

**Masses For The Week**

**Monday - October 3**

6:30 Lance & Ina Lomot  
9:00 John Barbieri

**Tuesday - October 4 - St. Francis of Assisi**

6:30 Dan Boylan  
9:00 William V. Doyle, 45th Anniversary

**Wednesday - October 5**

6:30 Ivy & Herman Ostermeier  
9:00 Theresa Santulli

**Thursday - October 6**

6:30 Marty Laraia & Salvatore Scarfo  
9:00 Gerald Meehan

**Friday - October 7 - Our Lady of the Rosary**

6:30 Catherine & Silvio Sita  
9:00 Dominick Cano

**Saturday - October 8**

9:00 MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS  
5:00 Louis Ruggiero, John & Gertrude O'Rourke  
7:00 Memory of Zoitke & Szmytkowski Families

**Sunday - October 9**

7:00 The People of the Parish  
8:30 Helen & Henry Ruff  
10:00 Joseph Cressaty  
11:30 Dominick Livaccari  
1:00 William Kober  
5:30 Mary White

**Readings For The Week**

Mon. Galatians 1:6-12; Luke 10:25-37  
Tues. Galatians 1:13-24; Luke 10:38-42  
Wed. Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14; Luke 11:1-4  
Thurs. Galatians 3:1-5; Luke 11:5-13  
Fri. Galatians 3:7-14; Luke 11:15-26  
Sat. Galatians 3:22-29; Luke 11:27-28  
**Sun. 2 Kings 5:14-17** *Through the word of Elisha, the Prophet, God cured Naaman the Leper. Naaman's gratitude changed his life, and he refused to offer worship to any other god except the Lord.*

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

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



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

**Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift**

**Weekly Budget: \$17,500.00**  
**Weekly Collection 9/25/2016: \$17,307.16**  
**Retired Priests Collection: \$4,178.00**  
**Thank you for your great generosity!**

**Reflection & Living Stewardship**

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

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



Charismatic Prayer Group

**Don't point fingers!**

None of us is perfect. There is only One Perfect Person in all of history. He died on Calvary for you, but He didn't flaunt His perfection. Rather, He sought out and lifted up the weak, the powerless and the sinner. And He continues to do that today. So, before you point fingers at others, point it at yourself and see what needs fixing in you.

**Our next meeting is Monday, October 3rd at 7:30PM in the Church. Be a friend - bring a friend. Call 516-993-9672 for prayer requests or more information.**

**H.O.P. Club Winners**

9/26/16 #7	Steven & Barbara Damiani	\$25
9/27/16 #387	Helen Sergio	\$25
9/28/16 #23	Debbie & Frank Aiello	\$25
9/29/16 #58	Kathy & John McKerlie	\$25
9/30/16 #446	John & Debbie Liverani	\$50

### *Wedding Banns*

2nd Edward Amato & Kristen Meister

2nd William Brenner & Michelle Gruber

1st Matthew Formichelli & Christina Quinta



**"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 chili, beef stew, canned chicken, tuna fish, boxed potatoes, whole corn kernels, mixed vegetables, vegetable soup, boxed milk, chocolate milk, salt, juice, juice boxes, brownie mix, laundry soap, dish soap, paper towels, tissues, toilet paper and diapers (size 6).

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 Oct 2 - 8, 2016*

*In Loving Memory of  
Vivian McCabe*



### *Sanctuary Candle*

*Week of Oct 2 - 8, 2016*

*In Loving Memory of  
Jim O'Neill*

#### **Rest in Peace**

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

**Alfred S. White, Helen M. Draghi**

**Dolores Lordahl, Joan DeBona**

**Michele Rita Barone**

**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 Battiata, 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, 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 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, Ann Adams Ed Ingels Liam Escaniel Gus Kunze, Eddie Morales, Tom Miles Debra Dowdell, Elizabeth Hill, Louie Gandolfo, John Anderson Tara Maune, Daniel McCullough, Mary Lafauci, Gerry Russo Allegra LaFalce, Jessica Czarnecki, Jerry Berkowitz, Bill Monahan Maureen Roberts, Francis Meehan, Mary Cohan Marylou Mascolo, Trish Berge, Kathleen Palumbo Brendan Donahoe, Mary Donahoe, Noelle Eichenlaub Krystyna Stasiewicz, Janet Scarpelli, Glen Clements, Helen Uhl

