



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

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

May 7, 2017

Fourth Sunday of Easter



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

**May 7, 2017**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**Acts 2:14a, 36-41**  
**Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b4, 5, 6**  
**1 Peter 2:20b-25**  
**John 10:1-10**

### **Saturday, May 6**

#### ***(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)***

5pm Cecilia I. Halpin by *Lou & Emilia Savarese*

### **Sunday, May 7—Fourth Sunday of Easter**

8:00am Ana Cecilia Castro by *Milagros & family*

9:15am Bruce Kaires by *Rochelle & Marty Rouse & family*

10:45am Marina & Salvatore Coto by *Lou & Emilia Savarese*

12:15pm Cecilia I. Halpin by *the Recce family*

### **Monday, May 8**

9am Lydia Wieman by *Marilyn Miller*

### **Tuesday, May 9**

9am Lydia Wieman by *Lou & Ann Anatrella*

### **Wednesday, May 10—St. Damien de Veuster**

9am Lydia Wieman by *Tom & Fran Wieland*

### **Thursday, May 11**

9am Lydia Wieman by *Chris Paino & Joan Oscar*

### **Friday, May 12—Sts. Nereus & Achilleus, St. Pancras**

9am Mary Beth Weidig by *Lindsay Heller*

### **Saturday, May 13**

9am James Cussen Sr. by *James Cussen*

#### ***(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)***

5pm Charlie Barbieri by *the Benintendi family*,  
 Raymond Every by *Maureen Fallona*,  
 John Hickey by *Michelle Hamilton*,  
 Judy Granville by *Mr. & Mrs. Buynak*,  
 Martha J. Michalkewicz by *Laura & Ed Vigneaux*,  
 Baby Annabelle Savath by *Christine & Kevin Donnelly*,  
 Lydia Wieman by *Anthony Di Noto*,  
 Jennifer Woznick by *Kevin & Catherine Pearsall*,  
 Robert Wong by *John & Arlene Aspromgos*

### **Sunday, May 14—Fifth Sunday of Easter—Mother's Day**

8:00am Mother's Day Novena

9:15am Mother's Day Novena

10:45am Mother's Day Novena

12:15pm Mother's Day Novena

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

**May 14, 2017**  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
**Acts 6:1-7**  
**Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19**  
**1 Peter 2:4-9**  
**John 14:1-12**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John:

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places.

If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where I am going you know the way." Thomas said to him, "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him." Philip said to him, "Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you for so long a time and you still do not know me, Philip?

Whoever has seen me has seen the Father.

How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?

Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?

The words that I speak to you I do not speak on my own.

The Father who dwells in me is doing his works.

Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else, believe because of the works themselves.

Amen, amen, I say to you,

whoever believes in me will do the works that I do,

and will do greater ones than these,

because I am going to the Father."

#### **Focus questions:**

1. How do you live out Christ's trust in you?

2. Relate a time when a teacher/mentor told you that you would be on your own from now on. How did you react?

3. Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life..." What do those words mean to you?

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

Jesus told his disciples that they would carry on his works in service and through the sacraments. What works of mercy or service did you do this week?



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

Dear Friends,

**Melba: My husband was named 'Man of the Year.'**

Pam: Well, that shows you what kind of year it is been.

The fruit proves the quality of the tree.

**In today's Gospel, Jesus says,** "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly." In our life, as the fruit of the tree, Jesus is not to be just an existence but a life in abundance. Belonging to Jesus would render a life abundant in all aspects-- spiritual, mental and physical.

**Jesus calls himself the Gate and invites us** to enter through Him to feed on good pasture. In life there are many gates set before us. Each one of them may attract us and promise to offer everything for a happy life. They have their own human agenda in selling life's partial fulfilment

**Jesus the Gate is the opening to fulfill all that for which we are created.** It would bring us to the goal personally destined for each of us. In Jesus our individual self becomes the goal. We don't imitate anybody else. No one but Jesus alone becomes the way, the truth and the life for each of us. Our life becomes, not an existence according to any human agenda, but an abundant life according to Divine will after which each of us is created. The Lord is our Shepherd and in Him we will lack nothing. Let us enter the life of abundance through the gate of Jesus.

**Last Sunday I introduced the Capital Campaign which we have begun.** Our goal is to raise one million dollars to renovate our Sanctuary and to pave the parking lot. Letters of invitation are being sent to families for a meeting in the rectory where we will explain and request your cooperation with your time, talent and treasure. Thirty families have already made pledges which have brought \$250,000 to our Campaign. St. Thomas More is known for its generosity and family spirit. Let us participate enthusiastically in the campaign.

**We are the fruits of our past generations.** Similarly our future generations will be our fruit. We thank God for having guided us in the past. Let us surrender our present to His guidance. Let us pray to the Lord to guide and support our endeavors now. In gratefully surrendering our present to God, we form a powerful future in God's providence. Let us always prayerfully remember the words of Psalm 127, "Unless the Lord build the house, in vain is the builder's labor. Unless the Lord guard the city, in vain does the guard keep the watch."

