

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

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November 22, 2015

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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

Christopher Baldwin
Michael Poulos

Parish Council President

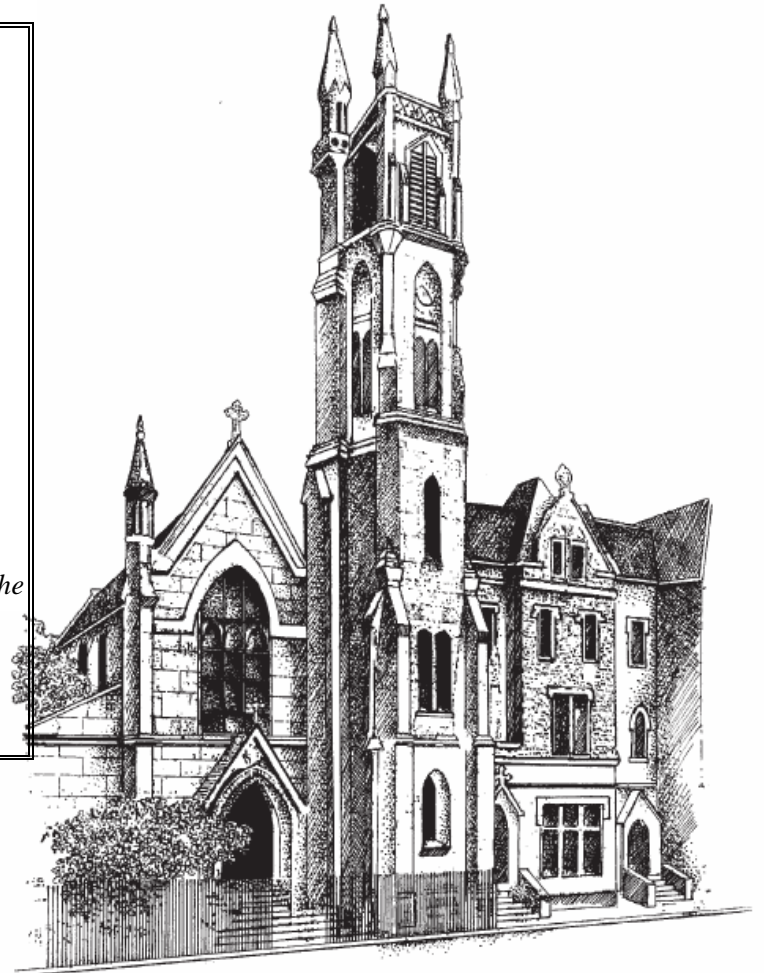
Alicia Damley

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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November 22 2015

The Solemnity Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

The solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, is the seventeenth and final solemnity of the church year. It also marks the last Sunday in ordinary time. Catholics end the church year by honoring and celebrating Jesus as the lord and king of the universe.

The Gospel reading is taken from the Passion narrative in the Gospel of John. Pilate is interrogating Jesus, pressing him on the question, "Are you the King of the Jews?" The accusation by Pilate carries political as well as religious overtones. "King" would imply a threat to the leadership of Rome and to the rule of law enforced throughout the Roman Empire. "Of the Jews" would be less of a concern for Pilate, since Pilate did not routinely involve himself in internal Jewish affairs. Nonetheless, these are serious charges leveled against Jesus, with the weight of the Roman death penalty in the balance. Jesus' response to Pilate acknowledges his status as "king," but shifts the focus from this world to the next: "my kingdom is not here." Jesus claims moral authority, however, in his commitment "to testify to the truth." And in this way, Jesus reigns over all: "Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

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

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.*

Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule

Nov 22	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	Kehoe Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Gibbons, SJ	Christine Stonbely
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Jim Sterling

Nov 29	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	Nick Farnham
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Diaz	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Madigan	Osborne Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Diaz	Jacqueline Ackerina
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	Chris Baldwin

Christian Meditation

November 25th – 6:00pm - Chapel

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

Manhattan Group Facilitator:

Donald Main - 415-668-143

costmny@christianmeditation.us

Save the Date

Wednesday, December 16th at 8 PM

Tapestry

an excellent acappella choral group

In Concert: Performing Classical Pieces by

Mozart, Brahms, and Britten

in the Church of St. Thomas More

*For this I was born and for this I came
into the world, to testify to the truth.*

