

PLEASE NOTE: The cover will be updated for the August 4th bulletin. Please refer to p. 2 for the Mass schedule. Confession will be heard every Saturday at 2PM or by appointment. Thank you.

Our Weekly Sacrificial Gift

Weekly Budget: \$17,500.00
July 14, 2019: \$14,027.19
 Thank you for your generous support!

Masses For The Week

Monday - July 22 - Saint Mary Magdalene
 6:30 Tom Sirianni & Maria Campbell, Living
 9:00 Adolph Haack

Tuesday - July 23 - Saint Bridget, Religious
 6:30 Deceased Members of the Laraia Family
 9:00 Linda Blair

Wednesday - July 24
 6:30 Catherine Arnould & Frank Smith
 9:00 Peggy Castle

Thursday - July 25 - Saint James, Apostle
 6:30
 9:00 The Redemptorist Community during this time of transition

Friday - July 26 - Saints Joachim & Anne
 6:30 Kathleen & Lester Smith
 9:00 John R. Moore, 3rd Anniversary & Gladys Moore, 1st Anniversary

Saturday - July 27
 9:00 Peter H. Volberg, Jr.
 5PM Larry Scotto

Sunday - July 28 - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30AM Kurt Maier
 10AM People of the Parish
 12PM Joseph R. Giugliano
NO 5:30PM MASS

Readings For The Week

Mon. Song of Songs 3:1-4b; John 20:1-2, 11-18
 Tues. Exodus 14:21-15:1; Matthew 12:46-50
 Wed. Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15; Matthew 13:1-9
 Thurs. 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Matthew 20:20-28
 Fri. Exodus 20:1-17; Matthew 13:18-23
 Sat. Exodus 24:3-8; Matthew 13:24-30
Sun. Genesis 18:20-32 God assures Abraham that he would be merciful to the righteous.

Colossians 2:12-14 St. Paul writes that Christ took our sins to the cross, so by faith we are forgiven all our transgressions.

Luke 11:1-13 In the Gospel, Jesus teaches the disciples how to pray to the Father.



Bulletin Reflection

Today's first reading speaks of hospitality. Abraham, who cheerfully did for his guests all that desert hospitality required, was rewarded with his heart's desire - a son. The Gospel reading teaching us that listening to the words of Jesus should always come first in our lives.

Living Stewardship - Pillar of Hospitality:

This week, practice hospitality to those around you. For example, when you are at home, make your home more relaxing and enjoyable to those living in it and those visiting.

Charismatic Prayer Group

Last week we heard about the Good Samaritan. Jesus said this is how we should live. There's even a Good Samaritan Law!! Go ahead *Google* it!! These days people are afraid to get involved. If everyone practiced being a Good Samaritan in their own lives, we would have a more peaceful world! Have you had an experience being one or being helped by one? We'd like to hear about it.

Our next prayer meeting is Monday, July 22 at 7:30PM in the Church. Call 516-993-9672 for more information or prayer requests.

H.O.P. CLUB WINNERS

7/15/19 #455	Teresa Clese	\$25
7/16/19 #249	M/M Ernest Berlucci	\$25
7/17/19 #242	Maureen Lavin	\$25
7/18/19 #53	John & Joan Gozaloff	\$25
7/19/19 #282	R. & W. Beckmann	\$250



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



“Whatever you do for one of these, the least of my sisters and brothers, you did it for me.”

St Mother Theresa
Outreach Center
St Martin of Tours

This week, the Pantry could use: egg noodles, sugar, flour, pancake mix, beef stew, salmon, tomato paste, canned pineapple, fruit mix, peaches, vegetable soup, coffee, icing, boxed milk, evaporated milk, cake mix, rice, mustard, ketchup, oil, dish soap, laundry soap and toilet paper.

