

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
Michael Poulos

Parish Council President

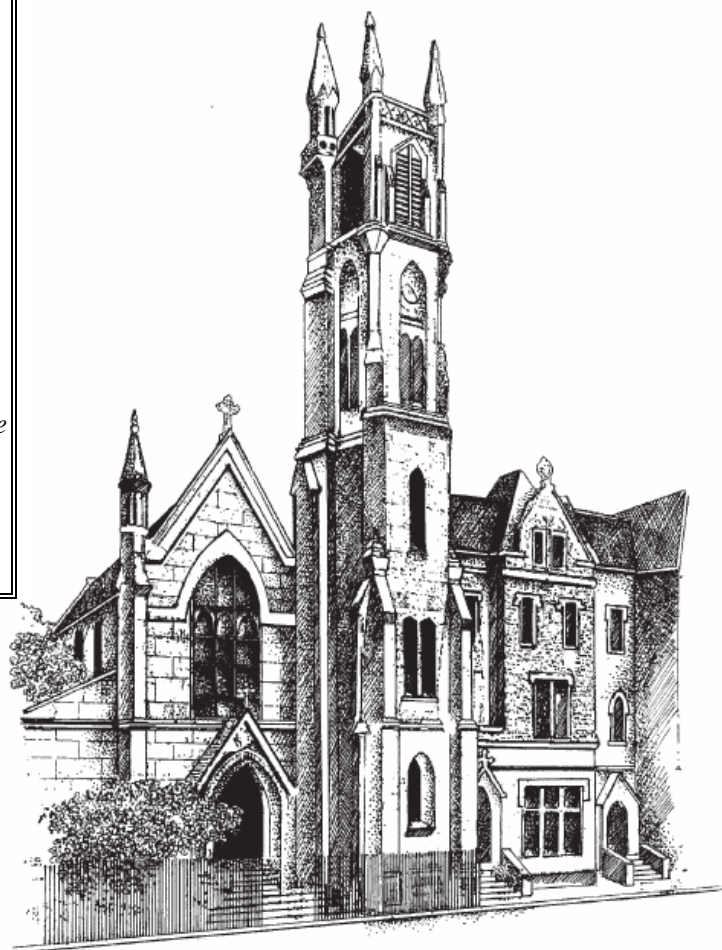
Alicia Damley

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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Solemnity of All Saints

On this day, we commemorate those who have gone before us and have obtained the beatific vision in heaven. The same readings are used each year as the church calls us to reflect upon these models of the faith through the lens of these three texts.

The first reading is taken from the Revelation of John, and is best characterized as "crisis literature," since it was used to offer hope to the intended audience undergoing some type of oppression and persecution. The second reading from First John is likewise a reading that offers a message of hope to all of us who wait in anticipation of the revelation of Christ in the life of the world to come.

The Gospel reading is the beginning of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount according to Matthew, the Beatitudes. In many ways, these beatitudes serve as a checklist for our lives as Christians, and show us that we are not measured by the standards of wealth, power, and privilege, but are assessed by God's divine standard. As Christians we are called to be meek and merciful, to be peacemakers, willing to suffer for the faith if needed, and open to comforting the poor and mournful.

Adapted from Liturgical Publications Inc, Connect! Uniting Word & World, Dr. Daniel J. Scholz

At St. Thomas More This Week

Date:	Event:	Time
11/01	Baptism	1:00 pm
	Mass for the Deaf	2:00 pm
	Parish Cocktail Party after the 5:45 Mass	
11/02	CHADD	5:45 pm
	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
11/03	Leisure Lunch after the 12:15 Mass	
	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
11/04	Christian Meditation (Chapel)	6:00 pm
11/05	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
	Healing Mass	7:00 pm
11/06	First Friday	
	Exposition & Benediction after 12:15 Mass	
	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
11/07	Mass for the Deaf	3:00 pm

Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule

Nov 01	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Jacqueline Ackerina
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Diaz	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Quinn	Branche Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Quinn	Nick Farnham
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Jim Sterling

Nov 08	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	The Rosses
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Diaz	TBD
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Gibbons, SJ	Boorady Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Gibbons, SJ	Bob Burke
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Chris Baldwin

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>.

