

Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

115 Kings Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788-4221

February 11, 2018

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



"BE MADE CLEAN"

MARK 1:41

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

February 11, 2018
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46
Psalm: 32:1-2, 5, 11
1 Corinthians 10:31--11:1
Mark 1: 40-45

Saturday, February 10

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm Nani (living) *by Augustyn Keena*

Sunday, February 11--Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Monique Tartt *by Tito & Titi*

9:15am Yvon & Bradley Cantave *by Yvette Cantave*

10:45am May DiGirolamo *by Michael & Vivian Jacobs*

12:15pm James Visvardis *by Barbara Gleason*

Monday, February 12

9am Terri Hillebrand *by Bob Aberle*

Tuesday, February 13

9am Theresa Vogt *by Ruthann McDonald &
Judy Coyle*

Wednesday, February 14--Ash Wednesday

9am Margaret Peeis. *by Lee & Bob Tryka*

12:15pm Service

4:30 pm Service

7pm Theresa Vogt *by Lou & Emilia Savarese*

Thursday, February 15

9am Alice DiStefano *by Maria Rotolico*

Friday, February 16

9am Matthew Casey McDonald *by Mom*

7pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, February 17

9am Msgr. Robert J. Kirwin

(Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

5pm Patricia Gallagher *by John Sheehan,*
 Arcadia Garcia *by the Court family,*
 Joseph Giardino *by the Giardino family;*
 Madeline Merkle *by Susan Davanzo;*
 Gino Roselli *by Robert & Carolyn Purcaro*

Sunday, February 18--First Sunday of Lent

8:00am Msgr. Robert J. Kirwin

9:15am Theresa Fallon *by the Nordin family*

10:45am May D. DiGirolamo *by Barbara & Joe Fratamico*

12:15pm John Butler *by Peggy Scharf*

Growing through the Sunday Scriptures

February 18, 2018
First Sunday of Lent
Genesis 9:8-15
Psalm: 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
1 Peter 3:18-22
Mark 1: 12-15

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark:

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God:

"This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

Focus questions:

1. Describe a time when you experienced an angel in your life.
2. What does God ask of you this Lent? What do you ask of God?.
3. Relate a time when you felt the Spirit was moving you to do something or go to a certain place.

Family and children's question:

Recall a Lenten experience that had a lasting impact on you.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Joan Popp Maniuszko, our deceased loved ones and our deceased servicemen and women

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(First Notice)

Marian Healing Ministry--Healing Mass at 7pm--Feb. 13 at St. Anastasia's Church, Douglaston, Little Neck.

St. Joseph Renewal Center--26 South Saxon Ave., Bay Shore--

Ash Wednesday Day of Prayer--Feb. 14th from 10 am to 3 pm. Offering: \$50.00 includes lunch. Presenter: Josephine Daspro, CSJ

Lenten Prayer on Fridays "Deepening our experience of Faith in God by using the images in the movie THE SHACK"--Feb. 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23 from 10:30 am to 12 noon. Offering: \$20.00 per session.

Facilitator: Josephine Daspro, CSJ

Lenten Retreat Weekend--"Transcending Suffering: Finding Meaning in Suffering" - March 9 - 11, 2018.

Offering \$200.00 for the weekend. MUST BRING YOUR OWN TOWELS & WASHCLOTHS. NONE ARE PROVIDED. BEDDING IS PROVIDED ONLY.

Presenter: Josephine Daspro, CSJ

Single, Widowed, Divorced or Separated Catholics of Long Island--A Social Organization for Single Persons--Meeting on Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at 7:30 pm.

St. Frances De Chantal School, 1309 Wantagh Ave., Wantagh. Non-Denominational--All are welcome. Bring proof of single status to join. Refreshments following the meeting. For further information, please call:

Carol - 516-794-4933 or Barbara - 516-798-2858.

Christian Meditation/Centering Prayer Group--

Mondays at 6pm--Community Growth Center, 732 Smithtown Bypass Suite A55, Smithtown. Contact info. (631) 240-3471; CommunityGrowthCenter.org

(Second Notice)

The Office of Multicultural Diversity (Catholics of African Ancestry-Haitian American Apostolate Ministry)-- Diocese of Rockville Centre and the Brooklyn Vicariate for Black Catholic Concerns would like to invite you to the annual Black History Month Mass of Thanksgiving with Bishop Roy Edward Campbell, Jr., Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C. Along with concelebrating Bishops and priests.

