

# Church of Saint Thomas More

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New York City, New York 10128

March 16, 2014

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## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday thru Friday: 8:00 am and 12:15 pm  
Saturday: 8:00 am and 12:15 pm

## CONFESSIONS

Monday thru Friday  
12:00 pm - 12:10 pm (before Mass)  
Saturday 5:00 – 5:30 pm

## BAPTISM

1:00 pm on Sunday  
(Arrangements must be made in advance)

## MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made at least six months prior to the wedding

## VISITS TO HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Our clergy are happy to visit.  
Call the parish office to arrange.

## Parish Trustees

Christopher Baldwin  
Michael Poulos

## Parish Council President

Elizabeth Williams

## Finance Council Chairman

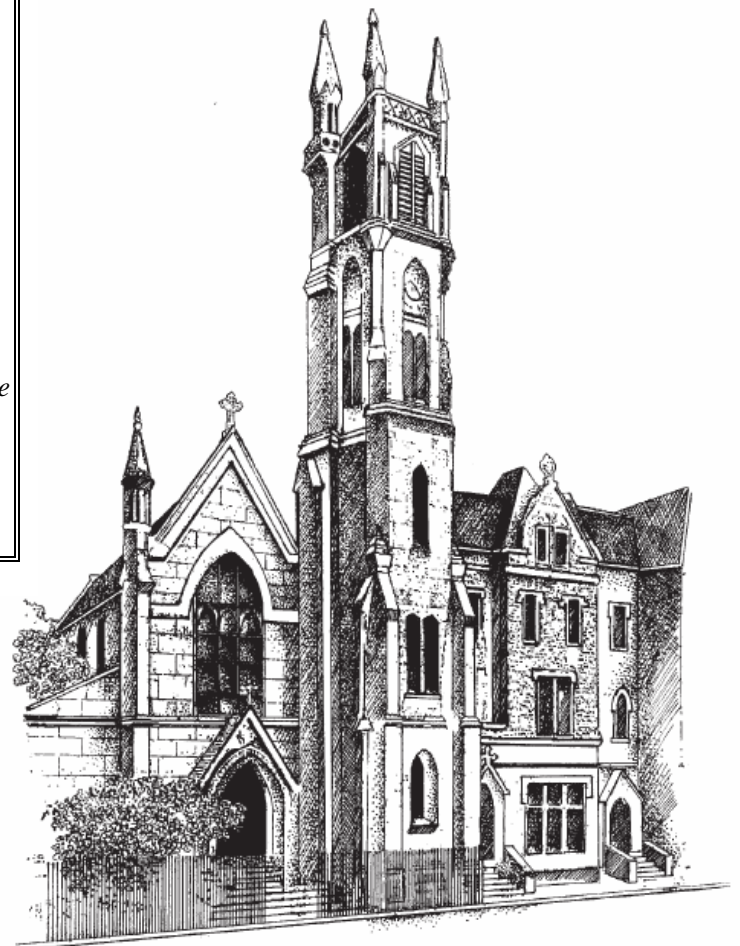
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## Head Usher

John F.R. Smilgin, III

## SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday Evening:** 5:45 p.m.  
**Sunday Morning:** 8:30 a.m.  
10:00 a.m. (Family Mass)  
Families and children are encouraged to attend the Family Mass at 10:00 a.m.  
**Sunday Afternoon:** 12:00 p.m. (Choral Mass)  
**Sunday Evening:** 5:45 p.m.



**Church of St. Thomas More**  
**March 16, 2014**  
**Second Sunday of Lent**

**Theme/Call To Worship**

The readings for the Second Sunday of Lent raise the importance of trust in our relationship with God. The spiritual journey of faith demands a level of trust and dependency that is modeled to us by Abraham and by Jesus' disciples.

