

Sharing
the Spirit
of Love

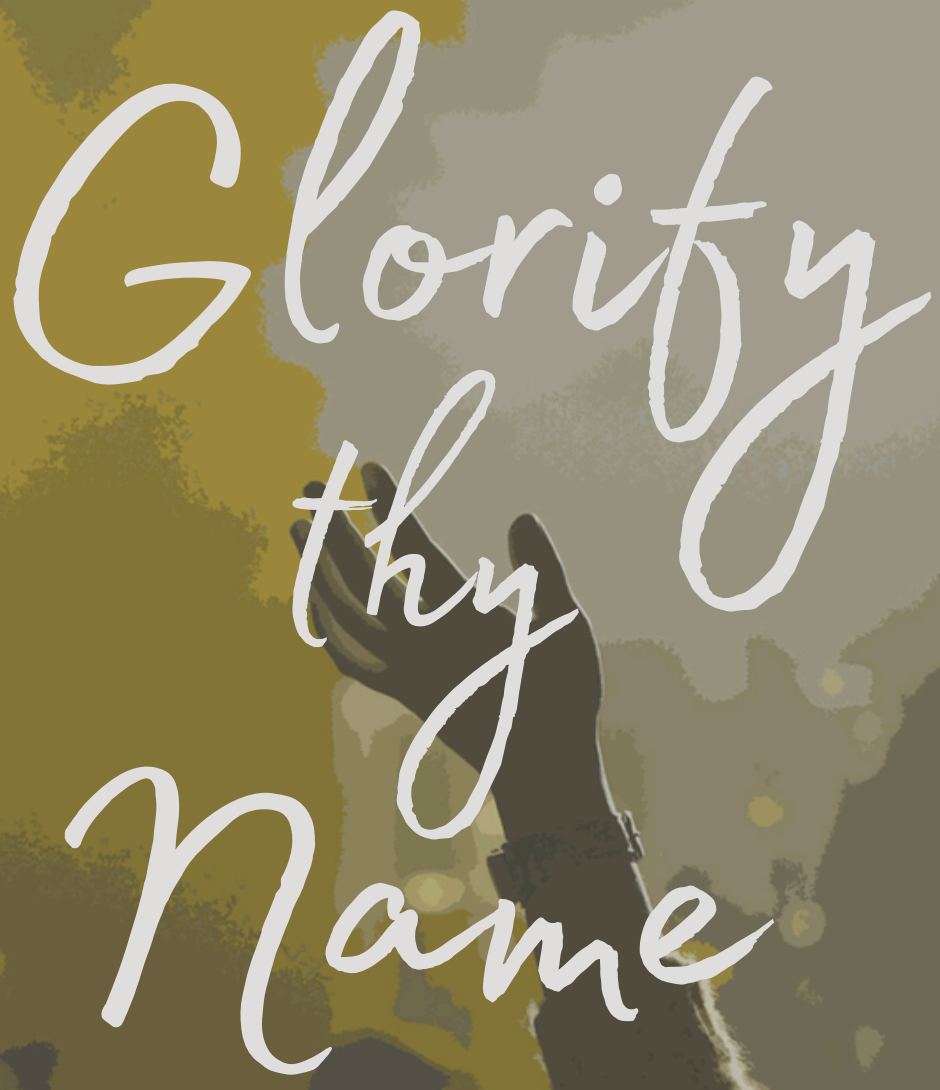
Catholic Church Community of

St. Thomas More

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May 17th 2026



Gloryfy thy Name

This Week's Readings

Acts 1:12-14

Psalm 27:1,4,7-8

1 Peter 4:13-16

John 17:1-11a

Seventh Sunday of Easter

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This Week's Masses

Saturday, May 16th

5:00pm Augie Vrondis
Laura Jennings

Sunday, May 17th

Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:00am Gerry Keena
Brian O'Tool

9:30am Joseph Beltrani Sr
Victor Constantino

11:30am Richard Stout
Marianna Sblendorio

Monday, May 18th

9:00am Juana Mitchell &
Juanita Williams

Tuesday, May 19th

9:00am James Cussen Sr.

Wednesday, May 20th

9:00am Joe Beltrani Sr.

