



Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

February 17, 2019

Sixth 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 our concern for others through Christian Stewardship.

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Masses for this coming week

February 17, 2019
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jeremiah 17:5-8
Psalm 1:1-2,3,4 and 6
1 Corinthians 15: 12, 16-20
Luke 6: 17, 20-26

Saturday, February 16

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5:00pm Phil Benson *by Dcn. Ed & Laura Vigneaux*;
Benedetto DiGiorgi *by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Bie & family*;
Joe Giardino *by Laura Giardino*;
Anita Iardi *by Laura Giardino*;
Anna LoCastro *by Ann Auspaker*;
Frank Moretti *by Pat Karas*;
Jennifer Mullen *by Rosemary Sardelli*

Sunday, February 17--Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Brian Welsh *by Joe & Linda Lamberta*
9:15am Leo Ramos *by the family*
10:45am Anthony Pagano *by Peg O'Shea*
12:15pm Vincent Pavlic *by Maria Pavlic*

Monday, February 18

9am People of the Parish

Tuesday, February 19

9am Msgr. Robert J. Kirwin

Wednesday, February 20

9am People of the Parish

Thursday, February 21—St. Peter Damian

9am People of the Parish

Friday, February 22—The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

9am Elizabeth Carlino *by Mom & Dad*

Saturday, February 23—St. Polycarp

9am Msgr. Robert J. Kirwin

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5:00pm Gabriel Santelices (Healing Mass) *by Len Munzer*

Sunday, February 24--Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Michael Boreshesky *by the Eierman family*

9:15am Mary Ann Arminio *by Rebecca Harten*

10:45am Ralph Manginello *by Anne & Michael McCabe & family*

12:15pm Frank Morelli *by Dorothy Shearman*

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

February 24, 2019
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9m 12-13m 22-23
Psalm 103: 1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13
1 Corinthians 15: 45-49
Luke 6: 27-38

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke:

Jesus said to his disciples:

“To you who hear I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. To the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well, and from the person who takes your cloak, do not withhold even your tunic. Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back. Do to others as you would have them do to you. For if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do the same. If you lend money to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, and get back the same amount. But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

“Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven. Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you.”

Focus Questions:

1. Describe a time when you forgave someone who wronged you.
2. What are the benefits and disadvantages of loving your enemy?
3. Relate a time when someone showed mercy to you. What was your response?

Family and children's question:

Talk about a time when someone “turned the other cheek” and forgave you.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

I want to begin with a funny note, “A lot of the conflicts that happened in the Wild West could have been avoided had the architects in those days just made their own towns big enough for everyone.” Personal towns may end conflicts but will also lock people in their loneliness, with no human being to whom to relate.

Today's Gospel speaks about the blessings and the woes of life. I just take the first blessing and the first woe of which Jesus speaks. Blessing comes to the poor and woe dawns on the rich. This sounds a bit odd. We all know that being rich will help plan our life as we wish, and being poor we would lack the ways and means to what life has in store for us. But according to Jesus, blessings or woes are not what life has in store. They are what we become. Blessings or woes are not offered to us from the outside. They are within us and they blossom from within us.

By being rich we would translate all our happiness or sadness through the possessions we have. But by being poor we don't have anything outside of us on which to depend. We turn our focus to the our inside. We begin to live our inner power. We begin to live the potential of our personhood. We free ourselves from anything outside of ourselves, like wealth, popularity, induced pleasure through substance abuse etc. in order to be happy. Being independent of anything outside of us, the moment of 'blessings, the moment of living the God-given-inner potential will blossom as our everyday life. The moment of woe would be those moments when we neglect to live our own God-given potential and believe that the things outside of ourselves would give us a better life.

Lent is at our door steps-- March 6th: Through Flock notes you can have access to Lenten Spiritual help. You will find a Flyer in this bulletin on how to connect to Flock Notes and get access to Spiritual thoughts to enlighten and empower yourself. It is easy. You can access it through your email and a few clicks. You will be invited to “Word on Fire” for an inspiring spiritual exercise for Lent. Please give it a try.

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony



The Rectory will be closed on Monday, February 18, 2019 in observance of Presidents' Day.

