



Catholic Church Community of

# St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

September 1, 2019

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

For all who  
**exalt themselves**  
will be humbled,

Luke 14:11, NRSV

and those who  
**humble themselves**  
will be exalted.

#### 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***

September 1, 2019  
 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29  
 Psalm 68: 4-5, 6-7, 10-11  
 Hebrews 12: 18-19, 22-24A  
 Luke 14: 1, 7-14

### **Saturday, August 31**

*(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm John Lawrence Sullivan Jr. *by the Sharp family*

### **Sunday, September 1— Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00am Casano Antonio &  
 Dr. Darius Anton Holmes MD *by Dr. Bertram A. Holmes*  
 9:15am William Knapp *by the DeCristofaro family*  
 10:45am Patricia E. Dorchak *by the Mazzotta & Bianco families*  
 12:15pm Dominique Rea *by the McNeill family*

### **Monday, September 2**

9am Edward J. Thompson *by the Recce family*

### **Tuesday, September 3—St. Gregory the Great**

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

### **Wednesday, September 4**

9am Lillian Munzer *by Len Munzer*

### **Thursday, September 5—St. Teresa of Calcutta**

9am For the People of the Parish

### **Friday, September 6—First Friday**

9am Joan Bedosky *by St. Thomas More Young at Heart*

### **Saturday, September 7—First Saturday**

9am Alice Haynes *by the family of Alice Haynes*

*(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm Jim & Joan Hartnett *by Jim & Judy Smith*

### **Sunday, September 8— Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00am Casano Antonio &  
 Dr. Darius Anton Holmes MD *by Dr. Bertram A. Holmes*  
 9:15am Nick Liberatoscioli *by his family*  
 10:45am Joan F. Lombardo *by Marty & Nancy Macaluso, Rose Messina by the Citro family, Mickelson & Williams families by Barbara Mickelson, Anna M. Rosa by the Chin family, Rocco Vasti by Maria Dereli*  
 12:15pm Berry Dewhurst *by Pat & Frank Lewis*

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

September 8, 2019  
 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Wisdom: 9:13-18 B  
 Psalm 90: 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17  
 Philemon 9:10, 12-17  
 Luke 14: 25-33

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke:

Great crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and addressed them,  
 “If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? Otherwise, after laying the foundation and finding himself unable to finish the work the onlookers should laugh at him and say, ‘This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish.’ Or what king marching into battle would not first sit down and decide whether with ten thousand troops he can successfully oppose another king advancing upon him with twenty thousand troops? But if not, while he is still far away, he will send a delegation to ask for peace terms. In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his Possessions cannot be my disciple.”

### **Focus Questions:**

1. What does it mean to you to be a disciple of Jesus?
2. Who do you look up to as a disciple of Jesus? How does that person inspire you?
3. Describe a time when you were in a situation where the letter of the law was more important than the spirit of the law. How did you react?

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

Who are the healers in your life? This week say a prayer for them each night.

**FR. ANTONY'S LETTER**

Dear Friends,

**Two men were beginning a game of golf.** The first man stepped to the tee, and his first drive gave him a hole-in-one. The second man stepped up to the tee and said, "Okay, now I'll take my practice swing and then we'll start the game." None of us wants to be a loser. Also there exists a sad idea among us that one's victory lies in defeating the other. When one has not got the victory, then starts the blame game...blaming the situation, accusation, justification, reinterpretation of the loss etc.

**Today's reading explains that failure or success is not the proper way** of looking at life. The First Reading calls us to value ourselves as a giver of gifts, that we are God's great gift to others. Life blooms its best, not in competing with others, but in humble and generous spirit of sharing and serving life-gifts with others.

**In the Gospel Jesus explains the same truth in the context of a wedding banquet.** Life is a great banquet served by God. It is so abundant that all will have more than enough food. It is God's free food to each of us that one need not vie with others. Each one's life has its own uniqueness and abundance that one need not struggle for superiority over someone else's life.

**Jesus invites us to live our life from its own uniqueness and abundance.** Each of us is so unique that we need not compete with others to prove our self-dignity. Lining one's own uniqueness leads not to competition but to appreciation and inclusion of the talents of the other. Each of us has an abundance of goodness to offer that we need not disprove the other in order to prove our worth. We are so abundantly created with inner resources that we can never exhaust our goodness to others. Let us pray that we have enough humility to appreciate both ours and other's uniqueness, and sufficient generosity to acknowledge the goodness in ourselves and others.

