

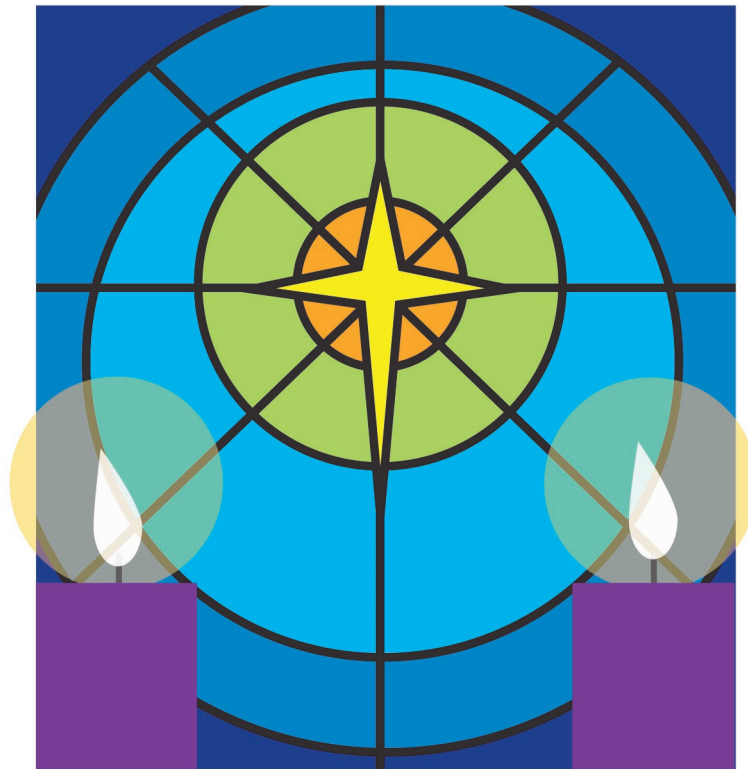


Catholic Church Community of
St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

December 8, 2019

Second Sunday of Advent



SECOND SUNDAY
OF
Advent

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

December 8, 2019
 Second Sunday of Advent
 Isaiah 11:1-10
 Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17
 Romans 15: 4-9
 Matthew 3: 1-12

Saturday, December 7

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm Eleanor Graver *by Joann & Richie Lane*

Sunday, December 8—Second Sunday of Advent

8:00am Casano Antonio & Dr. Darius Anton

Holmes M.D. *by Dr. Bertram A. Holmes*

9:15am Andrew Como *by Florence & Michael
 Aquafredda*

10:45am Ann Marie Kane *by the Kane family*

12:15pm Anthony DiSalvio *by the McNeill family,*

Nick Liberatoscioli *by his family,* Janet Mallen *by*

Ellie Donlon, Charles Struzinski *by his family*

Monday, December 9—The Immaculate

Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9am Michael Stiles *by Cathy Hoffman*

Tuesday, December 10

9am Don Friedman *by Judy Lynch*

Wednesday, December 11—St. Damasus I

9am Brother Francis Rowles O.S.F. *by Chris &
 Andrew Paino*

Thursday, December 12—Our Lady of Guadalupe

9am The People of the Parish

Friday, December 13—St. Lucy

9am Jean Noschese *by Judy Coyle &
 Marilyn Miller*

Saturday, December 14—St. John of the Cross

9am Priscilla McAllister; Gary Pazolt *by family
 (Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm Marin Lamia *by Ann Lamia*

Sunday, December 15—Third Sunday of Advent

8:00am Casano Antonio & Dr. Darius Anton

Holmes M.D. *by Dr. Bertram A. Holmes*

9:15am Peter Marrone *by William & JoAnn Eyring*

10:45am Eleanore Porter *by Judy Coyle*

12:15pm The Heller family *by Pat & Frank Lewis*

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

December 15, 2019
 Third Sunday of Advent
 Isaiah 35: 1-6A, 10
 Psalm 146: 6-7, 8-9, 9-10
 James 5:7-10
 Matthew 11: 2-11

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to
 Matthew:

When John the Baptist heard in prison of the works of the
 Christ, he sent his disciples to Jesus with this question,
 "Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for
 another?"

Jesus said to them in reply,

"Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind regain
 their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf
 hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have the good news
 proclaimed to them. And blessed is the one who takes no
 offense at me."

