

Masses For The Week

Monday - August 3

6:30 Lillian Antonucci
9:00 Margaret Simone

Tuesday - August 4

6:30 Dennis F. Meehan
9:00 Colleen McNamara, Anniversary

Wednesday - August 5

6:30 Nicoletta Mattariello
9:00 Shirley & Harold Peterson

Thursday - August 6 - The Transfiguration of the Lord

6:30 Ivana Fiorenzi
9:00 Patrick Curtin

Friday - August 7

6:30 Lester & Clarice Harrison
9:00 Ambrose & Elizabeth Hoolahan

Saturday - August 8

9:00 MULTIPLE MASS INTENTIONS
5:00 John & Delia Connaughton
7:00 The Flood and Jones Families

Sunday - August 9

7:00 The People of the Parish
8:30 Richard Gulde
10:00 Edward Rasmussen
11:30 Vincent Dioguardi
1:00 Dominick Tursi
5:30 Charles Blansfield

Readings For The Week

Mon. Numbers 11:4b-15; Matthew 14:13-21
Tues. Numbers 12:1-13; Matthew 14:22-36
Wed. Numbers 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-29a, 34-35
Matthew 15:21-28
Thurs. Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19
Mark 9:2-10
Fri. Deuteronomy 4:32-40; Matthew 16:24-28
Sat. Deuteronomy 6:4-13; Matthew 17:14-20
Sun. **1 Kings 19:4-8** *Elijah grew tired as he walked in the desert. An angel appeared to him and gave him food and drink. After that Elijah walked forty more days to the mountain of the Lord.*

Ephesians 4:30-5:2 *Paul encouraged the Ephesians to replace harsh words with kindness for each other. He wrote, "Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us."*

John 6:41-51 *Jesus is the bread from heaven. No one can go to the Father except through the Son. Any one who believes and eats Jesus' bread will have everlasting life.*

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift

Amount Budgeted: \$17,500.00
Amount Received: July 25/26, 2015
Regular Collection: \$15,199.31

Thank you for your great generosity!

Reflection & Living Stewardship



The crowd in today's Gospel demanded a sign of Jesus and wanted to know what "work" He did to inspire their faith. May our faithful stewardship be a sign to others that we, like the Ephesians in the second reading, have laid aside our former way of life and acquired a "fresh, spiritual way of thinking" in Christ.

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who stand ready to change their lives whenever and wherever God speaks to them.

Charismatic Prayer Group

I was thinking about Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane and thought how amazing - the Son of God is praying to God the Father! In order to follow Jesus - to imitate Him, to be Him to others - we have to start with prayer.

One of the first things children learn is how to pray. You cannot pray too often! Come and say prayers and get prayers for yourself and someone you love.

Our next meeting is Monday, August 3rd at 7:30 PM in the Church. Please call (516) 993-9672 for prayer requests or more information.

HOP Club Winners

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| 7/27/15 | #213 | Mildred Saloy | \$25 |
| 7/28/15 | #251 | Rose Shackleton | \$25 |
| 7/29/15 | #334 | Linda & Frank Sehn | \$25 |
| 7/30/15 | #24 | Evelyn & Donald McLean | \$25 |
| 7/31/15 | #246 | Elsie M. Barone | \$50 |



Third Banns

Matthew Bosko & Michele DiDomenico

Second Banns

*Michael Vidal & Emily Rogers
Nick Cafero & Lindsay Gregory*

First Banns

Michael Murphy & Michele Lutz



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

The Pantry is in need of chili, tuna, tomato paste, pasta sauce, peanut butter, vegetable soup, chicken soup, mustard, mayonnaise, oil, jam, jelly, chocolate cake mix, icing, Jello-O, pudding, sugar, boxed & canned potatoes, peas, mixed vegetables, carrots, toilet paper, napkins, tooth paste, bar soap, dish soap and shampoo.

If anyone’s garden is providing an abundance of fruits or vegetables, we will gladly accept them. Thanks so much to all of you for your contributions to the Food Pantry. It is much appreciated!

