

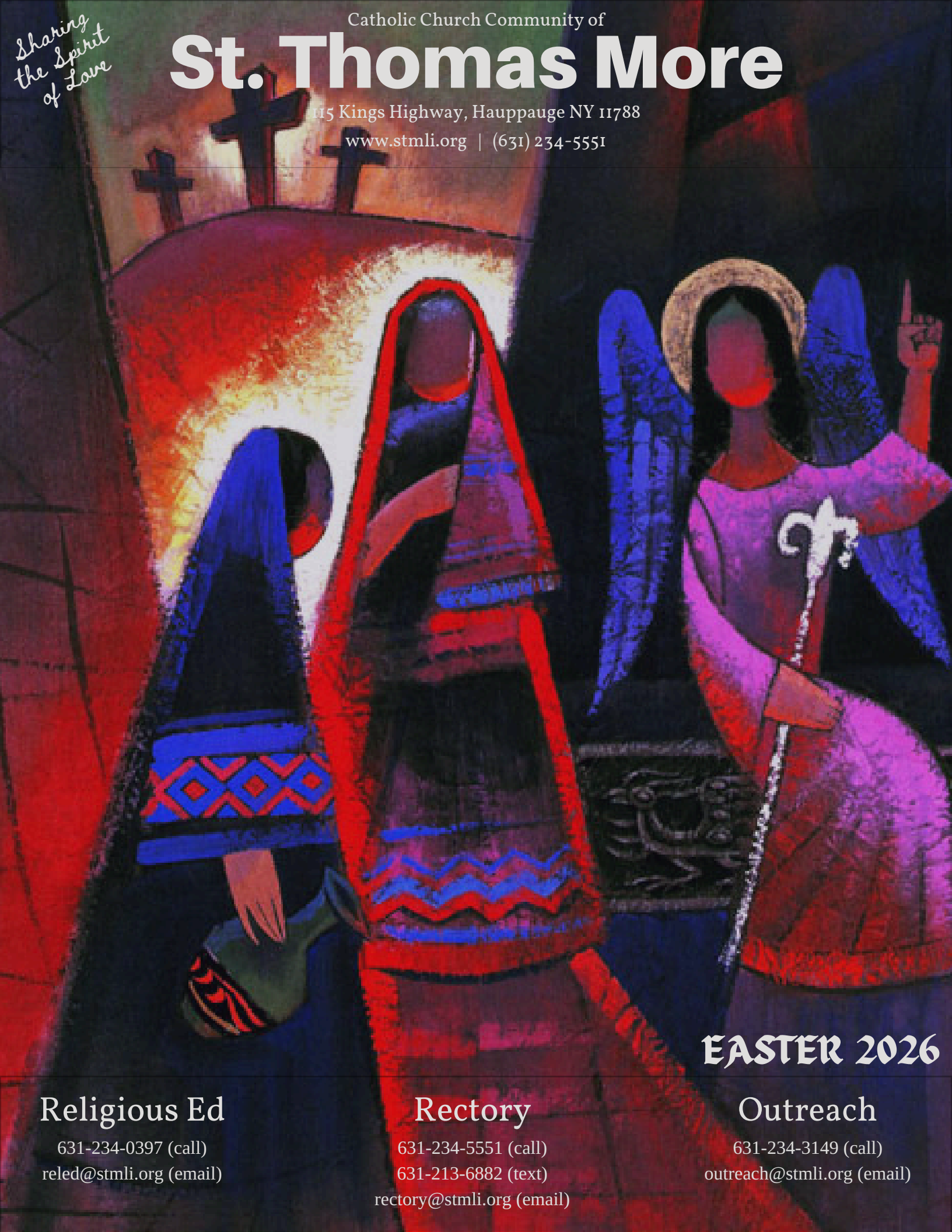
*Sharing
the Spirit
of Love*

Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

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EASTER 2026

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This Week's Masses

Saturday, April 4th

7:30pm Easter Flower Remembrance

Sunday, April 5th

Easter Sunday

8:00am Easter Flower Remembrance

9:30am Easter Flower Remembrance

11:30am Easter Flower Remembrance

Monday, April 6th

9:00am Al Weidig

Tuesday, April 7th

9:00am Michael Leocadi

Wednesday, April 8th

9:00am Jack Gaudet

Thursday, April 9th

9:00am Al Weidig

Friday, April 10th

9:00am Barbara Postel

Saturday, April 11th

5:00pm William McKechnie
Mildred Duffy

Sunday, April 12th

Second Sunday of Easter

8:00am Rosalie Tafoya

9:30am Marianne Certa
Thomas Kostor

11:30am Al Weidig
Michael Leocadi



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. Vincent Ferrier (4/5)
St. John Baptist de la Salle (4/7)
St. Stanislaus (4/11)
St. Martin I (4/13)

Saints in heaven, *pray for us*

Prepare for Next Weekend

Second Sunday of Easter

April 12th 2025

our
daily bread

Readings

Acts 2:42-47

Psalms 118:2-4,13-15,22-24

1 Peter 1:3-9

John 20:19-31

The full text of all the readings, including the Gospel, can be found online via the USCCB.



bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar

Mon-Fri

9am

Sat

5pm

Sun

8am

9:30am

11:30am

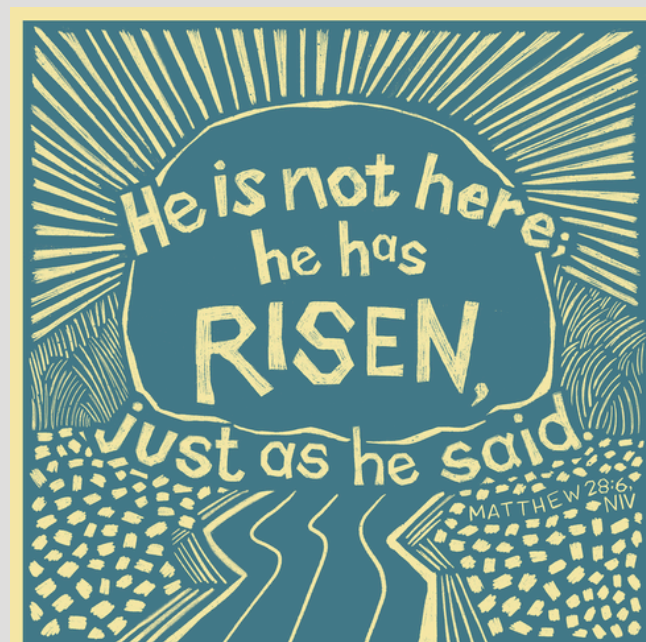
Focus Questions

1: How do you deal with doubt in your faith life?

2: Describe a time when you experienced peace.

3: How easy or hard is it for you to forgive?

Families: Talk about using Thomas's words, "My Lord and my God" when the priest raises the body and blood of Christ during the Mass.



