



Catholic Church Community of  
**St. Thomas More**

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

September 5, 2021

Twenty-Third 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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**Social Media**

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

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

September 5, 2021  
 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Isaiah 35:4-7a  
 Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10  
 James 2:1-5  
 Mark 7:31-37

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

September 11, 2021  
 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Isaiah 50: 5-9a  
 Psalm 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9  
 James 2:14-18  
 Mark 8: 27-35

### **Saturday, September 4**

#### ***(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)***

5pm Jean Seberg *by Joseph Scarpuzza*

### **Sunday, September 5—Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00am Elaine Moccia *by Ross & Marie Bracco*

9:30am Patrick & Martha Scollins *by Rocka Becker*

11:30am Senator Gerald Cardinale *by  
Catherine Bavetta*

### **Monday, September 6**

9am Patricia A. Surico *by John & Joan Carro*

### **Tuesday, September 7**

9am Patricia A. Surico *by Marilyn & Joe  
Amodio*

### **Wednesday, September 8—The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9am Patricia A. Surico *by Marie Utter*

### **Thursday, September 9—St. Peter Claver**

9am Frank Sesti *by the Sesti family*

### **Friday, September 10**

9am Angelo Manzi *by the Rodriguez family*

### **Saturday, September 11**

9am Lillian LoRusso *by Amy, Richie & Brendan  
Hughes*

#### ***(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)***

5pm Fabio & Anna DiMeglio *by Vivian &  
Michael Jacobs*

### **Sunday, September 12—Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00am Nicolas Lorusso *by Annette & Robert  
Mroczkowski*

9:30am Gail Audiino *by the Johnsons*

11:30am Peter Romano *by Mary & the Romano  
children*

### **A reading from the Gospel according to Mark:**

Jesus and his disciples set out for the villages of Caesarea Philippi. Along the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?”

They said in reply, “John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others one of the prophets.”

And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?”

Peter said to him in reply, “You are the Christ.”

Then he warned them not to tell anyone about him.

He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and rise after three days. He spoke this openly.

Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. At this he turned around and, looking at his disciples, rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do.”

He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it.”

### **Focus Questions:**

1. When you endured the worst suffering in your life, how did Jesus help you through it?

2) What does the term ‘take up your cross’ mean to you?

3) What are some of the most meaningful lessons you have learned after enduring deep suffering?

### **Suggestions for Action:**

Bring joy to another who has withstood extreme suffering. Bring them a gift (flowers, baked goods, chocolates, etc.) and share time with them.

## *FR. ANTONY'S LETTER*

Dear Friends,

**It was a golden wedding anniversary party.** With many family members and friends gathered the husband toasted his wife who was very hard of hearing, “My dear wife, after fifty years I’ve found you tried and true.” Everyone smiled approval but his wife said, “Eh?” He repeated in a louder voice, “AFTER FIFTY YEARS I’VE FOUND YOU TRIED AND TRUE.” His wife harrumphed and shot back, “Well, let me tell you something – after fifty years I’m tired of you, too.” The message is often communicated not by what is said but by what is heard. The words don’t become a message at the uttering but at the listening and grasping.

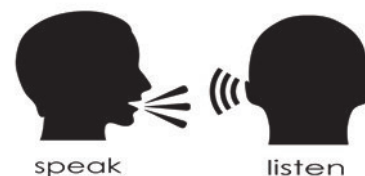
**Today’s Gospel is the miracle of healing** a deaf man who also had a speech impediment. The healing takes place by the touch and by the command of Jesus. His touching opened the biological faculty of hearing and speaking. His command (“*Ephphatha!*”— which means, “Be opened!”) gave the purpose to the faculty of the man’s hearing and speaking: What should our senses be opened to? Psalm 119:18 explains the purpose of our seeing, “Open my eyes to see clearly the wonders of your law.”

The function and the purpose of the human faculties/senses are to see and grasp the wonder of God’s law at work everywhere and in all persons.