As they were going off, Jesus began to speak to the crowds
 about John,

"What did you go out to the desert to see? A reed swayed
 by the wind? Then what did you go out to see? Someone
 dressed in fine clothing? Those who wear fine clothing are
 in royal palaces. Then why did you go out? To see a
 prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is
 the one about whom it is written:

*Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;
 he will prepare your way before you.*

Amen, I say to you, among those born of women there has
 been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the
 kingdom of heaven is greater than he."

Focus Questions:

1. Describe a time when you second guessed yourself.
2. Describe a time when fear or doubt impacted your
 ability to make a decision.
3. Who has been instrumental in pointing you to God?

Family and children's question:

This Sunday is "Joyful Sunday". What do you do to
 spread joy to those who are sad?

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

A wisdom-quote beautifully explains how sound travels slower than light. “Sound travels slowly. Sometimes the things you say when your kids are teenagers, don’t reach them till they’re in their forties.” The ear may hear the words but it is the heart that turns them into meaning. Mere words are burdens. But the meaning of the words is the life-giving-force.

The readings of the Second Week of Advent invite us to open our hearts in order to empower life with life-giving-force. Isaiah portrays what happens when the heart opens itself to the living force in creation, “the wolf shall be a guest of the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat; the calf and the young lion shall browse together, with a little child to guide them.”

Isaiah continues to describe the harmony that will happen in creation when the heart lives the life-giving-force. “The cow and the bear shall graze, together their young shall lie down; the lion shall eat hay like the ox. The baby shall play by the viper’s den, and the child lay his hand on the adder’s lair.” A new order of living with harmony is promised for those who would listen to the word of God in their heart. The heart will turn the meaning of God’s word into God’s work with new meaning and a new way of living for those who live from the heart.

In today’s Gospel John the Baptist invites us to open our hearts for the fiery Gift of the Holy Spirit which Jesus would give. Advent is the time of silence and prayer, of patiently waiting and watchfully expecting so that we don’t miss the gift of God at the birth of Jesus among us. May our hearts open and receive the meaning and the power of living coming to us as the gift of God.

December 8th is the Solemn Feast of the Immaculate Conception of our Blessed Mother Virgin Mary. When we celebrate this feast we praise God for Mary’s sinless birth and life in order that she become the worthy Mother of God. Also we declare our belief that in our Baptism you and I are made worthy persons like Mary to bear and live the presence of Jesus Christ. This year because December 8th falls on a Sunday, the Feast is celebrated on Monday December 9th. As it follows immediately after the Sunday obligation, the church has made the Feast not a day of obligation this year.

Saturday, December 14th after the 5:00pm Mass is the Christmas Tree Lighting. Dinner will be served for a minimal cost at Walden Hall, with free desserts and opportunities for photos with Santa.

We thank you all in advance, for sponsoring the Christmas Flowers in honor or in memory of your family members.

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
 Dan Haggerty, Youth Minister

OUR PARISH SACRAMENTAL LIFE

EUCCHARIST

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	November 24, 2019	\$6,077.50
	December 1, 2019	\$6,361.24

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 December 3, 2019

Our Parish Goal	\$70,100.00
Pledges to date	\$40,574.25
Percentage of Goal	57.9%

CALENDAR CLUB 2020

I/We would like to join St. Thomas More's Calendar Club for 2020.

NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS:

PHONE:()

EMAIL:

() One Number for \$25

OR

() FIVE Numbers for \$100

(If your return your form & payment by Sunday, December 10, 2019, you will receive a total of SIX numbers for \$100).

() I would like to give Calendar Club numbers as Gifts. I am attaching a separate page indicating the names and addresses of individuals who will receive gifts.

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$

(Please return form to Rectory Office or place in Collection Basket).

OUR PRIEST CELEBRANTS

(Subject to last minute changes)

	<u>This Weekend</u> (Dec. 7/8)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (Dec. 14/15)
<u>Saturday</u>		
5 pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
<u>Sunday</u>		
8 am	Fr. Antony	Msgr. Boccafolo
9:15am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
10:45am	Fr. Fred	Fr. Antony
12:15pm	Msgr. Boccafolo	Fr. Fred



MINISTRY MATTERS AT ST. THOMAS MORE

RCIA TEAM

Our Purpose and Responsibilities

To share our faith with those who express a desire to become a Catholic Christian and to lead them to the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation.

THE RCIA NEEDS EVERYONE

Just as it takes an entire village to raise a child, it takes all the gifts and talents of a loving and prayerful community to make a committed Catholic Christian.

THEREFORE...