Senior Lunch Program

Tuesday November 3rd after the 12:15pm Mass

Pastor's Installation

Fr. Kevin Madigan will be installed as Pastor of the Parish of Our Lady of Good Counsel-St. Thomas More on November 22nd at the 11:30 Mass in the Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel by Msgr. Thomas Modugno, the Episcopal Vicar of East Manhattan. All our parishioners are invited to attend to ask God's blessing for the success of the merger of our former parishes.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST
DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE
FOR WEEK OF
NOVEMBER 01 – NOBEMBER 07**

Mon. November 02 *All Souls Day*

8:00 Anthony Declemente (D)

* 12:15 All Souls Novena

Tues. November 03 *St. Martin de Porres*

8:00 Mary Beth White (D)

* 12:15 All Souls Novena

Wed. November 04 *St. Charles Borromeo*

8:00 Elizabeth Fuller Cooper (D)

* 12:15 All Souls Novena

Thurs. November 05

8:00 Molly Schaefer (D)

* 12:15 All Souls Novena

Fri. November 06

8:00 Caryl Plunkett (D)

* 12:15 All Souls Novena

Sat. November 07

8:00 Annabella Cacioppo (D)

* 12:15 All Souls Novena

Sunday Vigil

5:45 Celia Rendon (D)

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

WEEKDAY BIBLE READING

Sun: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

Mon: Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40

Tues: Rom 12:5-16b; Lk 14:15-24

Wed: Rom 13:8-10; Lk 14:25-33

Thurs: Rom 14:7-12; Lk 15:1-10

Fri: Rom 15:14-21; Lk 16:1-8

Sat: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Lk 16:9-15

The Dwelling Place

The staff and residents of The Dwelling Place thank Father Madigan, Father Diaz and all parishioners for your warm welcome and support during their visit on October 24-25. Your generosity offers HOPE to the many homeless women who will benefit from your support.

Thank you!

Sister Joann Sambs, Administrator

Christian Meditation

November 4th – 6:00pm - Chapel

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

Sunday Coffee Hour

We extend our thanks to our volunteer **Eileen Ryan** 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 25, 2015

Regular Collection - \$8,569.84

The Dwelling Place - \$4,361.48

Regular Weekly Expenses - \$19,603.36

Attendance – 578

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Saturday Morning Breakfast

Come serve breakfast at the OLG C 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 OLG C 230 East 90th Street. (Down the steps in the front of the church and the doors directly in front.)

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God.



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

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

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.

Save the Date

Wednesday, December 16th at 8 PM

Tapestry

an excellent a-cappella coral group

In Concert

*Performing Classical Pieces by Mozart,
Brahms, and Britten*

in the

Church of St. Thomas More

New York Catholic Center Blood Drive

Fall for the Right Cause
Give Blood - Save Lives

Date: Tuesday November 17, 2015

Time: 9:30am – 3:30pm

Where: 1011 First Avenue, NYC
9th Floor Cafeteria

To schedule an appointment, please contact:

Maryteresa McKenna 646-794-3077
maryteresa.mckenna@archny.org or

Rosa Rodriguez 646-794-2312
rrodriguez@cgshb.org

Walk-ins welcome!

NYBC Eligibility Line 1-800-688-0900

Give Blood – Earn Points for Gifts

www.mydonoradvantage.com

NO SS # Required

A Photo or Signature ID Required

Eat well balanced meals before giving blood.

