

Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel - St. 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
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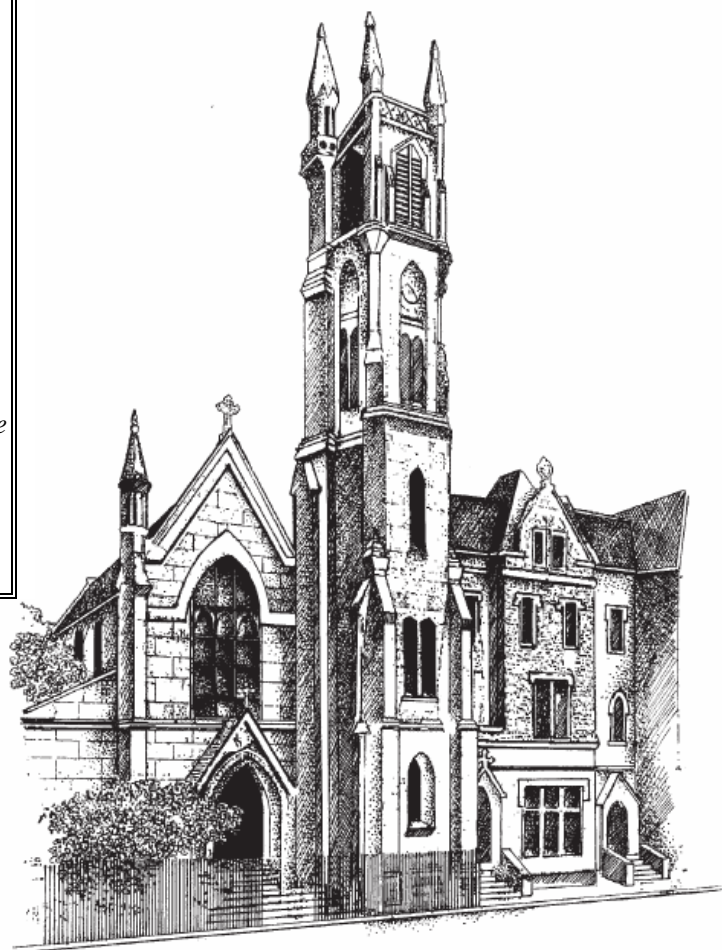
Elizabeth Williams

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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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme/Call To Worship

As a Eucharistic people, we are called to live and be in community with each other in a way that reflects the reality that we are nourished by the body and blood of Christ.

Introduction To The Word

Proverbs 9:1-6: In the first reading taken from the Book of Proverbs, wisdom is personified as a matron who offers food and drink to the humble and unlearned, and food and drink—the staples of life—are offered as a means of communicating God's desire to reach us at our most basic level on a day-to-day basis. Jesus may well have had divine wisdom as food and drink in mind when he spoke to the Jewish people of eating his flesh and drinking his blood.

Ephesians 5:15-20: The second reading taken from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians deals with Christian moral behavior and places a heavy emphasis on the importance of wisdom.

John 6:51-58: The final line from last Sunday's Gospel reading is the first line for today's Gospel: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." Jesus' words are repeated for two consecutive Sundays because it offers the heart of the revelation in the "bread of life" discourse.

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>
08/16	Deaf Community Mass	2:00 pm
08/17	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
08/18	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
08/19	Christian Meditation	6:00 pm
08/20	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
08/21	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
08/22	Deaf Community Mass	3:00 pm

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 – August 09, 2015

Regular Collection - \$5,933.86

Regular Weekly Expenses - \$16,803.35

Attendance – 373

*Do not continue in ignorance,
but try to understand what is the will of
the Lord.*

Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule

<u>Aug 16</u>	<u>Celebrant</u>	<u>Lector</u>
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Fernandes	The Rosses
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Fernandes	Gisela White
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Madigan	Morriss Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Fernandes	
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	Rory Kelleher

<u>Aug 23</u>	<u>Celebrant</u>	<u>Lector</u>
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Fernandes	
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Fernandes	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Streit, CSC	
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Streit, CSC	Nilsa Santiago
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Fernandes	Jim Sterling

Join the St. Thomas More E-Group

Send an email with your Name and the words Join the E-Group (Currently 369 members) to stmbusiness@gmail.com receive the weekly Bulletin and other important information.

Christian Meditation

August 19th – 6:00pm

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

**MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST
DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE
FOR WEEK OF
AUGUST 16 – AUGUST 22**

Mon. August 17

8:00 Frances Opeil (D)

* 12:15 Mary Benjamin (D)

Tues. August 18

8:00 Marie Russo (D)

* 12:15 Nancy Johnson O'Keefe (D)

Wed. August 19 *St. John Eudes*

8:00 Carmine Angelo Leone (D)

* 12:15 James Botticelli (D)

Thurs. August 20 *St. Bernard*

8:00 Peter Fleming (D)

* 12:15 Robert Christie (D)

Fri. August 21 *St. Pius X*

8:00 Dylan Vasallo (D)

* 12:15 Kathleen Leonard (D)

Sat. August 22

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 Souls in Purgatory (D)

* 12:15 Frank Gifford (D)

Sunday Vigil

5:45 Elizabeth Fuller (L)

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

WEEKDAY BIBLE READING

Mon: Jgs 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22

Tues: Jgs 6:11-24a; Mt 19:23-30

Wed: Jgs 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16

Thurs: Jgs 11:29-39a; Mt 22:1-14

Fri: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Mt 22:34-40

Sat: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday Coffee Hour

We extend our thanks to our Volunteer *Lynne McCormick* 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.**

Volunteer Opportunity: Union Settlement/OASIS Intergenerational Reading Tutors

Union Settlement Association is looking for older adults to tutor elementary school children in East Harlem who need help developing reading and language skills. You will work one-on-one with a student throughout the school year to help build reading skills, self-esteem and positive attitudes towards learning. We provide volunteers with training and ongoing support meetings. No teaching experience is needed. Minimum time commitment: 1 hour, 2 times per week. Times: between 9am and 3pm. For more information, please contact Faith Arner, Program Coordinator, at 212-828-6121.

STM Monthly Food Drive

Next weekend, **August 22nd and 23rd**, 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.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you a Catholic who needs to be confirmed?

Are you interesting in becoming a Catholic?

Classes - Monday nights at 7:00pm
beginning September 14th

Our Lady of Good Counsel

(230 East 90th St., betwn. 3rd and 2nd aves.).
Classes will be held in the church hall. You are free to come and see what the classes are like and learn more about the Catholic faith without making any commitment.

For more information, contact Mary Schwarz at maryschwarz@aol.com or [212-734-9758](tel:212-734-9758).