

**Masses For The Week**

**Monday - May 28 - Memorial Day**

**NO 6:30AM MASS**

9:00 Patrick Tracy

**Tuesday - May 29**

6:30 Lidia Jelovich

9:00 Josephine & Rocco D'Ambrise

**Wednesday - May 30**

6:30 James Hergenroether

9:00 Peggy McCabe, 6th Anniversary

**Thursday - May 31 - Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

6:30 John Joyce

9:00 Erma Eichenlaub

**Friday - June 1**

6:30 Dolores Boyce

9:00 Dec'd Friends of the Donohue Family

**Saturday - June 2**

9:00 MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS

5:00 John Connaughton, Anniversary

7:00 The Caprio & Rizzi Families

**Sunday - June 3 - The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ**

7:00 The People of the Parish

8:30 Robert McCarron

10:00 Jean & Frank Portelli

11:30 Colleen & Vinnie Wolford

1:00 Irene Hickey

5:30 Mary Anderson

**Readings For The Week**

Mon. 1 Peter 1:3-9; Mark 10:17-27

Tues. 1 Peter 1:10-16; Mark 10:28-31

Wed. 1 Peter 1:18-25; Mark 10:32-45

Thurs. Zephaniah 3:14-18a; Luke 1:39-56

Fri. 1 Peter 4:7-13; Mark 11:11-26

Sat. Jude 17, 20b-25; Mark 11:27-33

**Sun. Exodus 24:3-8** *Moses offered young bulls as a holocaust to seal the covenant between God and Israel, sprinkling the people and the altar with the sacrificial blood.*

**Hebrews 9:11-15** *Christ came as a high priest, offering himself unblemished to God to cleanse our consciences from dead works to worship the living God.*

**Mark 14:12-16, 22-26** *In a house in Jerusalem, Jesus and his disciples ate the Passover meal together. Jesus took bread and wine, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body; this is my blood."*



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

**Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift**

**Weekly Budgeted: \$17,500.00**

**5/20/18 Collection: \$16,874.18**

**Thank you SMT for your generosity!**

**Reflection & Living Stewardship**



Today's second reading reminds us that we are the adopted sons and daughters - the heirs - of God. We are good stewards of our inheritance when we share our faith and fulfill Our Lord's command to "go...and make disciples of all the nations."

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who recognize that life is a gift from God and a sacred trust. What are you going to do today with your gift of life?

**Charismatic Prayer Group**

**TGIF - Thank God I'm Free!!!** How often do you think about your freedom? Probably not as often except if you didn't have it!! We have our freedom thanks to the millions of men and women who decided to take a stand and fight for it. From the settlers of the



13 colonies to today's brave military who are on foreign soil protecting us, we owe a lifetime of gratitude. They put their lives in danger so that we will live better. If you know a veteran, thank him or her. Remember all those brave men and women who paid the ultimate price for us. God bless all who serve. We pray every day for your safe arrival home. Have a safe Memorial Day!

**Our next meeting is Tuesday, May 29th at 7:30PM in the school building. Call 516-993-9672 for prayer requests or more information.**

**HOP Club Winners**

5/21/18	#296	Rosemarie Gaccione	\$25
5/22/18	#555	Rachel Melito	\$25
5/23/18	#163	M/M Richard Baker	\$25
5/24/18	#524	Nancy Schimmel	\$25
5/25/18	#429	Brian & Maryann McGrath	\$50

*Wedding Banns*

1st Anthony Carrella & Michelle Saggese



***"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: oatmeal packets, pancake mix, tomato paste, pasta sauce, tomato sauce, red beans, vegetable soup, coffee, icing, evaporated milk, juice, juice boxes, macaroni & cheese, dish soap, laundry soap, bar soap, paper towels, napkins and baby wipes.