Leisure Lunch Program

Tuesday November 24th after the 12:15pm Mass

**MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST
DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE
FOR WEEK OF
NOVEMBER 22 – NOVEMBER 28**

Mon. November 23 *St. Clement I, St. Columban
Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro*

8:00 Thomas Mitchell (D)

* 12:15 Uma Crossey (D)

Tues. November 24

St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions

8:00 Miriam Dow Fuller (D)

* 12:15 Frank Allen Dugan (D)

Wed. November 25 *St. Catherine of Alexandria*

8:00 Louisa Martin (L)

* 12:15 Claire Ventosa (D)

Thurs. November 26 *Thanksgiving Day*

Parish Office Closed

8:00 Souls in Purgatory (D)

* 12:15 Fotini Livanos (L)

Fri. November 27 *Thanksgiving Friday*

Parish Office Closed

8:00 Kevin O'Shea (D)

* 12:15 Alfonso Garcia (D)

Sat. November 28

8:00 Sharon Saunders (L)

* 12:15 Robert Stein (D)

Sunday Vigil

5:45 Martin & Margaret McGowan (D)

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

WEEKDAY BIBLE READING

Sun: Dn 7:13-14; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

Mon: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Lk 21:1-4

Tues: Dn 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11

Wed: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Lk 21:12-19

Thurs: Dn 6:12-28; Lk 21:20-28

Fri: Dn 7:2-14; Lk 21:29-33

Sat: Dn 7:15-27; Lk 21:34-36

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.

Events at St Thomas More.....

Date	Event	Time
11/21	Mass for the Deaf	3:00pm
11/22	Family Coffee Hour after the 10am Mass	
	Baptism	2:00pm
11/23	A.A. Meeting	6:30pm
11/24	Leisure Lunch after the 12:15 Mass	
	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
11/25	Christian Meditation	6:00pm
11/26	Thanksgiving Day - Parish Office Closed	
11/27	Thanksgiving Friday - Parish Office Closed	
	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
11/29	Family Coffee Hour after the 10am Mass	
12/1	Start of STM Christmas Toy Drive	
	Leisure Lunch after the 12:15 Mass	
	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
12/3	Healing Mass	7:15pm
12/4	First Friday	
	Exposition & Benediction after 12:15 Mass	
12/5	STM PC Youth Committee	
	Community Service Outreach Event	
12/6	Family Coffee Hour after the 10am Mass	
	Mass for the Deaf	2:00 pm
	Cocktail Hour after the 5:45pm Mass	
12/7	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
12/8	Leisure Lunch after the 12:15 Mass	
	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
12/9	Christian Meditation	6:00pm
12/10	Education Committee Presentation	
	Gianni Perilli, Ph.D., President	
	Dementia Services of NY	7:00 pm
	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
12/11	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
12/12	Alzheimer's Workshop	9:00am
	Mass for the Deaf	3:00pm
	STM PC Youth Committee	
	Community Service Outreach Event	
	STM Parish Christmas Food Drive	
12/13	Family Coffee Hour after the 10am Mass	
	Christmas Tree lighting, Ornament Making & Brunch with a Special Visitor	
12/14	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
12/15	Leisure Lunch after the 12:15 Mass	
	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
12/16	Christian Meditation	6:00pm
	End of STM Toy Drive	
12/17	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
12/18	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
No Parish Council Meeting in December		

Sunday – November 15, 2015

Regular Collection - \$8,978.97

Fall Semi-Annual Collection - \$55,175.00

Regular Weekly Expenses - \$13,761.90

Attendance – 625

**The Yorkville
Christian-Jewish
Council and
Temple Shaaray Tefila**

invite you to join them
for a celebration of
Thanksgiving with
music, prayer and fellowship.
Tuesday, November 24th at 7:00pm at
Temple Shaaray Tefila
250 East 79th Street, New York City



2015 FALL SEMI-ANNUAL APPEAL

Dear Parishioners,

By now you should have received a letter regarding this year's **FALL SEMI-ANNUAL APPEAL**. If you have already made your contribution *we thank you for your continued support*. If you have not yet made your contribution, please consider this important aspect of our parish's financial life. If you have not yet received your letter, please contact Ms. Peet at the parish office, to permit us to investigate the problem and update our parish information.

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.