## *Pastor's Letter*



Jesus said, "There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores"

Years ago I read a book named *Bums*. It was an informal history of the Brooklyn Dodgers. As some of you might remember, Bums was a beloved nickname for the Dodgers, perhaps based on the fact they usually ended the season by losing the World Series to that Evil Empire named the Yankees. There was a story in the book that has stayed with me. Three friends were at a restaurant having dinner and reminiscing about the old days as friends often do. One of them suggested, for whatever reason I do not recall, that each write down on a piece of paper the names of three people who are in hell. When they finished writing and revealed the names they had chosen, they all had the same three names in the exact same order: Adolph Hitler, Joseph Stalin, and Walter O'Malley, the man blamed for moving the Dodgers from Brooklyn to Los Angeles. In fairness to Mr. O'Malley, current thought, also blames Robert Moses for the departure of the baseball team.

Hell is a doctrine of the Catholic Church. Here is the present teaching of the Church on hell from The Catechism of the Catholic Church: *"The teaching of the Church affirms the existence of hell and its eternity. Immediately after death the souls of those who die in a state of mortal sin descend into hell where they suffer the punishments of hell, eternal fire."* The chief punishment of hell is eternal separation from God, in whom alone man can possess the life and happiness for which he was created and for which he longs.

I must confess, although I accept this teaching of the Church on hell, I struggle with understanding it. This is the Year of Mercy, and over and over again in the Gospels, Jesus reveals himself as a lover of sinners. I have often asked parents if there is something that their son or daughter could do to them or to others that would be so bad that they would forever reject their child and condemn them to eternal punishment. I have found the universal response to be no. Still, I do know of cases where a son or daughter walks away from a parent's love by his or her choice and never returns. The parents are left heartbroken, but they cannot force the adult child to come back to their love. This is an analogy that I would use for God. Like all analogies, it has its limits. God never condemns someone to hell; it is free choice that a person makes in his or her life. My image would be that God weeps over those who have chosen to reject his love forever.

I am consoled by the belief that we cannot say for sure that anyone is in hell. Even though this wretched state is a teaching of our faith community, only God knows if a person has rejected God to the point of condemning himself/herself to hell. Even Judas, for all any of us know, may have repented at the last second and begged the mercy of God as did the repentant thief on Calvary who cried out to Jesus for mercy. God is both a God of mercy and a God of justice. Sometimes we creatures demand God give over to hell people such as those who perpetrated the Holocaust, committed horrible crimes toward children, or killed people by violent acts of terrorism. There was a recent story of an elderly God-fearing woman who had her pocketbook stolen by a young woman. The robbed woman demanded that God send this person to hell since she deserved it.

**T**he definition I read about hell describes two severe punishments of hell: fire and the absence of God. Many scholars today would suggest that the fire image is more of vivid image of suffering than a defined reality. However, there is no doubt that the essence of hell is the absence of God. To be in hell is to be lonely and without love forever. I do not think it is that easy to go to hell. Again, I seriously struggle with the idea that God would send a person to hell for a fleeting impure thought or for a person who spent his or her life attending Sunday Mass who misses one Sunday. I am not encouraging such behaviors and believe they are sins; but is it sin that destroys one's relationship with God and leads to eternal damnation? I find the God revealed to us by Jesus incompatible with such a possibility.

I grew up on hell and the fear of God. Granted the scriptures tell us that fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, but we also know that Jesus has told us that perfect love casts out fear. We love and worship God not out of fear, but because he has first loved us, came on earth for us, suffered and died for us, and rose on the third day with the promise of eternal life. Perhaps the most known of all scripture is John 3:16: *God so loved the world that he gave his only son that whoever believe in him may not die but have eternal life.* God is always compassionate and merciful, but his love is never to be taken for granted.

