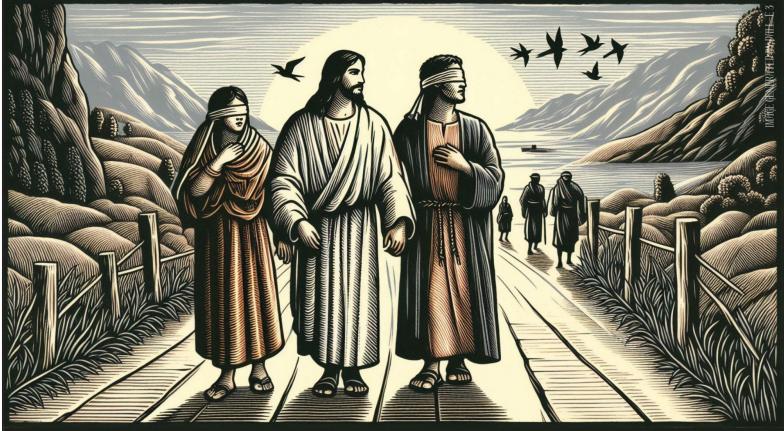
Catholic Church Community of

#### St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge NY 11788



THE TWO DISCIPLES RECOUNTED WHAT HAD TAKEN PLACE ON THE WAY, AND HOW JESUS WAS MADE KNOWN TO THEM IN THE BREAKING OF BREAD.

#### **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.

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 14TH. 2024

#### **Parish Resources**

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https://www.stmli.org

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Text SPIRITOFLOVE to 84576



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#### Masses April 13th - April 21st, 2024

Saturday, April 13th:

5pm- Gus Alfieri by Vincent P Crudden

Sunday, April 14th: Third Sunday of Easter

8am- Heidi & Manfred Kahl by Their Loving Son

Lelia Espinal by The Calcagni Family

9:30am- Kenny Granville by Marilyn Amodio

Antonia Petrillo by Their Loving Family

11:30am- Jenn Malm by Pat & Frank Lewis

Sybil Smith by Aurelie Miller & John Hendry

Monday, April 15th:

9am- Aida Hurtado by The Rodriguez Family

Tuesday, April 16th:

9am- Thomas Kostor by Maureen Fallona

Wednesday, April 17th:

9am- Annette Citarella by Molly & Frank Prisinzano

Thursday, April 18th:

9am- Janet Van Cleemput by The Clearys

Friday, April 19th:

9am- Edward Zebrowski by Mary Lou Braun

Saturday, April 20th:

5pm- Robert Pondt by Frances & Peter Foti

Sunday, April 21st: Fourth Sunday of Easter

8am- Marion Infantino by Christine Barraco

9:30am- Fiorella laboni by The Grisanzio Family

11:30am-Richard Stout by Kim

Cirilo Castro by Their Family

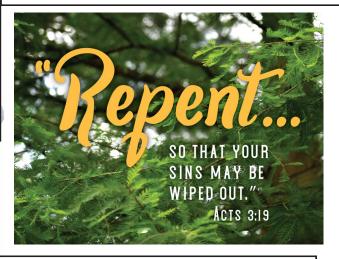
#### John 10:11-18 (Easter 4)

Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. A hired man, who is not a shepherd and whose sheep are not his own, sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf catches and scatters them. This is because he works for pay and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again. This command I have received from my Father."

#### Focus Questions for 4/21/24 John 10:11-18

- 1: Describe a time when you felt Jesus' care for you.
- 2: Who in your life are you most protective of? 3: Relate an experience when you felt unprotected.

Family & Children's Question:
Talk about how parents shepherd their children and keep them safe.



#### Readings for This Week

April 14th, 2024 (Easter 3)

Acts 3:13-15,17-19

Psalm 4:2,4,7-8,9

1 John 2:1-5a

Luke 24:35-48

#### Readings for Next Week

April 21st, 2024 (Easter 4) Acts 4:8-12 Psalm 118:1,8-9,21-23,26,28,29

> 1 John 3:1-2 John 10:11-18

#### Fr. Antony's Letter

Dear Friends.

Jim to mom: "I decided that I want to be a political science major and clean up the mess in the world." Mom to Jim: "That is very nice. First, you can go upstairs and start with your room." The message of the Risen Jesus is to clean each one's world in order to clean the whole world. Unless we become good, the world will not become good. The world will be the way we are.

