

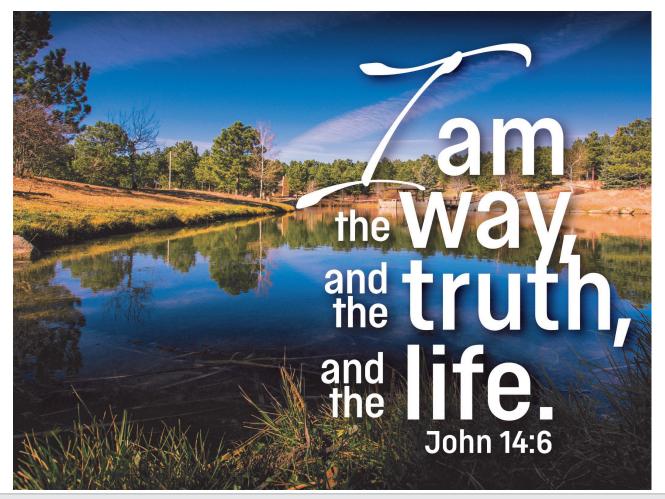
Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

May 10, 2020

Fifth Sunday of Easter



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.

Contact Numbers					
Rectory	Religious Ed	Outreach			
631-234-5551	631 - 234-0397	631-234-3149			
FAX 631-234-6412	FAX 631-234-1199	FAX 631-234-1199			

Website: https://stmli.org Social Media Facebook: StThomasMoreHauppauge Instagram: stm_church

To receive texts or emails from us just text uge **Spiritoflove** to 84576 or sign up @ StThomasMore29.flocknote.com

Masses for this coming week

May 10, 2020 Fifth Sunday of Easter Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7 Psalm 33;1-2, 4-5, 18-19 1 Peter 2:4-9 John 14:1-12

Saturday, May 9

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday) Joan Bedosky by the Mohlenbrok family 5pm Sunday, May 10—Fifth Sunday of Easter — Mother's Day 8:00am Mother's Day Novena 9:15am Mother's Day Novena 10:45am Mother's Day Novena 12:15pm Mother's Day Novena Monday, May 11 Janet Venditti by the Hoffman family 9am Tuesday, May 12 — Saints Nereus and Achileus, **St. Pancras** 9am Mother's Day Novena Wednesday, May 13—Our Lady of Fatima 9am Mother's Day Novena Thursday, May 14—St. Matthias 9am Mother's Day Novena Friday, May 15-St. Isidore 9am Mother's Day Novena Saturday, May 16 Augie Vrondis by Betty Vrondis 9am (Anticipated Mass for Sunday) Lee Brennan by the SanFilippo family 5pm Sunday, May 17—Sixth Sunday of Easter 8:00am Fred Bunnicelli by Ralph & Ursula Molinaro 9:15am Rose Marie Riley by Joseph & Theresa Stassi 10:45am Maria Krol by Pete & Mary Romano & familv 12:15pm Lynne Gallinaro by Joseph & Theresa Stassi

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

May 17, 2020 Sixth Sunday of Easter Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17 Psalm 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 1 Peter 3:15-18 John 14:15-21

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John:

Jesus said to his disciples:

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him. But you know him, because he remains with you, and will be in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live.

On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."



FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

I don't remember who said this witty and very true observation. It is worth quoting here to begin the reflection. "Humankind should learn a lesson from the snowflake. No two of them are alike, and yet observe how well they cooperate on major projects, such as tying up traffic." Every one of us is unique like the snowflake. If each of us depends on our individuality alone, we will vanish as a snowflake which is tossed easily by the wind and melted fast by the sun.

Today's Gospel inspires us how to live as a human family without losing our individuality. As human individuals, every one of us has our own 'way' of living with our personal likes and dislikes. Though we differ from each other in our personal 'WAY', we all have the same goal – LIFE. We all strive to have a happy and peaceful life for all. If we want life to be an available gift to all, without the loss of living our lives in our unique way, we have to be united in and by TRUTH. TRUTH alone can allow each of us to be original in our WAY and at the same time make LIFE available to all without infringing on each other on our Way (Freedom). WAY, TRUTH and LIFE are inseparably interconnected.

In the Gospel today Jesus invites the disciples to experience in Him this Inseparability and Interconnectedness. He says, "I am the WAY, the TRUTH and the LIFE. Our faith in Jesus, our worshiping and experiencing Jesus in the Sacraments, Liturgical celebrations, Bible-Meditations etc., have only one Goal to enlighten and empower each of us to live this unity of Way, Truth and Life. Jesus empowers our individuality (unique way) to be enlightened by Truth that we may all live the fullness of Life.

Let us pray to God to illuminate us with Truth. Truth in turn will enlighten us to who we are as individuals. This realization will create empathy towards each other. This will make us experience that Life is not what I make but is a gift of God that I live as Jesus experience in thanksgiving.

