BLESSED TRINITY
CATHOLIC PARISH

Roxbury - Rockaway Point - Breezy Point

SUNDAY MASSES

SAINT THOMAS MORE
Saturday Vigil 5:00pm
Sunday 8:30am, 11:30am

SAINT GENEVIEVE
Saturday Vigil 4:00pm
Sunday 9:00am, 12noon

SAINT EDMUND
Sunday 10:00am

WEEKDAY MASSES

SAINT THOMAS MORE
8:30am (Mon-Sat)

SAINT GENEVIEVE
9:00am (Tues & Thurs)

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION
Every Saturday at 4:00pm at St. Thomas More (Also at any time convenient upon request)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Arrangements can be made at the Rectory. Second Saturday at 12:30pm and Fourth Sunday at 2:00pm

ANOINTING OF THE SICK
Please call the Rectory or speak with a priest to request the Anointing of the Sick. Please do not hesitate with people in serious health crisis.

HOLY MATRIMONY
Couples are required to make arrangements 6 Months in advance. This allows time to prepare the necessary paper work and Pastoral Instructions.

PARISH OFFICE
204-25 Rockaway Point Boulevard
Rockaway Point, N.Y. 11697
718-634-6357 www.btparish.org
E-Mail: rectory@btparish.org

Parish Office Hours
Monday—Friday 9am—4pm
Saturday 8am-2pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHOOL
Saint Thomas More Rectory
204-25 Rockaway Point Boulevard
Rockaway Point, N.Y. 11697

PARISH CLERGY
Rev. Fr. Michael Louis Gelfant .....Pastor
Rev. Fr. Jeremy Canna……..Parochial Vicar
Deacon James F. Ruoff
Deacon Thomas J. Murphy

RETIRED CLERGY
Rev. Msgr. Ronald Newland ..... Weekend Assistant
Rev. Fr. Michael Perry ..... In Residence
Deacon Richard Lee

PARISH STAFF
Julie Ratka ……..……Exec Assistant to the Pastor
Maureen McVeigh..... Coordinator Religious Education
Richard Louis-Pierre.....Director of Music Ministry
Brianne Ratka .....Youth Minister

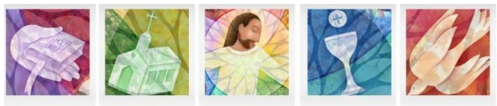
Mass Intentions

Sunday November 28th

8:30 am (St. Thomas)	† Sr. Marion Phillips
9:00 am (St. Genevieve)	† Howard & Marie Claar
10:00 am (St. Edmund)	† Intentions of the Maloney Family
11:30 am (St. Thomas)	† Misa Pro Populo
	† Marie Healy
	† Walter DeKruyff, Sr. (34th Anniv)
	† Serge Boigris
	† Donald Ferrick
	† Rosalie Maguire
12:00 pm (St. Genevieve)	† Harry Sheridan
Monday November 29th	
8:30 am (St. Thomas)	† Elizabeth & Fred Kohl
Tuesday November 30th	
8:30 am (St. Thomas)	† Loretta Carberry
9:00 am (St. Genevieve)	† Patrick Earley
Wednesday December 1st	
8:30 am (St. Thomas)	† Regina O'Leary
Thursday December 2nd	
8:30 am (St. Thomas)	† Hynes Lockwood Family
9:00 am (St. Genevieve)	† John Capotorto
Friday December 3rd	
8:30 am (St. Thomas)	† Kathleen Joyce
Saturday December 4th	
8:30 am (St. Thomas)	† Ruth B. Clarke (25th Anniversary)
4:00 pm (St. Genevieve)	† Tom McCarthy
5:00 pm (St. Thomas)	† Marion Manley

Michele Hogan, Olivia Benedetto, Sabrina Temp, Donna Moran, Blythe Finn, Maryann Dolan, Marissa Plaia, Danielle Candela, Andy Healy, Kathy Winters, Michael Lalor, Marita Serkes, Father Peter Rayder, Joseph Luhrs.

PEOPLE ADDED TO OUR PARISH PRAYER REQUEST LIST WILL STAY ON FOR THREE WEEKS AND THEN BE REMOVED UNLESS THERE IS A REQUEST FOR THE PERSON TO REMAIN ON THE PRAYER LIST OF ANOTHER THREE WEEK PERIOD.



