

Masses For The Week

Monday - June 24 - Nativity of St. John the Baptist

- 6:30 Father's Day Novena
- 9:00 John Joyce

Tuesday - June 25

- 6:30 Margaret Sedgley
- 9:00 Father's Day Novena

Wednesday - June 26

- 6:30 Maria Vecchio & Maria Sirianni
- 9:00 Father's Day Novena

Thursday - June 27 - St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop & Doctor

- 6:30 Anthony Pendas
- 9:00 Father's Day Novena

Friday - June 28 - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

- 6:30 Stephen Timoszuk
- 9:00 Dominick DeCaro

Saturday - June 29 - Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

- 9:00 MULTIPLE INTENTIONS ANNOUNCED AT MASS
- 5PM Charles & Angelina Maxwell
- 7PM Marcello & Natalie Zadra

Sunday - June 30 - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:00 The People of the Parish
- 8:30 Henry Soluk
- 10:00 Nicola Lepore, 1st Anniversary
- 11:30 Stella, Magdalena & John Lazzati
- 1:00 June M. Garguilo, 1st Anniversary
- 5:30 Jenene Trappasse

Readings For The Week

- Mon. Isaiah 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Luke 1:57-66, 80
- Tues. Genesis 13:2, 5-18; Matthew 7:6, 12-14
- Wed. Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Matthew 7:15-20
- Thurs. Genesis 16:1-12, 15-16; Matthew 7:21-29
- Fri. Ezekiel 34:11-16; Romans 5:5b-11, Luke 15:3-7
- Sat. Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18; Matt 16:13-19
- Sun. 1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21** *The Lord tells Elijah to find Elisha and anoint him as prophet to succeed him. Elisha, though he wants to wait until he can say goodbye to his parents, nevertheless slaughters his oxen and follows.*

Galatians 5:1, 13-18 *Paul writes to the Galatians about the freedom that Christ came to bring us which, if we live by the Spirit, allows us to not be controlled by the desires of the flesh.*

Luke 9:51-62 *Jesus is making his final journey to Jerusalem, and tells those who want to follow him that they must do so without delay.*

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift

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| Weekly Budget: | \$17,500.00 |
| June 16, 2019: | \$15,679.19 |
| Air Conditioning: | \$3,952.00 |

Thank you for your generous support!

Charismatic Prayer Group

It's vacation season!! Here's a postcard from us to you!



School may be over but there's no vacation from God. Come and pray with us for a healthy and safe summer. Remember, He never takes a vacation from you!

Our next meeting is Monday, June 24th at 7:30PM in the Faculty Lounge. Call 516-993-9672 for more information or prayer requests.

H.O.P. CLUB WINNERS

Congratulations to the following winners:

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| 6/10/19 | 525 | Joan Ferraro | \$25 |
| 6/11/19 | 500 | Kathy & Ed Silk | \$25 |
| 6/12/19 | 488 | Concetta Montepaone | \$25 |
| 6/13/19 | 513 | John Reilly | \$25 |
| 6/14/19 | 572 | Dorothy Furrey | \$50 |
| 6/17/19 | 274 | Nell & Jim Peyton | \$25 |
| 6/18/19 | 381 | Joan & Leon Gardner | \$25 |
| 6/19/19 | 269 | Kathleen Preziosi | \$25 |
| 6/20/19 | 408 | Loretta Haack-DeCaro | \$25 |
| 6/21/19 | 326 | Eamon & Mari Fitzgerald | \$250 |



Divine Mercy Novena

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

Third Banns

**Timothy Brace & Jean Verini
Anthony Sirico & Teresa O’Leary**

Second Banns

**John Kozlatek & Taylor Walsh
Giuseppe Castelli & Kara Shelley**

First Banns

Justin Pulvirenti & Shannon Chiofalo



St Mother Theresa
Outreach Center
St Martin of Tours

**“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:
oatmeal packets, beef stew, salmon,
peaches, pears, mixed fruit,
coffee, evaporated milk, vegetable soup, Jell-O,
pudding, cake mix, juice, juice boxes, salt, paper
towels, tissues, toilet paper, dish soap, laundry
soap, diapers (sizes 5 & 6) and baby wipes.

Thank you for all you do for those in need.

