

***Masses For The Week*****Monday - April 23**

6:30 Marie Post  
9:00 Fanny Ventura

**Tuesday - April 24**

6:30 Jairo Garzon  
9:00 Marie & John Koch

**Wednesday - April 25**

6:30 Baby Eve Cagna  
9:00 Matthew Steubing

**Thursday - April 26**

6:30 William Ruff  
9:00 Eugene Reilly

**Friday - April 27**

6:30 Janette Dubin  
9:00 James Magee Ford

**Saturday - April 28**

9:00 **Intentions Announced at Mass**  
5:00 Anna Cunningham & Margaret McArdle  
7:00 John C. Bravo, Sr.

**Sunday - April 29**

7:00 The People of the Parish  
8:30 Salvatore Valenti, Anniversary  
10:00 Stephen Marano, 1st Anniversary  
11:30 Patricia Peters  
1:00 Yolanda Lange  
5:30 Dennis Hickey

***Readings For The Week***

Mon. Acts 6:8-15; John 6:22-29  
Tues. Acts 7:51-8:1a; John 6:30-35  
Wed. 1 Peter 5:5b-14; Mark 16:15-20  
Thurs. Acts 8:26-40; John 6:44-51  
Fri. Acts 9:1-20; John 6:52-59  
Sat. Acts 9:31-42; John 6:60-69  
Sun. Acts 4:8-12 *Peter explained to the people that every good deed and all restoration to health are accomplished in the name of Christ Jesus the Nazorean, through whom all are saved.*

1 John 3:1-2 *Believers are the dearly beloved children of God who do not yet know what shall come to light. When it does come to light, believers will be like God.*

John 10:11-18 *Jesus is the good shepherd who knows the sheep. The Good Shepherd not only loves and protects the sheep but is willing to lay down his life for the sheep.*

***Divine Mercy Novena***

***Every Friday at 2:00 p.m.  
in the Eucharistic Chapel***

***ALL ARE WELCOME!***

***Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift*****Last Week April 14/15 Collection**

Amount Budgeted: \$17,500.00  
Amount Received: \$16,359.54—Sunday  
\$ 1,707.00—Easter

***Thank you for your generosity!***

**Reflection & Living Stewardship**

The disciples in today's Gospel came to know Jesus in the breaking of the bread. When we share what we have with those who are in need, we too will discover Jesus in our midst.

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who, imitating the example of Jesus, reach out to others by bringing the Eucharist to the sick, hospitalized, homebound and elderly.



Please pray for the women and men in our Military and their families and friends as they selflessly protect and defend our nation against all forms of terrorism. May God protect them from all harm and grant them peace in their hearts during this Eastertide!

**Charismatic Prayer Group****REFLECTIONS**

Are you a full moon, crescent or somewhere in between? The moon has no light of its own. It reflects the light of the sun. And WE are made to reflect the light of the SON! So how much of the SON'S Light do you reflect onto others? Full, crescent or in between. Aim for the FULL!



***Our next meeting is Monday, April 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Call 516-993-9672 for answers to any questions or for prayer intentions.***

***ALL ARE WELCOME!***

**St. Martin of Tours HOP Club**

Apr 16 #492	Joan & Joe Brala	\$25.00
Apr 17 #154	Dan & Marianne Hologan	\$25.00
Apr 18 #215	Fridericke Nikas	\$25.00
Apr 19 #126	Michele Scully	\$25.00
Apr 20 #100	Mary Cavaciuti	\$250.00

## *Letter from the Pastor*

Our parish has many generous parishioners, who not only provide strong support to the regular weekly collections, but are also most generous to our flower collections at Christmas and Easter, as well as to our visiting missionaries. Additionally, I continue to be deeply touched by your regular donations to our Parish Outreach Center, to the poor box, to the baby bottle campaign, to our Youth Ministry appeals, the Harvest Festival and to the H.O.P. Club. We are blessed!

