

Masses For The Week**Monday - July 22**

6:30 Grace Baker
9:00 Peter M. Moscher

Tuesday - July 23

6:30 Edward Naughton
9:00 Janet Marrano

Wednesday - July 24

6:30 Theresa Sala
9:00 Gerolomo & Elena Pignitarro, Anniversary

Thursday - July 25

6:30 Agnes Upton
9:00 Giovanni & Lena Giannuzzi

Friday - July 26

6:30 Alfred Urbanski
9:00 James M. Ford

Saturday - July 27

9:00 **Multiple Intentions Announced at Mass**
5:00 Victoria Moralas
7:00 John & Anna & Edward Helldorfer

Sunday - July 28

7:00 The People of the Parish
8:30 Mary-Gwen Imbornoni
10:00 Rae Beto
11:30 Robert Hermann, 6th Anniversary
1:00 William McCabe & Family
5:30 John & Christopher Curry

Readings For The Week

Mon. Exodus 14:5-18; John 20:1-2, 11-18
Tues. Exodus 14:21-15:1; Matthew 12:46-50
Wed. Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15; Matthew 13:1-9
Thurs. 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Matthew 20:20-28
Fri. Exodus 20:1-17; Matthew 13:18-23
Sat. Exodus 24:3-8; Matthew 13:24-30
Sun. **Genesis 18:20-32** *The Lord was outraged at the sinfulness of Sodom and Gomorrah and was determined to destroy them, but Abraham interceded on behalf of the innocent who lived in those town.*

Colossians 2:12-14 *The author of Colossians wrote, "You were buried with him in baptism...also raised with him." God has forgiven all our transgressions and "removed it from our midst, nailing it to the cross."*

Luke 11:1-13 *Jesus taught his disciples the "Abba" prayer. He encouraged them to pray with persistence and to keep knocking on the door. "For every one who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds."*



Saint Maria
Faustina

Divine Mercy Novena
Every Friday at 2:00 p.m.
in the Eucharistic Chapel
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift**Weekend Collection for July 13/14**

Amount Budgeted: \$17,500.00

Amount Received: \$15,862.84

Thank you for your generosity & support!

You may have noticed that the collection has been under budget by between \$1,500 and \$2,000 for many weeks. This is a concern for all of us. I do know that we have had some 2nd collections (mandated by the Diocese), and it is almost always the case that there is a drop in our collection when there is a 2nd collection. Also I would like to think that people are on vacation and away from the parish. I would ask you to consider supporting the parish even when you are on vacation. Our expenses continue in the summer. I am reluctant to even mention money since you are so generous, but I do worry about paying for the cost of running our parish.

Thank you, Father Pat



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.

Charismatic Prayer Group**Let Yourself Be Carried**

It's good to be strong but there are times when you just can't feel it. Be assured that God is right there to pick you up and carry you for however long you need it. This puzzle piece of your life will make sense when God shows you the completed puzzle!



Our next meeting is Monday, July 22nd at 7:30 p.m. in the Church. Come and bring your questions! All ages 18 and over are welcome. Call (516) 993-9672 for any prayer requests or more information.

St. Martin of Tours HOP Club

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| July 15 | #562 | Frances Sutton | \$25.00 |
| July 16 | #522 | Thomas Schimmoller | \$25.00 |
| July 17 | #66 | Thomas Imbornoni | \$25.00 |
| July 18 | #221 | Ledwin & Jack Mason | \$25.00 |
| July 19 | #559 | Geraldine E. O'Brien | \$250.00 |

St. Martin of Tours Wedding Banns**1st Christopher Fieger & Kristen Krepela**

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

This week the Food Pantry is low on oil, sugar, salad dressing, pasta & pasta sauce, Chef Boyardee cans, hearty soups, ketchup, pancake mix & syrup, chili, beef stew, canned ham, peanut butter, canned fruit, creamed corn, mixed vegetables, peas, dish soap, laundry soap, paper towels, bar soap, tissues, shampoo, conditioner, tooth paste & toothbrushes. Thank you for your generous support! God bless you all!

Food Pantry:

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

Upcoming Events: We will celebrate the **Sacrament of the Sick on Saturday, August 3rd at the 9AM Mass.** Anyone suffering from a serious medical condition, a chronic condition, the effects of aging significant psychological challenges and serious spiritual difficulties is welcome to be anointed.

