



Catholic Church Community of
St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

February 19, 2023

Seventh 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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Spiritoflove to 84576 or

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StThomasMore29.flocknote.com

***Masses
for this coming week***

February 19, 2023
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18
 Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13
 1 Corinthians 3:16-23
 Matthew 5:38-48

***Growing through the
Sunday Scriptures***

February 26, 2023
First Sunday of Lent
 Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7
 Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17
 Romans 5:12-19
 Matthew 4:1-11

Saturday, February 18
(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)
 5:00pm—Michael F. Gavigan *by His Family*
Sunday, February 19—Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8am—Mary & Joseph Puorro *by Garizio Family*
 9:30am—Antonia Natale *by The Eyring Family*
 11:30am—Maria Terracina *by Patti & Matt Surico*
Monday, February 20
 9am—Eleanor Thompson *by Castaldo Family*
Tuesday, February 21—Saint Peter Damian
 9am—Joseph Voetter Jr. *by Clay & Kathy Chin & Family*
Wednesday, February 22—Ash Wednesday
 9am—Elizabeth Carlino *by Her Loving Family on the anniversary of her death*
 12:00pm—Prayer Service
 4:30pm—Prayer Service
 7:00pm—Mass
Thursday, February 23—Saint Polycarp
 9am—Harold Kober *by Vincent P. Crudden*
Friday, February 24
 9am—Salvatore Maggio *by Kevin Bie*
 7:00—Stations of the Cross
Saturday, February 25
(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)
 5:00pm—Anna LanFranco *by Julie & Alexis LanFranco*
Sunday, February 26—First Sunday of Lent
 8am—Angela Mingione (living) *by Marianne Koke*
 9:30am—Gelsy Petrocelli *by Eunice Struzinski*
 11:30am—Joy Wansor *by Elizabeth Kane*

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew:

At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry. The tempter approached and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread." He said in reply, "It is written: *One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.*" Then the devil took him to the holy city, and made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down. For it is written: *He will command his angels concerning you and with their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone.*" Jesus answered him, "Again it is written, *You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test.*" Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." At this, Jesus said to him, "Get away, Satan! It is written: *The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.*" Then the devil left him and, behold, angels came and ministered to him.

Focus Questions:

- 1) Describe a time when you went away from your usual routine to reflect on your life.
- 2) Describe a time when you felt alone but then help came.
- 3) What tempts you away from doing things that are good?

Family and children's question:

What goal can you have as a family this Lent?



FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

One day Abraham invited a beggar to his tent for a meal. When grace was being said, the man began to curse God, declaring he could not bear to hear His name. Seized with indignation, Abraham drove the blasphemer away. When he was at his prayers that night, God said to him, "This man has cursed and reviled me for fifty years and yet I have given him food to eat every day, could you not put up with him for a single day." God is not reactive; God is always creatively pure-active. Holiness is Godliness: which means not pretending to be God but allowing God to act in us.

Today's Gospel demands too much from the hearers. "Is it possible when someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well? Or if anyone wants to go to law with us over our tunic, how can we hand over our cloak as well?" It seems illogic and impossible to give up our right or allow oneself to be treated as a doormat by others. What is the message of Jesus in asking us to do something impossible or illogic? How does Jesus empower us, to forgive and to pray for our enemies?

The focus of Jesus in these 'illogical' or 'impossible' sayings, is to make us live as people of 'Action' and not 'Reaction'. Jesus's words make us realize how we belittle ourselves by reacting to what is done to us. Jesus inspires us with His challenging words to be aware of the positive power of love within us which can attain the unthinkable (illogical) or the impossible deeds of forgiving and praying for the enemies.

Why do we react against a person? What causes a reaction to burst from us? When someone hurts us or damages our reputation, right away we flare at the harmful person or stinging insult. At that time, we hardly realize that our reaction is caused by the persons or situations from without as an emotional outburst to prove something within us, i.e. our honor or integrity or personality. Every reaction is caused by something or some person outside of us making us do whatever we did.

