

Masses For The Week

- Monday - September 17 - St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop**
 6:30 Elaine & George Fryer
 9:00 Rose Fiori
- Tuesday - September 18**
 6:30 Henry & Patricia Murray
 9:00 Deceased Members of the Drew Family
- Wed. - September 19**
 6:30 Vincent Binchiani
 9:00 Charles "Chip" Harvey
- Thursday - September 20 - St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Mrtys**
 6:30 Patrick J. Hayden, IV
 9:00 Helen D'Angelo
- Friday - September 21 - St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist**
 6:30 Joseph Cascini
 9:00 Salvatore Sciamè
- Saturday - September 22**
 9:00 MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS
 5:00 Thomas Trappasse
 7:00 Salvatore Portelli
- Sunday - September 23 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 7:00 The People of the Parish
 8:30 Elizabeth Maggi
 10:00 Robert Preziosi, John Lynch, Pete Casey
 11:30 John & Antonio Burburan, Paul Daly & Pepi Family
 1:00 Leahy & Cahillaine Family
 5:30 Vincent Graziano

Readings For The Week

- Mon. 1 Corinthians 11:17-26, 33; Luke 7:1-10
 Tues. 1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27-31a; Luke 7:11-17
 Wed. 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 7:31-35
 Thurs. 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 7:36-50
 Fri. Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:9-13
 Sat. 1 Corinthians 15:35-37, 42-49; Luke 8:4-15
Sun. Wisdom 2:12, 17-20 *The wicked plotted to condemn the just one to death saying, "Let us condemn him to a shameful death."*

James 3:16-4:3 *Wars and conflicts arise because of envy; "The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace."*

Mark 9:30-37 *Jesus said, "The Son of Man is to be handed over...If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the...servant of all."*

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift

Weekly Budgeted: \$17,500.00
 9/9/18 Collection: \$15,716.36
 Catholic University: \$2,968.00

Thank you SMT for your generosity!

Father Joy Poonoly, C.Ss.R., the Provincial Superior in Liguori Province, Karala, India wrote to his confreres here at St. Martin and parishioners. In part this is what his thank you letter said:

"Greetings to you after the enormous floods and destruction that all of us experienced in the history of Kerala, India during the third week of August! Father Ciya had written to me that you took a collection for us in the parish and you raised \$4,100. While visiting the houses, we have learnt that most of the people lost their mattresses. Therefore, we have decided to buy mattresses and give to the flood victims. I assure you of our prayers and care. May God bless you all!"

Reflection & Living Stewardship



In the second reading today, St. James has harsh words for those who do not put their faith into actions. May we be such good stewards of God's gifts to us that we can never be accused of having "faith that does nothing in practice." We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who put their faith into action by using their gifts freely in support of our parish ministries and community activities.

Charismatic Prayer Group

We are taking a road trip! Our next meeting will be Monday, September 17th at 7:30PM at Maria Regina Church, Jerusalem Avenue, Seaford. All are welcome! Call 516-993-9672 for more information or prayer requests.

HOP Club Winners

9/10/18	#487	Jean Davenport	\$25
9/11/18	#325	Edmund Rahl	\$25
9/12/18	#188	Rosemarie & John Stauber	\$25
9/13/18	#382	Peggy & Ray Sobier	\$25
9/14/18	#459	Linda Ross	\$50



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

Wedding Banns

2nd Thomas Scherer & Angela Sposato
 1st Stephen White & Gabrielle Westermann
 1st Alain Vispo & Jillian Diognardi



**"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: mashed potatoes, corn, carrots, tomato paste, tomato sauce, tomato soup, vegetable soup, lentils, oatmeal, evaporated milk, juice, mayonnaise, sugar, cookies, crackers, icing, paper towels, bar soap, tissues, napkins, diapers (size 5 & 6) and baby wipes.

Thank you for all you do for those in need. Thanks to your help, we were able to serve 423 people from 73 Individual families.