**Catholic Ministries Appeal 2018: Our Parish's assessment this year is \$70,100.** So far we have made 51.8% of our Goal. When we reach our goal we will get our rebate close to \$13,000. Thus our generosity will serve both others and our parish by the rebate. I personally ask you to help meet the goal. I thank those who have contributed already and request others to consider making some contribution to the Appeal.

**Next Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> is St. Thomas More Beach Mass and Picnic** at Otto Schubert Beach, Nissequogue, starting with Mass at noon. Picnic follows the mass with burgers, hot dogs, chips, beverages. Please fill the Response Form found in the bulletin and be a part of our parish celebration at the beach.

**Ready for School and planning the school year:** Summer activities are almost over. Kids are getting ready for school. I request parents to please help your children in planning the school year to engage in some spiritual activities ... like doing some service as altar servers, lectors, choir members or in youth ministry... Education and sport will nurture their body and intellect. Church activities will feed their spirit which is the basis of both mind and body.

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, 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.

## **SUPPORT COLLECTION**

Collection of August 25, 2019 \$5,828.25

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.

## **CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2019**

as of August 27, 2019

Our Parish Goal	\$70,100.00
Pledges to date	\$38,305.00
Percentage of Goal	54.6%

### **The Catholic University of America Collection**

The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

Now, more than ever, the University is strategically positioned to pave the way forward and help the laity play a significant role in healing.

Through hosting a conference series focused on laity response, and in creating an Institute for Diocesan Excellence in Administration (IDEA) where lay scholars and professionals can support clergy by providing expertise and accountability, Catholic University will serve as a springboard in renewing and strengthening Catholicism in our country.

Your support of the National Collection will help us solve issues within the Church and educate graduates who will leave campus ready to impact the Church, the nation, and the world.

We appreciate your generosity.

## **OUR PRIEST CELEBRANTS**

*(Subject to last minute changes)*

	<u>This Weekend</u> (Aug. 31/Sept. 1)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (Sept. 7-8)
<u>Saturday</u>		
5 pm	Fr. Alex	Fr. Antony
<u>Sunday</u>		
8 am	Fr. Alex	Fr. Antony
9:15am	Fr. Alex	Fr. Antony
10:45am	Msgr. Boccafolo	Fr. Fred
12:15pm	Fr. Fred	Msgr. Boccafolo

## **MINISTRY MATTERS AT ST. THOMAS MORE**

The RCIA Team has answered God's call

To help guide seekers to the Catholic 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." The RCIA Team is composed of committed individuals who are entrusted to share our faith with those adults who express a desire to become Catholic Christians. However, we the team, cannot achieve this alone. Just as it takes an entire village to raise a child, it takes the gifts of an entire loving, prayerful community to make a committed Catholic Christian. We need you, the faith-filled community of St. Thomas More to reach out and welcome new seekers and catechumens. Perhaps you can greet them and assure them of your prayers as they walk through their faith journey, so they may fully feel a part of our loving St. Thomas More family.

***The Rectory will be closed on Monday,  
September 2, 2019 for Memorial Day.***



## PRAY FOR THE SICK

ASB, Jack Baierlein, Bernadette, Jack Bills, Lisa Bravo, Lina Brenan, Pamela Brosnan, Paul Bruno, RoseMary Bruno, Barbara Cappisillo, Dona Caragol, David Cartwright, Jodi Casares, Swami Chettiar, Patricia Cirone, Paul Connors, Joey Cullum, Walter Drechsler Sr., Walt Drechsler Jr., Thomas J. DuBritz, P. J. Erskin, Marilyn Gast, Gerald Gilson, George, Nikki Graham, John Gilligan, John H, Laurie Holmes, Paula Izzo, Vivian Jacobs, Alene J, Joseph Jacklets, Kevin Kenney, Jean Marsala Kieffner, Richard Lanna, Josephine Livote, Lauren Lossani, Amy Mason, Liana McCaffery, Barbara McManus, Edward M. McManus Jr, Sharon Mills, Rosie Miranda, Kieran Mock, Ellen Murphy, Joan Nachtman, Pat O'Connell, Beatrice Okorn, Arlene P., Barbara P., Joseph P, Judith Pou, Deacon John Rapacki, Steve Razz, Maura Reddy, Rosalie Rocchio, Robert Romanelli, Theresa S. Romanelli, Sue & Ed Ruckdeschel, Victoria A. Russo, Roman Sankar, Lorraine L. Sassone, Carleen, Robert & Kim Shernowitz, John Spadaro, Charles & Peggy Stepanek, Robert Strommer, Erik Sztore, Maryann Tinger, William Tonyas Jr., Ida Trink, Chase Turano, Andrew J. Valentine, Andrew M. Valentine, Rose Valentino, Alex Yankowski, Debbie Ward, Rosalind Warmuth, Diane Weisz, Janet Weil, Don Wieman, Eileen Zappia.

