

Masses For The Week

Monday - March 5

- 6:30 Stephen Timoszuk
- 9:00 Mary Connelly

Tuesday - March 6

- 6:30 Lucy Speelman, Birthday Remembrance
- 9:00 Deacon Eugene Capobianco

Wednesday - March 7

- 6:30 Vincenzo, Concetta, Calogero & Rosario Mannino
- 9:00 Michael Smith

Thursday - March 8

- 6:30 Angelina Saulino
- 9:00 Deceased Members of the Hospital Ministry

Friday - March 9

- 6:30 Joseph Hoolahan
- 9:00 Eldorato Scala

Saturday - March 10

- 9:00 MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS
- 5:00 Louis & Ann Chiarelli
- 7:00 Pasquale Cafiero

Sunday - March 11 - 4th Sunday of Lent

- 7:00 The People of the Parish
- 8:30 Alice Halloran
- 10:00 Frank Mc Cann
- 11:30 Walter Salowski, 1st Anniversary
- 1:00 Mary R. McMullen
- 5:30 Genevieve Roeder

Readings For The Week

- Mon. 2 Kings 5:1-15b; Luke 4:24-30
- Tues. Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Matthew 18:21-35
- Wed. Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Matthew 5:17-19
- Thurs. Jeremiah 7:23-28; Luke 11:14-23
- Fri. Hosea 14:2-10; Mark 12:28-34
- Sat. Hosea 6:1-6; Luke 18:9-14

Sun. 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 *God's people lived in sin, mocking God's messengers and ignoring the Lord's warnings. Finally their enemies destroyed Jerusalem. They were taken captive, but God showed mercy.*

Ephesians 2:4-10 *God is rich in mercy, and out of love the Lord brought us to life in Christ when we were in sin. God saved us by grace, not by anything we have done.*


John 3:14-21 *God's Son came into the world not to condemn it, but to save it. As Moses lifted up the serpent, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that all who believe may have eternal life.*

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift

Weekly Budget: \$17,500.00
2/25/2018 Collection: \$15,922.18
St. Vincent de Paul: \$1,925.00

Thank you, SMT, for your generosity!

Reflection & Living Stewardship



"You shall not covet" is a difficult commandment to keep in our consumer society. But as Christian stewards, we know that we are the recipients and caretakers of God's many gifts. May this realization that all is gift help us be less resentful of the gifts of others.

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who make a conscious effort to simplify their lives by reprioritizing and getting back to basics.

Charismatic Prayer Group

Jesus tells Peter, "You are rock." He knows in just a few weeks Peter is going to deny Him not once but three times. Yet He still makes him the leader of the church.

That makes me happy to know that no matter how often I falter or go astray, Jesus will always love me. Lent is about halfway over. Are you where you want to be? If not, you NEED to be here.

Our next meeting is Monday, March 5th at 7:30PM in the Church. Please call 516-993-9672 for more information or prayer requests.

Congratulations to all HOP Club winners!

2/26/18	#173	Connie Volpe	\$25
2/27/18	#143	Carmela Biggin	\$25
2/28/18	#307	Kathryn LaFalce	\$25
3/1/18	#577	Helen Kurlowicz	\$25
3/2/18	#24	Evelyn & Donald McLean	\$50



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

Wedding Banns

3rd: James Sullivan & Katherine Oleksiej



“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: pancake mix, sweet & plain cereal, mixed vegetables, tomato paste, beef stew, canned chicken, peanut butter, black beans, canned carrots, red beans, canned potatoes, ketchup, mayonnaise, icing, brownies, sugar, Jell-O, pudding, white rice, napkins, tissues, bar soap, dish soap, laundry soap, and baby wipes.

As always, we thank you so very much for all that you do for those in need

Parish Outreach Food Pantry:

208 Broadway, Bethpage

Phone: 516-931-7332

Monday: 9:30AM - 2:30PM

Thursday: 2:00PM – 7:00PM



*Altar Bread & Wine
Week of March 4 - 10, 2018*

*In Loving Memory of
Maggio, Montana
and Belcastro Families*

*Sanctuary Candle
Week of March 4 - 10, 2018*

*In Loving Memory of
Nicoletta Mattariello*



3rd Sunday of Lent: “When I prove my holiness among you, I will gather you from all the foreign lands; and I will pour clean water upon you and cleanse you from all your impurities, and I will give you a new spirit, says the Lord.

