March 15, 2020

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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.
Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel - St. Thomas More
March 15, 2020
Third Sunday of Lent

As we continue on our Lenten journey, we can use the Samaritan woman as a role model for discipleship. We, too, are challenged to find the Lord in our midst and bring others to him. The first reading is taken from Exodus 17. Within a relatively short period of time following their miraculous escape from the Egyptian army, the Israelite community began quarreling among themselves and challenging Moses and his leadership. The Israelites even tested God, asking Moses: “Is the LORD in our midst or not?” Moses pleaded to God for intervention, and God responded by empowering Moses to use his staff to strike on the rock in Horeb, drawing water from the rock for the people to drink. The Lord was indeed in the midst of the community during the desert journey, but the Israelites’ grumbling and complaining blinded them to the Lord’s presence.

In the second reading from the Letter to the Romans, Paul teaches us that we have “peace with God” through our relationship with Christ and we have the “love of God” through the Holy Spirit. For Paul, it is in this divine relationship where “God proves his love for us.”

In today’s reading, Jesus meets a Samaritan woman at a well and initiates a dialogue with her with a simple request: “Give me a drink.” This encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman falls into four parts: the Samaritan woman challenges Jesus; she recognizes Jesus as a prophet and Jesus reveals to the woman his messianic identity; the disciples return and the woman leaves to tell others of her belief in Jesus; and the Samaritans themselves recognize Jesus as “truly the savior of the world.”

GUIDELINES IN LIGHT OF THE SPREAD OF THE CORONA VIRUS

With the introduction of the novel coronavirus (Covid-19) into the metropolitan area, it is advisable to take some sensible steps in regard to how we comport ourselves at mass in order to prevent clergy or members of the congregation from transmitting or acquiring the virus.

Attendance at Mass. If you are not feeling well and have flu-like symptoms, consider yourself free of the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. It might be more considerate of others not to come to church that Sunday.

The Sign of Peace. Instead of shaking hands with the person next to you, simply nod or wave or give an “elbow bump.”

Holy Communion. The ministers of the Eucharist should cleanse their hands with sanitizer before and after they distribute the sacred hosts. It is suggested that in receiving Holy Communion, you would do so in the hand, rather than on the tongue. With the distribution of the Eucharist on the tongue, there is always the possibility of saliva coming onto the minister’s fingers, which could then be passed onto the remaining hosts, possibly transmitting the virus to another congregant or to the minister of the Eucharist.

Out of concern for the health of the Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, who graciously volunteer their service, if you should wish to receive the Eucharist on the tongue, we ask that you approach the priest.

Greeting after Mass. The celebrant will not be shaking hands with the members of the congregation as they leave mass.

Prayer. Let us pray for all those who are suffering throughout the world and for all medical personnel who are attending to their needs with such care and dedication.

Rev. Kevin V. Madigan
Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel

Sunday – March 08, 2020
Sunday Collection – $3,147.31
Sunday Attendance – 580

Celebrant – Sunday Mass – March 15th
Sat 5:30pm Fr. Montgomery
Sun 9:00am Fr. Madigan
Sun 10:15am Bishop Iriondo (Spanish Community)
Sun 11:30am Fr. Madigan
Sun 6:00pm Msgr. McCahill

Lector/EM Mass Schedule
Mar 15
Sat 5:30pm Tony Johnson TBD
Sun 9:00am Jamie Johnson Sylvia Morales
Sun 10:15am Altamir de Oliveira Evelyn Cuautle Gabriela Benitez Gladys Muñiz Maria Muñoz
Sun 11:30am Chris Williams Joseph McLaughlin
Sun 6:00pm Gladys Cruz Carol Hopkins

Celebrant – Sunday Mass – March 22nd
Sat 5:30pm Fr. O’Hara OMI
Sun 9:00am Msgr. McCahill
Sun 10:15am Bishop Iriondo (Spanish Community)
Sun 11:30am Fr. O’Hara OMI
Sun 6:00pm Fr. O’Hara OMI

Lector/EM Mass Schedule
Mar 22
Sat 5:30pm Tony Johnson Terri O’Connor
Sun 9:00am Louisa Martin Maria Nonni
Sun 10:15am Altamir de Oliveira Rose Acevedo Alfredo López Rossana Ramirez Maria Rodríguez
Sun 11:30am Ike Omoruyil Chris Williams
Sun 6:00pm Carlos Cevallos Gladys Cruz

Youth and Family Sandwich Making
The Youth and Family Sandwich Making program makes and delivers 250+ peanut free sandwiches each month to the New York Common Pantry.
To sign up for the 04/26/2020 event please visit:
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a48a4ad2baafl2-20192020

The St. John the Baptist Film Society Presents
The Passion of the Christ
Sunday March 22nd at 3:30pm - OLGC Parish Hall
Film will be shown in English with Spanish subtitles and is 127 minutes long.

