

Church of Saint Thomas More

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October 26, 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
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Parish Council President

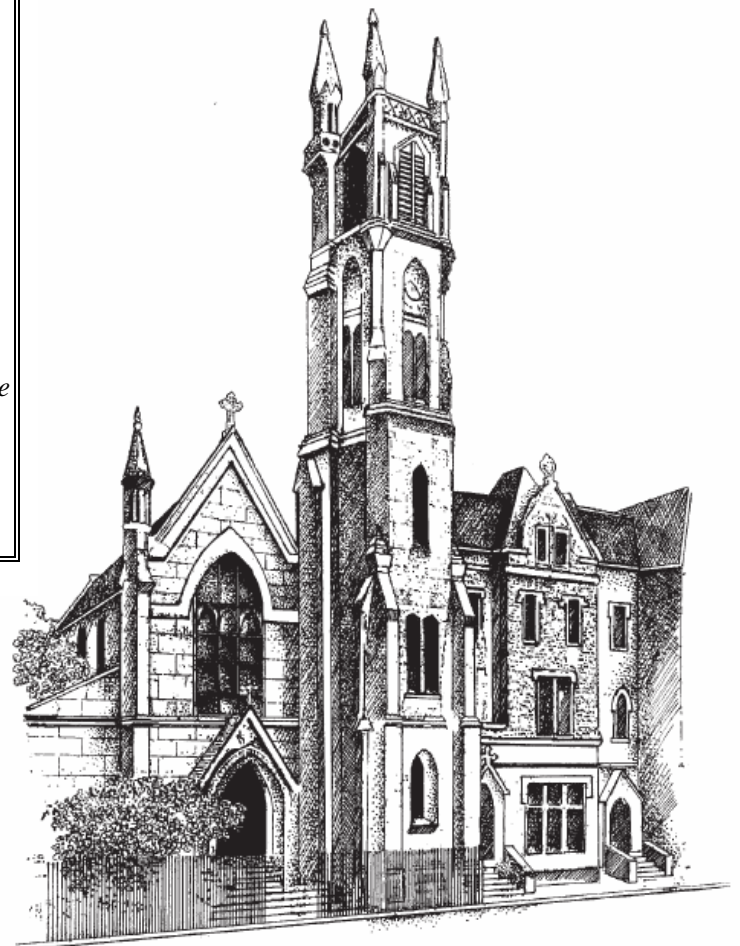
Elizabeth Williams

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.



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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme/Call To Worship

The readings for the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time focus on the Jewish law which established guidelines and parameters for the proper relationship with God and with each other.

Introduction To The Word

Exodus 22:20-26: The first reading, taken from the central section of the Book of Exodus, addresses two areas of Israel's social laws: the treatment of strangers, widows, and orphans; and the lending/borrowing of money. These laws are concerned about treating the most vulnerable in society with dignity and compassion.

1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10: The second reading from Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians concludes his rather extensive thanksgiving to the Christian community at Thessalonica we began hearing last Sunday. Paul has good reason to be thankful for the Christians at Thessalonica. Despite "great affliction," they experienced "joy from the Holy Spirit," and in doing so, they "became a model for all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia."

Matthew 22:34-40: In the Gospel reading for today the Pharisees attempt to test and trap Jesus in public debate. Today the issue is the Mosaic Law. The Pharisees send one of their scribes ("a scholar of the law") to Jesus with the following question: "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest." Jesus more than adequately demonstrates his command of the law by citing and combining Deuteronomy 6:5 (love of God) with Leviticus 19:18 (love of neighbor and self).

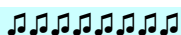
Adapted from Liturgical Publications Inc, Connect! Uniting Word & World, Dr. Daniel J. Scholz

At St. Thomas More This Week

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event:</u>	<u>Time</u>
10/27	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
10/28	Leisure Club Lunch after the 12:15 Mass	
	Religious Ed Class	5:00 pm
	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
10/29	Christian Meditation - Chapel	6:00 pm
10/30	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
10/31	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
	Communion and Liberation	7:00 pm

Next Sunday – November 2nd
after the 5:45 Mass, we will have our parish
 monthly **Cocktail Hour**. Adults of all ages and
 their guests are welcome to attend.
 No need for reservations.

