

Masses For The Week

Monday - August 21 - Saint Pius X, Pope

6:30 Marty Laraia
9:00 Roy Bassett

Tuesday - August 22 - The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin

6:30 Maureen Fitzer
9:00 Maria C. Stefanidis

Wednesday - August 23

6:30 Augie Abbatiello & Frances Cicero
9:00 Terri Marie Minett, Anniversary

Thursday - August 24 - St. Bartholomew, Apostle

6:30 Paul Danna
9:00 Louis Della Croce

Friday - August 25

6:30 Bob & Stanley Kudelski
9:00 Stephen & Helen Parsnick

Saturday - August 26

9:00 MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS
5:00 Mary & Sylvester McGeever
7:00 Gloria Waller

Sunday - August 27

7:00 The People of the Parish
8:30 Noreen Charles
10:00 Marie Catherine Kruckel
11:30 Bernie Helldorfer
1:00 Martin Esposito
5:30 Anne Marie Cheslowitz

Readings For The Week

Mon. Judges 2:11-19; Matthew 19:16-22
Tues. Judges 6:11-24a; Matthew 19:23-30
Wed. Judges 9:6-15; Matthew 20:1-16
Thurs. Revelation 21:9b-14; John 1:45-51
Fri. Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Matthew 22:34-40
Sat. Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; Matthew 23:1-12
Sun. **Isaiah 22:19-23** *The Lord's servant will receive the key of the House of David. What the servant does, God confirms.*

Romans 11:33-36 *The riches, wisdom, and knowledge of God are too deep for humans to fathom. God's judgments are inscrutable and unsearchable. All things come from God, through God, and for God.*

Matthew 16:13-20 *At Caesarea Philippi, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Upon this rock I will build my church." Then he gave to Peter the keys to heaven's reign. Finally, Jesus ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.*

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift

Weekly Budget: \$17,500.00
Weekly for 8/13/17: \$15,143.17

Thank you for your generosity!

Reflection & Living Stewardship

In today's second reading, Saint Paul tells the Romans, "God's gifts and His call are irrevocable." To what is God calling me today? What gifts are mine to share?

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who recognize that each of us is uniquely gifted and each of us has our own special role in building the Kingdom.



Divine Mercy Novena

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

Charismatic Prayer Group

A riddle for the kids-- Why didn't Mary and Joseph ever get Jesus a bicycle? Because He was a CHAIN BREAKER!!

Ok so we know the chains Jesus breaks aren't on bicycles. They're the chains that hold us down or keep us imprisoned. Come and tell us about the chains you need Jesus to break.

Our next meeting is Monday, August 21st at 7PM in the Church. Be a friend - bring a friend. Call 516-993-9672 for more information and prayer requests.

Congratulations to our H.O.P. Club Winners

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| 8/14/17 | #255 | Frances & Vincent Valenti | \$25 |
| 8/15/17 | #513 | John Reilly | \$25 |
| 8/16/17 | #365 | Thomas & Judy Gross | \$25 |
| 8/17/17 | #383 | Terry Hackett | \$25 |
| 8/18/17 | #418 | M/M John Battaglia | \$250 |

Wedding Banns

2nd Joseph Chiarappa & Brittani Vigne

1st Robert Bowen & Cara Barca

1st Andrew Willett & Kimberly Cervone

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 Morrone, Mary Henson, Mary Lynn Brassil 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, 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, Ceil Hollander, 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 Jo Ann Anastos, Michael Arato, Chris Mitchell, Elizabeth Ryan Connie Burgess, Dolores Miller, Susan Carroll-Goyan Patty & Tom Turano, Layla Barr, Nicholas Amato, Jesusa Aquino Joseph McCroary, Richard Graziano, Jean Mulligan Geraldine Zeterberg, Edward Boyce, Ann Adams, Fran Gandolfo Taylor, Fr. Edmund Faliskie CSSR, Tom Doty, 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, Beverly Viselli, Casey 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, Declan McCollough, Pat James Joseph David Iovieno, 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, Jim Moran Robert Collelouri, Arthur Baudo, Kathy Smith, Jenna Black Baby Grayson, 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, Patricia Olive, Jerry Vega, John Bunker Jacklyn Baddalucco, Yolanda Zitelli, Rose Marie Gaccione Filomena Rosa, Andrew Bartolozzi, Kayden Urbanic Pat Bergersen, Robert, Amy & Richard Ferranti