Sunday, Feb. 18, 4PM at Immaculate Conception Center, 7200 Douglaston Parkway, Douglaston, NY 11362

St. Joseph's CYO track invites boys and girls grades kindergarten through 8th grade to register for the Spring 2018 season. Contact Jerry at 631-585-4048 or jrigoros8@gmail.com for registration information. Season begins March 24th.

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

Consider having automatic deductions from either your checking or savings or use a credit card to support St. Thomas More each week. With Faith Direct, there is no fee to you! Please visit the Faith Direct website at www.FaithDirect.net to sign up: our church code is **NY227**. You may also use the form located where you obtain the bulletin. 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 to schedule a tour of the parish's regional school, or visit the school website at www.holyfamilyregional.com

FR. ANTONY'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

On the night of his arrival in a large city, a famous minister told several anecdotes in his speech. Since he expected to repeat them at the meetings the next day, he requested reporters to omit them from their columns in the newspapers. One of the reporters, in commenting on the speech, ended his piece like this, "The minister told numerous stories that cannot be published."

The meaning of any message depends on how it gets reported. A report can turn the best to worst and the worst to best. The way one looks at an event is the way one reports about it.

Today's first reading explains how the leper has to be away from others. But the Gospel presents the leper who can approach Jesus for healing. In the first reading the leper is seen from his incurable disease. The Gospel presents the leper as the one who can easily approach Jesus, the healer. What is our attitude towards the unapproachable and disgusting persons? We may say, "I am not like Jesus who can heal diseases without being affected by them. I have to be careful. I have to safeguard myself. I have to stay away and avoid being infected."

Jesus does not ask us to be reckless. Mother Teresa explains what we can do in the spirit of Jesus, "The biggest disease today is not leprosy or tuberculosis but rather the feeling of being unwanted." The miracle of cure starts when the sick person feels that he/she is cared or loved by others. Let us follow Jesus. Let us become like Jesus, a welcoming presence especially to those most neglected and uncared for.

Ash Wednesday- Valentine's Day-: This Wednesday February 14th is Ash Wednesday. How would you appear to your Valentine, with ashes on your forehead? Why not? It all depends on what the ash on your forehead means. What is the meaning of wearing ashes? We begin Lent with Ash Wednesday. The following forty days we take special efforts to realize God's love for us and our love for each other. Ash Wednesday calls us to set 40 days to reflect and realize the gift and the power of LOVE.

This year we have an added occasion of Valentine's day to highlight Love for each other which uplifts all of us to realize God's love for us. Go to the Valentine party with ash symbolizing how much God loves you, and you, your valentine.

Bishop Barres's Letter: Please read our Bishop John Barres's letter explaining the meaning of Lent and ways of spiritually living that meaning during Lent which focuses on the New Life of Resurrection of Easter.

Stations of the Cross: Every Friday during Lent we will pray the Stations of the Cross. Every week we will pray for a particular intention. On Friday, February 16 we will pray for Children and teens who live the challenging situations of bullying, peer pressures, temptations to narcotics, alcohol and harmful websites.

Due to this particularly bad flu season, parishioners may opt not to shake hands at the sign of peace, but express peace through another gesture or verbal greeting. During communion we leave to your preference of sharing or not sharing from the cup of the precious blood, until health conditions improve.

The Diocese of Rockville Centre is updating its files and will be re-screening all volunteers in every Parish. Please fill out the form in the bulletin and return it before March 1st in a sealed envelope to the rectory Monday-Saturday between 9am-4pm. Any questions please call (631) 234-5551 or e-mail Theresa@stmli.org.

