

Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

April 10, 2022

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



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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Masses for this coming week

April 10, 2022 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Isaiah 50: 4-7 Psalm 22;8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 Philippians 2:6-11 Luke 22:14—23:56

Saturday, April 9

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday) 5pm—Laura Solicito by Vincent Crudden Sunday, April 10—Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord 8am—Diane Weisz by Marie & Jim Marsala 9:30am—Jack Keenan; Jerry Cusack by the family 11:30am—Anne Marie Butera by the Surico family Monday, April 11 9am—Grace Sedita by John & Arlene Aspromgos **Tuesday, April 12** 9am—Andrew Kraeger by John, Sharon, Salvatore, Penelope & MichaelCampo Wednesday, April 13 9am—Thomas Kostor by the Fallona family Thursday, April 14—Holy Thursday 9am—Morning Prayer

7:30pm—Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday, April 15—Good Friday
9am—Prayer Service
12noon—Stations of the Cross
1:30pm—Good Friday Service for Young People
3:30pm—Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
7:30pm—Tenebrae Service
Saturday, April 16—Holy Saturday
9am—Prayer Service
10am—Blessing of Easter food
7:30pm—Easter Vigil Mass—Easter Mass Remembrance & Flower Donors

Sunday, April 17—Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8am—Easter Mass Remembrance & Flower Donors 9:30am—Easter Mass Remembrance & Flower Donors

11:30am—Easter Mass Remembrance & Flower Donors

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke:

Jesus proceeded on his journey up to Jerusalem. As he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples. He said, "Go into the village opposite you, and as you enter it you will find a colt tethered on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it here. And if anyone should ask you, 'Why are you untying it?' you will answer, 'The Master has need of it.'"

So those who had been sent went off and found everything just as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying this colt?"

They answered, "The Master has need of it." So they brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks over the colt, and helped Jesus to mount. As he rode along, the people were spreading their cloaks on the road; and now as he was approaching the slope of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of his disciples began to praise God aloud with joy for all the mighty deeds they had seen. They proclaimed:

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord.

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest." Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples."

He said in reply, "I tell you, if they keep silent, the stones will cry out!"

Focus Questions:

 Describe a time when you were falsely accused of doing something How did you react?
 Describe a time when you felt alone, abandoned by even those closest to you.

3. What does your family do with the palms you receive on Palm Sunday?

Family and children's question:

Jesus forgave even on the Cross. Talk about the importance of forgiving each other.

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

"I saw the angel in the marble and carved until I set him free. Every block of stone has a statue inside it and it is the task of the sculptor to discover it." (Michelangelo) It may look rough but it bears within it a priceless sculpture. It needs an artist to bring it out. It needs a rock to bear the pain of chiseling by the artist.

This Sunday is Palm Sunday. We begin Holy Week. The main message of Holy Week is how God chisels us into His beautiful marvelous handiwork through our sufferings. Holy week is the celebration of what happened to Jesus in the last week of his earthly life; His betrayal, passion, suffering and death. The Church's liturgical celebrations of these events invite us to recall and re-live our sufferings and pains in the light of Jesus' sufferings and pains.

Jesus is God who has all the power and wisdom to avert the pain inflicted on Him, or transform the suffering He underwent all of them even before they could happen to Him. Yet He endured all the shameful sufferings, bore all pains, and embraced death. Why?

It is to show that God's power can change even negative events like suffering, pain, shame and death, into positive fruits of forgiveness, mercy, service and love. The focus of Holy week is not merely to portray how much Jesus suffered for us but to proclaim how God in Jesus powerfully transforms even the negative moments/events to positive and life-giving moments/events.

