

Parish of Saint Martin of Tours

40 Seaman Avenue, Bethpage, New York 11714
smtbethpage.org



MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parish family of St. Martin of Tours, focus on the Eucharist because it affords all of its parishioners the opportunity to participate and celebrate the presence of our Risen Lord. We seek through Word and Eucharist to be guided by the Holy Spirit. We do so to build a welcoming community of love and mutual respect through our liturgical, spiritual, educational and social ministries where all can grow in their relationship with God.

THE CLERGY

Rev. Christopher Costigan, Pastor
Rev. Sylvester Ileka, Associate Pastor
Rev. Vincent Schifano, Associate Pastor
Rev. Deacon Thomas R. Hennessy
Rev. Deacon Christopher P. Quinn

Trustees: Carol Buffa and Frank Mekalainas

Parish Council: Martin Meaney, Tom Beck, Annette Crofton
Louie Gandolfo, Rosanna Kluth, Michael Leva, Lucy McNamara,
Robert J. Smith

Finance Committee: John McCarthy, Frank Aiello, Carol Buffa
John Lynam, Lucy McNamara, John McTigue, Frank Mekalainas
Tina O'Donnell, Susan Oliver

Liturgy: Deacon Tom Hennessy, Deacon Chris Quinn, Ann Hughes
Janet McKenna, Frank Mekalainas, Pat Ricci, Elena Scollo

Rectory Office: Tel. 931-0818 • Fax 931-0559
Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9AM-8PM • Lunch 12-1PM
Saturday 9AM-7PM • Closed Sunday

Office of Faith Formation: 822-9768
Patricia Ryan and Laura Leigh Agnese, Coordinators
Monday - Thursday • 9:30AM - 3:00PM • Closed Friday

Parish Social Ministry: Mary Vitti, Coordinator • 931-7332
Monday 9:30AM - 2:30PM • Thursday 2:00PM - 7:00PM

Music Ministry: Elena Scollo, Director of Music • 713-8854

Facility Manager: George Lucas • 635-7944

First Friday Devotions: After the 9AM Mass
First Saturday Devotions: 8:30AM Church

The Sacrament of Baptism: Karen Dillon, Coordinator • 454-6454

The Sacrament of Matrimony: Please contact the rectory office at
least 6 months prior to the wedding.

St. Vincent de Paul : 718-687-8854

New parishioners: please fill out a parish registration form
at the rectory office during business hours.

Change of address: Please notify the rectory.

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday 6:30AM & 9AM • Saturday 9AM

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Vigil 5PM
Sunday 7:30AM, 10AM, 12:00PM, & 5:30PM
Holy Days of Obligation - as noted in the bulletin

CONFESSION

Every Saturday at 2PM
Monday - Friday immediately following 6:30AM Mass
8:30-8:50AM before 9AM Mass
Sundays from 4:30-5:15PM
6PM - 6:45PM preceding the 7PM Mass
on the Eve & Day of Holy Days of Obligation



Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James and John.
And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them,
conversing with him.

Second Sunday of Lent
March 8, 2020

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Mon. March 9 - St. Frances of Rome, Religious

6:30AM

9AM Mary Jane Pendl

Tues. March 10

6:30AM

9AM The Naughton Family

Wed. March 11

6:30AM

9AM Linda Osman

Thurs. March 12

6:30AM

9AM Benito Picinic

Fri. March 13

6:30AM Maria & Pietro Sirianni

9AM

Sat. March 14

9AM Frank Toomey, 12th Anniversary
Nina, Francesca & Pietro Fornino
Barbara Coier

5PM Delia Connaughton, Anniversary

Sun. March 15 - Third Sunday of Lent

7:30AM The People of the Parish

10AM Margaret & Mark Ridge & Salvatore Coico

12PM Paul Fidnarick, Anniversary, Marie Sturiale

5:30PM Joseph Castora

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. Daniel 9:4b-10; Luke 6:36-38

Tues. Isaiah 1:10, 16-20; Matthew 23:1-12

Wed. Jeremiah 18:18-20; Matthew 20:17-28

Thurs. Jeremiah 17:5-10; Luke 16:19-31

Fri. Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a

Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

Sat. Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Sun. Exodus 17:3-7 *In their fear and need, the Israelites grumble against Moses and the Lord. God responds by meeting those needs with water flowing from the rock.*

Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 *St. Paul writes to the Romans that we have been justified by faith through Jesus - his death gives us life.*

John 4:5-42 *In the Gospel, Jesus meets a Samaritan woman at the well and tells her he is the Messiah.*

OUR WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL GIFT

March 1: \$13,935.20

Ash Wednesday: \$ 5,167.00

Church in Need: \$ 2,792.00

Thank you for supporting SMT!



