

Masses For The Week

Monday - January 14

6:30 Kurt Adam
9:00 Martin Barry

Tuesday - January 15

6:30 Marty Laraia
9:00 Michael F. Maley

Wednesday - January 16

6:30 Karen Ann Adkins
9:00 Margaret Drew Barry

Thursday - January 17

6:30 Vincent Mangiamele
9:00 Pat & Bill Rochford, Wedding Anniversary

Friday - January 18

6:30 Margaret W. Taylor
9:00 Eileen Grubb

Saturday - January 19

9:00 MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS
5:00 Anthony Muller
7:00 Maggio, Montana & Crème Family

Sunday - January 20 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 The People of the Parish
8:30 Ralph & Joann Isernia, 50th Wedding Anniversary
10:00 Mary Tierney
11:30 Michael Degervos
1:00 Anthony Romano
5:30 Antonino Orlando

Readings For The Week

Mon. Hebrews 1:1-6; Mark 1:14-20
Tues. Hebrews 2:5-12; Mark 1:21-28
Wed. Hebrews 2:14-18; Mark 1:29-39
Thurs. Hebrews 3:7-14; Mark 1:40-45
Fri. Hebrews 4:1-5, 11; Mark 2:1-12
Sat. Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 2:13-17

Sun. *Isaiah 62:1-5* *Isaiah proclaims that the Lord rejoices in his people, that they shall be called "My Delight," and their land, "Espoused."*

1 Corinthians 12:4-11 *Our gifts are distributed by the Holy Spirit - some given wisdom, another knowledge, still others the gifts of healing or of tongues. But one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes.*

John 2:1-11 *At the wedding feast at Cana, after the mother of Jesus told him that they ran out of wine, she said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."*



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

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift

Weekly Budget: \$17,500.00

Jan 1, 2019: \$3,433.00

Jan 6, 2019: \$16,764.19

Thank you for your generous support!

Reflection and Living Stewardship



Jesus, whom God called "my beloved Son," is also the "servant" of whom Isaiah speaks in the first reading. We who are baptized in Christ must follow His example and use our time and resources in the service of God and neighbor.

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who answer their baptismal call to embrace dramatic missionary growth by placing their gifts and resources, their very selves, at God's service not only in the Church but in the world.

Charismatic Prayer Group

You can't hide from God. Sometimes kids hide when they know they're in trouble. It must be in our DNA! It started with Adam and Eve hiding in the garden. God sees all and knows all. Luckily for us, He is also ready to forgive all. Come out from hiding. We can help.

Our next meeting is Monday, January 14th at 7:30PM in the Church. Please call 516-993-9672 for prayer requests or for more information.

HOP Club Winners

12/31/18	#204	Brian & Angela Bofill	\$25
1/1/19	#107	Helen Sergio	\$25
1/2/19	#91	Jean McLean	\$25
1/3/19	#30	M/M Ludwig Gehm	\$25
1/4/19	#159	C. & R. Russo	\$50
1/7/19	#302	Matt & Sara Messina	\$25
1/8/19	#231	Timothy G. Raab	\$25
1/9/19	#290	Dolores Stewart	\$25
1/10/19	#103	Margaret Banes	\$25
1/11/19	#160	William Zappolo	\$50

Wedding Banns

1st Christopher Joannou & Samantha Luongo



"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: egg noodles, pasta sauce, tomato paste, mayo, pudding, Jello, sugar, juice, juice boxes, evaporated milk, Rice-a-roni, chili, paper towels, toilet paper, diapers size 6, dish soap, and tissues.

Many thanks for all you do.

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 January 13 - 19, 2019



In Loving Memory of
Maggio, Montana & Crème Family



Sanctuary Candle
Week of January 13 - 19, 2019

In Loving Memory of the
Robert & Kathleen Preziosi

Rest in Peace

Thomas Patsos, John Macchia
Lucille Valentinetti
Joseph L. Donohoe
Kevin Robert Peters

REMINDER: Please call the rectory at 931-0818 to remove a name from the list.

