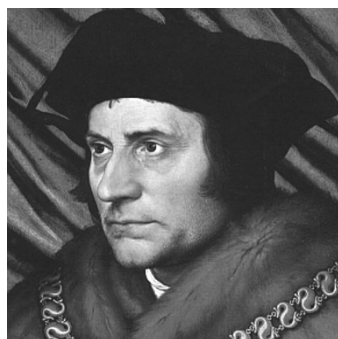


# Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel - St. Thomas More

OLGC - 230 East 90<sup>th</sup> Street - STM - 65 East 89<sup>th</sup> Street  
New York City, New York 10128



**December 16, 2018**

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## **SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE - OLGC**

Saturday Evening: 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday Morning: 9:00 a.m.  
10:15 a.m. - Spanish Mass  
11:30 a.m. - Choral Mass  
Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.

## **SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE - STM**

Saturday Evening: 5:45 p.m.  
Sunday Morning: 8:30 a.m.  
10:00 a.m. - Family Mass  
Sunday Afternoon: 12:00 p.m. - Choral Mass  
Sunday Evening: 5:45 p.m.

## **WEEKDAY MASSES - OLGC**

Monday thru Friday: 9:00 am and 6:00 pm  
Saturday: 9:00 am

## **WEEKDAY MASSES - STM**

Monday thru Friday: 8:00 am and 12:15 pm  
Saturday: 8:00 am and 12:15 pm

## **CONFESSIONS - OLGC**

Monday thru Friday - 5:45 pm  
Saturday 4:30 – 5:15 pm

## **CONFESSIONS - STM**

Monday thru Friday  
12:00 pm - 12:10 pm (before Mass)  
Saturday 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.

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## December 16, 2018

### The Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)

Each year we hear about John the Baptist in the Gospel readings for the second and third Sundays of Advent. Although most of his words and deeds are not preserved in the Gospels, John's role in salvation history should not be underestimated. The common reference to John the Baptist as the forerunner to Christ captures only one aspect of his public ministry. John fueled the messianic hopes of an entire generation of Jews who longed to hear and ponder the prophetic messages of old.

Of the four New Testament Gospel writers, Luke is the most sensitive to historical detail. The opening words of today's Gospel reading are a good example. Luke is very careful to place the activities of John the Baptist within the political and religious leadership of the late AD 20s. Aside from John living in the desert for most of his life (which is why many have theorized John grew up and was formed by the Essene community), little is known about John until he emerges from the desert as a prophet who proclaimed "a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins." John's call for repentance (in Greek, *metanoia*) required a total commitment, literally a change of heart and mind, before the initiate would receive baptism from John. Curiously, Luke introduces John the Baptist not by quoting John, but by quoting the words of the prophet Isaiah, which were spoken during Israel's captivity in Babylon, around 550 BC. Like the great and legendary prophet Isaiah, John was a prophet about to reveal to "all flesh... the salvation of God."

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

#### WEEKDAY BIBLE READINGS

**Sun.:** Zep 3:14-18a; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18  
**Mon.:** Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17  
**Tues.:** Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25  
**Wed.:** Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25  
**Thur.:** Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38  
**Fri.:** Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-45  
**Sat.:** 1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56

**Christian Meditation** Wednesday, Dec 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm -  
STM Chapel Facilitator: Donald Main 415-336-2165  
[costmnyrc@christianmeditation.us](mailto:costmnyrc@christianmeditation.us)

#### The Next Parish Council Meeting is

Monday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm

in the St. Thomas More – Rochester Room.

*All Parishioners are welcome to attend. Promptness is Appreciated.*

**Preparing for Baptism:** To have your child baptized, 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 OLGRC Rectory. **To Pre-Register call 212-289-1742** by 6pm on the day before the class. Baptisms take place on Sundays afternoons (12:30pm at OLGRC & 1pm at STM).

**THE NEXT SESSION WILL BE HELD ON**

**TUESDAY JANUARY 8<sup>TH</sup>**

The Winter 2018-2019 edition of *Archways*, the quarterly magazine of the Archdiocese of New York, is now available! This issue is digital-only. View or download it now at [archny.org/archways](http://archny.org/archways).

#### Christmas Brunch with Santa!

All parishioners are invited to our annual Christmas Brunch on Sunday, Dec. 16 after the 10:00AM mass in the Rochester Room. Share good food and holiday cheer – and Santa promises to make an appearance.

**At this event we will also accept new and gently used coats for the homeless.**

Bring the entire family!

