



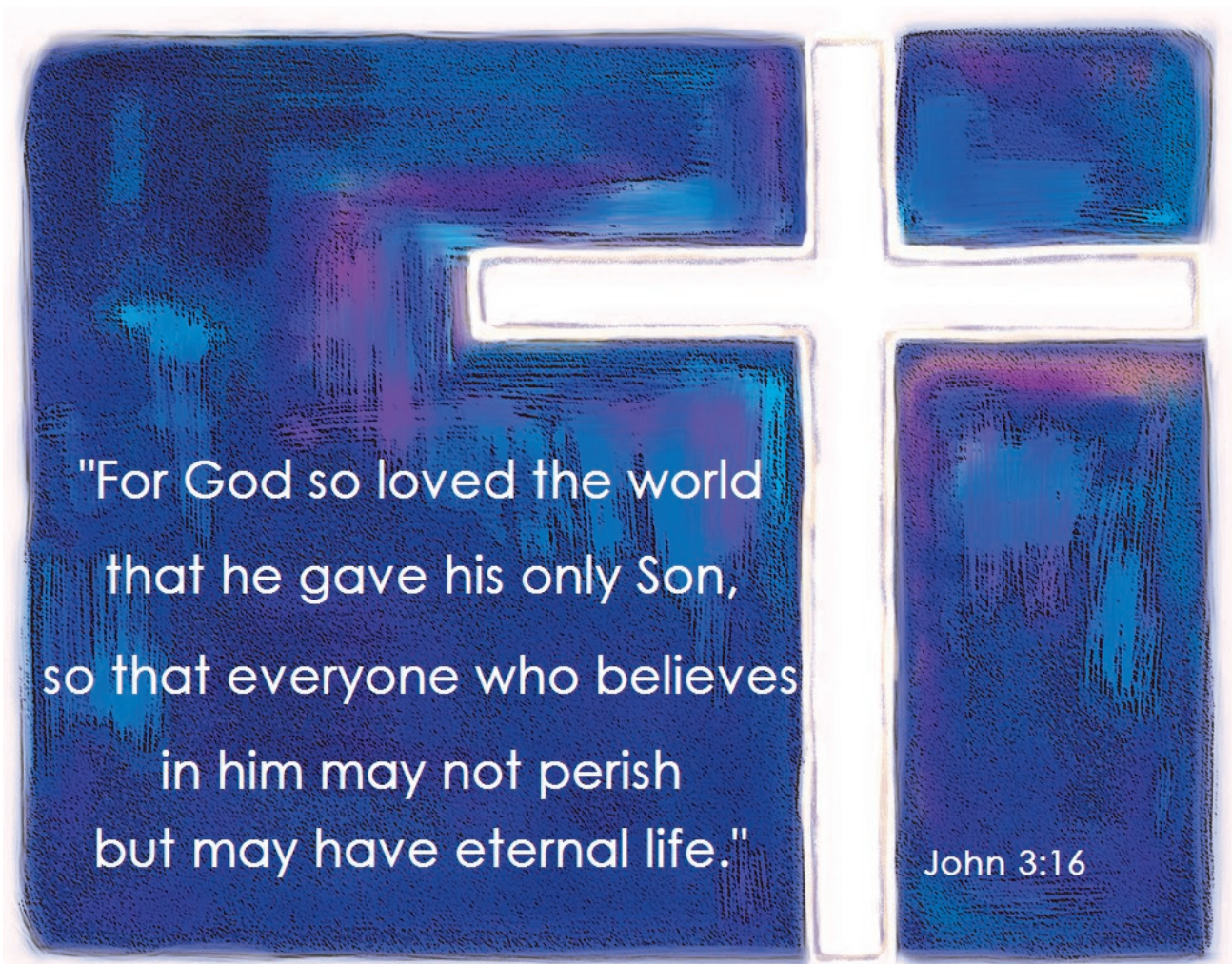
Catholic Church Community of

# St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

March 11, 2018

Fourth Sunday of Lent



#### Parish Mission Statement:

*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.*

#### Contact Numbers

**Rectory**  
234-5551

**Religious Ed**  
234-0397

**Outreach**  
234-3149

## ***Masses for this coming week***

March 11, 2018  
Fourth Sunday of Lent  
2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23  
Psalm: 137: 1-2, 3, 4-5, 6  
Ephesians 2: 4-10  
John 3: 14-21

### **Saturday, March 10**

*(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm Sophie Pankus *by Al Pankus*

### **Sunday, March 11--Fourth Sunday of Lent**

8:00am Louis & Anthony Giuliano *by Francine Rosmini*

9:15am Msgr. Robert J. Kirwin

10:45am Patricia A. Anelli *by the Altar Society,*  
Patricia Ann Buzzanca *by Georgiann Anderson,*  
Barbara Joan Cally *by Vincent P. Crudden &*  
*family,* Linda Elfman *by Leo Purcaro,*  
Betty Favola *by Gail Audiino,*  
Alton Hayner *by Elizabeth & Margaret Kane,*  
Sally O'Connor *by Elizabeth Kane,*  
Cecelia Sullivan *by the Ress family,*  
Kenneth Thomas *by Kathy Drechsler*