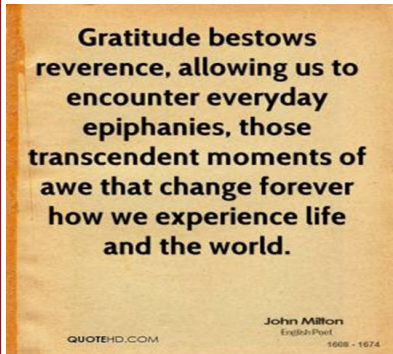
Please pray for the sick of our parish:

Leevalli Annearosa, Leigh Murphy, Richard Piernini, Joseph Simon Douglas Torres, Liz Robertson, Amy Hayes, Mom & Dad 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, Daniel Costa Anna M. Bosco, Janet Medina, Kevin Henson, Marie Newman The Mascia Family, Hector Valentine, Theresa DuRoss, Terry Hall Bob & Anna Baciuska Carol Ann Scudder, John Scudder, Elsa Ryan Justine & Nicole Scudder, Vincent Esposito, Catherine A. McCarthy Paul Granberg, 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 Veronica McCarthy-Pigott, Janine, Mary Jedlicka, Pete Moran Brian John Roe III, Fr. Paul Wood, 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, Al DeBatto, Adeline Norton Ann Marie Wezel, Jeanie Wilkins Ann Soehngen, Ed Segretto Fred Cameron, Elaine Caiazzo, Ryan Westbrook, Donna Strickland Anthony Clese, Valerie Haberly, Brendan Langhauser Family Helen Kurlowicz, Christine Marsiello, Michael M. Durante Sonny D'Ambrosio, Pasquale Patalano, Thomas Triola, Keith Ferrara Margaret DeMarco, Annemarie Frayler, Mario Ratti Robert Amato, Yvonne McDonnell, Denise Dolan, The Gallagher Family Henry Hamilton, Christian Bogdanos, Terry & John Bunker, Liam Margaret Young, John Lazzara, Rosemary Caiazzo, Virginia Gala, Bridget Karen Murphy, Catherine Comiskey, Connie Sheehan, Richard Baker Dina Ledogard, Ed Russo, Petrina Dralas, Benito Picinic, Michael, John Joanne Gorman, Jean Vanturini, Diane Passaro, Mary Jane Bookman Toni Novak, Ryan Castles, Susan Estabrook, Baby Luke, Jerome LoPinto Geraldine S., Tom Sirianni



The Pastor's Letter

Father Pat's homily of January 6, 2019



Like many men, I often find myself clicking the remote through the probably more than 200 television stations, only to find no movie, news story, or sporting event that captures my attention. In such a case I often find myself watching reruns of *Everybody Loves Raymond*, a show that I never watched when it was originally on television years ago. On a recent Christmas episode it told a story where there was a conversation between Robert, my favorite character, and his mother Marie. Robert was as usual complaining that Raymond was always her favorite. Robert mentioned a Christmas memory from his childhood - Raymond got a great set of toys and all Robert received was a pair of very large orthopedic shoes.

Marie responded, *Robbie, they were so expensive because they were a size 17!*

I hope you were happy with the Christmas gifts that you gave and received. My family has all but given up on giving me any gifts other than Amazon gift cards since that is what I tell them I want. Our family Christmas routine is to wait for Uncle Pat to come home from wherever he is saying Masses and then begin opening the gifts. There is a mad swirl of wrapping paper flying, with lots of *thank you's, I love it, it is perfect, and how did you know I wanted that!* Then a great burst of toy instruments and electronic games that the little ones have received, and a rush to hide when one of the kids asks if someone can help put their Lego set together.

Before the official gift giving begins, I often give out some of my old clothes, books, and videos that I no longer need to the family. Since only a few of them have the great muscular build that I have, some of the kids feel disappointed since I have little that interests them. I did give one of my college-age great-nieces marble bookends that belonged to my late sister, Geraldine. Micaela was thrilled to have them. A moment later, she saw her younger cousin Fiona's disappointment since I really had nothing I thought she would like. She did not complain but Micaela noticed and said, *Fiona, you can have one bookend and I will have the other so that we can share the memory of our Aunt Gerry.* Perfect. Her act of sharing was a gift to the whole family and it brought a tear to my eyes.

