

***Masses For The Week*****Monday - October 7**

6:30 Frank Burfiend

9:00 James Crichton, 1st Anniversary

**Tuesday - October 8**

6:30 Anne Gilheany

9:00 John Barbosa

**Wednesday - October 9**

6:30 Catherine &amp; Silvio Sita

9:00 Dina &amp; Carlo D'Attoma

**Thursday - October 10**

6:30 Josephine Ingenito

9:00 Commesso, Spaluzzi &amp; Fazio Families

**Friday - October 11**

6:30 Mark Joseph Ridge

9:00 Sam R. Merin, 10th Anniversary

**Saturday - October 12**9:00 **Multiple Intentions Announced at Mass**

5:00 McKenna &amp; Saloy Families

7:00 Murphy &amp; Doolan Families

**Sunday - October 13**

7:00 The People of the Parish

8:30 Rose A. Joseph

10:00 Thomas Cilmi, Anniversary

11:30 Emiliano L. DeGuzman

1:00 Bernard, Marie &amp; Helen Lavin

5:30 Anna Zalewski

***Readings For The Week***

Mon. Jonah 1:1-2:2, 11; Luke 10:25-37

Tues. Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 10:38-42

Wed. Jonah 4:1-11; Luke 11:1-4

Thurs. Malachi 3:13-20b; Luke 11:5-13

Fri. Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Luke 11:15-26

Sat. Joel 4:12-21; Luke 11:27-28

**Sun. 2 Kings 5:14-17** *Through the word of Elisha, the prophet, God cured Naaman the leper. Naaman's gratitude changed his life, and he refused to offer worship to any other god except the Lord.*

**2 Timothy 2:8-13** *Paul told Timothy that the resurrection of Christ makes preaching the gospel worth-while: "If we have died with him we shall also live with him; if we persevere we shall also reign with him."*

**Luke 17:11-19** *Jesus cured ten people, and one, a Samaritan, returned to give God thanks and praise. Jesus said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."*



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 September 28/29**

Amount Budgeted: \$17,500.00

Amount Received: \$17,694.51

***Thank you for your generosity & support!***

***Reflection & Living Stewardship***

When will I have given enough of my income, of my time, of my talents? Today's gospel suggests that only total stewardship will do: "When you have done all you have been commanded to do, say 'We are useless servants. We have done no more than our duty.'"

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who recognize their unique combinations of God-given gifts and use them to participate in, and support, all our various parish ministries.

**Charismatic Prayer Group****FAILURES**

Some people are so afraid of failing that they won't even try. Making mistakes is how we learn. Babies fall a lot learning to walk. And who drives perfectly the first time out? You are NOT failing - you are learning. The only true failure is in not trying.

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

**St. Martin of Tours HOP Club**

Sep 30 #392	Joseph R. Giugliano	\$25.00
Oct. 1 #113	Mary Comerford	\$25.00
Oct. 2 #535	Gerald C. Brace	\$25.00
Oct. 3 #91	M/M Andrew Macchio	\$25.00
Oct. 4 #142	John & Gerry McCarthy	\$50.00

### *Wedding Banns*

- 3rd Christopher Murphy & Nicole LaRosa  
 3rd Thomas Falcone & Nicole Squillace  
 2nd Elcid Dilodilo & Smitka Edappakayil  
 1st Dan Leeman & Kristen Fruauff  
 1st Jason Zurita & Shannon Rush

### *Banns Only - Marriage in Another Parish Church*

- 3rd Joseph Simone & Christine Sullivan  
 2nd Sean Considine & Meghan McDevitt  
 1st Frank J. Fote & Jessica Lee



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

This week the Pantry is low on toilet paper, chili, beef stew, baked beans, ketchup, mayonnaise, pasta & pasta sauce, jams or jellies, cereal, cake mix & icing, oil, sugar, coffee, black beans, peas, creamed corn, juice & juice boxes, toothpaste & toothbrushes, paper towels, bar soap, dish soap, tissues, laundry soap, diapers sizes 5 & 6, baby wipes and especially toilet paper.

Many, many thanks to everyone who gives to our pantry. May God bless you abundantly!