Parish Outreach Food Pantry:

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



Week of August 2 - August 8, 2015

Altar Bread & Wine

*In Loving Memory of
Colleen McNamara*

Week of August 2 - August 8, 2015

*Sanctuary Candle
In Loving Memory of
Reno Pelus*



Please pray for the sick of our parish:

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

Ledwin Mason, Leevalli Annearosa, Pattie Meegan
Leigh Murphy, Richard Piernini, Joseph Simon
Douglas Torres, James Robertson, Amy Hayes
Mom & Dad, Bill Kelly, Matthew Messina, Sharon Shiepk
Christopher Gratton John Mitchell, Pat Cannata
Barbara Thompson, Donald Castor, Dorothy Quinn
Zachery Duff, Sam Zubov, Patricia Marrone, Mary Henson
Mary Lynn Brassil, Catherine Battiata, Brendan Rodriguez
Rebecca Passaro, Dot Widyn, Annette Giuliano
Madeline Ciaravino, Nicole Cagna, Gary Vlahov
Tom Schuerlein, Katie Walsh, Chris & Raymond Mirendia
Louise Sandberg, Florencio Carmenate, Anthony Luisi
Mary McCarthy, Christina Macchio, Karen Kilgard
Angela Calendrille, Ann Marie Frayler, Nicholas Balducci
Robert Kennan, Corey Voboril, Charles Walsh
Baby Scarlett, May Duffey, Tommy Johnson
Harry & Louise Smith, Joseph Vareed, Grace Pastorello
Anna M. Bosco, Baby Daniel, Janet Medina, Kevin Henson
Marie Newman, Lee Berkowitz, The Mascia Family
Edward Brown, Ceil Hollander, Ann Mirto, Vicki Perri
Daniel Costa, Nikki Eleanor Behrik, Hector Valentine
Theresa DuRoss, Bob Baciaska, Lorraine Dennan
Deacon Jim Biggin, Carol Ann Scudder, John Scudder
Thomas Napoli, Joan Spira, Gerald Campbell
Vincent Esposito, Terry Hall, Joe Bauer
Catherine A. McCarthy, Paul Granberg, Antoinette Diana
Brendan Donahue, Little Sonny D’Ambrosio, Joann Sescila
Elsa Ryan, Sarah Messina, Michael Arato, William Martuge
Deacon Jose Roa, Elizabeth Ryan, Steven Roberts, Jr.
Ken Mannion, Jo Ryan, Linda Malone, Peters Family
Christine Chiarappa, Michael Kott, Jr., Connie Burgess
Dolores Miller, Susan Carroll-Goyan, Carol Episcopio
Cathy Rusch, Samantha McNeil, Rose Kuhn
Patty & Tom Turano, Antonia Binetti, Tom Doty
Louie Gandolfo, Fran Brideau, Kevin Connors,
Jerome Antonucci, Nicholas Amato
Gerard, Dana, Zachary & Rachel Biggin

Rest in Peace

Acts 7:49: “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.”

Amanda Henderson, John de Haan

The Pastor's Letter

I suppose one of the hardships of life is having to look at someone else's vacation pictures. Don't worry; there are the only three I will show you. I want to thank Genny Mitchell and Ann Hughes for filling in for me in the pastor's column - they did a great job. I had a wonderful two weeks in the Outer Banks of North Carolina with a quick overnight in Colonial Williamsburg. Lots of fun time with my family, bike rides (I tried very hard to find only downhill rides), swimming (in the pool since the kids were afraid of sharks, as was I) shopping, food (I had the best fried green tomatoes ever), and family stories (we are a family of talkers).

I love just looking at the ocean and Curriteck Sound. It is a great feeling to wake up in the morning with absolutely nothing that has to be done. It seemed the sun never stopped shining. I was so blessed to have this time, and I thought of the countless people in the world who can never take a vacation since they struggle for their daily existence. I thought of my Mom and Dad who rarely ever had the chance to take time off and just enjoy a vacation.

