



Catholic Church Community of

# St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

November 8, 2020

Thirty-Second 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

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**Website:** <https://stmli.org>

#### Social Media

Facebook: StThomasMoreHauppauge  
Instagram: stm\_church

To receive texts or emails  
from us just text

**Spiritoflove** to 84576 or  
sign up @

[StThomasMore29.flocknote.com](https://StThomasMore29.flocknote.com)

## ***Masses for this coming week***

November 8, 2020  
 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Wisdom 6:12-16  
 Psalm: 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8  
 Thessalonians 4:13-18  
 Matthew 25: 1-13

**Saturday, November 7**

*(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm All Souls Novena

**Sunday, November 8—Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30am Robert Sauchelli *by the STM Columbiettes*

12:00pm All Souls Novena  
 Robert Algar *by Bob & Evelyn McMahon;*  
 Mickelson & Williams families *by*  
*Barbara Mickelson;*  
 Bob Sauchelli *by Yolanda Schweers &*  
*John Turner*

**Monday, November 9—The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

9am Anna & Michael Kalenty *by Lottie & Chet Kalenty*

**Tuesday, November 10—St. Leo the Great**

9am Peter Romano *by John & Arlene Aspromgos*

**Wednesday, November 11—St. Martin of Tours**

9am Alois Rubenbauer *by his children*

**Thursday, November 12—St. Josaphat**

9am Peter Romano *by Fran & Tom Wieland*

**Friday, November 13—St. Frances Xavier Cabrini**

9am Christina Song-Mandy *by Maureen & Bob Boston*

**Saturday, November 14**

9am Mae Devine *by Dottie Lossani*

*(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm Terry Pankus *by Al Pankus*

**Sunday, November 15—Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30am Molinaro & Zullo families *by Ralph & Ursula Molinaro*

12:00pm Janet Mallen *by Clarice McSorley;*  
 Charles Stepanek *by Peggy & Family*

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

November 15, 2020  
 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31  
 Psalm: 128:1-2, 3, 4-5  
 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6  
 Matthew 25:14-30

A reading from the Gospel of St. Matthew:

Jesus told his disciples this parable:

"A man going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them. To one he gave five talents; to another, two; to a third, one-- to each according to his ability. Then he went away. Immediately the one who received five talents went and traded with them, and made another five. "After a long time the master of those servants came back and settled accounts with them.

The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five.

He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.'

His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.'

Then the one who had received two talents also came forward and said,

'Master, you gave me two talents. See, I have made two more.'

His master said to him,

'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.'

Then the one who had received the one talent came forward and said,

'Master, I knew you were a demanding person, harvesting where you did not plant and gathering where you did not scatter; so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground. Here it is back.'

His master said to him in reply,

'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I did not plant and gather where I did not scatter? Should you not then have put my money in the bank so that I could have got it back with interest on my return? Now then! Take the talent from him and give it to the one with ten. For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And throw this useless servant into the darkness outside, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.'"

## **FR. ANTONY'S LETTER**

Dear Friends,

**The mother was having a hard time getting her son** to go to school in the morning. “Nobody in school likes me,” he complained. “The teachers don’t like me, the kids don’t like me, the superintendent wants to transfer me, the bus drivers hate me, and the schoolboard wants me to drop out. Mom, now, give me one good reason why I should go to school.” His mother countered, “You must go to school because you are forty-five years old and you are the principal.” No one can make you live the truth unless you awaken yourself to it. You can bring the horse to the water but cannot make it drink. **Today through ‘the story of the ten virgins’ Jesus invites us to be awake to vibrations of life in and around us** that we may not miss any occasion of living life in abundance. Five of the ten virgins had enough oil to keep their lamp burning to join the celebration with the bridegroom when he came, while the other five had everything else except the one important thing, “enough oil”. Those who had the oil did not have enough of it to share with them. Nor, did the other five have enough time to go to the merchants to buy oil before the bridegroom’s arrival. Thus they missed the opportunity of celebrating with the bridegroom.

**The Gospel Story instructs us to be awake** for life is an ever flowing celebration with God. God is ready to start celebrating with us at any time and we must be ready all the time to light our lamp in order to join the celebration with God. We may miss the celebration with God if we were not to have enough oil. We may have everything else to live our life and yet it would not be a celebration if we don’t have that little more oil to celebrate with God.

**The message of the story is to have “little more oil” or “enough oil”.** “Having enough oil” means “having enough wakefulness”. The wakefulness that we have for every other affairs of life would make our lives livable but having enough wakefulness to celebrate life with God, would make our lives very festive. The real celebration of life consists in having “enough oil” to join God.