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 June 23 - 29, 2019*

*In Loving Memory of
Ann & Bill Csajko*

*The Sanctuary Candle
Week of June 23 - 29, 2019*

*will be lit for the
Cascini & Chiarappa Family*



**REST IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST
Thomas LaSalle, Geraldine E. Zeterberg
Victoriano Enriquez, Martin Monahan**

**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 Lynn Brassil, Brendan Rodriguez, Rebecca Passaro
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, William Boyce
Catherine A. McCarthy, Paul Granberg, Sarah Messina, Michael Arato
Jo Ann Anastos, Connie Burgess, Dolores Miller, Elizabeth Ryan
Layla Barr, Susan Carroll-Goyan, Patty & Tom Turano, Jesusa Aquin
Nicholas Amato, Joseph McCroary, Richard Graziano, Jean Mulligan, Taylor
Edward Boyce, Fran Gandolfo, Johnny D., Fr. Edmund Faliskie CSSR
Joseph & Joyce Kostyak, William Castle, Anthony Della Croce
Nicole Carbone, Barbara Rusch, Connie Kane, Beverly Viselli, Casey
Betty Mara, Teri Pigott, George Reif, Ed Ingels, Liam Escanil
Gus Kunze, Eddie Morales, Tom Miles, Debra Dowdell
Elizabeth Hill, Louie Gandolfo, John Anderson, Daniel McCullough
Mary Lafauci, Gerry Russo, Allegra LaFalce, Jessica Czarniecki, 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, Kathy Smith
Henry Hamilton, Libia & Maria Teresa Valdez, Nancy Gerace
Robert Collelouri, Arthur Baudo, Samantha McNeill, Pete Moran
Veronica McCarthy-Pigott, Janine, Mary Jedlicka, Fr. Paul Wood
Brian John Roe III, The Kloos Family, 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, Ed Segretto
Ann Marie Wezel, Jeanie Wilkins, Ann Soehngen, 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, Diane Blair
Ryan Castles, Susan Estabrook, Baby Luke, Heather Gilroy, Linda Jean
Tom Sirianni, Pat & Tom Schimmoler, Frances Valenti, William Wojcik
Denise Lombardi, Christopher Connelly, Peggy Castle
Mike & Carol Leva, Michael Barry, Deborah A. Sullivan, Joseph Giugliano
Mary Castora, Diana Hart Mirando, Patricia & Ralph Keck, Inge Luckmann
Lucy Zgrablic, James Carbone



The Pastor's Letter

The human heart is exquisitely fragile. Our judgments need to be gentle, our understanding deep, and our forgiveness wide.

Ron Rolheiser

meetville.com

For many years, I was involved in a wonderful weekend program called Engaged Encounter. This program is still going and I consider it one of the best ways couples can prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage. The talks are given by married couples and a priest. There is also a very structured method to assist couples in speaking about the key issues of marriage.

I recall that we would have a question and answer session on Saturday night, and it seemed that any questions asked about sex were referred to me, the celibate priest. I think the team couples were a bit reluctant to address such an intimate topic. (So was I) Many of us who are older grew up in a time when there were little conversations about sex and sexuality. Although it was not the official teaching of the Catholic Church, I would admit that most of what the priests and nuns said was mostly about the dangers and sins that could happen due to the misuse of this gift from God. I say that because the Catholic Church has always taught that sexual intimacy in marriage is a sacrament. As we know a sacrament is a holy experience of encountering God through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Now our society seems to constantly talk about sex and sexuality on talk shows, in songs and movies, on the internet, and in books and magazines. The 1960s, with the easy availability of birth control, has been called *The Age of the Sexual Revolution*. Now, fifty years later, I wonder if it delivered on all that it promised. Are people happier and more moving today than in the past? Are families stronger today than in previous decades? My answer is a strong no. I believe that our society has lost its way in terms of the sacredness and genuine meaning of sexual intimacy. I recall a famous scene from the movie, *The Graduate*, starring Dustin Hoffman as Benjamin and Ann Bancroft as Mrs. Robinson. When Mr. Robinson finds out about the affair between Benjamin and his wife, he is raging angry at the young man. Benjamin's response is classic. He says, *Mr. Robertson, it didn't mean anything! It was just like shaking hands!* **It didn't mean anything** may well be where our modern culture sees sex and sexual expression.

