

Masses For The Week

Monday - January 21 - St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr
NO 6:30 Mass - Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
 9:00 Deacon Jim Biggin

Tuesday - January 22
Day of Prayer for Protection of the Unborn
 6:30 Mrs. Delia Sweeney
 9:00 Margaret Duemmel

Wednesday - January 23
 6:30 Patricia Craig
 9:00 Father Frank, Living

Thursday - January 24 St Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor
 6:30 Cornelio Viola
 9:00 Mary & Patrick Foley

Friday - January 25 - Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle
 6:30 John & Julia Cronin
 9:00 Christopher Rochford

Saturday - January 26 St. Timothy & St. Titus, Bishops
 9:00 MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS
 5:00 Mary Dolan
 7:00 Montana, Maggio & Belcastro Families

Sunday - January 27 - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:00 The People of the Parish
 8:30 Robert Thomas Rohde, 1st Anniversary
 10:00 Stephen Goyon, Jr. 1st Anniversary
 11:30 Lazatti & Tesorieso Families
 1:00 Peter Volberg
 5:30 Joseph & Marge Hughes

Readings For The Week

Mon. Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 2:18-22
 Tues. Hebrews 6:10-20; Mark 2:23-28
 Wed. Hebrews 7:1-3, 15-17; Mark 3:1-6
 Thurs. Hebrews 7:25-8:6; Mark 3:7-12
 Fri. Acts 22:3-16; Mark 16:15-18
 Sat. 2 Timothy 1:1-8; Mark 3:20-21

Sun. Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 *Ezra the priest and scribe stood before the people. He opened the scroll and blessed the Lord, the great God and read plainly from the book of the law of God.*

1 Corinthians 12:12-30 *Though it has many parts, it is nevertheless one body. You are Christ's body, and individually parts of it with different gifts given by the Lord God.*

Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21 *Jesus came to Nazareth where he grew up and went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day. He read from the prophet Isaiah, where it was written, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he anointed me...He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives, recover sight to the blind and free the oppressed..." He said to those present, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."*

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift

Weekly Budget: \$17,500.00
Jan 13, 2019: \$15,021.19
St. Vincent: \$1,926.00

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Reflection and Living Stewardship



In today's second reading, St. Paul tells the Corinthians and us that all of our gifts are from God and they are given, not for us alone, but for the common good. The generosity of God knows no limits - the miracle of Cana reminds us that whenever we faithfully do as God asks, He can change our gifts of water into wine.

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who are open to God's call and stand ready to make the best use of their gifts in service to their neighbor through practical works of mercy such as donating food to our parish food pantry or clothing to the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Charismatic Prayer Group

Some kids want to be picked up, others squirm to get away. We do the same thing. We call to God to carry us when we are hurting or tired of life's problems. Then when things get better, we squirm as if to say, "I'm okay now. I'll let you know when I need you." Like a good parent, He doesn't let you out of His sight! Stop squirming!! There's no better place to be than in God's arms!

Our next meeting is Tuesday, January 22nd at 7:30PM in St. Alphonsus Parish Hall. Share the joy and bring a friend. Please call 516-993-9672 for prayer requests or for more information.

HOP Club Winners

1/14/19	#272	Fr. Patrick Woods	\$25
1/15/19	#149	Jean Vanturini	\$25
1/16/19	#249	M/M Ernest Berlucci	\$25
1/17/19	#156	Maria Lanzarone	\$25
1/18/19	#453	Ruth Theobald-Shea	\$250



"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-aroni, 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 20 - 26, 2019*

*In Loving Memory of
 Giuseppe & Maria Montuoro
 and Family*



*Sanctuary Candle
 Week of January 20 - 26, 2019*

*In Loving Memory of the
 Pokoluk & Reynolds Family*



Rest in Peace
Dorothy Furrey

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, 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, Virginia Cordaro