Still, as the vacation drew to a close, I was thinking of the parish and the many upcoming programs and events that are in the works. At long last, we are getting very close to hiring the company that will pave our parking lot. I know this has been long awaited by the parishioners. I hope that we will have it done in mid August or early September. No doubt, this project will bring us some temporary confusion as parts of our parking lots will be closed as we pave them. This work should take about three weeks.

I look forward to our third annual summer Bible Camp that will begin on August 10th and run until August 14th. We have a great group of volunteers and I love hearing the voices of the children in the morning as they come together to study about God and his love. The parish block party is also in the works (unless there is a conflict with the paving) for August 21st. There are several parishioners who look forward to the annual summer retreat on the Jersey Shore at San Alfonso Retreat House, while a group of young people of our parish will have a week of fun and faith sharing at Camp Veritas.

In September, we will celebrate in thanksgiving for the ten years of dedicated ministry that Father Henry served here at St. Martin's, and wish him God's blessings in his new assignment. As the Fall comes upon us, we will be entering into a time on considering how parishioners might think about sharing their time and talent with the parish in the great variety of ministries that our parish has. In the midst of all these events, we will once again face the eternal question: Is this the year the Jets get to the Super Bowl.

So vacation was fun, but I look forward to the weeks and months to come as we continue to deepen our love of Jesus and to share his good news with one another.

Father Patrick Woods, CSSR
woodscssr@aol.com www.smtbethpage.org

A few pictures from Father Pat's vacation.



I managed to get in trouble!



Your pastor wrestles an alligator!!



**Offering advice to
Thomas Jefferson.**

**Marian Consecration According to the
St. Louis de Montfort book, *True Devotion to Mary***

This online consecration began on July 13th and will culminate on August 15th, the Feast of Mary's Assumption. *The Catholic Company* released a statement saying that they were promoting the Marian consecration for the persecuted Christians in the Middle East. Those who wish to do this consecration, may simply catch up on the days missed. In total - 33 days.

Follow this format: Google The Catholic Company and sign up to receive the morning offering daily devotionals to be sent to your email address. Once received, scroll down to consecration to Jesus through Mary which appears just below the morning offering prayer to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

You will see the following:

Purpose of emptying yourself to the world

Readings from *The Imitation of Christ* (no need to purchase the book as the readings are all online)

Prayers: Veni Creator Spiritus, Ave Maria Stellar, Magnificat and Glory Be

Many blessings will come to our parish whenever we honor our Blessed Mother. By honoring her, we also honor her divine Son, Jesus Christ - King of the Universe and Holy Redeemer.

The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary falls on Saturday, August 15th. The holyday obligation is suspended in the United States when the solemnity falls on Saturday or Monday. Therefore, there is **no vigil mass on Friday, August 14th.**

However, in reverence to Mary, the 9:00AM Mass on August 15th will be celebrated with readings and music in her honor. Again, you are not obliged to attend this Mass. St. Martin of Tours just wants to give parishioners and visitors to our parish the opportunity to honor the Mother of God on her glorious Assumption.



O most sweet Lady and our Mother, by the merits of thy happy death obtain for us holy perseverance in the divine friendship that we may finally quit this life in God's grace; and unite with the blessed spirits in praising thee and singing thy glories as thou deservest. Amen.

- Excerpt from a prayer given in St. Alphonsus Liguori's classic work,
The Glories of Mary



Saint Maria
Faustina

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

I thought that as a way of recognizing Father Henry's great service to the parish, I would invite parishioners to write a few sentences or a short paragraph on how Father Henry touched your life.

You might write about a funeral he conducted for your family, a wedding, a time shared at a youth gathering, a visit he made to your home or the hospital or a sermon he gave. It would be my hope to put them all in an issue of the bulletin to honor him and something I think would touch him.

