Church of Saint Thomas More

65 East 89th Street (east of Madison Avenue) New York City, New York 10128

PARISH OFFICE (212) 876-7718 FAX (212) 831-5756

E-MAIL: <u>StmParish@gmail.com</u>

WEBSITE: www.ThomasMoreChurch.org
FACEBOOK: Church of St. Thomas More

CLERGY

Rev. Kevin V, Madigan, Pastor Rev. Edwin Diaz, Associate Pastor

STAFF

Edward Litcher, Business Manager

StmBusiness@gmail.com

Margaret Peet, Development Sharon McKenna, Sacristan

Mr. Christopher Candela, O.P., Director of Music StmMusicOffice@gmail.com

WEEKDAY MASSES

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

Saturday: 8:00 am and 12:15 pm

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

Elizabeth Williams

Head Usher

John F.R. Smilgin, III

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

April 26, 2015

Saturday Evening: 5:45 p.m.

Sunday Morning: 8:30 a.m.

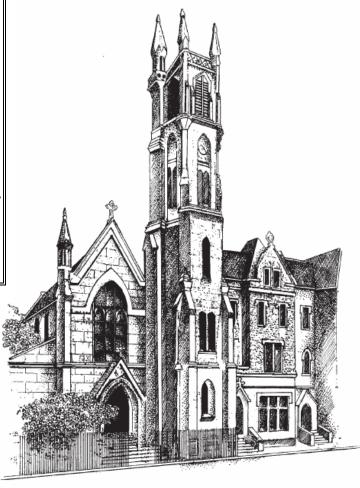
10:00 a.m. (Family Mass)

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.



Church of St. Thomas More April 26, 2015 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Theme/Call To Worship

The readings for the Fourth Sunday of Easter speak to our human need to name what God has done for us in the death and resurrection of Jesus.

Introduction To The Word

Acts 4:8-12: In today's first reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, we read parts of Peter's speech before the Sanhedrin. In this speech Peter names Jesus as "the cornerstone" which "the builders" (the Sanhedrin) rejected, quoting the Hebrew Scriptures (Ps 118:22 and Is 28:16). Peter also identifies Jesus as Israel's prophesied "cornerstone" upon which our salvation is built.

I John 3:1-2: The second reading, taken the First Letter of John, continues to develop the idea of naming believers in Christ as "children of God." We are "children of God" because of God's love for us, because Jesus is the Son of God and we now share life in the divine family, and because we are assured that "we shall be like him."

John 10:11-18: In the Gospel reading, Jesus names himself as "the good shepherd" in two different ways. In the first instance, Jesus is "the good shepherd" because he willingly "lays down his life for the sheep." In the second example, Jesus is "the good shepherd" because he leads the sheep of all other folds; although there are many folds, there is but one flock and one shepherd.

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

At St. Thomas More This Week

Date:	Event:	<u>Time</u>	
04/26	Baptism	1:00 pm	
04/27	Parish Council – Speaker	7:00 pm	
	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm	
04/28	Leisure Club Lunch after the 12:15 Mass		
	Religious Education	5:00 pm	
	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm	
04/29	Christian Meditation	6:00 pm	
04/30	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm	
05/01	First Friday		
	Exposition & Benediction after 12:15 Mass		
	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm	

Carnegie Hill Neighbors

is pleased to announce that

The Church of St. Thomas More

will be awarded its

2015 Community Service Award

at the **Annual Spring Benefit** for being a pillar of the Carnegie Hill community, generously offering its facilities to local organizations for hundreds of public service meetings and events annually.

Date/Time: Tuesday, May 12th – 6:30 – 9pm **Location**: James Burden Mansion (7 East 91st)

Tickets

http://www.carnegiehillneighbors.org/events/2015spring-benefit/

Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule

April 26	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	The Rosses
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Madigan	Gisela White
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Diaz	Osborne Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Madigan	Sim Johnston
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Chris Baldwin

May 03	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Nick Farnham
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Diaz	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Madigan	Morriss Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Diaz	Nilsa Santiago
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	Rory Kelleher

Sunday – April 19, 2015

Regular Collection - \$8,028.04 Grounds Collection - \$1,899.37 Regular Weekly Expenses - \$9,946.35

Attendance – 654

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD.

MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE FOR WEEK OF APRIL 26 – MAY 02

Mon. April 27 8:00 James Wood (D) * 12:15 Katrina Sullivan (L) Tues. April 28 St. Peter Chanel St. Louis-Marie Grignion de Montfort 8:00 The Kearney & Fanning Families (D) * 12:15 Katrina Sullivan (L) Wed. April 29 St. Catherine of Siena James Wood (D) 8:00 * 12:15 Katrina Sullivan (L) Thurs. April 30 St. Pius V 8:00 Esther Kreisman (D) * 12:15 Lisa Giannantonio (D) Fri. May 01 St. Joseph the Worker 8:00 Donald R. Keough (D) * 12:15 Bernadette & Seamus Durnin (D) Sat. May 02 St. Athanasius 8:00 Frank Finley (D) * 12:15 Rosaleen Connell (D) Sunday Vigil 5:45 Carrell D. Murphy (L)

WEEKDAY BIBLE READING

* Rosary said after the 12:15 Mass

04/27 Mon: Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10
04/28 Tues: Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30
04/29 Wed: Acts 12:24—13:5a; Jn 12:44-50
04/30 Thurs: Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20
05/01 Fri: Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
05/02 Sat: Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14

Sunday Coffee Hour

We extend our thanks to our volunteer *Cynthia Gil* for hosting this gathering, which is a wonderful way for parishioners to meet and get to know one another as well as to share a sweet and a cup of coffee or apple juice for the children. We look forward to meeting you there **after the 10:00am Mass.**

Next Sunday – Coffee Hour with Looney Entertainment

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.

