



# Catholic Church Community of St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway  
Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

## Pastoral Staff

Rev. Antony Asir, Pastor  
Rev. Harold Noviello, Associate Pastor  
Deacon Robert D. Weisz  
Deacon Edward R. Vigneaux  
Deacon John S. Rapacki

## Religious Education

Patricia Chapin, Co-director  
Mary Ellen Carroll, Co-director

## Parish Outreach

Staffed by volunteers

## Music Ministry

Emilia Savarese, Facilitator

## Youth Ministry

Joe Gast, s.c., Youth Minister

## OUR PARISH SACRAMENTAL LIFE - EUCCHARIST

Weekend Masses: Saturday: 5pm  
Sunday: 8am, 9:15am, 10:45am, 12:15pm  
Weekday Mass: 9am, Monday through  
Saturday.

**BAPTISM**—As soon as your child is born,  
please call the Parish Office to make Baptism  
arrangements. Preparation session and  
welcoming Mass attendance are required.

**MARRIAGE**—As soon as a couple decides to  
marry, and BEFORE making any other arrange-  
ments, call the Church Office to schedule an  
appointment with the Parish Office or one of the  
deacons.

**RECONCILIATION**—Celebrated in Church  
every Saturday from 4pm to 4:45pm, or by  
previous appointment with Parish Office.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**—Call the Church  
Office to request visitation of the sick.

**CONFIRMATION**—Those who have not been  
confirmed should call the Parish Office to  
receive further information.

**HOLY ORDERS**—Contact the Parish Office for  
more information about the priesthood or  
diaconate.



## August 16, 2015 Twentieth 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.*

### Telephones:

Rectory—	234-5551	FAX 234-6412
Religious Ed—	234-0397	FAX 234-1199
Outreach—	234-3149	FAX 234-1199

## Masses for this coming week

**August 16, 2015**  
**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Proverbs 9:1-6**  
**Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7**  
**Ephesians 5:15-20**  
**John 6:51-58**

### **Saturday—August 15**

*(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm—Joseph San Filippo—for his birthday *by his wife and family*

### **Sunday—August 16—Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8am—Virginia Allen *by Linda & Joseph Lamberta*

9:15am—Fr. Peter O'Rourke (living)

10:45am—Deceased members of the Beltrani & Farella families *by Joseph & Anna Beltrani*; Lt. James Blackmore FDNY in memorial *by Don Flore*; Frederick Ernst *by Evelyn & Bob McMahon*; Ed Finn *by Angela Motyka & Bill De Gaynor*; Frances Hubbs (Columbiettes) *by the Kanes*; Dianne Mayberry *by Peggy Kane*; Regina Michalski *by the Dennis Chase family*; Agnes Slater *by Ed & Joan Carney*; William Tonyes *by Gary & Gina Poulin*; Christopher Weidig *by Jo Hauk*

### **Monday—August 17**

9am—Jude Thomas Keena

### **Tuesday—August 18**

9am—Edward Finn *by Maryann De Gaynor*

### **Wednesday—August 19—St. John Eudes**

9am—Eileen Grippo (5th Anniversary) *by the Grippo family*

### **Thursday—August 20—St. Bernard**

9am—Rose Coyle *by Mom & Dad*

### **Friday—August 21—St. Pius X**

9am—Christopher Weidig *by Augie & Betty Vrontdis*

### **Saturday--August 22—The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9am—Paul Coyle *by Judy Coyle*

*(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)*

5pm—Jaime Rodriguez *by parents & family*

### **Sunday—August 23—Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8am—Jane Waters *by Barbara Chase*

9:15am—Edward J. Crean Jr., *by Maureen Fallona*

10:45am—Joseph Giardino *by Augie & Betty Vrontdis*

12:15pm—Andy Caputo *by the Mileti family*; Rev. Sister Helene Fee, IHM *by the Kane family*; Sandra Kowalski *by the Kowalski family*; Scott Lally *by Aurelie & John Hendry*; Mary M. Lilly *by Mary Drake-Kowalski*; Vincenzo Mineo *by Edward Silva*; Peter Sanfratello *by*

## Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

**August 23, 2015**  
**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b**  
**Psalm 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21**  
**Ephesians 5:21-32**  
**John 6:60-69**

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

Many of Jesus' disciples who were listening said, "This saying is hard; who can accept it?"