This week and next week, we are going to pay special attention to the **Catholic Ministries Appeal**. This campaign is an annual event in the life of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, and I am sure many of you have been supporting this program for years. Your donations are used for parish outreach programs, hospital ministry, prison ministry, Respect Life work, the Diocesan Mission to the Dominican Republic, meals on wheels, senior community ministries, immigrant resettlement, mental health outreach, and many other wonderful hands-on ministries to those in need. We can say that Jesus' words in Matthew 25, "I was hungry and you fed me, I was thirsty and you gave me a drink, I was naked and you clothed me, I was in prison and you visited me," are being met by the work of the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Every year our parish is given a target goal to meet. The goal is based on norms that flow from the size of our parish and our regular collections. Our goal this year, as in the past, is over \$100,000.00. That is a lot of money! Over the past several years, we have not come near to meeting the goal which has been given to us. Very often we've achieved less than fifty percent of the target. The Diocese, while disappointed in our results, has never pressured us or demanded that we do more for this campaign.

I am fully aware that many of our parishioners are seniors living on fixed incomes, while others are struggling to provide for their families in a county with very high taxes. You are asked to give to your government, to your church, to your community. You probably also receive many requests in the mail for charity. Perhaps, you might be afraid to open your mail!

I also know that there are some parishioners, for whatever reason, are reluctant to give money to the Diocese. Perhaps, there are still bad feelings about the closing of St. Martin's School and now LaSalle Regional School. I also realize Catholics in general feel very hurt by the sexual abuse scandal. In addition to the terrible pain that this has caused, it has also caused great financial damage.

It does seem clear to me that money given to the Catholic Ministries Appeal is used quite directly for those in serious need of help. Although we must always have a great concern for the needs of our parish and parishioners, we do belong to a universal church and have concerns for the needs of those beyond our boundaries.

So this week we will have a video presentation at the Masses on the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Next week, we will have a talk by someone about this appeal and how we might contribute to it. Although I was reluctant to give up two weeks of homilies, I do think that it is important that St. Martin's listen carefully to what the Catholic Ministries Appeal is about and consider making a contribution to it. To do so is to help the poor and needy which is certainly at the core of the Gospel of Jesus.

At the same time, I only want parishioners to do what they can do. I know how good and generous you are. I know you cannot give to every cause you are asked. I know you have your own financial challenges. All I ask is that you carefully listen to the speaker and reflect upon how you might respond. I feel that the approach we are taking is a sincere effort to respond to the Diocesan Campaign, while at the same time, respecting all the other needs you have as an individual and as a parishioner of St. Martin's.

***Thank you and God bless your great commitment to your Catholic faith!***

***Father Pat CSSR, Pastor  
woodscssr@aol.com***

### Wedding Banns

3rd Harrison Berkowitz & Stephanie Marsillo  
 3rd Michael Bulkey & Laura Sullivan



*"Whatever you do for one of these, the least of my sisters and brothers, you did it for me."*

This week, the pantry is in need of laundry detergent, bar soap, tissues, tooth brushes & paste, diapers (sizes 5 & 6), mayonnaise, ketchup, tuna fish, sugar, coffee, canned beans (we have plenty of string beans), peas, juice (bottles & juice boxes), pancake mix & syrup, hearty soups, salt, beef stew and chili.

As always, we are very grateful for your generous support.

### Food Pantry:

208 Broadway, Bethpage  
 Monday: 9:30AM - 2:30PM  
 Thursday: 2:00PM - 7:00PM  
 Phone: (516) 931-7332

### SENIOR OF THE YEAR!

The SMT Young at Heart Group is very proud to announce that their nominee for the Town of Oyster Bay Senior of the Year has been awarded to **Dolores Stewart**. Dolores has been a member of Young at Heart for over 30 years. She will be presented with her award at the Woodbury Country Club on Thursday, May 3, 2012.

*Congratulations, Dolores!!*

Please pray for the Pre Cana couples as they enter into the in-home Pre Cana process which will be ending at the 11:30 mass on Sunday May 20th.