#### **Food Pantry:**

208 Broadway, Bethpage

Monday: 9:30AM - 2:30PM

Thursday: 2:00PM – 7:00PM

Phone: (516) 931-7332

### **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, Leigh Murphy  
 Helena Mulligan, Richard Piernini, John Tortorice  
 Joseph Simon, Douglas Torres, Gina Cava  
 James Robertson, Amy Hayes, Mom & Dad, Robert Tyd  
 Bill Kelly, Matthew Messina, Sharon Shiepkio  
 Christopher Gratton, John Mitchell, Salvatore Accardi  
 Christine Ketchem, Peggy Namiotka, Pat Cannata  
 Barbara Thompson, Donald Castor, Gerri Conlin  
 Dorothy Quinn, Edith Lagan, Jim Fanning  
 Henry Niemczyk, Bud Pehrsson, Zachery Duff  
 Sam Zubov, Christine Chiarappa, Baby Tiberius  
 Herman Lordahl, Heather Catheral, Patricia Marone  
 Godeliva Pagan, Robert Schraff, Michelle Cirillo  
 Mary Henson, Mary Lynn Brassil, Catherine Battiatia  
 Brendan Rodriguez, Charles Drew, Rebecca Passaro  
 Joanne Maguire*

### *Thought for the Week*

Everyone has inside of him a piece of good news. The good news is that you don't know how great you can be! How much you can love! What you can accomplish! And what your potential is!

*Anne Frank*

*Week of October 6-12, 2013*

*Altar Bread & Wine*

*In Loving Memory of  
 Catherine & Silvio Sita*



### ***Rest in Peace***

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

**Vincent H. Piccoli, Robert M. Figgers, Sr.  
 Susan Romani-McCabe**

*Letter from the Pastor***A Disturbing Gospel**

*Jesus said to the Pharisees: "There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores. When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he cried out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.' Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to ours.' He said, 'Then I beg you, father, send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment.' But Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them.' He said, 'Oh no, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.'" Gospel Luke 16:19-31*

As I reflect on my trip to the Holy Land this past June, I have a thousand precious memories. When I remember saying Mass in the tomb where our Lord Jesus lay for three days, and then was raised from the dead by his Father, I am moved to awe. When I think of being in the dark pit where Christ was held captive the night before he died, sorrow fills my heart. As I recall my clumsy struggle to get into the muddy Dead Sea and float, I laugh how I quickly lost one of my water crocs that now lie in the Dead Sea. I also have a certain memory that haunts me: as I was getting on our very nice air-conditioned bus that would take us to a delicious lunch, I found myself approached by a young Palestinian boy, perhaps, seven or eight years old, who was begging for money. I looked at him in his ragged clothes and reached into my pocket to pull out a dollar bill. As I did this and started to hand him the dollar, seven or eight children came upon me reaching and grapping for that same dollar, begging me to give them each one. I felt helpless since I knew I could not give a dollar to every poor Palestinian child. I felt sad at the reality of poverty in our world, and perhaps most of all, I felt guilty for being able to travel, to have spending money, fruitful work, good health care, plenty of good food, and a comfortable place to sleep. It is not the first time I have had that feeling, nor will it be the last. I feel this way when I see a homeless person sleeping on a grate on a cold winter's night, or a person holding out a can begging for money on a street, or when I see children who have nothing at Christmas. I feel guilty and quickly try to focus my attention on something else.

Today's Gospel raises the question: how do we live in a world that is filled with poverty and hunger, and what can I do about it? I, like you, have been faced with this nagging question all my life. I tell myself that I am not rich. I live a kind of ordinary, relatively simply life. I have never flown in a private jet, eaten a Kobe steak, drank Don Pérignon champagne, or sailed around the world on the QE II. Still, I know I have a lifestyle better than more than 90% of the world.

Hearing it said that the poor should work harder or that they are lazy, that the government has spoiled people and made them dependent on welfare and food stamps, doesn't satisfy the nagging feeling that this Gospel leaves me with as I see Lazarus, in the form of the poor, standing at my gate. Nor does it console me to say, "Well, I have worked hard to get where I am. Nobody did anything for me to help me. I deserve what I have."

I know there are deep rooted causes of poverty and I can theorize with the best of the pundits. I can argue that it is the break down of the modern family in our society that is causing poverty, that our educational system is failing many who are in most need of learning, that there are not enough jobs for people, that poor medical and that mental illness can be part of the reality of those most in need of help. I can blame the Democrats or Republicans for their policies, and say they are the cause. I can claim it is the fault of Wall Street, poor immigration policies, and political corruption, and still know that does not relieve me of my responsibility. Lazarus is still at my door.