If you are facing an upcoming surgery or medical procedure, you are always welcome to ask one of the priests before or after Mass for the Sacrament of the Sick. You can also stop by the rectory and ask for a priest.

Our monthly **Holy Hour** will be on Tuesday, July 30th at 3PM.

RECTORY OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Please note that the office hours during the summer from Monday, July 1 to Friday, September 6 are as follows:

DAYTIME HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9:00 am — 3:00 pm

EVENING HOURS

Monday, Wednesday & Friday

3:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Tuesday and Thursday

4:30 pm - 7:30 pm

SATURDAY: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm

CLOSED ON SUNDAY

Please pray for the sick of our parish:

Reminder: please call the rectory at 931-0818 to remove a name off the list. Thank you.

*Helena Carroll, Pat Pedone, Vincent Valenti
Ledwin Mason, Leevalli Annearosa, Fran Pignataro
Skylar Vega, Catherine Dalessio, Leigh Murphy
Helena Mulligan, Richard Piernini, John Tortorice
Joseph Simon, Douglas Torres, Gina Cava
James Robertson, Amy Hayes, Mom & Dad, Robert Tyd
Helena Mulligan, Bill Kelly, Matthew Messina
Sharon Shiepkio, Christopher Gratton, John Mitchell
Salvatore Accardi, Christine Ketchem, Peggy Namiotka
Pat Cannata, Barbara Thompson, Donald Castor
Joann Bruno, Dorothy Quinn, Edith Lagan
Henry & Marie Niemczyk, Bud Pehrsson, Jim Fanning
Joseph Hughes, Sr., Zachery Duff, Gerry O'Brien
Sam Zubov, Christine Chiarappa, Brendan McMahon*

Reflection & Living Stewardship

Today's readings speak of hospitality. Abraham, who cheerfully did for his guests all that desert hospitality required, was rewarded with his heart's desire - a son. Martha also busied herself with all the details of hospitality but grudgingly and with complaint. Am I a cheerful or a grudging giver?

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who feed the hungry through such efforts as St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry or Long Island Cares Harry Chapin Food Bank, etc.

**Thought for the Week**

"Just keep swimming."

- Dory in *Finding Nemo*



Week of July 21 - July 27, 2013

Altar Bread & Wine

*In Loving Memory of
Helen Fanning*

Letter from the Pastor

A Catholic Mass whether celebrated at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome with a 100 member choir or on a simple table in a nursing home with a dozing congregation, is the central act of the dying and rising of Christ. The Mass is the Mass. Still as I reflect on my years as a priest, I have had the opportunity to celebrate Mass in some very profound and personally emotional settings that have touched me deeply. I recall my first trip to Ireland and saying masses in the village churches of my Mom and Dad in County Clare. I can still feel the power of celebrating the Eucharist at the grotto of Lourdes where the Blessed Mother appeared to St. Bernadette. I concelebrated Mass in the square of St. Peter's in Rome, a few feet away from soon-to-be Saint John Paul II. I have said mass on a coffee table in our living room as my Mom and Dad aged and not able to get to Church. I said Mass in a jail in Kingston, NY. My cousin asked me to celebrate Mass in his tavern he had just opened as a way of blessing his place of business. I conducted the Eucharist in front of the original icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Rome.

On my recent trip to the Holy Land, I celebrated the Sacred Liturgy at the site of the Agony in the Garden in Gethsemane, at the Chapel of the Shepherds in Bethlehem, outdoors on the hillside of the Mount of the Beatitudes, and at the site of the home of Martha and Lazarus. In all of these sites, the liturgies were graced that our Lord had once been physically present there.

The Mass that has stayed with me the most was the one I participated in at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem. The evidence is very strong that this church houses both the place where Jesus died on the cross at Calvary and the rock carved tomb where he was buried and from which he rose on the first Easter Sunday morning. It is a most sacred place for all who believe in Jesus Christ. It is a large church with two levels. It is usually crowded with pilgrims seeking to venerate the place where the cross of Jesus stood in the ground and the tomb where Jesus' body remained for three days.

