

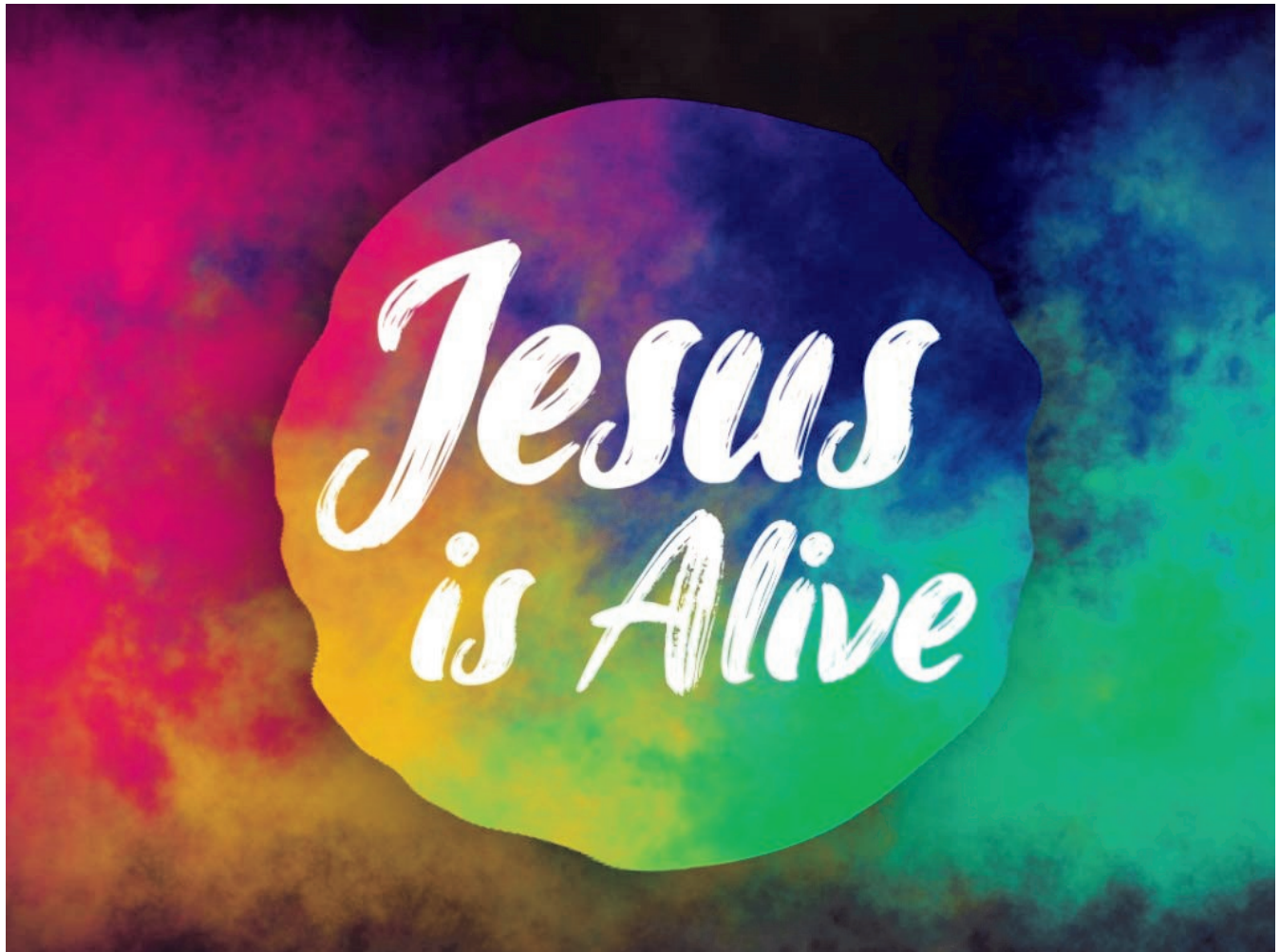


Catholic Church Community of  
**St. Thomas More**

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

April 17, 2022

**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection 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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from us just text

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sign up @

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

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

April 17, 2022  
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord  
Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43  
Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23  
Colossians 3:1-4  
John 20: 1-9

### **Saturday, April 16—Holy Saturday**

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

### **Monday, April 18**

9am—Andrew Kraeger by *Andrew & Glenda Kraeger*

### **Tuesday, April 19**

9am—Grace Seduta by *Marianne Ruggeri*

### **Wednesday, April 20**

9am—Genaro Bruno by *the Murphy family*

### **Thursday, April 21**

9am—Frank Moretti & Alec Dibitto by *the Moretti  
family*

### **Friday, April 22**

9am—Diane Weisz by *Lottie & Chet Kalenty*

### **Saturday, April 23**

5pm—Diane Weisz by *Oscar/Olds family*

### **Sunday, April 24—Second Sunday of the Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)**

8am—Marie Elizabeth Smith by *Steve & Toni  
Mattesssich*

Jimmy Decker by *Ed & Arleen Rogan*

9:30am—Anthony Tinelli by *Angel & Eleidy Muniz*

11:30am—Josephine Booth by *the Rapisardi family*

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

April 24, 2022  
Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)  
Acts 5:12-16  
Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24  
Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19  
John 20:19-31

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

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.”