The Pastor's Letter

Father Pat's Homily of January 13, 2019



I think that January is my least favorite month of the year since I often find myself getting a taste of the post-Christmas blues. I love the Advent and Christmas seasons, delight in both their spiritual themes, appreciate our liturgical celebrations, enjoy the gathering of family and friends, bask in the glitter and the lights and music, and reflect on one of the most hopeful word of the Bible: *Emmanuel: God is with us.*

Now we enter into the cold of January, with the ever present threat of snow. Since the Jets never make it into January, even football loses its excitement for me, and the only thing I like about the Super Bowl is the food. Perhaps my adverse feelings about January go back to my first assignment as a Redemptorist. I was assigned to teach high school English at a minor seminary in a small town in Pennsylvania named North East, right on Lake Erie in the heart of the snow-belt. I would drive home a few days before Christmas to my family home in Brooklyn and have two wonderful weeks of vacation. Then, I would get in my car, around January 3rd and make the nine hour drive back to the seminary. As I drove closer to Lake Erie, there would be large snow banks that formed a tunnel-like atmosphere on the edges of the highway. It was depressing and we used to call the winter "the tunnel months." The young men at the school were fun loving and active, but they were struck with great homesickness when they arrived back after Christmas. So, perhaps, on an unconscious level, these memories are in my DNA. In my opinion, it might be good to remove January from the calendar.

What are you looking forward to right now? Please do not give the obvious answer: *an end to this homily!* Perhaps, you are thinking of a nice meal at home or in a local restaurant or a day in front of the television watching football. Maybe there is an upcoming birth or wedding in your family, or a graduation that is in late spring. Some people eagerly look forward to retirement and others dread it. If you have good health, you are holding on tight that it continues, and if you are ill, you are longing for healing and recovery. It could be that you are shopping for an engagement ring and ready to pop the question on Valentine's Day. Certainly, we are only a month away from the beginning of the baseball spring training and the Mets have yet to lose a game this year!

Our scripture today speaks about a great period of expectation, hope and joy that are in the air. These words from the prophet Isaiah speak about the coming of the Messiah to a people who have long been waiting: *I formed you, and set you as a covenant of the people, a light for the nations, open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.* The promise of God is coming to fruition in the birth of Jesus. Today in our liturgy, the Gospel moves forward from Bethlehem, the manger, the shepherds and kings, and brings us to the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan by his cousin John, and the beginning of his public ministry.

The hungry, longing people are about to encounter the living God in person, in his words and deeds. The people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, *"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."* After all the people had been baptized - as well as Jesus - and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, *"You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."* The Son of God is walking on the same earth as you and I walk on today and has breathed the same air that we breathe.

He has come. The expectations of humanity have been met in Jesus Christ. He was sent to us in the name of the Father and through the power of the Holy Spirit. We have been baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We are children of God, and live and move and have our being in the presence of God.

There is a term we use in faith called *the already and the not yet*. God has come. The reign of God has begun. But, it has not reached completion. We still live with depression, sickness, war, homelessness, family disputes, overdoses, and death. But we walk in hope. We walk in faith. We are the children of God. Our baptized names are tattooed in the heart of God. Some of us carry burdens that may seem overwhelming. We may feel trapped and without hope in our lives for financial, medical, or relationship reasons. But we live and walk in hope. We are the baptized children of God.

We Redemptorists have a floor of a nursing home in a facility in Maryland. Our priests there are infirmed and need nursing care. I remember visiting there and the superior told me that he would go to the rooms in the morning and visit each of the men. He would tell them, *you have something to really look forward to today. You are going to Mass in a little while and you are receiving the Body of Jesus!* Some of the men had dementia but they would smile and be drawn in by his enthusiasm.

You and I are going to receive the Body and Blood of Jesus today. I guess January is not too bad after all.

Father Patrick Woods, CSsR, Pastor
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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.

Should you have a problem, please call our rectory office at 516-931-0818 and you will be directed to someone that can help.

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!