12:15pm Nancy Scandariato *by Yolanda Schweers*

### **Monday, March 12**

9am Howard Levine *by the Lowe family*

### **Tuesday, March 13**

9am Joan Popp Maniuszko *by Josephine Hauk*

### **Wednesday, March 14**

9am Florence Daly *by Linda Amatulli*

### **Thursday, March 15**

9am Mr. & Mrs. Charles Potuzak Sr. *by Charles  
Potuzak*

### **Friday, March 16**

9am Mr. & Mrs. Charles Potuzak Sr. *by Charles  
Potuzak*

7pm Stations of the Cross

### **Saturday, March 17**

9am Bernice Kluse *by Richard & MaryAnne Buynak*

*(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm Herb Lamb *by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Bie & family*

### **Sunday, March 18--Fifth Sunday of Lent**

8:00am Msgr. Robert J. Kirwin

9:15am Msgr. Robert J. Kirwin

10:45am Kenny Hagland *by Reggie & John Lane*

12:15pm Patricia Ann Anelli *by the Hospitality  
Committee,* Elizabeth Bromberick *by Deacon Ed  
& Laura Vigneaux,* Patricia Ann Buzzanca *by  
Michelle & Bill DiNapoli,* Jean Cullinan *by  
Vincenzo La Fauci,* Dorothy Yodice *by Vincent  
Crudden & family.*

## ***Growing through the Sunday Scriptures***

March 18, 2018  
Fifth Sunday of Lent  
Jeremiah 31: 31-34  
Psalm: 51: 3-4, 12-13, 14-15  
Hebrews 5: 7-9  
John 12: 20-33

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John:

Some Greeks who had come to worship at the Passover Feast came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we would like to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me.

"I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name."

Then a voice came from heaven,

"I have glorified it and will glorify it again."

The crowd there heard it and said it was thunder; but others said, "An angel has spoken to him."

Jesus answered and said,

"This voice did not come for my sake but for yours. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself."

He said this indicating the kind of death he would die.

### **Focus questions:**

1. When was the last time you did something for someone else?
2. How has being a Christian changed you as a person?
3. How hard is it for you to put aside your own feelings, wants, and desires and act according to what Jesus asks of us?.

### **Family and children's question:**

Our Lenten project is "Neighbors helping Neighbors". Be a part of the change Jesus asks of us by helping those less fortunate in our community.



## **PRAY FOR THE DECEASED**

Carmen Torres, Richard Magnussen, Josephine Cucci, Anthony William Pagano, our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women

## **COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(First Notice)*

Calling all high school students! Join the Dominican Youth Movement USA for a unique weekend experience where you will meet new people and engage in a lot of fun activities--all while deepening your relationship with God and re-imagining what it means to be a "preacher!" Space is still available for our next overnight Youth Preaching Workshop on **March 16-18, 2018 at St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School, West Islip and the Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville Motherhouse in Amityville.** The cost is \$20 per person which includes overnight stay at St. John's Retreat Center and food for the entire weekend. Check out our website for more info:

**www.dymusa.org/ypw!** For questions or if you'd like to register, please contact Jessica at [ypw@dymusa.org](mailto:ypw@dymusa.org) or call Sean Puzzo at 63-842-6000 ext. 308.

**St. Joseph's Seminary--201 Seminary Ave. Yonkers, NY--Summer Course Offerings--M.A. in Theology--June 4 to July 17, 2018.** ☐ Courses will be offered in Educational Ministry, Ecclesiology, Women in the Bible, The Problem of Evil, Sacred Music, and a course co-sponsored with the Liturgical Music Institute.

☐ The Educational Ministry Course will be a hybrid course, i.e. taught online with a designated time to meet at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, Long Island.

☐ Two courses will be video-linked between our Yonkers Campus and the Huntington campus.

If you have any questions, please call 914-968-6200.

*(Second Notice)*

**Christ the King Roman Catholic Church--2 Indian Head Road, Commack--Lenten Concert: Seven Last Words of Christ--Sunday, March 18, 2018--7:00 pm in the Church.** Free will donations will be accepted at the doors of the Church. Join as we pray and reflect on the last words of Jesus on the cross using hymns and sacred songs.

For more information, please call 631-864-1623 or e-mail [jsmaldino@ctkrcc.org](mailto:jsmaldino@ctkrcc.org)

**The Lenten Retreat--Friday, March 23 - Sunday, March 25, 2018.** Fr. Hugh Gillespie, SMM--Montfort Spiritual Center, Bay Shore--[montfort06@gmail.com](mailto:montfort06@gmail.com)--631-666-7500. **Silent Retreat - "Let us Consider Gentle Jesus in His Dying".** Retreat begins Friday - 6:00 pm (Registration) (shared rooms) space is limited. \$175.00 p.p. Payment in full and registration **due by March 16th.** Please submit Name, Address, E-mail and Phone and make check payable to Montfort Missionaries. Mail to Montfort Missionaries, Att. Kathy Roeder, 26 South Saxon Ave., Bay Shore, NY 11706.

**USING FAITH DIRECT?** - It's quick and easy!

Consider having automatic deductions from either your checking or savings or use a credit card to support St. Thomas More each week. With Faith Direct, there is no fee to you! Please visit the Faith Direct website at [www.FaithDirect.net](http://www.FaithDirect.net) to sign up: our church code is **NY227**. You may also use the form located where you obtain the bulletin. We thank you for your support.

**UPDATING CREDIT CARD INFORMATION**—If you get a new card or a renewal card, make sure that this information is communicated to Faith Direct.

**CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES**—If you do not receive weekly envelopes and would like them mailed to you, please use the cut out that is in the bulletin and indicate that you wish to receive them on a regular basis. Usually it takes about two weeks for your request to be completed.

### **MAINTENANCE COLLECTION**

We thank you for your support of our parish project to maintain our parish facilities. If you would like to help, please use a maintenance envelope where you obtain the bulletin.