Bulletin Reflection:

The Transfiguration of Christ was a very powerful moment in the life of the Apostles who saw it.

The Catechism states that this moment was meant to strengthen the faith of the Apostles for Christ's Passion.

Living Stewardship: Pillar of Formation

St. Paul tells us that God calls us to a holy life. Sometimes, we may feel that we are not holy enough or good enough to do God's will - but that is not true. This week open up your Bible and ask God to speak to you and help you realize your worth as a steward of the Faith.

Charismatic Prayer Group

Waiting on God is like baking a cake. You can't rush either one. You put the pan in the oven, set the timer and walk away. You don't go checking on it every 5 minutes. You trust the timer. When you put your problem in God's hands, trust His timer. Let Him work on it. He already had the answer before you had the problem!!

Our next meeting is Monday, March 9th at 7:30PM in the church. Bring it; leave it; believe it! Call (516) 993-9672 for more information or prayer requests.

H.O.P. CLUB WINNERS - CONGRATULATIONS!

3/2/20	#30	M/M Ludwig Gehm	\$25
3/3/20	#213	Mildred Saloy	\$25
3/4/20	#444	Jim Duke	\$25
3/5/20	#555	Rachel Melito	\$25
3/6/20	#248	Ray Froehlich	\$50



“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
Parish

This week the Pantry can use hearty soups, tomato soup, lentils, tuna fish, dish soap, chili, beef stew, diapers size 6.

Thank you for your continued generosity to those in need through your donations to the pantry. God Bless You!!!

Parish Outreach Food Pantry:

208 Broadway, Bethpage

Phone: 516-931-7332

Monday: 9:30AM - 2:30PM

Thursday: 2:00PM – 7:00PM

Rest in the Peace of Christ

Vincent Augello, Lawrence J. Mullaly

Vincent A. Ciccolella

Wedding Banns

**2nd Anthony Scrudato & Debra Frost
Patrick Hallinan & Katherine Schaeffer**

The Sanctuary Candle
Week of March 8 - 14, 2020

In Loving Memory of
Benito Picinic



The Bread & Wine
Week of March 8 - 14, 2020

In Loving Memory of
Benito Picinic

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, 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. 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 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, Pete Moran, Brendan Donahoe, Janet Scarpelli, Andrew McCarthy, Alicia Manetta, Baby Lucia Bianchi, Pat James Joseph David Iovieno, Robert Daniel, Dorothy Eisenstadt, David Drohan, Ralph Caputo, Kristen Smith, Michael Vigotty, Vinny Vanturini Tom Mitchell, Pat Murphy, Tarabokija Family, Philip Marino, Kathy Smith, Henry Hamilton, Nancy Gerace, Robert Collelouri, Arthur Baudo Samantha McNeill, Veronica McCarthy-Pigott, Janine, Mary Jedlicka, Fr. Paul Wood, Brian John Roe III, Jacklyn Baddalucco Yolanda Zitelli Rose Marie Gaccione, Andrew Bartolozzi, Pat Bergersen, Robert, Amy & Richard Ferranti, 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, Thomas Triola, Keith Ferrara Margaret DeMarco, Annemarie Frayler, Mario Ratti, Yvonne McDonnell, Denise Dolan, Henry Hamilton, Christian Bogdanos, Liam The Mooney Family, Bridget, Karen Murphy, Richard Baker, Kevin, Dina Ledogard, Ed Russo, Petrina Dralas, Michael John, Jean Vanturini Diane Passaro, Mary Jane Bookman, Toni Novak, Susan Estabrook, Baby Luke, Heather Gilroy, Linda Jean, Marie Sirianni, Frances Valenti William Wojcik, Denise Lombardi, Christopher Connolly, Mike & Carol Leva, Michael Barry, Deborah A. Sullivan, Mary Castora Diana Hart Mirando, Patricia & Ralph Keck, Inge Luckmann, Lucy Zgrablic, James Carbone, Theresa Leicht, Brian Kevan, Adam May Barbara Weis, Thomas Fahey, Teri Bunker, Diane Kelly, Andy Lomuscio, Baby Dominick, Bridget Lissy, Madison Milio, Patrick Vanacore Edison Esposito, Gene Stasiuk, Carlo Ruggiero, Rose Kuhn, Francis & Kathleen Meehan, John Krahn, Bucky Montgomery Steve Lazzara Bob Hoffman, Stephanie Koster, Maria Panno, Carolyn Smith, Margaret Pehrsson, Daniel Harrington, Bob Amato, Barbara Gula John Prentice, Richard Lertora, Dorothy Kelly