We are so grateful for all 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 May 27- June 2, 2018*

*In Loving Memory of*  
*Bernie Lavin*

*Sanctuary Candle*

*Week of May 27 - June 2, 2018*

*In Loving Memory of*  
*Bill, Lee & Colleen McNamara*



***Rest in Peace***

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

**Michael Tiefenworth**

**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, 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, 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, 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 & Robert Uhl, Andrew McCarthy, Alicia Manetta, Frank LoPinto Baby Lucia Bianchi, Pat James Joseph, David Iovieno, Robert Daniel 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 Robert Collelouri Arthur Baudo, Kathy Smith, Samantha McNeill Unborn Identical Twins, Veronica McCarthy-Pigott, Anthony Hanlon Janine, Mary Jedlicka, Lisa Lazzara, Pete Moran, 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, Peggy Epstein, John Murphy Colette Sin, Al DeBatto, Adeline Norton, Ann Marie Wezel, Jeanie Wilkins Ann Soehngen, Jerry Vega, Mary Leonard, Ed Segretto, Fred Cameron Peter Volberg, Ryan Westbrook, Donna Strickland The Family of Brendan Langhauser, Helen Kurlowicz, Christine Marsiello Michael M. Durante, Sonny D'Amfrosio, Pasquale Patalano Noelle Eichenlaub, Thomas Triola, Keith Ferrara, Marie Mascia Anthony "Tony" Romano, Kathleen Preziosi, Noelle Buchner, John Peluso Margaret DeMarco, Robert Amato, Kate Mayerhofer, Yvonne McDonnell The Gallagher Family, Terry & John Bunker



## *Pastor's Letter*

I have a childhood memory of Pentecost Sunday. My mother was a very faithful Catholic, but she pretty much left the teaching of the faith to the nuns and priests. However, after Mass on Pentecost Sunday, I remember going to our neighborhood bakery and my mother ordered what we called bullseyes for me. I am not sure that is the correct name; it was a large double-sided cookie-like delicacy covered with confectionery sugar and filled with raspberry seeded jelly. I recalled asking her why we were getting these desserts since we usually purchased rolls. She said, *today is Pentecost, the birthday of the Catholic Church.* I can't remember a thing about the Mass, but I do remember the taste of the bullseye. I learned we must celebrate Pentecost well!



Pentecost certainly gets far less attention from most Catholics than does Christmas and Easter. It is true that without Christmas and Easter, Jesus Christ would not be known to any of us. But it is *Pentecost* that speaks to me of the promises of Jesus that he would not leave us orphans. This is the beginning of the Church. Jesus promised to send his Holy Spirit. This is the same Holy Spirit that hovered over creation and shaped the universe. *And the earth was without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.* The same Spirit who inspired the prophets to prepare the world for the coming Messiah, who came upon the Virgin Mary and brought life to her womb. The same Spirit who led Jesus into the desert and then was present as he experienced the baptism of John in the waters of the Jordan.

The word spirit comes from the Hebrew word *ruah*. Say the word *ruah* and you will know from whence the word comes. It is a word that brings forth breath. It takes deep breath to pronounce the word. The word *spirit* means breath. Breath is life. We are breathing all day and all night long and rarely notice it. But it is real. Certain things can be done medically to determine the levels and health of our breathing, but you and I cannot measure our breath. It is there, giving us life.

On Ascension Thursday, we mark the experience of the first disciples that Jesus (who was very present in a profound way after he was raised from the dead), has returned to the Father. Believers now experience Jesus in a very real way through the presence of the Holy Spirit, giving us life and the presence of God. Jesus tells the apostles to await the Holy Spirit in the upper room. (This is the same room where Jesus celebrated the Last Supper, called the Cenacle.) The apostles are very human men. When Jesus was arrested shortly before his crucifixion, all but the apostle John abandoned him. Peter denied him and the rest locked the doors and hid out. However, after the experience of Pentecost, described in terms of howling winds and tongues of fire, they rush out and speak to the people in languages that all understand. They then go all over the known world proclaiming the resurrection of Jesus. Something has changed these fearful men into bold proclaimers of the Gospel. They are quite willing to face cruel martyrdom. There is no other explanation than that they were touched by the power of God, a moment all but impossible to capture and describe in words. This is Pentecost and the power of the Holy Spirit.

It is clear that the Holy Spirit is best described by experiences rather than weighty intellectual words. I am convinced all of us have many experiences of the Holy Spirit throughout the day but may not be attentive to them. The Scriptures tell us that *wherever there is love, there is God*. So whenever there is goodness, love, kindness, compassion, mercy, we are experiencing the power of the Holy Spirit.

- Have you ever chosen to let go of a deep anger and resentment toward another person, be it over the course of days, months or years? *That is the power of the Holy Spirit.*
- Have you ever gone out of your way to help a stranger or needy person and surprised yourself by your compassion? *That is the power of the Holy Spirit.*
- Have you ever said something to someone that was very helpful and supportive and wondered where the words came from?
- Have you been surprised by something as ordinary as a song, a smile, flower?
- Have you resisted passing on a piece of juicy gossip?
- Have you let go of your plans for the weekend and decided to help a family member who called upon you?
- Have you resisted joining in a conversation of negativity about another race or religion?
- Have you felt and been comforted by the presence of your deceased loved ones?