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

Miki Alicastro
 Barbara Bamonti
 Karen Berlet
 Bernadette
 Janice Bini
 Joseph Bittner
 Jean Blaney
 Pat Booth
 Pamela Brosnan
 Mary Brussell
 Francisco Burgos
 Anthony C. (5 yrs)
 Daniel Callihan
 Dona Caragol
 Christina Cammarata
 Barbara Cappisillo
 Linda Sue Cappisillo
 Dona Caragol
 Swami Chettiar
 Patrick J. Coll
 John Colosi
 Thea Constantatos
 Donald Crocker
 Mary Cullin
 Joey Cullum
 Christopher Davanzo
 Mike DeLeo
 Caroline De Santis
 Amanda De Rosa
 Preston De Rosa (2 years old)
 Florence & Anthony Donato
 Walt Drechsler Jr.
 Elvira DuBritz
 Duke
 Leona Esposito
 Dominga Francisco
 Andrew Gallo
 Connie Gennaro
 Ciro Ghiraldi
 Gerald Gilson
 Isabelle Grenier
 John Hanna
 Richard Happe
 Olive Harrison (16 months)
 Patti Hauer
 Jamie Hawkins
 Jane Hoffman
 Laurie Holmes
 Theresa Huebner
 Anita Ilardi
 Anne & Judi Iovino
 Joseph Jacklets
 Regina Jeskie
 Suzy Johnson
 Richard Kaler
 Costa Katsapis
 Jean Marsala Kieffner
 Albert Kunz
 Theresa Marvelli



Elaine Kleenstauber
 Dr. C. Lalli
 Luigi Lanzo
 Morgan Leary (age 8)
 Anne Leggio
 Wayne Leo
 Nancy Link
 Phillip Lloyd
 Patricia Loicano
 Nicolas LoRusso (2 years old)
 Andrew Lynch
 William Maley
 W\Mike Masone
 Laura Mattioli
 Cindy Mango
 Rosemary Mango
 Phyllis Markowitz
 Diane McCann
 Terri Ilardi McKee
 Camille Mendolia
 Sharon Mills
 Marie Minutillo
 Rosie Miranda
 Dorothy L. Monaco
 Barbaralynn Moseman
 Ellen & Leo Murphy
 Betty Napoli
 Caidee Nielsen (2 years old)
 James Nielsen (16 years old)
 Victoria Nelson
 Fr. Harold Noviello
 Patricia OConnell
 Sarah O'Connor
 Beatrice Okorn
 Joseph P.
 Dorothy Pagano
 Rainey Pappas
 Mary Ann Peet
 Fern Peppe
 Susan Power
 Lauren Quarltre
 Robert K. Rathje
 Kim Rico
 Venjamin Rivera
 Mary Ruchalski (10 yrs. old)
 Robert Schernowitz
 Elyse Schrage
 Teresa Shannon
 Kim Shernowitz
 Daniel Skinnon
 George Soto
 Mary Spinosa
 Dorothes Stempel
 Richard Stout
 Andrea Suess
 Jeanine Tagliferri
 Deborah & Harold Thaw
 Richard Tulipan
 Chase Turano

PRAY FOR THE SICK (Continued)

Mike Walsh
 Debbie Ward
 Rosalind Warmuth
 Gregory Yule
 Joey Ziegler

(This listing will expire on March 25, 2018).

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

(Not totally inclusive)

Sunday--February 4

7pm--HS Youth Ministry--Walden Hall

Tuesday--February 6

6:30pm--Alpha--Kirwin/Walden Halls/Kitchen/Mtg. Rm

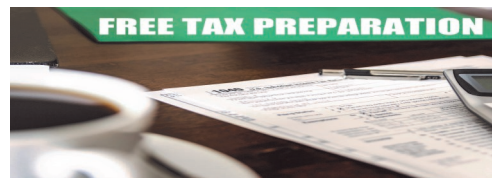
7pm--Adoration--Church

Wednesday--February 7

5pm--K of C Bus.Mtg--Kit/Walden Hall

Thursday--February 8

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



AARP is offering free tax preparation services by IRS certified tax volunteers at the Hauppauge, Central Islip, Connetquot, and Kings Park Libraries, and the Smithtown Senior Center, **beginning February 1st and ending April 17th**. You do not have to be a member of AARP or a senior citizen to use this service, it is open to anyone. Call the Library or Senior Center for available times and days. Some sites require an appointment and some sites are first come first served. The Hauppauge Library requires an appointment, that can be made by phone, and is available on Monday starting at 9:30 AM and Saturday starting at 12 noon.



PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Ethan Bernstein	Michael Knipper
Jessie Bernstein	Dylan Kowalski
Anthony Broncatello	Alex Lombardi
John Burk	Thomas LaFemina
David Chester	Andrew Lombardi
John Chester	Scott Lovelock
Nicholas Chester	Thomas Migliara
Theresa Chester	Tim Morris
Eddie Cullum	John Nachtman
Eric Cullum	Kaitlyn Nachtman
Christopher Day	Thomas Nichols
Timothy Fallon	Adam Papaizai
Bryan Figueiredo	Michael Poist
Karin Fitzgerald	Michael Polanski
Nicholas W. Flanary	Kyle Rathje
J.T. Foltz	Antonia Marie Rivera
Mike Foltz	Ana Karen Sanchez
William Gregory	Donovan Sanchez
Carl F. Greiner	Justin Schneider
Philip Guidone	Christopher Sidor
John Michael Haffner	Ryan Smith
Sean Hendrickson	Michael White
John Karies	

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
www.stthomasmoreyouth.org

Facebook

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

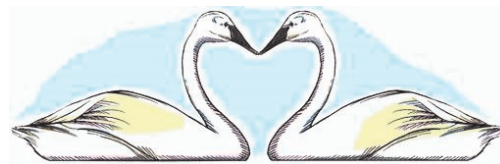
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 Outreach: outreach@stmli.org
 Joe Gast: joe.gast@stmli.org
 Altar Servers Ministry: altarservers@stmli.org
 Personal Prayer: SpiritualOrientations.com
 To contact a member of the Pastoral Council use the following: Barbara & Joe Fratamico at
BJFRAT@optonline.net



Please pray for these couples as they complete their Pre-Canas sessions in preparation for their upcoming weddings:

Lisa Cordeiro and Robert Delcolle
 Katrina Frank and Lawrence Agtuca
 Ginger Hernandez and Paul Guidone

OUR PRIEST CELEBRANTS

(Subject to last minute changes)

	<u>This Weekend</u>	<u>Next Weekend</u>
	(Feb. 10/11)	(Feb. 17/18)
<u>Saturday</u> 5 pm	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
<u>Sunday</u> 8 am	Fr. Antony	Msgr. Boccafola
9:15 am	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony
10:45 am	Msgr. Boccafola	Fr. Antony
12:15 pm	Fr. Fred	Fr. Fred

PARISH OUTREACH



For those of you who donate to our cause, thank you so very much. We have an additional request at this time; we still package our food for our clients in plastic bags at this point. The bags are recycled from earlier usage, of course. However, with people using recyclable bags now, it's harder to get the plastic bags to use. If you have a backlog of plastic bags in your house, would you please bring them to the bins at church, or drop them off at Outreach? We would be additionally grateful if there were items IN the bags, of course, but the bags are the point of this column today!!!

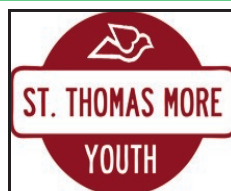
Did you know? You use 200 muscles to take one step!!

St Vincent de Paul Conference

Has anyone noticed that Ash Wednesday 2018 falls on Valentines Day?

Wishing all our friends, families, and neighbors a spiritually enriching Lenten Season; one that leads us to grow in love for our God, the world He created for us and for all people created in His image.
May your heart be filled with God's love and peace."

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 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!

St. Thomas More Msgr. Francis S. Midura Council 6062

VETERANS PHOTO BOARD

The Knights of Columbus will be accepting photos for the Veterans Board in Walden Hall. We will be putting up a new board as needed. The following items will be necessary.

3 x 5 photo (no exceptions)

Branch of Service

Years served

Rank or Rate (where possible)

Please leave all information in an envelope with your name and phone number addressed to Jerry Ferrara, Grand Knight, and leave it at the rectory.



CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION



Catholics for Freedom of Religion
www.cffor.org

Love - Life - Liberty

St. Valentine Day - February 14:

St. Valentine was a third century Roman saint and is associated with a tradition of courtly love.

"Nothing is more practical than finding God, that is, than **falling in love** in a quite absolute, final way. What you are in love with, what seizes your imagination, will affect everything. It will decide ... what amazes you with joy and gratitude. Fall in love, stay in love, and it will decide everything."
 (Pedro Arrupe, S.J., Jesuit Superior General from 1965-1983)

"Love Saves Lives" - theme for 2018 March for Life:

Well over 100,000 pro-lifers descended upon Washington, D.C. on January 19th for the 45th annual March for Life.