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 July 21 - 27, 2019
In Loving Memory of
Anthony Salvatore Romano

The Sanctuary Candle
Week of July 21 - 27, 2019
In Loving Memory of
The Ahern Family



REST IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST
MaryAnn Frances Jaworowski
Edward Resch
Angelena Caccavale
Marie Ferraro

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 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, 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 Marie Sirianni, Pat & Tom Schimmoler, Frances Valenti, William Wojcik Denise Lombardi, Christopher Connelly, Mike & Carol Leva, Michael Barry Deborah A. Sullivan, Mary Castora, Diana Hart Mirando Patricia & Ralph Keck, Inge Luckmann, Lucy Zgrablic, James Carbone Theresa Leicht, Francis Michael Rapacki Brian Kevan, Joe Marciello



The Pastor's Letter

One of my favorite restaurants is *Fraunces Tavern* on Pearl Street in lower Manhattan - one of the oldest restaurants in the city. It is the site where George Washington gave his farewell address. As I have



often said, I love history and the draft beer is very cold. There is even a little George Washington Museum. Here in part is the account of his farewell words:

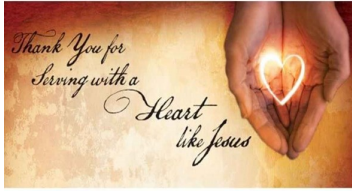
As wine was poured into the last glass, Washington swallowed hard, inclined his head as if simultaneously suppressing tears, and focused his swirling thoughts. Then, with some effort to overcome the emotion, he raised his glass with his right hand, noticeably choked back tears, and offered the following heartfelt toast that was as dignified and inspiring as the speaker himself. "With a heart filled with love and gratitude, I now take leave of you. I most devoutly wish that your latter days may be as prosperous and happy as your former ones have been glorious and honorable." The men tried clumsily to clink glasses, as they were overcome with debilitating melancholy at the thought of never seeing their retiring commander again.

I would not be so pretentious as to dare compare myself to our nation's first President, but as your last Redemptorist pastor, I would like to offer a kind of "state of the union" as to where our parish is as the Redemptorists return the pastoral care of St. Martin's to the pastoral care of the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

I have nothing but praise for our parishioners. You are people of faith who love God and love your parish. You are deeply committed to St. Martin's and parish life. Granted, we face the same challenges that Catholic parishes throughout the United States face with the growing reality of secularism. More and more our culture is pushing faith and God out of the public square. We see the diminishing number of people especially the young participating in the life of the parish. I know many of you are disturbed by how some of your children no longer practice their faith on a regular basis. Another result of secularism is that fewer men and women are becoming priests and religious.

Yet, over the past eight years, I have seen so much life and vigor in our parish, both in the pews but in so many other ways. I am amazed at the amount of people, though they may not be regular church goers, that we encounter regularly at funerals, weddings, major holidays, and in moments where people just need to visit a church, talk to a priest, or say a prayer. Pope Francis has said the Church must be a kind a field hospital (like a MASH unit) which deals with people in the immediate moment and with whatever need they bring. Through your efforts in ministry, in welcoming, and in the financial support of the parish, you have done that so well. St. Martin's is a church that is welcoming and warm. (sometime too much so when the air conditioning is down!).

I only wish you could see and know from the view I have of how many lives you touch. I think of the red wagon donations for the food pantry, the St. Vincent de Paul Society, the Baby Bottle campaign in support of pro-life, the November coat drive to name just of few acts of your generosity. I have never had to refuse a person pastoral assistance for lack of funds. When I named a particular need for financial help, the response was immediate.



There are many strong ministries in our parish. Even though there will be fewer clergy, I have great confidence in you, the laity, to continue to serve in the various ministries of our parish as part of your call to follow Jesus. I would caution that we need to continue to call as many parishioners to serve in some capacity of ministry. We have many committed men and women but I would ask others to consider to taking on some form of service to the parish.

Our physical plant is in good shape because of the great commitment you made to *Paving the Way for Christ* capital campaign. Naturally, buildings and properties need continual care and I know you are committed to meeting future needs that may arise. I love the good work that our garden committee does in making our property look attractive as well those who care for the church itself.

