

Masses For The Week

Monday - February 18 - Presidents' Day

NO 6:30 MASS

9:00 Deceased Members of the Serventi Families

Tuesday - February 19

6:30 Kathleen & Lester Smith

9:00 Mary Dolan

Wednesday - February 20

6:30 Marty Laraia

9:00 John J. Jauregui, 10th Anniversary

Thursday - February 21 - St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor

6:30 Barbara Ann Mary Lentz King

9:00 Walter George

Friday - February 22 - The Chair of St. Peter, the Apostle

6:30 Anthony Galeotafiore

9:00 John J. Wolfe, 8th Anniversary

Saturday - February 23 - St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr

9:00 MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS

5:00 Joseph DeAngelo

7:00 M/M Richard Aull & Jean Rosso

Sunday - February 24 - 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 The People of the Parish

8:30 John Osicki

10:00 Josef Sohl

11:30 Lazzati & Tesoriero Families

1:00 Joe Formichelli

5:30 John & Louise Pellicano & Felicia DeJesus

Readings For The Week

Mon. Genesis 4:1-15, 25; Mark 8:11-13

Tues. Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Mark 8:14-21

Wed. Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22; Mark 8:22-26

Thurs. Genesis 9:1-13; Mark 8:27-33

Fri. 1 Peter 5:1-4; Matthew 16:13-19

Sat. Hebrews 11:1-7; Mark 9:2-13

Sun. 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 *David does not allow anyone to harm Saul when they have the opportunity to do so, and makes it clear to Saul's troops what he did.*

1 Corinthians 15:45-49 *St. Paul describes Jesus as the second Adam, the spiritual man.*

Luke 6:27-38 *Jesus explains to his disciples all that the commandment "to love" entails.*

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift

Weekly Budget: \$17,500.00

February 10, 2019: \$16,407.19

Thank you for your generous support!



Reflection & Living Stewardship

"Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord." Trusting in the Lord is like throwing away all anxieties. When we trust in God, we don't fear the future or bear the problems of the present upon our shoulders; we cast them off, knowing that God is in control.

We are grateful for Christians who have put their complete trust in God. Many of our priests and religious have become role models for us as they have given their life for His church. We can also look to the many saints who also have given us an example of how to trust in God.

Charismatic Prayer Group

The road to Heaven is a one-way street. I mean- there is ONLY one way to get to Heaven and that is through Jesus. He is THE WAY! Of course the road is not straight. There are blind curves, intersections, detours and lots of potholes, speed bumps and stop signs. But there are no dead ends. God always gives us a way onto the right road. Your journey started in Heaven and He's looking forward to your return.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, February 20th at 7:30PM in the Church. No meeting on 2/18/19 due to the holiday. Come with friends and make new friends. All are welcome. Call 516-993-9672 for prayer requests or more information.

HOP Club Winners

2/11/19 #219	J McCormick & J Chojnacki	\$25
2/12/19 #504	Edmund Antaki	\$25
2/13/19 #611	Linda Connelly	\$25
2/14/19 #313	Thomas A. Bier	\$25
2/15/19 #152	Kathleen Doyle	\$250



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

Wedding Banns

3rd Nicholas Montella & Kaitlin Baumbach



“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: pancake mix, Ramen noodles, canned chicken, tomato paste, pasta sauce, coffee, box milk, Jell-O, pudding, flour, cake mix, evaporated milk, icing, cookies, crackers, juice, juice boxes, diapers size 6, tissues, paper towels, toilet paper and wipes.

Many thanks for your generosity.

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 February 17 - 23, 2019

In Loving Memory of
Ann & Bill Csajko

Sanctuary Candle
Week of February 17 - 23, 2019

In Loving Memory of
John J. Wolfe



Rest in Peace

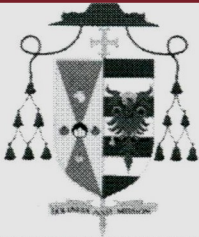
**Eileen Leddy, Joseph Magadan
 Rafael R. Abreu, George Benasutti**

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, 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, Ann Malavet, Virginia Gala, Bridget Karen Murphy, Catherine Comiskey, Richard Baker, Kevin 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 Tom Sirianni, Virginia Cordaro, Pat & Tom Schimmoler





DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

February 11, 2019
Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you...” (Jeremiah 1:5)

At the very heart of our beliefs about who we are and why we exist, is a message of love. God creates us out of love. Out of love, He redeems us by the sacrifice of his Son, Jesus. He calls us to an eternal destiny with Him because He loves each sacred human life, created in His image.

