



Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

February 24, 2019

Seventh 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 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

Saturday, February 23

(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 Moretti *by Dorothy Shearman*

Monday, February 25

9am People of the Parish

Tuesday, February 26

9am Msgr. Robert J. Kirwin

Wednesday, February 27

9am People of the Parish

Thursday, February 28—St. Peter Damian

9am Ronald Schiavone *by his parents*

Friday, March 1—First Friday

9am Cathy Nygren *by Judy Coyle*

Saturday, March 2—First Saturday

9am Msgr. Robert J. Kirwin

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5:00pm Phyllis Ehrhart *by Ron & Joan Lovell*

Sunday, March 3--Eighth Sunday in Ordinary

Time

8:00am Kim Marie Bellone *by Colleen McGrath &
Scott Adrian*

9:15am Michael DeVito *by the Citro family*

10:45am Leo Ramos *by the family*

12:15pm People of the Parish

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

March 3, 2019
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sirach 27: 4-7
Psalm 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16
1 Corinthians 15: 54-58
Luke 6: 39-45

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

Jesus told his disciples a parable,

"Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher.

Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own? How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye? You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter in your brother's eye.

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks."

Focus Questions:

1. Relate a time when you felt judged by someone. How did that make you feel?
2. How easy or hard is it to see yourself objectively?
3. Describe a time when you failed to see the goodness in someone else.

Family and children's question:

What can you do to not judge others?

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Picasso once asked his friend Rodin if he liked his latest painting that was yet unsigned. Rodin studied the painting from all directions and, only after careful deliberation, answered Picasso, “Whatever else you do... sign it. If you do that... we will know which way to hold it.” The signature helps us to understand the abstract in its specific categories

The Gospel today invites us to see that Love is the signature of life. Often we hear people questioning God, “Why don’t you punish the evil? Why do the good suffer?” Today Jesus answers these questions from God’s angle. In order to understand the answer, we have to be like God, “to be the Children of the Most High,” “to be merciful just as your Father is Merciful.” The answer is in “stop judging,” and start loving; in loving even our enemies, in loving without restrictions, like God who is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked, who “makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust.” God’s personal signature on us is LOVE.

Unless we see with God’s eye of mercy and understand with God’s heart of love, our questions will be abstract and will get no specific answers. Until we sign our life with Godly Love we will be struggling with unanswered questions. Our life will be controlled by others in the sense that we can be good only if the other is good to us. We can easily be lead into being evil if the other does evil to us. That is why Jesus taught us to pray, “Lead us not into temptation.” Jesus explains to us that the personal signature of our life is LOVE, love without restriction, empowered by God and not instigated by others.

Lent is at our door steps, March 6th: Through Flock notes you can have access to Lenten Spiritual help. You will find in this bulletin a Flyer on how to connect to Flock Note 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.

Spiritually quality time is Lent: Unless we give, no one will give quality-time to us. Lent is a time when we try to work on the inner strength. We start with ashes on our forehead reminding us that our bodies would end in ash but the spirit inside us has the power to outlive our body and mind. In order to revive and live the power of the Spirit, we in St. Thomas More invite you to Spiritual Exercises during Lent.

March 6th Ash Wednesday begins the Holy Season of Lent.

Special Lenten Morning Prayers daily at 8:40 am before the 9:00 am Mass.

Every Monday 7:00 to 8:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration... silently praying for the sacredness of human life at all stages, from conception to natural death.

Stations of the Cross every Friday at 7:00 pm, praying for various intentions.

March 25, 26 and 27 Parish Mission by Sr. Pat Duffy.

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
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.

St. Thomas More, our Patron invites us to pray during Lent



St. Thomas More was so conscientiously pure in his belief and its practice that his whole life was (even in jail and at the moment of execution) not a reaction to what the King or others said or did to him. The following quote explains how he was praying and he asked others to pray for the King

moments before his execution. "Afterward he exhorted them, and besought them very earnestly to pray to God for the King, that He (God) should give him (king) good counsel, protesting that he died his good servant, and God's first."

Thus St. Thomas More shows what prayer can/should do. When we pray, Prayer opens our life for all that God wants to do in us. Likewise prayer does the same to the life of those for whom we pray ...to do all that God wants to achieve in them.

Lent is the time we pray in order that we may become more open to God's work in ourselves and others.

Only in that sense every Monday during Lent from 7:00 to 8:00 pm, you are invited to pray before the Eucharist. As Jesus said, "I came that they may have life and have it abundantly." (John 10:10). We will pray that you and I, everyone become God's work of having and promoting life and its abundance everywhere and in all stages. This is praying time for God to work, not promoting or supporting any division based on philosophy or opinion. Please commit yourself to praying before the Eucharist that God's work be accomplished among us.

Let us imitate our Patron St. Thomas More. First, let us pray for ourselves to be God's lively creative work without hate or vengeance against anyone. Like St. Thomas More, if you feel that those in power have done injustice and sinned against life, follow our Patron's example of praying that God give them good counsel that life may be upheld and appreciated. Let us believe like our Patron that ultimately God will prevail and our prayer will open our hearts as well as those for whom we pray, for God's gift of life in abundance. Please come and pray every Lenten Monday before the Eucharist for God's gift life to flourish among us in all stages from conception to natural death.