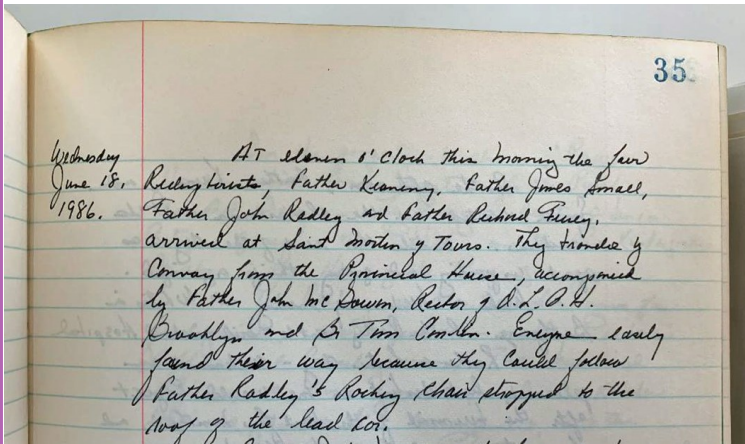
Our finances are stable; we are meeting our operating budget. We have money in the bank and some money left over from the capital campaign. A concern of course is that there are less people in the parish community and the burden for supporting the parish continues to be a challenge. We have excellent men and women who are most helpful in giving sound advice to the clergy in how best to steward our resources.

I have never felt more affirmed or loved than I have in the past several months as you prepare to say farewell to the Redemptorists ministry here at St. Martin's. You have been so kind with your words, prayers and gifts to us. You have entered into the farewell celebrations with great energy. I know this has not been easy for you. When the news was first given to you by our Provincial, there were feelings of hurt, disappointment, anger, and confusion. That is totally understandable and appropriate. I believe it came from a place of affection and love. But over the months, I believe those emotions have evolved to sadness and grief. Again, that is a most normal path of dealing with loss. Now, I see sadness but also a sense of gratitude and thanksgiving for what has been. The virtue of gratitude is the most powerful healer of loss. I have seen this gratitude expressed in so many ways. I know the Redemptorists will be missed and we will miss you. It has been a blessed thirty-three years.

Now, and I try to be cautious as I say this since I have great confidence in you. Our new priests face a challenge in coming to St. Martin's. They are good men who chose to serve God as priests and are happy to serve here. They have many gifts and talents. I have quoted often what one parishioner told me: *Father, we will love our new priests, but we will miss you very much.* If two new Redemptorists were replacing the two of us at this time, there would be changes and differences. Every priest has his own style and personality. Every priest has some qualities that may annoy some parishioners. I know the poor Yankee fans must have gotten so tired of being under fire so often, and I did receive occasional hints that my sermons were a bit long. There are not perfect priests just as there are not perfect parishioners. I love the prayer that is said right before the Sign of Peace - *Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your church.*

You have almost a one hundred year history of supporting and loving your clergy and your parish. I am so very confident that will continue to be the great legacy and story of St. Martin of Tours Parish.

Father Patrick Woods, C.Ss.R., Pastor
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In our packing, we found a book of annals that the first Redemptorists kept while beginning at the parish on June 18, 1986. Here is part of the first recording by the first pastor, Father George Keaveney CSSR.

“Wednesday, June 18, 1986. At eleven o'clock this morning the four Redemptorists, Father Keaveney, Father James Small, Father John Radley and Father Richard Furey, arrived at Saint Martin of Tours.”

They traveled by convoy from the Provincial House, accompanied by Father John McGowan, Rector of O.L.P.H. Brooklyn and Brother Tom Conlin. Everyone easily found their way because they could follow Father Radley’s rocking chair strapped to the roof of the lead car.”



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.

