

Masses For The Week

Monday - August 6 - The Transfiguration of the Lord

6:30 The DiCarlo Family
 9:00 Colleen McNamara

Tuesday - August 7

6:30 Garrone Family
 9:00 Thomas Heltz

Wed. - August 8 - St. Dominic, Priest

6:30 The Keegan Family
 9:00 Dominick P. Livaccari

Thursday - August 9

6:30 Edward Rasmussen
 9:00 The Brace Family

Friday - August 10 - St. Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr

6:30 Honora Rothfuss
 9:00 Maria Puppò

Saturday - August 11 - St. Clare, Virgin

9:00 MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS
 5:00 Lawrence & Rose Territo
 7:00 Anne Pooler

Sunday - August 12 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 The People of the Parish
 8:30 Mary Alice Halloran
 10:00 Frances & Alphonse Mekalainas
 11:30 Anthony J. Musarra
 1:00 Edwin & Kevin Rusch
 5:30 John Torre

Readings For The Week

Mon. Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Mark 9:2-10
 Tues. Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Matt 14:22-36
 Wed. Jeremiah 31:1-7; Matthew 15:21-28
 Thurs. Jeremiah 31:31-34; Matthew 16:13-23
 Fri. 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26
 Sat. Habakkuk 1:12-2:4; Matthew 17:14-20

Sun. 1 Kings 19:4-8 *Elijah grew tired as he walked in the desert. An angel appeared to him and gave him food and drink. After that Elijah walked forty more days to the mountain of the Lord.*

Ephesians 4:30-5:2 *Paul encouraged the Ephesians to replace harsh words with kindness for each other. He wrote, "Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love; as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us."*

John 6:41-51 *Jesus is the bread from heaven. No one can go to the Father except through the Son. Anyone who believes and eats Jesus' bread will have everlasting life.*

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift

Weekly Budgeted: \$17,500.00
7/29/18 Collection: \$17,961.18

Thank you SMT for your generosity!

Reflection & Living Stewardship

The crowd in today's Gospel demanded a sign of Jesus and wanted to know what



"work" He did to inspire their faith.

May our faithful stewardship be a sign to others that we, like the Ephesians in the second reading, have laid aside our former way of life and acquired a "fresh, spiritual way of thinking" in Christ.

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who stand ready to change their lives whenever and wherever God speaks to them.

Charismatic Prayer Group

One of God's greatest gifts is our imagination. We use it for fun, adventure, fantasy, dreams, creativity and ambitions. It costs us nothing to use, never needs recharging, and has no limits. Imagine if you can, where we'd be without our imaginations! It is said that we are created in the image of God. I think that's what our imaginations are, that intangible part of God that He shares only with us. Where does your imagination take you?

Come tell us at our next meeting, Monday August 6 at 7:30PM in the church. Call 516-993-9672 for more information or prayer requests. All are welcome!

HOP Club Winners

7/30/18 #105	Kathleen Matykiewicz	\$25
7/31/18 #144	Betty Ballereau	\$25
8/1/18 #194	Carol & Mike Buffa	\$25
8/2/18 #372	John & Denise Speelman	\$25
8/3/18 #80	Kyle Basilicato	\$50

Wedding Banns

3rd Joseph Gombar & Jessica Beissell



**"Whatever you do for one of these,
the least of my sisters and
brothers, you did it for me."**

This week, the Pantry is low on: sweet cereal, egg noodles, oatmeal, pasta sauce, tomato paste, tuna fish, tomato soup, vegetable soup, macaroni & cheese, canned peaches, mixed fruit, coffee, hot chocolate, brownie mix, sugar, flour, Jell-O, pudding, Rice-a-Roni, juice, diapers (sizes 5 & 6), wipes, tissues, paper towels, napkins and bar soap. We are so grateful for all you do for those in need.

We could use help in the Pantry on Saturdays from 4-6PM receiving food from Whole Foods. If you can help please call 931-7332.