From the Pastor

Jesus is Risen! Hallelujah!! Blessed Easter!!!

As we read in the Gospel, **the women went to the tomb with spices to embalm the body of Jesus.** They were surprised to see the empty tomb – the body of Jesus was missing. An angel told them that Jesus was risen – came back to life from death. On the way back they meet the Risen Jesus himself who told them to spread the news about His Resurrection – that HE is alive and never to die again.

Like the women and the Apostles, we have **journeyed with Jesus through His Passion and death**, and now have come to celebrate Easter. We too can meet the Risen Jesus, if we have faith. Let us come near the Lord, not with the mindset of the women who expected nothing more than a dead body of Jesus in the Tomb. Let us believe and come back to see the Risen Jesus. Let us welcome the Risen Lord, that He may revive and rejuvenate our life.

In all the **Resurrection narratives of all the Gospels**, we see that those who had the faith met the living and Risen Jesus. May this Easter celebration introduce and increase our faith in the Risen Jesus! May the Risen Jesus enliven all our moments of life. Even though we may be going through a tough time now, troubled relationships with friends or our beloved, disappointments and despair around us, the message of Easter is that there is hope. Jesus, in whom we believe, has won the invincible death. He will never let us down and our hope will not go in vain. Jesus is Risen!

I personally **thank all those who worked with heart and soul** to make the Holy Week, Easter Vigil, and Easter Sunday a great spiritual and faith-filled experience of the mysteries of our faith.