If our reaction is an action caused by someone outside and not by ourselves, it would mean that our action is not in our control. Anyone can easily trigger us; the remote is not in our hand but someone else has it and that someone can change the channels of our life. Every reaction is action of what others want to happen in us.

Today's Gospel illumines us in that we are not merely reactionaries – puppets are moved and controlled by strings (remotes) from outside. We can be pure action uninfluenced or untriggered by anything or anybody outside of us. Let us realize that we are such original creatures that we can be pure action inspired by God, our Creator. In reaction we reduce our energy, emotion, and intellect to match up with the instigator.

In pure action we raise ourselves to live up to the standard that the Creator has set for us, His Creatures. As bearers of God's image and sisters/brothers of Jesus, we are the pure act of God. That is why Jesus instructs in today's Gospel not to imitate any human beings in their act but to live up to the standard of God "...be children of your heavenly Father.... be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect."

When we live a life of God's pure action, we become Holy. Holiness is not merely doing virtuous things and pious activities but allowing God's ways to become our ways. It is not what I do that defines me but what or who makes me do, defines the core of my being. We blossom to be Godly when we actualize/live the inspiration of God which would be the pure action bursting forth from our inner self. Jesus encourages in today's Gospel to be God's pure action and not to lower our standard of living by reaction.

This Wednesday February 22 is Ash Wednesday. We will wear the ashes on our forehead and begin the time of Lent. Please see the schedule of Masses and Services on Ash Wednesday in this bulletin. I invite you all for Spiritually Quality-Time with God and Others during this time of Lent. There will be plenty of spiritual opportunities to reflect and revitalize our life from within, from the God-given inner power.

With love and prayers,



Fr. Antony

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SOCIAL MEDIA & EMAIL

Websites

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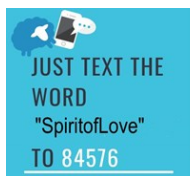
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 To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following
 Barbara & Joe Fratamico at BJFRAT@optonline.net



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**

CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS

See our full page listing of
 January 2023 Winners

The Paschal Candle

The Paschal Candle has long history and carries significant meaning and symbolism in Easter services. The candle is lit during the Easter Vigil, **symbolizing the light of Christ's resurrection overcoming the darkness of the tomb.** The Paschal Candle is also lit during baptisms signifying new life in Christ.

We welcome sponsors for our new Paschal Candle.

Please call the rectory if interested in being a sponsor.



The Catholic Faith Network (CFN) will continue our immense Telethon tradition this year! This exciting event will commence on Saturday, February 25th from 2-10 PM and continue through Sunday, February 26th from 12-10 PM. Guaranteed to be the most engaging telethon to date, the entertainment will continue with many surprise guests along with our on-air family that you have come to know. Please join the excitement and consider pledging! The process is easy, you can pledge securely online by visiting www.CFNtv.org

CFN is available throughout the Tr-State Area on Optimum, channel 29/137; Verizon FIOS TV channel 296; Spectrum, channel 162/471. Additionally you can tune in nationwide on the following streaming services- Amazon Fire TV, Samsung Smart TV, Roku, Android TV, and Apple TV.



Young At Heart

Next Meeting

Friday, February 24th

New Members Welcome

Questions contact Anna @ 631-234-0714



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.

Have you been called by Name?



"Whoever follows me will **never** walk in **darkness**, but will have the **light of life**."

JOHN 8:12

Come and Follow Jesus and his teachings!! If you are missing any or all of your Sacraments or are converting from another religion, come on an incredible journey of faith, love and community which is the Catholic Church. **Contact RCIA** by calling the rectory at 631-234-5551.