Please, let us pay attention to all the readings and the liturgical expressions of Holy Week. We will be able to grasp how the sufferings and death of Jesus are God's chiseling moments, pouring abundantly God's mercy, forgiveness and love on His people, including even those who inflicted such horror on Him. As through His miracles, Jesus revealed God's power and love, so through His suffering and death He revealed God's mercy, forgiveness and love

We are God's creation; created after God's image. We bear God's presence within us. Holy week reminds us that we can live this God-given identity not only in favorable times but also in our unfavorable times. Every moment, both negative and positive can be a powerful positive moment of living our best God-given values of mercy, service and love. May Holy Week inspire and empower us to live our best in all seasons, both in blessings and pain. Within our hearts is carved a sculpture of God's love. Holy Week invites us to be like Jesus. We too can become God's wonderful act of victory even over death. As St. Paul says, 'if we die with Jesus we will rise with Jesus'.

I extend a personal welcome to each of you to celebrate the mysteries of Holy Week. Let us journey with Jesus. <u>Please go through the Holy Week Schedule</u> and allow yourselves to be chiseled by God for the best of yourselves to come out as God's wonderful work of art.

Reconciliation Monday: Monday April 11th is Reconciliation Monday. Confessions will be heard from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm in our Church and in all the Catholic Churches of our Diocese of Rockville Centre. Individual Confession cleanses and illumines the hearts to enter into the mystery of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. All are welcome.

On Good Friday is Tenebrae, which is an evening prayer celebrating the Redemptive death of Jesus with candles in the dark and listening to the scriptures. Please come on Good Friday, April 15th at 7:30pm

With love and prayers, Fr. Antony



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SOCIAL MEDIA & EMAIL

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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

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2022

as of March 29, 2022

Our Parish Goal	\$69,300.00
Pledges to date	\$9,720.00
Percentage of Goal	14.03%



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 J.T. 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 Kaitlvn Nachtman Thomas Nichols Adam Papaizai Michael Poist Michael Polanski Kvle Rathie Antonia Marie Rivera Ann Karen Sanchez Justin Schneider Christopher Sidor Christopher Singer Rvan Smith Anthony Troise Michael White

* BOOK CLUB

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 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 April 3, 2022 \$8,068.00

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 onetime gift by texting a dollar amount to the same number.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family. God Bless You, Fr. Antony

Calendar Club Winners Congratulations!

Here are the winners from March 27-April 2, 2022

3/27/2022	\$50	314	Karen Parretto
3/28/2022	\$25	1023	Ed & Arleen Rogan
3/29/2022	\$25	994	John Egan
3/30/2022	\$25	728	Peggy & Ed Goutink
3/31/2022	\$25	506	Dolores & Ken
			Fensterer
401//2022	\$25	764	Pat & Joan Shea
4/02/2022	\$25	998	Luke Gunsel

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE-2022

Monday, April 11, 2022 9.00am—Mass Reconciliation: 3.00—9.00pm

> Tuesday, April 12,2022 9:00am—Mass

Wednesday, April 13, 2022 9:00am—Mass

Holy Thursday—April 14, 2022 9.00am—Morning Prayer 7:30pm—Mass of the Lord's Supper Followed by Solemn Procession to the Altar of Repose in Walden Hall Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Repository until 10:00 0pm

> Good Friday—April 15,2022 9.00am—Morning Prayer 12.30pm—Stations of the Cross 1:30pm—Good Friday Service for Young People 3:00pm—Liturgy of Lord's Passion and Death 7:30pm—Tenebrae Service

> > Holy Saturday—April 16, 2022 9.00am—Morning Prayer 10:00am—Blessing of Easter food No Mass at 5:00pm 7:30pm—Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday—April 17, 2022 8.00am—Mass 9.30am—Mass 11.30am—Mass

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Marsha Augustyn, Carol Bartolotta, Pamela Brosnan, Robert Heaton, Jean Marsala Kieffner, Eleanor Kingsley, Barbara Mickelson, Al Pankus, Richard Rantz, Dolores M. Rudden, Ellie Stout, Andrew J. Valentine, Andrew M. Valentine, Rosalind Warmuth, Janet Weil, Edward Zebrowski,

This listing will expire on September 30, 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. Donation for the week is \$50. A card will be sent to the family.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Matthew Randazzo, for all those who have succumbed to COVID-19, our deceased loved ones and our deceased service men and women.