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 Gandolfo
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 Escanile
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 & Robert 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
Libia & Maria Teresa Valdez, Nancy Gerace, Jim Moran
Robert Collelouri, Arthur Baudo, Kathy Smith, Samantha McNeill
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, Peggy Epstein
John Murphy, Colette Sin, Al DeBatto, Adeline Norton
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
Pasquale Patalano, Noelle Eichenlaub, Thomas Triola, Anthony Muller
Anthony “Tony Romano



Pastor's Letter

From Father Pat's Homily of 2/25/18



Perhaps, you have heard a new term called *trigger warnings*. The *trigger warning* idea seems to be taking place on some college campuses. It would be said that the teacher must warn the students before he or she is going to speak about a topic that could be upsetting to the students. In some cases, a trigger alert would be given if one was going to speak about violence, war, the president, morals and other such topics that might be disturbing to the hearer. This idea seems ridiculous to many people since it suggests an incredible fragility among some collegians that they cannot hear anything unpleasant or challenging to their world view. This idea frightens me in terms of education and free speech.

Having said that, I sometimes wonder if we might offer *trigger warnings* for some of the readings from the Bible, the Word of God, that can be very disturbing to the hearer. For example, today we hear the Biblical account of Abraham who was asked to show his loyalty to God by sacrificing his only son Isaac. This can be deeply upsetting as it seems to portray a blood-thirsty God. I can only imagine a parent, perhaps sitting in a church in Parkland, Florida, who has a lost a child, hearing this scripture. It is a reading that shocks us.

I firmly believe that *The Bible* is the divinely inspired word of God. I am equally firm in believing that *The Bible* was written by human beings who were men and women of their time and influenced by the world around them, who used their own language and understanding to capture what the Spirit of God was inspiring in the hearts.

Abraham is an elderly man who has had no children with his wife Sarah. Late in life, God gives them a kind of miracle baby, an incredibly unexpected child Isaac who brings them the greatest delight. There have been many times as a priest that I have heard couples tell me that just when they thought they could not have or adopt a child, when they just about given up, they were blessed with the gift of a child. The name *Isaac* means *he laughs* and it is well chosen because both Abraham and Sarah laugh in delight at their blessings. And beyond the gift of the child, God makes a promise to Abraham: you will be the father of many nations. From you and your son Isaac shall come a great people.

So, how can Isaac be Abraham's heir and successor if he is killed in a sacrificial offering? Remember now, are speaking about a time period that may be several thousand years before Christ. One of the many challenges the Jewish people will have is that most of the contemporary pagan religions have many gods. God is seeking to have the Jews give up the many pagan gods that are worshipped at that time and know him as the only true God. The sun and moon, all sorts of mythic figures, and even animals are seen as images of the divine. Thus, the first commandment that Moses will be given: *I am the Lord your God, you shall not have false gods before me*. Many of the religions that influenced the tribe of Abraham had human sacrifice as a way of appeasing the gods. Today's first reading, in the eyes of Biblical scholars, is seen as a condemnation of this type of sacrifice. God does not allow Abraham to take the life of Isaac. The inspired word of God is condemning such a practice. Abraham and his followers are slowly learning that God is not a God who demands his followers to enter into these brutal pagan practices.

This inspired account of Abraham and Isaac will have a great impact on believers in the first century and on us who follow. I think it is all but impossible to read this story of Abraham and Isaac and not think about Jesus. Isaac carries the wood for the sacrifice that will be offered. Jesus carries the wood of the cross for his sacrifice on Calvary. An angel of God stops Abram from thrusting his knife into his own son. At Calvary there is no angel present to stop the nails and the piercing lance that will pour out the blood of Jesus.

We might be tempted to see God the Father demanding the blood of his son Jesus for the sins of the world. Not true. Jesus, unlike the young Isaac who is unaware of what might happen to him, chooses freely to come among us, to be fully human, to embrace all in life that you and I experience, and to let go in a loving embrace of each one of us. Jesus has told us that *the Father and he are one*. The Father suffers the agony of seeing his suffering Son. God so loved the world that he gave his only Son that whoever believes in him may not die but have eternal life. God gives himself to humanity.

