

Masses For The Week**Monday - January 27**

6:30 Robert Duonola

9:00 Kay & George Ruff

Tuesday - January 28

6:30

9:00 Patty DuWors

Wednesday - January 29

6:30 Dorothy & George Riggins

9:00 Vernon Sattler

Thursday - January 30

6:30 Kay & George Ruff

9:00 Christopher & John Curry

Friday - January 31

6:30 Michele & Emilio Fornino

9:00 Frank Pepe

Saturday - February 19:00 **Multiple Intentions Announced at Mass**

5:00 Madeline Pellicano

7:00 Louis Ruggiero, Anniversary

Sunday - February 2

7:00 The People of the Parish

8:30 Maria Accardi

10:00 Stella Agnese

11:30 Josefina C. DeGuzman

1:00 Alfred & Freddie Sussi

5:30 John & Angeline Serventi

Readings For The Week

Mon. 2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10; Mark 3:22-30

Tues. 2 Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19; Mark 3:31-35

Wed. 2 Samuel 7:4-17; Mark 4:1-20

Thurs. 2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29; Mark 4:21-25

Fri. 2 Sam 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Mk 4:26-34

Sat. 2 Sam 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mark 4:35-41

Sun. Malachi 3:1-4 *The prophet Malachi prophesied that the Lord God will send a messenger "to prepare the way." The Lord will appear at the temple and God will "refine and purify" the people.*

Hebrews 2:14-18 *Jesus was fully human. Through his death he frees all who live in fear of death. Because he himself was tested through what he suffered, he is able to help all who are tempted.*

Luke 2:22-40 *Joseph and Mary brought Jesus to the temple to be consecrated. Simeon, a holy and pious man, took the child in his arms, and Anna the prophetess gave thanks to God.*

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift**Weekend of January 18/19**

Amount Budgeted: \$17,500.00

Amount Received: \$15,370.32

*Thank you for your kind generosity!****Reflection & Living Stewardship***

The watchword today is "immediately." Peter and Andrew, James and John all respond immediately to the call of Christ. May I be as open to God's call and as ready to use my talents in His service as those first disciples were!

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who work in parish-based advocacy groups to bring Gospel values and Catholic social teaching to the wider community.

***Charismatic Prayer Group*****French Braids = The Holy Trinity**

I was trying to French braid my granddaughter's hair and all I could think of was the Holy Trinity! The 3 strands are the Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit intertwined to become one entity. And we are the sections pulled in from the sides to be close to the Holy Trinity! Proof that God is always present in the every day things. Come share your stories of where you find him.

Our next meeting is Monday, January 27th at 7:30 PM in the Church. All ages 18 and over are welcome. Call (516) 993-9672 for prayer requests or more information.

***Divine Mercy Novena***

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

St. Martin of Tours HOP Club

Jan. 20	#115	Virginia A. Pedgeon	\$25.00
Jan. 21	#531	Rita Tarry	\$25.00
Jan. 22	#172	Christine DelVicario	\$25.00
Jan. 23	#247	Laurel Rasmussen	\$25.00
Jan. 24	#307	Katherine LaFalce	\$50.00



"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 Rice-a-Roni, sugar, tomato soup, boxed milk, evaporated milk, salad dressing, ketchup, oil, mustard, mayonnaise, pasta sauce, canned mixed fruits, peaches, pears, oatmeal, sweet cereals, baked beans, canned potatoes, pancake mix and syrup, cake mix, icing, brownie mix, juice & juice boxes, jams or jellies, egg noodles, tissues, laundry soap, dish soap, diapers (sizes 2, 5 and 6).

Father Pat asked that we print again all that was received from the Giving Tree which was in the bulletin a number of weeks ago and add the monetary amount which was \$7,500. The Bethpage Community Fund amount was \$7,200. As always, we are so grateful for the tremendous generosity of our parishioners!