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STATIONS of the CROSS

What is "Stations of the Cross?"

It is a form of prayer, of journeying with Jesus in his path of carrying the cross from Pilate's palace to Mount Calvary. In every Catholic Church one can find fourteen depictions of Jesus' journey of carrying the cross, seven on each side of the inner wall. The practice of praying the "Stations" goes as far back as the 15th century. Some churches have the stations along the approach to a church just as we have in our Church grounds between the road and the parking lot.

Why do we pray the "Stations" every Lenten Friday?

Because the forty days of Lent focuses on Jesus' Passion, Death and Resurrection. We pray it on the Fridays of Lent because Jesus carried the Cross to die on Calvary on Good Friday. Nobody wants to suffer but everyone has inevitably some kind of suffering caused by self or others.

Praying Stations helps us understand and offer our sufferings as Christ did. Like Jesus we can turn the negative suffering into a positive expression of Love. We can transform pain into redemptive grace as Jesus did on the cross. It is worth quoting the words of our Patron, St. Thomas More here. "Every tribulation which ever comes our way either is sent to be medicinal, if we will take it as such, or may become medicinal, if we will make it such, or is better than medicinal, unless we forsake it."

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
Shaun Kenney	JoAnne Thomas
Denise Kern	Chase Turano
Jean Marsala Kieffner	Andrew J. Valentine
Rob Kohl	Andrew M. Valentine
Arnold Landi	Michael Valentine
Wayne Leo	Donna Marie Velazquez
Nancy Link	Debbie Ward
Philip Lloyd	Rosalind Warmuth
Nicolas Lorusso	Diane Weisz
Lauren Lossani	Arlene Wentin
Frank Mambuca	Lorraine White
Laura Mansi	Rocco Zappia
Tom Margiotta	
Barbara McManus	
Edward McManus	

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

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Mary B. Reilly, 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
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

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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>
	(Feb. 23/24)	(March 2/3)
<u>Saturday</u>		
5 pm	Fr. Bala	Fr. Antony
<u>Sunday</u>		
8 am	Fr. Antony	Msgr. Boccafolo
9:15 am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
10:45 am	Fr. Fred	Fr. Antony
12:15pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Rajan

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of February 17, 2019 \$6,053.50

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 2019**

as of February 19, 2018

Our Parish Goal	\$70,100.00
Pledges to date	\$ 3,640.83
Percentage of Goal	5.2%

CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS

Here are the winners for the week of
February 17—23, 2019

Sun.	2/17/19	\$50	#842	John Egan
Mon.	2/18/19	\$25	#946	Michele Byrne
Tues.	2/19/19	\$25	#243	Josephine & John Stile
Wed.	2/20/19	\$25	#540	Joan & Gerard Smith
Thurs.	2/21/19	\$25	#859	Allison Madison
Fri.	2/22/19	\$25	#229	PhyllisAnn Ehrhardt
Sat.	2/23/19	\$25	#814	Carol & Bill Link



CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION

www.cffor.org

Focus on Religious Freedom
from Catholics for Freedom of Religion

www.cffor.org

Abortion as a "Fundamental Right" Threatens Religious Freedom

Declaring abortion a "fundamental right" under the recent, extreme New York State late-term abortion law may cause the beliefs and values of pro-life supporters to be questioned and the "consequences for the pro-life movement could be dire," said Bishop Scharfenberger of Albany, NY. He asked, "Will being pro-life one day be a hate crime in NY?" He further wondered if the state would permit pro-life doctors and nurses to be licensed under such a law. He questioned if health facilities which do not offer abortions would be certified and allowed to continue and if the law "will allow that even \$1 be given to maternity services without offering women the 'choice' of abortion?" "These are unanswered questions but I shudder to think of the consequences this law will wreak."

Still No Protections for Aborted Babies Born Alive:

After Sen. Patty Murray (WA) blocked the "Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act" from passing in a fast-track unanimous consent vote, Sen. Ben Sasse (NE), sponsor of the bill, promised to "continue pushing for the protection of the infant survivors of abortion" and hopes that "ours is a country that values and loves and protects every single member of our community - no matter how small."

The bill would have ensured that babies who survive abortion receive medical care. Sen. Sasse introduced the bill in response to the proposed VA abortion bill that would have allowed, according to VA Gov. Northam, "The infant would be delivered ... be resuscitated, if that's what the mother and family desired, and then a discussion would ensue between the physicians and mother." (discussion about what? denying the baby medical care? infanticide?)

A 2013 study found over 1,200 babies a year survive abortions. Most are left alone to die.