Those who decorated the Church and altar, various ministers served the liturgies both on and behind the altar, and those who helped with their time, talents, and treasure - all of you made the commemoration of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Our Lord celebrative.

Thanks to the Choir. They elevated the liturgical ceremonies to meaningful and joyful celebration as they always do. I appreciate all the *volunteers who served at Outreach and the Pantry.* Through your generosity, they served gift cards and three bags of food to over 60 needy families. God bless you all. Thank you, the family of St. Thomas More, for your hearty participation and support.

With love and prayers,
Father Antony



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Prayers & Petitions

Pray for the Deceased

Barbara Schreifer
Philip Camera
Geraldine Keena
Joseph Beltrani Sr
Sharon Tuthill

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

St Gertrude, pray for us.

Pray for the Sick

Angela Conzo
Anna Mancuso
Blair Rocchio
Bob Basile
Ellen Murphy
Fern Peppe
Jim Engle

Baby Kayden Richard
Linda LoCastro
Margaret Lombardi
Maria Murphy
Maureen Gunderson
Michael Redmond
Mike Acampora
Baby Sienna Dwyer

*This listing will reset on September 30th 2026

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.

Altar Bread & Wine Memorial

April 6th - April 12th



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

Pray for our Clergy

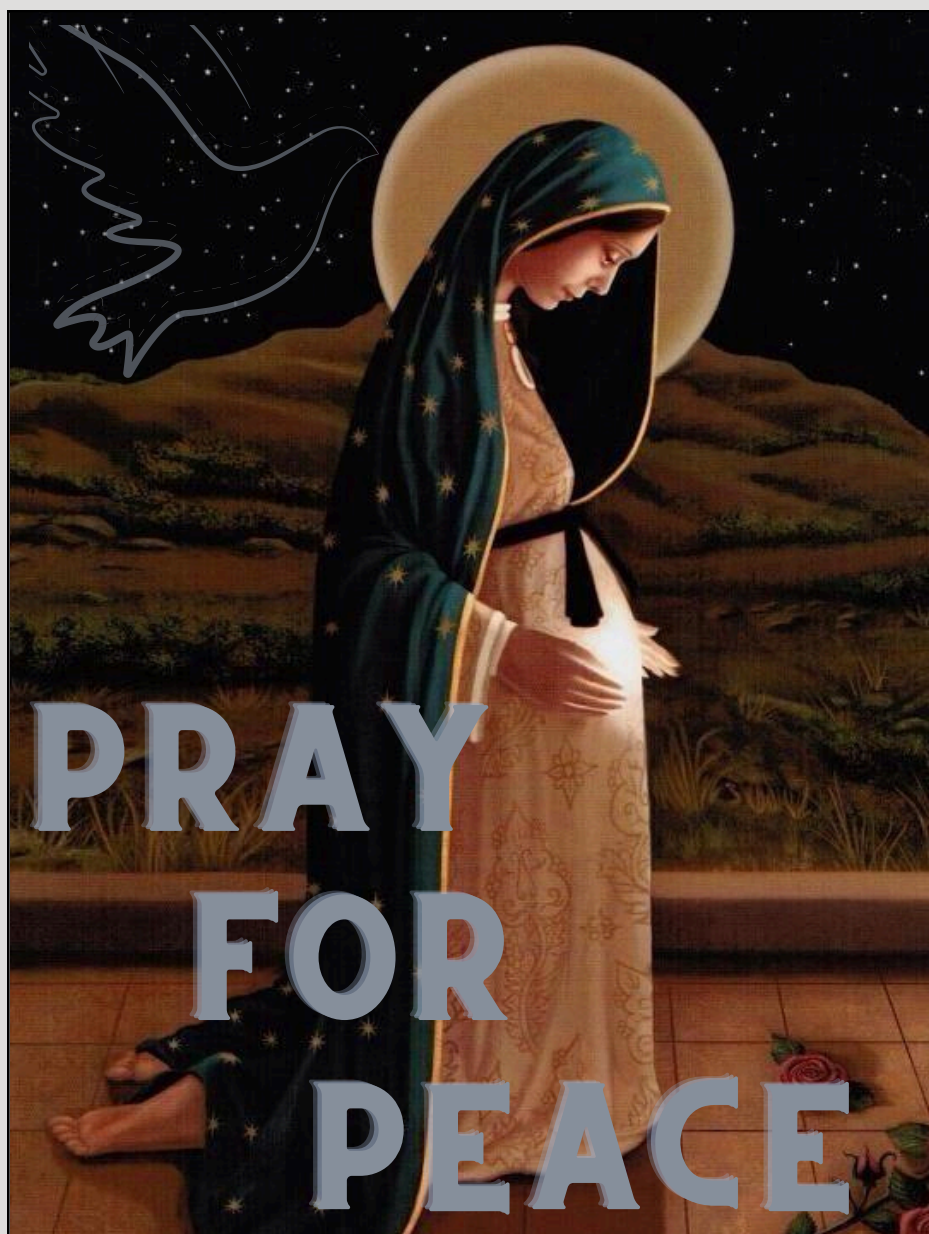
Father Antony Asir
Deacon Robert Weisz
Deacon Edward Vigneaux
Deacon Matthew Surico
The Capuchin Friars
Bishop John Barres
Pope Leo XIV