I believe almost all our political leaders, whatever their party, do want to help the poor. The United States and her people have always been generous in seeking to address people in serious distress. Many approaches have been tried. I think of Lyndon Johnson's War on Poverty as a very good movement that was lost in the expenses of the Vietnam War. I think of Social Security as a great safety net for people in need, but a program that is on the road to going broke. I believe the Affordable Health Care Act, popularly known as "Obamacare," is a topic which I wish to avoid discussing with a 1000 foot pole. The goal of this act is to provide all Americans with health care. The Catholic Church has supported such a value for a long time. The problem with this particular approach is that many feel it is unfair, overly costly, and destructive to our present health care system. Who knows? It does seem that there is history of our nation wanting to help the poor and not knowing how. I think of the words of Jesus, *The poor you shall always have with you*. Yes, the poor we shall have always with us, but what does our Lord ask of you and me as we reflect on the poor?

Today's Gospel of the rich man in purple (which was a very expensive color to make in Biblical times is a sobering one. The rich man has a lavish life and when he dies he finds himself in Hades (the Jewish term for hell). His sin is not that he was bad to Lazarus, the poor man who sat outside his door, eating food scraps and having dogs lick his wounds. The rich man's sin was that he never even noticed or saw Lazarus. He was invisible to the rich man.

God does not condemn the rather comfortable but ordinary life that most of us live here in the United States in our parish. Jesus had wealthy friends. Although I may not always agree with the charities that Mayor Michael Bloomberg and Bill Gates, both billionaires, support, I do admire that they seem to care about others and not just keep their personal wealth for themselves. Money in of itself it not evil; it can actually do a great deal of good for people.

I know that we cannot help everyone. If we gave to every charity that asked us for a donation, we would not be able to provide for ourselves or our families. Some of us receive ten appeals in a week for donations and may feel troubled that we cannot meet help them all. I advise you to pick one or two you wish to help, if you are able, and do what you can. You can certainly give food to our food pantry as so many of your generously do and know that it will help those who are in genuine need.

We cannot help every person in our life. We are not social workers, doctors, therapists or philanthropists. Some people do not want help and resist it. There are even family members and friends, who may not be materially poor, but need help, but when we offer it, they may refuse it. We are all limited in what we can do. There may a Lazarus in your family who is sitting at your door. Do you see the person or is he or she invisible?

I do believe we must be cautious of the sin of the rich man who does not have an inkling that there is a suffering man outside his door. I think of the great Catholic woman, Dorothy Day who said, *Religion should comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable*. None of us should ever be satisfied with the suffering of the poor. It should bother us and make us think. It should lead us to honestly ask: what can I do to help a particular person, with my own financial and human limitations?

I think the sin the Gospel challenges us of an attitude of not even seeing the needs of the world around us. Although we cannot fix the problems, we can allow it to move us to ask what can I do. To notice, to have our hearts moved and our minds troubled, is an important step on our journey to see how best to live and act with the *Lazaruses* who are at our doors.

**Father Pat, CSSR**

**woodscsr@aol.com; www.smtbethpage.org**

### **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>.

### **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.

### **Lecture Series**

Presented by Fr. Jim McCabe, CSSR

"Everything You Wanted to Know About  
GOD, but Were Afraid to Ask!"

This is a weekly Monday night series  
7:30 - 8:30 PM  
St. Alphonsus Hall

October 21 - Old Testament  
October 28 - New Testament  
November 4 - Islam  
November 11 - Vatican II

The talk is 30 minutes and then 30 minutes for questions. If there are no questions, the session ends after the lecture.

### **Knights of Columbus Membership Drive Weekends:**

**Sunday, October 6th Gathering Space**  
**Sunday, October 20th Gathering Space**

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEEDS YOUR HELP

Please contact Religious Education if you are someone who can teach Special Education/Special Needs or is Spanish speaking.

Some children need to be brought up to grade level and require one-on-one instruction.

If you can help, please contact Religious Ed. coordinators Pat Ryan or Laura Leigh Agnese at 516-822-9768.

Thank you and God bless 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](http://www.smtbethepage.org) or contact Erin at [EKHoran@yahoo.com](mailto:EKHoran@yahoo.com).

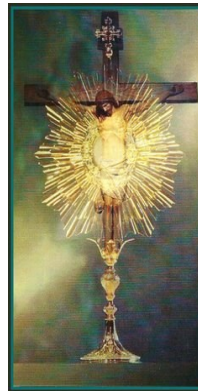
**The Edge program** is for all middle school aged students (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade). Edge meets every other Thursday evening from 7-8:30pm. This program is a wonderful way for young adolescents to grow in their faith as well as build lasting friendships.