"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 apple juice, mixed vegetables, pasta sauce, beef stew, chili, tomato soup, vegetable soup, sugar, boxed milk, mixed fruit cocktail, mayonnaise, Jell-O, dish soap, diapers sizes 5 & 6.

Thank you all for your tremendous generosity!

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 August 20 - 26, 2017

In Loving Memory of the
Rose & Jack DiCarlo

Sanctuary Candle

Week of August 20 - 26, 2017

In Loving Memory of
Angela Guidice



Rest in Peace

Acts 7:49:

"Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."

John Garofalo

Pastor's Letter



Last Saturday night, I went with some friends to a Brooklyn Cyclone game. I like minor league baseball since the tickets are cheaper, the players more energetic, and I do not care too much who wins or loses. Additionally, it was *Seinfeld Night* and there were appearances by the actors who played the *Soup Nazi* and *Jackie Chiles*. Sad to say, I was too late to get a Bobblehead of these characters.

The stadium, located near the Coney Island boardwalk, is a beautiful facility with a glimpse of the Atlantic Ocean in the background of the field. However, I did find it very hard to focus on the game. Right behind the left field wall is a roller coaster called the Thunderbolt. As a kid, I remember the Thunderbolt and Steeplechase, but this a rather modern coaster. Although it does not have the name or fame of the famous Coney Island Cyclone roller coaster, as I watched it going up and down very steep hills with the riders being turned upside down several times, I was so frightened that I could only eat three *Nathan's* hot dogs!

I used to love riding roller coasters, but a few years ago after a ride on a rather tame coaster at Farmingdale's Adventureland with my nephew, my aching back informed me that would be my last ride. I am not sure now if I even want to try the carousel! We human beings are funny people. The Coney Island Thunderbolt cost ten dollars. So, we pay this fee to get the heck scared out of us as we scream at every turn and twist. We *pay* to get ourselves terrified.

I am terrified of many things in life that I do not have to pay for to experience. And, unlike a roller coaster, I am not always sure that I will arrive at the end of the ride laughing and begging for another trip. I am very frightened of a man named Kim Jon-il, the dictator who rules North Korea and is threatening to begin a nuclear war. Having lived through the Cold War and the Cuban Missile Crisis, and years of threats of terrorism, this present age seems to be growing increasingly fearsome. The world is as dangerous as it has ever been.

But despite such a major threat, there is a litany of issues and concerns that can fill us with fear. Words like cancer, biopsy, and malignancy can turn an ordinary day into a devastating nightmare. Phone calls in the middle of the night often bring rushed trips to emergency rooms. Our health concerns not only for ourselves but for our loved ones paralyze us with fear. We know a booming stock market can turn overnight and drain our retirement funds, and job security never seems guaranteed.

Those of you who are parents have your own concerns for your children. You love them so much but you can't protect them from every danger and problem that lurk in the world arounds us. We are reading regularly about the opioid crisis in Long Island. When our children are young, we worry how they will do in school, do they have good friends. When they become teens, we wonder what is going on in their lives. The teen years with all the challenges of the internet, peer pressure, sexual concerns make these years a time of confusion for the teen and a time of worry for the parent. When our children get married, we worry if they have chosen the right spouse. Will they be happy. Yes, the roller of coaster of life can be a frightening ride. No life, however good or happy, ever completely avoids the twisting turns and the 90 degree drops.