St. Vincent de Paul Store Locations:
2160 Jericho Turnpike, Garden City Park NY
(516) 746-8250
(enter New Hyde Park if you use GPS)
OPEN MON-SAT 10-6

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

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



**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.

Our parish is very blessed to have such a wonderful and dedicated staff. I have received many compliments over the past months saying how much I and the other Redemptorists will be missed. I am very grateful for such kind words. I will tell you that so much of the life and energy of our parish is owed to the paid employees of the parish, along with the countless generous volunteers to our many ministries. I know I have written before that I see our staff members working as much from a sense of mission and love of God and Church as they do to earn a living. I have often remarked that no one gets rich working for the Church. If a project or task is not finished at the end of the day, they stay, without question or overtime, to complete the work. I have been both inspired and intimidated by their work ethic.

I was going to write about each one of them, but I think I would largely be repeating myself and I would quickly run out of adjectives and adverbs. I admire our staff for many reasons:

- They are people strong in their Catholic faith.
- They care deeply about the parish of St. Martin's.
- They have great senses of humor.
- They are talented and skilled at what they do.
- They work in a most professional way.
- They enjoy working with one another.
- They rarely complain.
- They are very generous with their time.
- They speak honestly to me about their concerns and questions.
- No yes men or women among them.
- They care about one another and their priests.

That is a Dave Letterman (*I can't stand him*) list of ten. I could do many more. Our parish is in the best of hands. They trained me well on how to be a pastor! God bless them.

- Laura Leigh Agnese and Pat Ryan, Coordinators for Religious Education
- Elena Scollo, Director of Music Ministry
- Mary Vitti, Coordinator of Social Ministry
- Sue Mafrici, Dominic Mafrici, Janet McKenna and Amy Dane, Sacristans
- Diana Hughes & Liam Gordon, Youth Ministry
- George Lucas, Facility Manager
- Rita Verow, Rectory Cook
- Susan Oliver, Business Manager
- Genny Mitchell, Parish Secretary

On Saturday, July 27th, we will be celebrating the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick during the 9:00 a.m. Mass. All who dealing with significant physical, emotional, or spiritual health concerns are welcome to receive this sacrament. Also, those who experience the challenges and burdens of aging are also welcome to receive the anointing.

FORMED PICK

Bernadette



Highly recommended by the Vatican as a "sensitive portrayal of a very moving story that deserves a wide audience," this is the film shown daily at the shrine in Lourdes.

FORMED Pick of the Week Bernadette

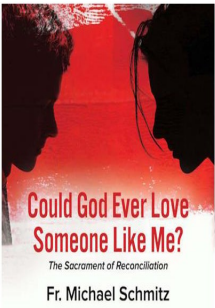
From Jean Delennoy, one of France's foremost film makers, comes this top quality feature film production of the story of St. Bernadette and the apparitions of Our Lady of Lourdes. Actress Sydney Penny gives a wonderful performance as Bernadette, and the rest of the cast is equally superb. Shot in France with outstanding cinematography and a beautiful music score, this is the film that was chosen to be shown daily at the shrine at Lourdes.

Kids Korner:

Could God Ever Love Someone Like Me? The Sacrament of Reconciliation By Father Mike Schmitz

FORMED KIDS' KORNER

Could God Ever Love Someone Like Me?



Fr. Mike Schmitz makes clear the truth that Christ deeply loves and wants to encounter each of us as we are, with all our imperfections.

Father Mike Schmitz speaks powerfully about the Sacrament of Reconciliation. He makes clear the truth that Christ deeply loves us and wants to encounter each of us as we are, with all of our imperfections. Fr. Mike debunks the lie we often believe about not being good enough to approach Jesus, and draws upon Scripture to explain rationally why we go to priests to encounter God's mercy and forgiveness in the Sacrament of Confession. Father Mike's insight and wisdom will tenderly melt your heart as you get to know how much God really loves us. We will also learn from Fr. Mike that the definition of sin is knowing what God wants, but we basically say to God: "I don't care. I will do whatever I want." Confession puts us back on track to what God wants of us. God is the most loving and merciful of all Fathers, surpassing our Human understanding.