**CEREAL BOX TOP COUPONS**—Drop them off in the Church lobby drop-off box and we will use them to buy things for the students in our regional school.

**USED CELL PHONES**—We thank everyone for giving us their old cell phones. We forward them to a convent that recycles them and uses the proceeds for the poor.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**—You can check online for any updates at <http://calendar.yahoo.com/stmreled>.

**HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL SCHOOL**, Commack, New York—Grades Nursery through 8th Grade. You may contact the school at [parents@holyfamilyregional.com](mailto:parents@holyfamilyregional.com) to schedule a tour of the parish's regional school, or visit the school website at [www.holyfamilyregional.com](http://www.holyfamilyregional.com)

## **FR. ANTONY'S LETTER**

Dear Friends,

**"I remember my wedding day very distinctly,"** said the elderly gentleman. "I carried my new bride across the threshold of our little house and said, 'Honey, this is yours and my little world.'"

"And I suppose you've lived happily ever after?" asked the reporter.

"We have been fighting for the world's championship ever since," was the reply.

**In today's Gospel We hear** that "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life." God's wish and plan for us is to live with Him eternally as His loving children. God loves us so much that He does not hesitate to sacrifice His son Jesus for us. We are called to live here as His children and thus to live as siblings to each other.

**The Gospel continues** that it is up to us to realize this truth and live this spiritual reality. We can choose to be God's loving family or we can choose to reject Him and get perished. It is up to us to choose to live in light or to remain in darkness. God waits with open arms to start a life of love with each of us. Those who recognize and realize it, begin to live and flourish. Those who willfully reject it condemn themselves and choose to perish. Let this Lent give us the spiritual realization to live and flourish.

**This week is our Parish Mission:** Fr. John Sureau, Pastor at St. John the Evangelist R.C. Church in Center Moriches, will lead us in this Lenten Spiritual Exercise. He will present God's message on March 12, 13 and 14 at the 9:00 am mass and at 7:00pm. I invite you to set aside this quality time for you to discover who God desires you to become.

**March 23<sup>rd</sup> Friday at 6:00 pm is the Soup Supper.** If you wish to attend please bring a meatless soup to share with others. Soup supper will be followed by Stations of the Cross.

**Those who would like to sponsor the Paschal Candle,** Easter Vigil Candles and the Easter Holy water bottles are welcome. Please contact the rectory for further information.

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony

### **PASTORAL STAFF**

Rev. Antony Asir, Pastor  
Deacon Robert D. Weisz  
Deacon Edward R. Vigneaux  
**Religious Education**  
Patricia Chapin, Co-director  
Mary Ellen Carroll, Co-director  
**Parish Outreach**  
Staffed by volunteers  
**Music Ministry**  
Emilia Savarese, Facilitator  
**Youth Ministry**  
Joe Gast, s.c., Youth Minister

### **OUR PARISH SACRAMENTAL LIFE**

#### **EUCCHARIST**

Weekend Masses: Saturday: 5pm  
Sunday: 8am, 9:15am, 10:45am, 12:15pm  
Weekday Mass: 9am, Monday through Saturday.

**BAPTISM-** As soon as your child is born, please call the Parish Office to make Baptism arrangements. Preparation session and welcoming Mass attendance are required.

**MARRIAGE-** As soon as a couple decides to marry, and BEFORE making any other arrangements, call the Church Office to schedule an appointment with the Parish Office or one of the deacons.

**RECONCILIATION-** Celebrated in Church every Saturday from 4pm to 4:45pm, or by previous appointment with Parish Office.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK-** Call the Church Office to request visitation of the sick.

**CONFIRMATION-** Those who have not been confirmed should call the Parish Office to receive further information.

**HOLY ORDERS-** Contact the Parish Office for more information about the priesthood or diaconate.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Miki Alicastro  
 Barbara Bamonti  
 Karen Berlet  
 Bernadette  
 Janice Bini  
 Joseph Bittner  
 Jean Blaney  
 Pat Booth  
 Bear Bonner (3 years old)  
 Pamela Brosnan  
 Mary Brussell  
 Francisco Burgos  
 Anthony C. (5 yrs)  
 Daniel Callihan  
 Dona Caragol  
 Christina Cammarata  
 Barbara Cappisillo  
 Linda Sue Cappisillo  
 Kathy Capuano  
 Dona Caragol  
 Swami Chettiar  
 Patrick J. Coll  
 John Colosi  
 Thea Constantatos  
 Donald Crocker  
 Mary Cullin  
 Joey Cullum  
 Christopher Davanzo  
 Mike DeLeo  
 Caroline De Santis  
 Amanda De Rosa  
 Preston De Rosa (2 years old)  
 Florence & Anthony Donato  
 Walt Drechsler Jr.  
 Elvira DuBritz  
 Duke  
 Leona Esposito  
 Dominga Francisco  
 Andrew Gallo  
 Connie Gennaro  
 Ciro Ghiraldi  
 Gerald Gilson  
 Eleanor Gowell  
 Isabelle Grenier  
 John Hanna  
 Richard Happe  
 Bud Harrelson  
 Olive Harrison (16 months)  
 Patti Hauer  
 Jamie Hawkins  
 Jane Hoffman  
 Laurie Holmes  
 Theresa Huebner  
 Anita Ilardi  
 Anne & Judi Iovino  
 Joseph Jacklets  
 Regina Jeskie  
 Suzy Johnson  
 Richard Kaler



