

Masses For The Week

Monday - May 13-Our Lady of Fatima (optional memorial)

6:30 Nicoletta & John Matariello
 9:00 MOTHERS DAY NOVENA

Tuesday - May 14 - Saint Matthias, Apostle (Feast)

6:30 John Miele
 9:00 MOTHERS DAY NOVENA

Wednesday - May 15

6:30 Marty Laraia
 9:00 MOTHERS DAY NOVENA

Thursday - May 16

6:30 Gary Lerman
 9:00 MOTHERS DAY NOVENA

Friday - May 17

6:30 Victor Branz
 9:00 MOTHERS DAY NOVENA

Saturday - May 18

9:00 MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS
 5PM Peggy & Bill McCabe & Family
 7PM Anthony Muller

Sunday - May 19 - 5th Sunday of Easter

7:00 The People of the Parish
 8:30 Thomas P. LaFalce, Sr.
 10:00 Angelina Cilmi
 11:30 Paul James Fidnarick
 1:00 Joan DeBona
 5:30 George Spindler

Readings For The Week

Mon. Acts 11:1-18; John 10:1-10
 Tues. Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; John 15:9-17
 Wed. Acts 12:24-13:5a; John 12:44-50
 Thurs. Acts 13:13-25; John 13:16-20
 Fri. Acts 13:26-33; John 14:1-6
 Sat. Acts 13:44-52; John 14:7-14

Sun. Acts 14:21-27 *Paul and Barnabas continue their travels, strengthening the spirits of the disciples and giving an account of all that God has done with them.*

Revelation 21:1-5a *In the 2nd reading, John foretells the restored creation where God will make his home among his people and wipe away all their tears.*

John 13:31-33a, 34-35 *Jesus gives his disciples a new commandment to love one another.*

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift

Weekly Budget: \$17,500.00
May 5, 2019: \$16,172.19
Catholic Schools: \$2,704.00

Thank you for your generous support!

Reflection

In today's first reading, we see Paul and Barnabas preaching to both the Jews and the Gentiles. We should reflect on and give thanks to God for those individuals who have passed the faith on to us. It may have been our parents, a catechist, a good friend, or our parish priest who introduced us to the faith. While thanking God for those special people, become an evangelizer yourself to those around you!

Living Stewardship

The readings today remind us that as Christians we are all brothers and sisters. Let us pray for all Christians who are facing persecution as well as the newly formed who were baptized and brought to Full Communion this past Easter Vigil.

Charismatic Prayer Group

I'm sure you all have your favorite Bible verses and Jesus quotes. Here's one of mine. *"Has no one condemned you? Then neither shall I condemn you."* You know the story that led to that moment. God has limitless forgiveness for anyone who asks for it with a sincere and contrite heart. Our human minds can't understand this. It's a good thing we don't have to!

Our next meeting will be Monday, May 13th in the Church. We will not have a Wild Goose video that night. The Wild Goose will return in June. PLEASE NOTE: On Monday, May 20th, we will have a regional meeting at St. Barnabas in Bellmore. All are welcome. Call 516-993-9672 for more information or prayer requests.



Divine Mercy Novena

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

HOP Club Winners

5/6/19	#124	Patricia Greene	\$25
5/7/19	#371	Barbara Hoolahan	\$25
5/8/19	#561	Joyce Murphy	\$25
5/9/19	#227	Carol McGlynn	\$25
5/10/19	#66	Tom Imbornoni	\$50



St Mother Theresa Outreach Center

"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: Cereal, egg noodles, Rice-a-Roni, Ramen noodles, canned potatoes, chili, beef stew, salmon, tomato paste, pasta sauce, apple sauce, pears, mixed fruit, Chef Boyardee Pastas, vegetable soup, beef soup, coffee, boxed milk, jelly, juice & juice boxes, toilet paper, napkins, paper towels, diapers (sizes 4, 5 & 6) and baby wipes.

Because of your tremendous generosity, we were able to serve 420 people from 76 individual families. Thank you 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 May 12 - 18, 2019*

*In Loving Memory of
Angela, Sophie & Patricia Critelli*

*Sanctuary Candle
Week of May 12 - 18, 2019
In Loving Memory of the*

Szmytkowski & Zoitke Families



REST IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST

**Louis Cappellino, James McMahon
Arlene Marie Cunningham**

Sadly, Arlene Cunningham, mother of newly ordained Rev. Michael J. Cunningham, C.Ss.R. has died. Her family has arranged her wake at Arthur F. White Funeral Home, Bethpage from 2-4 & 7-9PM on Sunday, May 12th. Mass of Christian Burial is Monday, May 13th at 10AM at St. Martin of Tours. May she, and all who have died in Christ, rest in peace.

