

Masses For The Week**Monday - August 5**

6:30 Pat Carni
9:00 Charlotte Eannel

Tuesday - August 6

6:30 Joseph Hoolahan
9:00 Donald Rotanz

Wednesday - August 7

6:30 Walter Steigle
9:00 Barbara Manz

Thursday - August 8

6:30 Antonio, Felicetta & Rich Saulino
9:00 Flood & Jones Families

Friday - August 9

6:30 Vicki Buglione
9:00 Edward Rasmussen

Saturday - August 10

9:00 **Multiple Intentions Announced at Mass**
5:00 John & Delia Connaughton
7:00 Lawrence & Rose Territo

Sunday - August 11

7:00 The People of the Parish
8:30 Mary-Gwen Imbornoni
10:00 Margaret Moran
11:30 Sam Malerba
1:00 Dominick Tursi, Anniversary
5:30 Margaret Lally

Readings For The Week

Mon. Numbers 11:4b-15; Matthew 14:13-21
Tues. Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19
Luke 9:28b-36
Wed. Numbers 13:1-2, 25; 14:1, 26a-29a, 34-35
Matthew 15:21-28
Thurs. Numbers 20:1-13; Matthew 16:13-23
Fri. Deuteronomy 4:32-40; Matthew 16:24-28
Sat. 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26
Sun. **Wisdom 18:6-9** *The people of God awaited the salvation of the just with strong faith. They constantly offered sacrifice according to divine laws and carried out God's word with one accord.*

Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 *God approves people because of their faith. Abraham obeyed God out of faith. As a result, God assured that Abraham's descendants would be :numerous as the stars in the sky."*

Luke 12:32-48 *Jesus encouraged the disciples to place their trust in God's reign and live less anxiously about earthly things. He warned them to be prepared for the return of the master who would come when least expected.*



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 27/28**

Amount Budgeted: \$17,500.00

Amount Received: \$17,316.08

Thank you for your generosity & support!

Reflection & Living Stewardship

Good stewards follow the advice of St. Paul and conduct themselves - by wise use of their time and talents - in a way worthy of the Gospel of Christ. *"If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God."*

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who give not because they have a lot and can afford it, but because they are grateful for what they do have and desire to share it with others.

Charismatic Prayer Group

Before the Gospel, Father Jim McCabe always says, *"In what I think, in what I say, in what I do."* I thought how great our lives would be if each of us practiced that every day! The "verbs" in his version give it action! Being human I know we could never reach perfection, but any improvement is perfect to God!

Our next meeting is Monday, August 4th at 7:30 p.m. in the Church. All ages 18 and over are welcome. Call (516) 993-9672 for any prayer requests or more information.

St. Martin of Tours HOP Club

July 29	#516	Mary & Billy Grieve	\$25.00
July 30	#82	Julia A. Kennan	\$25.00
July 31	#573	M/M Sal Auletta	\$25.00
Aug 1	#117	Philip Roeske	\$25.00
Aug 2	#531	Rita Tarry	\$50.00

St. Martin of Tours Wedding Banns**3rd 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 Pantry is low on: jams & jellies, oil, mayonnaise, sugar, cake mix & icing, ketchup, canned fruit, pork & beans, mixed vegetables, cereals, chicken soup, peas, pancake mix & syrup, juice & juice boxes, chili, laundry soap, bar soap, tooth brushes & toothpaste, diapers sizes 5 and 6 and baby wipes. As always, we are so grateful for your generous support.

Food Pantry:

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

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

**Thought for the Week**

Remember
you'll never get new results
from repeating old habits.

Anonymous

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, Baby Tiberius
James Mason*

**Update on the Uganda Concert
Fundraiser**

All the people involved in arranging the Uganda Concert Fundraiser such as Jim Demar, Louise M. Sandberg and Julie Woodley, the founder of the organization, thank all the priests and parishioners of St. Martin of Tours for their support. The performers, Frank Rendo and Patrizia DiLorenzo were extremely happy with the concert and the facilities.