When all the official Christmas gifts were given, and the smell of turkey filled our living room, and before calling us to the table, my sister said she had one more gift to give. She addressed Thomas, her oldest nephew and a senior in college: *Thomas, you are the oldest and I am giving you my husband Jack's wedding ring. You can wear it or not. When you get married, you can use it or get a new one, but I want you to have it. Jack pushed you in a carriage when you were a baby.* Thomas, who is a wonderful young man with a kind of strong, masculine Clint Eastwood exterior, cried for about ten minutes.

This past Christmas, as has always been my experience here at St. Martin's, parishioners are very kind to the clergy with gifts of Christmas cards and emails, their kind words and greetings, promises of prayers, their delicious desserts, Irish spirits, and so many other kinds of very thoughtful gifts. I can assure you they all are appreciated. This Christmas was a little bit different; so many parishioners told us, *we will miss you guys so much.* They were words full of love and appreciation. What a great gift to be loved and valued and to hear it spoken so lovingly.

Three gifts: a wedding ring, bookends and words of love. To me they were gold, frankincense and myrrh. I tell you these stories because I invite you to look over your own days of Christmas and see where you were touched by the love of God either as you saw it in others or experienced it yourself. It may have come at a moment when you least expected it, or you may only begin to see it now, as you look back and say, that was a very a very special moment.

We call this Sunday *The Epiphany* which is the Greek word *to make manifest*. The great Irish writer, James Joyce, talks about *epiphanies - those moments when we see or experience something we never noticed before*. When we have our children's Christmas pageant here at St. Martin's, the role that the children most ask to play is surprisingly not Mary or Joseph, but the one who gets to carry the star over Bethlehem. This great feast where Magi from East follow the star is core to Good News of the Christian message: Jesus is for all people of every nation, language, culture, or nationality. I spoke about three times when I saw the Star of the Epiphany, of God's love made manifest. The star is not just for Christmas. The word on our Advent/Christmas button this year was *Emmanuel*. *Emmanuel means God with us in the beautiful moments of life, in the humdrum days of January and February, and even in the sadness of suffering and loss. God with us: Emmanuel.*

My brothers and sisters, the star is over the pulpit as we hear the Word of God, over the table of the Eucharist as we received his body and blood, over the people in our church, over the parish, and over the whole world. *God with us*. I will end with the words of John Shea, a favorite author of mine.

*We bring gold for he will bring people into their true worth
We bring incense for he will reconcile people to God.
We bring myrrh for his death will be our path to new life.
The truth is the child
Waiting to be found*

Father Patrick Woods, CSsR, Pastor
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CSsR CONFERENCE

Fathers Pat, Jim and Denis will be attending a Redemptorist Conference from Monday, January 14th to Friday, January 18th.

Father Ciya will be available throughout the week while they are gone.



NEXT VIRTUS CLASS

**St. Martin of Tours, Bethpage
Monday, January 28th at 7PM
St. Alphonsus 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.

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FORMED PICK

Divine Mercy Episode 2: Behold, This Heart



Various saints, including our St. Alphonsus Liguori, use the New Testament to demonstrate Jesus' love and mercy towards us.

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK: DIVINE MERCY EPISODE 2: BEHOLD, THIS HEART

Do you believe God is present and active in the historical and current events of the world you know today? In this FORMED Pick, join Fr. Michael Gaitley as he weaves together history, Sacred Scripture, the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, and the witnesses of Saints Faustina, John Paul II, and Maximilian Kolbe to reveal the intricate ways God is preparing the world for his divine mercy. As one viewer said: "This series will change your life!" This week, go to formed.org and watch *Divine Mercy In The Second Greatest Story Ever Told*.

FORMED KIDS' KORNER

Forgiveness: For Children



Knowing that God always forgives us and gives us grace will help our children make a good confession.

KIDS' KORNER FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK: FORGIVENESS: FOR CHILDREN

It can feel scary to go to Confession, but really, we go to the Sacrament of Confession because God loves us so much that he wants us to remove all the sins that keep us from Him. When we go to Confession, we say "I love you, Jesus, will you forgive me of my sins?" In this session, kids will learn how to make a good Confession, and that God always forgives us and gives us grace to be better in this sacrament.