Recently, I read an article by a well-respected priest named Ronald Rolheiser. I thought the article had great wisdom about sex and sexuality. Rolheiser begins by saying that he rarely talks about sex since most people see priests as not truly understanding since they are celibate. He quotes an author named Gary Gutting:

Writing in an issue of *Commonweal* (September 23, 2016), Gary Gutting says: *"We do, however, need an ethics of sexuality, and the starting point should be the realization that sex is not 'fun'. That is, it's not an enjoyable activity that we can safely detach from things that really matter. Sex isn't like telling a joke, drinking good wine, or watching a basketball game. It's not just that sex is more intense; it also taps emotional and moral depths that ordinary pleasures don't. Core human values such as love, respect, and self-identity are always in play. 'Casual sex' is a dangerous illusion. Sex is a problem for us mainly because we conflate it with fun."*

Father Rolheiser goes on to describe the evolving societal changes toward sex that many of us have witnessed:

Can sex begin and end as just fun? Many within our culture today would say yes. It seems this is what we have evolved to. Until the 1950s, our dominant sexual ethos tied sex to both marriage and having children. Sex was considered moral when it was shared inside of a marriage and was open to conception. The 1960s excised the part about sex being tied to having children as birth control became acceptable within the culture. But sex still needed to be within a marriage. Pre-marital and extra-marital sex, though prevalent, were still not seen as morally acceptable.

The 70s and 80s changed that. Our culture came to accept sex outside of marriage, providing it was consensual and loving. Sex, in effect, became an extension of dating. Today's generation was born and raised inside that ethos. Finally the 1990s and the new millennium brought still a more radical shift, namely, "hook-up" sex; sex where soul, emotion, and commitment, are deliberately excluded from the relationship. For many people today, sex can be understood as purely recreational – and still moral – purely for fun.

God has made us sexual beings. Sexual intimacy is about expressing love and physical union. Sex also invites human beings to be co-creators with God in bringing forth human life. What could be more awesome than such a reality? Thus, it is our faith that says sexual intimacy is reserved for marriage since it is such a powerful force in our lives physically, psychologically, emotionally, and spiritually. To reduce this divine gift to casualness, a hooking up, is to cheapen that which is sacred and leading to the possibility of hurting the other and ourselves.

People struggle with their sexuality. It is a powerful force that can lead us to choose behaviors that are not in line with our moral teachings and traditions. Many of us fail at times in controlling our passions. God is merciful. Grace is powerful. Sexual failures often bring on great guilt that can often lead to further weaknesses. Although sexuality is a key aspect of life, this is only one area of so many that a disciple of Jesus is called to live. Even more difficult than chastity for many of us is the call to love our neighbors, our enemies, the poor and needy.

The article I am writing about ends with these words that capture what I think is a profound truth: *What's to be said about this? Can sex be purely for fun? My answer is the same as Gutting's. Sex purely for fun doesn't work because, try as might, we cannot extricate sex from soul. In the end, sex just for fun is not fun – except in fantasy, in ideology divorced from reality, and in naive novels and movies. For the sensitive, it invariably brings heartache, and to the insensitive it invariably brings hard-heartedness. To everyone it brings sexual exploitation. Most seriously, it leads to a certain loss of soul. When soulfulness is not given its rightful place within sexuality, worse still when it is deliberately excluded, we end up selling ourselves short, not properly honoring ourselves or others, and at the end of the day this results in neither happiness within ourselves nor proper respect of others. Soul is a commodity worth protecting, particularly in sex. **If you wish to read the entire article, Google: *What We Haven't Got Right About Sex* by Ronald Rolheiser.***

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June 27 is the Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Mary, the Mother of God, is a Mother to all throughout the world. She is also a very special patron of the Redemptorists who in 1866 were given the icon by Pope Pius IX with the mandate to Make Her Known. To honor our Lady of Perpetual Help, we will have a three day Tridium at 8:30 a.m. (before the 9:00 p.m. Mass) on June 25th, 26th and June 27th. With joy we honor our Lady of Perpetual Help.