Thursday, May 21st

9:00am Michael Leocadi

Friday, May 22nd

9:00am Samuel Infantino

Saturday, May 23rd

5:00pm Landon Olds (living)
Maddox Olds (living)

Sunday, May 24th

Pentecost Sunday

8:00am Joe Beltrani Sr.

9:30am Geri Keena
Joseph Barrett

11:30am Al Weidig
Ann Mary Gomez



Parish Mission

St. Thomas More Roman Catholic Church is a parish community striving to share the Spirit of Love through Prayer, Worship, the Sacraments, the Teachings of the Church, and our concern for others, through Christian Stewardship.

Saints of the Week

St. John I (5/18)
St. Bernardine of Siena (5/20)
St. Christopher Magallanes/Companions (5/21)
St. Rita of Casci (5/22)
St. Bede the Venerable (5/25)

Saints in heaven, *pray for us*

Prepare for Next Weekend

Pentecost Sunday
May 24th 2026

Readings

Acts 2:1-11
Psalm 104:1,24,29-31,34
1 Corinthians 12:3b-7,12-13
John 20:19-23

The full text of all the readings, including the Gospel, can be found online via the USCCB.

bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar



Focus Questions

- Describe a time when you were locked in fear. Who helped you feel safe?
 - Where is Christ's peace needed? How do you pray for that peace?
 - Relate a time when you found forgiveness difficult. What helped you to forgive?
- Families: How can you bring peace to others?



our
daily bread

Mon-Fri

9am

Sat

5pm

Sun

8am

9:30am

11:30am



From the Pastor

A man with a persistent cough went to his doctor for a follow up visit. “Your cough sounds better this morning,” his doctor remarked. “It should,” replied the patient, “because I’ve been practicing all night long.”

Practice of anything, good or bad, makes you perfect it. Unless we try our best to practice the best, we will easily learn to accept even the worst as a way of life. We need an active and persistent reminder in our heart to keep our way of life in the best practices.

Last Thursday (the 40th day of Easter) was the **Feast of Ascension of the Lord. We celebrated Jesus’ going up to heaven**, to send the Holy Spirit upon us. Next Sunday we will celebrate the feast of the Holy Spirit coming upon each one of us. Jesus sends the Holy Spirit upon His Church, that is each of us, both to remind us the best way of life and to fill us with the strength to walk in it.

In the first reading we read that the **apostles and the followers of Jesus devoted themselves with one accord to prayer**, together with some women, Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers. As long as Jesus was with them they were guided by Jesus on what to do and how to do it. Now as Jesus advised them, they were praying together for the Holy Spirit to come upon them, because Jesus had promised them that He would send them the Holy Spirit from God the Father, who will reveal to them what to do and empower them to do it.

In the Gospel today we read **Jesus explaining to his disciples that they belonged to God the Father**, and the Father gave them to His Son Jesus, and they have kept His word. Now they know that everything the Father gave the Son is from the Father, because the words the Father gave to the Son, Jesus, He gave to them. This is to say that the disciples are aware of what they possess. Yes, they possess the WORD from the Father through His Son Jesus. They are equipped with everything that is needed for the mission that Jesus entrusted them.

The waiting period from the **Ascension to the arrival of the Holy Spirit is nine days**, which the Apostles, Blessed Mother Mary, and others spent in prayer yearning for the Holy Spirit to fill them so that they may know the ways and means to fulfill the mission and words Jesus left them in their charge to reach out to all the people. This waiting period of nine days is called the NOVENA Days. Even today the church preciously spends these NOVENA days intensely praying for the Holy Spirit to come and fill all the hearts of the believers.

Let us join the whole church from today until next Sunday, for the whole week. **Let us pray ardently every day to welcome the Holy Spirit** to come into our hearts, especially in the hearts of our children, that we may choose the best and have the courage and strength to avoid the worst. We live in a world of multiple choices. We are easily distracted away from the truth, the best way of life. Let us pray to Jesus for the gift from above, the HOLY SPIRIT who will help us choose the best and holiest way of life.

Next Sunday is the Solemn Feast of Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Church. Let us wear something **RED**, as a reminder to us and as a sign to others that the Holy Spirit came down in the form of tongues of fire and the fire of love is in our hearts.

With love and prayers,
Father Antony



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Prayers & Petitions

Pray for the Deceased

Msgr. Kenneth Boccafola
Gloria Marie Farino
Mark Pirnat
John Aspromgos

We continuously pray for our deceased loved ones and all souls in purgatory.

