

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

OLGC - 230 East 90th Street - STM - 65 East 89th Street
New York City, New York 10128



December 09, 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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The Second Sunday of Advent

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.: Bar 5:1-9; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6
Mon.: Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26
Tues.: Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14
Wed.: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab;
Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
Thur.: Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15
Fri.: Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19
Sat.: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Christian Meditation Wednesday, Dec 12th at 6:00pm -
STM Chapel Facilitator: Donald Main 415-336-2165
costmnycc@christianmeditation.us

CHRISTMAS ART CONTEST

A fun competition to showcase the talents of all of our parishioners, young and old!

SUBJECT MUST BE CHRISTMAS THEMED

This competition is open to all ages 3 and older and allows for most media: sculpture, stained glass, crayon, pencil, paint, and digital photography. No larger than 36" in width, height or circumference. There will be one winner per age group.

Age groups are: ●3-6 years old ●7-10 years old

●11-14 years old ●15-18 years old

●18-25 years old ●25 and older

First Prize Winners: Receive a \$50 Gift Card.

Drop off submissions by 12/13 to either Parish Office.

*Questions: call /text 917 319 6243 or email
stmparishprograms@gmail.com*

St. John The Baptist Study Group Presents
Mary of Nazareth
Sunday, December 9th at 3:30pm
Parish Hall OLCG

Keep Christ in Christmas, and bring the entire family!

Light refreshments will be served.

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.

This Sunday's Second Collection

The Annual Archdiocesan *Collection for Retired Religious Sisters and Brothers*. This collection affords us an opportunity to offer those religious, who are in their senior years, our love, thanks and support, by helping to provide for their needs.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Christmas Schedule 2018

At Our Lady of Good Counsel

Christmas Eve

6:00pm and 12:00 Midnight

Christmas Day

9:00am, 10:15am (Spanish Mass)
and 11:30am - Last Mass of the Day

At 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 9th

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

Lector/EM Mass Schedule

<i>Dec 09</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>EM</i>
Sat 5:30pm	Tony Johnson	Mary Ann Batory
Sun 9:00am	Jamie Johnson	Sylvia Morales
Sun 10:15am	Altamir de Oliveira Rose Acevedo	Alfredo Lopez Rossana Ramirez Sofia Blanco
Sun 11:30am	Paula Cianci	Greg D'Uva
Sun 6:00pm	Carlos Cevallos	Gladys Cruz

Sunday – December 02, 2018

Regular Collection - \$4,116.14

Parish Operations - \$1,625.48

Attendance – 619

Celebrant – Sunday Mass – Dec 16th

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	TBD
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

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 09 – December 15

Mon. December 10

9:00 Augusto Canepa (D)

6:00 Kenneth Coyle (D)

Tues. December 11

St. Damasus I

9:00 Kathleen McDermott (D)

6:00 Goretti Porter (D)

Wed. December 12

Our Lady of Guadalupe

9:00 Special Intention

6:00 John Ashe (D)

Thurs. December 13

St. Lucy

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

6:00 Sara Perez (L)

Fri. December 14

St. John of the Cross

9:00 Francis Acierno (D)

6:00 Christopher & Ellen Sommerville (D)

Sat. December 15

9:00 Christopher Gillespie (D)

Sunday Vigil

5:30 Peter Masterson (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

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. Contributions should be mailed to Our Lady of Good Counsel and made payable to The St. Vincent De Paul Society.

Next 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>
12/09	Spanish Community Coffee Hr	11:30am
	St. John Study Group Film	3:30pm
	AA Meetings 1:30 – 2:30 & 3:30 – 4:30pm	
12/10	Blue Army	10:00am
12/11	Legion of Mary - Spanish	9:30am
12/12	Senior Bingo	1pm
	Legion of Mary – English	2:30pm
12/15	Saturday Morning Breakfast	7 - 8:30am
	AA – Anti-Anxiety Meeting	11:30am
	AA – Garrison Meeting	1pm
12/16	Spanish Community La Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe Coffee Hr	11:30am

St. Thomas More

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>
12/09	Coffee Hour	11am
	Sandwich Making	12pm
	Christmas Tea	4pm
12/10	Caregivercare – Italian Class	4pm
12/11	Leisure Lunch (After the 12:15 Mass)	
	Caregivercare – Italian Film	1:45m
	Caregivercare – Computer Class	4:30pm
12/12	Christian Meditation	6pm
12/13	Caregivercare – Socialization	5pm
12/14	Caregivercare – Physical Activity	4:30pm
	Caregivercare – Socialization	5:30pm

