Masses For The Week

Monday - February 12

6:30 Thomas R. & Sarah Agatha Hennessy

9:00 Thomas Coughlin

Tuesday - February 13

6:30 Living & Deceased Members of the Consi Family

9:00 Father Frank

Wednesday - February 14 - Ash Wednesday MASSES

6:30 Jane Abbatiello & Matilda Russo

9:00 Richard Muller7PM Robert McCabe

SERVICES ONLY: 12 Noon & 4PM

Thursday - February 15

6:30 Virginia D. Mackenrodt

9:00 Rocco Vivolo

Friday - February 16

6:30 Ambrose Hoolahan

9:00 Deceased Members of the Barry Family

Saturday - February 17

9:00 MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS

5:00 Patricia Astegher

7:00 Vito J. Amarosa, 10th Anniversary and Salvatore Scollo, 1st Anniversary

Sunday - February 18 - 1st Sunday of Lent

7:00 The People of the Parish

8:30 Mary Kate Dolan

10:00 Jean & Frank Portelli

11:30 Jeffrey Greco

1:00 Camille Barnello, Anniversary

5:30 Tom Mitchell & Joe Hughes

Readings For The Week

Mon. James 1:1-11; Mark 8:11-13 Tues. James 1:12-18: Mark 8:14-21

Wed. Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2;

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thurs. Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25 Fri. Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 9:14-15 Sat. Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32

Sun. Genesis 9:8-15 After the great flood, God told Noah of the covenant between heaven and earth. Never again would a flood destroy the earth. To mark this covenant, the Lord set up a rainbow in the sky.

1 Peter 3:18-22 As the ark saved a chosen few in Noah's day, so does baptism by faith save God's chosen today. Baptism is "an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ."

Mark 1:12-15 The Spirit sent Jesus to the desert to fast and pray for forty days. Afterwards, Jesus appeared in Galilee proclaiming "the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift

Weekly Budget: \$17,500.00 2/4/2018 Collection: \$19,102.18

Thank you, SMT, for your generosity!

Reflection & Living Stewardship

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Stewardship

A Way of Life
Paul urges the Corinthians top

"do all for the glory of God." If we follow that advice in everything we do, we cannot help but be good stewards.

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who use their gifts to welcome and offer hospitality to those who are frequently shunned...the stranger, the immigrant, the homeless, the physically and/or mentally ill and the poor.

Charismatic Prayer Group

In the Alpha class, we heard that Jesus knocks on the door of our hearts, but the door can only be opened from the inside. If you hear or feel Jesus knocking, it's up to you to let Him in. He never forces His way in, but wants to be invited. You won't believe how your life can change once you let Jesus in. We are here to help you. You've already taken the first step. You're still reading!! Don't keep Jesus waiting outside of your heart.

Our next meeting is Monday, February 12th at 7:30PM in Church. Call 516-993-9672 for more information or prayer requests.



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

Congratulations to all our HOP Club winners!

2/5/18	#626	Robert Wendelken	\$25
2/6/18	#293	John G. Marks	\$25
2/7/18	#273	James Sheridan	\$25
2/8/18	#104	Lisa & Ray Haller	\$25
2/9/18	#606	M/M Kenneth Kelly, Sr.	\$50

Wedding Banns

3rd: Michael Ambrogio & Jessica Vivinetto



"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: cereal, Rice-A-Roni, pancake mix, Raman chicken, canned potatoes, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, chili, beef stew, peanut butter, brownies, Jell-O, pudding, icing, sugar, juice, juice boxes, toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, bar soap, dish soap, wipes.