**We might have enriched ourselves with all kinds of material possessions** to make our lives happy, but we would still not be able to celebrate our life if we don’t have enough oil (enough awareness to join God) to withstand evil and troubles, war and terrorism etc. Let us pray that God supplies “enough” oil that we may not miss the moment of his coming into our lives. As much as we spend burning ourselves in the care of various concerns of life, let us also remember that “saving enough oil” to join God would change our lives to be more celebrative. Let us light our lamp for God and celebrate life.

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony



**Give Me Oil  
in My Lamp**

**Keep Me Burning**

**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY**

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

**Calendar Club Winners**

**Congratulations!**

Here are the winners from November 1-11, 2020

11/1/2020	235	\$50	Maureen Fallona
11/2/2020	625	\$25	Jerry & Willie Ferrara
11/3/2020	10	\$25	Joann Tate
11/4/2020	976	\$25	Wyatt Tate
11/5/2020	621	\$25	Jack B. Lilly
11/6/2020	900	\$25	Linda Carlino
11/7/2020	445	\$25	Karen Flynn

**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL  
2020**

as of November 3, 2020

Our Parish Goal	\$70,400.00
Pledges to date	\$37,082.00
Percentage of Goal	52.67%

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



**Courtesy Announcements:**

*First Notice:*

**Employment Services Section—St. Thomas More Bulletin**—We are restarting the Employment Services section in the weekly bulletin. If your business or your employer would like to be included in the available job postings that we will be listing please send an email to

**John White at: [jmtwhite@optonline.net](mailto:jmtwhite@optonline.net).**

Please include the position title, the location of the job, and contact information (either yours or the employer's). Thank-you in advance!

*Second Notice:*

**Holy Trinity Diocesan High School—Open House Wednesday, November 4—5:30—8pm.**

All attendees must pre-register on our website. For more information and to register, please visit [WWW.HOLYTRINITYHS.ORG/ADMISSIONS-EVENTS](http://WWW.HOLYTRINITYHS.ORG/ADMISSIONS-EVENTS) Phone: 516-433-2900

High School Students celebrated Halloween and All Saints Day at St. Thomas More





## SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of **November 1, 2020 \$4,637.00**  
 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](http://faith.direct/NY227), or text 'Enroll' to 631-250-8141. You can also make a one-time 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](http://www.stmli.org)

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

### Facebook

<https://www.facebook.comStThomasMoreHauppauge/>

### Instagram

- stm\_church
- stmreligiousd
- stm\_yg

### Email

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 Altar Servers Ministry: [altarservers@stmli.org](mailto:altarservers@stmli.org)  
 Personal Prayer [SpiritualOrientations.com](http://SpiritualOrientations.com)  
 To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following  
 Barbara & Joe Fratamico at [BJFRAT@optonline.net](mailto:BJFRAT@optonline.net)



## 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 November 9, 2020 at 2:30 pm in Walden Hall.

The book for discussion will be **I'll Push You** by Patrick Gray and Justin Skeesuck—Facilitator Jo Garvey

We meet on the second Monday of the month. For further info. and/or to register, call Marilyn at 631-234-5805 or Joan at 631-234-1739.

## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



The RCIA is a faith journey which leads those seekers to meet Jesus in the Easter Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation.

The seekers will be accompanied on the journey by the community of Saint Thomas More in the spirit of love.

Do you know of a family member or friend who needs to complete one or more of the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation?

Do you know a family member or friend who has been a member of another faith tradition who wants to become a catholic?

To find out more about the faith journey or to join us on the journey please call the rectory at 631-234-5551.



## Focus on Religious Freedom

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

### Honoring Veterans - Champions of America's Freedoms

As all freedoms and especially, religious freedom, are under assault around the world, we speak and pray on November 11 to honor the Americans who have served in all areas of the military in defense of liberty.

Veterans Day originated as "Armistice Day" on Nov. 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the signing of the armistice ending World War I on the "eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month" of 1918. Unlike Memorial Day that honors service members who died in service to their country, Veterans Day pays tribute to all American veterans - living or dead - to give thanks for serving their country honorably during war or peacetime.

From WWI to the present post-9/11 conflicts, approximately 40 million have served in all branches of the military. Women have been approximately 9.1% of active members. These military men and women who protect the U.S. come from all walks of life and from every state.

