

# Church of Saint Thomas More

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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

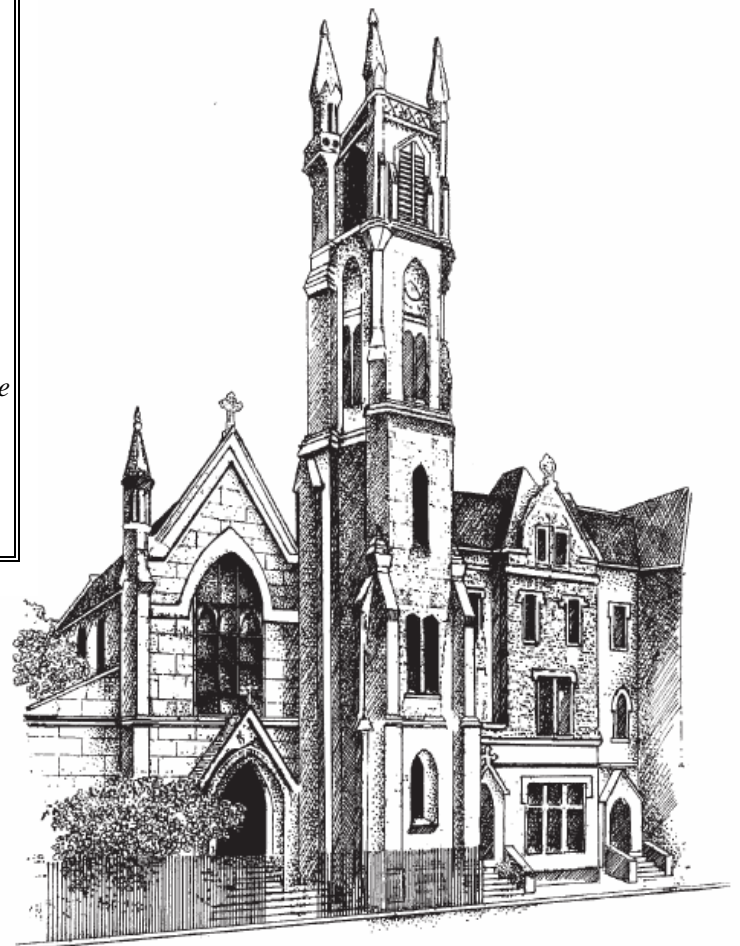
Elizabeth Williams

## 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.



# Church of St. Thomas More

## March 22, 2015

### Fifth Sunday of Lent

#### Theme/Call To Worship

In the Gospel reading for the Fifth Sunday of Lent, we hear Jesus speak about his impending death on the cross. Looking beyond the suffering, Jesus understands the cross as the vehicle to “glorify” his Father’s name.

#### Introduction To The Word

**Jeremiah 31:31-34:** In the first reading, God establishes a new covenant with the prophet Jeremiah. This new covenant is marked by three characteristics. First, it is permanent. Second, it is written upon people’s “hearts,” not upon stone tablets that crumble and decay. Third, with this covenant, knowledge of God will not be limited to Israel; all people will come to know God, receiving his divine mercy and forgiveness.

**Hebrews 5:7-9:** In the second reading, we hear how the author of the Letter to the Hebrews made sense of the anguish Jesus experienced as he faced the reality of his suffering and death. According to the theology of Hebrews, the traditional Jewish high priest was able to relate to the people because of his own sin, but Christ, who was without sin, could not relate to the people in this traditional manner. Therefore, Jesus needed to suffer, as we all suffer, so that he could relate to each of us. In that way Jesus was made the “perfect” (and eternal) high priest.

**John 12:20-33:** In the Gospel reading for the Fifth Sunday of Lent, and throughout John’s Gospel, Jesus makes reference to his “coming hour,” and the idea of Jesus’ coming “hour” serves as a metaphor for his impending suffering, death, resurrection, and ascension. Jesus uses the analogy of a grain of wheat dying so that “it produces much fruit” as a means of inviting others to do likewise: to take up their cross and follow Jesus. In the Gospel of John, Jesus embraces his destiny of death on the cross and his resurrection from the dead: “And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself.”

