

# Church of Saint Thomas More

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## CLERGY

Rev. John A Boehning, Pastor  
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Msgr. Pedro Quitarro, Visiting Priest

## STAFF

Edward Litcher, Business Manager  
Margaret Peet, Development  
Sharon McKenna, Sacristan  
Harvey Burgett, Director of Music & Composer in Residence

## WEEKDAY MASSES

7:00 and 8:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.  
(no 7:00 a.m. Mass on Saturday)

## CONFESSIONS

Monday thru Friday  
12:00 p.m. - 12:10 p.m. (before Mass)  
Saturday 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

## BAPTISM

1:30 p.m. on Sunday  
(Arrangements must be made 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.

## Parish Trustees

George Sim Johnston  
John Morriss

## Parish Council President

Heather Crimmins

## Finance Council Chairman

George Sim Johnston

## Head Usher

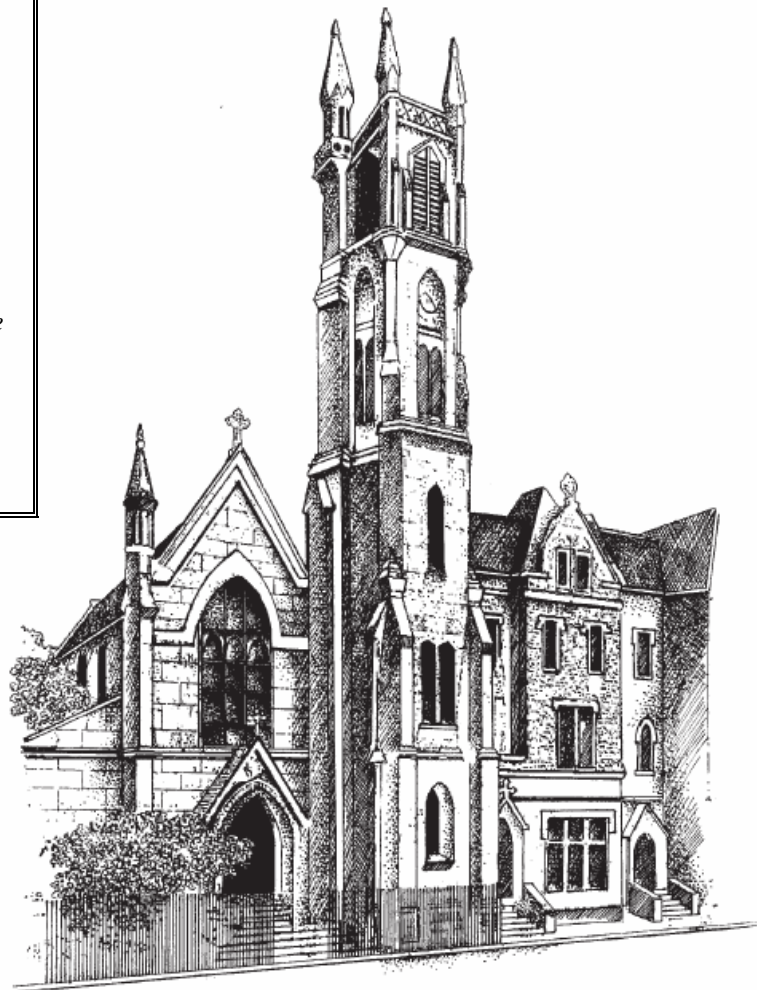
John F.R. Smilgin, III

August 30, 2009

## SUNDAY SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday Evening:** 5:45 p.m.  
**Sunday Morning:** 8:30 a.m.  
10:30 a.m. (Family Mass)  
**Sunday Afternoon:** 12:30 p.m.  
**Sunday Evening:** 5:45 p.m.

Families and children are encouraged to attend the Family Mass at 10:30 a.m.



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AUGUST 30, 2009

## Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Theme/Call To Worship

Jesus reconnects law and tradition to the historical context from which they grew and the goals toward which they are oriented. It is not external behaviors which defines religious fidelity, but the internal dispositions of heart from which behavior flows.

### Introduction To The Word

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8: The first reading from the Book of Deuteronomy illustrates the importance of Israel's law and traditions that were established by God to help make Israel a "great nation" with a truly "wise and intelligent people."

Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27: In the second reading, St. James affirmed the importance of the law, which the people received from God, but he urged the people to act because of the law, to be of service to the needy, to "be doers of the word and not hearers only."

Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23: In today's Gospel the Pharisees and Scribes attacked the legitimacy of Jesus' ministry by complaining that some of his disciples did not follow the "tradition of the elders." Jesus responded by quoting Isaiah "in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines human precepts," and by affirming that "nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile."

### At St. Thomas More This Week

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
08/30	Group Baptism	1:30 pm
09/01	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
09/04	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm

#### Celebrant Schedule

<u>Mass</u>	<u>August 30</u>
Sat 5:45 pm	Msgr. Pepe
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Anthony, CO
Sun 10:30 am	Fr. Van Dyke, SJ
Sun 12:30 pm	Fr. Van Dyke, SJ
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Joy

## Parish Pay

We encourage you to make use of the automated giving program called Parish Pay which is approved by the Archdiocese of New York. For information and to enroll directly please visit the Parish Pay website, [www.parishpay.com](http://www.parishpay.com) or call 1-866-Parish 1

### Join the St. Thomas More E-Group

Send an email with your Name and the words

Join the E-Group (currently 84 members) to [stmbusiness@gmail.com](mailto:stmbusiness@gmail.com)

Receive the weekly Bulletin and other important information

### Beginning Sunday Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>

#### we will Resume our Regular Schedule

#### Mass Schedule

*Weekdays:*

7:00 & 8:00am; 12:15pm

*Saturday:*

8:00am and 12:15pm

*Sundays:*

5:45pm (Saturday – Vigil)

8:30, 10:00, 11:15am;

12:30 & 5:45pm

#### Church Opening

*Weekdays:* 6:45am

*Sat & Sun:* 7:45am

#### First Friday Holy Hour

*Will Begin on October 2<sup>nd</sup>  
at 1:30pm*

Video of events at  
St. Thomas More  
Can now be seen on  
You Tube

[http://www.youtube.com/thomas  
morechurch](http://www.youtube.com/thomasmorechurch)

**MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST DAYS**  
**AT ST. THOMAS MORE**  
**FOR WEEK OF**  
**AUGUST 31 – SEPTEMBER 05**

Mon. August 31

7:00 Jayne Wrightsman (I)  
8:00 Eugene Kearney (d)  
12:15 Yolanda Castillo (d)

Tues. September 01

7:00 Betty Feeney (d)  
8:00 Cynthia Collins (d)  
12:15 Kenneth Smith (d)

Wed. September 02

7:00 Marie Sevier (d)  
8:00 George B. Klett (d)  
12:15 Jayne Wrightsman (I)

Thurs. September 03 *St. Gregory the Great*

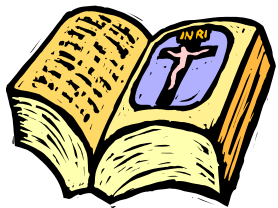
7:00 Ruth O'Neil (d)  
8:00 Elizabeth F. Cooper (d)  
12:15 Jayne Wrightsman (I)

Fri. September 04

7:00 Robert Boyd (d)  
8:00 Jayne Wrightsman (I)  
12:15 Colm, Nora, Patrick & James Folan  
(d)

Sat. September 05

8:00 Joselito Pama (d)  
12:15 Mary & Patrick Maguire (d)  
5:45 Sunday Vigil



**WEEKDAY BIBLE READING**

08/31 [1 Thes 4:13-18](#), [Lk 4:16-30](#)

09/01 [1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11](#), [Lk 4:31-37](#)

09/02 [Col 1:1-8](#), [Lk 4:38-44](#)

09/03 [Col 1:9-14](#), [Lk 5:1-11](#)

09/04 [Col 1:15-20](#), [Lk 5:33-39](#)

09/05 [Col 1:21-23](#), [Lk 6:1-5](#)

**MOREMusic Organ Recital**  
**Sunday, Sept. 20, 2009 - 3:30 p.m.**  
**The Church of St. Thomas More**  
**65 East 89th Street**  
**Between Park and Madison**  
**Avenues**

**Professor Martin Herchenr der**  
**Siegen University - Germany**  
**Performing works of Bach,**  
**Buxtehude, Brahms, Mendelssohn**  
**and Herchenr der**  
**Followed by: Meet the Artist'**  
**reception**  
**Admission Free**  
**Contributions to the MOREMusic**  
**program gratefully accepted**  
**All are welcome!**

**NEW YORK CITY FESTIVAL &**  
**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**10AM - 6PM**

Sunday August 30th  
Big Apple Performing Arts Festival  
(on 7th Avenue from 47th - 57th Street)

Tuesday September 1st  
Columbia University Community Block Party  
(on 120th St. from Broadway - Amsterdam Ave.)

