

Sharing
the Spirit
of Love

Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge NY 11788

MARCH 10TH, 2024



Parish Mission

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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Parish Resources

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Masses March 9th - March 17th, 2024

Saturday, March 9th:

5pm- Judith Ellen Lentino *by William & Ellen Lentino*

Sunday, March 10th: Fourth Sunday of Lent

8am- Ellen Cleary *by Their Family*

9:30am- Walter Markiewicz *by Gina Kilian*

11:30am- Patricia Budd *by Deborah DeSantis*

Monday, March 11th:

9am- Mary Theresa Huebner *by Judy Coyle*

Tuesday, March 12th:

9am- Annette Cittarella *by Deacon Ed & Laura Vigneaux*

Wednesday, March 13th:

9am- Thomas Sevier *by Deacon Ed & Laura Vigneaux*

Thursday, March 14th:

9am- Jim Ilardi *by Deacon Ed & Laura Vigneaux*

Friday, March 15th:

9am- Joseph Anthony Lucania *by The Sullivan Family*

Saturday, March 16th:

5pm- Janet Johnson (living) *by Joan Oscar*

Sunday, March 17th: Fifth Sunday of Lent

8am- Sophie Pankus *by Deacon Al Pankus*

9:30am- Walter Markiewicz *by John & Debbie Ormando*

11:30am- Richard Stout *by Tish & Rick Landi*

Readings for This Week

March 10th, 2024 (Lent 4)
2 Chronicles 36:14-16,19-23
Psalm 137:1-2,3,4-5,6
Ephesians 2:4-10
John 3:14-21

Readings for Next Week

March 17th, 2024 (Lent 5)
Jeremiah 31:31-34
Psalm 51:3-4,12-13,14-15
Hebrews 5:7-9
John 12:20-33

John 12:20-33 (Lent 5)

Some in the crowd who heard these words of Jesus said, "This is truly the Prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But others said, "The Christ will not come from Galilee, will he? Does not Scripture say that the Christ will be of David's family and come from Bethlehem, the village where David lived?" So a division occurred in the crowd because of him. Some of them even wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him.

So the guards went to the chief priests and Pharisees, who asked them, "Why did you not bring him?" The guards answered, "Never before has anyone spoken like this man." So the Pharisees answered them, "Have you also been deceived? Have any of the authorities or the Pharisees believed in him? But this crowd, which does not know the law, is accursed." Nicodemus, one of their members who had come to him earlier, said to them, "Does our law condemn a man before it first hears him and finds out what he is doing?" They answered and said to him, "You are not from Galilee also, are you? Look and see that no prophet arises from Galilee." Then each went to his own house.

Focus Questions for 3/17/24

John 12:20-33

- 1: Describe a time when you helped someone. Was your motivation to help another or to honor God, or both?
- 2: What struggles have you let go of? What struggles do you need to surrender?
- 3: How are you different because you are a Christian?

Family & Children's Question:

There are many people in need on Long Island. This Lent our parish is collecting donations to help families of Alzheimer's patients. Talk about giving help to others.



Fr. Antony's Letter

Dear Friends,

"I remember my wedding day very distinctly," said the elderly gentleman. "I carried my new bride across the threshold of our little house and said, 'Honey, this is your and my little world.'"

"And I suppose you've lived happily ever after?" asked the reporter.

"We have been fighting for the world's championship ever since," was the reply. Their life started with love for, and hope in each other. As the years passed, their way of life turned into a battle of who is right and who is wrong.

Readings on the fourth Sunday of Lent invite us to return from a place however bad we may be to a state of how best we can be. The first reading is the summary version of how the people of God lived as slaves to Babylonians and how the Lord was ready to bring them back to their own land as free people of God. Even though they sinned against the Lord and ended up in slavery, God was ready to forgive them and bring them to their own land as freed people.

In today's Gospel we hear that "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life." Whoever we may be now and however we might have lived in the PAST, God does not deal with us according to what we deserve. God relates with us not according to who we are right now but according to how best we can be. As the ONE who created us, God is aware of our real worth more than we know.

As Psalm 130:1 says God does not deal with us as sinners, but He approaches us with forgiveness so that we may shine as best as He created us to. If we believe in this approach of God towards us, we will be empowered by today's Gospel's words of "God so loved us...that we should live with Him eternally." (John 3:16) God's wish and plan for us is to live with Him eternally, as His loving children. God loves us so much that He does not hesitate to sacrifice His son Jesus for us. We are called to live here as His children which means that we live as siblings to each other.

