

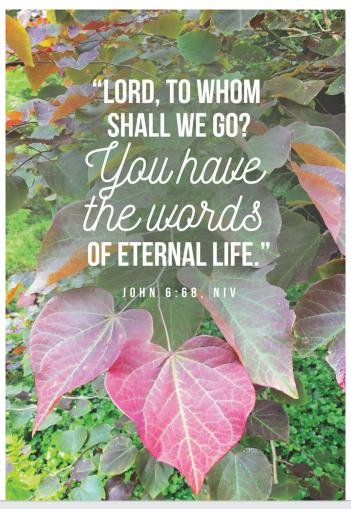
Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

August 22, 2021

Twenty-First 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.

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Instagram: stm_church

To receive texts or emails

from us just text

Spiritoflove to 84576 or

sign up @

StThomasMore29.flocknote.com

Masses for this coming week

August 22, 2021 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b Psalm 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21 Ephesians 5:21-32 John 6:60-69

Saturday, August 21

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm Christopher Viereck by Joseph Scarpuzza

Sunday, August 22

8:00am Rev. Peter Miqueli by Marie & Ross Bracco

9:30am Leo Ramos by Aurora Ramos

11:30am Jaime Rodriguez by the family

Monday, August 23—St. Rose of Lima

9am Joseph Mazelis by Bill & Lori Rudden

Tuesday, August 24—St, Bartholomew

9am Marguerite Eltman by Joyce & James Verdi

Wednesday, August 25—St. Louis, St. Joseph Calasanz

9am Diane Gabriel by Betty Ann & Joe Codispoti

Thursday, August 26

9am Salvatore Mesuraca *by Patty Carracappa*

Friday, August 27—St. Monica

9am Jesse Warren by Marie Utter

Saturday, August 28 —St. Augustine

9am Frank Fontana *by Stu Sklar*

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm Ruth McDonald by Chris & Andrew Paino

Sunday, August 29—Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am John E. Baker by the Connors Family

9:30am Rosemary Bie by Susan & Frank Daleo

11:30am Robert Sauchelli *by the St. Thomas More Choir*

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

August 29, 2021 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 Psalm 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 James 1:17-18, 21b-22,27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

A reading from the Gospel according to Mark:

When the Pharisees with some scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands.

—For the Pharisees and, in fact, all Jews, do not eat without carefully washing their hands, keeping the tradition of the elders. And on coming from the market-place they do not eat without purifying themselves. And there are many other things that they have traditionally observed, the purification of cups and jugs and kettles and beds. — So the Pharisees and scribes questioned him,

"Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?" He responded,

"Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written:

This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; In vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines human precepts. You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition."

He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile

"From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance,

folly. All these evils come from within and they defile."

Focus Ouestions:

- 1. How has Jesus' unconditional love for you helped you accept your faults?
- 2) Is there a time when you were criticized for neglecting a religious ritual? How did that make you feel?
- 3) When has someone's critical approach inspired you to become less critical of others?

Family and children's question:

Each morning give thanks to God for everything in your life that you are thankful for.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Every man needs a wife, also every woman needs a husband, because many things go wrong that he

or she can't blame on the government. When things don't go my way I blame it on others. When things don't go our way we blame it on the government. When things go wrong the ruling party blames the opponents. When things go wrong beyond human control they blame it on God. As long as we don't see through that which troubles us, we will always blame others.

Today's Gospel invites us not to play the blaming game but to reflect and realize the power of living one's life fully well. For the last four weeks we reflected on the

PLAYING THE BLAME GAME

NO ONE WINS

sixth chapter of the Gospel of John focusing on one single message that Jesus, the spiritual food (Bread) would empower everyone who eats Him, to live not simply a human life but eternal life.

This week we listen to the end of the sixth chapter explaining how Jesus' offer to them as Spiritual Food was received. Many of Jesus' disciples who were listening said, "This saying is hard; who can accept it?" They blamed Jesus that His demand was tough. They could not accept His offer for their life, because Jesus could not deliver it the way they expected. When things did not go their way they blamed it on Jesus.

Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" But Simon Peter as a spokesperson for the group of believers, answered Him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." The believers don't see things for what they appear to be, their belief in Jesus gives them the



vision to see through what they see. The believers don't merely hear the words of Jesus but listen to His Good News. The real hungry person has no time to neglect the nutrition offered by Jesus. The one who is in need of food to live fully well one's life, has no time to play the blaming game. The believer in Jesus takes Him as the Food to live their lives eternally well.

Let us pray and find out what do we really hunger for? Whom do we depend on to appease our hunger? What kind of food would we like to feed on? How does Jesus feed us to live our lives in love and service? It is time to

pray to Jesus to provide us the food that will feed us here and give us the strength to journey with God to the Promised Land, our eternal life.

This weekend Fr. Gilbert Omolo, a Passionist Priest will make a mission appeal at all the masses for their missions in various parts of the world. Your generous contribution at the Second Collection for the Mission is greatly appreciated.

With love and prayers, Fr. Antony



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To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the

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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

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2021

as of August 16, 2021

Our Parish Goal \$68,000.00 Pledges to date \$32,797.00 Percentage of Goal 48.23%

THE MASS BOOK FOR 2022 IS OPEN



The Mass Book for 2022 is now available for intentions.

Mass stipends are \$20 for a Mass.

The large hard cover memorial card is an extra \$5.00

Bereavement Support Groups: The pandemic of 2020 resulted in a great many challenges; most especially, the unexpected death of a loved one. We are offering a special focus support group for adults who have endured this specific loss and are struggling to rebuild their lives within the current societal framework.

There will also be a second adult bereavement support group offered not related to COVID-19 for anyone who has lost a loved one.

Both groups will begin on Thursday, September 17th at 7pm. There is no cost to attend the groups, but <u>preregistration is required.</u>

In order to participate in this program, the <u>death must</u> have occurred prior to June 17th, 2020.

If interested, please call (631) 581-4266, x-125.

Please note that all participants must wear a mask while in the group and we will be as socially distanced as possible.

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 Lorance John Chester Scott Lovelock Nicholas Chester Andrew Lynch Theresa Chester Troy A. Maida, William Maley Collin J. Crean Thomas Migliara Eddie Cullum Eric Cullum Tim Morris Ryan Murphy Adam Cussen 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 Rathie Antonia Marie Rivera Michael Gioia Carl F. Greiner Ann Karen Sanchez Philip Gudone Justin Schneider John Michael Haffner Christopher Sidor Sean Hendrikson Christopher Singer Rvan Smith Tylor J. Hickey Kevin Ilvichenko Michael White



John Karies

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. Out next meeting is on September 13th at 2:30 pm. The book for discussion will be

Snow in August by Pete Hamill—

Facilitator: Caroline DeSantis

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

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of **August 15, 2021 \$4,925.00**

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, 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

Calendar Club Winners Congratulations!

Here are the winners for August 8—14, 2021

8/08/2021	\$50	409 Maureen Fallona
8/09/2021	\$25	232 Cameron Tonry
8//10/2021	\$25	740 Walter Brennan
8/11/2021	\$25	205 Alison Madison
8/12/2021	\$25	732 Joseph Fratamico
8/13/2021	\$25	511 Michelle Byrne
8/14//2021	\$25	714 Marie Utter

This And That With Deacon Matt



In July and August, Deacon Matt will be making time to visit with small groups of parishioners in the home.

Do you have questions about our faith? Do you find it difficult to follow teachings of the Church in this day and age?

Are there issues you'd like to discuss, or suggestions you'd like to make?

The floor is yours! Deacon Matt will be the facilitator.

The format is simple: find 6-10 people to gather at your home on a specific date, serve dessert, and come with your questions/topics.

Deacon Matt is especially interested in hearing the voice of the young. So teenagers and young adults are most certainly encouraged to get a group together.

To see what dates are available and to sign up, go to a page we've setup on our website: https://stmli.org/ThisAndThat2021.

You may also send an email to ThisAndThat2021@stmli.org or leave a message at the Rectory for

Deacon Matt to call you.

ST. THOMAS MORE NEW MASS SCHEDULE

The new Mass schedule is as follows:

Saturday 5:00 pm (*Anticipated Mass for Sunday*)

Sunday 8:00 am

9:30 am

11:30 am

All masses will be celebrated in the church.