These two sites are not too far apart. Today, the church is home to branches of Eastern Orthodoxy and Oriental Orthodoxy as well as to Roman Catholicism. I had naively thought all the places in the Holy Land were under the Catholic Church, but other Christian branches also have their historic claims on these holy places. Schedules are worked out so that the pilgrims have the opportunity to visit Calvary and the Tomb, whatever their particular faith tradition.

Our tour guides were able to schedule us to access the tomb of Christ for 30 minutes on June 27th. Our Mass was to be at 7:00 a.m. in the morning. All twenty-one of us gathered near the tomb at about 6:45 a.m. and waited eagerly for our time to see this most holy ground. On the stroke of seven, a group of pilgrims came out of the tomb and we went in. The tomb has an outer chamber that is about the size of an average living or dining room, and an inner chamber that is much smaller, capable of holding only one or two people. The outer room was where the body of Christ was prepared with spices and the burial cloth. The inner chamber in where his body lay after his death. There is an altar above the area where Jesus' body was. It is a tomb-like cave, and you are surrounded by rock. To get into the inner chamber, you have to bend pretty low to step under the rocky entrance.

Since our chaplain had to leave early, I had the honor of celebrating the Mass. When we were in the tomb, the door was closed behind us; it was our sacred and holy space for the next 30 minutes. All of us pilgrims were in awe of where we were standing. I invited everyone to think of their loved ones who had died since I wanted to say Mass for all of these beloved deceased. I began the Mass in the area of the tomb while the group was in the outer room. I said the prayers and could hear them bouncing off the rocks. The people could not see me due to the narrow entrance into the tomb, but they could easily hear me. After the consecration on the altar, I came out to be part of the small congregation and to lead the rest of the Mass.

We received the Risen Body of Christ in the very place where his broken, bleeding body had been placed. We embraced the Risen Lord. I transformed bread and wine in the place where God the Father, through the power of the Holy Spirit, raised Jesus. On this most sacred ground, we all knew that our Catholic faith, the meaning of our lives, began on an Easter morning two thousand years ago. There are no words to describe what I felt and I am sure that is true for all the other pilgrims.

I was very conscious of the time since I had been told that when the half hour was up, we would have to leave, no matter what part of the Mass were at. My homily was very brief. I had no words to match where we were praying. After communion, we had about six or so minutes left, and I invited the others to go into the carved cave and reverence the place of Christ's death and resurrection. It was so very quiet and reverent; all respected the time and space of each other.

As I looked at my watch, it was 7:28 a.m. I prayed, "Go, the Mass is ended" - the prayer with which we end Mass. This prayer really means go and live what you have experienced at Mass. Because of what happened in the Tomb of the Resurrection, there never is an end to the Mass. Christ, in his people and church and at every Mass celebrated, continues to die and rise for each one of us.

Father Pat, CSSR

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www.smtbethpage.org

Feast of the Most Holy Redeemer

Redemptorists throughout the world celebrate the Feast of the Holy Redeemer on the third Sunday of July. St. Alphonsus Liguori founded the order on November 9, 1732 in a little village outside of the city of Naples called Scala. His dream in founding the Redemptorists was to bring the word of God to people who were not having the opportunity to hear it. Today there are more the 5,500 Redemptorists in 77 countries.

Since St. Alphonsus wanted to follow Jesus Christ in a very close manner, the original name of the order was the Congregation of the Most Holy Savior. However, it was discovered that there was already another order with a similar title, so the Vatican changed our name to the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer. The name *The Redemptorists* is really a kind of nickname based on the word Redeemer. When a Redemptorist signs his name on a formal document, or even casually, they write the initials *C.Ss.R.* after their name. These abbreviations are in Latin: *Congregatio Sanctissimi Redemptoris*, and stand for the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer. We ask your prayers on this special day for all Redemptorists throughout the world that we may always be faithful to preaching the Good News of Jesus Christ.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 27: Driver Ed Course 8:30AM
- July 30: Holy Hour 3PM
- Aug 3: Sacrament of the Sick 9AM Mass
- Aug 9: SMT Blood Drive 2:30-8:30PM
- Aug 14: Assumption 7PM Vigil Mass
- Aug 15: Assumption 6:30, 9, Noon, 7PM Mass
- Aug 15: Rectory Closed
- Aug 23: Life Line Screening 9AM
- Aug 23: Summer Parish Block Party

PREPARING FOR MARRIAGE

Engaged Encounter is an effective weekend program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Couples are given the opportunity to explore many aspects of their relationship through a series of presentations, writings and dialog. There are group discussions.