The Pastor's Letter

We've reached the second week of Lent. How are you doing? If you've slipped up on your planned practice, don't give up! Get back up and start again! If you haven't made any concrete plans for Lent, there is still time. Start now!

Each Wednesday we will gather in the Church at 7:30pm to pray Evening Prayer together and then use FORMED's program on the Eucharist entitled Presence. This is a three-part series. The fourth Wednesday we will pray a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration, perhaps with a newer or deeper understanding of the Eucharist gained through the first three weeks of the Mission. The fifth Wednesday will be a Penance Service. The Sacrament of Penance is connected to the Eucharist. Part of our response to the gift of Christ's love for us in the Eucharist is our realization that we have not always lived up to our part of the covenant--but that God is rich in mercy. If you cannot make any or all of the Wednesday evenings, you can follow along using FORMED on your computer, smart TV, or phone. FORMED is a wonderful resource and it is FREE for all parish families.

Due to the concern of many parishioners about coronavirus and flu, we will temporarily suspend distribution of the Precious Blood. The fullness of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist is contained in both the form of bread and the form of wine. We will reevaluate at the end of Lent. Also, we will temporarily suspend handshaking at the Sign of Peace. As always, if you are ill, you are not under obligation to attend Sunday Mass. Thank you for your understanding.

It with great joy that the Diocese of Rockville Centre announces that Pope Francis has appointed Fr. Luis Romero, the pastor of Our Lady of Loretto parish in Hempstead as auxiliary bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre. He will be ordained by Bishop John Barres at St. Agnes Cathedral on April 16.

Finally, we are happy to announce that Bishop Barres has appointed Fr. Vincent Schifano as parochial vicar (associate pastor) of St. Martin of Tours! We "welcome" him, even if he has been here since August! Thank you to Fr. Vin for organizing our family Lenten Pizza night gathering last Friday. I would also like to thank Fr. Sylvester for his presence and hard work in our parish! With our deacons and parish staff, I think we have a good "team" here at SMT.

Father Christopher Costigan, Pastor
fathercostigan@gmail.com www.smtbethpage.org

St. Martin of Tours Bereavement Sessions

If you have experienced the recent loss of a loved one, this is the support group for you. Group will be offered on Thursday mornings from 10 - 11:30 a.m. on March 26, April 2, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14 & 21.

Please call the Parish Social Ministry office at 516-931-7332 and leave a message for Mary. You will receive a return call.

New Pastoral Letter. The Great Week – A Pilgrimage with the Lord in Holy Week.

Bishop John Barres has written a pastoral letter about Holy Week: The Great Week – A Pilgrimage with the Lord in Holy Week. This Lent, Bishop Barres invites you to join him in making a pilgrimage in the footsteps of the Lord during the last week of His life by attending all the liturgies that take place in your local parish during Holy Week, the final week of Lent just prior to Easter. This pastoral letter will provide you an overview and explanation of the 'places' you will visit, the things you will see and the people you will meet on your spiritual journey. To read the letter, visit www.thegreatweek.com. The pastoral letter will also be included in the March edition of *The Long Island Catholic Magazine*. Printed copies will be available later this month. To subscribe to *The Long Island Catholic Magazine* visit www.licatholic.org/subscribe/.

