

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

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March 20, 2016

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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
Paul Saunders

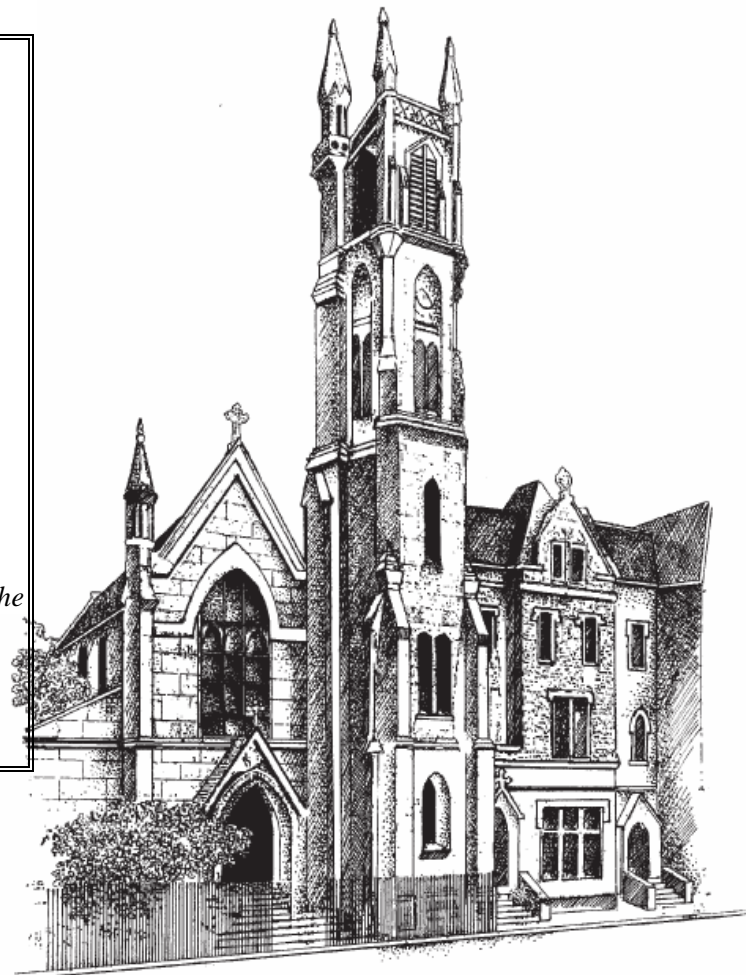
Parish Council President Alicia Damley

Head Usher John F.R. Smilgin, III

Finance Committee Chairperson Michael Poulos

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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Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

While the season of Lent continues until the evening Mass on Holy Thursday, Holy Week begins today with Palm Sunday and concludes with Holy Saturday. Each Palm Sunday includes a processional Gospel reading that recounts Jesus' final entry into Jerusalem. In Luke's account, Jesus enters Jerusalem mounted on a colt, signaling the fulfillment of Zechariah's prophecy that the Messiah comes not as a conquering warrior king but in peace and humility. The tension between Jesus and the religious leaders of Jerusalem is highlighted in the overwhelmingly positive reception that Jesus received from the crowds and the Pharisees' contrasting reaction, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples."

Although most of the details in the life of Jesus from the Last Supper to his burial in the tomb were fixed elements within a received tradition, each of the Evangelists emphasized some aspects of Jesus' passion and death in order to address their historical and theological concerns. For Luke, his Passion narrative emphasized that the political authorities and the religious authorities of Jesus' day found him innocent of the charges, leading to his crucifixion, to argue for the legitimate status of the early church with the structures of the Roman Empire. If Luke was unable to demonstrate that Jesus was innocent and that he did not deserve capital punishment, then the early church would have been seen as an illegal organization.

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

Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule

March 20	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Nick Farnham & The Rosses
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Diaz	Louisa Martin & Grace McInerney
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Gibbons, SJ	Barry Family & Bednar Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Gibbons, SJ	Jacqueline Ackerina & Bob Burke
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Jim Sterling & Chris Baldwin

March 27	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 8:00 pm	Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel	
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Madigan	Bob Burke
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Diaz	Morriss Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Mahoney	Jim Sterling
No Evening Mass on Easter Sunday		

Let the greatest among you be as the youngest, and the leader as the servant.

