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# St. Joseph St. Thomas Parish

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6123 Amboy Road  
Staten Island, New York 10309

April 16, 2017

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

REV. ROBERT W. DILLON, Pastor  
REV. EVANGELIO R. SUAYBAGUIO, Parochial Vicar  
REV. NEIL A. KELLY, Parochial Vicar  
REV. RIZALINO P. GARCIA, Parochial Vicar  
DEACON E. GARY VILLANUEVA, M.D.  
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MRS. ELIZABETH A. BRIM, Director of Religious Education  
MR. GREGORY M. HAUCK, Coordinator of Religious Education  
DR. CHARLES P. TALLEY, Director of Music  
MR. FRANK DeCANDIDO, Sports Council President

### MASSES

Saturday Evening:

St. Joseph: 5:00 P.M.

St. Thomas: 6:00 P.M.

Sunday:

St. Joseph: 8:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon

St. Thomas: 9:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M. Italian Mass

11:00 A.M., 1:00 P.M., 6:00 P.M.

### HOLY DAYS:

Due to the variable nature of Holy Days, the schedule of Masses for these special celebrations will be printed in the bulletin prior to the feasts

Weekdays:

St. Joseph: Monday—Saturday 9:00 A.M.

St. Thomas: Monday—Friday 7:00 A.M., 8:00 A.M.

Saturday 8:00 A.M.

### DEVOTIONS:

Miraculous Medal: Mondays after the 7:00 A.M. and 8:00 A.M. Masses at St. Thomas Church and after the 9:00 A.M. Mass at St. Joseph Church

Our Lady of the Community (Virgin of the Barangay):

1st Saturday of the month—Rosary 6:00 P.M., Mass at 7:15 P.M. at St. Thomas Church.

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Sunday—Saturday 9:00 A.M.—8:00 P.M.

St. Thomas is  Accessible

### WELCOME TO ALL

**Our Parish Family invites** all to be active and participating members in every aspect of parish life! Every family moving into the parish is invited to register at the Parish Office. If you change your address, please notify us.

Again, Welcome!

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism is administered on all Sundays of the month at 2:30 P.M. in St. Thomas Church. Please call the Parish Office to arrange for the sacrament

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The Sacrament of Matrimony is an image of God's love and commitment to us. Couples should make arrangements with a priest at least six months prior to the ceremony. The date of the ceremony should be finalized with the church prior to making any other arrangements

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick comforts and strengthens the seriously ill and the elderly. It is a help for the living. We should not wait until there is a danger of death. In case of emergency call the Rectory.

### COMMUNION OF THE SICK

Regular administration of the Sacraments should be arranged for shut-ins by calling the Parish Office.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 4:00—4:45 P.M. at St. Joseph

5:00—5:45 P.M. at St. Thomas

On the last weekend of each month, the priests will be available for confessions before, during and after all the Saturday evening and Sunday Masses.

Confessions can always be scheduled individually by calling the parish office.

We want to communicate more effectively with you and in order to do this we are using a new, simple service called FLOCKNOTE.

Flocknote is very simple. On your cell phone please text **the three letter keyword SJST to eight — four — five — seven — six (84576)**. Flocknote will send you back a confirmation message AND another message asking you to click a link to complete the process. If you can't complete this on your mobile phone, please go online to: [flocknote.com](http://flocknote.com).



## St. Joseph's Church



### Holy Saturday, April 15, 2017

**8:00pm(Easter Vigil)** All Parishioners-Living & Deceased

### Easter Sunday, April 16, 2017

8:00am All Parishioners-Living & Deceased  
10:00am All Parishioners-Living & Deceased  
12Noon All Parishioners-Living & Deceased

#### WEEKDAYS

Monday: 9:00am People of the Parish  
Tuesday: 9:00am Salvatore Spatola  
Wednesday: 9:00am Leonardo Salud  
Thursday: 9:00am Rosa Russo  
Friday: 9:00am Rosalia Lippo

### Saturday, April 22, 2017

9:00pm Joseph Paul Ciancarelli  
5:00pm(Vigil) John Messina

### Sunday, April 23, 2017

8:00am Mary & Joseph Conte  
10:00am Bambina, Crociata & Caleca Family  
12Noon Catalina Ruiz

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1:00pm All Parishioners-Living & Deceased

**There will be no evening Masses!**

#### WEEKDAYS

Monday: 7:00am Susan Ciraolo  
8:00am Teresa Dellarovere & Paola Busconi  
Tuesday: 7:00am Leslie Furman  
8:00am Kevin Kopezynski (Living)  
Wednesday: 7:00am Christopher Conrad  
8:00am Laura Bevilacqua  
Thursday: 7:00pm Andrea Trimarche  
8:00am Rosalie Lippo  
Friday: 7:00am Jerome S. Bivona  
8:00am Alex Cameron (Living)

### Saturday, April 22, 2017

8:00pm Domenico & Domenica Randazzo  
6:00pm(Vigil) Eugene Urbanczyk

### Sunday, April 23, 2017

9:00am Marie & Joseph Oglio  
10:00am Sabilia & Pietro Dellegrazie  
11:00am Barbara Cannizzaro  
1:00pm Ralph Valente  
6:00pm John Ellis

#### MEMORIALS



*Our Bread and Wine* this week is offered :  
At St. Thomas Church *In Loving Memory of*  
**Michele Costa** requested by  
Stefanie Costa.