That we are created in God’s image is reaffirmed in our nation’s Declaration of Independence, reminding us that we “are endowed by [our] Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are **Life**, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.” The **right to life** is the foundation and starting point for every other God-given human right. When that right is attacked or denied, all other rights and liberties begin to crumble.

You are probably aware that on January 22, 2019, the 46th anniversary of *Roe v. Wade* (the Supreme Court decision that declared an absolute constitutional right to abortion), Governor Andrew Cuomo of New York signed into law the “Reproductive Health Act”, which he himself called “the most aggressive” abortion law in the country. It was then “celebrated” by his lighting up One World Trade Center and the Alfred E. Smith Building in Albany.

It is our obligation as citizens and as Catholics, to be well informed and to make our voices heard in the public square when evil and injustice threaten the sacred gift of life at any stage.

On a human level, this gruesome law should be appalling to people of every faith, or no faith. The Reproductive Health Act allows for abortion on demand with no restrictions throughout all of pregnancy. ***This means that as a choice, an abortion could be performed on a full-term infant as the mother is going into labor.***

This law might also open the door to taking away conscience protections from medical personnel, and could be used to force doctors, nurses and other medical staff to perform or to assist in abortions. Governor Cuomo claims that he is protecting women’s rights, when in fact, this law endangers the lives of women by allowing non-physicians to perform abortions, and it removes any objective standard of care due to the patient.

The Act has also removed criminal penalties when an unborn child is deliberately targeted for death in a crime. Two and a half weeks after the bill became law, the Queens District Attorney said he could not prosecute a man for the stabbing death of his unborn child in the womb of his girlfriend, because of the passage of the Reproductive Health Act.

Unimaginably, the law also repeals protections for infants who are accidentally born alive during the course of a failed abortion. This amounts to infanticide, the killing either by direct

means or by neglect of an infant who is alive outside the womb. The law is silent on reducing the pain and suffering of infants, especially those being aborted late term.

Brothers and sisters, this law is an abomination that cries out to Heaven for justice. We cannot be silent in the face of such a blatant attack on the most vulnerable among us. I invite you to do several things:

1. **Stay informed and educated** regarding these issues and the battles ahead of us, such as assisted suicide and legalized surrogacy. Two outstanding resources available to you are:
 - The New York State Catholic Conference on the web at <https://www.nyscatholic.org>.
 - The Diocese of Rockville Centre Respect Life Office and web page: (516) 678-5800 Extension 381 or on the web at <https://respectlife.drvc.org>
2. **Get involved.** Both web pages listed above offer easy links to contacting your elected representatives. Let the Governor and our other elected officials know that this Act violates the dignity of the human person and that you do not support it.

Get involved in the efforts already underway at your parish, such as Respect Life Committees. In addition, our Diocesan Respect Life Office can direct you to ways that you can support and promote the sanctity of life locally, on Long Island.

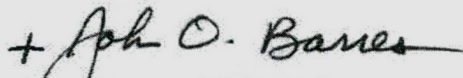
3. **Pray.** Pray the Holy Rosary. Ask the intercession of Our Blessed Mother Mary, Protector of Mothers, Defender of Life and the Family, to strengthen us so that we may be compassionate, courageous witnesses to the truth. Ask also for the intercession of Saint Thomas More, patron of statesmen, politicians, lawyers and judges, who lost his life for refusing to renounce his conscience and give in to the tides of political power and privilege.

Pray for our elected officials and for all people and pray that our politicians come to understand their profound obligation to defend the most defenseless among us. Any Catholic who actively supports an attack on the sacredness of life, chooses to place him or herself in grave moral danger and outside of the Communion of the Church. We pray for their souls, for a spirit of repentance, for a return to the truth of the love of God. It is God's love that formed each one of us in our Mother's womb.

