Sharing the Spirit of Love

Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

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November 22nd 2026



Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

This Week's Readings

Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17

Psalm 23:1-3,5-6

1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28

Matthew 25:31-46

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This Week's Masses

Saturday, November 21st
5:00pm Stephen Christy
Richard Landi

Sunday, November 22nd
Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
8:00am Phyllis & Peter Perrone & Sons
Marion Infantino

9:30am Salvatore Sparacino IV
Thanksgiving of Betty Vrondis

11:30am Joseph Beltrani
Michael Leocadi
Carmela Molinaro

Monday, November 23rd
9:00am Mary Ann Lilly

Tuesday, November 24th
9:00am Marco G. Manzi

Wednesday, November 25th
9:00am Robert J. Kolomechuk

Thursday, November 26th
9:00am Nicholas Conzo

Friday, November 27th
9:00am Juanita (Juana) Williams

Saturday, November 28th
5:00pm Juanita (Juana) Williams
Anna DiMeglio

Sunday, November 29th
First Sunday of Advent
8:00am Kyle Doyle

9:30am Roy Valenzuela
Ernest Rogers Smith

11:30am Walter Urtonowski
Christopher Loring



Parish Mission

St. Thomas More Roman Catholic Church is a parish community striving to share the Spirit of Love through Prayer, Worship, the Sacraments, the Teachings of the Church, and our concern for others, through Christian Stewardship.

Saints of the Week

St. Cecilia (11/22)
Blessed Miguel Pro (11/23)
St. Andrew Dang-Lac & Companions (11/24)
St. Catherine of Alexandria (11/25)
St. Andrew the Apostle (11/30)

Saints in heaven, *pray for us*

Prepare for Next Weekend

First Sunday of Advent
November 29th 2026

Readings

Isaiah 63:16b-17,19; 64:2-7
Psalm 80:2-3,15-16,18-19
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:33-37

The full text of all the readings, including the Gospel, can be found online via the USCCB.

bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar

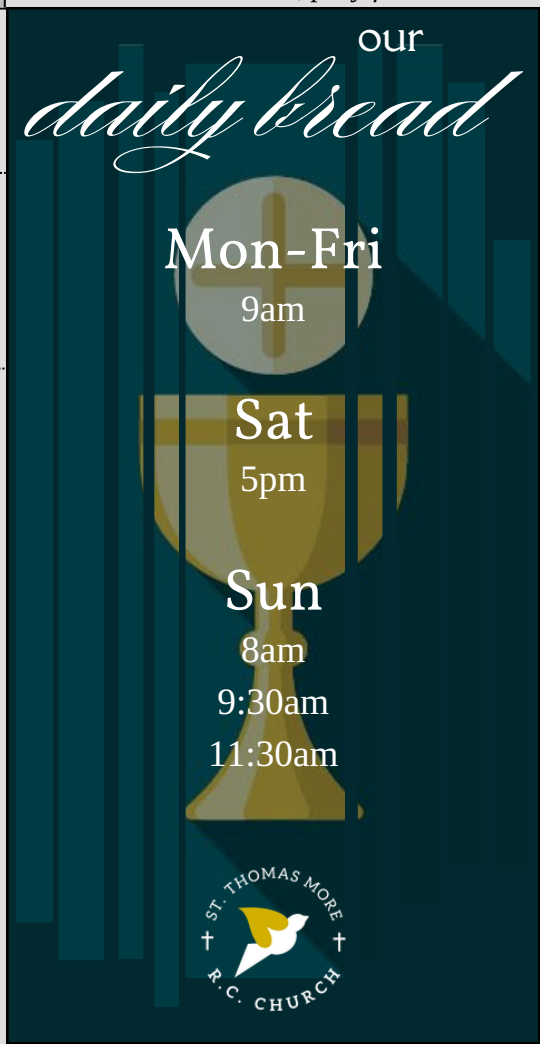
Focus Questions

1: How do our daily lives threaten our spiritual health?