Watch on: smtbethpage.formed.org

NOTES FROM SMT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Please consider becoming a religion 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



Masstimes.org

While on vacation, go to this site for a Catholic Church near you. It will ask for the city, state or zip for your location. And enjoy your summer!



St. Martin of Tours Block Party
Friday, August 16th - Starting at 6PM
School parking lot



The Knights of Columbus
providing hamburgers & hot dogs



Bring your own drinks and table snacks
Desserts will be provided by the St. Clement Bakers

Volunteers Needed!
Please call the rectory 931-0818 to volunteer.

RECTORY SUMMER HOURS

The rectory will close at 7PM Monday through Saturday until August 30th.



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New Member Orientation Meeting

Wednesday JULY 24 at 7 30 PM

ST. FRANCES de CHANTAL CHURCH

Rectory Basement

1309 Wantagh Avenue, Wantagh, NY 11793

Non- Denominational - ALL ARE WELCOME

Bring Proof of Single Status To Join

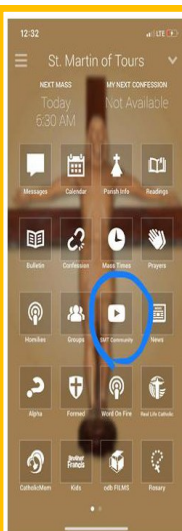
Annual Dues are \$30

Refreshments Following the Meeting

For Further Information

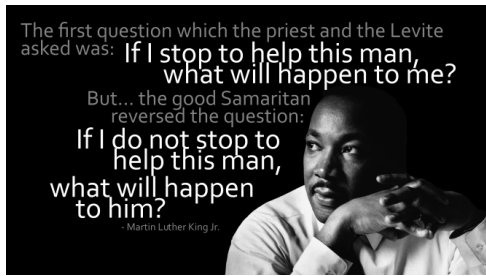
please Call: CAROL – 516-794-4933

OR FRAN– 516-889-5790



Check Out the Newest Feature on Our ParishApp!

You now have access to a direct link to our YouTube channel called SMT Community. Once in the App, just tap on the SMT Community icon and you will have instant access to the full selection of our YouTube videos including our newly released Plentiful Redemption video, the compilation of parishioner photographs submitted to celebrate 33 years of our Redemptorists. Additional videos selections will be available after our July 28 Mass of Thanksgiving.



A couple of months ago, I had the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. I had planned to show the children some image on our new video system with the idea of teaching them about kindness and caring to other people. Just before Mass began, the sacristan said to me, *that man is here again, Father, asking the people for money*. I knew who he was, and immediately told him that he must leave the church or else I would call the police. I had some history with the man that led me to be so firm. He can be quite intimidating looking since he has tattoos

all over his face. The opening hymn of the Mass was *All are Welcome!* My visual homily to the children was about welcoming. I found myself in inner turmoil, asking myself the question *what is the right thing to do*. I felt terribly conflicted. A few weeks later, he came to my door and asked for some food and money. I realized as I was packing that I could never wear all my Met hats at the same time so I also gave him a Met hat to keep the sun out of his eyes. The next day he decided without invitation to sit in on the coffee house rehearsal. The singers rightly were a bit afraid and called me. I asked him to leave, handed him a few more dollars, and to my shock he had on a Yankee hat. He told me he traded in my hat with one his buddies. *God has some sense of humor.*

I often think that it is very hard to help the poor, and I do not think there is any simple Christian response. Some people say giving street people a few dollars is enabling them and they will probably buy beer or drugs. They should go to the social services of the government. Our parish, through your compassion and charity to the food pantry and the St. Vincent de Paul Society, assists many people while agonizing at times on what is the best way to help those in need. The needs are so great and our resources are limited. Some people contribute to a favorite charity, trusting that their donation will go to those in most need. It is hard to know the best path to follow in terms of helping others. One of my solutions of giving a few dollars is far from heroic. It is usually because I cannot handle what may be an unhealthy guilt in turning people away such as my friend with the Yankee hat. I sometimes say to myself: *I should drive him to the hospital, demand care for him, visit him daily, and quickly tell myself that I am too busy.* Would it help him? Would he even go? I don't know.

