

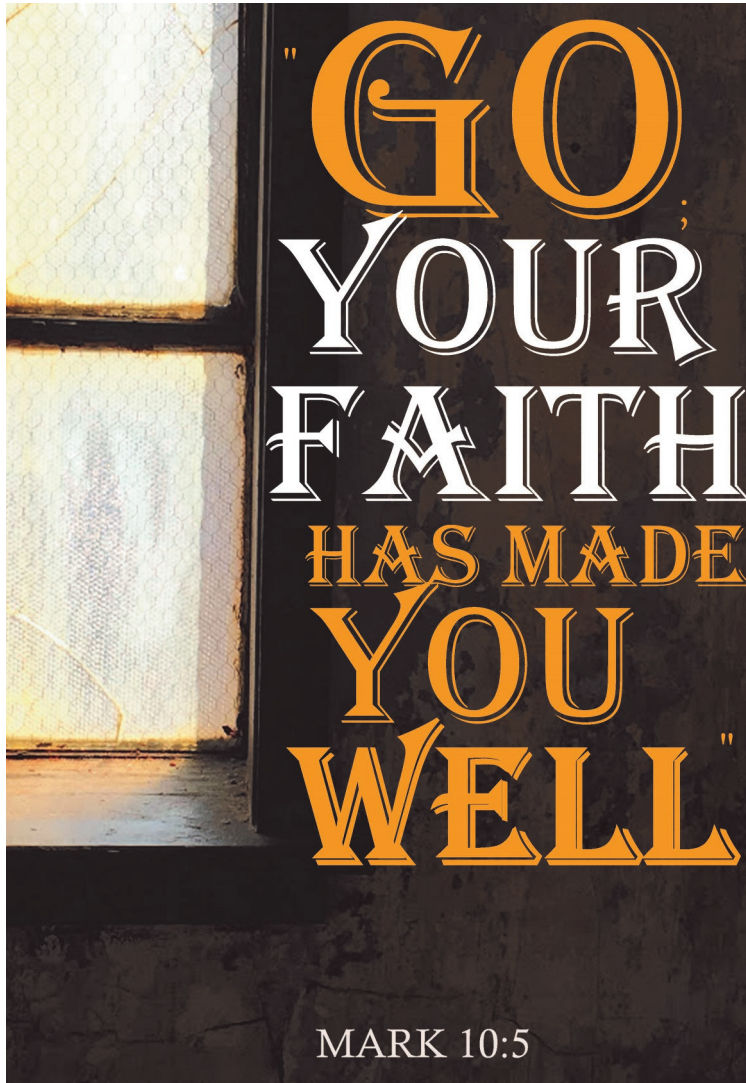
Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

October 28, 2018

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

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Masses for this coming week

October 28, 2018
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jeremiah 31:7-9
Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6
Hebrews 5:1-6
Mark 10:46-52

Saturday, October 27—Blessed Virgin Mary (Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5:00pm Joseph Formichelli *by Luigi & Antoinette Volpe*

Sunday, October 28--Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Christopher & MaryBeth Weidig *by Barbara
Mickelson*

9:15am Jerry R. Santucci *by Bernard Nagel*

10:45am Fr. Harold John Noviello *by Ross & Marie
Bracco*

12:15pm Evelyn Rodriguez *by Eileen Lehpamer,*

Monday, October 29

9am Frank Suszczyński *by Marie Utter, John &
Arlene Aspromgos*

Tuesday, October 30—

9am Anna T. LoCastro *by Helen & Charles Reichert*

Wednesday, October 31

9am Anna LoCastro *by Chris Paino & Joan Oscar*

Thursday, November 1—All Saints Day

9am Christopher & MaryBeth Weidig *by Mom & Dad*

7pm Alice DiStefano *by Emilie & Ellen Segal*

Friday, November 2—All Souls Day

9am All Souls Novena

7pm All Souls Novena

Saturday, November 3 St. Martin de Porres

9am All Souls Novena

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5:00pm All Souls Novena

Sunday, November 4--Thirty-First Sunday in

Ordinary Time

8:00am All Souls Novena

9:15am All Souls Novena

10:45am All Souls Novena

12:15pm All Souls Novena.