Courtesy Announcements

The Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville Celebrate Irish Night, Saturday, March 4, 2023 at St. Brigid's in Westbury, NY. Beginning with liturgy, followed by a joyful evening of music, dancing, and Irish spirit! Tickets to attend are **\$45 per person or \$100 for 2 people AND one raffle book** and can be purchased online. **Raffle chance books are \$10 each (12 chances per booklet).** Please contact the Advancement Office at **631-842-6000 ext. 246** for more information or visit the event website at **www.sistersofstdominic.org/irishnight2023**

Upcoming Spousal/Partner Bereavement Support Group, Good Shepherd Hospice Bereavement Services are opened to anyone in the community who has experienced a loss through death at no charge. Upcoming Bereavement Support Group, led by a Bereavement Specialist @ no cost. **Good Shepherd Hospice Inpatient Center, 200 Belle Terre Road, Port Jefferson, Wednesday Evenings, February 22 thru April 12 - 5:00PM-6:30PM.** Registration required. Call **Maribeth Mckeever, LCSW-R @ (631) 828-7628.**

Divorced or Separated Catholics of Long Island including widows, widowers and singles, A social organization for single persons **New Member Orientation Meeting, Tuesday February 21st at 7:00PM, St. Frances Club, 1869 Wantagh Avenue Wantagh, NY 11793,** (Parking in the rear of building) Non-denominational. **ALL ARE WELCOME.** Bring proof of single status to join. Annual dues \$30. Refreshments following the meeting. For further information, please call also to verify there will be a meeting -**Terry at 516-650-5528 or Janet 516-579-4016.**

Are you Truly Happy? Come hear powerful messages that will awaken your faith and renew your heart. **Sunday thru Tuesday, February 26-28, 7-9 PM at St. Patrick Church in Smithtown.** **YOU MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND. VISIT [HTTPS://CVENT.ME/RKQX4P](https://cvent.me/rkqx4p)**

Calling all Catholic men! "The World needs men who will boldly live their faith" **Men of Christ Conference of Wisconsin March 11, 2023 at St. Anthony of Padua Church in East Northport.** Register at www.MenOfChrist-LI.com Questions call **Jim McCann at 631-553-5161**

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

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

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Weekly Collection for Feb. 11/12 \$5,954.00

Envelope users: Please enter the amount of your donation in the space provided on the envelope. This will greatly help us when counting the collection and for recording your contribution.

St. Thomas More Parish needs your support now more than ever! Join the parishioners who are using **Faith Direct** for **automated giving** to St. Thomas More Parish.

Faith Direct offers a safe and secure way to donate to our parish in this time of uncertainty. There is no cost to you, and the program provides a great benefit to our parish.

Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/NY227, or text 'Enroll' to 631-250-8141. You can also make a one-time gift by texting a dollar amount to the same number.

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

Fr. Antony



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.

Our next meeting is on **March 13, 2023** at **2:30 p.m.** Our book for discussion will be: **The Last Thing He Told Me** by *Laura Dave*.
Facilitator: Eileen Santangelo

For further info. and/or to register, call Marilyn at 631-234-5805 or Joan at 631-234-1739

OFFERTORY SIGN-UP BOOK

Would you like to bring up the gifts during the offertory?



We have a sign-up book available in the Narthex of the church for each weekend Mass for 2023. If you are interested in bringing up the gifts during the offertory **please sign-up in the new book.**



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Maria Aldaba, Marsha Augustyn, TPB, Caiola Family, John Caliendo, Joseph Cassetta, Linda Cook, Nick Conzo, Marion & Rob Corbin, Joey Cullum, Catherine DeSola, Marianne Deszcz, Carol Falkowski, Michael Fiorentino, Richard Fiorentino, Barbara Foberg, Jack Gaudet, Patty Golembiewski, Geri Grincavitch, Richard Gutmann, Theresa Haas, M.L. Harvey, Linda Heller, Jean Herlihy, Nolan Horn, Monica Kanischak, Joseph Lagomarsine, Frank Macchio, John McGann, Rev Janusz Mocarski, Lorraine Mueller, Ellen Murphy, Al Pankus, Donald Parisi, Wilson Perez, Aodan Reddy, Helen Reichert, Lorraine Rouse, Greg Sandbichler, Margi Schwarting, John Spadaro, Peggy Stepanek, Lorraine White, Mark Zlatniski.

Please see the cutout in the bulletin and kindly submit your requests.

*The previous listing expired on September 30, 2022
The new listing will expire on March 31, 2023*



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

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Steven Vincent Madera, Lauranna Parrett, David Mohlenbrok, Charles Romero, 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>.

