

Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

March 20, 2022

Third Sunday of Lent



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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To receive texts or emails

from us just text

Spiritoflove to 84576 or

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StThomasMore29.flocknote.com

Masses for this coming week

March 20, 2022 Third Sunday of Lent Exodus 17:3-7 Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 John 4:5-42

Saturday, March 19

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—William Haddigan by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Bie

Sunday, March 20—Third Sunday of Lent

8am—Kathy Capuano by the St. Thomas More

Outreach

9:30am—Ralph Molinaro by Judy & Jim Moran

11:30am—Anna Marie Butera *by St. Thomas More Choir*

Monday, March 21

9am—George DeMatteis by Denise Abbruzza

Tuesday, March 22

9am—Jack Bove by Patricia & Steven Buckley

Wednesday, March 23—St. Turibus of Mogrovejo

9am—Hedwig Buecken by Robert Haley

Thursday, March 24—St. Oscar Romero

9 am—Thomas Fallona by Maureen Fallona

Friday, March 25—The Annunciation of the Lord

9 am—Mickelson & Williams families *by Barbara Mickelson*

Saturday, March 26

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm—Joan McGrath & Robert Ottofaro by John
Sheehan

Sunday, March 27—Fourth Sunday of Lent

8am—Diane Weisz by Deacon Ed & Laura Vigneaux

9:30am—Rudolph Anthony Contratti by the Kuglet family

11:30am—Anna Marie Butera by Paul & Rosemarie
Gorton

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

March 27, 2022 Fourth Sunday of Lent Joshua 5:9a, 10-12 Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke:

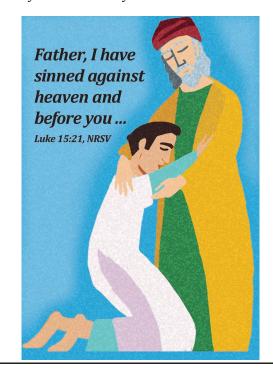
For this Sunday's reading, please refer to your Bible or visit https://bible.usccb.org and scroll down to Daily Readings Calendar.

Focus Ouestions:

- 1. Who do you have the most empathy for the father, the younger son or the older son?
- 2. How does the story of the Prodigal Son affirm or challenge your image of God?
- 3. Describe a time when someone was more generous in forgiving than you would have expected.

Family and children's question

Talk about how you can be a more forgiving person especially toward family members.



FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends.

Overheard at the beach: "Mummy, may I go for a swim?"

"Certainly not, my dear, it is far too deep."

"But daddy is swimming."

"Yes, dear, but he's insured."

Nothing is guaranteed in life. Insurance can provide only monetary support at the time of loss. As material support, insurance cannot change or cure anything. Life is built and grown on spiritual support.

The readings of the third week of Lent invite us to see within us an indestructible God-given substance as a guarantee or insurance against all the losses we will incur in our earthly life.

In the first reading, Moses is invited to see himself in the burning bush. The fire of the burning bush did not burn its greenery. From that fresh and un-burnt burning bush God commissions him to deliver his people enslaved by Pharaoh. Yes from this very Pharaoh, Moses flew away to save his life. Now God commissions Moses to go into the same fire of Pharaoh whose wrath burnt him in the first place. But this time God is going to be with him so Moses will be kept fresh like the green-burning bush. The wrath of Pharaoh might be like a fire around him, as at the green bush but it will not consume him because God would be his guarantee and insurance.

In today's Gospel Jesus speaks about turning our life from unfruitful to a fruit-bearing one. All that we might see or experience around us may seem discouraging and disturbing, painful and unpromising. But God the Gardener is ready to work with us, as he works with the unfruitful fig tree. If we can co-operate with God we will be able to bear fruit. Our barrenness will be turned into fruitfulness. We may look like being burnt with fire from outside but God is working with us. So let us be ready to be surprised like Moses, to see the bush, though on fire, not being consumed. God is our fire-insurance so we the bushes will look burning but not burnt. God is our Gardener turning us from bareness to fruitfulness.