We invite ALL Members of St. Thomas More to join us in praying for those seeking to join us in our Faith Community and welcoming those who are now on their journey to the Easter Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation.

THE RCIA NEEDS EVERYONE!



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Angie, Arlene, ASB, Carmela Beltrani, Louise Beltrani, Bernadette, Lena Brennan, Pamela Brosnan, Barbara Cappisillo, Kathy Capuano, Dona Caragol, David Cartwright, Paul Connors, Marlene DiChristina, Walter Drechsler, Walt Drechsler Jr., Rosemarie Flore, Marilyn Gast, Jodi Casares George, Jerry Georgis, John Gilligan, Gina, John H, Olive Harrison, Tom H, Rita Hines, Laurie Holmes, Paula Izzo, Joseph Jacklets, Chris Kenney, Kevin Kenney, Shaun Kenney, Jean Marsala Kieffner, Nicolas Lorusso, Lauren Lossani, Frances Madera, MaryLee Manfre, Rob McGurrin, Rosie Miranda, Kieran Mock, Ellen Murphy, Joan Nachtman, Pat O’Connell, Beatrice Okorn, Barbara P, Brienne P, Joe P, Rainey Pappas, Richard Peymann, Maura Reddy, Rosalie Rocchio, Sue Rukchael, Teresa Shannon, Carlene, Robert & Kim Shenowitz, Charles & Peggy Stepanek, Robert Strommer, MaryAnn Tinger, Richard Tulipan, Chase Turano, Andrew J. Valentine, Andrew M. Valentine, Rosalind Warmuth, Diane Weisz, Janet Weil, Don Wieman., Pat Yezek, Ashley Zabelsky

This listing will expire on March 31, 2020.

CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS

Congratulations!

Here are the winners from December 1-7, 2019

12/1/19 `	\$50	828 Theresa & Salvatore Intravaia
12/2/19	\$25	593 Barbara Fratamico
12/3/19	\$25	289 Stephanie Scaduto
12/4/19	\$25	114 Ed & Arleen Rogan
12/5/19	\$25	428 Maureen Fallona
12/6/19	\$25	661 Kevin & Jennifer Pearsall
12/7/19	\$25	836 Mr. & Mrs. A. Lumia

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

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 or text the word ENROLL to 631-250-8141. 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	Michael Knipper
Jessie Bernstein	Dylan Kowalski
Joseph Blaugrund	Thomas LaFemina
Anthony Broncatello	Alex Lombardi
John Burk	Andrew Lombardi
Collin Busto	Lt. Clint Lorance
David Chester	Scott Lovelock
John Chester	Andrew Lynch
Nicholas Chester	Troy A. Maida,
Theresa Chester	William Maley
Collin J. Crean	Thomas Migliara
Eddie Cullum	Tim Morris
Eric Cullum	Ryan Murphy
Adam Cussen	John Nachtman
David Cussen	Kaitlyn Nachtman
Capt. Sean Michael Dolan	Thomas Nichols
P. J. Erskin	Adam Papaizai
Timothy Fallon	Michael Poist
Nicholas W. Flanary	Michael Polanski
J.T. Foltz	Kyle Rathje
Mike Foltz	Antonia Marie Rivera
Michael Gioia	Ann Karen Sanchez
William Gregory	Justin Schneider
Carl F. Greiner	Christopher Sidor
Philip Gudone	Christopher Singer
John Michael Haffner	Ryan Smith
Sean Hendrikson	Michael White
Tylor J. Hickey	
Kevin Ilyichenko	
John Karies	

Support Our Religious.

The second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will take place in all parishes in the Diocese of Rockville Centre on the weekend of December 7th and 8th.

Many senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little or no pay. Today, religious communities often do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your gift helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of their elders.

Please be generous.

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Sunday—December 8—Hospitality Sunday—

Second Collection: Religious Retirement

10:30am—RCIA—Kirwin Hall

Monday— December 9

2:30pm—Circle of Women—Meeting Room

Tuesday—December 10

6pm—Alpha—Kitchen/Walden Hall

Wednesday—December 11

6:30pm—Baptism Prep—Meeting Room

7pm—Columbiettes Meeting—Walden Hall

Thursday—December 12

5:30pm—Children's Choir Reh.—Church

7:30 pm—Adult Choir Reh.—Church

Saturday—December 14

1pm—Children's Choir Reh.—Church



Choir News

As you know Christmas is coming soon, so we would like to invite our young children grades 3 through high school to join the Christmas Choir. There are only three rehearsals to get ready for the “Big” day—December 7, 14 and 21 from 1 to 2 pm.

