

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 1 <sup>st</sup> ,	5:00 PM	7 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Dr. Francis Burke
Sunday, September 2 <sup>nd</sup> ,	8:00 AM	In Memory – Mickey Dillon
	10:00 AM	In Memory – David Mulanaphy
Monday, September 3 <sup>rd</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Cecile Bernard
Tuesday, September 4 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Augustus Friel
Wednesday, September 5 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Ted Murphy
Thursday, September 6 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Anthony Vellone
Friday, September 7 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	Pro Populo
Saturday, September 8 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Gov. J. Joseph Garrahy
	5:00 PM	Anniversary – Julia White
Sunday, September 9 <sup>th</sup> ,	8:00 AM	Anniversary – John & Ellen Paquet
	10:00 AM	In Memory – Bob Casey & Bob Cunningham

### St. Veronica Chapel

Saturday, September 1 <sup>st</sup> ,	4:00 PM	In Memory – Terry Murphy
Sunday, September 2 <sup>nd</sup> ,	7:30AM	In Memory – J.P. & Louie Rego
	9:00 AM	In Memory – Cecile Bernard
	11:00 AM	In Memory – The Caparelli Family, Michael Langella & Michael Bubar
Saturday, September 8 <sup>th</sup> ,	4:00 PM	In Memory – Robert Menard
Sunday, September 9 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Eugene Remington
	11:00 AM	In Memory – Christopher White



#### MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Each Saturday at 7:30 A.M. in the Parish Hall, Men's Prayer Group meets to reflect on Sunday scriptures. All men are welcome.

#### SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

The last St. Veronica Adult Bible study is this Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at St. Thomas More from 9:30-11AM. All are welcome, just bring a bible. For more information, contact Maryann Knag, mmknag@aol.com or 203-213-4809.

#### DAY OF RECOLLECTION



Our Lady's Guild invites the members of our St Thomas More parish community to a Day of Recollection on Tuesday October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10AM -

3:30PM at St Edmund's, Enders Island, Mystic, CT. The cost is \$35.00 p/p and includes lunch. Presentation: "Prayer: Presence To The Presence Of God" by Fr. John Burchill OP. Please respond by Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>. For those interested in car pooling, we will meet by 8:45 AM on October 2<sup>nd</sup> in the St Thomas More Parking Lot. For more information or to register, call Kathy Rigney 782-4545 or the parish office at 789-7682. Please make checks payable to St. Thomas More.

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> FRIDAY HOLY HOUR

The next Holy Hour is this **Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**, beginning at 9:30AM. Everyone is welcome.

*Welcome to the Newly Baptized:*

*Lucas Salvatore Sisco  
Son of Gregory & Nicole*

*Henry Edward Whittier  
Son of Frank & Martha*

*Congratulations!!*

### MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE

This weekend is the last of our Summer Mass Schedule. Our Fall/Winter Mass schedule begins next weekend, September 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>:

#### St. Thomas More:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 AM

Daily Mass – Monday –Saturday at 9:00 AM

#### St. Veronica Chapel:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 & 11:00 AM

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION



Registration forms are available at the Church entrances, the Parish Office or on our website at [www.stthomasmoreri.org](http://www.stthomasmoreri.org). The

registration fee is \$25.00 per child or a maximum of \$75.00 per family. Families need to be registered in the parish. Please note: Classes will begin the third week in September.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHER'S MEETING

This Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM at St. Thomas More Parish Hall, there is a teacher's orientation meeting – information on the upcoming class year. We are looking for a few more teachers (must be a practicing Catholic) – retired teachers or parents!! Please call Missie Antone at 783-2113, if you can help.

### CONFIRMATION I & II MEETING – STUDENTS/PARENTS



There will be a mandatory student/parent Confirmation I & II meeting on Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at St. Veronica Chapel.

Confirmation I – 6:30 – 7:15PM

Confirmation II – 7:30-8:15PM

### OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed this Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, in observance of Labor Day.

### LAST – LAST CALL MASS

### LABOR DAY WEEKEND

This Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, we will welcome the St. Patrick's Parish Multi-Cultural Praise & Worship music ministry – Fro- Yo Fix  
Yogurt served!

### SAVE THE DATE!

Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> – 7:00PM

St. Thomas More Parish Hall

Bishop Thomas Tobin will speak on ***“Personal holiness for the new evangelization”***.

### RCIA

#### (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Information Night

**Tuesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> – 7:30PM**

**St. Thomas More Parish Hall**

Full reception into the Catholic Church – Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation  
If you are an adult, not baptized, or are interested in becoming a full member of the Catholic Church, then RCIA is for you. If you are interested, or know someone who might be interested, call Fr. Taillon or Fr. Murphy at 789-7682.

### SENIOR PRIEST ANNUAL COLLECTION

At all the Masses on September 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, our second collection is in support of the Senior Priests Retirement Fund. After decades of faithful service, many retired priests continue to serve where they are needed, while others require assisted living or nursing home care. Since priests are paid a modest wage, they cannot rely upon social Security to make ends meet. Please consider your generous support of this necessary cause that benefits those who have selflessly served the faithful for decades.

### Wedding Banns

II Joseph Domenico & Laura Gendreau

I Christopher Marshall & Kathleen Fitzgerald

I Ethan Martin & Kristen Coppa

***The Year of Faith set to begin!***

Our Holy Father, Pope Benedict, has called for a Year of Faith in the world wide church. This is to commemorate, celebrate, and deepen our faith in light of the 50<sup>th</sup> year of the conclusion of the Second Vatican Council. This year, beginning in October, will be a time of more intense catechesis and an opportunity to re-examine or discover the documents of Vatican II and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. I think this year is perfectly timed in light of our completed parish survey that called for more adult catechetical opportunities in our parish family. There is a great document, *Porta Fidei* (the Door of Faith), that the Pope published and there are great guidelines available on the Bishops Conference [USCCB.ORG](http://USCCB.ORG).

We will soon publish our upcoming events that will include a talk on the topic of suffering as found in the Vatican II documents, and the document *Lumen Gentium* on the role of the laity in the Church. There will also be a talk on the Rapture and why Catholics reject this teaching as unbiblical and outside the apostolic tradition, and the Catholicism Video Series by Fr. Baron will continue their showings. Our CCD curriculum, liturgies, and activities will all be infused with the Year of Faith.

We are especially blessed and pleased to announce that **Bishop Tobin will come to St. Thomas More to kick off our preparation for the Year of Faith. He will give a talk entitled, "The Call to Personal Holiness and the Year of Faith." We are so grateful that he will come to us on Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> from 7-8pm at St. Thomas More Parish Hall.** Please mark your calendars now!

Fr. Murphy and I were pleasantly overwhelmed at our all day confessions last Friday. We had both brought books and notes to read. We never stopped hearing confessions from 8:30 am to 6pm. So many wonderful conversions were experienced in our midst. This too, is a great sign of the coming graces of the Year of Faith.

Many thanks to all who helped make our extended summer Mass schedule such a success. With nine weekend liturgies our ministries multiply. Our famous St. Thomas More hospitality was in full view all summer with so many visitors, vacationers, and pilgrims the Lord brought to us.

As we get back to the grind of a new school year, let us be grateful for the graces and opportunities that have been given us this summer.

In Christ Jesus,  
*Fr. Tailleon*