I would call all of these moments as our response to the Holy Spirit. As we read in the Acts of the Apostles: *"For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, 'For we are also his offspring.'"*

At this Holy Eucharist, we call down the power of the Holy Spirit on ordinary bread and wine, and through the Spirit, the Living God is present on our altars and in each of us in a most special way as we receive his body and blood.

**Unless the eye catch fire,  
The God will not be seen.  
Unless the ear catch fire,  
The God will not be heard.  
Unless the tongue catch fire,  
The God will not be named.  
Unless the heart catch fire,  
The God will not be loved.  
Unless the mind catch fire,  
The God will not be known.**



**William Blake (1757-1827) from *Pentecost***

**Father Patrick Woods, CSSR, Pastor**  
[www.smtbethpage.org](http://www.smtbethpage.org)      [woodscsr@aol.com](mailto:woodscsr@aol.com)

### HOLY HOUR

**Tuesday, May 29th from 3 - 4PM in the Church  
All are welcome to come and adore our Holy Redeemer**



**UPCOMING MEETING:**

**May 27th:** There is NO meeting in observance of Memorial Day. Please remember to pray for those in the armed forces who have died for our freedoms and their families and friends left behind.

**SPRING & SUMMER PROJECT:** We are collecting jars of peanut butter and jelly to be used every week to make sandwiches for the homeless. Please bring them to the rectory and we will take it from there. **THANK YOU!!**



Diana Hughes, Youth Minister & the Life Teen Core Members  
SMT\_lifeteen@yahoo.com

The Life Teen Band celebrates Mass every Sunday at 5:30PM. We are building up a new repertoire of Christian music to lift up our hearts to worship and honor our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

If you are a teen or young adult and would like to join the band, please see Liam Gordon after Mass. We welcome singers and instrumentalists to share their talents and gifts with us!

**St. Martin of Tours Children's Choir**

Come and join us! Open to children in grades 2 through 8. We sing at the 10AM Sunday Mass and practice in the church on Wednesdays from 5-6PM.

Please contact Elena Scollo at (516) 713-8854.



**LIVING WATERS CATHOLIC COUNSELING**

[www.livingwaterscounseling.biz](http://www.livingwaterscounseling.biz)

Campus of St. Elizabeth's Church  
175 Wolf Hill Road, Melville NY 11747  
Tel: 631-754-3990/Fax: 631-271-0914

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

**Parish Receptionist/Secretary - St. Kilian RCC – Farmingdale F/T 40 hours per week**

**Responsibilities include** - Greeting and referring visitors, routine secretarial duties, receiving and transferring telephone calls, maintaining sacramental records, assisting Clergy as needed, scheduling funerals and other masses.

**Qualifications:** Friendly, reliable, proficient in Microsoft Office Suite and able to learn new Parish Software Programs, ability to multi-task.

**Contact:** Ed Fronckwicz, Business Manager  
Phone (516)249-0127/FAX (516)249-7131  
Email: [edwardf@stkilian.com](mailto:edwardf@stkilian.com)

*Memorial Day*

**The only Mass on Memorial Day is at 9AM.**

**The Rectory Office is closed and will open on Tuesday, May 29th at 9AM.**



**Have a blessed day. Remember to pray for those who have served and died in the line of duty for our country. Pray too for their families and friends.**

**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.

**Tips From God:**  
**So You Can Have A Blessed Life**  
*by Diana Malerba Weinzierl*

Let's discuss the power of God's Word to use in your everyday life to build your faith and trust in God.

**Next Meeting - Wednesday, May 30th**  
**6:45PM in St. Alphonsus Hall**

**PROJECT RACHEL HOPE AFTER ABORTION**



Do you know someone who is suffering abortion loss? There is hope and healing after abortion. Diocese of Rockville Centre Day of Prayer and Healing for Women on Saturday, June 9, 2018, is an opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God in a safe and sacred space.

For more information, visit the Project Rachel Hope After Abortion website, call the Respect Life Office's confidential phone line at 1-888-456-HOPE or email [projectrachel@drvc.org](mailto:projectrachel@drvc.org) to begin healing after loss.

**UNITED VETERANS BEACON HOUSE  
 COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND MAY 26 & 27**

SMT parishioner Ro Malerba will once again be doing a collection for United Veterans Beacon House (UVBH) during Memorial Day Weekend, May 26th & 27th.

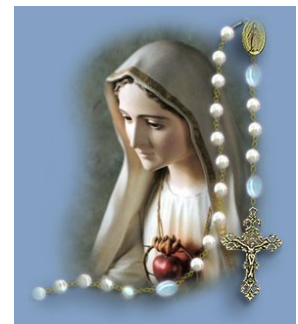


**Suggestions:** new twin sized sheets, gift cards to Target, Walmart, Stop & Shop and Shop Rite, or a check payable to UVBH. If you prefer, please bring donations to the rectory office any time before that weekend. They will be donated to Beacon House to benefit homeless veterans and their families. Thank you!!

Recitation of the Rosary in the Prayer Garden:

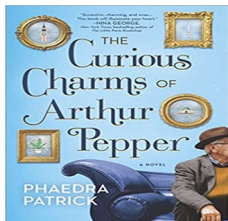
**May 30th**  
**7PM**

If it rains, please meet in the prayer chapel.



The Parish Men's Club will meet in St. Alphonsus Hall approximately 7:30PM on Wednesday, May 30th following the rosary in the Prayer Garden. All men 18 and over are welcome.





*Phaedra Patrick understands the soul. Eccentric, charming, and wise...The Curious Charms is not just for those who are mourning over love or the past. This book will illuminate your heart.* — Nina George, New York Times bestselling author of *The Little Paris Bookshop*.

Don't miss this curiously charming debut! In this hauntingly beautiful story of love, loneliness and self-discovery, an endearing widower embarks on a life-changing adventure. Sixty-nine-year-old Arthur Pepper lives a simple life. He gets out of bed at precisely 7:30 a.m., just as he did when his wife, Miriam, was alive. He dresses in the same gray slacks and mustard sweater vest, waters his fern, Frederica, and heads out to his garden. But on the one-year anniversary of Miriam's death, something changes. Sorting through Miriam's possessions, Arthur finds an exquisite gold charm bracelet he's never seen before. What follows is a surprising and unforgettable odyssey. **Discussion Date: June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30PM in St. Alphonsus Hall.**

## *Day of Renewal*

*Ignite the*



*Flame*

**St. Joseph R.C. Church  
39 North Carll Avenue, Babylon NY 11702  
9AM - 4:15PM**

*Come and fan the flame and Renew yourself in the Holy Spirit!*

**Featuring Fr. John Gordon, Barbara Campbell, Sarah Ryan  
Fr. Charles Mangano, Fr. Peter Kazmarack & Fr. Anthony Stanganelli**

**Register and pay on line or send money order to  
DRVC Charismatic Renewal, P.O. Box 9023, Rockville Centre NY 11570**


**Cost includes light morning refreshment and lunch.**

**Pre registration: \$25.00/Registration at door: \$30.00**


**Any questions, please contact Philip Mandato  
Diocese of Rockville Centre Charismatic Renewal  
516-678-5800 x638 charisrenewal@drvc.org**

### Memorial Day Prayer- Let Us Not Forget

God of power and mercy,  
 you destroy war and put down earthly pride.  
 Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our tears,  
 that we may all deserve to be called your sons and daughters.  
 Keep in your mercy those men and women  
 who have died in the cause of freedom  
 and bring them safely  
 into your kingdom of justice and peace.  
 We ask this though Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

A Candle has been lit for the  
 Gambino Family - In Thanksgiving  
 May 25 - 31, 2018  
 In honor of Saint Therese of Lisieux



A Candle has been lit for  
 D'Avanzo & Reardon Family  
 May 18 - 24, 2018  
 In honor of Saint Jude

### July 30<sup>th</sup> to August 3<sup>rd</sup>

The Redemptorists of North America come together every four years to provide a conversation, or rather, a Dialogue, between young adults and Redemptorists. This year, Dialogue will follow the theme Carry On. The audience of Dialogue has traditionally been Redemptorist missionaries, along with young adults eighteen to thirty-five. This year, our goal is to engage young adults in dialogue about real issues that are facing them in life, faith and culture. You are invited to Dialogue 2018 to help us continue the conversation of how we preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ to a wounded world.



**Location:** Notre Dame Retreat House, 5151 Foster Rd, Canandaigua, NY 14424. This is a lovely retreat house overlooking one of the Finger Lakes.

**Transportation:** Transportation is the responsibility of each participant with support of their local Redemptorist Community.

**Cost:** The cost of Dialogue is \$275.00 (covered by the Redemptorists of St. Martin's). The Redemptorists of Bethpage are happy to sponsor two to three young men or women to this wonderful gathering of young people of faith in a very secular age. **Please let me know by June 1<sup>st</sup> if you are interested by emailing me at woodscsr@aol.com.**



**FOR HELP IN A CRISIS PREGNANCY**

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

**ROSELINE LIFE CENTER 24 HOURS 631-243-2373**

**PROJECT RACHEL  
WWW.HOPEAFTERABORTION.COM**

**Baby Safe Haven, Safe Babies, Safe Place  
at 1 (877) 796-HOPE  
Adoption, Foster Care**

**Maternity Services Catholic Home Bureau  
1 (800) 592-4357**

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

**Luke's Young Artist Academy: June 26-July 25**



Talented artist George Lucas is offering children in grades 1 to 11 the opportunity to discover their talents

through pottery, hand building, drawing, painting, water color, acrylic, scratch board and print making. Individual attention can be given to those who have specific artistic interests.

**Morning classes run from June 26th to July 25th at St. Martin of Tours School Building in Bethpage. The fee is \$230 for eight one and one half hour sessions with all materials and instruction included.**

**For more information please call Mr. Lucas at (516) 388-1011 or email [lukesartacademy@aol.com](mailto:lukesartacademy@aol.com).**

**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**

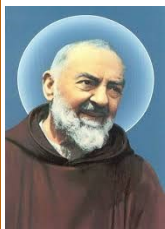
To arrange furniture, clothing, cars and other donated materials for pick-up, please call (516) 746-8250 (Nassau) or 1 800 884-7837 (Suffolk). You can also visit on line at <http://www.svdprvc.org/thrift-stores.html>. Follow the links. St. Vincent de Paul will review your donation request.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

"And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." Is God present in your marriage? Bring Him in more fully by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

The next weekends are Nov 16-18, 2018 in Huntington, NY and Feb 8-10, 2019 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at 877-697-9963 or visit them at <http://www.wmeli.org>.

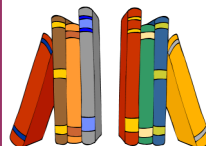
**Saint Padre Pio Holy Hour**



There is no Holy Hour in May, however, come to the next devotion honoring Saint Padre Pio on **Tuesday, June 19th at 7:30PM in the Eucharistic Chapel.** All are most welcome!

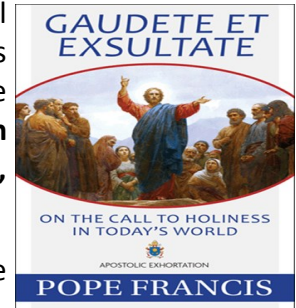
**PARISH LIBRARY**

**Hours: Mondays after 12PM - 3PM; Tuesday - Saturday from 9:30AM until 3:00PM.**



Instead of using the Seaman Avenue entrance, please come to the rectory and ask for the key to the side door of St. Alphonsus Hall.

***Gaudete et Exsultate*** (Rejoice and Be Glad) is a very moving and quite practical document recently written by Pope Francis. Unlike some church documents, it is quite readable and offers excellent insight on how to follow Jesus. It can be read in less than two hours. **I am planning on meeting over three sessions on this beautiful document at 7:30PM in St. Alphonsus Hall on June 8, June 18, and June 25.**



We will discuss chapter one at our first meeting, chapters two and three at the second gathering, and conclude with chapters four and five at the third session.

You can download the document by googling Gaudete et Exsultate: Apostolic Exhortation on the call to Holiness and then clicking on: [w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost\\_exhortations/documents/](http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_exhortations/documents/).

**The document is about 50 pages when printed. It would be helpful if you've read the material prior to each session. You can obtain a copy in several ways:**

- **In booklet form on Amazon for \$9.95**
- **Or Kindle for \$5.96**
- **If you do not have access to a computer and would like to buy the document, I would be happy to help you with this or we can print you a copy for \$3.00.**
- **I also have copies in the rectory that you can purchase for \$10.00. I will make a nickel profit!**

This will be our selection for our spiritual book club, but I welcome any person to read this wonderful document and attend any of the meetings. **Father Pat, CSSR**

### **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](http://www.mommashouse.org)

**Eucharistic Adoration  
EVERY TUESDAY  
3PM - 7:30PM  
Eucharistic Chapel**

**Please check the Upcoming Events for any change to the hours of adoration.**

### **St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School Prep Course for the Catholic High School Entrance Exam**

Also offered is a test taking strategies class the Friday evening before the exam. Call 631-587-8000 ext. 117 or visit [www.stjohnthebaptistdhs.net](http://www.stjohnthebaptistdhs.net), and go to Academic Resources and click on CHSEE Exam Prep Course at bottom of pulldown for more information.

#### **PREP COURSE - \$300 FOUR SATURDAY CLASSES:**

8:00AM - 10:30AM - September 22nd, September 29th, October 13th, October 20th

AND **ONE WEDNESDAY EVENING:** 6:00PM - 8:30PM - October 24th

**TEST TAKING STRATEGIES - \$150** 5:00PM - 8:00PM - Friday, October 26th

**PREP COURSE & TEST TAKING STRATEGIES - \$400**

## RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY

As we make plans for this Memorial Day weekend, let us keep in mind those who have made the ultimate sacrifice to keep our country free. Let us sit with our children and grandchildren and remind them, or maybe teach them that freedom is not free. A ride through Pinelawn National Cemetery will bring the truth and enormity about those brave men and women that served to insure that we have the freedom we enjoy today. As we sit in a park or a backyard BBQ or if we head for Jones Beach to catch sight of the Blue Angels, or even drive in to see Fleet Week, let us say a prayer for those who have died, and those serving us today.



Let these inspiring messages be a reminder to remember and honor those who have dedicated their lives to our country this Memorial Day.

*"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter the words, but to live by them." - John F. Kennedy.*

*"No man is entitled to the blessings of freedom unless he be vigilant in its preservation."  
- Gen. Douglas MacArthur*

*"Freedom makes a huge requirement of every human being. With freedom comes responsibility."  
- Eleanor Roosevelt.*

*"Our flag does not fly because the wind moves it. It flies with the last breath of each soldier who died protecting it." - UNKNOWN*

A special "THANK YOU" to our parishioner, Frank De Cicco, who has proudly placed the name of every service man and woman that has given their lives since the towers fell in New York City on September 11, 2001. Large binders hold each of their names, their rank and the day they gave up their lives. As you light a candle and pray in front of the Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, glance over to your left to see the dedication this man has for our military and the memory of each and every hero listed there. *Thank you Frank!*

**Please say a prayer for all those listed in our bulletin who are serving in our Armed Forces today.**

**C**ome and join us as we celebrate the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Catholic Charismatic Conference weekend held at Scranton University in Scranton, Pennsylvania. A bus has been chartered for the conference and will be picking up all interested at Saint Cyril and Methodius Parish in Deer Park and at Our Holy Redeemer in Freeport. Please call Anna Baciaska (516) 776-5750 for registration and transportation information.

Conference dates are August 3-5, 2018. This year's theme is, *"He makes me to lie down in green pastures ... He restores my soul."* Psalm 23: 2-3. Pope Francis has been quoted to say, *"When Jesus enters life, peace arrives, the kind that remains even in trials, in suffering."*



**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.



MAJ Gregory Holownia, US Army	SGT Matthew C. Windisch, USMC
MAJ Erika Holownia, US Army	E3 CORPSMAN Robert Fidnarick, US Navy
SGT Zachary John Sheehy, USMC	1LT Brian Thorpe, US Navy
PVT Travis Ruggiero, US Army	PO3 Joshua Zimmerman, US Navy
SGT Dennis Diesel, USMC	MAJ Brendan McEvoy, US Army
L CPL James Kruper, USMC	SPC Matthew F. Mayerhofer, US Army
SGT Matthew P. Sirianni, US Army	PO3 James Fischer, US Navy
CPT Conor B. Murphy, USMC	LTC John Evans, US Army
CPT Victoria Meyer, US Army Nurse Corp	ABHAA Michael Creagh, US Navy
PO1 John Paul Pedalino II, US Navy	PVT Steven DiPaolo, USMC
CPT Thomas P. Shea, USAF	SSGT Sean V. Oliva, US Army
SGT Michael John Kelly, USMC	2LT Samantha Lopez, US Navy
1LT Brian McGrath, US Army	SSG George Howard, US Army
SPC Matthew Castellano, US Army	LT Mario Lopes, USMC
SGT Michael Patrick Murphy, US Army	PVT Brian Barcavage, US Army
CPL William Corrigan, USMC	CS1 Andrew L. DeMarsico, USN
PFC Salvatore Battiata, USAF	MAJ Thomas E. Mangiamele, US Army
LT Daniel Cloonan, USCG	PVT Edward Morales, US Army
PVT Daniel Kuhlmann, US Army	MAJ Michael F. Wendelken, USAF
LCPL Jonathan M. Gordon, USMC	PVT John Marcel, Jr USMC
2LT Sean O'Donnell, USAF	LCPL Brendan M. White, USMC
A1C Jake DeRossi, USAF	PFC Clint Applegate, US Army
CPT Mike Polan, US Army	CPT Patrick C. Looney USAF
L/CPL Daniel O'Shea, USMC	CPL Ryan O'Keeffe, USMC

**St. Vincent de Paul Society Long Island Celebrates 70th Anniversary**

Luke Smith, the first executive director, established the Society's Central Council in what had been a savings and loan bank on Broadway in Bethpage. The Society grew from a handful of conferences in 1950 to the 161 parish-based conferences today.

In that 70 years of service, thousands of individuals and families throughout Long Island have been helped through practical works of charity: financial aid, free furniture and clothing, spiritual guidance and filing for public assistance.

The St. Martin of Tours Vincentians are able to provide financial assistance to people in need thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, our clergy and the collections taken up at our bi-monthly conference meetings. Prayer is an essential part of the Vincentian activities - before conference meetings and prior to every home visit. The grace that flows through these prayers guides the Vincentians in fulfilling their mission to "*hear the cry of the poor...and respond.*"

**SOMETHING IS BREWING, SO SAVE THE DATES  
SMT COFFEE HOUSE NIGHTS**

**SAINT  
ALPHONSUS  
HALL**



**FRIDAY, JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup> & SATURDAY JUNE 16<sup>TH</sup>  
8:00PM BOTH NIGHTS**

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

**50/50 Raffle**

**FREE WILL DONATION**

**OUR LADY OF MERCY ACADEMY**

Our Lady of Mercy Academy will offer a **summer SAT course** to prepare for the August 25, 2018 test. **Classes will be held July 16-19 and July 23-26 from 10AM to 12Noon for a total of 16 hours at a cost of \$650.\***

The instructor Ms. Jane Evans has been conducting SAT courses for 15 years at OLMA. For more information or to register, please contact Mrs. Theresa Mehern at (516) 921-1047, ext. 110.

*\*Please note that the SAT prep course is not the same as the HS entrance exam prep course.*

**SACRED HEART ACADEMY**

**47 Cathedral Avenue, Hempstead NY 11550**

Sacred Heart Academy is offering a **Catholic High School Entrance Exam Prep Course** on the following dates:

**August 20-24; October 6 & 13, 2018  
8:00AM - 10AM or 10:45AM-12:45PM  
Cost: \$250 includes all materials**

For information and applications,  
please call 516-483-7383 x234

or email  
[sperfetti@sacredheartacademyli.org](mailto:sperfetti@sacredheartacademyli.org)

**Remembering Kay Wilson**

In honor of her memory, Kay's family is having a Mass on **Saturday, June 9th at 11AM**. There will be a reception in St. Alphonsus Hall to follow. All are welcome.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- May 26 & 27: United Veterans Beacon House Collection (see p 7)
- May 28: Memorial Day - No 6:30AM Mass - Rectory is closed.
- May 29: Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30PM Church
- May 29: Holy Hour 3 - 4PM Church
- May 29: Eucharistic Adoration 4 - 7:30PM Eucharistic Chapel
- May 30: Men's Club approx. 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- June 1: First Friday Devotions 7PM Eucharistic Chapel
- June 2: First Saturday Devotions 8:30AM Church
- June 3: K of C & SMT Parish Corpus Christi Procession & Benediction after 5:30PM Mass
- June 4: Holy Face of Jesus Devotions 1PM Church
- June 15 & 16: SMT Coffee House Nights 8PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- June 17: Padre Pio Holy Hour 7:30PM Eucharistic Chapel
- June 22: Regular Book Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall "The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper"

