

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

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
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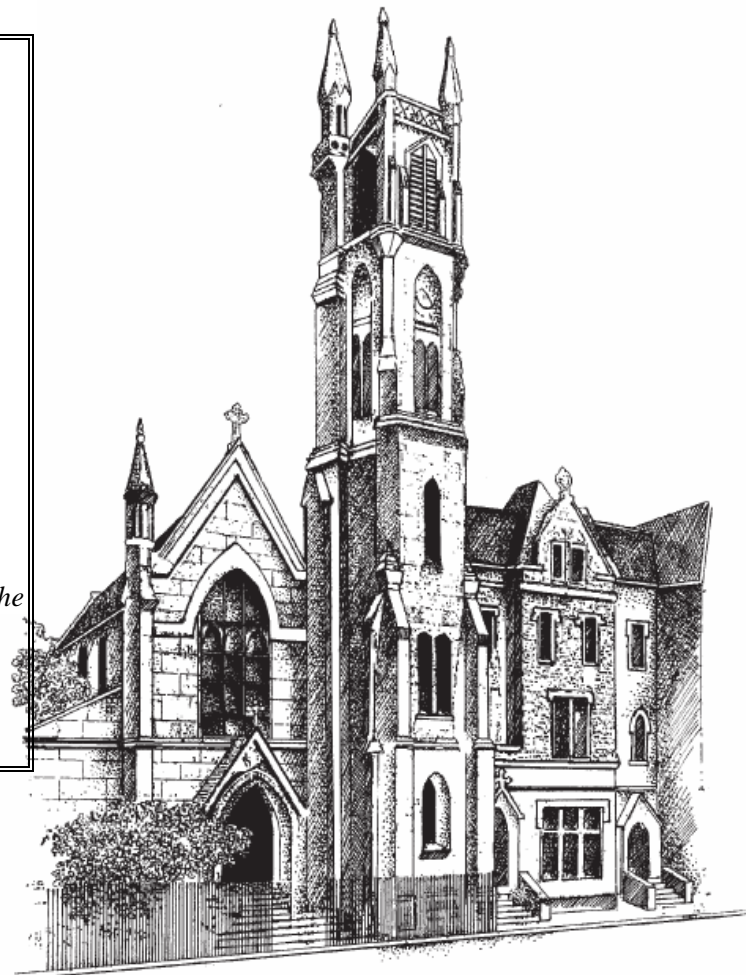
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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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.



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Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

The Easter season begins today with the solemnity of Easter Sunday. For the next fifty days, from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday, the church celebrates not only Jesus' resurrection from the dead, but also our participation in Christ's resurrection as people of faith.

The first reading for Easter Sunday is an excerpt from Peter's speech delivered in the household of Cornelius, a Gentile believer in Christ who worked as a centurion (an officer in the Roman army). In the Acts of the Apostles, Luke tells us that Peter struggled with the idea of Gentile believers in Christ not being required to follow Jewish law and teachings. In today's first reading, we hear how Peter worked through this personal dilemma and was able to see that everyone—Jew and Gentile alike—"who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins though his name."

The Gospel reading for Easter Sunday is Luke's account of the empty tomb. One of the unique features of Luke's version is the presence of the "two men in dazzling garments" that appeared to Mary Magdalene, Joanna, and Mary, the mother of James. At three key moments in Luke—Acts, "two men" suddenly appear: at Jesus' transfiguration (Lk 9:30-31), at Jesus' resurrection (Lk 24:4), and at Jesus' ascension (Acts 1:10). Only in the Transfiguration are the two men identified as Moses and Elijah. It could be that Luke infers Moses and Elijah are giving witness to these other events in Jesus' life. It could also be that Luke is showing how Hebrew Scriptures bore witness to and affirmed for salvation history the key moments in Jesus' life, resurrection, and ascension. Either way, the empty tomb is the first sign to the apostles that Jesus has risen from the dead!

