

Masses For The Week

Monday - September 19

6:30 Thomas Caldwell
 9:00 Charles "Chip" A. Harvey, Jr.

Tuesday - September 20

6:30 Rita Roach
 9:00 Vivian McCabe

Wednesday - September 21 - St. Matthew, Apostle

6:30 Father Owen Lally, C.P.
 9:00 Vivian McCabe

Thursday - September 22

6:30 Thomas Caldwell
 9:00 Vincent Feola

Friday - September 23

6:30 Denise Kanckler, LIVING
 9:00 Vivian McCabe

Saturday - September 24

9:00 MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS
 5:00 Bernie Lavin
 7:00 Michael & Josephine Caprio

Sunday - September 25

7:00 The People of the Parish
 8:30 William Zura, Sr.
 10:00 Tim Mayal
 11:30 George Spindler
 1:00 Constance & Matthew Volpe
 5:30 Anthony Ducato

Readings For The Week

Mon. Proverbs 3:27-34; Luke: 8:16-18
 Tues. Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13; Luke 8:19-21
 Wed. Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:9-13
 Thurs. Ecclesiastes 1:2-11; Luke 9:7-9
 Fri. Ecclesiastes 3:1-11; Luke 9:18-22
 Sat. Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:8; Luke 9:43b-45
Sun. Amos 6:1A, 4-7 *Amos, God's prophet, rejected the individualistic, consumeristic values of lazy, greedy and unjust people who ignore the rights of the poor. Their life of ease will be ended.*

1 Timothy 6:1-16 *Paul exhorted Timothy to "pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness."*

Luke 16:19-31 *Jesus told the story about the rich man and Lazarus so that his listeners would repent and put their faith in God. Then they, too, like Lazarus, will rest in the bosom of Abraham.*

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift

Weekly Budget: \$17,500.00
Weekly Collection 9/11/2016: \$17,362.16
The Catholic University: \$2,572.00
Thank you for your great generosity!

Reflection & Living Stewardship



The dishonest manager in today's parable knew how to manipulate money to his own advantage. But the Gospel warns that no one can serve both God and money. Which do I serve? Is my stewardship such that anyone can tell?

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who seek to "possess lightly," knowing that Jesus taught about the dangers of clinging to material possessions and always pointed to the real treasures available to us.

Charismatic Prayer Group

Consistency is the key to success in many things, whether it be weight loss, parenting and your relationship with God. Don't be like the friend who only calls when they need a favor. God wants FULL CUSTODY OF YOU not just weekend visits!!

Our next meeting is Monday, September 19th at 7:30PM in the Church. Call 516-993-9672 for prayer requests or more information. Come and find out how you can improve your relationship with God. Be a friend and bring a friend!!

H.O.P. Club Winners

9/5/16	#3	Margaret Canepa	\$25
9/6/16	#189	Tom Heltz	\$25
9/7/16	#430	Diane E. Vespoli	\$25
9/8/16	#132	Albert & Dolores Filippone	\$25
9/9/16	#228	Patricia Weissler	\$50
9/12/16	#574	Edward & Diane Carroll	\$25
9/13/16	#116	M/M Frank Portuese	\$25
9/14/16	#393	Joseph Clark	\$25
9/15/16	#196	Farrell Cassidy	\$25
9/16/16	#6	Connie Gutbrod	\$250



Saint Maria Faustina

Divine Mercy Novena

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

Wedding Banns

3rd Andrew Falco & Alana Famiglietti

3rd Mikhail Polan & Cassandra Gucciardo

3rd Frank Castagna & Raffaella Conte

2nd Richard Sculco & Nina Scello

2nd Christopher Pittman & Lindsay Widmann



**"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 white rice, whole corn, chili, canned chicken, Chef Boyardee canned pastas, vegetable soup, brownies, Jell-O, oil, juice, juice boxes, sugar, cookies, crackers, hot chocolate, evaporated milk, diapers (size 6), tissues, toilet paper, toothpaste, dish soap and laundry soap.