I have a friend who often says, getting older is not for the faint-hearted. The so called *Golden Years* can be wonderful, but they can also be filled with health and financial concerns. We wonder if there will be anyone to take care of me when if I am unable to care for myself. We smile about senior moments of forgetfulness but they worry us. Let me add one more concern to this list. What will happen to me when I die? Will God invite me into his kingdom? Do I really believe there is life after death or is this life all these is? Is my faith alive or is it just something that I do like brushing my teeth or shaving in the morning?

In today's Gospel, we see the apostles not on a roller coaster, but in a boat that is being tossed and turned about in the stormy Sea of Galilee. Jesus is not with them and they are terrified. Adding to their fear is the sight of a kind of ghostly figure approaching them on the rolling waves. They come to see that it is Jesus. However, as much faith as they have in Jesus, watching a man walking on water is as frightening to them as the water crashing into their boat. *"It is a ghost,"* they said, and they cried out in fear.

At once Jesus spoke to them, *"Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid."* Peter said to him in reply, *"Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."* He said, *"Come."* Impulsive Peter decides to test the Lord. He gets out of the water and becomes the first and only human being to walk on water. He is looking at Jesus and no doubt smiling in delight and wonder at this most awesome adventure. But then Peter takes his eyes off Jesus and looks down at the water. *What the heck am I doing on the water! Am I crazy?* Suddenly, he slips under the waves and has the horrible sensation of drowning. The Gospel describes the moment this way: *"But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!'"*

Has not every one of us cried out the same prayer in times of physical, emotional, or spiritual drowning, when the troubles of life left us with those same words of Peter, *"Lord, save me"*? Even Jesus, fully divine, but also fully human cries out from the cross to his Father, *"My, My God, why have you abandoned me?"*

Our faith, our prayers, our good works never promise a life free of fear, struggles and anxiety. None of us can go through life without sometimes struggling to breathe under the waves. We have our doubts and worries; we question God and wonder if he is truly there. Yet, when we look back at those all too frequent moments of chaos and confusion, we can see God was with us in ways that we could not see then but see them now.

I am sure I will get knocked under the waves again. But listen to the last verse of this Gospel, *"Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, 'O you of little faith! Why did you doubt?'"* After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying, *"Truly, you are the Son of God!"*

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Annual Parish Block Party

Friday, August 25th

6:00 PM

School Parking Lot

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Salads, Veggie Burgers, Water, Juices and Dessert are provided by the Parish. You are welcome to bring snacks and drinks for your own table. We do ask everyone to try to make sure that we welcome anyone to your table who might come alone.

We will have a bouncer for the children to enjoy, music...and *possibly* a dunk tank? \$2:00 a chance to dunk Father Ciya; \$5.00 a chance to dunk Steve Descovich; **\$500.00 a chance to dunk the pastor!**

All Are Welcome!

Please let us know how many in your family will be at your table.

Number _____

Should the picnic be rained out, we will have a message on the parish app and parish answering machine by August 25th at 2:00 p.m.



Poor Father Ciya!



Hot off the Grill!

The Diocese of Rockville Center is happy to announce that registration for the Catechetical Congress is now OPEN. The cost is \$50 per person. Each registrant should choose TWO workshops. Please send your check payable to "Office of Faith Formation." Once payment is received, we will mark the registration as confirmed. To view the workshops being offered, go to www.drvc.org; click on Office of Worship; click on the Workshops tab. Registration will not be considered complete until we have received payment.

Remit payment to:

Diocese of Rockville Centre, ATTN: Carolann Malinowski
Office of Faith Formation, 50 North Park Avenue, Rockville Centre NY 11570

The Congress will be held on Saturday, September 16, 2017 from 8:30AM - 5:00PM at St. John the Baptist High School, 1170 Montauk Highway, West Islip NY 11795 featuring Key-note Speaker, The Most Reverend John O. Barres, S.T.D., J.C.L., D.D., Bishop of Rockville Centre.