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

November 4, 2018
Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Deuteronomy 6:2-6
Psalm 18:2-3,3-4, 47,51
Hebrews 7:23-28
Mark 12:28B-34

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark:

One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked him,
"Which is the first of all the commandments?"

Jesus replied, "The first is this:

Hear, O Israel!

The Lord our God is Lord alone!

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,

with all your soul,

with all your mind,

and with all your strength.

The second is this:

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

There is no other commandment greater than these."

The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher.

You are right in saying,

'He is One and there is no other than he.'

And 'to love him with all your heart,

with all your understanding,

with all your strength,

and to love your neighbor as yourself

is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices."

And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding,
he said to him,

"You are not far from the kingdom of God."

And no one dared to ask him any more questions.

Focus Questions:

1. Describe a time when you found it difficult to love a neighbor.

2. How do you express your love for God?

3. Jesus says that you should love God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength. Talk about how you love God differently with your heart, soul, mind, strength.

Family and children's question:

Talk about the love God has for you and how you love God in return. What actions do you take to show God that you love him?

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Professor: If there are any dumbbells in the room, please stand up. (there was a long pause and then a lone freshman stood up in the rear, so the professor continued) What? Do you consider yourself a dumbbell? Freshman: Well, not exactly, but I hate to see you standing alone. By trying to see if any student would stand, the professor did not realize that he was standing. Seeing is not merely the function of the eyes. Eyes are only viewing instruments. It sees what the heart focuses. If the heart focuses nothing the eye would simply wander everywhere but would see nothing. That is what happens when we stare aimlessly at nothing when our mind or heart is overwhelmed with its own thoughts or emotions.

In the Gospel today Jesus asks the blind man, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man receives his sight only at his faith-filled request, “Master, I want to see.” Seeing does not happen merely by Jesus’ act of opening the blind man’s eyes. It happens to him by his wish to see. Unless one wishes to see something, one sees nothing. Likewise if one refuses to see even if his/her eyes are open, nothing will be seen. The eye opens but the heart sees. When the heart opens, things will be more clearly seen – more than what the physical eye could see. Let us pray with the words of St. Paul that God “may enlighten the eyes of the heart...” (Ephesians 1:18-20) so that we may see and comprehend God’s wonder in and around us.

Halloween - November 1st All Saints. The origin of the word *Halloween* is Christian. Halloween falls on the evening before the *Christian* holy day of *All Hallows’ Day* (also known as All Saints’, *Hallowmas* or *Hallow tide*) on November 1. October 31st Eve of All Hallows in popular use became *Halloween*. When we celebrate our inner power and identity of being saints on November first, we rightfully ridicule and make fun of evil on the eve (October 31st) of ‘All Saints’ feast. The Halloween costumes are geared towards making fun of the evil only to highlight the Goodness and the Saintliness we carry within.

Let us celebrate All Saint and Costume Mass on November 1st. In the background of what I explained above, children, teens and adults are invited with Halloween costumes to attend the All Saints Mass on Thursday, November 1st at 7:00 pm. Thus we can celebrate our potential to be saints by ridiculing all that is non-saintly and evil.

November 2nd Friday, All Souls Day: At 7:00 pm is the Memorial Mass for all those who passed away from us in the past year. Letters of invitation have been sent to the families. Please feel free to join us to pray for those deceased from our families.