Furthermore, effective October 16, 2021 onwards there will not be a morning Mass on Saturdays at 9 o'clock.



Focus on Religious Freedom

www.cffor.org

Christianity Is Growing Faster Than Any Time in History But <u>Declining</u> in Europe & America

"Americans' membership in houses of worship continued to decline last year, dropping below 50% for the first time in Gallop's 80-year trend. In 2020, 47% of Americans said they belonged to a church, synagogue or mosque, down from 50% in 2018 and 70% in 1999," wrote a recent Gallop poll. When Gallop first measured church membership in 1937, it was 73% and remained near 70% until the 21st century.

The fastest-declining Christian populations in the world are in Europe according to a peer-reviewed study in the journal *Sociology of Religion*.⁽²⁾

Researchers, sociologists and church leaders offer a wide range of causes for this decline in church affiliation and attendance in the West while Christianity is flourishing in Asia and Africa.

Some studies suggest that countries supporting a particular religion through law, contribute to the secularization of that country. For example, the Church of England is the state church and Christianity is the state religion; the Swedish king is the head of the government and the Church of Sweden and appoints bishops to their positions; Portugal, Spain and Italy offer preferential support to the Catholic Church through tax policy and education. (3) However, throughout Europe, Church affiliation is declining.

Other studies suggest that different factors are the cause for both decline and growth of Christianity in the world.

* Abundant and bold prayer is practiced in countries with increasing Christianity. For example, "in Africa, it is not unusual for churches to commit 50-100 days per year for fasting & prayer." This amount of fasting & prayer is

rarely practiced in the West.

* Empowering ordinary people for ministry is carried out in growing congregations. Pastors are seen as coaches and teachers and are not responsible for everything the church does: preach, pray, visit the sick, counsel people, evangelize, oversee administration, etc., as is common in the West where a person "goes into ministry." (5)

Conclusion: When looking at the range of statistics and causes surrounding contemporary Christianity, it becomes clear that even where Western culture appears to be becoming more and more secular, Christian faith is still very much alive. (6)

(news.gallop.com, 3/29/21(1); christianitytoday.com, 5/6/21(2)(3); christianpost.com, 3/15/20(4)(5); pathos.com, 5/8/21; get religion.org, 5/15/21; holyart.com(6)

MISSION APPEAL

The Passionist Missionaries' goal is to promote the memory of the Passion of Jesus Christ by witnessing and preaching to the sufferings of our time. Through their projects in Kenya, they are able to evangelize and promote integral human development. Their projects involve programs and activities for alleviating poverty and foster social justice and economic empowerment of the communities they serve. They have 40 seminarians, they run two orphanages with 70 orphans, and they support poor widows in their missions. They organize and preach retreats for both religious and lay faithful. Your generous support continues their mission effecting a positive change in people's daily lives and the hope for a better tomorrow.

The weekend of August 21/22 we will have Fr. Gilbert Omolo, CP, a Passionist priest from Kenya share with us his mission story. If you find time, please visit our orphans, seminarians, people and Passionists at www.Passionistsskenya.org



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Charles Beissel, Pamela Brosnan, Kathy Capuano, Joseph Christiana, Paul Connors, Nick Conzo, Veronica Corvasce, Joey Cullem, Pat Delamer, Catherine Desolo, Michael Fiorentino, John La Femina, Catherine Regina Jeskie, Jean Kelly, Kevin Kenney, Jean Marsala Kieffner, Walter Knell, Michael Lai, Robert McGurrin, Kieko McKeon, Charles Mallon, Barbara Mickelson, Patricia Miller, Sharon Mills, Nicola & Jean Narciso, Kathy Orta, Al Pankus, Richard Rantz, Helen Reichert, Blair Rocchio, Roseann, John Santangelo, Teagan Elizabeth Silverman (4 yrs), John Spadaro, John Thompson, Andrew J. Valentine, Andrew M. Valentine, Rosalind Warmuth, Janet Weil, Diane Weisz, Fred Wheeler, Edward Zebrowski,

This listing will expire on September 30, 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, until August 8th. 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

Bella Silvestri, Richard M. Redmond Jr., James T. Sheridan, Michael R. Nunes, 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 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.