"One of the highlights for me ... is looking out at the sea of almost endless faces of young people who are so enthusiastic and so excited," said Jeanne Mancini, President of March for Life. "They are the pro-life generation and they know this is the human rights issue, the social justice issue of today. We're passing the work onto them and they're ready."

Archbishop William Lori said he is hopeful about the future of the pro-life movement because it is joyful and this joy is causing it to grow. This is the pro-life movement at its best: joyful, supportive, full of hope.

"Before you were formed I knew you. Before you were born I set you apart." Jeremiah 1:5

(dailysignal.com, 1/19/18; stream.org, 1/29/18; cna.com, 1/22/18)

Action Steps:

- * Pray that all Americans practice kindness and treasure life at every stage.
- * Read booklet, *Religious Liberty in the American Republic*, by Gerard V. Bradley

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 Circle of Women will meet on Monday, February 12th, 2018. The book for discussion will be Ordinary Grace by William Kent Krueger--Facilitator Marilyn Miller.

RUN FOR TOMORROW'S HOPE® FOUNDATION 5K

Join Tomorrow's Hope Foundation and Long Island Catholic Elementary schools for the 3rd Annual 5K & Fun Run for Tomorrow's Hope Foundation

Saturday, March 24, 2018

8:30 AM Fun Run Start / 9:00 AM 5 K Start
 430 Franklin Avenue & Fourth Street, Garden City

Hosted by St. Joseph School

Visit tomorrowshopefoundation.org to sign up, learn about sponsorship opportunities, registration and more!

The mission of the Tomorrow's Hope Foundation is to ensure the excellence as well as the continuance of Catholic Schools on Long Island by increasing awareness and by providing Scholarship and program funding for the needs of students and schools. The Tomorrow's Hope Foundation gives hundreds of children each year the opportunity to attend Catholic Elementary school

**Bereavement Conference**

Saturday, March 10, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 St. Frances de Chantal Parish 1309
 Wantagh Ave, Wantagh, New York 11793

A Retreat Day for the Elect

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish
 Sunday, March 11, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Bereavement Ministry Facilitator Training

St James Parish, Pastoral Center, Room 104
 Saturday, March 3 and 17, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 Saturday, March 24, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Bereavement Ministry Facilitator Training Level II

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
 Tuesday, February 6, March 20, April 10, and Jun 5, 2018
 at 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

For more information visit our website www.drvc-faith.org

SUPPORT COLLECTION

Collection of February 6, 2018 \$ 6,936.25

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

VOLUNTEER SCREENING

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Congratulations! CALENDAR CLUB WINNERS

Here are the winners for February 1-10, 2018

Thur. 2/1/2018	#646	\$25	Helen & Charles Beissel
Fri. 2/2/2017	#535	\$25	Walter Brennan
Sat. 2/3/2018	#775	\$25	Ed & Laura Vigneaux
Sun. 2/4/2018	#271	\$50	Ann Russo
Mon. 2/5/2017	#981	\$25	Donna Fortmeyer
Tues. 2/6/2018	#635	\$25	Steve & Lela Gabrielli
Wed. 2/7/2018	#525	\$25	Bob & Madeline Sauchelli
Thurs. 2/8/2018	#245	\$25	Carole & Warren Holtje
Fri. 2/9/2018	#441	\$25	Lottie & Chet Kalenty
Sat. 2/10/2018	#950	\$25	Ann & Mike Gavigan

CONGRATULATIONS!

The following were winners in the Super Bowl Football :

Super Sunday

1st Quarter: \$75

Betty Baker
 Bernie Pontillo

Half Time: \$150.00

Lenny Carlino
 The Turanos

3rd Quarter \$75.00

Rose Russo
 Chet Kalenty

Final: \$200.00

Fran Delmage
 Deacons Bob & Ed

Please collect your winnings at the Rectory from 9 am to 4 pm, Monday through Saturday.

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)

2017 CONTRIBUTION REQUEST

I/We would like a record of our 2017 contributions to St. Thomas More.

NAME(S):

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

E-mail:

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2018

I/we would like to support the Catholic Ministries Appeal for 2018.

NAME(s) ADDRESS:

PHONE:

Amount of the pledge: \$ _____

☐ Check for entire amount is enclosed.

☐ Installment enclosed. I/We would like to pay the rest in _____ installments.

Please return to the Rectory 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

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., \$13.00 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.