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 Graton, 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
- Janet Medina, Kevin Henson, Marie Newman, Hector Valentine
- Theresa DuRoss, Terry Hall, Bob & Anna Baciуска, 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
- 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, Henry Hamilton
- Christian Bogdanos, Liam, The Mooney Family, Margaret Young
- Ann Malavet, Virginia Gala, Bridget, Karen Murphy, Richard Baker, Kevin,
- Dina Ledogard, Ed Russo, Petrina Dralas, Michael John, Patrick Vanacore
- Jean Vanturini, Diane Passaro, Mary Jane Bookman, Toni Novak
- Ryan Castles, Susan Estabrook, Baby Luke, Heather Gilroy
- Tom Sirianni, Pat & Tom Schimmoler, Frances Valenti, Dan McCormick
- William Wojcik, Denise Lombardi, Christopher Connelly, Peggy Castle
- Mike & Carol Leva, Michael Barry, Angela Leone
- Joseph Giugliano





The Pastor's Letter

My mother was always afraid that she had cancer. I know that is a fear that many people have since it is such a prevalent disease. We know great strides have been made in battling this disease but to hear the word from a doctor can be overwhelming. I recall once that Mom fell from standing on a chair to get into a closet and broke her hand. She went to the doctor and he set the bone and put a cast on her wrist, but she was convinced it was bone cancer. So, when my Mom was in her late seventies, we took her to a doctor and it turned out this time she really did have cancer. We were told it was very treatable and it was, but my sister and I felt this would be the worst possible news my mother could hear and that she would probably collapse in fear. So, when we got into the car, she said, *let's go get a cup of tea, and have a sandwich*. In the Irish culture, it seems a cup of tea can diminish any fear or worry. It was the ultimate comfort food, better even than Twinkies or mac and cheese.

I remember when I went to my first funeral of a beloved aunt. The family was so very sad at her death, and it was the first time that I had gone to a wake. I recall that after the burial at Calvary Cemetery, we went to a local restaurant in Brooklyn and had a meal with most of my relatives attending. I was surprised by this. It seemed strange to be mourning and eating at the same time. I came to learn that this was a common ritual that families had. These meals were special because we continue to share memories of the deceased, to laugh and remember them in a beautiful way. Such meals have a powerful effect on healing and comforting those who have suffered loss.

Our parish is having its fourth ALPHA program and I am very happy about that, and hope it continues into the future. An ALPHA evening consists of a simple meal, a video about Jesus, and a discussion. When we were planning ALPHA, it was the importance of the meal that baffled me. I thought - *why not start right with the video and discussion! What was so important about beginning with a meal?* I soon came to see how wrong I was. I now see the meal at ALPHA as most essential to the program. People who do not know each other slowly begin to bond over lasagna and meatballs, and come to know each other better and it builds a true sense of cohesion among the participants as they seek to share faith.

Jesus was often going to a meal, eating a meal, or leaving a meal. This was an essential method he used in preaching his message. It was called table ministry. Sinners were welcomed at these meals. We recall that Jesus fed thousands of people with a few loaves and fishes. His first miracle was to turn water into wine so that a festive wedding meal could continue. The word *Bethlehem* means *house of bread* and Jesus is placed in a manger, a place of food for the animals. The return of the Prodigal Son concludes with a great meal and the conversion of Zacchaeus leads to another meal. It is easy for us to see how important meals were for Jesus and his ministry. The night before he dies, Jesus shares the ultimate Jewish meal with his disciples: the Passover meal which celebrates that God brought the Jewish people out of slavery into freedom and the Promised Land. On that night he takes bread and says *this is my body*, and he takes a cup of wine and says *this is my blood shed for you*. Then he says: *Do this in memory of me*. This meal, which will continue until the end of the world, is the meal that brings all who believe in Jesus into his death and resurrection. Whenever we celebrate this meal at Mass, we proclaim with one voice: *Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again*. We have the expression *you are what you eat*: at the Eucharist we eat the Body of Christ, and we become his body now alive in us in a very unique way.