Since Jesus knew that his disciples were murmuring about this, he said to them,

"Does this shock you? What if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail. The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life. But there are some of you who do not believe."

Jesus knew from the beginning the ones who would not believe and the one who would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by my Father."

As a result of this, many of his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him.

Jesus then said to the Twelve,

"Do you also want to leave?"

Simon Peter answered him,

"Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God."

### **Focus Questions:**

1. Describe a time when being part of the church was difficult and yet you stayed. Did you feel like Peter when he said "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

2. What is the hardest teaching of Jesus for you to follow?

3. What does your faith need at this time to make it stronger?

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

Invite a relative or friend who has been away from church to join you at Mass this weekend. Plan on having a meal afterward.

Mrs. Lamia

## PRAY FOR THE SICK



Mother Mary Angelica; Phil Bamonti;  
Richard Bamonte; Rita Basile; Mary Bein;  
Enza Bloise; Charles Boston; Donald Brassil;  
Mary Lynn Brassil; Baby Luke Brodersen;  
Mary Buono; Fred Busse; James Calandrella;  
Linda Sue Cappisillo; Joseph Carraba;  
Paul & Catherine Carlozzo; Elizabeth Casares;  
John Coen; Patricia Coleman; Donald J. Cooper;  
Edith C. Cooper; Mary Jeannie Corea; Norma Cottrell;  
Mrs. Edward Crollick; Patricia Culbert; Anne D'Auria;  
Debra Devaney; Anthony & Florence Donato;  
Palma & Dominic Di Vito; Walter Drechsler Jr.,  
Thomas Duffy; John Dunn; Brian Egan; John J. Foley;  
Mary Ann & Brian Foley; Lorraine Mango Follini;  
Nadine Follini; Sergio Franco; Fernando Francisco;  
Arlene Gaslow; Terance Gaslow; Baby Lila Mae Greene;  
Nicholas Gorton; Josephine Hafner; Mary Happe;  
Edward Harold; William Heidenreich; Diane Heron;  
Myla Hillman;  
Francis Hopkins Jr.; Irene Janis; Samantha Janowitz;  
Stephanie Kane; James Kavanagh; Kenneth;  
Jean Marsala-Kieffner; Elaine Kleinstaubert;  
Ann Kochaluba; Lauren Kubernat; Richard Landi;  
Morgan Leary; Wayne Leo; Angelo Levi;  
Nancy Link; William Link Sr.; Lauren Lossani;  
Olivia Macchio; Anna Mario; Mary Ellen McCarthy;  
Catherine McGuire; Connor McIntosh; Terri Ilardi  
McKee; Edward M. McManus, Jr.;  
Steven Mercado; Kathleen Morrissey; Sue Morrissey;  
Irene Mozdzer; Ellen Murphy; Victoria Nelson;  
Katharine & Wendel Nitz; Jean Noschese;  
Beatrice Okorn; Fr. Peter O'Rourke; Karen Owen;  
Joe P; Thomas Pacileo; John Pannone; Joseph Peter;  
Sherri Pawluk; Joseph Placa; Ross Placa;  
Josephine Poggio; Louis Pontillo; Joan Rathje;  
Jeanette Rivera; Joel Rivera; Richard Ronning;  
Victoria A. Russo; Carlos Sanchez;  
Dorothy Sauchelli Balin; Phyllis Savino;  
Jennifer Savarese; Gail Scarito; Patricia Schlake;  
Lawrence Shannon; Terry Shannon; Robert Smith;  
Patricia Stankes; Richard Stout; Rabbi Paul Swerdlow;  
Craig Teitler; Ida & Peter Trink; Daniel C. Trucano;  
Andrew J. Valentine; Andrew M. Valentine;  
Rose & Rudolph Valentino; Ronald Valerio;  
Gloria Verrelli; Helen Vrabell; Al Weidig; Greg Williams;  
Carmela Zeppetella; Susan Zulkofske