([history.com/topics/veterans](http://history.com/topics/veterans); [va.gov](http://va.gov), 11/2019; [military.com/veterans](http://military.com/veterans); [archives.gov](http://archives.gov); [nationalww2museum.org](http://nationalww2museum.org))

### Happening Now: 3 Killed in Knife Attack at Notre Dame Basilica, Nice, France

French bishops ordered a "death knell" to ring from every church of their country, as an act of mourning, after 3 people were hacked to death in Notre Dame Basilica in the southern Mediterranean city of Nice on Oct. 29th while they were preparing for Mass.

The Vatican Secretary of State, Cardinal Parolin, wrote, "Entrusting France to the protection of Our Lady," Pope Francis "wholeheartedly gives his apostolic blessing to all those affected by this tragedy." <sup>(1)</sup>

"... with this attack in Nice, it is freedom of religion (under attack)." said French Prime Minister Castex. <sup>(2)</sup>  
 ([nypost.com](http://nypost.com), 10/29/20; [cruxnow.com](http://cruxnow.com), 10/20/20(1); [fox2detroit.com](http://fox2detroit.com), 10/29/20(2))

### Be Silent No More!

Elected officials and their staff listen to, read and tabulate citizens' concerns and opinions when making decisions for their state and for the country. Do not be silent. Please contact one or more Senator or Congressman each week to encourage them to share your values. Call Switchboard at 202-224-3121 to be connected to any Representative or Senator's office. Find Representative email at [www.house.gov](http://www.house.gov)  
 Find Senator's email at [www.senate.gov](http://www.senate.gov)

**Farewell, dear Dottie. We will miss you very much and we wish you all the very best.**



*To: All the people at St. Thomas More*

*I would like to thank you for coming to my Farewell Breakfast.*

*I would also like to thank Father Antony for all of his kindness toward me.*

*I will miss all of you. STM will always have a place in my heart.*

Love you all,  
 Dottie



*My new address is:  
 31 Putney Rd.  
 Bow, NH 03304  
 Telephone: (603) 774-7890*





**- 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

Jackie Aloï, Pamela Brosnan, Kathy Capuano, Rosie Casillas, Paul Connors, Veronica Corvasce, Michael Fiorentino, Richard Fiorentino, Thomas Giglio, John Gilligan, Grace Harold, Matthew Inga, Kevin Kenney, Phyllis Markowitz, Jean Marsala Kieffner, Christine Miller, Patricia Miller, Sharon Mills, Al Pankus, Robert McGurrin, Melissa Mock, Ellen Murphy, Maura Reddy, Rosalie Rocchio, Janet Rodriguez, Mel Smith, Jerry Smith, John Spadaro, Howard Spegman, Peggy Stepanek, Jose Talavera, Marie Tripoli, Chase Turano, Andrew J. Valentine, Andrew M. Valentine, Rosalind Warmuth, Diane Weisz, Janet Weil, Julia Westbrook.

*This listing will expire on March 31, 2021.*



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 [www.stmli.org](http://www.stmli.org). Daily mass is posted Monday through Friday on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com)

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

Vincent Buchanan, Winifred Sulander, Nancy Annunziato, Rose Milazzo, William Link, 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 [www.FaithDirect.net](http://www.FaithDirect.net) to sign up: our church code is **NY227**. You may also use the form located where you obtain the bulletin 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>.



**St. Thomas More Parish Social Ministry  
OUTREACH**



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

Our current needs include:

**Pancake Mix\*\***

**Syrup\*\***

**Boxed Milk\*\***

**Jelly\*\***

**Canned Tomatoes (28 oz)\*\***

**Paper Towels\*\***

Bread

Pasta

Spaghetti

Tomato Sauce

Tuna

Macaroni & Cheese

**Canned Fruit\*\***

**Peanut Butter (smaller jars)\*\***

**Rice\*\***

**Canned Vegetables\*\***

**Apple Juice\*\***

Coffee (1 pound cans/bags)

**Tea Bags\*\***

Mustard/Ketchup

**Soup (18-22 oz)\*\***

Shampoo

Toothpaste

**\*\*We are especially in need of these items**

***THANKSGIVING IS QUICKLY APPROACHING AND OUTREACH IS COLLECTING FOOD FOR OUR THANKSGIVING BASKETS.***

***DUE TO THE CAUTIONS WE NEED TO TAKE WITH THE PANDEMIC WE ARE ASKING FOR DONATIONS OF \$25 GIFT CARDS FROM LOCAL SUPERMARKETS/WALMART/TARGET IN PLACE OF TURKEYS.***

***CASH DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AND GREATLY APPRECIATED!***

***Please reach out to Parish Outreach if you are, or know of someone in need of support.***

**Outreach is now open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday**

**10 AM to 2 PM**

**Phone: 631-234-3149**

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges us to "stay awake" by taking time to seriously look at ourselves, the priorities of our lives, and how we are growing spiritually.