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



""If you cannot do great things, do small things in a great way"
—Napoleon Hill

Our current needs include:

Pancake Mix

Syrup **

Boxed Milk**

Jelly

Canned Tomatoes (28 oz)

Paper Towels**

Bread

Pasta/Spaghetti Spaghetti Sauce Mustard/Ketchup **Mayonnaise****

Laundry Detergent (small)

Hand Soap

Canned Fruit

Peanut Butter (smaller jars)

Rice

Canned vegetables

Apple and other juice** Coffee (1 pound cans/bags)

Tea Bags

Macaroni & Cheese Soup (18-22 oz)

Tuna

Toothpaste Shampoo Toilet Paper

**we especially need these items

NO CEREAL AT THIS TIME PLEASE

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

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

St. Thomas More is hosting a Mobile Outreach Bus from Catholic Health on Monday, August 31 from. 10 AM to 2 PM.

Free health screenings are provided for adults (18+) including referrals and resources for those without insurance.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks, "Do you also want to leave?" We must ask ourselves if we really want to hear the good news of His love for us and for others. Is the word of God able to break into our consciousness, change us and call us to hear the cries of the poor?

Your continued gifts enable our conference of SVdP to hear the cries of the poor and assist with various needs. Thank you!

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 Ministry () Rosary Altar Society () Pre-Cana () Caring for Altar Plants () FOCCUS () Landscaping/Planting () Choir () Banner Committee
Name::
Address:
Phone:
Please return to the Rectory for processing.
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:

Rectory)

(Please place in collection basket or drop off at the

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)
CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2021 I/we would like to support the Catholic Ministries Appeal for 2021.
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processing.

St. Thomas More Employment Services

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

<u>Applebee's (Commack):</u> Positions available. Inquire within. **Auto Zone:** Drivers needed. Go to www.autozone.com/careers

BJ's: Local jobs available. Go to: BJs.com/careers

Candlelight Diner: All positions available. Call 631-499-3918 or stop in.

<u>Catholic Charities of Long Island:</u> Many F/T, P/T and hourly positions available. Go to: <u>www.catholiccharities.cc/careers</u> <u>Catholic Health Services:</u> Many positions available at local hospitals and medical practices: health professionals and non-health

care positions. Go to: https://jobs.chsli.org/

Community Care Home Health Services: HHAs and PCAs. Call: 516-965-2809

<u>CVS Health:</u> Many local positions available. Go to: https://jobs.cvshealth.com/ **Dunkin' Donuts/Subway:** F/T and P/T Flexible positions available. Call: 718-820-6112

GEICO Insurance: Service and sales positions available. Go to: https://careers.geico.com/us/en

Hauppauge Palace Diner: Wait Staff – Hostesses – Line Cooks. Go to their Facebook page or stop in person

Long Island Community Hospital (Patchogue): Multiple positions available. Go to: https://licommunityhospital.org/careers/

Nassau County: Many P/T & F/T positions available. Go to: www.nassaucountyny.gov/334/Employment.

Northwell Health: Many health and non-health care positions available.

Go to: https://jobs.northwell.edu/job-search-results/

Panera: Positions available. Go to: :https://careers.panerabread.com/global/en/search-results

Rite-Aid: Long Island positions available for Pharmacy Technicians and Shift Supervisor s. Go to: https://careers.riteaid.com/jobs

Safelite Auto Glass: Multiple Long Island jobs open, including the Hauppauge location:

Go to: www.safelite.com/careers

7-Eleven: Local positions available. Go to: https://careers.7-eleven.com/careers/home

Stony Brook Medical Center: Multiple health & non-health job opportunities available.

Go to: https://www.stonybrookmedicine.edu/careers

Stop & Shop (Long Island): 700 P/T jobs being sourced. Many positions. Go to: stopandshopreidsystems.com

Shop Rite: Hauppauge and other Long Island positions available. Go to: https://shop.shoprite.com/careers

Starbucks: Positions available. Go to: www.starbucks.com/careers

<u>SUNation Solar Systems:</u> Sales Representatives, Service Technicians, Installers, other positions. Send contact information and resume to: Marketing@sunationmarketing.com

Suffolk County: Many P/T & F/T positions available. Go to: www.suffolkcountyny.gov/employment or call: 631-853-6540

<u>Suffolk Transportation Services:</u>:Drivers, Driver Assistants & Mechanic jobs available.

