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January 31, 2021

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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE - OLGC

Saturday Evening: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Morning: 9:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m. - Spanish Mass

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE - STM

Sunday Morning: 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Afternoon: 12:00 p.m. - Choral Mass
Sunday Evening: 5:45 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES - OLGC

Monday thru Saturday: 9:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES - STM

Monday thru Saturday 12:15 pm

CONFESSIONS - OLGC

Monday thru Friday
8:45 am - 8:55 am
Saturday 4:30 - 5:15 pm

CONFESSIONS - STM

Monday thru Friday
12:00 pm - 12:10 pm
Sunday 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.

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January 31, 2021

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In our anxiety filled lives, vulgar speech can become routine. Ignoring common courtesies or not practicing simple politeness can take root. Aggressive driving can become the norm. All of these little things can progress to an attitude in which others are unimportant, where they don't count. With faith in Jesus, a pure heart, and a nature of service it is possible to clean out anything unclean hiding out in the recesses of our hearts. The "good news" is that this good, prophetic work requires no words. "Preach the Gospel," St. Francis said, "If necessary, use words." In the first reading, we hear the words of Moses to the Israelite people at the end of their forty-year desert journey around 1200 BC: "A prophet like me will the LORD, your God, raise up for you from among your own kin; to him you shall listen."

In today's second reading Paul offers his insights into the anxieties of daily living. He surmises that anxiety is unavoidable in life. As contemporary Christians, we continue to live in a world full of anxiety. But as Christians, we can find comfort and rest from our anxiety in listening to Jesus Christ.

The Gospel reading for today narrates Jesus' exorcism of a demon-possessed man. According to Mark, it was Jesus' ability to control the demons that captured people's attention: "His fame spread everywhere throughout the whole region of Galilee." One of the more interesting features of Jesus' dialogue with the demons in this episode and elsewhere is that the demons know Jesus' true identity, which is contrasted throughout the early chapters of Mark's Gospel with the disciples' complete lack of knowing Jesus.

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

WEEKDAY BIBLE READINGS

Sun.: Dt 18:15-20; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

Mon.: Heb 11:32-40; Mk 5:1-20

Tues.: Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18;
Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Wed.: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Mk 6:1-6

Thur.: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Mk 6:7-13

Fri.: Heb 13:1-8; Mk 6:14-29

Sat.: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Mk 6:30-34

Preparing 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 OLGRC Rectory. The Next Session will be held on **Tuesday February 2nd** 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 OLGRC & 1pm at STM). To schedule Baptisms for other children please call your Church Rectory

Sunday Streaming Mass

Our Parish will offer a Virtual Liturgy on Sunday, January 31st at 10:00am.

To view the Mass, please visit our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/thomasmorechurch/> or our Website www.olgrcstm.org (YouTube).

Children's Story & Craft

Stories and crafts for all ages based on each Sunday's Gospel and lessons are posted every Sunday on our facebook page - [Facebook.com/thomasmorechurch](https://www.facebook.com/thomasmorechurch/).

All are invited to view a story and do a craft by clicking one of the links. Feel free to share your favorites and any comments you have!

Act of Consecration to St. Joseph by St. Bernadine of Siena

O our beloved Saint Joseph, adopt us as your children and take charge of our salvation. Watch over us day and night and preserve us from all occasions of sin. Obtain for us purity of body and soul, and the spirit of prayer, through your intercession with Jesus. Grant us a spirit of sacrifice, humility, and self-denial. Obtain for us a burning love for Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament, and a tender love for Mary, our Mother. Saint Joseph, be with us in life, be with us in death, and obtain for us a favorable judgment from Jesus, our merciful Savior. Amen.

This Sunday OLGRC will have a Second Collection to help support the OLGRC Religious Education Program.

CAREGIVERCARE (CGC)

CGC organizes online programs for people over 60.

According to scientific studies, these programs, based on brain-healthy (neuro-protective) activities, effectively slow physiological and pathological memory-cognitive decline. Participants will amplify their brains' benefit if they adopt an integrated approach to all of these activities.

1. Learning New Things
2. Sleeping Well
3. Following a Healthy Diet
4. Doing Physical Activity
5. Socializing, also online
6. Reducing stress

In March 2020 CGC converted its on-site programs, offered within St. Thomas More Church, to on-line programming to help seniors continue their activities and to help them manage the difficulties of the Covid-19 lockdown. CGC uses the Zoom online platform to provide daily classes. For details, please visit <https://caregivercare.org/onlineprograms/>.