So, email me woodscsr@aol.com or drop off a note to Genny at the office. Please have them in by Saturday, August 15th. - Father Pat, CSSR

HELP OUR PARISH - H.O.P. Club

The HOP Club is a fundraiser that is used to support the operating expenses of the parish. New members are always welcome to join the HOP Club. The dues are \$60 per year beginning September 1 and ending August 31 each year. A number is assigned to each member (this number is not the same as your envelope number), and every week there is a drawing. If your number is chosen, a check will be mailed to your home address and your name will be published in our bulletin. You can win as many times as your number is drawn during the fiscal year.

Prizes are awarded as follows:

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|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Monday - Thursday | \$25.00 |
| Friday | \$50.00 |
| Third Friday of Every Month | \$250.00 |
| Feast of St. Martin, November 11 | Two \$500 prizes |
| One week before Christmas | One \$500 prize |
| Last week of August | Two \$1,000 prizes & One \$500 prize |

New members please fill out this form and send it to St. Martin of Tours Rectory, HOP Club, 40 Seaman Avenue, Bethpage NY 11714 along with your check or money order for \$60.

Current members should be receiving their renewal forms in the mail around the first week of August. *Thank you for your support! It is very much appreciated!*

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Attention All Marriage Encounter Couples!

Come Join Us for a Day of Enrichment Saturday, August 29, 2015

The Shrine of Our Lady of the Island

258 Eastport-Manor Rd, Manorville, NY 11949

The theme of this year's enrichment is *"Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage."* Video presentations feature international marriage expert Mark Gungor. His humorous style is effective and memorable. No matter how long you have been encountered, this video event promises to be enjoyable. The day begins at 8:30 AM, with continental breakfast; the first presentation starts promptly at 9AM.

The day concludes with the Celebration of Mass about 4PM.

Please bring your own picnic lunch and something for the sharing table.

Be sure to bring your dialogue books for the 10+10's.

We look forward to seeing you no matter how long ago you made your weekend.

For further information or to RSVP please call Bob & Jean Payne 631-886-2256

Special Collection for Persecuted Christians

Weekend of August 1 & 2, 2015

The number of persecuted Christians in the world has topped a staggering 100 million according to a recent report from Open Doors USA, an organization that assists persecuted Christians. Paying homage recently to the courage of the Apostles and that of the first Christian community, Pope Francis referenced the "atrocious, inhuman and incomprehensible persecutions, sadly present in many parts of the world today, often under the silent gaze of all."

Bishop Murphy urges us to reach out and protect these victims who are suffering and who are so often the targets of violence and murder, along with other ethnic and religious minorities. To that end, a special collection will be taken up in our parish the weekend of August 1-2, 2015 to assist those who are suffering religious persecution in Syria and Iraq and wherever needed.

Please continue to pray for peace and if you are able, to support this special collection to assist for our brothers and sisters in Christ.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

There is no Adoration hosted
by our Youth Ministry during the months of
June, July and August.

The next Adoration is Tuesday, September 8th.





Saint Alphonsus Liguori - 1696 - 1787
Founder of the Redemptorists

Moral theology, Vatican II said, should be more thoroughly nourished by Scripture, and show the nobility of the Christian vocation of the faithful and their obligation to bring forth fruit in charity for the life of the world. Alphonsus, declared patron of moral theologians by Pius XII in 1950, would rejoice in that statement. In his day, Alphonsus fought for the liberation of moral theology from the rigidity of Jansenism. His moral theology, which went through 60 editions in the century following him, concentrated on the practical and concrete problems of pastors and confessors. If a certain legalism and minimalism crept into moral theology, it should not be attributed to this model of moderation and gentleness.

At the University of Naples he received, at the age of 16, a doctorate in both canon and civil law by acclamation, but he soon gave up the practice of law for apostolic activity. He was ordained a priest and concentrated his pastoral efforts on popular (parish) missions, hearing confessions, forming Christian groups. He founded the Redemptorist congregation in 1732. It was an association of priests and brothers living a common life, dedicated to the imitation of Christ, and working mainly in popular missions for peasants in rural areas. Almost as an omen of what was to come later, he found himself deserted, after a while, by all his original companions except one lay brother. But the congregation managed to survive and was formally approved 17 years later, though its troubles were not over.

