

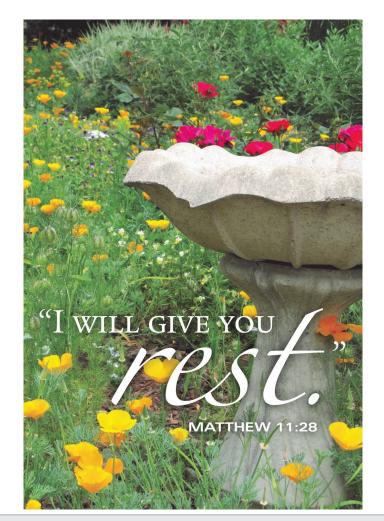
Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

July 5, 2020

Fourteenth 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			Website: https://stmli.org	To receive texts or emails
Rectory	Religious Ed	Outreach	Social Media	from us just text
631-234-5551	631 - 234-0397	631-234-3149	Facebook: StThomasMoreHauppauge	Spiritoflove to 84576 or
FAX 631-234-6412	FAX 631-234-1199	FAX 631-234-1199	Instagram: stm_church	sign up @
StThomasMore29.flocknote.cor				

Masses for this coming week

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

Saturday, July 4

(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 9:15am Francis Congema by the Sandbichler family 10:45am Julia Porth by Betty Ann & Joe Codispoti 12:15pm Rita Trapani by the Itzla family Monday, July 6-St. Maria Goretti William Bocca by Valerie Licandro 9am **Tuesday**, July 7 Jack Connolly by the Barr family 9am Wednesday, July 8 People of the Parish 9am Thursday, July 9-St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions 9am People of the Parish Friday, July 10 Thomas MacDuff by the Castaldo family 9am Saturday, July 11—St. Benedict People of the Parish 9am (Anticipated Mass for Sunday) People of the Parish 5pm Sunday, July 12—Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00am William Eyring by Mr. & Mrs. Buynak 9:15am People of the Parish 10:45am Walter Drechsler by Kathy Drechsler 12:15pm Dominique Rea by Mommy, Daddy & Marco

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

July 12, 2020 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time` Isaiah 55: 10-11 Psalm: 65: 10, 11, 12-13,, 14 Romans 8:9 18-23 Matthew 13: 1-23

A reading from the Gospel of St. Matthew::

On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down, and the whole crowd stood along the shore And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil. It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep, and when the sun rose it was scorched, and it withered for lack of roots. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold. Whoever has ears ought to hear." The disciples approached him and said, "Why do you speak to them in parables?" He said to them in reply, "Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted. To anyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away. This is why I speak to them in parables, because they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand. Isaiah's prophecy is fulfilled in them, which says: You shall indeed hear but not understand, vou shall indeed look but never see. Gross is the heart of this people, they will hardly hear with their ears, they have closed their eyes, lest they see with their eves and hear with their ears and understand with their hearts and be converted. and I heal them.

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"But blessed are your eyes, because they see, and your ears, because they hear.

Amen, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it.

"Hear then the parable of the sower.

The seed sown on the path is the one who hears the word of the kingdom without understanding it, and the evil one comes and steals away what was sown in his heart.

The seed sown on rocky ground is the one who hears the word and receives it at once with joy.

But he has no root and lasts only for a time.

When some tribulation or persecution comes because of the word, he immediately falls away.

The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit.

But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it,

who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold."

The Office of FAITH FORMATION

Upcoming workshops

Catechist Training Level I

Zoom

Mon, July 13 Wed, July 15Mon, July 20 and Wed, July 22, 2020

<u>Morning</u> 10:00 a.m.to 12:00 p.m.

Evening 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Building Intercultural Competences for Ministers -BICM

Zoom

July 14, 16, 21, 23 and 28, 2020 <u>Morning</u> 10:00 a.m.to 12:00 p.m.

<u>Evening</u> 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Our New Normal Zoom

Session 1:

Morning Tue, July 14, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Evening Wed, July 15, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Session 2:

<u>Morning</u> Tue, July 21, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. <u>Evening</u> Wed, July 22, 2020

at 7:00 p.m. Session 3:

Session 3

<u>Morning</u> Tue, July 28, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. <u>Evening</u> Wed, July 29, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Training Level II Zoom

Catechist

Mon, July 27 Wed, July 29 Mon, Aug 3 and Wed, Aug 5, 2020 <u>Morning</u> 10:00 a.m.to 12:00 p.m.

Evening

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 pm

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.