Faith Formation

Blessed Carlo Acutis

In the short 15 years of his life, Carlo Acutis touched thousands of people with his testimony of faith and deep devotion to the Holy Eucharist. Carlo had a great devotion and love for the Blessed Mother. He once said: "The Virgin Mary is the only woman in my life."

On **December 8th,** the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception and a Holy Day of Obligation, we are happy to welcome the relic of Blessed Carlo to our parish for the day.

All Religious Education Students and youth of the parish will gather for Mass and veneration of the Relic of Blessed Carlo at St. Thomas More Church on **December 8th at 3:30pm**

Knights of Columbus

Our Lady of Knock Council 17580

Now accepting New Members to the Roxbury, Rockaway Point and Breezy Point Knights of Columbus Council

www.kofc.org/joinus

MEMBERS ONLY CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 13th

The giving tree will start this Sunday November 28th, last day for drop off will be December 19th. Gift tags are available at all three Churches. Gifts can be dropped off at church or the rectory office. They will benefit Hour Children.

What is the synod on synodality?

By: Julian Paparella

So why a synod on synodality? Yes, a "synod on synodality" may seem kind of like having a movie about movies or a book about books (or a dream within a dream for those who have seen the movie *Inception*). But don't worry, this isn't just some complicated mind trick. Rather, **it's an invitation for the whole Church to have our voices heard**. We can only move forward if we work and walk *together*. **No Christian is an island!** Every limb and appendage is necessary in the Body of Christ! Through this synod, the Church is saying: the voice of ***EVERYONE*** matters because God can talk though ***ANYONE*** -- not only bishops, priests, deacons, brothers, or sisters but ***ALL OF US***! Pope Francis has stated that this collaborative, inclusive approach of *synodality* is precisely the "***the path that God expects of the Church in the third millennium.***" This is truly a **revolution of the Holy Spirit** towards the Church that God is calling us to be for tomorrow, starting today! Each diocese is called to facilitate local synodal meetings to involve all the faithful in this journey undertaken by the entire Church. Of course, *synodality* is complicated to spell but it is even more challenging to put it into practice. This is the whole point of the two-year synod that the Church begins this October: helping the whole Church to walk forward together, united in the mission we share. This begins by paying attention to those who are often forgotten, excluded, or not listened to – hearing what God has to say to us through those we may ignore. **The path to a Church that listens and walks together starts with you and me. Let's walk forward together!**

Blessed Trinity Seniors

GOLDEN AGE CLUB

Next Meeting: Dec 7 (BINGO) @ 11:00am

Dec 14th Christmas Party @ Colony

Msgr Connelly Parish Hall

ARTS & CRAFT CLUB

Every Wednesday, 10AM New Members always welcome.

Msgr Connelly Parish Hall

Organizations and Groups

Religious Education	Maureen McVeigh
Golden Age Club	Eileen Cullen
Arts & Crafts Club	Lynn Langan
Knights of Columbus	Fr. Gelfant
Altar Servers	Fr. Jeremy
Lectors Schedule	Marlene Baisley
EMHC Schedule	Marlene Baisley
Tuesday Prayer Group	Fr. Jeremy
BT Sports/CYO	Anthony Burti
Youth Group	Brianne Ratka
Consolation Ministry	Deacon Tom
Marian Rosary Society	Loretta Pye
Vocation Committee	Fr. Jeremy
Finance Council	Fr. Gelfant

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION AND LUNCH

Friday, December 3rd we will have Mass at 11:00am at St. Genevieve Church Mass and Adoration, followed by lunch at Father Hession Hall.

Advance reservations a must. Contact Dottie Wayne, 917-868-7109 or Loretta Pye, 917-817-4481 for further information and to reserve your place.

STREAMING ONLINE LIVE

MASSES STREAMING LIVE

Weekdays 8:30am

Sunday 11:30am

FACEBOOK AND YOUTUBE

BAPTISM SCHEDULE

Parents may register their child for baptism at the Parish Office.

Formation Class

Tuesday, December 7, 2021 @ 7pm

Baptism Celebrations

Sunday, November 28 @ 2:00pm

Saturday, December 11 @12:30pm

Prayer to Saint Joseph

"O Saint Joseph, **do assist me by your powerful intercession**, and obtain for me from your Divine Son all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, So that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most Loving of Fathers." Amen.

Eternal Rest
Grant Unto Them, O Lord...
...We remember in our prayers all the faithfully departed

Register on the website: ***btparish.churchgiving.com*** Once you reach the website, click on **MAKE A DONATION**. It will give you the option of making a recurring donation (weekly or monthly) or a one time donation. Please call the office to speak to Julie.