Costa Katsapis  
 Gabriella Grace Kerr (16 months)  
 Jean Marsala Kieffner  
 Albert Kunz  
 Theresa Marvelli  
 Elaine Kleenstauber  
 Dr. C. Lalli  
 Luigi Lanzo  
 Morgan Leary (age 8)  
 Anne Leggio  
 Wayne Leo  
 Nancy Link  
 Phillip Lloyd  
 Patricia Loicano  
 Nicolas LoRusso (2 years old)  
 W. Mike Masone  
 Laura Mattioli  
 Cindy Mango  
 Rosemary Mango  
 Phyllis Markowitz  
 Diane McCann  
 Terri Ilardi McKee  
 Camille Mendolia  
 Sharon Mills  
 Marie Minutillo  
 Rosie Miranda  
 Dorothy L. Monaco  
 Barbaralynn Moseman  
 Ellen & Leo Murphy  
 Betty Napoli  
 Caidee Nielsen (2 years old)  
 James Nielsen (16 years old)  
 Victoria Nelson  
 Jean Noschese  
 Fr. Harold Noviello  
 Patricia OConnell  
 Sarah O'Connor  
 Beatrice Okorn  
 Joseph P.  
 Dorothy Pagano  
 Rainey Pappas  
 Mary Ann Peet  
 Celeste Pena  
 Fern Peppe  
 Susan Power  
 Lauren Quarltre  
 Cecelia Rantz  
 Diane Rantz  
 Robert K. Rathje  
 Kim Rico  
 Venjamin Rivera  
 Mary Ruchalski (10 yrs. old)  
 Robert Schernowitz  
 Elyse Schrage  
 Teresa Shannon  
 Kim Shernowitz  
 Daniel Skinnon  
 George Soto  
 Mary Spinosa

**PRAY FOR THE SICK** (Continued)

Richard Tulipan  
 Valerie M. Valentino  
 Mike Walsh  
 Debbie Ward  
 Rosalind Warmuth  
 Gregory Yule  
 Joey Ziegler

*(This listing will expire on  
 March 25, 2018).*

SAVE THE DATE



It's tea time again sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul--  
**May 5, 2018 -- 12 - 4 pm.**

Take your hats out and be ready to spend an afternoon  
 with family and friends.



**Trip to Manhattan on  
 April 4, 2018 to see  
 "Hello Dolly"--  
 Lunch at Sardi's.**

**For more information, please  
 call: Elaine Moccia at  
 631-724-6337.**



**The Diocese of Rockville Centre Honoring Couples  
 married Fifty Years or More**

**Sunday, April 29, 2018  
 2:30 p.m.**

**Church of St. Rose of Lima in Massapequa**

Please contact the Rectory (631-234-5551) for  
 Registration form, which must be received by the  
 Diocese by **April 13, 2018.**

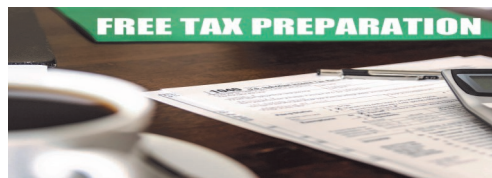
**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY**

Ethan Bernstein	Michael Knipper
Jessie Bernstein	Dylan Kowalski
Anthony Broncatello	Alex Lombardi
John Burk	Thomas LaFemina
David Chester	Andrew Lombardi
John Chester	Scott Lovelock
Nicholas Chester	Andrew Lynch
Theresa Chester	William Maley
Eddie Cullum	Thomas Migliara
Eric Cullum	Tim Morris
Christopher Day	John Nachtman
Timothy Fallon	Kaitlyn Nachtman
Bryan Figueiredo	Thomas Nichols
Karin Fitzgerald	Adam Papaizai
Nicholas W. Flanary	Michael Poist
J.T. Foltz	Michael Polanski
Mike Foltz	Kyle Rathje
William Gregory	Antonia Marie Rivera
Carl F. Greiner	Ana Karen Sanchez
Philip Guidone	Donovan Sanchez
John Michael Haffner	Justin Schneider
Sean Hendrickson	Christopher Sidor
John Karies	Ryan Smith
	Michael White

**OUR PRIEST CELEBRANTS**

*(Subject to last minute changes)*

	<u>This Weekend</u>	<u>Next Weekend</u>
	(March 10-11)	(March 17-18)
<u>Saturday</u>		
5 pm	Fr. John	Msgr. Boccafola
<u>Sunday</u>		
8 am	Fr. Bala	Fr. Antony
9:15 am	Fr. John	Fr. Antony
10:45 am	Fr. John	Fr. Antony
12:15 pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Bala



AARP is offering free tax preparation services by IRS certified tax volunteers at the Hauppauge, Central Islip, Connetquot, and Kings Park Libraries, and the Smithtown Senior Center, **beginning February 1st and ending April 17th**. You do not have to be a member of AARP or a senior citizen to use this service, it is open to anyone. Call the Library or Senior Center for available times and days. Some sites require an appointment and some sites are first come first served. The Hauppauge Library requires an appointment, that can be made by phone, and is available on Monday starting at 9:30 AM and Saturday starting at 12 noon.

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If you have a service member or know of someone who is serving our country and you would like to have their name added to this list, please submit their names through the collection basket or the Church Office. If a soldier has returned, let us know.