Go to: http://applynow.suffolkbus.com/jots

Target: Multiple positions at all LI locations. Go to: https://jobs.target.com

The Paramoun t Theater (Huntington): Many positions available. Sign on bonuses.

Send résumé to: kevin@paramountny.com

NEW—Top Golf: Many positions available at the new facility in Holtsville (on the LIE). Go to: https://topgolf.jobs?.

United States Postal Service (USPS): Many career opportunities available.

Go to: www.usps.com/careers

Walmart: Overnight Stocking (10 pm to 7am). East Setauket. F/T & P/T. Go to: www.careers.walmart.com

NEW —Western Suffolk BOCES: Special Education Aides. Go to wsboces.org/team

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: **imtwhite@optonline.net**. Please include the position title, the location of the job, and contact information (either yours or the employers).

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Msgr. FRANCIS S. MIDURA EIGHTH ANNUAL MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

Tuesday, September 14, 2021 (Shotgun Start 08:00AM) MIDDLE ISLAND COUNTRY CLUB 275 Yaphank Middle Island Rd., Middle Island \$185 Per Golfer

Includes: Breakfast, Beverages/Lunch on the Course, Dinner Buffet & Open Bar.

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WITH YOUR PAYMENT (All checks should be made payable to St. Thomas More RC Church)

Name of Contact Person o	r Individual Golfer
Phone #:	() I need to be assigned to a Foursome
Email Address:	
If you have any questions ((631-682-4177) or Ed Roga	regarding this event, you may contact Tom Prunty n (516-319-8643).

Return Entire Form to: St. Thomas More RC Church -Attn. Golf Outing 115 King's Highway, Hauppauge N.Y. 11788



Names of Golfer(s):



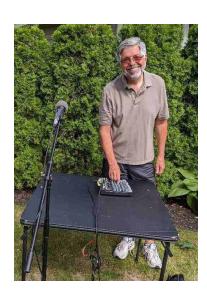
"Welcome Back" Celebration on the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary—August 15, 2021.

Our special thanks to the Knights of Columbus, the Columbiettes and to Joe Citro for their tremendous help and efforts in enhancing our celebration.











Pictures from Youth Ministry Encouragement Retreat August 14, 2021



- Prayer for Parents of Teens -

Heavenly Father,

I dedicate my family to YOUR care.

Come to my aid.

Teach me to be an effective parent.

Guide me as I make my home a safe and holy place.

Make reason, religion and kindess part of my routine.

Assist me when I am down and lose patience.

Let me show YOUR love to my teen.

Show me the balance between understanding and discipline.

May I seek to listen and to understand.

Refresh me in times of exhaustion.

Restrain me when I am angry.

Place the words in my mouth YOU would have my teen hear.

Protect my family from the evils they encounter.

May we always display forgiveness and modesty.

May everything I do for my teen be done from love.

May we never be parted from you.

May my family see YOU through me.

Amen.



Mass—Breakfast—Games
Prayer—Activities—Friends
Reflection

Join us in praying the Parent's Prayer for all of our teens!

High School Youth Ministry resumes in September!

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WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER.

GIVE BLOOD. SAVE LIVES.

BLOOD DRIVE

St. Thomas More Church

Friday – September 17, 2021 2:30pm – 8:30pm

115 Kings Highway Hauppauge, NY

Appointments Preferred

Click here to make an appointment! or scan and use code 06368



For additional information, please call 516 478-5023 or email ccestaro @ nybc.org.

DR ES ROGAN @ 516-319-8643

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- · 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

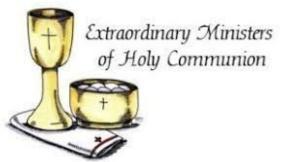
Please be aware that we do NOT test for COVID-19. You should contact your health care provider if you want to be tested.