*This listing will expire on September 29, 2019*

## CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS

### ***Congratulations!***

*Here are the winners from August 25-31, 2019*

8/25/19	<b>\$50</b>	228	Kenneth Granville
8/26/19	<b>\$25</b>	398	Mike & Ann Gavigan
8/27/19	<b>\$25</b>	480	Bill Mitrus
8/28/19	<b>\$25</b>	796	Ross & Marie Bracco
8/29/19	<b>\$25</b>	365	Pat Chapin
8/30/19	<b>\$25</b>	654	Thomas & Clara Datre
8/31/19	<b>\$25</b>	255	Elizabeth C. Hansen

## PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Maureen Murphy, Theresa Traino, 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](http://www.FaithDirect.net) to sign up: our church code is **NY227**. You may also use the form located where you obtain the bulletin. We thank you for your support.

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

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

### **MAINTENANCE COLLECTION**

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

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

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

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

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

## 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	Ryan Murphy
David Cussen	John Nachtman
Capt. Sean Michael Dolan	Kaitlyn Nachtman
P. J. Erskin	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	Christopher Singer
Sean Hendrikson	Ryan Smith
Kevin Ilyichenko	Michael White

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

### THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

#### Saturday—September 1

3:30pm—Wedding.—Maastrocola/Root—Church

#### Tuesday—September 3

7pm—Adoration—Church

#### Wednesday—September 4

5pm—Knights of Columbus Bus. Mtg.—Kit/WH

#### Sunday—September 8—Catholic University—2nd Collection

9:15am—September Birthdays—Church

12noon—Beach Mass



## SAVE THE DATE

### MSGR. FRANCIS S. MIDURA 7th Annual Golf Outing

**\$165 per Golfer**

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

**Rock Hill Country Club, Manorville**

**Monday, September 23, 2019**

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

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

**For Information Contact:**

**Tom Prunty 631-682-4177**

**Ed Rogan – 516-319-8643**

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It's that time of year again when we begin our Fall activities. Choir will be resuming rehearsals from 5:30 to 6:30 pm on Thursdays beginning on **September 19th for the Children's Choir.**

**The Adult Choir will begin September 12th** from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm.

If you love to sing and can sing in "key" —give us a try. You don't have to know how to read music; you'll learn as you go.

The love of God and the love of singing make a great band! Come be a part of our musical family! Share your talents with us.

Children's Choir from 3rd grade through High School.

Any questions or to enroll call

**Emilia at 631-724-8820**

Thanks and God Bless!



**Focus on Religious Freedom**  
[www.cffor.org](http://www.cffor.org)  
**Lawsuits Often Needed to Restore**  
**Freedom of**  
**Religion & Speech to Students**

**California:** The Huntington Beach S.D. agreed to pay attorney costs and a policy change that will permit "students to engage in religious expression without fear of reprisal." A case was brought on behalf of two students in an elementary school who were denied their First Amendment rights. The principal had barred the students from handing out "Bring Your Bible to School Day" information flyers during the school day, including lunch and recess, due to their religious content.

**"Bring Your Bible to School Day" has become a national event, in October,** in order to counteract the misperceptions created by a 1963 Supreme Court ruling that teacher-led prayer be removed from American public schools. **Many people falsely assumed religion had been banned.** Too often school officials unfairly infringe on student rights to free speech and confiscate religious themed books read during free time, forbid student prayer during non-instruction time, or ban speech, writing, and artwork with a religious content.

**Colorado:** The Univ. of Colorado-Colorado Springs, refused to reverse its policy that a Christian group could not require officers and leaders to adhere to Christian principles - until it was sued. The school has now changed its discriminatory policies and must also pay \$20,500 in damages, court costs, and attorney fees as part of the settlement.