A civilization that not only will not protect, but actually celebrates an attack on its most vulnerable members is morally bankrupt and stands on the verge of collapse. We pray for the courage of the martyrs, that an awakened spirit of evangelization and voices raised together will move hearts and minds, and call us back to our God-given senses, to the God who made us, who loves us, and who offers us our eternal destiny in love.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us!

Sincerely in Christ,


Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre



Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Breathe into me, Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Attract my heart, Holy Spirit, that I may love only what is holy. Strengthen me, Holy Spirit, that I may defend all that is holy. Protect me, Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy.

St. Augustine

The Pastor's Letter

This is from last weekend's homily

I heard a story about a bishop visiting a local parish that was preparing to receive a new pastor. The bishop spoke at a meeting of the parishioners and told them, "I am assigning an outstanding priest to this parish as your pastor. He is perhaps the most gifted man in the diocese - a brilliant man, wonderful homilist, a friendly man who works well with the young and is loved by the seniors, and a very astute administrator." As the bishop was speaking, the people were crying. He was surprised by this reaction to such good news, and finally asked, "why are you crying?" One man responded, "that's what you told us the last time!"

Since the announcement was made by the Redemptorist Provincial Father Paul Borowski, C.Ss.R. that the Redemptorists, due to a serious lack of personnel, would be returning the pastoral care of the parish of St. Martin of Tours back to the Diocese of Rockville Centre, I, and am sure is true for all our priests, have heard a statement like this very often: *we are going to miss you all very much.*

When I hear this, I feel we are very appreciated and loved, but at the same time I feel sadness for both you and for us. The date for returning the parish to the diocese is August 1st, 2019. Since last August first, I have been saying to myself: *this is the last Thanksgiving we will have together, the last Advent and the last Christmas we will share together, and so forth.* I have been treasuring each day, but also know that our departure is not too far off.

I am speaking at all the Masses this weekend since I want to keep you informed of the process that has begun in terms of our parish having a new pastor and an associate priest. The Diocese of Rockville Centre has what I consider a very good process of naming a new pastor. Recently, all the parishes that will need new pastors were announced to all the priests in the diocese. There are at least 15 parishes seeking a new pastor, and there may be more named in the weeks to come. Some of the pastors have reached retirement age, others have finished their two six year terms, and some may be seeking a different assignment. All the priests of the diocese have received a profile of the parishes that are seeking pastors. The priests are given information about the sacramental programs of the parish, the finances, the buildings and so forth.

The priests in the diocese can then apply for one or more of the parishes. The diocese has a personnel board that seeks information from the people in the parish. Everyone in the parish is encouraged and welcome to name their desires for the new pastor and the pastoral team. So, in your pews are sheets that will assist you in going online and having your thoughts brought to the Diocesan Personnel Board. If you do not use a computer, you can fill a sheet at home and drop it off at the parish office this week. The first meeting of the personnel board is February 19th. So, those of you who wish to be heard, need to get this done no later than this coming Friday.

These recommendations are read by the personnel board and also the priests who are considering being the pastor of the parish. I believe the personnel board will have several meetings. The final naming of the pastors is done by Bishop Barres. The request for the priest for a particular parish may or may not be met depending on a variety of circumstances.

I met with Father Edward Sheridan last week who is in charge of the personnel board. I liked him very much and I think he understands the transition that our parish is making and is very sensitive to it. He said that we may know the new pastor by the end of April or in early May. The new pastor may come and spend a week or two here and we will work together for a smooth transition. He will become pastor of the parish on August 1st. Father Sheridan said he believes St. Martin's will most likely have a pastor and one assistant. We discussed our present schedule of eight weekend Masses, and we both agreed that with two parish priests, there will have to be changes in the schedule. I told him the parishioners are aware of that and have been prepared for such changes over the past year.

I have very much appreciated that you have been concerned about us and our next assignments. Our Provincial Board will be giving us our new assignments sometime in mid-June. None of us know now where we are going. I have asked people to help plan some events to celebrate the 33 years that you and the Redemptorists have shared together. If you are interested in volunteering to be a part of those activities, you can let me know.