**We thank Msgr. Ray Walden** for having celebrated mass with us and reminiscing with us. Fr. John, please come to us whenever you pass this way. We assure you both of our prayers for your priestly ministry.

With love and prayers,

Fr. Antony

### **PASTORAL STAFF**

Rev. Antony Asir, Pastor

Deacon Robert D. Weisz

Deacon Edward R. Vigneaux

### **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 arrangements, 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.

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Anthony Augugliaro  
Bernadette  
Joseph Bittner  
Jean Blaney  
Daniel Callihan  
Barbara Cappisillo  
Linda Sue Cappisillo  
Thea Constantatos  
Donald Crocker  
Caroline De Santis  
Amanda De Rosa  
Preston De Rosa (2 years old)  
Walt Drechsler Jr.  
Dominga Francisco  
Andrew Gallo  
Connie Gennaro  
Gerald Gilson  
John Hanna  
Olive Harrison (16 months)  
Tony Hollins  
Theresa Huebner  
Joseph Jacklets  
Suzy Johnson  
Kenneth  
Jean Marsala Kieffner  
Dr. C. Lalli  
Wayne Leo  
Nick Livote  
Phillip Lloyd  
Nicolas LoRusso (22 months)  
Cindy Mango  
Terri Ilardi McKee  
Marie Minutillo  
Rosie Miranda  
Ralph Molinaro  
Barbaralynn Moseman  
Beatrice Okorn  
Joseph P.  
Mary Ann Peet  
Mary Ruchalski (10 yrs. old)  
Elyse Schrage  
Daniel Skinnon  
Richard Stout  
Andrea Suess  
Chase Turano  
Andrew J. Valentine  
Andrew M. Valentine



*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 30, 2017.***

## PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Judy Granville, Stephanie Harrison, our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women.

## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Ethan Bernstein  
Jessie Bernstein  
Anthony Broncatello  
John Burk  
David Chester  
John Chester  
Nicholas Chester  
Theresa Chester  
Eddie Cullum  
Eric Cullum  
Christopher Day  
Timothy Fallon  
Bryan Figueiredo  
William Gregory  
Carl F. Greiner  
Philip Guidone  
Sean Hendrickson  
John Karies  
Michael Knipper  
Thomas LaFemina



Alex Lombardi  
Andrew Lombardi  
Scott Lovelock  
Thomas Migliara  
Tim Morris  
John Nachtman  
Kaitlyn Nachtman  
Thomas Nichols  
Adam Papaizai  
Michael Poist  
Michael Polanski  
Kyle Rathje  
William R. Rathje  
Antonia Marie Rivera  
Justin Schneider  
Christopher Sidor  
Ryan Smith  
Michael White

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.

## SOCIAL MEDIA & EMAIL

### Websites

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

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

### Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/StThomasMoreHauppauge/>

### Instagram

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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 Fratomico at [BJFRAT@optonline.net](mailto:BJFRAT@optonline.net)

## PARISH OUTREACH

Generosity continues to abound in our parish; our latest example is from Girl Scout Troop 428, who were very industrious in gathering 289 units of food and personal care items for our Outreach program. Thank you for your hard work!



There is an organization that is local whose mission is to mentor and make a difference in the lives of children who are adopted or in foster care. To that end, they are looking for volunteers to mentor these children. If you are interested, contact the Chance to Advance Center, at 60 Plant Avenue, Hauppauge., or call the program director, Demishia Owens at 631-648-2700 x 221.

Think about how fortunate we are, living on Long Island...we don't have those extremes of weather that seem to be rampant in other parts of the country; no floods, tornadoes, earthquakes or mudslides. We have sunshine, moderate rain, the occasional fog, and moderate temperature fluctuations. Life is good.

## St Vincent de Paul Conference

A point to ponder: from the Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47

"All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their property and possessions and divide them among all according to each one's need. Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes."

Sound familiar? It should, it was the first reading on April 22/23. This does sound like heaven on earth, but we are not there yet. That's why we ask for your help to assist our less fortunate neighbors.

Please pray for our neighbors in need and aid your St. Thomas Conference in whatever way you can. Thank you.