Feast of Corpus Christi - June 23, 2019 Eucharistic Procession & Benediction

**Honor Jesus
Walk With Jesus
Continue to Invite Him into Your Heart
Into Your Homes
Into Our Parish and Town**

After the 5:30PM Mass this Sunday, June 23rd, we will hold our annual Eucharistic Procession around the outside of the Church in honor of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and encourage all ministries to join the procession with their banners or signs. Parishioners can either attend the Mass itself, or if you wish to go to an earlier Mass, come at 6:15PM and gather outside the Seaman Ave. entrance into the Church.

After the procession and benediction, there will be an Ice Cream Social in St. Alphonsus Hall. All are invited.



Saint Padre Pio Holy Hour

Saint Padre Pio Holy Hour **Tuesday, July 16th at 7:30PM in the Eucharistic Chapel.** All are most welcome!

June 21 - 27, 2019

**A candle has been lit for
Dominick DeCaro
In honor of
St. Anthony of Padua**



OUR LADY OF FATIMA PILGRIM STATUE COMES TO YOUR HOME



For more information on how you can have the Pilgrim Statue come to your home, call Sheila at (516) 396-1471.



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 Miracle of Saint Therese



Watch Saint Thérèse's story and spirituality come to life, including numerous glimpses into Thérèse's "little way" of spiritual childhood and her conviction of striving for perfection with confidence and trust in the mercy and love of God.

**FORMED Pick of the Week
Miracle of St. Therese**

This film was made in France in 1960 and tells the story of Therese of Lisieux from childhood to her death as a Carmelite nun at the age of 24. The movie offers many glimpses into Therese's "little way" of spiritual childhood, which was her particular charm, that helped make her a Doctor of the Church. Therese teaches us all to have confidence and trust in the love and mercy of God.

FORMED KIDS' KORNER

To Every Nation



Witness the church's miraculous growth and learn how the first believers took the gospel To Every Nation. Covering the Book of Acts chapter 10-28, this thrilling animated feature shows how the Christian faith changed the world.

**Kids Korner
To Every Nation**

To Every Nation is the third and final installment of The Witness Trilogy. We will see the miraculous growth in the Church and learn how the first believer's took the Gospel to every Nation. The Bible's Acts Chapter 10-28 are covered. This thrilling animated feature shows how the Christian Faith changed the World. Recommended for ages 7 and up.

Watch on: smtbethpage.formed.org

NOTES FROM SMT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Believe it or not, we are looking ahead to the fall and the 2019-2020 Religious Ed school year. But we cannot do it without you! Please consider becoming a teacher to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ to the children of the parish. The first thing that needs to be done is to complete disclosure and compliance forms and take a Virtus class (drvc.org/virtus) which are mandated by the Diocese of Rockville Centre. You can reach out to the rectory for more information at 516-931-0818 or call Religious Ed at 516-822-9768.

Thank you! Pat Ryan and Laura Leigh Agnese, Coordinators

**SAINT
ALPHONSUS
HALL**

**SOMETHING IS BREWING,
SO SAVE THE DATES**

**SMT COFFEE
HOUSE NIGHTS**

**Friday, June 28th & Saturday, June 29th
8:00PM Both Nights**



**Reservations are now being taken.
Please email claireanne1290@gmail.com**

**Mellow Music from the Sixties to Present
in a relaxed coffee house setting
featuring select vocalists and instrumentalists
50/50 Raffle/Homemade Desserts/Hot & Cold Beverages
FREE WILL DONATION**

Everyone is welcome to the **Mass of Thanksgiving at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 7th** as we thank God for the thirty-three years of faith shared with the Redemptorists.

Also, all are invited to the farewell Mass for the Redemptorists on Sunday, July 28th at the 12:00 p.m. Mass (new Mass time schedule). There will be a luncheon served after each of these Masses, so we need those attending one or both masses and one or both receptions to please call the parish office at 516 931-0818.

Women's Group
of St. Martin of Tours

Our next meeting will be held Wednesday, June 26th at 7p.m. 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!

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With the stucco painting of the Church now finished, all the projects that were planned for the capital campaign have been completed. From looking at this report, the first thing that is so very clear is the amazing generosity of our parishioners. The excellent development company we hired told me that we would struggle to reach the goal of \$1,500,000, saying it would more likely be in the range of \$1,200,000. The quality of generosity which reflects a deep love of the parish and our Catholic faith is a core value that I have seen in our parishioners for the past eight years.

We did consider turning the auditorium into a gymnasium but we ultimately found it beyond what we could afford. We also considered an elevator for the school but that was judged well beyond our price range. The handicap ramp leading into the school cafeteria was not in our original plans, but I am happy that we were able to do this. When the original campaign was planned, we said that if there were any leftover funds that they would be used for the ongoing care of our parish plant. So, the parish has \$160,337.00 still remaining in the campaign fund.

I am so grateful and humbled by all you did in the *Paving the Way for Christ Campaign*. A special thanks to our chair people, Kate Mayerhofer and Martin Meaney, to our building committee under the excellent leadership of John McCarthy, to Steve Descovich who did a great deal of work for the renovation of the food pantry, to T. J. Hance, our former plant manager, to Barbara Amoroso, our former finance manager who kept excellent records throughout the campaign, to Genny Mitchell for clerical work, and to Dirk Wojtczack, the diocesan representative who was most helpful to us. I thank the local funeral homes who were very supportive of the campaign: Arthur F. White, Frederick J. Chapey, Charles J. O'Shea and Vernon C. Wagner Funeral Homes. Congratulations to the Parishioners of St. Martin of Tours and to all donors.

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN REPORT

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| Total Campaign Goal | \$1,500,000 |
| Total Pledged | \$1,778,617 |
| Total pledges collected | \$1,729,550 |
| Additional donations | \$6,030 |
| Total cash and pledges collected to date | \$1,735,580 |

CAMPAIGN EXPENSES

| Location | Cost | Completed Projects |
|------------------|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Parish Hall | \$7,190 | door, stove, library, bathroom, tables |
| Pantry | \$21,315 | repairs, security system |
| Church | \$150,475 | painting, projectors, doors, lighting |
| Church Grounds | \$440,849 | parking lot; playground; donor plaques, icon image, sign, tree removal, prayer garden, stoops, oil burner and tanks |
| School/Cafeteria | \$788,590 | plumbing, handicap bathroom, ramp, boiler, floors, roof, bricks, windows |
| Miscellaneous | \$166,824 | permits, architects, administration fees |

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| Total Capital Campaign Expenditures | \$1,575,243 |
| Balance Capital Campaign Acct. as of 5/31/2019 | \$160,337 |

***The International Pilgrim Virgin Fatima Statue
Coming to St. Martin's***

Please be sure to mark your calendar for Friday, July 26th. This world renown statue of The Blessed Mother will be viewed at St. Martin of Tours Church from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. More info to follow.



Bulletin Articles Notice

Everyone who contributes articles for the bulletin, please be aware that the Bulletin Company wants all submissions ***by July 1st*** for the July 7th bulletin.

There will be a Holy Hour on Tuesday, June 25th in the Church from 3 - 4PM.

Come for all or part of the Holy Hour to honor and worship our Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

FREEDOM TO BE BORN FACE THE TRUTH PRO-LIFE VIGIL: Pro-life Face the Truth event on SATURDAY, JULY 6, 2019, from 10:30AM to Noon (come for all or part of the time); on the public sidewalk along Route 347, Lake Grove (near Smithaven Mall). Without the Right to LIFE we have no other rights! Pro-lifers continue to be challenged to defend the right to LIFE enumerated in the Declaration of Independence. We are called to take a public stand to declare that the right to life starts in the womb. Pro-lifers are asked to join this Face the Truth event to be a witness against the tragedy of abortion (participants must be peaceful & lawful). Rain or shine. Signs available (parking lot of Staples but near road). Sponsored by Long Island Coalition for Life: 631-243-1435; info@prolifeLI.org; Instagram (licoalitionli) and follow us on Facebook.

This weekend, we will take the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be as generous as your means will allow. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence. ***Thank you!***

Men's Club

The Men's Club is meeting on Monday, June 24th at 7:30PM in St. Alphonsus Hall. All men 18 and over are welcome to join us!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"Speak, Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life." Let Jesus speak to you in your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Nov 8-10, 2019 in Huntington, NY and Jan 31-Feb 2, 2020 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



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

Thank You!! All of us on the Youth Ministry Team, our Clergy and especially the Teens would like to thank all our parishioners and supporters for their contributions and attendance at our fund raisers and functions. We ask that God bless you and your loved ones every day. Have a safe, happy and fun summer everyone!