The readings of the third week of Easter proclaim the power of the Resurrection to change the world by changing ourselves first. In the first reading Peter who was ready to save Jesus by cutting the ear of a soldier at the time of arrest in the garden of Gethsemane, (John 18:10) now invites the killers of Jesus to a new life of forgiveness and loving community. He personally knows how he was forgiven and accepted back by Jesus to be his disciple. Thus Peter, the forgiven-one, promises the forgiveness to those who acted against Jesus. When the personal world of Peter filled with new life from forgiveness, he offers the world the gift of new life inviting them to forgiveness. Peter invites the world to become what he had become.

In the Gospel reading we see the same thing. The other disciples are not reprimanded by Jesus for having abandoned him (Mark 14:45-50) to die alone on the cross. Jesus forgives them and commissions them to preach forgiveness and the promise of new life. Risen Jesus invites us to experience the new life of forgiveness and love in order that the new world of forgiveness and new life become a reality starting from us.

The second reading presents that "Jesus Christ the righteous one is the expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world." This is to say that Jesus wants each of us to have a fresh start as persons whose sins, however grievous they may be, are forgiven. We are all forgiven people. We don't need to waste our time and energy on personal guilt, nor do we need to hold anything against anybody. As forgiven people we are invited to start focusing on and begin living how good and loving we can be to each other. The Risen Jesus encourages us now as he encouraged his disciples then to live as witnesses of what has happened to us believers in His Death and Resurrection.

As long as we focus on weakness and pains that we cause to each other, neither our life nor our world will have any time or opportunity to live or experience the best that we can be to each other. Jesus forgave all our sins. This means that we should put an end to viewing ourselves and others as bad sinners. The greetings of Risen Jesus "Peace be with you" encourages every baptized person like us to start living from God's trust in us to build a peaceful world. In baptism we died and rose in Jesus Christ. We are filled with the grace of New Life in Jesus. Let us live our best and promote wherever and in whomever we see the best. Let us become in reality the promise/wish of the Risen Jesus, "Peace be with you."



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

#### The Mass: Liturgy of the Eucharist - Part XIII

Now that we have completed our look at the main Eucharistic Prayers, let's look at what immediately follows these prayers. As we mentioned during the details of each prayer, and during our overview of the entire Liturgy of the Eucharist many weeks ago, the Eucharistic Prayers always end with the *Final Doxology*. Is this just simply a nice way to conclude the prayers, or is there some greater meaning in the context of the Eucharist?

The word doxology literally means "an accounting of glory." The most common one we all know is the "Glory Be."

The "Gloria" is also a doxology. This eucharistic doxology begins with the deacon elevating the chalice, filled with the Precious Blood of Jesus, and the priest elevating a consecrated host, the Body of Christ. As you'll recall, the Eucharistic Prayer is always directed to God the Father.

The priest (and any concelebrating priests and/or bishops, but never the deacon or the assembly) begins "Through him, with him and in him

Music Ministry

Emilia Savarese, Director

..." The "him" is Jesus, who is the Sacrifice of the Mass as well as the One being shown to us, and our risen Savior. We profess "glory and honor" to the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, and this prayer becomes a very powerful Trinitarian prayer. This sacrifice that has once again taken place as it did on Calvary now incorporates us as benefactors as well, all to the glory of God.

And how do we respond? With a *Great Amen*. We truly believe! We believe it with every ounce of our faith, and we believe it joyfully. Christ gives himself totally to us. Not only do we receive him in our hearts, but, in the next moments of the Mass, will intimately receive him in the Real

Presence as we partake of the Eucharist.

"If we paused for a moment to consider attentively what takes place in this Sacrament, I am sure that the thought of Christ's love for us would transform the coldness of our hearts into a fire of love and gratitude." — St. Angela of Foligno

Questions? Comments? Suggestions? Contact me at <a href="mailto:eucharist@stmli.org">eucharist@stmli.org</a>.