## Congratulations !

The following students of our parish have achieved the Honor Roll:

### Kellenberg High School

Brandon Popp  
Michael Popp

### St. Anthony's High School

Krista Aliscio	Morgan Lulley
Keira Baiz	Madison Lulley
Maggie Curley	Frank Massa
Patrick Curley	Colleen Mooney
Alexander Delgado	Terrence Mooney
Emily Gunsel	Brandon Mooney
Luke Gunsel	Nicole Palmer
Michael Haggerty	Danielle Pikulik
Lauren Haggerty	Brianna Popolizio
Alessia Iovane	Jennifer Thompson
Nicholas Jensen	William Waters
	Christopher Wendland

### THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

#### Sunday, May 7--2nd Collection Catholic Elementary Schools

9am--First Communion--Church  
12:15pm--First Communion--Church  
2pm--Baptisms--Church  
7pm--Youth Ministry--Walden/Kirwin/Kitchen

#### Monday, May 8

2:30pm--Circle of Women--Meeting Room

#### Wednesday, May 10

2pm--CFFR Meeting--Walden Hall

#### Thursday, May 11

5:30pm--Children's Choir Rehearsal--Church  
7:30pm--Choir Rehearsal--Church

#### Friday, May 12

1pm--Young at Heart--Walden Hall

#### Saturday, May 13

1pm--Special Tea for Women--Walden/Kirwin/Kitchen

## CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION



Catholics for Freedom of Religion

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

*"I believe the Bible is the best gift God has ever given to man."*

Abraham Lincoln

### Asking for Bibles After Losing Everything: Peru -

Inhabitants of a village devastated by recent floods asked Archbishop Eguren to help them get some Bibles. "They said the Word of God is essential for them and the continuity of the family catechetical programs ... they have implemented in their village," said an archdiocese spokesperson. "They are people of deep faith and despite everything they have suffered they have not lost hope"

(catholicnewsagency.com, 4/25/17; patheos.com, 4/25/17)

**Year of the Bible 2017:** For the second year in a row, Kentucky Governor Bevin declared the new year the "Year of the Bible 2017" after the proposal was brought forth by Democrat state Representative Tom Riner. Leaders in each county took 15 minute shifts with the goal of reading the entire Bible in Kentucky's Bible Reading Marathon.

**President Harry S. Truman** said, "The fundamental basis of our nation's law was given to Moses on the Mount. The fundamental basis of our Bill of Rights comes from the teaching we get from Exodus and St. Matthew, from Isaiah and St. Paul," said Gov. Bevin.

(christianpost.com, 12/23/16; governing.com, 12/23/16)

*"So great is my veneration for the Bible that the earlier my children begin to read it, the more confident will be my hope that they will prove useful citizens to their country and respectable members of society."*

John Quincy Adams

## RESPECT LIFE NEWS

### ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

HOLY HOUR: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at 7pm.

We pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet every  
**Wednesday, at 3:00 pm**  
in the Church.



## 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 2:30 pm in Walden Hall. For further information and/or to register, call Marilyn at 631.234.5805 or Joan at 631.234.1739.

The following book will be discussed on:

May 8--Lights Out by Ted Koppel--Facilitator: Joan Shea  
June 12--All the Stars in Heaven by Adriana Trigiani--Facilitator Jean Noschese

## Congratulations ! CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS

Here are the winners for April 30 - May 6, 2017

Sun..	April	30	\$50	#525	Madeline & Ed Drobinoko
Mon..	May	1	\$25	#532	Joan & James Murphy
Tues..	May	2	\$25	#16	John & Arlene Zuzzolo
Wed.	May	3	\$25	#865	Timmy Vigneaux*
Thurs.	May	4	\$25	#259	Phyllis Sivori*
Fri..	May	5	\$25	#192	Kevin & Jennifer Pearsall*
Sat.	May	6	\$25	#671	Carole & Warren Holtje



*Oops! We should not have drawn numbers for the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday). \*The winners drawn on those days will be awarded their prizes on May 4th, 5th & 6th. We regret the error.*



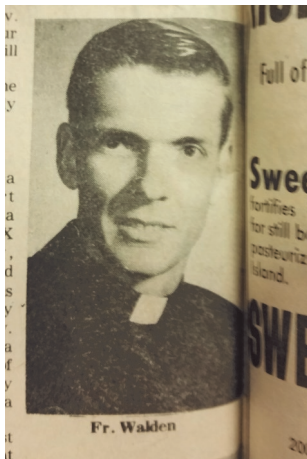
## Parish History Project

Thanks to the generosity of several parishioners to share their stories and their photos, we have accumulated a good amount of material for our documentary video. Yes, we are happy to take more items! We are now accepting photos from any period of time in our parish history.

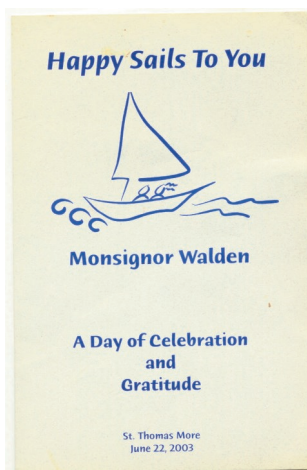
And we especially would love to speak with you if you would like to share your memories on camera about those early years, whatever your role in the parish was, even if you simply have a fond memory of a particular member of the clergy. This is a video documentary, so the more people we have that can add their slice of history, the better the video will be.

If you can help us out, please contact us at a special address we've set up: [history@stmli.org](mailto:history@stmli.org), or if you run into me, please feel free to speak about it directly. Thank you!