Ask yourself "What would Jesus Christ do?" and then put your gift to SVdP in the offering basket, or in the rectory, so that we may continue to do as Jesus preached, to love our neighbor as ourselves.

Thank you

***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)*

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***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/<br>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:

***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)*

*Please return to the Rectory for further processing.*



# All Saints Day—Traditional Mass for Children in their Costumes

Mass at 9:30 am in the Parking Lot







**2020 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL**  
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE



*“Each individual Christian and every community is called to be an instrument of God for the liberation and promotion of the poor.”*

-Pope Francis

***This Veterans Day, Help us Support A Place to Call Home***

Charles spent 17 years deployed at military bases throughout the world. Returning home after an incident involving nerve gas, he began struggling with debilitating bouts of anxiety and depression.

His circumstances worsened and he couldn't maintain a steady job. Charles moved in with his mother, but within a year she died and his childhood home went into foreclosure.

Catholic Charities' *Project Veterans' Independence*, which guides homeless veterans into permanent housing so they can live independently and have access to support networks that get them back on their feet, reached out and helped Charles.

***“I was out of the service, out of a family, out of a job and out of a home. Catholic Charities found me and helped me to not only find a place to live - but they helped me to turn my life around.”***

- Charles, honorably discharged US Veteran

***Please consider donating to the Appeal and making a difference in someone's life. Thank you!***

To make a donation, you can also visit <https://www.drvc.org/CMA> or call us at **516-678-5800 ext. 296.**

Make checks payable to: Catholic Ministries Appeal

Parish \_\_\_\_\_

Pledge: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Down payment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## COMMUNITY SERVICE

The Wheeler Family is one of the first settlers here in Hauppauge from at least the 1700's. They have a small cemetery unknown to many of us off Kings Highway. Bella, Kathleen, Aidan, James, Joey, Timmy, and their families went on Sunday to clean up the cemetery. A local resident also came to speak to the children about the history here in our area. It was a great experience for them and the timing was right for All Soul's Day, giving back to those who are no longer with us and should not be forgotten.





**ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH OUTREACH  
THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE NOVEMBER 2020**

Items needed for the baskets:  
Yams, Potatoes, Stuffing,  
Turkey Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Canned Vegetables, Applesauce  
Coffee, Tea & Desserts

**THIS YEAR WE ARE ALSO COLLECTING \$25 GIFT CARDS IN PLACE OF TURKEYS**  
**-Cards or cash donations can be sent to Outreach or put in the collection basket-**



*Thank you for your generosity.*



together we shine.

# BLOOD DRIVE

Friday, November 13, 2020

1:00pm – 7:00pm

**St. Thomas More RC Church**

115 Kings Highway. Hauppauge, NY 11788  
Walden Hall

To remain in compliance with the federal guidelines for social distancing

**Appointment Preferred**

Walk- ins welcome if drive capacity permits

To make an appointment please visit our website [www.nybc.org/donate](http://www.nybc.org/donate) or call (800)933-BLOOD.

You can also contact Michelle Torres (Account Manager) 646-983-0661, [mtorres@nybc.org](mailto:mtorres@nybc.org)

**DONORS PRESENTING:**

- Must wear a mask or face covering
- Will have their temperature taken
- Must be 14 days symptom free if recovered from COVID-19
- May **NOT** donate if they have a positive diagnostic test or experienced symptoms of COVID-19 in the last 14 days
- May **NOT** donate if they are currently on self-quarantine restrictions

Please be aware that we **do NOT test for COVID-19**. You should contact your health care provider if you want to be tested.



#nybloodcenter  
[nybc.org](http://nybc.org)

1.800.933.BLOOD

**New York** Blood Center

# St Thomas More

## Religious Education News

We are in the process of registering new and returning students in Religious Education. If you have or know of a child in grades 1-8 who would like to be enrolled in the Religious Education Program this year, please contact us at 631 234-0397 or [reled@stmli.org](mailto:reled@stmli.org) and we will be glad to assist you.

Because of the pandemic Religious Education will look different this year. Beginning the second week of September small classes will meet outside. Catechists and children will wear masks and maintain the correct social distance. We will continue outdoor classes as long as it is safe to do so and the weather permits. After that we will switch to online learning.



We anticipate that we will be able to celebrate First Communion and Confirmation later next spring or early summer as we did this past July when we celebrated the sacraments in smaller groups following Diocesan guidelines.

Please pray for the children, their families and catechists as they continue on their journey of faith.