Watch on: smtbethepage.formed.org

All the deaths and funerals we celebrate are sacred. From time to time, I like to include in the bulletin a funeral homily of a person who was well known to many parishioners. This is the homily I gave for Tommy Corrado on January 4. - Father Pat



Tommy died.

Of course, we needed only one name to share this very sad news that impacted many people here in Bethpage and in many other places. There are certain people who become so famous or so loved that they need only one name to be spoken and everyone knows of whom we are speaking. We say the name *LeBron* and everyone thinks of the great basketball player, LeBron James who plays for the Los Angeles Lakers. The name *Bruce* and you immediately think of the great rock 'n roll singer, Bruce Springsteen; and the name *Oprah* needs not be accompanied by *Winfrey* since we all know her by her first name.

I think it would fair to say that Tommy Corrado reached that status here at St. Martin's Parish and among his family and friends. You said the name *Tommy* and the image of a kind and loving man comes to your mind immediately. We were blessed to know Tommy and to experience his love and generosity. Tommy was a most special part of the parish here at St. Martin's, especially to his many friends from the 7:00PM Saturday night Mass. When Tommy became ill, and was unable to usher at the seven, so many people asked me, *where is Tommy? What is going on? We miss him!* How true...we do and will miss him so very much. I will not attend the Saturday night Mass without thinking of him, and his asking me if there was a second collection or if I needed any help. Once in a while I would ask him if wanted to give the sermon and he would laugh and say, *that's your job, Father!* Actually, I was afraid to let him give the homily because people would find him far more interesting than they did me.

I want to offer my deepest sympathy to those who are hurting the most - his dear and loving sister Julie and her husband Steve, his niece Juliet and her husband Rickie, his nephews and their spouses Stephen and Dena, and Derek and Elizabeth. Tommy never married or had children but was deeply loved by his family and he loved his family so very much. I met with his sister Julie and her husband Steve and they were devastated by his death. They loved his so very much. Years ago, when Tommy's mother Mary was dying, Julie promised her mother that she would always take care of Tommy and watch out for him.

To Julie: no sister could have been more loving and faithful to a brother than were you. And to Steve: no brother-in law could have more supportive to Tommy and Julie. To listen to them was an honor for me since I was hearing a beautiful story of love. The Bible tells us that wherever there is love, God is present. God was truly present in this family. I believe Tommy's parents, Mary and Fred, now reunited with their precious son, are smiling down in love at all the Corrado and Campagne families. Julie made it clear to me that being with her brother was a joy and not an obligation. He brought all the family great joy.

I know he had a special place in his heart for his nieces and nephews, Gabriela, Gavin, Caeden, Owen, Derek, Jayden, and Mel. I know that you have been praying very hard that Tommy would get better and that it hurts very much that he has left us to go home to God. We have just celebrated Christmas; the whole reason for Christmas, all the presents and decorations and trees is because God decided to come among us and help us get home to heaven when we died.

I believe that Tommy is now in heaven because Jesus loved him and Tommy loved Jesus. You now have a special uncle in heaven to which you can ask to bring your prayers to God. Tommy still loves all of you. I also offer a special word to some of Tommy's special friends, Pam and Joey Carlucci, Dee Gianni, Jennette Lessard, Dawn Smith, Barbara Casey, and Kathie Spellman. You all held a special place in Tommy's heart. He had a gift for friendship.

The family picked beautiful readings for Tommy's Mass. We heard Pam read the following words to us today from the Bible: *The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them. They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead; and their passing away was thought an affliction and their going forth from us, utter destruction. But they are in peace.*

We draw consolation in knowing that Tommy was a just man and he is now at peace. In our second reading, Dee read: *See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are.* We all have special roles in life; Tommy was a son, a brother, an uncle, a great uncle, a friend, the head usher of the 7:00PM Saturday Mass. But the greatest title he had was in what we heard in that reading. We are the children of God. Nothing could be greater than that. Tommy is a child of God.