We are so grateful for all that 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



Altar Bread & Wine
Week of September 18-24, 2016

*In Loving Memory of
Edward Rasmussen*



Sanctuary Candle
Week of September 18 -24, 2016
*In Loving Memory of
Montana & Maggio Families*

**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 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 Mirtto, Daniel Costa, Nikki, Hector Valentine Theresa DuRoss, Bob Baciуска, 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, 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, Taylor Angelo Pennestri, Lee Berkowitz, Danielle McCarthy, Charles Drew Kevin Connors, Joseph Kostyak, Lorie Penafiel, Johnny D. Anthony Morello, Anthony Krich, Cynthia & Don Mirabel Michael Siegler, 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, Betty Maggi, Elsie Ann Zinno Olivia LoRusso, Betty Mara, 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, Elizabeth Hill, Louie Gandolfo, John Anderson Daniel McCullough, Mary Lafauci Gerry Russo, Allegra LaFalce Jessica Czarnecki, Jerry Berkowitz, Bill Monahan, Maureen Roberts Francis Meehan, Mary Cohan, Marylou Mascolo, Tara Maune, Trish Kathleen Palumbo, Brendan Donahoe, Dolores Lordahl Mary Donahoe, Noelle Eichenlaub, Krystyna Stasiewicz Janet Scarpelli

Rest in Peace

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

Jack Phelps, Nicholas J. Biondo

Pastor's Letter



‘Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.’

I tell you, in just the same way
there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents
than over ninety-nine righteous people
who have no need of repentance. Luke 15

Most of us have family stories that are told about some incident in our childhood that make us cringe when a parent or older brother or sister starts telling one of these accounts. There is a story told about my leaving home at about the age of three and ending up on the church steps (about a block from my home) holding a mop. I was lost and did not know it. That is all I know of the story, and I am not sure if I actually remember it, or just think I remember it because I have been told the story so many times. I suppose I could give a psychological spin to the story by saying I was seeking God, like Jesus in the temple, and it was a foreshadowing of my vocation to be a priest. But why the mop? The only think I can think of was that this was a sign that I was going to reject all hard work such as mopping floors and rather choose the priesthood. I presume my parents were in panic when they found out I had left home, crossed a street, and ended up on the steps of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Getting lost is one of life's more frustrating experiences, and I have learned to dread the word *recalculating* on the GPS. But there is a very serious side to getting lost. I have seen the instant panic in my family when one of the children is out of sight for just a few seconds. Your heart instantly beats faster until you see the precious child. We know too well stories about *Amber Alerts* when a child is missing. I cannot even begin to imagine the fear and worry that fill a parent's heart when a child has been missing for hours, days, weeks and even years.

Today we are conscious of the tragic day of September 11th, 2001 when Islamic terrorists killed almost 3,000 people at the Twin Towers, at the Pentagon and in Shanksville, Pennsylvania. It was a day that those of us who experienced it will never forget. It was very difficult to get through on phones since both land lines and cell phones were so overloaded. Until we heard the voice of the loved one you needed to seek out, you were in terror. We also know well how many of the phone calls went unanswered since a loved one had died in the assault. I remember going home to my sister's house that night where all my immediate family had gathered. Thankfully, we were all there, but we began to check on our extended family of cousins. At the time I had cousins in both the fire department and the police force. Gratefully, they were all accounted for.

But then my nephew said, “what about Michael? He works for Cantor Fitzgerald!” Michael was a young cousin, married with a baby that I had just recently baptized. Over time, we would sadly come to know that Michael had died in the attack.

In the Brooklyn neighborhood where I lived, there were many candlelight displays outside of homes and apartments, marking that someone had not come home. I recall that all over the city posters emerged that showed pictures of the missing asking if anyone had seen this person. Those images, which often showed a smiling face in a happy time, were haunting to look at. The hospitals were flooded with people who were seeking out loved ones who might have been injured and been brought to the hospital. We learned that day, and in the days that followed, the painful experience of searching out for someone who was lost.