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--Security Officer/EMT--security & safety of employees-2-3 years exp. as security or law enforcement. P/T Collator position-ability to lift 30-50 lbs. Must be available for all shifts. HS Diploma.

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.

7-Eleven--Owner is a member of St. Thomas More--Multiple positions - PT- minimum age 17. Students welcome.

ShopRite Supermarket--Various positions open; apply on-line or go to ShopRite in Hauppauge.

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.

Uncle Giuseppe--Melville locations, deli, bakery, produce & more openings. Insurance, discount, salaries--also openings in other locations.

United Cerebral-- Positions open in Residential, Children's Adult Day Programs throughout Suffolk--Valid NYS Drivers License--HS diploma or GEC. Excellent Benefits and salaries.

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.



DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

LENT 2018

Dear Friends:

As we look to the future we are aware that we continue to face difficulties both here on Long Island and in our country at large. Whether they involve the opioid epidemic, gang violence, racism, or any other threat, a deep trust and reliance on the Risen Christ is necessary for us to advance and make progress in dealing with these problems.

In order to better welcome the Resurrected Jesus into our hearts, a solid Lenten spirituality grounded in prayer, fasting and almsgiving for the needs of the Church and the World is essential.

On Wednesday, April 4, 2018 we will commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the tragic death of Dr. Martin Luther King. Our commemoration of this anniversary falls appropriately between Easter Sunday (April 1) and Divine Mercy Sunday (April 8).

I would ask that during the Lenten season we all prepare for this historic anniversary by dedicating dimensions of our Lenten prayer, fasting and almsgiving to the pursuit of racial harmony and comprehensive immigration reform grounded in the principles of the sanctity of human life and the dignity of the human person.

By aligning our Lent in solidarity with our African American and Hispanic brothers and sisters and the injustices they have suffered and are suffering, we dream and act with Dr. King and his clarion call for justice in our land.

We dream and act in a way that treasures the African American legacy of contribution in this country. We dream and act in a way that not only welcomes our Hispanic brothers and sisters but expresses our deep appreciation for their gifts and leadership in the Church and in American society, and we advocate together for comprehensive immigration reform.¹

We also think and pray globally this Lent as we remember the people in North Korea, Jerusalem and every country in the Middle East, Bangladesh, Haiti, Venezuela, South Sudan, Somalia, Burundi, The Democratic Republic of the Congo, The Central African Republic, Nigeria and every war-torn and poverty-stricken area of the World.

We remember the poor, the homeless, the unemployed, those who suffer with mental illness, chronic physical illness and pain. We remember the hundreds of thousands of unborn children whose innocent lives are taken every year through abortion and the terrible toll this takes on individuals, families and our entire society.

¹ See Bishop Barres' September 21, 2017 Founder's Week Keynote Address at St. John's University entitled *The Relationship between Catholic Sacramental Theology and Catholic Social Justice Teaching: The Sacrament of Penance in Service of 'Welcoming the Stranger'* in the January 2018 edition of *The Long Island Catholic*.

We remember the addicted and particularly those who suffer opioid addiction, those ensnared in the culture of death of gangs, drug trade, human trafficking, and their victims -- who are often children -- at the borders, those who suffer violations of religious liberty and the sanctity of human life, those who suffer from the trauma of sexual abuse and all forms of abuse, harassment or cyberbullying, those in the midst of a family or marital crisis, those who grieve the loss of a child, a spouse, a friend, a loved one. We remember the painful crosses that our elderly carry and we give thanks for the wisdom and prayer that they model for us.

And, of course, we remember our servicemen and women overseas and their families back home, and our first responders here. We remember our Veterans and their sacrifices.²

As we prepare for the Easter Vigil Fire and for Easter Sunday, we ask the Holy Spirit to guide and refresh us during this Season of Lent. So often the cycles and seasons of life can become routine and stale. When applied specifically to Lent, we may find ourselves doing the same things each year, which results in them becoming commonplace and no longer a challenge.

A frequent theme for Lent is “giving something up”. Many times this takes the form of refraining from junk food or sweets. This is a good challenge, but it is important to remember that Lent should not be just a time for losing weight; fasting without prayer is just dieting. Additionally, food is not all that we “consume”.

All the things we allow into our senses are important to examine. What we watch, what we listen to are just as important as what we eat. One thing we consume in great quantities is social media.