St Gertrude, pray for us.

Pray for the Sick

Andrew Valentine	Baby Kayden Richard
Angela Conzo	Larry Wilson
Anna Mancuso	Linda LoCastro
Blair Rocchio	Lou Savarese
Bob Basile	Margaret Lombardi
Christy Torkelsen	Maria Murphy
Dolores Rudden	Maureen Gunderson
Ellen Murphy	Michael Minutillo
Fern Peppe	Michael Redmond
Helen Kovarik	Patricia Sronczner
Jim Engle	Richard Landi
Jimmy Cannon	Baby Sienna Dwyer
	Trish Landi

*This listing will reset on September 30th 2026

To add a name to the sick list, please fill out a card from the literature rack place it in the collection basket, or contact the Rectory by phone or email.

Altar Bread & Wine Memorial

May 18th - May 24th

In memory of

John Aspromgos

by Joan & Pat Shea

Contact the Rectory to arrange a memorial for the Altar Bread & Wine. Requested donation for the week is \$50

Pray for our Clergy

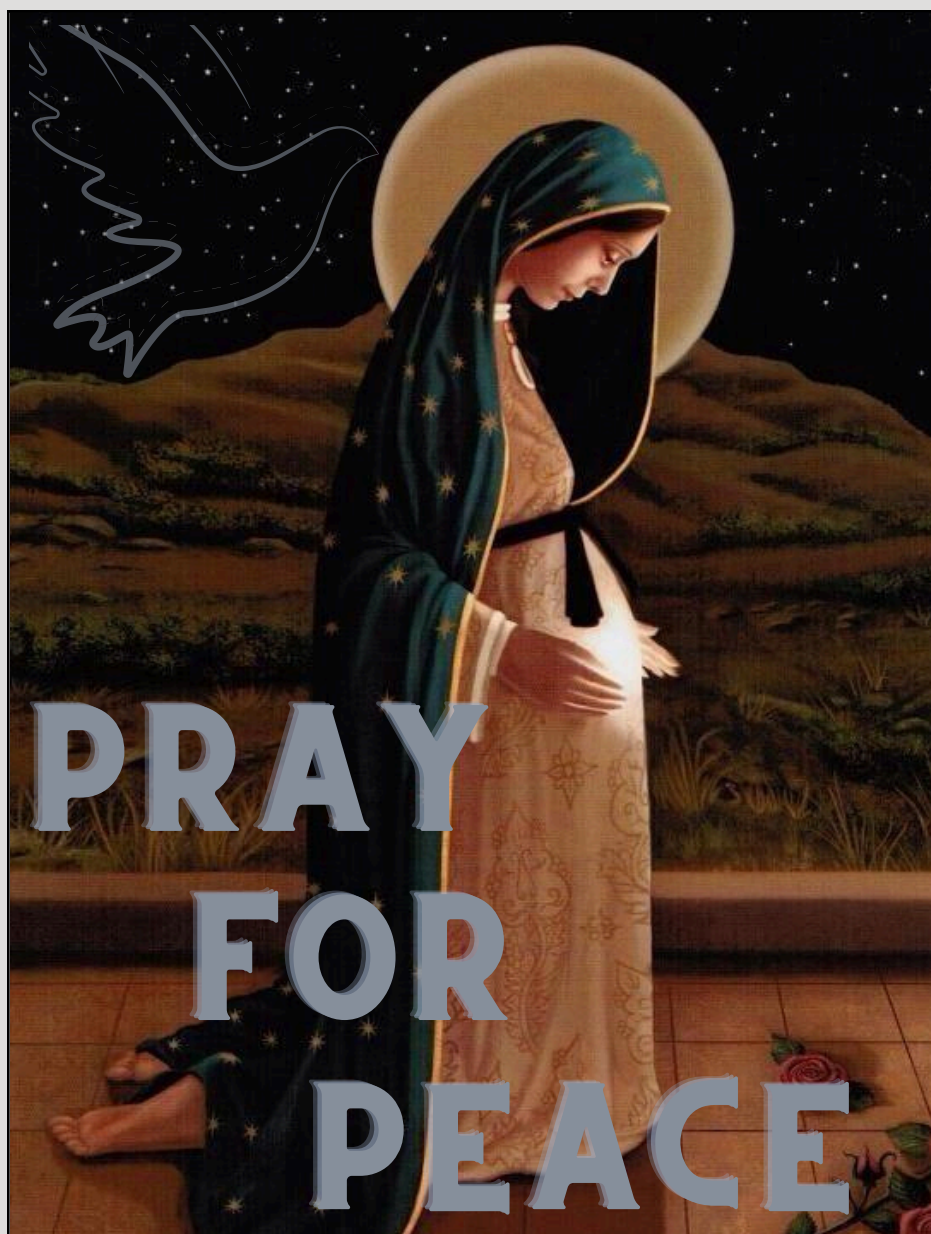
Father Antony Asir
Deacon Robert Weisz
Deacon Edward Vigneaux
Deacon Matthew Surico
The Capuchin Friars
Bishop John Barres
Pope Leo XIV