Friday September 4th  
Fulton Street Follies  
(on Fulton St. from Water - Gold Street)

Saturday September 5th  
52nd Street Fall Festival  
(on 52nd Street from Lexington - 7th Ave.)

Sunday September 6th  
The 25th Annual Brazilian Day Festival  
(on 6th Ave. from 42nd - 56th St. & on 46th St.  
from Madison - 7th Ave.)

**St. Stephen of Hungary Parish**

414 E. 82nd Street  
(212) 861-8500

September 19, 2009  
Street Fair and Block Party  
10:00am-6:00pm

### [Celebrate Michelangelo's Pieta in Bronze](#)

**When:** Tuesday, September 1, 2009

**Time:** 6:30PM

**Where:** St. Patrick's Old Cathedral - New York, NY

**Cost:** Free Admission

**Details:** Special evening with noted art historian John T. Spike, PhD who will speak on the life and influence of Michelangelo's masterworks at the Cathedral on Tuesday, September 1st beginning at 6:30 pm. (free admission - open seating)

### **MORE FOR LESS FAIR – 2009**

**Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> 2009**

If your closets and drawers are filling up, give us your (almost new) designer and vintage clothing, silver, jewelry, crystal, glassware, knick-knacks, linens (new or vintage - antique). Art-work, antiques and small pieces of furniture are also gratefully accepted.

Donations can be checked in at the Rectory Reception Desk from 10AM to 5PM, 7 days a week. Tax deduction contribution forms are available. Please note that items should be in good condition.

### [Sacred Music in a Sacred Space](#)

[Church of St. Ignatius Loyola](#)

980 Park Avenue at 84th Street

Manhattan 212-288-2520

**Wednesday, September 16, 2009**

at 7:30 PM

[KENT TRITLÉ, Organ](#)

Director of Music, Church of St. Ignatius  
Loyola

Organist, New York Philharmonic

\$20 general / \$15 students & seniors

### [Boomers and Beyond](#)

Boomers and Beyond are pleased to launch a new website. Please visit

[www.boomersbeyond.blogspot.com](http://www.boomersbeyond.blogspot.com).

By popular demand, they are going back to the Metropolitan Museum's Roof Garden for drinks on

Friday, Sept 18th, from 6-8pm. Cash Bar. In case of rain, location will change to the Balcony Bar, overlooking the Great Hall. No reservations required. They look forward to seeing you there.

### **Renewing Hope, Seeking Justice**

The Church & Migration – 2009

"Catholic teaching has a long and rich tradition in defending the right to migrate... Five principles emerge from such teachings, which guide the Church's view on migration issues.

#### **I. Persons have the right to find opportunities in their homeland.**

34. All persons have the right to find in their own countries the economic, political, and social opportunities to live in dignity and achieve a full life through the use of their God-given gifts. In this context, work that provides a just, living wage is a basic human need.

#### **II. Persons have the right to migrate to support themselves and their families.**

35. The Church recognizes that all the goods of the earth belong to all people. When persons cannot find employment in their country of origin to support themselves and their families, they have a right to find work elsewhere in order to survive. Sovereign nations should provide ways to accommodate this right.

#### **III. Sovereign nations have the right to control their borders.**

36. The Church recognizes the right of sovereign nations to control their territories but rejects such control when it is exerted merely for the purpose of acquiring additional wealth. More powerful economic nations, which have the ability to protect and feed their residents, have a stronger obligation to accommodate migration flows.

#### **IV. Refugees and asylum seekers should be afforded protection.**

37. Those who flee wars and persecution should be protected by the global community. This requires, at a minimum, that migrants have a right to claim refugee status without incarceration and to have their claims fully considered by a competent authority.

#### **V. The human dignity and human rights of undocumented migrants should be respected.**

38. Regardless of their legal status, migrants, like all persons, possess inherent human dignity that should be respected. Often they are subject to punitive laws and harsh treatment from enforcement officers from both receiving and transit countries. Government policies that respect the basic human rights of the undocumented are necessary."

Excerpted from "[Strangers No Longer: Together on](#)

[the Journey of Hope](#)," United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2003. For more information, please contact: Tom Dobbins Jr. at [Catholic Charities](#) Department of Social & Community Development at 212-371-1000, Ext. 2473 or email him at [thomas.dobbins@archny.org](mailto:thomas.dobbins@archny.org)