Parish Outreach Food Pantry:

208 Broadway, Bethpage
 Phone: 516-931-7332
 Monday: 9:30AM - 2:30PM
 Thursday: 2:00PM - 7:00PM

HELP WANTED: On Saturdays to go to Whole Foods and pick up donations for the Pantry. We could use a substitute for when our regular team members are ill or on vacation. If interested, please, call the Pantry at 516 931-7332.



Altar Bread & Wine
 Week of September 16-22, 2018
 In Loving Memory of
 Frank Dillon

Sanctuary Candle
 Week of September 16-22, 2018
 In Loving Memory of
 DiLeva & Mattariello Families



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 Gratten, 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 Carminate
 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 Baciуска 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
 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, Fr. Paul Woods
 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, Valerie Haberly
 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
 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, Karen Murphy, Catherine Comiskey, Diana Hart Mirando

Rest in Peace

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

**James P. Leddy, Vincent J. Falcone
 Rosemarie I. Ferraro, Thomas Doty, III
 Theresa Candito**



The Pastor's Letter

And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"— that is, "Be opened!" And immediately the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly. Mark 7:31-37

I remember when I had my aortic aneurysm surgery many years ago, one of my worst fears going into the surgery was the concern that I might lose my hearing. A friend of mine had bypass surgery and suffered some hearing loss afterwards. When my sister spoke to me in the recovery room and I could hear her, I was so grateful to God. Lately, I find myself saying, "*what did you say?*" more often than I used to. Some people whisper in the confessional and I am somewhat reluctant to ask them to speak up so perhaps my confessional line will grow if people discover this.

I am not eager to get my hearing tested, but I know it is coming soon. I have heard it said that losing your hearing can even be more difficult than losing your sight. I do find that hard to believe but the loss of hearing is painfully frustrating for those who experience it. I only lost my ability to speak once when I was struck by a case of laryngitis. I went to the pharmacist and struggled to ask what I could do for it. He said the best cure was to stop talking. I told him I could not do that since I was a priest. He smiled and said to give the people a break by not giving a homily. But not being able to speak is not a laughing matter. I have met people who are in deep frustration due a stroke and can't speak what they wish to say, or others who were born with a speech limitation. We can thank God for the gift of American Sign Language (ASL) and those who teach this wonderful path of communication.

In the Gospel today, Jesus has been on a long trip and, according to scholars who know the geography of that text, he took a very roundabout way to get where he was going. He went from the town of Tyre, to the town of Sidon, to the Sea of Galilee and then to the district called the Decapolis since it was a series of ten small towns. We might ask if Jesus needed a GPS! Our Lord seems to be going out of the area that would have been the heart of the Jewish people, and walking the edges of the borders where there were non-believers and Gentiles. This shows that Jesus is bringing the Chosen People, the Jews, to a consciousness that the good news of salvation is not only for them, but for *all* people.

When Jesus works a miracle, there are often two realities going on at the same time. The first is what is literally happening and being experienced by the individual and those observing it, and then there is often a deeper symbolic meaning that is given to teach us deeper message – almost like a parable or drama in action. So, a deaf man is brought to Jesus; he is most likely a Gentile. He is both deaf and mute. Some people, perhaps his family, bring him to the Lord since they have heard he is a "wonder worker." Notice that it is not just the man seeking the miracle. We are told *they begged him to lay his hands on him*. We often find healing and strength in community and not by ourselves. The Gospel tells us that Jesus spits and then touched the ears and tongue of the man and said the Aramaic word "*Ephphatha!*"— That is, "*Be opened!*" And the man was healed.

We may be shocked by the Lord's spitting, but I must confess anytime I have ever been cut, I immediately put the wound to my mouth. This was an ancient form of healing. There is a rite in the baptismal ceremony called the *Ephphatha* where the baptizing priest or deacon gently touches the mouth and ears of the baby and says: *The Lord Jesus made the deaf hear and the mute speak. May he soon touch your ears to receive his word, and your mouth to proclaim his faith, to the praise and glory of God the Father.* Hearing and Speaking. There is no spitting I am happy to say.

Have you ever said, any of the following statements?

- There is nothing you can say that will change my mind.
- Shut up!
- Not now, I am busy. You can talk to me later.
- Who cares what you think!
- I know what you're going to say.
- You think that's important; listen to what happened to me.
- How can you say that to me?
- I am not interested in what you have to say.

Perhaps we might ask the Lord to touch our ears and help us listen to one another. In our culture today, so much communication (if we can call it that) is done online or by text. I use them both, but all of us need the experience of being truly heard, especially by our family and friends. We may not agree with them, but being a good listener is a skill. We need to open our ears and hearts to hear one another.

Have you ever done any of the following?

- Gossiped. If you answer no to this, let me propose you for canonization.
- How about detraction: speaking badly about another but saying, *it is the truth so it is okay.*
- How about sarcasm, negativity, biting criticism, temper explosions, blasphemy, or maybe worst of all, the silent treatment.

Speech is a gift that is easily misused and we can pray to use this gift well. I invite you to touch your mouth and your ear as I say these words from the baptismal rite:

The Lord Jesus made the deaf hear and the mute speak. May he soon touch your ears to receive his word, and your mouth to proclaim his faith, to the praise and glory of God the Father.

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

This Sunday, September 16th is Catechetical Sunday. At the 10AM Mass we will have recognition of all catechists, helpers and monitors and ask the Holy Spirit to bless and guide them as they teach our children the faith. We pray for Pat Ryan and Laura Leigh Agnese, our religious education coordinators, and thank them for their dedication and hard work. God bless you all! - Father Pat, CSsR



Ancient Order of Hibernians in America



The "AOH Division 15 Fiftieth Anniversary Dinner Dance"
 Saturday, September 22, 2018, 7PM - 12AM
 Hartigan Manor, 519 Central Avenue, Bethpage NY 11714 - \$75 per person

Cocktail hour, followed by a sit-down dinner. Open bar included. Entertainment provided by Harpers Ferry and performances by the Inishfree Irish Step Dancers and the Tara Pipes and Drums. 50/50 raffle sold at the dance and any Friday night at the Hall. NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR. Send your payment in early to any one of the dance co-chairs:

Jim Wall, 300 First Ave.
 Massapequa Park 11762
 516 220-0976

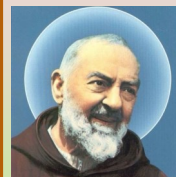
John Nolan, 3398 Lufberry Ave.
 Wantagh 11793
 516 650-1437

Mike Greene, 143 N Linden St.
 Massapequa 11758
 516 798-0460

The Diocese of Rockville Centre GOLDEN WEDDING LITURGY HONORING COUPLES MARRIED FIFTY YEARS OR MORE

The liturgy will be celebrated on Sunday, October 21, 2018 at the Church of Christ the King in Commack. Mass will begin at 2:30PM. Please either call 931-0818 or come by the rectory office to register. Registration must be received by October 12th. If you have any questions that the rectory office can't help you with, please call Suzanne at 516-678-5800 ext. 207.

St. Padre Pio Holy Hour



Please join us on Tuesday, September 18th at 7:30 in the Eucharistic Chapel for the Padre Pio Holy Hour.

His first and second class relics will be venerated.

Liturgical Ministry Training

Please consider becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. St. Martin's is in need of more parishioners to volunteer for this extremely vital ministry. Pray to the Holy Spirit for guidance and discernment. Thank you!

SESSION A: Required for all Extraordinary Ministers and must be taken before Session B.

SESSION B: In addition to Session A for those who minister in hospitals, nursing homes or to the homebound.

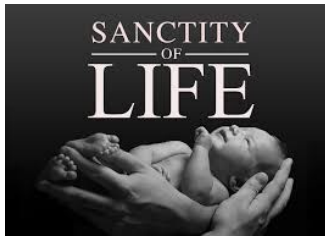
The pastor must send a letter to Bishop Barres requesting the training for each person attending. Please be sure to write to Father Pat stating your desire to become an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. In your letter please stipulate if you wish to serve in church only (Session A) or if you would like to serve in hospitals, nursing homes or the homebound (Sessions A & B). Also state the date(s) you plan to attend training. See choices below.