The Easter Gospels are some of my favorites. Although Christ has shown himself to the apostles and Mary Magdalene, it does seem that the first believers are struggling to understand this most wondrous reality: *the one who was dead is risen!* At times Jesus is described almost as a ghost-like figure who can pass through doors and often not recognized. In other times, he has a real body that can be touched. Although this is a time of great wonder and awe for the apostles, they are also confused. Perhaps, they almost doubt what they have seen and experienced. Like us, they believe but continue to have questions. Key to understanding these Gospels is that the apostles have yet to receive the fullness of the out-pouring of the Holy Spirit. That will happen on Pentecost.

Peter and the apostles find themselves in a kind of Limbo, so when they don't know exactly what to do, they decide to go back to what they know best. So, the fishermen go fishing. I think of my sister. When she is worried, she starts vacuuming the house. As we heard in the Gospel, they are not catching any fish. They hear the voice of a stranger telling them to try the other side of the boat. The Apostle John is the first to recognize Jesus: *it is the Lord*, he cries out. Then, Peter jumps into the water and starts to swim toward Jesus. You have to love the passion of Peter - ever eager to show his love after denying the Lord three times.

Jesus is on the shore preparing breakfast for the apostles. He is ready to cook fish over the fire and share bread with them. We might call this the first church cookout! Jesus, who was the foot washer at the Last Supper is now the tender Master preparing food for his friends. A ghost does not cook food. Jesus is truly raised! This is another key moment as our Lord prepares them for their mission to go and preach the Gospel to the entire world. These men are slowly being transformed into the pillars upon whose faith the church will be built.

What has brought us to Mass today? Do we need comfort because of the challenges and burdens of life? Do we need to touch and encounter the mercy of God through Jesus? Has this sacred ritual possibly become a routine or an obligation? We need food to live. A meal brings us together. We use food to heal us as we mourn, to celebrate joyful moments, to mark special occasions, to share life with one another. We bring ourselves to this sacred meal, with all our strengths and struggles. Jesus is in our midst, feeding us with his body and blood. I have a friend who loves to eat out. When you go to a restaurant with him, he will say, *we are not here to eat; we are here to dine*. At this Mass, at every Eucharist, we are with the risen Jesus who comes to us in this most visible and mysterious way. Jesus says to us, *I am the bread of life; whoever eats my body and drinks my blood shall have eternal life*.

Father Patrick Woods, C.Ss.R., Pastor
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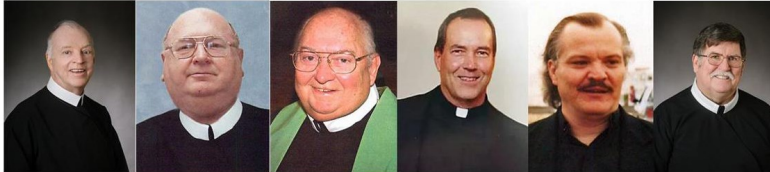
Mary, on this day when we honor all mothers, we turn to you. We thank the Lord whom you serve for the great gift of motherhood. Dear Mother, thank you for your "Yes" to the invitation of the angel which brought heaven to earth and changed human history. You opened yourself to God's word and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

Mother, intercede for all of our mothers. Ask your Divine Son to give them the grace of surrendered love so that they could join with you in giving their own "Fiat." May they find daily strength to say yes to the call to the sacrificial love- the very heart of the vocation of motherhood. May their love and witness be a source of great inspiration for all of us called to follow your Son.

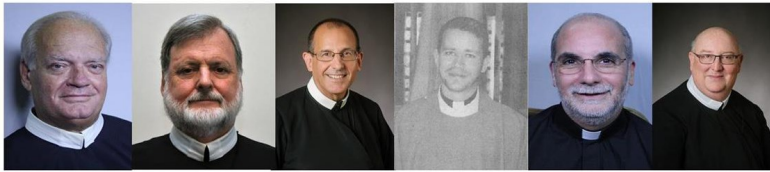
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For the special projects that we are preparing for the Redemptorists, we are asking you to email the following to:

smtbethpagecommunity@gmail.com

by Friday, May 17, 2019:

Please complete our unfinished statement below. Please reflect on an experience(s) with any of the Redemptorists who served here. It could be one of those funny things that become a story repeated often and sometimes it can be something that softened our hearts and healed a wound, a concern, or a bad day. Someone said the right words, reminded us of the unconditional love of Jesus Christ or made us feel that we counted. We ask you not to specifically name the priest, but to relate something that made you reflect and feel better or simply stirred within you the feeling that I am glad that I spoke to Fa-

ther. Since we are asking our whole parish for their input, we would appreciate your responses being as brief as possible.