The Gospel continues that it is up to us to realize this truth and live this spiritual power. "For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him." We can choose to be God's loving family and be saved, or we can choose to reject Him and perish. "The light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light." It is up to us to choose to live in light or to remain in darkness. God waits with open arms to start a life of love with each of us. Those who recognize and realize it, will begin to live and flourish. Those who willfully reject it condemn themselves, and choose to perish. Let this Lent give us the spiritual realization to live and flourish.

With love and prayers,
Fr. Antony



His Presence Is Real - Reflections on the Eucharist by Deacon Matt

The Mass: Liturgy of the Eucharist - Part IX

Let us now look at the features of Eucharistic Prayer I. I'll point out the examples of certain common elements in all Eucharistic Prayers that were explained in previous columns.

First, let us appreciate that for about 1500 years or so, the Church had essentially just one Eucharistic Prayer. It was called the Roman Canon. While some minor modifications had been made over time, the Church has retained a great deal of its historical structure. It had its earliest forms in the time of Ambrose in the late fourth century, underwent many changes, and then was formalized by Pope Gregory the Great in the sixth century.

In the prayer, after the *Preface* and the *Sanctus*, we encounter the *Te igitur*, a humble address to God the Father to accept our "holy and unblemished" offerings. A prayer commemorating the living follows, and is joined "in communion" (thus giving this section of the prayer its name of the *Communicantes*) with Mary, Joseph, the Apostles, and other named saints. The priest extends his hands and prays the *Hanc igitur* that we may be saved.



An implicit *epiclesis* takes place next, as the priest's hands go over the offering, which is followed by the *Institution Narrative* and the *Consecration*. At this point, we are asked to join in the *Mystery of Faith*. The *anamnesis* follows, with distinctive words describing Jesus in the offering as "this pure victim, this holy victim, this spotless victim." Another *epiclesis* takes place, followed by *intercessions for the dead*. The prayer concludes with a listing of other martyrs before the final *doxology*.

While Eucharistic Prayer I is not utilized frequently any more, it is a great reminder of the roots of the prayers that our Church has prayed at Mass for much of her history.

"In humble prayer we ask you, almighty God: command that these gifts be borne by the hands of your holy Angel to your altar on high in the sight of your divine majesty, so that all of us, who through this participation at the altar receive the most holy Body and Blood of your Son, may be filled with every grace and heavenly blessing." – *Eucharistic Prayer I, no. 94*.

Questions? Comments? Suggestions?
Contact me at eucharist@stmli.org.

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Prayers for Our Community

Pray for the Sick

Daniel Atkinson	Jim Marquette
Anna Beltrani	Ellen Murphy
Gregory Bennett	Matt O'Connell
Barbara Cassetta	Deacon Al Pankus
Joseph Christiana	Patricia Parker
Kathryn Douglas	Joanne Pelletier
Bill Dowd	George Pflugel
Linda Dowling	Nunzio (Steve) Puleio
Thomas Dwyer	Rosalie Rocchio
Barbara Foberg	Richard Ronning
Susie Golembiewski	Lorraine Rouse
Linda Heller	Mike Rouse
Jean Herlihy	Noah Simonetti (2 yrs)
Richard Landi	John Spadaro
Maryanne Landi	Peggy Stepanek
Frank Loporto	Andrew M Valentine
Ildy Loverde	Lorraine White
	John Zuzzolo



*this listing will expire on March 31st, 2024

Pray for the Deceased

Joseph Cassetta
 Anthony DeMonaco
 Peter Catalano
 Joseph "Ed" Carty
 Michael Fischetti
 Richard Fiorentino
 William Lentino
 Donald Larney



We continuously pray for our deceased loved ones.

Pray for Our Military

Please continue to pray for the brave members of our parish family who serve our country:

Troy A. Maida	Joseph Kirsch
Connor Hendrickson	Allen Kirsch
Evan Hendrickson	Nicholas Gajda
Christopher Sidor	Alexandria Feys Gajda
Ryan Smith	Andrew Lynch
Will Maley	




We also pray for our veterans, that they receive the support they need here at home.

• IN THE WILDERNESS, SO MUST •

• AS MOSES LIFTED UP THE SERPENT •

• THE SON OF MAN BE LIFTED UP. •



• J O H N 3 : 1 4 •

Altar Bread & Wine Memorial



To arrange the memorial for the Altar Bread & Wine, contact the Rectory. Donation for the week is \$50.

Pray for our Clergy

Fr Antony Asir	Deacon Bob Weisz
The Capuchin Friars	Deacon Matt Surico
Fr Lenny Carlino	Bishop John Barres
Deacon Ed Vigneaux	Pope Francis



...and for all those men and women considering a life of devotion to God.