Parish Outreach Food Pantry:

208 Broadway, Bethpage

Phone: 516-931-7332

Monday: 9:30AM - 2:30PM

Thursday: 2:00PM – 7:00PM



*Altar Bread & Wine
Week of August 5 - 11, 2018*

*In Loving Memory of
Farris Wood*

*Sanctuary Candle
Week of August 5 -11, 2018*

*In Loving Memory of
Marcello & Natalia Zadra*



Rest in Peace

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

**Raffaele Mirarchio, Winifred Donoghue
Anthony Salvatore Romano, Irene Mosca
Peter H. Volberg, Jr.
Past Grand Knight, Hartigan Council #5033**

**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 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 & Joyce 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, Brendan Donahoe, Janet Scarpelli, Andrew McCarthy Alicia Manetta, 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, 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, Ed Segretto, Fred Cameron Ryan Westbrook, Donna Strickland, Anthony Clese The Family of Brendan Langhauser, Helen Kurlowicz, Christine Marsiello Michael M. Durante, Sonny D'Ambrosio, Pasquale Patalano Noelle Eichenlaub, Thomas Triola, Keith Ferrara, Marie Mascia Kathleen Preziosi, Noelle Buchner, Margaret DeMarco, Robert Amato, Yvonne McDonnell, Denise Dolan, The Gallagher Family, Henry Hamilton Terry & John Bunker, Margaret Young, Joan Ferraro, John Lazzara Virginia Gala, Anna Tomasello



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

Pastor's Letter

*Jesus said, "Have the people recline."
Now there was a great deal of grass in that place.
So, the men reclined, about five thousand in number.
Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks,
and distributed them to those who were reclining,
and also as much of the fish as they wanted.
When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples,
"Gather the fragments left over,
so that nothing will be wasted."*

I wonder if mothers have a book that they all read to be able to guide their children in the ways of life: some of the standards might be:

- Close the door; do you think we live in a barn!
- Are you going out dressed like that?
- Wait a half hour after you eat before you go in the water. I don't want you to get stomach cramps.
- Don't put that in your mouth! You do not where it has been!
- Wear clean underwear in case you are in an accident.
- You will always be my baby!



I remember how exciting it was to go out to eat with my family when I was a kid. When the bread arrived on the table, especially if it was warm, my sisters and I would plunge into it with great delight, covering it with creamy butter or dipping it into olive oil. Then would come the wisdom of mothers passed down from the time of Adam and Eve, and I would hear: *don't eat too much bread. You will spoil your appetite.*

It is pretty hard for me to spoil my appetite since it has more power than Con Edison. How often I can hear myself saying "I'm starving" a couple hours after dinner. It is hard to be hungry in America. Sadly, there are some genuinely hungry people on our streets and in some pockets of our nation. Last week, we had a fine homily from our visiting priest Father John Phelps CSSR about helping the hungry in other lands. I believe that most people, be they religious or not, are willing to give food and donations to those who are hungry.

One of the outstanding characteristics of our parish is our food pantry that helps people with the generous donations many of you make weekly to the red wagon. No one wants to see people hungry. I have noticed when there are famines in certain poor countries, often Irish relief workers are present. I think this goes back to the dark days of the Irish famine in the 19th century. Here on Long Island we have the great tradition of the late Harry Chapin Food Bank and Long Island Cares that continues to feed the hungry. I have read that the problem in the world is not a lack of food; there is more than enough food to feed the world; the challenge is one of distribution.

Still, very few of us have had the experience of truly suffering from real hunger and we can be thankful to God for that. Today's Gospel is a very familiar one to us and a Scripture that we know well. I have heard more than once in life, a person saying jokingly, Father, if we run out of food, maybe you can imitate Jesus and multiply the hamburgers. I often hear in reference to Cana, when beer is running out, people ask if I can change the water into Budweiser.