I remember the day when I needed someone and...

- Please know that your reflections will be gathered and then compiled into a book without specifically identifying you as the contributor of the respective comment.
- We ask that you please share cherished photos taken with our Redemptorist priests. We are especially looking for candid shots that capture the personalities of the various priests that have served at St. Martins. If you do not have photo images that can be shared via email, please place your photos in an envelope that notes your name, address, and phone number and then bring them to the rectory. All photos will be scanned and returned back to you! We will use the contact information that you provide to us to return your originals.
- If you are interested in volunteering for any of the projects that are being planned for the Redemptorists, please send us an email with the word "Volunteer" in the subject line. We will share via email the specifics of various volunteer opportunities to which you can then make a commitment.



We are preparing two special dates to mark the transfer of the pastoral care of the parish back to the Diocese of Rockville Centre and to have a farewell celebration for the Redemptorists.

- **The first date is July 7th at the 1:00 p.m. Mass.** Bishop John Barres, Bishop of the Diocese and Father Paul Borowski CSsR, will be present to offer a Mass of Thanksgiving to the Lord for all the graces He has given to the Diocese of Rockville Centre, to the Parish of St. Martin of Tours, and to the Redemptorists over the past thirty-three years. A luncheon will follow.
- **On July 28th, with the time of the Mass still to be determined,** the parishioners of St. Martin's, past and present, will bid farewell to the present and former Redemptorists who have served here at St. Martin's. A luncheon will follow.

Eventually, we will ask you to sign up if you wish to attend so we have enough food and enough room in the church for the Masses. If you wish to offer your assistance in any way to either of these events, you can give me your name and I will give it to the planning committee. I have joked that one cannot plan their own farewell party. The spirit of these events is that all are welcome and we, although we are to leave, are joyful for what has been and what will be.

Father Christopher Costigan, our new pastor, will celebrate his formal installation with the parish sometime after August 1st. He will make arrangements with the Diocese and the parishioners to set the time and date.

DO YOU NEED FULL COMMUNION IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

If you have been baptized and have received Eucharist (Holy Communion) but were not confirmed, RCIA is offering a four-session course on Wednesday May 8, 15, 22 and June 5th. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred on Pentecost Sunday, June 9, 2019 at the 11:30AM Mass. Please contact Ann Hughes if you are interested at 516-433-6972 or the rectory office at 516-931-0818.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Jesus is the Resurrection and the Light for our Church and within our Marriages. Gift your relationship with a bright light by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

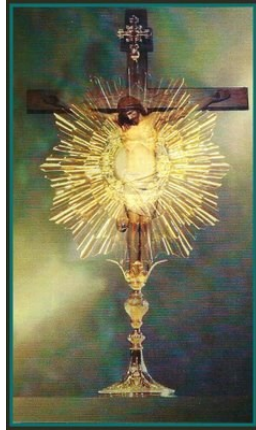
The next weekend is June 28-30, 2019 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at 877-697-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmenyli.org/>.

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

Celebration of the First Mass
Rev. Michael J. Cunningham, C.Ss.R.



Saint Martin of Tours, Bethpage, NY
Sunday, May 5, 2019
One o'clock in the Afternoon



Father Michael preaches his first sermon as a priest. May Jesus, our Most Holy Redeemer and Our Lady of Perpetual Help bless him as a priest.

What a joyful moment in the life of the Parish of St. Martin of Tours! Our parishioner, Father Michael Cunningham C.Ss.R. celebrates his first Mass as a priest on May 5th.

Father Michael was ordained by Cardinal Joseph Tobin C.Ss.R. on May 4th at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Brooklyn, and Father Michael will continue to serve there.

Congratulations to Father Michael's family. He spoke lovingly of his mother Arlene and presented the cloth with holy oils from his ordination to one of his sisters. Sadly, his mother has since gone home to God.



For it is declared: "You are a priest forever,
in the order of Melchizedek."

Hebrews 7:17

Plentiful Redemption



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We are very grateful and thank you for your stories, pictures and memories that we are collecting for the book, *Plentiful Redemption*. To meet our printer's deadline, Friday, May 17th is the last day of submissions.