This week we pray the Stations of the Cross on March 25th at 7:00 pm for those who are suffering from any type of addiction. Please come and pray with us.

Please mark your Calendar. Lenten Mission begins next week. March 28th, 29th and 30th by Fr. Kevin Cronin OFM.

Lenten Project: This year's Lenten Project is to support "Holy Family Vocational School" in the Parish of San Pedro Apostolo, El Cercado, Dominican Republic. This is supported by our Diocese for the last 43 years. Fr. John Cervini, one of our former Associate pastors who worked there coordinates this project. More information about how you can help can be found on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Please make the donation check to "St. Thomas More Church" with the designation "Vocational School" Please place your donations in the house found in the Narthex near the display.

With love and prayers, Fr. Antony



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To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the

following

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Would you like to receive a daily spiritual reflection or updates of what's happening in our Parish?

See above or go to StThomasMore29.flocknote.com

Courtesy Announcements

1st Announcement:: 2nd Announcement:

Bereavement Support Groups

Good Shepherd Hospice Bereavement Services:

<u>In-Person</u> – Spousal/Partner Bereavement Support
Group

Good Shepherd Hospice Inpatient Center.200 Belle Terre Road, Port Jefferson

Thursday Afternoons

March 24 thru May 19 / 3:00PM-4:30PM* No Group April 14th

Registration Required. Call Jennifer Kimlingen, LMSW @ (631) 828-7636

<u>In-Person – Adult Loss of Parent Support Group</u> Good Shepherd Hospice Inpatient Center, 200 Belle Terre Road, Port Jefferson

Thursday Evenings March 24 thru May 19 / 5:00PM-6:30PM * No Group April 14th. Registration Required. Call Jennifer Kimlingen, LMSW @ (631) 828-7636

<u>Virtual</u> – Spousal/Partner Bereavement Support Group Wednesday Afternoons March 23 thru May 19 / 3:00PM-4:30PM

Registration required – Call Roger Sullivan, LCSW @ (631) 465-6332

<u>Virtual – 2nd Phase Bereavement Support Group</u> *For those who have previously completed a group with Good Shepherd

Wednesday Afternoons March 23 thru May 19 / 1:00PM-2:30PM. Registration required – Call Roger Sullivan, LCSW @ (631) 465-6332

John Spadaro is in need of a kidney, will you be the one to help him? John has overcome many hurdles while awaiting a donor. He goes to dialysis three times a week and gets up everyday believing a donation will happen for him. John is a loving husband, father and grandfather.

For further information call 631-444-2209, mention John's name. Our family will be forever grateful.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Ethan Bernstein
Jessie Bernstein
Joseph Blaugrund
Anthony Broncatello
John Burk
Collin Busto
Collin J. Crean
Eddie Cullum
Eric Cullum
David Cussen
Capt. Sean Michael Dolan
P. J. Erskin
Timothy Fallon
Major Michael Fantauzzi

JT Foltz Mike Foltz Michael Gioia Carl F. Greiner Philip Gudone John Michael Haffner Matthew L. Hamann Sean Hendrikson Tylor J. Hickey John Karies Michael Knipper Dylan Kowalski Thomas LaFemina Alex Lombardi Andrew Lombardi Lt. Clint Lorance

Scott Lovelock Andrew Lynch Troy A. Maida, William Maley Joseph Marziotto Jr. Thomas Migliara Tim Morris Adam Moumine John Nachtman Kaitlyn Nachtman Thomas Nichols Adam Papaizai Michael Poist Michael Polanski Kyle Rathie Antonia Marie Rivera Ann Karen Sanchez Justin Schneider Christopher Sidor Christopher Singer Ryan Smith Anthony Troise

CIRCLE OF WOMEN

Michael White

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 April 11, 2022 at 2:30 pm. The book for discussion will be:

The Four Winds by Kristin Hannah

Facilitator: Joan Shea

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 March 13, 2022

\$3,404.00

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,

Calendar Club Winners Congratulations!