**Matt Surico**  
History Project Coordinator



Picture of Fr. Walden as it appeared on May 27, 1971, in the *Long Island Catholic*, on the occasion of his ordination to the priesthood



Cover of the booklet wishing Mgsr. Walden well at the celebration which concluded his pastoral assignment at St. Thomas More in June, 2003.

### **USING FAITH DIRECT?** - It's quick and easy!

Consider having automatic deductions from either your checking or savings or use a credit card to support St. Thomas More each week. With Faith Direct, there is no fee to you! Please visit the Faith Direct website at [www.FaithDirect.net](http://www.FaithDirect.net) to sign up: our church code is **NY227**. You may also use the form located where you obtain the bulletin. 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.

**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 the parish's regional school, or visit the school website at [www.holyfamilyregional.com](http://www.holyfamilyregional.com)

**USED EYE GLASSES**—The Volunteer Optometrist Service to Humanity (VOSH) is a group of Ophthalmologists/Optometrists who volunteer their time and professional skills each year for two weeks in Peru. They go to rural mountainous regions and provide optical treatment and/or eye surgery to the local villagers who live in abject poverty. The glasses donated are refurbished. After an eye exam, the villagers are given glasses closest to their prescription. If you have any old glasses lying around, please put them to good use by donating them to our church.

## ***COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS***

*(First Notice)*

**Men's Forum at Saints Philip & James Church, St. James, NY: Monday May 15, 2017. 6:30 pm—Adoration & Rosary; 7:30 pm Speaker Talk; 8:30 pm Coffee & Cake.** Special Guest Speaker: Fr. Guy Sylvester, (originally from Old Bethpage Long Island), Parish Administrator, St. Joseph Church, Washington, NJ. Title of Talk: "Real Men Are Devoted to Mary"

**Christ the King Church--Commack--Taizé Prayer-- "Around the Cross"--Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 7 pm.** Join us for a candlelight prayer service to help us reflect on the mystery of the cross and the glory of the resurrection. Consider setting aside 45 minutes to join us in this beautiful form of prayer. For more information contact Joseph Smaldino at 631-864-1623 or email [jsmaldino@ctkrcc.org](mailto:jsmaldino@ctkrcc.org)

**Bereavement Support Group--St. Mary's Parish in East Islip--**free 6-week support group for adults coping with the death of a loved one. Registration is required for this group which begins on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 from 7 to 9 pm. Refreshments are included. In order to participate in this group, the death must have occurred prior to February 23, 2017. For information and/or registration, please call the rectory at 631-581-4266, ext. 100.

**Kellenberg Memorial High School Reunions for Classes of 1997, 2002, and 2012**

**On Saturday, June 24, 2017, the classes of 1997, 2002, and 2012 will celebrate their 20, 15, and 5-year reunions.** The evening will begin with Mass at 6PM, followed by cocktail receptions from 7PM to 10PM. Invitations have been mailed. If you did not receive one, please update your mailing address by emailing [alumni@kellenberg.org](mailto:alumni@kellenberg.org). You may also find more information or register online by visiting [www.kellenberg.org/reunion](http://www.kellenberg.org/reunion). Please also save the date for reunions for the classes of 1992 and 2007, which will be held on September 9, 2017!

*(Second Notice)*

**Complimentary Estate Planning Seminar--Gurwin Jewish Nursing & Rehabilitation Center--**(68 Hauppauge Road, Commack). **"Costly mistakes Families make in their Estate Plans" Thursday, May 4 from 6:30 - 7:30 pm.** Light refreshments will be served.

**Programs at the Ronkonkoma Cenacle:**

**Sat., May 6: 1 pm - 4 pm --Maude Adams House, 12:30 pm arrivals & refreshments--FETTERED OR FREE--**

Once surrender has occurred for a primary addiction and the person is on the road to recovery with quality sobriety, awareness and vigilance are imperative to recognize another still present "ism" which may surface in any number of ways, e.g. other addictions, obsessions, compulsions and/or dependencies. We will examine how this cunning disease may present itself. **Presenter: Sr. Barbara Medvesky, cfsn. Offering: \$35 (\$15 deposit required to hold reservation).**

**Sun., May 7: 1 - 4 pm--Retreat Center, 12:30 pm arrivals & refreshments--SEND ME AN ANGEL!** We all have a guardian angel! This workshop will be a healing time of spiritual alignment as we place our hopes, prayers and questions upon angel wings. Paul will integrate music, prayer, meditation and time to connect with the love messages and wisdom of the messengers of God as we explore the questions at the center of our hearts. A healing day of hope and renewal! **Presenter: Paul Alexander, LCSW. Offering: \$25 (\$15 deposit required to hold reservation).**