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

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.



May, the Month of Mary, Our Blessed Mother

On May 6th we crowned her statue (Please watch the ceremony on our Parish Website (stmli.org) which is our Parish Tradition for 40 years.

Also another of our Parish Traditions is to pray the Rosary throughout the month of May. As we are in Lock-down, the Rosary is the Best Family prayer.

If you don't know how to pray the Rosary just google "How to pray the Rosary"; you will find a detailed explanation and demonstration. If you cannot pray the whole Rosary... please pray a decade of the Rosary with your family at your dinner table . A decade of Rosary is to pray "One Our Father, Ten Hail Marys and a Glory Be to the Father... "

KIND REMINDER

Our Parish offers Mass every day. We also live-streamline the Sunday Masses every Saturday at 5:00 pm. Please visit our Parish Website stmli.org. You will find instructions on how to participate and pray the Mass with us every day at your convenient time in your home.

> You can email to me your intentions to be prayed for. I will include them at the Mass.

I miss you. I continue to pray for you and your families.

May God bless us all with good health. Let us pray that we may all be back to our normal and regular lives.



SUPPORT COLLECTION

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.

St. Thomas More Parish needs your support now more than ever! Join the parishioners who are using Faith Direct for automated giving to St. Thomas More Parish. Faith Direct offers a safe and secure way to donate to our parish in this time of uncertainty. There is no cost to you, and the program provides a great benefit to our parish. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/NY227, or text 'Enroll' to 631-250-8141. You can also make a onetime gift by texting a dollar amount to the same number.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

God Bless You, Fr. Antony



Tune into "*Religion and Rock"* with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7:00 am—8:00 am on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 FM on Long Island's East End. Listen on Saturdays at 11:00 pm on

Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11:00 pm on XM Satellite, Channel 117. **Next Sunday's theme (May 17) is Prayer,** don't miss it!

To listen online or receive more information regarding **Religion and Rock** go to <u>www.ReligionandRock.com</u> or at "**Religion & Rock**" on ITUNES. Don't forget to tune into **CATHOLIC FAITH NETWORK**, Cablevision Channel 29/137 or Verizon FIOS 296 or visit www.cfntv.org

THE RCIA NEEDS EVERYONE

We pray for all who cannot receive Jesus in the Sacrament of Eucharist. The Catechumens, those needing Baptism, and Candidates, those previously baptized who have hit a roadblock on their way to join the community at the table of the Lord. They have followed your example to remain faithful and on the spiritual path. We ask all parishioners of Saint Thomas More to continue to support those who are journeying to join us to be nourished at the table of our Lord, Jesus Christ. The Catechumens are, Zhiping Fennekohn, Anthony and Rick Vigo. The Candidates are Marissa Abram, Eric Abram, Aiden Lepore, Nina Latchman, and Cynthia Leon





PRAY FOR THE SICK

Pamela Brosnan, Walt Drechsler Jr., Rosemarie Flore, Marilyn Gast, Gail, Laurie Holmes, Jean Marsala Kieffner, Lauren Lossani, Joan Nachtman, Pat O'Connell, Mary Ann O'Gara, Maura Reddy, Rosalie Rocchio, Peggy Stepanek, Richard Tulipan, Chase Turano, Andrew J. Valentine, Andrew M. Valentine, Rosalind Warmuth, Diane Weisz, Janet Weil, Don Wieman, Pat Yezek, Ashley Zabelsky

Please re-submit names of those people you wish to put on our Sick List. This listing will expire on September 30, 2020.



During these difficult times, as a family of faith, we turn to our Heavenly Father in prayer. You are invited to submit your prayer intentions and those of your family. All prayer intentions will be placed in a basket near the altar in St Thomas More before each Mass. We are streaming Sunday Mass on Saturday at 5pm at <u>www.stmli.org.</u> Daily mass is posted Monday through Friday on <u>YouTube</u>

The basket will serve as a silent reminder that we are united in faith, hope and love as we lift one another up in prayer and support, while placing our trust in the Lord.