Parish Social Ministry

IF YOU CAN'T FEED A HUNDRED
PEOPLE, THEN JUST FEED ONE.
-MOTHER TERESA



ST. THOMAS MORE
† PARISH OUTREACH †

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

Our immediate needs for this week...

Peanut Butter/Jelly
Paper Towels
Toilet Paper
Chef Boyardee Meals
Juice
Juice Mixes

We appreciate all of your donations!

Please remember that it is difficult for us to use large cans, bottles, bags of rice, etc. as many of our neighbors do not have the ability to store extra food. Packages for 2-4 people are ideal.

“Eat Simply”

Food is an integral part of Lent. The intentional absence of certain foods provides opportunities to simplify your table. It also can be a time to grow in your knowledge of a new type of food or cooking that can enrich your family's eating habits.

If having dessert is part of your evening meal, decide to give that up once or twice a week and put the money you would have spent in the donation box.

We continue to have clothing and household goods left outside the Outreach office.

We do not have storage for these items and request that you place them in the St. Vincent de Paul box at the back right corner of the parking lot. Please contact Outreach regarding other donations.

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.



In today's Gospel, God demonstrates great love for us by sending his Son, so that we may believe in him. We demonstrate our great love for God by doing good works; reaching out to others, acting in justice and charity. Through your almsgiving, you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. No gift is too small, for many small gifts added together help us reach out to those in need.

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

In Our Parish

Young at Heart

New Members Always Welcome!
Next Meeting: Fri March 22nd, 2024

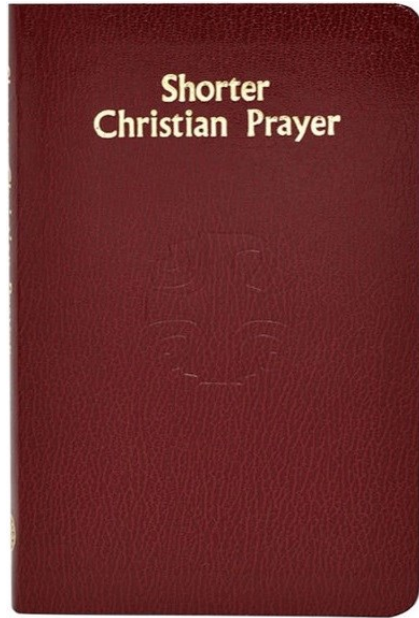
Call Anna @ 631-234-0714



Missing! Please Return!

During the pandemic, many of these books were taken home for prayer. However, many were not returned, and now we are running low! If you have copies of this from the church in your home, please return them! We pray Morning Prayer each week-day at 8:30am. Bring the book and join us!!

Shorter
Christian Prayer



REWARD: Will be great in heaven!

SAVE THE DATE

MSGR FRANCIS S MIDURA MEMORIAL

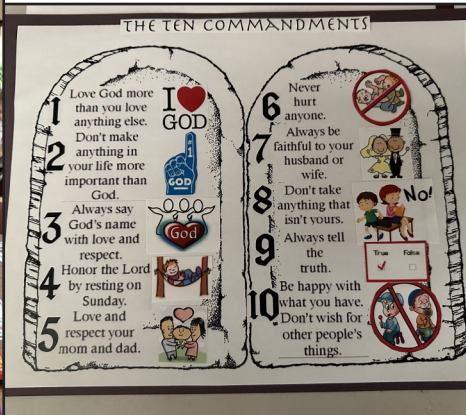
GOLF OUTING



September 9th, 2024

Children's Liturgy!

Children 4-8 are welcome to join us, Sundays @ 9:30.
This week we learned all about the Ten Commandments!



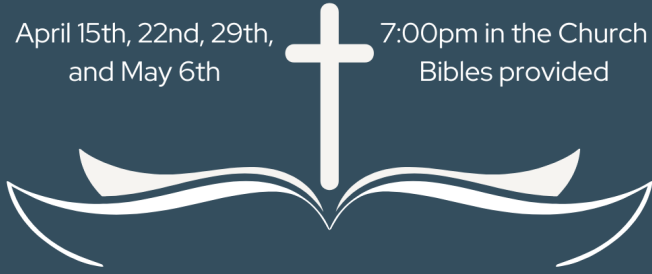
In Our Parish

Your Questions Answered

BIBLE STUDY

WITH FATHER ANTONY

April 15th, 22nd, 29th,
and May 6th  7:00pm in the Church
Bibles provided



Use the QR Code to submit your questions!!



ST THOMAS MORE BLOOD DRIVE



April 24th, 2024

Baby Bottle Return!

The Knights of Columbus will be at Masses on March 16th and 17th to collect baby bottle donations (for the Life Center of Long Island).