The next weekend will be at **the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington from October 18-20**. For information and registration, please call (631) 423-0483.

The Catholic Counseling Center 12 Ryder Court, Dix Hills NY 11746

Professional therapy, provided by NYS licensed therapists, is available to our parish and 147 other parishes. This program, under the direction of George A. Giuliani, PhD, Director/Psychologist, 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.

You may visit his website at
<http://thecatholiccounselingcenter.com>.

GLUTEN, PEANUT & DAIRY FREE HOSTS



St. Martin's always has a supply of hosts available for anyone who is allergy-sensitive to these types of foods. 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.

St. James Carnival

Our neighboring parish of St. James, 80 Hicksville Road, Seaford will be hosting their annual carnival from **July 23rd through July 27th**. Five fun-filled nights!! Rides, Games, World Famous Sausage & Peppers as well as the "family recipe," homemade Zeppoles!

Opportunity to pre-purchase discount ride tickets (50% off) will be available at the St. James Parish Center from July 7th through July 27th, 9AM to 4PM only (closed noon to 1), Monday through Friday. Raffles and chances to win \$10,000 will be available. Pay One Price Nights July 25, 26 & 27.

For further information, please call the Parish Center at 516-731-3710.

DRIVER EDUCATION CONSULTANTS



St. Martin of Tours will host a 6-hour Class 1 Defensive Driving Course on **Saturday, July 27th from 8:30 - 3:00 in St. Alphonsus Hall.**

To Register: please call (631) 360-9720, Monday-Friday from 9AM to 4PM. The cost is \$45.00 per person.

Requirements:

Minimum enrollment is 15 people
Maximum enrollment is 40 people

Martin Z. Hirschfield, Instructor
mzhirschfield@aol.com





St. Martin's Life Teen program is for all high school aged teens (9th-12th grade). Life Teen gathers every Sunday for the 5:30pm Youth Mass and every Sunday night from 7-8:30pm in the Youth Center (room 107 of the school) for our Life Nights. Each week we gather to grow in faith and friendship with Christ & each other. Check out our parish website for a calendar of events at www.smtbethpage.org or contact Erin at EKHoran@yahoo.com.



EDGE The Edge program is for all middle school aged student (6th-8th grade). Edge meets every other Thursday evening from 7-8:30pm. This program is a wonderful way for young adolescents to grow in their faith as well as build lasting friendships.



PARENT LIFE Parent Life is designed to give parents an opportunity to support their parish ministry programs while strengthening their own relationship with Christ and His Church. Parent Life meets once a month on Sundays following the 5:30pm Mass in the school building. **All parents and adults are welcome!**

When Traveling This Summer:

*Please call 1(410) 676-6000
for Mass times in the U.S.*

Out of Respect for Our Lord

We ask men and women, boys and girls to appear in Church modestly and respectfully dressed. Your cooperation is evidence of your love for Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and His Holy Mother.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

There is no Life Teen sponsored Adoration during the months of July and August.

The next Adoration service is Tuesday, September 10th in the Church at 7PM

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

We fervently hope that you come and join us in prayer and adoration of the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

The music and praise that are lifted up to Heaven will bring you to a place of peace and hope, and leave you with a deeper yearning of He who was, He who is and He who is to come!

Everyone is welcome!



Summer Bible Camp: Friends of Jesus

Dear Parents,

I am happy to welcome you and your child into the St. Martin Summer Bible Camp. It is a delight to have your child participate in this week. The goal of our program is to give the children a joyful experience of the Good News of Jesus in the Gospels, with an occasional step into the Old Testament and the Acts of the Apostles. It is summer and we want the children to experience the Camp as fun, but at the same time we seek to share topics such as how blessed we all are to have been made by God; to have God send his Son Jesus to tell us how God loves us and wants us to be happy; and how to share that love with one another. We will share these truths at a level we believe they can all grasp.