*We ask those who wish to have the sick listed in the bulletin to submit their names through the collection or drop the name(s) off at the Church Office. Please use the cut-out in the bulletin for your convenience. This listing will*

*expire on September 27, 2015. Please resubmit any names you wish to have continued.*

## PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

## FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

**A doctor was called in to see a very busy patient.**

"Well, sir, what's the matter?" the doctor asked cheerfully.

"That is for you find out" the patient snapped.

"I see," said the doctor. "Well, if you'll excuse me a minute, I'll phone a friend of mine, a veterinarian. He's the only man I know who can make a diagnosis without asking questions." Wisdom does not hide itself. Stupidity cannot reveal itself.

**This Sunday's readings describe the invitation of Wisdom** to the banquet of life. Whoever is not snobbish but humble will hear its invitation and cherish life. Whoever is not selfishly closed but open to Wisdom's invitation will live forever. Life is available to us to the extent we open ourselves to Wisdom. We reap what we sow in life. If we accept Wisdom in faith we will reap the fruits of Wisdom in life.

**In the Gospel, Jesus the living Wisdom of God invites** us to believe in him that He is the banquet of God offered for us humans. He offers himself as the food and drink which nourishes us, not only for this earthly life but for eternal life as well. We are what we eat, and we are promised by Jesus to become Jesus-like by eating Jesus, the food.

**We are created by God in God's own image.** Now God's own Son Jesus offers himself as God's food to nurture us. In the celebration of the mass we recall and re-enact the Last Supper. We re-celebrate his living presence in the Eucharist in the form of bread and wine. Thus in every mass the Wisdom of God, Jesus, invites us to his banquet. Let us be nourished by the Eucharist, the body and blood of Jesus in the form of bread and wine.

**Our annual Mgr. Francis S. Midura Memorial Golf Outing** will be on Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at the Rock Hill Golf course in Manorville. Volunteers will help you with Registration and Sponsorship. After playing golf, there will be a silent auction of sports memorabilia during dinner similar to the one last year.

If you are not a golfer you can support this parish fund-raising event by buying raffles. Raffle tickets are sold in the Narthex. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. First prize

is a \$1000 gift certificate for a Cruise, the Second prize is a Golf package at Shawnee Inn and the Third prize is an Apple I watch.

Our Golf committee is working hard for the success of this outing. Let us support them in 'sharing the spirit of Love' and in memory of our late beloved Pastor Msgr. Midura.

**You are invited to St. Thomas More Beach Mass and Picnic.** Please remember to mark your calendar for **September 13<sup>th</sup>** at Otto Schubert Beach, Nissequogue. We will start with Mass at noon followed by a picnic with burgers, hot dogs, chips, and beverages. Please fill the Response Form in the bulletin and be a part of the parish celebration at the beach.

To help us prepare enough food, please include a check for \$5 per person with your response. Your check will be returned to you at the picnic. Families with last names beginning with A-K please bring salad (no mayonnaise please) or a relish tray. Families with last names beginning with L-Z please bring dessert. Volunteers are needed. See the sign-up sheets in the Church Lobby or call Pam at 265 3060.

**OUR PRIEST CELEBRANTS** (*Subject to last minute changes*)

	<u>This Weekend</u> (Aug. 15/16)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (Aug. 23/24)
<u>Saturday</u>		
5:00 pm	Fr. Alex	Fr. Harold
<u>Sunday</u>		
8:00am	Fr. Harold	Fr. Alex
9:15am	Fr. Alex	Fr. Harold
10:45am	Fr. Harold	Fr. Irinel
12:15pm	Fr. Irinel.	Fr. Alex

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony

## PARISH OUTREACH



We hope you are enjoying and relaxing during these summer months. We appreciate your consistent and on-going support for our Parish Outreach program. We would just like to kindly remind you that we are in dire need of food supplies because our shelves are bare. During the summer months our children are not in school, and therefore they can't depend on the school system to feed them, so the demand for food placed on our Parish Outreach program is great. Any food that you can donate would be a big help for our parishioners who are in need.