Don't forget to bring your bottles with your cash, coin, or check donations! This is a great way to help support new moms in our community.

In Our Community



Because no marriage is beyond hope...

- Is your marriage tearing you apart?
- Do you feel hurt and angry?
- Does talking make it worse?
- Thought of leaving or divorce?
- Is your marriage heading in the wrong direction?

Retrouvaille can help.

Our Next Weekend is
April 26-28, 2024
at The Immaculate Conception
Seminary, Huntington

To register or for more information:
1-800-470-2230
HelpOurMarriage.org

Retrouvaille is a practical program for married couples facing difficult challenges. It is not counseling and you will not be asked to share the personal details of your story.

Retrouvaille is different; it's a way to improve your communication, help you reconnect, and build a healthy, happier, stronger marriage.

Catholic in origin, couples of all faiths, or no faith background, are welcome to attend. We are a Christian Peer Ministry offering tens of thousands of marriages hope in over 160 communities world-wide.

Icon Art Exhibit: "The Written Image"

On display during March 2024 at the Smithtown Library (Main Location). Art by Janine Manheim, artist and educator in the field of religious iconography. Exhibit combines prints of Ms. Manheim's work, plus photos of her students displaying their icons. Exhibit is open for viewing in the library's downstairs space.

Reconciliation Monday 2024

Monday, March 25th

Experience the liberating grace of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance). Confessions will be available in every Catholic Church in the Diocese of Rockville Centre from 2-4 p.m. & 6-9 p.m.

To find a parish near you, visit: www.drvc.org/maps

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MUSICAL MEDITATION ON THE PASSION

 CHRIST THE KING
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

a Musical Meditation on The Passion Narratives
Featuring Choral Music and Classical Trio
led by Mary Rose Gallipeau
Director of Music

