

Masses For The Week

Monday - August 8

6:30 Marge Hughes
9:00 Dominick Livaccari

Tuesday - August 9

6:30 Rosemary O'Keefe
9:00 Edward Rasmussen

Wednesday - August 10

6:30 Patricia Frisone
9:00 Maria Puppo

Thursday - August 11

6:30 John McTighe
9:00 Lawrence & Rose Territo

Friday - August 12

6:30 Mary & Martin Laraia
9:00 Susan Carni

Saturday - August 13

9:00 MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS
5:00 Antoinette Vicedomini
7:00 Madeline T. Stein

Sunday - August 14

7:00 The People of the Parish
8:30 Patrick Curtin
10:00 Norman Sebbesse
11:30 Tim Mayal
1:00 Thomas McCabe
5:30 Alfonsa, Vincent & Maggio Family

Readings For The Week

Mon. Ezekiel 1:2-5, 24-28c; Matthew 17:22-27
Tues. Ezekiel 2:8-3:4; Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wed. 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26
Thurs. Ezekiel 12:1-12; Matthew 18:21-19:1
Fri. Ezekiel 16:1-15, 60, 63; Matt 19:3-12
Sat. Ezekiel 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Matt 19:13-15
Sun. **Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10** *The princes were eager to kill Jeremiah because he constantly challenged them to follow God's law. The king allowed them to throw Jeremiah into a cistern. A friend interceded with the king and rescued Jeremiah.*

Hebrews 12:1-4 *Let us repent of our sin and fix our eyes on the Lord. Jesus gave us an example of endurance and courage in the midst of struggle. In that way he inspires and perfects our faith.*

Luke 12:49-53 *Jesus announced to his disciples that he came to bring a hard message indeed, and some have not listened to it. That is why friends and families divide.*

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift

Weekly Budget: \$17,500.00
Weekly Collection 7/31/2016: \$15,783.16
Thank you for your great generosity!

Reflection & Living Stewardship

Am I waiting for the "right" time to become a good steward? Do I plan to share my time and talents "later?" Today's gospel warns those who are procrastinating about stewardship to be prepared - "at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who recognize that giving and sharing are not a burden, but rather an opportunity to experience - every day - the deep satisfaction that can only be found by serving in the name of Jesus.



Charismatic Prayer Group

When someone you love is traveling, you worry like crazy until you hear they've arrived safely. Don't forget--we are all on a spiritual journey! And because we have free will, we can stray from the route that God has planned for us. But no matter how long it takes or how far off course you get, He will welcome you home and ALL of Heaven will rejoice!!

Our next meeting is Monday, August 8th at 7:30PM in the Church. Come and bring a friend. 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!

H.O.P. Club Winners

8/1/16	#319	Erin & Dan Baudille	\$25
8/2/16	#320	M/M Jerry O'Brien	\$25
8/3/16	#426	Christine Skrypek	\$25
8/4/16	#490	Maureen Fackner	\$25
8/5/16	#408	Loretta Haack-DeCaro	\$50

Wedding Banns

3rd Andrew Weinert & Stephanie Cipolla
 3rd Christopher Banquecer & Susan Ahtziger
 1st Rubens Netto & Stephanie Carvalho



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

This week the Pantry could use: oatmeal, pancake mix, canned salmon, beef stew, mixed fruit, peaches, vegetable soups, coffee, tea, bar soap, laundry soap, diapers (size 2) and baby wipes.

Thank you for all you do to help those in need.

Parish Outreach Food Pantry:

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

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FOOD PANTRY
 WHOLE FOODS PICK UP ON SATURDAYS!**

We are in need of volunteers for our **Whole Foods Pick Up Program**. Heavy lifting (20-25 lbs.) may be required. You will be asked to serve one Saturday per month from approximately 3:30-5:30PM. **If interested, please call Jack Raha at 935-7093 for more information.**

Altar Bread & Wine
 Week of August 7 - 13, 2016
 In Loving Memory of
 Edward Rasmussen



Sanctuary Candle
 Week of August 7 - 13, 2016
 In Loving Memory of
 Bernie Lavin

REMINDER: Please call the rectory at 931-0818 to remove a name from the list.

