

# Church of Saint Thomas More

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## CLERGY

Rev. John A Boehning, Pastor  
Rev. Jose C. Tentativa, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Edwin Diaz, Associate Pastor  
Msgr. Thomas J. Shelley, In Residence

## 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 5:00 - 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

January 24, 2010

## SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

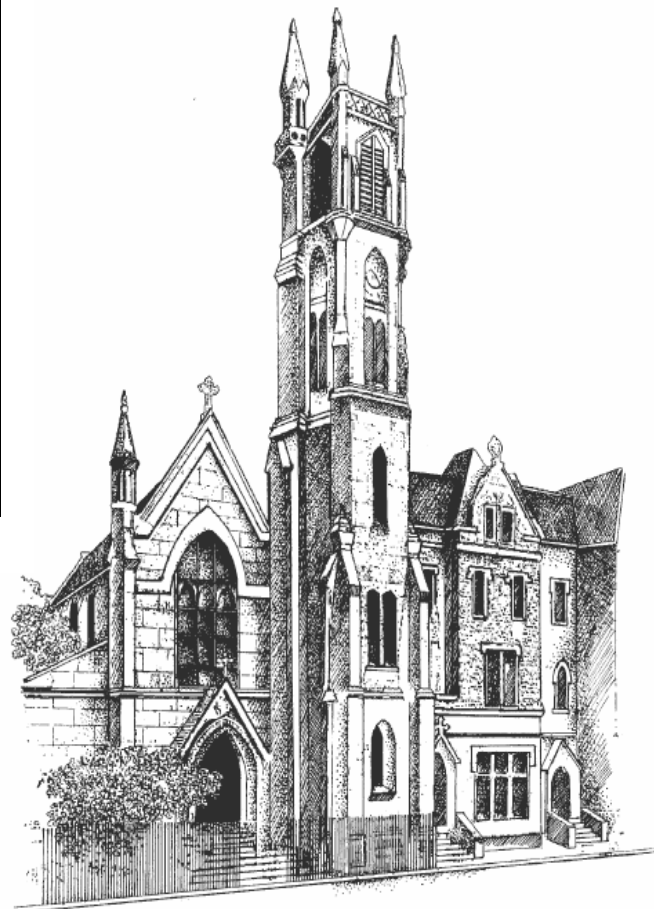
Saturday Evening: 5:45 p.m.

Sunday Morning: 8:30 a.m.  
10:00 a.m. (Family Mass)  
11:15 am  
(Choir at 10:00 and 11:15 Masses)

Sunday Afternoon: 12:30 p.m.

Sunday Evening: 5:45 p.m.

Families and children are encouraged to attend the Family Mass at 10:00 a.m.



**Church of St. Thomas More**  
**JANUARY 24, 2010**  
**The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Theme/Call To Worship**

In today's readings we hear of the celebration of God's gifts, the importance and the purpose of the gifts we receive from the Holy Spirit and the fulfillment of the law in Jesus.

**Introduction To The Word**

Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10: After the return from Exile, Ezra read the law and led the Israelites during the Hebrew feast of Tabernacles (Sukkoth) to permit them to celebrate the Law and the other gifts they received from God during their Exodus.

1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27: In the second reading St. Paul speaks of the gifts the community receives from the Holy Spirit, gifts that bring us together as one for the purpose of building up the body of Christ.

Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21: Today's Gospel is divided into two parts. First St. Luke provides a prologue that outlines his manner and motivation for writing his Gospel. The second part of the Gospel moves right into Jesus' inaugural speech. In this speech Jesus quotes Isaiah to announce his saving mission and to permit his hearers to move beyond receiving mere explanation of the word to encountering him as the Word made flesh.