**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!**

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The next Adoration service is  
Tues, Oct. 8th, 7PM in the Church

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. Everyone is welcome!

**Our Lady of Fatima Day**  
**Sunday, October 13, 2013**  
**Shrine of Our Lady of the Island**  
**Manorville NY (Exit 70 LIE)**  
**(631) 325-0661**

10:00 am—Rosary Walk

11:30 am—Holy Mass

12:30 pm—Lunch Break

1:30 pm—Guest Speaker:

Fr. Schott Daniels O.P.

3:00 pm-Benediction

***Pope Francis will Consecrate the World to Our Lady of Fatima in Rome on this day.***



**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Oct 6: Blessing of the Animals 2:15PM
- Oct 6: Knights Membership Drive (Gathering)
- Oct 7: Holy Face of Jesus Devotion 1:00PM
- Oct 7: Guided Rosary Meditations 7:30PM
- Oct 12: Our Lady of Fatima Noon Prayer Service
- Oct 12/13: Baby Bottle Campaign
- Oct 14: Office Closed Columbus Day
- Oct 14: No 6:30AM Mass
- Oct 20: Knights Membership Drive (Gathering)
- Oct 20: Closing Pre-Cana Mass 11:30AM
- Oct 21, 28, Nov 4 & 11: Lectures by Fr. Jim
- Oct 22: VIRTUS TRAINING 7:00PM

**Praying the Rosary**  
**St. Martin of Tours Church**  
**October 7, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.**

October is the month of the rosary. **October 7<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.** This rosary will have guided meditations by Prisco Panza who has led several meditations here at the parish. It will also have some music between the decades.

Whether you say the rosary daily, or haven't said it for years, you are invited to this period of prayerful reflection as honor Jesus through his Mother Mary.



**HOLY FACE OF JESUS HOLY HOUR**  
**Monday, October 7th at 1:00PM in**  
**the Church in reparation for the**  
**wounds to His Holy Face. All will**  
**be blessed with Saint Faustina oil.**  
**All are welcome!**

**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.

**Dear Book Club Friends,**

We think our last meeting was wonderful. It was filled with robust, heartfelt sharing and welcomed familiar and new faces. Our new book is ***"And the Mountains Echoed"*** by Khaled Hosseini. We will be meeting on **Saturday, October 19th at 10AM at 208 Broadway, 2nd floor.** We look forward to seeing all of you again. As always new members are most welcome. Please contact Ann Mele at [ann111647@netscape.net](mailto:ann111647@netscape.net) or call 516-330-3039 for any questions.

*Till then, happy reading! -*  
 Father Pat Woods and Ann Mele

**HALLOWEEN PARTY!!**

Last year we had a fun-filled Halloween Party for both children and adults here at the parish. I would like to offer it again if we have volunteers to plan the party.

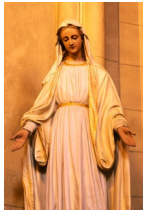
I have not set a date yet since I would like to make sure we do not conflict with events at the local schools. If you are willing to help, email me at [woodscsr@aol.com](mailto:woodscsr@aol.com). Remember, last year we had a genuine appearance of **ELVIS CIYA**, a famous rock n roll singer!

**The Diocese of Rockville Centre**  
**GOLDEN WEDDING LITURGY**

**Honoring Couples Married Fifty Years or More**

This fall, couples that have been married 50 or more years will be honored at liturgies on **Sunday, November 3rd at the Church of Christ the King in Commack.** The liturgy will begin at 2:30 p.m. Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory. Registration forms **must be received** by the Office of Worship by October 17th for the November 3rd liturgy. There will be additional celebrations in the spring for those who may find that more convenient. If you have any questions, call the Diocese at 516-678-5800 x 207.

## OCTOBER PRAYER SERVICE OUR LADY OF FATIMA



Please mark your calendars for a special prayer service to Our Lady of Fatima to counter today's secularists trends.

*There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament incorporated in our prayer service.*

Let us ask God through the Prayer of the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother to bless and help our country.

**Sat., October 12, 2013 at 12:00 Noon**  
**St. Martin of Tours Church, Bethpage**

## Christian Mothers Rosary Confraternity

Wednesday, **October 16th** is the feast of St. Gerard Majella and we will be celebrating as a group at the **9:00 a.m. Mass**. Many graces and indulgences bestowed for attending. Special reserved seating will be had in front of the pulpit. Hope to see you all there!