In addition, we also are in great need of school supplies. The new school year will begin in less than a month so anything that you could donate would be greatly appreciated. When you are shopping please think about picking up some school supplies. If many people were to donate just an item or two we would be able to help out many children as they start the new school year. Once again we thank you for your continued support.

## St Vincent de Paul Conference

**HOW WE WORK:** The St Thomas More SVdP Conference works closely with Outreach. When the need goes beyond what they can do, they call us. Or, now that we have our direct telephone number (648-2760), we can be called directly by a neighbor in need.

Then, members of our conference arrange to meet with the caller in their home to better evaluate the situation. Paperwork must be completed to assist in the evaluation. Our goal is to assist where we can.

**WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING:** Summer is half over and our calls continue. Some of our neighbors have needed assistance with rent arrears and gas money.

**WHAT YOU CAN DO:** Please use, and or give our telephone number to any neighbor who you think could use our help (648-2760). Also, please e-mail us at [svdp.stm@aol.com](mailto:svdp.stm@aol.com) with any questions or ideas that you think may be helpful. Please do not forget to "Like Us" on facebook. Please pray for our conference that we may continue to "walk in the footsteps of Jesus."

**DONATIONS** can be made as follows:

Checks: SVdP St. Thomas More Conference

Cash: place in an envelope that notes SVdP.on front, and leave at the rectory.

**BECOME A VINCENTIAN:** The only requirement is to have a desire to help. Together, as a conference, we offer the many skills and resources that enable us to assist those in need in our community. If interested, just call or e-mail us.

## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

David Chester  
Carl F. Greiner  
Scott Lovelock  
Justin Schneider  
Christopher Day  
Thomas Nichols  
Kaitlyn Nachtman  
Adam Papaizai  
Jesse Bernstein  
Kyle Rathje  
William R. Rathje  
Timothy Fallon  
Tim Morris

John Chester  
Michael White  
Thomas LaFemina  
William Gregory  
Jason Doyle  
John Karies  
John Nachtman,  
Michael Poist  
Michael Polanski  
Ryan Smith  
Ethan Bernstein  
Philip Guidone  
Antonia Marie Rivera





Thomas Migliara      John Burk  
Michael Fensterer      Bryan Figueiredo

If you have a service member or know of someone who is serving our country and you would like to have their name added to this list, please submit their names through the collection basket or the Church Office. If a soldier has returned, let us know.

## **RESPECT LIFE NEWS**

**ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
**HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, September 1, 2015, at 7pm.**

### **PRO LIFE**

Come join us, be faithful to your faith; prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood abortion center, defend the defenseless, every Wednesday & Saturday 7:30 am till 11:00 am rain or shine, at 70 Maple Ave., Smithtown. Supporters from all denominations are welcome. The unborn need your support and help. For additional information, please contact Mary Ann & Al Rubenbauer at 864-1759.

### **NEW WEBSITE—ST. THOMAS MORE**

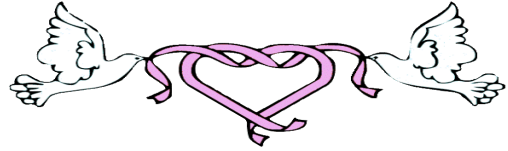
Did you know that St. Thomas More has a website? We've had one in various forms since 1996, but we have found that many parishioners don't always make use of it. Recently the STM Pastoral Council has been discussing social media and the Internet at length. Like most communities, we have a growing population of persons who use several types of electronic media to stay in touch with information and keep their lives organized. In order to more effectively communicate parish information, we will be making more use of Facebook and Twitter. We have also re-launched our website with a brand new design.