**Sun., May 14: 10 am - 4 pm at the Retreat Center, 9:30 am arrivals and refreshments--A DAY TO MOTHER ME--** This day is for Twelve Step women only. Program includes engaging presentation, process time and opportunity for integration. **Presenter: Ann Schehr, LMHC, CRC. Offering: \$50 (\$15 deposit required to hold reservation).**

**Thursday, May 18: 10:30 am - 1:30 pm at the Retreat Center, 10 am arrivals & refreshments. LIFE'S CALLING YOU --COME, FOLLOW CHRIST... Morning for Seniors--Gathering in Love & Joy: Encountering the Risen Christ.** With open hearts, let us discover how our ordinary life is an extraordinary gift! In Christ, grace deepens our awareness of all we have been given, even now pouring out to the eternal life. **Presenter: Carmela Bergman, Cenacle Staff Associate. Offering: \$25--Lunch included. Reduced rate for seniors (\$15 deposit required to hold reservation).**

**Shrine of Our Lady of the Island--Fatima Day-100 years--Saturday, May 13, 2017. 10 am--Procession & Prayer @ Rosary Walk; 11:30 am Mass at the Rock; 1:30 pm Conference; 3 pm Consecration of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.** Hosted by Legion of Mary-Regina Cordium Praedisiium--258 Eastport Manor Rd., Manorville, Tel: 631-325-0661.

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church--Gala Spring Chinese Auction--Sunday, May 21.** Doors open 1:45 pm; Auction begins 2:45 pm. Admission \$10 includes 25 tickets, coffee & cake. Over 100 new prizes, 50/50, lottery tree. Event held at 800 Portion Rd., Lake Ronkonkoma--Parish Hall.



**Telecare**, your Television Network of the Diocese of Rockville Centre hosts the Telecare 2017 Golf Classic, on Tuesday, May 9th, 2017. Telecare's Classic is played simultaneously on 2 prestigious North Shore courses. Proceeds from the event enable this important ministry of our diocese to continue to provide Catholic Liturgy and Programming to Long Island and beyond, through television, web streaming, and social media. Telecare especially provides a unique connection between our diocese and our homebound, hospitalized, rehabilitative facility residents, and our military parishioners, both home and abroad. This year, Reverend Monsignor James Vlaun is pleased to announce Philip Westerman as event Chairman and Peter and Lisa Realì as event Honorees. Visit Telecare's website at [www.telecaretv.org](http://www.telecaretv.org) or contact Dawn-Marie Feiler, Golf Classic Coordinator at [dmfeiler@telecaretv.org](mailto:dmfeiler@telecaretv.org) for golf, dinner, underwriting, raffle, and in-kind donation information.



### H.Y.O. Women's Softball:

Registration is now open for  
**our Summer league for**  
Hauppauge School District  
residents age 30 and over.  
Come out and join the fun!

You'll see many St. Thomas More parishioners out on the field!

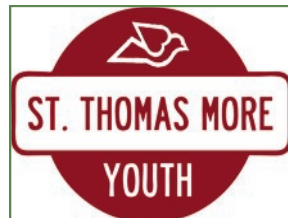
Go to [hyosoftball.com](http://hyosoftball.com) for more information and registration form or contact Michele Bento at (631)938-6496, email: [hauppsb2017@yahoo.com](mailto:hauppsb2017@yahoo.com).  
Deadline for registration is June 15, 2017.  
(Register by **May 15** for a \$10 discount!)

## SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of April 30, 2017-- \$8,414.50

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.

## YOUTH MINISTRY CORNER



Our Registration Forms are already online for download and can be dropped off in the Parish Office or brought to Youth Ministry. Please access [www.stthomasmoreyouth.org](http://www.stthomasmoreyouth.org) and look under FORMS.

We are always in need of additional adults who would like to serve our young people with love, faith and joy. Please reach out to Joe if you would be interested in joining our Youth Ministry team!

## CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2017

as of April 26, 2017

<b>Our Parish Goal</b>	<b>\$68,500.00</b>
<b>Pledges to date</b>	<b>44162.08</b>
<b>Percentage of Goal</b>	<b>64.5%</b>



## OUR PRIEST CELEBRANTS

(Subject to last minute changes)

	<u>This Weekend</u> (May 6/7)	<u>Next Weekend</u> (May 13/14)
<b>Saturday</b>		
5 pm	Msgr. Walden	Fr. Antony
<b>Sunday</b>		
8:00am	Fr. Antony	Msgr. Boccafolo
9:15am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
10:45am	Msgr. Boccafolo	Fr. Antony
12:15pm	Fr. Fred	Fr. Fred

## ***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:

## ***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 2017***

**I/we would like to support the Catholic Ministries Appeal for  
2016.**

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**

**AHRC (Advantage Care Health Center)** Teachers Aides/Assistants--Special Ed- Mon-Fri 3-6 pm. Direct Support Professionals. Family Nurse Practitioner--Comprehensive Benefit Package.