2: What tasks has God left for you to do, in anticipation of his arrival?

Families: There are 27 days until Jesus is born. What are you doing to get ready?





From the Pastor

The father wanted to correct his lazy son saying, “Son, do you realize when Lincoln was your age, he was already studying hard to be a lawyer?” He retorted, “Right, Pop, and when he was your age, he was already President of the United States!”
Using Lincoln as a role model to correct the son ended up working against the father.

This Sunday is the Solemn Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King. Today’s feast is not our attempt to understand how or what type of King Jesus Christ is. No king on earth would be a fitting role model to describe or understand the kingship of Christ. Rather today’s feast invites us to see how God in Jesus presents Himself to us and rules over us as King.

Today’s readings portray that God in Jesus is the king who is like a shepherd ready to serve his sheep; a king who is not above us but became one of us even to the point of sharing death with us in order that we may be freed from all that entangle us in our human weakness, as sin and death. Our God-King is so one with us that whatever we do to the least of our human beings we do directly to him. This means to say that in every little thing we do we can see God's Kingship can be experienced. Our little actions have God’s Kingly stamp. In what we do or say we become capable of participating in the power of God-King Jesus.

This Thursday is Thanksgiving Day. Giving thanks is not one of the many things that we do. It is a fundamental attitude towards life. In our day-to-day busy life of routines we will be easily turned into machines or creatures of habits, if only we are not consciously living from the heart. When we live every moment of life in the spirit of Thanksgiving or every time we thank someone, we live from our heart. Who shall we thank and what shall we be thankful for? First, start with your own individual self…. Be thankful for your body, intellect, feelings, capacity to love and being loved… etc. Be thankful for your relations and possessions… be thankful for those who provide and provisions…. Etc… Living in the spirit of Thanksgiving will turn you to be a very positive person and spread your positive spirit around you. Happy Thanksgiving to one and all of you.

This year’s Thanksgiving Day Interfaith Prayer Service will be held in Hauppauge at Calvary Lutheran Church on the eve of Thanksgiving Day, Wednesday November 25th at 7:00pm. Let us be thankful for the gift of faith along with other believers.

Next Sunday, November of 29th we begin the Season of Advent, a period of preparation for the birth of Our Lord Jesus in our hearts and home. It is also a very busy season of getting gifts for our beloved ones. May I remind you that you can give no better gift to you than yourself. As much as we would like to express our good self in the gifts we give, let us not forget to tune our individual self to sound sweet, to behave better, to include the other without prejudice, and to offer oneself without condition.
Advent is the time to make your heart as the place for God’s birth. We can shine as God’s abode. God’s grace and power can shine upon us through ourselves. Let us try to set quality time for ourselves every day to realize our inner potential to bear God in our heart. Wishing you a fruitful Advent.

With love and prayers,
Father Antony



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Prayers & Petitions

Pray for the Deceased

Edward Rostrom
John Zuzzolo
Eileen Venezia
Frank Bianco
Klaus Kleinstauber

We continuously pray for our deceased loved ones and all souls in purgatory.

St Gertrude, pray for us.

Altar Bread & Wine Memorial

November 23rd - November 29th



Contact the Rectory to arrange a memorial for the Altar Bread & Wine. Requested dontaion for the week is $50

Pray for our Clergy

Father Antony Asir
Deacon Robert Weisz
Deacon Edward Vigneaux
Deacon Matthew Surico
The Capuchin Friars
Bishop John Barres
Pope Leo XIV

Pray for our Military

Please continue to pray for the brave members of our Parish Family who serve our country:

Troy A Maida
Ryan Smith
Will Maley
Chris Capasso
Luciano Corpora Ellis
Joseph Kirsch
Allen Kirsch
Nicholas Gajda
Alexandria Feys Gajda
Andrew Lynch
Matthew P Dell'orto
Timothy Fallon