WEDNESDAY
MARCH 20TH | 7PM

2 Indian Head Road | Commack

Happening at St. Thomas More

Coming Up @ STM

Mon Mar 11th, 7:00pm
Lenten Mission
w/ Father Henry

Tues Mar 12th, 7:00pm
Lenten Mission
w/ Father Norbert

Wed Mar 13th, 7:00pm
Lenten Mission
w/ Father Joseph Francis

Thur Mar 14th, 5:30pm
Children's Choir Rehearsal

Thur Mar 14th, 7:00pm
Choir Rehearsal

Sat Mar 16th, 6:00pm
St Patrick's Day Dinner

Sun Mar 17th, 12:30pm
Youth Group

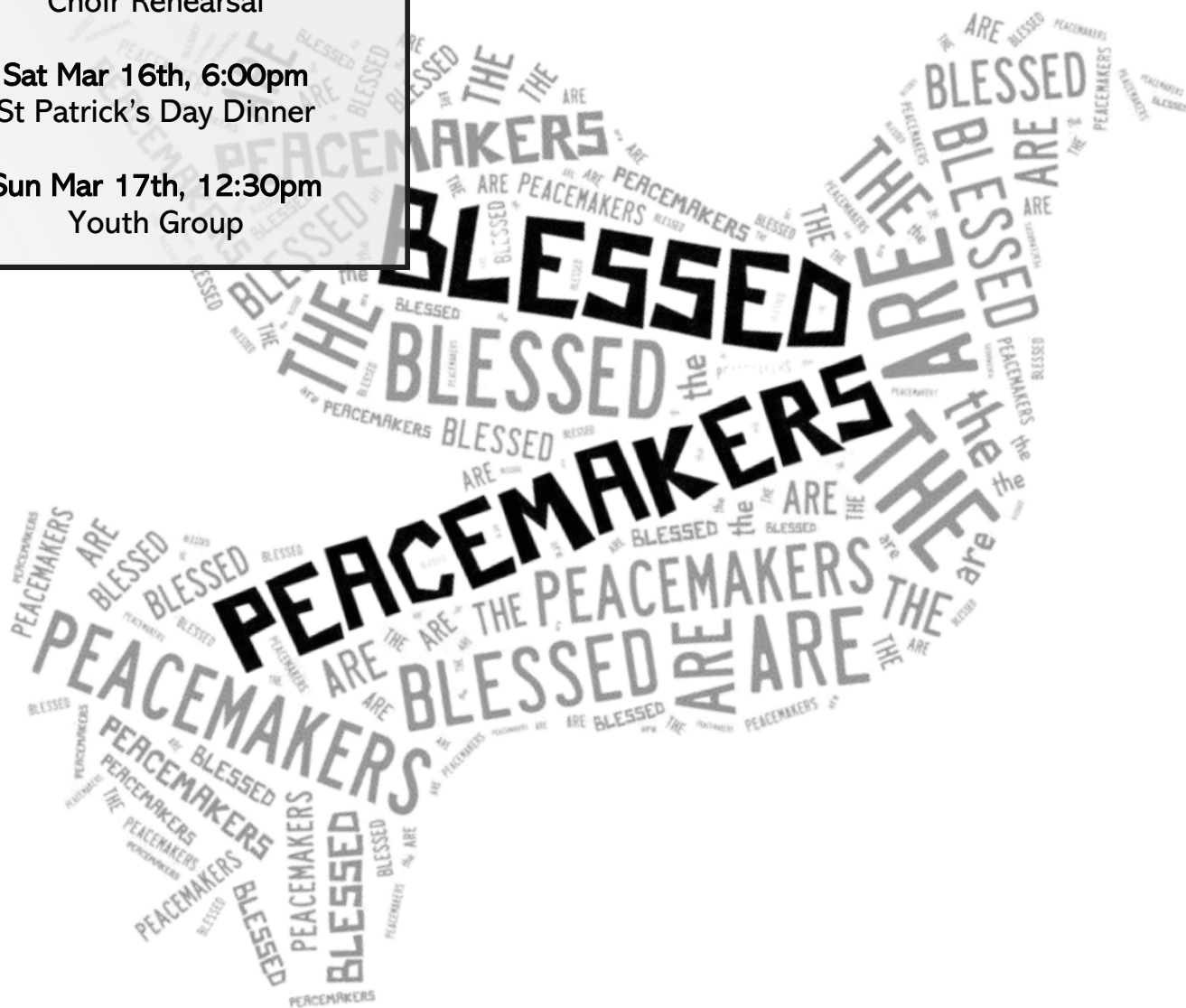
Weekly Mass Schedule

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



Calendar Club 2024

Congratulations to our February winners!

Future winners will be posted weekly in the bulletin!

Feb 1	\$25	728	Michael & Ann Marino
Feb 2	\$25	56	Keith & Lois Christianson
Feb 3	\$25	384	Allison Madison
Feb 4	\$50	371	Ken & Dolores Fensterer
Feb 5	\$25	1409	Sandra Kowalchuck
Feb 6	\$25	1199	Ralph & MaryAnn Rantz
Feb 7	\$50	1063	Sal Napolitano
Feb 8	\$25	238	Don Cleary
Feb 9	\$25	746	Bernard Nagel
Feb 10	\$25	317	Catia Napolitano
Feb 11	\$50	156	Pat & Frank Lewis
Feb 12	\$25	889	Eileen Santangelo
Feb 13	\$25	1262	Emiddio Ippolito
Feb 14	\$50	274	Carole & Warren Holtje
Feb 15	\$25	1317	Tyler & Eva Chin
Feb 16	\$25	295	James & Donna Feeney
Feb 17	\$25	562	Gina Maria Poulin
Feb 18	\$50	1104	Ryan Tjersland
Feb 19	\$25	83	Ellen & William Lentino
Feb 20	\$25	685	Ed & Madeline Drobinko
Feb 21	\$50	65	Rosemary Marinacci
Feb 22	\$25	848	Eileen Santangelo
Feb 23	\$25	464	Pat & Joan Shea
Feb 24	\$25	1422	Pat & Frank Lewis
Feb 25	\$50	651	Logan Napolitano
Feb 26	\$25	1021	Aurelie Miller & John Hendry
Feb 27	\$25	1062	Steven J Lott
Feb 28	\$25	565	Ralph Giambruno
Feb 29	\$25	1000	Frederick Hegner

Hallow UPDATES

For the remainder of Lent, this page will exist to offer updates and tips using the Hallow app to expand your prayer life.

As always, if you have any questions or issues with the app, feel free to reach out to Alex in the rectory...623-234-5551 or rectory@stml.org

Books Too!

Audiobooks



Story of A Soul

Sr. Orienne

12 sessions



Searching For Peace

Sr. Miriam James

26 sessions



Presence of God

Fr. Mark-Mary

21 sessions



Intro to Devout Life

Fr. Simon Esshaki

121 sessions

Hallow even has a small selection of audiobooks (with more to come).

Story of A Soul is the autobiography of St. Therese of Lisieux.

Intro to Devout Life is considered a spiritual classic, written by St. Francis de Sales.

Classic Chants

We recently swapped our Night Prayer routine to Chant Night Prayer. Lead by a beautiful male voice, this classic Gregorian chant is very peaceful and decidedly Catholic way to pray. There is a plethora of different chant prayers and hymns in the Chant section of

Hallow. Give it a listen! ~Alex



Chant Night Prayer

DID YOU KNOW?