I chose for our Gospel a reading where Jesus is surrounded by children. The apostles tell the children to leave Jesus alone since he is busy but Jesus tells the apostles let the children come to him. Jesus loved these children and blesses each of them. He then tells us that the innocence of a child is what is needed to enter the kingdom of God. I always found Tommy to be childlike. I mean that as the greatest compliment that I can give a person since Jesus says that is the most important quality one needs to have in life. Our Lord tells us, *such as these belong to the kingdom of God.*

On Saturday nights after the 7:00PM Mass, I would go to my man cave, have a nice cold soda and turn on the Mets or a Notre Dame football game. I would be in my nice recliner with the work of the day finished. At about 8:30, I would hear a knock on my door. I would reluctantly get up and say, *who it is? It's me Father, Tommy. Everything is done and the collection is put away and the church is locked.* I would thank Tommy and say, *see you next week! I will miss that knock on my door very much.*



On December 29, 2018, Tommy went home to the God who created and loved him. He did not have to knock. The door was wide open to welcome him.

**DRIVER EDUCATION
DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE
\$45.00 per person**

**Saturday, January 19, 2019
8:30AM-3PM in St. Alphonsus Hall**

**Register with DRIVER EDUCATION
(631) 360-9720 Monday - Friday 9AM - 4PM**

**Minimum enrollment: 15 people
Maximum enrollment: 40 people**



Women's Group
of St. Martin of Tours

The next Women's Group will be held on Wednesday, January 23rd at 7PM in St. Alphonsus Parish Hall. All women welcome and do bring a friend!

Please contact us at smtwomensgroup@gmail.com or at 516.931.0818 for more information. See you then!

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
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- LCPL Jonathan M. Gordon, USMC
- 2LT Sean O'Donnell, USAF
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- CPT Mike Polan, US Army
- L/CPL Daniel O'Shea, USMC

- SGT Matthew C. Windisch, USMC
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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
- PVT Steven DiPaolo, USMC
- SSGT Sean V. Oliva, US Army
- 2LT Samantha Lopez, US Navy
- SSG George Howard, US Army
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- PVT John Marcel, Jr USMC
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- PFC Clint Applegate, US Army
- CPT Patrick C. Looney USAF
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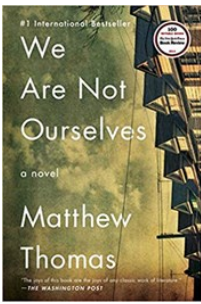


All High School Teens are welcome and encouraged to attend the 5:30PM Mass every Sunday. We are meeting after the 5:30PM Mass on January 13, 2019.

All teens are encouraged to ask a friend to come.

We are looking forward to a successful year in 2019 and wish everyone a very Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year with all of God's blessings.

Diana Hughes & Liam Gordon, Youth Ministers



Our next regular book club selection is We Are Not Ourselves by Matthew Thomas. Our discussion will be on Friday, February 1, 2019 in St. Alphonsus Hall at 7:30PM.

—Charles Bock
author of *Beautiful Children*

The Parish Men's Group will meet on **Friday, January 25 at the 7:30 p.m.** All men 18 and over are invited.



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BASKETBALL CLINIC

To the parents of boys and girls 2 years and up, Kindergarten, first and second graders.

Clinic starts: Sunday, January 6, 2019
Clinic ends: Sunday, March 31, 2019


We will meet following the 10AM Mass from 11AM- 12 Noon at SMT Auditorium

Respect Life Holy Hour

Please come and give honor and praise to Christ in the Blessed Sacrament on **Friday, January 18, 2019 at 3PM in the Church.**

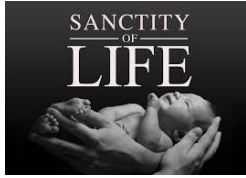
We pray that all humanity respect the precious gift of life. You are welcome to come for all or any part of the hour.

Before you know it....



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RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

2019 ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE: FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 2019 in Washington D.C.. This year's theme is UNIQUE FROM DAY ONE: PRO-LIFE IS PRO-SCIENCE. PLEASE CALL THE RESPECT LIFE OFFICE OF THE DRVC AT 516 678 5800 ext. 626 OR VISIT respect-life.drvc.org for further information.