### Please pray for the sick of our parish:

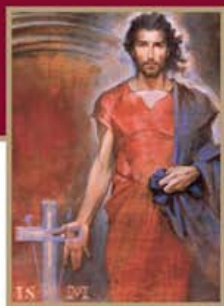
*Christine Mascia, Mary Peterson  
 Maria Cipriano, Henry Niemczyk, Robert Loughran  
 Jim Duggan, Patricia Morrone, Flora Spinosa  
 Barbara Scully, Phil Alfano, Richard Messina  
 Sylvester Brady, Fran Contillo, Wayne Durr  
 Matthew Guigno, Mary Henson, Mike Barry  
 Augustin Ordek, Mary Morgan, John Annon  
 Josephine Calline, Warren Delauro, Richard Pyranski  
 William Sinacore, Christine Lino, Alyric Jackson  
 Sr. Kate McBarron, Mildred Bortnick, Leevalli Annearosa  
 Joseph Frestachi, Henry Fenyoy, Michael Lavin  
 Vincent Busuttill, Erich Jurkwich, Patricia LoBianco  
 Christopher Deleon, Dorothy Quinn, Mary Mullaly  
 Marguerite Foley, Vivian Durr, Melonie Walsh, Gail Waiter  
 Victoria DiPaula, Joan Conklin Walsh, Gina Montamaro  
 Owen Sullivan, Jimmy Crichton, Douglas Torres  
 Kathy Byrnes, Marion Luciano, Ledwin Mason  
 Michael Duggan, Virginia Holt, Marie Rondino  
 Tyler Brandimarte, Lisa Mancini, Andy Holt, Pat Cannota  
 Diane McHugh, Ellen Murphy, Kaitlin Pulice  
 Bob MacCulloch, Lillian DeLaurentis, Godeliva Pagan,  
 Helen Carroll, Angela Calendrille, Florence Borzell  
 Helena Carroll, Rayne Michelle Janko, Renee Weiner  
 Nicole Wolfe Huebner Dorothy Froehlich, Donna Peluso  
 Anne Cramer, Joann Cama, Mark & Karen Arthus  
 Cynthia Venson, Joann Cicero, Pat Rosetti, Santa Parisi  
 Donna Melkun, Kevin Sisco, Christina Klienfeldt  
 Margaret Cavaliere, Cindy Aldrich, Fr. Dennis Billy, CSsR,  
 Brianna Cardinao, Sharon Depalo, Edith Magee  
 Baby Mackenzie, Anna Maria Testa & Windy, Fred Nelson  
 Jan Rhea, Mary-Gwen Imbornoni, Patrick Murphy, Bill Kelly  
 Fr. Brendan Greany, C.Ss.R., Nicholas Guarino  
 Bud Pehrsson, Joanne Flores, Alfred Urbanski  
 Baby Madeline Smith, Bernard Kearney, Patricia Heitzman  
 Edward Indelicato, Sr., Marion Astonino, Bill Wallace  
 Fr. Tom Siconolfi, CSsR, Mom and Dad, Barbara Hunsinger  
 Fred Tavarrelli, Lucille Pancucci, William John Staudt  
 Patricia Marcel, Bonnie Castora, Jim Robertson  
 Frances Sutton, Janice Lipp, Joseph Pierini, Pat Pedone  
 Robert Hennessy, John St. Angelo, Harold Hand  
 Colin Flood, Paul Remsen, Louise Wilson, Kevin O'Toole  
 Frances Sharkey, Joni Lora, Bill Pidgeon, Raymond Gimbut*



*Week of April 22 - 28, 2012  
 Altar Bread & Wine  
 In Loving Memory of  
 Baby Eve Cagna*

### Rest in Peace

*Acts 7:49: "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."  
 Anna Alfinito, William G. Birnbach*



## The Redemptorists OF THE BALTIMORE PROVINCE

Redemptorist Office for Mission Advancement  
107 Duke of Gloucester Street  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401-2526  
Tel 410-288-8755 (toll free) 877-876-7662  
redemptorists.net

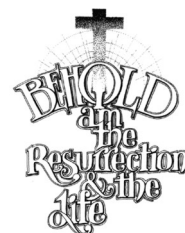
### Celebrate the Close of the Neumann Year

The Redemptorists invite everyone to join us on Saturday, June 23, 2012 in Philadelphia to celebrate the close of the Neumann Year. Mass will be held at 2 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul. Archbishop Charles J. Chaput is scheduled to be the main celebrant, and Redemptorist Archbishop Joseph W. Tobin will be the homilist. A ticketed reception will immediately follow at the Sheraton across the street. Tickets are \$25 each and must be purchased in advance. For more information call 1-877-876-7662 or visit [redemptorists.net/neumann](http://redemptorists.net/neumann).

