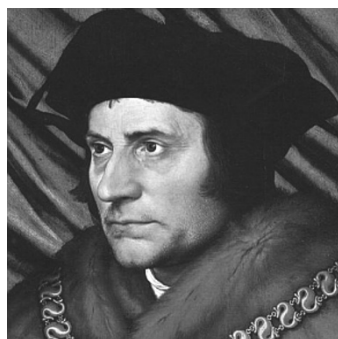


# Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel - St. Thomas More

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**March 14, 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.

# Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel - St. Thomas More

## March 14, 2021

### Fourth Sunday of Lent

The depth of God's mercy is evident in today's readings. It is this God of mercy and grace who has been present throughout salvation history and toward whom we are journeying during the season of Lent. The first reading provides a short summary of Israel's historic infidelity. But God, faithful to his word spoken to the prophet Jeremiah shortly before Israel's captivity in Babylon (circa 600 BC), brought King Cyrus of Persia to power, defeating the Babylonians (the "Chaldeans" in today's reading) and ordering the return of the Israelite exiles. King Cyrus, following God's charge "to build him a house in Jerusalem," helped facilitate the restoration of Jerusalem, which had been destroyed by the Babylonians.

In his letter to the Ephesians, Paul speaks of this salvation offered through one's faith in Christ as "the gift of God." As believers in Christ, we have made ourselves into God's "handiwork."

The Gospel reading is an excerpt from an extended conversation between Jesus and Nicodemus, a Jewish Pharisee. In the conversation, Jesus tells Nicodemus, "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life." Jesus is referring here to Numbers 21:4-9, which Nicodemus would have known well as a trained Pharisee. Jesus then draws an analogy between this episode from Numbers and himself as the son of man being "lifted up" (on the cross). Jesus teaches Nicodemus that God's mercy extends beyond Israel to "everyone who believes" in the son of man. And now the gift extends beyond simply recovery from poisonous snake bites to that of "eternal life."

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

#### WEEKDAY BIBLE READINGS

**Sun.:** 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10;  
Jn 3:14-21

**Mon.:** Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54

**Tues.:** Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16

**Wed.:** Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30

**Thur.:** Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

**Fri.:** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16;  
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22;  
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

**Sat.:** Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53

**Next Sunday OLGC will have a Second Collection to help support the OLGC 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**

#### **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 OLGC Rectory. The Next Session will be held on **Tuesday April 6<sup>th</sup>** 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

#### **Sunday Streaming Mass**

**Our Parish will offer a Virtual Liturgy on Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am.**

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

#### **Catholic Relief Services**

This Sunday, March 14th, our parish will be asked to participate in the Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Campaign. Your generous support facilitates much-needed assistance and makes a difference for so many of our poorest brothers and sisters in more than 100 countries. Please be as generous as you can, as your support truly makes a difference.

With prayerful best wishes, I am,

Faithfully in Christ,

Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan  
Archbishop of New York

# Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel

**Sunday – March 7, 2021**

Sunday Collection – \$2,537.25

Sunday Attendance – 276

<b><u>Celebrant – Sunday Mass – March 14<sup>th</sup></u></b>	
Sat 5:30pm	Msgr. McCahill
Sun 9:00am	Fr. O'Hara OMI
Sun 10:30am	Fr. Florio SJ (Spanish Community)
<b>March 14</b>	<b>Lectors / EMs / Ushers</b>
Sat 5:30pm	Tony Johnson Terri O'Connor Clara Sanchez Karen Dobrusky
Sun 9:00am	Barbara Powers Gladys Cruz A. Badalamenti Marcelle Devine
Sun 10:30am	Teresa Daqui – Sofia Blanco Jorge Noriega – Alfredo Lopez Cupertino Teutle - Luis Cepeda Justo Herman - Baker Lopez JoaquinTello - Loretto Benitez Enrico Hernandez - Michael Huaman

<b><u>Celebrant – Sunday Mass – March 21<sup>st</sup></u></b>	
Sat 5:30pm	Fr. O'Hara OMI
Sun 9:00am	Fr. O'Hara OMI
Sun 10:30am	Bishop Iriondo (Spanish Community)
<b>March 21</b>	<b>Lectors / EMs / Ushers</b>
Sat 5:30pm	Tony Johnson Terri O'Connor Clara Sanchez Karen Dobrusky
Sun 9:00am	Louisa Martin Marcelle Devine
Sun 10:30am	Ana Pino – Gabriela Pelaes Jorge Noriega – Alfredo Lopez Cupertino Teutle - Luis Cepeda Justo Herman - Baker Lopez JoaquinTello - Loretto Benitez Enrico Hernandez - Michael Huaman