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

TRIP TO THE HOLY LAND**October 18 - 28, 2019**

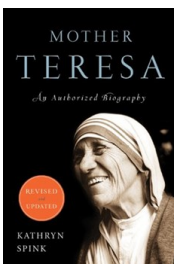
Father Al Olive, C.Ss.R. & Father Michael Cunningham, C.Ss.R. will be leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, leaving from JFK Airport on October 18th. The trip includes Nazareth, Jerusalem and Bethlehem. Cost is \$3,790 - all inclusive. Please call to make reservations:

Fr. Cunningham 718-492-9200
Fr. Olive 718-492-9200
LeAnn 410-897-2538

We hope you can join us! - Father Olive, C.Ss.R.

**Combining the Spiritual & Regular
Book Clubs**

Both clubs are reading ***Mother Teresa - An Authorized Biography*** by Kathryn Spink and will meet on a **NEW date, Tuesday, July 9th at 7:30PM in St. Alphonsus Hall.**

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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.



MAJ Gregory Holownia, US Army
MAJ Erika Holownia, US Army
SGT Zachary John Sheehy, USMC
PVT Travis Ruggiero, US Army
SGT Dennis Diesel, USMC
SGT Matthew P. Sirianni, US Army
CPT Conor B. Murphy, USMC
CPT Victoria Meyer, US Army Nurse Corp
PO1 John Paul Pedalino II, US Navy
CPT Thomas P. Shea, USAF
SGT Michael John Kelly, USMC
1LT Brian McGrath, US Army
SPC Matthew Castellano, US Army
SSGT Michael Patrick Murphy, US Army
CPL William Corrigan, USMC
LCDR Daniel Cloonan, USCG
PVT Daniel Kuhlmann, US Army
LCPL Jonathan M. Gordon, USMC
CPT Sean O'Donnell, USAF
A1C Jake DeRossi, USAF
CPT Mike Polan, US Army
L/CPL Daniel O'Shea, USMC

SGT Matthew C. Windisch, USMC
E3 CORPSMAN Robert Fidnarick, US Navy
1LT Brian Thorpe, US Navy
PO3 Joshua Zimmerman, US Navy
MAJ Brendan McEvoy, US Army
PO3 James Fischer, US Navy
LTC John Evans, US Army
ABHAA Michael Creagh, US Navy
PVT Steven DiPaolo, USMC
SSGT Sean V. Oliva, US Army
2LT Samantha Lopez, US Navy
SSG George Howard, US Army
LT Mario Lopes, USMC
PVT Brian Barcavage, US Army
CS1 Andrew L. DeMarsico, USN
MAJ Thomas E. Mangiamele, US Army
PVT Edward Morales, US Army
LTC Michael F. Wendelken, USAF
PVT John Marcel, Jr USMC
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**THE MASS BOOK IS NOW OPEN FOR
DECEMBER 2019 INTENTIONS**

Approval to accept December Mass intentions has been received. Exceptions: December 24, 25, 31 & January 1, 2020. Due to the shorter Mass schedule, one Mass per family please.

Intentions must be done at the rectory office Monday - Friday 9AM - Noon and 1PM - 8PM. Saturday from 9AM - 7PM. No phone call requests will be taken. First come, first served basis.



Our Annual Summer Bible Camp will be held from Monday, July 15 to Friday, July 19. The sessions will be in the evening from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. We are making it available to children six to twelve. Teens are welcome to help as junior counselors. The fee for Bible Camp is \$20.00 for one child and \$30.00 for two or more children. No child will be turned away if finances are a problem. This is a program that our children have very much enjoyed in the past years. ***If you wish to register your child, please fill out the form below, drop off or mail to the rectory at 40 Seaman Avenue, Bethpage NY 11714 no later than June 28th. Any questions, call 931-0818.***

CHILD(REN'S) NAME(S): _____

AGE(S): _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: _____

E-MAIL: _____

PHONE/CELL NUMBER: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____

ANY ALLERGIES? _____

On Monday, July 22nd at 7PM in St. Alphonsus Hall, we will be showing the movie, *Green Book*

Green Book is a 2018 American biographical comedy-drama film directed by Peter Farrelly. Set in 1962, the film is inspired by the true story of a tour of the Deep South by African American classical and jazz pianist Don Shirley (Mahershala Ali) and Italian American bouncer Frank "Tony Lip" Vallelonga (Viggo Mortensen) who served as Shirley's driver and bodyguard. The film was written by Farrelly, Brian Hayes Currie and Vallelonga's son, Nick Vallelonga, based on interviews with his father and Shirley, as well as letters his father wrote to his mother.