**The Gospel continues to describe what happens** when the faculties of hearing and speaking are opened. The healed-man begins to proclaim the wonder of hearing and speaking. The people who has seen the healing and has heard the man speaking “were exceedingly astonished and they said, “He has done all things well.” Thus the healed man has become the living- powerful message for the people to open their senses to how God does all things well.

**Our human faculties of sensing, understanding and realizing** are to be kept “OPEN” to the Godly wonders that are all around us in creation and its laws. We, in the name of our selfishness and

weakness can close all our faculties to our own needs or greed. But today’s Gospel encourages us to set our potential beyond our selfish horizon. Let us pray to Jesus to open us to live the Divine realities and experience Godly wonders. Let us tune our senses to perceive and believe.



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With love and prayers,  
Fr. Antony



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Deacon Robert D. Weisz

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***SOCIAL MEDIA & EMAIL***

**Websites**

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

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

**Facebook**

[https://](https://www.facebook.com/StThomasMoreHauppauge/)

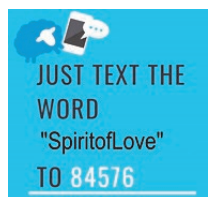
[www.facebook.comStThomasMoreHauppauge/](https://www.facebook.com/StThomasMoreHauppauge/)

**Instagram**

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To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following  
Barbara & Joe Fratamico at [BJFRAT@optonline.net](mailto:BJFRAT@optonline.net)



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](http://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

**I cannot change  
yesterday, but I  
can change today.**

**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY**

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

**SUPPORT COLLECTION**

Collection of **August 29, 2021** **4,623.00**

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



**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

**Calendar Club Winners**

**Congratulations!**

*Here are the winners for August 22—28, 2021*

<b>8/22/2021</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>823</b>	<b>Barbara Mickelson</b>
8/23/2021	\$25	1023	Pat & Liz McDonald
8/24/2021	\$25	563	Andy & Kathy Turano
8/25//2021	\$25	170	Walter Brennan
8/26/2021	\$25	308	William & Ellen Lentino
8/27/2021	\$25	1087	STM Outreach (Gift of Lefebvre family)
8/28//2021	\$25	218	Phyllis Ann Ehrhardt



## Catholics for Freedom of Religion

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

### Focus on Religious Freedom

*"Liberty must at all hazards be supported. We have a right to it derived from our Maker."*  
- John Adams, 1765

#### It's OK For Students to Pray in Public Schools

As students prepare for the new 2021-22 school year, they need an important tool in their backpacks: **knowledge of their religious liberty rights.**

On January 16, 2020 (Religious Freedom Day), the Dept. of Education issued updated *Guidance on Constitutionally Protected Prayer & Religious Expression in Public Elementary & Secondary Schools*. The guidance was originally issued in 2003. The Guidance explains that "students and teachers do not shed their constitutional rights at the schoolhouse gate." The law also requires that, as a condition of receiving federal funds, local education agencies must certify that they are in compliance with the prayer guidance.<sup>(1)</sup>

The Supreme Court has repeatedly held that the First Amendment, with its enumerated rights of Freedom of Religion and Freedom of Speech, requires public school officials to be neutral in their treatment of religion, showing neither favoritism toward nor hostility against religion. The newly updated U.S. Department of Education Guidelines explicitly list the many rights of students in relation to religious expression. These rights include:

- \* **Students may read their Bibles** or other religious materials, say grace before meals, and pray or study religious materials with fellow students during recess, lunch hour, or other non-instructional time.
- \* **Students may express their beliefs** about religion in homework, artwork, and other written and oral assignments.
- \* **Students may organize prayer groups, religious clubs**, or other religious themed gatherings before or after school to the same extent that students are permitted to organize other non-curricular student activity groups.
- \* **Schools may teach about religion** but not provide religious instruction..<sup>(2)</sup>

(justice.gov, Volume 84-January, 2020(1); Ed.gov, Guidance from U.S. Dept. of Education(2))

## Youth Group

**YOUTH GROUP KICKOFF  
BBQ ~2021~**

**We're back and ready for a  
fun and faith filled year!**

**Sunday, September 19th**

**Join us at the 11:30 a.m. mass,  
activities and food until 2:30pm!**



Introducing our  
new Youth Minister:  
**Noelle LaFontaine**



## Some Thought-Provoking Quotes By St. Thomas More

*"One of the greatest problems of our time  
is that many are schooled but few are  
educated."*

*Thomas More*

TheFamousPeople.com

*"A pretty face may be enough to catch a  
man, but it takes character and good  
nature to hold him."*

*Thomas More*

TheFamousPeople.com



## 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, Linda Heller, 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](http://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

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.

