

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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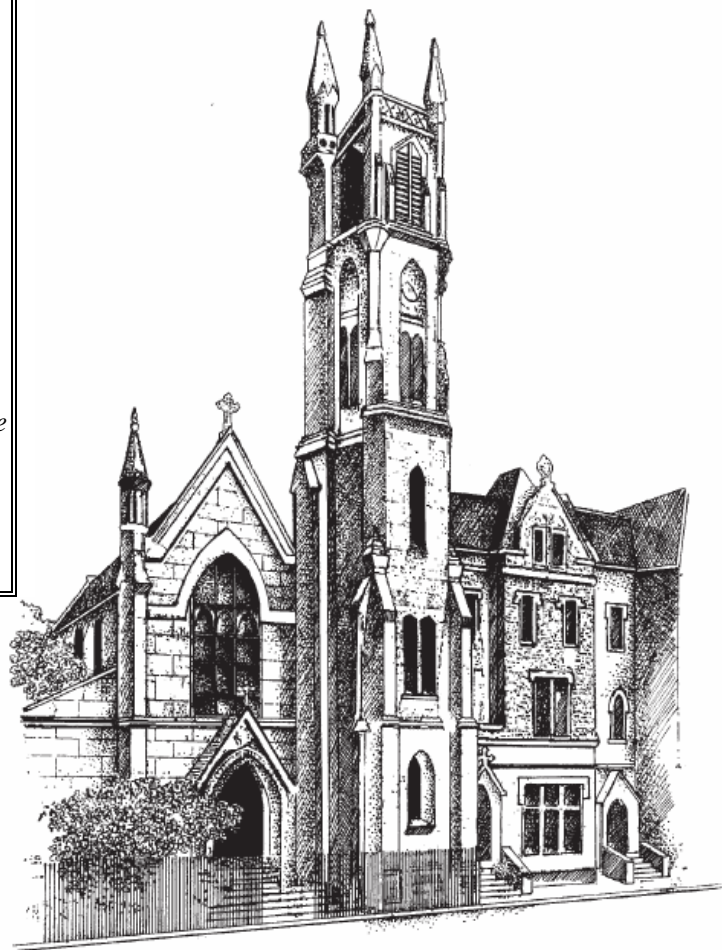
Elizabeth Williams

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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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the Gospel reading for the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, we hear the story of Jesus healing the blind man, Bartimaeus. Within this Gospel there is more to the story than just Jesus' miraculously healing a blind man, because it also shows the theological outlook of the writer, and in Mark, Jesus' miracles are often tied directly to the faith of the recipient.

Of the many miracles of Jesus, preserved by Mark, there are only two healing stories of blind men, which form what is sometimes called a "Markan sandwich." These two stories bracket the three Passion predictions and may actually be as much a commentary by Mark on the disciples as the stories are a presentation of Jesus' mighty deeds. Some scholars have theorized that these two blind men may function (in part) as a metaphor for the disciples and their relative blindness to Jesus' identity as the suffering Messiah. In the first blind man story, the miracle of healing the blind man does not initially work. Jesus has to touch the man twice for him to fully see. This coincides with the disciples' blindness to Jesus' identity, up to that point in the Gospel. By the healing of the second blind man (today's reading), the disciples no longer wonder about Jesus' identity, and they like Bartimaeus see clearly who Jesus is.

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>
10/26	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
10/27	Leisure Lunch after the 12:15 Mass A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
10/28	Christian Meditation (Chapel)	6:00 pm
10/29	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
10/30	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm

Parish Pay



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.

The First - Our Lady of Good Counsel - St. Thomas More JoyJ Initiative Homeless Outreach

Saturday, November 7th, 2015 at 10:00 A.M.

St. Thomas More - Rochester Room
65 East 89th Street, between Park and Madison

Parishioner/Volunteers will meet with experienced leaders and assigned to groups going to various locations to distribute pre-prepared **comfort bags**.

Additional volunteers are always welcome.

For more information, please go to

<http://www.joyj.org>.

Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule

Oct 25	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	The Rosses
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Diaz	Bob Burke
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Gibbons, SJ	Morriss Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Gibbons, SJ	Christine Stonbely
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Rory Kelleher

Nov 01	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Nick Farnham
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Diaz	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Quinn	Osborne Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Quinn	Nilsa Santiago
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Chris Baldwin

Senior Lunch Program

Tuesday October 27th after the 12:15pm Mass

Carnegie Hill Neighbors

Halloween Spooktacular 2015

October 31, 4 - 5:30pm

92nd Street (between Park and Madison)

Refreshments, Games and Prizes

Costume Judging starts at 4:45pm

Best Children (by age group), Family and Pet Costumes

Best Decorated Townhouse & Storefront

Tickets Available outside YURA or at event

Suggested: \$3 per child, \$5 per adult, \$10 per family

Information: 212-996-5520

**MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST
DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE
FOR WEEK OF
OCTOBER 25 – OCTOBER 31**

Mon. October 26

8:00 Alexander Bongard (D)

* 12:15 Margaret & Joseph Phelan (D)

Tues. October 27

8:00 Souls in Purgatory (D)

* 12:15 Maryann Kelly (D)

Wed. October 28 *Sts. Simon & Jude*

8:00 James Siriami Fredericks (D)

* 12:15 Christopher Begley (D)

Thurs. October 29

8:00 Kathy Usiak (D)

* 12:15 Hugh Markey (D)

Fri. October 30

8:00 Antoine C. Harovas (D)

* 12:15 Antoinette Piccolo (D)

Sat. October 31

8:00 Susan E. Hinkle (L)

* 12:15 Maddalena Bertacchi (D)

Sunday Vigil

5:45 Marcelino Heres (D)

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

WEEKDAY BIBLE READING

Sun: Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

Mon: Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17

Tues: Rom 8:18-25; Lk 13:18-21

Wed: Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16

Thurs: Rom 8:31b-39; Lk 13:31-35

Fri: Rom 9:1-5; Lk 14:1-6

Sat: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Lk 14:1, 7-11

The Dwelling Place

This weekend, a representative from The Dwelling Place will speak at each Mass. *The Dwelling Place*, a sponsored ministry of [The Franciscan Sisters of Allegany NY](#), is a privately-funded transitional residence for homeless women located in Midtown Manhattan. Since 1977, they have provided shelter, sustenance and support to thousands of women. Their safe, healing, and structured environment offers women the space and time to develop a sustainable plan for building a healthy, independent lifestyle.

A special collection to aid *The Dwelling Place* will be taken at each Mass.

Christian Meditation

October 28th – 6:00pm - Chapel

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

Sunday Coffee Hour

We extend our thanks to our volunteer **Anne Binstock** 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 18, 2015

Regular Collection - \$8,065.63

Regular Weekly Expenses - \$13,345.16

Attendance – 704

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Saturday Morning Breakfast

Come serve breakfast at the OLGC Saturday Morning Breakfast on Saturdays from 7:15-9am. All adults welcome. To sign-up visit www.thomasmorechurch.org. For information email Kathleen Dana at kathleendana@yahoo.com Location: Cafeteria at OLGC 230 East 90th Street. (Down the steps in the front of the church and the doors directly in front.)

Come and learn more about

“The First Married Couple to be Officially Canonized: Zelig and Louis Martin, the Parents of St. Therese of Lisieux, the 'Little Flower'.”

The lecture by Mary Schwarz, Director of the RCIA at OLGC, is accompanied by slides of the family and their homes.

When: Thursday, 7 PM, October 29th.

Where: Our Lady of Good Counsel - 230 East 90th Street,

Cost: Free - Information: Call 212-289-1742.

*The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.*



The St. Jean's Players

Lerner & Loewe's - Brigadoon

St. Jean Baptiste HS Auditorium

167 East 75th Street (Between Lex & 3rd)

Three weekends only - Nov 6th to 22nd

Fridays and Saturdays - 8pm, Sundays - 3pm

Admission - \$25, Seniors(65+) & Children (-18) - \$15