At St. Joseph Church *In Loving Memory of*  
**Laura Bevilacqua** requested by  
Frank & Jackie DiNapoli.



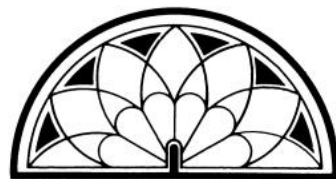
#### MARRIAGE BANNS

**1<sup>st</sup> Banns** Michael DeRespino & Christina Savino  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Banns** Paul Laudiero & Bianca Vasturo  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Banns** Jerome Cirillo & Lisa Minardi  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Banns** Salvatore Todaro & Michelle Frasca

#### BAPTISM SEMINAR

##### SATURDAY, April 29, 2017

Immediately following the 6:00pm Mass at St. Thomas Church there will be a meeting for expectant parents and parents of newborn babies. Parents are expected to be at Mass as well as the meeting. We urge parents to attend before the baby is born. We also urge Godparents to participate by attending this meeting. This is a requirement for all parents prior to the Baptism of their child.



HAPPY EASTER

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#### EASTER DUTY

Every Catholic who has been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist is obliged to receive Communion at least once a year. This precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season. Catholics are also bound to confess serious (mortal) sins **at least once a year**, but this is not limited to the Lenten/Easter Season. Frequent reception of the Eucharist and confession are strongly encouraged..

**OUR REMEMBRANCE VIGIL CANDLES**  
will burn for 1 year in St. Thomas Church for:

IN LOVING MEMORY  
OF  
BETTY & NICK NAGY  
*requested by Karen Piche*

For more information about Remembrance  
Candles, please call the Parish Office.

**SACRED HEART  
REMEMBRANCE VIGIL CANDLES**

will burn for 1 year in St. Thomas Church :

IN LOVING MEMORY  
OF OUR BOY  
BOBBY GAMBINO  
"YOU WILL FOREVER BE IN OUR HEARTS!"  
TILL WE MEET AGAIN!  
LOVE YOU  
MOM & DAD

*requested by Dennis & Maria Gambino*

*For more information about  
Sacred Heart Remembrance Candles  
please call the Parish Office.*

**BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY**

The Bereavement ministry invites all bereaved persons that have completed our 8-week Support Group to our monthly on-going group meetings. We meet on the first Thursday of each month. Please call Pat Monahan at 718-317-7544 if interested in attending.



**Alzheimer's Caregiver  
Support Group**

Are you caring for a loved one with dementia? Join us as we support each other. Meetings on

the second Saturday of each month at 3:00pm, next meeting will be on May 13, 2017 in St. Thomas Church -Msgr. Finn Hall. For more information, call Nancy Hahn at 917-295-8954.

**50/50 CLUB**

It's Your Move...  
**Invest &  
Win!**

**Congraatulations!**  
**Mr. & Mrs. Desmond Gillespie**  
**Our March 50/50 winner**

"A Winner Every Month - It could be you!"  
"Share & Share Alike"

Donation to enter: \$5.00 - Next Drawing - April 30<sup>th</sup>



*This year our Memorial Easter Flowers  
are being donated by:*

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Maureen Conny & Kelly Love	(to be continued)

### **SICK & HOMEBOUND**

If someone is homebound or in the hospital, please notify us. Arrangements can be easily made for the Sacrament of Anointing. Holy Communion is brought to the sick by the priests and Eucharistic Ministers weekly or monthly as requested. Please let us know your needs by calling the parish office.

Ethel Ducey, Frank DeJulio, Carol Kopczynski, Ed Kopczynski, Peter Cruciata, John Anthony Benedetto, Christina Greco, Joseph Roesch, Stacy Wolski, Brian Orlick, Joseph Piazza, Melissa Monahan Connolly, Russell Monahan, Thomas Ambrosio, Linda Kolarcik Monahan, Harriet Cummings, Anthony Bambina, Beth Cherick, Audie Parker, Mary Metzger, James Principato, Werner Kropp, Dean Agirio, Ryan Hansen, Caroline Phelps, Angie Patterson, Tony Flynn, Allen Reese, John Spadaro, Joseph Onorio, Louis Amatrudo, Vincent Ippolito, Dominic Aiello, Stephanie Phillips-Verbett, Michael Iannozzi, Daniel Panarella, Sophie Fiorella, Peter Fiorella, Lucy George, Joseph George, Frank Vitarelli, James Brady, Danielle Cameron, Edward Joyce, Margaret Quinn, Janice Blanchard, Maria Ruggeri, Thomas Jakabowski, Maureen Murray, Maria Gambino.

