#### June 4, 2017

	Masses For The Week			
Monday - June 5				
6:30	John, Helena & Winifred O'Mara			
9:00	Bernie Helldorfer, Sr. & Jr.			
Tuesday -	June 6			
6:30	Vincent "Vinny" Costello, 1st Anniversary			
9:00	Adele & James Corrigan & 7 Sons			
Wednesday - June 7				
6:30	Andrew McCarthy, Living			
9:00	Charlie, Margaret & Charlie Jr. Reilly			
Thursday - June 8				
6:30	Kristine Benasutti			
9:00	George & Doris Held			
Friday -	June 9			
6:30	Jack & Mary Ellen Finlay			
9:00	Richard Pollock			
Saturday - June 10				
9:00	MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS			
5:00	John Connaughton, 40th Anniversary			
7:00	Ann & Bill Csajko			
Sunday - J	lune 11			
7:00				
8:30	Bob Wheeler			
	Anthony Guglielmo			
11:30	Alex Torrelli			
1:00				
5:30	Marjorie Hughes & Mary Connelly			
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Mon. Tobit 1:3; 2:1b-8; Mark 12:1-12 Tues. Tobit 2:9-14; Mark 12:13-17

- Wed. Tobit 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Mark 12:18-27
- Thurs. Tobit 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a; Mark 12:28-34
- Fri. Tobit 11:5-17; Mark 12:35-37
- Sat. Tobit 12:1, 5-15, 20; Mark 12:38-44

**Sun.** Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9 Moses went up Mount Sinai to meet the Lord. He begged the Lord to accompany the Israelites, "a stiff-necked people." He asked God to pardon their wickedness and sin.

2 Corinthians 13:11-13 Paul encouraged the Corinthians to mend their sinful ways and help one another live in peace. He wrote to them, "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you."

John 3:16-18 God loved the world so greatly that he sent his only Son that all may have eternal life. The Son did not come to condemn the world but that it might be saved through him. Whoever believes in the Lord will live forever.

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift		
Weekly Budget:	\$17,500.00	
Weekly for 5/28/17:	\$15,2376.17	
Ascension:	\$2,274.00	

Thank you for your generosity to SMT Parish!

## Reflection & Living Stewardship

Stewardship <u>AWay of Life</u> In the second reading today, St. Paul reminds the Corinthians, "There are different gifts, but the same Spirit; there are different ministries but the same Lord." How am I using my gifts "for the common good?"

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who recognize that each of us has been individually gifted by God, yet all our gifts collectively are needed to build God's kingdom.

## Charismatic Prayer Group

We will always be children. We run out into the "street" of life without looking. We don't always listen. We walk away from our parents. We ask for things all the time. We think we know better. We forget to say thank you. Sometimes we shut down and close ourselves off. No matter how old we are, we still act like children. It is a good thing that God understands and loves us anyway!

Our next meeting is Monday, June 5th at 7:30PM in the school cafeteria. 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				
5/29/17 #185		\$25		
5/30/17 #480	Louis Ciarmella	\$25		
5/31/17 #292	M/M Joseph Walter Loretta Eckhoff	\$25		
6/1/17 #501	Loretta Eckhoff	\$25		
6/2/17 #363	Kathy & John O'Shea	\$50		

Wedding Banns

3rd Jeffrey Brennick & Victoria Zagata



"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 peas, tomato paste, coffee, oil, boxed milk, vegetable soup, sugar and sugar substitute, canned mixed fruit, tomato soup, mayonnaise, cookies, brownie mix, bar soap, paper towels, diapers (size 6), dish soap, laundry soap and tooth paste.

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 L Wine Week of June 4 - 10, 2017

> In Loving Memory of Ann L Bill Csajko



Sanctuary Candle Week of June 4 - 10, 2017

In Loving Memory of Kristine Benasutti

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



Mary Tonderella, Susanna Antonelli

## <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, Patty & Tom Turano, Layla Barr Nicholas Amato, Jesusa Aquino, 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, 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, Kurt Hamilton Dorothy Eisenstadt, David Drohan, Martin Lee, Ralph Caputo Kristen Smith, Michael Vigotty, Vinny Vanturini, Tom Mitchell 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, Pete Moran Bernard Kelly, Kathryn Basso, Brian John Roe III, Ann Hughes The Kloos Family

Pastor's Getter

I am a fan of the *Seinfeld* show reruns. No matter how many time I have seen certain episodes, I can still laugh out loud at the antics of the main characters, especially George and Kramer. In one the episodes, Jerry Seinfeld does a funny bit on waiting in a doctor's office. He says all the waiting people are checking each other out and wondering what brought them to the doctor. He says eventually your name is called and it is like you graduated from high school. You stand up proudly and look at the rest of the people as if you are the chosen one - somehow better than they are. However, he says the waiting is not over. Then you are brought to the little room and told that the doctor "will be right with you," which of course is akin to waiting for the cable television tech to arrive at your home.