PASTORAL STAFF

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

SCOUT SUNDAY — FEBRUARY 10, 2019



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jaclyn Aloï	Sharon Mills
Jean Barz	Marie Minutillo
George Bein	Ellen Murphy
Bernadette	Joan Nachtman
Pam Bertin	Jean Noschese
Mary Bien	Patricia OConnell
George Bien	Beatrice Okorn
Janice Bini	Justin Olsen (3 years old)
Jean Blaney	Arlene P
Peter Bongiorno	Piper Palmiera (5 years old)
Lisa Bravo	Al Pankus
Pamela Brosnan	Barbara P
Donna Caragol	Joseph P
Kathy Calandrella	Robert Pawluk
Barbara Cappisillo	Joan Perks
Kathy Capuano	Frank Procaccini
Patricia Cirone	Diane Rantz
Bobbie Cizon	Maura Reddy
Ellen Cleary	Rev. Reginald Reddy, OFM
Marilyn (Porter) Collins	Leland Reid
John Colosi	William (Bill) Rudden
Joey Cullum	Victoria A. Russo
Walt Drechsler Jr.	Bob Sauchelli
Thomas J. DuBritz	Teresa Scarlato
Mary Ann Foley	Elyse Schrage
Gloria Gamarana	Carlene Shernowitz
Joe Gandolfo	Kim Shernowitz
Jody Casares George	Robert Shernowitz
Gerald Gilson	Edward J. Smith
John H.	Antonette Solano
Marie Kane Hanisch	John Spadaro
Olive Harrison	Joyce St. Germain
Marc Ignieri (and Family)	Charles & Peggy
Paula Izzo	Stepanek
Joseph Jacklets	Carly Strachovsky
Linda Jennings	Richard Stout
Kevin A. Kane	Karen Sullivan
Chris Kenney	Erik Sztorc
Denise Kern	JoAnne Thomas
Jean Marsala Kieffner	Chase Turano
Rob Kohl	Andrew J. Valentine
Arnold Landi	Andrew M. Valentine
Wayne Leo	Michael Valentine
Nancy Link	Donna Marie Velazquez
Philip Lloyd	Debbie Ward
Nicolas Lorusso	Rosalind Warmuth
Lauren Lossani	Diane Weisz
Frank Mambuca	Arlene Wentin
Laura Mansi	Lorraine White
Tom Margiotta	Rocco Zappia
Barbara McManus	
Edward McManus	

*This listing will expire on***PRAY FOR THE DECEASED**

Mary B. Reilly, Ralph Marginello, 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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2019

7th GRADERS—RITE OF ACCEPTANCE



CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS

Here are the winners for the week of
February 10—16, 2019

Sun.	2/10/19	\$50	# 53	Bill & Lori Rudden
Mon.	2/11/19	\$25	#839	Erin Campbell
Tues.	2/12/19	\$25	#253	Ed & Mary Ann O’Gara
Wed.	2/13/19	\$25	#761	M/M James Cotgreave
Thurs.	2/14/19	\$25	#117	Elizabeth Holdorf
Fri.	2/15/19	\$25	#692	STM Youth Group-IMO Michael Cisternas-Gift of Edna Carraba
Sat.	2/16/19	\$25	#535	Ed & Mary Ann O’Gara



St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School has advised us that the following young parishioners have achieved “Mid-Year “ honor roll status for the 2018-2019 school year.

SUMMA CUM LAUDE HONORS

Cassandra Davies Grade 10

MAGNA CUM LAUDE HONORS

Sari Avila-Franklin Grade 10
 Kyleigh Fitzgerald Grade 11
 Jillian Harris Grade 11

CUM LAUDE HONORS

Salvatore Scarpellino Grade 10
 Hank Frenger Grade 11

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Ethan Bernstein	John Karies
Jessie Bernstein	Michael Knipper
Joseph Blaugrund	Dylan Kowalski
Anthony Broncatello	Thomas LaFemina
John Burk	Alex Lombardi
Collin Busto	Andrew Lombardi
David Chester	Lt. Clint Lorance
John Chester	Scott Lovelock
Nicholas Chester	Andrew Lynch
Theresa Chester	Troy A. Maida,
Collin J. Crean	William Maley
Eddie Cullum	Thomas Migliara
Eric Cullum	Tim Morris
Adam Cussen	John Nachtman
David Cussen	Kaitlyn Nachtman
Capt. Sean Michael Dolan	Thomas Nichols
Timothy Fallon	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 Gudone	Christopher Sidor
John Michael Haffner	Ryan Smith
Sean Hendrikson	Michael White
Kevin Ilyichenko	