Alphonsus' great pastoral reforms were in the pulpit and confessional—replacing the pompous oratory of the time with simplicity, and the rigorism of Jansenism with kindness. His great fame as a writer has somewhat eclipsed the fact that for 26 years he traveled up and down the Kingdom of Naples, preaching popular missions. He was made bishop (after trying to reject the honor) at 66 and at once instituted a thorough reform of his diocese. At 71 he was afflicted with rheumatic pains which left incurable bending of his neck; until it was straightened a little, the pressure of his chin caused a raw wound on his chest. He suffered a final 18 months of "dark night" scruples, fears, temptations against every article of faith and every virtue, interspersed with intervals of light and relief, when ecstasies were frequent.

Alphonsus is best known for his moral theology, but he also wrote well in the field of spiritual and dogmatic theology. His *Glories of Mary* is one of the great works on that subject, and his book *Visits to the Blessed Sacrament* went through 40 editions in his lifetime, greatly influencing the practice of this devotion in the Church. St. Alphonsus was known above all as a practical man who dealt in the concrete rather than the abstract. His life is indeed a "practical" model for the everyday Christian who has difficulty recognizing the dignity of Christian life amid the swirl of problems, pain, misunderstanding and failure. Alphonsus suffered all these things. He is a saint because he was able to maintain an intimate sense of the presence of the suffering Christ through it all. Someone once remarked, after a sermon by Alphonsus, "It is a pleasure to listen to your sermons; you forget yourself and preach Jesus Christ."

Prayer for Those Suffering From Arthritis

St. Alphonsus, preacher, confessor, founder, bishop, doctor of prayer and friend of the poor, you are also the special patron of all who suffer from arthritis and the pains of many years. When our fingers twist with pain, keep us focused on the hands of Christ pierced with ugly nails. When our knees throb with endless aches, allow us to see the knees of Jesus smashing to the street under the heavy cross. When our backs stiffen with soreness, let us remember the back of Christ thrown across the cold, rough wood of the cross. When our joints, hips, arms, legs and knuckles hurt so much that tears well up in our eyes, help us to recall the tears, the sweat and the blood that flowed from our crucified Jesus Who suffered so much more for each of us. St. Alphonsus, afflicted with curvature of the spine and nailed to a wheelchair cross in your final days, teach us to unite all our pains with the dreadful sufferings of Jesus on the cross. We ask you to ease our pains but more so to enable us to be one with Jesus in his great act of dying and rising. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY CONSTANTLY FOR THOSE SERVING IN OUR MILITARY



Lord of Hosts, we commend to Your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with Your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils that beset them; and grant them Your abiding presence wherever they may be. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



MAJ Brian McGrath, US Army
 CPT Gregory Holownia, US Army
 MAJ Erika Holownia, US Army
 PO3 Matthew Sadecki, USCG
 SGT Zachary John Sheehy, USMC
 PVT Travis Ruggiero, US Army
 CPL Dennis Diesel, USMC
 L CPL James Kruper, USMC
 SPC Matthew P. Sirianni, US Army
 CPT Conor B. Murphy, USMC
 1LT Victoria Meyer, US Army Nurse Corp
 PO1 John Paul Pedalino II, US Navy
 CPT Thomas P. Shea, USAF
 SGT Michael John Kelly, USMC
 1LT Brian McGrath, US Army
 SPC Matthew Castellano, US Army
 PFC Michael Patrick Murphy, US Army
 PFC William Corrigan, USMC
 PFC Salvatore Battiata, USAF
 LT Daniel Cloonan, USCG
 PVT Daniel Kuhlmann, US Army
 LCPL Jonathan M. Gordon, USMC
 2LT Sean O'Donnell, USAF
 SGT Matthew C. Windisch, USMC
 E3 CORPSMAN Robert Fidnarick, US Navy
 1LT Brian Thorpe, US Navy
 PO3 Joshua Zimmerman, US Navy
 MAJ Brendan McEvoy, US Army
 PVT Matthew F. Mayerhofer, US Army
 BUCN Sean Bourke, US Navy
 PO3 James Fischer, US Navy
 LTC John Evans, US Army
 STS2(SS) James McDevitt, US Navy
 ABHAA Michael Creagh, US Navy
 PVT Steven DiPaolo, USMC
 SSGT Sean V. Oliva, US Army
 2LT Samantha Lopez, US Navy
 SSG George Howard, US Army
 LT Mario Lopes, USMC

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY**LAST HOPE: LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR APPEAL TO SUPREME COURT**

Washington D.C. July 23, 2015 CNA/EWTN News.