Mass Intentions and Feast Days
AT OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL
March 15 – March 21

Mon. March 16
9:00 Kathryn Callahan (D)
6:00 Thresia Elizabeth Carthy (L)

Tues. March 17 St. Patrick
9:00 St. Philomena for the Spiritual Guidance of all Priests
6:00 Chrystie Walsh (D)

Wed. March 18 St. Cyril of Jerusalem
9:00 Joan Webber (L)
6:00 Fr. Kazimierz Kowalski (L)

Thurs. March 19 St. Joseph
9:00
6:00

Fri. March 20 Day of Abstinence
9:00 Dr. Luis Fujimoto (D)
6:00 Marcio Reyes (D)

Sat. March 21
9:00 John O’Donnell (D)

Sunday Vigil
5:30 Martin "Mattie" Allen (D)

Rosary prayed after 9am and 6pm Masses

Please remember the sick, especially:

Our Lady of Good Counsel

Date Event Time
03/15 Spanish Community Coffee Hr. 11:30am
03/17 Legion of Mary - Spanish 6:30pm
03/18 Senior Bingo 1pm
Legion of Mary – English 2:30pm
03/21 Homeless Breakfast Program 7am

Note: AA Meetings are held each day at 12Noon and 4pm, and on Saturday at 10:30am
HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2020

There will be NO evening Mass on Easter Sunday.

We encourage you to participate in one or all of our Holy Week services and to make use of the additional opportunities for Confession.

In the name of all our clergy and staff I wish you and your family a happy and holy Easter.

Sincerely yours,

Rev. Kevin V. Madigan, Pastor

St. Thomas More

Preparation for Baptism of your First 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 OLGC Rectory.

The Next Session will be held on Tuesday April 7th
To Pre-Register for the Meeting call 212-289-1742 by 6pm on the day before the class. Baptisms take place on Sundays afternoons (12:30pm at OLGC & 1pm at STM).

To schedule Baptisms for other children please call your Church Rectory.

C.S. Lewis Scholar - Dr. James Como will continue his series of participatory lectures entitled
Lest we Forget: A Constellation of Christian Authors
Tuesday, March 24th – 7pm in the STM Rochester Room
During this lecture he will discuss the author Robertson Davies with a focus on his book Fifth Business.
For more information, email stmeparishprograms@gmail.com or 212 876 7718

Separated/Divorced Catholic Support Group:
The next meeting March 18th at 6:30pm in the STM Meeting Room stthomasmoresdc@yahoo.com
or call 212-876-7718.

SENIOR CITIZEN HAIRCUT DAY
Wednesday, April 8th - OLGC Parish Hall
From: 1PM-3PM - Cost: $10
SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT BY SIGNING UP.
Sign-up sheet in Parish Hall - Clients are requested to wash their hair prior to arrival. All haircuts are provided by Nancy Garcia, a licensed hair stylist. Donations will be used by Respect Life Committee to support women in need.

The Respect Life Committee Presents
Parish Assisting Life – P.A.L.
OLGC – Parish Hall – Sunday, March 15th – 4 – 5:30pm
All women in our Church community ages 18-32 are welcome
Topics: Love & Relationships & Film - October Baby
If Interested, please email: pal.olgacstm@yahoo.com
This is a free event. Light refreshments will be served.
Sunday – March 08, 2020
Sunday Collection – $6,225.14
Sunday Attendance – 452

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Sat 5:45pm Mrgr. McCahill
Sun 8:30am Fr. O’Hara OMI
Sun 10:00am Fr. O’Hara OMI
Sun 12 Noon Mrgr. McCahill
Sun 5:45pm Fr. Montgomery

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Looking for insightful conversation?
Join the Parish Book Club!
Thursday March 19th – 7pm – STM Meeting Room
Book Selection: Emma by Jane Austen.
We meet with the conviction that art helps us to recognize truth. Discussion will be focused but open, and differences of opinion are welcome all within an atmosphere of fellowship. Please join us!

Christian Meditation - Wed. Mar. 18th at 6:00pm
STM Chapel - Facilitator: Donald Main
415-336-2165 costmnyc@christianmeditation.us
The Christian Meditation group invites you to join us for some silent prayer in the Foley Chapel each Wednesday evening from 6pm to 7pm. Please arrive a little early. Visit www.christianmeditation.us for more information.

Mass Intentions and Feast Days at St. Thomas More
March 15 – March 21

Mon. March 16
8:00 Pedro & Alejandro Torquero (D)
12:15 Czeslawa Konefal (D)

Tues. March 17
8:00 Christopher Begley (D)
12:15 Charlotte Ann Piskura (D)

Wed. March 18
8:00 George A. Weidner (D)
12:15 Stella Esposito (D)

Thurs. March 19
8:00 Marcella Salvia (D)
12:15 Mary Benjamin (D)

Fri. March 20
8:00
12:15 George Garcia (D)

Sat. March 21
8:00
12:15 George Garcia (D)

Sunday Vigil
5:45 Linda Davis Dupont (D)

Rosary prayed after 12:15pm Mass

Sunday Coffee Hour:
We extend our thanks to our volunteer Kathleen Gotschlich for hosting this Sunday's event which is a wonderful way for parishioners to meet and get to know one after the Family Mass. You are also invited to become a Coffee Hour Volunteer. To volunteer, please use the following link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a48a4ad2baaff2-coffee. We look forward to meeting you there after the 10:00am Mass.

Children's Story & Craft
Every Sunday after the 10 am Mass
All children are invited to listen to a story and do a craft in the Rochester Room. Please help us – we need parent volunteers to read and organize activities. All materials provided!

TOYS FOR OUR PARISH CHILDREN
We are in need of new or gently used toys for children ages 2-8. We have many children who enjoy playtime during our Coffee Hour.