SESSION A: FOR ALL EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

NASSAU - OCTOBER 27, 2018 - ST. AGNES PARISH CENTER, ROCKVILLE CENTRE 9AM - 1PM
 SUFFOLK - OCTOBER 6, 2018 - ST. ROSALIE, HAMPTON BAYS 9AM - 1PM
 EVENING - OCTOBER 15, 2018 - ST. ELIZABETH, MELVILLE 7PM - 10PM

SESSION B: FOR HOSPITALS, NURSING HOMES, HOMEBOUND MINISTERS

NASSAU - NOVEMBER 3, 2018 - ST. AGNES PARISH CENTER, ROCKVILLE CENTRE 9AM - 1PM
 SUFFOLK - OCTOBER 13, 2018 - ST. ROSALIE, HAMPTON BAYS 9AM - 1PM
 EVENING - OCTOBER 22, 2018 - ST. ELIZABETH, MELVILLE 7PM - 10PM



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

We are cherished, chosen, and sent by God to love one another as he loves us. In doing so, we help build a culture that cherishes all human life. Building a culture of life is simply part of who we are as Christians - as followers of Christ.

OCTOBER 7, 2018 - RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY: There will be a table in the gathering area at all masses with free pamphlets, handouts and general information pertaining to all stages of life, from conception to natural death. Please stop by and take home any information of interest. There will also be a fetal display, a poster with pictures and a thank you letter from the Life Center for your generous participation in the May baby shower. Take a peek; your picture might be there!

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY - STAND UP FOR LIFE: Long Island Coalition for Life sponsors: Sunday, October 7, 2018 from 2 - 3:30PM (rain or shine) Huntington, Rt. 110 & Rt. 25. Contact Jack at 516 724-6821. Come stand with us in peaceful prayer. Signs will be available.

OCTOBER 13 & 14: BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN FOR THE LIFE CENTER OF LI: There will be speakers at each mass and available for any questions. Baby bottles will be placed at all exits of the church. We are thankful to Father Pat and SMT for welcoming us each year.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24 AT 3:00PM IN THE CHURCH: Rosary and Adoration for Life hosted by Father Pat. St. Martin's has joined the DRVC to join with two other churches for times available for prayer and participation in this holy hour.

RESPECT LIFE YOUTH CONTEST: Contest Theme: every life - cherished - chosen - sent. September 1 to January 25 for all students grades 7 – 12. Categories are: poetry, essay, photography, bookmark design, music, video design. Mural for life and student/senior video interview. Cash prizes. Registration forms will be available at the school or at <http://www.respectlife@drcv.org>.

Continue to take action on public policy matters in NYS through the New York State Catholic Conference's Action Network (CAN): oppose late-term abortion expansion; maintain the ban on surrogacy; tell Congress to reinstate DACA; take action on legislative issues through the National Committee for a Human Life Amendment (NCHLA); Express disappointment to congress about its failure to enact the Conscience Protection Act; Assisted suicide is not healthcare. <http://www.lifeaction.org> Human Life Action (HLA) Contact Congress: US Senators and US Representatives. Facebook or twitter.

LIFE ISSUES FORUM USCCB FACT SHEET: Http://www.usccb/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/abortion/upload/roe-v-wade-q-s-a-s_final_2018.pdg.

DRVC RESPECT LIFE OFFICE INFORMATION: Allison O'Brien, Director, 50 No. Park Avenue (516) 536- 3473. Rockville Centre NY 11570 Phone: (516)678-5800 exts. 626 & 381. www.respectlife@drcv.org.

THE RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE will be holding its monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 26th at 11AM in St. Alphonsus Hall. If you are interested in becoming a part of this life affirming ministry, please stop by for coffee and a donut. We are more than a committee - we are a family.

PASTOR'S PERMISSION REQUIRED

Last Sunday, I had the 5:30PM Mass, and it came to my attention that there were small pamphlets in the pews entitled *Modesty in Dress*. After checking with my fellow priests, I came to understand that it was also in the pews for other Masses. I was quite disappointed to discover this since I had no knowledge of this being done, and had given no one the authority to do so.