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Antony Asir, Pastor
Deacon Robert D. Weisz
Deacon Edward R. Vigneaux
Deacon Matthew T.J. Surico
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

EUCHARIST

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

Bernadette
 Mary Bien
 Janice Bini
 Jean Blaney
 Peter Bongiorno
 Lisa Bravo
 Pamela Brosnan
 Donna Caragol
 Kathy Calandrella
 Barbara Cappisillo
 Linda Sue Cappisillo
 Kathy Capuano
 Patricia Cirone
 Bobbie Cizon
 Joey Cullum
 Walt Drechsler Jr.
 Mary Ann Foley
 Gloria Gamarana
 John H.
 Anita Ilardi
 Joseph Jacklets
 Kevin A. Kane
 Chris Kenney
 Jean Marsala Kieffner
 Rob Kohl
 Wayne Leo
 Philip Lloyd
 Nicolas Lorusso
 Lauren Lossani
 Tom Margiotta
 Terri Ilardi McKee
 Barbara McManus
 Edward McManus
 Marie Minutillo
 Jean Noschese
 Beatrice Okorn
 George Pazolt
 Barbara P
 Joseph P
 Joan Perks
 Frank Procaccini
 Diane Rantz
 Leland Reid
 Victoria A. Russo
 Elyse Schrage
 Carlene Shernowitz
 Kim Shernowitz
 Robert Shernowitz
 Edward J. Smith
 Antonette Solano
 John Spadaro
 Joyce St. Germain

Charles & Peggy
 Stepanek
 Richard Stout
 Chase Turano
 Andrew J. Valentine
 Andrew M. Valentine
 Michael Valentine
 Augie Vrondis
 Rosalind Warmuth
 Diane Weisz
 Arlene Wentin

*This listing will expire on
 March 31, 2019.*

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Viginia Cornacchioli, Eduardo Bravo, Leonel Marques Ramos, Anna T. LoCastro, Dennis LaRosa, our deceased loved ones and our deceased service men and women.

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 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 to schedule a tour of the parish's regional school, or visit the school website at www.holyfamilyregional.com

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

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

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
www.stthomasmoreyouth.org

Facebook

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

Instagram

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 • stm_yg

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 Mary Ellen Carroll: mecarroll@optonline.net
 Outreach: outreach@stmli.org
 Joe Gast: joe.gast@stmli.org
 Altar Servers Ministry: altarservers@stmli.org
 Personal Prayer: SpiritualOrientations.com
 To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following: Barbara & Joe Fratamico at BJFRAT@optonline.net

OUR PRIEST CELEBRANTS

(Subject to last minute changes)

| | <u>This Weekend</u> | <u>Next Weekend</u> |
|-----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | (Oct. 27/28) | (Nov. 3/4) |
| <u>Saturday</u> | | |
| 5 pm | Fr. Rajan | Fr. Antony |
| <u>Sunday</u> | | |
| 8 am | Fr. Corneille | Msgr. Boccafolo |
| 9:15 am | Fr. Corneille | Fr. Antony |
| 10:45 am | Msgr. Boccafolo | Fr. Antony |
| 12:15pm | Fr. Rajan | Fr. Rajan |

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of October 21, 2018 \$6,514.50

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

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2018

as of October 16, 2018

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|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Our Parish Goal | \$70,100.00 |
| Pledges to date | \$46,365.00 |
| Percentage of Goal | 66.1% |



I. Gregory Eichner & Paula Federico

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

Phase II - Completion Campaign Set to Begin
\$30,000 needed to reach our Goal!

During the months of October through November we are conducting an effort to seek additional financial support to help us reach and hopefully exceed our original goal of raising \$1.0 million. Many families in the parish have already given generously to the original campaign and we truly thank you. Without your financial commitment we would have never been able to undertake such an enormous effort.

To make our Completion Campaign a success:

- We ask every new family who has joined the parish since the original campaign to consider a pledge to the best of your financial ability. This pledge could be paid with a 10% down payment and then with monthly installments over a three year period. A down payment is not necessary to begin your pledge.
- We ask those families who have not yet contributed during our original campaign to now join us in making a pledge or onetime gift.
- We ask those families who are still paying on their pledge to continue to faithfully making the payments so we can use the remaining balance to complete the remaining projects.