After a federal appeals court ruled that the **Little Sisters of the Poor** must obey the federal contraception mandate, the Sisters have announced that they are appealing to the Supreme Court. Sister Loraine Marie Maguire, Mother Provincial of the Little Sisters of the Poor, emphasized that the religious women ***"dedicate our lives to serving the neediest in society, with love and dignity."*** For 175 years the order has cared for the elderly poor and dying throughout the world. ***"We perform this loving ministry because of our faith and simply cannot choose between our care for the elderly poor and our faith, and WE SHOULDN'T HAVE TO!"*** she said in a July 23 statement. ***"We hope the Supreme Court will hear our case and ensure that people from diverse faiths can freely follow God's calling in their lives."***

The Sisters are among several hundred plaintiffs that have challenged the Federal Contraception Mandate which requires employers to offer health insurance plans covering CONTRACEPTION, STERILIZATION and some DRUGS THAT CAN CAUSE EARLY ABORTIONS. Employers who fail to comply with the Mandate face crippling penalties. In the case of the Little Sisters, the fines could amount to around \$2.5 MILLION A YEAR, or about 40% of the \$6 million the Sisters BEG for annually to run their ministry.

Met with a wave of protest, the Contraception Mandate has undergone a number of revisions. However, the Sisters say that it still requires them to VIOLATE THEIR BELIEFS, that providing contraception is ultimately free for insurance companies because birth control results in better health for women and lower pregnancy rates, resulting in lower overall costs. Critics reject this claim arguing the costs of the coverage will ultimately be handed on to the employer in some way. Several other religious organizations have also said they still object to signing a form that passes the burden of providing the objectionable content to another party.

"IN AMERICA, JUDGES AND GOVERNMENT BUREAUCRATS HAVE NO AUTHORITY TO TELL THE LITTLE SISTERS WHAT IS MORAL OR IMMORAL," said Mark Rienzi, Senior Counsel of the Bucket Fund for Religious Liberty and lead attorney for the Little Sisters. "AND THE GOVERNMENT CAN DISTRIBUTE ITS DRUGS WITHOUT NUNS, IT HAS ITS OWN HEALTHCARE EXCHANGES THAT CAN PROVIDE WHATEVER IT WANTS."

The 10th circuit order also applies to Christian Brothers Services and Christian Brothers Employee Benefit Trust, the Catholic Organizations through which the Little Sisters obtain their health coverage. Now the Little Sisters are asking the Supreme Court for protection. The Supreme Court is expected to consider the petitions later this year, **IF IT TAKES UP THE CASE**. A final decision would be expected next summer.

source: CNA/EWTN News, excerpts

Church of St. Martin of Tours Blood Drive



Wednesday, August 19
2:30pm-8:30pm
38 Seaman Ave.
St. Alphonsus Hall

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.

 **New York** Blood Center

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact:

Genny Mitchell @ (516) 931-0818



St. Martin's 2015 Block Party
Friday, August 21 at 6:30PM

COME JOIN THE FUN

Barbecue - Hamburgers - Hot Dogs!

With the generosity and help of the Knights of Columbus and the Christian Mothers

DJ and Karaoke

Brought to us by ACC DJ Productions
thanks to the generosity of the Young at Heart Ministry

Bounce House & Activities for the kiddies!

Volunteers for Set Up and Clean Up needed!

Teens need community service hours? Sign up here!