Cell phones are just small computers. The average cell phone now is more powerful than the computers used to get humans to the moon!

PHONE SAFETY TIP

Don't answer calls from numbers you don't recognize, as they are likely scammers. If you answer, even to express your displeasure, that mark you as "live", and you'll get even more calls! Just let it go to voicemail!

Hallow LENT

He Leadeth Me

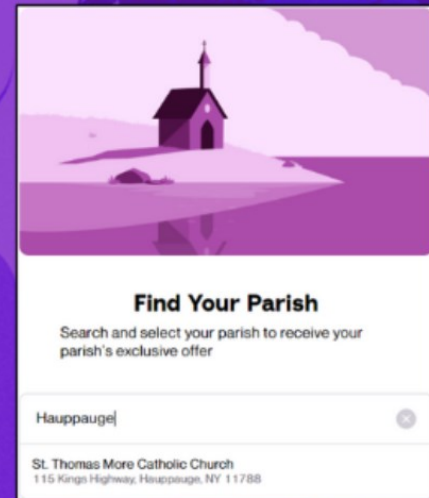


How to Access Hallow Plus through Easter:

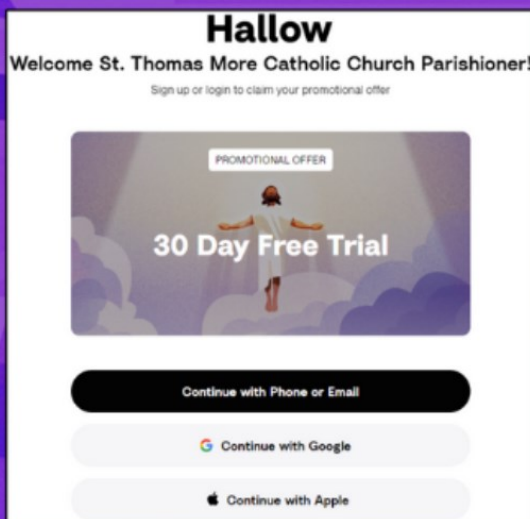
1: Scan the QR code or go to <http://hallow.com/holyday>



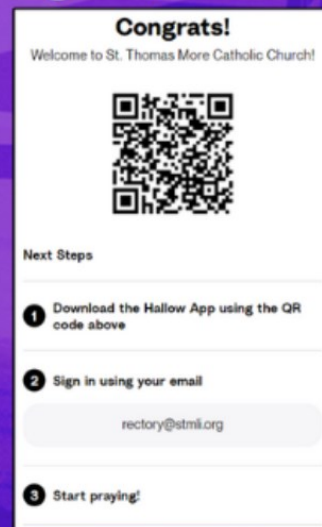
2: Search for “Hauppauge” and select our Parish



3: If you see this screen, create an account! We recommend using your phone number!



4: Use the QR code, or search Hallow in the app store to download. Then just sign in, and start praying!



Stations of the Cross

Every Friday at 7pm

2/16: for the Sick and the Disabled, and those who help ease their burden.

2/23: for the Addicted, and those struggling with Temptation.

3/1: for our Children, and all who are responsible for guiding them.

3/8: for those affected by Natural Disasters.

3/15: for Peace in our community, country, and world.

3/22: for all who Hunger, in body and heart and mind and soul.

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

St. Thomas More Lenten Project 2024

This year we will be supporting...



A Long Island based nonprofit providing resources and support for those impacted by cognitive decline.

Please see more info about ADRC on the bulletin board in the Narthex, and consider giving to this wonderful organization.

COMING ON WEDNESDAY
MARCH 27TH @ 7:30PM



The Way of the Cross

with Jesus and Mary, from
Golgotha to the Resurrection

by Fr Slavko Barbaric OFM

LED BY LECTORS AND THE ADULT CHOIR

LENTEN MASS OF HEALING

Sunday, March 10th at 11:30am
anointing of the sick to follow



· BY HIS STRIPES WE ARE HEALED ·



MON 3/25 RECONCILIATION DAY

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

TUES 3/26

Chrim Mass at 4pm at St. Agnes Cathedral. Blessing of the Holy Oils for the next year.

WED 3/27

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

THUR 3/28 MAUNDY THURSDAY

Morning Prayer (no mass) at 9:00am

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 3/29 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 3/30 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



LENTEN SCHEDULE 2024
ST. THOMAS MORE



Fasting & Abstinence

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

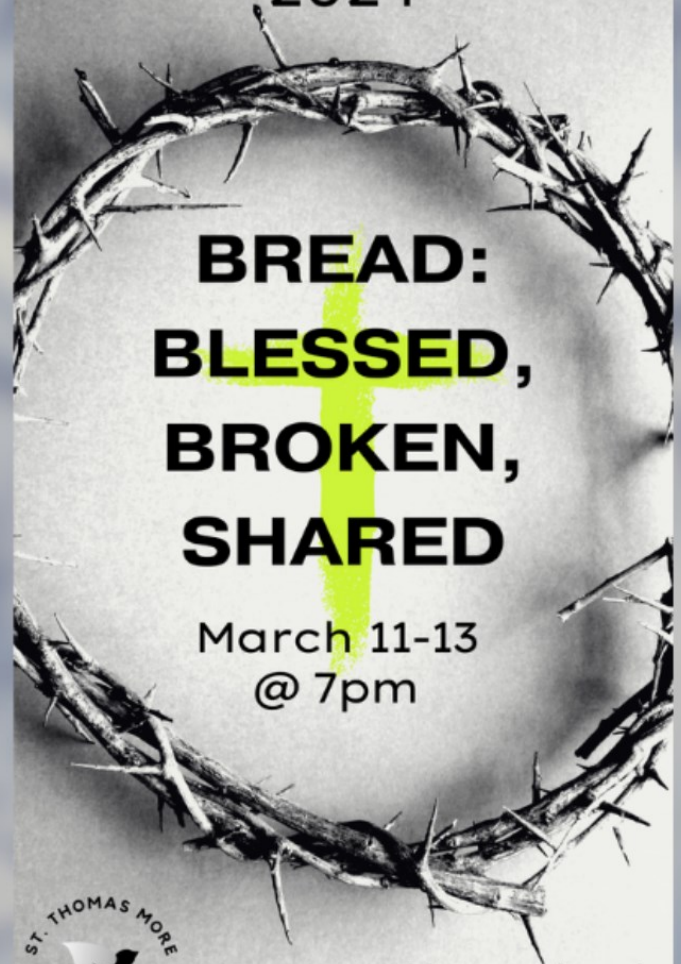
See the guidelines below!

- Fasting is obligatory for ages 18-59 inclusive.
- Fasting constitutes no more than one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are less than a full meal.
- Abstinence is obligatory for all Catholics aged 14 or older.
- Abstinence is to avoid eating meat (chicken, pork, beef, etc). Fish is allowed.
- Please remember to drink lots of water!



If possible, the fast on Good Friday can be continued until the Easter Vigil as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of our Lord Jesus and to prepare more fully for his Resurrection.

PARISH RETREAT 2024



BREAD: BLESSED, BROKEN, SHARED

March 11-13
@ 7pm



Presented by our local
Capuchin Friars

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TENEBRAE

GOOD FRIDAY, 7:30PM

JOIN US FOR A READING OF
THE LORD'S PASSION WITH
NEOTRADITIONAL CHANTING

LED BY DEACON MATT
COMPOSED BY ALEX WHITE
SUNG BY NOELLE WHITE



Easter Weekend

7:30PM (SAT)
8:00AM (SUN)
9:30AM (SUN)
11:30AM (SUN)



HE IS NOT HERE: FOR HE IS RISEN.



LENTEN SCHEDULE 2024
† ST. THOMAS MORE †



St. Thomas More Lenten Project

This year's Lenten Project will support ***Alzheimer's Disease Resource Center*** on Long Island

ADRC is a Long Island nonprofit providing resources and support for those impacted by cognitive decline.

ADRCs mission is to provide care, support, and educational programs for families in need, and to be advocates for local families who are coping with Alzheimer's Disease and other dementias.

By offering life-enrichment activities, ADRC helps those with cognitive decline express themselves and their creativity. Programs offered include Art, Music, Equine, Memory Cafes, Museum Programs, and much more. Participants and caregivers enjoy activities together, creating new memories.

ADRC provides care consultations, information & referrals, education, support groups, therapy programs for caregivers and their loved ones. They provide educational training to professional healthcare workers, graduate students, and other organizations throughout Long Island.

Please see more information about ADRC and their services and supports on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

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, placed in the collection basket, or dropped off at the Rectory. Please note "Lenten Project" in the memo line.

BREAD: BLESSED, BROKEN, & SHARED

The 2024 St. Thomas
More Lenten Mission,
presented by our local
Capuchin Friars

DAY 1

The First Passover to
The Passover of Jesus
with Fr. Henry Richard Vas



DAY 2

Jesus The Passover:
Eucharist
with Fr. Norbert D'Souza



DAY 3

The Church:
A Celebration of Passover
with Fr. Joseph Francis



The Eucharist is “the source and summit” of the Christian life (ccc 1324-1327). Jesus Christ invited us to return to the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist.