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

**Saint Ignatius Loyola School
Annual Christmas Fair**

Saturday, December 5th and Sunday, December 6th

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM,

Saint Ignatius Loyola School,
McKinnon Hall, 48 East 84th Street,
New York, New York.

Free Admission.

Everything you need for holiday gift giving, including decorative accents, housewares, personal items, fragrances, jewelry and more!

Yorkville (Brown) Gardens

Flea Market

Wed, December 2nd 10am - 4pm

225 East 93rd Street

Between 2nd and 3rd Avenues

Great Bargains on:

Clothing, Jewelry

Baby, Kitchen and Decorative Items

Dessert and Raffle Table

This Week's Second Collection

The Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) needs your help. CCHD was founded to end the cycle of poverty in the United States by funding organizations that help people help themselves. With a tradition of improving education, housing situations, and economic development, CCHD continues to make a positive impact on communities nationwide. Your contribution will defend human dignity and help those living on the margins of our society.

Our Catholic faith calls us to work for an end to the injustices of poverty and Pope Francis has made care and justice for the poor a cornerstone of his papacy.

Thank you for your continued support
Msgr. Kevin Sullivan, Executive Director Catholic
Charities - Archdiocese of New York

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.)

Sunday Coffee Hour

We extend our thanks to our volunteer **Maureen Barry** for hosting this Sunday's 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.**

You're invited! Join Boomers & Beyond for



their annual
Christmas
Caroling event at
the Lott Assisted
Living Residence.
You don't have to
be a super

soprano or terrific tenor ... just someone
who wants to join with us in sharing some
Christmas joy through song... and perhaps
stop at a local spot for a snack and drink
afterwards.

Date: Sunday, Dec. 6th Time: 1:30 pm

Place: Lott Assisted Living Residence
5th Avenue (between 107th-108th).

Winter's Light Concert

Saturday, December 5, 2015 - 7:30pm

A Musical Journey through Darkness and Light

with the New York Repertory
Singers & Chamber Orchestra
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

3 West 65th Street New York, NY

Students with Student ID/Seniors: \$19
General Admission tickets \$10 (value \$29)

use Promotional Code NYCChurch

Premium Admission: \$49 - VIP Seating

+ Signed Copy of CD "Totus Tuus"

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit

<http://www.mjtrotta.com/nyrs;>

call (347) 305-4099; or email

tickets@hamptonroadsmusicgroup.com.

CHADD of New York is proud to present:

Harnessing the Power of the Law

Presented by Bonnie Spiro Schinagle, Esq.,

Effective advocacy is difficult when you don't have familiarity
with the laws and the necessary basic vocabulary to protect you
or your child. This presentation will teach you what you need to
know about the legal rights and protections available to school-
aged children with learning differences or other special needs.

Date & Time: December 7, 2015 - 5:55PM

Where: Church of St. Thomas More

Meetings are free, with a \$10 donation requested. Please leave
the kids at home. No food, please.

The St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Angel Project

Participants can select an Angel Tag from the Angel
Tree in the rear of the Church of Good Counsel and
purchase a gift for a child in need this holiday
season. Volunteers will be in the rear of the church
to help with your selection and registration. This
was a big success last year, so please be an Angel
and help a needy child to enjoy the Christmas
Season.

Alzheimer's: Support for Family Caregivers

Gianni Perilli, president of Dementia Services New York, a
support group for family caregivers of patients with
Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia, will speak
on **Thursday, December 10th, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Rochester
Room in the Parish House. Dr. Perilli's goal is to increase
community awareness on the differences between normal
aging and Alzheimer's; challenges and approaches in caring
at home for a loved one diagnosed with the disease or some
other form of dementia; and how a person of middle-age can
approach aging in a more healthy manner. All interested in
this vitally important subject are welcome to attend.

On **Saturday, December 12th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon**,
in the Conference Room in the Parish House, Dr. Perilli will
conduct a session providing support information **for
caregivers** of people diagnosed with Alzheimer's or
dementia. Attendance for the Saturday session is limited to
20 people; those wishing to attend must register by calling
the Parish House at 212-876-7718.

Participants may attend either or both sessions. Admission is
free, but donations will be accepted.



The St. Jean's Players

Lerner & Loewe's

Brigadoon

St. Jean Baptiste HS Auditorium

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

Only one weekends left - Nov 20th to 22nd

Fridays and Saturdays - 8pm, Sundays - 3pm

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