Christian Meditation

March 23rd - 6:00pm - Chapel

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

Donald Main - 415-668-1430

costmny@christianmeditation.us

Leisure Lunch Program Next Lunch - March 22nd

Cardinal's Appeal 2016

Our goal for the Appeal this year is \$85,000. To date we have received \$66,910 from 49 parishioners. We still have a way to go! Please consider making a pledge or gift to the Appeal. (You can even charge it.) The Appeal is vitally important in supporting the charitable, pastoral and educational work of the Archdiocese of New York.

Sample gift Plans

Payments over a five-month period

<i>Total Pledge</i>	<i>5 Monthly Payments</i>	<i>Daily Sacrifice</i>
\$2,500	\$500	\$17
\$1,500	\$300	\$10
\$1,000	\$200	\$7
\$500	\$100	\$3
\$250	\$50	\$2
\$150	\$30	\$1

Envelopes for making either a pledge or a gift are available in the back of the Church or call the Office at 212-876-7718.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST
DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE
FOR WEEK OF
MARCH 20 – MARCH 26**

Mon. March 21 *Reconciliation Monday*

8:00

* 12:15 Yciar Berenguer (L)

3:00 - 9:00 Special Confession Time

Tues. March 22

8:00 Isabelle Wilbur Azeltine (D)

* 12:15 Mary Benjamin (D)

Wed. March 23

8:00 Julia Gorso (D)

* 12:15 Marie Pisani (D)

Thurs. March 24 *Holy Thursday*

9:00 Morning Prayer

6:00 Mass of the Lord's Supper

7:30 - 11:00 In Chapel Adoration

Fri. March 25 *Good Friday*

Day of Fast and Abstinence

9:00 Morning Prayer

1:00 Seven Last Words

3:00 Lord's Passion - Eucharist

6:00 Stations of the Cross

Sat. March 26

9:00 Morning Prayer

Easter Sunday Vigil

8:00 *Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel*

* Rosary said after the 12:15 Mass

We need volunteers: willing to have their feet washed during the Liturgy of Holy Thursday. You should not be put off by considering this an honor for which you are not worthy. Rather, it is an act of service to enhance the quality of worship. If you are interested in taking part, please call the Parish Office.

A Eucharist for Healing Dedicated to the Sacred Heart will be celebrated at St Thomas More at 7 PM on these Thursdays in 2016:
April 7, May 5, and June 9

WEEKDAY BIBLE READING

Sun: Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11;
Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49

Mon: Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11

Tues: Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wed: Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Thurs: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9;
Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;

1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

Fri: Is 52:13—53:12; Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9;
Jn 18:1—19:42

Sat: Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a;
Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18;
Ex 14:15—15:1; Is 54:5-14; Is 55:1-11;
Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28;
Rom 6:3-11; Lk 24:1-12

AMERICAN BOYCHOIR

Fernando Malvar - Ruiz

Litton-Lodal Artistic Director

How Can I Keep From Singing

Wednesday, April 6, 2016 / 7:30pm

Church of St. Thomas More

65 East 89th Street, New York, NY 10128

Tickets: Premium front seating \$45

General admission \$30

Seniors/Students \$20

**Tickets available at the Parish House and at
www.brownpapertickets.com/event/2512289**

Sunday Coffee Hour

We extend our thanks to our volunteer 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.

To volunteer, please use the following link

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0948a4a62ea2f49-coffee>

Sunday – March 13, 2016

Regular Collection - \$9,781.49

Parish Outreach - \$2,480.67

Regular Weekly Expenses - \$12,088.74

Attendance – 620

STM Youth Initiative Sandwich Making for NYCP

Date: March 20, noon – 1:30pm

Location: Rochester Room

A new initiative at STM for parish youth and neighborhood schools. Help make and wrap PB&J and cheese sandwiches for NY Common Pantry. Sandwiches are delivered for dinner service that evening. A great family activity! On-line sign-up at

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d49aeaf2ba4fb6-sandwichmaking> or via the parish website.

Upcoming dates: April 17, May 15 and Jun 12.

These efforts are aided with the generous contributions from Eli's (monthly bread), Whole Foods (PB&J, jam, cheese) and Gristedes, D'Agostino and Fairway Gift Cards.

Friends of Liturgical Music, Inc. Benefit Concert

An organ recital by Raymond Nagem, Associate Organist, The Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine, will play works by Bach, Brahms, and Prokofiev in a benefit for The Friends of Liturgical Music, Inc. This year they will John F. Thornton, Chairman of the Friends, retiring after 28 years of service to the choir and parish of Corpus Christi Church.

Location: Corpus Christi Church

529 West 121st Street (east of Broadway)

Day/Date/Time: Wednesday, April 6th, 7:60pm

Tickets, at the door: \$20 (\$10 students & seniors)

Information: Call 212-666-0675.