**Bethpage Federal Credit Union**--PT Tellers, Outside Mortgage Loan Financial Consultant--Digital Banking--Good Benefits.

**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.

**Catholic Health Services of LI** 1) Openings-Client Services-Patient Financial Systems & several others. Competitive Benefits.

2) Superintendent Helper Male. Central Islip Condo-Windbrooke Homes drivers lic., \$12.00 per hr.--15 hrs.

**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.

**Harris Technology- North Amityville**--Engineers, Schedulers, Estimators, Technicians. Excellent Benefits.

#### **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

**Newsday Media Group**--Account executives for sales. Excellent benefits including matching 401K

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

**New York Community Bank**--Auditors, Financial Service System Engineer, Locksmith & Maintenance Mechanics--Excellent Benefits.

**Panera**--Now hiring FT/PT Associates, Bakers and Shift Supervisors.

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

**Suffolk Bus Drivers**--Suffolk Co. Bus Company hiring drivers. Contact Suffolk Bus Company.

#### **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.

**Teachers, Teacher Assistants & Substitutes**--Town of Smithtown & Kings Park. High School Diploma, 2 yrs. Exp. - before & after school.

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.



## ST. THOMAS MORE SPRING FLOWER SALE 2017

<i>Please indicate quantity next to each color</i>				
Million Bells Petunia: - 8" hanging pots - \$13				
Colors: ____ Pink		____ Purple		
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$13 each = \$_____				
New Guinea Impatiens - 8" hanging pots - \$13				
Colors: ____ Red	____ White	____ Lavender	____ Salmon	
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$13 each = \$_____				
Ivy Geraniums - 8" hanging pots - \$13				
Colors: ____ Red	____ Pink	____ White	____ Lavender	
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$13 each = \$_____				
Impatiens Big Bounce - 6" pots - \$7				
Colors: ____ Red	____ White	____ Violet	____ Lilac	
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$7 each = \$_____				
Geraniums - 6" pots - \$7 per pot				
Colors: ____ Red	____ White	____ Violet	____ Pink	____ Salmon
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$7 each = \$_____				
Marigolds - 48 Plant Flats - \$13 per flat				
Large: ____ Yellow	Large: ____ Orange			
Dwarf: ____ Orange	Dwarf: ____ Yellow	Dwarf: ____ Mixed		
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$13 each = \$_____				
Begonia - 48 Plant Flats - \$13 per flat				
Colors: ____ Red	____ Pink	____ Mixed		
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$13 each = \$_____				
Vinca - 48 Plant Flats - \$13 per flat				
Colors: ____ Mixed	____ Lilac			
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$13 each = \$_____				
Dahlia - 48 Plant Flats - \$13 per flat ( <b>Mixed Only</b> )				
TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$13 each = \$_____				
<b>All Order Will be Ready for Pick Up on the Weekend of May 13 &amp; 14 Before and After All Masses</b>				
<b>Turn page over to complete order form</b>			<b>More on Back</b>	

# ST. THOMAS MORE SPRING FLOWER SALE 2017

<b>Perennials - 8" Pot \$10.00</b>				
____ Black Eyed Susan - \$10.00				
____ Blue Salvia - \$10.00				
____ Butterfly Bush - \$10.00				
<b>TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$10 each = \$ ____</b>				
<b>Herbs - 4 1/2" Pot - \$4.00 per pot.</b>				
____ Basil	____ Parsley	____ Rosemary	____ Thyme	____ Oregano
<b>TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$4 each = \$ ____</b>				
<b>Vegetables - 6 plants per pack - \$5</b>				
____ Large tomato	____ Plum tomato	____ Eggplant	____ Cucumber	
____ Cherry tomato	____ Zucchini	____ Bell peppers	____ Cubanella	
<b>TOTAL ORDERED ABOVE "x" \$12 each = \$ ____</b>				
<b>Vegetables - 6 Packs -\$10.00</b>				
2 Basil		2 Large Tomato		
2 Parsley		2 Cherry Tomato		
2 Roma Tomato		2 Plum Tomato		
<b>\$10 x ____ = \$ ____</b>		<b>\$10 x ____ = \$ ____</b>		

**GRAND TOTAL ENCLOSED = \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**NAME: \_\_\_\_\_**

**HOME PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_**

*Please place Order Form in envelope marked "Flowers" and return to Church Office or place in collection with Payment **by May 7, 2017***



St. THOMAS MORE  
COLUMBIETTES  
PRESENTS

# **SATURDAY NIGHT at the RACES**

**MAY 20, 2017**

6:00 PM - 11:00 PM

ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH  
115 KINGS HWY, HAUPPAUGE

CONTRIBUTIONS \$15.00 PER PERSON

\*\*\*\*\*SUPER HERO, SALADS, DESSERTS,  
Soda, Beer, Wine AND Coffee/Tea\*\*\*\*\*

FOR TICKETS OR INFORMATION  
PLEASE CONTACT :

**WILLY FERRARA 631 806-4628**

OR

**MARIE UTTER 631 234-4102**



# Military Bridge

Friday, June 9, 2017

## St. Thomas More Outreach

In Walden Hall (The White Room)

Doors Open: 6:30pm

Instruction: 7:00pm

Game Begins: 7:30pm Sharp

### Come Join the Fun!

Chinese Auction—Game Prizes

Door Prizes—Refreshments

(Wine, Cheese, Coffee, Desserts)

**All for \$20 per person**

This is a simple card game that everyone can learn—A great way to mix and mingle with your parish friends (and you don't even have to SALUTE!!!)