THE ABORTION EXPANSION ACT LIVES IN THE BALANCE: L.I. CATHOLIC, January 4th. NEW YORK STATE is the ABORTION CAPITAL OF OUR NATION, with a rate of 29.6 abortions for every 1,000 women of reproductive age. That's more than TWICE the NATIONAL AVERAGE.

New York legalized abortion in 1970, three years before the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in Roe vs. Wade. Abortion is legal here for ANY REASON up to 24 weeks of pregnancy, and any time after that if the mother's life is at risk. So even if Roe were to be overruled, the vast majority of abortions in our state would continue to be legal and available. Governor Cuomo and the Democratic leadership in New York State Legislature want to go even further, and make abortion less safe and more expansive than it is now. They've promised to enact the so-called REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH ACT early in 2019.

THIS BILL WOULD:

- Allow non-doctors to perform abortions.
- Allow abortions for ANY REASON IN THE THIRD TRIMESTER of pregnancy RIGHT UP TO A MOTHER'S DUE DATE.
- Remove all criminal penalties for abortion, even if it was contrary to the mother's choice, such as the intentional targeting of an unborn child in an act of violence.
- Remove our state's protections for INFANTS ACCIDENTALLY BORN ALIVE in the course of an abortion.

HERE'S HOW TO TAKE ACTION NOW!

Pro-life New Yorkers need to stand up in unison and make their voices heard on behalf of women and their unborn children. Tell your STATE LAWMAKERS that enough is enough!

Go to the New York State Catholic Conference website: <http://www.nyscatholic.org/nys-catholic-conference-action-center/>. Look for the action that says OPPOSE ABORTION EXPANSION IN STATE BUDGET. Enter your information. Select SEND MESSAGE. Finally, if you or anyone you know is struggling with a pregnancy, the Diocese of Rockville Centre is here to provide support: Call 1-855-301-4CHS, or visit <http://www.chsli.org/pregnancy-support-services>. For healing after abortion, call 1-888-456-4673.

Pray! Pray for those traveling to Washington to stand for the life of every child conceived in the womb. Pray their voices are heard, hearts are changed and the value of human life will once again be respected and protected.

ROE V. WADE MEMORIAL FACE THE TRUTH: SUNDAY, JAN. 27, 2019 1:30 - 3pm. IN FRONT OF NUMC, 2201 HEMPSTEAD TPKE. EAST MEADOW, NY.

PRAYER FOR LIFE HOLY HOUR: Before the Blessed Sacrament with Father Pat on Friday, January 18th at 3PM in the church. If you cannot make the trip, let us join together in prayer for the safety and success of all those who can. May their voices be heard and hearts changed.

FOR HELP IN A CRISIS PREGNANCY

Call Diana Hart Mirando itsidi@aol.com
(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**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Bring the Holy Spirit into your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Feb 8-10, 2019 in Huntington, NY and Apr 26-28, 2019 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at 877-697-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmenyli.org/>.

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**

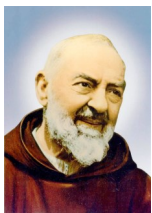
**1705 Jericho Turnpike, Huntington NY
(631) 858-0380 OPEN MON-SAT 10-6**

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.

**Padre Pio Holy Hour**

The next date is January 15, 2019 at 7:30PM in the Eucharistic Chapel.

All are welcome!

Eucharistic Adoration

TUESDAYS 3-7:30PM Eucharistic Chapel

Please check the [Upcoming Events](#) for any change to the hours.

LIVING WATERS CATHOLIC COUNSELING

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



Our next book for our Spiritual Book Club is **Vesper Time** by Frank Cunningham. It is available in both paperback and Kindle. The publisher is Orbis Books and was written in 2017. **We will meet on February 15th at 7:30PM in St. Alphonsus Hall.** I am almost finished reading this book and have found it quite thought provoking, challenging, and filled with spiritual insights. Certainly, people of any age can read it, but it does focus on the spiritual issues that come forward as we advance into our senior years. - Father Pat

A thoughtful little book that reflects on the issues and graces that influence the spiritual life as one grows older. [Cunningham's] words are sensitive, validating, and encouraging as he describes the challenges and blessings encountered at each stage. This is not a work of psychology or philosophy but a loving affirmation of life nearing its completion. Recommended for parish libraries and personal enrichment.