I am very optimistic that all will go well. Our staff and volunteers are gifted and have truly created a great spirit here at St. Martin's, as have all of you, the parishioners. A parishioner said to me, *Father, we are going to miss you men so much, but we will, as always, welcome and love the new priests who come.* I could not say it better.

Today, we heard about the great catch of fish to the point that the boats of Peter and John are almost sinking. What an image of the abundance of God's grace. God always gives us more gifts and graces than we ever need. Our first reading gave us the words we say at every Mass before the Consecration: *"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts! All the earth is filled with his glory!"* The people of St. Martin's have been proclaiming those words of faith and adoration for 95 years and will continue to do so for the next 95 years. We Redemptorists will cherish and celebrate with you the next six months as a precious gift from God. Amen

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

My dear parishioners,



I found out last week from my urologist that I have prostate cancer. I will consult with the radiologist on March 4 to discuss the different options before me.

I am most grateful for your prayers as I now journey this path towards the fullness of the Kingdom of God. God is good! Let us continue to pray for all who are sick, here and throughout the world. May Mary be forever Our Perpetual Help.

In the Redeemer,
Fr. Denis

I am looking for a volunteer, perhaps a retired teacher, who might help an adult with some English language skills. If interested, please let me know.

Father Pat
woodscsr@aol.com

VOLUNTEER
you can make a difference!



Women's Group

of St. Martin of Tours

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 20 at 7pm in St. Alphonsus Hall. All women are welcome and do bring a friend!

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

FOR HELP IN A CRISIS PREGNANCY

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FORMED PICK

The Secret of Divine Mercy



The secret of Divine Mercy is the power of God's love to bring not only good out of evil but an even greater good out of evil. Divine Mercy is therefore the truth that should prevent us from ever despairing.

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

Divine Mercy Episode 7

THE SECRET OF DIVINE MERCY

In our last session, we saw the miraculous drama of Fatima play out against a world engulfed in war. We'll now see how other dramatic events bring together the power of Divine Mercy in the Second Greatest Story Ever Told.

Heavenly Father, we echo the words of St. John Paul the Great, who called out to Mary in his time of need, and recognized that any suffering in his life was an opportunity for you to provide special graces - not only for him, but for the entire Church. We ask now for the grace to understand and live out your Mercy to all those around us, even those who would attempt to do us harm. We ask all this in Jesus' name. Amen.

~ Adapted from words of Pope John Paul II spoken shortly after the assassination attempt of May 13, 1981.

FORMED KIDS' KORNER

Beckoning



This heartwarming inspirational novel of Biblical historical fiction places you into the reality and mystery of this broken world as you are then gradually drawn into the healing light of Christ.

Kids' Korner: BECKONING

A modern day teen inserts herself into Biblical stories imagining herself to be the daughter of the Centurion who crucifies Christ. In ancient Jerusalem, she finds friendship and danger, while exploring whether Jesus is beckoning her to follow him.

Watch on: smtbethpage.formed.org

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: *NOTE: Basic training must be taken PRIOR to this training in order to serve the homebound, hospitals and nursing homes. Choices are:* St. Patrick's Parish, Bay Shore (Msgr. Purick Hall) 9 Clinton Ave, Bay Shore 11706 *Wednesday, March 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2019 7:00PM to 9:00PM;* St. Patrick's Bay Shore (Msgr. Coffey Centre) *Saturday, March 16 and 23 from 8:30AM - 4:30PM.*

Our Lady of Consolation, 111 Beach Dr, West Islip 11795 *Saturday, April 6, 2019 8:30AM to 4:30PM.*

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
SGT Dennis Diesel, USMC	MAJ Brendan McEvoy, US Army
SGT Matthew P. Sirianni, US Army	SPC Matthew F. Mayerhofer, US Army
CPT Conor B. Murphy, USMC	PO3 James Fischer, US Navy
CPT Victoria Meyer, US Army Nurse Corp	LTC John Evans, US Army
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
SGT Michael Patrick Murphy, US Army	LT Mario Lopes, USMC
CPL William Corrigan, USMC	PVT Brian Barcavage, US Army
PFC Salvatore Battiata, USAF	CS1 Andrew L. DeMarsico, USN
LT Daniel Cloonan, USCG	MAJ Thomas E. Mangiamele, US Army
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