USING FAITH DIRECT? - It's quick and easy! Consider having automatic deductions from either your checking or savings or use a credit card to Support St. Thomas More each week. With Faith Direct, there is no fee to you! Please visit the Faith Direct website at <u>www.FaithDirect.net</u> to sign up: our church code is **NY227**. You may also use the form located where you obtain the bulletin or text the word ENROLL to 631-250-8141. We thank you for your support.

UPDATING CREDIT CARD INFORMATION—If you get a new card or a renewal card, make sure that this information is communicated to Faith Direct.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES—If you do not receive weekly envelopes and would like them mailed to you, please use the cut out that is in the bulletin and indicate that you wish to receive them on a regular basis. Usually it takes about two weeks for your request to be completed.

MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

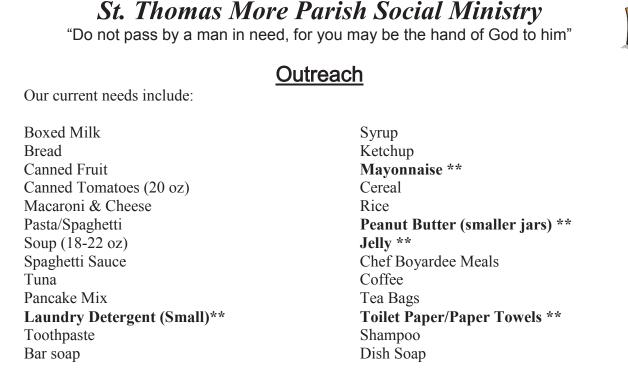
We thank you for your support of our parish project to maintain our parish facilities. If you would like to help, please use a maintenance envelope where you obtain the bulletin.

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.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord — April 10, 2022





** 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

Upcoming Events:.

Free Elder Law and Estate Planning Seminar — April 4, 2022

5:30—6:30 PM St. Anthony of Padua Parish Outreach

Alzheimer's Community Forum—April 27, 2022 10:30—12PM St. Anthony of Padua Parish Outreach

Please call to register—631-262-1695

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life.

As you donate your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who carry their cross of suffering and pain.

To contact our conference of SVdP, call 631 648 2760 or email 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:

() Altar Server	() Hos	spitality
() Usher	() Gre	eter
() RCIA	() Litt	rgy with Children
() Lector	() Euc	haristic Minister
() Consolation Minis	try	7	
() Rosary Altar Socie	ety		() Pre-Cana
() Caring for Altar P	lan	ts	() FOCCUS

) Caring for Altar Plants

() Landscaping/Planting ()

() Banner Committee

() Choir

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 2022

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

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

NEW – Town of Islip: Part time summer jobs. Go to: <u>https://islipny.gov/part-time-jobs</u> or attend <u>walk-in inter-</u>
views at Town Hall on June 1st
Still Looking – Brendels Bagel: Multiple positions. Call: 631-656-6828
NEW – Lowes: Go to: lowes.com/careers
NEW – FedEx Office: Go to: careers.fedex.cpm/office
<u>UPDATE – Northwell Health:</u> Many positions open at multiple locations.
Go to: https://jobs.northwell.edu/job-search-results/
Bolla Market (Hauppauge): Apply at: www.bollacareers.com
Or call Parminder Sidhu at 631-353-0157
McDonald's: Many LOCAL positions available. Go to: careers.mcdonalds.com
Roadway Tire: Mechanics needed. Inquire within or call 631-582-4100
Chipotle: Multiple positions and locations. Go to: jobs.chipotle.com
United Parcel Service (UPS): Drivers & warehouse personnel needed. Farmingville.
Go to: <u>www.upsjobs.com</u>
<u>Catholic Charities of Long Island:</u> Many F/T, P/T and hourly positions available.
Go to: <u>www.catholiccharities.cc/careers</u>
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: <u>https://career.hm.com</u>
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: <u>www.careeers.walmart.com</u>
PC Richards: Many positions available. Go to: https://careers.pcrichard.com/
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. Go to: <u>https://</u>
jobs.chsli.org/
<u>GEICO Insurance</u> : Service and sales positions available.
Go to: <u>https://careers.geico.com/us/en</u>
Nassau County: Many P/T and F/T positions available.
Go to: <u>www.nassaucountyny.gov/3341/Employment</u>
Suffolk County: Many P/T and F/T positions available.
Go to: www.suffolkcountyny.gov/employment or call: 631-853-6540
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
<u>CVS Health:</u> Many local positions available. Go to: <u>https://jobs.cvshealth.com/</u>
<u>United States Postal Service (USPS)</u> : Many career opportunities available.
Go to: <u>www.usps.com/careers</u>
If your business or your employer would like to be included in the available job postings that we will be listing please

