything you did, and you found enjoyment even in the most serious things. Through your prayers and intercession, obtain for me the grace of always having suitable employment, the grace to find interest in everything fitting, and the fortitude always to pursue excellence in whatever task God gives me to do. Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...

#### Fourth Day

(for peace with those we struggle to live with) Dear St. Thomas More, in your earthly life, you were a brilliant lawyer and a just and compassionate judge. You attended to the smallest details of your legal duties with the greatest care, and you were unflagging in your pursuit of justice tempered by mercy. Through your prayers and intercession, obtain for me the grace to overcome every temptation to laxity, arrogance, and rash judgment in my (legal) duties. Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...

## Fifth Day

#### (for those who suffer addictions)

Dear St. Thomas More, in your earthly life, you were a model of humility. You never allowed pride to lead you to take on enterprises beyond your abilities; even in the midst of earthly wealth and honor, you never forgot your total dependence on your Heavenly Father. Through your prayers and intercession, obtain for me the grace of an increase in humility, and the wisdom not to overestimate my own powers. Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...

## Sixth Day

#### (for a happy home and peace in the family)

Dear St. Thomas More, in your earthly life, you were a model husband and father. You were loving and faithful to both of your wives, and a diligent provider and example of virtue for your children. Through your prayers and intercession, obtain for me the grace of a happy home, peace in my family, and the strength to persevere in chastity according to my state of life. Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...

#### Seventh Day

#### (for health and spiritual welfare)

Dear St. Thomas More, in your earthly life, you were a model of Christian fortitude. You suffered bereavement, disgrace, poverty, imprisonment and a violent death; yet you bore all with the strength and good cheer for which you were known throughout your life. Through your prayers and intercession, obtain for me the grace to bear all the crosses that God sends me with patience and joy. Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...

#### <u>Eighth Day</u>

## (for the gift of discernment)

Dear St. Thomas More, in your earthly life, you were a loyal child of God and a steadfast son of the Church, never taking your eyes off the crown for which you strove. Even in the face of death, you trusted in God to give you the victory, and He rewarded you with the palm of martyrdom. Through your prayers and intercession, obtain for me and mine the grace of

final perseverance and protection from sudden and unprovided death, so that we may one day enjoy the Beatific Vision in your glorious company. Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...

## Ninth Day

### (for the special needs of the family)

Dear St. Thomas More, you spent your whole earthly life preparing for the life to come. Everything you endured prepared you not only for the glory God wished to bestow upon you in heaven, but for your work as the patron of lawyers, judges and statesmen, and steadfast friend to all who call upon you. Through your prayers and intercession, obtain for us aid in all our necessities, both corporal and spiritual, and the grace to follow in your footsteps, until at last we are safely home with you in the mansions our Father has prepared for us in heaven. Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory

Be..

St. Thomas More, Patron of our Parish PRAY FOR US