△ New York Blood Center

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER of HOLY COMMUNION

Training Opportunities—Fall 2021



This training is required for **all** those who are beginning as Ministers. This "BASIC" training is required for **all** who wish to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Those who wish to minister in hospitals, nursing homes and to the homebound are required to attend "SPECIALIZED" training in addition to BASIC training. One **must** attend BASIC training prior to SPECIALIZED training.

Plans for SPEICALIZED training will be shared in a separate communication

How to Register for Extraordinary Minister Training

Each pastor who has qualified candidates he wishes to be trained as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion must send a nomination letter to Bishop Barres requesting the training. One letter from each parish is fine, as long as each individual attending is named on it. This letter must should be received one week prior to the training date requested. This letter must indicate the date and location of the training session each person(s) will attend.

Dates and Locations for Ministry Training

Nassau County: St. Paul the Apostle / Brookville: Saturday, September 25, 2021 9:00 am—12 noon

St. Christopher / Baldwin: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 7:00 pm—10:00 pm

Suffolk County: St. Elizabeth of Hungary / Melville: Thursday, Sept. 30, 2021 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

St. Rosalie / Hampton Bays: Saturday, Oct. 30, 2021 9:00 am—12 noon

Doors will open one half hour prior to start time so that attendees can check-in and pick up materials.

Fees and Contact Information

The registration fee for this training will be \$25 per attendee. Each parish will be billed after the training sessions have been completed. Once the training has been paid for, the Pastor will be issued identification cards for those who have been trained. These cards may then be distributed to the newly trained Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at a commissioning ceremony at a time of the Pastor's choosing.

Please send your nomination letters to Suzanne Lynn at the Office of the Western Vicariate. These letters can be emailed to slynn@drvc.org; faxed to 516-746-6900 or mailed to 42 Dover Street, Williston Park, NY 11596. You can reach Suzanne at 516-744-6850 if there are any questions.

Free health screenings



Mobile Outreach Bus

The Community Outreach team is pleased to offer free health screenings in your community by a Catholic Health registered nurse.



St. Thomas More Church 115 Kings Hwy. Hauppauge, NY Monday, August 30, 2021 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Services for adults (18 and older):

- Brief cardiac history
- Blood pressure screening
- BMI screening
- Simple blood test for cholesterol and glucose
- Health education
- Referrals as needed
- Resources for those without insurance

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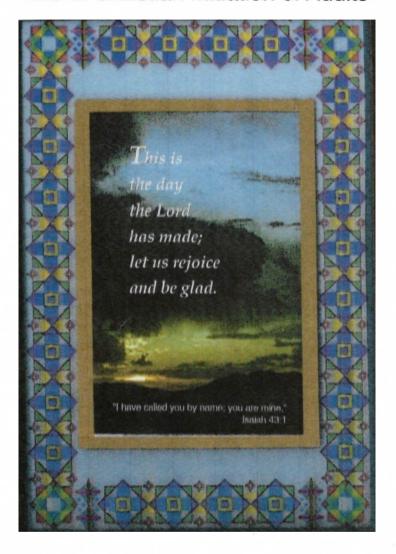
2021 FALL PLANT SALE



Hardy Garden Mums 9" p	oot \$6.00 each			
Red	x \$6.00			
White	x \$6.00			
Bronze	x \$6.00			
Yellow	x \$6.00			
Purple	x \$6.00			
Pansy	x \$6.00			
Ornamental Cabbage	x \$6.00 (Purple)			
Ornamental Kale	x \$6.00 (Purple)			
Total Ordered	\$			
If you wish to order by telephone, please call either the Rectory at 631-234-5551 or Steve Mattessich at 631-623-6063				
All orders have to be in by September 11 & 12, 2021				
Orders will be ready for pick up on October 2 & 3, 2021.				
Name:				
Telephone No				
Check No	Please make all checks payable to St. Thomas More Church			

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



Have you been called by Name? Do you want to Know Jesus!! Do you feel like there is more? Then step into the light and join us at the RCIA where your faith journey leads those seekers to meet Jesus in the Easter Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. The RCIA team is comprised of committed individuals who are entrusted to share our faith with those adults who express a desire to become a Catholic or to complete one or more of the sacraments. To find out how to start this faith journey call the rectory at 631-234-5551.