Masses For The Week

Monday - May 15

6:30 Marty Laraia

9:00 Mother's Day Novena

Tuesday - May 16

6:30 Michael Lombardi

9:00 Mother's Day Novena

Wednesday - May 17

6:30 Myra Mandolese

9:00 Mother's Day Novena

Thursday - May 18

6:30 Simon Jambrone

9:00 Mother's Day Novena

Friday - May 19

6:30 Joseph & Rita Courtney

9:00 Mother's Day Novena

Saturday - May 20

9:00 MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS

5:00 Thomas P. LaFalce, Sr.

7:00 Antoinette Squiccarino

Sunday - May 21

7:00 The People of the Parish

8:30 Antoinette & Sam Fulginiti & Daughters

10:00 Angelina Cilmi

11:30 Mary O'Neil

1:00 Margaret E. Stoll

5:30 Bernie Helldorfer

Readings For The Week

Mon. Acts 14:5-18; John 14:21-16 Tues. Acts 14:19-28; John 14:27-31a

Wed. Acts 15:1-6; John 15:1-8
Thurs. Acts 15:7-21; John 15:9-11
Fri. Acts 15:22-31; John 15:12-17
Sat. Acts 16:1-10; John 15:18-21

Sun. Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 With great success, Philip went to Samaria to proclaim the Christ and work miracles. When the apostles heard about Philip's work, they sent Peter and John to pray that the Samaritans receive the Holy Spirit.

1 Peter 3:15-18 Jesus "suffered for our sins once." He was put to death as far as fleshly existence goes but received life according to the spirit.

John 14:15-21 Jesus assured the disciples that he would not leave them orphaned but would ask the Father to send "another Advocate" to be with them always. Jesus said that he would still reveal himself to those who love him.

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift

Weekly Budget: \$17,500.00 Weekly for 5/7/17: \$17,208.00

Thank you for your great generosity to SMT!

Reflection & Living Stewardship

"The one who has faith in Me will do the works I do, and far greater than these,"

Jesus tells His disciples. That's quite an assignment for us as

Christian stewards!

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who have discovered their gifts are holy and transformative when they share them lovingly with others.

Charismatic Prayer Group

Being held captive has to be a terrifying experience that thankfully most of us will never know. But physical captivity is not the only kind. There's financial, emotional, social captivity and the captivity of sin like greed, envy, jealousy, hatred and prejudice. What's holding you captive? We can help you break its hold.

Our next meeting is Monday May 15th at 7:30 PM in the Church. Be a friend - bring a friend. Call 516-993-9672 for more information and prayer requests.



Divine Mercy Novena

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

Congratulations to our H.O.P. Club Winners

5/8/17 #410 .	J & D Hughes	\$25
5/9/17 #462	Thomas & Kathy Frost	\$25
5/10/17 #161	Rosalie Joannou	\$25
5/11/17 #165	Mary Thomas	\$25
5/12/17 #390	Philip A. Ciminelli	\$50

Wedding Banns

3rd Matthew Mancuso & Jillian Chiarappa

2nd Mario Gambino & Amanda Day

1st Joseph Tozaro & Emily Rayue



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

This week, the Pantry is low on oatmeal, egg noodles, vegetable soup, oil, evaporated milk, boxed milk, coffee, sugar, juice boxes, mayonnaise, canned mixed fruit, cookies, Rice-a-Roni, rice, tomato paste, paper towels, dish soap, bar soap and baby wipes.

We are very grateful for your tremendous generosity 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 May 14 - 20, 2017