There will be two ways for parishioners to obtain or access the book:

(1) ON-LINE ACCESS: All parishioners will be able to view the book at no charge on our St. Martin's web page. When available, access information will be provided.

Or (2) RESERVE & PRE-PAY: If you are interested in purchasing a hard copy, you will have the opportunity to reserve and pre-pay at a cost of \$10 (check or cash) in the gathering area on the following weekends:

May 18th & 19th AND May 25th & 26th

The books will be distributed on Sunday, July 7th after the 1:00PM Mass.

PRAYER LIST OF MILITARY PERSONNEL

We are looking to update the list of military personnel and also the photos that are in the gathering area. Please either call the rectory at 931-0818 or email gamit1946@hotmail.com with any updates or changes. Thank you!

COLLECTION TO HELP HOMELESS VETERANS MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND - MAY 25TH AND 26TH

There will be volunteers to accept donations for HOMELESS VETERANS in the Gathering Area. They can use new twin sheet sets, Walmart, Target or other gift cards. Please be as generous as your means will allow.

God bless our Veterans and all those who are currently serving and those who gave their lives for our country.

SMT Parish Social Ministry is looking for volunteers to bring the donated food from the church wagon to the pantry.

The best time is Sunday afternoon after the 1PM or 5:30PM Mass, but time can be flexible. Please call the pantry during open hours or leave a message at 931-7332 to set things up. Thank you to all who donate.

YOUNG AT HEART

We sponsored our yearly BABY SHOWER for BIRTHRIGHT and want to express our deep appreciation to all the ladies who so generously contributed to this worthy endeavor. Thank you one and all.

Table #5 Young at Heart

Women's Group

of St. Martin of Tours

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 22 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!

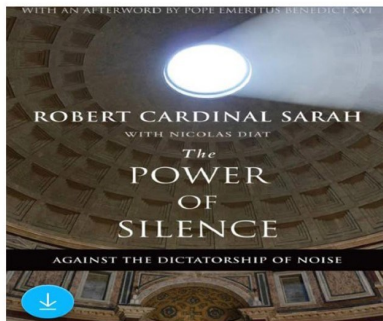


St. Gerard Majella, CSsR is a very popular Redemptorist saint of the Catholic Church as the special patron of those who are seeking to get pregnant or adopt and those who are pregnant and praying for a safe delivery.

As you know, we have a beautiful icon of St. Gerard in our prayer area of our church. You are welcome to ask any of the priests or deacon for a blessing with the St. Gerard relic if you are seeking to become pregnant, adopt or are pregnant.

FORMED PICK

The Power of Silence



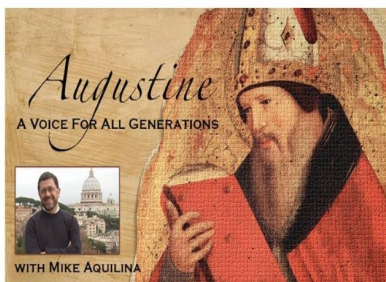
The modern world generates so much noise that seeking moments of silence has become both harder and more necessary than ever before. Silence is the indispensable doorway to the divine.

FORMED Pick of the Week
The Power of Silence: Against the Dictatorship of Noise
 by Robert Cardinal Sarah
 with an afterword by Pope Emeritus Benedict 16th

In a time when Technology and materialism exerts such a powerful influence over us, Cardinal Robert Sarah presents a bold book about the strength of silence. Can those who do not know silence ever attain truth, and the beauty of love? Do not wisdom, artistic vision, and devotion spring from silence, where the voice of God is heard in the depths of the Human Heart?

FORMED KIDS' KORNER

Augustine: The Voice of All Generations



St. Augustine of Hippo (354-430) is a preeminent Doctor of the Church and the patron of the Augustinian order. His works have had an inestimable impact on the Church and, by extension, on Western Civilization.

KIDS' KORNER:
Augustine: A Voice for All Generations
 by Mike Aqualina Young Adults(15+)

An excellent DVD on the life of St. Augustine of Hippo, who was a brilliant Doctor of the Church. His famous works are The Confessions and The City of God, plus many other inspiring writings, and homilies. The DVD is also about his very devoted mother, St. Monica, and her constant prayers for her son, Augustine, who finally converted back to the Catholic faith, along with the intervention of the highly respected Bishop of Milan, St. Ambrose, who was on a compatible intellectual level as Augustine. A famous quote of St. Augustine is as follows: "Thou has made us for thyself O Lord, and our Hearts are restless, until they rest in thee."

Watch on: smtbethpage.formed.org

St. Martin of Tours Knights of Columbus Council #5033

BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, May 20, 2019 2PM - 8PM - 517 Central Avenue, Bethpage

Your donation will help to save up to THREE lives. Our community hospitals need your help. Please share this lifesaving gift! ALL DONORS WILL RECEIVE A MCDONALD'S COUPON FOR A FREE LARGE SANDWICH OR SALAD WITH ANY PURCHASE.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Bring your Blood Donor Card or ID with signature or photo.
- Minimum weight 110 lbs.
- Age 16 - 75 (16 year olds must have parental permission)
- Eat well (low fat) and drink plenty of fluids
- No tattoos for the past 12 months

For questions concerning medical eligibility call 1-800-688-0900 www.nybc.org
For more information, contact Jack Batt (516) 868-8192 or Nick Ardezzone at (516) 582-7486.



This weekend we are selling carnations for Mother's Day. See p. 13.

To close out the year, we are having a BBQ on Sunday June 2nd after the 5:30 Mass (rain or shine!) in the school parking lot. Let us know how many are coming so we have enough food for everyone! SMT_lifeteen@yahoo.com

Liam is looking for more teen singers and musicians to join the Life Teen Band. Contact Liam at LGordonWorship@gmail.com for more information.

Our Disney raffle tickets are SOLD OUT!

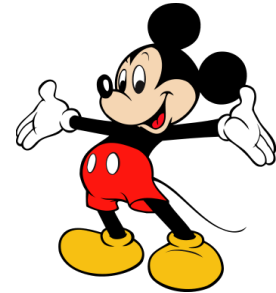
DRAWING: Sunday, May 19th at 7PM in St. Alphonsus Hall.

Live music, baked goods, 50/50 & more!!

1st Prize: Five \$1,000 Disney Gift Cards

2nd Prize: \$1,000 in cash

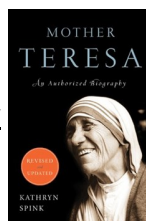
3rd Prize: \$500 in cash



You will not need to be present to win. Whether you bought one or more or many more, we cannot begin to thank you all enough! Good luck everyone and thank you again and again!

Combining the Spiritual & Regular Book Clubs

Both clubs are reading *Mother Teresa - An Authorized Biography* by Kathryn Spink and will meet on Wednesday, July 10th at 7:30PM in St. Alphonsus Hall. All are welcome to join us!



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**PLEASE PRAY CONSTANTLY FOR THOSE SERVING IN OUR MILITARY
ESPECIALLY AS THEY ARE FAR FROM THEIR LOVED ONES AT EASTERTIME.**

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.



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LIFE LINE SCREENING, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at **St. Martin of Tours Parish - St Alphonsus Hall on 6/6/2019**. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete.

In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle or text the word *circle* to 797979.



Our monthly holy hour will be from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 28th. The regular Tuesday adoration will continue until 7:30 p.m.

Mothers Day Carnation Sale!

The SMT Youth Ministry will be selling carnations after all Masses on Mother's Day, May 12th! 1 for \$2; 3 for \$5 and 12 for \$15. All proceeds go to benefit our youth programs.

CANCELLED

LIFE CENTER OF LI BABY SHOWER

THE BABY SHOWER SCHEDULED FOR THE WEEKEND OF MAY 17 AND 18, IS REGRETABLELY CANCELLED. ANY ONE WHO MIGHT HAVE A DONATION WOULD BE WELCOME TO DROP IT AT THE LIFE CENTER IN MASSAPEQUA. 35 E. Willow Street, Massapequa, 11758 516 709 9100.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

At all Masses on the weekend of May 18th and 19th there will be a second collection and a video will be shown for the Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA). There will be materials in the gathering area for more information.

NEXT VIRTUS CLASS
Wednesday, June 12th
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.

LEST WE FORGET
Knights of Columbus
Catholic War Vets
POPPY SALE

All Sunday Masses on May 19th

We will be saying the rosary in the prayer garden, weather permitting, on the Wednesdays of May at 7PM.

MAY CROWNING
 * The annual May crowning of the Blessed Mother will take place as part of the 10:00 Mass on May 26th. All our first communion children are invited to come in their first communion clothes to mark this special occasion.