Pray for our Military

Please continue to pray for the brave members of our Parish Family who serve our country:

Troy A Maida	Joseph Kirsch
Connor Hendrickson	Allen Kirsch
Evan Hendrickson	Nicholas Gajda
Ryan Smith	Alexandria Feys Gajda
Will Maley	Andrew Lynch
Chris Capasso	Matthew P Dell'orto

We also pray for our deceased service members, and for our veterans, in gratitude for their service, and in hope that they will find the support they need here at home.



Support our Parish

Financial Support

Collection from:
May 9th & 10th

\$6115

Please consider supporting St. Thomas More. We encourage all parishioners to try electronic giving through ParishSoft Giving. It is both convenient and secure. For more information, check the literature rack in the Narthex, or visit us online at stmli.org

Physical Support

There are many different ways to support the St. Thomas More Parish Community! Whether you are 4 or 40, 8 or 80, there are ways for everyone to be involved.

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Whether giving money, time, or labor, all your support is appreciated. St. Thomas More would not exist as it does without the generosity of our Parish Family.

A Gentle Reminder:

Please do not place clothing or household items in the food bins or leave them at Outreach. We do not have a lot of extra storage space. There is a clothing bin in the back of the parking lot where clothing can be donated to St. Vincent de Paul. If you have household items, please call the Outreach office!

Parish Social Ministry

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."

JOHN 15

Contact Parish Outreach

631-234-3149

outreach@stmli.org

Mon-Thur 10AM to 2PM

Please reach out to Parish Outreach if you are, or know of someone, in need of support. Keep our elderly neighbors in mind and let us know if there is anyone you would like us to reach out to.



Cereal
Ketchup
Drink Mixes
Laundry Detergent (small)
Mayonnaise
Coffee (small)
Tea Bags

WE APPRECIATE ALL OF YOUR DONATIONS!

Please remember that it is difficult for us to use large cans, bottles, bags of rice, etc. as many of our neighbors do not have the ability to store extra food. Packages for 2-4 people are ideal.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

This week as we celebrate the Feast of the Ascension, we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples...and now through us.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call us - your St. Vincent de Paul conference - at the number below. Together we can bring peace to those in need.



Contact us: call 631-648-2760 or
email svdp.stm@aol.com



Pre-Cana 2026

Please pray for these soon to be wed couples participating in our Pre-Cana program!

Jenna Von Bevern
&
Drew Sajdak

Maria Scammell
&
Dan Sullivan

Victoria Lombardi
&
Sean Brodersen



JESUS LOOKED UP TO
HEAVEN AND SAID,
"FATHER, THE TIME IS HERE.
GIVE YOUR SON GLORY
SO THAT YOUR SON
CAN GIVE YOU GLORY."

JOHN 17:1 GOD'S WORD TRANSLATION

SAVE THE DATE

MSGR FRANCIS S MIDURA MEMORIAL

GOLF OUTING

September 14th, 2026

9am Shotgun Start

Contact Ed Rogan for more Information

516-319-8643



WE NEED YOUR HELP

Parish Social ministry is ready to launch our Ministry to the Elderly and Homebound. We have wonderful volunteers who are ready to start making phone calls and connect with those who would benefit from a weekly check-in. Now we need to identify those in our parish and community who may be alone and lonely. If you have a relative, friend, or neighbor who would benefit from a weekly check in, please contact Parish Outreach

631-234-3149
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YOUNG AT HEART

NEXT MEETINGS:

MAY 22ND - *NO MEETING

MAY 29TH - 9:30
MASS & COMMUNION
BREAKFAST (RSVP)

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS
WELCOME!