IMPORTANT DRVC INFORMATION

Information regarding a new deadline to file proofs of claims for victims of sexual abuse who were over 18 or older when the alleged conduct occurred and the forms to use can be found at the Diocese’s bankruptcy website and scrolling down the page. The website can be found at: <https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc>

St. Thomas More Parish Social Ministry **OUTREACH**

**“Everyone can be great because everyone can serve”
~Martin Luther King Jr.**



**Monday -Thursday 10AM to 2PM
631-234-3149
Outreach@stmli.org**

**This week we are very low on:
Laundry detergent / instant potatoes / mayonnaise / boxed milk / juice
bread / paper towels / toilet paper**

As always we are grateful for any donations! Most helpful are bottles/cans/packages for families of 2-4. Larger bottles/cans are difficult to distribute.

Please reach out to Parish Outreach if you are, or know of someone in need of support. Keep our elderly neighbors in mind and let us know if there is anyone you would like us to reach out to.

Please do not leave other items such as clothing or household items in the donation bins. Clothing can be placed in the St. Vincent de Paul box at the back right corner of the parking lot.

Please contact Outreach regarding other donations

*We have a parishioner in need of a ride to the 11:30 Mass on Sundays.
If you are able to help, please contact the Outreach office.*

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

**In the Gospel today, Jesus challenges us by saying
“You must be perfected as your Heavenly Father is perfect.”**

**Your generosity continues to allow us to aid others with a variety of needs
(rent, utilities, car insurance and repairs, etc.)**

Thank you!

To contact us, call 631-648-2760 or e-mail svdp.stm@aol.com

**2022
CONTRIBUTION REQUEST**

I/we would like a record of our 2022 contributions to St. Thomas More:

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

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)

CHURCH MINISTRIES

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING A LITURGICAL MINISTER OR WANT TO SHARE YOUR TALENTS?

Contact us:

- Altar Server
- Usher
- RCIA
- Lector
- Pre-Cana
- FOCCUS
- Choir
- Children's Choir
- Hospitality
- Greeter
- Children's Liturgy Crew
- Eucharistic Minister
- Consolation Ministry
- Rosary Altar Society
- Caring for Altar Plants
- Banner Committee

NAME:

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

EMAIL:

Please return to Rectory Office, e-mail Rectory@stmli.org or call (631)234-5551

St. Thomas More Employment Services

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

- NEW – Strahl & Pitch:** Sales Representative for importer and refiner of fine waxes.
Send resume to: Strahl & Pitch, 230 Great East Neck Rd, West Babylon, NY 11704. Refer to job code LL
- NEW – Tekhub:** Software Developers. Many positions.
Mail resume to: Tekhub, Inc. 200 Motor Pkwy, Ste D-26, Hauppauge, NY 11788
- NEW – Nassau BOCES:** Career Fair, March 11th, Career Preparatory High School.
Apply on-line at: www.olasjobs.org/nassaudiversityfair
- STILL LOOKING - American Regent (Shirley):** QA Manager. Apply at: <https://americanregent.com/careers> **Reference R101506**
- NEW – Eastern Suffolk BOCES:** Several Special Education positions.
Send resume and cover letter to: <https://esboces.recruitfront.com/JobOpportunities>
- STILL LOOKING – Newsday:** Multiple positions available.
Go to: <https://newsday.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/Newsday> or send an email to: NewsdayHR@Newsday.com
- Plainedge School District:** Many teaching and non-teaching positions available.
Apply at: www.olasjobs.org/longisland
- Autozone – Local (Hauppauge and Central Islip):**
Go to: <https://careers.autozone.com>
- Northwell Health:** Many positions still available at multiple locations.
Go to: <https://jobs.northwell.edu/job-search-results/>
- Choice Aviation Services:** Marketing Analyst.
Apply to HR: 786 Walt Whitman Road, Melville, NY 11747
- Eastern Suffolk Boces:** Teachers & Student Support Professionals.
Apply at: <https://forms.gle/bBamnJKnrLVJob86A>
- Coach Medical Transportation:** Drivers needed. Call: 631-342-8888
- Research Scientist – Contract Pharmacal – Hauppauge:**
Send resume to: humanresources@cpc.com. Reference job #6032
- Chipotle:** Local Positions. Go to: jobs.chipotle.com
- ShopRite – Hauppauge:** Many positions. Inquire within
- Newsday:** Newspaper Delivery Persons. Early morning. Car and NYS driver's license required.
See ad in Sunday Newsday for locations.
- Town of Islip:** Snow Plow Drivers/Owners. Call: 631.595.3500 ext. 1288
- Target:** Multiple locations. Go to: www.target.com/careers
- Dollar Tree:** Text DOLLAR to 58046 or go to: DollarTree.com/careers
- Stony Brook Medical Center:** Clinical and support staff positions available.
Go to: <https://www.stonybrookmedicine.edu/careers>
- FedEx Office:** Local positions available.
Go to: <https://careers.fedex.com/office/jobs>
- Educational Bus Transportation:** Drivers Needed. Call: 631-789-2300
- Dunkin':** Positions available at many locations.
Go to: <https://www.dunkindonuts.com/en/careers>
- CVS Health:** Many local positions available. Go to: <https://jobs.cvshealth.com/>
- United Parcel Service (UPS):** Drivers & warehouse personnel needed. Farmingville.
Go to: www.upsjobs.com
- Catholic Charities of Long Island:** Many F/T, P/T and hourly positions available.
Go to: www.catholiccharities.cc/careers
- 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>
- Walmart:** Positions available. Go to: www.careers.walmart.com
- Catholic Health Services:** Many positions available - health care and non-health care positions.
Go to: <https://jobs.chsli.org/>
- 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
- 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: jmtwhite@optonline.net

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

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

Sun Feb 19th, all day:
Hospitality Sunday

Sun Feb 19th, 12:30pm:
Youth Group

Mon Feb 20th, all day:
President's Day
Offices Closed

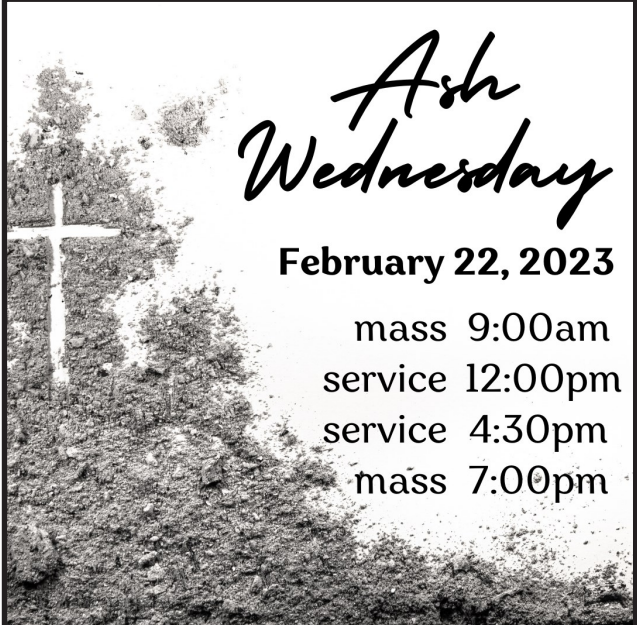
Wed Feb 22nd, all day:
Ash Wednesday

Thur Feb 23rd, 5:30pm:
Children's Choir Rehearsal

Thur Feb 23rd, 7pm:
Adult Choir Rehearsal

Fri Feb 24th, 12pm:
Young At Heart

Fri Feb 24th, 7pm:
Stations of the Cross



*Ash
Wednesday*

February 22, 2023

mass 9:00am
service 12:00pm
service 4:30pm
mass 7:00pm

LENTEN MASS OF HEALING

Sunday, March 5th at 11:30am
anointing of the sick to follow



· BY HIS STRIPES WE ARE HEALED ·

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday

9:00 AM

Saturday

5:00 PM

Sunday

8:00 AM

9:30 AM

11:30 AM

Confessions

Every Saturday

4:00 PM-4:45 PM

Rectory Office Hours

Monday-Friday

9:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

If in need of the immediate attention of a priest during non-office hours please call (631) 234-5551 and choose **option 4**

All other calls received after office hours will be returned the next business day.