The Summer Bible Camp will run from **August 12th to August 16th**. We will start the day at 9:30 a.m. and conclude each day at 12:00 p.m. The camp will begin and conclude each day at St. Alphonsus Hall. There will be no field trips and the entire program will be conducted at St. Martin's.

The cost of the camp is \$20.00 per child. Families that have more than one child are asked to pay \$30.00 for two children and 10:00 for each addition child. We will accept no more than 35 children between five and ten years old. Since this is our first summer camp, we want to start small. Registration will begin on July 15th and conclude on July 24th. Preference will be given to families who pre-registered through the CCD program when the flyers were sent home with the children. You are welcome to register at the parish office during the hours:

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| Day Hours: | Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. |
| Evening Hours: | Monday, Wednesday & Friday 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. |
| Weekend: | Saturday 9:00 a.m. to Noon & 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. |
| Closed Sunday | |

The camp will consist of Bible story telling, prayer, music, arts and crafts, play time, and the interaction of the children. We are blessed to have trained teachers and mature adults who have all undergone the Diocesan Virtus Program. We will also have a few well-screened teens to assist us in the camp. There will be tee shirts for the children, but it is not required that they wear them to the camp each day. Obviously, our Bible camp will have a Catholic focus in terms of what is presented to the children.

The safety of your child is of the utmost concern to us so we will follow these procedures in terms of dropping your child off and picking them: Each child and each parent (or whoever shall be picking up) will receive a name tag. The children will wear their name tags during camp and we ask that the person picking up to please wear their name tag at dismissal. If there is a change in the person who will pick up your child, it is necessary for you to contact us in advance in order for us to release your child. More specific details will be provided during registration.

Father Patrick Woods CSSR

St. Martin: Friends of Jesus Summer Bible Camp
Registration Form

Last day of Registration is Wednesday, July 24th

Name of child/children _____

Date of Birth _____

Age _____

Last Grade Completed _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Emergency Contact _____

Phone Numbers _____

Allergies _____

Food Allergies _____

Special Needs _____

Tee Shirt Size _____

PLEASE PRAY CONSTANTLY FOR THOSE SERVING IN OUR MILITARY

Please call the rectory at 931-0818 or email woodscssr@aol.com or gamit1946@hotmail.com to add your loved one to this prayer list. Our whole parish is united in prayer for safe return home of:



Dr. Brian McGrath - MAJ USA, Afghanistan
 Captain Gregory Holownia, US Army
 Seaman Matthew Sadecki, US Coast Guard
 Cpl. Zachary John Sheehy, USMC



VIRTUS TRAINING Protecting All God's Children

If you wish to volunteer in any capacity in a parish, the Diocese of Rockville Centre requires that you first register for Virtus by logging on to www.virtus.com, look for "registration" at the left column and follow the instructions.

If you do not have access to the internet, please pick up a packet at the rectory office. Complete it and bring it with you to the Virtus training session.

Next Virtus at St. Martin of Tours

Tuesday, July 23rd at 7PM
Faculty Room of the School Building

FOR HELP IN A CRISIS PREGNANCY

Call Diana Hart Mirando
 (C)830-5077 (H) 605-1979

ROSELINE, LIFE CENTER 24 HOURS,
 RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT (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.

HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAMS

St. Dominic High School

110 Anstice Street
 Oyster Bay NY 11771-3599

2013 Catholic High School
 Entrance Exam Prep Course
 September 14, 21, 28 and

October 5 and 12

9:00 am - 11:30 am

Course Fee \$250.00

Please Contact Mrs. Stutzmann
 (516) 922-4888 x 5241

Holy Trinity Diocesan High School

98 Cherry Lane
 Hicksville NY 11801-6232

2013 Catholic High School
 Entrance Exam Prep Course
 Five 2 1/2 hour Saturday morning sessions
 Includes review in English and Math
 as well as practice tests
 Course begins September 14, 2013
 Course Fee \$250.00
 For addition information please visit
holytrinityhs/echalk.com or call
 (516) 433-2900

Saints Joachim and Anne - July 26th
(from the Franciscans "Saint of the Day")

In the Scriptures, Matthew and Luke furnish a legal family history of Jesus, tracing ancestry to show that Jesus is the culmination of great promises. Not only is his mother's family neglected, we also know nothing factual about them except that they existed. Even the names Joachim and Anne come from a legendary source written more than a century after Jesus died.