We will be singing at the 3:30 pm Christmas eve Mass and at 9:15 am during the Christmas season.

What a beautiful way to celebrate Jesus' birthday as **He** is the reason for the season! Come share your time and talents as a gift to Jesus and to the STM community. As you know it is in giving that we receive.

For info or to join call Emilia at 631-724-8820.



Focus on Religious Freedom
www.cffor.org

**Protecting Conscience Rights
 for Doctors & Nurses**

Texas: A recent U.S. District Court ruling will allow doctors to refuse to perform gender-transition surgeries that violate their faith as well as their scientific judgment that the procedures can cause significant risks, especially to children, that include heart conditions, loss of bone density, and increased risk of cancer. Also, "studies show that children with gender dysphoria found that fewer than one in four children continued to experience that condition into adulthood," said a Becket Law statement.(1)

In May, 2016, the Dept. of Health & Human Services (HHS) issued a rule requiring all doctors to perform gender-transition surgery. If the doctor refused - even on religious grounds - they could be fired or face severe consequences.

"Today marks a major victory for compassion, conscience, and sound medical judgment," said Luke Goodrich, VP of Becket Law. (2)

Vermont: The HHS Office for Civil Rights recently announced that the Un. of Vermont Medical Center violated the conscience rights of a nurse forced to assist in an elective abortion in 2018 against her conscience/religious objections. The nurse was not told the procedure was an abortion until she walked into the room and the doctor said, "Don't hate me."(3)

"Forcing medical staff to assist in the taking of human life inflicts a moral injury on them that is not only unnecessary and wrong, it violates longstanding federal law," said Roger Severino, Director of OCR. "Our investigation has uncovered serious discrimination by UVMCMC against nurses and staff who cannot, in good conscience, assist in elective abortions. We stand ready to assist UVMCMC in changing its policies and procedures to respect conscience rights and remedy the effects of the discrimination."(4)

(becketlaw.org, 10/15/19, (1) onenewsnow.com, 10/21/19; (2) thetexan.news, 10/15/19; (3)(4) hhs.gov, 8/28/19, dailysignal.com, 8/28/19; aclu.org, 11/19)

"Never do anything against conscience even if the state demands it."



*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 December 9, 2019 at 2:30 pm. The book for discussion will be **Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine** by Gail Honeyman—Facilitator: Vivianne Latorre.

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

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

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

PARISH OUTREACH



“Amen I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.” Matthew 25:40

Our thanks to out to all our parishioners at St. Thomas More who so generously donated food and turkeys so our clients at Outreach could have a special Thanksgiving dinner! A special thank you to the following:

*Tora Law Firm for your generous donation of pies
New Beginnings Preschool for your food donation
STM Knights of Columbus
Tim Fallon
Ms. Melazzo and Ms. Miller’s 8th grade class for the flowers
Ms. Schroeder’s 7th grade class
All those who made anonymous donations!*

We have just entered the season of Advent and we are preparing for Christmas. Our Giving Tree can be found in the Narthex and is loaded with tags, gift cards and other gifts. Please return all items by Sunday, December 15th. In addition, Outreach is collecting hams for our Christmas dinners. They can be dropped off at the Outreach Office Monday through Thursday from 10am until 2pm. Thank you again for your generosity!

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

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord." This is what Advent is all about, for we are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts, in our family and to reach out to those in need.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

The Shrine of Our Lady of the Island—258 Eastport Manor Rd., Manorville—Calling All Prayer Groups—Charismatic, Marian, Padre Pio, Contemplative Men’s Groups, Women’s Groups, Young Adults, All Faith Communities—**Honor Our Lady as we Pray together—December 8 at 2:00 pm Mass.** Prayer teams will be available afterwards.

Hauppauge SEPTA (Special Education) is hosting a Breakfast with SANTA on **Sunday, December 15, 2019 from 8:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M.** Applebee’s in Commack, 105 Veterans Highway. Great event to start your day as a family and support our students. \$10 per person includes pancakes, sausage, eggs and a beverage. Stephanie (516) 729-3870

(Second Notice)

Franciscan Spirit Tours—Franciscan friars Fr. Michael Seigny, OFM Cap., Fr. Julian Jagudilia, OFM and Fr. Jim Sauer, OFM will be leading several upcoming pilgrimages to holy sites around the world this fall and beyond. Proceeds benefit the work of the Franciscans. For more information, please contact Franciscan Spirit Tours at 646-736-7964 or at info@FranciscanSpiritTours.com. You may also see the full itineraries on the web at www.FranciscanSpiritTours.com. Mention that you were referred by the bulletin and the parish will receive a contribution.

Special for 2020: Oberammergau/Prague (“Passion Play”) (From only \$3,395); Greece/Turkey/Greek Isles (From \$2,995) Plus our regularly scheduled pilgrimages: “Franciscan Italy”, “Great Women of Faith” Paris/Lourdes/Lisieux, “Holy Land—The Living Rosary”, “Footsteps of St. John Paul II —Poland/Prague”, “Our Lady in the New World” - Guadalupe/Mexico, “Catholic Spain”, “Fatima”, “Journey to Peace” —Medjugorje, “Footsteps of Pope Francis”—Argentina/Uruguay, “Catholic Ireland”, “Church of John and Paul”- Greece/Turkey.

Bay Shore High School WOW Program December 9-14— Holiday Pop-Up Shoppe—Monday through Friday from 3:30 o 6:30 pm—Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm—Staffed by the school’s special needs WOW (World of Work), students, they have made...not purchased for resale...holiday gifts such as soaps, door signs, and other holiday ornaments. Please come to this event and show your support.



will be held at *Ciro’s* on Tuesday, the 10th of December at 12 noon. Cost is \$30.

CONGRATULATIONS

The following students of our parish have received Honor Roll certificates for the first quarter o 2019 at St. Anthony’s High School:

Caleb Aurelien

Keira Baiz

Olivia Bento

Spencer Borghardt

Nicole DeCanio

Matthew Ficco

Emily Gunsel

Andrea Haggerty

Lauren Heberer

William Mitrus

Brandon Mooney

Gabriella Niola

Thomas Popp

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:

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

New Beginnings Pre School in Hauppauge—needs an Infant and a Toddler Teacher—631-360-0039

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.

Advent has begun. We invite families to light the Advent Candle... please sign up in the folder in the Narthex.



**Congratulations to our five Boy Scouts who received the Pope Pius XII Award:
James Abruzzo, Kyle Adams, Griffin Capece, Andrew Vermillion and Robert Vermillion.**

**ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING PRAYER SERVICE
ST. THOMAS MORE, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2019 AT 7:00 PM**



ANGELS and SHEPHERDS Needed!

Believe it or not, it's that time again! Time to invite all children 5 years of age and older to be angels and shepherds at our two **Family Masses on Christmas Eve.**

We ask all children wishing to participate to follow this guideline in order to have fairly equal amounts represented at both Masses.

Those whose last names begin with letters **A through M will attend the 3:30** Mass. Those whose last names begin with letters **N through Z will attend the 5:30** Mass.

There will be one **mandatory rehearsal and costume pick-up.** It will be **Saturday, December 21st** and will last about one hour.

Please complete the Angel and Shepherd Form below and return it in the collection basket or return it to the Church Office **no later than** December 12, 2019.

Contact: Theresa at (631) 234-5551 or Theresa@stmli.org with questions

ANGELS and SHEPHERDS

Name: _____

Would like to participate as an:

_____ **angel** _____ **shepherd**

_____ **3:30 p.m. Mass-Last Name A to M**

_____ **5:30 p.m. Mass-Last Name N to Z**
(Please check appropriate Mass)

Parent's Signature _____

Phone Number _____

Parent's E-Mail _____

(Return no later than December 12, 2019)



Let's join together and share in the Christmas spirit with another St. Thomas More family this Advent season!

Before Advent begins you will receive an email and/or letter in the mail with the name of another parish family whom you can pray for and surprise with notes, cards, or small gift (example: movie or family board game) once a week for four weeks during Advent. At the same time your family will be receiving surprises from a different Kris Kindle. Your secret family will be revealed at a celebration in January. (date to be announced) This is a wonderful way to meet new families and a great way to teach children the true meaning of Christmas through prayer, giving, and acts of kindness. Sign up to be a family's secret Kris Kindle this year and be a part of this special experience.

Please fill out the attached form and drop it in the box in the Narthex or email information to Constance Sandbichler at cngsands@optonline.net by November 24th.

Questions please call Constance at 516-319-3913

Yes! We want to be part of Kris Kindle!

Family Name _____

Phone Number _____

Address _____

Email _____

Individual Family Members, Ages, and Interests

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