Still, this story does not end on a cross. In our Gospel today, the account of the Transfiguration on Mount Tabor, the disciples see the glory of God the Father and the Holy Spirit shine through Jesus. It is a foreshadowing of Easter, Resurrection, and the promise of eternal life.

Today you and I are blessed to enter into the profound sacrifice of the Holy Mass. At this Mass, at every Mass ever offered, we go the Father, in the Name of Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Jesus is the Lamb of God who gives us the promise of eternal life. We enter into this sacrifice in a most profound way by receiving the Body of Jesus in Holy Communion.

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

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- **Does talking about it only make it worse?**

Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped thousands of couples worldwide experiencing ALL TYPES of marital difficulties. For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for an upcoming weekend.

Please call 1-800-470-2230 and you will be connected directly and confidentially to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help. Please call or go on the web to make a reservation! Weekends get filled up very quickly.

www.retrouvaille.org

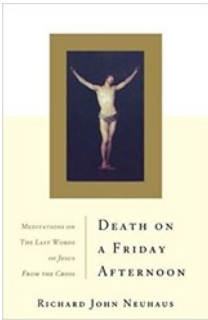
Upcoming Weekends: May 4-6, September 7-9, November 9 -11

This is a program that many people have told me that they have found very helpful when their marriage was having every serious issues. Father Pat Woods

THE NEXT SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB - FRIDAY, APRIL 20th at 7:30PM

We will meet in the Library Room of St. Alphonsus Hall

Please enter through the Seaman Avenue doors



Death On A Friday Afternoon: Meditations On The Last Words Of Jesus From The Cross Paperback – February 5, 2001 by **Richard John Neuhaus** There is no question in my mind that one day *Death On A Friday Afternoon* will become a classic alongside the works of St. Teresa of Avila and St. Francis of Assisi.

Father Neuhaus took a lot of heat in his life from moving politically from left to right, but reading this book you would never know he had the slightest interest in politics. This is where you'll find his true spiritual genius. What especially moved me, and still does, is his kindness and lack of pretension as to who will be saved. His thoughts on judgment, God's love, and where Christ fits in non-Christian faiths opened my eyes to the existence of a Catholicism that is truly generous and open-minded.

Anyone who gets their picture of the Church through the media would be wise to read this. Moreover, if anyone wants a great companion for the spiritual road, you'll do no better than *Death On A Friday Afternoon*.



**Daylight Savings Time begins at 2AM
Sunday, March 11th.**

**Remember to put your clocks one hour
AHEAD before bedtime.**

THE NEXT REGULAR BOOK CLUB

Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI by David Grann

Friday, April 27th at 7:30PM

We will meet in the Library Room of St. Alphonsus Hall. Please enter through the Seaman Avenue doors.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER - NATIONAL BOOK AWARD FINALIST "Disturbing and riveting...It will sear your soul." — Dave Eggers, *New York Times Book Review* Named a best book of the year by *Wall Street Journal*, *The Boston Globe*



VIRTUS CLASS

"Protecting All God's Children"

TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018

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 that you would like to attend when you pick up the forms. Any questions, please feel free to contact the office at 931-0818.

27th Anniversary
Bethpage Saint Patrick's Parade
Sunday, March 4, 2018
Honoring 2018 Grand Marshal
JOHN McCARTHY
Sunday, March 4, 2018



- The festivities begin at the 1PM Mass
- The parade steps off in front of St. Martin of Tours at 2PM
- The 2018 Grand Marshal John McCarthy along with his family, friends and visiting dignitaries will lead the parade through downtown Bethpage

Featured:

- Nassau County Firefighters Pipes & Drums
- Tara Pipes & Drums
- The American Celtic Pipe Band
- Bethpage High School Marching Band
- Walt Whitman High School Marching Band
- Family Residence & Essential Enterprise (F.R.E.E.) Drum Corp
- Veterans' Groups, Historic re-enactment Groups, Antique Autos
- AOH members, Fire Departments, Scouts, K-9 Brigade
- Reception to follow at Emmaus Hall (cafeteria of the school)

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.



Any leftover soup will be brought to the homebound and the sick. This is the gift of our faith reaching out to others during this sacrificial season!