Please pray for the sick of our parish:

Leevalli Annearosa, Leigh Murphy, Richard Piernini
 Joseph Simon, Douglas Torres, James Robertson, Amy Hayes
 Mom & Dad, Bill Kelly, Matthew Messina, Pat Cannata
 Christopher Gratton, Barbara Thompson, Donald Castor
 Dorothy Quinn, Zachery Duff, Sam Zubov, Patricia Marrone
 Mary Henson, Mary Lynn Brassil, Catherine & Victor Battiatia
 Brendan Rodriguez, Rebecca Passaro, Dot Widyn
 Annette Giuliano, Madeline Ciaravino, Nicole Cagna, Gary Vlahov
 Tom Schuerlein, Katie Walsh, Louise Sandberg, Anthony Luisi
 Chris & Raymond Mirendia, Florencio Carmenate, Mary McCarthy
 Karen Kilgard, Angela Calendrille, Ann Marie Frayler
 Nicholas Balducci, Robert Kennan, Corey Voboril, Charles Walsh
 Baby Scarlett, May Duffey, Tommy Johnson, Louise Smith
 Joseph Vareed, Anna M. Bosco Baby Daniel, Janet Medina
 Kevin Henson, Marie Newman, The Mascia Family, Edward Brown
 Ceil Hollander, Ann Mirto, Daniel Costa, Nikki, Hector Valentine
 Theresa DuRoss, Bob Baciuska, Carol Ann Scudder, John Scudder
 Justine & Nicole Scudder, Vincent Esposito, Terry Hall
 Catherine A. McCarthy, Paul Granberg, Charles Boyce, Elsa Ryan
 Sarah Messin, William Boyce, Joann Sescila, Albert La Rocca
 Michael Arato, Elizabeth Ryan, Ken Mannion, Tom Doty
 Linda Malone, Lynn Calo, Christine Chiarappa, Connie Burgess
 Dolores Miller, Susan Carroll-Goyan, Carol Episcopio
 Samantha McNeil, Patty & Tom Turano, Layla Barr, Fran Brideau
 Sal Mascolo, Jerome Antonucci, Nicholas Amato, Poppy Singh
 Jesusa Aquino, Joseph McCroary, Guido Penafiel
 Barry Monteleone, Dolores Lordahl, Kathleen Janovitch
 Nadine Lewin Wall, Richard Graziano, Jean Mulligan
 Geraldine Zeterberg, Stephen Hogan, Edward Boyce
 Fran Gandolfo, Sheila Newmann, Fr. Edmund Faliskie CSSR
 Terrence Lynam, Joseph Abruzzo, Taylor, Angelo Pennestri
 Steve Lazzara, Lee Berkowitz, Danielle McCarthy, Charles Drew
 Kevin Connors, Fran Connors, Joseph Kostyak, Lorie Penafiel
 Johnny D., Anthony Morello, Anthony Krich
 Cynthia & Don Mirabel, Michael & Marge Seigler, Aida Gilday
 Jackie & Pat Simoniello, Candy DeVita, Frank Ballatore, Jr.
 Anthony Della Croce, Christine Orlando, Little Sonny D'Ambrosio
 Barbara Rusch, Justin Dittmar, Beverly Viselli, Casey
 Elsie Ann Zinno, Olivia LoRusso, Betty Mara Henry Lehmann
 Teri Pigott, John Castagna, William Castle, Connie Kane
 George Reif, Joan DeBona, Ann Adams, Ed Ingels, Liam Escaniel
 Gus Kunze, Eddie Morales, Tom Miles, Debra Dowdell
 John Anderson, Daniel McCullough, Mary Lafauci, Gerry Russo
 Allegra LaFalce, Jessica Czarnecki, Jerry Berkowitz, Bill Monahan
 Maureen Roberts, Kristen Marino, Francis Meehan, Elizabeth Hill
 Catherine Dalessio

Rest in Peace

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

Dominick A. Mellone

Pastor's Letter

What's on your bucket list? The term *bucket list* was popularized in a 2007 movie starring Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman. They played two aging men who were seeking to accomplish certain things before they died. I suppose the term comes from the rather irreverent expression for death: *he kicked the bucket*.