Pilgrimage of NY 2016-Year of Mercy, Saturday, April 16th

(Rain date: Saturday, September 17th):

Walk the length of Manhattan, a total of 13.5 miles, visit churches in honor of the Year of Mercy, plus two churches that have designated Holy Doors for this jubilee year: St Frances Xavier Cabrini Shrine and St Patrick's Cathedral. The Pilgrimage begins at 9:00 A.M with Opening Prayers at The Shrine of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, 701 Fort Washington Avenue and ends at 6:15 P.M with a Pilgrims' Mass at The Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, 7 State St. To participate You must register in advance at

www.pofnyc.org.

The St. Thomas More Easter Food Drive

From March 12th to the 22nd, a box will be placed in the back of the Church to accommodate our Easter Food Drive.

If you choose to donate food, please bring shelf stable items, such as: pasta, canned fruits (packed in fruit juice), canned vegetables (low sodium), grits, sugar free cereal, whole wheat bread, brown rice, oatmeal, canned beans, peanut butter, canned chicken/salmon/tuna, or Parmalat, and please do not bring items packed in glass jars.

In addition to contributing food, you can place a Cash or Check contribution in the wall mounted Yorkville Common Pantry collection box (in the rear of the Church between the front doors and the bulletin board).

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.

Events at St Thomas More.....

3/20	Coffee Hour after the 10am Mass	
	STM Youth Initiative	12:00pm - 1:30pm
	Mass for the Deaf	2:00pm
3/21	Reconciliation Monday	3:00pm - 9:00pm
	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
3/22	Leisure Lunch after the 12:15 Mass	
	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
3/23	Christian Meditation	6:00pm
3/24	Mass for the Deaf	4:00pm
	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
3/25	Service for the Deaf	4:30pm
	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
3/26	Service for the Deaf	4:00pm
3/27	Family Coffee Hour after the 10am Mass	
	Easter Egg Hunt	
	Mass for the Deaf	2:00pm
3/28	A.A Meeting	6:30pm/3/29
	Leisure Lunch after the 12:15 Mass	
3/29	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
3/30	Christian Meditation	6:00pm
3/31	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
4/01	A.A Meeting	6:30pm
4/03	Family Coffee Hour after the 10am Mass	
	Mass for the Deaf	2:00pm
	Monthly Cocktail Hour after the 5:45 Mass	
4/04	CHADD	5:45pm
	A.A Meeting	6:30pm

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2016

PALM SUNDAY

March 19 Vigil Mass

5:45 p.m.

March 20 Sunday Masses

8:30 & 10:00 a.m. and

12:00* & 5:45 p.m.

*Palms will be blessed and distributed
at all these Masses*

** The Passion will be sung at the
12:00 noon Mass*

HOLY SATURDAY

March 26

9:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer
of the Liturgy of the Hours

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY

March 21, 22 and 23

Masses:

8:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m.

Confessions:

12:00 p.m. to 12:10 p.m. Mon, Tues & Wed

Special Confession Time:

Monday, March 21, 3:00 – 9:00 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY

March 26

8:00 p.m. – SOLEMN LITURGY
OF THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER
(First Mass of Easter)

TO BE HELD AT
OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL
CHURCH

230 East 90 Street

EASTER SUNDAY

March 27

8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.**

12:00 noon**

(There will be NO evening Mass on
Easter Sunday)

HOLY THURSDAY

March 24

9:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer
of the Liturgy of the Hours

6:00 p.m. – CONCELEBRATED MASS
OF THE LORD'S SUPPER*

7:30 – 11:00 p.m. – Adoration of the Reserved
Sacrament in the Chapel
With Choral Meditation during Adoration

GOOD FRIDAY

March 25

9:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer
of the Liturgy of the Hours

1:00 p.m. – Service of the
SEVEN LAST WORDS*

Musical setting by Charles Gounod

3:00 p.m. – SOLEMN CELEBRATION OF THE
LORD'S PASSION*

Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross
and Holy Communion

6:00 p.m. – STATIONS OF THE CROSS
with Veneration of the Cross

*We encourage you to participate in one or
all of our Holy Week services and to make
use of the additional opportunities for
Confession.*

*In the name of all our clergy and staff I
wish you and your family a happy and holy
Easter*

*Sincerely yours,
Rev. Kevin V. Madigan, Pastor*

* Choral Music provided by the
Schola Cantorum of St. Thomas More

** Choral Music with the
Schola Cantorum and Orchestra of St. Thomas More