*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>
03/22	Baptism	1:00 pm
03/23	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
03/24	Leisure Club Lunch after the 12:15 Mass	
	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
03/25	Christian Meditation	6:00 pm
03/26	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
03/27	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm

### *Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule*

<i>Mar. 22</i>	<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>Lector</i>
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Nick Farnham
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Quinn	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Diaz	Kehoe Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Diaz	Bob Burke
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Quinn	Rory Kelleher
<i>Mar. 29</i>	<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>Lector</i>
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	The Rosses
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Madigan	Jim Dillon
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Diaz	Osborne Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Madigan	Nilsa Santiago
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Jim Sterling

### Leisure Club Luncheon

Next Luncheon – March 24, 2015

#### Reminder

Lunch will be served PROMPTLY at 12:45pm immediately following the 12:15pm Mass

### Christian Meditation

March 25<sup>th</sup> – 6:00pm

Location: St. Thomas More - Chapel

65 East 89<sup>th</sup> Street – Manhattan

Group Facilitator: **Donald Main**

415-668-1430 -

[costmny@christianmeditation.us](mailto:costmny@christianmeditation.us)

Sunday Collection – Mar. 15, 2015

Regular Collection - \$9,133.99

Catholic Relief Services - \$3,318.61

Weekly Expenses - \$10,457.32

Attendance – 563

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

Send an email with your Name and the words

Join the E-Group (Currently 335 members) to

[stmbusiness@gmail.com](mailto:stmbusiness@gmail.com) receive the weekly Bulletin and other important information

**MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST  
DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE  
FOR WEEK OF  
MARCH 22 – MARCH 28**

Mon. Mar. 23 *St. Turibius of Mogrovejo*

8:00 Jeanette Capuano(D)

\* 12:15 William Whiting (D)

Tues. Mar. 24

8:00 Elizabeth Bramwell (D)

\* 12:15 Hugo & Maria Brillembourg (D)

Wed. Mar. 25 *The Annunciation of the Lord*

8:00 Peter Tomlinson (D)

\* 12:15 Shirley Fitzpatrick (D)

Thurs. Mar. 26

8:00 Robert McIntyre (D)

\* 12:15 Robert Beshar

Fri. Mar. 27 *Day of Abstinence*

8:00 \*\*\*

\* 12:15 \*\*\*

Sat. Mar. 28

8:00 \*\*\*

\* 12:15 \*\*\*

***Sunday Vigil***

5:45 \*\*\*

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

**WEEKDAY BIBLE READING**

**03/23** Mon: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62  
or 13:41c-62; Jn 8:1-11

**03/24** Tues: Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30

**03/25** Wed: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Heb 10:4-10;  
Lk 1:26-38

**03/26** Thurs: Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59

**03/27** Fri: Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42

**03/28** Sat: Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56

**Sunday Coffee Hour**

We extend our thanks to our volunteer **Anna Lee** 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 10:00am Mass.**

**PALM SUNDAY AND  
MONDAY, TUESDAY AND  
WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK**

**PASSION (PALM)  
SUNDAY**

*Palms will be blessed and distributed  
at each of these Masses*

**March 28** Vigil Mass - 5:45 p.m.

**March 29** Sunday Masses

8:00 & 10:00 a.m. and  
12:00\* & 5:45 p.m.

**MONDAY, TUESDAY,  
WEDNESDAY**

**March 30, 31 and April 1 Masses**

8:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m.

**Confessions:**

12:00 p.m. to 12:10 p.m. Mon, Tues & Wed

**Special Confession Times**

Monday, March 30, 3:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Note: The Sacrament of Confession will not be available on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday or Easter Sunday

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**See the Last Page of this Bulletin for the  
Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy  
Saturday and Easter Sunday Schedules**

**Parish Pay**

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*A clean heart create for me,  
O God, and a steadfast  
spirit renew within me.*

## Local Parish Retreat

Mary Show us the Way  
Our Lady of Good Counsel

230 East 90<sup>th</sup> Street

Thursday nights at 7:00pm

March 26<sup>th</sup> to May 7<sup>th</sup>, excluding Holy Week  
Using Father Michael Gaitley's inspiring book  
and DVDs, *33 Days to Morning Glory*, about  
devotion Mary. Book (\$4 per copy) available at  
the retreat or at the OLGCR Rectory. For more  
information, go to [olgcny.com](http://olgcny.com)  
or call [212-734-9758](tel:212-734-9758)

## CARNEGIE HILL *neighbors*

Because it's our home

**Volunteers Needed for  
Mass Mailing**

Monday, March 23, 2015 -

Friday, April 3, 2015

10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

170 East 91st Street, Lower Level

\*BRING A FRIEND\*

\*DONATE YOUR TIME\*

Contact **Eve Lowman** - [212-996-5520](tel:212-996-5520)