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

SSTHOMASMORECHURCH

- stmreligiousd
- stm_yg

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rectory@stmli.org

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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>
	(Feb. 16/17)	(Feb. 23/24)
<u>Saturday</u>		
5 pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Bala
<u>Sunday</u>		
8 am	Fr. Bala	Fr. Antony
9:15 am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
10:45 am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Fred
12:15pm	Fr. Fred	Fr. Antony

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of February 10, 2019 \$6,173.25

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.

TRIP TO THE BRITISH ISLES

Please join Pat Chapin for a meeting on \ **Tuesday, February 19th at 7:00 pm** in Kirwin Hall to discuss her forthcoming trip to the British Isles.

For information call 631-672-4402.

Thank you!



AARP is offering free tax preparation service by IRS certified volunteers at the Hauppauge, Commack, Kings Park, Central Islip and Connetquot Libraries and the Smithtown Senior Center. You do not have to be a member of the AARP, nor do you have to be over 50 years old to use this service; it is available to everyone. Just call your library or the senior center to make an appointment.



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from Catholics for Freedom of Religion

www.cffor.org

"Conscience is the most sacred of all property."

James Madison, 1792.

Alert!!

Conscience Protections for Health Care Workers at Risk

New York: Calling New York State's newly expanded abortion law "ghoulish", N.Y. Cardinal Timothy Dolan said, "Those who once told us that abortion had to remain safe, legal and rare now have made it **dangerous, imposed and frequent.**" The new law "allows for an abortion right up to the moment of birth; drops all charges against an abortionist who allows an aborted baby, who somehow survives ... to die before his eyes; mandates that, to make an abortion more convenient and easy, a physician need not perform it; and **might even be used to suppress the conscience rights of health care professionals not to assist in the grisly procedures.**"

The law proclaims "**Every individual has the fundamental right:**

- * ...to choose contraception or sterilization
- * ...to have an abortion

The term "**fundamental right**" is extremely significant since it incorporates the constitutional law principle that these "rights" cannot be regulated except in the most narrow way possible.

Therefore, the language of the law poses a direct threat to religious freedom and conscience rights. It gives the state the authority to deny licenses to individuals and institutions that do not provide or cooperate with abortion.

The United States remains one of only 7 of the 198 nations in the world to allow abortion on demand past 20 weeks. These are North Korea, China, Vietnam, Singapore, Canada and Netherlands. **Research shows that unborn babies feel pain at 20 weeks and most even earlier.**

(archly.org, 1/30/19; ncregister.com, 1/30/19; frc.org, 2/1/19; dailycaller.com, 1/29/18; washingtontimes.com, 1/10/19; americamagazine.org, 1/30/19)

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you ..." Jeremiah 1:5



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 March 11, 2019. The book for discussion will be

Lilac Girls by Hall Kelly—
Facilitator: Caroline DeSantis

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE (Not totally inclusive)

Tuesday—February 19

7pm—Discussion P. Chapin Trip—Kirwin Hall

Wednesday—February 20

5pm—KofC Social Mtg.—Walden Hall

Thursday—February 21

5:30pm—Children's Choir Reh.—Church

7:30pm—Adult Choir Reh.—Church

Friday—February 22

12:30pm—Young at Heart—Kit/Walden Hall



Please pray for these couples as they complete their Pre-Cana sessions in preparation for their upcoming weddings:

Edward Witkowski & Kathleen Fricke
Adam Mastrocola & Emily Root
William Lye & Laura Foti
Robert Caponigro & Marissa Vacari
Marc Occhiuto & Danielle Mohr

PARISH OUTREACH



“Give us this day our daily bread”

Apple Sauce
Baked Beans
Canned Fruit
Canned Vegetables
Canned Tuna **
Cereal **
Crackers & Cookies
Pancake Mix & Syrup
Peanut Butter
Jelly **

Tomato Sauce
Coffee (Reg. & Instant)
Tea **
Juice
Parmalat Milk **
Tissues
Paper Towels **
Toilet Paper **
Shampoo
Toothpaste **
Laundry Detergent **

**** We are in great need of these items as we often run low on them.**

**Outreach is open
Monday to Thursday
10:00 am to 2:00pm**

Phone: 631-234-3149

Outreach provides assistance with food, provides referrals and information to other agencies to meet various family needs and other emergency assistance.