## 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.

## Baby Bottle Campaign



The Life Center of LI will be holding its Annual **Baby Bottle Campaign on the weekend of October 12 & 13**. Bottles will be handed out at the end of each mass. Our thanks to Fathers Pat & Henry for the opportunity to help these mothers and their babies each year!

## Saint Dominic High School

**2013 ACT Exam Prep COURSE**  
**November 13, 14, 19, 21**  
**December 3, 4, 10, 12**

**6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**  
**Course Fee \$400 - Includes an**  
**ACT textbook**

**Please contact Mrs. Sansiviero**  
**(516) 922-4888 ext 5315**

## 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, October 22, 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



**POLICY & PROCEDURE  
REGARDING THE SAFETY OF  
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS**

**SCHOOL PARKING LOT**

**FOR THE PROTECTION &  
SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN**



*Please note* that while school is in session, the Religious Education Department will **lock both gates leading to the school parking lot** on the following days and times:

**Monday and Tuesday**

**3:30 - 7:30 p.m.**

**Saturday: 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.**

**Please park outside the gates during these days and times since this area becomes a **SAFE ZONE FOR PEDESTRIANS ONLY**.**

**PLEASE - park ONLY in the church parking lot or municipal lot during the days and hours stated above. Thank you.**

**OPEN HOUSE FOR THE  
FOLLOWING SCHOOLS**

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**St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School**

**1170 Montauk Highway**

**West Islip NY 11795**

**Sunday, October 20, 2013**

**10:30 to 2PM**

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**Archbishop Molloy High School**

**October 20, 2013**

**11:00 to 4:00PM**

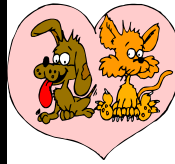
**83-53 Manton Street**

**Briarwood NY 11435-1697**

**Tel: 718.441.2100; Fax: 718.441.9710**

**Visit [www.molloyhs.org](http://www.molloyhs.org)**

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS  
THIS SUNDAY!!**



**In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, the blessing of the animals will take place in front of the garage (look for the statue of Blessed Seelos) on Sunday, October 6th at approximately 2:15. All are welcome!**

**St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility**  
*"Caring for those who cared for us"*

The response to the Special Collection for St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility at our Parish was outstanding. On behalf of all of the retired priests in our Church community, thank you for all of your support and for helping to care for those who have cared for us.

**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](http://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, October 22nd at 7PM**  
**St. Alphonsus Hall**

## RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

### October Is Respect Life Month

Our Nation was founded on the principle that **ALL** people are “**endowed by their Creator with certain Unalienable Rights.**” As the Declaration of Independence explains, these rights are **NOT gifts from a civil government**, but **INHERENT AND GOD-GIVEN components of our humanity.** *The Constitution proclaims that the very purpose of government is to “secure the blessings” of these liberties for “ourselves and our posterity.”*

**FEDERAL LEGISLATION:** The Supreme Court session begins October 7, 2013. Experts say that in this session or the next the Court will hear one or more cases regarding the HHS Contraceptive/Abortifacient/Sterilization Mandate and issue a **broad ruling** on the matter. This is because two Circuit Court rulings are in direct conflict: the 10th Circuit said that *Hobby Lobby Stores* are EX-EMPT due to Religious Freedom, while the 3rd Circuit said *Conestog Wood Products* must OBEY the mandate - NO EXCEPTION. *Hobby Lobby* said that IT WILL CLOSE SHOP IF FORCED TO OBEY. The suit against the HHS MANDATE which includes the DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE, has NOT PROGRESSED since December 5, 2012.

**Priests for Life** suit vs the HHS Mandate was REINSTATED on August 19, 2013 in the US DISTRICT COURT (WASHINGTON DC). The court has not yet ruled on the merits of the suit pending the Mandate's final version. When it came on June 28, 2013, **Priests for Life** said the final version does NOT PROVIDE SUFFICIENT RELIEF, so the court will now hear the case. See the status of all HHS Mandate cases at [www.becketfund.org/hhsinformationcentral/ObamaCare/InsuranceExchanges](http://www.becketfund.org/hhsinformationcentral/ObamaCare/InsuranceExchanges).