(usatoday.com, 2/12/19; dailywire.com, 2/4/19; free beacon.com, 2/5/19; live action.org, 5/23/13; cruxnow.com, 1/21/19; aleteia.org, 2/12/19)

"We must not bequeath to our children a culture of death."
Bishop Scharfenberger



*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

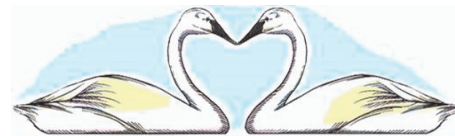
Lilac Girls by Hall Kelly—
Facilitator: Caroline DeSantis

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

Thursday—February 28

5:30pm—Children's Choir Reh.—Church

7:30pm—Adult Choir Reh.—Church



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. VINCENT DE PAUL

Thank you, thank you, thank you

Just can't say it enough. Our Football Wedding Celebration was a huge success only because of the people in our parish who not only participated but worked so hard to make it one of the most successful endeavors for St. Vincent de Paul.

A vert special thanks not only to our committee but to our baker who made our cookie trays and cream puff wedding cake that brought us back to the authenticity of the 40's and 50's wedding celebrations.

Once again, St. Vincent de Paul thanks you for all you contributed to make the night a beautiful celebration of a true Christian Community working together.

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. Joseph Renewal Center at Montfort Spiritual Center, 26 S. Saxon Ave., Bay Shore, NY—March Programs:

—**Ash Wednesday Day of Prayer—10 am to 3 pm—March 6, 2019.** Offering \$50 includes lunch.

Presenter: Josephine Daspro, CSJ

—**Lenten Prayer on Friday—March 22, March 29, April 5 & April 12, 2019—”Passion Narrative according to St. Luke: — 10:30 am to 12 noon.** Offering \$15 per session/\$60 for the four sessions.

Presenter: Fr. William T. Slater

—**Lenten Overnight Retreat for Men & Women —March 30-31, 2019—”The Invitation”.**

Offering: \$100. Presenter: Josephine Daspro, CSJ

Good Shepherd Hospice—Join us for “A Cup of Compassion:—An afternoon tea honoring Alice O’Shaughnessy, C.S.J., MD—Saturday, March 31, 2019—11 am to 2 pm at the **Garden City Country Club** (206 Stewart Ave., Garden City). All proceeds to benefit Good Shepherd Hospice Inpatient Center at Rockville Centre. Business casual attire. Auction and raffle throughout the afternoon. For more information please call the Development Department at 631-465-6350.

(Second 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.



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.

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:

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

Name::

Address:

Phone:

REGISTRATION and/or ENVELOPE REQUEST

NAME(s):

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

E-MAIL:

I/we would like to register in the parish.

Please send contribution envelopes.

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

Other _____

(Please return in collection or return to Church Office)

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.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY TRAINING

Spring 2019

BASIC TRAINING for all those who would like to minister at parishes as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC).

SPECIALIZED TRAINING for those EMHCs intending to work with the sick (e.g., hospitals, nursing homes, homebound) – **Contact the Office of Faith Formation.** (516) 678-5800 x 223. (N.B. *Basic Training must be taken prior to registering for Specialized Training*)

LECTOR TRAINING for those who wish to proclaim the Word of God at their parishes. All men, women, and young adults who wish to become a lector at their parish should attend a diocesan training session.

Dates, times, locations for BASIC TRAINING and LECTOR TRAINING:

- Nassau– Sat., 2/23 @ St. Christopher’s, Baldwin (9:00AM-12:30PM)
- Suffolk– Sat., 3/9 @ Saint Rosalie- Hampton Bays (9:00AM-12:30PM) **English** (Community Hall)
- Suffolk- Sat., 3/9 @ Saint Rosalie- Hampton Bays (9:00AM-12:30PM) **Spanish** (Parish Center)
- Nassau– Wed., 4/3 @ St. Christopher’s, Baldwin (7:00-10:00PM)
- Suffolk- Thurs., 5/23 @ Saint Elizabeth, Melville (7:00-10:00PM) – Msgr. Kane Hall

Fee for BASIC TRAINING session: \$30 per person.
Fee for LECTOR TRAINING session: \$20 per person.

NOTE: One may attend *either* BASIC TRAINING or LECTOR TRAINING, but *not* BOTH for a given day listed above.

(1) To register for BASIC TRAINING: Ask your pastor to write a letter requesting the training for every person attending. The letter should indicate the date, time, and place of the training session requested. Letters should be submitted to: **Most Reverend John O. Barres, Bishop of Rockville Centre, PO Box 9023, Rockville Centre, NY 11571, Attn: Ministry training.**

(2) To register for LECTOR TRAINING, fill out the slip below and mail it to the Office of Worship.

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*Registration form for the Diocesan **Lector** Training*

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____
Parish: _____ Town: _____

Check session: Feb.23 Mar.9-English Mar.9-Spanish Apr.3 May 23

Mail to: **Office of Worship, PO Box 9023, Rockville Centre, NY 11571.**

Contact Gina Imperioli at the Office of Worship with any questions: (516) 678-5800 x 504.

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"OLD-FASHIONED FOOTBALL-STYLE WEDDING"
FEBRUARY 16, 2019





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.

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