Refreshments Will Be Provided

## After School Tutors Needed

The Little Sisters of the Assumption Family Health Service is in great need of after-school tutors to assist low-academic performing East Harlem children (ages 7 – 12). The one-on-one tutoring sessions are held at the Center, 333 East 115<sup>th</sup> Street, (between First and Second Avenues), once a week for 70 minutes. A variety of days and times are available. For more information, contact [tgough@lsafhs.org](mailto:tgough@lsafhs.org) or visit [littlesistersfamily.org](http://littlesistersfamily.org)

**NEXT WEEK, HELP FUND THE  
PARISH'S LEISURE CLUB PROGRAM**  
YOUR SUPPORT OF NEXT 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

## **The 20th Way of the Cross over the Brooklyn Bridge** — Good Friday 2015 —

The Way of the Cross over the Brooklyn Bridge is an annual procession held on Good Friday, emulating Christ's walk to Calvary. Sponsored by the Movement of Communion and Liberation, the Way of the Cross publicly commemorates five stations of the Passion of Jesus Christ, beginning at St. James Cathedral-Basilica in Downtown Brooklyn, moving across the Brooklyn Bridge, stopping at City Hall and Ground Zero, and concluding at St. Peter's Church in Lower Manhattan. At each station readings from scripture will be offered, along with hymns, reflections, and meditations.

**BEGINS AT 10:00AM, APRIL 3, 2015**

**St. James Cathedral-Basilica**

250 Cathedral Place

(corner of Jay & Tillary Sts.)

Borough Hall 2, 3, 4, 5

Jay Street – Metro Tech A, C, F, R

**THE EVENT WILL END AT 1:30PM**

**St. Peter's Church**

22 Barclay Street, Lower Manhattan

It is suggested that all participants complete the devotion in silence in order to fully contemplate the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus and the new life He generates within us. All are welcome.

## Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide

(12-Week Course)

Wednesdays, April 8 – June 24, 2015

7PM – 9PM | Cost: \$35

St. Barnabas Church,

413 East 241 Street, Bronx, NY

Presenter Carmen Noschese, M.S., M.F.T.

Register: [events.nyfamilylife.org/cdsg/](http://events.nyfamilylife.org/cdsg/)

or Call 646-794-3188

Registration Deadline: Monday April 6,  
2015

Information: Kathy Wither:  
[dr.kathleen.wither@archny.org](mailto:dr.kathleen.wither@archny.org)

# HOLY WEEK 2015

AT THE CHURCH OF SAINT THOMAS MORE

65 East 89<sup>th</sup> Street, (Between Park and Madison Avenues) New York City

*St. Thomas More Church welcomes*

## **The Rev. Thomas G. Streit, CSC, Ph.D**

Founder of the University of Notre Dame's Haiti Program  
and Associate Professor of Practical Biological Sciences at Notre Dame

### **HOLY THURSDAY – APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup>**

9:00am, MORNING PRAYER, with sung Lamentations of Jeremiah

**\*6:00pm, MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER,**

The Reverend Thomas Streit, CSC, guest homilist. Immediately following the Mass, there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with choral meditations in the Foley Chapel, featuring the music of Byrd, Candela, Duruflé and Palestrina. *After the choral meditation, quiet adoration will be available in the Chapel until approximately 11:00pm.*

### **GOOD FRIDAY – APRIL 3<sup>rd</sup>**

9:00am, MORNING PRAYER with sung Lamentations of Jeremiah

1:00pm, SERVICE OF THE SEVEN LAST WORDS,

The Reverend Thomas Streit, CSC, guest homilist, including choral meditations.

**\*3:00pm, SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION,**

The Reverend Thomas Streit, CSC, guest homilist. Choral music for the Veneration of the Cross with Holy Communion will include Samuel Barber's *Agnus Dei*

6:00pm, STATIONS OF THE CROSS, with individual veneration of the cross.

### **HOLY SATURDAY – APRIL 4<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am, MORNING PRAYER with sung Lamentations of Jeremiah

**\*8:00pm, THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER,**

The Reverend Thomas Streit, CSC, guest homilist, with the Schola Cantorum and Orchestra of St. Thomas More with music of Aichinger, Handel and Schubert

### **EASTER SUNDAY – APRIL 5<sup>th</sup>**

8:30am, MASS, with cantor, organ and trumpet

10:00am, MASS, Family Mass – Families with young children are encouraged to attend this Mass

**\*12:00pm, MASS,** Principal Solemn Mass with Choir and Orchestra

*( \* principal liturgy of each day)*

*For more information please visit our website [www.thomasmorechurch.org](http://www.thomasmorechurch.org)*