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

FUN FOR A CAUSE: Attention youth and families: Please join us for a "wrapping" party on **Friday, December 14th at 7pm** in the Parish Hall of Our Lady of Good Counsel as we assemble toiletry kits for our community in need. We will have a wrapping station, a toiletry kit station, an area for younger kids to make ornaments for the Christmas tree in the parish hall. We will be having a few tables selling some Christmas items as well and of course, food and refreshments.

Please contact Marcelle Devine, Coordinator, Religious Education, olgenycre@gmail.com or call 212 289 1742.

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 DECEMBER 11TH

SENIOR CITIZEN HAIRCUT DAY

OLGC Parish Hall – *No December Appointments Available*

Next Scheduled Date: Wednesday Jan 2nd from 1PM-3PM

Cost: Free Will Donation

SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT

Sign-up sheet in OLGRC 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.

Caroling: Join Boomers and Beyond as they bring the magic of merriment to the wonderful residents of the Lott Assisted Living Residence.

Sunday, Dec. 9th from 1:30 to 3PM.

1261 Fifth Avenue, btw 107th/108th Street

Please use the following link to sign up:

<http://signup.com/login/entry/37698493056238600>

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.

Tapestry an a cappella singing group

Presents a holiday choral music event:

Run, Toboggan, Run! Wed., Dec. 12th at 8pm

Church of St. Thomas More - \$15

All tickets at the door

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.

A Christmas Tea Tasting: On Sunday, Dec. 9th at 4pm in the St. Thomas More Rectory Enjoy a tea tasting and accompanying sweet treats. Here is your chance to sample exotic teas such as Magnolia Blossom Oolong, Yunnan Golden Monkey, Keemun Mao Feng, and much more as we celebrate the Christmas season! Questions, please email: stmparishprograms@gmail.com or call (212) 876 7718

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

Phone: 212-679-8166

CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS MORE

Celebrant – Sunday Mass – Dec. 9th

Sat 5:45pm	Fr. Montgomery
Sun 8:30am	Fr. O'Hara OMI
Sun 10:00am	Msgr. McCahill
Sun 12 Noon	Fr. Montgomery
Sun 5:45pm	Fr. Montgomery

Lector/EM Mass Schedule

<i>Dec 09</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>EM</i>
Sat 5:45pm	Margarita Barrera	Vivian Hedges
Sun 8:30am	Louisa Martin	TBD
Sun 10:00am	Barry Family	Dan Flynn
Sun 12 Noon	Christine Stonbely	Cecilia Vonderheide
Sun 5:45pm	Jim Dillon	Diana Chiavetta

Sunday – December 02, 2018

Regular Collection - \$9,337.58

Attendance – 607

Celebrant – Sunday Mass – Dec. 16th

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

Lector/EM Mass Schedule

<i>Dec 16</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>EM</i>
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

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, Dec 9th, from 12noon – 1pm in the Rochester Room.**

Next Session – January 27, 2019

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 19th (1st & 3rd Wednesday)
at 6:30pm in the STM Meeting Room.

stthomasmoresdc@yahoo.com or call 212-876-7718.

MASS INTENTIONS AND FEAST DAYS AT ST. THOMAS MORE December 09 – December 15

Mon. December 10

8:00 Crocker Nevin (D)

12:15 Jack Lee Lineberry (D)

Tues. December 11

St. Damasus I

8:00 Richard Weidner (D)

12:15 George Garcia & Gladys Hart (D)

Wed. December 12

Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:00 Hugo Armando del Gado (D)

12:15 Perfecto Altamirano Ormero (D)

Thurs. December 13

St. Lucy

8:00

12:15 Manuel Alejaga, Sr. (D)

Fri. December 14

St. John of the Cross

8:00 Irshad-Ul Haque (D)

12:15 Francisco Chichorro (D)

Sat. December 15

8:00

12:15 Italia & George Pillepich (D)

Sunday Vigil

5:45 Janet Kennedy (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 84th Street

Sun. Dec 9th and Dec. 16th - 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