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#### **Prayers for Our Community**

#### Pray for the Sick

Susan Agne Ana Beltrani **Gregory Bennett** Steve Cotsalas Sr Rocco DiMaggie Robert Ferro Richard Landi Ellen Lentino Jim Marquette Bernice Noeker Matt O'Connell Deacon Al Pankus Joseph Platia Nunzio Steve Puleo Lillian Repetti Richard Ronning Noah Simonetti (2yrs) John Spadaro Andrew M Valentine Laura Vigneaux Debbie Ward

\*this listing will expire on September 31st, 2024

#### **Pray for Our Military**

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

Troy A. Maida
Connor Hendrickson
Evan Hendrickson
Christopher Sidor
Ryan Smith
Will Maley

Joseph Kirsch
Allen Kirsch
Nicholas Gajda
Alexandria Feys Gajda
Andrew Lynch

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

#### Altar Bread & Wine Memorial



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

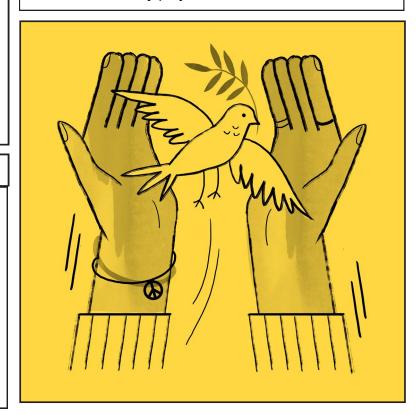
#### Pray for the Deceased

Eleanor Kingsley

Joseph Codispoti

Livia Liberatoscioli

We continuously pray for our deceased loved ones.



#### **Pray for our Clergy**

Fr Antony Asir
The Capuchin Friars
Fr Lenny Carlino
Deacon Ed Vigneaux

Deacon Bob Weisz Deacon Matt Surico Bishop John Barres Pope Francis

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

#### **Parish Operations**

#### **SUPPORT COLLECTION**

Collection from: April 6th & 7th

\$7274

Thank You!

St. Thomas More Parish needs your support now more than ever!

Please consider signing up for Faith Direct!

Faith Direct allows you to donate directly to the church electronically. No checks. No envelopes. No calling for tax statements. And best of all, no human error. Please consider making the change and supporting our parish electronically! https://membership.faithdirect.net/NY227

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.

#### Calendar Club Winners

4/8 (\$50): Ryan & Christina Malone (222)

4/9 (\$25): Arthur & Kathryn Ultsh (547)

4/10 (\$25): Vincent Murray (1302)

4/11 (\$25): Pat & Joan Shea (144)

4/12 (\$25): The Daley Family (717)

14/13 (\$25)! Kimberly Boney (871)

4/14 (\$50): Vincent & Donna Gerardi (597)



#### **Parish Social Ministry**

WHOEVER IS KIND TO THE POOR LEADS TO THE LORD, AND HE WILL REWARD THEM FOR WHAT THEY HAVE DONE - PROVERBS 19:17

#### Our immediate needs for this week...

PEANUT BUTTER
BOXED MILK
Pasta
Canned Vegetables
Soup
Syrup
Pasta Sauce
Coffee/Tea
Shampoo
Detergent
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.



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.



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

Who YOU helped feed during the month of March....

68 Families 126 Children 114 Adults



L U K E 24:35

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.



In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus explains the meaning of the Scriptures. Like the disciples, when we offer and receive forgiveness our hearts burn because we encounter the risen Christ within us.

Have you considered answering the call to "help the poor find forgiveness and healing in their life" by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

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

#### In Our Parish

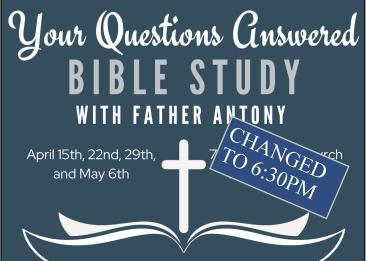


#### Young at Heart

New Members Always Welcome!

Next Meeting: Fri April 26th

Call Anna @ 631-234-0714



Use the QR Code to submit your questions!!



#### Knights of Columbus



You are called - Join today! FREE 12-month membership

Visit kofc.org/joinus
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#### In Our Parish

Children's Liturgy!
This week we had 53 children (!!!!) that came and learned about Thomas, and how he came to believe that Jesus had truly risen!