If we are lucky enough to sleep eight hours a night, then we are spending a third of our lives sleeping. Many people work at least eight hours a day and that pretty much is another third of your life. So, you have a third of your life for the rest of your living. Sometimes I think I spend the other third of my life



waiting on lines in stores, waiting for the red lights to change to green, waiting for annoying television commercials to end, sitting in traffic on the Belt Parkway, and waiting for my computer to turn on. There are all kinds of waiting that we do in life. Much of it is, of course, rather frustrating and leads one to grow rather impatient and sometimes angry. Waiting can lead to frustration and high blood pressure. I know that many people get very upset with their loves ones who never seem to be able to say goodbye and leave an event. I still tease my sister about a dinner we attended that was very nice. It was a lovely event. Generally, I am a bit of a restless

soul; once I decide to leave, I get up and leave. She is a lingerer. So just as we had pushed back from the chairs and said "it's late," and I was standing up to go, she asked for a glass of ginger ale. That glass of ginger ale cost us at *least* another hour! *Waiting*!

Yet there is another kind of waiting that is far different. It is a waiting that is rather joyful and filled with anticipation. I think of couples planning their wedding and how excited they are as the days of the wedding draw near. Certainly, everyone in the family is happy and excited for a baby to be born. I think the mother might wish the baby was born in the next hour. Children of all ages look forward with great anticipation for Christmas. When I was in the seminary, when ordination was seven or years away, our directors told us that the time will pass by very quickly. I do not think we believed them until the night before my ordination when I could not sleep and was amazed at how fast the time went. How often I hear parents at First Communion, graduations, at weddings, say how amazed they are at how fast their children have grown up and wonder how the time passed so quickly.

In our scripture reading today, we see the Church waiting for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on them. Our first reading today from *The Acts of the Apostles* tells us that the apostles, after Jesus ascended to the Father, gathered in the very room where they had celebrated the Last Supper. We also hear that Mary the Mother of Jesus is also there. I wonder what that waiting was like for them. Were they sad that Jesus had returned to the Father? Were they anxious about what might happen to them if the authorities found them? Were they excited about the coming outpouring of the Holy Spirit on them, and sending them forth for their mission to proclaim the Gospel? It is a kind of in-between time, with Jesus having gone back to the Father, and their waiting for the promised Spirit. Living in in-between times, living with waiting and uncertainty is not always comfortable. We say, *I can't stand the waiting! It is driving me crazy!* No, waiting is not always easy.



You and I live in a period where we know that God sent his Son Jesus to the earth to preach his message of love and redemption. We live in a time when the Holy Spirit has come at the first Pentecost and continues to fill the earth with the Divine Presence. We are not waiting for God to come to us. He has. Still, we are in an in-between time. We pray at Mass: *Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.* Over and over again, Jesus told us the kingdom of God is in your midst. We see the kingdom of God wherever there is love and compassion being made present in the world. So, in a mar-

riage where each partner seeks to die to self to love the other, the kingdom of God is present. As parents make sacrifices to raise their children, and those same children assist their parents as they age, the kingdom of God is present. When the hungry are fed, when the sick are visited, when the dying are comforted, the kingdom of God is present. When we seek to forgive those who hurt us, resist malicious gossip, protect human life, turn away from prejudice, we are working to build up the kingdom of God. When we seek peace in our families, our neighborhoods, our workplaces, our parish, we are working with the Holy Spirit to make God present on earth.