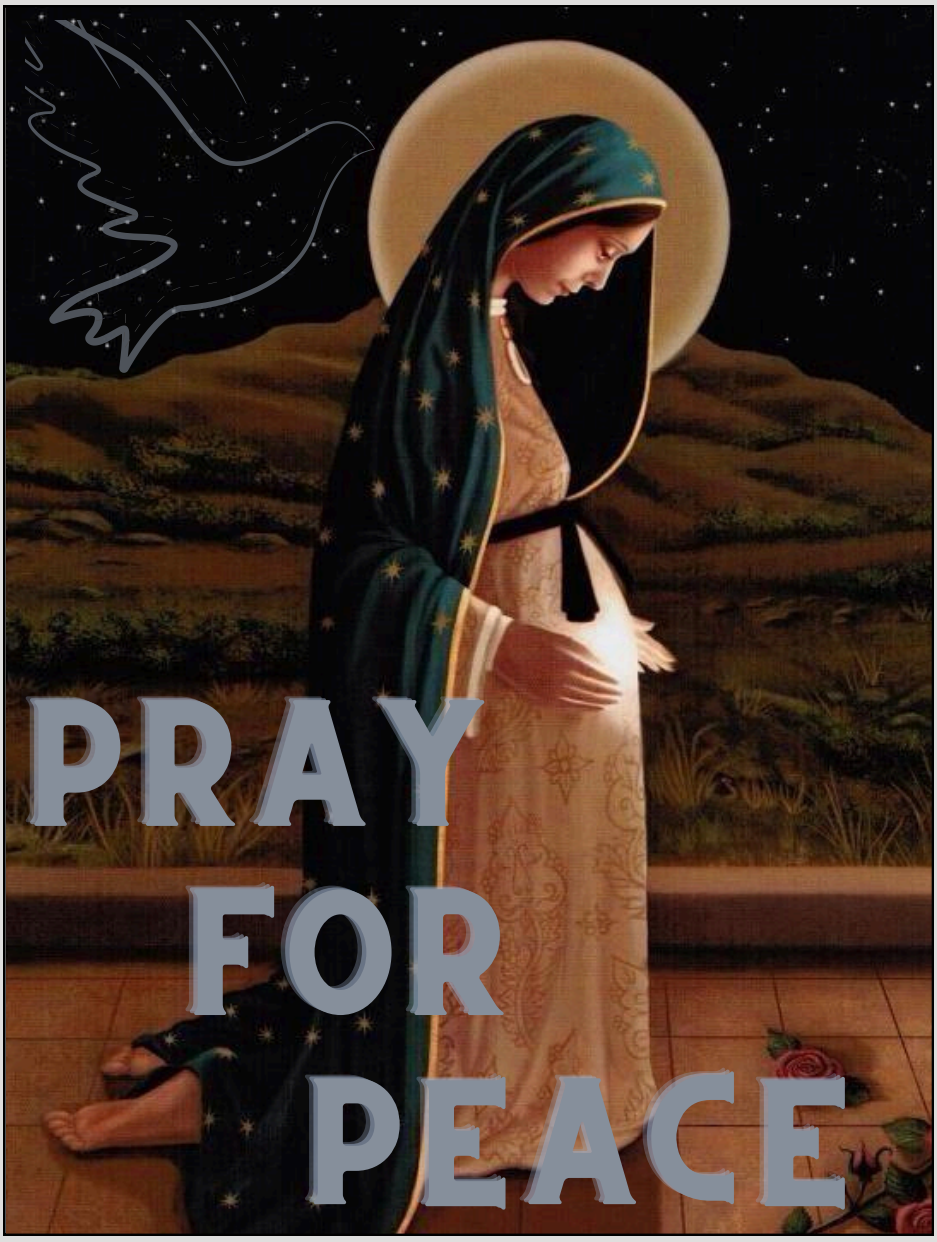
We also pray for our deceased service members, and for our veterans, in gratitude for their service, and in hope that they will find the support they need here at home.