**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**



**“The closer we live to God, the closer we are bound to our neighbor”**  
—Fulton Sheen

Our current needs include:

**Boxed Milk\*\***

Bread  
Canned Fruit and Vegetables  
Canned Tomatoes (28 oz)  
Cereal  
Macaroni & Cheese  
Pancake Mix  
Pasta/Spaghetti  
Peanut Butter (smaller jars)  
Rice  
Soup (18-22 oz)  
Spaghetti Sauce  
Tuna

**Syrup \*\***

Mustard/Ketchup  
**Mayonnaise\*\***  
Coffee (1 pound cans/bags)  
Tea Bags  
**Apple and other juice \*\***  
Toothpaste\  
Shampoo  
Hand Soap  
Toilet Paper  
Laundry Detergent (small)  
**Paper Towels \*\***

**\*\*we especially need these items**

*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**

Thank you for all your support and donations to our school supply drive!  
We are so grateful to have such generous parishioners!

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

In today's Gospel we hear how Jesus "makes the deaf hear and the mute speak!". In living the gospel, we must open our ears to hear and recognize all the everyday opportunities for making God's presence known especially to those who are poor and suffering. On September 9, the Church also celebrates the feast of Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, the founder of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Frédéric heard the call of Jesus to love and serve those who are suffering. Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call us at 631 648 2760 so that we might spread God's presence to our neighbors.



### **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:**

*(Please place in collection basket or drop off at the Rectory)*

### **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.**

NAME(s) ADDRESS:

PHONE:

Amount of the pledge: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check for entire amount is enclosed.

Installment enclosed. I/We would like to pay the rest in

\_\_\_\_\_installments.

*Please return to the Rectory for further processing.*

## St. Thomas More Employment Services

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE

**Applebee's (Commack):** Positions available. Inquire within.

**Auto Zone:** Drivers needed. Go to [www.autozone.com/careers](http://www.autozone.com/careers)

**BJ's:** Local jobs available. Go to: [BJs.com/careers](http://BJs.com/careers)

**Still Looking– Brendel's Bagels:** Deli Clerks, Catering, Kitchen Staff Drivers. P/T & F/T. Call 631-656-6828.

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

**Catholic Charities of Long Island:** Many F/T, P/T and hourly positions available. Go to: [www.catholiccharities.cc/careers](http://www.catholiccharities.cc/careers)

**Catholic Health Services:** 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

**CVS Health:** Many local positions available. Go to: <https://jobs.cvshealth.com/>

**Still Looking: 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](http://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](http://www.safelite.com/careers)

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

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

**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](http://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](http://www.starbucks.com/careers)

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

**Suffolk Transportation Services:** Drivers, Driver Assistants & Mechanic jobs available.

Go to: <http://applynow.suffolkbus.com/jobs>

**SUNation Solar Systems:** Sales Representatives, Service Technicians, Installers, other positions. Send contact information and resume to: [Marketing@sunationmarketing.com](mailto:Marketing@sunationmarketing.com)

**UPDATED Target:** Multiple positions at all LI locations. Text "JOBS" to 827438.

**The Paramount Theater (Huntington):** Many positions available. Sign on bonuses.

Send résumé to: [kevin@paramountny.com](mailto:kevin@paramountny.com)

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

**UPDATED: Tropical Smoothie Café.** Apply within at Hauppauge location.

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

Go to: [www.usps.com/careers](http://www.usps.com/careers)

**Walmart:** Go to: [www.careers.walmart.com](http://www.careers.walmart.com)

**NEW —Western Suffolk BOCES:** Special Education Aides. Go to [wsboces.org/team](http://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: [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).