**SOCIAL MEDIA & EMAIL**

**Websites**

- [www.stmli.org](http://www.stmli.org)
- [www.stthomasmoreyouth.org](http://www.stthomasmoreyouth.org)

**Facebook**

<https://www.facebook.com/StThomasMoreHauppauge/>

**Instagram**

- STTHOMASMORECHURCH
- stmreligiousd
- stm\_yg

**Email**

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- Joe Gast: [joe.gast@stmli.org](mailto:joe.gast@stmli.org)
- Altar Servers Ministry: [altarservers@stmli.org](mailto:altarservers@stmli.org)
- Personal Prayer: [SpiritualOrientations.com](http://SpiritualOrientations.com)
- To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following: Barbara & Joe Fratamico at [BJFRAT@optonline.net](mailto:BJFRAT@optonline.net)





## The Season of Lent has begun and with that begins our Lenten Project

This year's theme is "Neighbors Helping Neighbors."

Who are our neighbors? The person living next door or down the street? The man or woman sitting next to you at Church today, the child playing in the school gym? The Neighbors for our Lenten Project are the hungry, the cold, the homeless, the anxious, the desperate parents without resources to celebrate a holiday with their family.....

Your donation to this year's Lenten Project will make a difference right here in Hauppauge!

Each week the little wooden house will be displayed next to the bulletin board in the narthex waiting for donations in cash, or check. Please be generous!

Thank you for helping your neighbor!



**Neighbors helping**

**Neighbors**

### PARISH OUTREACH



We are starting our Easter dinner food collection and our Easter baskets for the children. Food suggestions would include hams, potatoes, canned vegetables, refrigerated rolls or packaged rolls, pudding mixes, cake, etc. The candy baskets are for children up to age 16. We would appreciate age-appropriate things in individual baskets. Certainly, anything that you can contribute would be greatly appreciated! Our clients will be picking up their supplies on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week, March 26 – 28. We are at Outreach from 10 -2 from Monday through Thursday.

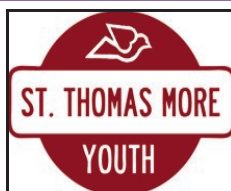
We have also begun the neighbor-to-neighbor Lenten project, in which you can donate to the little wooden house in the Narthex. Your donations, whether cash or check, will be used to help our neighbors with more than food; it will help to alleviate other problems as well. This is a joint project with St. Vincent de Paul.

It seems as though we are always asking for something in this column; however, the feeling that you get from making lives easier, from knowing that you helped make another person's burden more bearable, will in turn make your life happier!

Know that you are doing God's work.

What do you call a fake noodle? An impasta !

### YOUTH MINISTRY CORNER



Our Registration Forms are already online for download and can be dropped off in the Parish Office or brought to Youth Ministry. Please access [www.stthomasmoreyouth.org](http://www.stthomasmoreyouth.org) and look under FORMS.

We are always in need of additional adults who would like to serve our young people with love, faith and joy. Please reach out to Joe if you would be interested in joining our Youth Ministry team!



**St. Thomas More  
Msgr. Francis S. Midura Council 6062**

This year we look forward to new and exciting flowers. The Flower Sale will be on Mothers Day Weekend—Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. Pre-order forms will be in the bulletin in late March.

## CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION



Catholics for Freedom of Religion  
[www.cffor.org](http://www.cffor.org)

### Update: Turning Lemons into Lemonade at Ohio School District

When the atheist Freedom From Religion Foundation (FFRF) threatened West Branch H.S., insisting they ban offering a short prayer at athletic events, and the school district agreed, admitting they couldn't afford a lawsuit, FFRF didn't expect that hundreds of young people would arrive at games with a better idea. "Everybody's really coming together to support the prayer issue," said a local pastor. (Now) we're having more conversations about prayer and the Gospel than we've ever had before."

By mid-February over 5,000 "Prayer Matters" T-shirts were sold. More than half the attendees at a recent game were wearing these shirts and, when the team played on the road, the home team they visited made and wore their own "Prayer Matters" tees in a sign of solidarity.

Some students have also created "Coexist" shirts, calling out the atheist minority's unwillingness to allow free-flowing ideas on campus. They believe allowing individuals to avoid all encounters with religion should be discouraged since it creates an atmosphere of close-mindedness, intolerance, ignorance and hypersensitivity.

"All the proceeds will go to any legal fee incurred on this matter," said one parent who helped start the drive to reinstate prayers. First Liberty Institute are now investigating a way to restore religious freedom to these students.

Therefore, rather than being discouraged by the FFRF's efforts to censor prayer, a pastor enthusiastically declared, "The opportunities to talk about prayer and the Gospel are tremendous ... all because of "No Prayer at Basketball Games!" These students are showing millions of Americans how to thwart the overreach of a special interest minority, just as the Founding Fathers intended.

(ratchetfights.org, 2/8/28; frc.org, 2/16/18; ohio.com, 2/7/18; truthrevolt.org, 2/7/18)

*"And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose." Romans 8:28*

We pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet every  
**Wednesday, at 3:00 pm in the Church**



### CIRCLE OF WOMEN

It is the mission of the Circle of Women Book Group to focus on the spiritual influence of contemporary writing that facilitates our own reflections of God's action in our daily lives.

We meet on the second Monday of the month at 2:30 pm in Walden Hall. For further information and/or to register, call Marilynn at 631.234.5805 or Joan at 631.234.1739.

The Circle of Women will meet on Monday, March 12th, 2018. The book for discussion will be I am Malala by Malala Yousafzai--Facilitator Marti White.

The book for discussion on April 9, 2018 will be Love and Other Consolation Prizes by Jamie Ford--Facilitator Maria Rotolico.

### THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

*(Not totally inclusive)*

**Sunday--March 11--2nd Collection--Catholic Relief Services**

10:15am--Girl Scouts Cookies Sale

7pm--Youth Ministry--Kitchen/Walden Hall

**Monday--March 12**

9am--Parish Mission--Church

2:30pm--Circle of Women--Meeting Room

7pm--Parish Mission--Church

**Tuesday--March 13**

9am--Parish Mission--Church

7pm--Parish Mission--Church

**Wednesday--March 14**

9am--Parish Mission--Church

6:30pm--Baptism Prep--Meeting Room

7pm--Parish Mission--Church

**Thursday--March 15**

5:30pm--Children's Choir--Church

7:30pm---Choir--Church

**Friday--March 16**

7pm--Stations of the Cross

**Saturday--March 17**

6pm--Knights of Columbus--St. Patrick's Dinner--Kit/WH/

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## **SUPPORT COLLECTION**

Collection of March 4, 2018 \$9,032.22

Envelope **users**: Please enter the amount of your donation in the space provided on the envelope This will greatly help us when counting the collection and for recording your contribution

### **St. Thomas More Golden Jubilee Capital Campaign** *“Grateful for our Past - Planning for our Future”*

<b>Goal</b>	<b>\$1,000,000</b>
<b>Total Pledged</b>	<b>\$ 954,290</b>
<b>Paid to Date</b>	<b>\$ 595,041</b>
<b>% of Cash Received</b>	<b>62%</b>
<b># of Gifts</b>	<b>454</b>
<b>% of Goal</b>	<b>95%</b>

**Thank you for your Support!**

On behalf of Father Antony and the entire Campaign committee we wish to thank all Parishioners who have made a gift to the Campaign. Thanks to the generous support from many families the campaign has been a great Success. We deeply appreciate your generous Response!

**Thank you for your prompt pledge payments!**

Pledge reminders are mailed on the 15th of each month. If you have not received a reminder or have any questions about your payment schedule, please call Andy White at 16-607-3635.

We also kindly invite those parishioners who are still considering making donations to please contribute whatever you wish to help us reach our goal soon.

## **Congratulations! CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS**

*Here are the winners for March 4 - 10, 2018*

Sun.	3/4/18	#197	\$50	Mae Devine
Mon.	3/5/18	#489	\$25	Harold & Theresa Lund
Tues.	3/6/18	#985	\$25	Marilyn Manzella
Wed.	3/7/18	#798	\$25	Gerard & Joan Smith
Thurs	3/8/18	#202	\$25	Joanna La Marr
Fri.	3/9/18	#966	\$25	Joy Licari
Sat.	3/10/18	#441	\$25	Lottie & Chet Kalenty

**Thank you!**



*Pictured above are our Level 2 communion students who brought food to the 9:15 am Mass for our Lenten Project. Many thanks and God Bless you.*

## **CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2018**

as of February 27, 2017

<b>Our Parish Goal</b>	<b>\$70,100.00</b>
<b>Pledges to date</b>	<b>\$18,010.00</b>
<b>Percentage of Goal</b>	<b>25.7%</b>

**PRAYING FOR THE SICK****— Adding a name Request —**

PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING TO THE PARISH LISTING OF THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Name of person (s) who is (are) ill:

Relationship to the person who is ill:

Person making the Request:

TODAY'S DATE:

*(Please place in collection basket or drop off at Church Office)*

**CHURCH MINISTRIES**

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING A LITURGICAL MINISTER OR WANT TO SHARE YOUR TALENTS?

Please complete the following form:

I would like to volunteer in the following parish ministry:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Altar Server            | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Usher                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Greeter               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> RCIA                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Liturgy with Children |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lector                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Eucharistic Minister  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Consolation Minister    | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscaping/Planting  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rosary Altar Society    | <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Cana              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caring for Altar Plants | <input type="checkbox"/> FOCCUS                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Lending Library   | <input type="checkbox"/> Banner Committee      |

Name::

Address:

Phone:

**REGISTRATION and/or ENVELOPE REQUEST**

NAME(s):

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

E-MAIL:

I/we would like to register in the parish.

Please send contribution envelopes.

I am already registered in the parish but do not receive contribution envelopes. I would like to receive them.

Other \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please return in collection or return to Church Office)*

**2017 CONTRIBUTION REQUEST**

I/We would like a record of our 2017 contributions to St. Thomas More.

NAME(S):

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

E-mail:

**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2018**

I/we would like to support the Catholic Ministries Appeal for 2018.

NAME(s) ADDRESS:

PHONE:

Amount of the pledge: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check for entire amount is enclosed.

Installment enclosed. I/We would like to pay the rest in \_\_\_\_\_ installments.

*Please return to the Rectory for further processing.*

## St. Thomas More Employment Services

\*Are you presently unemployed and looking for a part-time or full-time job? \* Do you have or know of any job openings? If so, call our Employment Services Office, 234.4629 and leave a message for Mae Devine or call Mae on Monday mornings. Calls are kept in strict confidence.

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE

**Cablevision** - Account executives sales for potential customers—canvassing assigned territory— Excellent benefits. Understand state of the Art Digital Video - PC skills - outstanding benefits. Residential Account Executive— 4 days, 12-9, Sat. 9-6 —canvassing assigned territory for potential customers, follow up leads from customer contacts.

**Catholic Health Services of LI** 1) Openings-Client Services-Patient Financial Systems & several others. Competitive Benefits.

2) **Superintendent Helper Male** Central Islip Condo-Windbrooke Homes drivers lic., \$13.00 per hr.—15 hrs.

**Geico Insurance**—Sales reps, mgt. trainees, claim services reps. —750 Woodbury Rd, Woodbury, NY. 9am –3pm, M-F, Open House, but apply on line first. Valid Photo ID required.