Seeking out those who are lost is at the heart of this Gospel we heard today, and it is truly a central message of Jesus. We hear a parable of a shepherd seeking a lost sheep, and of a woman desperately seeking for a precious lost coin. It is very important to note to whom Jesus is addressing these two parables: he is speaking to the religious leadership of his time, the scribes and Pharisees who are murmuring against Jesus because he eats and drinks with sinners, the lost and abandoned. These righteous leaders see no need for God to seek them out; they are the so called good people. They are not lost so they do not need mercy or salvation. The mission of Jesus, as given by his Father, is to seek out the lost. God longs to bring home to his loving arms who are lost in any way. Don't miss what is going on here: the religious leaders are lost and do not know it - they really do not see their need for God.

- Who are the lost of our lives? Whom do we seek out and seek to bring home? Many are filled with worry about their children and grandchildren and it is a natural concern, but know and trust that Jesus is seeking them out in his own way and time.
- There may be someone who is lost to us because of a dispute or an old resentment. Might we seek to bring them home to us?
- There are people in most of our lives whom we have written off and stopped seeking out. God never stops seeking out the lost.
- Perhaps even in our homes, in our marriages, with our children, certain relationships have drifted and new beginnings need to be searched out.
- I may be lost within myself, wondering about the meaning and purpose of life. I may have lost my way. The Good Shepherd is searching us out to bring us into the arms of his mercy.

I love this verse of Amazing Grace: *I was lost, but now I'm found. Jesus always seeks to find us!*

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Life Teen Kick Off

All High School Teens Are Welcome!

Sunday, September 25th

7PM - 8:30PM

OLPH Youth Center - School Building

Mass is celebrated every Sunday at 5:30PM

St. Martin of Tours Church

Central Avenue, Bethpage

Weekly meetings follow the 5:30PM Mass.

Grab a friend and come for music, fun, food and glow sticks!

Please email us at SMT_Lifeteen@yahoo.com with
any questions you have about SMT Life Teen
or our Kick Off Event.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul's Friends of the Poor 5K Walk



Come, join us as a walker or pledge your support to raise money to help the poor and needy in our parish. Please make checks payable to **St. Martin of Tours - SVdeP**. If you wish, you can mail your check to St. Martin of Tours, 40 Seaman Avenue, Bethpage NY 11714, or leave it in the parish office or see one of the Vincentians this weekend.

Come join us - support the Society's charitable mission!

- **Date:** Saturday, September 24, 2016
- **Where:** Bethpage Community Park, 1001 Stewart Avenue
- **Look for the Town of Oyster Bay Ice Skating Center**
- **Time:** Registration at 9:00 AM – Walk begins at 10:00 AM

Thank you for your support!

Paul Schraff, a beloved parishioner of St. Martin of Tours Parish since 1989, will soon be moving to Minnesota to live with his daughter. You may recognize Paul since he was a most faithful usher at the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday evenings. He also assisted in the bereavement ministry of our parish, had been a member of the Holy Name Society, helped as a counter for the weekly collections and assisted in past parish bazaars. Paul is also a gifted gardener who cultivated and raised many beautiful roses, winning numerous awards.



Paul has been a wonderful parishioner here at St. Martin's for 27 years. We wish him much happiness in his new home but we shall miss him very much. To know Paul, was to love him. God bless you always, Paul, and know that you hold a special place in the hearts of the parishioners of St. Martin of Tours!

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 the diocese website at **www.drvc.org**. **Virtus registration can be found at the lower right of the home page**. If you have any problems with the process, please call the rectory at 931-0818 and someone will get back to you with assistance.