Baby Blessing
for babies soon
to be Baptized!

9:30am Mass
February 12th, 2023



The Columbiettes collected baby
clothes to donate to Birthright
which aides unwed mothers.



Scouting Sunday 9:30am Mass - February 12th, 2023

JULY

AUGUST

SEPTEMBER

Calendar Club 2023

Our first set of winners!

*Future winners will be published weekly in the bulletin.

Jan 1	\$75	967	Kelly & Greg Kelly
Jan 2	\$25	1120	Nancy & Matt O'Connell
Jan 3	\$25	1126	Alice Longwell
Jan 4	\$25	225	Peggy & Ed Goutink
Jan 5	\$25	959	Thomas McGowan
Jan 6	\$25	384	Angelo & Mary Joan DiFrancisco
Jan 7	\$25	1233	Barbara Pein
Jan 8	\$50	1111	Dorothy Castaldo
Jan 9	\$25	806	Debbie Parrett
Jan 10	\$25	412	Rick Mallen
Jan 11	\$25	397	Robert Utter
Jan 12	\$25	719	Ed & Laura Vigneaux
Jan 13	\$25	763	Eleanor Kingsley
Jan 14	\$25	958	Eric McAlister
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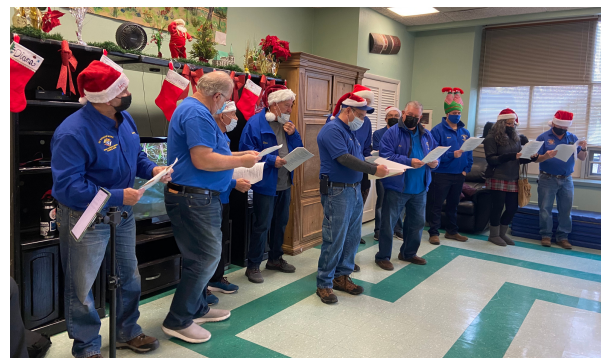


If interested, you can reach
Grand Knight Ernie LaFontaine
at 516-526-5710

or

Chancellor Lenny Carlino
at 516-810-3548

We will be having a membership drive
the weekend of February 25th and 26th!



Lenten Mission 2023

Topic :

Working on our human side
so we can be more open to
receive God's love.



MARCH

27, 28, 29th

9am and 7pm

RETREAT LEADER

JIM RYAN

Author of *Simple
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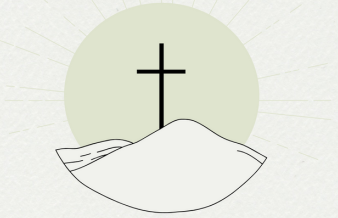


LENLEN SCHEDULE 2023

† ST. THOMAS MORE †

LENLEN MASS OF HEALING

Sunday, March 5th at 11:30am
anointing of the sick to follow



· BY HIS STRIPES WE ARE HEALED ·

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday at 7pm

2/24: for the Sick and the Disabled, and those who help ease their burden.

3/3: for the Addicted, and those struggling with Temptation.