Like all technology, do we use our social media for good or do we become consumed by it? Social media can help us connect with people and provide us important and relevant information but it can also be used to waste valuable time or to engage in angry, critical arguments.

During Lent may I suggest that we do an examination of conscience in regard to our use of social media? Can we intentionally leverage every dimension of our presence on a range of social media platforms to pursue *dramatic missionary growth* on Long Island?

We may do that by giving testimony on Facebook to a positive experience of a Catholic parish, a Catholic Bible Study or a Catholic school. We may post an image on Pinterest or Periscope of a parish activity or Holy Hour experience that was particularly meaningful. We might establish a link on our platform to the *Long Island Catholic*.

We might witness on a social media platform as a married couple or family about the value of the Sacrament of Penance to family forgiveness and unity as we encourage other families we know to participate in *Reconciliation Monday* on Monday, March 26, 2018.

² These intentions reflect some of the intentions Bishop Barres mentioned in his Christmas Midnight Mass and Christmas Morning homily thus giving some continuity to our prayers and sacrifices across liturgical seasons.

Our dedicated priests, who are both humble penitents and compassionate confessors, will be available in the confessionals of all our parishes in the Diocese of Rockville Centre on March 26th from 3:00PM – 9:00PM. Please note that the Archdiocese of New York and the Diocese of Brooklyn join us in this effort so if you are working in Manhattan or Brooklyn that day you could easily go to confession at a nearby parish.

We can also use our social media platforms to follow Catholics who put forth holy and wholesome content that can enrich us spiritually and intellectually. We can follow the Diocese of Rockville Centre, the Office of Vocations, Catholic Charities, and so many more. Additionally we can follow Pope Francis and the Vatican, Bishop Robert Barron's *Word on Fire* and other social media with inspiring and motivating Catholic content.

Related to social media, we may tend to “binge watch” videos whether through YouTube or streaming services. This content in and of itself might not be bad, but does it always lift us spiritually? Telecare can aid us in prayers like the Rosary or Divine Mercy Chaplet as well as its inspiring programming.

Additionally, the Augustine Institute has started a new initiative called FORMED. This is an app that has many eBooks we can put on our Kindles and iPads, lectures and talks we can listen to on our phones during our commutes to work and school, and Catholic movies and presentations that we can stream online, almost like a Catholic Netflix.

Many of our parishes on Long Island have already invested in FORMED and are strategizing about how best to have a higher percentage of parishioners to be actively “formed” by the excellent content.

Finally, outside of the realm of media, something that always nourishes and enriches us is the Sacraments. Frequent reception of the Eucharist and the Sacrament of Reconciliation help re-center and reorder us. May this Lent be a source of *dramatic missionary growth* both in our lives and for our great Diocese and beyond.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John O. Barres". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'J'.

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

Lenten Day of Recollection

Saturday, March 3, 2018

9:30 AM to 2:00 PM



The Saint Anthony's High School Mothers' Guild is pleased to invite you to join us in prayer and reflection at our annual Day of Recollection.

Our opening Mass begins promptly at 9:30 AM in the Chapel of Our Lady of Angels. A light breakfast will follow.

Our day will conclude with lunch. A donation of \$25 is requested.

Please RSVP by February 26, 2017

For questions you may contact

Regina Stallone at 516-221-5214 armkstallone@gmail.com

Please send your offering in the form of a check made payable to: St. Anthony's HS Mothers' Guild

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email Address: _____

Submit form and donation to:

Regina Stallone - 1516 Roth Rd, Seaford, NY 11783

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PLEASE PRINT

If necessary, please use additional paper to answer questions below

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NAME: _____
First Middle Last

GENDER: ☐ Male ☐ Female HEIGHT: _____ ' _____ " EYE COLOR: _____

RACE: ☐ Am. Indian/Alaskan Native ☐ Asian ☐ Black or African Am. ☐ Hispanic or Latino ☐ Pacific Islander ☐ White