**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.** 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.

## Mass Intentions and Feast Days AT OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL March 14 – March 20

Mon. March 15

9:00 Theresia Elizabeth

Tues. March 16

9:00 Special Intention

Wed. March 17

*St. Patrick*

9:00 Christopher Walsh (D)

Thurs. March 18

*St Cyril Of Jerusalem*

9:00 Special Intention

Fri. March 19

*Lenten Dispensation*

*St. Joseph, Spouse Of The Blessed Virgin Mary*

9:00 Special Intention

Sat. March 20

9:00 Catherine Nulty (D)

Sunday Vigil

5:30 Michael Kennedy (D)

### **Separated and Divorced Catholics Group** **Next Meetings: Wednesday, March 17th**

Support Group for individuals going through a separation or divorce meets via Zoom at 6:30pm on the First and Third Wednesday of each month.

**Zoom Meeting:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81393034198?pwd=WVRDcEhHZ2R2eTNQbEFiYkpwVFEdz09>

Meeting ID: 813 9303 4198 - Passcode: 621761

By Phone: +19294362866,,81393034198#,,,\*621761# US

For additional information email:

[stthomasmoresdc@yahoo.com](mailto:stthomasmoresdc@yahoo.com) or call 212-876-7718.

### **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 the OLCG Parish Office  
212-289-1742.**

## Wednesday Night at the Movies

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

**March 17<sup>th</sup> - The Rocketeer** - A 1991 Walt Disney film that tells the story of stunt pilot Cliff Secord who stumbles upon a hidden rocket-powered jet pack that he thereafter uses to fly without the need of an aircraft. His heroic deeds soon attract the attention of Howard Hughes and the FBI, who are hunting for the missing jet pack, as well as the Nazi operatives that stole it from Hughes.

**Zoom Meeting: 6:30pm**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85045589253?pwd=YmRxaDk5UWl6d244cEFnSHBEREFUQT09>

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

## Our Lady of Good Counsel - Calendar

DATE	EVENT	TIME
03/13	Homeless Breakfast Program	7:30am
03/16	Rosary via Telephone	5:00pm

## St. Thomas More - Calendar

DATE	EVENT	TIME
03/17	Wed. Night at the Movies - Zoom	6:30pm
03/17	Separated/Divorced Catholics	6:30pm
03/18	Parish Book Club	7:00pm

**Youth Lectors Wanted:** Do you and your family celebrate mass at Saint Thomas More? If so, we would like to ask if school age children would consider being Youth Lectors. We are seeking children of parishioners who are school age and able to read as a lector at mass. This tradition for the 10am Mass at St. Thomas More has brought so much joy not only to the participating children and their families, but to all in our church family who are so delighted to see and hear our young parishioners. Call 212 876 6618 or email [stmparishprograms@gmail.com](mailto:stmparishprograms@gmail.com) for more information!

## HELPING HANDS BREAD PICK UP AND DELIVERY PROGRAM

We are seeking volunteers on any Sunday through Friday to pick up a bakery's left over bread from one of 2 locations on East 78th St. or West 81st St. and deliver them to either the Little Sisters of the Assumption at East 115th St. or to New York Common Pantry at East 109th St.

If your family or school are interested, please contact [stmparishprograms@gmail.com](mailto:stmparishprograms@gmail.com) or 917 319 6243

**Boomers & Beyond** offers social, educational, cultural, spiritual, and community service opportunities to men and women 50 and older.

Zoom Presentation - **Ordinary Mystics**  
**Tuesday, March 23, 2021 – 7-8 pm.**

Pastoral Associate, Brian B. Pinter will explore how we can respond in our everyday lives to God's invitation to friendship and union.

<https://zoom.us/j/99631934753?pwd=d2ZxS0cxV2o3SkViZWk3aktWSTkyUT09>

Meeting ID: 996 3193 4753 - Passcode: mystics

One tap mobile: +16468769923,,99631934753# US (New York) For information contact

[boomersandbeyond.st.ignatius@gmail.com](mailto:boomersandbeyond.st.ignatius@gmail.com).

## 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:

**Mar. 21<sup>st</sup> - (Spots on the Team are Available)**

Apr. 18th; May 16th; and Jun 13th.

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

For further information, email: [stmparishprograms@gmail.com](mailto:stmparishprograms@gmail.com).

**DISPENSATION** - This year, which is the Year of St. Joseph, the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Patron Saint of the Universal Church, is commemorated on a Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. To celebrate this Solemnity, his Eminence Cardinal Dolan has granted a dispensation from the Lenten abstinence requirement to all within the archdiocese. If you choose to make use of this special dispensation, you are encouraged to choose another day during the week to abstain from meat as part of the Lenten observances.

**We Share:** WeShare is a very simple way for you to continue to financially support our parish. To enroll in WeShare please visit the parish website [www.olgcstm.org](http://www.olgcstm.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](mailto:stmparishprograms@gmail.com) or call 212 876 7718 and let us know how we may help you!

## BOOK CLUB: Looking for insightful conversation?

Join the Parish Book Club!

Next Meeting: **Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm**

**Rochester Room St. Thomas More**

This month we are going to read

*Portrait of Dorian Gray* by **Oscar Wilde**.

A moral fantasy novel, first published in a monthly magazine in 1890. The novel, the only one written by Wilde, is an archetypal tale of a young man who purchases eternal youth at the expense of his soul.

In April, we plan to read the book *Ethan Frome* by **Edith Wharton**.

If you can't come in person, join the Telephone Conference Call:

712 770 5505 and enter Access Code 327632#.

**We'd like to know what our Parishioners want to do when the pandemic restrictions becomes a thing of the past. You can be totally anonymous.**

**Go to:** <https://s.surveypal.com/WhzplIUG7c>

# CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS MORE

## Sunday – March 7, 2021

Sunday Collection – \$7,219.75

Sunday Attendance – 213

<b>Celebrant – Sunday Mass – March 14<sup>th</sup></b>	
Sun 10:00am	Msgr. McCahill
Sun 12:00pm	Fr. Madigan
Sun 5:45pm	Fr. Montgomery
<b>March 14</b>	
<i>Lectors / EMs / Ushers</i>	
Sun 10:00am	Williams Family Armistead Williams Daniel Flynn Bob Terry Wilson Stearns
Sun 12:00pm	Louisa Martin Barry O'Grady J Kevin Murphy Michael Sarsar
Sun 5:45pm	Christopher Baldwin Margarita Barrera Ed Enders Charlie Landry Ruth McKeown

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Sun 10:00am	Fr. Montgomery
Sun 12:00pm	Fr. Madigan
Sun 5:45pm	Msgr. McCahill
<b>March 21</b>	
<i>Lectors / EMs / Ushers</i>	
Sun 10:00am	Dana-Goldberg Family Tara Dana-Goldberg Daniel Flynn Bob Terry Wilson Stearns
Sun 12:00pm	Christine Stonbely Barry O'Grady J Kevin Murphy Michael Sarsar
Sun 5:45pm	Rory Kelleher Margarita Barrera Ed Enders Charlie Landry Ruth McKeown

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### Mon. March 15

12:15 Barry Asmus (D)

### Tues. March 16

12:15 Laurie Lyons O'Grady (D)

### Wed. March 17

*St. Patrick*

12:15 Danny Albanese (D)

### Thurs. March 18

*St Cyril Of Jerusalem*

12:15 Aura Josefina Rodriguez de Rico (D)

### Fri. March 19

*Lenten Dispensation*

*St. Joseph, Spouse Of The Blessed Virgin Mary*

12:15 Mercedes Zuloaga de Ball (D)

### Sat. March 20

12:15 Sheila Moran & Family (L)

All parishioners are invited to contribute to the

### **Parish Family Cookbook.**

Everyone has their favorite Lent and Easter season recipes and we would be honored if you would share yours with us.

#### To submit your recipes:

Email [stmparishprograms@gmail.com](mailto:stmparishprograms@gmail.com) Text 917 319 6243

Drop off your recipe at either Parish Office

Mail to St. Thomas More - Parish Programs

### Parish Telephone Activities

#### **The Rosary – Tuesday at 5pm**

Dial 712 775 7031, then enter Access Code 835570#

Led by Monsignor McCahill, to hear each other's voices in unison for the first time in a long while and experience the powerful presence of our Lord together

### **MGN Online Support Group**

Friday, March 19th 8:00 to 9:30 PM – Zoom Meeting

Join the NY Chapter of the Maria Goretti Network (MGN) support group online. Those who are affected by abuse (physical, sexual, mental, emotional, financial, etc) can experience healing in God's love and freedom through forgiveness. Abuse is never your fault and you are not alone. Contact [nyc@mgoretti.org](mailto:nyc@mgoretti.org) for more information or visit [www.mgoretti.org](http://www.mgoretti.org)

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

### **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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