**Healthcare Opportunities** -

1. Good Samaritan Hospital, 631.969.8200
2. Mather Hospital, 631.476.2774
3. Brookhaven Hospital, 631.447.3708
4. Maryhaven, 631.474.4120, X212 - Contact Maryhaven directly

**Newsday**--Security Officer/EMT--security & safety of employees-2-3 years exp. as security or law enforcement. P/T Collator position-ability to lift 30-50 lbs. Must be available for all shifts. HS Diploma.

**Newsday Media Group**--Account executives for sales. Excellent benefits including matching 401K

**Newspaper Delivery**—Excellent 2nd income—early AM hours—car & valid NYS license.

**New York Community Bank**--Auditors, Financial Service System Engineer, Locksmith & Maintenance Mechanics--Excellent Benefits.

**Panera**--Now hiring FT/PT Associates, Bakers and Shift Supervisors.

**School Bus Drivers**—Flexible hours—Bus Drivers. & Van Drivers. Excellent Benefits-Call now for training. Retirees welcome.

**7-Eleven--Owner is a member of St. Thomas More**--Multiple positions - PT- minimum age 17. Students welcome.

**ShopRite Supermarket**--Various positions open; apply on-line or go to ShopRite in Hauppauge.

**Suffolk Bus Drivers**--Suffolk Co. Bus Company hiring drivers. Contact Suffolk Bus Company.

**St. Catherine of Siena**—

1. **Nursing Home**—Nurse Practitioners, RN supervisors, Recreation Therapists, FT/PT nights, P/T days and weekends, Rehab PT/FT—dietary;
2. **Hospital**—Lab Technologist & Medical Lab assistant. Physical Therapists
3. **Physical Therapy Aides**—PT/ Sport Services, Hauppauge. Mon. thru Fri., days and evenings.
4. **Nurse Manager**—MRI techs, CT techs, Lab techs.

**Teachers, Teacher Assistants & Substitutes**--Town of Smithtown & Kings Park. High School Diploma, 2 yrs. Exp. - before & after school.

**Uncle Giuseppe**--Melville locations, deli, bakery, produce & more openings. Insurance, discount, salaries--also openings in other locations.

**United Cerebral**-- Positions open in Residential, Children's Adult Day Programs throughout Suffolk--Valid NYS Drivers License--HS diploma or GEC. Excellent Benefits and salaries.

See "Civil Service Notice" posted on the bulletin board for future Civil Service Exams. For more information about any of the listed positions please call 234-4629. Note - All babysitting, infant child care, nanny, home care aides, etc. positions are in the child's home. References are required for all of these positions including nursing aides, home health care aides, etc. It is the responsibility of the employer to check all references prior to hiring.

\*\*\*\*We have a list of names of those willing to baby-sit in their homes.

\*\*\*\*We have a list of certified tutors for all Grades.



# Lighten Up

Experience the power of forgiveness this Easter

**RECONCILIATION MONDAY**  
**CHURCHES OPEN FOR CONFESSION**  
**MARCH 26, 3-9 PM**

Archdiocese of New York  
[archny.org](http://archny.org)

Diocese of Brooklyn  
[dioceseofbrooklyn.org](http://dioceseofbrooklyn.org)

Diocese of Rockville Centre  
[drvc.org](http://drvc.org)