Blessed Trinity Parish Online Giving

The More you Give, The More We Can Do! Thank You!

Earlier in November, students from both our Religious Education School at Saint Edmund and Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Academy sent questions to the Priests of Blessed Trinity as part of National Vocations Awareness Week. Some questions are fun, while others are more serious. Keep an eye out for some of the questions and the priests' responses in upcoming bulletins. *This week's questions are answered by Father Jeremy.*

—"What do you do when you receive your own Communion?"

Like at some other times during the Mass, the Priest says prayers quietly that the people usually don't hear. Just before putting the Body of Christ in his mouth, the Priest says, "May the Body of Christ keep me safe for eternal life." And before putting the Blood of Christ in his mouth, the Priest says, "May the Blood of Christ keep me safe for eternal life." That way, when I receive Communion, I am always remembering how important this food and drink really are, even if I don't say "Amen" to someone else like everyone else at the Mass.

—"Do you like speaking in front of lots and lots of people?"

Yes! Since a Priest is a special messenger of Jesus's Gospel, the more people who get to hear that message, the better. It can sometimes be tiring since we want to work hard and do a good job to bring people closer to God, but many people have things that they like to do that also can make them a little tired.

—What sports did you play?

I played soccer and baseball at Marine Park, and roller hockey at Chelsea Piers, all as a small child.

—"Do Priests automatically go to Heaven?"

No, because even while a Priest has a special calling, he is still a sinner like everyone else and in need of God's mercy. He needs to go to Confession like other Catholics (and he has to find a different Priest to hear his Confession. . .he can't just tell his sins to himself!)

—"How many years ago was Jesus alive?"

Jesus is God, so He was always alive and always will be alive. But He was born as a baby in Bethlehem, and later died on the Cross outside Jerusalem, about 2000 years ago. (Right now, our calendar year is up to "2021." The year "1" is very close to when Jesus was born!)

4th GRADE BOYS SOCCER

Weekly Prayers/Devotions

- **Miraculous Medal Novena,** Monday's after Mass
- **The Rosary,** Prayed on Saturday's at 3:30pm (before the 4pm Vigil Mass) at St. Genevieve Church. and Monday-Friday at 8am at St. Thomas More Church
- **Prayer Group** Meets on Tuesday's at 7:30pm at St. Thomas More Church
- **Saint Michael Prayer**, after every Mass.
- **ADORATION**—First Friday after Mass (unless of a Funeral)

Home Bound?

If you or a loved one is homebound (meaning unable to attend Mass for a period of time) and would like to receive the sacraments (Confession, Anointing or Holy Communion), please call the rectory at 718-634-6357. The parish clergy and Lay Ministers will visit.

BT SPORTS News

BT Sport's soccer season ended strong last week with the 4th grade boys as the newest Diocesan Champions! Congratulations to the boys and their coaches!

The boys' swim team is excited for their first meet this coming week!

This week we take extra time to thank all the coaches, volunteers and parents who diligently work all year round to make our sports program happen. BT Sports couldn't exist without their dedication and our children are fortunate to be coached by such passionate adults who lead by example.

Go BT!

BLESSED TRINITY MISSION STATEMENT

Washed by the waters of the sea and blessed with generations of faithful worship we, a trinity of churches: Saint Edmund, Saint Genevieve and Saint Thomas More, stand united in our mission. To embrace the presence of Christ in our community and strive to assist all to deepen their relationship with the Lord. To seek to be a parish of service and comfort to all. To commit ourselves to be a vessel through which our Catholic heritage and traditions may be preserved and grow so that our parish may flourish in the Spirit of the Lord.

MEMORIAL WREATHS

THIS YEAR WE WILL ADORN THE OUTSIDE AT OUR THREE CHURCHES WITH WREATHS PURCHASED IN MEMORY OR HONOR OF OUR LOVED ONES. EVERGREEN WREATHS WITH A RED BOW AND MEMORIAL PLAQUE ON THE WREATH. CHOOSE WHICH CHURCH YOU WANT YOUR WREATH DISPLAYED AT FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON.

$100 PER WREATH

DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 6, 2021. CALL THE OFFICE FOR INFO 718-634-6357

NAME OF DONOR _____

EMAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

WREATH LOCATION: ____ST THOMAS MORE ____ST. GENEVIEVE ____ST. EDMUND

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Sunday Gospel Activities

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THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER STAYS TOGETHER.