In Loving Memory of Paul James Fidnarick



Sanctuary Candle Week of May 14 - 20, 2017

In Loving Memory of John & Nicoletta Mattariello

Rest in Peace

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

Joseph Columbo, Pina Mirarchi

Richard L. Garutti



<u>REMINDER</u>: 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, Baby Scarlett, May Duffey, Tommy Johnson Anna M. Bosco, Janet Medina, Kevin Henson, Marie Newman The Mascia Family, Edward Brown, Ceil Hollander, Ann Mirto Daniel Costa, 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 Messina, William Boyce Joann Sescila, Albert La Rocca, Michael Arato, Elizabeth Ryan Tom Doty, Lynn Calo, Connie Burgess, Dolores Miller Susan Carroll-Goyan, Samantha McNeil, Patty & Tom Turano Layla Barr, Nicholas Amato Jesusa Aguino, Joseph McCroary Nadine Lewin Wall, Richard Graziano, Jean Mulligan Geraldine Zeterberg, Edward Boyce, Ann Adams Fran Gandalfo, Taylor, Fr. Edmund Faliskie CSSR Chris Mitchell, Terrence Lynam, Joseph Kostyak, Johnny D. William Castle, Anthony Morello, Anthony Krich, Aida Gilday Candy DeVita Frank Ballatore, Jr., Anthony Della Croce Christine Orlando, Nicole Carbone, Little Sonny D'Ambrosio Barbara Rusch, Justin Dittmar, Beverly Viselli, Casey, Betty Maggi Olivia LoRusso, Betty Mara, Teri Pigott, Connie Kane, George Reif 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, Bill Monahan Maureen Roberts, Francis Meehan Trish Berge, Kathleen Palumbo Brendan Donahoe, Janet Scarpelli Helen Uhl, Andrew McCarthy Alicia Manetta, Frank LoPinto Baby Lucia Bianchi, Uncle Ed, Declan McCollough Pat James Joseph, David Iovieno, Pasqua Giannuzzi, Robert Daniel Caroline McNeill, Michael McNeill Kurt Hamilton Dorothy Eisenstadt, David Drohan, Martin Lee, Ralph Caputo Kristen Smith, Michael Vigotty, Vinny Vanturini Pat Murphy, Tarabokija Family, Philip Marino, Henry Hamilton Libia & Maria Teresa Valdez, Nancy Gerace, Chris Spinoso Glenn Clentes, Jim Moran, Robert Collelouri, Arthur Baudo Kathy Smith, Jenna Black, Baby Grayson, Michael Leva Veronica McCarthy-Pigott, Unborn Identical Twins Joann Bruno, Janine, Mary Jedlicka, Lisa Lazzara

Pastor's Letter

I have a good friend named Father Tom Donaldson, a Redemptorist from Kansas City. We met in the semi-



nary more than forty years ago. He gave us a three-day retreat two years ago and he made a great impression on the parishioners who heard him. He is here for several weeks to visit me. I suspect he may be more interested in visiting the Bethpage golf course more than me. But he will celebrate some Masses while he is here and I hope you get to hear him preach.

I was ordained two years earlier than Tom and spent my first years of the priesthood teaching high school English and doing a fair amount of preaching at retreats and missions. Tom, after a stint as a parish priest, become a full-time preacher of parish missions for many years. He invited me to join him for a parish mission in St. Louis where the pastor was another Redemptorist friend with whom we both had been with in the seminary.

I arrived for the mission feeling confident. I had good experience in preaching and did my best to prepare good talks. Well, on the first night of our parish mission, the church was packed to overflowing, and Tom got up and preached for more than an hour without a note. He had the people laughing uproariously and then moved them to tears several times during the talk. He was one of the most dynamic preachers that I had ever heard. Every eye in the church was on him, eager to listen to his message. I sat in the pew thinking to myself, *Oh my Lord. I have to follow him tomorrow!* My confidence was diminishing as my anxiety was rising. What had I gotten myself into? After the service was concluded, there was a social afterwards with coffee and cookies, and a woman came up to me and said, we can't wait to hear from you! You must be really something if they brought you all the way from New York! I immediately devoured a dozen chocolate chip cookies.

At one point during his talk, Father Tom talked about *kerygma*. *Kerygma* is a Greek word that means *preaching of the Gospel*, but like many words, it has a deeper level. Kerygma is proclaiming the essential message of the Gospel in a very direct and basic way. It is simple and to the point. Its focus is very much on Jesus: who He is, what He preached and what happened to Him in His death and resurrection. The basic curricula of the kerygma are very clear: *Jesus is the chosen Messiah of God, the one who was promised*. And though He was crucified, He rose gloriously from the dead, appearing to His disciples, and having been exulted at the right hand of the Father through His Ascension, now summons all to Him, through the ministry of the Church. This proclamation requires a response from us, that we should repent of our sins accept baptism and live in the new life which Christ is offering.

In Church, we hear a great deal of teaching about Jesus. That is important. We learn about the commandments, the parables, the beatitudes, the sacraments, and the great gift of the Holy Eucharist. These gifts from Jesus through the power of the Holy Spirit are the path to Christ. But, even more basic than these teachings is the proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. *Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.* This is the message that transform the believer to be a follower of Jesus. The night I heard Tom preach about kerygma he used the term *Kerygma Baby* as he did a little dance. He was *twerking* before it had been invented. *Kerygma Baby*. You never forget some images.