Sunday Collection – October 19, 2014
Weekly Collection – \$9,579.60
Weekly Expenses - \$16,231.25
Adult Attendance – 462



Do you like to sing? The Music Department of St. Thomas More would like to hear from parishioners who might be interested in dedicating their talents to sing chorally. Music reading ability is desirable as well as a clear voice with a good sense of pitch and the ability to blend with others. For more information, contact Christopher Candela, Director of Music by e-mail at STMMusicOffice@gmail.com

Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule

<i>Oct. 26</i>	<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>Lector</i>
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	The Rosses
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Madigan	Mary Ellen McEvily
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Diaz	Bednar Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Madigan	Bob Burke
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Chris Baldwin

<i>Nov. 02</i>	<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>Lector</i>
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Nick Farnham
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Diaz	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Madigan	Kehoe Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Diaz	Bob Burke
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	Rory Kelleher

***O LORD, my rock, my
 fortress, my deliverer.***

Parish Pay



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.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST
DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE
FOR WEEK OF
OCTOBER 26 – NOVEMBER 01**

Mon. Oct. 27

8:00 Mrs. Barbara J. Atlar (D)

* 12:15 Paul White (D)

Tues. Oct. 28 *Sts Simon & Jude*

8:00 Sr. Joan Kirby, RSCJ (L)

* 12:15 Christopher Begley (D)

Wed. Oct. 29

8:00 Kathy Usiak (D)

* 12:15 Vincent de Ocampo de Asis (D)

Thurs. Oct. 30

8:00 Richard Solecki (D)

* 12:15 Margaret & Joseph Phelan (D)

Fri. Oct. 31

8:00 Patrocínio Gaerlan de Perio (D)

* 12:15 Marcelino Heres (D)

Sat. Nov. 01 *All Saints*

8:00 Mae E. Rooney (D)

* 12:15 Camilla Walker (L)

Sunday Vigil

5:45 Robert W. Peterson (D)

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



WEEKDAY BIBLE READING

10/27 Mon: Eph 4:32—5:8; Lk 13:10-17

10/28 Tues: Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16

10/29 Wed: Eph 6:1-9; Lk 13:22-30

10/30 Thurs: Eph 6:10-20; Lk 13:31-35

10/31 Fri: Phil 1:1-11; Lk 14:1-6

11/01 Sat: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

Join the St. Thomas More E-Group

Send an email with your Name and the words Join the E-Group (Currently 298 members) to stmbusiness@gmail.com receive the weekly Bulletin and other important information.

Sunday Coffee Hour: Volunteer for this important Community Service. We extend our thanks to our volunteer **Jacqueline Didier** 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**.

Save the Dates – MoreMusic
Sunday, November 2nd, 12:00 Noon Mass.
The Solemn Mass for All Souls will include Maurice Duruflé's Requiem, Opus 9 sung by the Scholas Cantorum of St Thomas More in loving remembrance of the deceased members, family and friends of our parish.



"Rejoice"! the Children's Choir Returns on Gaudete Sunday

We are seeking children ages 8-12 to participate in a children's choir to sing at the 10am Mass on Sunday, December 14th, 2014. It's not too early to sign up! Parents who wish to have their children participate in this ensemble must sign up with the Director of Music by contacting the Christopher Candela at STMMusicOffice@gmail.com. For more information, please see the flyer in the rear of the church.

The Annual Fall McGinley Lecture
"Interfaith Marriage: A Concern for Jews, Christians and Muslims"

- **When:** Tuesday, November 11, 2014
Time: 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
Where: 12th Floor Lounge, E. Gerald Corrigan Conference Center 113 West 60th St. Lincoln Center Campus
 - **When:** Wednesday, November 12, 2014
Time: 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
Where: Flom Auditorium Walsh Family Library Rose Hill Campus
- Cost:** Free and open to the public

Monthly Food Drive

This week the parish will begin our first Monthly Food Drive, which we are holding to benefit the people served by the New York Common Pantry.

Although the Pantry is happy to receive any food item as long as it conforms to their nutritional standards, this month the Pantry is looking for Whole Wheat Pasta, 100% Real Fruit Juice (Please Avoid Glass Packaging), and Packaged (Dry) Beans. To receive the contributions receptacles will be placed at the rear of the church.

In addition to contributing food, you can also take advantage of the New York Common Pantry / Fresh Direct Partnership. Donate a Gift Card (even if you are not a Fresh Direct Member) by visiting www.freshdirect.com/ycp. When you visit the website you will be able to donate a Gift Card which the Food Program Managers will use to purchase the food they require.

Cash or Check contributions that you place in the wall mounted Yorkville Common Pantry collection box (in the rear of the Church between the front doors and the bulletin board) will also be sent to the Pantry to assist with their programs.

People in our city go hungry all during the year, and not just during the holiday season. As a sponsoring member of the New York Common Pantry we recognize this important fact and we have committed our support to their mission in the forms of Food Donations, Monetary Support, and the support of our Parishioner Volunteers. We thank you for your support of this very important community service.

Fordham University Graduate School of Religion and Religious Education

Tognino Hall - Rose Hill Campus
All Events - Free - 6:00pm

October 27th – **“Living Together: Our Future”** An Interfaith Meeting – with a Panel Discussion and Candlelight Vigil. A reflection on the possibilities and challenges of living together from the viewpoints of the three on Abrahamic faiths (Judaism, Islam and Christianity) on the occasion of the 28th Anniversary of the Prayer for Peace in Assisi.

For more information:
visit www.fordham.edu/gre/events
or email enentsgre@fordham.edu.

Carnegie Hill Neighbors 2014 Halloween Spooktacular

A Block Party as well as a Costume Contest and Procession

Date/Time:

Friday, October 31st 5pm - 6:30pm

Location:

92nd St. between Park and Madison Avenues

Prizes will be awarded to:

- Best Costumes: Up to 2 years, 2-5, 6-9, 9-12
- Best Family, Best Pet Costumes
- Best Decorated Townhouse & Storefront in Carnegie Hill.

To register your building, please call or email Carnegie Hill Neighbors

Information: Call: 212-996-5520

or Email: chn@carnegiehillneighbors.org

Suggested Donation: \$3 per child
\$5 per adult \$10 per family

Purchase tickets outside Yura on Madison,
online or at the event.



The St. Jean's Players

Presents

RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN'S CAROUSEL

St. Jean's High School Auditorium
167 East 75 Street,
Bet. Lex. and Third Aves

Three weekends only:

- Fri/Sat, Nov. 7/8 at 8pm
Sun, Nov. 9 at 3pm
- Fri/Sat, Nov. 14/15 at 8 pm
Sun, Nov. 16 at 3pm
- Friday, Nov. 21/22 at 8pm
Sun, Nov. 23 at 3pm

Tickets available in advance via [SmartTix](http://SmartTix.com) or
at the door 30 minutes before showtime.

Regular Admission: \$25. Seniors 65+ and
Children through age 18: \$15

Seating is first come, first served, so please
arrive early to ensure best seats.



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Thank You For Your Generosity

Thank you to all the families who decided to increase their offertory!!

Increasing your offertory is like planting a seed in our Tree of Life.
Our tree is our parish.



Each and every one of our parishioners is the voice of our parish and community. If everyone increases their giving and continues their promise, we will be able to have a brighter future.

**The Church of Saint Thomas More
still needs your help!**

By sharing and continuing to give, we will foster a better tomorrow. With your ongoing giving we are able to meet our financial obligations.