

# Church of Saint Thomas More

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New York City, New York 10128

November 09, 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

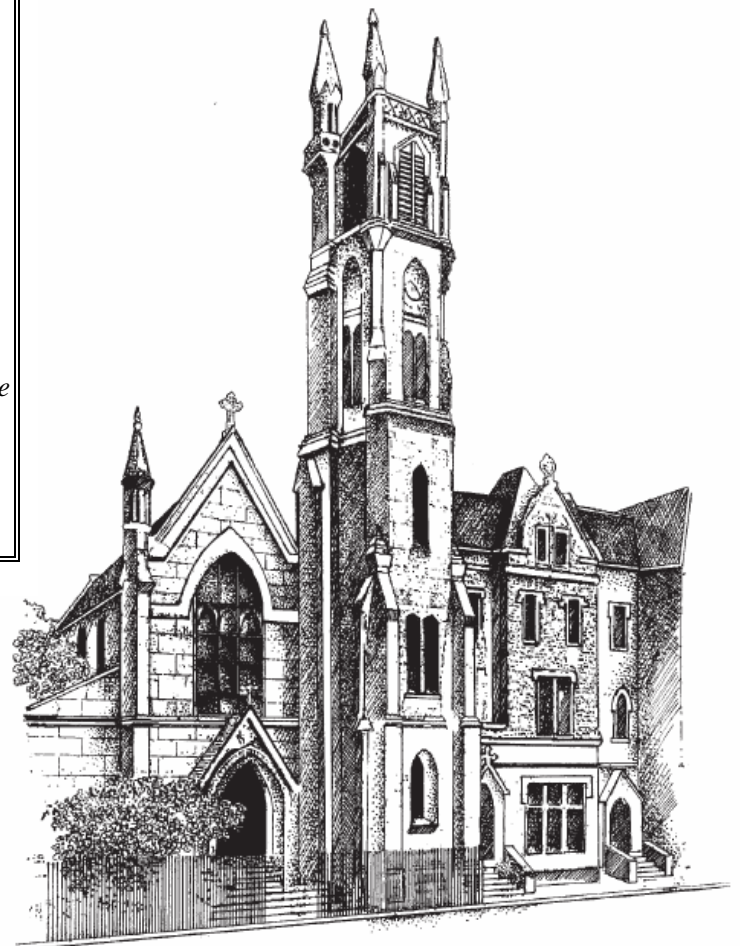
Elizabeth Williams

## 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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## Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

### Theme/Call To Worship

On this feast day the readings appropriately focus on God's holy presence in his Temple. Honoring this sacred space between the human and the divine is deeply rooted in our biblical tradition.

### Introduction To The Word

**Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12:** At the time of Ezekiel's vision the exiles knew that the Babylonians had destroyed the Temple and burned their capital city of Jerusalem. Visions of the Temple's restoration overflowing with streams of water with fish and fruit provided the Israelites with hope for a new future, rich with God's blessings.

**1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17:** In his first letter to the Christians in the city of Corinth, Paul refers to believers as "God's building." This metaphor allows Paul to discuss Jesus Christ as the "foundation" and himself as the "wise master builder" from which "another is building upon it." Paul is obviously concerned that the Gospel message he preached in Corinth remain focused on Christ and not on the efforts or talents of the "builders."

**John 2:13-22:** All four Gospel writers preserve the story of Jesus' cleansing of the Temple, but unlike Matthew, Mark and Luke, John presents this event at the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. Although many of the details are similar in all four accounts, Jesus is clearly angry at the buying and selling of animals used for sacrificial offerings. John's Gospel alone includes Jesus' retort to fellow Jews asking for a sign to justify his actions: "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." This early allusion to Jesus' resurrected body carries a significant theological assertion: God's real presence will no longer reside in the Temple but rather in Jesus' resurrected body.

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

### *At St. Thomas More This Week*

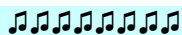
Date:	Event:	Time
11/09	Baptism	1:00 pm
11/10	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
11/11	Leisure Club Lunch after the 12:15 Mass	
	Religious Ed Class	5:00 pm
	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
11/12	Christian Meditation - Chapel	6:00 pm
11/13	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
11/14	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
	Communion and Liberation	7:00 pm

**Sunday Collection – November 02, 2014**

**Weekly Collection – \$9,420.31**

**Weekly Expenses - \$15,306.20**

**Adult Attendance – 563**



**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](mailto:STMMusicOffice@gmail.com)

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

Send an email with your Name and the words

Join the E-Group (Currently 299 members) to [stmbusiness@gmail.com](mailto:stmbusiness@gmail.com) receive the weekly Bulletin and other important information.

### **Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule**

Nov 09	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	The Rosses
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Madigan	Mary Ellen McEvily
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Diaz	Osborne Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Madigan	Jacqueline Ackerina
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Jim Sterling

Nov. 16	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Nick Farnham
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Diaz	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Quinn	Morriss Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Diaz	Nilsa Santiago
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Quinn	Chris Baldwin

***Come! Behold the deeds of the LORD.***

### **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](http://St.ThomasMore) website and click the Donate button located on our home page.