We also read in the Scripture that *there will come a time when every tear shall be wiped away and we shall see God face to face.* We know there are rivers of tears in our world. We need only look the recent act of terrorism in Manchester and Egypt and see the power of evil, resisting the grace of God. We see the homeless on our streets, divisions in our families, great political unrest in our country, and wars raging throughout the world. The kingdom of God has not come to completion. The term I learned in the seminary makes great sense to me: *we live in a time of "already" and the "not yet.*" God has come and saved us, but his work is not yet finished.

That leaves you and me with two missions. One is to trust in the Lord and wait patiently that ultimately all will be well and there will come a time when evil ceases to be. We turn to Jesus in the Holy Eucharist and prayer to support us in these anxious periods and disturbing times of waiting. The second mission is to do what we can do to work with the Holy Spirit to make our world, in whatever corner we live and act, a more loving and compassionate reality. On the back wall of the vestibule of our Church is a framed prayer written by St. Teresa of Avila about our mission to work for the kingdom of God. We are called to make God present on earth.

#### Christ Has No Body

Christ has no body but yours, No hands, no feet on earth but yours, Yours are the eyes with which he looks with compassion on this world, Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good, Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, Yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth but yours, Yours are the eyes with which he looks with compassion on this world. Christ has no body now on earth but yours.

Father Patrick Woods, CSSRwoodscssr@aol.comwebsite: smtbethpage.org

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#### With Grateful Thanks!

Our wonderful parish of St. Martin of Tours has come through once again in generosity to Beacon House which is a facility for homeless Veterans and their families. We collected \$1,544 in cash, \$160 in checks and \$1,070 in gift cards for a total of \$2,774. Plus we received 6 sheet sets and 1 set of towels. Thank you all very much and may God bless you! - Rosalie Malerba, Coordinator

I want to also thank Rosalie for her diligence and hard work to remember those who have served our country well but who are in great need of help. It is people like Rosalie and many others who serve at St. Martin of Tours who make a difference - one person at a time. - Father Pat



Life Night: 6/4/17 After the 5:30 Mass - all High School Teens welcome! TEEN 6:45 - 8:30PM in the OLPH Youth Center. Email Patricia Draghi at <sup>®</sup> SMT Lifeteen@yahoo.com for more information.

**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 our Core Teams or just remembering to keep us in your prayers.

Remember, <u>all</u> 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.

#### Luke's Young Artist Academy June 27 to July 21

Talented artist George Lucas is offering children in grades 1 to 11 the opportunity to discover their talents through pottery, hand building, drawing, painting, wa-

ter color, acrylic, scratch board and print making. Individual attention can be given to those who have specific artistic interests.



Morning classes run from June 27th to July 21st at St. Martin of Tours School Building in Bethpage. The fee is \$225 for eight one and one half hour sessions with all materials and instruction included. For more information please call Mr. Lucas at (516) 448-4059 or email lukesartacademy@aol.com.

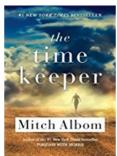
#### CHRISTIAN MOTHERS ROSARY CONFRATERNITY

End of Year Meeting Tuesday, June 6th at 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall

We will have:

- A guest speaker "Building Better Balance"
- Installation of Officers
- Strawberry Festival

#### All Women are Welcome!



SMT Regular Book Club - Friday , July 28, 2017 @7PM St. Alphonsus Hall The Time Keeper by Mitch Albom

From the author who's inspired millions worldwide with books like *Tuesdays with Morrie* and *The Five People You Meet in Heaven* comes his most imaginative novel yet, *The Time Keeper*, a compelling fable about the first man on Earth to count the hours. Told in Albom's signature spare, evocative prose, this remarkably original tale will inspire readers everywhere to reconsider their own notions of time, how they spend it, and how precious it truly is.

#### SCHOOL NEWS

**St. Anthony's High School Prep Course for the Catholic High School Entrance Exam.** Call DAC TEST PREP for an application at 631-663-3303 or download an application at www.dactestprep.com.

**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.

**Life Line Screening**, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, is pleased to offer a preventive health event in **St. Alphonsus Parish Hall, 38 Seaman Avenue, Bethpage on Wednesday, June 7, 2017**. **Please contact them for complete information and costs.** You have 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 <u>http://lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle</u> or text the word circle to 797979.

