

Church of Saint Thomas More

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May 24, 2015

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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

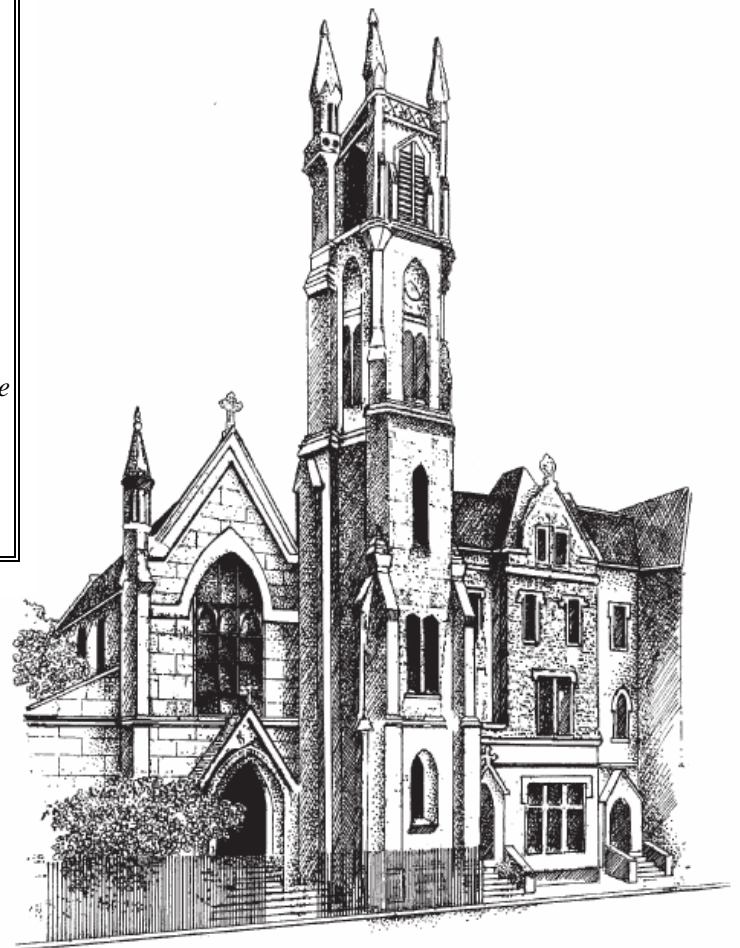
Elizabeth Williams

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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Pentecost Sunday

Theme/Call To Worship

Fifty days after Easter, the Easter season comes to an end and we celebrate Pentecost when the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles and the birth of the church occurred.

Introduction To The Word

Acts 2:1-11: The first reading for Pentecost Sunday is Luke's narration of the descent of the Holy Spirit onto the apostles. According to tradition, ten days after Jesus ascended into heaven, the Holy Spirit descended onto the apostles. The Holy Spirit is symbolized here as fire to represent the Spirit's transformative power.

1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13: In the second reading from Paul's Letter to the Galatians, Paul is caught up in a larger argument about the law: "But if you are guided by the Spirit, you are not under the law." Paul sees the Spirit as that which enables us to live up to God's expectations. For Paul, when we live by the Spirit, we will "inherit the kingdom of God."

John 20:19-23: The Gospel reading from John is taken again this week from Jesus' "farewell discourse" with his disciples about the presence and role of the Holy Spirit ("the Advocate"). Jesus speaks about the Advocate as "the Spirit of truth" which the Father "will send you," which will "guide you to all truth."

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>
05/24	Baptism	1:00 pm
05/25	Memorial Day – Parish Office Closed	
	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
05/26	No Leisure Club Lunch	
	Religious Education	5:00 pm
	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
05/27	Christian Meditation	6:00 pm
05/28	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
05/29	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm

Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule

<u>May 24</u>	<u>Celebrant</u>	<u>Lector</u>
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	The Rosses
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Madigan	Gisela White
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Diaz	Kehoe Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Madigan	Bob Burke
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Rory Kelleher
<u>May 31</u>	<u>Celebrant</u>	<u>Lector</u>
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Nick Farnham
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Diaz	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Madigan	Osborne Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Diaz	Nilsa Santiago
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	Jim Sterling

Religious Education

Although the Registration deadline for the first and second grades of our in-parish Religious Education program has passed, we have extended this date to insure that we will have a sufficient number of students to conduct classes.

For more information,
please contact our Parish Office, ASAP.

**The last day for this year's
Religious Education Program
will be Tuesday, June 2nd.**

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.

Sunday – May 17, 2015

Regular Collection - \$2,102.63
Spring Semi Annual - \$16,541.57
Regular Weekly Expenses - \$11,999.28
Attendance – 646

Join the St. Thomas More E-Group

Send an email with your Name and the words Join the E-Group (Currently 361 members) to stmbusiness@gmail.com receive the weekly Bulletin and other important information

**MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST
DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE
FOR WEEK OF
MAY 24 – MAY 30**

Mon. May 25 *St. Bede the Venerable*
St. Gregory VII & St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi
Memorial Day, Parish Office Closed

8:00

* 12:15

Tues. May 26 *St. Philip Neri*

8:00 Dr. W. Robson Grier (D)

* 12:15 Mara Curanaj (D)

Wed. May 27 *St. Augustine of Canterbury*

8:00 John McChord (D)

* 12:15

Thurs. May 28

8:00

* 12:15 Wanda Coletti (D)

Fri. May 29

8:00

* 12:15 Jane Fleming (D)

Sat. May 30

8:00

* 12:15

Sunday Vigil

5:45 Theresia Sajdik (D)

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



WEEKDAY BIBLE READING

Mon: 1 Pt 1:3-9; Mk 10:17-27

Tues: 1 Pt 1:10-16; Mk 10:28-31

Wed: 1 Pt 1:18-25; Mk 10:32-45

Thurs: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Lk 1:39-56

Fri: 1 Pt 4:7-13; Mk 11:11-26

Sat: Jude 17, 20b-25; Mk 11:27-33

Sunday Coffee Hour

We extend our thanks to *Christopher Boova* for hosting this Sunday, which is a wonderful way for parishioners to meet and get to know one another.

We look forward to meeting you there
after the 10:00am Family Mass.

STM Monthly Food Drive

This weekend, **May 23rd and 24th**, a box will be placed in the back of the Church to accommodate our Monthly Food Drive. If you choose to donate food, please bring shelf stable items, such as: brown rice, canned tuna / salmon / chicken, or whole wheat pasta, and please do not bring items packed in glass jars. 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.

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.

Christian Meditation

May 27th – 6:00pm

Location: St. Thomas More - Chapel
65 East 89th Street – Manhattan

Group Facilitator: **Donald Main**

415-668-1430 - costmny@christianmeditation.us

SPRING SEMI-ANNUAL APPEAL

All parishioners should have received a mailing about our **Spring – Semi - Annual Appeal**. We depend on this Appeal to carry us through the summer when so many are away and inevitably the Sunday collections drop off and ordinary expenses do not. If you have not already made your commitment, please read the letter carefully and respond as generously as you can.

If you have already participated in this appeal, we thank you for your continued support.

Last year, we received \$122,521 from 241 identifiable donors.