**The Long Island Coalition for Life opposes the anti-life provisions of Obamacare.** Please contact your Senators and House Members. **Urge your support for HR.940 & S.137 to provide conscience protection for individuals, employers, insurers and healthcare workers & facilities.**

#### Contact information:

Senator Schumer - 202-224-6542; Senator Gillibrand - 202-224-4451

Email: <http://senate.gov>

US House of Representatives: Israel - 202-225-3335; McCarthy - 202-225-5516;

Bishop - 202-225-3826; King - 202-225-7896; Meeks - 202-225-3461

Email: <http://www.house.gov/writerep>

*Having all benefited from these “blessings” of Religious Liberty, we have a common duty as Catholics and Americans to consider what we can do to ensure that we “secure” those blessings not just “to ourselves” but also “to our posterity.”*

**Educating ourselves and our families, contacting elected representatives, praying, voting and talking to our neighbors about why Religious Freedom is worth protecting. In short...WE MUST REMEMBER THAT OUR RELIGIOUS DIVERSITY IS A STRENGTH, AND THAT RELIGIOUS DIFFERENCES SHOULD BE ACCEPTED AND ACCOMMODATED...NOT STAMPED OUT BY THE GOVERNMENT!**

*Sources: LI Coalition for Life: October Issue. USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities*

**ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH**  
**"PAVING THE WAY FOR CHRIST"**

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**OVER \$600,000 FROM 133 FAMILIES/INDIVIDUALS!!!!**  
**IT'S LAY LEADERSHIP WEEKEND!!!!**



Thank you to the parishioners on the following page who have made their pledge of sacrifice to our Capital Campaign. Our campaign is off to a great start; however we can only meet our goal through the participation of the entire parish. Over the course of the next few months you will be hearing more about our capital campaign. **This listing is updated as of Tuesday, October 1st at 12:00P.M.** Should there be any discrepancies or questions about this listing please contact the parish office at (516) 931- 0818. *If you do not wish to have your name listed please indicate it on your pledge card or call the parish office.*

We are asking each parishioner to consider making a gift of \$75 a month over a period of three years. This amounts to a little over \$2 a day. **We realize that not everyone can make the same size gift, but everyone can make the same size sacrifice.** Pledges and gifts in all amounts are gratefully accepted. Together we can continue the vision and reach our goal.

Also, the only way we are going to reach our goal is through the strong support from the **entire parish**. Therefore, your sacrifice, support, and careful consideration to participate in this appeal, is important for the success of our campaign.

**How Can I Make My Pledge To The Campaign?**

- If you happen to be driving or walking by the church you can pick up a pledge card in the parish office or rectory.
- Pledge cards will also available in the pews in the upcoming weeks.
- **A volunteer may contact you with additional information regarding the campaign or you can leave your pledge card with a campaign volunteer.**
- You may also call the parish office at (516) 931-0818 with any additional questions regarding the campaign.

***Giving Plans to Consider***

Total Pledge	10% Down Payment	3 Annual Payments	12 Quarterly Payments	Suggested 36 Month Payments
\$20,000	\$2,000	\$6,000	\$1,500	\$500
\$15,000	\$1,500	\$4,500	\$1,125	\$375
\$10,000	\$1,000	\$3,000	\$750	\$250
\$7,500	\$750	\$2,250	\$562.50	\$188
\$5,000	\$500	\$1,500	\$375	\$125
\$4,000	\$400	\$1,200	\$300	\$100
<b>\$3,000</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>\$900</b>	<b>\$225</b>	<b>\$75</b>

