

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

OLGC - 230 East 90th Street - STM - 65 East 89th Street
New York City, New York 10128



December 10, 2017

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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE - OLGC

Saturday Evening: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Morning: 9:00 a.m.
10:15 a.m. - Spanish Mass
11:30 a.m. - Choral Mass
Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE - STM

Saturday Evening: 5:45 p.m.
Sunday Morning: 8:30 a.m.
10:00 a.m. - Family Mass
Sunday Afternoon: 12:00 p.m. - Choral Mass
Sunday Evening: 5:45 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES - OLGC

Monday thru Friday: 9:00 am and 6:00 pm
Saturday: 9:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES - STM

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

CONFESSIONS - OLGC

Monday thru Friday - 5:45 pm
Saturday 4:30 - 5:15 pm

CONFESSIONS - STM

Monday thru Friday
12:00 pm - 12:10 pm (before Mass)
Saturday 5:00 - 5:30 pm

BAPTISM

OLGC - 12:30 pm on Sunday
STM - 1:00 pm on Sunday
(Arrangements must be made six weeks 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.

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December 10, 2017

The Second Sunday of Advent

Theme/Call To Worship

The season of Advent is a time of repentance for our sins and a time of preparation for the arrival of God's Son who comes to bring comfort, mercy, and forgiveness to his people.

Introduction To The Word

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11: The words of the prophet Isaiah in the first reading are directed to a people hungry for God's presence in their lives: "Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God."

2 Peter 3:8-14: The second reading is taken from the Second Letter of Peter. In this letter, the author takes up one of the pressing problems for second- and third-generation Christians: an explanation for the "delay" of the second coming of Christ.

Mark 1:1-8: Today's Gospel reading is the opening verses to the Gospel of Mark. For Mark, John is inseparable from Jesus. In fact, the movement toward understanding Jesus begins with the person of John the Baptist. According to Mark, the person of John the Baptist fulfilled the Old Testament prophecies of Isaiah and Malachi, because John's baptizing the Jews was a "baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins." Not only did preparation for the arrival of the Messiah require a disposition of repentance on the part of Israel, but the baptism itself also signaled to Israel God's deep mercy and forgiveness in anticipation of the Messiah's arrival. The first words spoken by John the Baptist in Mark's Gospel both summarize the heart of John's message and also differentiate John the baptizer from Jesus, the Messiah and Son of God: "I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." Finally, Mark's description of John the Baptist would have elicited the image of the prophet Elijah for any of Mark's readers familiar with the Hebrew Scriptures, and Mark's comment that John fed on "locusts and wild honey" was meant to communicate that John lived a simple life, since locusts and wild honey were a common source of nutrition for people living in the Ancient Near East.

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

WEEKDAY BIBLE READINGS

Sun.: Is 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8
Mon.: Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26
Tues.: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab;
Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
Wed.: Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30
Thur.: Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15
Fri.: Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19
Sat.: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Online Giving Systems are now available to All Parishioners. To make an on-line contribution please go to the website: www.olgcstm.org and press the DONATE button connected to the church to which you wish to send your contributions.



Zigeunerlieder
Gypsy Songs

All tickets at the door
www.tapestrychoir.org

Billy Janiszewski, Artistic Director
Christopher Wasko, Assistant Conductor
Vanessa Lee, Collaborative Pianist

Saturday, December 16 @ 8PM
Saint John's in the Village
224 Waverly Place
\$20 (includes reception)

Wednesday, December 13 @ 8PM
Church of St. Thomas More
65 East 89th Street
\$15

Preparing for Baptism: To Baptize your child, Parents **MUST Pre-Register** for a Preparation Meeting and **Attend a Meeting** on the first Tuesday evening of the month at 7:00PM in the OLG Rectory. **To Pre-Register call 212-289-1742** by 6pm on the day before the class. Baptisms take place on Sundays afternoons (12:30pm at OLG & 1pm at STM).
THE NEXT SESSION WILL BE HELD ON TUES. JANUARY 2ND

This Sunday's Second Collection

The Annual Archdiocesan Collection for Retired Religious Sisters and Brothers. This collection affords us an opportunity to offer those religious, who are in their senior years, our love, thanks and support, by helping to provide for their needs.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Who is saying Mass this Sunday?

Sat 5:30pm	Fr. O'Hara
Sun 9:00am	Msgr. McCahill
Sun 10:15am	Fr. Florio, SJ (Spanish Community)
Sun 11:30am	Fr. Florio
Sun 6:00pm	Fr. O'Hara

Lector/EM Mass Schedule

<i>Dec. 10</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>EM</i>
Sat 5:30pm	Tony Johnson	Sazs Sexigs
Sun 9:00am	Jamie Johnson	Sylvia Morales
Sun 10:15am	Spanish Community	
Sun 11:30am	Ike Omuruyil	Greg D'Uva
Sun 6:00pm	Carlos Cevallos	Gladys Cruz

OLGC Saturday Morning Breakfast Program Needs Volunteers!