DONATIONS

Gift cards, gift certificates, baseball tickets (even Yankee ones), Jet tickets (number one prize) for the raffle that we hold at the party, along with the 50/50. No charge for admission but to defray the cost, we will be selling raffle tickets a few weeks before. This year we decided that donated gift baskets, although very generous, were not always practical. So instead, we are looking for any kind of gift cards/gift certificates or tickets you might have.

VOLUNTEERING

If anyone would like to volunteer at the event, that would be most helpful. For any questions about donations or volunteering, please contact me at woodscsr@aol.com or call 931-0818 ext. 17.

Annual Redemptorist Spirituality Retreat Weekend

September 4 – 6, 2015

San Alfonso Retreat House, Long Branch New Jersey

Call for reservations (732) 222-2731

Cost: \$200.00 per person

Father John McGowan CSSR and Father Patrick Woods CSSR will be leading the annual Redemptorist Spirituality Weekend at San Alfonso Retreat House. This relaxing retreat is for Redemptorist Lay Missionaries, Associates, Family and Friends of Redemptorists, Staff and Parishioners in our Parishes and anyone who wishes to deepen their understanding of Redemptorist Spirituality.

The weekend begins with supper on Friday, September 4th at 6:00 p.m. and concludes with lunch at 12:00 p.m. on Sunday. For reservations call San Alfonso Retreat House during business hours Monday to Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Bring Your Bible and your Bathing Suit!



Prayer and Fun in the Sun

*The weekend combines periods of prayer, quiet,
and time for fun and relaxation.*

2015 National 54 Day Rosary Novena

Primary Intention: "For Family and Marriage"

- **Including for Peace, Sanctity of Human Life & Religious Freedom**

Join hundreds of thousands of people of all ages in prayer across America

Launch August 15, 2015 Feast of the Assumption

Closing October 7, 2015 Feast of the Holy Rosary

Why: A Message of Hope in response to the spiritual crisis in our culture and nation and to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops call to prayer.

What: Pray the rosary for 54 straight days for the Novena Intentions
27 days in *petition* from August 15 through September 10, 2015
27 days in *thanksgiving* from September 11 through October 7, 2015

Where: At home individually or with families
or in a parish community or other groups

**For more information go to: info@rosaryea.org
Or call: 414-570-4289**

**OUR LADY OF MERCY CYO TRACK 2015 FALL REGISTRATION
Boys and Girls - Kindergarten through 8th Grade**

The Fall Program runs from mid September through October. Track meets are held outdoors on weekends at fields throughout Nassau and Suffolk. No experience required. All athletes competing in meets will receive medals and/or ribbons. If you enroll in the Fall Program, you will automatically be enrolled in the Spring Program which starts in April.

**Register your child by contacting Gynni Farrell at
ourladyofmercytrack@gmail.com
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 18, 2015**

RECTORY OFFICE SUMMER HOURS
From Monday June 22 to Friday September 4, 2015
Weekday Hours: Monday through Friday - 9AM to 3PM
Evening Hours: Monday & Tuesday - 3PM to 7:30PM
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday - 3PM to 7PM
Saturday Hours: 9AM to 7PM
Closed on Sunday

FOR HELP IN A CRISIS PREGNANCY
 Call Diana Hart Mirando
 (C) 830-5077 (H) 605-1979

ROSELINE, LIFE CENTER 24 HOURS
PROJECT RACHEL
WWW.HOPEAFTERABORTION.COM
 Baby Safe Haven, Safe Babies
 Safe Place at 1 (877) 796-HOPE
 Adoption, Foster Care, Maternity Services
 Catholic Home Bureau 1(800) 592-4357

NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE HOTLINE
 1-800-4-Child or 1-800-422-4453

Holy Face of Jesus Holy Hour

Monday, August 3rd at 1PM in the Church in reparation for the wounds to His Holy Face. All will be blessed with a first class relic of St. Helen.

First Friday Devotions

Please come on August 7th at 7PM in the Eucharistic Chapel in reparation for all the sins against the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Everyone is most welcome to both these Holy Devotions. Many graces and blessings received as we worship Christ our Holy Redeemer.