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 February 11 - 17, 2018

In Loving Memory of the Szmytkowski & Zoitke Families

Sanctuary Candle Week of February 11 - 17, 2018

In Loving Memory of Tom & Anne McTighe & Family





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

> Bernadette M. Magnani Jeannette De Angelis

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, Tommy Johnson Chris & Raymond Mirendia, Florencio Carmenate, Mary McCarthy Karen Kilgard, Ann Marie Frayler, Nicholas Balducci, Robert Kennan, Corey Voboril, Baby Scarlett, May Duffey 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 Connie Burgess, Dolores Miller, Elizabeth Ryan, Layla Barr Susan Carroll-Goyan, Patty & Tom Turano, Nicholas Amato Jesusa Aquin, Joseph McCroary, Richard Graziano, Jean Mulligan Taylor, Edward Boyce, Geraldine Zeterberg, Fran Gandalfo Fr. Edmund Faliskie CSSR, Tom Doty, Joseph Kostyak, Johnny D. William Castle, Frank Ballatore, Jr., Anthony Della Croce Nicole Carbone, Barbara Rusch, Connie Kane, Beverly Viselli, Casey Betty Mara, Teri Pigott, 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 Brendan Donahoe, Janet Scarpelli, Helen Uhl, Andrew McCarthy Alicia Manetta, Frank LoPinto, Baby Lucia Bianchi 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 Joann Bruno, Libia & Maria Teresa Valdez, Nancy Gerace Jim Moran, Robert Collelouri, Arthur Baudo, Kathy Smith Veronica McCarthy-Pigott, Unborn Identical Twins Anthony Hanlon, Janine, Mary Jedlicka, Lisa Lazzara Pete Moran, Bernard Kelly, Brian John Roe III, The Kloos Family Patricia Olive, John Bunker, Jacklyn Baddalucco, Yolanda Zitelli Rose Marie Gaccione, Filomena Rosa, Andrew Bartolozzi Pat Bergersen, Robert, Amy & Richard Ferranti, Bill Veltri Joseph V. Pace, Jr., Justin Turner, Christopher Hehn Baby Remy, Jimmy Rizzo, Thomas Kelly, Linda Reilly John Murphy, Colette Sin, Al DeBatto, Adeline Norton, Janet Dion Ann Marie Wezel, Jeanie Wilkins, Ann Soehngen, Jerry Vega Mary Leonard, Ed Segretto, Gregory Happ, Fred Cameron Peter Volberg, Ryan Westbrook, Donna Strickland, Steve Hollander The Family of Brendan Langhauser, Helen Kurlowicz, Pat Eannel Christine Marsiello, Michael M. Durante, Jenna Luckmann Black

Pastor's Letter

From Father Pat's Homily of 2/4/18

I am big fan of reruns of the *Seinfeld* show. I would have to say George Costanza is my favorite character. The following is from a scene where George is seeking to be hired by a man named Lippmann to work as book editor:

Mr. Lippman: Who do you read?
George: I like Mike Lupica.
Mr. Lippman: Mike Lupica?

George: He's a sports writer for the Daily News. I find him very insightful...

Mr. Lippman: No, no, no. I mean authors.

George: Lot of good ones...lot of good ones. Uh, I-I don't even want to mention anyone

because I'm afraid I'm going to leave somebody out.

Mr. Lippman: Name a couple.

George: W-Who do I like? I like, uh...Art...Vandelay.

Mr. Lippman: Art Vandelay?

George: He's an obscure writer. Beatnik, from the village.

Mr. Lippman: What's he written? George: ...Venetian Blinds.

George's philosophy of life is if you can't answer a question, make up a story. Sometimes when a political figure is being interviewed, he or she will be asked what book they have recently read. I think this is often a kind of media *gotcha* question. Right now, I am reading a book entitled *Man's Search for Meaning* by Victor Frankl. Our spiritual book club is presently reading it. It is a book that I have read before, and without sounding like *George Costanza*, I consider it one of the best books I have ever read.

I will get back to this book later, but first I want to speak about another powerful book, *The Book of Job*, a book that is found in the Old Testament of the Bible, and one that we heard in today's first reading. It is a very readable and captivating story that has been made into a Broadway play and a Neil Simon comedy. Scripture scholars debate whether the story actually happened, or if it is a parable with a message. For me, either way it is the inspired Word of God that gives us a powerful message about the meaning of life, suffering, and death - three realities that have haunted human beings since the dawn of time.

Here is a rather modern translation of what Job says:

Human life is a struggle, isn't it? It's a life sentence to hard labor. Like field hands longing for quitting time and working stiffs with nothing to hope for but payday, I'm given a life that meanders and goes nowhere — months of aimlessness, nights of misery! I go to bed and think, 'How long till I can get up. God, don't forget that I'm only a puff of air! These eyes have had their last look at goodness.

ow! Job is one down-in-the-dumps man! Although we know that Job is wealthy, has a loving wife and family, he cannot understand why we live for a while, struggle, and then die. Hearing the darkness of Job's vision of life, I don't think any of us would want to share pigs in a blanket with him at our Super Bowl party, although a Jets fan might understand his suffering and pain. In fairness to Job, I do believe that every adult human being, at various moments of his or her life, have asked the same questions that Job does. The death of a loved one, an illness, a rejection from another, or a financial crisis can easily bring forth such melancholic thinking. Occasionally, even in the happiest and most joyful moments of life, that fleeting thought will come that this too will someday end.