Call the rectory 212-289-1742 for more info.

St. Vincent DePaul: If you know of a neighbor or friend who is in temporary need, or would like more information about joining, please leave a message at OLGC or sending an email to blessingifts3@gmail.com.

To make a contribution, please drop off your envelope at the OLGC rectory or mail it to:

Our Lady of Good Counsel Church,
230 East 90 Street, New York, NY 10128.

Please mark your envelope - Attn.: Society of SVDP and make your check payable to: Society of SVDP of Our Lady of Good Counsel Conference

The Choir of the Church of Our Saviour Annual Christmas Concert

Wednesday, December 20 at 7:30 p.m.

Church of Our Saviour

59 Park Ave. at East 38th St.

Tickets - \$30, may be purchased by credit card at <https://oursaviournyc2017.bpt.me> or at the door with cash or check on the evening of the concert.

For more information, please call (212) 679-8166 x220 or visit www.oursaviournyc.org.

MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST DAYS AT OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL DECEMBER 10 – DECEMBER 16

Mon. December 11 *St. Damasus I*

9:00 Deceased Members of the Kitson family (D)

6:00 Kathleen McDermott (D)

Tues. December 12 *Our Lady of Guadalupe*

9:00 Margaret McLoughlin (D)

6:00 Sofia Mendonca 2nd (D)

Wed. December 13 *St. Lucy*

9:00 George Garcia & Gladys Hart (D)

6:00 George Martin (L)

Thurs. December 14 *St. John of the Cross*

9:00 Jesus Amada Prado (D)

6:00 St Philomena for the Spiritual Guidance of All Priests

Fri. December 15

9:00 Pietro Canale (D)

6:00 To Our Lady in Thanksgiving for birth of Gabriel Joseph (L)

Sat. December 16

9:00 To Our Lady in Thanksgiving for Joseph & Coleen (L)

Sunday Vigil

5:30 Rosalino A. Abel (D)

Rosary prayed after 9am and 6pm Masses

Next Sunday's Second Collection at OLGC will help support our Religious Education Program.

Our Lady of Good Counsel

Advent Concert

Sunday, December 10th at 4PM

Participating will be OLCG's Adult and Children's Choirs with readings, anthems, and excerpts from Handel's Messiah. A great way to celebrate this important liturgical season and to prepare for the promise of Christmas

The OLGC & STM Parish Council needs additional members! If you are interested in serving or would like additional information, please contact Laura Weigley Ross at lweigley@nycourts.gov.

EVENTS

Our Lady of Good Counsel

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>
12/10	Spanish Community Coffee Hour	11:30am – 2pm
	AA Meetings	1:30 – 2:30 & 3:30 – 4:30pm
12/11	Blue Army	after 9am Mass
12/12	Legion of Mary - Spanish	6:30pm
12/13	Senior Bingo	12:30pm
	Legion of Mary – English	2:30pm
	Bilingual Religious Education	7pm
12/16	Saturday Morning Breakfast	7 - 8:30am
	AA – Anti-Anxiety Meeting	11:30am
12/17	Spanish Community La Virgen de Guadalupe	11:30 – 2pm

St. Thomas More

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>
12/10	Family Coffee Hour	11am
	Sandwich Making	12pm
12/12	Leisure Lunch	after the 12:15 Mass
12/13	Christian Meditation	6pm

Note: AA Meetings are held on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday (men's only) at 6:30pm in the Chelsea Room.

Caregivercare

Dementia Services New York

- **LEARNING NEW THINGS PROGRAM,** every Monday "Italian Class" at 2pm in the STM Chapel

Please remember the sick, especially

Fr. Andrew Apostoli, CFR, Salvatore Badalamenti, Lovonia Cisse, The Gourin Family, Aurora Fernandez, Bernie Helgason, James Leung, Matilda Mondol, Socorro Muriel, Veronica and Augustine Martin, Frank Meade, Brian Otey, Liz Riker, Michele Sagardia, and Harriet & Charlie Weiss.

***And all the faithfully departed,
that they may see God.***

To add a name or to keep a name on the list, please contact the rectory at the beginning of each month.

Visit NYC's CATHOLIC Bookstore The Best Advent/Christmas Resource

Pauline Books & Media

Books – Bibles – Movies – Rosaries - Gifts

*115 East 29th Street (Between Park & Lexington)
Mon – Wed (10-5:30), Thurs – Fri (10-7), Sat (11-5)
212-754-1110*

[*manhattan@paulinemediamedia.com*](mailto:manhattan@paulinemediamedia.com)

Tenemos títulos en Español también!