FROM PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY OFFICE- CONTINUING CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

USCCB has a website available online through www.usccb.org called "Sharing Catholic Social Teaching: Challenges and Directions". Following is a quote:

Rights and Responsibility

"In a world where some speak mostly of 'rights' and others of 'responsibilities,' the Catholic tradition teaches that human dignity can be protected and a healthy community can be achieved only if human rights are protected and responsibilities are met. Therefore every person has a fundamental right to life and a right to those things required for human decency. Corresponding to these rights are duties and responsibilities, to one another, to our families and to the larger society. While public debate in our nation is often divided between those who focus on personal responsibility and those who focus on social responsibilities our tradition insists that both are necessary."

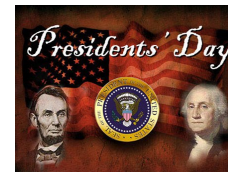
**CHRISTIAN MOTHERS ROSARY CONFRATERNITY
CHANGE OF MEETING DATE**

All are welcome to CMRC's first meeting of 2019. Please note that it has been rescheduled for **TUESDAY, MARCH 5th at 7PM** in St. Alphonsus Hall.

Join us for an evening of prayer and fellowship!

February 18th is Presidents' Day. There is no 6:30AM Mass, just the 9AM.

The Rectory Office is closed and will open on Tuesday, February 19th at 9AM.



Save the Date

Fridays, April 26 to June 28, 2019

Bishop Robert Barron's Series: **CATHOLICISM**

7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall

Father Patrick Woods, CSSR & Rita Verow, Facilitators

Word on Fire Catholic Ministries for Adult Faith Formation

This is a 10 week series of DVD's with discussion to follow.

This highly acclaimed series covers a wide range of topics pertinent to our faith with breathtaking details and visual beauty.

Refreshments will be served.

There will be a DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE on Saturday, April 6th at Cardinal Spellman H.S., Bronx NY from 9AM-5:30PM. Featured speaker is Fr. Frank Pavone, one of the most prominent pro-life leaders in the world. Registration must be sent in by March 22nd. If interested, come to the rectory to pick up a form or go to TheDivineMercy.org/bronx. You can also call 1-800-462-7426. Sponsored by The Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception (MIC) and Franciscan Friars of the Renewal (CFR).



**Bethpage St. Patrick's Parade 2019
Grand Marshal William Scharen**

Grand Marshal William (Bill) Scharen, and his wife Maureen moved to Bethpage in 1979, where they raised their five children. Bill began his involvement in Saint Martin of Tours as a member of Pre-Cana. Bill served 2 terms on Parish Council; he was chairperson of the Liturgy Committee & has been a Eucharist Minister for over 20 years. Before St Martin's School closed and regionalized, Bill had been a member of the school board. Bill is the immediate Past President of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Division 15.

Mark your calendars

28th Annual Bethpage St. Patrick's Parade – Sunday, March 3, 2019

Beginning with the 1:00 PM Mass at St. Martin of Tours
St. Patrick's Parade to follow through Downtown Bethpage
Reception after the parade in the school

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS SOCCER CLINIC REGISTRATION

CLINIC BEGINS SUNDAY, MARCH 24th IN SCHOOL AUDITORIUM AFTER THE 10:00 FAMILY MASS

Child's Information (please print):

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

M / F Date of Birth: _____ Circle Grade: 2 years + up Kindergarten 1st 2nd

Street: _____ Town: _____ Zip Code: _____

Mother's Name _____ Cell _____

Father's Name _____ Cell _____

Attending Parish: _____

Email Address (please print)

As parent or guardian, I assume all the risks and hazards incidental or associated with such participation including all activities, contests and practices. I hereby waive, release and absolve indemnity and agree to hold harmless St. Martin of Tours Church, Bethpage NY 11714.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____



All High School Teens are welcome and encouraged to attend the 5:30PM Mass every Sunday. The overnight lock-in retreat is **THIS WEEKEND**, Sunday, February 17th beginning at the 5:30 Mass until Monday, February 18th at 7AM. Permission slips must be completed and given to Diana. Please pray for a successful retreat!