The miracle of the loaves and fishes is the only miracle story that is mentioned in all four Gospels. In many of the miracles of the Gospel, someone comes to Jesus and asks for a healing or deliverance from evil. In the case of this account, it is Jesus who initiates the multiplication of the loaves and fish. When Jesus raised his eyes and saw that a large crowd was coming to him, he said to Philip, "*Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?*" Jesus sees the hunger of the people who have been following him. God is a God of abundance. Not only are the people fed, but there are twelve baskets of leftovers. They have seen Jesus heal the sick, raise the dead, walk on water, but after this miracle, the people want to make him king. They want a king who will feed them and protect them from hunger. In the Old Testament God fed the Jewish people in the desert with manna. In our first reading today, there is a foreshadowing of this miracle of the bread and fish: the prophet Elisha feeds 100 people with a few loaves.

But this miracle is about far more than feeding hungry people on a crowded hillside. This account is preparing us for the Last Supper and the gift of the Body and Blood of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. The question I bring to you and to myself is: *Are we hungry for the Eucharist or have we spoiled our appetites?* The church gives us a simple requirement of an hour's fast from food and drink other than water. But I am not talking about physical hunger. *Am I hungry for God in my life?* God is a God of abundance and the gift of the Eucharist is available to us every day and week.



Perhaps, we have gotten so used to this gift, that we take it for granted. If we miss Mass for whatever reason, are we hungry for the meal. I can testify that if I miss a meal, I am hungry. It is hard not to be distracted in prayer at Mass. We have grown accustomed to the prayers. The awe and wonder of God giving himself in this most intimate way is hard to feel at times. Our heads and minds may be filled with a thousand other thoughts.

Yet, the miracle is happening on the altar, and we are being fed with a food that feeds our deepest desires. *This is my body; this is my blood.* Saint Mother Teresa went through her own periods of struggle and darkness in prayer, but she was a woman of the Eucharist. She wrote, *The hunger for love is more difficult to remove than the hunger for bread.*

We pray for the grace to be awakened to the internal hunger for God that is in each one of us, so we can come to this table hungry for Him.

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

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Holy Day of Obligation

Mass Schedule:
Tuesday, August 14th Vigil Mass 7PM
Wednesday, August 15th
6:30AM, 9AM, 12 Noon and 7PM



Are you interested in becoming Catholic, or do you need the Sacraments of Confirmation & Eucharist (Holy Communion)?

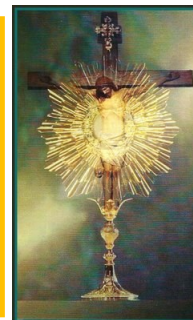
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will start in mid or late September. The process begins as inquiry, so anyone who is interested might want to join us for that and then decide further. **We will have an informal gathering on Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at 7:30PM in St. Alphonsus Hall.** If there are any high school students who have not received the Sacraments, please feel free to attend as I am sure we can help you to be in full communion in our faith.



To reply as to whether you can attend, please call Ann Hughes at 516-433-6972 or leave a message at the rectory at 516-931-0818. We are here for you and for any questions that you might have, and we certainly welcome your interest.

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

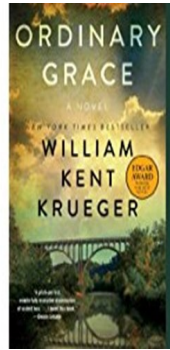
Please check the Upcoming Events for any change to the hours of adoration.