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
Chris Capasso	Matthew P Dell'orto

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.



Support our Parish

Financial Support

Collection from:
March 28th & 29th

\$9129

Please consider supporting St. Thomas More. We encourage all parishioners to try electronic giving through ParishSoft Giving. It is both convenient and secure. For more information, 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.

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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.

A Gentle Reminder:

Please do not place clothing or household items in the food bins or leave them at Outreach. We do not have a lot of extra storage space. There is a clothing bin in the back of the parking lot where clothing can be donated to St. Vincent de Paul. If you have household items, please call the Outreach office!

Parish Social Ministry

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

PSALM 118:24

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.

Easter blessings from
the volunteers at Parish
Outreach



*We are STILL overflowing with BEANS. We would appreciate it if you could pick up different items instead of beans! Thanks!

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

Christ is Risen! Happy Easter!

Thank you for your support of the Parish Lenten Project. St. Vincent de Paul and Parish Outreach are grateful for your generosity.



Contact us: call 631-648-2760 or
email svdp.stm@aol.com





NEXT MEETINGS:

APRIL 10TH

APRIL 24TH -
GUEST SPEAKER
FROM PSEG

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS
WELCOME!

CALL MARY ANN
631-234-8118

Paschal Candle 2026

Thanks to all who sponsored this years
Paschal Candle!

In Memory of...

Augie Vrondis

Paul Watral

Edward Zebrowski

Juanita Williams

Patricia & Anthony Repetti

Elizabeth & Thomas Atkinson

Patricia & Joseph Phelan

Joseph Beltrani Sr.

Joseph & Roberta Kavanagh

Eileen-Macholz Barr

In Honor of...

The Citro Family

The Fagioli Family

The Lovelock Family

The Ferraro Family

Easter Water Bottles...

The Barrasso Family



PLEASE PRAY FOR

OUR OCIA NEOPHYTES
AS THEY JOURNEY TO THE EASTER
VIGIL AND FULL PARTICIPATION IN
THE CHURCH.

JONATHAN APRILE
EMMA CLARE BARRASSO
JORDAN CAPILETS
RYAN DEMPSTER
MITZY RINCON RUIZ
NAYLA RUIZ
DANIEL SHEBSHAYEVICH
OLIVIA VASSALLO



THE FINAL WORD IS LOVE

OUR LADY

QUEEN OF PEACE

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молися за нас

bete

ruega por nosotros

Προσευχηθείτε

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молитесь за нас

pray for us

התפלל למענו

nobis

Parish Weddings

Please pray for these beautiful couples who received the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony here at St. Thomas More!