Dear Friends,

There is a sculpture "Knotted Gun" right outside the UN headquarters, NYC. The Knotted Gun is a bronze sculpture by Swedish artist Carl Fredrik Reuterswärd. It is an oversized 357 Magnum revolver with its muzzle tied in a knot. According to Kofi Annan, the seventh Secretary-General of the UN "it is a powerful symbol that encapsulates, in a few simple curves, the greatest prayer of man; that which asks <u>not for victory, but for peace."</u>

This Sunday's readings invite us to experience life not as a battle-field with winners and losers but as a farming-field of growing peace in oneself and others. The First reading prophesizes how the Messianic King's dominion would not depend on war-weapons to proclaim or bring peace.

The Gospel reading shows that Jesus the Messiah recommends us to imitate him to find REST from labor and burden of life. "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves." Life is not an attempt to win but readiness to embrace its richness spread before us. All that we need to experience the rest and richness of life is to imitate Jesus in His meekness and humility. That means not to get absorbed in our own comfortable selfish/clannish zones but to break the barriers we built around ourselves.

Breaking the barriers is like carrying the cross. It makes us open our heart to learn from Jesus. Through the cross Jesus will empower us to experience life as richer mysteries (hidden things) than what we selfishly understand life is.

With all that is going around us locally and globally, REST of heart is the basic recipe for the festive dinner of PEACE. If one's heart is restless one cannot find peace in any place or person; and one cannot find rest unless one is ready to break one's own barriers, which is a readiness to carry one's own cross. Unless I am ready to give up my brick and you yours, no peaceful abode will be built for both of us to live.

The wars, fights, divisions or emotional arguments become endlessly inevitable as long as we file our bricks and gather bricks from others as well in order to build our fortress. Peace is not building a fortress to prove our strength and to win our battle. Peace is not a product but a great opening growing endlessly in each of our hearts. Unless I open and let peace go from me towards the other, it does not happen between me and the other. Let us imitate Jesus. Let us live like Jesus. Let peace blossom from our heart.

With love and prayers, Fr. Antony

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 30, 2020

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

- Mass Times Saturdays 5 pm in the church (live streamed as well)

Sundays *9:30 am parking lot* 12 pm in the church

* Weather permitting.



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, Al Pankus, 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, 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



Focus on Religious Freedom

Celebrating "Religious Freedom Week" - June 22-29 The Christian Roots of America's Longing for Liberty - Part 2

By the time of the American Revolution, 1776, our nation's founders embraced Freedom of Religion as an essential condition of a free and democratic society.

James Madison, often called the Father of the Constitution, described conscience as "the most sacred of all property" and "the Religion then of every man must be left to the conviction and conscience of every man...⁽¹⁾ George Washington wrote that "the establishment of Civil and Religious Liberty was the Motive that induced me to the field of battle." ⁽²⁾ Thomas Jefferson assured the Ursuline Sisters - who had been serving a mostly non-Catholic population in Louisiana since 1727 by running a hospital, an orphanage, and schools - that their Ministry would be free "to govern itself according to its own voluntary rules, without interference from the civil authority."⁽³⁾

Therefore, when the Bill of Rights was ratified in 1791, religious freedom had the distinction of being the First Amendment. Our founders believed religious liberty is, indeed, the first liberty. The First Amendment guarantees, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

Recently, in a unanimous Supreme Court judgment affirming the importance of the First Freedom, Chief Justice Roberts explained that religious liberty is not just the first freedom for Americans; it is the first in the history of democratic freedoms, tracing its origins back to the first clauses of the Magna Carter of 1215. Chief Justice Roberts cited an 1806 judgement involving the first Catholic bishop in the U.S., in which James Madison stated, the "scrupulous policy of the Constitution is guarding against a political

interference with religious affairs" and this prevented the government from rendering an opinion on Church matters.⁽⁴⁾

Our American heritage and most cherished freedom is Freedom of Religion because if we are not free in our conscience and practice of religion, all other freedoms are fragile. If our obligations and duties to God are contradicted by the government, then we can no longer claim to be a land of the free, and a beacon of hope for the world. ⁽⁵⁾

(United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty (4)(5); founders quotes.com/essayonproperty;(1); azquotes.com/washington(2); founders archives.gov/ jefferson(3))



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

Thank you!



Funds collected from our Lenten Project amounted to \$4,000.00. A check was sent to the Sisters of Fatima of the Immaculate Conception Church in Puerto Rico.

The Sisters are very grateful for this donation and wish to thank St. Thomas More Church and the parishioners for their generosity; they send you many blessings.