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If an entire nation can be "God's suffering servant," then Poland served that role throughout history, by helping save the civilized world through its fidelity to its Catholic Faith.

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK: DIVINE MERCY EPISODE 3: THE SUFFERING SERVANT

FORMED KIDS' KORNER

Brother Francis: Forgiven



Let Brother Francis teach you about the great gift of God's forgiveness that we receive through the Sacrament of Reconciliation!

**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

On January 7th, Father Ciya had a funeral Mass for Dolores Carbone. Afterwards, he told me about the funeral and what he had experienced. Dolores had pre-arranged her funeral with Chapey in 2008. She left a letter for whatever priest would be celebrating her funeral. Father Ciya was so moved by this letter that he read it on her behalf at her Mass. When he showed it me, I was equally touched by the beautiful spirit of this woman, by her love for Jesus Christ and by caring for so many people. It was a true witness of what it means to be a follower of Jesus and it challenged me in my own Christian living. Dolores was correct in saying she would most likely outlive her relatives and friends since very few people attended her Mass. I think of the words that are on the grave of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery: *Here rests in honored glory a soldier known only to God.* What we can say about Dolores is that she is now known not only by God but now in death to all of us. May she rest in the loving arms of Jesus.

Here is Dolores' Letter:

Father, in an effort to personalize my funeral mass, I should like to tell you a little about myself. Have been a member of St. Martin's for twelve years as of the above date (2008). Was a Eucharistic Minister going to the homebound and New Island Hospital (now St. Joseph's) in the telemetry ward every Friday, my assigned day. I was a catechist teaching the third and sixth grades for six years and then LaSalle took over and the children were transferred to St. Kilian.



In Imitation of Christ

I was also a co-facilitator in the bereavement and consolation ministry for people who had lost their spouse. It was also part of my duties to visit many funeral homes in the area such as Dalton, Wagner, White's etc to help the bereaved in picking out the music and the readings from the Old and New Testaments. I also attended the funeral mass of each of the respective families with whom I met and handed out the programs for the mass.

At the request of the late Deacon Frank Carrillo who was in charge of the bereavement and consolation ministry, I counselled people on a one-on-one basis. This was most rewarding to me and especially so when I brought some people back to the church because, as they told me, I loved Jesus so much. The winning of the lottery could not have made my heart jump for joy and rejoice as at those special times. And I said, "thank you Jesus. I couldn't have done it without you."

Last, but far from least, I was a member of the choir for many years, and I absolutely loved it especially when I was told that "when you sing, you pray twice." I was a member of the alto group, and I loved singing the harmony.

Father, I would be remiss if I didn't mention that Jesus has always been the constant in my life. I buried two husbands and a wonderful gentleman friend, all of whom died of cancer, an inoperable brain tumor and an aneurysm, respectively. I turned to Jesus for comfort, compassion and understanding. HE gave me so much more, including the strength I could not have gone on living without. Since I lived to bury almost all of my family, and couldn't accept that, I was happy to be able to make Jesus my family. And HE'S my greatest Father, Protector and Friend.

I now go to meet Jesus personally – to talk to Him, love Him, touch Him, thank Him and live in HIS kingdom with Him forever. Please tell everyone not to be sad; my life isn't over, just changed. And we'll all meet again at their journey's end. Father, thank you for your indulgence in reading this missive.

Gratefully, Dolores Carbone

Liturgical Ministry Training - Spring 2019

For **BASIC TRAINING** for those who like to minister at parishes as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, ask your pastor to write a letter requesting training indicating the date, time and place of training.