**An Invitation to the
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)**

Should you wish to join the Catholic faith, we invite you to consider RCIA which offers full communion into the faith through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. If you are already a baptized Catholic or baptized in another Christian faith recognized by the Catholic Church, we offer Confirmation and Eucharist through RCIA.



We usually begin in late September with a period of inquiry so that any questions you may have can be answered, thus making sure that you are comfortable with your decision.

If you need Confirmation only, we can discuss your option with you. Please contact Ann Hughes (516) 433-6972 or the rectory at (516) 931-0818 for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS NEEDED

St. Martin of Tours Religious Education is in need of volunteers to teach children in our program from grades 1 to 8. Please contact Patricia Ryan at pryan@smtbethpage.org or Laura Leigh Agnese at llagnese@smtbethpage.org. Their phone number is 822-9768. They will give you all the information you need to get you started.



Fr. Pat's Homily for August 15th.

On this the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Mother into Heaven, my mind goes back to my childhood in Brooklyn. My father loved the beach and he took us regularly on the Sea Beach Express, now known as the N train, to Coney Island. My mother, whose fair skin I inherited, never liked the beach and only went to the ocean, usually Rockaway, on August 15th. As far as I can ascertain, she felt there was a cure in the water that day that had something to do with the Holy Wells in Ireland.

The history of the doctrine of the Assumption has an interesting history in the Catholic Church. Although there is no mention of the Assumption of the Blessed Mother into heaven in the Gospels, Catholics have celebrated this feast as far back as the 4th century. Some theologians debate the question as to whether the Blessed Mother died and then was taken up into heaven, or was taken directly up to heaven before she physically died. It does seem that the Church leans to the idea that Mary died and then was assumed, but it is not a dogma of the Church. What *is* a dogma of our faith is that Mary's body was taken up into heaven. It may surprise you to know that, although this feast had been celebrated in the Church for well over fifteen hundred years, it was only officially declared a dogma of the faith in 1950. (A year that is also famous as the birth year of your pastor!)

[As a sidebar, I like this term from watching legal shows on television: the Assumption could be said to be the first and only infallible teaching ever declared by the Church. Of course, we hold all the teachings in the *Apostles Creed* and *Nicene Creed* as infallible, but the doctrine of infallibility only entered the official teaching of Church at the First Vatican Council in 1870. We, as Catholics, give great respect and credence to the words of the pope and the bishops. However, the pope rarely speak *ex cathedra* (meaning "from the chair") which is the term the church uses for an infallible teaching. The Feast of the Assumption is the **only** dogma that has been declared infallible since 1870 when the Church declared the Holy Father could speak on matters of faith and doctrine with such divine certainty.] This the end of my sidebar, but not my homily!

Why is the dogma important? Well, we believe in the Doctrine of the Immaculate Conception that Mary was conceived without sin, thereby not affected by original sin. The human body after death decays due to sin. We do have clear evidence that some saints' bodies, even though they were not immaculately conceived, have remained incorrupt, which means free from sin. St. John Vianney and St. Pope John XXIII are listed as two saints whose bodies are incorrupt. I suppose the simplest case for the Assumption of the Blessed Mother is that Mary gave birth to the Son of God and that God honored her in this way. It is also a feast of hope and reminds us all that death is not the final victor over the life God gives us.

I admire the great respect that the military, the police, and firefighters give to one of their comrades who dies. We have the terms *military honors* and *an inspector's funeral*. The rituals are done to show profound respect for the life of the deceased. I think of the reverent solemnity showed to Firefighter William Tolley's body when he was buried from our parish after his death in the line of duty. We Catholics traditionally call our bodies the temples of the Holy Spirit. We are made in the image of God and shall return to God. Whether we are cremated or buried, as Catholics we seek to show profound respect for the human body whose spirit has returned to God. I always find the incensing of the coffin at a funeral particularly moving. We speak about going to a wake *to pay our respects*.