Next Virtus at St. Martin of Tours

Tuesday, September 20, 2016

7:00PM - 10PM

St. Alphonsus Parish Hall

RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE**OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH: excerpts USCCB**

The events of September 11, 2001 showed humanity at its worst...and its best. We saw acts of terrible depravity and in response to them, acts of true nobility. How can people behave in such radically different ways? The answer may be in the way we choose to look at human life. One view says that human life has no inherent value or dignity. It is a thing to be used; its worth measured by its usefulness to others. The other view maintains that every human life has immeasurable worth. Human beings are made in God's image and likeness, each unique and irreplaceable. They may not be used as means to another's ends - rather, they are ends to themselves.

Those who plotted the September 11th attacks showed contempt for life. Innocent people were seen as nameless, faceless targets for destruction. The terrorists were blind to their victims' worth as unique individuals, as loving fathers, mothers, sons and daughters. Their only value was as fodder to fuel a war against modern society. Compare this disdain for life, with the attitude of rescue personnel and employees who struggled to help others evacuate the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, and those brave passengers who forced a plane to crash in Pennsylvania thereby saving countless other lives. Their acts of heroism expressed a conviction that every human life - even the lives of strangers - is precious. Many willingly risked - and lost - their lives. Not because they failed to value their own lives, but because they knew there is no greater love than to offer one's life to save others.

Father Mychal Judge gave his life praying with victims at the scene. His midtown Franciscan friary door was always open to anyone in need. So many ordinary people are remembered for doing simple things with great love. And whether they knew it or not, they were helping to build a culture of life in which indifference, violence, bigotry and injustice have no place.

As we center on October and Respect Life Month, let us keep in mind that, from abortion to assisted suicide, to creating life simply to destroy it, we have come a long way toward seeing fellow human beings as faceless burdens or as "things to be used." Reversing this attitude will not happen overnight. But it is no exaggeration to say the future of humanity depends on it. A society in which new human lives can be engineered, created, manipulated and destroyed as mere research material is not a society that can appreciate the unique gift of each human person. A culture of life, where every human life is protected, respected and celebrated, begins with a personal decision to respect the dignity of others.

We must work together through our words and actions, and work for public policies that support human life and human dignity...Above all, we **must** pray!

St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility Fund

On September 24/25 we will have our special second collection for the retired priests of our Diocese who reside, or are recuperating at St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility in Amityville. The facility accommodates our retired priests who require assistance with daily living, while still allowing them to serve as active, fully engaged members of the community. Please be as generous as your means will allow. Thank you.



DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Catechetical Sunday
September 18, 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

As the chief catechist of the Diocese of Rockville Centre I am delighted to join you in the celebration of Catechetical Sunday 2016! How appropriate it is for us to focus on this year's theme: "Prayer: The Faith Prayed" as we continue our celebration of the Year of Mercy.

This year's theme reminds me of the adage used so frequently by liturgists for many centuries: *lex orandi lex credendi*. This Latin phrase states so succinctly the intimate relationship between the law of prayer and the law of belief. What a timely meditation for all of the baptized who are called by Pope Francis to be missionary disciples in the world today. We cannot spread the Gospel if we don't first pray. We can't know the Gospel if we do not hear the Word of God proclaimed in our Sunday assemblies.

On this Catechetical Sunday we give thanks to all those in our parishes who give their time and talent to bringing the Word to life in our various catechetical programs. We give thanks too for all who strive to make our Sunday liturgies opportunities for our families to gather and pray as one, holy, catholic and universal church here in the Diocese of Rockville Centre as they pray together at Sunday Mass in the parish.

As we continue to pray during this Year of Mercy let us reach out to all those who participate in our catechetical programs. Let us provide opportunities for them to come to Sunday Mass to experience the joy of being one with us as we come together each week as the Merciful Body of Christ.

With my prayers and best wishes, I am

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Bishop of Rockville Centre



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

St. Martin of Tours Parish Seeking a Youth Minister

Our parish has been involved in both the Life Teen high school and Edge middle school programs. We are looking for someone to be the coordinator of these youth programs and the possibility of other ways of ministering to our teens. This is a part-time job of twenty to twenty two hours a week. Most of our youth ministry is done in the evening with occasional weekend retreat experiences. **Please send your resumes to Father Patrick Woods, CSSR at woodscsr@aol.com.**

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) UPDATE

We will have our first meeting on Thursday, September 29th at 7:30PM in the Mother Teresa Outreach building, 208 Broadway in Bethpage. If there is anyone in need of Sacraments, *please attend whether you have called previously or not.* This is an introductory meeting to explain the journey and to answer any questions that you may have.