DATES, TIMES, LOCATIONS FOR BASIC TRAINING and LECTOR TRAINING:

Sat NASSAU: Feb 23 St. Christopher, Baldwin 9AM-12:30PM
 Sat SUFFOLK: Mar 9 St. Rosalie Hampton Bays 9AM-12:30PM (in English at Community Center and K of C Hall)
 Sat SUFFOLK: Mar 9 St. Rosalie Hampton Bays 9AM-12:30PM (in Spanish at the Parish Center)
 Wed NASSAU: Apr 3 St. Christopher, Baldwin 7PM-10PM
 Thur SUFFOLK: May 23 St. Elizabeth Melville (7PM-10PM) Msgr. Kane Hall

For volunteers in the Ministry to the Sick: Please check drvc-faith.org in January for more information. *NOTE: Basic training must be taken PRIOR to this training in order to serve the homebound, hospitals and nursing homes.*

LECTOR TRAINING: Send your name, parish, town, and phone number with the session you will be attending. (see above). Mail information to Office of Worship, PO Box 9023, Rockville Centre NY 11571. Contact Gina Imperioli at the Office of Worship with any questions: 516-678-5800 x504

PLEASE PRAY CONSTANTLY FOR THOSE SERVING IN OUR MILITARY



Lord of Hosts, we commend to Your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with Your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils that beset them; and grant them Your abiding presence wherever they may be. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



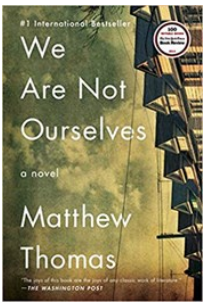
MAJ Gregory Holownia, US Army	SGT Matthew C. Windisch, USMC
MAJ Erika Holownia, US Army	E3 CORPSMAN Robert Fidnarick, US Navy
SGT Zachary John Sheehy, USMC	1LT Brian Thorpe, US Navy
PVT Travis Ruggiero, US Army	PO3 Joshua Zimmerman, US Navy
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SGT Matthew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



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 20, 2019. All teens are encouraged to ask a friend to come.

We will have an overnight lock-in retreat from Sunday, February 17th after the 5:30 Mass until Monday, February 18th. Permission slips must be completed and given to Diana.

Diana Hughes & Liam Gordon, Youth Ministers
and the Life Teen Core Team SMT_lifeteen@yahoo.com



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.



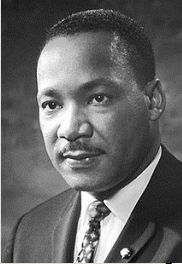
BASKETBALL CLINIC

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

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.

Before you know it....

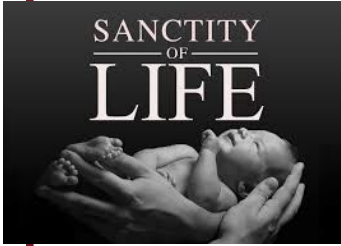


Please call the rectory office at 931-0818 and speak to Susan, our finance manager to obtain a receipt for your 2018 contributions to St. Martin of Tours.

We thank everyone for your support!

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

URGENT MESSAGE FROM THE DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE RESPECT LIFE OFFICE:



USCCB: STOP ABORTION EXPANSION: Governor Andrew Cuomo and legislative leaders have promised to pass a dangerous proposal called the **REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH ACT** early in the **2019** legislative session. The bill has now been introduced and it is **numbered S.240 and A.21**. It would **eliminate** New York's current RESTRICTIONS ON LATE-TERM ABORTION, EMPOWER NON-DOCTORS TO PERFORM ABORTIONS, REMOVE PROTECTIONS AGAINST UNWANTED OR COERCED ABORTIONS, and even LEGALIZE INFANTICIDE OF LIVE BORN INFANTS. Urge your lawmakers to stand strong against late-term abortion expansion!!

COMPOSE YOUR MESSAGE TO: Governor Cuomo, State Senator, State Assemblyman.

WHAT CAN WE DO ABOUT THIS? THE ACTION CENTER OF THE NEW YORK STATE CATHOLIC CONFERENCE has made it very easy to contact your senator to **OPPOSE THIS ACT**.