Tanya Fajardo & Michael Oliver

SAVE THE DATE

MSGR FRANCIS S MIDURA MEMORIAL

GOLF OUTING

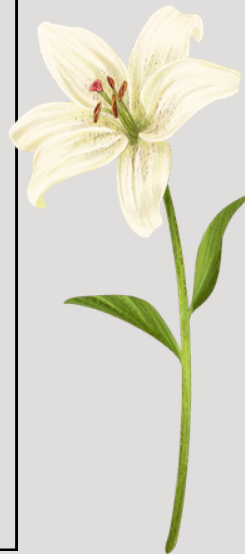


September 14th, 2026

9am Shotgun Start

Contact Ed Rogan for more Information

516-319-8643



ParishSOFT® Giving

As FaithDirect was acquired and rolled into ParishSoft Giving, many parishioners are still having issues with their accounts. If you need help, please contact ParishSoft Support directly. We apologize for any inconvenience this process has caused, and we are looking into other options.

Thank you for your patience.

ParishSoft Contact Options

866-507-8757

donorsupport@parishsoft.com

866-930-4774 x5



Spring Flower Sale 2026



Please write a quantity for flowers you are purchasing on the line next to the color options. Write the total in the box on the bottom with your name & phone number, and place this form with your payment, cash or check, in an envelope marked "flowers" (if using, make checks payable to St. Thomas More). **Return the envelope to the collection basket or rectory by April 19th**

Cal Small Petunia
(8" Hanging Pot)

\$20.00

Pink Yellow
 Purple/ Blue

New Guinea Impatients
(8" Hanging Pot)

\$20.00

White Salmon
 Lavender

Balkin Ivy Geraniums
(8" Hanging Pot)

\$20.00

Pink

Begonia

\$20.00/ flat

Green Leaf/Pink
 Green Leaf/Mixed
 Bronze Leaf/White

Impatients

\$20.00/ flat

Purple Red
 Mixed

Marigolds

\$20.00/ flat

Large Yellow
 Dwarf Yellow
 Dwarf Mixed

Geraniums
(6"Pots)

\$10.00

Salmon White
 Pink Red
 Blue Violet

New Guinea Impatients
(6"Pots)

\$10.00

Red White
 Pink Orange

Total Enclosed:

Name:

Phone #:

All orders will be ready for pick up on the weekend of May 9 & 10 before and after all masses!

Holy Hour

"Death's Defeat"

Traditional &
Contemporary
music by Alex &
Noelle White



Gospel Reading,
Adoration and
Benediction led
by Deacon Matt

Tuesday, April 7th, at 7:00pm

Word, Music, and Silent Prayer

"This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

Luke 24:46-48

JULY

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Calendar Club 2026

Congratulations to our February winners!

Future winners will be posted monthly in the bulletin!

OCTOBER

DECEMBER

Feb 1 \$50 Loretta Catalano
 Feb 2 \$25 Gary & Colleen Connors
 Feb 3 \$25 Arthur & Kathryn Ultsh
 Feb 4 \$25 Arturo Bisono
 Feb 5 \$25 Joseph & Mary Ann Lilly
 Feb 6 \$50 Denise Murphy
 Feb 7 \$25 The Datre Family
 Feb 8 \$50 Joan Timons
 Feb 9 \$25 Terri Harrington
 Feb 10 \$50 Erik & Christine Tjersland
 Feb 11 \$25 Kathleen Watral
 Feb 12 \$25 Matthew Fortmeyer
 Feb 13 \$25 Gary & Colleen Connors
 Feb 14 \$25 Sandra Kowalchuk
 Feb 15 \$50 Peggy & Ed Goutink
 Feb 16 \$25 Steven J Lott

JANUARY

MARCH

Feb 17 \$25 Richard Soldano
 Feb 18 \$50 Chris & Gert Hirsch
 Feb 19 \$25 Susan Sorrentino
 Feb 20 \$25 William Stepanek
 Feb 21 \$25 Elena & Ernie LaFontaine
 Feb 22 \$50 Donna Basile
 Feb 23 \$25 Stephanie Scaduto
 Feb 24 \$25 Carole & Warren Holtje
 Feb 25 \$25 Don & Judy Persia
 Feb 26 \$25 Kim & Wayne Boney
 Feb 27 \$25 Ellie Stout
 Feb 28 \$25 Arthur & Kathryn Ultsh