**At St. Thomas More This Week**

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
01/24	Group Baptism	1:30 pm
01/26	Leisure Club Lunch after 12:15PM Mass A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm
01/27	Christian Meditation	6:00 pm
01/29	A.A. Meeting	6:30 pm

**Celebrant Schedule**

<b>Mass</b>	<b>January 24</b>	<b>January 31</b>
Sat 5:45 pm	Fr. Diaz	Fr. Joy
Sun 8:30 am	Fr. Diaz	Msgr. Shelley
Sun 10:00 am	Msgr. Shelley	Fr. Diaz
Sun 11:15 am	Msgr. Shelley	Fr. Van Dyke, SJ
Sun 12:30 pm	Fr. Joy	Fr. Van Dyke, SJ
Sun 5:45 pm	Fr. Joy	Fr. Boehning

**MORE MUSIC CONCERT**

**SUNDAYS AT 3:30PM**

**FEB 07** **ROBERT KOVAKS**  
*TITULAR ORGANIST, EISENSTADT CATHEDRAL, AUSTRIA AND WINNER OF THE 2006 HAARLEM, HOLLAND ORGAN IMPROVISATION COMPETITION, PERFORMS MUSIC BY HAYDEN AND BACH, AS WELL AS HIS OWN IMPORVISATIONS.*

**MAR 14** LAUNCH OF **AETERNA**, OUR NEW CD

**APR 25** **BEATRICE BROADWATER AND THE BURGOTT ENSEMBLE**

FREE ADMISSION / CONTRIBUTIONS GRATEFULLY RECEIVED  
 MEET THE ARTISTS RECEPTIONS  
 FOLLOW EACH CONCERT

**January 31<sup>st</sup> Special Collection**  
**Haiti**

The stories and images of the tragic events in Haiti continue to move us, as we learn of the devastation of the earthquake, the loss of life, the huge number of people who are hurt, hungry, and homeless. Thank God, there has been a tremendous response from all over the world, particularly here in the United States, as people step forward to help in whatever way that they can.

Catholic parishes all across the country are taking up a special collection, and the money raised will go directly to Catholic Relief Services. As Chairman of the Board of Catholic Relief Services, I am so grateful for the generous response of our people. If you would like more information on the work being done by CRS, please visit [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org).

Please keep in your prayers the people of Haiti, those who are working so hard to bring them aid and comfort and please give generously to this important effort.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

With prayerful thanks and best wishes, I am.

Faithfully in Christ

Most Reverend Timothy M. Dolan  
 Archbishop of New York

*If (one) part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share its joy.*

Taken from today's second reading

**MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST  
DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE  
FOR WEEK OF  
JANUARY 24 – JANUARY 30**

Mon. January 25

*Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul*

7:00 Kathleen Schuyler (I)

8:00 Albert, Regina & Virginia Wojcik (d)

12:15 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Cunningham (d)

Tues. January 26 *Saints Timothy and Titus*

7:00 Bob Cooke (d)

8:00 Barbara Root (d)

12:15 Mr. & Mrs. Edward McAnany (d)

Wed. January 27 *St. Angela Merici*

7:00 Michael McMonagle (d)

8:00 John Begley (d)

12:15 Jack McCann (d)

Thurs. January 28 *Saint Thomas Aquinas*

7:00 Christopher Begley (d)

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12:15 Vincent Leahy (d)

Fri. January 29

7:00 Christopher Kinney (I)

8:00 Edward Steakin (d)

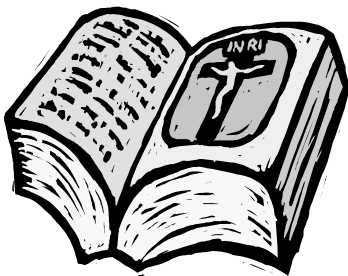
12:15 Catherine Gilroy (d)

Sat. January 30

8:00 Lori Ciancaglini (d)

12:15 Robert Barr (d)

5:45 Sunday Vigil



**WEEKDAY BIBLE READING**

01/25 Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22, Mk 16:15-18

01/26 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5, Mk 3:31-35

01/27 2 Sm 7:4-17, Mk 4:1-20

01/28 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29, Mk 4:21-25

01/29 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17, Mk 4:26-34

01/30 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17, Mk 4:35-41

**Get Involved in  
St. Thomas More  
Join the Parish Council!**

We have many committees you can get involved with: the Social Committee, the Youth Committee, the Respect for Life Committee and much much more!