*In your sympathy, please pray for: Frank Guariglia, Sarina Aiello.*

### **SCHEDULED PARISH MEETINGS**

#### **HOLY NAME SOCIETY/MEN'S CLUB**

Tuesday, May 9– 8pm  
Msgr. Finn Hall – St. Thomas Room  
All men 18 yrs. of age and older are invited.

#### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

Wednesday, April 19 -7:30pm  
Msgr. Finn Hall - Infant of Prague Room

#### **ST. THOMAS ADULT CHOIR**

Rehearsal every Wednesday at  
8pm in St. Thomas Church

#### **JUNIOR CHOIR**

Rehearsal every Tuesday in St. Thomas Church  
4:00pm-5:15pm

#### **SPORTS COUNCIL**

Tuesday, April 25 – 7:30pm  
Msgr. Finn Hall / St. Joseph's Room

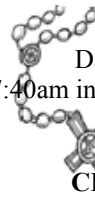
### **ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Thursday, April 27, 2017 – 7:15pm**

**Msgr. Finn Hall**

### **The Windows of St. Thomas Church– Part 3**

**St. Thomas Moore and St. John Fisher  
Father Neil Kelly – Program Presenter  
Joseph Delaney—Program Coordinator**



### **RECITATION OF THE ROSARY**

Daily recitation of the Rosary takes place  
7:40am in St. Thomas Church and 8:30am at St. Joseph's  
Church.

### **CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING**

Monday at 8:00 P.M. at the receiving room of St. Joseph- St.  
Thomas Parish Center (Blue House).

### **VIRGIN OF THE BARANGAY MASS**

**Saturday, May 6** – St. Thomas Church  
*Rosary* at 6pm – Mass in the English language at 7:15PM

### **ROSARY & HEALING MASS**

Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> – 8pm – St. Joseph Church  
**All are welcome.**



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### **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Easter is nearly three weeks later this year than last. Why does the date wobble around the calendar so? The way of calculating the date was set by the Emperor Constantine in 325. The decision ended a very bitter controversy in the church. Some people wanted to synchronize the Pasch with Passover on the fourteenth day of the Jewish month Nissan, and their opponents wanted it after the Passover was complete, on the Sunday after the first full moon of springtime. The ecclesiastical rules do not exactly connect with the astronomical rules. The emperor squashed the hopes of the quartodecimans, as the fans of 14 Nissan were called, and chose Sunday. The traditional rule is that Easter is the first Sunday after the first ecclesiastical full moon that occurs on or after the vernal equinox, the fourteenth day of the new moon, and later than March 21. Thus, Easter wobbles between March 22 and April 25.

The actual tables and methods for computing the date are extraordinarily detailed, with subtle variations and mind-bending exceptions and charts with “golden numbers,” “dominical letters,” and “epacts” measuring leap years. In 1954 and 1962 the ecclesiastical calculations actually overrode the astronomical new moons and bumped Easter back a month! Today, there is a movement in the World Council of Churches (Protestants and Orthodox) for all Christians to combine their celebrations, based on the star charts for the Jerusalem skies. In principle, the Catholic Church is open to an ecumenical agreement on a fixed date for Easter, but we desire a unanimous decision from the World Council.



*We invite you to come and join us each week.  
If you have not joined our parish  
we invite you to tear  
off the bottom portion of this page  
and either give  
it to one of our ushers after Mass or  
bring it in  
to our Parish Office.*

*As we celebrate the resurrection of the Lord and the gift of eternal life,  
we wish you and your loved ones a blessed Easter!*

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FAMILY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_



## **2017 Cardinal's Appeal Renew & Rebuild Campaign**

You may be wondering why we haven't heard anything yet about the Annual Cardinal's Appeal. St. Joseph-St. Parish is launching "Renew & Rebuild", a five year campaign to raise funds for some very exciting and much needed parish-wide initiatives. Every parishioner will be asked to play a part in our campaign. We will not conduct a separate Cardinal's Appeal this year. You will be hearing more about Renew and Rebuild very soon. In the meantime, please pray for the success of this very important undertaking.



### **ST. JOSEPH-ST. THOMAS SCHOOL**

WILL BE HOLDING A

### **SPRING**

### **USED & WEARABLE CLOTHING COLLECTION**

PLEASE PUT ALL DONATED ITEMS IN A WELL-TIED PLASTIC GARBAGE BAG.



**WHEN: WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2017**

**WHERE: ST. JOSEPH/ST. THOMAS GYMNASIUM**

**TIME: DROP CLOTHS OUTSIDE GYMNASIUM UNTIL 4P.M.**

\*IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT BARBARA FITZPATRICK AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE (718) 356-3344. YOUR SUPPORT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

## **St. Joseph – St. Thomas School 2017 – 2018 Registration**

Accepting applications for  
Pre K-3, Pre K-4 and Kindergarten – 8<sup>th</sup> grade

### **Open House**

May 21, 2017

11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

You can also contact us at (718)356-3344 for a tour on a different day and time or stop by to pick up one of our brochures.

Visit us on our website [www.sjstparish.org](http://www.sjstparish.org) to learn more about our school, see our photo gallery and print an application.

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