ALL THE PROGRAMS ARE FREE OF CHARGE

Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel

Sunday – January 24, 2021

Sunday Collection – \$1,747.20

Religious Education - \$556.60

Sunday Attendance – 207

<u>Celebrant – Sunday Mass – January 31st</u>	
Sat 5:30pm	Msgr. McCahill
Sun 9:00am	Msgr. McCahill
Sun 10:30am	Bishop Iriondo (Spanish Community)
January 31	Lectors / EMs / Ushers
Sat 5:30pm	Tony Johnson Terri O'Connor Clara Sanchez Karen Dobrusky
Sun 9:00am	Barbara Powers A. Badalamenti Marcelle Devine
Sun 10:30am	Sofia Blanco -Cupertino Teutle Jorge Noriega – Alfredo Lopez Luis Cepeda -Justo Herman Baker Lopez – JoaquinTello Loretto Benitez - Enrico Hernandez Michael Huaman

<u>Celebrant – Sunday Mass – February 7th</u>	
Sat 5:30pm	Fr. Montgomery
Sun 9:00am	Fr. Madigan
Sun 10:30am	Bishop Iriondo (Spanish Community)
February 7	Lectors / EMs / Ushers
Sat 5:30pm	Tony Johnson Terri O'Connor Clara Sanchez Karen Dobrusky
Sun 9:00am	Louisa Martin Marcelle Devine
Sun 10:30am	Rosa Acevedo – Gloria Albelo Jorge Noriega – Alfredo Lopez Cupertino Teutle - Luis Cepeda Justo Herman - Baker Lopez JoaquinTello - Loretto Benitez Enrico Hernandez - Michael Huaman

Our Lady of Good Counsel - Calendar

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>
01/30	Homeless Breakfast Program	7:30am
02/02	Rosary via Telephone	5:00pm
02/05	Pop-Up Pantry	9:30am

St. Thomas More - Calendar

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>
02/03	Wed. Night at the Movies - Zoom	6:30pm
02/04	Healing Mass	7:00pm

Mass Intentions and Feast Days AT OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

January 31 – February 06

Mon. February 01

9:00 Kevin McCarthy (D)

Tues. February 02 *The Presentation of the Lord*

9:00 Sabastin Family (L&D)

Wed. February 03 *St. Blaise; St. Ansgar*

9:00 Cesar Resplandor (D)

Thurs. February 04

9:00 Henry Benedict Mendonca (D)

Fri. February 05 *St. Agatha*

9:00 Eugenio Castillo (D)

Sat. February 06 *St. Paul Miki and Companions*

9:00 Anne Gavin (D)

Sunday Vigil

5:30 Purgatorial Society (D)

February – Purgatorial Society
Declan Butler, Augustine Fernandes and
Florence ("Carmen") Enrique

OPPORTUNITY TO ENCOUNTER CHRIST

Jesus has told us that when we give food or drink to a person in need, we are in fact giving it to Him. Here is your chance to do exactly that.

All of us are still struggling with the uncertainty of these troubled times. People have been affected in a variety of ways. In financial terms some have emerged relatively unscathed from the pandemic, others may have come out in even better financial shape, and then there are those who are living quite close to despair, having lost or close to losing their jobs, their home, and their health insurance. In response, we are offering you an opportunity to help such people, through a Catholic Charities program, the Pop Up Pantry that will provide cartons of food, enough to feed a family of four for a week. The food will be distributed on **Friday, February 5th from 9:30 to noon** in front of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church. To participate in this opportunity, we need you to volunteer to assist in the distribution of the food, in maintaining order/ social distancing on the line, and in clean up.

If interested please call 212 876 7718

or email stmparishprograms@gmail.com.

Note: If you have clean, strong, reusable plastic bags - (like those Fresh Direct uses) please drop them off to St. Thomas More Rectory. We can use these for those who come to our Saturday Breakfast and PopUp Pantry events.

National Marriage Week 2021

In an effort to help you plan for the celebration of National Marriage Week 2021 (February 7-14, 2021) the Family Life Office's Marriage team has developed an Archdiocese of New York version of **Witness to Love** called **Be Light - Marriage Renewal Date Night Series**. This year's theme for this celebration from the USCCB is: "To Have, To Hold, To Honor." This service will be available to both married and engaged couples.

Date: Feb. 1, 2021 (available through the end of 2021)

Concept: Virtual Date Night (e.g., once per week x 5 weeks)

English links: archny.org/family-life/marriage-enrichment/

or - witnessstolove.org/belight-archdiocese-newyork/

Spanish links: archny.org/vida-familiar/enriquecimiento-matrimonial/

or - witnessstolove.org/seanlaluz-archdiocese-newyork/

Wednesday Night at the Movies **via Zoom at 6:30pm**

Tune in via Zoom as we watch this week's family friendly film together.

Wed Feb 3 - *Isle of Dogs* - This movie tells the story of Atari Kobiyashi, 12-year-old ward to corrupt Mayor Kobayashi. When, by Executive Decree, all the canine pets of Megasaki City are exiled to a vast garbage-dump, Atari sets off alone in a miniature Junior-Turbo Prop and flies to Trash Island in search of his bodyguard-dog, Spots. There, with the assistance of a pack of newly-found mongrel friends, he begins an epic journey that will decide the fate and future of the entire Prefecture and all dogs around the world!