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.” Thomas answered and said to him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.”

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his Disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

### **Focus Questions:**

1. Jesus’s first greeting to the apostles after the Resurrection was, “Peace”. Where do you find peace?
2. How does living in a fragile world where peace isn’t always a given affect you?
3. Where do you encounter the Holy Spirit in your life?

### **Family and children’s question:**

What do you do to bring peace in your family, among friends and in the world?

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

Dear Friends,

**Jesus is Risen! Halleluiah!! Blessed Easter!!**

**A reporter asked a senior actress how old she was.** She replied, "I really don't know my age. It keeps changing from minute to minute." Change is life. Nothing stays the same. Easter proclaims that death changes to everlasting life. The solemn Feast of Easter is the celebration of the greatest miracle that happened to Jesus: He rose from death. He came back alive from the tomb where He was buried after His death on the cross. The message of Easter is that what happened to the Risen Jesus can also happen to every one of us who believe in Him.

**Death, in the light of Jesus's Resurrection, is no more a human destiny** from which none of us can escape. But as Jesus, the God-Man rose from death, we too can rise from the dead if we believe in Him. He has promised us "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me will live, even though he dies." (John 11:25) "Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes Him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life." (John 5:24)

**The Easter Celebration widens our scope of living beyond our physical death.** When I googled the answer for the question "What is death?" the answer I got was that death is "the irreversible cessation of all vital functions especially as indicated by permanent stoppage of the heart, respiration, and brain activity." In short death is the stoppage of the function of living. But Easter tells us that life is not merely a biological act or function of living. It is the experience of a conscious presence of oneself and others to which even death cannot put a stoppage.

**Jesus is God and human.** He fully lived His human nature a hundred percent including even its destiny of death. But Jesus, the divine person also revealed through His Resurrection, that human nature does not end in its physical death. That is to say that human nature is redeemed from its corruption of death and opened for an eternal life with God. We humans are created in God's image. As we are the bearers and sharers of God's image we can be freed from the corruption of death. For us who believe in Jesus, human life is not merely biological functioning but a conscious experience of the divine image we bear. Thus we continue to be alive even after the stoppage of biological functions.

**Life is precisely the act of living our relationships with oneself and with others.** Life is primarily living the love we have for ourselves and each other. Death can happen to the body but not to our relationship of love. When Jesus came back from death his only act of living was to meet all those who believed him, and renewing His relationship with them, wishing them "Peace be with you." He did not remind them of all that they did or failed to do to Him on Good Friday. He offered everyone a new invitation to start their life in peace with God and others.

**Resurrection happens wherever the love-relationship is lived.** We are the Risen people because we believe in the Risen Jesus. Let us rise from the life whose destiny is to live beyond death. We don't end when the body stops our biological functions. We live with the Risen Jesus in a love-relationship. God is love and is ever-living. Whoever believes in God shares God's ever-living life in loving God and others. Let us be the Risen people.

**We thank Fr. Kevin Cronin for the three days of the Lenten Mission from March 28-30.** He was a God-sent preacher to encourage and empower us to love God gladly. Let us wish him well and continue to pray for his ministry.

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony





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***SOCIAL MEDIA & EMAIL***

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

<https://stm youth.wixsite.com/stmyouthhauppauge>

**Facebook**

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

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

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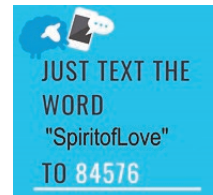
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To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following  
Barbara & Joe Fratamico at [BJFRAT@optonline.net](mailto:BJFRAT@optonline.net)

***CATHOLIC MINISTRIES  
APPEAL 2022***

as of April 4, 2022

**Our Parish Goal** \$69,300.00  
**Pledges to date** 10,645.00  
**Percentage of Goal** 15.36%



*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**

**Children's Liturgy—Palm Sunday**

It was great to see all the children on Palm Sunday. Our numbers just keep growing! Forty-nine children aged 4-8 listened to the story of Holy Week, answered questions about what they heard and participated in helping to review the story of Holy Week. Patti Surico and Lois Christianson did a great job helping the children learn about the events of Holy Week.

Children's Liturgy Group will not meet with the children on Easter. We will return on the Sunday after Easter.