Please see me before putting anything on the information table, in the pews or on the church bulletin boards. All materials, no matter how informative, must have permission from the pastor. ***Thank you, Father Pat***

Several years ago while I was at a bagpipe concert, this poem was read, and I found it very moving. It is certainly about the terror attacks on 9/11/2001, but I think it is also helpful for anyone who has had a loss in their lives. I read it at our September 11th Mass this year and several people asked me to put it in the bulletin.

If They Could Speak by Roseanne Pellicane

Yes, life is different now but remember when it was beautiful? Well, it will be again, but not the same. The wounds will heal, your tears will dry and though scars remain, I know you are strong enough to live through the pain.

Do not grieve and linger in the shadows of graves. Go out into the sunshine and tell everyone that I was here. Let our enemy know that when we were together we lived and worked and loved. And though I am gone, you will carry on for me because you must.

Tell my family how much I loved them and still do. Remember the good we shared, the life we created, and walk forward with noble dreams. God can't fill a shattered heart or a clenched fist. Let fear die and let love flow again like a river.

So as the smoke rises high above the ash, gather all your strength and rebuild something new, something better. It's not impossible. It's essential. It's what I would do for you. Just one last thing, surely you must know, I never wanted to leave you. I was captured by fate, escorted by angels. And though you might feel you are alone, you are not and neither am I...Love always.

THE PILGRIM VIRGIN

There is a beautiful statue of Our Lady of Fatima in our midst. For many years Helen Kurlowicz has taken care of the statue and brought her to many homes to spend a week with the families.

We are now in need of a custodian to transport the statue to the homes of those wanting a week or a month with Our Lady as well as bring the statue to church on special Marian feast days. Anyone interested in helping, please call Sheila Regan at 516-396-1471.



**Diocese of Rockville Centre Charismatic Renewal
Register Now at www.drvc.org/renewal**

SAVE THE DATE: NIGHTS OF PRAISE

- Monday, October 29th at St. Francis of Assisi in Greenlawn 7:30PM
- Thursday, November 15th at St. John Nepomucene in Bohemia 7:30PM

Visit our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/Charismatic-Renewal-of-the-Diocese-of-Rockville-Centre-129030877761036/>

**Our Lady of Mercy CYO Track
2018-2019 REGISTRATION**

The mission of the Our Lady of Mercy CYO Track Program is to provide a fun, relaxed environment where boys and girls, kindergarten through 8th grade, can learn the basics of track and field while also developing sportsmanship and teamwork skills. No experience required.

- We offer fall, winter, and spring track
- Fall season runs from mid-September through October
- Winter track is indoors during February and March
- Spring season is our largest, running from April through June
- Track meets are held on weekends at track facilities throughout Nassau/Suffolk
- At the conclusion of the season, we hold our annual awards night in June



For registration and additional information about the program, contact Kelly at ourladyofmercytrack@gmail.com. Registration deadline is September 20th.

**Next Virtus Class at
St. Martin of Tours, Bethpage
Thursday, September 20th at 7PM
St. Alphonsus Parish Hall**

All those who wish to volunteer in any capacity in the Diocese of Rockville Centre must attend. To register online, go to drvc.org, click on Virtus found on their home page and follow the directions. Should you have a problem, please call our rectory office at 516-931-0818 and you will be directed to someone that can help.

**CHRISTIAN MOTHERS ROSARY CONFRATERNITY
Meeting Tuesday, October 2, 2018**

CMRC's October meeting will be held in St. Alphonsus Hall at 7:00PM. Rosary and CMRC prayers will be followed by Investiture of New Members. There will be a talk on fire prevention.

If you would like to become a member, please call Mary Colavolpe at 495-4408. All women are welcome!

Catholic Charities' Wantagh Senior Center located at the Church of St. Jude, Wantagh, needs CDL drivers to transport seniors to and from the center; \$16.41 per hour. Call Laura @ 516-797-5357 or Mary Ann @ 516-733-7051. We are an EOE employer.

Blessing of the Animals

In honor of Saint Francis of Assisi, we will have the blessing of animals on **Sunday, October 7th at 2:15PM in the prayer garden** located off the school parking lot. We ask the Father to bless all His creatures great and small!