"After they were sued, all of a sudden a higher level of accountability was involved and they decided to change their policies and allow our group to operate freely on campus," said an Alliance Defending Freedom attorney.

**Florida:** Univ. of Florida agreed to stop discriminating against student group Young Americans For Freedom (YAF). The group sued the University alleging the schools' process of disbursing student fees to fund organizations on campus discriminated against their political views. UF's Student Government had denied YAF's request to become a fully budgeted student organization, thus preventing funding requests for guest speaker fees.

The YAF chapter agreed to settle its lawsuit against the university in exchange for it eliminating the policies that prohibited the YAF from receiving speaker fees for their likeminded speakers.

(freedomxlaw.com, 1/7/19; wnd.com, 8/3/19; biblica.com, 10/4/18; onenewsnow.com, 5/29/19; conservativehq.com, 8/5/19)

***"Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction... It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same."***

Pres. Ronald Reagan



*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.

Our next meeting will be on September 9, 2019 at 2:30 pm. The book for discussion will be **The Chilbury Ladies Choir** by Jennifer Ryan. Facilitator—Marilyn Miller.

We meet on the second Monday of the month at 2:30 pm in the Meeting Room. For further and/or to register, call Marilyn at 631-234-5805 or Joan at 631-234-1739.

## **SOCIAL MEDIA & EMAIL**

### **Websites**

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

<https://stmlyouth.wixsite.com/stmyouthhauppauge>

### **Facebook**

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

### **Instagram**

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- stmreligioused
- stm\_yg

### **Email**

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Altar Servers Ministry: [altarservers@stmli.org](mailto:altarservers@stmli.org)

Personal Prayer [SpiritualOrientations.com](http://SpiritualOrientations.com)

To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following: Barbara & Joe Fratamico at

[BJFRAT@optonline.net](mailto:BJFRAT@optonline.net)

**PARISH OUTREACH**  
*“Give us this day our daily bread”*



Our current needs include:

Canned Fruit

**Pancake Mix\*\***

**Syrup\*\***

**Crackers & Cookies\*\***

**Tomato Sauce\*\***

**Coffee \*\***

Tea

**Paper Towels\*\***

**Toilet Paper\*\***

Shampoo

Laundry Detergent

**Bar Soap\*\***

\*\* We are in great need of these items as we often run low on them. We are **not** in need of bottled water at this time.

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

Clothing donations should be placed in the St. Vincent de Paul box at the back of the church parking lot. We appreciate your donation but do not have storage for clothing!

**Outreach is open Monday to Thursday 10 AM to 2 PM**  
**Phone: 631-234-3149**

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

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Today, we hear Jesus say to us ".....when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

With love for your neighbors who are poor, crippled, lame or blind, look around your house to see what furniture, household items, and clothing you no longer use...and give it to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

## COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(First Notice)*

**Fr. Charles and Laurie Mangano** present a Night of Recollection to support the ministry of Jesus Alive—a Night of Song...Night of Inspiration...Night of Reflection—**St. Anne’s Church**—88 Second Ave., Brentwood—tel: 631-273-8113. **Tuesday, September 24th—Doors open at 7:00 pm. Topic: Divine Providence.** *This is a fund-raiser to help support the ministry of Jesus Alive.*

*(Second Notice)*

**Do you have a child or someone in your family with Special Needs?** With all the attention and special care they require, have you gradually come to see what a blessing they are? Have you come to see the depth of soul they bring to your family? On **Sunday, September 8 at 5 pm** come and listen to Elizabeth Nabet the Author of the Book: “Blessed by Autism”—listen to her witness her raising her children here on Long Island—listen to how her son Gerard with his disease of Autism was a true miracle and blessing to her family—listen how Gerard with his Autism gave his family depth of soul. **Chapel of St. John of God Parish** (84 Carleton Ave., Central Islip). Phone 631-234-6535. **4 pm Special Needs Mass—5pm Presentation followed by Q and A discussion.**



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

Name::

Address:

Phone:

*Please return to the Rectory for processing.*

**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES  
APPEAL 2019**

**I/we would like to support the Catholic Ministries Appeal for 2019.**

**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.*

**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)*

## 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.



**Our next Parish Holy Hour will be held on  
Tuesday, September 3, 2019, 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 September:***