Here are the winners from March 6-12, 2022

3/06/2022 **\$50** 96 Larry & Fran Mirron 3/07/2022 \$25 149 Pat & Joan Shea 3/08/2022 \$25 1113 Dolores & Ken Fensterer

3/09/2022 \$25 352 John & Marie Reddy 3/10/2022 \$25 648 James McGuire 3/11/2022 \$25 775 Marti & John White

3/12/2022 \$25 875 Rosemarie Nick

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2022

as of March 15, 2022

Our Parish Goal \$69,300.00 Pledges to date \$6,300.00 Percentage of Goal 9.09%



Catholics for Freedom of Religion

www.cffor.org

Focus on Religious Freedom

Catholics for Freedom of Religion www.cffor.org

"If Virtue & Knowledge are diffused among the People, they will never be enslav'd. This will be their great security." - Samuel Adams

Religious Freedom Rights Denied at Some Colleges

The University of Nebraska, Lincoln (UNL), chapter of a Christian student group is suing the university, claiming viewpoint discrimination when it was denied funding for a talk by philosopher, Prof. Robert Audi, titled "Is Belief in God Rational Given the Evils of This World?" The school claimed funding could not be used for "speakers of a political and ideological nature."(1) However, in the past, funding was used to promote topics such as sexual orientation, social justice, and political activism.

The College of the Ozarks, a private, Christian college, awaits a ruling from the Court of Appeals, one step below the Supreme Court, in its lawsuit against HUD and its directive forcing colleges and universities to open their dorms, bathrooms and showers to members of the opposite, thus forcing religious schools to violate their beliefs. (2)

Hope for Religious Revival in America from College Students:

Christian Union Universities is launching a campaign from March 13 - May 7, 2022, to share the gospel with 70,000 students at the nation's most influential and secular schools. The goal is to ensure that every student hears the gospel three times through social media platforms. (3)

(dailynous.com, 11/5/21(1); thechristianpost.com, 11/3/21; campusreform.org, 12/8/21; adf.org, 4/20/21 (2); conservativehq.com, 1/26/22; dayandnight.org, 2/25/22(3)

Young at Heart March 2022

Friday, March 25, 2022 at 12:30 pm—Join us for our meeting and games over coffee.

Try us and join us. We are a good group of very welcoming people!



Couples who completed their Pre-Cana program attended a Pre-Cana Mass last Sunday.



The monthly **Presentation of Babies** to be baptized at St. Thomas More. Deacon Matt and the entire congregation pray over the babies and their families. It is a beautiful, welcoming experience for all at the 9:30 Family Mass.



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Marsha Augustyn, Ronnie Borgese, Pamela Brosnan, Ellen Cleary, Paul Connors, Angela Convok, Nick Conzo, Joey Cullum, Veronica Corvasce, Marianne Deszcz, Frank DeModna, Sal Ferraro, Michael Fiorentino, Christopher Gill, David Gingold, Andy Hazin, Robert Heaton, Chet Kalenty, Kevin Kenney, Joe Madonia, Jean Marsala Kieffner, Eleanor Kingsley, John McAllister, Barbara Mickelson, Patricia Miller, Sharon Mills, Ellen Murphy, Arlene Osieckui; Al Pankus, Richard Rantz, Helen Reichert, Blair Rocchio, Joyce Rose, Dolores Rudden, Barbra Mary Sexton, John Spadaro, Andrew J. Valentine, Andrew M. Valentine, Rosalind Warmuth, Janet Weil, Edward Zebrowski,

This listing will expire on March 31, 2022.