## **SAVE THE DATE**

**MSGR. FRANCIS S. MIDURA**  
**6th Annual Golf Outing**

**\$165 per Golfer**

**Includes: Breakfast and Buffet Dinner  
with 2 Hour Open Bar**  
**\*Practice Facilities \*Golf and Cart**

**Rock Hill Country Club, Manorville**

**Monday, September 10, 2018**

**10:30a.m. SHOTGUN START**

**Registration 8:30a.m.**

**For Information Contact:**

**Tom Prunty 631-682-4177**

**Joann Eyring 631-582-1224**

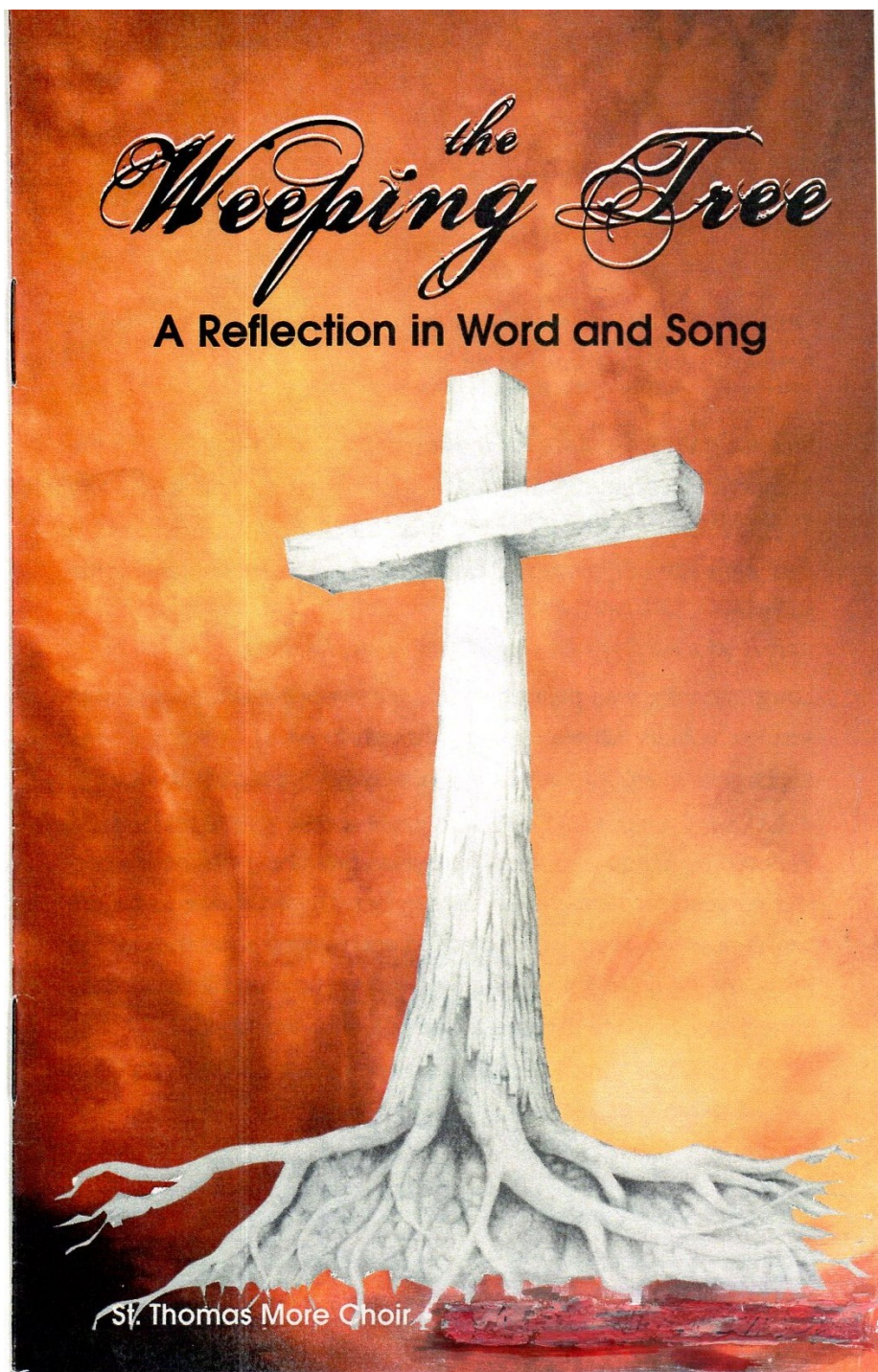
**Al Weidig 631-838-3293**



# The Choir Announces...

That on Wednesday, March 28th, at 7:30pm, they will present "The Weeping Tree". A Cantata highlighting the symbols of Christ's passion and death.

You can bring with you "leaves" of prayer or petition which will be brought to the foot of the Cross that night. The leaves can be gotten in the Narthex.



It is a spiritual evening leading into the Triduum of Easter— Come!







**ST. Thomas More**

**Msgr. Francis S Midura**

**Council 6062**

**St. Patrick's Day Dinner**

**Saturday, March 17. 2018**

**Following the 5 PM Mass**

All are invited with their families to the St. Patrick's Day Dinner as part of the Council's 50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Year. The cost will be \$15.00 per person.

Fare for the evening will be Corned Beef and Cabbage, Potatoes and carrots along with my homemade Irish Soda Bread, Beer and Soda. Provisions will also be made for Irish Coffee.

Tickets will be available after all masses in the Narthex Starting February 24th.

March 15 is the deadline for reservations. Any Questions feel free to contact me.

Ed Rogan, PGK

Email: [eroganjr@verizon.net](mailto:eroganjr@verizon.net)

631-366-1085



## St. Thomas More R.C. Church Lenten Mission

### **Seeking Saints!**

The call of Baptism is a call to holiness – the hope that we can become saints. Yet, we can be overwhelmed by our own failures and anxieties that we fail to remember God’s call for us. The parish mission this year will help us to re-discover how God has called us and who he desires us to become. During the morning and evening session of the Mission (similar presentation at morning at and night), we will journey together to a new discovery of light, hope and peace – the great signs of Easter. In these days, be prepared to laugh a little, maybe even cry a little but most importantly move a little the real celebration of Easter.

Presenter: Fr. John Sureau

Monday, March 12, 2018

Tuesday, March 13, 2018

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

Immediately after the 9 a.m. Mass

and

at 7:00 p.m. + Church



Fr. John Sureau is presently the Pastor at St. John the Evangelist R.C. Church in Center Moriches. Ordained in 2011, he has served previously at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lindenhurst and at Holy Cross R.C. Church in Nesconset. Before ordination, Fr. John worked at St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School and Our Lady of Lourdes R.C. Church in West Islip. Additionally, he is a licensed clinical social worker, working primarily with young adults battling addiction and serves as the Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees of Catholic Charities.

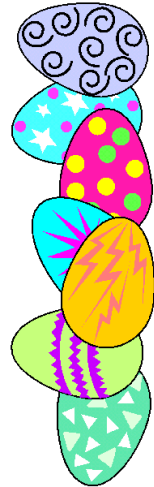


ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH OUTREACH  
and  
St. Vincent de Paul



EASTER April 1, 2018

FILLED CANDY BASKETS NEEDED  
FOR OUR CHILDREN FOR EASTER!



CAN YOU DONATE A BASKET?

BASKETS ARE NEEDED BY THE WEEK OF March 19th

IN ORDER TO DISTRIBUTE IN TIME FOR EASTER!

We are also in need of other food items for  
Easter Dinner

HAMS, POTATOES, SWEET POTATOES, FRUIT, DESSERTS

Thank you for your continued support of our Outreach Ministry.