Tickets on Sale weekends  
after masses

**NO TICKETS SOLD AT  
DOOR**



# Join us for a “Super-cala-fragilistic-expialidocious” time!

1pm - 4pm Saturday, May 13, 2017  
At St. Thomas More Church



## Grandmothers, Mothers, Daughters, Friends! **A Special Tea for Women**



- A Variety of Teas / Finger Sandwiches / Desserts
- Bring your own Tea Cup
- Dress for the social event of the season
- Hats encouraged!

\$15 per person

*\* Girls 10 & under 1/2 price (\$7.50)*

For more information please call:  
**Ann Russo 631-543-2740**

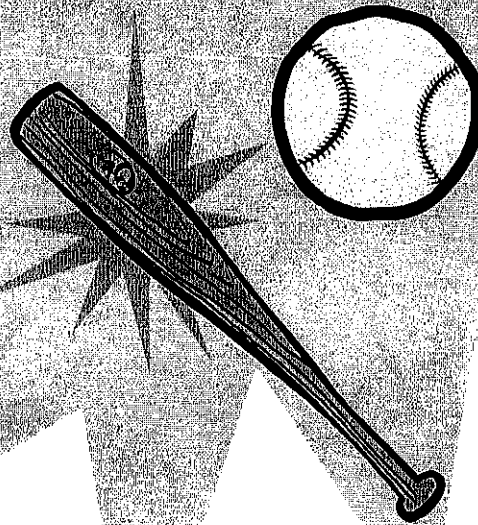
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Detach here and return after Mass to the volunteer seated at the table in the Narthex or drop form and check off at the Rectory.

Make your check payable to: St. Thomas More Church

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Ladies Attending \_\_\_\_\_

# **Heroes of the game**



**The Long Island Ducks and Suffolk  
County Executive Steve Bellone are proud  
to honor Veterans**

2 Veterans will be honored per home game with  
each veteran receiving 10 complimentary  
tickets to the game for family and friends

Contact Suffolk County Veterans Service Officer  
Melissa Pandolf for more information  
631-853-VETS



Name  
Phone  
Address  
Email

Preferred date

Which branch of the military did you serve in?

- What were your dates of service?
- What rank did you attain?
- Did you receive any medals, awards, or honors for your service and, if so, what were they?
- Are you presently involved with any veterans or community service organizations and, if so, which ones?
- Are you presently employed or retired, and what is/was your occupation?
- Do you have any hobbies you like to pursue in your spare time?
- Is there any other information you would like to pass along in addition to the aforementioned?

# **St. Thomas More Church**

## **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Golden Jubilee Capital Campaign**

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### **Capital Campaign Set to Begin**

#### **The Challenge Awaits Us**

As outlined at all masses last weekend by Fr. Antony, our parish is embarking on a capital campaign to raise \$1.0 million in pledges to be payable over the next three to four years. Our Church building is in need a variety of improvements and enhancements and our parking lot needs to be repaved. We have completed a comprehensive feasibility study seeking your input and suggestions and have received approval from the Diocese of Rockville Centre to proceed.

### **Over \$270,000 Pledged!**

#### **Thank you – Thank you – Thank you**

On behalf of Father Antony and the campaign committee we thank you for your support. As of this past week, 41 families have returned their pledge for a total of \$273,100. In the upcoming weeks every family is encouraged to consider making a generous pledge of support payable over a period of three to four years. **The campaign is being conducted on the basis of equal sacrifice, not equal giving.** Not every family can make the same size pledge, but every family can make the same size sacrifice.

### **Campaign Presentations Begin!**

All parishioners have been invited to attend a short presentation to learn more about the important details of our campaign.

**Please join us on one of the following dates:**

**Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in the Rectory**

**Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in the Rectory**

**Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am in the Rectory**

**Or**

**In the Church after all of the  
Masses on the weekend of June 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>**

## Congratulations!

We would like to thank our Level II Communion Catechists & Coordinator,  
Antoinette Frumusa, who have worked with such loving dedication to bring the  
Communicants to this sacred moment.