The Lamb's Supper is a very readable and thoughtful book on the Mass. Hahn is a convert to Catholicism, and he brings a very fresh perspective to entering into the gift that Jesus has given us in the Eucharist. The parish was able to obtain a limited number of copies of *The Lamb's Supper*. For \$5 you can purchase one at the parish office. - Father Pat

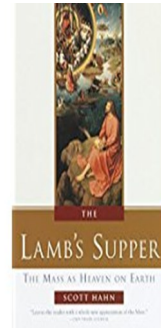
REGULAR BOOK CLUB

Ordinary Grace
 by William Kent Krueger
 Discussion Meeting
 Friday, September 21st
 7:30 p.m.
 St. Alphonsus Hall



SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB

The Lamb's Supper
 by Scott Hahn
 Discussion Meeting Friday,
 September 28th
 7:30 p.m.
 St. Alphonsus Hall



On AUGUST 5th all high school teens are encouraged to help at a soup kitchen. Please contact me at the email below. Thank you all for supporting our ministry as we feed the hungry. We will continue to reach out to the community by having our teens work toward serving those less fortunate.

Diana Hughes, Youth Minister & the Life Teen Core Team
 SMT_lifeteen@yahoo.com

Catholic Charities' Massapequa Park Senior Center located at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Massapequa Park, needs drivers to transport seniors to and from the center; \$16.07 per hour. Call Laura at 516-797-5357. We are an EOE employer.



August 3 - 9, 2018
A candle has been lit for
Mary Szubzda
In honor of St. Anne



It is with great sadness that we learned of the death of Past Grand Knight Peter Volberg, Jr. Peter went home to God on July 27, 2018. He served for many years at the Hartigan Council #5033 of the Knights of Columbus in Bethpage. He was a retired Lieutenant, Highway Patrol, NYPD. Retired Command Sergeant Major, New York Army National Guard.

As a Knight of Columbus and Past Grand Knight, Peter served our parish and our community well, through many works of charity and dedication to his faith. Through his leadership, the Council has supported and participated in our parish picnics, our Church services and dedications, as well as leading us in our Corpus Christi processions, to name a very few. St. Martin of Tours Parish will be forever grateful to him.

Our condolences and prayers go to Peter's wife Angela and family. He was the loving father of Peter (Karen), Thomas (Diane), Terry-Ann (Dan), Ann-Marie Mediavilla (Michael) and Madlyn Singer (John); and devoted grandfather of Thomas, Christopher, Olivia, Julia, Anna Paige, Pilar, Ava, Rebecca and Elizabeth. A funeral mass was held at St. Kilian RC Church Farmingdale; Interment at Saint Charles Cemetery.

May he rest in peace.

VIRTUS CLASS

**ST. MARTIN OF TOURS
ST. ALPHONSUS HALL
38 SEAMAN AVE, BETHPAGE**

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 2018 AT 7PM

**Please register at virtus.org
or on the diocese
home page at drvc.org**

**If you aren't able to register on line,
please call the rectory at 516-931-0818
and someone will help you.**

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

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

Our Parish is very happy and excited to host the ordination of Michael Cunningham, CSsR, to the diaconate on Saturday, August 11th at 11:00AM. A reception will follow in the cafeteria of the school. If you plan on attending the reception, please call the rectory by Monday, August 6th in order to plan the food.

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which could rupture.

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We will be in your neighborhood soon on **FRIDAY 9/14/2018** at

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH AT ST. ALPHONSUS HALL, 38 SEAMAN AVE, BETHPAGE NY 11714

Get your special Community Circle pricing!

Three ways to register:

Call toll-free: 1-866-229-0469

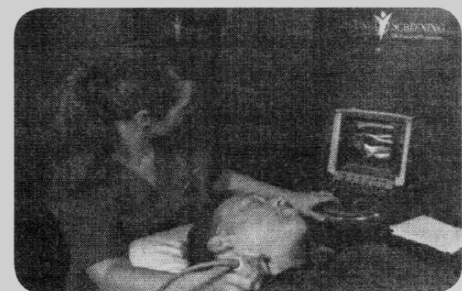
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Feast of St. Pius X

270 Washington Avenue, Plainview NY

August 22 - 26, 2018

Wednesday - Saturday 6PM - 11PM

Sunday 4PM - 10PM

Nightly entertainment, espresso and pastry bar, rides and games, beer and wine bar, chances to win at silent auction, outdoor grill! Pay One Price for all rides. Available every night.