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

Suffolk County EM "A" Session

May 12, 2018; 9AM - 1PM

St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays

Nassau County EM "B" Session

April 21, 2018; 9AM - 1PM

St. Agnes Parish Center, Rockville Centre

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.



UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS: On Saturday, March 3rd, members of our youth ministry attended "Be Amazed" Youth Rally at St. Elizabeth of Hungary in Melville with Bishop John Barres. They experienced a concert with Sarah Kroger, inspirational speaker Dom Quaglia, an opportunity to go to confession and Mass with Bishop Barres.

Sunday, March 11: Life Teen Meeting

March 16 - 18: Life Teen Retreat - NO meeting after the 5:30PM Mass on 3/18

March 25: Palm Sunday - we will have a meeting after Mass

April 1: EASTER SUNDAY! The Life Teen Mass is at 1PM. NO meeting.
There is no 5:30PM Mass on Easter Sunday.

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!

During the weekdays of Lent, Monday through Friday, we will be saying the Morning Prayer of the Church at 8:30AM (before the 9:00AM Mass).



PARISH LIBRARY



Parish Library: Monday - Saturday from 9:30AM until 3:00PM. **Come to the rectory office to get the key to the Seaman Avenue entrance.**

With the Season of Lent upon us, this is a most opportune time to stop by the Parish Library for some Lenten reading and reflection as we journey these 40 Days.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday of Lent

7:30PM in Church

March 9 - Father Ciya Thomas

March 16 - Deacon Thomas Hennessy

March 23 - Father Pat Woods



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

As we travel through the 40 days of Lent, we each make a decision as to what we may do to prepare ourselves for Christ's great suffering and death. His ultimate sacrifice for each of us as He took upon Himself, the sins of the world. Many of us may give up something we enjoy. Some may give up chocolate, that slice of apple pie after dinner or even that second cup of coffee in the morning. We may curb our language, hold our temper and try for more patience with others.

Last Sunday Pro-Bikers for Life gave us an example of "giving to." They showed how giving just one hour in prayer in front of Planned Parenthood could hopefully change a heart and save the life of a child...or for so many that can't stand there...keep them in prayer that they succeed as one of God's Army. Maybe we could give of our time to visit someone in a nursing home or invite someone for dinner who has lost a loved. Take a moment to write, email or call one of our representatives in Congress about legislation we disagree with regarding abortion, religious liberty and safety in our schools. Pray that they listen.

Maybe we can use these 40 days to say an extra rosary, walk the Stations of the Cross at beautiful Our Lady of the Island in Eastport, pray for a sick child, the poor, the homeless. Maybe we can pray more often, light a candle for peace in our country and in the whole world. Maybe we can practice patience and respect for those whom we disagree. Take more time for our children and grandchildren and remind them to honor those who protect and put their lives on the line for each of us. Maybe we can be His Hands and His Feet as we observe Lent and await His glory on Easter Sunday.

Let us pray: *"Lord forgive us for the times we walk away from you. Lead us to bear fruits of holiness, and trust in the path you lead for us. Amen"*



The Bethpage Hartigan Council of the Knights of Columbus will be having a membership drive on Saturday & Sunday, March 10th and 11th.

Please come by the gathering area after mass to get information on what they're about and how to become a member. The Knights of Columbus is and has always been true to its founding principles of charity, unity and fraternity and are vital supporters of St. Martin of Tours Parish of which we are eternally grateful.

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

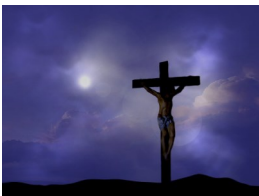


¹⁴ Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. ¹⁶ Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷ Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them. **John 13:14-17**

Holy Thursday, March 29th at 7:30PM, St. Martin of Tours celebrates the Mass of the Lord's Supper. At some point after the Gospel is read, the priest or deacon will call forth those who have volunteered to have their feet washed. ***If you are interested in having your feet washed, please notify Pat Ricci at 516-796-1320 as soon as possible.***

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. It also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.



The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. Please be as generous as your means will allow.

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-Friday.



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 Battiatia, 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

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

ROSELINE LIFE CENTER 24 HOURS
 631-243-2373

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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



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.