*With transforming mercy, Jesus makes our heart one with his.*

“He proposes his own example to those who come to him, that all may learn to be like himself, gentle and humble of heart, and to seek not their own interest but those of God.” (Pope Paul VI, *Mysterium Fidei*)

*Jesus will bless you, your family and the whole world for this hour of faith you spend with Him in the Blessed Sacrament.*

“Blessed are they who do not see and yet believe...” (Jn. 20:29)

“Faith can move mountains...” (Mk. 11:23)

“What is needed is trust...” (Mk. 5:36)

“Behold I come to make all things new.” (Rev. 21:5)

**Come join us!**

**ST. THOMAS MORE**  
**2019 FALL PLANT SALE**

Hardy Garden Mums 9" pot \$6.00 each



Red	_____	x \$6.00
White	_____	x \$6.00
Bronze	_____	x \$6.00
Yellow	_____	x \$6.00
Purple	_____	x \$6.00
Montauk Daisy	_____	x \$6.00
Pansy	_____	x \$6.00
Ornamental Cabbage	_____	x \$6.00 (Purple)
Ornamental Kale	_____	x \$6.00 (Purple)
Total Ordered	\$ _____	

**All orders have to be in by SEPTEMBER 29, 2019**

Orders will be ready for pick up on October 5 & 6 , 2019.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No \_\_\_\_\_

Check No \_\_\_\_\_ Please make all checks payable to **St. Thomas More Church**



# CATHOLIC CHURCH OF LONG ISLAND NIGHT

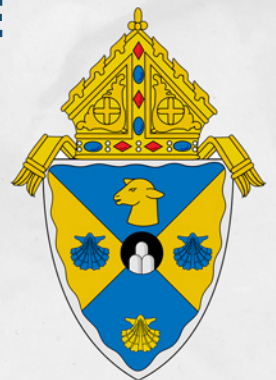
COME OUT TO SUPPORT THE DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE –  
THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF LONG ISLAND

FRI. SEPT 13 • 7:10PM •  vs 

**THE FIRST 850 FANS TO PURCHASE  
THROUGH THIS ONLINE OFFER WILL BE  
ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN AN ON-FIELD  
WARNING TRACK SALUTE PRE-GAME**

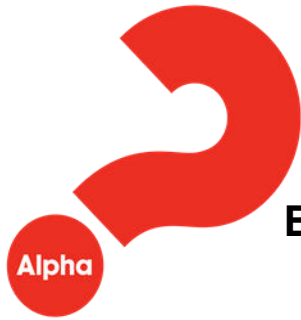
The Diocese of Rockville Centre ([www.drvc.org](http://www.drvc.org)) is the eighth largest diocese in the U.S. covering 1,198 square miles in Nassau and Suffolk Counties. Under the leadership of Bishop John Barres, the diocese with nearly 400 priests, 801 religious women, 34 Brothers and 285 permanent deacons in active ministry serves approximately 1,428,296 baptized Catholics.

There are 133 parishes in 115 towns. There are 45 Catholic elementary schools, 9 high schools and one Catholic college in the diocese. There are 75,727 children in parish Faith Formation programs taught by 10,000 volunteer catechists.



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**DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS?**  
**YOU'RE INVITED TO TRY ALPHA @ STM**  
**BEGINS TUESDAY SEPT 17 @ 6:30pm**  
**EXPLORE LIFE ... FAITH ... MEANING**

**WHAT IS ALPHA?**

**ALPHA** is an opportunity to explore the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment.

**ALPHA** will help you explore life's biggest questions.

**ALPHA** will take you on a journey, allow you to experience the love of God through the power of the Holy Spirit and often leads you to a personal encounter with Jesus.

We gather once a week at St. Thomas More where we start with a nice dinner, afterwards there is a video that features inspiring stories and interviews from people around the world. Within a small group, questions and ideas can be shared and friendships form.

Too shy to talk in a group? No worries. Just listen! You will be surprised with what you take home and think about. You may even be inspired to share your experiences or knowledge the following week.

So come to the introduction to **ALPHA** on Sept 17 and see if you would like to become part of **ALPHA**, a free program.

Dinner is free. The conversation is thought provoking.