**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY**

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

**SUPPORT COLLECTION**

Collection of April 10, 2022 \$6,274.00

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 May 9, 2022 at 2:30 pm. The book for discussion will be:

**Travels with Charley: In Search of America by**

**John Steinbeck**

**Facilitator: Aurelie Miller-Hendry**

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 from April 3 –9, 2022*

4/3/2022	\$50	1011	Ronald Tuscano
4/4/2022	\$25	711	Amadeo Fasolino
4/5/2022	\$25	708	Evelyn Mentock
4/6/2022	\$25	900	Betty Vrondis
4/7/2022	\$25	328	Mary Lou Braun
4/8//2022	\$25	1014	Don & Judy Persia
4/9/2022	\$25	364	Frank & Charlene Dowd

**We thank the Knights of Columbus and the Columbiettes for organizing the Soup Supper last Friday. We also thank the many parishioners who make home-made soup to share.**







## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Marsha Augustyn, Carol Bartolotta, Pamela Brosnan, Debbie Caiola & family, Kevin Rothmann, Frank DeModna, Robert Heaton, Jean Marsala Kieffner, Eleanor Kingsley, Barbara Mickelson, Ellen Murphy, Al Pankus, Ceferina Perez, Richard Rantz, Kevin Rothmann, Dolores M. Rudden, John Spadaro, 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

Carol J. Kirdahy, Victoria Lenore Marini, 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 [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*



*"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."*

*~John 3:16*

*Dear Parishioners,*

*On behalf of the volunteers at Parish Outreach and the families we serve please know how grateful we are for your generous support during this Easter Season as well as throughout the year. We are so blessed to be part of the St. Thomas More family! Whether you dropped off food in the narthex, bought or made Easter baskets, donated money or gift cards, please know how much we appreciate it! To our religious education teachers who worked with your classes to make Easter baskets and provide other donations, thank you for giving your students the gift of knowing how important it is to help those less fortunate. We wish God's blessings on each and every one in our St. Thomas More family! Have a very blessed Easter!*

*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. VINCENT DE PAUL**

Today as we celebrate the feast of Easter, like Mary Magdalene and the Disciples, we find the challenge of also seeing and believing the Resurrection.

Your gifts to our conference of St. Vincent de Paul helps those who are in need to "see and believe" in the Resurrection.

To contact us, please call 631 648 2760 or email us at [svdp.stm@aol.com](mailto: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             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 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: <https://islipny.gov/part-time-jobs> or attend walk-in interviews at Town Hall on June 1st

**Still Looking – Brendels Bagel:** Multiple positions. Call: 631-656-6828

**NEW – Lowes:** Go to: [lowes.com/careers](https://lowes.com/careers)

**NEW – FedEx Office:** Go to: [careers.fedex.com/office](https://careers.fedex.com/office)

**UPDATE – Northwell Health:** Many positions open at multiple locations.

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

**Bolla Market (Hauppauge):** Apply at: [www.bollacareers.com](http://www.bollacareers.com)

Or call Parminder Sidhu at 631-353-0157

**McDonald's:** Many LOCAL positions available. Go to: [careers.mcdonalds.com](https://careers.mcdonalds.com)

**Roadway Tire:** Mechanics needed. Inquire within or call 631-582-4100

**Chipotle:** Multiple positions and locations. Go to: [jobs.chipotle.com](https://jobs.chipotle.com)

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

Go to: [www.upsjobs.com](https://www.upsjobs.com)

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

Go to: [www.catholiccharities.cc/careers](https://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](https://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](https://joinwholefoods.com)

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

Go to: [www.careers.walmart.com](https://www.careers.walmart.com)

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

**Western Suffolk BOCES:** Special Education Aides. Go to: [wsboces.org/team](https://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](https://www.starbucks.com/careers)

**Catholic Health Services:** Many positions available - health care and non-health care positions.

Go to: [https://](https://jobs.chsli.org/)

[jobs.chsli.org/](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](https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/3341/Employment)

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

Go to: [www.suffolkcountyny.gov/employment](https://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>

**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](https://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: [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).





# *Please Join Us On Divine Mercy Sunday*

*Divine Mercy Celebration  
(April 24th 2:00-4:15pm)*

*St Patrick Church  
280 E. Main St.  
Smithtown, NY 11787*

*“Rejoice in God’s Divine Mercy”*

## *Highlight of Our Divine Mercy Celebration*

- Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament
- Confession (2:15-4:00pm)
- Blessing of the Divine Mercy Image
- Veneration of the Divine Mercy Image
- Praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- Meditations from the Diary of St. Faustina
- Blessing with a 1st Class Relic of St. Faustina

**Jesus promised:** “I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to confession and receive Holy Communion on The Feast of My Mercy (Diary 1109)

**St. Thomas More, Hauppauge**  
**Mass on Palm Sunday—April 10, 2022**





# Last Sunday's Youth Group

Palm Sunday, April 24th 2022



Stations of the Cross



Coloring Easter Eggs



Our Contribution to the Lenten Mission

Upcoming Meetings

Sundays 12:30-2:30

April 24th- Interfaith

May 1st- Kindness

STM Youth Group







DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE  
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

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.”<sup>1</sup>

We know well the bleakness that can overwhelm 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,

Most Reverend John O. Barres  
Bishop of Rockville Centre

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<sup>1</sup> Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel*, n. 276.

# BLOOD DRIVE

**DONATIONS SAVE LIVES**

**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](http://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](http://nybc.org/coronavirus).*



## **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.**

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