He asked himself, 'What shall I do, for I do not have space to store my harvest?' And he said, 'This is what I shall do: I shall tear down my barns and build larger ones. There I shall store all my grain and other goods and I shall say to myself, "Now as for you, you have so many good things stored up for many years, rest, eat, drink, be merry!"

But God said to him, 'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?' Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God." Luke 12

I do know in my life there were certain things that I very much wanted to do. Some of them involved travel. I always wanted to go to some particular place such as Lourdes and the Holy Land. I was blessed enough to make both of these trips in the last five years. I always wanted to see the Grand Canyon and I was able to do that about fifteen years ago. I would like someday to visit Normandy Beach where so many brave young men stormed the beach on D-Day to defeat the evil of Hitler and the Nazis.

I always wanted to be a godfather and I was thrilled when my niece asked me to be the godfather of my great nephew, Brendan. Little did I know that a large part of this responsibility was to give money for his college fund. I dreamed of preaching in St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York, and I had the opportunity to do that several years ago. I dreamed of being the Grand Marshal of the St. Patrick Parade in Bethpage and I did that, although it was accompanied by a major snow storm. On my bucket list was the hope of one day preaching a parish retreat in the Irish village where my parents came from and I was able to do that twice. I would love to go to a Super Bowl and see the Jets win, but that will not happen for two reasons: I cannot afford it and the Jets will never be in the Super Bowl!

A couple of years ago my friend, Father John McGowan celebrated his 50th anniversary of being a priest. At the end of the Mass, he said that some people have a bucket list of things that they want to do before they die. He said that he thought that was kind of secular and a bit morbid, and he went on to say that he would rather talk about a *Chalice List*. He said a *Chalice List* was all the graces and gifts that God had given him over the past fifty years of his priesthood, and he then went on to name some of them. He spoke how God would continue to be faithful to him in life in the future. I liked the idea of a *chalice list* since *it* is more spiritual than the idea of a bucket list.

Some of us are older and God has been filling our chalices with his love and grace since we were born. Sometimes, we are very grateful for what God has given us, but there are other times when we miss God's graces in the midst of our ordinary living. There are those who are middle aged, even if you do not want to admit it. Your children are getting married and having their own children. You spent so much energy and love in raising your children, and now you may have an empty nest. Retirement may be coming in five or ten years, if not sooner. It is a kind of in between time. How do you want to spend the rest of the years that God gives you?

Then there are those who are young. God bless you! You are wondering what college you may want to attend. What career would you like to have? You may be looking for a person to settle down with and marry. A young person's life is full of choices but it is not always easy to decide what you wish to do. It is said that many young people switch college majors several times.

Today, in our Scripture readings we are presented with some heavy words that may be a bit unpleasant to hear on a hot July day. From the *Old Testament book of Ecclesiastes*, we heard: *For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which he has labored under the sun? All his days sorrow and grief are his occupation; even at night his mind is not at rest. This also is vanity.* The inspired writer is basically saying what is the point of life? You work hard all your life and then you die.

What's the point of life? Jesus tells us in the Gospel a parable about a rich farmer who was doing so well that he does not have room to store all his grain. This is his great problem in life! Jesus says how foolish the man is to be so overwhelmed with this worry. Since God would soon say to him: *'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?'* Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God." One of our oldest clichés is that *you can't take it with you.* However, I do think some people live as if that is true. I have seen the bumper sticker: *the one with the most toys wins.*

These scripture quotes cut to the core of life. What is the point of my life? Why am I here and where am I going? No one knows the future and how many days or years one has. These readings are given to us not to depress us or scare us. These words from the Bible invite us to look at our lives and see what God has done for us, and how I want to respond to God today, tomorrow and the rest of my life. There are many important goals one can have such as to go to college, to get an advanced degree, to be happily married, to have children, to see my children be happy and to do well, to have a good job, to have a loving family, to travel, to be healthy, and so many more.