All Pledges/Donations -- no matter what the amount are welcomed, needed and appreciated!



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 the Meeting Room. For further information and/or to register, call Marilyn at 631.234.5805 or Joan at 631.234.1739.

We will meet on Monday, November 12, 2018.

The book for discussion will be **Before We Were Yours** by Lisa Wingate—
 Facilitator—Vivianne Latorre.

Our next meeting will be on December 10, 2018. The book for discussion will be **A Gentleman in Moscow** by Amor-Towles—Facilitator Barbara Trimarco.

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Sunday—October 28

10:45am—RCIA

7pm—Youth Ministry Meeting—KH/Kit/WH

Monday—October 29

10:30am— Level 2 Conf. Catechist Meeting—WH

7:30pm— Level 2 Conf. Catechist Meeting—WH

Tuesday—October 30

7pm— Genesis to Jesus Bible Study—Kirwin Hall

Thursday—November 1 (All Saints Day)

5:30pm—Children's Choir Reh.—Church

7:00pm—Costume Mass Followed By Hospitality

8:00pm—Adult Choir Reh.—Church

Friday—November 2 (All Souls Day)

9:30am—ALPHA—Walden Hall

7:00pm—All Souls Day Mass

Saturday—November 3

9:45am—EM Meeting—Walden Hall

12:30pm—Baptism (Leoce)—Church

PARISH OUTREACH

Parish Social Ministry is the action that our faith community takes to live out the gospel we proclaim and to grow in love with God and neighbor. At St. Thomas More, our social ministry has many functions and services.



Our prime function is to provide food support for those in need within our parish boundaries. Outreach supports over 50 families each month with basic food supplies that are donated by our generous parishioners. The needs stem from crisis situations such as loss of a job or a sudden illness to more long-term situations such as the death of a parent or loss of a home. Sometimes it feels like we are always asking for your support but, as you know, hunger does not take a vacation.

In addition to our monthly food support, we also provide assistance to our families during Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. School supplies are made available to families before the start of school each year.

We also provide transportation services for individuals who may need a ride to the doctor or another appointment. Outreach is staffed by wonderful volunteers who work in the office, in our pantry, and as drivers. If you know of someone who might be in need, please refer them to Outreach. All information is confidential.

We are beginning our Thanksgiving food drive and, again, are asking for your support. Canned vegetables, stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, potatoes, gravy, juice, coffee, tea, and desserts are always needed. We provide each family with a turkey as well as gift cards so they can buy the perishable items we cannot provide. As you put your donation together, please remember that many of our families do not have full kitchens so smaller items (smaller cans, smaller turkeys or turkey breasts are better). As always we thank you for your donations and I can assure you they are gratefully received by our clients.

MINISTRY MATTERS AT SAINT THOMAS MORE

*The RCIA Team has answered God's call
To help guide future Catholics in the Christian Life.
The Easter Vigil culminates months of preparation
As the candidates receive the Easter Sacraments.*

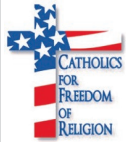
RCIA stands for "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults." Just as it takes an entire village to raise a child, it takes the gifts of an entire loving, playful community to make a committed Catholic Christian. The RCIA team is comprised of committed individuals who are entrusted to share our faith with those adults who express a desire to become a Catholic Christian, and to help lead them to the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation.

STM FRIENDS & FAMILIES

The Office of Religious Education is initiating a new program called STM FRIENDS & FAMILIES. The program will entail volunteer individuals or families who are established in St. Thomas More, to provide welcome and encouragement to families who have a child or children, who are preparing for First Holy Communion.

Volunteers are asked to participate in three "hospitality" Sunday meetings with the 1st Communion family they were assigned, or requested to be with, in order to establish a welcoming environment. In other words,

Be a Parish Friend! FOR MORE INFORMATION call Mary Ellen Carroll at 631-234-0397 or Al Weidig at 631- 234-5551.



CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION

Catholics for Freedom of Religion

www.cffor.org

Focus on Religious Freedom
from Catholics for Freedom of Religion

www.cffor.org

Bible Study Banned on Private Property
Pennsylvania residents, Scott & Theresa Fetterolf, were ordered by government officials to stop using their 35-acre farm to host Bible studies and other Christian gatherings or pay \$500 per day in fines. Since 2003, the property was used for these gatherings, carrying on a decades old practice held by the previous owner.

In October, the city decided that the farm violated a zoning ordinance that states a "place of worship or assembly" must apply for a permit and issued a "Notice of Violation/Cease and Desist Order." However, other properties that host secular counterparts to these activities like parties, political fundraisers, and book clubs are not banned.

"Government should not target religious activities for punishment, particularly when similar secular activities are permitted," said Senior Counsel for the Independent Law Center. **"In America, no government can categorically ban people from assembling to worship on one's own property."**

The lawsuit states that "There is no compelling interest in prohibiting Bible studies, meetings where religious songs are sung, religious retreats/fellowship, and religious fundraisers, especially when secular counterparts of these activities are permitted."

Pastor & Wife Ordered to Stop Bible Studies in their Apartment

A semi-retired Lutheran pastor and his wife, both in their mid-80s, were ordered by their Virginia apartment complex to stop holding Bible studies or face eviction. In 2017, residents asked Pastor Hauges to lead a Bible study in the complex to which he agreed and applied to reserve the community room for the study. But in 2018, other residents attempted to interfere with the Bible study and the management outlawed religious activities in the community room and any private apartment, labeling this study a "business."

First Liberty law firm is now representing the pastor who has agreed to stop leading the Bible studies until the matter is resolved.

"Evicting elderly residents from their home for holding a Bible Study is not only outrageous, it's illegal," said counsel for First Liberty. "It's frightening that a management company would use the threat of evic-

tion to stop residents from meeting together to discuss any issue, let alone their faith."

pafamily.org, 7/18/18; christiannews.net, 7/20/18; citizensngo.org, 7/27/18; theblaze.com, 8/24/18)

Congratulations! CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS

Here are the winners for the week of October 21 to 27, 2018

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| Sun. | 10/21/18 | #404 | \$50 | Arthur & Kathryn Ultsh |
| Mon. | 10/22/18 | #631 | \$25 | Ed & Arleen Rogan |
| Tues. | 10/23/18 | #849 | \$25 | Patricia Citro |
| Wed. | 10/24/18 | #657 | \$25 | Arthur & Kathryn Ultsh |
| Thurs. | 10/25/18 | #427 | \$25 | John & Marie Reddy |
| Fri. | 10/26/18 | #972 | \$25 | John Egan |
| Sat. | 10/27/18 | #705 | \$25 | Elaine Moccia |

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

Please join Mary Ellen Carroll and Ann Russo for 3 evenings, **November 29, December 6 and December 13 at 7:00 pm** for a course that will explore the meaning and impact of Catholic Social Teaching. It is sometimes described as the best kept secret of the Catholic Church since many Catholics do not know about it. Yet the American bishops describe Catholic Social teaching as "an essential part of Catholic faith." They go on to say, "This poses a serious challenge for all Catholics, since it weakens our capacity to be a Church that is true to the demands of the Gospel".

There will be videos, presentation and discussion.

Two of the evenings will take place during the Advent season, a fitting time to explore the message and impact of the Son of God, born in a poor stable, who preached the message of God's love for the least among us and urged his followers to continue his outreach to the poor and those on the margins of society. The world is in urgent need of the message of Our Savior. This class will examine the principles that underlie how we can live Christ's teachings in our time.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

Fr. Stan Wadowski of St. Anne's R.C. Church in Brentwood & Expres' Travel Miranda Zimnoch (631) 789-1227 **Pilgrimage Tour to the Country** of birth of our St. Pope John Paul II and to St. Faustyna Kowalska., **Poland.** August 11 - 22, 2019 Call for more info.