The people involved in traveling to Uganda left on Tuesday, July 30th and will return on Saturday, August 17th. They are asking one more thing from SMT, and that is to please pray for them. May God go with them and keep them safe, and may they experience much success.



Week of August 4- August 10, 2013

Altar Bread & Wine

*In Loving Memory of
Edward Rasmussen*

Rest in Peace

Acts 7:49: "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."

**Josephine DiLeo, Gertrude P. Calichio
Catherine Fazzolare, Mary Margaret Noonan**

Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Over the past two years, I have twice made a donation from the parish to the Bethpage Fire Department. One was during their annual fund raising campaign and the other was in gratitude for all they did for the community during Hurricane Sandy. Whenever our parish has had an emergency, they are so very professional and prompt in their response. I was surprised when both donations were returned to me with a very kind note that stated the Fire Department appreciated our gift but they also want us to know that they consider what we do for the community to be so very important they would not accept it. I was touched by that.

As pastor, I am somewhat surprised by the number of unsolicited phone calls that are placed by businesses seeking to have us use their services. Genny Mitchell, our parish secretary, does a fine job not allowing most of them to get through to me. We also receive phone calls from many charities who are seeking a donation from the parish, along with groups of people who want to come to the parish and do fund-raising at the weekend masses. Some of these groups are wonderful people who are helping the very poor: Food for the Poor in Haiti, Cross International that raise money for the poor, Help for Persecuted Christians in the Middle East, and support for Christians in the Holy Land. I believe these are fine charities and do a great deal of good for the poor and needy. However, I have chosen not to have them come into the parish and speak at the Masses. When I hang up the phone, I do feel a bit of guilt (we Irish specialize in that).

Every year our parish does have an annual collection for the Sisters of the Poor, a religious community that takes care of the elderly. We also, by diocesan norms, have an annual mission appeal to help people in other lands. There is also the Annual Diocesan Appeal which seeks to help many needs within our own diocese. There are numerous second collections for many important needs of the Church and various people in need.

Our parish has been amazingly generous in the annual baby bottle campaign that supports pro-life concerns. We also have fund raisers for Life Teen and Edge programs. We raise money through the annual Golden Harvest Celebration and the HOP Club. And every week parishioners continue to bring food and other necessities that help our parish Outreach Center serve those in need in our local community. And last, but not least (at least in my mind), we have our regular Sunday collections in support of the parish.

Wow! That's a lot of charity in action! I know that many of you also receive many requests in the mail to support other charities and fund raisers that are seeking to do good things for people. People at your place of work may sell you raffle tickets from their parish fund raiser or local charity that they are supporting.

It is not easy to meet the challenge of so much demand to help those in need. Many of you are seniors living on a fixed income. Many of you are paying mortgages for your homes, car payments, school tuitions, and medical insurance. The taxes of Nassau County are among the highest in the nation.

To be a follower of Jesus does demand that we be concerned about others and their needs. To be a follower of Jesus also requires that we seek to provide for our family and needs of our households. We may well feel we are being overly stretched in all the financial requests for help that we receive and are asked to respond to. What is a person to do? It is not easy to respond to this question, but here are some practical ideas I offer you:

- 1) Pray about how you want to help others in need and still provide for your own needs and those of your family. If you have a family, speak about this together as you discern.
- 2) Recognize that you cannot meet every charity that asks something of you. That is impossible unless you are Donald Trump. Pick a few charities that you might choose to help. Prioritize what you consider the most important donations that you wish to meet. I do hope your parish would be on the top of the list or near the top of that list. In truth, support of your parish is really not a charity, but a commitment as a member of the parish family.
- 3) All generosity begins with gratitude. When a person sees how blessed they are, when there is an understanding of all that God has given, it moves one to want to be generous. If we can give out of love and choice rather than out of obligation, we are giving in a spirit of gratitude. As the Bible says, God loves a cheerful giver.
- 4) If you can, perhaps, you can link your donation to some sacrifice. Perhaps you love to spend three or four dollars a day on coffee; maybe you consider spending only two and the rest goes to others. As you miss that jolt of coffee, you might reflect on how your sacrifice is touching others. Perhaps a family might consider one simple meal a week as a way of communal giving to others. These are things usually spoken about during Lent, but really they are part of being a disciple of Jesus.