The heroism and holiness of these people, however, is inferred from the whole family atmosphere around Mary in the Scriptures. Whether we rely on the legends about Mary's childhood or make guesses from the information in the Bible, we see in her a fulfillment of many generations of prayerful persons, herself steeped in the religious traditions of her people.

The strong character of Mary in making decisions, her continuous practice of prayer, her devotion to the laws of her faith, her steadiness at moments of crisis, and her devotion to her relatives-all indicate a close-knit, loving family that looked forward to the next generation even while retaining the best of the past.

Joachim and Anne-whether these are their real names or not-represent that entire quiet series of generations who faithfully perform their duties, practice their faith and establish an atmosphere for the coming of the Messiah, but remain obscure.

Comment: This is the "feast of grandparents." It reminds grandparents of their responsibility to establish a tone for generations to come. They must make the traditions live and offer them as a promise to little children. But the feast has a message for the younger generation as well. It reminds them that older people's greater perspective, depth of experience and appreciation of life's profound rhythms are all part of a wisdom not to be taken lightly or ignored.

MISSION COLLECTION WEEKEND

Our mission collection is in support of the mission that the Diocese of Rockville Centre has in the Dominican Republic. This year our collection takes place this weekend, July 20th and 21st with Deacon Mike Monahan speaking at all masses.

Priests and Sisters from our diocese are helping to bring the Gospel to this land which suffers great poverty. We can be proud that in spite of all the needs our diocese has, there is the commitment to reach out to other people in great need.

- Father Pat

DUCKS BASEBALL AND FIREWORKS FOR LIFE

Date: Tuesday, July 30th
Time: 7:05 pm (gates open at 6:05 pm)
Price: \$18.00 Free Parking
Contact: Margie Reilly
 (631) 839-2854
Opponent: Maryland Blue Crabs

**Family fun! Grucci fireworks
 show included after the game!!!**

**All checks payable to
 Life Center of L.I.**

**Attn: LI Duck's Fundraiser
 1767 Deer Park Ave., Deer Park, NY 11729**

**Third Order Carmelites (TOC) or
 Lay Carmelites**

Are you being called to contemplative prayer and a deeper relationship with our Lord? The St. Joseph Chapter of Third Order Carmelites (TOC) provides a community for lay persons affiliated with Carmelites (Third Order Secular). We gather monthly for mass, prayer, a general meeting and ongoing formation.

General meetings every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Abbey at St. William in Seaford. We invite you to come and sit in on a meeting. For additional information, please call Maryanne at (516) 799-0439.

RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

BETHPAGE YESTERDAY AND TODAY

(Part 1 of a two part history of Bethpage)

THOMAS POWELL: Several Native American groups were involved with the Bethpage area prior to its settlement by Quakers. The Massapequa, Secatog and Matinecock all roamed the area and had some claim to it. Thomas Powell, a devout Quaker, originally owned land in Huntington. In 1695 he bought the land from the Massapequa, Secatog and Matinecock people and paid 140 sterling pounds. Powell called his land Bethpage (which means "house of figs") because it was in between Jericho and Jerusalem, just like in Israel. Jerusalem is now called Wantagh and Island Trees. Powell originally built himself a house on a street now known as Hempstead Turnpike. After his fifteen children grew up, Powell built himself a new house on Merritt Road and gave his original house to his son and his new wife. Unfortunately, that house was destroyed in 1931. Powell died on December 28, 1721.

BETHPAGE AS CENTRAL PARK: Even though Thomas Powell named his land Bethpage, the people who eventually moved here in the 1850's pressured the village to change its name to Central Park. Land speculators (people who moved here and bought land just so they can sell it to other people) thought that by naming the village Central Park more people would want to move here. They thought of this name before the park in New York City was made and they officially changed it in 1857. The name was eventually changed back to Bethpage in 1936 because of the complaints made by villagers. Later residents of the Bethpage area went to school at the Bedelltown School built at the corner of Broadway and Plainview Roads in 1858. Children did not have to go to school then and indeed many did not. The second Bedelltown School was built on property that would now be the Bethpage High School football field. This one room building was built in the 1890's. It was an improvement upon the first because it had heating and a well for water. Also it was higher ground and did not flood as much as the original school. In 1912 the much larger Powell Avenue School was built on the current site of the Bethpage Public Library which was built in 1963 and remodeled in 1995.