If I was asked what most on my bucket list or chalice list is today, I would say it is to be a faithful follower of Jesus in my daily life. I may say that because I am getting older and I have had plenty of opportunities to do many of the things that I wanted to do. Now I have begun to see what is more important in my life. Some people come to this at a young age and they are blessed. They know what is important to them and they want to spend their lives and energy seeking to follow that path.

The Word of God tells us today that there is nothing more important in life than in loving God and in loving one another. Whether you are eight, eighteen, or eighty, you and I are here on earth to know, love and serve God and to be happy with him in the next. If you have that, you have it all. Your chalice is full and your bucket will be empty!

Father Patrick Woods, CSsR
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PLEASE READ THIS UPDATED INFORMATION!!
PLEASE SEE UPDATED MORNING DEPARTURE TIME BELOW!

**Jubilee Celebration in Honor of Our Mother of Perpetual Help
 Saturday, September 17, 2016 - \$25.00 per person**

We were notified that we can now collect the \$25 for tickets to the reception. All those who have booked a seat on the coach bus can either mail or drop off cash or a check payable to St. Martin of Tours at the rectory office. The tickets will then be mailed to us from the Perpetual Help Center. You will receive your ticket on the day of the trip! At this writing we still have a few seats available, but book soon!



To Register: This will be a full day trip which means that we will be leaving St. Martin's at 8:00 a.m. with an estimated return to Bethpage in early evening.

Please call the rectory office at 931-0818 with your name, phone number and how many attending to reserve a seat on the coach bus. Once the bus is filled, call the Perpetual Help Center at 877-876-7662 or email info@redemptorists.net to make other arrangements or for directions should you wish to drive your own car.

Pope appoints commission to study issue of women deacons *Long Island scholar among members*

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- Pope Francis has appointed six men and six women to a commission to study the issue of women deacons, particularly their ministry in the early church. In addition to the 12 members named Aug. 2, the pope tapped Archbishop Luis Ladaria Ferrer, secretary of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, to serve as president of the commission.

The pope set up the commission at the request of the International Union of Superiors General, the organization for the leaders of women's religious orders around the world. Meeting the group in May, Pope Francis said that while his understanding was that the women described as deacons in the New Testament were not ordained as male deacons are today, "it would be useful for the church to clarify this question."

The International Theological Commission, a body that advises the doctrinal congregation, included the question of women deacons in a study on the diaconate almost 20 years ago. While its report, issued in 2002, did not offer recommendations for the future, it concluded that biblical deaconesses were not the same as ordained male deacons. In June, Pope Francis told reporters that he had asked Cardinal Gerhard Muller, prefect of the doctrinal congregation, and Sister Carmen Sammut, president of the superiors' group, to suggest scholars to include in the study group. At least one of the members Pope Francis named to the commission -- U.S. scholar Phyllis Zagano -- has written extensively on the role of women deacons in the early church, arguing that they were ordained ministers and that women can be ordained deacons today.

Zagano is a senior research associate in the religion department at Hofstra University in Hempstead, New York. Another U.S. scholar also is among the 12 commission members: Augustinian Father Robert Dodaro, president of the Pontifical Augustinian Institute in Rome and a professor of patristic theology specializing in the works of St. Augustine.



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.



CPT Gregory Holownia, US Army	2LT Sean O'Donnell, USAF
MAJ Erika Holownia, US Army	SGT Matthew C. Windisch, USMC
PO3 Matthew Sadecki, USCG	E3 CORPSMAN Robert Fidnarick, US Navy
SGT Zachary John Sheehy, USMC	1LT Brian Thorpe, US Navy
PVT Travis Ruggiero, US Army	PO3 Joshua Zimmerman, US Navy
CPL Dennis Diesel, USMC	MAJ Brendan McEvoy, US Army
L CPL James Kruper, USMC	SPC Matthew F. Mayerhofer, US Army
SPC Matthew P. Sirianni, US Army	BUCN Sean Bourke, US Navy
CPT Conor B. Murphy, USMC	PO3 James Fischer, US Navy
1LT Victoria Meyer, US Army Nurse Corp	LTC John Evans, US Army
PO1 John Paul Pedalino II, US Navy	ABHAA Michael Creagh, US Navy
CPT Thomas P. Shea, USAF	PVT Steven DiPaolo, USMC
SGT Michael John Kelly, USMC	SSGT Sean V. Oliva, US Army
1LT Brian McGrath, US Army	2LT Samantha Lopez, US Navy
SPC Matthew Castellano, US Army	SSG George Howard, US Army
PFC Michael Patrick Murphy, US Army	LT Mario Lopes, USMC
PFC William Corrigan, USMC	PVT Brian Barcavage, US Army
PFC Salvatore Battiata, USAF	CS1 Andrew L. DeMarsico, USN
LT Daniel Cloonan, USCG	MAJ Thomas E. Mangiamele, US Army
PVT Daniel Kuhlmann, US Army	PVT Edward Morales, US Army
LCPL Jonathan M. Gordon, USMC	MAJ Michael F. Wendelken, USAF

THANK YOU!!

The New York Blood Center thanks the Parish of St. Martin of Tours for hosting our Emergency Blood Drive on Wednesday, July 20, 2016. 42 donors attempted to donate, resulting in 34 lifesaving blood donations. Thank you again for your support. Your efforts help save lives!

St. Brigid's Church, 75 Post Avenue, Westbury will be celebrating a mass in honor of the Blessed Mother on Monday, August 15th at 5PM. Immediately following, the members of the Maria SS. Dell'Assunta Society will lead the procession from St. Brigid's Church and up Post Avenue to the Feast grounds. All are welcome to attend the mass and to join in the procession.

Our 106th annual feast begins on Thursday August 11 through Monday August 15 at St. Brigid's School Parking Field on Maple Avenue, Westbury. For more information email us at dellassunta@aol.com.

RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

POPE FRANCIS HAS DECRIED THE ABSURD VIOLENCE WHICH HAS LEFT AN ELDERLY PRIEST DEAD AFTER HIS CHURCH IN NORTHERN FRANCE WAS TAKEN HOSTAGE DURING MASS. Vatican City, July 26, CNA/EWTN/NEWS

In a statement released Tuesday by the Vatican, the Pope, having been informed of the situation, "participates in the pain and the horror of this absurd violence," while radically condemning "every form of hatred."

Father Jacques Hamel, 84, was killed Tuesday after two armed gunmen stormed a church in Saint-Etienne-du-Rouvray during Mass the BBC reports. The assailants entered the church and took the celebrating priest and four others hostage. The BBC cites sources which said the priest's throat was cut in the attack. The other hostages were unharmed and the assailants killed.

According to the ISIS linked Ayaq News Agency, the assailants were "two soldiers of the Islamic State." BBC reports. "We are especially moved because this horrible violence took place in a church, a sacred place. and the murder of a priest and the involvement of the faithful." the Vatican's statement read.

Pope Francis has sent a telegram to Archbishop Dominique Lebraun of Pouen, assuring him of his "Spiritual Closeness," and his prayers for the suffering families, the parish community and the diocese. In the telegram, the Pope prayed that God "welcomes Father Jacques Hamel in peace." and brings comfort to the injured person. Affected that the "act of violence" took place during Mass, the Pontiff, "IMPLORES GOD'S PEACE IN THE WORLD." He prayed that God might inspire THOUGHTS OF RECONCILIATION and FRATERNITY.

PRAYER FOR OUR PRIESTS

O Jesus, our great High Priest, hear our humble prayers on behalf of your priest. Father, give him a deep faith, a bright and firm hope and a burning love which will ever increase in the course of his priestly life.

In his loneliness, comfort him. In his sorrows, strengthen him. In his frustrations, point out to him that it is through suffering that the soul is purified and show him that he is needed by the Church, he is needed by souls, he is needed for the work of redemption. O loving Mother Mary, Mother of Priests, take to your heart your son who is close to you because of his priestly ordination, and because of the power which he has received to carry out the work of Christ in a WORLD THAT NEEDS HIM SO MUCH. Be his comfort. Be his joy. Be his strength, and especially help him to live on to defend the ideals of celebrated celibacy. Amen.

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)
NEWS FOR 2016-2017
A JOURNEY IN FAITH**

RCIA is for those who are thinking about joining the Catholic Faith or who have not received all sacraments and wish to be in Full Communion. The process usually begins in September. Please contact Ann Hughes at 433-6972 if you wish to have a meeting to discuss the journey and its format. You can also leave your name and phone number at the Rectory Office at 931-0818, and they will contact Ann for you.

**“Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire!”
Saint Catherine of Siena**

I am getting a new car and I am excited about it. It will be Subaru Forester. This is the first time that I have ever gotten a four wheel drive car. I think the main reason I liked it was because it was very easy to get in and out of. I have had difficulty with my present car as well as the cars of others since my arthritis in the back makes it a bit challenging. I loved my red Buick Lacrosse which was purchased in 2005 and had more than a 120,000 miles on it. It has taken me to many places, but I felt it was time to replace it before it might begin to have some problems that were beginning to emerge.

I wrote to Father Provincial and he approved my getting a car for my use. As a Redemptorist, the car does not belong to me but to our order. My order provided the funds for the car and I am very grateful to them for doing so. Since the trade in value for the Buick was rather low, I asked the Provincial if our community could keep it here for any visiting Redemptorists, and he approved this request. I decided on the color green for the car. Perhaps, it was my Irish heritage shining through, or the hope that if I am ever stopped for a traffic violation, the police officer would be Irish. Raffle tickets will be available for those who want to be the first to ride in this new green chariot!

- Father Pat



Liturgical Ministry Training

Training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion is required for all those who are beginning as Ministers. Session A is required for **ALL** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Those who minister in hospitals, nursing homes and to homebound persons are required to attend Session B **in addition** to Session A. **Session A must be attended prior to Session B.**

To register, please write a letter to our pastor, Father Patrick Woods, CSSR letting him know your desire to serve as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Please indicate your service as either in the Church or service to the homebound/nursing homes/hospitals. Please let him know the date and place of training. The pastor then 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 place of training session the person will attend.

Times and Places for Ministry Training:

In Nassau: EM Session A

ENGLISH AND SPANISH

October 15, 2016; 9AM - 1PM

Kellenberg Memorial High School, Uniondale
MAIN ENTRANCE

In Suffolk: EM Session A

ENGLISH AND SPANISH

October 22, 2016; 9AM - 1PM

McGann Mercy High School, Riverhead
MAIN ENTRANCE - AROUND THE BACK OF SCHOOL

EM Session B

October 29, 2016; 9AM - 1PM

Kellenberg Memorial High School, Uniondale
MILLENIUM ROOM - AROUND BACK OF SCHOOL

EM Session B

November 5, 2016; 9AM - 1PM

McGann Mercy High School, Riverhead
MAIN ENTRANCE - AROUND THE BACK OF SCHOOL

EVENING SESSIONS for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at St. Elizabeth, Melville

Session A - Wednesday, September 28, 2016; 7PM - 10PM

Session B - Wednesday, October 19, 2016; 7PM - 10PM

Workshop Fees: \$30 per person (paid by St. Martin of Tours Church)

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175 Wolf Hill Road, Melville NY 11747 Tel: 631-754-3990/Fax: 631-271-0914

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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:

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 second week of August. *Thank you for your support! It is very much appreciated!*

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

Summer Retreat

at San Alfonso Retreat House, Long Branch, NJ - Redemptorist Spirituality

August 26th to August 28th

Begins Friday at 6:00 p.m. with Supper; Ends with Dinner at 12:00 p.m. Sunday

Cost: \$ 210.00 per person

Fathers John McGowan CSSR and Pat Woods CSSR have given this retreat for the past fifteen years. All are welcome, but we offer a special invitation to those who are part of the Redemptorists as family members, as friends, as co-workers in our various ministries, as parishioners in a CSSR parish or someone who has shared in a Redemptorist mission or retreat. We seek to make the retreat spiritually refreshing while at the same time, give the participant time to relax and enjoy the wonders of God's creation.

TO REGISTER:

It is preferred that you contact the office at San Alfonso, Monday to Friday, between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. at 1-732-222-2731 or 2738.

If you want to register through our parish office here at Bethpage, you are most welcome to do so by calling 931-0818. We may be able to get some rides for people.



Our Annual Parish Block Party Friday Night, August 12th - 6PM

This annual event is one of the highlights of the year as we gather to celebrate the summer, our love of our parish community, to meet other parishioners and to eat! In the coming weeks, we will be gathering the numbers for those who will be attending. Very soon we will be seeking volunteers and reaching out to those in the Simeon Ministry. The prayer warriors of the parish are assigned to pray for good weather.

My hope is that this be like a family gathering where many pitch in to help, as such a spirit creates a wonderful sense of community. I know the St. Clement Bakers will be baking which is reason enough to come to the party. So what can you do now? If anyone would like to donate paper ware such as cups, small plates and napkins, that would be a great help.

If anyone has something to donate such as gift cards, tickets to an event like a METS/Yankee game, a Broadway show, a trip to Ireland, a bottle of wine or some other delight for our basket of cheer, that would be most welcome.

We will need:

- volunteers to sell raffle tickets at Sunday Masses
- volunteers to sell 50/50 tickets on the night of the party
- volunteers to make coffee and tea
- volunteers to serve the food
- volunteers to supervise water and juice table
- volunteers to supervise the blow-up jumper
- volunteers to be available for other ad hoc jobs (classy way of calling one to be a go-fer)

The Knights of Columbus will be cooking. (There is a rumor of filet mignons being served this year!)
Looking for my snow cone man and the lady who made such lovely fans.



St. Vincent de Paul Store Locations:
2160 Jericho Turnpike, Garden City Park NY
(516) 746-8250
(enter New Hyde Park if you use GPS)
OPEN MON-SAT 10-6

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**Saturday, September 24th, October 1st
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 and Wednesday, October 26th**

6PM - 8:30PM

\$300 for the cost of the program.

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**Saturday, September 10th, 17th and 24th
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10AM - 12 NOON

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"Be strong and be courageous
like a man, and keep your
obligation to the Lord your God
to walk in His ways..." 1 Kings 2:2-3

The first meeting of our newly formed **Men's Club** was very positive. We had ten participants. We prayed together and then did some reflecting on a section of Pope Francis' words about the Jubilee Year of Mercy. The meeting was about an hour. The only goal our group has is what we did: to pray a bit and reflect on our faith. There are no dues, nor is one required to come to every meeting.

So if you would like to try a meeting, **come on Tuesday, August 9th to St. Alphonsus Hall at 7:30 p.m.** If you like the meeting that is great. If it is not your cup of tea, that is fine also. We are a mellow group!



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Aug 8: Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30PM Church
- Aug 9: Men's Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Aug 12: SMT Parish Block Party
- Aug 15: The Assumption of Mary - NOT a Holy Day of Obligation. 6:30 & 9AM Masses Only
- Aug 15-19: Children's Bible Camp Week
- Aug 17: St. Padre Pio Holy Hour 7PM Church
- Aug 26-28: Summer Retreat at San Alfonso Retreat House. Registration required.