We even have a much easier to remember web address now: [stmli.org](http://stmli.org) (that stands for "St. Thomas More, Long Island").

The website can be viewed not only on your computer, but on a smartphone or tablet as well. You will be able to link to our parish Facebook page and get connected to the Facebook and Twitter accounts of our Religious Education program and our Youth Program.

We will have contributed articles and postings from several areas of the parish, including some of our ministries, and will have a calendar of events covering both regular events as well as the special ones that

take place during seasons such as Lent and Advent. There will be several other features added to site in the coming weeks. For now, make sure you check out the new site by going to [stmli.org](http://stmli.org) and bookmark it for future use.



This fall, couples who have been married fifty years or more will be honored at liturgies on **Sunday, October 4, 2015** at the Church of St. Rose of Lima in Massapequa and on **Sunday, November 8, 2015** at the Church of Christ the King in Commack. Both liturgies will begin at 2:30pm. *Couples may register for ONE liturgy.* Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory. Registration must be received by the Office of Worship by September 18th for the October 4th liturgy and by October 23rd for the November 8th liturgy. There will be additional celebrations in the spring for those who may find that more convenient. Dates for the spring celebrations will be communicated at a later time. If you have any questions you may call 1-516-678-5800, extension 207.

### **BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

*(First Notices)*

Matthew J. Batista of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and  
Melissa Sajewicz of St. Thomas More

Michael Jennosa of St. Thomas More and  
Vanessa Batista of St. Thomas More

### **NEW RECTORY HOURS**

As of August 31, 2015 the Rectory hours will be  
Monday—Saturday 9am—4pm.  
We will no longer be open in the evenings.



## ***Catholics for Freedom of Religion***

*"Freedom of Conscience" definition. The right to follow one's own beliefs in matters of religion and morality. Oxford Dictionary*

### **Atlanta Fire Chief Fired:**

Fire Chief Kevin Cochran lost his job because, on his own time, he self-published a men's devotional book that briefly mentions the biblical view of sex as reserved for marriage between one man and one woman. Cochran was ordered to complete "sensitivity training" after complaints from activists who objected to his Christian views. An investigation concluded that Cochran did not discriminate against anyone but the mayor fired him anyway.

"Your action against Chief Cochran appears to violate fundamental principles of free speech and religious freedom. The only way Chief Cochran could avoid his views would be to disown his religion..." said Georgia's congressional delegation.

Chief Cochran is appealing his termination. (ADF.org, 4/9/15; washingtonpost.com, 2/8/15)

### **Supreme Court Victory:**

A small church in Gilbert, AZ, uses signs to invite & direct the community to its services but was restricted to small, 6 sq. ft. 14 hour display temporary signs while home association 80 sq. ft., political 32 sq. ft., and ideological 20 sq. ft. signs are permitted for display indefinitely.

In a unanimous decision, the U.S. Supreme Court decisively affirmed that the government cannot play favorites when it comes to free speech. "The government (ordinance) cannot target one form of speech with severe restrictions while allowing more speech for others in similar circumstances," said Alliance Defending Freedom Senior Counsel, Jeremy Tedesco. (adfmedia.org, 6/18/15)

### **Mark your Calendar:**

\* Thursday, Sept. 10, 7:30PM, St. Patrick Church, 280 E Main St., Smithtown, NY 11787,

Thomas Renker, General Counsel of Rockville Center diocese, will speak on threats we are facing to our religious freedom.

\*Sept. 17, "Constitution Day", is to be observed in all public schools which are mandated to provide educational programming on the history of the U.S. Constitution adopted on September 17, 1787.