*Light refreshments will be served.*

## Christmas Schedule 2018

### Our Lady of Good Counsel

#### Christmas Eve

6:00pm, 8:00pm (Spanish Mass)

and 12:00 Midnight

#### Christmas Day

9:00am, and 11:30am (Last Mass of the Day)

### St. Thomas More

#### Christmas Eve

4:00pm (Family Mass), 6:00pm and

10:00pm

#### Christmas Day

8:30am, 10:00am

and 12:00 Noon (Last Mass of the Day)

# CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

## Celebrant – Sunday Mass – Dec 16<sup>th</sup>

Sat 5:30pm	Fr. O'Hara OMI
Sun 9:00am	Fr. O'Hara OMI
Sun 10:15am	Fr. Florio SJ (Spanish Community)
Sun 11:30am	Fr. Florio SJ
Sun 6:00pm	Msgr. McCahill

## Lector/EM Mass Schedule

<i>Dec 16</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>EM</i>
Sat 5:30pm	Tony Johnson	Mary Ann Batory
Sun 9:00am	Louisa Martin	Maria Nonni
Sun 10:15am	Altamir de Oliveira TBD	Gloria Albelo Maria Muñoz Enedelia Suárez
Sun 11:30am	Ike Omoruyi	Joseph McLaughlin
Sun 6:00pm	Ryan D'Uva	Carol Hopkins

### **Sunday – December 09, 2018**

Regular Collection - \$3,175.61  
Religious Retirement - \$2,001.66  
**Attendance – 602**

## Celebrant – Sunday Mass – Dec 23<sup>rd</sup>

Sat 5:30pm	Msgr. McCahill
Sun 9:00am	Fr. Montgomery
Sun 10:15am	Bishop Iriondo (Spanish Community)
Sun 11:30am	Fr. Madigan
Sun 6:00pm	Fr. Madigan

## Lector/EM Mass Schedule

<i>Dec 23</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>EM</i>
Sat 5:30pm	Tony Johnson	Terri O'Connor
Sun 9:00am	Jamie Johnson	Sylvia Morales
Sun 10:15am	Altamir de Oliveira Gloria Perez	Jorge Noriega Maria Noriega Enedelia Suárez
Sun 11:30am	Chris Williams	Greg D'Uva
Sun 6:00pm	TBD	Gladys Cruz

### *Please remember the sick, especially*

Salvatore Badalamenti, Rosalie Bakal, Joanie Bausch, Carol Bohan, Maureen Bracken, Aurora Fernandez, The Gourin Family, Bernie Helgason, Veronica Martin, Dawn Martinez, Matilda Mondol, Socorro Muriel, Veronica Martin, Frank Meade, Dora Mintz, Jose Alberto Muga, Liz Riker, Nereida Rodriguez, Peter Rodriguez, Sarah Rodriguez, Kathleen Steed, Pinar Ust, Barbara Wass, Harriet & Charlie Weiss, and Lillian Wick.

## **MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST DAYS AT OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL December 16 – December 22**

### Mon. December 17

9:00 St Philomena for the Spiritual Guidance of all Priests

6:00 Fr Thomas P. D'Angelou (D)

### Tues. December 18

9:00 Members of the Legion of Mary (D)

6:00 Goretta Potter (D)

### Wed. December 19

9:00 Special Intention

6:00 Mother Angelica, PCPA (D)

### Thurs. December 20

9:00 Special Intention

6:00 Gladys Sanchez (D)

### Fri. December 21

*St. Peter Canisius*

9:00 Special Intention

6:00 Joseph Gioviane (L)

### Sat. December 22

9:00 Catherine Nulty (D)

### Sunday Vigil

5:30 Rosalino A. Abel (D)

### **Rosary prayed after 9am and 6pm Masses**

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:** We are in great need of your help. Serve the parish as a Eucharistic Minister, For more information please call: 212-876-7718 or email [STMParishPrograms@gmail.com](mailto:STMParishPrograms@gmail.com)

**Society of Saint Vincent de Paul:** If you need help or would like to become a member of our society, please email [bobterrylosangeles@gmail.com](mailto:bobterrylosangeles@gmail.com). Contributions should be mailed to Our Lady of Good Counsel and made payable to The St. Vincent De Paul Society.