In 1950, the Broadway School (now John F. Kennedy Middle School) was constructed on land that in earlier years was used for farming. This first served as the junior high and high school. Prior to this time, students attended Farmingdale High School, and at an even earlier date, attended school in Mineola. The "Baby Boomers" (the large number of babies born after World War II) created a need for more schools. The following schools were built: Pine Avenue (1954), Central High School (1959), Charles Champagne (1962). In addition to the public schools, St. Martin of Tours Roman Catholic School was opened in the 1950's. It was then renamed the La Salle Regional Academy.

RELIGIOUS BETHPAGE: Bethpage is the home of several houses of worship. The first to be built in Bethpage was the Methodist Episcopal Church founded by Joshua Powell in 1835. There were several Quaker meeting houses in the area. Up until the early 1900's Methodists and Quakers dominated the lands. A large number of Irish and Italians came to Bethpage and brought Catholicism. St. Martin of Tours Roman Catholic Church on Central Avenue was opened in 1924. In 1922, St. Paul's Lutheran Church opened. The Bethpage Assembly of God Church was built in 1957 as well as the Bethpage Jewish Community Center. Around 1974, a Hellenic Orthodox Church named St. Isidoros was opened.

NEXT WEEK: An image of Our Lady appears on the wall of St. Martin's. Bethpage and the Railroad. Grumman comes to Bethpage.

St. Martin of Tours BLOOD DRIVE

Friday, August 9th

2:30pm - 8:30pm

St. Alphonsus Hall

38 Seaman Avenue, Bethpage

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

Eligibility Criteria:

- Bring ID with signature or photo.
- Minimum weight 110 lbs.
- Age 16 - 75 (16 year olds must have parental permission. Age 76 and over need doctor's note)
- Eat well (low fat) & drink fluids
- No tattoos for past 12 months
- For questions concerning medical eligibility call 1-800-688-0900.

To schedule an appointment, please call the Rectory Office at 931-0818

Please consider donating if you are able. The summer months have typically been difficult at blood centers. The need for donors during this time of year is great.

Thank you!

 **New York** Blood Center

St. Ignatius Loyola, Hicksville is looking for a part-time maintenance helper.

17-25 hours a week. Responsible to the Pastor and Facilities Manager of the parish.

Duties: Assist in the upkeep of the parish facility. Must be able to work under the supervision of a manager and follow parish procedures. Upkeep and maintenance of all areas to include minor maintenance tasks on equipment and mechanical systems such as lubrication, cleaning, filter changes, etc.

Cleaning duties: mopping & vacuuming floors, cleaning bathrooms, wash windows, snow shoveling and trash removal. Keep manager up to date on any defects, damages or malfunctions of any kind. Ability to effectively manage time, meet deadlines and coordinate work functions with other workers.

Requirements: Knowledge of stripping and waxing floors, experience with industrial strength cleaning chemicals, ability to lift 50 lbs. Plumbing and electrical skills a plus.

Send resume requirements to:

St. Ignatius Loyola R.C. Church, 129 Broadway,
Hicksville NY 11801

Fax: (516) 939-0852

Email: stignatius1859@aol.com

Attn: Rev. James Stachacz, Pastor

Program Assistant Needed

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul of LI is seeking a Program Assistant for Anthony House, a transitional home for homeless men located in Roosevelt. Responsibilities include assisting the manager in helping clients achieve goals leading to self-sufficiency.

Necessary qualifications include a clean/valid NYS Driver License, occasional overnight availability and real interest in working in a ministry. Prior experience a plus. The Society offers full benefits and a salary commensurate with experience. Fax resume to (516) 822-2728.



Save the Date

Summer Parish Block Party

On Friday evening August 23rd beginning at 6PM we will have a summer parish block party in the school parking with plans for lots of food, fun and festivities.

We will ask for volunteers in the initial planning. Watch for more details in future bulletins.