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

Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule

March 27	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 8:00 pm	<i>Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel</i>	
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		

April 03	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Nick Farnham
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Diaz	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Gibbons, SJ	Kehoe Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Gibbons, SJ	Nilsa Santiago
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Chris Baldwin

Leisure Lunch Program Next Lunch - March 29th

Christian Meditation

March 30th - 6:00pm - Chapel

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

Donald Main - 415-668-1430

costmny@christianmeditation.us

EASTER MASS SCHEDULE

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 MASSES

TO BE HELD AT
THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS MORE
65 East 89 Street

March 27

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

12:00 noon**

(There will be NO evening Mass on
Easter Sunday)

**MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST
DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE
FOR WEEK OF
MARCH 27 – APRIL 02**

Mon. March 28

8:00 Aaron Mendelson (D)

* 12:15 James Wood (D)

Tues. March 29

8:00 John Paul Reiner, KMOB (D)

* 12:15 Ann Kilgour (D)

Wed. March 30

8:00

* 12:15

Thurs. March 31

8:00 Isabelle Wilbur Azeltine (D)

* 12:15

First Fri. April 01

8:00

* 12:15

Exposition & Benediction after 12:15 Mass

Sat. April 02

8:00

* 12:15 Anthony Declemente (D)

Sunday Vigil

5:45 Joseph Palczynski (D)

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



WEEKDAY BIBLE READING

Sun: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4
or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12

Mon: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15

Tues: Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18

Wed: Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35

Thurs: Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48

Fri: Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14

Sat: Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15

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

*The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.*

Cardinal's Appeal 2016

For the 2016 Cardinal's Appeal to be really successful, we must have the support of all our families. Please remember that the Appeal is a vital source of funding for work of the Archdiocese of New York. Because of your support it is better able to do immense good in many areas of concern:

- Those most in need through its many charitable offices, agencies and programs
- Parishes and schools struggling to serve people of all backgrounds in distressed communities
- Academic and spiritual formation in our schools and catechetical training in our parishes
- Care for our retired clergy and religious who have given their lives in service of the Church
- Preparation of our future clergy who will give theirs in the years to come

Please consider a gift/pledge to the 2016 Cardinal's Appeal.

Thank you for your generosity and support.

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 **Elizabeth Williams** 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>

STM Youth Initiative Sandwich Making for NYCP

Date: April 17, 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: 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 Original Image of Divine Mercy"

In anticipation of Divine Mercy Sunday, The Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Center for Thought and Culture -- the Archdiocese of New York's new arts venue located at 18 Bleecker Street -- will be hosting a special screening of the documentary film "The Original Image of Divine Mercy," on Thursday, March 31 at 7PM. The screening will be followed by a conversation with the filmmaker. Tickets are \$12 and can be purchased at www.SheenCenter.org or by calling 212.925.2812. Use the code ARCH and get a 20% discount.

"Faith in Music"

Manfred Honeck, the Music Director of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, will give a lecture on Tuesday, April 5th at 7:00 PM at N.Y.U.'s Catholic Center at 238 Thompson Street in the Village. The lecture, entitled 'Faith in Music' is part of the Dominican Thomistic Institute and the Catholic Artist Society's co-sponsored annual 'The Art of the Beautiful' series. A reception and sung compline will follow the lecture.

Events at St Thomas More.....

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	

Sunday – March 20, 2016

Regular Collection - \$9,927.44

Regular Weekly Expenses - \$12,747.62

Attendance – 754



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ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL
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The *Cardinal's Appeal* offers vital support to many Catholic programs and ministries across our archdiocese. Please **prayerfully consider your sacrifice** so we can continue to care for each other as God asked us to do.

As you know, it can cost...

\$100: DINNER OUT FOR TWO

\$150: A NEW OUTFIT

\$200: A MONTH OF TAKE OUT

\$250: TWO BROADWAY THEATRE TICKETS

\$500: A WEEKEND GETAWAY

Please consider making a sacrifice today.

*"And do not forget to do good and to share with others,
for with such sacrifices God is pleased."*

—Hebrews 13:16

**Join in helping others during this
Year of Mercy.**

This Year the Parish Goals are:

St. Thomas More - \$85,000

Our Lady of Good Counsel - \$41,500

Our Combined Parish - \$126,500

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www.cardinalsappeal.org

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FOR YOUR GENEROSITY**