Life Teen will resume holding Life Nights in September. Check back here for more info coming soon!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

8/2: Updated Info: There is NO BBQ today after the 5:30PM Mass.
Erin and Dan’s son, Luke Daniel will be baptized during the 5:30PM Mass.

8/7-9: Steubenville NYC Youth Conference!!! Please pray for all those who are participating in this incredible conference. Come, Holy Spirit!

8/16-22: CAMP VERITAS!!! Please lift all of SMT’s Campers and Counselors up in prayer as they dive into a week full of faith and fun!

Edge will resume meetings in the fall. Have a safe & fun filled summer!

To see our full schedule, please visit SMTBethpage.org!

For questions about Youth Ministry at SMT or to inquire about joining our team, please contact Erin Horan-Baudille at SMT_Lifeteen@Yahoo.com. The Youth Ministry Office Phone: (516) 870-5669.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Aug 3: Holy Face of Jesus Devotions 1PM Church
- Aug 7: First Friday Devotions 7PM Eucharistic Chapel
- Aug 10-14: Bible Camp
- Aug 15: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- NOT a Holyday of Obligation this year - Regular weekend mass schedule
- Aug 19: SMT Blood Drive St. Alphonsus Hall
- Aug 21: Annual Parish Picnic 6:30PM school parking lot
- Aug 22: SMT Book Club 10AM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Sept 4-6: Summer Retreat at San Alfonso Retreat House, Long Branch NJ

Dear SMT Book Club Friends,

We hope this summer is a most pleasant one. We anticipate that you are ready for an eventful summer read. Our new book by popular choice is ***Dead Wake, the Last Crossing of the Lusitania*** by Erik Larson. **The meeting will be at 10:00 AM on Saturday, August 22, 2015.** Please remember all are most welcome. The book does not need to be completed by the date of our meeting. Your heartfelt sharing makes the meeting so insightful, enjoyable and informative. So please rest and relax this summer with a quality read from our book club.

We look forward to meeting with you. If there any questions, please contact Ann Mele ann111647@netscape.net or phone # 516- 330-3039.

Till then, happy reading!
Father Patrick Woods & Ann Mele

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The five 2 1/2 hour sessions are as follows:

Four Saturday Classes from 8AM - 10:30AM
September 26, October 3, October 17 and October 24
One Wednesday Class, October 28th from 6PM - 8:30PM

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Talbot House is a 24-hour voluntary chemical dependence crisis center licensed by the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) to provide short-term medically monitored inpatient withdrawal services to adult men and women who are in crisis. This facility provides nourishing meals, counseling, limited transportation, support groups, and referrals.

Outpatient Clinics

Outpatient clinics help people in recovery maintain sobriety and live independently and productively. Services include individual and group counseling; groups for early sobriety; DWI/mandated and after-care; educational programs; crisis intervention; psychiatric services; medical evaluations; and referrals. The program also serves spouses, adolescents, significant others, co-dependents, and adult children of alcoholics (ACOAs). Our clinics provide counseling services in Spanish.

Eligibility and Fees

Programs serve people 18 years of age and older. Sliding scale fees, Medicaid, Medicare, and other third-party insurance accepted.

Locations & Hours**Catholic Charities Outpatient Clinic**

155 Indian Head Road, Commack, NY 11725

Telephone: 631-543-6200 & Fax: 631-543-6203

Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. & Friday, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Catholic Charities Outpatient Clinic at Hampton Bays

P.O. Box 758, Hampton Bays, NY 11946

Telephone: 631-723-3362 & Fax: 631-723-3365

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Tuesday 9:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. & Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Catholic Charities Talbot House

30-C Carlough Road, Bohemia, NY 11716

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New Member Orientation/Non-Denominational

Tuesday, August 25, 2015 @ 8PM

Meeting is every fourth Tuesday at
St. Frances de Chantal School
1309 Wantagh Avenue, Wantagh

Please bring proof of single status to join - refreshments after meeting

Call Carol at (516) 794-4933 or Barbara at (516) 798-2858 for more information.