Saint John the Baptist DHS is offering summer school and regents review classes in various subjects. Registration is July 1st and 2nd from 9AM to 11AM.

For additional information please visit:

stjohnthebaptistdhs.net/academicresources or call 631-587-8000 ext. 117

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**RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY**

U.S. SUPREME COURT WILL SOON DECIDE "PEACE CROSS" FIRST AMENDMENT CASE. (CNA) Washington D.C. June/2019. Before the month is out, the US Supreme Court is expected to issue its decision in an establishment clause case with the potential to create a new standard for dealing with problems related to RELIGIOUS LIBERTY, RELIGIOUS SYMBOLS, and the relationship between religion and public life. **The Case: The American Legion v. American Humanist Association, hinges on the legality of the BLANDENSBURG PEACE CROSS:** a 40 foot stone cross that was erected in 1925 in Prince George's County, Maryland. The cross honors those from the area who were killed in World War I. The Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission has performed regular maintenance around the monument since 1961, as it is located on a median in the middle of a public road. This, the American Humanist Association has argued, is entangling government unnecessarily with religion.

Joe Davis, legal counsel for the Becket Fund for Religious Liberty, told CNA that things appeared to be positive during oral arguments, and that "at least five" of the justices indicated that they felt as though the cross monument was legal. Oral arguments do not, however, always reflect what the justices decide months later. If the Supreme Court does rule in favor of keeping the peace cross, it is increasingly likely that they would have to use a new sort of legal test to justify how the cross is constitutional. Since 1971, the Supreme Court has used the LEMON TEST to decide these cases, something Davis described as "wildly inconsistent." The application of the Lemon Test has led to some religious symbols being found constitutional, and others not.

"The parties defending the cross argued that the Lemon Test should be replaced by a coercion test, when you ask if government action is coercing some religious exercise," said Davis. "And if it's not, it's not an establishment clause violation. The Becket lawyers argued what Davis termed a "Historical Approach," which would put the action in the context of what the founders of the U. S. intended when they created the establishment of the First Amendment. The Supreme Court heard oral arguments of the case in February. The court's term ends at the end of the month, meaning that the decision will be released shortly.

Washington - The chairman of the USCCB's Committee for Religious Liberty, Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz encourages Catholics to pray and act in support of religious freedom at home and abroad during **Religious Freedom Week which begins on June 22, the feast of Saints Thomas More and John Fisher, and ends on June 29, the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul.** The theme of this year, STRENGTH IN HOPE. For more information: www.usccb.org..>Media>News.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Procession & Exposition after 5:30PM Mass
- June 24: Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30PM Faculty Lounge
- June 24: Men's Club 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- June 25, 26 & 27: Three day triduum to honor Our Lady of Perpetual Help 8:30AM Church
- June 25: Holy Hour 3PM - 4PM Church
- June 25: Eucharistic Adoration 4PM - 7:30PM Church
- June 26: Women's Group 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- June 28: *Catholicism* 7:30PM Cafeteria
- June 28 & 29: Coffee House 8PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- July 1: Holy Face Devotions 1PM Church
- July 4: Independence Day - Rectory Office is Closed
- July 5: First Friday Devotions at the 9AM Mass
- July 6: First Saturday Devotions 8:30AM Church
- July 7: Mass of Thanksgiving with Auxiliary Bishop Richard G. Henning and Fr. Paul Borowski, CSsR 1PM. Reception to follow.
- July 9: Regular & Spiritual Book Club Meeting 7:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall (NEW date)
- July 16: Padre Pio Holy Hour 7:30PM Eucharistic Chapel
- July 22: Movie - Green Book 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- July 28: Redemptorists Farewell Mass 12 Noon. Reception to follow.