## SAVE THE DATE!

Our Annual Summer Bible Camp Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup> to Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup>

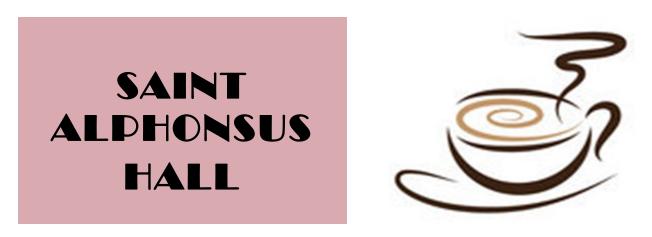
Morning Session:	
Evening Session:	
Cost:	

9:30AM to 12:00PM Children between 5 & 8
6:30PM to 8:30PM Children between 9 & 12
\$25.00 for one child
\$40.00 for two children from the same family



Registration forms are being prepared for the bulletin. In the meantime, you can reserve a placement by calling the rectory at 931-0818.

# **SMT COFFEE HOUSE NIGHTS** Time to make reservations! Email Elena at ladymusicsmt@aol.com



# Friday June 9th and Saturday June 10th

# 8:00PM Both Nights

Mellow Music from the Sixties to Present in a relaxed coffee house setting featuring select vocalists and instrumentalists

> 50/50 Raffle FREE WILL DONATION



#### **RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY**

#### **BECOMING BETTER AMBASSADORS FOR LIFE**

"A pro-life advocate can spend a lifetime reading books, but if he never speaks to another person, then all of this study will be in vain." Trent Horn, Persuasive Pro-Life

Many pro-lifers were shocked by the Roe V. Wade Supreme Court decision in 1973. Clergy and lay people alike were caught off guard - not expecting abortion would ever be legal in the U.S. and woefully unprepared to turn back the clock on that court decision. This nation is still reaping the tragic consequences of that lack of foresight. Today advocates for the CULTURE OF LIFE have NO EXCUSES to be unprepared to repel proponents of physician-assisted suicide. It is already legal in some states, and we are well aware of the SLIPPERY SLOPE of euthanasia and assisted suicide from watching trends in the countries where DEATH WITH DIGNITY (doctor prescribed killing) is legal.

As difficult and uncomfortable as the topic may be, it is a cause we must take on in New York State now. We can either equip ourselves to do strong verbal battle against RIGHT-TO-DIE proponents or we can yield the floor - and victory to them without PUTTING UP MUCH OF A FIGHT. And even as we take on the relatively new battle against ASSISTED SUICIDE, we continue to face the daunting task of ending abortion. Yet decades after abortion-on- demand became legal, MANY PRO-LIFERS ARE ILL AT EASE TRYING TO ARTICU-LATE PRO-LIFE POSITIONS. This makes it harder to stop the loss of unborn lives and brokenness of those hurt by the abortion.

DO YOU WANT TO BE A BETTER AMBASSADOR FOR THE CULTURE OF LIFE? YOUR VOICE IS DESPERATELY NEEDED. PERSUASIVE PRO-LIFE - HOW TO SPEAK TO ABORTION ADVOCATES.

Trent Horn will present PRO-LIFE APOLOGETICS TRAINING, SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2017, 10:00 AM TO 2:00PM. American Legion Hall, 39 Nassau Avenue, Islip, NY behind Islip Town Hall, off NY 27A. Municipal parking east side of Town Hall. Carpool with friends.

THIS SEMINAR WILL OFFER GUIDANCE AND TIPS ON HOW TO CALMLY ENGAGE IN CONVERSATIONS WITH ADVOCATES OF ABORTION AND HOW TO BEST ADDRESS THEIR TOUGH QUESTIONS. NO ADMISSION CHARGE...LIGHT REFRESHMENTS. SPONSORED BY THE LONG ISLAND COALITION FOR LIFE EDUCATIONAL TRUST (631) 243-1435: <u>www.info@PROLIFELI.org</u>. *All that is necessary for evil to triumph is for enough men and women of good will to do nothing*. Edmund Burke

**ALERT:** Dear Friends, as many of you already know, there is a case pending before the NYS Court of Appeals that seeks to legalize assisted suicide. Oral arguments took place in the afternoon of May 30 and a decision will FOLLOW IN JUNE. Briefs were filed in this case by the Catholic Conference and by several of our partners in the coalition opposing assisted suicide and the arguments have been very well presented in court. This case has the potential for a momentous CHANGE IN NEW YORK LAW AND SOCIETY. The COURT MAY, WITH THE STROKE OF A PEN, LEGALIZE ASSISTED SUICIDE WITH NO REGULATIONS OR PROTECTIONS - an ASSISTED SUICIDE VERSION OF ROE V. WADE. PLEASE PRAY FOR STRENGTH FOR THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE WHO WILL BE ARGUING THE CASE, AND FOR WISDOM FOR THE JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS.