CALL MARY ANN
631-234-8118



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL 6062**

FISHING TRIP 2026

Open to all Council Knights, Columbiettes and their families (dues paid)

**\$65 PER
PERSON**



SATURDAY, JUNE 20TH, 2025

ARRIVE AT 3:45PM, END AT 8:30PM

**PORT JEFFERSON
Osprey Fishing Boat**
(Next to the Port Jefferson Ferry)

Tackle, bait, and cleaning of fish are included (gratuities appreciated)

Payable in cash or check (Made out to Knights of Columbus Council 6062)

Contact Brad Fine GK (631-235-8952) or Ernie LaFontaine PGK (516-526-5710) with questions.



Celebrate STM at our annual

Pancake Breakfast!

*Sunday, June 7th
after all Masses!*



Freewill
Donation

The Rosary

AND WHY WE SHOULD PRAY IT DAILY

THE FOLLOWING COME DIRECTLY FROM MARY, AS GIVEN TO ST DOMINIC AND BLESSED ALAN DE LA ROCHE

6: Those who recite my Rosary devoutly, applying themselves to the consideration of its sacred mysteries, shall never be conquered by misfortune.

7: Those who have a true devotion to the Rosary shall not die without the sacraments of the Church.

8: Those who faithfully recite the Rosary shall have, during their life and at their death, the light of God and the plenitude of His graces.

9: I shall deliver from purgatory those who have been devoted to the Rosary.

10: The faithful children of the Rosary shall merit a high degree of glory in heaven.

OUR LADY

QUEEN OF PEACE

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молися за нас



WHATS BEEN HAPPENING AT STM

Two weddings last weekend!



Jennifer Falcone & Nicholas Tush



Deanna Knopf & JT Cullen

Deacon Matt blessing 12 soon to be baptized children!



Our second round of First Holy Communion! Please pray for all these children and the catechists who are guiding their faith education.



ST THOMAS MORE PRESENTS

FEAST WEEKEND RAFFLE



**TICKETS:
\$50 EACH
3 FOR \$100**

GRAND PRIZE: \$10,000!!!



FEAST WEEKEND PARKING LOT MASS!

June 6th, 5:00pm Mass

step 1

Pull into the parking lot
(Furthest entrance)

step 2

Park in a spot facing the Altar

step 3

Tune to Radio station
100.9 FM



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How to pray the Rosary



1: Make the Sign of the Cross

2: Holding the Crucifix, say The Apostles' Creed

3: On the first bead, say an Our Father

4: On the next three beads, say one Hail Mary for each

5: Say the Glory Be

6: For each of the five decades, announce the Mystery, then say an Our Father

7: For the next ten beads, say one Hail Mary for each, then finish with a Glory Be.

8: After finishing a decade, we say the prayer requested by the Blessed Virgin at Fatima:

Oh my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy.

9: After the five decades, say the Hail, Holy Queen:

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of they womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

10: Make the Sign of the Cross

*It takes about 15 minutes to pray the whole Rosary. Since we repeat the same prayers (i.e. Hail Mary 53 times), the Church helps us meditate on the Gospel by using Mysteries. Each day has 5 Mysteries, to reflect on one during each decade.

Mysteries of the Rosary

Joyful Mysteries (Mon, Sat)

1. The Annunciation to Mary
2. The Visitation of Mary
3. The Birth of our Lord Jesus
4. The Presentation of the Child Jesus in the Temple
5. The Finding of Our Lord in the Temple

Sorrowful Mysteries (Tues, Fri)

1. The Agony of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane
2. The Scourging of Jesus at the Pillar
3. The Crowning of Jesus with Thorns
4. The Carrying of the Cross
5. The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus

Glorious Mysteries (Wed, Sun)

1. The Resurrection of Jesus
2. The Ascension of Jesus
3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost
4. The Assumption of Mary
5. The Coronation of Our Lady in Heaven

Luminous Mysteries (Thurs)

1. Jesus' Baptism in the Jordan
2. The Wedding at Cana
3. The Proclamation of the Kingdom
4. The Transfiguration
5. The Institution of the Eucharist