Save the Date

End of Summer Retreat at Long Branch, New Jersey



Father John McGowan CSSR and Father Patrick Woods CSSR will be conducting their annual end of summer retreat on the Jersey Shore on the weekend of September 6th – 8th. The weekend begins Friday evening at 8:00 p.m. and concludes with lunch at 12:00 p.m. on Sunday. It is a time to relax, rest, enjoy the ocean and the pool while also entering into prayerful times and Eucharistic celebrations.

The cost of the retreat is \$175.00. Last year we had 13 parishioners on the retreat and they enjoyed it very much. If we have enough people going, we can work out travel arrangements with a van or bus at the cost of approximately \$30.00.

More information will follow but I wanted to give you the chance to mark it on your calendar.

Father Pat



UPDATED INFORMATION:

Saint Martin of Tours is partnering with Life Line Screening on **Friday, August 23rd with appointments beginning at 9:00 AM in St. Alphonsus Hall.**

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: To register for your appointment and to receive a special \$10 discount, please call 1-877-792-8479. Appointments required.

Typically the following screenings include Stroke/Carotid Artery Blockage \$60.00; Atrial Fibrillation \$60.00; Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm \$60.00; Peripheral Artery Disease \$60.00; Osteoporosis \$35.00. Get any vascular screening for \$60.00 or get all 5 screenings for \$149.00 a savings of \$116.00.

Early Detection is Key to Prevention

**Preventive Health Screenings Can Detect Your Risk for Serious Disease.
Call 1-877-792-8479 to set up your screenings and make an appointment.**

NEWS FROM RCIA **A GUIDED PATH TO FAITH**

Are you or someone you know in need of full communion with the Church? Are you thinking about becoming Catholic but need to know more? Have you wondered about Catholicism and what it means? Have you been baptized and are interested in receiving the other Sacraments? Do you have any questions?

RCIA begins with "Inquiry" as the first part of our faith journey in September. Come and find out if this is for you. There is no obligation but just a desire on our part to help you find answers. If you have any immediate questions, please call Father Henry at the Rectory (516-931-0818 x 214), Ann Hughes (516-433-6972) or Karen Sullivan (516-454-6454). We look forward to hearing from you!

Divorced, Separated & Single Catholics of L.I. Widows and Widowers

Nassau County Chapter No. 1
P.O. Box 2031

Publicity Committee Newsletter
Chairperson—Rick Wilson

New Member Orientation

Non-Denominational—All Are Welcome!

Tuesday, July 23, 2013 at 8PM

The meeting is held every fourth Tuesday at St.
Frances de Chantal Church
1309 Wantagh Avenue, Wantagh

Please bring proof of single status to join.
Refreshments after meeting.

For further information, call Carol (516) 794-4933
or Eileen (516) 661-4353

Bulletin Articles

All articles must be approved by Father Pat and can be mailed, hand delivered or emailed to gamit1946@hotmail.com.

Deadline is Tuesday afternoon for the upcoming weekend. Any article received after that time will be placed in the following weekend's bulletin.

Some Updates: Parish Needs & Repairs

Church Roof: As most of you may know, the church roof has been repaired. Between the bell tower wood panels being removed and Hurricane Sandy, our roof was in great need of replacement. After the hurricane, the insurance adjustors agreed to a new one and once we paid the deductible, all else was covered by insurance.

I am very grateful to all of you for your patience, especially those who attend the 9:00 a.m. Mass during the week. It was incredibly noisy while the workers hammered. However, I know everyone continued to be faithful to the Mass and were lucky enough to hear some of my homilies drowned out by the hammering of the nails.

Church Doors: For months there have been complaints regarding some of the church doors since they were looking quite shabby. The doors in the back of the church are new and painted to match the look of the church.

Tabernacle: The tabernacle has been repaired by a brass company in New Jersey and completely taken apart. It is very beautiful but quite old and I do worry that such repairs may not be long lasting. Many thanks to T.J. Hance, our head of maintenance for his diligent work on replacing the church doors and transporting the tabernacle to and from New Jersey.

Capital Campaign: Lastly, we are still waiting to hear from Bishop Murphy for approval for our potential capital campaign. It seems that we may have to add the rectory building to the list of needs since it has been leaking. I have been ducking some falling plaster in my "man-cave!"

Father Pat