Sincerely in Christ, Edward T. Mechmann, Esq. Director of Public Policy, Archdiocese of New York

## The 7 gifts of the Holy Spirit

**Wisdom:** the ability to discern what is true, right, and lasting. Wisdom enables us to see in God's perspective. It helps you to think and act in mature ways.

**Understanding:** allows you to look beyond the shallowness of the world and see the lasting truth in every situation, by recognizing how God is working in THEGIFTS our lives.

**Council:** the right judgement that allows us to see what is right and what is wrong, and the prudence to act accordingly.

Fortitude: the courage and strength of will to do what you know you should, even if that means personal loss or suffering.

**Knowledge:** The ability to see things from a supernatural viewpoint. In particular, to know what God is asking for you.

**Piety**: A loyalty to God that manifests as generous love and affectionate obedience. This is the gift that allows us to love and worship God as he deserves to be loved and worshiped.

Fear of the Lord, or Reverence: Helps us to grasp God's greatness and our dependence on him. As a result, we are filled with enormous respect for God and we dread above all offending him or being separated from him.

## **Fruits of the Holy Spirit**

**Love:** to love God above all things and to love others as God calls us to.



**Joy**: A feeling awakened by the possession or expectation of something good.

Peace: The serenity and tranquility that flows from order. The world can make our lives disordered and chaotic. God wants to bring order to our lives - and with that order comes deep and abiding peace.

Patience: Enables us to endure inconvenience, difficulties, and hardship without complaint.

Kindness: Concern for others who are in trouble or in need.

**Goodness**: doing what is good and right in every circumstance.

Generosity: to give freely of our time, talent, and treasure beyond what justice requires.

Gentleness: to be obedient to God and considerate of others.

Faithfulness: to be reliable and trustworthy

**Modesty:** The moderation of our speech, dress, and behavior.

**Self-control:** The control of our desires so that we can focus them on what is good and right.

Chastity: The moderation of our desires for sexual pleasure according to right reason, faith, and state in life.



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AnhLein Cao was visiting the Walther family last weekend. She and her family were fleeing from the Communists in Vietnam after the fall of South Vietnam. Our parish sponsored a family here in our community. Your love brought forth great fruit since I had the pleasure the other day of meeting AnhLein and her husband. God bless her and all those she loves. The parishioners can take great pride in opening its hearts and lives to those in need. Here is a letter AnhLein wrote to the parish:

#### MY LOOKBACK APPRECIATION

Family reunion is always a wonderful and blessing life event. Today I come back and visit the family that



took me in 42 years ago. This is the Walther family, my second family where I am comfortable and proud to call Mr. and Mrs. Walther mom and dad. The fall of Saigon in April 1975 marked the end of Vietnam War, which sent nearly a million South Vietnamese to exile all over the world. My family was one of them.

We had a title "Communist refugee" then. My dad was working for the Saigon government, so we were accepted into the United States. I now still don't know how my name, one of the million, made its way into this St. Martin parish and gracefully ended up in the Walther family. I was 14 then, old enough to comprehend my parents' worries on how to start a new life for their large family of 8 in this new land. Thank God for his loving providence. He planned for us to be part of St. Martin parish here. Here's how Fr. Corcoran who was pastor and the parish leadership then had planned the game for us:

I was moved in with the Walther's, a family of 8, plus one coming.

My dad and mom with the McCarthy's, a family of 5, plus one coming.

My 3 brothers with the Weiss', a family of 6.

My 2 sisters with the Wallace's, a family of 4.

Staying with those families for 5 weeks, the parish rented a house and reunited us in that first sweet happy home in America. I visited that house yesterday at 3913 Jean Ave. It brought up so much emotion and nice memories. In addition, St. Martin then had run a private Catholic school; we were given full scholarship to continue our education. What a great relief for my parents!