Non-perishable foods may be left in the bins at the entrance to the Narthex. We are always grateful for your generosity!

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.

St. Thomas More

Golden Jubilee Capital Campaign

“Grateful for our Past - Planning for our Future”

Goal	\$1.0 Million
Total Pledged	\$1,031,554
Paid to Date	\$ 793,418
% of Cash Received	77%
# of Gifts	506
% of Goal	103%

Our Goal is Surpassed! Thank you for your prompt pledge payments!

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!

If you have any questions about your pledge payment schedule, please call Andy White at 516-607-3635.

Courtesy Announcements

(First Notice)

St. Patrick’s Day Dinner/Dance—All are invited for an evening of dinner & dancing featuring The Irish Mist—**Saturday, March 16, 2019 at the Kellenberg Memorial High School** (1400 Glenn Curtis Blvd) from **7 pm—11 pm**. The cost for the evening is \$40. Please register by visiting www.kellenberg.org/kaps or by contacting the Office of Advancement at 516-292-0200 x 245.

(Second Notice)

“MOMS” - Program for Women - Ministry to Moms Sharing - 7:30pm - 9:30pm - Tuesdays— Jan. 22, 29, Feb. 5, 12, 26, Mar. 5 & 12. St. Joseph Renewal Center, 26 S. Saxon Ave, Bay Shore, NY . Offering of \$100 includes materials. Call 631-647-8683 for questions and to register.

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Diocese of Rockville Centre
and
Catholic Cemeteries

Bereavement
Conference
For the Bereaved and those Ministering to them

theme
**GRIEF IS...
A JOURNEY**

Saturday, March 30, 2019
ST. PATRICK PARISH, HUNTINGTON
9:00am to 3:00pm

Conference is for the bereaved and those who minister to them.

For more information about the Conference and all Bereavement services, support groups, and programs available, please visit www.drvc-faith.org/bereavement

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)

2018 CONTRIBUTION REQUEST

I/we would like a record of our 2018 contributions to St. Thomas More:

NAME(s)

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

E-mail:

Please return to the Rectory for 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 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.

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.

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.

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.



We love having you as part of our flock!

Let's keep in touch! Get important updates via email & text

This new tool we're using lets you choose what info you'd like to receive - via email or text message - from the various ministries and groups in our church. You can unsubscribe any time.

There are 2 easy ways to connect (pick one):

- 1 Visit our church at:
flocknote.com/StThomasMore29 - - - OR - - -
- 2 Text **SpiritofLove** to 84576
from your phone to subscribe to updates.

Text STOP to 84576 to stop text notifications at any time. Text HELP for help. There is no charge for this service, but your carrier message and data rates may apply. View privacy policy & conditions at www.flocknote.com/txt.

For Lent this year we have exclusive access to the teachings of Bishop Barron's **Word on Fire** classes for free. We will be able to send you links through **Flocknote** to watch any of his classes or videos. You can watch these throughout Lent at your own pace on your own time. At **wordonfire.org** you can also get your own Lent Reflections booklet for free.

WORD
on FIRE



Youth Ministry hosted its Annual Paint Night fundraiser to support our teens and the upcoming retreat weekend. Gina Drost of *Faithful Painting* led our evening! In addition to the painting, there was a 50/50 Raffle and Silent Auction. We raised \$860 towards the Teen Retreat! Thanks to all who attended, donated and supported our efforts! If you would like to support our retreat efforts, please reach out to Joe or call the Parish Office. Special thanks to all!





DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

February 11, 2019
Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you...” (Jeremiah 1:5)

At the very heart of our beliefs about who we are and why we exist, is a message of love. God creates us out of love. Out of love, He redeems us by the sacrifice of his Son, Jesus. He calls us to an eternal destiny with Him because He loves each sacred human life, created in His image.

That we are created in God’s image is reaffirmed in our nation’s Declaration of Independence, reminding us that we “are endowed by [our] Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are **Life**, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.” The **right to life** is the foundation and starting point for every other God-given human right. When that right is attacked or denied, all other rights and liberties begin to crumble.

You are probably aware that on January 22, 2019, the 46th anniversary of *Roe v. Wade* (the Supreme Court decision that declared an absolute constitutional right to abortion), Governor Andrew Cuomo of New York signed into law the “Reproductive Health Act”, which he himself called “the most aggressive” abortion law in the country. It was then “celebrated” by his lighting up One World Trade Center and the Alfred E. Smith Building in Albany.

It is our obligation as citizens and as Catholics, to be well informed and to make our voices heard in the public square when evil and injustice threaten the sacred gift of life at any stage.

On a human level, this gruesome law should be appalling to people of every faith, or no faith. The Reproductive Health Act allows for abortion on demand with no restrictions throughout all of pregnancy. ***This means that as a choice, an abortion could be performed on a full-term infant as the mother is going into labor.***

This law might also open the door to taking away conscience protections from medical personnel, and could be used to force doctors, nurses and other medical staff to perform or to assist in abortions. Governor Cuomo claims that he is protecting women’s rights, when in fact, this law endangers the lives of women by allowing non-physicians to perform abortions, and it removes any objective standard of care due to the patient.

The Act has also removed criminal penalties when an unborn child is deliberately targeted for death in a crime. Two and a half weeks after the bill became law, the Queens District Attorney said he could not prosecute a man for the stabbing death of his unborn child in the womb of his girlfriend, because of the passage of the Reproductive Health Act.

Unimaginably, the law also repeals protections for infants who are accidentally born alive during the course of a failed abortion. This amounts to infanticide, the killing either by direct

means or by neglect of an infant who is alive outside the womb. The law is silent on reducing the pain and suffering of infants, especially those being aborted late term.

Brothers and sisters, this law is an abomination that cries out to Heaven for justice. We cannot be silent in the face of such a blatant attack on the most vulnerable among us. I invite you to do several things:

1. **Stay informed and educated** regarding these issues and the battles ahead of us, such as assisted suicide and legalized surrogacy. Two outstanding resources available to you are:
 - The New York State Catholic Conference on the web at <https://www.nyscatholic.org>.
 - The Diocese of Rockville Centre Respect Life Office and web page: (516) 678-5800 Extension 381 or on the web at <https://respectlife.drvc.org>
2. **Get involved.** Both web pages listed above offer easy links to contacting your elected representatives. Let the Governor and our other elected officials know that this Act violates the dignity of the human person and that you do not support it.

Get involved in the efforts already underway at your parish, such as Respect Life Committees. In addition, our Diocesan Respect Life Office can direct you to ways that you can support and promote the sanctity of life locally, on Long Island.


3. **Pray.** Pray the Holy Rosary. Ask the intercession of Our Blessed Mother Mary, Protector of Mothers, Defender of Life and the Family, to strengthen us so that we may be compassionate, courageous witnesses to the truth. Ask also for the intercession of Saint Thomas More, patron of statesmen, politicians, lawyers and judges, who lost his life for refusing to renounce his conscience and give in to the tides of political power and privilege.

Pray for our elected officials and for all people and pray that our politicians come to understand their profound obligation to defend the most defenseless among us. Any Catholic who actively supports an attack on the sacredness of life, chooses to place him or herself in grave moral danger and outside of the Communion of the Church. We pray for their souls, for a spirit of repentance, for a return to the truth of the love of God. It is God's love that formed each one of us in our Mother's womb.

A civilization that not only will not protect, but actually celebrates an attack on its most vulnerable members is morally bankrupt and stands on the verge of collapse. We pray for the courage of the martyrs, that an awakened spirit of evangelization and voices raised together will move hearts and minds, and call us back to our God-given senses, to the God who made us, who loves us, and who offers us our eternal destiny in love.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us!

Sincerely in Christ,



Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

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