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. 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



Altar Bread and Wine Memorial

To arrange the memorial for the Altar Bread and Wine, please call the Rectory at 631-234-5551.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Kathleen Campitello, Mary Anne Sudler, Joseph Plansker, 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



"Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord,
And he will repay him for his deed"
—Proverbs 19:17

Outreach

Our current needs include:

Boxed Milk

Bread

Canned Fruit

Canned Tomatoes (20 oz)

Macaroni & Cheese

Pasta/Spaghetti

Soup (18-22 oz)

Spaghetti Sauce

Tuna

Pancake Mix

Coffee

Toothpaste

Bar soap

Laundry Detergent (Small)

Syrup **

Ketchup **

Mayonnaise **

Cereal **

Rice **

Peanut Butter (smaller jars) **

Jelly **

Chef Boyardee Meals**

Tea Bags **

Toilet Paper/Paper Towels **

Shampoo **

Dish Soap **

** we especially need bolded 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

Please see our flyers for our Lenten Project and Easter food/basket collections.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

In today's Gospel, Jesus is quite clear in His message: bear fruit or be cut down." This Lent we are called to cultivate and fertilize our spiritual lives through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Whatever you contribute goes toward helping our neighbors in need; (and the need is great).

You can reach us at 631 648 2760 or svdp.stm@aol.com

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:

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 2022					
APPEAL 2022 I/we would like to support the Catholic					
APPEAL 2022 I/we would like to support the Catholic Ministries Appeal for 2022.					
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Go to:

St. Thomas More Employment Services

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

NEW - Bolla Market (Hauppauge): Apply at: www.bollacareers.com

Or call Parminder Sidhu at 631-353-0157

NEW – McDonald's: Many LOCAL positions available. Go to: careers.mcdonalds.com

<u>NEW – Roadway Tire – Mechanics needed.</u> Inquire within or call 631-582-4100

<u>UPDATE – Chipotle:</u> Multiple positions and locations. Go to: <u>jobs.chipotle.com</u>

UPDATE - United Parcel Service (UPS): Drivers & warehouse personnel needed. Farmingville.

Go to: www.upsjobs.com

Pet Smart: Positions available. Go to: careers.petsmart.com

Catholic Charities of Long Island: Many F/T, P/T and hourly positions available.

Go to: www.catholiccharities.cc/careers

Shoprite (Hauppauge): Multiple positions available.

Stop in or call store: 631-797-3805

H & M: Positions available in Lake Grove, Garden City, and Riverhead.

Go to: https://career.hm.com

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

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

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

Whole Foods (Commack): 15% Store discounts! Apply on line. Go to: joinwholefoods.com

Walmart: Adding 100+ P/T and F/T positions in new Yaphank Super Store.

Go to: www.careeers.walmart.com

Auto Zone: Positions still available. Go to www.autozone.com/careers

PC Richards: Many positions available. Go to: https://careers.pcrichard.com/

Dunkin' Donuts/Subway: F/T and P/T Flexible positions available. Call: 718-820-6112

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

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

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

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

<u>Catholic Health Services:</u> Many positions available - health care and non-health care positions.

https://jobs.chsli.org/

GEICO Insurance: Service and sales positions available.

Go to: https://careers.geico.com/us/en

Nassau County: Many P/T and F/T positions available.

Go to: www.nassaucountyny.gov/3341/Employment

Suffolk County: Many P/T and F/T positions available.

Go to: www.suffolkcountyny.gov/employment or call: 631-853-6540

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

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

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

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

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

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

Go to: www.usps.com/careers

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 employer's).

St. Thomas More Spring Flower Sale 2022

Please indicate quantity next to each color						
Million Bells Petunia - 8" hanging pots - \$17						
Purple/ Blue	Pink	Yellow				
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$17 each = \$						
New Guinea Impatiens - 8" hanging pots - \$17						
Red	White	Lavender	Salmon			
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$17 each = \$						
Balkin Ivy Geraniums - 8" hanging pots - \$17						
White	Pink					
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$17 each = \$						
Begonia (Green Leaf - Mixed) - \$18 per flat						
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$18 each = \$						
Begonia (Bronze Leaf - Pink) - \$18 per flat						
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$18 each = \$						
Impatiens - \$18 per flat						
Purple]	Red	Mixed			
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$18 each = \$						
Marigolds - \$18 per flat						
Large Yellow I		Dwarf Yellow	Dwarf Mixed			
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$18 each = \$						