There is an old Irish joke about an atheist who has died. His friend at the wake is heard to comment: *Poor fellow, all dressed up and nowhere to go!* This feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Mother reminds us that we **know** where we are going at the end of our lives.

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME TO JOIN THE HELP OUR PARISH (HOP) CLUB

The membership is still \$60 per year beginning every September 1st and ending the following August 31st. If you did not receive your renewal, we apologize for the error. Just fill out the form below and enclose your dues to SMT HOP, 40 Seaman Avenue, Bethpage NY 11714 or drop off at the rectory. Thanks to all our members for your participation and support!

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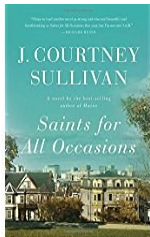
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New Member _____ Current Member _____

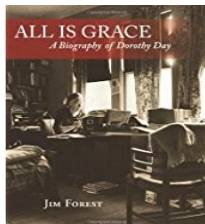
Regular Book Club



We will be reading *Saints for All Occasions* by J. Courtney Sullivan. Our meeting will be on **Friday, October 6th at 7:00PM in the St. Lawrence Room (small room of St. Alphonsus Hall).**

A sweeping, unforgettable novel from *The New York Times* best-selling author of *Maine*, about the hope, sacrifice, and love between two sisters and the secret that drives them apart. Nora and Theresa Flynn are twenty-one and seventeen when they leave their small village in Ireland and journey to America. Nora is the responsible sister; she's shy and serious and engaged to a man she isn't sure that she loves. Theresa is gregarious; she is thrilled by their new life in Boston and besotted with the fashionable dresses and dance halls on Dudley Street. But when Theresa ends up pregnant, Nora is forced to come up with a plan—a decision with repercussions they are both far too young to understand.

Spiritual Book Club



Our next spiritual book club meeting will be on **Friday, October 13th at 7:00PM in the St. Lawrence Room** to discuss *All is Grace; A Biography of Dorothy Day* by Jim Forrest. Dorothy Day (1897-1980), founder of the Catholic Worker movement, and one of the most prophetic voices in the American Catholic church, has recently been proposed as a candidate for canonization. In this lavishly illustrated biography, Jim Forest provides a compelling portrait of her heroic efforts to live out the radical message of the gospel for our time.

Both books can be bought on Amazon and the used copies are not overly expensive.



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**VIRTUS CLASS
"Protecting All God's Children"
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2017
7PM
ST. ALPHONSUS HALL**

Anyone who wishes to volunteer in a parish in the Diocese of Rockville Centre must complete and sign the required forms before attending the class. The forms can be picked up at the rectory office.

To register on-line, please go to virtus.org. For those who do not have a computer, you can inform the rectory when you pick up the forms.

Any questions, please feel free to contact the office at 931-0818.

**We are so pleased that Father Emmanuel Kuriakose, CSsR will be doing one-hour talks on Redemptorist History and Saints. Please join him in St. Alphonsus Hall after the 9AM Mass on the following Wednesdays:
August 23rd, 30th and September 6th.**

The next Pre-Cana session is starting on Sunday, September 17th. There is still room.

If you need Pre-Cana, please contact Debbie & Frank at (516) 681-6560 or email Frank at Jet32man@aol.com.



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

PRAYERS FOR PEACE AROUND THE WORLD, OUR COUNTRY AND OURSELVES

There seems to be such a noise factor in our lives today. It is hard to turn on the television, watch a movie, listen to the news and not be aware of the loud noise involved in it all. Threat of nuclear war, people arguing about the left, the right, being sexist, racist, LBGT, atheist, socialism, capitalism, and the list goes on and on. But what seems to be most alarming, is that people are talking over each other, not debating, but arguing each situation.. Anger seems to overcome logic and understanding, and so voices are louder, sharper, and the message seems drowned out in it all. It seems listening, is harder to find in the media, and so the loud noises of discontent rule important messages that we might each learn from.