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- Mar 1 \$50 Caroline Fortmeyer
- Mar 2 \$25 Christopher Edsell
- Mar 3 \$25 Michele Musto
- Mar 4 \$25 Annette Vinelli
- Mar 5 \$25 Jay & Mary Rosenwald
- Mar 6 \$50 Helen Barbarito & Peter Stauffer
- Mar 7 \$25 Stephanie Scaduto
- Mar 8 \$50 Marianne Manzella
- Mar 9 \$25 Eileen Weidig
- Mar 10 \$50 Mary E Conway
- Mar 11 \$25 Jaclyn & Jim Cotgreave
- Mar 12 \$25 Amadeo Fasolino
- Mar 13 \$25 Rick Mallen
- Mar 14 \$25 Pam & Chris Collins
- Mar 15 \$50 Lynn & Ken Goodwin
- Mar 16 \$25 Greg Napolitano & Family
- Mar 17 \$25 Marie Reddy
- Mar 18 \$25 Kim & Wayne Boney
- Mar 19 \$25 Rosemarie Amoroso
- Mar 20 \$25 Sandra Kowalchuk
- Mar 21 \$25 Mike & Andraia Miller
- Mar 22 \$50 Christina Falcone
- Mar 23 \$25 Joseph & Joy Licari
- Mar 24 \$25 Marilyn Miller
- Mar 25 \$50 The Barr Family
- Mar 26 \$25 Arturo Bisono
- Mar 27 \$25 David Safaty
- Mar 28 \$25 Janet & Mike Daly
- Mar 29 \$50 Jacqueline Garziano
- Mar 30 \$25 Bob & Evelyn McMahon
- Mar 31 \$25 Emilia Savarese

Blood Drive

Critical Need

St. Thomas More RC Church

Wednesday April 22, 2026

1:30pm-7:30pm

Walden Hall

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge

Prepare to donate



Eat well
and hydrate



Bring a
photo ID



Feel good and
symptom free



Must be 17+ or
16 with parental
consent form



Meet minimum
weight requirements

For full eligibility requirements
and COVID-19 information, visit
nybc.org/eligibility.



Scan the QR CODE to schedule
your donation

An Easter Table Prayer

Creator God and Lord of life,
You who call forth from the darkness of death
all those who love you,
we rejoice, on this Easter Sunday,
in the resurrection from the dead
of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Visit our home and this table
With your bright blessing of peace and life.
We pause in the midst of this prayer
to remember all the Holy Dead in our family
who live now in you and who await
the final and glorious resurrection of the dead.

May they and we,
because of our faith in You, our God,
taste in the victory of life over death.
May the risen Christ, our Lord and Savior,
be our guest as we celebrate his resurrection
with this Easter Sunday dinner.

Bless those who work to preare this meal
which has been a work of prayer,
and bless all of us who shall share it
with Easter love and Joy
May You, then, bless this table and this food,
and each of us,
in your Holy name.

Amen



CLARIFYING CATHOLICISM

Easter Facts

When is Easter?

Did you know that there is a very specific formula for when we celebrate Easter Sunday? In the Roman Catholic Church, Easter is celebrated on the *first Sunday after the first full moon of the vernal equinox*. That means Easter will always be during Spring, and within a week of a full moon. On our calendars? From March 22nd all the way to April 25th.

What Marian hymn do we sing during Easter?

Regina caeli, Queen of Heaven!
Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia
The Son you merited to bear, alleluia
Has risen as he said, alleluia
Pray to God for us, alleluia

Did St Hippolytus of Rome write a prayer for Easter?

Yes, he did!

Christ is Risen: The world below lies desolate
Christ is Risen: The spirits of evil are fallen
Christ is Risen: The angels of God are rejoicing
Christ is Risen: The tombs of the dead are empty
Christ is Risen indeed from the dead, the first of the sleepers,
Glory and power are his forever and ever.

How long is Easter?

Easter lasts for a whole 50 days, right up to Pentecost Sunday. The first 8 days of Easter, the "Octave of Easter" are all solemnities. That means we celebrate each of those days as if they were Easter Sunday!

Why eggs at Easter?

A: Symbolism: Some say the three parts (shell, white, yolk) are like the trinity. Others that the egg is the tomb, opened and emptied.
B: During the Middle Ages eggs were prohibited during Lent, so there were lots available for Easter.