Pray for the Sick

Aaron Serrano
Alexander Acevedo
Angie Conzo
Anthony Trentini
Barbara Foberg
Christy Torkelsen
Dan O'Brien
Ed Baer
Edna Carraba
Edward Houser
Emily Bolkas (7y/o)
Ernesto U. Aldaba
Helen Kovarik
Irene O'Brien
Jim Engle
Jimmy Cannon
Joan Perks
John Heller
Larry Wilson
Linda Heller
Liz
Lorraine White
Maria U. Aldaba
Marsha Mucaria
Michael Minutillo
Mona DeMarco
Pam Procaccini
Patricia Kinney
Patricia Stronczer
Ralph Rantz
Rodrigo Crafa
Baby Sienna Dwyer
Sinead Rodgers
Susan Furuno
Thomas Duffy
Valentin Cedillo

*This listing will reset on March 31st 2027

To add a name to the sick list, please fill out a card from the literature rack place it in the collection basket, or contact the Rectory by phone or email.



Support our Parish

Financial Support

Collection from:
November 14th & 15th

$6743

Please consider supporting St. Thomas More. We encourage all parishioners to try electronic giving through ParishSoft Giving. It is both convenient and secure. For more information, check the literature rack in the Narthex, or visit us online at stmli.org

Physical Support

There are many different ways to support the St. Thomas More Parish Community! Whether you are 4 or 40, 8 or 80, there are ways for everyone to be involved.

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Young at Heart
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Whether giving money, time, or labor, all your support is appreciated. St. Thomas More would not exist as it does without the generosity of our Parish Family.

A Gentle Reminder:

Please do not place clothing or household items in the food bins or leave them at Outreach. We do not have a lot of extra storage space. There is a clothing bin in the back of the parking lot where clothing can be donated to St. Vincent de Paul. If you have household items, please call the Outreach office!

Parish Social Ministry

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me."

-MATTHEW 25

Contact Parish Outreach
631-234-3149
outreach@stmli.org
Mon-Thur 10AM to 2PM

Please reach out to Parish Outreach if you are, or know of someone, in need of support. Keep our elderly neighbors in mind and let us know if there is anyone you would like us to reach out to.

Our Giving Tree is in the Narthex filled with gift tags. Please return gifts no later than December 13th in time for our distribution.

Thank you!





Paper Towels - Toilet Paper
Laundry Detergent (small)
Cookies - Coffee/Tea
Boxed Milk
Syrup

WE APPRECIATE ALL OF YOUR DONATIONS!

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

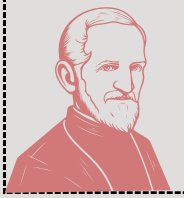
ST. THOMAS MORE
†PARISH OUTREACH†

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Today as we celebrate Christ the King, we hear Jesus say... "whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

These words from today's Gospel should inspire each of us to feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, clothe the naked, care for the sick, and visit the imprisoned.

Thank you for all that you do and for supporting us in our ministry!



Contact us: call 631-648-2760 or email svdp.stm@aol.com

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HELPS PEOPLE

Parish Weddings

Please pray for these beautiful couples who received the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony here at St. Thomas More!



Julie Mazzie & Andrew Opacke
Nov 6th 2026



Leanne Walsh & Erick Idtensohn
Nov 15th 2026

CROWN HIM
with many crowns
THE LAMB UPON
his throne

Advent is Coming!

Your family can participate by lighting the Advent Wreath! Sign up sheets are in the Narthex by the literature rack.

Stay awake! Be ready!



Pre-Cana 2026

Please pray for these couples in our Pre-Cana program as they prepare for the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony!

Kristin Garofalo & Nicholas Patti

Jenna DiBartolo & Nicholas Salerno

Francesca Capilets & Dominick DiBenedetto

ST. THOMAS MORE R.C. CHURCH



Join

OUR PARISH ON HALLOW TO PRAY!