All orders will be ready for Pick Up on the weekend of May 7 & 8 before and after all masses

New Guinea Impatiens - 6" pots - \$10							
Red	White	Pink	Lavender				
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$10 each = \$							
Geraniums - 6" pots - \$10 per pot							
Red	White	Blue Violet	Pink	Coral			
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$10 each = \$							
GRAND TOTAL ENCLOSED = \$ NAME:							
HOME PHONE N	UMBER:						

Please place Order Form in envelope marked "Flowers" and return to Church Office or place in collection with Payment by April 24, 2022

Last Sunday's Youth Group

We were joined by some more 8th Grade classes and played some Lent themed games!









Our next meetings, March 20th and March 27th, are from 12:30 to 2:30pm. New members always welcome!





We're Back!

ST. Thomas More

Msgr. Francis S Midura

Council 6062

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Saturday, March 19. 2022

Following the 5 PM Mass

The cost will be \$20.00 per person.

NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR

Ed Rogan, PGK

Email: eroganjr@verizon.net

631-366-1085





ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH OUTREACH

EASTER April 17, 2022

CANDY BASKETS NEEDED FOR OUR CHILDREN FOR EASTER!

CAN YOU DONATE A BASKET?

We ask that you make baskets that are age and gender neutral

BASKETS ARE NEEDED NO LATER THAN APRIL 4th

IN ORDER TO DISTRIBUTE IN TIME FOR EASTER!

We are also in need of other food items for Easter Dinner including:

Vegetables, Potatoes, Sweet Potatoes, Fruit, Desserts

Thank you for your continued support of our Outreach Ministry.



Parish Lenten Mission Loving God Gladly

Monday, March 28 through Wednesday, March 30



God's Love in Jesus Brings True Joy! Monday, March 28th

9:00 a.m. Mini Mission at Mass 7:00 p.m. Mission Service

God's Mercy Restores the Joy of Our Youth! Tuesday, March 29th

9:00 a.m. Mini Mission at Mass 7:00 p.m. Mission Service

God's Healing Brings New Hope! Wednesday, March 30th

9:00 a.m. Mini Mission at Mass 7:00 p.m. Mission Service

The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart.

Romans 10:8



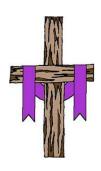
Conducted by: **Rev. Kevin Cronin, OFM**Franciscan Friars Ministry of the Word

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631-234-5551

Email: Rectory@stmli.org



St. Thomas More Lenten Project

This year's Lenten Project will support Holy Family Vocational Technical School (Sagrada Familia) in the Dominican Republic.

In 1979 the Diocese of Rockville Center adopted the parish of San Pedro Apostol in El Cercado, Dominican Republic. The El Cercado mission organized and empowered a network of faith-based communities in barrios and rural towns to build schools, safe homes, water systems, latrines, agriculture and preventative health services. There is currently an elementary and secondary school for over 600 students in pre-K to grade 12. A 3-floor physical structure was recently completed with plans to provide technical training to juniors and seniors, allowing these young people to become agents of change in their own community. The school was named "Sagrada Familia" in honor of the 50th anniversary of Holy Family Diocesan High School in Huntington. Fr. John Cervini, a former Associate Pastor at St. Thomas, spent 17 years as the Pastor in El Cercado and continues to support the El Cercado mission.

Donations from our Lenten project will support an electricity workshop, plumbing workshop, beauty & hygiene workshop, cooking and bakery workshop, arts & crafts and sewing workshop and an assembly room. The goal is to open the school this September. Future plans include evening courses for adults and senior citizens.

Any donation will be greatly appreciated. Checks can be made out to St. Thomas More and placed in the little house by the bulletin board.