*Holy Hour*  
*In God We Trust*

**Tuesday, September 7th**  
**at 7:00 pm**

**Please join us and the Young Professionals for a Holy Hour of adoration, music, and prayer.**



**St. Thomas More Parish**  
A Catholic Church Community in Hauppauge, NY  
*Sharing The Spirit Of Love*

# Come meet the Children's Liturgy Crew on 9/19/2021



## Children's Liturgy of the **Word**

**Beginning 9/19/2021 at 9:30 am Family Mass**

### *New Format*

**No More Carpet!**

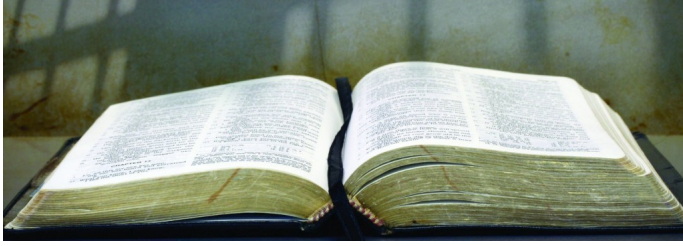
Children will celebrate and discuss the Liturgy of the Word  
in Walden Hall with a team of volunteers.  
Children will return to Mass for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Children Ages  
4-8 yrs old  
*(Older siblings welcome)*



## Questions?

Please call  
Religious Ed. Office  
631-234-0397



# Liturgical Minister Training for Lectors

*Because readers provide a bridge between the Word of God and the assembly, helping Christ speak to his people, they need to understand, believe, and love the Word of God they proclaim.*

The Office of Worship will be offering LECTOR TRAINING for those who wish to proclaim the Word of God at their parishes. All men, women and young adults who wish to become a lector at their parish should attend a diocesan training session.

Even ‘seasoned’ lectors are invited to participate and refresh their skills and meet others who participate in this valuable ministry.

**TRAINING FOR LECTORS: PLEASE USE THE TEAR-OFF BELOW TO REGISTER.**

**In Nassau:**

Saturday, September 25: 9 AM—12 noon  
**St. Paul the Apostle, Brookville**

**In Suffolk:**

Saturday, October 30: 9—12 Noon  
**St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays**

**EVENING SESSION for LECTOR TRAINING:**

Wednesday, September 29 : 7—10 pm  
**St. Christopher, Baldwin**

Thursday, September 30: 7—10 pm  
**St. Elizabeth of Hungary / Melville**

**WORKSHOP FEE:**

Lectors: \$20 per person, please make checks payable to “Office of Worship”

**Please call Suzanne Lynn at 516-744-6850 or email [slynn@drvc.org](mailto:slynn@drvc.org) with any have questions**

**REGISTRATION FORM FOR LECTOR TRAINING**

Mail this registration form to the Suzanne Lynn, 42 Dover Street, Williston Park, NY 11596, e-mail to [worship@drvc.org](mailto:worship@drvc.org), or fax to 516-746-6900.

I wish to register for Lector Training

- St. Paul the Apostle, Brookville (Saturday, Sept. 25, 2021)
- St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays (Saturday, October 30, 2021)
- St. Christopher, Baldwin (Wednesday, September 29, 2021)
- St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Melville (Thursday, September 30, 2021)

Name ..... Phone .....

Parish ..... Town .....

Email Address: .....

Payment Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

My Pastor has allowed me to Bill the Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

**LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS!**

## STM Adult Choir

We sing at the 11:30am  
mass on Sundays



Rehearsals are  
Thursday's 7:00-9:00pm

## STM Children's Choir

Children 3rd grade through  
High School age are invited!