1. Download the Hallow app. Create an account or log in
2. Search for your parish on the Church tab
3. Start praying!

New York Blood Center

Blood Drive

St. Thomas More Church

Monday, November 30, 2026
1:30pm to 7:30pm

Walden Hall

Each donor will receive a T-shirt

Please scan QR code to make an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome.

Each donor will receive a T-shirt

Prepare to donate

- Eat well and hydrate
- Bring a photo ID
- Feel good and symptom free
- Meet minimum weight requirements
- 17+ Must be 17-75
  - 16 with parental permission form
  - 76+ with written physician consent

Visit **nybc.org/eligibility** for complete donation guidelines.

800.933.BLOOD · nybc.org

Holy Hour
National Night of Prayer for Life

Contemporary music by Alex and Noelle!

ST. THOMAS MORE R.C. CHURCH

Adoration and Benediction led by Deacon Matt!

Tuesday, December 8th

Immediatly following the 7pm mass celebrating The Immaculate Conception

We will be united in prayer with churches across the country and the world to pray for the sanctity of all human life.



Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Let us come together and celebrate this Solemnity, honoring the conception of our Blessed Mother Mary, free from original sin.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
JOIN US FOR MASS

MON DEC 7TH @ 7:00PM
TUES DEC 8TH @ 9:00AM
TUES DEC 8TH @ 7:00PM

ST. THOMAS MORE R.C. CHURCH



HAUPPAUGE
CELEBRATES

Thanksgiving

WEDNESDAY
NOV. 25
7:00 PM

860 Townline Rd, Hauppauge

Calvary Lutheran Church:
an interfaith prayer service on the eve of Thanksgiving to offer thanks and praise to God.

Fellowship held afterwards.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR

Kids grade 2 - 12 are invited to spread Christmas cheer by singing loud for all to hear!

REHEARSALS

Thursday 12/10 6-6:45pm
Saturday 12/12 11am-12pm
Thursday 12/17 6-6:45pm
Saturday 12/19 11am-12pm

The choir will sing at 3:30pm mass on Christmas Eve, beginning with carols at 3:00pm

ST. THOMAS MORE MUSIC MINISTRY



Contact Alex to sign up!

Email music@stmli.org
or call/text 631-213-1322

KNIGHT'S CORNER



Mark, Steve, and Paul presented a check for $1500 to Father Antony on behalf of the Knights of Columbus. Pictured above are the Knights and Father during the Spaghetti Dinner, which was a big success. Thanks to all who helped or donated or bought a ticket!

Want to join the Knights? Have any questions?
Call GK Paul!
631-538-6334 OR pegruner@yahoo.com

Follow us on Facebook:
Msgr Francis S. Midura
Council #6062

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BEING AN

ANGEL OR SHEPHERD?

REQUIREMENTS:

- AT LEAST 5 YEARS OLD
- ABLE TO ATTEND REHEARSAL ON 12.19.26 AT 12PM
- ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN 12.24 MASS AT 3:30PM

POSITIONS WILL BE FILLED IN THE ORDER RECIEVED



Fill out the survey for your child to participate by scanning the QR code. If you have any issuses, feel free to text PatricaAnn Sullivan at (631)456-9098.



Calendar Club 2027

The Every Day Lotto!

Names are drawn every day of the year (except during the Easter Triduum). The lucky winner of each day is awarded $25 (or $50 on Sundays and Holy Days!)

One entry for $25, or 5 entries for $100.
Buy as many entries as you want, and win as many times as your luck allows! You can even purchase numbers as gifts for family and friends.

The Calendar Club is a great way to support our parish, and a very important annual fundraiser for us! Please fill out the form below and return it to the rectory, or put it in the basket during Sunday collection.

NAME(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

☐ ONE for $25 ☐ TWO for $50 ☐ THREE for $75 ☐ FIVE for $100

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL:
Get your form in by Tuesday December 15th to get SIX entries for the price of five!

TOTAL ENCLOSED: _____

Please place in envelope labeled Calendar Club 2027 and return to the rectory or the Sunday collection basket. Thank you!