Healing Songs of Hope Free Concert & Love Offering followed by **Church Lighting Ceremony.** Inspirational and holiday music. **Thursday, December 6th at 7:00pm. St. Anne's RC Church. 88 2nd Ave, Brentwood.**

Annual Christmas Craft Fair on Sunday, December 2nd from 9am-5pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church 800 Portion Road, Lake Ronkonkoma.

Molloy College Fall Open House. Sunday, November 11th at 1:00pm. 1000 Hempstead Ave, Rockville Centre. Call (516) 323-4000 for more info.

Vendors Wanted for St. James Church Christmas Fair to be held Saturday. December 1, 2018. For more info please call Todd Bradshaw or Fr. Jerry Cestare at 631-941-4141.

Family & Friends SERVICE Retreat, November 2-4, 2018. Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries (845) 424-3609.

CYFM Boys' Day By Day Agape Retreat, November 9-11, 2018. (845) 424-3609 for information.

(Second Notice)

St. Anthony's High School Mothers Guild—Christmas Craft Fair—Saturday, November 3, 2018; 10 am—4 pm.

Admission free. St. Anthony's High School, 275 Wolf Hill Rd, Melville, NY. For more information please email sahscraftfair@gmail.com

Our Lady of the Rosary Columbiettes Council #4428—annual Chinese Auction for the benefit of the Good Shepherd Hospice & Sts. Cyril & Methodius Outreach & Children of Hope on **Sunday, November 4, 2018—**auditorium of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church at Half Hollow Road & Deer Park Avenue in Deer Park. Doors open at 12:30pm. Admission is \$12.00. Buy your tickets early—Call Donna at 631-667-0503. Great prizes, including gift certificates.

Church of St. Mary, East Islip—Holiday Help Program called "The Unwanted Gift of Grief" sponsored by the Bereavement Ministry—**Thursday, November 8, 2018, 7:30 to 9 pm.** Sacred Heart Hall (next to the church on Main Street). All are welcome and please bring a friend. Refreshments will be served. Please **RSVP by November 1, 2018** at 631-581-4266, ext. 101. Free will offering is appreciated.

The Branch Funeral Home—A seminar designed to give practical suggestions on how to approach the holiday season while grieving the death of a loved one— "Coping with the Holidays after the Loss of a Loved One"—**November 17, 2018—The Branch Funeral Home—190 East Main Street, Smithtown. 10:30 am to 12 noon;** facilitated by Eileen McCormack, Bereavement Specialist. Please call 631-724-9500 to reserve a seat.

Holiday Visit to Calverton National Cemetery—Wednesday, November 28, 2018. Arrival at Calverton: 9:30 am. Departure from Calverton: 1:30 pm. Bus will make stops at both locations on return trip. **8:15 am—The Branch Funeral Home, 190 East Main Street, Smithtown. 8:30 am—Smithtown Senior Center, 420 Middle Country Road, Smithtown.** You must call 631-724-9500—The Branch Funeral Home to reserve a seat on the bus by **Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2018.** For your convenience, you may call the above number to order Grave Wreaths. Your order will be waiting for you on the bus the day of the trip. This is a Free trip sponsored by the Branch Funeral Home. Coffee, donuts and cold drinks will be served, along with pizza on the way back. The bus has a lavatory. Please arrive 15 minutes before bus departs.



High School Youth Ministry is off to a great start! It's not too late to join us and friends are welcome!

Registration forms, information about Youth Group and the calendar for the year can be easily accessed at www.stthomasmoreyouth.org.