The Eucharist is the gateway key to the civilization of love that we long to create. It begins at the heart of Jesus and embraces every heart.

MARCH 11TH-13TH
7PM IN THE CHURCH

“Learn from me, for
I am meek and
humble of heart.”

KNIGHT'S OF COLOMBUS

Msgr. Francis S. Midura Council 6062

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER!

Saturday, March 16th at 6:00pm
(following the 5pm mass)

**Tickets are \$20
per person**

Sold at all masses, ending March 10th

Contact Ed Rogan PGK with questions at
631-366-1085 or email **eroganjr@verizon.net**

NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR

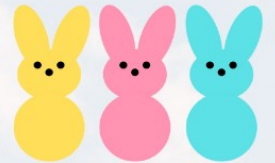
****PLEASE PROVIDE DONATIONS BY MARCH 10TH****

EASTER OUTREACH

EASTER DINNER

Please help us provide Easter Dinner for those in need in our neighborhood and town of Hauppauge by donating the following:

Potatoes, sweet potatoes, vegetables, fruit, desserts, coffee, tea and/or grocery gift cards of \$25 for meat.



EASTER BASKETS

In addition to Easter Dinner, Outreach provides candy baskets to our families. To keep our baskets consistent, we ask that you include some/all of the following:

Chocolate bunny/eggs/cross, marshmallow peeps, jelly beans, mini eggs, snack packs, cookie packs



Spring Flower Sale 2024



Please write a quantity for flowers you are purchasing on the line next to the color options. Write the total in the box on the bottom with your name & phone number, and place this form with your payment, cash or check, in an envelope marked "flowers" (if using, make checks payable to St. Thomas More). **Return the envelope to the collection basket or rectory by April 28th.**

Cal Small Petunia
(8" Hanging Pot)

\$18.00

Pink Yellow
 Purple/ Blue

New Guinea Impatients
(8" Hanging Pot)

\$18.00

White Salmon
 Lavender

Balkin Ivy Geraniums
(8" Hanging Pot)

\$18.00

Pink

Begonia

\$20.00/ flat

Green Leaf/Pink
 Green Leaf/Mixed
 Bronze Leaf/White

Impatients

\$20.00/ flat

Purple Red
 Mixed

Marigolds

\$20.00/ flat

Large Yellow
 Dwarf Yellow
 Dwarf Mixed

Geraniums
(6"Pots)

\$10.00

Salmon White
 Pink Red
 Blue Violet

New Guinea Impatients
(6"Pots)

\$10.00

Red White
 Pink Orange

Total Enclosed:

Name:

Phone #:

**All orders will be ready for pick up on the weekend
of May 11 & 12 before and after all masses!**

THE ST. THOMAS MORE COLUMBIETTES
ARE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS

BECOME A COLUMBIETTE!



Our columbiettes are a group of women 18 and over with a heart of service. We are Catholic women, united by our faith, to help in our community.

We are a charitable, nonprofit organization.

We hold multiple fundraisers a year and that money goes back into our community—helping at home first.

**If you are interested please join us
for coffee on April 10th at 7pm.**

You are invited to join us for a half hour before our formal meeting begins.

**Please feel free to fill out the membership form found
in the literature rack in the Narthex or we will have forms
available in the white room on April 10th.**

**Reach out to Kim, President of the Columbiettes at St
Thomas More, with questions, comments, anything!**

krofrano33@gmail.com OR 631-372-9220

Youth Group - Lent Check In

March 3rd, 2024



March 3rd is St. Katharine Drexel's Feast Day!



Check out the new bottle filling station in Walden Hall!



Upcoming Meetings

Sundays 12:30-2:30

- March 10th-
Surrender to God
- March 17th-
Irish Catholicism

Follow us on
Instagram!

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Fourth Sunday of Lent

R D L R O W S S E N K R A D S U M E D O C I N
 I C I N C E O Z S C H R O N I C L E S E N J C
 C F G A E V G M O S E S O W P E R S I A I W I
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Find the following words in the puzzle.

Words are hidden     and .

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| BELIEVE | EPHESIANS | JOHN | MOSES | SABBATH |
| CHALDEAN | ETERNAL | JOYOUS | NICODEMUS | SERPENT |
| CHRONICLES | GOSPEL | JUDAH | PERSIA | SING |
| COMPASSION | HANDIWORK | LIFE | PRIEST | TEMPLE |
| CONDEMN | HARPS | LIFTED | PROCLAMATION | TONGUE |
| CYRUS | IMMEASURABLE | LIGHT | PROPHETS | TRANSGRESSION |
| DARKNESS | JEREMIAH | LORD | PSALM | WORLD |