Today, this familiar parable is haunting. A rich man named Dives goes to hell and is suffering because his wealth and pleasure so consumed him that he never noticed the poor man named Lazarus, sitting at his doors, starving and filled with sores that are licked by the dogs. The sin of Dives is that he never sees the poor man. His world view does not include this poor dying man on his doorstep.

It is clear that Jesus is revealing to us, as he constantly does, that we are brother and sister to one another. We need to notice and see those who are in need around us. Unlike those contestants in beauty contests who promise to work for world peace and an end to hunger if they are chosen, we cannot end all the pain and suffering of the world. We know there are people lying in the streets of New York and other cities. We know there are countless children who do not have the opportunity of a decent education. We know there are countless people who are hungry in the world. The first step is to notice them. There may be a person in our own classroom, at our job, or sitting at our kitchen table who is in pain. Do we notice? Once we notice and see, we begin to be changed by the grace of God. The philosopher Sartre described hell as other people. Certainly, there are many situations in the world around us that might justify the words *hell on earth*.

Once we see, we can be moved to help not a thousand people, but one person. It is good for me and you to ponder, who are the Lazarus's of our lives? Whom are we failing to see sitting on the doorsteps of our lives? Lord, be merciful to me a sinner for failing to see you in my brothers and sisters!

Father Patrick Woods, CSsR

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**Life Teen** is a youth ministry geared toward high school students. We meet every Sunday after the 5:30PM Mass in the OLPH Youth Room located in the school building. Meetings are from 7PM - 8:30PM. Please email us at [SMT\\_Lifeteen@yahoo.com](mailto:SMT_Lifeteen@yahoo.com) with any questions may you have about Life Teen.



This photograph includes SMT's hearty Vincentians who participated in the Friends of the Poor Walk. They looked a little haggard at the end of the walk but were cheered on by the support of the parishioners of St. Martin's who sponsored us in this event. (Missing from the photo are photographer, John McCarthy and Mary Vitti.)

Once again the Vincentians say, *"Thank you and God bless you for your generosity and concern for our less fortunate neighbors."*

As we read in the Book of Genesis, *Let There be Light!* Finally, the people who have wandered in darkness have seen a great light. I am sure you have noticed how bright the lights are in the Church now that the burnt out bulbs have been replaced. I apologize for the delay in getting this done, but the issue was more complicated than expected. I love our Church, but I do wish that the lights were more accessible in terms of changing them when needed. At one point, we were looking into scaffolding or renting a machine that would be able to stretch to the ceiling. There was a fear the weight of such a machine might damage our marble floor. We had to determine the exact bulb that would meet our specific needs. The technology for such bulbs was constantly being upgraded and the availability of the bulbs also proved challenging.



The hero of this story (and he is the type of man who wants no recognition) is our parishioner Lou Fielack. Lou owns an electric company and took the task of doing the lighting of the church very personally since he attends Mass here almost daily. Thank God he has such faith since he went up on a very high ladder to put the bulbs in while his crew held the ladder. Lou did extensive research to find the correct bulbs and the one that would be most cost effective for our parish. I cannot thank him enough since whenever there are lighting issues in our parish (the parking lot for example), a phone call to Lou by me is always answered with *I will take care of it, Father.* I know a few men have complained to me that the lighting is too good because their wrinkles are showing! Thank you and God bless you, Lou! - Father Pat





## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**Rev. Michael J. Hartigan Council #5033**

**517 Central Ave., Bethpage, NY 11714**

**NEW MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY - OCTOBER 2, 2016 - GATHERING AREA**

**Catholic Men (18 years and older)**

**Are you interested:**

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- share values & support to live the Catholic Faith more fully
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**For information, contact Membership Director Peter H. Volberg 516-458-1958 or [www.KOC5033](http://www.KOC5033)**

## **CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INC.**

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**WHY NOT CONSIDER JOINING US?**

**WE'LL BE RECRUITING AT ST. MARTIN OF TOURS ON OCTOBER 2.**

**FOR MORE INFO - CONTACT COMMANDER PETER H. VOLBERG, JR. (516) 458-1958**

## **CHRISTIAN MOTHERS ROSARY CONFRATERNITY**

**Tuesday, October 4, 2016**

**CMRC's October meeting will be held in St. Alphonsus Hall at 7:30 p.m.** Rosary and CMRC prayers will be followed by Investiture of New Members. Our guest speaker will be Father Ciya. If you would like to become a member, please call Mary Colavolpe at 495-4408. All women are most welcome.

**RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE****OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH**

**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: OUR KNIGHTS IN SHINING ARMOR! *Jesus said to them, Come follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Then they left their nets and followed him. - Mark 1:19-20***

**From the desk of Gloria Schreiber, Director - Life Center of Long Island**

We have witnessed time and time again with our clients, that one of the most important resources in saving the LIFE OF A CHILD is the baby's FATHER. Men play critical roles in the decision making of an unplanned pregnancy and are extremely influential in the outcome of saving their baby's life once they realize their God-given purpose on earth and commit to being the protector of their baby and family. ENTER: THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS. The Mission Statement and Objectives of the Knights of Columbus states that the KNIGHTS FOSTER MEN UNITED IN FAITH called by baptism to grow in faith and be visible through the good works of their four core principles of CHARITY, UNITY, FRATERNITY and PATRIOTISM and to serve as witnesses to that faith in their lives, their families, and those throughout the communities.

The LIFE CENTER'S mission statement and that of the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS is symbiotic. We have been blessed through our developing relationship, especially this past year and most recently. All the good works that the Knights have produced for the Life Center have been reflective of their four core principles.

**CHARITY.** The Knights support both spiritually and materially, mothers who chose life for their babies regardless of their faith.

**UNITY.** Donating their Halls for our Annual Volunteer Thank You Luncheon, our in-Service Training Seminars, dropping off and picking up baby bottles for our Baby Bottle Campaigns. The Knights have supported the Life Center by coordinating our Annual Suffolk County Pasta Dinner and conducting Jack and Jill Baby Showers, BBQ's.

**CULTURE OF LIFE & POLITICIANS:** Carl Anderson, leader of the Knights of Columbus, in an address to the K of C International Convention in Toronto on August 2 weekend:

**"IT IS TIME TO STOP CREATING EXCUSES FOR VOTING FOR PRO-ABORTION POLITICIANS. Abortion is the killing of the innocent on a massive scale."** He said politics does not mean partisanship, but a stand for the common good and for moral and religious values that makes free, democratic institutions possible. Foremost among these values, is "The equal dignity of every human life and the right of every person to freely practice their religion. We will never succeed in building a culture of life if we continue to VOTE for POLITICIANS WHO SUPPORT A CULTURE OF DEATH.

Some partisan advocates have sought to excuse SUPPORT for PRO-ABORTION candidates through a balancing act. They claim other issues are important enough to offset a candidate's support for abortion. But the right to abortion is not just another political issue. It is in reality, a legal regime that has resulted in more than 40 million deaths...What political issue could possibly outweigh this HUMAN DEVASTATION? The answer, of course is that THERE IS NONE. We need to think in new ways, to build a civilization of love."

**Source: [www.ncregister.com](http://www.ncregister.com), CNA/EWTN News 8/5/16).**

### Why is October the Month of the Holy Rosary?

This month, five minutes before the Saturday Night and Sunday Masses, one of the clergy will lead the congregation in a decade of the rosary since October is the month of the Holy Rosary. How this came to be is an interesting moment, not only for people of the Catholic faith, but in the history of Western Europe. There are historians who believe that if the Catholic naval forces had been defeated at Lepanto, Christianity would have been basically suppressed in Western Europe. Sad to say, secularism is a serious threat to the life of faith in Western Europe today. Perhaps, we can pray the rosary in our time that the Christian and Muslim faiths may be at peace with each other.



#### Battle of Lepanto

On October 7, 1571, a great victory over the mighty Turkish fleet was won by Catholic naval forces primarily from Spain, Venice, and Genoa under the command of Don Juan of Austria. It was the last battle at sea between "oared" ships, which featured the most powerful navy in the world, a Muslim force with between 12,000 to 15,000 Christian slaves as rowers. The patchwork team of Catholic ships was powered by the Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Knowing that the Christian forces were at a distinct material disadvantage, the holy pontiff, St. Pope Pius V called for all of Europe to pray the Rosary for victory. We know today that the victory was decisive, prevented the Islamic invasion of Europe, and evidenced the Hand of God working through Our Lady. At the hour of victory, St. Pope Pius V, who was hundreds of miles away at the Vatican, is said to have gotten up from a meeting, went over to a window, and exclaimed with supernatural radiance: "The Christian fleet is victorious!" and shed tears of thanksgiving to God.

What you may not know is that one of three admirals commanding the Catholic forces at Lepanto was Andrea Doria. He carried a small copy of Mexico's Our Lady of Guadalupe into battle. This image is now enshrined in the Church of San Stefano in Aveto, Italy. At Saint Mary Major Basilica in Rome, close to the tomb of the great St. Pope Pius V, one was once able to view yet another Islamic flag from the Battle, until 1965, when it was returned to Istanbul in an intended friendly token of concord.

The Rosary at Lepanto, the Victory over the Muslims was won by the faithful praying the Rosary. Even though they had superior numbers, the Turks really were overmatched. Blessed Padre Pio, the Spiritual Father of the Blue Army, said: "The Rosary is the weapon," and how right he was! The Battle of Lepanto was at first celebrated liturgically as "Our Lady of Victory." Later, the feast of October 7th was renamed "Our Lady of the Rosary" and extended throughout the Universal Church by Pope Clement XI in 1716 (who canonized Pope Pius V in 1712).

**Help America - Help the World  
Pray the Rosary**







**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  
 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  
 SPC Matthew F. Mayerhofer, US Army  
 BUCN Sean Bourke, US Navy  
 PO3 James Fischer, US Navy  
 LTC John Evans, US Army  
 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  
 PVT Brian Barcavage, US Army  
 CS1 Andrew L. DeMarsico, USN  
 MAJ Thomas E. Mangiamele, US Army  
 PVT Edward Morales, US Army  
 MAJ Michael F. Wendelken, USAF  
 PVT John Marcel, Jr USMC

**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 and holy card.



**GLUTEN FREE, PEANUT FREE, DAIRY FREE  
 ALTAR BREAD**

Please see the sacristan before mass begins if you require altar breads that are free of gluten, peanuts and dairy. Let the sacristan know how many for consecration.

## 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.

### SMT PARISH BOOK CLUB

*The Midnight Watch: A Novel  
of the Titanic & 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.



## The Golden Harvest Festival & Raffle

Raffle limited to only five hundred tickets at \$100 each  
 ...fifty cash prizes for excellent odds of one in ten!

Let's do it this year! - To sell ALL 500 tickets!!

**WHEN:** Drawing will be held at a Festival Party  
 Saturday evening in the School Cafeteria at 8PM on November 19th.

\$100 per chance - go it alone or share a ticket with others!

### LIST OF PRIZES

First Prize	\$5,000
2 Prizes	\$2,000
3 Prizes	\$ 500
4 Prizes	\$ 200
20 Prizes	\$ 150
20 Prizes	\$ 125



**50 Prizes!...only 500 tickets!...and a Party, too!**



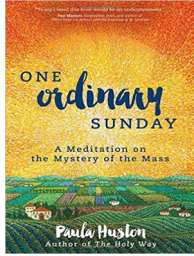
**Tickets Go ON SALE**  
 Beginning October 15th and 16th  
 in the Gathering Area

**BEFORE *and* AFTER ALL MASSES**  
**(including the 5:30PM on Sunday)**

As well as in the Rectory Office during the following week!

**SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB - November 4, 2016 - 7:30PM****"One Ordinary Sunday: A Meditation on the Mystery of the Mass" by Paula Huston****Paperback - March 11, 2016 - Ave Maria Press**

**All are welcome to any gathering of the Spiritual Book Club.** This book is highly recommended whether you come to the club or not. It is a wonderful and realistic reflection on the Mass. For Catholics, the Mass is the "source and summit of the Christian life," as the documents of the Church put it. Yet many Catholics might confess to not understand in any depth what goes on in an "ordinary" celebration of the Eucharist. In perhaps her most compelling and original book to date, novelist and spiritual writer Paula Huston guides us through a Mass on the Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time at her home parish in Arroyo Grande, California. Huston's personal and spiritual reflections offer fresh and often unexpected insights into the profound mystery at the heart of the Catholic faith. A natural storyteller, Huston deftly illuminates what might seem either mysterious to those unfamiliar with the Mass or overly familiar to those who have lost an appreciation of its mystery. In the Mass "we are healed and restored and spiritually fed," she writes. "We are handed strong armor against evil. We are unified and made whole as a people and as a Church. We get a little taste of heaven."



**Another marriage saving Retrouvaille weekend will be offered NOVEMBER 4 - 6, 2016. Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille is a lifeline for married couples.**

Most couples across the nation who have attended a Retrouvaille weekend tell us they learned about this program from their weekly parish bulletin. Many are afraid to ask their pastor or parish priest for help with their marriages. Others are just hoping time will help to make things better. They tell us that seeing the program announced repeatedly in their Sunday bulletin gave them the courage to pick up the phone and make the call. Most say that Retrouvaille was the lifeline that helped save their marriage and their family.

***For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for the upcoming weekend that begins on Friday, NOVEMBER 4, 2016 please call 1-800-470-2230 and you will be connected directly and confidentially to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help.***

**LIVING WATERS CATHOLIC COUNSELING****[www.livingwaterscounseling.biz](http://www.livingwaterscounseling.biz)****Melville location: Campus of St. Elizabeth's Church****175 Wolf Hill Road, Melville NY 11747 Tel: 631-754-3990/Fax: 631-271-0914**

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](http://www.livingwaterscounseling.biz) for more information.

**Capital Campaign Memorial Plaque**

We have extended the time for the Capital Campaign Donors Memorial Plaque inscriptions for those who would like to have either their name or in memory of a loved one.

The limit is 30 spaces including punctuation and spaces between words. Call the rectory at 931-0818 with your name, phone number and what you want the plaque to say, or email

[smtcapitalcampaign@gmail.com](mailto:smtcapitalcampaign@gmail.com)

Thank you to those who have submitted their requests!

*Baby Bottle Campaign*



The Life Center of LI will be holding its Annual **Baby Bottle Campaign THIS weekend, October 1st and 2nd.**

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!

**A**nyone out there who hasn't joined the H.O.P. Club (which stands for Help Our Parish), can do so any time. It is a \$60 membership fee, and runs from September 1 to August 31 of the following year.

The HOP Club has been supporting our parish for many years now and helps to fund our operating expenses to run the parish. For more information, you can call the rectory at 931-0818 and ask for Genny or Janet.

**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).

- Sep 28 Chapters 19 & 20    Nov 2 Chapters 27 & 28
- Oct 5 Chapters 21 & 22    Nov 9 Chapters 29 & 30
- Oct 12 **NO SESSION**        Nov 16 Chapters 31 & 32
- Oct 19 Chapters 23 & 24
- Oct 26 Chapters 25 & 26

**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.

**FOR HELP IN A CRISIS PREGNANCY**

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

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

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**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**



**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Oct 1 & 2: Respect Life Sunday & Distribution of Baby Bottles
- Oct 2: Knights of Columbus/Catholic War Vets 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 15/16: Golden Harvest Tickets Go On Sale!!
- Oct 18: Respect Life Holy Hour 3:00PM Church
- Nov 4: Spiritual Book Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Nov 5: Mass of Remembrance 9AM
- Nov 11: Veterans Day & the Feast Day of Saint Martin of Tours
- Nov 19: Golden Harvest Festival and Raffle - Reception 8PM School Cafeteria
- Nov 24: Thanksgiving Day Mass 9AM