There is no doubt we are living in a time that seems to dictate unrest around the world and here at home. It seems that the answer to bringing about peace and calm is far reaching and out of our control. We might feel powerless and helpless in finding an answer to it all. But we can shut out the noise and embrace the quiet in the silence of prayer. So, let us pray for peace around the world. Let us pray for better understanding as Americans, to reach out hand-in-hand and respect our differences, celebrate each other, and come together as a nation. If we do, the noise, the anger, will give way to peaceful thought and hope. There always has and always will be the power of prayer.

PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE

Lord, we pray for the power to be gentle; the strength to be forgiving; the patience to be understanding; and the endurance to accept the consequences of holding to what we believe to be right. May we put our trust in the power of good to overcome evil and the power of love to overcome hatred. We pray for the vision to see and the faith to believe in a world emancipated from violence, a new world where fear shall no longer lead men to commit injustice, nor selfishness make them bring suffering to others. Help us to devote our whole life and thought and energy to the task of making peace, praying always for the inspiration and the power to fulfill the destiny for which we and all men and women were created. Amen

PRAYER FOR AMERICA

Almighty God, bless our nation and make it true to the ideas of freedom and justice and brotherhood for all who make it great. Guard us from war, from fire and wind, from promise, fear, confusion. Be close to our president and our statesmen; give them vision and courage, as they ponder decisions affecting peace and the future of the world. Make me more deeply aware of my heritage; realizing not only my rights but also my duties and responsibilities as a citizen. Make this great land and all its people know clearly Your will, that they may fulfill the destiny ordained for us in the salvation of the nations, and the restoring of all things in Christ.

May we close each prayer with the words of our blessed Saint Pope John Paul II. *"In the name of God, respect, protect, love and serve life, every human life."* If we do, peace will embrace us here and around the world.

**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.

FOR HELP IN A CRISIS PREGNANCY

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OPEN MON-SAT 10-6

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(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.

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Have You Taken Control of Your Health Today?

Life Line Screening will be here at St. Martin of Tours Church on Thursday, September 14, 2017 offering safe, painless, non-invasive preventive health screenings that are typically not a part of a routine physical. To be more proactive about your health and to live longer for yourself, your family and your community, please register for these potentially life-saving tests today. Please refer to the attached flyer to get more info about how you can sign up while receiving \$10 off any package priced above \$139. For only \$139 (regularly \$149) you can learn your risk of having stroke or vascular disease. There is no time like the present to take action! Learn more by watching this short video: <http://www.lifelinescreeningblog.com/introduction/>

Three ways to register:

- **Call toll-free: 866-229-0469**
- **Online: www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle**
- **Text: the word circle to 797979**

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.

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| CPT Gregory Holownia, US Army | SGT Matthew C. Windisch, USMC |
| MAJ Erika Holownia, US Army | E3 CORPSMAN Robert Fidnarick, US Navy |
| PO3 Matthew Sadecki, USCG | 1LT Brian Thorpe, US Navy |
| SGT Zachary John Sheehy, USMC | PO3 Joshua Zimmerman, US Navy |
| PVT Travis Ruggiero, US Army | MAJ Brendan McEvoy, US Army |
| SGT Dennis Diesel, USMC | SPC Matthew F. Mayerhofer, US Army |
| L CPL James Kruper, USMC | PO3 James Fischer, US Navy |
| SGT Matthew P. Sirianni, US Army | LTC John Evans, US Army |
| CPT Conor B. Murphy, USMC | ABHAA Michael Creagh, US Navy |
| CPT Victoria Meyer, US Army Nurse Corp | PVT Steven DiPaolo, USMC |
| PO1 John Paul Pedalino II, US Navy | SSGT Sean V. Oliva, US Army |
| CPT Thomas P. Shea, USAF | 2LT Samantha Lopez, US Navy |
| SGT Michael John Kelly, USMC | SSG George Howard, US Army |
| 1LT Brian McGrath, US Army | LT Mario Lopes, USMC |
| SPC Matthew Castellano, US Army | PVT Brian Barcavage, US Army |
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| PFC Salvatore Battiata, USAF | PVT Edward Morales, US Army |
| LT Daniel Cloonan, USCG | MAJ Michael F. Wendelken, USAF |
| PVT Daniel Kuhlmann, US Army | PVT John Marcel, Jr USMC |
| LCPL Jonathan M. Gordon, USMC | LCPL Brendan M. White, USMC |
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An opportunity to explore the meaning of life.