Now, I hope you have not forgotten about Victor Frankl and his book *Man's Search for Meaning*. Frankl, a Jewish psychiatrist, suffered in the Nazi concentration camp of Auschwitz for several years. His vivid descriptions of what he experienced are harrowing. Gratefully, he survives the Holocaust and develops a psychology he calls *Logotherapy*. I would define this therapy as being quite spiritual. From his observations and personal experiences of the concentration camp, he begins to see that some prisoners, as horrible as it was, had an inner strength that helped them survive, while others just moved into despair, apathy and a deadness of life before they were physically dead. He believes that people who lost meaning in life and who have nothing to live for, lost their wills to stay alive in the camp and gave up and died. Certainly in many cases, inmates were randomly killed without any choice; however, those who wanted to stay alive for the sake of being reunited with family, to tell the story of the evil they experienced, to do good after the war, or because of their faith in God, find a strength to survive.

Here is quote from his book that captures part of *Logotherapy*:

I would say that our patients never really despair because of any suffering in itself! Instead, their despair stems in each instance from a doubt as to whether suffering is meaningful. Man is ready and willing to shoulder any suffering as soon and as long as he can see a meaning in it. <u>Life is never made unbearable by circumstances, but only by lack of meaning and purpose.</u>



Now back to Job: he will eventually find meaning in his life in his relationship with God. We find our meaning in many good and wonderful things: loving our spouses, our children, our families, our friends. Many find it in their work. Some in the arts and in their talents. Some, even in their sports teams. But I am convinced the only meaning that lasts, that sustains, that delivers us through the journey of life, is following the Lord Jesus. It is often said at a time of tragedy: where would we be without our faith. Today, in the Gospel, Jesus says to

his followers: Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose, have I come. I have come to give you abundant life. We find our ultimate meaning to all the questions of life in Jesus Christ.

Father Patrick Woods, CSSR, Pastor www.smtbethpage.org woodscssr@aol.com

International Night

Saturday, February 17th 7:00PM in St. Alphonsus Hall

Please leave a message at the rectory 931-0818 to let us know the dish you are bringing. Thank you!

Italian, German, Vietnamese, French, English, Filipino, Greek, Russian, Swedish, Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese, Japanese, Polish, African, Irish, Indian, Middle Eastern, Native American or any other ethnic dish

International Beers

"You make it; we'll eat it!"

Call the rectory if you wish to make a main dish or dessert.

PLUS...Dance to the strains of the music of
International DJ, Patricio Woodsini!!!



April is Autism Awareness & Acceptance Month

There will be a Mass dedicated to the individuals' families and friends of people with Autism/Special Needs.

Sunday, April 15th at 3PM

More information to follow in later bulletins.



FAST & ABSTINENCE FOR LENT

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.

"Where should I take my special girl this coming Valentine's Day?"

Since I will confess to having very little personal experience in matters of the heart, I may not be the



best source of advice. Even though I'm a fellow who respects a Big Mac or a chocolate donut as any one, I do not think that either *Dunkin Donuts* or *McDonald's* make the cut for Valentine's Day. If the choice of dining does not

have music and wine, you'd better think again. Well, I **do** have the perfect choice for your St. Valentine's date: bring your lovely lady to St. Martin's! We do have music, wine is used, and we even have a free Valentine's Day giveaway! What more could you ask for?



Before you condemn me as a cold-hearted celibate, I remind you that this Valentine's, the day of romance, chocolates, roses and love, is also Ash Wednesday, the day of penance, fasting, sacrifice, and love. No need to worry. Rather then making crosses on your foreheads with the ashes, we are considering making lovely little hearts on your brow. The more creative ministers of the ashes will add a chubby cherub. And, although the entire date will not cost you money, you can really impress your lady by dropping in a large donation to the collection basket. She will know you are a big tipper! Afterwards, since no meats are permitted on Ash Wednesday, you can take her out for a grilled cheese sandwich and splurge by adding a tomato slice to it. Rather than talk about some mushy movie, you can discuss how exciting the pastor's sermon was!

Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday seems to be a strange combination. Although I am sure these seemingly two mismatched days have met before, I cannot remember giving out ashes on Valentine Day. Matchmaker.com might not have done its magic in connecting these two days.

Still, both days are about love. The love and friendship of a relationship between a couple is at the essence of Valentine's Day. Entering into the awesome and everlasting love of God for you and me is the core of Ash Wednesday. As God told us in his Valentine's Day card, the Bible, *I have loved you with an everlasting love. You are precious in my sight.*



UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

Sunday, February 11th & 25th: Regular Life Teen meetings after the 5:30PM Mass for grades 8 - 12.

Sunday & Monday, February 18 & 19th: Lock-in at St. William the Abbot, Seaford. Saturday, March 3: Youth Rally 10AM-3PM. Permission slips due February 11th.



The Edge Program's upcoming meeting: Friday, February 16 for kids in grades 5, 6, & 7. We will be joining kids from St. Rose of Lima Parish in Massapequa.

> Diana Hughes, Youth Minister & the Life Teen Core Team SMT lifeteen@yahoo.com

COMING IN APRIL: SMT YOUTH MINISTRY AUCTION - Friday, 4/13/18 - Doors open at 6PM/ Auction starts at 7PM - Cafeteria & Auditorium. We are now accepting donations such as wine, spirits, gift cards or new items! They can be dropped off at the rectory. Thank you!

The Church in Need

On February 18, 2018 a collection will be taken for "The Church in Need." The monies collected at this time will be shared among three areas of the world where there is particular need for help:

- **Church in Central and Eastern Europe** the Collection provides support for basic pastoral programs and makes scholarships available for students studying to serve their local church. These students become vital participants in the renewal of the Church in the region.
- The Church in Latin America faces many difficult challenges. Natural disasters in many areas caused lasting damage to the Church, while a significant loss of parishioners to migration and to other faiths, the inability to support itself financially, and a lack of priests and religious to help effectively minister to the large number of Catholics continue to trouble the region.
- The Church in Africa the funds will go to assisting African countries where poverty, sickness and political strife prevent people from living in dignity.

Thank you for your generosity.

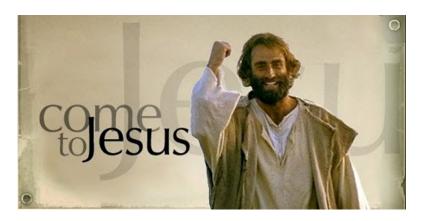


Don't forget to download My Parish App on your iPhone or android. Text APP to 88202. You will be connected to the parish on all the latest news and so many other great links to St. Martin of Tours!

St. Martin of Tours Parish Lenten Mission

Jesus turned and looked at the two men. What are you looking for?
One of them said, where are you staying?
Jesus said, Come and see for yourself. John 1:38-39

Come and See for Yourself!



Monday, February 26th through to Thursday, March 1st

7:15PM Recitation of the Rosary
7:30PM Mission Service

Monday: Jesus, why did you come to be with us?

Tuesday: Jesus, why did You Die for us?

Wednesday: Jesus, are you the Bread of Life?

Thursday: Jesus, what am I to do?

Each service will include prayer, music, a video presentation by Bishop Robert Barron or Rev. Nicky Gumbel, and a closing ritual. The service will be about an hour.

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

Catholic Bishops' Statement on US Senate Failure to Pass Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act

31 Jan 2018/ Last night, the U.S. Senate failed to pass the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (S. 2311) on a vote of 51 to 46. The bill was stopped on a procedural measure requiring 60 votes for the legislation to move to a final vote. Check this link to see how your Senators voted: https://www.senate.gov/legislative/LIS/roll_call_lists/roll_call_vote_cfm.cfm?congress=115&session=2&vote=00025.

Please convey your gratitude or disappointment to your senators, depending upon how they voted.

Catholic Bishops' Pro-Life Chairman Calls Senate Failure to Pass Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act "Appalling"

January 29, 2018

WASHINGTON—Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan of New York, chair of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Pro-Life Activities called the Senate's failure to pass the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act "appalling." The bill proposes to ban abortions starting at 20 weeks after fertilization.

"The U.S. Senate's failure to adopt the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, prohibiting abortions at 20 weeks post-fertilization, is appalling. Abortions performed in the second half of pregnancy usually involve brutally dismembering a defenseless unborn child, while also posing serious dangers to his or her mother. The Senate's rejection of this common-sense legislation is radically out of step with most Americans. Opinion polls consistently show that a strong majority of the public opposes late-term abortions—including those who self-identify as 'pro-choice'.

Furthermore, the United States is currently one of only seven countries that allows abortions beyond 20-weeks. The other six are North Korea, China, Vietnam, Singapore, Canada and the Netherlands. The Senate must rethink its extreme stance on late-term abortions. I call upon the public to tell the Senate that this vote is absolutely unacceptable."

(source: USCCB article)

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Every Tuesday the Blessed Sacrament will be in the monstrance for Eucharistic Adoration from 3:00PM to 7:30PM. Should there be a conflict with this schedule, the Upcoming Events column will have the time of Adoration every week so there is no confusion.

Since the monstrance will be placed in front of the tabernacle, we ask that you come through the door of the Blessed Sacrament chapel.



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 SGT Zachary John Sheehy, USMC PVT Travis Ruggiero, US Army SGT Dennis Diesel, USMC L CPL James Kruper, USMC SGT 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 A1C Jake DeRossi, USAF CPT Mike Polan, US Army L/CPL Daniel O'Shea, USMC

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 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 CPT Patrick C. Looney USAF CPL Ryan O'Keeffe, USMC

MOMMAS HOUSE

MOMMAS HOUSE is a home for young women who are pregnant, homeless and alone. The young women are between 18 and 24 years old. While at MOMMAS, the young women will complete their education or vocational training. The babies are cared for by the staff and volunteers at MOMMAS House.

For more information, call 516 781-8637 or go to the website: www.mommashouse.org

FOR HELP IN A CRISIS PREGNANCY

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

ROSELINE LIFE CENTER 24 HOURS 631-243-2373

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Baby Safe Haven, Safe Babies, Safe Place
at 1 (877) 796-HOPE
Adoption, Foster Care, Maternity Services
Catholic Home Bureau 1 (800) 592-4357

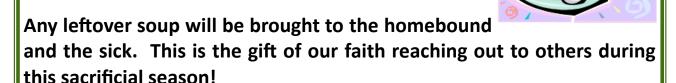
NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE HOTLINE 1-800-4-Child or 1 800-422-4453

Annual Soup Supper Wednesday, March 14, 2018

from 6PM - 8PM Emmaus Hall located in the school

It's time to think about making soup for this annual Lenten event!

To make soup or to volunteer, please call Pat Ricci at (516) 796-1320.



LITURGICAL MINISTRY TRAINING

Training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion is required for all those who are beginning as Ministers. Session "A" is required of ALL Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Those who minister in hospitals, nursing homes and to homebound persons are required to attend Session "B" in addition to Session "A". Session "A" must be attended prior to Session "B".

To register for Extraordinary Minister Training the pastor must send a letter to Bishop Barres at least 5 days in advance requesting the training for each person attending. This letter must mention the date and place of the training session the person(s) will attend.

TIMES AND PLACES FOR MINISTRY TRAINING

Nassau County EM "A" Session

April 14, 2018; 9AM - 1PM

St. Agnes Parish Center, Rockville Centre

Nassau County EM "B" Session

April 21, 2018; 9AM - 1PM

St. Agnes Parish Center, Rockville Centre

Suffolk County EM "A" Session

May 12, 2018; 9AM - 1PM

St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays

Suffolk County EM "B" Session

May 19, 2018; 9AM - 1PM

St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays

EVENING SESSIONS for Extraordinary Ministers at St. Elizabeth, Melville

Session "A" - Wednesday, May 16, 2018; 7:00 - 10PM

Session "B" - Wednesday, May 23, 2018; 7:00 - 10PM

\$30 workshop fee will be paid by St. Martin of Tours.



St. Gerard Majella, CSsR is a very popular saint of the Catholic Church as the special patron of those who are seeking to get pregnant or adopt and those who are pregnant and praying for a safe delivery. He is Redemptorist, the same religious

community that has served here at St. Martin's for the past thirty years.