**To sign up for ALPHA** call 631-234-0397 or email [mecarroll@optonline.net](mailto:mecarroll@optonline.net) or [jmtwhite@optonline.net](mailto:jmtwhite@optonline.net)

For more information go to <http://stmrcc.org/alpha>



# St. Thomas More

## Beach Mass & Picnic

### Sunday, September 8, 2019

Otto Schubert Beach, Nissequogue

Mass at 12:00 noon—Picnic to follow

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chips, and Beverages provided

## —Response Form—

Please print clearly

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Children under 12

**Please indicate food choices, 2 items per person:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Hamburger** \_\_\_\_\_ **Hot Dog** \_\_\_\_\_ **Veggie Burger**

(Eg.: A family of 4 needs to indicate a total of 8 items)

To help us order/prepare enough food, please include a check for **\$5 per person** with your response. **The check will be returned to you at the picnic when you sign in.**

Families with last names A-J will be asked to bring a salad  
(with no mayonnaise) or a relish tray.

Families with last names K-Z will be asked to bring a dessert  
(finger food please)

Please **return** this form by **Sunday, August 25, 2019**

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!!!**

See sign-up sheets in church lobby

For information contact **Marti 516-527-0833**





# LITURGICAL MINISTRY TRAINING

## Fall 2019 (REVISED)

1. **BASIC TRAINING** for all those who would like to minister at parishes as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC); this also includes ministry to the homebound.
2. **SPECIALIZED TRAINING** for those EMHCs intending to work with the sick in hospitals or nursing homes – **Contact Office of Faith Formation.** (516) 678-5800 x 408. (N.B. *Basic Training must be taken prior to registering for Specialized Training*)
3. **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., 9/21 @ St. Christopher’s, Baldwin (1:00PM-4:30PM)  
 Eastern Suffolk- Mon., 9/30 @ Saint Rosalie- Hampton Bays (7:00-10:00PM)  
 Western Suffolk- Wed., 10/2 @ Saint Elizabeth, Melville (7:00-10:00PM)  
 Nassau- Spanish- Sat., 10/5 @ Our Lady of Loretto, Hempstead (9:00AM-12:30PM)  
 Eastern Suffolk-Spanish – Sat., 11/9 @ Saint Rosalie- Hampton Bays (9:00AM-12:30PM)  
 Eastern Suffolk-English– Sat., 11/9 @ Saint Rosalie- Hampton Bays (1:00PM-4:30PM)  
 Nassau– Tue., 11/19 @ St. Christopher’s, Baldwin (7:00-10:00PM)

Fees: BASIC TRAINING (\$30 per person); LECTOR TRAINING (\$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: Sep.21    Sep.30    Oct.2    Oct.5 (Spanish only)  
                   Nov.9 (English)    Nov. 9 (Spanish)    Nov.19

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.*

# Ronkonkoma Cenacle -September 2019

Telephone: 631-588-8366 ext. 116



**Saturday, September 7, 2019**

**10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. at the Maude Adams House, 9:30 a.m. arrivals and refreshments**

## **MIND THE GAP/TRANSITIONS**

The space between the past and future can be unsettling and anything but peaceful. We need to know the outcome of situations. Through it all though, God is with us and asks us to be still in our gap, for that is where we are truly transformed.

**Presenter: Joan McGovern, Cenacle Ministry Staff**

**Suggested Offering: \$35 – Lunch included**

**\$20 deposit required to hold your reservation**

**September 13-15, 2019**

## **PATHWAYS TO RECOVERY! Bringing Al-Anon Principles into Everyday Life.**

There is no one among us who could not benefit from learning how to apply Al-Anon principles and suggestions to our daily living. This weekend retreat walks us through a 12 Step process in a clear and accessible way through presentations, written exercises, music, optional group sharing, and more! If you are looking for healthy relationships, increased serenity and some new tools for dealing with whatever comes your way, this retreat is meant for you! There is no need to be in any 12 Step program in order to attend.

**Presenter: Betty Hill Crowson**

**Suggested Offering: \$275 – No Sunday lunch.**

**Commuters: \$220**

**\$50 deposit required to hold your reservation**

**Sunday, September 29, 2019**

**2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Retreat Center, 1:30 p.m. arrivals and refreshments**

## **CENTERING PRAYER AFTERNOON**

DVD by Thomas Keating O.C.S.O., Centering Prayer, and discussion. You do not need to have any experience, simply the desire to rest in God's presence. *"Be still and know that I AM God"* (Psalm 46:10).

**Presenter: Sr. Margaret Rohde, r.c.**

**Suggested Offering: \$15, payable at registration**