February 10 - *The Secret Garden* - This 2020 film is a British fantasy comedy-drama, set in 1947 England, is the fourth film adaptation of the 1911 novel of the same name, by Frances Hodgson Burnett. This film directed by Marc Munden, produced by David Heyman, and starring Dixie Egerickx, Colin Firth, and Julie Walters, follows a young orphan who is sent to live with her uncle, only to discover a magical garden at his estate.

Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87674481065?pwd=MINDRlgwWUVqO0FUZW1hSVikUDBRdz09>

or view the details on [facebook.com/thomasmorechurch/](https://www.facebook.com/thomasmorechurch/)

MGN Online Support Group

Friday, February 19th - 8:00 to 9:30 PM

Join the online Maria Goretti Network (MGN) Support Group for all those in any way affected by abuse (physical, sexual, mental, emotional, financial, etc) to experience healing in God's love and freedom through forgiveness. Abuse is never your fault and you are not alone. Contact nyc@mgoretti.org for more information or visit www.mgoretti.org

Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/91809804004?pwd=TDZBSGRqRWRMS2JWRE1NOFFrSnROZz09>

Ushers and Eucharistic Ministers:

We are in great need of your help in serving the parish - please call: 212-876-7718
or email: stmparishprograms@gmail.com.

We Share

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who continue to support our parish during these very difficult times. As you may be aware, electronic giving, through WeShare, has helped sustain our parish, especially during the months when we could not worship in person. WeShare is a very simple way for you to continue to financially support our parish. We understand that parishioners like to put their envelopes/donations in the offertory basket. You may continue to do so and write WeShare on the front of the empty envelope. To enroll in WeShare please visit the parish website www.olgstm.org and use the church specific "DONATE" button. If you have any questions, please contact Ed Litcher in the STM parish office.

Helping Hands Volunteers

Is it too cold or otherwise difficult for you to get groceries and other items you need? We can help. Just let us know what you need and one of our volunteers will do the shopping and deliver to your door, and you can reimburse them when they arrive. We want to help you through any difficulties; please let us! Contact stmparishprograms@gmail.com or call 212 876 7718 and let us know how we may help you!

PASTA BOWL 2021

Help the *New York Common Pantry* provide for our neighbors!

The Pasta Bowl takes place between
January 25 and February 12, 2021

For every \$1 donated, NYCP can provide one pound of pasta for a family in need. All donations are fully tax-deductible, and your dollar goes farthest this way. To donate directly, please make checks payable to New York Common Pantry

<https://nycommonpantry.org/pasta-bowl/>

To donate items from our Amazon wish list, visit:

<http://bit.ly/NYCommonPantry>, and make your selection.

Please be sure to let them know who to thank in your gift message.

OLGC – STM's Youth and Family

Sandwich Making Program 2020-2021 Program

Now in our 6th year, each month this community outreach service has been able to assemble, individually pack, and deliver more than 250 sandwiches to the New York Common Pantry for their brown bag meal service. This year Sandwich

Making will take place in the STM Rochester Room on Sundays from 12noon to 1pm on the following dates: **Feb. 21st; Mar. 21st; Apr. 18th; May 16th; and Jun 13th.**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a48a4ad2baaff2-youth1>

For further information, email: stmparishprograms@gmail.com.

CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS MORE

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January 31	
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Sun 10:00am	Barry Family Alanna Barry Daniel Flynn Bob Terry Wilson Stearns
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Sun 5:45pm	Jim Dillon Margarita Barrera Ed Enders Charlie Landry Ruth McKeown

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Fri. February 05 *St. Agatha*

12:15 Helen Neary Pryor (L)

Sat. February 06 *St. Paul Miki and Companions*

12:15 Juan de Jesus Piraquive (D)

BOOK CLUB

Looking for insightful conversation?

Join the Parish Book Club!

**The book selection for the February 18th meeting
is John LeCarré's *A Perfect Spy*
Rochester Room St. Thomas More**

If you can't come in person, join the

Telephone Conference Call:

712 770 5505 and enter Access Code 327632#

St. Vincent de Paul Society

If you are a senior in our parish and need assistance with obtaining a Covid-19 vaccination appointment, we at St. Vincent de Paul would like to help. Assistance will be on a first come, first serve basis as resources and city, state rules allow. Contact will be by phone. The senior will be asked about any vaccination related material they may have received and provide their contact information and any access (wheelchair/walker) requirement they may have.

**If interested please call or text 917- 821-0534
and ask for Alex.**

Today's Readings (English and Spanish)

<http://www.usccb.org/calendar/index.cfm?showLit=1&action=month>

Today's Mass Readings (Audio - English)

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings-audio.cfm>



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