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



Eucharistic Adoration

EVERY TUESDAY 3PM - 7:30PM
 in the Eucharistic Chapel

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

LIFE TEEN will soon be starting up with their Life Nights after the 5:30PM Mass. Our schedule is:

- **SUNDAY, SEPT. 16TH: 8th GRADERS**, after the 5:30 Mass, please sign up for community service projects in the school cafeteria in preparation for confirmation.
- **SUNDAY, SEPT. 23RD: KICK OFF!** We will begin another year of Life Nights for all high school teens. We are planning a great year ahead. Come to the 5:30PM Mass followed by the opening Life Night.
- **THURSDAY, SEPT. 27TH:** We will be making sandwiches for the homeless in the school cafeteria at 7PM. This is a great opportunity for 8th Graders to put in community service time for those less fortunate.



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

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS OPEN HOUSES
 YOU ARE INVITED TO EXPLORE THE BENEFITS OF A CATHOLIC H. S. EDUCATION
 PLEASE FEEL FREE TO VISIT OUR SCHOOLS DURING THE TIMES AND DATES BELOW.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
<u>SEPTEMBER 2018</u>		
SATURDAY 22	11AM-1:30PM	OUR LADY OF MERCY ACADEMY
SATURDAY 29	10AM-1:00PM	SACRED HEART ACADEMY
SUNDAY 30	10AM-1:00PM	ST. ANTHONY'S H.S.
<u>OCTOBER 2018</u>		
SATURDAY 13	10AM-1:00PM	KELLENBERG MEMORIAL H.S.
	2PM - 4PM	CHAMINADE H.S.
SUNDAY 14	2PM - 4:30PM	ST. MARY'S H.S.
SATURDAY 20	11AM - 2PM	HOLY TRINITY DIOC. H.S.
SUNDAY 21	10AM - 1:00PM	ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST DIOC. H.S.
	1:00PM - 3:30PM	ST. DOMINIC H.S.



ST. MARTIN OF TOURS RELIGIOUS ED AUTUMN CRAFT FAIR

SATURDAY OCTOBER 27, 2018
10AM - 5PM SCHOOL CAFETERIA

Vendors Wanted - \$25 per table

(table & chairs provided)

Vendors, please email

smtcraftfair@gmail.com to reserve a table

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS NEEDED

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



THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL LONG ISLAND PRESENTS...

THE 10TH ANNUAL FRIENDS OF THE POOR®
5K WALK/RUN

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2018
BETHPAGE COMMUNITY PARK
7:30 AM CHECK-IN OPENS / 9 AM RUN/WALK
WWW.RUNSIGNUP.COM

**HAND IN HAND,
HEART TO HEART,
HOPE ON THE MOVE.** EACH STEP BRINGS HOPE TO FAMILIES IN POVERTY.

FOR QUESTIONS, CALL (516) 822-3132

St. Vincent de Paul volunteers will be in the gathering area THIS weekend, September 15 & 16. Be a walker or runner sponsored by your family and friends or sponsor one of our Vincentian walkers or runners.

There are also brochures to sign up or contribute in the gathering area. Make checks payable to St. Martin of Tours/SVdP Conf. You can also register online: runsignup.com. Every dollar raised through the FRIENDS OF THE POOR 5K WALK/RUN will be used locally to help a neighbor who has fallen on hard times. On behalf of the Vincentians and the people we serve, thank you and may God bless you for your generosity.

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



Sept 14-20, 2018
A candle has been lit for
Mildred D'Erasmus
In honor of St. Anne

LIVING WATERS CATHOLIC COUNSELING

www.livingwaterscounseling.biz

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

Pro Bikers for Life

40 Days for Life

(flyers on the info table in Gathering Area)

Pro Bikers for Life will be sponsoring a 40 Days for Life campaign on Long Island - September 22nd through November 4th. Join us and other Christians in peacefully praying for the unborn outside Planned Parenthood, 540 Fulton Ave, Hempstead. 7 days a week betw 7AM & 5PM.

Opening Mass at St. Ladislaus Catholic Church
Saturday, Sept 22 at 9AM

Please call the rectory office at 931-0818 if you are looking for someone to work as a companion for a loved one who is homebound. The rectory will supply the contact information.

