

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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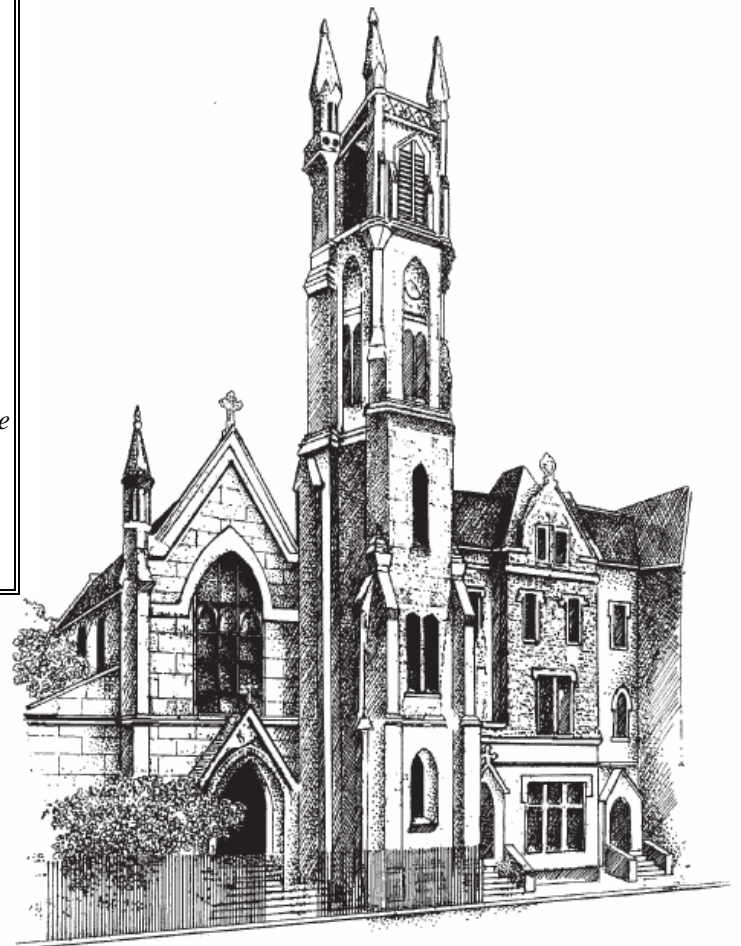
Elizabeth Williams

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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Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Gospel reading for the Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, warns against the false sense of security often derived from wealth and an abundance of possessions, and the first reading, a reflection on the virtues of prudence and wisdom as the source of true wealth, articulates well the disposition that Jesus encouraged his disciples and the Gospel's rich man to adopt.

In today's Gospel reading, the rich man fully anticipates an affirmation from Jesus that by living his life as a law-abiding Jew he would "inherit eternal life." The man "went away sad" when Jesus pushed him to take one further step: "Go, sell what you have... then come, follow me." The disciples, too, were "amazed" and "exceedingly astonished" at Jesus' words, "How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God." In antiquity, people commonly associated wealth and possessions as a sign and symbol of God's blessings. Befuddled, the disciples ask Jesus, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus' answer puts inheritance of eternal life outside the realm of possibility for humans alone; eternal life is a gift that only God grants: "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God."

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>
10/11	Christian Meditation (Meeting Rm.)	1:00 pm
10/12	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
10/13	Leisure Lunch after the 12:15 Mass A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
10/14	Christian Meditation (Chapel)	6:00 pm
10/15	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
10/16	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm

Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule

<u>Oct 11</u>	<u>Celebrant</u>	<u>Lector</u>
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	The Rosses
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Diaz	TBD
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Gibbons, SJ	Kehoe Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Gibbons, SJ	Bob Burke
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Jim Sterling

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.

<u>Oct 18</u>	<u>Celebrant</u>	<u>Lector</u>
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	Nick Farnham
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Madigan	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Madigan	Osborne Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Diaz	Nilsa Santiago
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Chris Baldwin

Joy J Outreach Program

Next weekend October 17th and 18th a representative from the Joy J Outreach Program will speak at each of our STM Sunday Masses.

Joy J offers unique programs for groups and individuals to provide food and necessities to the homeless population in their communities, and to foster real human connections in an increasingly superficial world.

Senior Lunch Program

Tuesday October 13th after the 12:15pm Mass

World Mission Sunday Oct. 18th

While most of us will never be in a position to travel the world spreading the Gospel message, our Catholic identity, given in baptism, calls each of us to be missionaries. This call we can answer by supporting with our prayers and contributions those who do so in the name of the Church Universal. Next Sunday, we celebrate World Mission Sunday to raise an awareness of the needs of our missionaries and to afford us an opportunity to make a charitable donation.

With thanks and prayerful best wishes,
I am, Faithfully in Christ,
Timothy M. Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York

**MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST
DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE
FOR WEEK OF
OCTOBER 11 – OCTOBER 17**

Mon. October 12 *Columbus Day*
Parish Office Closed

8:00 James Hanson (D)
* 12:15 Maryann Kelly (D)

Tues. October 13

8:00 Fred Alyea (D)
* 12:15 Mary Benjamin (D)

Wed. October 14 *St. Callistus I*

8:00 Maryann Kelly (D)
* 12:15 Millie Ferrer (D)

Thurs. October 15 *St. Teresa of Jesus*

8:00 Jane Fleming (D)
* 12:15 Irene Schultz (D)

Fri. October 16 *St. Hedwig*
Margaret Mary Alacoque

8:00 Veronica Martin (L)
* 12:15 Madeleine Morrissey (D)

Sat. October 17 *St. Ignatius of Antioch*

8:00 Souls in Purgatory (D)
* 12:15 Maryann Kelly (D)

Sunday Vigil

5:45 Josefina Rendon (D)
* **Rosary said after the 12:15 Mass**

"How hard it is for those who have
wealth to enter the kingdom of God!"

WEEKDAY BIBLE READING

Sun: Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

Mon: Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32

Tues: Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41

Wed: Rom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46

Thurs: Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54

Fri: Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54

Sat: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Lk 12:8-12

Christian Meditation

October 11th - 1:00pm - Meeting Room

October 14th - 6:00pm - Chapel

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

Sunday Coffee Hour

We extend our thanks to our volunteer **Elizabeth Williams** for hosting this Sunday event, 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.**

Sunday – October 4, 2015

Regular Collection - \$15,029.37

Regular Weekly Expenses - \$14,748.80

Attendance – 704

Admission to the Catholic High Schools in the Diocese of Brooklyn/Queens or the Archdiocese of New York in 2016-2017 is determined in part by the results of the *Test for Admission into Catholic High Schools (TACHS)* administered in November of 2015.

For information about this test, the admissions process and the High Schools, including their Open House Schedules, please visit:
<http://tachsinfo.com/> or call 1-866-618-2247.

Child Safety :The Archdiocese of New York is committed to doing all that it can to protect young children and young people from sexual abuse. As part of that effort, we periodically reach out to the Catholic community to advise them whom they may contact and what steps they can take if they have suffered abuse by someone representing the Catholic Church. Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr Eileen Clifford, OP at 212-371-1000 X 2949 or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via email at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, www.archny.org. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

This Sunday's Special Collection
Weekly Flowers and Decorations

Help us to keep our sacred space
beautiful. Your generosity is most
appreciated.

Next Parish Council Meeting

Monday, October 19th

7:00pm in the STM Rochester Room

All Parishioners are Welcome.

Your promptness is appreciated.