Next Parish Council Meeting

Monday, November 16th at 7:00pm

in Our Lady of Good Counsel's,

John Paul II Room

230 E 90th St, bet 2nd & 3rd Aves.

All Parishioners are Welcome

Your promptness is appreciated

2015 - 2016: Our Lady of Good - St. Thomas More - Parish Council

Alicia Damley, President

Aurora Gonzalez, Vice-President

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Laura Weigley Ross

Maureen Young

Thanksgiving Food Drive November 8th – 15th

Suggested Food Donations:

Canned Cranberry Sauce, Cake/Brownie Mix, Rice, Frosting, Gravy (Turkey Preferred), Quarts of Shelf-Stable 1% or Skim Milk (Eg.: Parmalat), Corn Bread Mix, Stuffing Mix, 46oz Unsweetened Apple Juice

****Please no glass jars!****

OR - Visit www.nycommonpantry.org and click the Turkey to help the New York Common Pantry bring a Happy Thanksgiving to our needy neighbors.

Note: a contribution of \$30 can provide a Thanksgiving Dinner for a family of 5.

If you wish to contribute by check, please make your check payable to New York Common Pantry and kindly specify "Turkey Donation" in memo line. Drop your Cash or Check Contribution in Common Pantry Donation Box on wall at rear of Church

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. When you visit the website you will be able to donate a Gift Card which the Food Program Managers will use to purchase the food they require.

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.

2015 FALL SEMI-ANNUAL APPEAL NOVEMBER 7 AND 8

Dear Parishioners,

This year's **FALL SEMI-ANNUAL APPEAL** will be taken up next weekend. Letters will be mailed to you.

The Semi-Annual Appeals enable us to meet extraordinary expenses. Thankfully, our one-hundred and plus-year-old buildings are in good repair. We are, therefore, in the development stage of making plans for an access walkway to the church for those who have difficulty with steps. The Collection also enables us to meet ordinary expenses which do continue at times when many parishioners are away.

Listed below is a description of last year's Fall Semi-Annual Appeal. Once again, we humbly appeal to your love, concern and generosity to St. Thomas More Church and ask you to prayerfully consider your gift after reading my letter.

Fr. Madigan

AMOUNT	DONORS	TOTAL
\$10,000	1	\$10,000
\$5,018	1	\$5,018
\$5,000	3	\$15,000
\$3,900	1	\$3,900
\$3,000	1	\$3,000
\$2,700	1	\$2,700
\$2,000	2	\$4,000
\$1,950	1	\$1,950
\$1,500	6	\$9,000
\$1,200	1	\$1,200
\$1,000	17	\$17,000
\$900	1	\$900
\$750	1	\$750
\$600	6	\$3,600
\$500	21	\$10,500
\$466	1	\$466
\$400	1	\$400
\$300	4	\$1,200
\$265	1	\$265
\$250	18	\$4,500
\$240	1	\$240
\$225	1	\$225
\$200	18	\$3,600
\$175	1	\$175
\$150	6	\$900
\$120	1	\$120
\$105	1	\$105
\$100	40	\$4,000
Under \$100	115	\$3,271
Anonymous		\$2,040
Total	273	\$110,025

Thinking and Praying with Pope Francis

When: Tuesday, November 3rd

Time: 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Where: Holy Name Church, Lower Church
207 West 96th St (Broadway and Amsterdam)

Cost: Free

Details: Workshop 3/6 – The Gospel of Creation “If we are truly concerned to develop an ecology capable of remedying the damage we have done, no branch of the sciences and no form of wisdom can be left out, and that includes religion and the language particular to it.”. Come, encounter and get the dialogue going. Participation in previous workshops not necessary Required reading: Laudato Si Chapter 2 (available on ndparish.org)

Contact: Luz Marina Diaz, PhD

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Email: imdiaz@sfxavier.org

Web Site: <http://www.holynamenyc.org/>

Rejecting Hatred: Fifty Years of Catholic Dialogue with Jews and Muslims

When: Tuesday, November 10, 2015, 6:00 PM

Where: Fordham - Lincoln Center Campus,
12th floor Lounge,
E. Gerald Corrigan Conference Center

113 W. 60th St. Manhattan

Cost: Free and open to the public

Details: Annual Fall McGinley Lecture will be delivered by Fr. Patrick J. Ryan, SJ (McGinley Chair, Fordham University), with respondents Magda Teter, PhD (Shvidler Chair in Judaic Studies, Fordham University) and Hussein Rashid, PhD (Hofstra University).

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