# Church of Saint 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

**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

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#### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

June 14, 2015

Saturday Evening: 5:45 p.m.

Sunday Morning: 8:30 a.m.

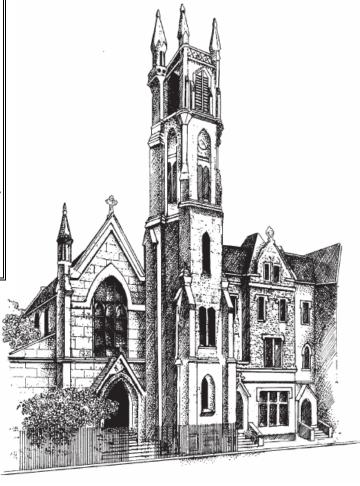
10:00 a.m. (Family Mass)

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 June 14, 2015

## **Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

#### **Theme/Call To Worship**

In the readings for the Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time we hear Jesus and the prophet Ezekiel speak in metaphors about God's work in the world.

#### **Introduction To The Word**

**Ezekiel 17:22-24:** The first reading taken from the Book of Ezekiel is counted among his earliest prophecies, spoken before the Babylonians destroyed the Jerusalem Temple in 587 BC. It is meant as a prophecy of hope to the exiled Israelites. In fact, Ezekiel foreshadowed a restoration of the house of David, a prophecy that was fulfilled with the birth of Jesus (the "tender shoot"), a descendant of the house of David.

<u>Il Corinthians 5:6-10</u>: The second reading is taken from Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians. Paul speaks of the courage of walking by faith, "not by sight."

<u>Mark 4:26-34</u>: Today's Gospel reading presents two different parables about the kingdom of God. The first is a parable of the seed's growth. In this parable the seed is obviously a metaphor for the kingdom of God and Jesus' point is clear: the kingdom of God is present and growing—often unbeknownst to many—yielding a rich harvest. The second parable is the mustard seed, a parable in which Jesus makes a similar point to Ezekiel: even the tiniest of God's work in the world yields an abundance of returns.

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

#### At St. Thomas More This Week

Event:	<u>Time</u>
Baptism	1:00 pm
Parish Council Meeting	6:30 pm
A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
Christian Meditation	6:00 pm
A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
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#### 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 363 members) to <u>stmbusiness@gmail.com</u> receive the weekly Bulletin and other important information

## **Next Parish Council Meeting**

Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>
6:30pm in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room
All Parishioners are Welcome
Your promptness is appreciated

## 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 <a href="St. Thomas More">St. Thomas More</a> website and click the Donate button located on our home page.

#### Celebrant / Lector Mass Schedule

June 14	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Nick Farnham
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Diaz	Louisa Martin
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Madigan	Branche Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Diaz	Bob Burke
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	Chris Baldwin

June 21	Celebrant	Lector
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Madigan	The Rosses
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Madigan	Gisela White
Sun 10:00 am	Fr. Diaz	Bednar Family
Sun 12:00 pm	Fr. Madigan	Nilsa Santiago
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Rory Kelleher

#### SPRING SEMI-ANNUAL APPEAL

Each year we depend on this Appeal to carry us through the summer when so many are away and inevitably the Sunday collections drop off and ordinary expenses do not. If you have already participated in this appeal, we thank you for your continued support.

Last year, we received \$122,521 from 241 identifiable donors.

To date we have received \$57,062.57

## MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE FOR WEEK OF JUNE 14 – JUNE 20

## Mon. June 15 8:00 Vincent O'Brien (D) \* 12:15 Josephine & James Jordan (D) Tues. June 16 8:00 Vincent O'Brien (D) \* 12:15 Ed Earl (D) Wed. June 17 8:00 Vincent O'Brien (D) \* 12:15 Peter & Mary Mullin (D) Thurs. June 18 8:00 Vincent O'Brien (D) \* 12:15 Mary Benjamin (D) Fri. June 19 St Romuald 8:00 Vincent O'Brien (D) \* 12:15 Maria & Joseph Muccino (D)

\* 12:15 Josefina Rendon (D)

Sat. June 20

Sunday Vigil
5:45 Roberta DeGemmis (L)

8:00 Ernest Baldaro (D)

\* Rosary said after the 12:15 Mass



## WEEKDAY BIBLE READING

Mon: 2 Cor 6:1-10; Mt 5:38-42 Tues: 2 Cor 8:1-9; Mt 5:43-48 Wed: 2 Cor 9:6-11; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 Thurs: 2 Cor 11:1-11; Mt 6:7-15 Fri: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Mt 6:19-23 Sat: 2 Cor 12:1-10; Mt 6:24-34

## **Sunday Coffee Hour**

We extend our thanks to *Jackie Morriss* for hosting this Sunday, 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**.

# Christian Meditation June 17<sup>th</sup> – 6:00pm

June 17<sup>th</sup> – 6:00pm Location: St. Thomas More - Chapel 65 East 89<sup>th</sup> Street – Manhattan

## The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower.

#### **Annual Mission Co-op Appeal**

This weekend's second collection is the annual Mission Co-op Appeal, and we are happy to inform you that we are being visited by Sister Marie Janesch, MSC, a Missionary Sister of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Sister Marie, will speak with us about her life in the missions and about the work of her congregation. Through this appeal we are all reminded of our Christian commitment to spread the Good News and it affords us a concrete way, through your generous support, to respond to that commitment.

#### **Sunday – May 31, 2015**

Regular Collection - \$9,491.92 Regular Weekly Expenses - \$8,515.04 **Attendance - 553** 

# Family Day

In celebration of our faith and family values, the Archdiocese of New York will be hosting the first Archdiocesan Family Day on Saturday, June 27, from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 PM, at the San Silverio Shrine in Dover Plains, New York.

We are anticipating a fun-filled event complete with food, games and Mass celebrated by Bishop Peter Byrne with Cardinal Timothy Dolan as homilist.

Admission is \$10 per person (children under 3 are free). To learn more about or to purchase tickets for the event, go to

https://archnyfamilyday.eventbrite.com. Space is limited, so please register early.

### **Next Week's Special Collection**

Next week, a second collection will be taken to help us manage the special expenses of liturgical supplies, and the occasional Sacristy expenses such as the repair of vestments or sacred vessels. Our hope is to build up this fund so we can purchase some new vestments. Your usual generosity is appreciated.