We sing at the 9:30am mass on Sundays  
Rehearsals are Thursdays 5:30-6:30pm



(If you are interested or have questions please call  
Emilia at 631-724-8820 or speak to us at any mass)



**SAVE THE DATE**

**PLEASE JOIN US AT THE**

**St. Thomas More  
Annual Beach Mass**

**Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>**

**12:00 Noon**

**Otto Schubert Beach, Nissequogue**

**\*\*\*Please bring a chair and/or blanket for the Mass  
and pack your own food for afterwards\*\*\***

**ST. THOMAS MORE**  
**2021 FALL PLANT SALE**



Hardy Garden Mums 9" pot \$6.00 each

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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: \_\_\_\_\_

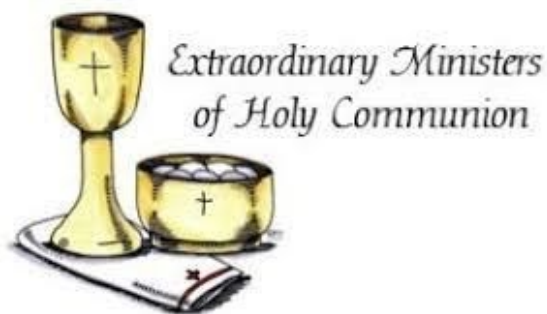
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# EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER *of* HOLY COMMUNION

## 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

<b>Nassau County:</b> 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
<b>Suffolk County:</b> 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](mailto: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.



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**SAVE LIVES.**

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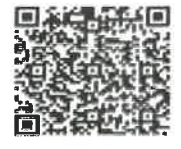
**St. Thomas More Church**

**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.

*OR ER ROGAN @ 516-319-8643*

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

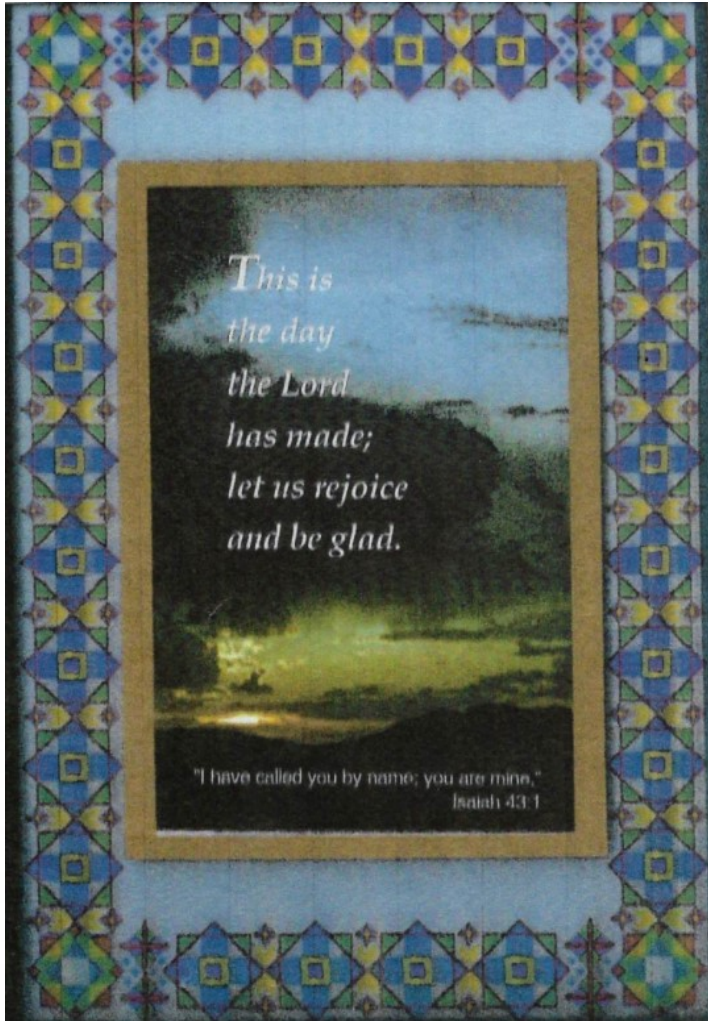
    
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# RCIA

## 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.