The Redemptorists of the St. Martin's Community are happy to sponsor eight people to this dinner. Travel arrangements are personal responsibilities. First come, first served! So please email me at [woodscsr@aol.com](mailto:woodscsr@aol.com) or contact the parish office.

Easter is the greatest feast in the Church's calendar. This is the feast from which all others stem — the only feast kept by the early followers of the Lord. The Resurrection is so important that the Lord's followers observe every Sunday, the Lord's Day, as a "little Easter."

Lent has prepared us for the Resurrection feast. Now in similar fashion the Easter Season is the liturgical continuation of this greatest of feasts. The Easter Season lasts for 50 days. This amounts to seven weeks (or octaves), crowned with the feast of Pentecost. In fact, at the Pentecost Vigil Mass we say, "fifty days have celebrated the fullness of the mystery of your revealed love." This entire season is designed as a prolongation of Easter. The feast of the Ascension occurs 40 days after, but this does not change the spirit of the Easter Season. The Ascension celebration helps us look forward even more expectantly to the Holy Spirit and Pentecost. There are two special characteristics of the Easter Season. First is the Paschal Candle, which until Pentecost burns brightly at our liturgical celebrations. Second is the "Alleluia" — our victory cry or acclamation, over the Resurrection of our own Lord. "Alleluia" or "Hallelujah" is a Hebrew word meaning "Praise the Lord." In the Book of Revelation this is a special song of those who have been saved. As Augustine said, "We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song!" We stand for the Alleluia — as a physical reminder of Resurrection.



During Easter Season we read the Acts of the Apostles. This book, which is traditionally read after Easter, demonstrates the impact of the risen Christ on the young Church. In the special "Gospel of the 50 Days" John is theologically and strongly reflective of the Lord's Resurrection.

### CHRISTIAN MOTHERS ROSARY CONFRATERNITY

**Our General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 1st at 7:30 PM in the Parish Hall.**

We will be investing new members. Anyone interested in joining, please call Louise at (516) 735-1375. We will then have the May Crowning of the Blessed Mother and a living rosary, followed by the election of new officers. Refreshments will be served.



**SACRED HEART ACADEMY**  
**47 Cathedral Avenue, Hempstead NY**  
**Catholic High School Entrance Exam**  
**Prep Course**

August 20-24, 2012  
 September 8 and October 13, 2012  
 Cost: \$200 which includes all materials  
 Two sessions are available.  
 For information and applications,  
 please call: (516) 483-7383 x 249

*The Academy is also offering a PSAT  
 review course for any student entering his or her  
 Junior year in September 2012.*

**PSAT Review Course**  
 August 13-17, 2012  
 September 8 and September 22, 2012  
 Cost: \$200 which includes all materials  
 Students must bring their own calculators.

Two sessions are available.  
 For information and applications,  
 please call: (516) 483-7383 x 249

**ROCK OUT AUTISM SHOW APRIL 28**

SMT parishioner, Rafe Tangorra has put together the 4th Annual Rock-n-Roll benefit show to improve the quality of life and maximizing individuals potential for people of all ages affected by the Autism spectrum disorder.

**So SAVE THE DATE...**

**Saturday, April 28 at the Nutty Irishman,  
 323 Main Street, Farmingdale from 2:00—  
 8:00 PM. Tickets are \$10.00 in advance and  
 \$15.00 at the door.**



Performing will be *Homebound, Nick Tangorra (MSG Varsity Talent Show representing Bethpage H.S.), Paging Grace, Trish Torrales and the #1 Foreigner Tribute Band, Head Games.*

**Contact information:**

www.rockoutautism.com or  
 Rafe Tangorra: rafetangorra@gmail.com.

**SAINT ANTHONY'S HIGH SCHOOL**

Saint Anthony's Spring Concert of Choral and Instrumental Music will be held on Friday, May 11 and Saturday, May 12.



For more information, please call (631) 271-2020 or visit them on the web at stanthonys.org.