The Parish Men's Club will meet on May 30 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Alphonsus Hall. Mr. Met will facilitate a discussion on being humble.



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RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY**ALIVE FROM NEW YORK**

There seems to have been a backwash as a result of the radical HHS Abortion Law Governor Cuomo signed into law on January 28, 2019. The extremism of a botched abortion, whereas the baby is born alive with no help from a doctor to administer to its survival, and the very fact that the baby can be aborted up to the moment of birth, has awakened many Americans to the reality of abortion in America. As a result, we are seeing states reconsider drastic laws involving the child in the womb. One example is the HEARTBEAT LAW: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kansas, Kentucky, Ohio and Maryland, while others are considering PAIN CABLE LAWS. A HEARTBEAT BILL is a form of proposed abortion legislation in the USA which makes abortion illegal as soon as the heartbeat can be detected. It is based on the conclusion that a human heartbeat is enough to indicate a person. Fetal heartbeats can be detected at about six to seven weeks into pregnancy, but may be as late as twelve weeks when directed with a Doppler fetal monitor.

**ALIVE FROM NEW YORK DISPLAYS 4D BABY ULTRASOUND IN TIMES SQUARE**

Thousands gathered in Times Square last Saturday as abortion survivors joined with pro-life advocates for a special FOCUS ON THE FAMILY event that broadcasted a 4D ultrasound image of an unborn baby. Several abortion survivors described their accounts to the large crowd.

STUDENTS FOR LIFE IN AMERICA (SFLA): This national pro-life organization had 3 different ads featured in Times Square opposing New York for its ABORTION EXTREMISM. The pro-life student group made their anti-abortion message to NYS loud and clear in a Times Square video billboard calling out the state for its abortion extremism. The massive pro-life billboard called BRING LIGHT TO THE DARKNESS featured Fox News Radio's Todd Stames and Bishop Edward Scharfenberger of Albany, both of whom called out Governor Cuomo for lighting the Freedom Tower in pink in celebration of the law allowing abortion up the point of birth. Kirstin Hawkins, the president of SFLA, said their message resonates with MILLENNIALS! *"We launched a conversation with New Yorkers and voters nationwide, letting them know that the PRO-LIFE GENERATION votes and rejects the substandard care at Planned Parenthood as well as abortion to the MOMENTS BEFORE BIRTH AND EVEN AFTER."*

It seems that America has opened its eyes to the radical attack on the sanctity of human life, religious freedom, assisted suicide and freedom of speech. We must be careful, keep vigil, for this beautiful country we live in can be transformed in the blink of an eye. A point to be made: the excitement and the enormity of New Year's Eve may certainly overwhelm this past Saturday in Times Square, but rather than just welcoming in a new year, we might be welcoming in a new open-mindedness toward life, the glory of it, the gift of it and the blessings it brings. To see that baby in the ultrasound looking down on all those attending, passing by, or watching on TV had to fill their hearts and regain hope for us all.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 12: Mother's Day Carnation Sale in the Gathering Area
- Apr 26 - June 28: *Catholicism* 10 week series begins 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- May 13: Charismatic Prayer Group 7PM Video; 7:30PM Meeting Church
- May 14: Eucharistic Adoration 3PM - 7:30PM
- **May 18 & 19: Respect Life Baby Shower - CANCELLED**
- May 19: Knights of Columbus will be selling poppies at all Sunday Masses.
- May 19: Youth Ministry Disney Drawing 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- May 20: Knights of Columbus Blood Drive located at the Council. See p 11.
- May 21: Eucharistic Adoration 3PM - 7:30PM
- May 22: Women's Group 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall (Library Room)
- May 26: May Crowning 10AM Family Mass
- May 28: Holy Hour 3:00 - 4PM Church
- May 28: Eucharistic Adoration 4PM - 7:30PM Church
- June 1: Christopher Quinn's Ordination to Deacon St. Agnes Cathedral (invitation only)
- June 6: Life Line Screening St. Alphonsus Hall. See p 12.
- June 9: Pentecost Sunday 11:30AM Mass RCIA Adult Confirmation
- June 9: Mass of Thanksgiving for Deacon Christopher Quinn 1PM
- July 7: Mass of Thanksgiving with Bishop John Barres and Father Paul Borowski, CSsR
- July 10: Regular & Spiritual Book Club Meeting 7:30PM
- July 28: Redemptorists Farewell Mass