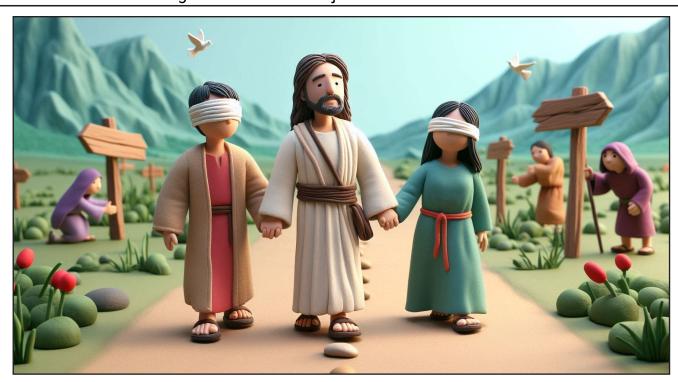








Children ages 4-8 are invited to join us each week at the 9:30 Mass!



#### Happening at St. Thomas More

#### Coming Up @ STM

Sun April 14th, 12:30pm Youth Group

Mon April 15th, 2:30pm Circle of Women Book Club

Mon April 15th, 6:30pm Bible Study w/ Fr Antony

Wed April 17th, 6:30pm Knights of Columbus Social Meeting

Thur April 18th, 5:30pm Children's Choir Rehearsal

Thur April 18th, 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Sun April 21st, after masses Hospitality Sunday

#### Weekly Mass Schedule

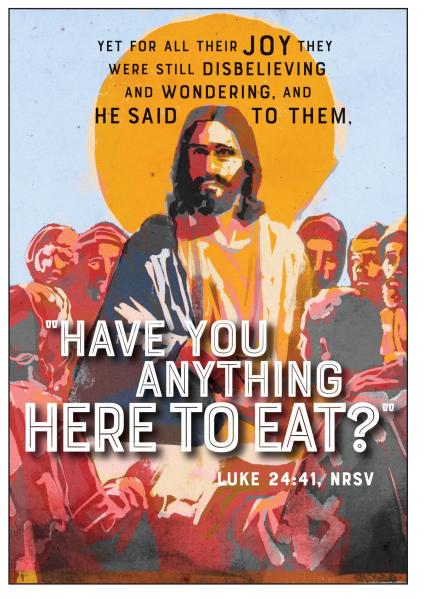
Monday-Friday 9:00 AM

> Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM

Confessions
Every Saturday
4:00 PM-4:45 PM





#### Spring Flower Sale 2024

Please write a quantity for flowers you are purchasing on the line next the 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	
WhiteSalmon	
Lavender	

Balkin Ivy Geraniums (8" Hanging Pot)
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Green Leaf/Pink Green Leaf/Mixed	
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Regonia

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Marigolds	
\$20.00/ flat	
Large Yellow Dwarf Yellow Dwarf Mixed	

<b>Geraniums</b> (6"Pots)
\$10.00
SalmonWhite PinkRed Blue Violet

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

## Hallow UPDATES

For the remainder of Easter, this page exist to offer updates and tips on usi the Hallow app to expand your prayer

As always, if you have any questions issues with the app, feel free to reach to Alex in the rectory...631-234-5551 rectory@stmli.org

#### We're not done yet!!

Hallow is still available, on the Parish, through Pentecost! If you have any issues, or the app requests you pay, simply go through the sign-up process again, and you'll be good to go until May 20th!

#### A note from Alex:

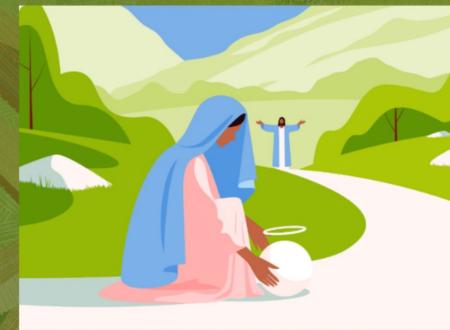
I am nagging the people at Hallow to get the analytics/data of our Parish use. As soon as I that information, I will publish it on this spread

Also, thank you to everyone for your kind we about this program. I am elated that so ma people are praying and learning with this a delving deeper into our faith!