"For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy." St. Therese of Lisieux

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Rita Hines, Dorothy Altmann, for all those who have succumbed to COVID-19, 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 <u>www.FaithDirect.net</u> 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 Jessie Bernstein Joseph Blaugrund Anthony Broncatello John Burk Collin Busto David Chester John Chester Nicholas Chester Theresa Chester Collin J. Crean Eddie Cullum Eric Cullum Adam Cussen David Cussen Capt. Sean Michael Dolan P. J. Erskin Timothy Fallon Major Michael Fantauzzi Nicholas W. Flanary J.T. Foltz Mike Foltz Michael Gioia Carl F. Greiner Philip Gudone John Michael Haffner Sean Hendrikson Tylor J. Hickey Kevin Ilyichenko

John Karies Michael Knipper Dylan Kowalski Thomas LaFemina Alex Lombardi Andrew Lombardi Lt. Clint Lorance Scott Lovelock Andrew Lvnch Troy A. Maida, William Maley Thomas Migliara Tim Morris Ryan Murphy John Nachtman Kaitlvn Nachtman Thomas Nichols Adam Papaizai Michael Poist Michael Polanski Kyle Rathje Antonia Marie Rivera Ann Karen Sanchez Justin Schneider Christopher Sidor Christopher Singer Rvan Smith Michael White

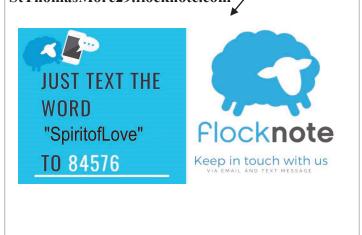
CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS

Congratulations!

Here are the winners from May 3-9, 2020

5/32020	614	\$50	Pete & Mary Romano
5/42020	854	\$25	Anthony Cassone
5/52020	848	\$25	Chris & Gert Hirsch
5/62020	429	\$25	Marina Napolitano
5/72020	328	\$25	Andy & Kathy Turano
5/8/2020	517	\$25	Jacklyn & Jim Cotgreave
5/9/2020	190	\$25	John Egan

Would you like to receive a daily spiritual reflection during Lent or updates of what's happening in our Parish? See below or go to StThomasMore29.flocknote.com



the blocese of rockville centre Golden Wedding Anniversary Liturgy Honoring Couples Married Fifty Years

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This Spring, couples who have been married fifty years will be honored at a Mass on a date to be announced later at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church in Smithtown.

Mass will begin at 2:00 p.m., Bishop Robert J. Coyle will preside.

Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory. Space is limited; registration will be accepted on a first come first served basis. The forms can also be found on www.drvc-faith.org.

If you have any questions you may call 516-678-5800, extension 223.



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.

The Circle of Women Book Club will be postponed until September 14, 2020.

For further info. and/or to register, call Marilyn at 631-234-5805 or Joan at 631-234-1739.



SOCIAL MEDIA & EMAIL

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Rectory: Mary Ellen Carroll: Outreach: Dan Haggerty: Personal Prayer following:

rectory@stmli.org mecarroll@optonline.net outreach@stmli.org youthminister@stmli.org Altar Servers Ministry: altarservers@stmli.org SpiritualOrientations.com To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the Barbara & Joe Fratamico at BJFRAT@optonline.net Our current needs include:

Canned Fruit Tomato Sauce Canned Tomatoes (28 oz) Jelly Canned Vegetables Mustard/Ketchup Spaghetti Individual Canned Meals (i.e. Chef Boyardee) Tuna Rice Coffee/Tea Soup (18-22 oz). Macaroni & Cheese Boxed Milk Cereal Pasta Peanut Butter Liquid Laundry Detergent

Shampoo Toothpaste

Our cupboards are bare and our neighbors need food. Please help if you can! Non-perishable foods may be left in the bins at the entrance to the Narthex.

We are always grateful for your generosity!

Outreach is now open Monday and Thursday 10 AM to 1 PM Phone: 631-234-3149

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

In the Gospel today, Jesus says..."whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father. Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you will ever know. Thank you for your ongoing support.



PRAYING FOR THE SICK — Adding a name Request — EASE ADD THE FOLLOWING TO

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	() G	reeter
() RCIA	() Li	iturgy with Children
() Lector	() E	ucharistic Minister
() Consolation Mir	nister	() Landscaping/
Planting		
() Rosary Altar So	ciety	() Pre-Cana
() Caring for Altar	Plants	() FOCCUS
()Adult Lending L	ibrary	() Banner Committee

Name::

Address:

Phone:

Please return to the Rectory for processing.

2019 CONTRIBUTION REQUEST

I/we would like a record of our 2019 contributions to St. Thomas More:

NAME(s)

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

E-mail:

Please return to the Rectory for 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

<u>Aides at Home Inc.</u> Home health aides and personal care aides– part & full time. Will provide free certification training. Call Suzanne Dunn at 516-641-2273.

<u>Cablevision</u> - 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.

<u>Geico Insurance</u>—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.

<u>Suffolk Bus Drivers</u>--Suffolk Co. Bus Company hiring drivers. Contact Suffolk Bus Company.

St. Catherine of Siena-

1. <u>Nursing Home</u>—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. <u>Nurse Manager</u>—MRI techs, CT techs, Lab techs.

The Garage—Drivers & Delivery—To deliver orders PT.

US Census Bureau—Census takers for the 2020 Census.. Paid training. Flexible hours, \$23.50 per hr. Contact 1-855-JOB-2020.

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.