If you are interested, please leave your name and contact information with Margaret Peet in the rectory or email Heather Crimmins at [hcrimmins23@gmail.com](mailto:hcrimmins23@gmail.com)

**St. Thomas More  
Education Committee  
More Hot Topics / 2009-2010**

Save the Date

Fr. Benedict Groeschel

March 15, 2010

**Senator Liz Krueger's  
Senior Roundtable**

"You and Your Money:

Financial Issues for Older Adults"

Managing Consumer Debt:

Prevention, Consolidation & Scams

Guest Speaker: Fred Riley, NYC Department of Consumer Affairs

Thursday, January 28, 2010

8:00AM – 10:00AM

Lenox Hill Neighborhood House

331 East 70<sup>th</sup> Street

Manhattan

**RSVP: Melanie Dulfo**

**212-490-9535**

or email

[melanie\\_dulfo@yahoo.com](mailto:melanie_dulfo@yahoo.com)

Continental Breakfast will be served

Please RSVP – Space is Limited

# Get Involved in St. Thomas More Become a Lector!

If you are interested, please leave your name and contact information with Margaret Peet in the rectory or email Heather Crimmins at [hcrimmins23@gmail.com](mailto:hcrimmins23@gmail.com)

## SPECIAL FUEL COLLECTION

Sunday, January 24, we have a special second collection to defer the increasing cost of heating our Church and Parish House.

Fuel costs continue to rise, and although we have an active program of energy conservation, fuel system and boiler management and building maintenance, this cost will remain an ongoing and significant program expense.

Your wonderful generosity for this special collection is much appreciated.

## ST. THOMAS DAY LECTURE

*"The New Atheism: Its Virtues and Its Vices"*

Rev. Brian Davies, O.P.

Thursday, January 28 at 7:00 PM

On January 28<sup>th</sup> St. Vincent Ferrer Parish is proud to announce that this year's speaker will be Fr. Brian Davies, O.P., a Professor of Philosophy at Fordham University.

Free and open to the public, the lecture will begin at 7:00 PM in the parish church. A brief Question and Answer session will follow Fr. Davies' remarks, and a light reception in the priory will conclude the evening.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 212-744-2080  
869 Lexington Avenue - Manhattan

## LEISURE CLUB CALENDAR

THE LEISURE CLUB IS A ST. THOMAS MORE OUTREACH PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES A WEEKLY LUNCH TO SENIORS IN OUR COMMUNITY, ON TUESDAYS AFTER THE 12:15PM MASS.

THE NEXT LUNCHEON JANUARY 26

## Join the St. Thomas More E-Group

Send an email with your Name and the words Join the E-Group (Currently 98 members) to [stmbusiness@gmail.com](mailto:stmbusiness@gmail.com)  
Receive the weekly Bulletin and other important information.

# *Damien*

A Free Performance

A One Man Play

Written by Aldyth Morris

Starring Casey Groves

Directed by George Drance, SJ

The true story of the heroic Catholic priest who was a fountain of light to those suffering the darkness of leprosy on the Hawaiian Island of Molokai in the 1800s

Wed, Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> & Thurs Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>  
5:00PM – 6:30PM

Abingdon Theatre Arts Complex  
June Havoc Theater

312 W. 36th Street, First Floor

To reserve a seat, please call  
(917) 969-8698

"A beautiful play, beautifully performed, about a life beautifully lived."

*-National Catholic Reporter*

# Parish Council

## Save the Date

Join us on Sunday February 21<sup>st</sup> for

## Family Day

in the Rochester Room following the 10AM Mass. Enjoy Pizza, Treats, drinks, conversation and Looney Louie's fantastic magic and juggling show. As always coffee and donuts will be served.