**Introduction To The Word**

**Genesis 12:1-4a:** The first reading from the Book of Genesis is the call of Abraham. Four times in Genesis the call of Abraham is narrated: Genesis 12, 15, 17, and 22. Originating from different time periods in Israel's history, the call of Abraham was so central to how Israel understood itself that the Jewish scribes felt it was essential to preserve each version of the four calls. For the Israelites living during the period of the Monarchy, the call spoke to their times. Israel had truly become a "great nation," and Israel looked back at the call of Abraham and saw him as their great patriarch who was the first to trust God to be the guide for his people, and in doing so, was richly rewarded.

**2 Timothy 1:8b-10:** In the second reading, we hear Paul's words to one of his beloved and trusted coworkers, Timothy, in which Paul reminds him that God "saved us and called us to a holy life" which is not rooted in our own efforts but rather in "the grace bestowed on us in Christ Jesus."

**Matthew 17:1-9:** In the Gospel reading, we hear Matthew's account of the transfiguration of Jesus, and although the members of Matthew's community would have been very receptive to hearing about Jesus in the context of their own traditional sacred stories, Matthew is interested in teaching his community that God is doing something new, that God's definitive revelation now lies with his beloved Son, the new lawgiver.

Adapted from Liturgical Publications Inc, Connect! Uniting Word & World, Dr. Daniel J. Scholz

**At St. Thomas More This Week**

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
03/16	Baptism	1:00 pm
03/17	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
03/18	Leisure Club Lunch after the 12:15pm Mass A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
03/19	Christian Meditation - Chapel	6:00 pm
03/20	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
03/21	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
03/22	A.A Meeting	2:00 pm

**Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule**

<b>Mar 16</b>	<b>Celebrant</b>	<b>Lector</b>
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	TBD
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Madigan	Mary Ellen McEvily
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Diaz	Morriss Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Madigan	Nilsa Santiago
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Jim Sterling

<b>Mar 23</b>	<b>Celebrant</b>	<b>Lector</b>
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	The Rosses
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Diaz	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Madigan	Branche Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Rafferty	Jacqueline Ackerina
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	Rory Kelleher

***Lord, let your mercy be  
on us, as we place our  
trust in you.***

**Family Life Conference**  
**St. Joseph Seminary**  
201 Seminary Avenue, Yonkers, NY  
Sat, March 29<sup>th</sup> - 10:00am – 3:30pm

**Speakers Include**  
Deacon Ralph Poyo, Gregory S. Baylor  
Ashley McGuire, and David Bereit.

Sponsored by Archdiocese of New York  
Family Life/Respect Life Office.  
Admission fee \$30 (includes lunch).  
Please make checks payable to FL/RL Office  
1011 First Avenue, 7th floor, NY, NY 10022.  
Registration required,  
visit [www.FLRL.org](http://www.FLRL.org) or call (212) 371-3192.  
A bus will be available for those travelling from  
New York City.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST  
DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE  
FOR WEEK OF  
MARCH 09 – MARCH 15**

Mon. March 17 *St. Patrick's Day*

8:00 Rev. James Black (D)

\* 12:15 Josephine Terzaghi (D)

Tues. March 18 *St. Cyril of Jerusalem*

8:00 Christopher Begley (D)

\* 12:15 John Leary (D)

Wed. March 19 *Solemnity of Saint Joseph  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:00 Anthony Panella (D)

\* 12:15 Albert, Regina & Virginia Wojcik (D)

Thurs. March 20

8:00 Margaret A. McGraw (D)

\* 12:15 Fernando Villarreal Perez (D)

Fri. March 21 *Day of Abstinence*

8:00 Bridget Rochford (D)

\* 12:15 Stanislaw Newel (D)

Sat. March 22

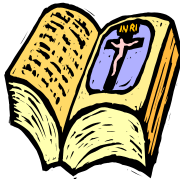
8:00 Margaret K. Klein (D)

\* 12:15 Margaret F. Grace (D)

***Sunday Vigil***

5:45 Mary Ann Kelly (D)

\* **Rosary said after the 12:15 Mass**



**WEEKDAY BIBLE READING**

**03/17** Mon: Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38

**03/18** Tues: Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12

**03/19** Wed: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16;  
Rom 4:13, 16-18,22;  
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

**03/20** Thurs: Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31

**03/21** Fri: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a;  
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

**03/22** Sat: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



the **CARDINAL'S**  
**ANNUAL APPEAL**  
*Sharing God's Gifts*

Our goal for the Appeal this year is \$89,500. To date we have received in pledges and gifts \$67,545 from 76 parishioners. We still have a way to go! Please consider making a pledge or gift to the Appeal. (You can even charge it.) The Appeal is vitally important in supporting the charitable, pastoral and educational work of the Archdiocese of New York.