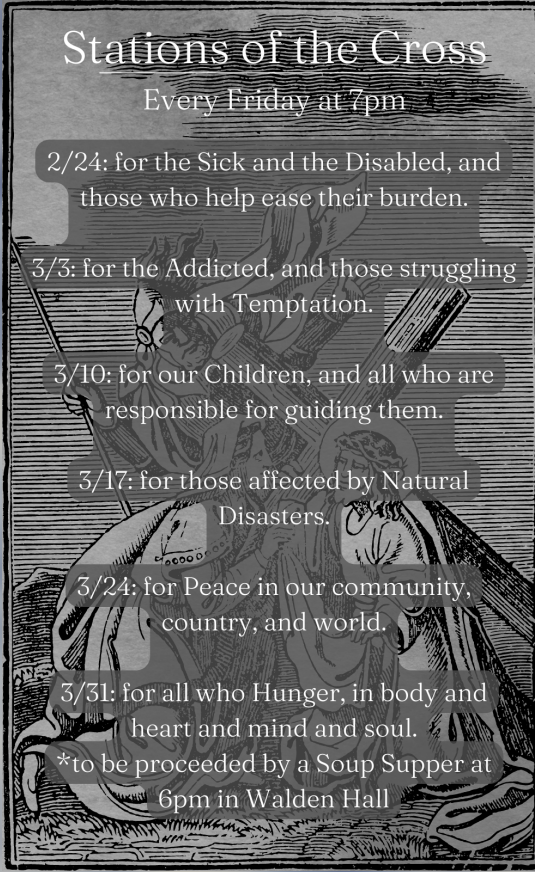
3/10: for our Children, and all who are responsible for guiding them.

3/17: for those affected by Natural Disasters.

3/24: for Peace in our community, country, and world.

3/31: for all who Hunger, in body and heart and mind and soul.

*to be preceded by a Soup Supper at 6pm in Walden Hall



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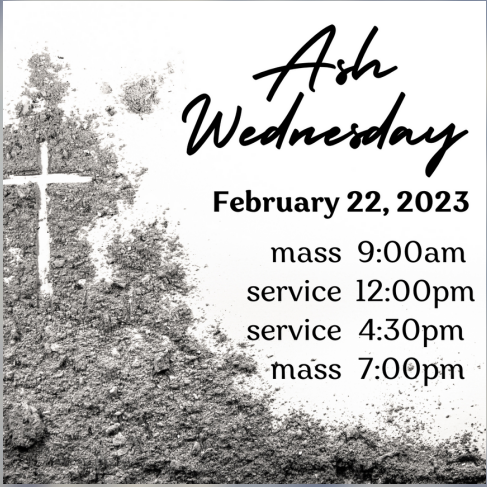
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Ash Wednesday

February 22, 2023

- mass 9:00am
- service 12:00pm
- service 4:30pm
- mass 7:00pm



Easter Sunday

Masses at
8:00am
9:30am
11:30am



And suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. -Matthew 28:2

MON 4/3 RECONCILIATION DAY

Confession available from 3:00pm-9:00pm at St Thomas More, as well as all parishes in the Diocese.

WED 4/5

Choir Cantata at 7:30pm. The Way of the Cross reflected through Mary, with music by the STM Choir

THUR 4/6 MAUNDY THURSDAY

Daily Mass at 9:00am

Chrim Mass at St Agnes Cathedral at 11:00am

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30pm in the Church. This mass is always followed by the Solemn Procession to the Altar of Repose. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Repository will be available until 10:00pm

HOLY WEEK

AT ST THOMAS MORE

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

JOHN 3:16

FRI 4/7 GOOD FRIDAY

Morning Prayer (no mass) at 9:00am

Stations of the Cross at 12:00pm

Stations of the Cross for Young People at 1:30pm

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Death at 3:00pm in the Church

Tenebrae at 7:30pm in the Church. A presentation of the Lord's Passion with neotraditional Chant

SAT 4/8 HOLY SATURDAY

Morning Prayer (no mass) at 9:00am

Blessing of the Easter Food at 10:00am in Walden Hall

*NO 5:00pm MASS

Mass of the Easter Vigil at 7:30pm in the Church



Youth Group - Mass Games

February 12th, 2023



We invited two 8th Grade religious education classes to our meeting! This is the second visit of which we have three more before they are Confirmed. We hope that they will join our group or just keep attending and being a part of our Church after that.

This particular meeting we played a question trivia game on the topic of The Catholic Mass. We split into four groups who discussed the answers to the questions presented. This proved to be a lot of fun and we hope to see some familiar faces next year!

Upcoming Meetings

Sundays 12:30-2:30

February 22nd- Lent

February 29th- Lent Trivia

March 5th- The Holy Spirit