Christian Mothers Rosary Confraternity

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Tuesday, March 6th: CMRC general meeting. Join us for prayer and fellowship. Please note the **NEW** time - 7:00PM in St. Alphonsus Hall. Tickets will be on sale for April 10th's meeting.

Tuesday, April 10th: Spring Fling Fund Raiser at 7PM in St. Alphonsus Hall. All women are welcome!



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.

St. Vincent de Paul Store Locations:

2160 Jericho Turnpike, Garden City Park NY
(516) 746-8250

(enter New Hyde Park if you use GPS)

OPEN MON-SAT 10-6

1705 Jericho Turnpike, Huntington NY

(631) 858-0380

OPEN MON-SAT 10-6

1425A New York Avenue, Huntington Station

(631) 385-1226 **OPEN MON-SAT 9-5**

To arrange furniture, clothing, cars and other donated materials for pick-up, please call (516) 746-8250 (Nassau) or 1 800 884-7837 (Suffolk). You can also visit on line at <http://www.svdprvc.org/thrift-stores.html>. Follow the links. St. Vincent de Paul will review your donation request.



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.

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

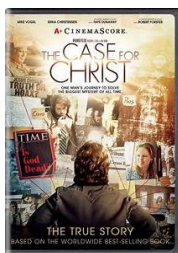
More information to follow in later bulletins.



LENTE MOVIES



The Shack
Friday, March 9th
7:00PM



The Case for Christ
Friday, March 16th
7:00PM

St. Alphonsus Hall



March 2 - 8, 2018

A candle has been lit for
 August Sgaraglio
 in honor of St. Anthony of Padua

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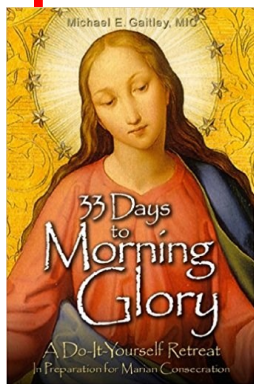
RETURNING TO SMT!

33 Days To Morning Glory Retreat written by Father Michael E. Gaitley, MIC

Facilitated by Rita Verow, SMT Parishioner

Six week retreat begins Friday April 6th at 7PM in St. Alphonsus Hall

Ends Sunday, May 13th at the 1PM Mass



The cost is \$25.00 for participant books and materials. For those who attended a few years ago, you may still use the books you previously purchased. Refreshments will be served at 7PM. The DVDs by Father Gaitley will be shown followed by a small group discussion of the DVD and books that will be used. The estimated time including refreshments will be 2 hours. **Please register by Friday, March 16 to allot enough time to order the materials. Leave your name, phone number and email address at the rectory.**

The spirituality of this retreat is based on the motto of the great writer of the classic book *True Devotion to Mary*, the great Marian spiritual giant, St. Louis de Montfort - "To Jesus through Mary" a motto of our beloved St. John Paul II, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and other popes and saints.

The participants from the previous retreat have told me that this retreat has changed their lives, enhanced their prayer lives, bringing them closer to Jesus, which Our Lady always does. She brings us all to the merciful Heart of Jesus, thus closer to the Divine Mercy of God. *Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!* - Rita Verow

St. Dominic High School 2018 SAT Exam Prep Course for the May 5th Exam.

Please see the flyers in the gathering area of the church for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS



- Mar 4: St. Patrick's Day Mass 1PM/followed by parade & reception
- Mar 5: Holy Face of Jesus Devotions 1PM Church
- Mar 6: Christian Mothers Rosary Confraternity Meeting 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Mar 6: Eucharistic Adoration 3PM - 7:30PM
- Mar 9: Movie: The Shack 7:00PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Mar 10 & 11: Knights of Columbus Hartigan Council Membership Drive - All Masses
- Mar 13: VIRTUS Class 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Mar 13: Eucharistic Adoration 3PM - 7:30PM
- Mar 14: Lenten Soup Supper 6PM - 8PM Emmaus Hall (School Cafeteria)
- Mar 16: Movie: A Case for Christ 7:00PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Mar 20: Eucharistic Adoration 3PM - 7:30PM
- Mar 20: St. Padre Pio Holy Hour 7:30PM Eucharistic Chapel