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, Bill Kelly, Matthew Messina, Sharon Shiepk
Christopher Gratton, John Mitchell, Salvatore Accardi
Peggy Namiotka, Pat Cannata, Barbara Thompson
Donald Castor, Dorothy Quinn, Edith Lagan
Henry Niemczyk, Bud Pehrsson, Zachery Duff
Sam Zubov, Christine Chiarappa, Herman Lordahl
Patricia Marrone, Godeliva Pagan, Mary Henson
Mary Lynn Brassil, Catherine Battiatia, Brendan Rodriguez
Charles Drew, Rebecca Passaro, Joanne Maguire
Dot Widyn, Annette Giuliano, Madeline Ciaravino
Nicole Cagna, Linda Cicoello, Sal Mascolo, Patrick Crowe
Gary Vlahov, Bridget Mullarkey, Irene Janampa
Chris & Raymond Mirendia, Father Henry Sattler, CSSR
Christopher Wezel, Eileen Catalano, Teresa Tavarrelli
James Miller, Louise Sandberg

Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat

We know that many women and men struggle with the emotional and spiritual pain associated with abortion. According to recent statistics, one in three people who come to church have been touched by an abortion.

The retreat will be held **February 21-23, 2014 at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington NY**. You can register by mailing a check for \$150.00 with your name, address, phone and email address. Make checks payable to Life Center of Long Island and mail to:

Life Center of Long Island
35 E. Willow Street
Massapequa NY 11758

If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Joe McNicholas at (516)445-3927 or online at: rwr@lifecenterli.org. For additional information, you may also call Rachel's Vineyard toll free at 1-877-HOPE-4-ME or visit the website at www.rachelsvineyard.org.

Thought for the Week

*If you are depressed, you are living in the past.
If you are anxious, you are living in the future.
If you are at peace, you are living in the present.*

-Lao Tsu



Week of Jan. 26 - Feb. 1, 2014

Altar Bread & Wine

*In Loving Memory of
Christopher Francis DiPaola*

Rest in Peace

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

**James J. Miller, Sara Cantillo
Charles F. McGovern**

When I was in the Holy Land this past summer, in the name of the parish I purchased a statue of the infant Jesus in a carved-out manger. I bought the statue in the town of Bethlehem and it is hand carved from the olive wood of the area. Rather than only put it out for the Christmas season, in consultation with the Liturgy Committee, I have decided to place the infant permanently in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

My main reason is that the Incarnation of Jesus is one of the central realities of our Catholic faith. In the Gospel of John we read, *The Word became flesh and dwelt among us*. Looking at a cross moves our hearts to see how much God loved us by giving up his life for us. It moves and inspires us to be his disciples. I believe the infant Jesus also is a powerful symbol to touch our hearts concerning the love of God.

St. Alphonsus Liguori, the founder of the Redemptorist Congregation that serves here at St. Martin's, had four great pillars of spirituality: the crib, the cross, the Blessed Mother, and the Holy Eucharist. The permanent presence of the infant Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, along with statue of the Blessed Mother, the processional cross, and the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle, now surround us with these four great cornerstones of Catholic spirituality.

I thank the men of the Nazareth Carpenter Shop, George Hoban and Bob Albertson, for making the table and arch that accompany the infant Jesus in the manger.

Prayer to the Infant

My dearest Savior, you art the King of Heaven, the King of kings, the Son of God; I see you in this manger, forsaken by all! I see no assisting you but Joseph and your holy Mother. I desire to unite myself also in keeping you company. Do not reject me. I believe that you invite me by your sweet voice, speaking to my heart. Amen. - St. Alphonsus Liguori

Save the date: On Saturday, March 15th beginning with the 9:00 a.m. Mass, followed by some talks and discussions and ending with lunch, we will have a parish faith assembly to reflect on what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Everyone in the parish (except children under the age of 13) is invited. In particular, I do hope those who are presently in ministry will attend. You will be hearing more about this in the coming weeks. Thanks for being people who carry me to Jesus, and I know that is not easy due to the chocolate donuts.

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

The Spiritual Life Committee of Holy Name of Jesus Parish, 690 Woodbury Rd, Woodbury (516) 921-2334 presents a teaching and exposition of Sacred Relics on Saturday March 1st at 1:00 pm.

Father Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross will be here with his very special ministry to teach about these holy objects. He will bring with him over 150 relics, some as old as 2000 years. Among the treasures will be relics of St. Maria Goretti, St. Therese of Lisieux (the "Little Flower"), St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Faustina Kowalska. In addition, there will also be present a portion of the veil of Our Lady, as well as one of the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world. Those in attendance will be able to examine and venerate each relic. In the Church's history many miracles and healings have been worked in the presence of relics, and many have been healed through this ministry.

Please do not miss this opportunity. You are encouraged to bring your articles of devotion (such as rosaries, holy cards, etc.) and pictures of ill friends/family members, which you will be able to touch to the reliquaries as a means of intercession.

