



Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

November 4, 2018

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



Love
the Lord your God
with all your HEART
and with all your SOUL
and with all your MIND
and with all your STRENGTH.

Mark 12:30

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

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

Saturday, November 3 —St. Martin de Porres
(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,

Monday, November 5

9am Anna T. Lo Castro by *Mr. & Mrs. J. Beierle*

Tuesday, November 6

9am George Hall by *Peter Handal*

Wednesday, November 7

9am Edward Skrzypek by *Mary Ellen Skrzypek*

Thursday, November 8

9am Martin Saenz (living) by *Blaise Keena*

**Friday, November 9—The Dedication of the Lateran
 Basilica**

9am Charlie Grassi (living) by *Patrick Keena*

Saturday, November 10 —St. Leo the Great

9am For Good Health by *Una McGrade*

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5:00pm Elizabeth Atkinson by *Michele & Kevin Cloke*;

Pamela Brosnan (Healing) by *Michele Brosnan*;

Anna Lo Castro by *Bill & Jo Ann Eyring*;

Ruthann McDonald by *Celine D'Souza*; Mickelson &

Williams Families by *Barbara Mickelson*;

Antoinette Minella by *Michele & Kevin Cloke*;

Christopher Newell by *Kevin & Christine Donnelly*;

Fr. Harold Noviello by *Michael & Vivian Jacobs*;

Terry Pankus by *Al Pankus*; Cindy Voripaieff by *the*

Hoffman Family;

**Sunday, November 11--Thirty-Second Sunday in
 Ordinary Time**

8:00am Robert Rosmini by *Francine Rosmini*

9:15am Jerry Santucci by *The Recce Family*

10:45am Thomas James O'Connor by *Lou & Emilia*

Savarese

12:15pm Alois Rubenbauer by *his beloved Children*.

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

November 11, 2018
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
1Kings 17:10-16
Psalm 146:7,8-9,9-10
Hebrews 9:24-28
Mark 12:38-44

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark:

.In the course of his teaching Jesus said to the crowds, "Beware of the scribes, who like to go around in long robes and accept greetings in the marketplaces, seats of honor in synagogues, and places of honor at banquets. They devour the houses of widows and, as a pretext recite lengthy prayers. They will receive a very severe condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury and observed how the crowd put money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents.

Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood."

Focus Questions:

1. Describe a time when you gave a lot even though you didn't have much yourself.
2. Relate a time when you trusted God completely even though to do so involved risk.
3. How does our society encourage seeking honors? What do you do to stay grounded?

Family and children's question:

Describe a time when you saw generosity from someone who didn't have a lot themselves.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

“The best and most beautiful things in this world cannot be seen or even heard but must be felt with the heart” These words of Helen Keller who became blind and deaf since her childhood, explain the reality that heart can experience. It may be that we depend too much on the other external senses (like seeing, hearing, smelling, etc.) that we are insensitive to the reality of that inner sense, the heart can present.

Today’s readings name that heart-reality which is love of God and love of others. The first reading explains how God can be loved with “all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your strength. “ God is not an abstract reality but a person of loving relationship whom we can love and who can be loved in loving others.

Gospel twice says the same thing, “love your God and others with all your heart, all your understanding etc.” But when it is said for the second time, Jesus appreciates the scribe for his understanding. First time the words sound more as a legal answer; but the second time the answer of the scribe comes from his warm loving heart. Life and God are heart-reality. Heart will understand and make the other physical senses experience them. Let us pray to God that our hearts may open to the vibrations of life and presence of God around and within us.

November is the month we pray for those who lived with us and left us to be with God. Death is the reality of the biological body. As the Word of God explains, our body bears the Image of God (Gensis1:28) and is the Temple of Holy Spirit (Paul’s Letter to Corinthians 3: 16-17). Body has its own limitations and can hold life only for a limited time. But that is realized in the Body; the Spirit of God lives forever. Our beloved deceased have finished their earthly bodily life. Now they are called by God to live eternally in God’s presence. Please pray that they have eternal rest and enjoy God face to face living eternally.

Let us pray for Vocations. Let pray to the Lord of the Harvest to send more dedicated spiritual workers (priests, men and women religious) to sow seeds of God’s grace and peace in the world. We know how much we are in need of priests and nuns to do the work of the Church. As the world is becoming more and more technological, digital and thus less personal and spiritual, we will soon be living like robots and machines losing the original flavor of being a human in spirit of love, mercy and kindness. Below is enlisted some events which may initiate a dialogue among our young people how the world is in need of the Church’s presence alive through the dedicated service of her sons and daughters. All young people are welcome to

- Vocations Awareness Week: November 4-10, 2018
- Operation Andrew: Thursday October 11, 2018 - Holy Trinity High School.
- Holy Hour - Quo Vadis Boys Retreat: Friday November 30, 2018-December 1, 2018 - Seminary of Immaculate Conception in Huntington.