**St. Martin of Tours**  
**Knights of Columbus 5033**  
**Catholic War Veterans 1938**

**BLOOD DRIVE**

**Wednesday, May 21, 2012**

**2:30—8:30 PM**

**517 Central Avenue, Bethpage**  
**Knights of Columbus Hall**

Your donation will help to save up to THREE lives. Our community hospitals need your help  
 Please share this lifesaving gift.

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**

- Bring ID with signature or photo
- Minimum weight 110 lbs
- Age 16-75 (16 year olds must have parental permission. Anyone ages 76 and over need a doctor's note.)
- Eat well (low fat) and drink fluids
- No tattoos for past 12 months

For questions concerning medical eligibility, please call 800-688-0900. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact Jack Batt at (516) 868-8192.

### The Offertory Procession

At the offertory of the Mass, the bread and wine are brought to the altar by parishioners. We do this because the bread and wine are symbols of our lives. They are made of the most basic substances of life: wheat and grapes. They are food. We know that they will be transformed into the Body of Christ. Bringing them up in procession is a symbolic act whereby we are placing ourselves, and all the moments of our lives, with these gifts to be given to God. What we give, what we offer, will become graced by the power of God's grace in the Eucharist. We also take up the collection, our offering, at this time of the Mass. We offer our hard work, and some of what we earn through our efforts, as a gift to God for his Church. This too is a very symbolic act.

Another offering of our parish that occurs at the weekend masses are the donation to the food pantry. The red wagon in the gathering space is filled with food and other items that will help those who are in need. This is also a generous offering from our lives. It is to not only give to our God, but to our brothers and sisters. As part of our offertory procession, along with the bread and wine, we will have some of these goods carried up in a basket as a symbol of the parish donation and our outreach to those in need. This too is an offering to God.

### NEW BOOK OF THE GOSPELS



We have just purchased a new *Book of the Gospels* that we will soon be using at our Sunday Liturgies. It will be carried in the entrance procession and used for the gospel readings.

If you missed the opportunity to have your beloved deceased or to have your family name written in the New Missals, you are invited to do so now for the Book of the Gospels. The suggested donation is \$25.00 *due by May 1st*. You can stop by the rectory and give Barbara or Genny the information.

### FOR HELP IN A CRISIS PREGNANCY

**Call Diana Miranda**  
**(C)830-5077 or (H) 605-1979**

**ROSELINE, LIFE CENTER 24 HOURS (631) 243-2373. Baby Safe Haven, Safe Babies, Safe Place at 1(877) 796-HOPE. Adoption, Foster Care, Maternity Services, Catholic Home Bureau 1(800) 592-4357.**

### REPRISE OF THE SERIES ON CATHOLICISM

During the Saturdays of Lent, we have been showing Father Marrow's excellent series entitled *Catholicism*. These videos are very inspirational and educational. Perhaps, you have seen them on PBS or EWTN. They are making a great impact in many parishes and schools.

We will show the final five videos on the following dates in the Parish Hall at 9:45 a.m.:

Saturday, April 21  
Friday, April 27  
Friday, May 4  
Friday, May 11

With first communions coming up, the Saturdays in May were not available. If you have not seen any of these videos, there is no problem in starting now since each episode can stand alone, and it is not necessary that you have seen the previous ones

I am considering showing these videos in the evening in the fall since I think they are that good.

*Father Pat*

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION TRAINING

For those interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Communion, please write a letter to the pastor stating your desire to do so. The following are locations for mandatory ministry training. *Please state which sessions you prefer for both "A" and "B."*

**E.M. "B" Session -  
Sat., May 19 from 9 AM to 1PM  
Kellenberg High School, Uniondale**

**If you prefer evening sessions, here are the dates and times at St. Elizabeth Parish, Melville**

**"A" Session -  
Wednesday, May 2 from 7:30 to 10 PM**

**"B" Session -  
Wednesday, May 9 from 7:30 to 10 PM**

## Tired of your daily routine?

Take a peaceful three day break and join us for a relaxing stress free trip to the Pennsylvania Dutch Country from June 12 - 14. It is for 3 days and 2 nights that include the following:



- Motor coach transportation
- Two nights lodging
- Four meals (2 breakfasts and 2 dinners)
- Spectacular "Jonah" show at the Sight and Sound Millennium Theatre
- Guided tour of Lancaster including Amish Country
- Visit to the charming Kitchen Kettle Village
- And much more!