Our parish book club just had a discussion about an excellent biography on the life of Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta by Kathryn Spinks. As you know, Mother Teresa became one of the most admired people in the world, even being awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for her outstanding love of the poor. She based her life on a most simple principle: *Jesus is in everyone*. The person most desperate and in need is the face of Christ. Her faith was based on Matthew 25: *What you do to the least of my Brothers and Sisters you do to me*. She was a hands-on person who would hold the dying in her arms just so they could have a moment of human touch and compassion. It certainly brings to mind the great parable we heard today of the Good Samaritan. It is so familiar to us and the message of Jesus is quite clear: *love is in the details*. The Samaritan stops, and looks, he walks over to the beaten man, he pours wine and oil into his wounds, he lifts him, he puts him on his donkey, he leads the donkey to an inn, he takes him off of the donkey, he carries him into the inn, he ask the innkeeper to take of the man, he hands the innkeeper money to pay for his care, and then promise to return. Look at all the many details that go into helping this man. Love is far more than a feeling. Love is in the details, in the deeds of kindness and compassion for another.

When you ponder the life of Mother Teresa and others who serve those who are in most need, you can be intimidated. I just cannot do what she does. I do not have it in me. It is too hard. Mother Teresa often said to people: *you cannot do what I can do, but I cannot do what you can do*. She also told us that we must find *our own Calcuttas*, our own beaten person lying on the road. Who is your beaten man? Where is your Calcutta? There are times when you own family member may be the one most in need of your compassion, especially where there is anger and resentment between you. It may be a person who annoys you in conversation, a lonely person who calls you just to talk, or someone constantly demanding your attention.

On the walls of one her children's homes were these words:

People are often unreasonable, irrational and self-centered; forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives; be kind

If you are honest and sincere, people may deceive you; be honest and sincere anyway.

How do we help people? I take great consolation in the words of Jesus: *a cup of cold water given in my name will not be forgotten.* I can do that. I can do simple, kind deeds for another person. That is not too hard. This is the path of *The Little Way* of another Therese, Therese of Lisieux, which is the name Mother Teresa chose for her religious name. The Little Way is consciously doing loving acts to please God who so loves us. It not hard to listen to someone for a few extra minutes, to give a compliment, to ask and really mean - *how are you* - to invite someone to sit with you who is alone, to make a phone call to someone who would love to hear from you, to go the doctor with someone. Love is in the details. We are all the least of his brothers and sisters in need of his compassion and mercy. God feeds us with the gift of himself in the Eucharist. We carry that gift in our hearts and pray to see Jesus in the people who come into our lives.

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



At all Masses THIS weekend, we will bless holy water that will be put into bottles and given out next weekend (July 27 & 28). A house blessing prayer is included. The Redemptorists want to extend their blessings to all homes in St. Martin of Tours Parish and would be honored if you chose to do this blessing with your family and friends.

TEE SHIRT SALE

July 20 & 21 and again on July 27 & 28 (as long as supplies last) we are selling farewell tee shirts at a cost of \$10 each to defray the cost of the parish celebrations as part of the transition.

Mr. Tom Frost and his family of Long Island Athletics has once again donated the tee shirts as well as the beautiful stoles that were presented to the Redemptorists and our deacons on July 7th. We encourage you to visit Long Island Athletics specializing in custom design for uniforms and apparel. Thank you!



**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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 MAJ Erika Holownia, US Army
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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.