See www.treasuresofthechurch.com for more information. If you have any questions, kindly contact Lisa Reali at 516-364-7119.

“UNCLE” FATHER PAT WANTS YOUR HELP!



The parish is looking for some people to do ministry on Ash Wednesday. As you know, Ash Wednesday, March 5th, is one of the busiest days of the year in the parish. Many people come to church to receive ashes as Lent begins. Some are regular members of the parish, while others may have drifted from the regular practice of their faith. Others may like information about the parish, or a word on how to reconnect to the Church.

You would be asked to attend a service or two and be available to anyone who might seek out such assistance. You would have a badge that would identify you as a member of our welcome team. We would have some handouts available for those who would like one, and perhaps a small gift such as a cross that you might offer to those who speak to you. You do not have to be an expert on the Church or the parish. Your main goal would be to put a warm face on our parish; if people want more assistance you can tell them how to get in touch with the parish staff. We would have one training session a week or so before Ash Wednesday. This is a one time commitment and your help would be a great blessing and perhaps you can be an instrument of grace that our Lord uses to invite someone into a deeper relationship with him. Email (woodscsr@aol.com) or phone me (931-0818). Father Pat

Paving the Way for Christ

Update on the Capital Campaign

Here is the latest update on the capital campaign. To date we have pledges of **\$1,728,423.34** and we have received **\$510,115.84**. Several people have been pledging over the past weeks and we are grateful to all who are able to support the campaign financially as well as by prayer. We will soon place a new list of the donors in the bulletin. I know some people have approached me about when they will be notified about their pledges and the money due to the campaign. This depends on what plan of pledge you signed up for. If you pledged to make a donation monthly, you should have received your statement. If you pledged to donate quarterly, you will receive your first statement in March. If you pledged to donate semi-annually, you will receive your first statement in June.

The building committee has recommended to me that the roof of the school be our first major repair. We are presently seeking bids from several recommended roofing firms. We are also seeking bids about the renovation of the Parish Outreach Center, as well as the bathroom in the parish hall. We are also in the process of choosing an engineering firm who will give us the cost of what the brick work on the school will cost. It is my hope that the roof of the school will be done by this summer as first step in our campaign. I thank you all for your generosity. Father Pat

2014 Membership Appeals for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith

St. Martin of Tours will be welcoming Sister Rosemary Hayes, SHCJ who will be speaking at all Masses on behalf of the Propagation of the Faith during the weekend of February 8th and 9th. Please be as generous as your means will allow.

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.

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
 L CPL Dennis Diesel, USMC
 L CPL 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
 CPL Michael John Kelly, USMC
 1LT Brian McGrath, US Army
 PFC Matthew Castellano, US Army
 PFC Michael Patrick Murphy
 PFC William Corrigan, USMC



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>.

Due to the snow storm the bulletin had to be sent early on Tuesday, January 21st. If your article did not make publication, please accept our apologies.

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.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

February 1st at 8:30AM consisting of rosary
of reparation; consecration to Our Lady;
reading about Fatima.



There will be a Life Night on Sunday, January 26th. All High School teens are welcome to join us following the 5:30pm Mass - 8:30pm. Dinner will be served!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

2/2: Life Night following the 5:30pm Mass - 8:30pm

2/9: Life Night following the 5:30pm Mass - 8:30pm

3/28-30 - Life Teen Long Island Retreat - More information coming soon!!

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. You can contact Erin at EKHoran@yahoo.com for more information.



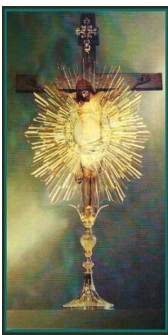
Our next Edge night will be held on Thursday, Feb. 6 from 7-8:30PM in the OLPH Youth Center.

Upcoming Event: February 27: Edge Night 7-8:30PM in the OLPH Youth Center

The Edge program is for all middle school aged students (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.

ALL ABOUT CAMP VERITAS: Camp Veritas 2014 - August 17 - 23. Registration is open! SMT already has a wonderful group of young people signed up and ready to go! If you are interested in getting more information about Camp Veritas, please contact Erin. There will be a **brief informational meeting** held on **Thursday, January 30 at 7PM in the OLPH Youth Center**. Please visit www.CampVeritas.com to check it out! Make sure you watch the video on the homepage...you might see some familiar faces!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



The next Adoration service is
Tuesday, February 11th at 7:00PM 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. Everyone is welcome!