As you often hear from the parish priests and deacons, we are humbled and challenged by your ongoing generosity to so many needs. I think it is only in heaven that we will learn how our donations to charities helped others. May God bless you - all loving hearts.

Father Pat, CSSR
woodscsr@aol.com
www.smtbethpage.org

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Holy Day of Obligation

Mass Schedule

Wednesday Evening

August 14th @ 7PM

Thursday, August 15th

6:30, 9, 12 Noon & 7PM

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 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
- Sept 10: Youth Ministry Adoration 7:00PM
- Sept 14: Book Club 1:00PM

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.

BOOK CLUB MEMBERS, The next Book Club meeting is **Saturday, September 14 at 1:00 PM** in Saint Alphonsus Hall. **"The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry"** by Rachel Thompson will be our book for discussion. If there are any questions please contact Ann Mele at ann111647@netscape.net or phone (516) 330-3039.

Till then, happy reading. Enjoy the summer!
Father Patrick Woods and Ann Mele




KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR LIFE


CAREER OPPORTUNITY:


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 CHARLIE LYON AT (516) 223-2339 OR CHARLES.LYON@KOF C.ORG.
THANK YOU!



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.smtbethepage.org or contact Erin at EKHoran@yahoo.com.

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 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 month of 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!



BLOOD DRIVE

The Blood Drive is coming up fast! It's this **Friday, August 9th from 2:30—8:30 in Saint Alphonsus Hall**. The Long Island Blood Center cannot emphasize enough the urgent need for donors. Please see complete details on page 13 of this bulletin and if you qualify, please consider donating. Call the rectory office to make an appointment at 931-0818. Thank you!

THE HELP OUR PARISH CLUB

In the coming weeks, we will be mailing your H.O.P. Club Renewal forms for the 2013-2014 year. This fundraiser benefits our parish by helping with the operating costs of St. Martin's.

If you are not a member, you can certainly become one by filling out the form below. The cost of membership is **\$60.00 for one year per person**, beginning September 1st and ending August 31st. A number is assigned to each member which entitles them participation in weekly drawings. Winners receive a check in the mail as well as a notice in the bulletin.

Prizes are:

Monday - Thursday: \$25

Friday: \$50

3rd Friday of the month: \$250

Feast of St. Martin, Nov 11th: two \$500 prizes

One week before Christmas: one \$500 prize

Last week of August: two \$1,000 & one \$500 prize

Here's the form for NEW MEMBERS. You can drop it off or mail to the rectory office.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Check or cash enclosed: _____

Redemptorist Seminarians from St. Martin's

Parishioner Michael Cunningham left for Toronto, Canada to begin his year of novitiate in preparation to enter into the Redemptorists. God bless Michael and his family as he takes this important step in his faith journey.

Richard Hennessy, having completed his first year of formation in the Redemptorist seminary in the Bronx and after working in the Parish of Sacred Heart in Baltimore for the summer, will be returning to the seminary this Fall. He is the son of Deacon Tom and Rocio. Our parish can be very proud that we have two fine men in the Redemptorist formation program. Please keep them in your daily prayers.

Capital Campaign

Since some of you might have been on vacation last week, I want to keep you up-to-date on the capital campaign. At all weekend masses, I announced that after receiving our feasibility study and the case statement for our needs, Bishop Murphy has given us permission to move forward with our capital campaign. I am presently taking some initial steps in forming some committees and preparing steps that we need to take. This is being done with the assistance of the Lynch Development Associates.

In September, the campaign will move forward in earnest and you will be hearing about it in Church and at meetings. The campaign will last for a little more than two months. Following that will be the completion of whatever pledges are made for the next three years. I find this attractive since we will not be constantly talking to you about buildings and money.

I do believe this campaign is an important moment in the life of our parish, not only for whatever financial resources are raised, but also in terms of seeking to get as many people excited about the present and future life of St. Martin of Tours.

Jesus said, "Come Apart and Rest Awhile."

Redemptorist Retreat

**Father John McGowan, C.SS.R.
Father Patrick Woods, C.SS.R.**

**Friday, September 6th
to Sunday, September 8th**

**San Alfonso Retreat House
Long Branch, New Jersey**



Bring your Bible and your bathing suit! Come to the Jersey Shore and spend time with God as the summer draws to an end! The Redemptorists are having their annual summer retreat for our family, friends, coworkers in mission, our associates and parishioners.

On Friday evening at 6:00, a light supper will be served followed by the beginning of the retreat at 8:00 PM. It concludes with dinner at 12 noon on Sunday, September 8th.

R.S.V.P. By Saturday, August 30th

Cost: \$170.00 Please add \$30.00 if a bus is chartered.

**Call 931-0818: Leave your name and phone number with the rectory staff.
Please state whether you are looking for a ride or can give a ride. Renting a
bus depends on how many people sign up.**

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
 PFC Travis Ruggiero, US Army, Afghanistan
 PVT Dennis Diesel, USMC
 PVT James Kruper, USMC



Gennesaret Retreat For those facing serious illness

A retreat especially designed for persons who live with a serious illness is planned on September 20, 21 & 22, 2013 at Montfort Spirituality Center in Bay Shore. This retreat offers a respite, a quiet time, an oasis to enable one to continue the journey. It focuses on God's love, His forgiveness and His faithfulness.

To register or receive more information, please call Colette Fanelli at (631) 665-7052.

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

FOR HELP IN A CRISIS PREGNANCY

Call Diana Hart Mirando
(C)830-5077 (H) 605-1979
ROSELINE, LIFE CENTER 24
HOURS, RACHEL'S VINEYARD RE-
TREAT (631) 243-2373.

Baby Safe Haven, Safe Babies, Safe
Place at 1 (877) 796-HOPE. Adoption,
Foster Care, Maternity Services, Catho-
lic Home Bureau 1(800) 592-4357.

Holy Face of Jesus Holy Hour

Please join us on ***Monday, August 5th at 1:00 p.m. in the Eucharistic Chapel*** in reparation for the wounds to His Holy Face and the sin of blasphemy.

All will be blessed with the first class relic of St. Helen (8/18).

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, August 27, 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

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

St. Paul's Centerstage Theatre is proud to present *"Fiddler on the Roof."* Performances will be at St. Dominic High School Auditorium, 110 Anstice Street, Oyster Bay NY 11771.

The dates and times are Thursday, August 8, Friday, August 9 and Saturday, August 10 at 8:00 PM and Sunday, August 11 at 2:00 PM.

Tickets are \$15.00 for adults, \$12.00 for seniors 60+ and children 12 and under. For tickets, please call (516) 931-3260.

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!

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.

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

LIFE IS...

LIFE is an OPPORTUNITY, benefit from it. LIFE is BEAUTY, admire it. LIFE is a DREAM, realize it. LIFE is a CHALLENGE, meet it. LIFE is a DUTY, complete it. LIFE is a GAME, play it. LIFE is a PROMISE, fulfill it. LIFE is SORROW, overcome it. LIFE is a SONG, sing it. LIFE is a STRUGGLE, accept it. LIFE is TRAGEDY, confront it. LIFE is an ADVENTURE, dare it. LIFE is LUCK, make it. LIFE is TOO PRECIOUS, DO NOT DESTROY IT. LIFE IS LIFE, FIGHT FOR IT.

- Mother Teresa

Texas has passed a bill that would ban most abortions past 20 weeks of pregnancy, place new requirements on which facilities could perform the procedures and limit a woman's ability to induce an abortion by taking a pill. Abortion rights advocates, including Planned Parenthood of Texas have said that the new law would effectively shut down all but six of the facilities where abortions are performed in the state. *Source: Matthew DeLuca, NBC News.*

With this victory for the unborn in mind, please continue to write, email or call Governor Cuomo and to the senate here in New York to voice your opposition to abortion. Gallup Poll: May 10th 2013: 58% of Americans oppose all or most abortions. Take a moment to email President Obama, Senator Gillibrand and Senator Schummer to show your opposition federally.

If you have some spare time that you might like to devote to THE LIFE CENTER OF LONG ISLAND, they could use your help. Volunteers are the life's blood of the Center, and they need your help to continue and to flourish. If you would like to become a counselor, speaker, join one of the many committees, or just answer the phones, your help would be appreciated. Massapequa Life Center (516) 798-9100.

THE LIFE CENTER OF LONG ISLAND has three not-for-profit pregnancy care centers. They are a dedicated, professional, and a well trained staff and group of volunteers that are committed to helping anyone facing a troubled pregnancy.

Free Services they Provide: Free Pregnancy Test Kits. Sonograms by a Licensed Physician when necessary. Crisis Intervention Counseling. Provide Pre-Natal Guidance. Material Aid, Cribs, Car Seats, Clothing, Formula and Diapers. Assistance with linking to appropriate Community Resources such as Maternity Housing. Continuing Education. Employment Opportunities.

They also provide Post-abortion Counseling for WOMEN AND MEN on site through RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT. THERE IS LOVE AND HOPE FOR EVERY MOTHER, FATHER AND BABY AT THE LIFE CENTER.

If you have some time to spare, please give them a call!

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



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 received 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.**

Ethiopian/Somali Orphan Needs Temporary Host Family

Please consider hosting (even a short time) a 17 year old who is here for medical treatment from an Ethiopian orphanage. Etetu is a sweet, quiet young girl who has learned English from staying with various host families during the past year. She needs a place to stay while continuing her treatment and learning English. If you can do a weekend or a year, or take her for the day shopping, to the beach or to a doctor's appointment.

Operation Hearts and Home (www.operationheartsandhome.org) is a licensed (501c-3) Long Island based charity registered with the NY Office of Family and Children's Services that seeks to improve the lives of orphans worldwide. If you would like to volunteer to help with Etetu or in any capacity, please email dianecurley@live.com or angelicaicha@gmail.com or phone Mary (631) 338-3613.



As you know, we are planning a Parish Block Party in the school parking lot on August 23rd at 6:30 p.m. We have a terrific planning team, but we are looking for volunteers to assist with the picnic. You can chose a particular category or just trust your kindly pastor to assess your gifts and talents and assign you to one of the tasks. If you want to help or donate something to the Parish Block Party, call the office 931-0818 or email me at woodscssr@aol.com

Jobs:

Decorators
Table and chair carriers
Cleaner uppers
Face painters
Food servers
Cooks
Gofers (I am the chair of the gofer committee)
Some donation suggestions
Children's game
Raffle ticket sellers
Coffee makers

Donations for consideration:

Condiments, paper plates and cups, plastic knives and forks
Loans of outdoor lighting and covered tents





**PARISH BLOCK PARTY
AUGUST 23RD
SCHOOL PARKING LOT**

6:30 P.M. UNTIL YOU HAVE EATEN ENOUGH

***FOOD * FUN * MUSIC * MORE FOOD
RAFFLE * GAMES FOR THE KIDS
FACE PAINTING * KARAOKE***

**NO CHARGE \$\$\$\$
*BRING A DESERT, COLD SALADS OR
SNACKS FOR THE COMMON TABLES***

**BRING YOU OWN FOOD AND DRINKS FOR YOUR FAMILY
(AND FATHER PAT).**

**THE PARISH WILL SUPPLY
HOT DOGS, HAMBURGERS
AND VEGGIE BURGERS**