Upcoming for Teens:

10/28—*Teen Alpha and Family Dinner, 6pm*

11/10 & 11/11—*Box City Homeless Awareness Night* with other parishes, hosted at St. Louis de Montfort Parish in Sound Beach. Permission slips are available on the Youth website!

12/9—*Diocesan Teen Advent Adoration & Social* hosted at St. Thomas More

We are always looking for loving and dedicated adults to join our Core Team. If you would enjoy working with our group, contact Joe.

All volunteers or parents working with our ministry must complete the Diocesan VIRTUS training program. Visit www.virtus.org for details.



Register online for Upcoming Workshops

Prayer Services For Divorced & Separated Catholics

Christ the King, Commack
October 30, 2018
7:00 p.m.

Facilitator Training in Adult Faith Formation Level One

Holy Family Church, Hicksville
Nov 5, 7, 14, 15, 2018
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Bereavement Ministry Facilitator Training Course Offering – Level 1

Cure of Ars, Merrick
Tue, Nov 6, 13, 20 and 27
9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

RCIA Level I
Maria Regina, Seaford
Wed, Nov 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2018
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Bereavement Ministry Facilitator Training Course Offering – Level 1

St James Parish, Setauket
Nov 10 and Dec 1, 2018
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Sat, Dec 8
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Bereavement Ministry Facilitator Training Course Offering – Level 2

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, West Islip
Sat, Nov 10 and 17, 2018
9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Facilitator Training in Adult Faith Formation Level Two

Holy Family Church, Hicksville
Dec 3, 5, 10, 12, 2018
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Bible How To For Catechists

St. Jude, Mastic Beach
Tue, Nov 13, 2018
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

For more information or to register, visit www.drvc-faith.com

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:

- Altar Server
- Usher
- RCIA
- Lector
- Consolation Minister
- Rosary Altar Society
- Caring for Altar Plants
- Adult Lending Library
- Hospitality
- Greeter
- Liturgy with Children
- Eucharistic Minister
- Landscaping/Planting
- Pre-Cana
- FOCCUS
- 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)

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.

PREPARE FOR ADVENT

The Advent season is a time of spiritual preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time and also to the anniversary of Our Lord's birth at Christmas.

Traditionally, Advent wreaths remind us of the hope implicit in this liturgical season.

Our conference of SVdP has several Advent wreaths for sale (\$15) and boxes of Advent candles (\$5) You can order either or both items.

To order, or for information, contact Jo Garvey, 631-265-2753 or Ann Russo, 631-543-2740.



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 Charities—many positions both full time & part time available— check Employment Bulletin Board outside Walden Hall for complete list.

Per Diem Driver—Chemical Dependence Services—Commack

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.

Educators--Academy Charter schools, elementary, middle & high schools. Administrator & other positions.

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 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.

The Garage—Drivers & Delivery—To deliver orders PT.

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.

ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH OUTREACH

ANNUAL CLOTHING DRIVE

ST. VINCENT de PAUL

SUNDAY OCTOBER 28, 2018

9AM – 1 PM

**TRUCK WILL BE PARKED IN FRONT OF
PARISH OUTREACH GARAGE
119 KINGS HIGHWAY, Hauppauge**

Clean, gently used clothing
can only be accepted on
Sunday October 28th,
DUE TO LACK OF STORAGE SPACE





Knights of Columbus



St. Thomas More Msgr. Midura Council #6062

14th Annual Spaghetti Dinner A.K.A "The Feast"

Date: Saturday, November 10, 2018

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: St. Thomas More Church

Come on down and Enjoy our Italian feast of foods
So the menu this year will be as follows.



Main course

Spaghetti

Meatballs

Eggplant

Sausage and peppers

Chicken

Salad and of course bread.



This also includes cake, coffee, beer, wine, soda, DJ.

The ticket prices are \$15pp.

Lots of Raffles

Share the Wealth

Door Prizes

Please purchase tickets early.