Here is the suggested itinerary for July 26th at SMT:

2:00 - 4:00PM: Introductions and quiet time

4:00-8:00PM: A talk, followed by the rosary

Confessions, time to be determined

A small part of the Fatima movie will be shown if time allows

8:00PM: A closing and farewell to the Fatima statue



The International Fatima Statue was carved in 1947, and after completion, she spent the first night with Sister Lucia. The statue has wept more than 30 times and most notably, wept a month before Roe v Wade in 1973. Many miracles are attributed to this statue. What a blessing for our diocese and each parish that said yes!

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.



EMERGENCY BLOOD SHORTAGE

St. Martin of Tours Blood Drive
Wednesday, July 24, 2019
2:30PM - 8:30PM
St. Alphonsus Hall

To sign up, please contact Genny Mitchell at 516-931-0818
Walk-ins welcome!

Eligibility Criteria:

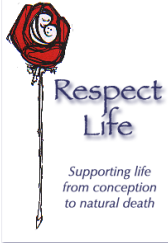
Bring Donor Card or ID; Minimum Weight 110 lbs.
No new tattoos for past 12 months
Ages 16 - 75 (16 year olds must have parental permission)

For questions re: medical eligibility
call 1-800-688-0900 or visit www.nybc.org

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- **NATIONAL NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING WEEK July 21 - July 27, 2019.**
- **CATHOLIC HEALTH SERVICES.: Women's Health & Fertility Comprehensive, Cooperative: A Unique New Approach to Women's Health and Wellness. 1 (855) 301-4CHS**
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CURRENT UPDATES FROM N.Y.S. CATHOLIC CONFERENCE ON: Reproductive Health Act, Physician-Assisted Suicide, Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, Abortion Expansion Legislation (RHA) Reproductive Health Act). By clicking on www.respectlife@drvc.org. you can receive the DRVC RESPECT LIFE NEWSLETTER each month and be informed about each of these Respect Life issues.

CATHOLIC NEWS AGENCY (CAN) Washington D.C. July 12, 2019: PRO-LIFE LEADERS TELL WHITE HOUSE SUMMIT OF ONLINE CENSORSHIP: Pro-life leaders were invited to a White House social media summit Thursday, amid claims of online censorship by search engines and social media sites. "We are the tip of the spear as far as social media persecution goes," Cary Solomon, co-writer, director and producer of the pro-life film UNPLANNED told CNA. "We are an example of a business that was directly monetarily hurt by online censorship." Several pro-life leaders were among the 200 digital and social media experts invited to the White House Summit. Lila Rose, founder and president of Live Action, addressed President Trump and the summit sharing how Live Action has had to deal with obstacles to online advertising. Live Action has been prevented from advertising on Twitter for four years, having been told by the social media giant that the group would need to stop calling for the defunding of Planned Parenthood and sharing its pro-life content. "Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider, still advertises on the site," Rose stated. Meanwhile, YouTube "buried our pro-life videos and boosted abortion videos."

Mallory Quigley, vice president of communications for the Susan B. Anthony List, was also present at the summit. Search engines like Google and social media sites like Twitter, Facebook, and YouTube, "have set themselves up as a platform where all voices are supposed to be welcomed," Quigley said, yet "there's been just demonstrable bias against pro-life organizations, and we haven't heard of the same thing happening on the other side of this debate." To follow these important updates on pro-life news, www.catholicnewsagency.com/subscribe.php) for a free monthly newsletter.)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 22: Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30PM Church
- July 22: Movie - Green Book 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- July 23 & 30: Eucharistic Adoration 3PM - 7:30PM
- July 24: BLOOD DRIVE 2:30 - 8:30PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- July 26: Pilgrim Virgin Fatima Statue 2PM-8PM Church
- July 28: Redemptorists Farewell Mass 12 Noon. Reception to follow.
- Aug 2: First Friday Devotions - after communion at 9AM Mass
- Aug 3: First Saturday Devotions - 8:30AM Church
- Aug 5: Holy Face Devotions 1PM Church
- Aug 16: PARISH PICNIC 6PM School Grounds
- Aug 28: Women's Group 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall

