

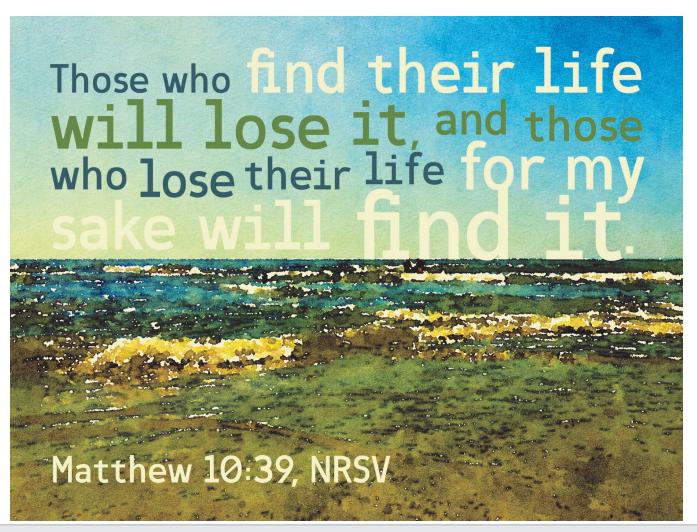
Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

June 28, 2020

Thirteenth 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.

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

Vebsite: 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

June 28, 2020 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time` 2 Kings4:8-11, 14-16a Psalm: 89:2-3. 16-17, 18-19 (2a) Romans 6:3-4. 8-11 Matthew 10: 37-42

Saturday, June 27 (Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm Helen Bagdonas by Al Pankus Sunday, June 28—Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00am People of the Parish 9:15am People of the Parish 10:45am Thomas Santangelo by the St. Thomas More Faith Sharing Friends 12:15pm Rita Trapani by the Itzla family Monday, June 29—Saints Peter and Paul People of the Parish 9am Tuesday, June 30—The First Martyrs of the Holy **Roman Church** 9am People of the Parish Wednesday, July 1-St. Junipero Serra Ruth McDonald by Mary Friedman 9am Thursday, July 2 9am People of the Parish Friday, July 3-St. Thomas-First Friday Robert A. Papocchia by Rose Ann Cusano 9am Saturday, July 4—Independence Day—First Saturday 9am People of the Parish (Anticipated Mass for Sunday) 5pm Peter Sanfratello by the Sanfratello family Sunday, July 5—Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00am People of the Parish Francis Congema by the Sandbichler 9:15am familv 10:45am Julia Porth by Betty Ann & Joe Codispoti 12:15pm Rita Trapani by the Itzla family

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

July 5, 2020 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time` Zechariah 9: 9-10 Psalm: 145: 1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 Romans 8:9, 11-13 Matthew 11: 25-30

A reading from the Gospel of St. Matthew::

At that time Jesus exclaimed:

"I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to little ones.

Yes, Father, such has been your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him."

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

A miser was looking for a gift for a friend. Everything was too expensive except for a glass vase that had been broken, which he could purchase for almost nothing. He asked the store to send it, hoping his friend would think it had been broken in transit. In due time, he received an acknowledgement from his friend. "Thanks for the vase," it read. "It was so thoughtful of you to wrap each piece separately." A gift becomes a gift only when it is given whole heartedly. If the heart of the giver is only partially involved, even the precious object will have the value of broken pieces. It is not the person's honor or the purse but the heart that gives the gift its value. **The words of today's Gospel sound very radically demanding.** Jesus expects his disciples to love Him more than their own family (father, mother and children). In other places Jesus seems to place tougher demands, "Whoever wishes to come after me must <u>deny</u> himself." (Mt. 16:24) "If any one 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." (Lk 14:26). Such a kind of discipleship is too radical to live.

On the other hand, today's Gospel ends saying that even the smallest, next to nothing act of kindness will not go unrewarded by God. "Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because he is a disciple—amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward." As much as He demands a radical following, Jesus is also very sensitive to even the smallest good a person does.

Thus it is not about how much a disciple sacrifices in following Jesus but how much the disciple involves his/ her total self in the small or big sacrifice. Life is giving oneself whole heartedly not half-heartedly. In the eyes of Jesus, the widow's few cents were worth motr than the abundance of the big donors because the widow gave the whole of her existence while the others donated something from their excess. Let us pray that God makes us give from the heart. May our life be a whole-hearted living, not a half-hearted one.

Welcome back to church: As we have opened the church for public worship with 25% capacity of our church, Mass attendance gradually increases. As it stands our church can accommodate close to 180 people; some 60-100 in the Church (depending on individual or family seating) and another 60 to 100 in the Halls with open walls facing the altar. Feel free to come at your convenience and as much as your health condition allows. For your convenience we hold mass also at the parking lot at noon. There seem to be more people who prefer to attend the outdoor mass. If the weather is favorable be assured that the mass will be outdoors.. Let us pray for favorable weather on Sundays

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

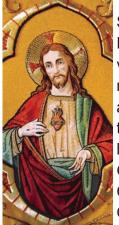
EUCHARIST

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.

June is the month dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



St. Margaret Mary of Alacoque received several private revelations of the Sacred Heart, the first on 27 December 1673 and the final one 18 months later. The visions revealed to her the form of the devotion, the chief features being reception of Holy Communion on the first Friday of each month, Eucharistic adoration during a "Holy hour" on Thursdays, and the celebration of the Feast of the Sacred Heart She stated that in her vision she was instructed to spend an hour every Thursday night to meditate on Jesus' Agony in the Garden of Gethsemane. The Holy Hour practice later became widespread among Catholics.

Our Parish Church is open every day from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. During this time of Corona Virus and Social

unrest please spend some time in the Church before the Blessed



Sacrament

Please Pray that Jesus who is gentle and lowly in heart to make our yoke easy and burden light and to find our rest in his Healing Grace.



Let us pray that the Sacred Heart of

Jesus may open the hearts of people to understand and accept each other with dignity and respect. May the Sacred Heart inspire our leaders with wisdom and courage to promote peace and fraternal love.

KIND REMINDER

Our Parish offers Mass every day. We also live-stream 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.

Every weekend there will a Mass on Saturday at 5pm in the church and 2 Masses on Sunday at 10 am in the Church and at 12noon in the Parking Lot (weather permitting)

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

SOCIAL MEDIA & EMAIL

Websites

www.stmli.org https://stmyouth.wixsite.com/stmyouthhauppauge Facebook

https://ww.facebook.comStThomasMoreHauppauge/

Instagram

stm_church

• stmreligioused

• stm_yg

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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



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.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2020

as of June 24, 2019

Our Parish Goal Pledges to date Percentage of Goal \$70,400.00 \$27,512.00 39.08%



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Pamela Brosnan, Erin Burke, Veronica Corvasce, Diane DiChristina, Walt Drechsler Jr., Rosemarie Flore, Marilyn Gast, Gail, Laurie Holmes, Jean Marsala Kieffner, Lauren Lossani, Jim Marsala, Joan Nachtman, Mary Ann O'Gara, Rita Platia. Maura Reddy, Rosalie Rocchio, Joyce Rose, Jerry Smith, Peggy Stepanek, Richard Tulipan, Chase Turano, Andrew J. Valentine, Andrew M. Valentine, Rosalind Warmuth, Diane Weisz, Janet Weil, Don Wieman, Pat Yezek, Ashley Zabelsky, Denise Zappia

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

Rose Scola, Paul Kanischak, Dolores Esposito, 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

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Focus on Religious Freedom

Celebrating "Religious Freedom Week" - June 22-29 *The Christian Roots of America's Longing for Liberty - Part 1*

In the 17th century (1600's), many of the British North American colonies that eventually formed the United States were settled by men and women who, in the face of European persecution, refused to compromise passionately held religious convictions and fled Europe. The colonies of NJ, PA, and MD were conceived and established "as plantations of religion." While some settlers came for secular reasons, the great majority left Europe to worship God in the way they believed to be correct. They enthusiastically supported the efforts of their leaders to create "a city on a hill" or a "holy experiment," whose success would prove that God's plan for his churches could be successfully realized in the American wilderness. ⁽¹⁾

In 1634, a mix of Catholic and Protestant settlers arrived from England at St. Clement's Island in Southern Maryland. They came at the invitation of the Catholic Lord Baltimore, who had been granted Maryland by the Protestant King Charles I. While Catholics and Protestants were killing each other in Europe, Lord Baltimore imagined Maryland, Mary Land in honor of Queen Henrietta Marie, as a society where people of different faiths could live together peacefully. Maryland's 1649 Act Concerning Religion, also called the "Toleration Act", was the first law in our nation's history to protect an individual's right to freedom of conscience.⁽²⁾

Maryland's early history teaches us that, like any freedom, religious liberty requires constant vigilance and protection, or it will disappear. Maryland's experiment in religious toleration ended within a few decades. The colony was placed under royal control, and the Church of England became the established religion. Discriminatory laws, including the loss of political rights, were enacted against those who refused to conform. Catholic chapels were closed, and Catholics were restricted to practicing their faith in their homes. The Catholic community lived under these conditions until the American Revolution. ⁽³⁾

(Library of Congress/Religion & the Founding of the American Republic (1); USCCB/Our First, Most Cherished Liberty(2)(3)

"In addition to this summer's observance, we also urge that the Solemnity of Christ the King - a feast born out of resistance to totalitarian incursions against religious liberty - be a day specifically employed by bishops and priests to preach about religious liberty, both here and abroad. "To all our fellow Catholics, we urge an intensification of your prayers and fasting for a new birth of freedom in our beloved country. We invite you to join us in an urgent prayer for religious liberty."

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty



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

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 June 21-27, 2020

6/21/2020 6/22/2020	903 608	\$50 \$50	Marilyn Miller Ed & Mary Ann O'Gara
			(Feast of St. Thomas More)
6/23/2020	38	\$25	John & Marie Reddy
6/24/2020	551	\$25	Gerard & Joan Smith
6/25/2020	23	\$25	Louise Soldo
6/26/2020	178	\$25	Meagan Napolitano
6/20/2020	309	\$25	Carole Holtje

St. Thomas More is Re-Opening!! Reopening - Phase II - 25% of Church Capacity

People are welcome to everyday Mass at 9:00 AM

Starting from the weekend of June 13th and 14th, there will be three Live masses in the Church —

First Mass, on Saturdays at 5:00 PM, Second Mass, on Sundays at 10:00 AM Third Mass, on Sundays at 12:00 Noon

The 12 Noon Mass on Sundays will be in the Parking Lot, if weather permits. If weather is unfavorable the 12 Noon mass will be in the Church.

Communion will be distributed at all masses. If you feel uncomfortable, please refrain from receiving.

The Dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation Masses remains in effect from the Diocese of Rockville Centre until further notice.

Saturday 5:00 PM Mass will be livestreamed. Pre-recorded Liturgy of the Sunday and Everyday Masses will be available on our Website (stmli.org)

Please bring your own Hand-Sanitizer and Mask.

St. Thomas More Parich Social Ministry

OUTREACH "Give us this day our daily bread"

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 today's Gospel we hear Jesus tell us: "Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple--Amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward."

Jesus example reveals that disciples on mission become channels of divine blessings to those who provide for their needs. The smallest considerate gesture to anyone earns heavenly rewards.

Your support of SVdP enables us to act as disciples of Jesus. Thank you for this blessed opportunity



ARE ILL:

PRAYING FOR THE SICK — Adding a name Request — PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING TO THE PARISH LISTING OF THOSE WHO

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	() Gi	reeter
() RCIA	() Li	turgy with Children
() Lector	() Eı	icharistic 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.

Suffolk Bus Drivers--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.



"No vocation is born of itself or lives for itself. A vocation flows from the heart of God and blossoms in the good soil of faithful people. Did not Jesus say: "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (Jn 13:35)?

--Pope Francis

Your Appeal donation supports vocations to the priesthood in our Diocese. It ensures that our seminarians have the time, resources and guidance they need to discern their vocation, begin their human and spiritual formation and embark on a life-time commitment of holy service as priests.

On June Diocese 20th, our received a double blessing when **Bishop Barres ordained two more** men to serve God's people in this time and place as members of Christ's priesthood. With great generosity of mind, heart, and spirit, Fr. John Crozier and Fr. Rafal Borowiejski have willingly dedicated their lives to Christ and have become wonderful role models for all of us, by placing their trust in Jesus and answering the call to follow Him more closely.



"Catholic priests are contemplative and missionary instruments of the Divine Mercy of Jesus Christ expressed in the Word of God, the Catholic Mass and all the Sacraments." - Bishop Barres

Please consider donating to the Appeal and support Vocations in our Diocese.

Pledge:	\$					
Down payment:	\$					
	Date:					
To make a donation, you can also visit <u>https://www.drvc.org/CMA/</u> or call us at 516-678-5800 ext. 296. Thank You!						
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