Price is \$335 per person, double occupancy. Add \$60 for single occupancy. For more info please contact Deacon Tom Hennessy at 516-935-1193.

## AN EVENING WITH DR. ALVEDA KING

Dr. King is the niece of  
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.  
**ONE NIGHT ONLY!!!!!!**

**DATE: TUESDAY, JUNE 19**

**7:30 - 9:00 pm**

**WHERE: Cure of Ars Church Hall  
2323 Merrick Av., Merrick, N.Y.**

**General Admission Seating: \$25 per person.**

**DOORS OPEN AT 7PM**

For information or to purchase tickets, please  
call (516) 798-8746 or (516) 817-0246

Or go to [www.lifecenterli.org](http://www.lifecenterli.org)  
or facebook at [www.facebook.com/](http://www.facebook.com/)

## ADVOCATES MEETING

**Building  
Awareness..Acceptance..Support..Respite**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2012  
10 AM TO 12 NOON**

**ST. BERNARD'S PARISH CENTER  
3100 HEMPSTEAD TURNPIKE,  
LEVITTOWN NY 11756**

To register, please email your response to  
[marusso@drvc.org](mailto:marusso@drvc.org) or call 516-678-5800 x 540  
or fax 536-3473

go to [http://www.drvc-faith.org/  
specialneeds.html](http://www.drvc-faith.org/specialneeds.html)

and click on the Advocates meeting icon  
to fill out the registration form.



**Life Teen:** There will be NO Life Night on April 22. Please pray for Erin, Carol, Kristin and Sylvana as they attend the Life Teen Women's Retreat in Georgia!

The next Life Night will be on April 29th at 7pm following the 5:30 Life Teen Mass. All High School aged teens are welcome!

**Edge:** Our next meeting is on April 27. All 6th, 7th, and 8th graders are welcome!

**Parent Life:** All parents of middle and high school youth are invited to attend Parent Life Meetings. Contact Erin for the next meeting date or for more information.

Please visit us on the parish website: [www.smtbethpage.com](http://www.smtbethpage.com) for photos and more information! To contact Erin, you can e-mail [EKHoran@yahoo.com](mailto:EKHoran@yahoo.com).

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Life Teen Ministry has Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction on the 2nd Tuesday of the month beginning at 7:00 PM in the Church.



However, due to First Communion practice on Tuesday, May 8th, our next Adoration service is Tuesday, May 15th.

Everyone is welcome to join us in adoring, praising and loving Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.



**The Knights of Columbus** is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. We offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, please contact General Agent Charles Lyon 516-678-1627 or [charles.lyon@kofc.org](mailto:charles.lyon@kofc.org). Thank you!

### GLUTEN FREE HOSTS

St. Martin's always has a supply of hosts available for anyone who is on a gluten free diet. Please seek out the sacristan *before mass* so that the priest is prepared to include it for consecration. Please be sure to follow this procedure every time you attend mass.

*Special thanks* to Pat Belmonte for all the pictures she takes of all our events and for posting them in the gathering space.

*Special thanks also* to Frank DeCicco for his timeless effort to display the names of all our troops that have died for our country. Please visit the books as you pray before Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

### The Catholic Counseling Center

Professional therapy, provided by NYS licensed therapists, is available to our parish. This program, under the direction of Dr. George Giuliani is provided by the Catholic Counseling Center which is independent of and not controlled or supervised by the parish or the diocese. Most insurance policies, including Medicare, are honored.

Confidential information and appointments are available by calling Dr. Giuliani at 631-243-2503 or go to their website at <http://thecatholiccounselingcenter.com>.

### RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

#### YOUNG ADULTS MAKE CHASTITY MESSAGE REAL FOR TEENS

**GENERATION LIFE** is a movement of young people just a year out of college, committed to building a "culture of life" by educating their peers on pro-life and chastity messages. *Generation Life*, a Philadelphia based program whose members consider themselves "missionaries, who devote a year of their lives after college to the program." During the week of April 16 -20, they presented their program to 7th and 8th graders who are studying for their confirmation in a few parish religious education programs, that included Maria Regina in Seaford, St. James in Setauket, SS. Peter and Paul in Manorville, Christ the King in Commack and St. Joseph's in Babylon. There will also be a preview of the **GENERATION LIFE PRESENTATION AT 9am at the RESPECT LIFE CONFERENCE on April 26th at the SEMINARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION in Huntington.**



Allison O'Brien, Rockville Centre's Respect Life Office Director, saw the presentation and said, "It was a very powerful witness to see, especially the way the kids responded to them." The program consists of a talk about chastity and a video presentation. *We'll separate the girls and boys at one point.* O'Brien stated that a chastity program presented by young adults who are not much older than the students is also important. *There's a generation gap! You want to hear this message from someone who is not too much older, and the thing is, they are actually living what they say. Kids will ask them, and they proclaim it proudly."*

**Where: Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington, NY.**

**When: April 26th at 9 am. For more information on the program or to register for the Conference, go to <http://www.drvc.org/respect-life/generation-life-html>.**

*source: LI Catholic*



**The Diocese of Rockville Centre  
Golden Wedding Liturgy Honoring  
Couples Married 50 Years or More**

This spring, couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at the liturgy on Sunday, May 20th at Maria Regina in Seaford beginning at 2:30. Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory.

Registration must be received by the Office of Worship by May 3rd for the May liturgy. There will be additional celebrations in the fall for those who may find that more convenient. If you have any questions you may call (516) 678-5800 extension 207.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

We have a beautiful holy hour every month that is put on by our Life Teen Youth Ministry. It is at 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month. The music and prayer time is very moving.

Last month, we had another holy hour during the day with the Blessed Sacrament exposed. There was a very good response to this holy hour. We will have another holy hour on Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. It will be time of prayer and quiet reflection and all are invited to come for all or part of it. Our Lord has given us an incredible gift in his Real Presence in the Eucharist. We think of Jesus' words before he went to the Garden of Gethsemane: *Could you not watch with me for an hour?*

**HEALING MASSES**

**The Cathedral of Saint Patrick  
460 Madison Avenue, NYC**

**COME JOIN US—REMAIN IN HOPE!**

**For cancer patients, survivors, their families, friends and the medical community:**

**The 3rd annual Healing Mass - including the communal rite of anointing the sick - and devotion to Saint Peregrin, patron saint of cancer, will be held on the Main Altar, TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2012 at 7 PM in the Cathedral. No tickets needed.**

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**For those suffering from emotional and psychological difficulties and illness of the mind such as Alzheimer's or Autism, their families, friends and the mental health community:**

**The 3rd annual Healing Mass- including the communal rite of anointing the sick - and devotion to Saint Dymphna, patron saint of mental health, will be held on the Main Altar, TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2012 at 7 PM in the Cathedral. No tickets needed.**

*"May the Lord ensure that no one is alone or abandoned in a time of need, but, on the contrary, can live illness too in accordance with human dignity." — Pope Benedict XVI*

**2012 Catholic Ministries Appeal: One Faith, One Hope, Many Gifts**

The Catholic Ministries Appeal helps our Church support many ministries, services, and programs in the 133 parishes across Long Island. Because of the tremendous generosity of the people of this parish and others throughout the Diocese, the Appeal touches more than 600,000 people each year.

The Catholic Ministries Appeal supports our efforts to:

**LIVE AND SHARE OUR FAITH** by providing support for religious education programs for public school children, faith formation for those receiving the Sacraments, and vocations for the formation of our priests, deacons and lay leaders.

**CARE FOR GOD'S PEOPLE** through support for the great works of our Parish Outreach programs and Catholic Charities. The Appeal also supports other programs that help us care for God's people, including our hospital and prison ministries that reach out to people at the most vulnerable times of their lives. Respect Life initiatives, and our Mission in the Dominican Republic.

**BUILD GOD'S KINGDOM** by supporting programs that reach out to Catholics of all races and backgrounds because we are one family united in Christ. We celebrate special needs masses for children and adults, and we have vibrant college campus ministry and dynamic youth ministry programs that encourage our young people to live their faith each day.

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