The preaching of the early church was very kerygmatic. Listen to the words of St. Peter in the Acts of the Apostles: Let the whole house of Israel know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified. Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and they asked Peter and the other apostles, "What are we to do, my brothers? Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The core message of our faith: God has made him both Lord and Christ the one you crucified. Repent, be baptized, receive the Holy Spirit.

In our second reading, we hear more of the preaching of Peter in his First Letter: *He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds, you have been healed.* Amazing Grace: Christ has taken your sins and mine in his body nailed to the cross. *By his wounds, we are healed.* All our sins, our failures, our guilt and shame are carried by Jesus borne in his crucified body. We are set free from them. That's Kerygma Baby!

One of the earliest images that captured the first Christians was Jesus the Good Shepherd. Some of the earliest paintings in the catacombs were of the Good Shepherd who lays down his life for his sheep. The Good Shepherd who leaves the ninety-nine in search of the one lost. Here at our parish we have two vivid images of *Kerygma*. The first is the stained-glass window to the right of the pulpit. Jesus is rising from the dead, overcoming death through the power of the Holy Spirit. He has broken the power of death. Above our altar is the beautifully carved image of the Risen Jesus. He is not seen as a dying beaten man on a cross but as a vibrant vigorous man in whom we see the glory of God.

I still struggle with beginning of the Creed with the words that were changed in the new translation of our Mass prayers. I liked the words we believe with the focus on the we as a we are proclaiming our faith and drawing strength from one another as a community. Yet, the change to I rather than we makes very evident that I am proclaiming my faith in the Kerygma of the Gospel. When we say the Creed, we are proclaiming kerygma: the words of everlasting life.

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I



believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the

Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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

Pope Francis will canonize Fatima children Jacinta & Francisco Marto on Saturday, May 13, 2017

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- During his visit to the site of the apparitions May 13, Pope Francis will declare the sainthood of Blessed Jacinta Marto and Blessed Francisco Marto, two of the shepherd children who saw Mary in Fatima, Portugal, one hundred years ago.

The pope's two-day pilgrimage, May 12-13, will mark the 100th anniversary of the Marian apparitions, which began May 13, 1917, when nine-year-old Francisco and seven-year-old Jacinta, along with their cousin Lucia dos Santos, reported seeing the Virgin Mary. The apparitions continued once a month until Oct. 13, 1917, and later were declared worthy of belief by the Catholic Church.



A year after the apparitions, both of the Marto children became ill during an influenza epidemic that plagued Europe. Francisco died April 4, 1919, at the age of 10, while Jacinta succumbed to her illness Feb. 20, 1920, at the age of 9. Francisco and Jacinta's cause for canonization was stalled for decades due to a debate on whether non-martyred children have the capacity to understand heroic virtues at a young age. However, in 1979, St. John Paul II allowed their cause to proceed; he declared them venerable in 1989 and beatified them in 2000.

The children's cousin entered the Carmelites. Sister Lucia died in 2005 at the age of 97. The diocesan phase of her sainthood cause concluded in February and now is under study at the Vatican.

THE MIRACLE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA In Honor or the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Blessed Mother May 26th 7:30PM in St. Alphonsus Hall - Movie on DVD



One of the most inspirational and angelic movies ever to come to the big screen in August 1952. "The Miracle of Fatima" was directed by John Brahm, music by Max Steiner, screenwriters, Crane Wilbur and James O'Hanlon and starred Angela Clark and Gilbert Roland.

Hollywood wanted to make this motion picture very unique and one hundred percent accurate. Sister Lucia, the oldest of the three children agreed to help by giving

the writers and director a full and accurate account of what she and her two cousins encountered that day. As a result, this is one of the most breathtaking and inspirational movies of all time. A must see!



St. Gerard Majella Patron of expectant parents and those wishing to become pregnant

We have a very nice image of St. Gerard in our prayer area. I am looking to establish a simple St. Gerard Ministry. My hope is to encourage couples to pray before the image of St. Gerard and to receive a blessing from one of our clergy with St. Gerard's relic.

I hope to develop a photo book of St. Gerard Babies. These would be given to us by grateful parents who prayed for his intersession. I also have holy cards to give to those who pray at the icon of St. Gerard. I do not think this ministry would take too much time. Let me know if you are interested. Father Pat woodscssr@aol.com

VIRTUS - PROTECTING ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

Anyone wishing to volunteer or work within the Diocese of Rockville Centre must register and attend a Virtus Training Class. To register, please go to www.virtusonline.org and click on First-Time Registrant at the left of the home page. If you have any difficulty, please contact the rectory at (516) 931-0818 and someone will get back to you.

Next Virtus Class at SMT
Wednesday, May 24, 2017 @ 7PM - St. Alphonsus Parish Hall
38 Seaman Avenue, Bethpage
(a one-story building located behind the rectory office)

SCHOOL NEWS

St. John the Baptist DHS Prep Course to prepare students for the Catholic High School Entrance Exam. There will be five 2 1/2 hour sessions beginning in September. Also offered is a Test Taking Strategies Class the Friday evening before the exam. Please visit www.stjohnthebaptistdhs.net or call 631-587-8000 x 117 for more info.

Sacred Heart Academy, Hempstead NY Catholic High School Entrance Exam Prep Course. August 21 -25, 2017; September 16, and October 21, 2017. Cost is \$200 includes all materials. Time is 8AM - 10:30AM or 11:15AM - 1:15PM. For more info and applications, please call 516-483-7383 x 234.

Our Lady of Mercy is currently accepting registrants for its 2017-2018 Nursery to Grade 8 Programs. Please call the school office at 516-433-7040 to arrange a weekday or weekend tour.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SMT PARISHIONERS

Our Lady of Mercy Academy Honors Students Catherine Cannavina, 11th Grade First Honors Cynthia Bilovits, 10th Grade, Principal's List Holy Trinity High School Honors Students

Alyssa Seminario, First Honors Kerry Pancoast, Principle's List

St. Martin of Tours K of C 5033 - 517 Central Avenue, Bethpage BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, May 15, 2017 from 2PM - 8PM

Your donation will help to save up to THREE lives. Our community hospitals need your help. Please share this lifesaving gift!

ALL DONORS WILL RECEIVE A MCDONALDS COUPON FOR A FREE LARGE SANDWICH OR SALAD WITH ANY PURCHASE.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Bring your Blood Donor Card or ID with signature or photo.
- Minimum weight 110 lbs.
- Age 16 75 (16 year olds must have parental permission)
- Eat well (low fat) and drink plenty of fluids
- No tattoos for the past 12 months

For questions concerning medical eligibility call 1-800-688-0900 www.nybc.org For more information, please contact Jack Batt (516) 868-8192.

Enthronement of the Brown Scapular For those who wish to do so - after the 9AM Mass on Saturday, May 27th

The Brown Scapular of Mount Carmel

The Brown Scapular is a sacramental, one of the many items set apart or blessed by the Church to inspire devotion and increase holiness. The Carmelite Order, to which the Scapular belongs, originated on Mt. Carmel in the Holy Land and the Scapular is itself a reflection in miniature of the habit which the monks wear as a sign of their vocation and devotion.



The Scapular consists of two small pieces of brown wool connected by string and worn over the shoulders. The Scapular must be brown, rectangular in shape, and made of 100 percent lamb's wool (symbolic of Jesus, the Lamb of God). The strings connecting the pieces of wool may be of any color or material and pictures on the scapulars are optional. The Scapular must, however, be worn over the shoulders, one part in front and one in back.

The Scapular devotion was born on July 16, 1251 when Our Blessed Mother appeared to St. Simon Stock, general of the Carmelite Order, in response to his heartfelt prayers for assistance. Holding the Scapular before him, Our Lady spoke, saying:

"Take this Scapular. Whosoever dies wearing it shall not suffer eternal fire. It shall be a sign of salvation, a protection in danger and pledge of peace."

At its essence, the Scapular is a prayer in which Our Lady draws us nearer to the Sacred Heart of Her Divine Son. For over seven hundred years, the promise of the Scapular has been proven theologically sound and confirmed by miracles which the Blessed Claude de la Colombière has called "more numerous and authentic" than any other sacramental devotion.

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, is pleased to offer a preventive health event at St. Martin of Tours Parish in St. Alphonsus Parish Hall on Wednesday, June 7, 2017.

Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete.

There are three ways to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call toll-free 1-888-653-6441 or visit http://lifelinescreening.com/ communitycircle or text the word circle to 797979

Carnation Sale This Weekend!

The SMT Youth Ministry will be selling carnations after all Masses on Mother's Day, May 14th! 1 for \$2; 3 for \$5 and 12 for \$15. All proceeds go to benefit our youth programs.





NO LIFE NIGHT 5/14/17 Happy Mother's Day!

LIFE Life Night: 5/21/17 6:45-8:30PM in the OLPH Youth Center. All high school teens welcome! Email Patricia Draghi at SMT Lifeteen@yahoo.com for

more information.



■ The next Edge night is Thursday, May 25th from 7-8:30PM in the OLPH Youth Center. All middle schoolers are welcome!

Now is a great time to consider joining our volunteer team! If you want to know more about getting involved in SMT's dynamic and lively Youth Ministry Programs, please contact us at SMT Lifeteen@yahoo.com. If you are over the age of 18, there are many different ways to volunteer including joining one of our Core Teams, providing meals or snacks for our Life Teen and Edge program, or even just remembering to keep us in your prayers.

Youth Ministry is an incredibly rewarding way to get involved with your community and help lead the youth of our parish closer to Christ. Remember, all are welcome to celebrate with us at the 5:30 PM Life Teen Sunday Mass. To see our full schedule, please visit SMTBethpage.org! For questions about Youth Ministry at SMT or to inquire about joining the team, please contact Patricia Draghi at SMT Lifeteen@yahoo.com.

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

MOTHER'S DAY BLESSINGS AND PETITIONS

We pray to Mary the Holy Mother of God for strength and wisdom, kindness and understanding. On this special Mother's Day, we remember all mothers, stepmothers, grandmothers and women who are foster

mothers. We pray especially for women who are contemplating ending their pregnancies, for those abandoned and alone or unemployed. We pray for mothers who are struggling with addictions. We pray for women who are trying to have a child, those in labor, for those mothers who are the sole support of their children or who are tending their sick or dying child. Prayers for women who have lost their child or children. We pray for mothers who have special needs children and petition our Lord to grant them strength, courage and determination in advocating for all their needs. We pray for mothers who have their child or children in the Military and those deployed overseas.



We pray for those women who are caring for their own mother especially those who have terminal illness, dementia and Alzheimer's. Prayers for those who have lost their mother, either recently or some time ago. We ask the Father to give them comfort and the grace to accept that their mother rests in peace in Heaven.

BLESSING OF MOTHERS FOR MOTHER'S DAY

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, as You watch over Your Church, bless these women, that they may be strengthened. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord Amen.

TO ALL OF OUR MOTHERS, MAY GOD BLESS THEM AND WATCH OVER THEM.

The Respect Life Committee of St. Martin of Tours wish all of you a glorious Mother's Day.

ANNUAL BABY SHOWER - COLLECTION IN THE GATHERING AREA The Weekend of June 10th and 11th

ON OUR WISH LIST: diapers, wipes, baby lotion and baby oil, monitors, breast pumps, baby clothes, toddler to size 4, crib sets, bassinette sheets, bumpers, blankets, thermometers, baby food, juices, potties, diaper disposals, baths, shampoo, newborn items. A special treat would be the wonderful knitted and crocheted blankets, hats, and booties made with love by all you talented ladies.

SLIGHTLY USED: cribs that convert into beds, swings, strollers, car seats – not over 5 years old – bassinettes, high chairs, pack and plays and jump seats. There will be volunteers available to accept all donations on June 10 & 11. PLEASE DO NOT DROP OFF ITEMS IN THE RECTORY. We will be hiring another truck to take all the items to the Deer Park Life Center. The Life Center would like to thank you in advance for your incredible generosity for these young mothers and their babies. All the items you donate will be off the shelves within a week of arrival in Deer Park. They are desperately needed. Any questions please call Diana Hart Mirando (516) 830-5077.

HOLY PICTURES OF THE SAINTS CANDLE REMEMBRANCES

Arrangements can be made at the parish office to have a candle lit for one week. Suggested donation is \$20. The name of the person will be placed in front of the saint's picture of your choosing - St. Anne, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Jude, St. Peregrine or St. Therese of Lisieux. Please see p. 14 for the list of names for this week. God bless and be with each and every one.

LIVING WATERS CATHOLIC COUNSELING

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Tel: 631-754-3990/Fax: 631-271-0914

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 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

No Saint Padre Pio Holy Hour in May.

Save the Dates!

SMT COFFEE HOUSE NIGHTS

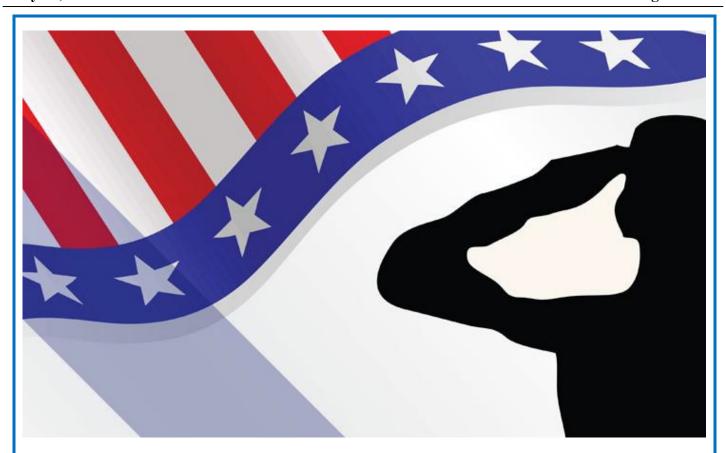
SAINT ALDHONSUS HALL

Friday, June 9th and Saturday, June 10th **8PM Both Nights**

Mellow Music from the 60's to present In a relaxed coffee house setting Featuring select vocalists and instrumentalists

> 50/50 Raffle FREE WILL DONATION





Memorial Day Weekend, May 27th & 28th, we will be collecting gift cards to Target, Walmart, Stop & Shop and Shop Rite for any amount. You can opt to bring them to the rectory office any time before that weekend. They will be donated to Beacon House to benefit homeless veterans and their families.

About Beacon House

The United Veterans Beacon House provides housing for homeless men and women veterans and their families. As the premier provider of veterans housing on Long Island, Beacon House has grown to administer 36 well-structured and safe housing sites for 550 residents each year. With a passionate commitment, Beacon House provides our veterans with the necessary coping skills for their successful return to independent living.

Our program services include: intensive case management, coordination of all mental, emotional, and

substance abuse issues. In addition, we offer job training and employment placement programs, through which we placed more than 80 veterans into sustainable employment each year. Also included, is the transportation service for medical treatment appointments, service benefit interviews, and attending workshops and recreational activities for our veterans. Thank you for your support!

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 CPT 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 SGT 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

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A candle has been lit for
Marge & Joe Hughes
in honor of St. Anne



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Anthony
in honor of St. Anthony of Padua



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in honor of St. Jude, Apostle



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A candle has been lit for
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in honor of St. Peregrine



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Michael F. Maley
in honor of St. Therese of Lisieux

In the Eucharistic Chapel, we have placed a small bookshelf with several prayers books that have a focus on visits to the Blessed Sacrament. One can pray just sitting silently in front of the tabernacle, speaking and listening to Jesus in the Real Presence. Still, I know some of us find a prayer book or book with spiritual reflections, helpful in assisting us to pray.

Wednesday, May 24 Vigil of the Ascension

7:00PM Fr. Ciya Thomas

Thursday, May 25 Ascension

6:30AM Fr. Ciya Thomas 9:00AM Fr. Pat Woods 10:30AM Fr. Jim McCabe 12 Noon Fr. Pat Woods 7:00PM Fr. Jim McCabe



UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 13/14: Youth Ministry Mother's Day Carnation Sale after all Masses
- May 15: Blood Drive at Knights of Columbus 2PM 8PM
- May 20: Defensive Driving Course 8:30AM 3:00PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- May 24: Virtus Class 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- May 24: Vigil of the Ascension 7PM Mass Church
- May 25: Ascension of the Lord All Masses in Church
- May 25: Rectory Office Closed
- May 27 & 28: Gift card donations for homeless vets and their families. Please see p. 12.
- May 29: Memorial Day No 6:30AM Mass. The Rectory is closed.
- June 2: First Friday Devotions 7PM Eucharistic Chapel
- June 3: First Saturday Devotions 8:30AM Church
- June 7: Life Line Screening St. Alphonsus Hall. Registration a must. Please see p. 9.
- Jun 9 & 10: SMT Coffee House Nights 8PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- June 10 & 11: Life Center of LI Baby Shower. Drop off this weekend only in Gathering Area.