*Annabel Adamo • Lindsay Adams • Ava Andriano • Carlos Argueta  
John Arlonitis • Tyler Babich • Rickee Balanda • Andriana Bisono  
Brianna Camilleri • Jacob Caradonna • Eddy Catalan-Castro  
Juan Catalan-Castro • Nicolette Cataldo • Aidan Carallo • Mario Chávez  
Khloe Collins • Sophia Cotgreave • Dominic Fozzi  
Deran Delarosa • Charlotte Derby • Lucas DiClemente • Ryan Dobbs  
Samantha Douglass • Joanna Dove • Ella Egan • Gianna Falcone  
Vincent Farina • Dominic Fernandez • Nicholas Ferraro • Briella Fields  
Jason Francisci • Mia Fusaro • Hudson Gaudio • Emma Gill  
Julianne Heck • Liam Heck • Kevin Hoeler  
Braden Hogan • Avery Hores • Grace Katchen • John Kogel • Brady Kraus  
Gabriella Lanfranco • Kyle Loccisano • Grace Lynch  
Brian Magill • Kyle Magill • Maxwell Mansi • Sofia Mariani  
John Martinez • Ryder McMahon • Anthony Mediate • John Menendez  
Madelyn Mileo • Michael Miller • Cecelia Moccia  
Ava Mooney • Christian Mooney • Kate Mullen • Maddalena Niola  
Garin O'Brien • Liam O'Connor • Isabella O'Neill • John Passanante  
John Piantieri • Katherine Distritto • Julianna Postilio • Ashley Prihodka Aeryn Regan • Antonio  
Rivera • Sophia Rogowski • Logan Rosenwald  
Gianna Rusche • Ryan Russo • Sofia Salzillo • Jaden Satriano  
James Schofield • Maximus Villarico • Jenna Williamson  
Madelyn Wilson • Ethan Wukich • Logan Wurtz*

## **Last Call to All Married Couples for the Mass on June 11, at 12:15**

St. Thomas More, our patron, was a man of great faith, a lawyer and family man. Born in 1478, he married Jane Colt in 1505. She died in 1511 and he soon married again, Alice Harpur Middleton. He was considered a doting father, often writing letters to his five children when he was away on business. More was a man of tremendous integrity, and died as a martyr for our faith.

Our parish has been dedicated to him for the past 50 years, and we have celebrated many sacraments. As part of this year's Golden Jubilee we are planning a Mass for ***all Married Couples in our parish***, on:

Sunday, June 11, 2017, at 12:15pm.

Light refreshments will follow the Mass. Your families are welcome as well.

If you are planning to attend this celebration, or if you know of a couple who was married here and has since moved away, please fill out the coupon below and drop it in the basket or send it to the rectory so we can plan ahead. We need your responses by **May 21, 2017**. Thank you.

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Names

Address

Telephone

Church and Date of Wedding





**TEATRO EXPERIMENTAL YERBABRUJA, INC.**

*...connecting performance, community, & education*

**For Immediate Release**

**Contact Parade Organizer Teatro Experimental Yerbabruja:**

Margarita Espada, cell/text 631-626-3603

Steve Bard 631-231-7460, cell/text 631-335-4253

**\*\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\*\***

**It's Almost Time for the 51st Annual Puerto Rican/Hispanic Day  
Parade in Brentwood ... and it comes none too soon!**

Get ready to celebrate the oh-so-special 51st anniversary of Long Island's largest parade by far, the Puerto Rican/Hispanic Day Parade in Brentwood.

The Parade will take place ... rain or shine ... on Sunday June 4, starting at noon and ending at about 3 p.m. With tens of thousands lining the Parade route along Fifth Avenue in Brentwood, thousands of marchers will head north almost 1½ miles from the Southern State Parkway service road to 4th Avenue, with floats, music, dancers, and all manner of general revelry.

Why special? While celebrating once again the richness of the Puerto Rican and other Latino cultures, this year's event is intended to focus as well on other community-building goals: The role that ever-growing unity and cohesion among our area's culturally diverse residents can play in standing up against gang violence; and the need to stand up for our brothers and sisters in Puerto Rico during the ever-worsening crisis that exists on that beautiful island.   +++   This year's Parade honorees reflect our multiple goals:

- Grand Marshall: Monica Martinez, Suffolk County Legislator
- Presidential Award: Anthony Garcia, Organizer, SEIU Local 1199
- Grand Champion Award: David Sperling, Immigration Attorney
- Social Justice Award: Osman Canales, Founder, Long Island Immigrant Student Advocates
- Godmother: Sonia Palacio, Mental Health Counselor



And there are related pre-Parade events well worth attending: Our Yerbabruja Arts Center at 63 Carleton Avenue in downtown Central Islip will host (1) from 7 p.m. on Saturday May 20, a Parade Honorees reception; and (2) from 7 p.m. on Wednesday May 31, a serious and timely conference discussing the history of U.S.-Puerto Rico relations and Puerto Rico's current severe crisis.

We'd love to have you participate as a Parade/ Parade Journal sponsor, or as a marcher. Check our web site or Facebook page for details.

(See enclosed recent parade photos)