OTHER (MAIDEN, SURNAME, ALIAS) NAME(S) USED: _____

CURRENT ADDRESS: _____

PRIOR ADDRESSES within the last 10 years: _____

PHONE #: _____ SS#: _____ DATE of BIRTH: _____

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1. In connection with my application and continuation as a ☐ Volunteer or ☐ Employee I understand the Entity named above (hereafter "Entity") or its designee will obtain information as to my possible criminal history, valid social security number, registration on any state's sex abuse registry, and /or Department of Motor Vehicle (upon request) from ☐ ADP Screening and Selection Services, 301 Remington St., Fort Collins, Co 80524 1-800-367-5933 or ☐ HireRight, 4500 S. 129th E. Avenue Suite 200, Tulsa, OK 74134-5885. 1-877-858-4165.
2. I acknowledge that a telephonic facsimile (FAX) or photographic copy of this Release Statement shall be as valid as the original.
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4. I understand that information obtained in the reports may be used by the Entity in making a continued volunteer or employment decision. I further understand that failure to consent to the release of reports detailing a possible criminal background and a social security number validation will render me ineligible for consideration and, if hired, for continuing my status as a volunteer or employee with the Entity.

I understand that the information requested above is the information required by law enforcement agencies and other entities for positive identification purposes when checking public records. I understand that, to the extent such information is not public information, it is confidential and will not be used for any other purposes. I hereby release the Entity and the Diocese, and the Bishop thereof, and all of their employees and agents, and all persons, agencies, and entities providing information or reports about me, from any liability arising out of requests for or release of any of the above-mentioned information or reports.

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Article 23-A of the New York State Correction Law

In sum, Article 23-A provides the following:

- No application for employment shall be denied or acted upon adversely by reason of an individual's having been previously convicted of one or more criminal offenses unless:
(1) there is a direct relationship between the criminal offenses and the specific employment sought or held by the individual; or (2) the continuation or granting of the employment would involved an unreasonable risk to property or the safety or welfare of specific individuals or the general public.
- In making an employment – related determination concerning an individual who has a criminal offense in his/her background, an employer shall consider such factors as the following:
 - the public policy of New York State to encourage the employment of persons previously convicted of one or more criminal offenses;
 - the specific duties and responsibilities of the employment sought or held by the person;
 - the bearing the criminal offense(s) will have on the individual's fitness or ability to perform job responsibilities;
 - the time that has elapsed since the occurrence of the criminal offense or offenses;
 - the age of the individual at the time of occurrence of the criminal offense or offenses;
 - the seriousness of the crime(s) respecting there was a conviction;
 - any information presented in regard to the individual's rehabilitation and good conduct; and
 - the legitimate interest of the employer in protecting property, and the safety and welfare of individuals or the general public.
- At the request of any person previously convicted of a criminal offense, who has been denied a license or employment, the employer shall provide, within thirty days of a request, a written statement setting forth the reasons for such a denial.
- Article 23-A is enforceable by the New York State Division of Human Rights.

St. Dominic High School
2018 SAT EXAM PREP COURSE
For the May 5th Exam

*Course will be held on the following Saturdays:
March 3, 10, 17, 24 and April 14, and 28*

9:00 to 11:30 a.m. in Marian Hall
Course Fee: **\$250.00** (includes textbook)

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To register please complete the form below
and return it with a check payable to:

St. Dominic High School
110 Anstice Street
Oyster Bay, New York 11771
Attention: Mrs. Stutzmann

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***STUDENTS ACCEPTED ON A
FIRST COME – FIRST SERVED BASIS.***

There will be no refunds once the course begins.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Stutzmann at (516) 922-4888 ext. 5241

(Please return this bottom portion with your prep course payment.)

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PAINT NIGHT

**SPOTS
ARE
LIMITED!**

**Fundraiser
to support
St. Thomas More
Youth program**

Gina Drost, founder of *Faithful Painting* will lead us in painting fun! She has been painting for over 25 years and has taught both painting & crafts for more than 15 years.

She has also taught the Catholic Faith for over 20 years, currently as a Youth Minister.

She has married both art and ministry together by providing fundraising for churches and Youth Ministries with **AWESOME** Paint Nights!

- Refreshments will be served
- 50/50 Raffle
- Gift Basket Raffles
- Enjoy a fun winter night out & beat the winter blues!

**Saturday,
February 24, 2018**

NEW DATE!

Starting at 7pm
Church of St. Thomas More
Hauppauge, New York

\$50 per person



This painting has been created exclusively for our paint night & won't be repeated again!

Register today for yourself & your friends at
<http://www.stthomasmoreyouth.org/paint-nite>