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 Lynch Troy A. Maida, William Maley Thomas Migliara Tim Morris Ryan Murphy John Nachtman Kaitlyn 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 28-July 4, 2020

558	\$50	Veronica Young
895	\$25	Ralph Giambruno
516	\$25	Hunter Tate
97	\$25	Ellen & William Lentino
287	\$25	Marianne Manzella
908	\$25	Bob Aberle
616	\$50	Virginia Zablocki
		(Independence Day)
	895 516 97 287 908	895\$25516\$2597\$25287\$25908\$25

Fr. Antony celebrated an outdoor Mass in the Parking Lot last Sunday. He was assisted by Deacon Leonard Carlino who was recently ordained a deacon in Jerusalem this June





Deacon Leonard Carlino poses for a picture with some friends after Sunday Mass.

St. Thomas More Parich Social Ministry

OUTREACH



"Give us this day our daily bread"

Our current needs include:

Canned Fruit Tomato Sauce Canned Tomatoes (28 oz) Jelly Canned Vegetables Mustard/Ketchup Spaghetti Individual Canned Meats (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 neighbors continue to 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 we hear Jesus say, "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."

Your gift to SVdP brings peace to those who are overwhelmed with life's burdens.

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 Ministe	er () Landscaping/					
Planting						
() Rosary Altar Society	y () Pre-Cana					
() Caring for Altar Plan	nts () FOCCUS					
()Adult Lending Libra	ry () 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. <u>Physical Therapy Aides</u>—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.



Our next Parish Holy Hour will be held on Tuesday, July 7, 2020, from 7-8 PM in the church.

What we'll be doing at this Holy Hour:

<u>Adoration</u>: 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.

<u>Evening Prayer</u> (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.

<u>Chaplet of Divine Mercy</u>: This is a devotional prayer recited on the beads of the Rosary, asking God to continue to shower us with his mercy.

<u>Benediction</u>: 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.

Due to the ongoing precautions surrounding the pandemic, like Mass, we will limit the attendance in our church to 25% capacity and we ask that all attendees wear face masks and practice social distancing.

Let this Holy Hour be another way to return to God in prayer during these still difficult times in our lives.

Come join us!

July CMA Newsletter

Office of the Catholic Ministries Appeal Supporting Dramatic Missionary Growth

YOUR SUPPORT HELPS TO MAKE VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD POSSIBLE! THANK YOU.

BISHOP JOHN O. BARRES ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE JUNE 20, 2020 PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION 2020 REMARKS

On June 20th, our Diocese 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.

These two men are exemplary reminders to all of us - no matter what our vocation: married, single, religious, or clergy - our Baptismal call and responsibility is to become active participants in the service of Dramatic Missionary Growth. Christ calls and challenges each one of us to live this way at every age and stage of our lives. As faithful stewards, we know that God has given us so much and we are called to be good stewards of what we have been given. The generous witness of Frs. Crozier and Borowiejski encourages us to listen closely to God and to find out how we can be good stewards of the unique gifts He has given us.

With gratitude to God for this double blessing to our Diocese, let us pray for Fr. John Crozier and Fr. Rafal Borowiejski that they will always trust and find their strength in Jesus as they guide His flock throughout their lives. Let us pray for them as they build their priestly lives - and help us to build ours for the greater honor and glory of God and the sanctification of His people. May God and His Blessed Mother always bless and keep them!

Finally, let us also pray for Bishop Barres' intention - in honor of his 30th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood - that 30 young men may enter the seminary in August 2020.

"The truest desires and greatest longings of the human heart are found in God; the way that He helps us to recognize that most clearly is through the encounter with His Church and, in a particular way, though his priests."

- Reverend John Crozier, Ordained June 20, 2020

Called to Evangelize

Fr. Roger Velasquez grew up in El Salvador right next to a Church that his family took care of. "I remember playing and praying there. That's how I was first introduced to the life of the Church." The priest only came once a year for the feast of St. John the Baptist - and the town would have a huge celebration. "It was a very joyful event and I remember looking to the priest as a role model and I would dream - I could be that one day."

Fr. Velasquez's family prayed together, said the rosary together and his mom was his catechist. "It was at home that I learned the values I carry with me today."

Ordained in 2019, Fr. Velasquez served as Associate Pastor at St. Patrick, Bayshore.

"My goal is to be an instrument of God's presence to the People of God on Long Island. All of us are called to holiness and we do that when we evangelize others - to take what God has given us to others."

HAPPY 4th of JULY!

God, source of all freedom, this day is bright with the memory of those who declared that life and liberty are your gift to every human being. Help us to continue a good work begun long ago. Make our vision clear and our will strong: that only in human solidarity will we find liberty, and justice only in the honor that belongs to every life on earth. Turn our hearts toward the family of nations: to understand the ways of others, to offer friendship, and to find safety only in the common good of all. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!!!!

Congratulations to our graduates and best wishes for all your tomorrows. God Bless You. The Youth Ministry had a car parade to celebrate our graduates of 2020.







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