## **ANNUAL GOLF RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE NOW!**

**\$10 each—3 for \$20—on Sale After All Masses!**

**1st Prize: \$1000 Gift Certificate for a cruise of your choice**

**2nd Prize: \$500 Golf Package at Shawnee Inn on the Delaware**

**3rd Prize: Sport Model Apple 1 Watch - Valued at \$350**

Drawing to be held at September 17 Golf Outing

## **COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(First Notice)*

**Marian Healing Ministry—St. Anastasia's Church, 45-14, 245th St., Douglaston, Little Neck—Tuesday, August 11, 2015—7pm Rosary, Mass and Healing Service.** This Mass will be offered for couples trying to be parents. For further info please call 718-631-4454.

**Montfort Spiritual Center—Women of God** who desire to be filled with the Holy Spirit are invited to a weekend retreat at the Montfort Spiritual Center from Oct. 30th through Nov. 1st hosted by the *LI Women's Retreat Ministry*. Our Guest Speaker, Patricia Molnar, will present **"The Reed of God"**, a spiritual classic written in 1944 by Caryll Houselander. On this retreat we will look at **Mary**, the reed of God, waiting to be filled. Together we will look at how we too are called to be empty reeds so that we can share the same intimacy with Christ that Mary had. For more information please call Yvonne Bracone at 631-732-3574 or Nina McGe4e at 516-449-6197.

*(Second Notice)*

**Widowed, Divorced & Single Catholics of Long Island Non-Denominational—All are welcome—Meeting August 25, 2015 at 8pm at St. Frances de Chantal School, 1309 Wantagh Ave., Wantagh.** Please bring proof of single status to join. Refreshments served. For more info call Carol 516-794-4933 or Barbara 516-798-2858.

## **SUPPORT COLLECTION**

Collection of August 9, 2015

\$7,085.50



## **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.

We meet on the second Monday of the month at 2:30pm in Walden Hall. For further information and/or to register, call Marilyn at 234-5805 or Joan at 234-1739.

The Circle of Women will not meet during July and August. The next meeting will be on:

**September 14—The Sandcastle Girls**

by Chris Bohjalian—Facilitator—Marilyn Miller

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**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.

**CEREAL BOX TOP COUPONS**—Drop them off in the Church lobby drop-off box and we will use them to buy things for the students in our regional school.

**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>.

**HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL SCHOOL**, Commack, New York—Grades Nursery through 8th Grade. You may contact the school at [parents@holyfamilyregional.com](mailto:parents@holyfamilyregional.com) to schedule a tour of this parish's regional school, or visit the school website at [www.holyfamilyregional.com](http://www.holyfamilyregional.com)

## **E-MAIL & ADDRESSES**

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Youth Ministry Website—

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

Pat Chapin - [Pchapin@optonline.net](mailto:Pchapin@optonline.net)

Mary Ellen Carroll - [Mecarroll@optonline.net](mailto:Mecarroll@optonline.net)

Outreach - [Stmoutreach@optonline.net](mailto:Stmoutreach@optonline.net)

Joe Gast - [gast.joe@gmail.com](mailto:gast.joe@gmail.com)

Deacon John Rapacki— [deaconjohn@stmli.org](mailto:deaconjohn@stmli.org)

Altar Servers Ministry- [altarservers@stmli.org](mailto:altarservers@stmli.org)

Personal Prayer - [SpiritualOrientations.com](http://SpiritualOrientations.com)

To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following:

Barbara & Joe Fratamico—[BJFRAT@optonline.net](mailto:BJFRAT@optonline.net)

Youth Ministry Corner—If you have any questions about the program, please contact Joe Gast, Youth Minister.

## **Virtus Training**

All parish volunteers need to attend VIRTUS training.

If you have not yet attended this class, we will be having one here at St. Thomas More on Saturday, August 22nd from 10am to 12:30pm.

Call 234-0397 if you have any questions.

### **St. Joseph's Seminary**

*Offers the following graduate degrees –*

**MASTER of ARTS in THEOLOGY**

**MASTER of ARTS in PASTORAL STUDIES**

**MASTER OF ARTS IN CATHOLIC PHILOSOPHICAL STUDIES**

FALL SEMESTER BEGINS August 31, 2015

Courses in Mariology, Liturgy, Epistles,

Prophets, and Sexual Ethics

to name a few. Courses are open to those interested in pursuing a degree and those not necessarily seeking a Master Degree but looking to enrich their understanding of their faith.