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Please include the position title, the location of the job, and contact information (either yours or the employer's).



Easter 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Christ is Risen, Alleluia!

Every Easter, as we celebrate our Lord's victory over death, we delight in the consolation that all is restored through the Resurrection, and we ponder God's relentless invitation to live the divine life given at baptism.

This is the good news of our faith: Christ has conquered death and we are invited to life. This good news needs to be heard time and again. Even when things are bleak, we remember Christ is victorious and that we have been invited to witness to his victory. As Pope Francis says:

"Where all seems to be dead, signs of the resurrection suddenly spring up. It is an irresistible force. Often it seems that God does not exist: all around us we see persistent injustice, evil, indifference and cruelty. But it is also true that in the midst of darkness something new always springs to life and sooner or later produces fruit. On razed land life breaks through, stubbornly yet invincibly. However dark things are, goodness always re-emerges and spreads. Each day in our world beauty is born anew, it rises transformed through the storms of history. Values always tend to reappear under new guises, and human beings have arisen time after time from situations that seemed doomed. Such is the power of the resurrection, and all who evangelize are instruments of that power."¹

We know well the bleakness that can overwhelms us. How good it is to recall God's goodness! The Risen Lord moves through the locked doors of fear to lead us, to lead our families and to lead the world to peace. May we never forget God's triumph over death and our baptismal call to be an instrument of that power. May we show the Risen Lord to all we meet.

This Easter, as we rejoice in Christ's Resurrection, let us remember especially those who suffer in Ukraine and the millions who have been displaced by that tragic war. Together, we pray that the Risen Christ bring light to their darkness and give them peace.

Be assured of my prayers for you in these holy and joyful weeks.

Happy Easter!

Sincerely in Christ,

O. Banes

Most Reverend John O. Barres Bishop of Rockville Centre

¹ Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel*, n. 276.



St. Thomas More RC Church

Thursday, April 21, 2022

2:30PM – 8:30PM

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge



Appointments: Scan the QR code above and input code "06368" or call 1-800-933-2566/ visit www.nybc.org

Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits. Please remember to eat, drink and bring your donor ID card or ID with name and photo. Masks are required for all donors regardless of vaccination status. For full list of COVID-19 safety protocols, please visit nybc.org/coronavirus.





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Last Sunday's Youth Group

More Lent and Holy Weeek Trivia!



Our next meeting is April 10th and April 24th, are from 12:30 to 2:30pm. New members always welcome!

St. Thomas More Spring Flower Sale 2022

Please indicate quantity next to each color							
Million Bells Petunia - 8" hanging pots - \$17							
Purple/ Blue	Purple/ BluePinkYellow						
	TOTAL ORDERED	ABOVE "x" \$17 ead	ch = \$				
New Guinea Impa	tiens - 8" hanging po	ots - \$17					
Red	White	Lavender	Salmon				
	TOTAL ORDERED	ABOVE "x" \$17 ead	ch = \$				
Balkin Ivy Gerani	ums - 8" hanging po	ts - \$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]	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	RedWhitePinkLavender					
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 NUMBER:

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



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.







SAVE THE DATE

MSGR. FRANCIS S. MIDURA Golf Outing

\$165 per Golfer

Includes: Lunch and Buffet Dinner with 2 Hour Open Bar Golf and Cart

Smithtown Landing Golf Club, Smithtown NY

Monday, September 12, 2022 8:00a.m. SHOTGUN START Registration 6:45a.m.

> For Information Contact: Ed Rogan – 516-319-8643 Tom Prunty 631-682-4177