# is a member of the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity. If you want to hear more from Sr Miriam, check out her section on the Hallow app, find her podcast at www.abidingtogetherpodcast.com, or follow her on Twitter/X, @onegroovynun To learn about her society, visit www.solt.net

### Marian Consecration with Sr. Miriam

Of the sessions during Pray40, Sister Miriam's Imaginative Prayer was one of most well received. If you enjoyed your tin prayer with Sr Miriam, consider trying 33-day Marian Consecration, which will I you right into May (the month of Mary



He Leadeth Me nave

#### How to Access Hallow Plus through Pentecost:

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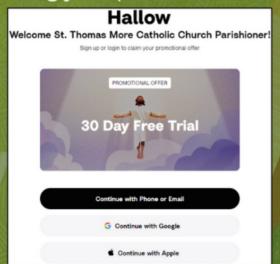
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2: Search for "Hauppauge" and select our Parish



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!



#### Liturgical Minister Training-Spring 2024

The Diocese of Rockville Center will offer training in Spanish and English for those who wish to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors. No walk-ins permitted, all participants must be registered in advance with a letter from their pastor.

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion**: Part A - This training is required for **all** those who are beginning as Ministers. This "BASIC" training is required for **all** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Those who wish to minister in hospitals, nursing homes and to the homebound are required to attend Part B training in addition to BASIC training. One **must** attend Part A training prior to Part B training. A **Lector Workshop** is available for both new and experienced lectors.

#### Dates and Locations for Liturgical Minister Training

#### **Training in SPANISH:**

- **Lector Workshop:** Sat., April 20 Our Lady of Loretto / Hempstead Divine Mercy Chapel 9:00 1:00 pm
- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Part A: Sat., April 27 - Our Lady of Loretto/ Hempstead – Divine Mercy Chapel 9:00 – 1:00 pm

#### **Training in ENGLISH:**

- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Part B presented in conjunction with Catholic Health
   Sat., April 27\* Immaculate Conception/Westhampton Beach Parish Hall; 1 4 pm
   Tuesday, May 14 St. Elizabeth / Melville Msgr. Kane Hall; 7 pm 10 pm
   Tuesday, June 4 St. Christopher/Baldwin McGoldrick Hall; 7 pm 10 pm

\*On **April 27**, we are offering Part A and Part B on the SAME day. Those who attend Part A in the morning are welcome to bring lunch or leave for lunch and return for the 1 pm Part B session. Please indicate if you are doing BOTH on your registration letter from your pastor. This will be in English only.

A letter from your pastor will be required to reserve your space at any of these trainings and must be received at least five days prior to the session you wish to attend. To request registration for any of these sessions, please contact your rectory. Do not call the host parishes with questions. For questions relating to the Spanish training, call Ingrid Oliva at 516-678-5800, ext. 560. For questions regarding the English training, call Suzanne Lynn at 516-744-6850. Thank you for your interest.

## Enjoy a Magical Tea! 12pm - 4pm Saturday, April 27, 2024

at St. Thomas More

A Variety of Teas

Sandwiches /

D<sub>esserts</sub>

Door Prizes

Raffles!

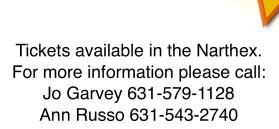
Entertainment



\$25 per person Children 12 & under \$10

Please bring your own Tea Cup

Hats encouraged!



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Detach here and return after Mass to the volunteer seated at the table in the Narthex or drop form and check off at the Rectory. Make your check payable to: SVdP - St.Thomas More Conference

Name	Phone:
Email:	# Attending

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Wednesday, April 24, 2024

1:30PM - 7:30PM

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Walden Hall



Please make an appointment by scanning the QR code or call 1-800-933-2566 or visit www.nybc.org. For medical eligibility please call 1-800-688-0900 Monday through Friday between the hours of 9am - 5pm.

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. For full list of COVID-19 safety protocols, please visit nybc.org/coronavirus.





#### **Youth Group - Crucifixes & Bible Investigating** April 7th, 2024

YOUTH GROUP ST.THOMAS MORE †

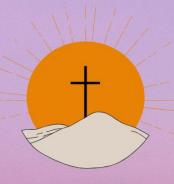












#### **Upcoming Meetings**

**Sundays 12:30-2:30** 

APRIL 14th-Easter Tide APRIL 21st-Revelation

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