GO TO: <http://www.nycatholic.org/nys-catholic-conference-action-center/>

Look for the action that says **OPPOSE ABORTION EXPANSION**. **ENTER YOUR INFORMATION**. **SELECT SEND MESSAGE**.

If you have no device, please call NYS Catholic Conference at 518 434 6195 to voice your opinion.

FACTS:

- This Bill would remove the current law's limitations and allow abortions after 24 weeks. **STUDIES SHOW THAT A FETUS EXPERIENCES PAIN AT 20 WEEKS.**
- **5 - 10% of BABIES ARE BORN ALIVE AFTER A LATE-TERM ABORTION PROCEDURE, and those INFANTS ARE CURRENTLY PROTECTED.** This Bill would **ELIMINATE THE LAW THAT REQUIRES THAT A BABY BORN ALIVE AFTER AN ABORTION BE GIVEN ADEQUATE HEALTH CARE.**
- This Bill would permit Non-Doctors to do abortions - The State Government could grant a license to perform abortions to anyone.
- The Bill would eliminate all criminal penalties for abortions - even if an **ABORTION WAS AGAINST A MOTHER'S WILL (Involuntary or coerced)** or if an unborn child is deliberately targeted for an act of violence.

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.chsil.org/pregnancy-support-services>

For HEALING AFTER ABORTION 1 888 456 4673.

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

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NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE HOTLINE

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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

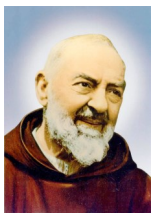
**1705 Jericho Turnpike, Huntington NY
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To arrange furniture, clothing, cars and other donated materials for pick-up, please call (516) 746-8250 (Nassau) or 1 800 884-7837 (Suffolk). You can also visit on line at <http://www.svdprvc.org/thrift-stores.html>. Follow the links. St. Vincent de Paul will review your donation request.

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 February 19, 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.

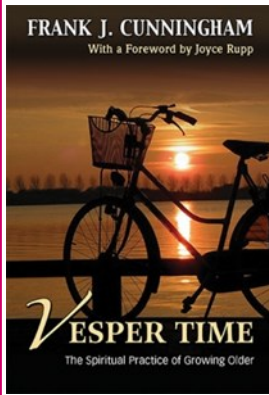
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Our next book for our Spiritual Book Club is *Vesper Time* by Frank Cunningham. It is available in both paperback and Kindle. The publisher is Orbis Books and was written in 2017. **We will meet on February 15th at 7:30PM in St. Alphonsus Hall.** I 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.

I want to thank Ann Hughes and her dedicated team of decorators, along with TJ Hance and George Lucas, our maintenance team, for the beautiful Christmas decorations that helped create an inspiring atmosphere of praise and glory to God as we celebrated the great feast of the birth of Jesus.

The flower collection for Christmas was \$5,411.00. Amazing generosity! Ann works hard to steward our funds and much of that donation is used in support of our parish liturgies.



I also thank Elena Scollo, Dawn Smith, Chris McCarthy, Liam Gordon and all choirs and musicians who helped us pray and worship during the Advent and Christmas seasons. We are blessed that you all share your talents and gifts so generously with us.

Finally, thanks to everyone who supported the Giving Tree. We received 230 gift cards and donations close to \$12,000.00. What a witness our parishioners have to see our Lord not only in the manger and the Eucharist but in those of us who are in need. God bless you!

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 21: Rectory Office Closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Jan 21: No 6:30AM Mass
- Jan 22: Eucharistic Adoration 3PM - 6PM
- Jan 22: Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- 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
- Jan 29: Eucharistic Adoration 3PM - 6PM
- Feb 1: Regular Book Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Feb 5: Eucharistic Adoration 3PM - 7:30PM
- Feb 12: NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
- Feb 15: Spiritual Book Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Feb 19 & 26: Eucharistic Adoration 3PM - 7:30PM
- Feb 19: St. Padre Pio Holy Hour 7:30PM Eucharistic Chapel