Overall, St. Martin and especially the McCarthy, the Walther, the Weiss, and the Wallace families had given us a very strong and faithful start to begin our new life in America. Passed away a few years ago, my parents left behind 16 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild. Most are living Florida, one in Texas, and I was married to a California man and settled in Long Beach, California. We are all well.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank God and to express our deep gratefulness to St. Martin parish, the Walther, the McCarthy, the Weiss, and the Wallace families for your beautiful and graceful hearts.

#### Thank you, AnhLien Cao

#### The Schedule for the 2018 Mass Book Opening Monday, June 5 from 1PM to 4PM in St. Alphonsus Hall Monday, June 5 from 7PM to 9PM in the Rectory Office



**Please Note:** No more than 5 masses per family and you must be present to reserve mass intentions. The Mass book will be returned to the Rectory Office after the June 5th bookings are completed. Thank you for your gift of mass intentions for your loved ones.

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#### 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.

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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

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## ANNUAL BABY SHOWER - COLLECTION IN THE GATHERING AREA The Weekend of June 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>

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 RECTO-RY.** 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.



#### 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

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 LCPL Brendan M. White, USMC PFC Clint Applegate, US Army

#### Healing Mass with Father Claudio Antecini - June 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM

On June 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM, we will have our second healing Mass with Father Claudio at St. Martin's. Heal-



ing is a gift from God, and it comes in many forms. Occasionally, people do receive a physical healing, but far more often the healings and graces are spiritual blessings. I know some people get confused by the idea of being *slain in the spirit*. I know witnessing someone falling gently to the floor where the person is not conscious can be confusing. Most people find that it leaves them in a peaceful state.

Although I have been prayed over, I have never been slain, nor do I feel any anxiety that I have not. Being slain in the spirit to me is not the key to a healing Mass, nor is it a sign that one has more faith than those who are not. Quite honestly, I have mixed feelings about this phenomenon. Healing is a gift from God that comes to us in prayer, in Holy Communion, in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, in the Sacrament of the Sick and in many other ways including healing services. So I am very happy to have Father Claudio and his team come and be with us on Tuesday, June 20th at 7PM!



June 2 ~ 8, 2017 A candle has been lit for Grandmas Lucy & Helen in honor of St. Anne



June 2 ~ 8, 2017 A candle has been lit for Deacon Gene Capobianco in honor of St. Anthony of Padua



June 2 ~ 8, 2017 A candle has been lit for Michael F. Maley in honor of St. Therese of Lisieux

## St. Martin of Tours LIFE TEEN Clothing Drive

Please Support our Ministry by donating: Clothes, Paired Shoes, Stuffed Animals, Hand Bags, Linens, Small Toys

## Please no board games, puzzles or toys with pieces And no blankets or pillows

## For pick up, call Diana Hughes at (516) 521-7312 or drop off at the Rectory Office. The drive end-date is June 23rd so plenty of time to donate!

The purpose of this collection is for various charities that the Youth Ministry is planning in the Fall. Care Cycle will weight everything we've collected and write a check for the amount per pound. We will be reaching out to September's 8th graders to do community service in preparation for their Confirmation in 2018.

One of the bigger community services available to them and to all children from 6th to 12th grade is a talent show whose proceeds will go to purchase an adaptive tricycle for a severely handicapped child. So far we've collected bags and bags of clothes, shoes, handbags and stuffed animals. We will keep you all informed of the progress of these charitable projects. Many, many thanks to everyone who has donated so far. We are very happy and grateful!

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jun 5: Holy Face Novena 1PM Church
- Jun 5: Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30PM School Cafeteria
- Jun 6: Christian Mothers Year-End Meeting Strawberry Festival 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Jun 7: Life Line Screening St. Alphonsus Hall. Registration a must. Please see p. 7
- Jun 9 & 10: SMT Coffee House Nights 8PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Jun 10: Annual Clergy Anniversary Mass 9AM Church
- Jun 10 & 11: Life Center of LI Baby Shower. Drop off this weekend only in Gathering Area
- Jun 18: Father's Day
- Jun 18: Corpus Christi Procession after the 5:30PM Mass
- Jun 20: No St. Padre Pio Holy Hour
- Jun 20: Healing Mass with Fr. Claudio Antecini 7PM Church
- Jul 19: Blood Drive 2:30-8:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Jul 21: Spiritual Book Club: Our Lady of Fatima 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Jul 28: SMT Book Club: The Time Keeper 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall