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OPEN MON-SAT 10-6

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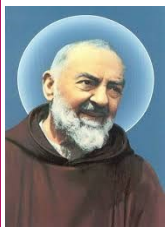
To arrange furniture, clothing, cars and other donated materials for pick-up, please call (516) 746-8250 (Nassau) or 1 800 884-7837 (Suffolk). You can also visit on line at <http://www.svdprvc.org/thrift-stores.html>. Follow the links. St. Vincent de Paul will review your donation request.

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.wmmeli.org>.

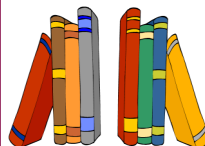
Saint Padre Pio Holy Hour



The next devotion honoring Saint Padre Pio on **Tuesday, August 21st 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.

SMT Parish Block Party

DATE CHANGE: Due to street closings for town events,
we have changed the date to

Friday, September 14th starting 6PM

Food - Family - Fun

We are looking for raffle prizes and welcome:

gift cards, baskets of cheer, tickets to sporting events (even Yankee tickets are accepted), or theatre tickets. (Pictures of Hamilton, Grant and Franklin are also welcome - even George Washington!) Please drop off donations at the rectory.

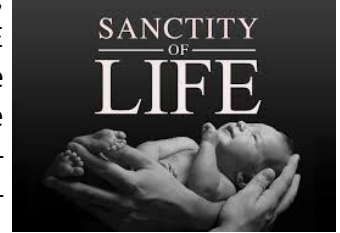
If you would like to help with the block party, please contact Father Pat at woodscsr@aol.com or call the rectory at 931-0818.



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CREATES RELIGIOUS LIBERTY TASK FORCE: Washington D.C. Jul. 31, 2018

CNA/EWTN News: The announcement of a RELIGIOUS LIBERTY TASK FORCE being created at the Department of Justice drew praise from Archbishop Joseph Kurtz of Louisville, who said that RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IS VITAL TO THE COMMON GOOD OF THE U.S. "As Americans we intuitively understand that individuals should be free to live in accordance with what they believe to be true, that is, in accordance with one's conscience." said Kurtz, who chairs the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' religious liberty committee. Kurtz spoke July 30 at a Religious Liberty Summit hosted by the Department of Justice.



At the summit, Attorney General Jeff Sessions announced the creation of the NEW TASK FORCE, saying it "will help the Department fully implement our religious liberty guidance by enduring that all Justice Department components are upholding that guidance in the cases they bring and defend, the arguments they make in court, the policies and regulations they adopt, and how we conduct our operations." Sessions warned that "A DANGEROUS MOVEMENT, UNDETECTED BY MANY, IS NOW CHALLENGING AND ERODING OUR GREAT TRADITION OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM."

VICE PRESIDENT PENCE: "U.S. STANDS FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM, YESTERDAY, TODAY AND ALWAYS." Addressing the Ministerial to Advance Religious Freedom, Vice President Pence redoubled the administration's commitment to what he called the FIRST FREEDOM and announced two initiatives to support the right to religious freedom worldwide. "When religious liberty is denied or destroyed," Pence said, "we know that OTHER FREEDOMS - FREEDOM OF SPEECH, PRESS, ASSEMBLY and even DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS THEMSELVES - are IMPERILED. That's why the United States stands for religious freedom, yesterday, today and always!"

The ministerial meeting brought together leaders from government, religion and civil society for 3 days to discuss challenges to religious freedom and promote greater respect for religious freedom for all. Victims of religious persecution from around the world shared their stories.

Two initiatives that Vice President Pence unveiled: The Genocide Recovery and Persecution Response Program and The International Religious Freedom Fund. source: <https://share.america.gov/pence-us-stands-for-religious-freedom-always/>

MORE INFORMATION ON: LIFE MATTERS: RELIGIOUS LIBERTY AND THE AMERICAN SOUL:

Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities. USCCB. 3211 Fourth Street NE, Washington, DC 20017-1194. Tel: (201) 541-3070 Website: www.usccb.org/prolife.

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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
 MAJ Erika Holownia, US Army
 SGT Zachary John Sheehy, USMC
 PVT Travis Ruggiero, US Army
 SGT Dennis Diesel, USMC
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 1LT Brian McGrath, US Army
 SPC Matthew Castellano, US Army
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 CPL William Corrigan, USMC
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 PVT Daniel Kuhlmann, US Army
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 A1C Jake DeRossi, USAF
 CPT Mike Polan, US Army
 L/CPL Daniel O'Shea, USMC

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 1LT Brian Thorpe, US Navy
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 SPC Matthew F. Mayerhofer, US Army
 PO3 James Fischer, US Navy
 LTC John Evans, US Army
 ABHAA Michael Creagh, US Navy
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 SSGT Sean V. Oliva, US Army
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 PVT Edward Morales, US Army
 MAJ Michael F. Wendelken, USAF
 PVT John Marcel, Jr USMC
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 PFC Clint Applegate, US Army
 CPT Patrick C. Looney USAF
 CPL Ryan O'Keeffe, USMC



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 a 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.

Help Our Parish Club (H.O.P.)

Current members please look for your renewal letter in the mail in a few weeks. The HOP Club is still \$60 per year. The fiscal year begins September 1st to August 31st with weekly cash prizes. The proceeds are used to support the operating costs of the parish.

New members are always welcome to join. Just send your name, address and phone number along with \$60 check payable to St. Martin of Tours HOP Club, 40 Seaman Ave., Bethpage NY 11714.

FORMED

Formed is an online program that gives people the opportunity to view a great variety of spiritual materials including, movies, books, audio talks, programs on a great many spiritual topics by some of the great Catholic speakers and writers of our time. 80 parishes signed up for Formed since it has so much to offer. Due to a large grant from someone in the diocese, the parishes were able to enter into this program, that some have called a Catholic Netflix, at the recommendation of Bishop Barres. We will be promoting it in September, but if you want to sign up now on your computer, iPad, tablet, or smart phone, it is rather user friendly. I think this program has much to offer. There is no charge for signing up.

Password: at least 8 digits long, include 1 number and one special character or you can use as a password **Formed18!**

Go to www.formed.org ENTER CODE: T36PWQ St. Martins

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Do you worship at St. Martin of Tours, but are not registered? You can do any one of the following:

- Go to www.smtbethpage.org. Click "Contact" on the left side of the home page. You will see a link to the parish registration form.
- Stop by the rectory office and ask for a registration form.
- Call the rectory office at 931-0818 and ask to have a form mailed to you.

Be sure to check off that you would like envelopes mailed to your address. This is a good way to not only support the parish, but also for tax purposes.

You are more than welcome to call the rectory with any questions or concerns or to speak to one of our priests. The staff is very happy to help!



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Aug 6: Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30PM Church
- Aug 6: Holy Face of Jesus Devotions 1PM Church
- Aug 7: Eucharistic Adoration 3-7:30PM Eucharistic Chapel
- Aug 11: Diaconate Ordination of Michael Cunningham, CSSR 11AM Church
Followed by luncheon in the Cafeteria
- Aug 15: Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Aug 20-24: Bible Camp Week
- Aug 21: St. Padre Pio Holy Hour 7PM Eucharistic Chapel
- Aug 23: VIRTUS Class 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Sept 4: Christian Mothers Rosary Confraternity Gift Swap Meeting
- **Sept 14: Parish Block Party 6PM School Parking Lot (NEW DATE)**
- Sept 24: Regular Book Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Sept 28: Spiritual Book Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall