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

Pancake Breakfast
Sunday, March 10th 8:00AM to 1:00PM
Sponsored by the
Hartigan Council of the Knights of Columbus
Breakfast will be served in Saint Alphonsus Hall

Free Will Offering - All are Welcome!

BASKETBALL CLINIC
No Clinic March 3rd due to
St. Patrick's Day Parade

Our last clinic will be Sunday, March 10th
followed by Pancake Breakfast
in St. Alphonsus Hall

AWARDS CEREMONY FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS



These two Missionaries have just completed the New York Marathon.

Looking forward to the
St. Martin of Tours
Bethpage Mission Reunion Tour
March 10 - 14th at 7:30PM Church

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

Men's Club Meeting
Tuesday, February 26th
All men 18 and over are welcome!
We will meet this month at 7PM and begin in the Church in the prayer area where the Blessed Sacrament is in the monstrance. We will follow with our discussion in St. Alphonsus Hall at 7:30PM.

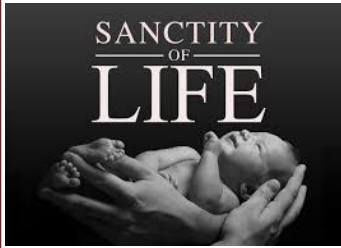
Diocese of Rockville Centre
Charismatic Renewal Office

NIGHT OF PRAISE

Monday, February 25, 2019
7:30PM
St. Martin of Tours
220 Central Avenue, Bethpage
REGIONAL PRAYER MEETING

Speaker: Pat Murray
"Winds of Flame" Music Ministry

Please join us as we come together to worship our Lord and King



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

AMERICANS UNITED FOR LIFE: AMERICANS UNITED FOR LIFE and YOU GOV just released a nonpartisan, independent survey showing:

- 79% of Americans reject all abortion in the last three months of pregnancy.
- 80% oppose abortion the day before a child would have been born, and
- 82 reject denying medical care to viable infants.

What's even more encouraging than seeing most Americans rejecting late-term abortion is that even huge majorities of PRO-CHOICE Americans are rejecting late-term abortion. Radical states ratifying dangerous late-term abortion bills, such as New York, Vermont, and New Mexico are deeply out of step with the attitudes of even self-identified pro-choice Americans.

THIS WEEKEND THERE WILL BE A PETITION TO GOVERNOR CUOMO OF NEW YORK AND ALL GOVERNORS IN THE U.S. WE WILL BE IN THE GATHERING AREA OF THE CHURCH AND ASK THAT YOU STOP BY AND SIGN THIS IMPORTANT PETITION.

The petition demands that the governors of every State encourage law that PROTECT UNBORN CHILDREN AND THEIR MOTHERS FROM THE TRAGEDY OF ABORTION. WE demand that the governors SUPPORT LIFE AFFIRMING ALTERNATIVES TO ABORTION and demand ENACTMENT OF LAWS THAT RECOGNIZE THE INTRINSIC VALUE OF EACH AND EVERY HUMAN LIFE from CONCEPTION to NATURAL DEATH.

BISHOP BARRES: Sent by Diana Tellis@drvc.org. Respect Life Office. <https://YouTube/J15cR5KBR1Y>.

STAND UP FOR LIFE RALLY PROTESTING GOV. CUOMO'S LATE TERM ABORTION LAW

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD FROM 1:00 - 3:00PM

500 Old Country Road, Garden City 11530 South side of the street just west off Glen Cove Rd

ATTIRE: BLACK AND BRING YOUR OWN SIGN

These babies need our voice. Please join us as we peacefully stand for these little ones!

Contact information: Janice Seaman (516) 353-8662 js@gramercy.com

**You know we are in a bad place when we pass a law
allowing the murder of a baby moments from birth. And to let them die if born alive.**

WHERE IS HUMAN REASON?

WHERE IS COMMON SENSE!

THESE BABIES NEED YOU!

Please read Bishop Barres' letter to parishioners on page 4 and 5.

**Our Lady of Mercy CYO Track & Field
Spring 2019 Registration
Boys & Girls K - 8th grade**

The spring season runs during the months of April-June. Meets are held outdoors on weekends at track facilities throughout Nassau and Suffolk. Events consist of team relays and individual dashes of both short sprints and middle distances. At the conclusion of the season, we will hold our annual end of year celebration. Our Lady of Mercy CYO is a non-profit organization.

For registration and additional information about the program, contact Kelly at ourladyofmercytrack@gmail.com. Registration deadline is March 22nd.

2019 EXAM PREP COURSE FOR MAY 4TH EXAM

First come - first served basis
There will be no refunds once the course begins.

Course Fee: \$250.00 includes textbook
Dates: March 9, 16, 23, 30 & April 6 & 13
9AM to 11:30AM in Marian Hall

To register, please write your name, address, phone, school presently attending & email address

Mail to:

ST. DOMINIC HIGH SCHOOL
110 Anstice St., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
Attention: Mrs. Stutzmann

Call Mrs. Stutzmann for any questions at
516-922-4888 ext 5241

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! ARE YOU LOOKING TO GET INVOLVED WITH AN AMAZING ORGANIZATION? HANDICAPPED ENCOUNTER CHRIST (HEC) NEEDS VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR 35th ANNUAL RETREAT.

Long Island HEC is an all-volunteer organization with the mission to bring together physically and/or mentally challenged (18 years and older) and able-bodied individuals together for a prayerful experience of song, talks, sharing, Eucharist and many other joyful moments.

HEC 35 is in need of volunteers for its annual retreat which will be held April 25 - 28, 2019 (Thursday - Sunday) at Camp Alvernia in Centerport, NY. We are in need of team members, kitchen help, setting up and taking down the camp, as well as drivers for our candidates. We ask that all volunteers attend at least two planning meetings.

Our first planning meeting was on Monday, Feb. 11, 2019 at 7 pm at St. Francis of Assisi, 29 Clay Pitts Road, Greenlawn (lower church). **Additional planning meetings** will take place Wednesday, March 13th and Tuesday, April 9th. We invite you to attend and hear what HEC is all about. For more information, contact Kathy Carley at (631) 470-0640 or email longislandhec@gmail.com.

International Night

Saturday, March 9th 6:00PM in St. Alphonus Hall
Italian, German, Vietnamese, French, English, Filipino, Greek,
Russian, Swedish, Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese, Japanese, Polish
African, Irish, Indian, Middle Eastern, Native American, or any other ethnic dish

International Beers

*Please leave a message at the rectory 931-0818
to let us know the main dish or dessert you are bringing. Thank you!*

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb 18: Presidents' Day - NO 6:30AM Mass - Office Closed
- Feb 19 & 26: Eucharistic Adoration 3PM - 7:30PM
- Feb 19: St. Padre Pio Holy Hour 7:30PM Eucharistic Chapel
- Feb 20: Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30PM Church
- Feb 20: Women's Group 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Feb 25: DRVC Charismatic Renewal presents "Night of Praise" 7:30PM Church
- Feb 26: Holy Hour 3PM Church
- Feb 26: Men's Club begins at 7PM in the Church; ending in St. Alphonsus Hall
- Mar 1: First Friday Devotions at 9AM Mass Church
- Mar 2: First Saturday Devotions 8:30AM Church

**HIGHLIGHTS FOR MARCH**

- Mar 3: St. Patrick's Mass 1PM; Parade and Reception to follow
- Mar 6: Ash Wednesday Mass: 6:30, 9AM & 7PM; Services: 12 Noon & 4PM
- Mar 9: International Night 6PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Mar 10: K of C Lenten Pancake Breakfast 8AM-1PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Mar 10-14: Parish Mission 7:30PM Church
- Mar 27: Soup Supper 6-8PM School Cafeteria