Robert J. Wicks, author, Riding the Dragon: Reading 'Vesper Time' is like taking a long walk with a wise but down-to-earth friend . . . Relax with this book. It will nourish your tired soul.

Judith Valente, PBS-TV: Anyone who has gazed at the rising moon or the emerging stars at twilight knows the beauty of this hour of day. Frank Cunningham reminds us that the "vesper time" of life is a rich seedbed for spiritual growth.

Richard Rohr, Center for Action and Contemplation What good work Frank Cunningham has done . . . His book is an invitation to more fully engage this stage of our journey and be enriched by it.



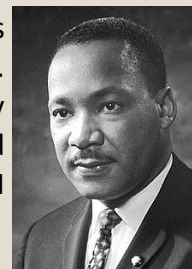
We thank you for your many kindnesses to us over this Christmas season. We are grateful for your gifts, your great food, your cards, you warm greetings, kind words, and your prayers.

We are blessed to share life and faith with the family of St. Martin of Tours.

Thank you to the four parishioners who donated American flags for the flagpole in front of the school. We will use each flag on a monthly rotation so as to honor your donation and to keep the flags in good condition. Thank you for your generosity.



Monday, January 21st is Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday. The Rectory office is closed and there is no 6:30AM Mass.



Let us pray for peace and equality among all peoples.

Catholic Schools Week Information Page

MARIA REGINA SCHOOL

4045 Jerusalem Avenue, Seaford NY 11783
(516) 541-1229 Fax (516) 541-1235
Www.mariareginaschool.org

OPEN HOUSE AND STUDENT REGISTRATION

Early childhood program: Nursery - 3 years old
Pre-K: 4 years old; Kindergarten: 5 years old
Grades 1 - 8

Immediate registration
THURSDAY, JANUARY 24th 6PM to 8PM
SUNDAY, JANUARY 27th 12Noon - 2PM

First come, first served. Program fills quickly.

ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR SCHOOL

2 Teibrook Avenue, Syosset NY 11791
(516) 921-7767 www.stedwardconfessor.org

OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27th 10:30AM - 2:30PM

Welcome Home Tuesdays Open House
Every Tuesday from 10AM - 12 Noon

A variety programs offered such as:
Extracurricular activities for all grade levels
Before and after care
Extended & Half day Nursery and Pre-K Classes
STEM Program
Mentoring and tutoring programs

HOLY TRINITY DIOCESAN HIGH SCHOOL

Invites all 6th, 7th and 8th graders
to join us as we start

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
with a dance party!

To RSVP, please visit
www.holytrinityhs.org/admissions/CSW19

OUR LADY OF MERCY SCHOOL

520 So. Oyster Bay Rd., Hicksville 11801
(516) 433-7040 www.olmshicks.org

OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27th 11:45AM - 2:00PM
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30th 9:30 - 10:30AM & 1:15 - 2PM

OLM provides:
Choice of full/half day Early Childhood sessions
Before and After School Supervision Program
STEM Based Discovery Rooms
Tomorrow's Hope Tuition Assistance Program

Let us make a difference in your child's life!



ST. ANTHONY HIGH SCHOOL

275 Wolf Hill Road
S. Huntington NY 11747

An Evening of Celtic Music
February 2, 2019 7PM at the HS Auditorium
\$20 in advance/\$25 at the door

Tickets can be purchased by sending a check
payable to St. Anthony's HS Alumni
at the above address.

Please include your name, email address,
phone and number of tickets.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan 14: Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30PM Church
- Jan 15: Eucharistic Adoration 3PM - 7:30PM Eucharistic Chapel
- Jan 15: St. Padre Pio Holy Hour 7:30PM Eucharistic Chapel
- Jan 18: Respect Life Holy Hour 3PM Church
- Jan 19: Defensive Driving 8:30AM-3PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Jan 21: Rectory Office Closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
- Jan 21: No 6:30AM Mass
- Jan 23: Women's Group 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Jan 25: Men's Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Jan 28: Virtus Class 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Feb 1: Regular Book Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Feb 15: Spiritual Book Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall