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
 Kathy Capuano
 Patricia Cirone
 Bobbie Cizon
 Joey Cullum
 Walt Drechsler Jr.
 Mary Ann Foley
 Gloria Gamarana
 Jody Casares George
 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
 Joan Nachtman
 Jean Noschese
 Beatrice Okorn
 Piper Palmiera (5 years old)
 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

Linda Sue Cappisillo, Virginia 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
Wiliam 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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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>
	(Nov. 3/4)	(Nov. 10/11)
<u>Saturday</u>		
5 pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
<u>Sunday</u>		
8 am	Msgr. Boccafola	Fr. Antony
9:15 am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
10:45 am	Fr. Antony	Msgr. Boccafola
12:15pm	Fr. Rajan	Fr. Fred

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of October 28, 2018 \$6,173.19

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 30, 2018

Our Parish Goal \$70,100.00

Pledges to date \$46,465.00

Percentage of Goal 66.3%



*Banns of
Marriage*

II. & III. 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—November 4

10:45am—RCIA—Church & Meeting Room
7pm—Youth Ministry Meeting—KH/Kit/WH

Tuesday—November 6

7pm—Adoration—Church
7pm—Genesis to Jesus Bible Study—Kirwin Hall

Wednesday—November 7

5:00pm—KOC—Walden Hall

Thursday—November 8

5:30pm—Children's Choir Reh.—Church
7:30pm—Adult Choir Reh.—Church

Friday—November 9

9:30am—ALPHA—Walden Hall
12:30pm—Young At Heart—Walden Hall, Kitchen

Saturday—November 10

6:00pm—KOC Spaghetti Dinner—All Rooms

PARISH OUTREACH

Thank you to the many people who donated clothing for the St. Vincent de Paul clothing drive last week-end, and to the many volunteers who helped at the drive, and to Anna Beltrani who organized the drive! We collected approximately 250 bags of clothing for St. Vincent de Paul!



Our Thanksgiving food drive is in full force and we need your support. The pantry needs the following items for the Thanksgiving baskets:

Canned vegetables	Stuffing mix
Cranberry Sauce	Gravy
Potatoes (white and sweet)	Juice
Coffee and Tea	Desserts

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. They are gratefully received by our clients!

MINISTRY MATTERS AT SAINT THOMAS MORE

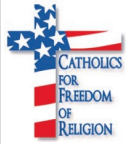
*The RCIA Team has answered God's call
To help guide future Catholics in the Christian Life.
The Easter Vigil culminates months of preparation
As the candidates receive the Easter Sacraments.*

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

“We must always take sides. Neutrality helps the oppressor, never the victim. Silence encourages the tormentor, never the tormented.” Elie Wiesel, Holocaust survivor

Ignoring Christian Genocide:

Pakistan: Asia Bibi, a 37-year-old Catholic married woman with children and a member of only 3 Christian families in her village, was arrested in 2009 and charged with blasphemy after refusing to renounce Christianity following intense pressure from the Muslim women she worked with on a farm owned by a Muslim landowner. She was sentenced to death by hanging and has been in solitary confinement since 2010.

North Korea, China, South Korea: Seojun (not his real name) is a pastor today in South Korea but the North Korean secret service are still trying to find him and identify and harm his family members. Seojun escaped from North Korea, fled to China, escaped, and is now an influential Christian in South Korea.

Nigeria: 15-year-old Leah Sharibu, the only Dapchi schoolgirl left who is refusing to renounce her Christian faith, faces death by her Boko Haram captors.

(ptrmiumtimesng.com, 9/14/18; christianitytoday.org, 10/15/18; opendoorsusa.org, 10/1/18; cruxnow.com, 10/5/18; prisoneralert.com)

First they came for the communists, but I didn't speak up

because I wasn't a communist.

Then they came for the Jews, but I didn't speak up

because I wasn't a Jew.

Then they came for the Catholics, but I didn't speak up

because I was a Protestant.