OLGC-STM YOUTH PROGRAM

When: Friday, December 15, 2017

Time: 7:00pm to 8:30pm

Where: Our Lady of Good Counsel Church – Parish Hall

- Wrapping gifts and assembling hygiene packages for the homeless (gifts will be handed out at the OLGC Saturday Homeless Breakfast Program on 12-22-2017)
- Pizza Party
- Interactive Program on what you want the Church to do for you
- Bring your phones – YES! You will use your phones!!
- Bring your friends

Sponsored by the Religious Education Program, Parish Council & St. Vincent de Paul Society

Our Lady of Good Counsel-St. Thomas More Religious Education Program

Advent Bake Sale

When: Sunday, December 10, 2017

Time: 11:00am to 1:00pm.

Where: Our Lady of Good Counsel - Parish Hall

If you would like to donate a "goodie" for the Bake Sale please drop it off in the Parish Hall at 9:00am on Sunday, December 10, 2017. The following is a list of items that we find are the best "sellers": Bread, Cookies, Brownies, Cupcakes, and Muffins.

Please make sure items with nuts are clearly marked.

Stop by and pick up something homemade and sweet!

The St. Thomas More Book Club

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 16th at 7:00pm

STM - Meeting Room - All are welcome.

Book: *The Ninth Hour* by Alice McDermott

Refreshments are served and are welcome

SENIOR--CITIZEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Consider sharing your gift of reading with a needy public-school child who is struggling to learn to read.

It's exciting and fun!

Training is provided and teaching experience is not required.

For more information, please contact Kristen Vaphides,

Program Assistant, at the East 98th Street

Union Settlement Association – Intergenerational

Tutoring Program: (646) 565-3846

Women and men are invited to participate in welcoming our visitors and parishioners to OLGC while handing out printed material at the church entrance for all Sunday Masses, starting on Saturday evening at 5:30 pm. Please call OLGC rectory if you are interested, 212-289-1742.

CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS MORE

Who is saying Mass this Sunday?

Sat 5:45pm	Msgr. McCahill
Sun 8:30am	Fr. Maximo
Sun 10:00am	Fr. Madigan
Sun 12:00pm	Fr. Madigan
Sun 5:45pm	Fr. Maximo

Lector/EM Mass Schedule

<i>Dec 10</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>EM</i>
Sat 5:45pm	The Rosses	Robert Guida
Sun 8:30am	Louisa Martin	TBD
Sun 10:00am	Morriss Family	Dan Flynn
Sun 12:00pm	Nilsa Santiago	Christine Stonbely
Sun 5:45pm	Rory Kelleher	TBD

Christmas Brunch with Santa

All parishioners are invited to our annual Christmas Brunch on Sunday, Dec. 17 after the 10:00AM mass in the Rochester Room. Share good food and holiday cheer – and Santa promises to make an appearance!

Advent and Christmas

Video Reflections

Waiting and Home Again

with: Fr. Maximo Villanueva, Jr.

On

December 19, Tuesday 7pm

Our Lady of Good Counsel – Parish Hall

Again On

December 20, Wednesday 7pm

St. Thomas More – Rochester Room

STM – Sandwich Making

Sunday, December 10th at 12pm

A great opportunity for students to earn community service hours while making a neighbor's life a little better. Sign up as a volunteer for future dates by using the following link.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d49aeaf2ba4fb6-2017>

Did you know that... St Thomas More's Youth & Family Sandwich-Making is in its third season of community outreach. Monthly from September to June, we make and deliver 250+ sandwiches to NY Common Pantry. We gratefully thank our founding and continuing food purveyors, Eli's, Whole Foods & Morton Williams, for their generous donations of bread, sun butter, jam, sliced meats & cheese. Please consider patronage of our neighborhood food purveyors, without whose unwavering support we couldn't do what we do. Wishing you and yours **Hope, Joy & Peace in this Advent season.**

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12:15 Elizabeth & Joseph Hughes (D)

Wed. December 13 *St. Lucy*

8:00 Finn X. Murphy (L)

12:15 Manuel Alejagan, Sr. (D)

Thurs. December 14 *St. John of the Cross*

8:00 George Packard (D)

12:15 Mary Benjamin (D)

Fri. December 15

8:00 Anna Prince Haley (L)

12:15 Mario Chez (D)

Sat. December 16

8:00 Josephine Terzaghi (D)

12:15 George Garcia & Gladys Hart (D)

Sunday Vigil

5:45 Bernard Hughes (D)

Rosary prayed after 12:15pm Mass

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.

**You are also invited to become a
STM Coffee Hour Volunteer.**

To volunteer, please use the following link:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a48a4ad2baaff2-coffee>. The parishioner volunteers are the heart of this important community outreach program and your participation will go a long way toward insuring its success in the future.

Christian Meditation Dec. 13th 6:00pm
STM Chapel - Facilitator: Donald Main
415-336-2165
costmnycc@christianmeditation.us