

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

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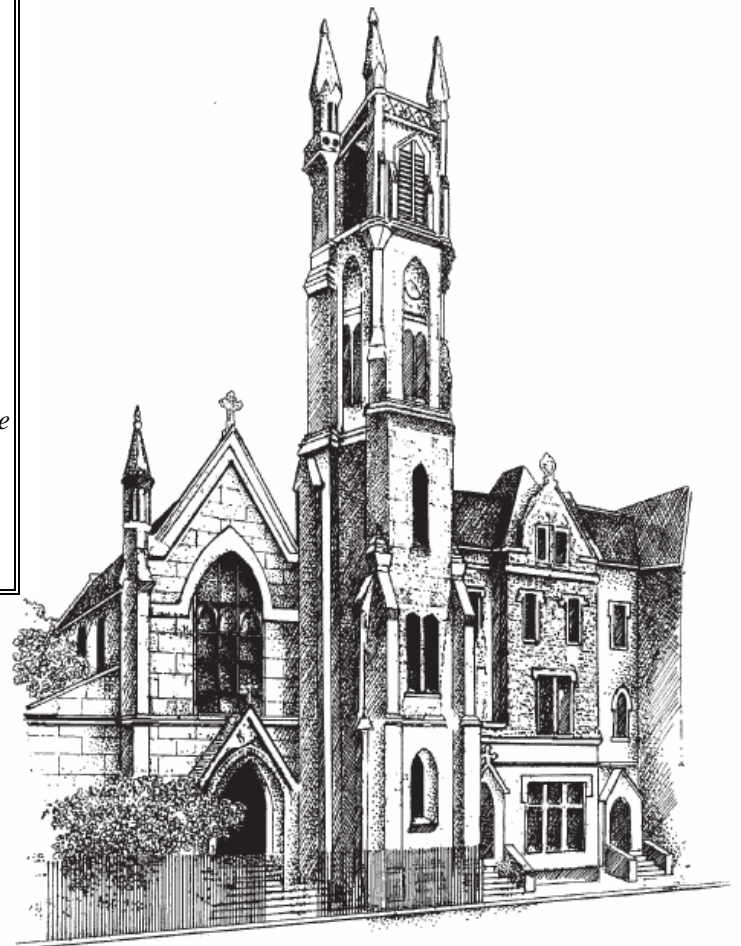
Elizabeth Williams

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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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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme/Call To Worship

The readings for today call us to rethink how we define and live out our faith in our daily lives. Is our faith simply a set of clearly defined rules to follow or is our faith lived out in a manner that truly embraces and applies God's sacred laws to our everyday lives?

Today's Gospel, an abbreviated version of Mark 7:1-23, details some of the objections raised by the critics of Jesus and his disciples. On its most basic level, the Pharisees and Scribes expressed public concern that Jesus' behavior violated the "tradition of the elders," especially some of the Jewish laws associated with purity rites and regulations. The example raised is Jesus and the disciples, after "coming from the marketplace," ate meals without washing (purifying) their hands; they ate food with "unclean hands." The mention of the "marketplace" is a reference to an area where Jews would encounter, and often interact with, Gentiles. Exposure to Gentiles, especially physical contact, would make Jews unclean. Many Jews, therefore, were very sensitive to the "marketplace." It is important to note that Jesus' response is directed to the crowds: "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." Not only was Jesus publicly challenging the Jewish leaders' interpretation of the Mosaic law, he was also, in effect, challenging the legitimacy of the separation between Jews and Gentiles.

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>
08/30	Baptism	1:30 pm
09/01	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
09/02	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
09/03	Christian Meditation	6:00 pm
09/04	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
09/05	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm

Parish Pay

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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 23, 2015

Regular Collection - \$5,763.71

Regular Weekly Expenses - \$16,847.58

Attendance – 430

Sunday Coffee Hour

We extend our thanks to our Volunteer *Daniel Flynn* 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**.

Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule

Aug 30	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Fernandes	The Rosses
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Fernandes	Gisela White
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Gibbons, SJ	Bednar Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Gibbons, SJ	Jacqueline Ackerina
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	Chris Baldwin

Sept 06	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	Nick Farnham
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Madigan	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Fernandes	Kehoe Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Madigan	Bob Burke
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Fernandes	Chris Baldwin

Join the St. Thomas More E-Group

Send an email with your Name and the words Join the E-Group (Currently 372 members) to stmbusiness@gmail.com receive the weekly Bulletin and other important information.

***One who does justice will live
in the presence of the Lord.***

**MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST
DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE
FOR WEEK OF
AUGUST 30 – SEPTEMBER 05**

Mon. August 31

8:00

* 12:15 Dorothy & Eddie Lane (D)

Tues. September 01

8:00 Mary & Albert Milloy (D)

* 12:15 Lorraine Dennen (D)

Wed. September 02

8:00

* 12:15 Anthony Declemente (D)

Thurs. September 03 *St. Gregory the Great*

8:00

* 12:15

Fri. September 04

8:00

* 12:15 Elizabeth Murray (D)

Sat. September 05 *Bl. Teresa of Calcutta*

8:00

* 12:15

Sunday Vigil

5:45

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



WEEKDAY BIBLE READING

Sun: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27;

Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Mon: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30

Tues: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37

Wed: Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44

Thurs: Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11

Fri: Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39

Sat: Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5

Christian Meditation

September 2nd – 6:00pm

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

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

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

For more information, contact Mary Schwarz at

maryschwarz@aol.com or [212-734-9758](tel:212-734-9758).

COMING IN THE FALL
POVERTY SIMULATION

Saturday, September 19th

Church of St. Ignatius Loyola

Learn. Experience. Act.

Pope Francis calls us to recognize the poor among us, and to care for them as our sisters and brothers.

First we must understand their daily lives

Fr. Ian Gibbons, S.J.

We are delighted to welcome Fr. Ian Gibbons S.J. who will be celebrating Mass at St. Thomas More Church on a twice monthly basis. We ask that you give him a warm welcome. Below is a brief biography.

Fr. Ian Gibbons is a Jesuit of the Central Southern Province serving as the assistant principal at Regis High School. Originally from St. Louis, Fr. Ian entered the Jesuit order in 1995 and was ordained in 2006. Previously he has taught at Bellarmine Prep in San Jose, assisted with student affairs at Regis Jesuit in Denver, and developed English programs at Fényi Gyula Jezsuita in Miskolc, Hungary. After ordination, Fr. Ian spent six years as the pastoral, service, and faculty formation director at Rockhurst High School in Kansas City. While at Rockhurst, Fr. Ian served as the NFL's Catholic Chaplain for visiting football teams.

Fr. Ian earned a bachelor of science degree in economics and an MBA from Southern Illinois University. He also has master's degrees from Saint Louis University (American Studies), Boston College (Masters of Divinity) and University of San Francisco (Catholic Education Leadership). His mom is British, and he has two older sisters and a younger brother. One sister lives part of the year in Iceland!

Over his career, Fr. Ian has taught economics, history, scripture, world religions, and business accounting. A few interesting facts - Fr. Ian has spent a year in the Belize missions, and he published a paper on zero inflation economic policies with the Federal Reserve.