As you know, we have a beautiful icon of St. Gerard in our prayer area of our church. You are welcome to ask any of the priests or deacon for a blessing with the St. Gerard relic if you are seeking to become pregnant, adopt or are pregnant.

Young at Heart Seniors Trip

We are planning a trip to Yonkers Casino on

Wednesday, April 4, 2018. The cost is \$25 per person (includes bus, \$10 for casino games & \$5 for food).

For more information, please contact Martha Martini at 822-2213.



FUN

AHEAD

The Teens want to get to know the Senior Members of St. Martin of Tours

So... the Youth Ministry is hosting BINGO

Saturday, March 10, 2018 1PM - 3PM - St. Alphonsus Hall

NO CHARGE TO PLAY!

Light refreshments will be served by the Teens!

Please call the rectory at 931-0818 to let us know If you will be coming.

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/thriftstores.html. Follow the links. St. Vincent de Paul will review your donation request.

Repent, and believe in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

Wednesday, February 14th Masses: 6:30AM, 9AM & 7PM

Services: 12 Noon and 4PM



2017 Church Donations

Please contact Susan Oliver, Finance Manager at the rectory at 931-0818 ext. 12 to obtain a letter for your church contributions during 2017 for tax purposes.

BOY SCOUT DAY OF RECOLLECTION
SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2018
SEMINARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
HUNTINGTON, NEW YORK
8:30 AM – 3:00 PM

SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2018

MARIA REGINA CHURCH, SEAFORD

12:00 NOON – 5:00 PM

A special day of prayer and reflection.

Will fulfill the Retreat/Day

of Recollection Requirement
for the Ad Altare Dei Religious Emblem.

For information, contact the Catholic Scouting Office 516 678-5800, ext 245 scouting@drvc.org

Oivorced or Separated Catholics of Long Island including Widows, Widowers and Singles

A social organization for single persons New Member Orientation Meeting

Wednesday, February 28, 2018 7:30PM

St. Frances de Chantal School 1309 Wantagh Avenue, Wantagh NY 11793

Non-Denominational All Are Welcome

Bring proof of single status to join. Refreshments following the meeting.

For further information, call Carol at 516-794-4933 or Barbara at 516-798-2858

LIVING WATERS CATHOLIC COUNSELING

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Melville location: Campus of St. Elizabeth's Church 175 Wolf Hill Road, Melville NY 11747

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

SMT REGULAR BOOK CLUB THE NINETH HOUR

Friday, February 16th at 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall - All Are Welcome!

A magnificent new novel by Alice McDermott - one of America's finest writers — is a powerfully affecting story spanning the 20th century of a widow and her daughter and the nuns who serve their Irish-American community in Brooklyn.

SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB MAN'S SEARCH FOR MEANING

Friday, February 23rd at 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall - All Are Welcome!

Psychiatrist Viktor Frankl's memoir has riveted generations of readers with its descriptions of life in Nazi death camps and its lessons for spiritual survival. At the time of Frankl's death in 1997, *Man's Search for Meaning* had sold more than 10 million copies in twenty-four languages.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Every Friday of Lent 7:30PM in Church February 16, 23

March 2, 9, 16, 23



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb 11: Pancake Breakfast 9AM 12 Noon K of C Hartigan Council, Central Ave.
- Feb 12: Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30PM Church
- Feb 13: Eucharistic Adoration 3:00 7:30PM Eucharistic Chapel
- Feb 14: Ash Wednesday Masses 6:30, 9AM & 7PM. Services Only at 12Noon & 4PM
- Feb 16: SMT Regular Book Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Feb 17: International Night 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Feb 20: Eucharistic Adoration 3:00 7:30PM Eucharistic Chapel
- Feb 20: St. Padre Pio Holy Hour 7:30PM Church
- Feb 23: Spiritual Book Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Feb 26 Mar 1: PARISH MISSION 7:15PM Rosary; 7:30PM Service Church
- Mar 4: St. Patrick's Day Mass 1PM/followed by parade & reception
- Mar 10 & 11: Knights of Columbus Hartigan Council Membership Drive All Masses
- Mar 14: Lenten Soup Supper 6PM 8PM Emmaus Hall (School Cafeteria)