Anonymous (2)  
 Robert and Ann Albertson  
 Josephine Alesandro  
 Patrick and Patricia Astegher  
 Jean Axmacher  
 Carmine and Carol Ann Bassano  
 Ernest and Sharon Berlucchi  
 Carolyn Bernhard  
 Deacon Jim and Carmela Biggin  
 Charles and Carole Boyce  
 Gerald and Marguerite Brace  
 John and Kathleen Brolly  
 Joann Bruno  
 Mary Burfeind  
 Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cagna  
 Joseph and Santa Cambria  
 Mary Carmelengo  
 John and Maureen Castles  
 Tony and Ronny Ciarniello  
 Dominick & Jeanne Ciano  
 Philip Ciminelli  
 Anthony and Catherine Citrolo  
 Mary & Joseph Colavolpe  
 Linda Connelly  
 Mary Lou Connolly  
 Michael and Betty Croan  
 Patricia Cunningham  
 Mary Curry  
 Adrienne Dane  
 Jean Davenport  
 Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Della Rocca  
 Carmine & Esther De Stefano  
 James and Kathleen Devine  
 Janet Dion  
 William and Marie Dorsch  
 Eugene and Lucia Doupe  
 Helen Dowd  
 John and Mary Angela Downey  
 Andrew and Helen Draghi  
 Guy & Mary Drescher  
 John and Anne Eastwood  
 Loretta Eckhoff  
 Thomas and Anne Emmerson  
 Margaret Epstein  
 Kenneth and Marie Evans  
 James Fanning and Barbara Hempstead  
 Lillian Fantry  
 John and Christine Farrell  
 Thomas and Catherine Fazio  
 Louis and Maria Fielack  
 William and Anne Flannery  
 Thomas and Kathleen Frost  
 Lucio and Mary Gandolfo  
 Susanne Gottman  
 John Gozaloff  
 Michael and Roberta Grieco  
 David and Kathleen Gross  
 Raymond and Lisa Haller  
 Thomas & Rocio Hennessy  
 Anthony Hernandez  
 George and Eleanor Hoban  
 Ann Hughes

Mrs. Mildred Kestler  
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 Roy & Ellen Keuling  
 Edward and Sarah Indelicato  
 John and Noreen Joyce  
 Ray and Joan Landers  
 Frank & Maria Lanzarone  
 John and Veronica Lawlor  
 Robert Lomot  
 Lewis and Marilyn Loeven  
 John and Mary Lundy  
 John and Connie Lynam  
 Andrew and Christine Macchio  
 Grace Mack  
 Rosalie Malerba  
 Sean and Jane Marsar  
 Luke and Annamma Matthews  
 George and Geraldine Matulewich  
 Francis and Kate Mayerhofer  
 John and Mary McCaffery  
 John and Geraldine McCarthy  
 John and Carol McGlynn  
 John and Karen McTigue  
 Edward and Denise McNamara  
 Martin and Jacqueline Meaney  
 Francis and Kathleen Meehan  
 Anne Meehan  
 Teresa Minett  
 Genevieve Mitchell  
 James Moran  
 Timothy and Noreen Murphy  
 Andrew and Ellen Murray  
 Ryan and Colleen O'Hara  
 John and Margaret O'Mara  
 O'Shea Funeral Home  
 Joseph and Barbara Pace  
 Edward and Hedwig Pecinka  
 Reno and Mary Pelus  
 Joseph and Kris Perota  
 David and Ginamarie Pilnacek  
 Frank and Santa Portuese  
 The Preziosi Family  
 Laurel Rasmussen  
 The Redemptorists Fathers of New York  
 Donna Reardon  
 Joseph Ricotta  
 Lori and Patricia Ricci  
 Michael and Marie Romeo  
 Mildred Saloy  
 Dennis and Santa Satriana  
 Marie Schneider  
 Anthony and Evelyne Sciulli  
 Edward and Linda Segretto  
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 Kenneth and Patricia Selvester  
 Dolores Sgaraglio  
 Diane Sheehan  
 Harry and Louise Smith  
 Raymond and Peggy Sobier  
 Dominick and Rosemarie Spampinato  
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 Michael and Bernadette Steinmann

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 Dolores Stewart  
 Eileen Sussi  
 Albert and Frances Trotter  
 Catherine Vassello  
 Vincent and Lucille Ventura  
 Jerome and Diana Viviano  
 Raymond and Marilyn Walther  
 Janet Wolfe  
 Nancy Zappala

**Lay Leadership Quote:**

“For years the parishioners of St. Martin’s have answered the call to take care of this sacred space. Generations before us built this church. Then other parishioners built the school. More recently parishioners extended the church building. We have received the fruit of their work. The memory of those parishioners calls us to care for the church where we meet Jesus, and the school where we teach what HE taught.”

**Martin Meaney**  
**Campaign Co-Chair**

# Paving the Way for Christ

### 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:



MAJ Brian McGrath, US Army  
 CPT Gregory Holownia, US Army  
 PO3 Matthew Sadecki, US Coast Guard  
 CPL Zachary John Sheehy, USMC  
 PVT Travis Ruggiero, US Army, Afghanistan  
 PVT Dennis Diesel, USMC  
 PVT James Kruper, USMC  
 PFC Matthew P. Sirianni, US Army  
 CPT Conor B. Murphy, USMC, Okinawa, Japan  
 2LT Victoria Meyer, US Army Nurse Corp  
 PO1 John Paul Pedalino II, US Navy  
 CPT Thomas P. Shea, USAF, Afghanistan



### INFORMATION FOR LITURGICAL MINISTRY TRAINING FOR

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS, USHERS/HOSPITALITY

Session "A" is required of **all** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Those who minister in hospitals, nursing homes and to homebound persons are also required to attend Session "B". Please write a letter to Father Pat Woods, CSSR expressing your desire to become an EM. **TO REGISTER FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER TRAINING:** the pastor of the parish must send a letter to Bishop Murphy **at least 10 days in advance** requesting the training for each person attending. **This letter must mention the date and location of the session the person will attend.**

**For Lectors, Ushers/Hospitality Training, please call the Office of Worship at (516) 678-5800 x 504 and give your preference for location, date and time.**

#### **TIMES AND PLACES FOR MINISTRY TRAINING:**

##### **In Nassau:**

**EM "A" Session, Lector,  
 Hospitality/Usher Training**  
 October 19, 2013; 9 AM—1 PM  
 Kellenberg Memorial High School, Uniondale

##### **"B" session for Extraordinary Ministers**

November 9, 2013; 9 AM—1 PM  
 Kellenberg Memorial High School, Uniondale

##### **In Suffolk:**

**EM "A" Session for October 5th in Riverhead  
 COMPLETED**

##### **"B" Session for Extraordinary Ministers**

November 2, 2013; 9 AM—1 PM  
 McGann Mercy High School, Riverhead

**EVENING SESSIONS** for Extraordinary Ministers, Lectors, Hospitality/Ushers at St. Elizabeth, Melville.

Session "A" - Wednesday, October 16, 2013; 7:30—10 PM

Session "B" - Wednesday, October 30, 2013; 7:30—10PM

**WORKSHOP FEES:** Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: \$30 per person (fee paid by St. Martin's)  
 Lectors, Hospitality/Usher: \$20 per person (fee paid by St. Martin's)

### **October: Month of the Holy Rosary**

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary.

by Rev. Matthew R. Mauriello | Source: Catholic.net

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7th. It was instituted to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful.

The feast was introduced by Pope St. Pius V (1504-1572) in the year 1571 to commemorate the miraculous victory of the Christian forces in the Battle of Lepanto on October 7, 1571. The pope attributed more to the "arms" of the Rosary than the power of cannons and the valor of the soldiers who fought there.

Legend tells us that the Rosary as a form of prayer was given to St. Dominic (1170- 1221) by Mary, the Mother of Our Lord, who entrusted it to him as an aid in the conflicts with the Albigensians. The Dominican pope, St. Pius V, did much to further the spread of the Rosary and it thereafter became one of the most popular devotions in Christendom. It was the same Pope St. Pius V, who in 1569 officially approved the Rosary in its present form. It had been completed by the addition of the second half of the "Hail Mary" and the "Glory be to the Father" at the conclusion of each mystery.

Current scholarship traces the development of the Rosary to the High Middle Ages where it came into being in various medieval monasteries as a substitute for the Divine Office for the lay monks and devout lay persons who did not know how to read. Instead of the 150 psalms, they would pray 150 "Our Fathers" counting them on a ring of beads known as the crown or "corona". With the growth of popularity of Marian devotion in the twelfth century, the "Psalter of the Blessed Virgin Mary" developed now substituting 150 "Hail Marys" in place of the "Our Fathers."

The 150 "Hail Marys" were subsequently subdivided into 15 decades by the young Dominican friar, Henry Kalkar (1328-1408), with each decade referring to an event in the life of Jesus and Mary. The Dominican, Ananus de Rupe (1428-1478) further divided the episodes in the history of salvation into the joyful, sorrowful and glorious mysteries.

The Rosary is primarily a scriptural prayer. This can be summarized by the traditional phrase used by Pope Pius XII (papacy: 1939-1958) that the Rosary is " a compendium of the entire Gospel" (AAS 38 [1946] p.419) . The Rosary draws its mysteries from the New Testament and is centered on the great events of the Incarnation and Redemption.

Our Holy Father, Pope John Paul II has called the Rosary his favorite prayer, in which we meditate with Mary upon the mysteries which she as a mother meditated on in her heart. (Luke. 2:19) In this month of October, let us consider this beautiful prayer of the Rosary as a means that we too can use in order to draw closer to Jesus and Mary by meditating on the great mysteries of our salvation.