***Then they came for me ... and by then
no one was left to speak up.***

from poem by Martin Niemoller, German Lutheran Pastor, at time of Nazi rise to power

Congratulations! **CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS**

*Here are the winners for the week of October 28 to
November 3, 2018*

Sun.	10/28/18	#579	\$50	Cheryl & Joe Como
Mon.	10/29/18	#616	\$25	Dorothy Lossani
Tues.	10/30/18	#744	\$25	Jim & Marie Marsala
Wed.	10/31/18	#112	\$25	Arthur & Kathryn Ultsh
Thurs.	11/01/18	#330	\$25	James & Joan Murphy
Fri.	11/02/18	#864	\$25	Bill & Mary Ann Peet
Sat.	11/03/18	#671	\$25	Robert & Diane Weisz

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)

The Men's Forum at the Church of Saints Philip & James—Monday, Nov. 5, 2018. Speaker: Deacon Jerry Reda of St. Patrick's Church, Smithtown— Topic: Role Models in our Roman Catholic Lives. Time: 6:30pm: Adoration— 7:30 pm: Speaker Talk— 8:30 pm: Coffee & Cake.

Eucharistic Ministers Wanted—St. Catherine of Siena Nursing & Rehabilitation Care Center in Smithtown is in need of Eucharistic Ministers. Please consider donating an hour or two a week distributing the Eucharist. Your service will provide spiritual support and comfort to the residents and rehabilitation patients. You will be performing both a spiritual and a corporal work of mercy. Days and time are flexible, training is provided. For info please contact: Elizabeth Meehan, Director of Pastoral Care at 631-862-3776 or Elizabeth.meehan@chsli.org

Hauppauge HS PTSA is hosting a Craft & Vendor Fair on Saturday & Sunday, November 10th & 11th, 2018 from 10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. Great event to start your Holiday Shopping and support our students. "Shop til you Drop". Over 90 vendors to choose from. Located in the Hauppauge High School Gym at 500 Lincoln Blvd.

Second Notice)

Fr. Stan Wadowski of St. Anne's R.C. Church in Brentwood & Express' 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

CONGRATULATIONS !

Chaminade High School has advised us that the following young parishioners of St. Thomas More, Hauppauge have received the Academic Awards Honor Pins:

Senior

Gold

William F. Dean

Junior

Silver

Connor P. Heslin

Sophomore

Bronze

Kieran Q. Morse

Kyle J. Schofield



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:

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.



On Sunday, October 28, 2018 at 3:00 pm, Most Reverend John O. Barres, Bishop, Diocese of Rockville Centre presented John & Marti White with the St. Agnes Medal of Service in recognition of their devoted service to our parish.

God Bless you and thank you, John and Marti for the voluntary good work you do at St. Thomas More.

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.

**Our next Parish Holy Hour will be held on
Tuesday November 6, 2018, from 7-8 PM in the
Church.**



What is done at Holy Hour?

Adoration: The Blessed Sacrament is placed in a monstrance and we the faithful have an opportunity to enter into prayer and peaceful meditation with our Lord truly present. Time is alternated between silent prayer and spoken prayer.

Evening Prayer (Vespers): These are the daily prayers said in the evening by the whole Church, from the Liturgy of the Hours. We join our prayers with clergy, religious and lay persons around the world, praying as one.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: This is a devotional prayer recited on the beads of the Rosary, asking God to continue to shower us with his mercy.

Benediction: At the end of the hour, chants and prayers in praise of our Lord are recited, and we are actually blessed by Christ as the celebrant makes the Sign of the Cross over the assembly with the monstrance.

Why should I attend a Holy Hour? Thoughts for November:

*Day and night Jesus dwells in the Blessed Sacrament because you are the most important person in the world to him! Pope Paul VI in *Mysterium Fidei* (Sept. 3, 1965) wrote "Christ is reserved in our churches as the spiritual center of the heart of the community, the universal Church and all humanity, since within the veil of the species, Christ is contained, the invisible heart of the Church, the Redeemer of the world, the center of all hearts, by him all things are and of whom we exist."*

Each moment that you spend in His Eucharistic Presence will increase his divine life within you and deepen your personal relationship and friendship with him. "I have come that you may have life, and have it more abundantly." (Jn. 10:10) "I am the vine and you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him shall bear much fruit because without me, you can do nothing." (Jn 15:5)

Come join us!



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Register online for Upcoming Workshops

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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



POINSETTIA SALE

Poinsettia 7" pot - \$16.00

Red _____

White _____

"Jingle Bells" Poinsettia
(leaves are red, white and green)

"Jingle Bells" Poinsettia 6 ½" pots - \$11.00 _____

Red Poinsettia 6 ½" pots - \$11.00 _____

Order Total

Items _____ Cost _____

Name _____

Phone Number _____

Orders Due **11/25/2018**

Plants will be ready for pick up the weekend of December 1 & 2.



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**

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