**This week's Second Collection in OLGC will be taken to help support our Religious Education Program.**

**OLGC Ushers Wanted and Needed:** We want you to actively participate in the life of our parish and specifically we need Ushers to greet parishioners, distribute literature, help with collections, and assist with other tasks that our church community may require to promote its smooth and friendly operation. If you would like to take part in this important and necessary work, please contact the **OLGC Parish Office at 212-289-1742.**

# EVENTS

## Our Lady of Good Counsel

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>
12/16	Spanish Community La Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe Coffee Hr	11:30am
	AA Meetings	1:30 – 2:30 & 3:30 – 4:30pm
12/17	Blue Army	10:00am
12/18	Legion of Mary - Spanish	9:30am
12/19	Senior Bingo Legion of Mary – English	1pm 2:30pm
12/22	Saturday Morning Breakfast AA – Anti-Anxiety Meeting AA – Garrison Meeting	7 - 8:30am 11:30am 1pm

### **SENIOR CITIZEN HAIRCUT DAY**

OLGC Parish Hall – *No December Appointments Available*

**Next Scheduled Date: Wednesday Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> from 1PM-3PM**

Cost: Free Will Donation

### **SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT**

Sign-up sheet in OLGC Parish Hall

Clients are requested to wash their hair prior to arrival. All haircuts are provided by Nancy Garcia, a licensed hair stylist

*Donations will be used by Respect Life Committee to support women in need.*

### **Spanish Christmas Novenas – Las Posadas**

#### **Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish Hall**

**From 7:00pm – 9:00pm**

- December 16, 2018 - Spain & Cuba
- December 17, 2018 - Guatemala & Brazil
- December 18, 2018 - Colombia
- December 19, 2018 - Ecuador & Peru
- December 20, 2018 - Chile & Honduras
- December 21, 2018 - Puerto Rico & Honduras
- December 22, 2018 - Mexico
- December 23, 2018 - Panama
- December 24, 2018 - All Countries

## **Advent Reconciliation Monday**

December 17, 2018

4:00pm To 8:00pm

### **St Thomas More**

4-5pm Msgr. McCahill

5-6pm Fr. Madigan

### **Our Lady Of Good Counsel**

6-7pm Msgr. McCahill

7-8pm Fr. Montgomery

## St. Thomas More

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>
12/16	Christmas Brunch with Santa	11am
12/17	Caregivercare – Italian Class Parish Council Meeting	4pm 7pm
12/18	Leisure Lunch (After the 12:15 Mass) <i>Last Lunch until end of January</i>	
	Caregivercare – Italian Film	1:45m
	Caregivercare – Computer Class	4:30pm
12/19	Christian Meditation Separated & Divorced Catholics	6pm 6:30pm
12/21	Caregivercare – Physical Activity	4:30pm

*Note: AA Meetings are held on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday (men's only) at 6:30pm in the Chelsea Room.*

**Caregiverscare**, a program of activities at STM to protect the health of the brain, designed for people over 50, has begun its Fall schedule. It includes activities in theater, movies, learning Italian, yoga and a computer class for novices on up. All are free of charge.

### **A Concert for Christmas**

Wednesday, December 19, 2018, 7:30 PM

Location: Church of Our Saviour, 59 Park Avenue

When: Wednesday, December 19 - Time: 7:30 PM

Cost: \$20

Description/Details: The Choir of the Church of Our Saviour will present its annual Christmas Concert. The concert will feature traditional Christmas Carols, along with music both familiar and unfamiliar. Don't miss this opportunity to hear some glorious Christmas music!

Email: [pjm@oursaviournyc.org](mailto:pjm@oursaviournyc.org)

Phone: 212-679-8166

## **2018 Holy Rosary Christmas Lunch (East Harlem)**

**Tuesday, Dec. 18, 2018**

**From 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

Catholic Charities currently provides case management support for the homeless residents of Bowery Residents Committee (BRC). At this location in East Harlem, Catholic Charities would like to serve the residents a home cooked meal before Christmas. Compassionate volunteers are needed to help set up, greet clients, and help serve dinner. Volunteers (must be at least 18 years old) should be comfortable working with the homeless population, particularly those living with a variety of challenges. This is Holy Rosary's 3rd sit-down Christmas event! During this special event, our clients are able to enjoy a delicious catered food of their choice. Gifts, entertainment and lost of fun is the hallmark of this Christmas gathering!

**To Sign Up:** Contact Opportunity Leader: Amaris White  
<https://www.catholiccharitiesnycvolunteer.org/opportunity/aoCoW0000onkLxEUAU#>  
Full opportunity address and directions will be sent to you by e-mail after you sign up.

# CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS MORE

<b>Celebrant – Sunday Mass – Dec. 16<sup>th</sup></b>	
Sat 5:45pm	Fr. Montgomery
Sun 8:30am	Fr. Madigan
Sun 10:00am	Fr. Madigan
Sun 12 Noon	Fr. Montgomery
Sun 5:45pm	Fr. Montgomery

<b>Lector/EM Mass Schedule</b>		
<b>Dec 16</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>EM</b>
Sat 5:45pm	Nick Farnham	Dr. Robert Guida
Sun 8:30am	Mark Tulli	TBD
Sun 10:00am	Branche Family	Dan Flynn
Sun 12 Noon	Gisela White	Cecilia Vonderheide
Sun 5:45pm	Chris Baldwin	Diana Chiavetta

**Sunday – December 09, 2018**  
 Regular Collection - \$9,461.75  
 Religious Retirement - \$2,993.55  
**Attendance – 556**

<b>Celebrant – Sunday Mass – Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	
Sat 5:45pm	Fr. O’Hara OMI
Sun 8:30am	Fr. O’Hara OMI
Sun 10:00am	Fr. O’Hara OMI
Sun 12 Noon	Fr. Montgomery
Sun 5:45pm	Fr. O’Hara OMI

<b>Lector/EM Mass Schedule</b>		
<b>Dec 23</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>EM</b>
Sat 5:45pm	The Rosses	Dr. Robert Guida
Sun 8:30am	Louisa Martin	TBD
Sun 10:00am	Kehoe Family	Dan Flynn
Sun 12 Noon	Bob Burke	TBD
Sun 5:45pm	Rory Kelleher	Julia Shea

**2018 – 2019 Youth & Family**  
**Sandwich-Making**

This school year community outreach program makes and delivers more than 250 sandwiches each month to the NY Common Pantry. Our next event will be held on **Sunday, Jan 27<sup>th</sup>, from 12noon – 1pm in the Rochester Room.**

To sign up for this event, please use the following link  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d49aeaf2ba4fb6-2018>.

**Separated/Divorced Catholic Support Group**  
 The next meeting Dec 19<sup>th</sup> (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday)  
 at 6:30pm in the STM Meeting Room.  
[stthomasmoresdc@yahoo.com](mailto:stthomasmoresdc@yahoo.com) or call 212-876-7718.

## MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE December 16 – December 22

Mon. December 17  
 8:00 Patrick R. Sheridan (D)  
 12:15 Mary Lawlor (D)

Tues. December 18  
 8:00 John F. P. Lamb (L)  
 12:15 Elizabeth & Joseph Hughes (D)

Wed. December 19  
 8:00 Barbara Root (D)  
 12:15 Luis Alvarez (D)

Thurs. December 20  
 8:00 Eugennie “Rose” Cameron (D)  
 12:15 Bill Dinger (D)

Fri. December 21 *St. Peter Canisius*  
 8:00 William O. Murphy (D)  
 12:15 Katherine & Peter Leonard (D)

Sat. December 22  
 8:00 Christine Reilly (D)  
 12:15 Roberto Arquello (D)

Sunday Vigil  
 5:45 Mary Benjamin (D)

**Rosary prayed after 12:15pm Mass**

**Sunday Coffee Hour:** We extend our thanks to our volunteer for hosting this Sunday's event, which is a wonderful way for parishioners to meet and get to know one another. We look forward to meeting you there after the 10:00am Family Mass.  
**You are also invited to become a STM Coffee Hour Volunteer**  
 To volunteer, please use the following link:  
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a48a4ad2baaff2-coffee>.  
 The parishioner volunteers are the heart of this important community outreach program and your participation will go a long way toward insuring its success in the future.  
**Children's Story & Craft:** All Children are invited to listen to a story and do a craft in the Rochester Room.  
 Please help us – we need parent volunteers to read and organize activities. All materials provided!

**Glad Tidings - Christmas Concert**

Church of Ignatius Loyola – Park Avenue and 84<sup>th</sup> Street  
 Sun. Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> - 3:00pm - 5:00pm (Doors Open 2:15pm)  
 Cost: \$25.00 - \$88.00  
 Combined Choirs and Orchestra of St. Ignatius Loyola  
 Description: A heart-warming yearly favorite that includes traditional carols for the whole family to sing together.  
 Tickets and Information: Call: 212-288-2520