Religious Education

May 1st will be the Registration Deadline for the first and second grades of our in-parish Religious Education program. For more information, please contact our Parish Office

Annual Golden Wedding Mass Celebration Saturday, June 20th or Sunday June 21st at 2:00pm

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary during 2015 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick.

Pre-registration is required. Please contact the Parish Office (212-876-7718) for registration. The closing date to register for the Mass is Tuesday, May 19th.

The event is sponsored by the Family Life / Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of NY.

"The Hope and the Heartbreak: The Challenges of Modern Christians in the Land Where Jesus Preached"

Presented by Dr. Bishara Ebeid Date/Time: Tuesday, May 5th at 7:00 PM Location: Church of St. Ignatius Loyola, Wallace Hall, 980 Park Avenue

The Holy Land is a rich mosaic of Christian traditions with dozens of Eastern Christian churches alongside Reformed Christians and Roman Catholics.

How do these church communities support each other and build peace during times of persecution? How do they live their faith in the face of conflict — often at threat to their lives? Dr. Bishara Ebeid will speak from his own experience and the research for his doctoral dissertation presented at the Pontifical Oriental Institute.

A wine and cheese reception and brief presentation on the work of the Gregorian University Foundation by Fr. Alan Fogarty, S.J., President, will follow.

STM - Monthly Food Drive

This weekend, **April 25**th **and 26**th, a box will be placed in the back of the Church to accommodate our Monthly Food Drive. If you choose to donate food, please bring shelf stable items, such as: sugar free cereal, oatmeal, sugar free apple sauce, or Parmalat, and please do not bring items packed in glass jars.

In addition to contributing food, 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. Cash or Check contributions that you place in the wall mounted Yorkville Common Pantry collection box (in the rear of the Church between the front doors and the bulletin board) will also be sent to the Pantry to assist with their programs.

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.

Leisure Club Luncheon

Next Luncheon - April 28, 2015

Christian Meditation

April 29th – 6:00pm Location: St. Thomas More - Chapel 65 East 89th Street – Manhattan Group Facilitator: **Donald Main** 415-668-1430 - costmny@christianmeditation.us

Join the St. Thomas More E-Group

Send an email with your Name and the words <u>Join</u>
<u>the E-Group</u> (Currently 349 members) to
<u>stmbusiness@gmail.com</u> receive the weekly Bulletin
and other important information

Next Sunday – May 3rd after the 5:45 Mass, we will have our parish monthly Cocktail Hour. Adults of all ages and their guests are welcome to attend.

No need for reservations.

Save the Date JONATHAN BLALOCK

in Concert Friday, May 22nd, 7:00pm Church of St. Thomas More 65 E. 89th St., New York City

CHADD of New York

"ADHD and Sleep: A Twisted Affair"

Presented by: Roberto Olivardia, Ph.D.

Date & Time: May 4, 2015 - 5:55PM to 7:30PM **Target audience:** Anyone with ADHD or with a loved one with ADHD, and those who work with them professionally.

Location: Church of St. Thomas More 65 East 89th Street

Cost: Meetings are free, with a \$10 donation suggested.

People with ADHD often struggle with sleep issues, whether it is difficulty falling asleep, staying asleep, problems waking up, or staying awake during the day. Proper assessment is essential, as well as developing ADHD-friendly interventions for sleep problems and disorders. Case examples will be discussed, including the speaker's own experience with ADHD and sleep disorders.

Please leave the kids at home. No food, please.

May 3rd Special Collection

At the Request of the Holy Father, Pope Francis, the Archdiocese of New York will take up a special Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe to support essential unmet pastoral needs in that section of the Lord's vineyard formerly under Soviet control. Your gift will do much to restore the Church and build its future in this corner of the world. Please be as generous as your means allow.

St. Thomas More Parish Council Speaker Series

Monday, April 27, 2015 – 7:00PM **Church of St. Thomas More** 65 East 89thStreet, NY 10128 Rochester Room

Presentation

<u>"When We Talk Catholic,</u>
<u>What Are We Talking About?"</u>
Some observations, stories, and ideas about being Catholic from Pope to Parish

Speaker

Margaret O'Brien Steinfels

As a writer and editor, Ms. Steinfels has edited a number of magazines and journals including *Commonweal*, *Church*, *Christianity & Crisis*, and *The Hastings Center Report*. She is the author of *Who's Minding the Children: The History and Politics of Day Care in America*, and editor of *American Catholics and Civic Engagement: A Distinctive Voice*, (Sheed and Ward, 2003) and *American Catholics and American Culture: Tradition and Resistance*, (Sheed and Ward, 2004). Those volumes were the result of "American Catholics in the Public Square," a three-year Commonweal Foundation project funded by the Pew Charitable Trusts. Her reviews and essays have appeared in *America*, *Dissent*, the *Los Angeles Times*, *The Miami Herald*, *The New Republic*, *The New York Times*, *Slate* and the *Washington Post Book Review*. She retired as co-director of the *Fordham Center on Religion and Culture* in 2012, and currently writes a column for *Commonweal* and blogs at *dotCommonweal*.

Visit with the Speaker and Share Light Refreshments Following the Presentation

<u>Free Will Offering Accepted</u> Information: 212-876-7718

Sponsored by: The Education Committee of the Parish Council