Thank you, Fr. Pat

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

St. Vincent de Paul Store Locations:

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

(enter New Hyde Park if you use GPS)

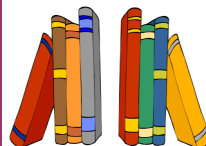
OPEN MON-SAT 10-6

1705 Jericho Turnpike, Huntington NY
(631) 858-0380 OPEN MON-SAT 10-6

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.

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.



***WHO DO WE WANT?.... YOU!
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!***

***WHAT DO WE WANT?
TO SHARE GOOD FOOD
A VIDEO & DISCUSSION***

***ABOUT WHAT?
LIFE, FAITH, AND GOD***

ALPHA ASKS YOU TO CONSIDER BEING PART OF THIS JOURNEY. BRING A FRIEND OR FRIENDS. WANT MORE IN YOUR LIFE? NEED TO ASK SOME QUESTIONS? UNSURE ABOUT GOD IN YOUR LIFE?

IN A WORLD THAT IS LOOKING FOR MORE THAN WHAT IS, ALPHA ASKS YOU TO JOURNEY WITH US.

NO NEED TO KNOCK - OUR DOOR IS ALREADY OPEN TO WELCOME EVERYONE.

Beginning: September 27th at 700 p.m.

**For more information or to register:
contact woodscssr@aol.com
or call 516 931-0818**



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
 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
 CPL William Corrigan, USMC
 PFC Salvatore Battiata, USAF
 LT Daniel Cloonan, USCG
 PVT Daniel Kuhlmann, US Army
 LCPL Jonathan M. Gordon, USMC
 2LT Sean O'Donnell, USAF
 A1C Jake DeRossi, USAF
 CPT Mike Polan, US Army
 L/CPL Daniel O'Shea, USMC

SGT Matthew C. Windisch, USMC
 E3 CORPSMAN Robert Fidnarick, US Navy
 1LT Brian Thorpe, US Navy
 PO3 Joshua Zimmerman, US Navy
 MAJ Brendan McEvoy, US Army
 SPC Matthew F. Mayerhofer, US Army
 PO3 James Fischer, US Navy
 LTC John Evans, US Army
 ABHAA Michael Creagh, US Navy
 PVT Steven DiPaolo, USMC
 SSGT Sean V. Oliva, US Army
 2LT Samantha Lopez, US Navy
 SSG George Howard, US Army
 LT Mario Lopes, USMC
 PVT Brian Barcavage, US Army
 CS1 Andrew L. DeMarsico, USN
 MAJ Thomas E. Mangiamele, US Army
 PVT Edward Morales, US Army
 MAJ Michael F. Wendelken, USAF
 PVT John Marcel, Jr USMC
 LCPL Brendan M. White, USMC
 PFC Clint Applegate, US Army
 CPT Patrick C. Looney USAF
 CPL Ryan O'Keeffe, USMC



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.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace. Find peace in your marriage 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 <https://wwmenyli.org/>.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept 17: Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30PM at Maria Regina, Seaford
- Sept 18: Eucharistic Adoration 3PM - 7:30PM Eucharistic Chapel
- Sept 18: St. Padre Pio Holy Hour 7:30PM Eucharistic Chapel
- Sept 21: Regular Book Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Sept 25: Holy Hour 3PM Church
- Sept 25: Eucharistic Adoration 4PM - 7:30PM Eucharistic Chapel
- Sept 28: Spiritual Book Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Sept 27: ALPHA begins 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Sept 29 & 30: Knights of Columbus Charity & Benevolent Raffle and Membership Drive
- Oct 1: Holy Face Devotions 1PM Church
- Oct 2: Christian Mothers General Meeting 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Oct 5: First Friday Devotions 7PM Eucharistic Chapel
- Oct 6: First Saturday Devotions 8:30AM Church
- Oct 7: Blessing of the Animals 2:15PM by the Prayer Garden
- Oct 8: Columbus Day No 6:30AM Mass. Rectory Office is Closed
- Oct 13 & 14: Baby Bottle Campaign
- Nov 13: Christian Mothers Thanksgiving Feast Sharing Table 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall