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)

Diocese of Rockville Centre - Office of Worship For Couples Married 50 or More Years

This fall couples will be honored at liturgies on Sunday, October 23, 2016 at the Church of St. Rose of Lima in Massapequa and on Sunday, November 6, 2016 at the Church of Christ the King in Commack. Choose the Church most convenient for you. Both liturgies will begin at 2:30PM. Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory.

However, registration must be received by the Office of Worship by October 7th for the October 23rd liturgy and by October 21st for the November 6th liturgy. There will be additional celebrations in the spring (announced at a later time) for those who may find that more convenient. If you have any questions, you may call the Diocese at 516-678-5800 x207.

All are Welcome

We have a new sign! More than a year ago, some parishioners suggested a new parish sign. The present sign listing the mass times will remain. I want to thank our parishioner Jeanne Marin for the design. I believe the beautiful Risen Christ that hangs above our altar is a very striking image of Christ. The death and resurrection of Jesus is very central to our Catholic faith.



The image of St. Martin of Tours taken from the prayer area, is the patron of our parish and reminds us of our Gospel mission to care for one another especially those in need. Of course, the icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help is very special to the Redemptorists and to our parishioners. The words *All Are Welcome* captures the attitude of a desire to make everyone feel welcomed here in the community of St. Martin's.

I thank Jeanne (who also created our Mother Teresa sign for the parish outreach center) for sharing her time and talent with the parish. We are also blessed with the photography work of Glenn DeBona. He is very generous in helping our parish with his photography skills. Our tireless Garden Committee created a lovely space by planting flowers around the sign.

I also thank T.J. Hance and Ed Indelicato who installed the sign on one of the hottest days of the summer! - Father Pat

LIVING WATERS CATHOLIC COUNSELING

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Melville location: Campus of St. Elizabeth's Church

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We are dedicated to the healing of the whole individual. Wholeness is in the four quadrants of our being human: the intellectual; the emotional; the body; and the spirit. At Living Waters, our therapists use their clinical skills but also include a strong spiritual component, much like the 12 Step Programs.

Insurance claims are submitted by Living Waters Center. We participate in many insurance networks and will be glad to work with you in this area. In addition, some insurance plans include our services as out of network providers. Fees are based upon the services provided. Please go to our website at www.livingwaterscounseling.biz for more information.



SMT Book Club

***The Midnight Watch: A Novel of the Titanic and The Californian* by David Dyer**

The Midnight Watch by David Dyer was the book club selection that was chosen in June for the SMT Book Club.

We will meet on Friday, October 7th at 7:30 p.m. in St. Alphonsus Hall. All are invited to discuss this novel.

STAND UP FOR LIFE

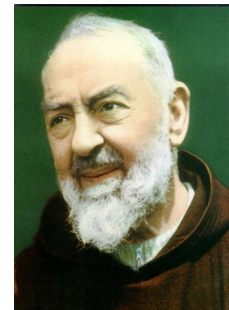
Please join the Long Island Coalition for Life in a silent, peaceful **Stand Up For Life vigil on Sunday, October 2, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.** (rain or shine). This family friendly event will be in Huntington, at the intersection of Rt. 25 and Rt. 110, and in Manorville, just south of LIE Exit 70S on County Rd 111.

The Long Island Stand Up For Life is part of a national event held that day. Signs provided. Information: 631-243-1435; info@prolife.org.

**Padre Pio Holy Hour
returns to the 3rd TUESDAY of the month!**

**The next Saint Padre Pio Holy Hour will be on Tuesday,
September 20th at 7PM in the Eucharistic Chapel!**

All are welcome!



Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

A sincere and heartfelt thank you to all the parishioners who supported the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's Friends of the Poor Walk campaign. The money will be used to help some family from the neighborhood who has fallen on hard times and needs some financial help to carry them through this difficult period. God bless you for your compassion and concern for people in need.

St. Martin of Tours Vincentians



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**

**1705 Jericho Turnpike, Huntington NY
(631) 858-0380
OPEN MON-SAT 10-6**

**1425A New York Avenue, Huntington Station
(631) 385-1226
OPEN MON-SAT 9-5**

To arrange furniture, clothing, cars and other donated materials for pick-up, please call (516) 746-8250 (Nassau) or 1 800 884-7837 (Suffolk).

You can also visit on line at <http://www.svdprvc.org/thrift-stores.html>. Follow the links. St. Vincent de Paul will review your donation request.

Baby Bottle Campaign

UPDATED INFORMATION



The Life Center of LI will be holding its Annual **Baby Bottle Campaign** on the weekend of Oct. 1 & 2.

Bottles will be handed out at the end of each mass. We will pick up all bottles during the weekend of October 29 & 30. Our thanks to Father Pat for the opportunity to help these mothers and their babies each year!

The **Blessing of the Animals** will take place on **Sunday October 2nd at 2:30PM** in the driveway between St. Alphonsus Hall and the back of the rectory. In honor of Saint Francis of Assisi, all God's creatures will receive a medal.



FOR HELP IN A CRISIS PREGNANCY

Call Diana Hart Mirando
(C) 830-5077 (H) 605-1979

**ROSELINE LIFE CENTER 24 HOURS
631-243-2373
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**

BETHPAGE SENIORS

**Bethpage Community Center
103 Grumman Road West, Bethpage, NY
(516) 571-9910**

Meeting others seniors can change your personal world! The Bethpage Seniors is a co-ed, active and friendly on-the-go group and opened to the public.

We meet every Wednesday at 10AM beginning Sept. 7th. \$5.00 registration fee and pay-as-you-go activities.

Bus transportation is available for Bethpage residents only.

FATHER JIM MCCABE WILL CONTINUE HIS WORKSHOP ON THE BOOK OF GENESIS FROM 7:30 - 8:30PM IN ST. ALPHONSUS HALL ON THE FOLLOWING DATES: (ALL WEDNESDAYS).

SEPTEMBER 28	CHAPTERS 19 & 20
OCTOBER 5	CHAPTERS 21 & 22
OCTOBER 12	NO SESSION
OCTOBER 19	CHAPTERS 23 & 24
OCTOBER 26	CHAPTERS 25 & 26
NOVEMBER 2	CHAPTERS 27 & 28
NOVEMBER 9	CHAPTERS 29 & 30
NOVEMBER 16	CHAPTERS 31 & 32



HELP OUR PARISH - H.O.P. Club

Please call or stop by the rectory if you are a current member and did not receive a renewal. **Even after the September 1st date, you can still join H.O.P. Your support is much appreciated to help our operating budget.**

Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept 18: Catechetical Sunday 10AM Mass - Reception to follow in St. Alphonsus Hall
- Sept 19: Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30PM Church
- Sept 20: Padre Pio Holy Hour 7PM Eucharistic Chapel (*we're back to 3rd Tuesday of the month*)
- Sept 20: VIRTUS Class 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Sept 25: Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30PM Church
- Oct 1: First Saturday Devotions 8:30AM Church
- Oct 1 & 2: Respect Life Distribution of Baby Bottles Weekend
- Oct 2: Knights of Columbus Membership Drive - Sunday Masses
- Oct 2: Blessing of the Animals 2:30PM at the side of St. Alphonsus Hall (in front of the garage)
- Oct 3: Holy Face Devotions 1PM Church
- Oct 3: Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30PM Church
- Oct 7: First Friday Devotions 7PM Eucharistic Chapel
- Oct 7: SMT Book Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Oct 18: Respect Life Holy Hour 3:00PM Church