**CONGRATULATIONS!****CALENDAR CLUB 2015****Here are the winners: August 9—15, 2015**

Sun. Aug. 9—#343—\$50—Mary Ellen Skryzpek  
 Mon. Aug. 10—# 97—\$25—Albert Mellina  
 Tues. Aug. 11—# 13—\$25—STM Maintenance  
 Wed. Aug. 12—#559—\$25—Thomas & Lee Ann Decillis  
 Thurs. Aug. 13—#413—\$25—Sal Napolitano  
 Fri. Aug. 14—# 923—\$25—Robert Cordina  
 Sat. Aug. 15—# 28—\$75—Marion Belmonte—Feast  
 of the Immaculate Conception

**THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE***(Not totally inclusive)***Sunday—August 16**

2pm—Baptisms—Church

**Monday—August 17**

7:30pm—Core Team Meeting—No Youth Ministry/WH

**Tuesday—August 18**

8am—Adventure Land for children volunteers

**Wednesday—August 19**

Knights of Columbus—Walden Hall

**Friday—August 21**

1pm—Young At Heart—Walden Hall

**Saturday—August 22**

10am—Virtus Training—Walden Hall

1pm—Private Baptisms—Church

**YOUNG AT HEART**

The next meeting of the Young At Heart will be on  
 Friday, August 21, 2015 at 1pm.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
REGISTRATION**Level 1 Communion (*1st Grade*) & New Families**Wednesday, August 26 — 7pm in the Parish Center.**

Please bring your child's original baptismal certificate.

Tuition: \$140 for 1 child, \$175 for 2 children & \$210 for  
 3 or more children in the program.



**St. Thomas More**  
**Monsignor Francis S. Midura**  
**Council 6062**

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**RCIA**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process through which adults decide if life as a Catholic Christian is for them.

For those not baptized or baptized in another Christian church, or baptized Catholics who have never received First Communion or Confirmation, and are interested in the process, please call the rectory at 234-5551. Have you or anyone you know had that little persistent feeling that you want to be a practicing member of the St. Thomas More Community? God might be inviting you to inquire about the Catholic Church through the RCIA process. Please call the rectory at 234-5551 for more information.

**Update on Fr. Peter O'Rourke**

You may have heard that Fr. O'Rourke suffered a stroke in the Philippines. He is now back in New York and wishes to thank all of you for your prayers. Please continue to remember him in your prayers.



## **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 Church Office)*

## **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:

- |                                                  |                                                |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Altar Server            | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Usher                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Greeter               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> RCIA                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Liturgy with Children |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lector                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Eucharistic Minister  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Consolation Minister    | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscaping/Planting  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rosary Altar Society    | <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Cana              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caring for Altar Plants | <input type="checkbox"/> FOCCUS                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Lending Library   | <input type="checkbox"/> Banner Committee      |

Name::

Address:

Phone:

## **CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2015**

<b>Our Parish Goal</b>	<b>\$69,300.00</b>
<b>Pledges to date</b>	<b>\$48,335.00</b>
<b>Percentage of Goal</b>	<b>69.75%</b>



## **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)*

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## **CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2015**

I/we would like to support the Catholic Ministries Appeal  
for 2015.

NAME(s) ADDRESS:

PHONE:

Amount of the pledge: *(Check one below)*

\$150 \_\_\_\_\_

\$300 \_\_\_\_\_

\$500 \_\_\_\_\_

\$1,000 \_\_\_\_\_

\$1,500 \_\_\_\_\_

\$2,500 \_\_\_\_\_

\$5,000 \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_ How much? \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please indicate)*

( ) Check for entire amount is enclosed.

( ) Installment enclosed. I would like to pay the rest

( ) monthly—10 payments

( ) bi-monthly—4 payments

( ) semi-annually—May & September

( ) I prefer to use a credit card. Information will be sent to you so that you can contact the CMA office directly.