***Sample gift Plans***

***Payments over a five-month period***

<i>Total Pledge</i>	<i>5 Monthly Payments</i>	<i>Daily Sacrifice</i>
\$2,500	\$500	\$17
\$1,500	\$300	\$10
\$1,000	\$200	\$7
\$500	\$100	\$3
\$250	\$50	\$2
\$150	\$30	\$1

Envelopes for making either a pledge or a gift are available in the back of the Church or call the Office at 212-876-7718.

**Sunday Coffee Hour:** Volunteer for this important Community Service. We extend our thanks to **Virginia Colalucci** for hosting this gathering, which is a wonderful way for parishioners to meet and get to know one another as well as to share a sweet and a cup of coffee or apple juice for the children. We look forward to meeting you there **after the 10:00 am Mass.**

**Leisure Club Luncheon**

March 18, 2014

After the 12:15pm Mass



**Christian Meditation**

The next session will be held  
in the Chapel on Mar 19<sup>th</sup>

## St. Patrick's Day Concert

The Epiphany Adult Choir will present a St. Patrick's Day Concert

Sunday, March 16th at 3:00 pm

The Church of the Epiphany

375 Second Avenue at 22nd Street.

In honor of the patron saint of Ireland and of the Archdiocese of New York a selection of classic and contemporary Irish music, both sacred and secular, will be performed by the choir accompanied by guest instrumentalists playing some traditional Irish instruments.

Admission is free. Join in an afternoon of great music and singing.

Sunday Collection – March 09, 2014

Total Regular Collection - \$8,689.54

Weekly Expenses - \$9,497.10

Adult Attendance – 511

## Parish Pay

DONATE

Please consider joining Parish Pay to help you maintain your economic connection to your parish when you are away from home. To join the Parish Pay system, visit the [St. Thomas More](#) website and click the Donate button located on our home page.

### Join the St. Thomas More E-Group

Send an email with your Name and the words Join the E-Group (Currently 265 members) to [stmbusiness@gmail.com](mailto:stmbusiness@gmail.com) receive the weekly Bulletin and other important information.

## Gaelic Mass

**When:** March 17th, Saint Patrick's Day

**Time:** 9:30M

**Where:** St. Agnes Church

143 East 43rd Street

Contact: Anna Megan - 212 682 5722

Email: [church@stagneschurchnyc.org](mailto:church@stagneschurchnyc.org)

**Cost:** Free

## Contemplative Practice and Healing Insights on Neuroplasticity for Spiritual Care

Friday, March 28th 2014 - 9am—3pm

Fordham University

Rose Hill Campus - O'Keefe Commons

Recent findings in neuroscience have revealed the importance of contemplative and mindfulness practices for calming the fear and stress regions of the brain. This workshop will provide an understanding of how the findings can be applied to the pastoral and spiritual care of those in our care

Speakers:

Dr. Dennis McAuliffe, Bryn Mawr University

Dr. Kirk Bingaman, Fordham University

Dr. Lisa Cataldo, Fordham University

Dr. Mary Beth Werdel, Fordham University

Cost to Attend: \$50 per guest

\$25 for Fordham GSRRE Students & Alumni

Questions: Contact Ms. Jodi Hunt at

[jhunt18@fordham.edu](mailto:jhunt18@fordham.edu) or (718) 817- 5966

[LINK TO REGISTER ONLINE](#)

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## HELP FUND THE PARISH'S LEISURE CLUB PROGRAM

YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS WEEK'S **SPECIAL OUTREACH COLLECTION** WILL ENABLE US TO CONTINUE THIS IMPORTANT COMMUNITY PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES A FREE LUNCH TO OUR SENIORS.  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROCITY

## At Prayer: Private Prayer and Community Worship

**When:** Wednesday, March 19

**Time:** 7:00 PM

**Where:** Wallace Hall, Church of St. Ignatius Loyola  
Park Avenue and 84th Street

**Cost:** Free

**Details:** Presented by Rev. Leo J. O'Donovan, President emeritus of Georgetown University, this lecture considers whether prayer begins in private or in community. In viewing prayer and worship through the artistic lens, we also find suggestions of how we learned to pray. Is it the example of Jesus or of the fellow disciples of Jesus?

**Catechetical Leadership in the New Millennium**  
**Religious Education and Lifelong Catechesis**

Saturday, 29 March 2014 - 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
Keating Hall | Rose Hill Campus  
The cost to attend is \$15.00 and lunch is included.

Explore the various obstacles and opportunities that present themselves through catechesis and religious education in the new millennium.

With presentations by:

Kieran Scott, Ed.D., Harold Horell, Ph.D.  
Lope Lesigues, S.Th.D., Ph.D., and  
Donna Eschenauer, Ph.D.

NOTE: Please register no later than March 24, 2014, so that we can include you in our total lunch count. Those who register after March 24 or at the door will need to provide their own lunch.

[Link to Register Online](#)

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For more information, contact Jodi Hunt at 718-817-5966 or [jhunt18@fordham.edu](mailto:jhunt18@fordham.edu).

For additional information, please visit [www.fordham.edu/gre/events](http://www.fordham.edu/gre/events).

## **Sacred Music in a Sacred Space**

### **40% off Spring Concert Tickets**

Use the code **SPRING** when ordering to receive 40% off tickets in any seating section to our spring choral concerts at St. Ignatius Loyola Church, Park Avenue and 84th Street

To order tickets, call **212-288-2520** any time, any day or order online at **www.smssconcerts.org**.

Remember to use the code **SPRING** when ordering to receive 40% off. *This offer is good for advance sales only; it will not be honored at the door.*

**\*\*\* Weds, April 9 at 7 PM**

**Passion: Mozart Requiem, Bach and Schütz**

**\*\*\* Weds, May 7 at 7 PM**

**Psalms of David:**

**Schütz, Gabrieli, Monteverdi and Rossi**

## **BOOMERS & Beyond**

An organization that provides Catholic men and women (50 plus) who are widowed, divorced or have never been married with opportunities to join others of their age and interests in social, cultural, spiritual and community activities, is hosting an exclusive exhibit preview / lecture at the **2nd Ave. Subway Information Center**  
1628 2nd Ave, New York, NY  
Between 84<sup>th</sup> and 85<sup>th</sup> Streets  
Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 6pm  
followed by a cocktail party at  
Dorrian's 1616 2nd Ave  
from 7:00 to 9:00pm  
(\$25 cash payment at the bar)  
RSVP required for the free subway event.  
Call [646 241-1332](tel:6462411332) for details.

## **9th Annual Divine Mercy Conference**

**When:** Saturday, April 5, 2014

**Time:** 9 AM to 5:30 PM

**Where:** Cardinal Spellman High School  
1 Cardinal Spellman Place

**Cost:** \$60.00

**Details:** Timothy Cardinal Dolan will be participating and will offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Speakers for this all-day event include:

Fr. Andrew Apostoli, CFR ;

Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC

Dr. Scott Hahn, Msgr. James Lisante

Fr. Frank Pavone, MEV, George Weigel

Witness to Mercy: Christopher Bell, and

Music by Marty Rotella and the

Mater Ecclesiae College Choir

For information, directions and registration:

[www.thedivinemercy.org/bronx](http://www.thedivinemercy.org/bronx)

or call 1800-462-7426

**Final Date to Register Online: April 2, 2014**

A \$9.00 boxed lunch is available, including choice of ham, turkey, tuna, or grilled vegetable sandwich with chips, fruit, cookie, and beverage.

Boxed lunch must be pre-ordered.