Limited Seating - No Tickets will be sold at the Door

Groups of more than eight need to

Contact

PGK Stephen Loccisano 631-357-4122

E-mail: snlocc@aol.com

*****New*****

Will be collecting food donations for our Outreach.
With every food item you donate you receive FREE raffle tickets .

** Select Group of Prizes**



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #6062
ST. THOMAS MORE/MSGR FRANCIS S. MIDURA**

ANNUAL VETERANS MASS.

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 10TH 2018-- 5PM MASS
THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ASK ALL VETERANS TO WEAR
SOMETHING FROM THEIR MILITARY UNIT—HAT, SHIRT,
UNIFORM ETC. A NEW FLAG WILL BE RAISED IN THEIR
HONOR FOLLWING MASS.**

**IF YOU HAVE A LOVED ONE THAT SERVED IN THE ARMED
FORCES AND WISH TO HAVE A PHOTO PUT ON THE
VETERAN'S BOARD YOU WILL NEED A 3X5 PHOTO OF THE
PERSON AND THEIR BRANCH OF SERVICE, YEARS SERVED
AND RANK.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT THE GRAND KNIGHT
JERRY FERRARA AT 631 806-3830**

— GENESIS TO JESUS —

WISH YOU KNEW THE BIBLE BETTER?



Join us for a Great Bible Study at

Parish: St. Thomas More
Address: 115 Kings Highway
Hauppauge, NY 11788

Location at Parish: "Red Room"

GENESIS TO JESUS IS A 7-PART BIBLE STUDY FROM DR. SCOTT HAHN & THE ST. PAUL CENTER FOR BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

Date/Time: Starts on Tuesday, Oct 30th 7 to 9PM

- Get the big picture overview of the Bible.
- See how Jesus & the Church are the fulfillment of God's fatherly plan for the world from the very beginning of time.
- Learn to share your Catholic faith from the Bible.

PRESENTED BY
Bible Study Team
Tom Prunty and Bob Williams

Registration Cost: None but optional workbook is available

Contact Information:

Register by e-mail: Biblestudystm@gmail.com
Or fill out form in Narthex of church

ST. PAUL CENTER OR BIBLICAL THEOLOGY
JOURNEY THROUGH SCRIPTURE

NOVEMBER CENACLE PROGRAMS

Saturday, November 3, 2018

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the Retreat Center, 9:30 a.m. arrivals and refreshments

WHAT ARE THE CONVERSATIONS YOU ARE HAVING WITH YOURSELF?

Together we will explore our inner critic using self-compassion and loving kindness. When we are leaning into the future or reviewing our past we are missing the Present Moment where God is.

Presenter: Karen Musicaro, LCSW

Offering: \$50- Lunch included

\$20 deposit required to hold your reservation

Sunday, November 11, 2018

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Retreat Center, 12:30 p.m. arrivals and refreshments

ANGELS AND ALLELUIAS

The role and presence of angels is explored through scripture, music, and prayer inviting participants to renew and embrace our relationships with the beautiful gifts of God. A healing time of grace and spiritual alignment as we place our hopes, prayers and questions and grow closer to our guardians and learn a bit more about the angels.

Presenter: Paul Alexander, LCSW

Offering: \$35

\$20 deposit required to hold your reservation

November 16-18, 2018

A WOMAN'S WAY THROUGH THE 12 STEPS – STEPS 4-5

One year continuous recovery in a 12 Step Program required.

Using *A Woman's Way Through the Twelve Steps* as a guide, join us and other women in recovery who are discovering the power of healthy choice and inner wisdom to light our way toward deeper meaning and a life filled with empowerment, joy and peace. Steps 4 and 5 will be explored and can be revisited with a beginner's mind and a new awareness, no matter the length of your recovery.

Presenters: Pamela J. Carlton, MS, MT-BC and Ann Schehr, LMHC, CRC

Offering: \$250 – No Sunday lunch.

Commuters: \$195

\$50 deposit required to hold your reservation