*(Please return to the Church Office for further processing)*

## St. Thomas More Employment Services

\*Are you presently unemployed and looking for a part-time or full-time job? \* Do you have or know of any job openings? If so, call our Employment Services Office, 234.4629 and leave a message for Mae Devine or call Mae on Monday mornings. Calls are kept in strict confidence.

### **POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

**Animal Groomers**—Experience FT/PT Groomers—Smithtown area.

**Cablevision** - Account executives sales for potential customers—canvassing assigned territory— Excellent benefits. Understand state of the Art Digital Video - PC skills - outstanding benefits. Residential Account Executive— 4 days, 12-9, Sat. 9-6 —canvassing assigned territory for potential customers, follow up leads from customer contacts.

**Counter Servers**—(1) Busy Commack Bagel Store. Flexible Hrs. FT/PT. (2) **Counter/Kitchen**—Busy Hauppauge Deli Breakfast & Lunch—will train.

**John Esposito Memorial**— PT monument sales. Phone skills, computer—retirees welcome.

**Excelis**—North Amityville & Bohemia-Computer, Command Control-many depts., Hiring in Engineering. Software Assemblers,etc.

**Geico Insurance**—Sales reps, mgt trainees, claim services reps. —750 Woodbury Rd, Woodbury, NY. 9am –3pm, M-F, Open House, but apply on line first. Valid Photo ID required.

#### **Healthcare Opportunities -**

1. Good Samaritan Hospital, 631.969.8200
2. Mather Hospital, 631.476.2774
3. Brookhaven Hospital, 631.447.3708
4. Maryhaven, 631.474.4120, X212 - Contact Maryhaven directly

**Housekeepers** - FT/PT positions for small offices and homes.

**Long Island Federal Credit Union—Stony Brook**—Financial Service Assoc.; FT/PT tellers; Home Lending Officer.

**Hauppauge**—FT/PT Tellers & Member Ser. Specialist. **Massapequa & Sayville**— FT/PT Tellers.

**Newsday**—Senior Accountant—Assist in month end process—prepare & review balance sheets, inventory, etc.

Collators.\$10.73 per hr. Afternoon & evening shifts-must be able to work thru calendar year. HS diploma— 18 yrs.or older

—Accountant—Senior—assist journal entries, prepare & review accruals, inventory procedures, etc. 2 yr. experience, CPA preferred.

**Newspaper Delivery**—Excellent 2nd income—early AM hours—car & valid NYS license.

**School Bus Drivers**—Flexible hours—Bus Drvrs. & Van Drvrs. Excellent Benefits-Call now for training. Retirees welcome.

#### **St. Catherine of Siena—**

1. **Nursing Home**—Nurse Practitioners, RN supervisors, Recreation Therapists, FT/PT nights, P/T days and weekends, Rehab PT/FT—dietary;
2. **Hospital**—Lab Technologist & Medical Lab assistant. Physical Therapists
3. **Physical Therapy Aides**—PT/ Sport Services, Hauppauge. Mon. thru Fri., days and evenings.
4. **Nurse Manager**—MRI techs, CT techs, Lab techs.

**Telephonics**—Hiring-Engineers, Program Mg. Info. Technology Supply chain. Finance & Business Admin. In Aerospace, defensive work. Huntington & Farmingdale. Excellent benefits.

**Town of Smithtown:** PT certified teachers, teachers assistant & sub. before or after school programs Smithtown & Kings Park school districts.

**See “Civil Service Notice” posted on the bulletin board for future Civil Service Exams. For more information about any of the listed positions please call 234-4629. Note - All babysitting, infant child care, nanny, home care aides, etc. positions are in the child’s home. References are required for all of these positions including nursing aides, home health care aides, etc. It is the responsibility of the employer to check all references prior to hiring.**

\*\*\*\*We have a list of names of those willing to baby-sit in their homes.

\*\*\*\*We have a list of certified tutors for all Grades.