THE ALPHA COURSE

St. Martin of Tours, at St. Alphonsus Hall, 38 Seaman Avenue

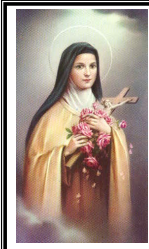
Beginning Saturday, September 9, 2017 at 10:00AM

To Register and for Information:

Please call 931-0818 or Email: Alphasmot@gmail.com



PLEASE NOTE: The Alpha Team will be hosting **Coffee Sunday on August 20th** after the 8:30, 10 and 11:30 Masses. Come by St. Alphonsus Hall for a cup of coffee. The team will be showing a sample video to pique your curiosity on what Alpha is all about.



August 18 - 24, 2017

A candle has been lit for
Arleen B. Semprini
in honor of St. Therese of Lisieux



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A candle has been lit for
Michael Siegler
in honor of St. Anthony of Padua



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A candle has been lit for
Frank Dillon
in honor of St. Jude



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A candle has been lit for
Anna W. Zielinski Borak
in honor of St. Anne

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS ROSARY CONFRATERNITY BRING A FRIEND NIGHT!

**All Women Welcome - Tuesday, September 5th at 7:30PM Gift Swap Meeting
St. Alphonsus Hall**

Invite a friend to join the fun in St. Alphonsus Hall. Bring a \$10 NEW wrapped gift to take part. Refreshments to follow. We will be collecting \$12 dues and enrolling new members for October investiture. Please call Mary Colavolpe at 495-4408 or Janet Dion at 433-9340 for more information.

COMING THIS FALL! Life Teen Youth Ministry will be promoting their charity projects reaching out to the community. **Children from 6th - 12th grades are encouraged to come to an Interest Meeting on Friday, September 15th at 7PM in the SCHOOL CAFETERIA.**

Special Note to this year's 8th grade Confirmation students: take this opportunity to do your community service in preparation for Confirmation.

There will be more information in upcoming bulletins, but parents can call the rectory office at 931-0818 and we will contact Diana Hughes, Youth Minister. She will call you back to answer any questions you may have regarding the September 15th meeting.

My Parish App

To download myParish App on your iPhone or android, text **App** to **82202**. Select our parish after opening and you will have the latest info on your phone.

This APP is especially helpful for the parents of our children in Religious Education as you will be notified of class cancellations, meetings and other important information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Aug 20: Coffee Sunday after the 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30AM Masses St. Alphonsus Hall
- Aug 25: Parish Picnic & Block Party
- Sept 1: 10 week course begins. Divine Mercy/The 2nd Greatest Story...St. Alphonsus 7:30PM
- Sept 5: Christian Mothers Gift Swap Meeting 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Sept 9: The Alpha Course begins! 10AM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Sept 12: Father Jim's course on the Chapters of Genesis begins again.
- Sept 14: Life Line Screening
- Sept 15: Youth Ministry Charity Projects Sign Up Meeting 7PM *SCHOOL CAFETERIA*
- Sept 18: Virtus Training 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Sept 19: Padre Pio Holy Hour 7PM Eucharistic Chapel
- Oct 6: Regular Book Club 7PM St. Lawrence Room
- Oct 8: Blessing of Animals 2:15PM Prayer Garden
- Oct 13: Spiritual Book Club 7PM St. Lawrence Room