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

Mon. Nov. 10 *St. Leo the Great*

8:00 Joan Finney Eddy (D)

\* 12:15 Gwen Delfino (D)

Tues. Nov. 11 *St. Martin of Tours*

8:00 Anna Pavlenkov (D)

\* 12:15 Joseph Ryan (D)

Wed. Nov. 12 *St. Josaphat*

8:00 Patricia McDermott Carey (D)

\* 12:15 The Bernède Family (L&D)

Thurs. Nov. 13 *St. Frances Xavier Cabrini*

8:00 Anne Galligan (D)

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

Fri. Nov. 14

8:00 Pauline M. Egan (D)

\* 12:15 Marian Gleeson (D)

Sat. Nov. 15 *St. Albert the Great*

8:00 Oscar de la Renta (D)

\* 12:15 Mary Benjamin (D)

**Sunday Vigil**

5:45 Oscar de la Renta (D)

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



**WEEKDAY BIBLE READING**

**11/10** Mon: Ti 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6

**11/11** Tues: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10

**11/12** Wed: Ti 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19

**11/13** Thurs: Phlm 7-20; Lk 17:20-25

**11/14** Fri: 2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37

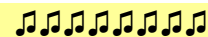
**11/15** Sat: 3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8

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

**33 Club for Seniors**

**Christmas Holiday Boutique**

Fri., Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> and Sat., Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> 11am to 4pm  
323 East 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, Ground Floor  
Next to the Chapel of the Sacred Hearts Of  
Jesus And Mary  
Between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenues  
Paintings, Prints, Plants, Jewelry, Handbags,  
Handmade Crafts, Collectables, Toys, Linens,  
Raffles, and a Townhouse / Birdhouse  
Silent Auction



**"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](mailto:STMMusicOffice@gmail.com). For more information, please see the flyer in the rear of the church.

The Church of St. Catherine of Siena at 411 East 68<sup>th</sup> St. is having its 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Christmas Fair on Saturday and Sunday, November 22 and 23, from 10 AM to 7 PM. The Fair offers a great selection of items including Christmas ornaments, Christmas religious items, crocheted and knitted gifts, Christmas flowers and wreaths, baked goods, \$10 and under table, jewelry, 50/50 raffle, and prize raffles including an Apple iPad!

***Annual Retreat and Day of Recollection***

Saturday, November 15, 2014

9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Rev. Michael Plekon, *retreat master*

"Uncommon Prayer": An Eastern Church View  
Thomas Merton and Prayer in "Day of a Stranger"

A light lunch will be provided. **Donation \$25.**

Registration by **Nov. 12** is required.

Corpus Christi Church, International Thomas Merton Society, Chapter Retreat, 529 West 121st Street, New York, NY 10027.

Information: 212-666-9350 or  
[mertonny@yahoo.com](mailto:mertonny@yahoo.com)

# Thanksgiving Food Drive

**November 8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>**

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](http://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.



**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](#) or at the door 30 minutes before show time.

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.

### 2014 FALL SEMI-ANNUAL APPEAL NOVEMBER 8 AND 9

*This year's FALL SEMI-ANNUAL APPEAL will be taken up this weekend.*

*A letter outlining the importance of this appeal has been mailed to you.*

*We humbly appeal to your goodness and generosity and ask you to prayerfully consider your gift after reading this letter.*

*Listed below is a description of last year's Fall Semi-Annual Appeal.*

AMOUNT	DONORS	TOTAL
\$10,189	1	\$10,189
\$5,131	1	\$5,131
\$5,000	2	\$10,000
\$2,600	1	\$2,600
\$2,500	2	\$5,000
\$2,250	1	\$2,250
\$2,000	5	\$10,000
\$1,500	1	\$1,500
\$1,200	2	\$2,400
\$1,000	13	\$13,000
\$900	1	\$900
\$600	3	\$1,800
\$500	21	\$10,500
\$350	2	\$700
\$300	8	\$2,400
\$250	23	\$5,750
\$200	17	\$3,400
\$190	1	\$190
\$175	1	\$175
\$150	3	\$450
\$125	3	\$375
\$105	1	\$105
\$100	33	\$3,300
Under \$100	130	\$3,390
Anonymous		\$1,881
<b>Total</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>\$97,386</b>

### Next Parish Council Meeting

Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup>

6:45pm in the Rochester Room

All Parishioners are Welcome



Church of St. Thomas More  
**THANKSGIVING  
FOOD DRIVE**

To benefit NY Common Pantry

**November 8th -- 9th, and 15th -- 16th**

Please Donate:

- |                           |                                |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| -Canned Cranberry Sauce   | -Cake/Brownie Mix              |
| -Rice                     | -Frosting                      |
| -Gravy (Turkey Preferred) | -Quarts of Shelf-Stable 1% or  |
| -Corn Bread Mix           | Skim Milk (Ex: Parmalat)       |
| -Stuffing Mix             | - 46oz Unsweetened Apple Juice |

**\*\*Please no glass jars!\*\***

OR

**Donate \$30** to help New York Common Pantry provide  
Thanksgiving meals to families in need.

\$30 will provide Thanksgiving Dinner for a family of 5.

**Please make your check payable to** New York Common Pantry

**Kindly specify " *Turkey Donation*" in memo line**

**Drop Check in  
Common Pantry Donation Box  
on wall at rear of Church**

