

Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel - St. Thomas More

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November 8, 2015

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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.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday thru Friday: 8:00 am and 12:15 pm
Saturday: 8:00 am and 12:15 pm

SPECIAL MASSES - See Event Schedule

Mass for the Deaf - Alternate Saturdays and Sundays
Healing Mass - First Thursday of the Month

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

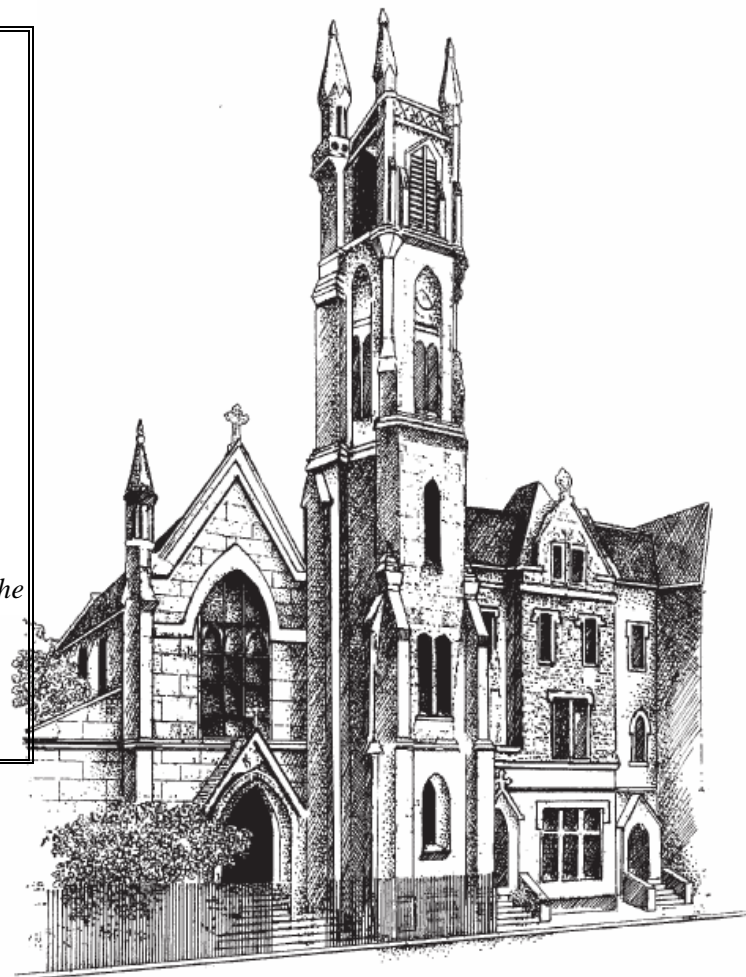
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Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the readings for the Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, two widows are held up as models for the faith.

In the first reading, we hear about Elijah and the unnamed widow who follows Elijah's directives and trusts his words that "the Lord, the God of Israel," would miraculously save her and her son.

The Gospel reading holds up another widow as a model of faith. In the storyline of the Gospel of Mark, Jesus and the disciples have now made their final entry into Jerusalem. Tensions are high as Jesus and the religious leaders of Jerusalem publicly debate each other, with the Pharisees, Scribes, and Sadducees challenging and questioning Jesus' authority. Today's reading is set in the context of Jesus' criticism of the scribes who accept public praise and adulation but privately "devour the houses of widows." Observing the activities at the treasury in the Temple area, Jesus points out to his disciples the irony of the contributions of the rich and poor. He comments how the rich give large amounts of money to the treasury out of their "surplus wealth," but the widow offers only a few cents "from her poverty." Jesus teaches the disciples that the widow, in fact, made the more sacrificial contribution because she gave from "her whole livelihood."

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>
11/08	Baptism	1:00 pm
11/09	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
11/10	Leisure Lunch after the 12:15 Mass	
	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
11/11	Parish Office Closed	
	Christian Meditation	Cancelled
11/12	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
11/13	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm

Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule

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

Nov 15	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	Nick Farnham
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Madigan	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Diaz	Bednar Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Madigan	Nilsa Santiago
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Rory Kelleher

Senior Lunch Program

Tuesday November 10th after the 12:15pm Mass

Save the Date

Wednesday, December 16th at 8 PM

Tapestry

an excellent a-cappella choral group

In Concert: Performing Classical Pieces by

Mozart, Brahms, and Britten

in the Church of St. Thomas More

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 11:30am

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 08 – NOVEMBER 14**

Mon. November 09

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:00 Joseph Holdampf (D)

* 12:15 Santiago Rendon (D)

Tues. November 10

St. Leo the Great

8:00 Souls in Purgatory (D)

* 12:15 John Naper (D)

Wed. November 11

St. Martin of Tours

Parish Office Closed

Veteran's Day

8:00 Joan Durcan (D)

* 12:15 Joseph Ryan (D)

Thurs. November 12

St. Josaphat

8:00 Souls in Purgatory (D)

* 12:15 Michael & Bridget Keady (D)

Fri. November 13

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

8:00 Souls in Purgatory (D)

* 12:15 Andrew F. Hinkle (L)

Sat. November 14

8:00 Mary Beth White (D)

* 12:15 Ilka Mourao (D)

Sunday Vigil

5:45 John Neil McVey (D)

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

WEEKDAY BIBLE READING

Sun: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28;
Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

Mon: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17;
Jn 2:13-22

Tues: Wis 2:23—3:9; Lk 17:7-10

Wed: Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19

Thurs: Wis 7:22b—8:1; Lk 17:20-25

Fri: Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37

Sat: Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8

Christian Meditation

Because of the Veteran's Day Holiday the November 11th
Christian Meditation session has been cancelled.

The next session will be held on

November 18th – 6:00pm - Chapel

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

Manhattan Group Facilitator: **Donald Main**

415-668-1430 - costmny@christianmeditation.us

Sunday Coffee Hour

We extend our thanks to our volunteers 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 – November 01, 2015

Regular Collection - \$9,771.13

All Saints Day Collection - \$2,901.00

Regular Weekly Expenses - \$12,056.22

Attendance – 620

*The LORD shall reign forever; your
God, O Zion, through all generations.*



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.

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

NY Catholic Center Blood Drive

Fall for the Right Cause Give Blood - Save Lives

Date: Tuesday Nov. 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@cgsbh.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.

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 this weekend.

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



REQUIEM by GABRIEL FAURÉ

for the Month of All Souls
Sunday, November 8th, 12:00 noon
Church of Saint Thomas More

65 E. 89th Street, between Park and Madison Avenues.

*Join us for our annual Mass
in remembrance of all
our deceased loved ones,
parishioners and friends.*

*The Schola Cantorum of
St. Thomas More offers
Fauré's beloved Requiem
in the prayerful context
for which it was conceived.*