17TH Annual FROM THE HEART DINNER DANCE
Benefitting Good Counsel Homes for Mothers and Babies
SATURDAY, March 21, Cocktails 7:00 p.m. Dinner 8:00 p.m.
LEONARD'S PALAZZO, 555 Northern Blvd, Great Neck, NY

Don't miss the **FROM THE HEART DINNER DANCE** benefitting Good Counsel Homes' mothers & babies. Come enjoy an enchanting evening of exceptional fare and delightful dancing at Leonard's Palazzo, the premier place for Long Islanders. Music by the Glenn Drewes Orchestra.

Honoring Deacon Frank & Lorraine Gariboldi for over two decades of service with pregnant women and children. Cocktail attire. Tickets \$150, tables of 8 or 10 available (RSVP 3/18). Sponsorships & Journal Ads (RSVP 3/16).

Contact goodcounselhomes.org/fromtheheart

Silvana 917-557-7019, silvana_cowden@goodcounselhomes.org.

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**The Parish of St. Ignatius and
 Pastor, Father James Stachacz
 Welcomes all to a**

Mass of Healing
Monday, March 16th at 7:30 p.m.

St. Ignatius R.C. Church
129 Broadway, Hicksville
Celebrant: Father Jeffrey Dillon

Divorced or Separated Catholics of Long Island
Including widows, widowers and singles
A social organization for single persons
New Member Orientation Meeting

Tuesday March 17th at 7:30 PM
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #6526
1869 Wantagh Avenue, Wantagh, NY 11793
(Parking in the rear of building)

Non-denominational. ALL ARE WELCOME.
Bring proof of single status to join.
Annual dues \$30. Refreshments following the
meeting. For further information,
please call Carol at 516-794-4933 or
Fran at 516-889-5790



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. *May the Lord bless the women at Mommas House for choosing LIFE.*

For more information, call 516 781-8637
or go to the website: www.mommashouse.org



**St. Martin of Tours
Lenten Soup Supper
Wednesday
March 18, 2020
6PM - 8PM School Cafeteria**

Please call Pat Ricci at
796-1320 to make soup or volunteer.
Leftovers are brought to
the homebound & the sick.

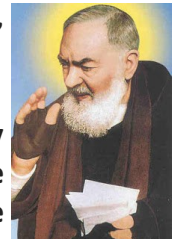
Women's Group
of St. Martin of Tours

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 25 at 7pm in the Library of St. Alphonsus Hall. Please use the Seaman Avenue entrance. 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!

Padre Pio Holy Hour

CORRECTION: There will be no Padre Pio Holy Hour on Tuesday, March 17th.



Please join us on Tuesday
April 21st at 7:30 PM in the
Eucharistic Chapel for the
Padre Pio Holy Hour.

His first and second class relics will be venerated.

Please contact the Rectory Office at 931-0818 to request a statement of your contributions for Tax Year 2019.



Partners in Mission

All are welcome to join us on
Monday, March 16, 2020
at 7pm in St. Alphonsus Hall

For more information
contact Lucy McNamara
at smtpartnersinmission@gmail.com



The Liturgy of the Hours, also known as the Divine Office or the Work of God (*Opus Dei*), is the daily prayer of the Church, marking the hours of each day and sanctifying the day with prayer. The Hours are a meditative dialogue on the mystery of Christ, using scripture and prayer.

At times the dialogue is between the Church or individual soul and God; at times it is a dialogue among the members of the Church; and at times it is even between the Church and the world. The Divine Office "is truly the voice of the Bride herself addressed to her Bridegroom. It is the very prayer which Christ himself together with his Body addresses to the Father." **Everyone is invited to pray every weekday during Lent beginning Monday March 2nd at 8:30 a.m. prior to the 9 a.m. Mass.**

St. Martin's Men's Group

**Next meeting: Thursday, March 12th 7:15 p.m.
St. Alphonsus Hall Library Room**

Topic: Reading of the Sunday Gospel and how it relates to our lives as husbands, fathers, grandfathers and uncles. Please join us for an hour!

Thanks, Fr. Chris and Fr. Vin

SMT Parishioners Honor Roll Status

Congratulations to **Lawson Hohmann** for receiving an average of 90% or above for Honor Roll status at St. Francis Preparatory School.

Congratulations to **Michael Anderson** for achieving Magna Cum Laude Honors at St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School.

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS SPORTS WINTER CLINIC REGISTRATION

We are welcoming children from 2 years old to 2nd grade. The WINTER CLINIC begins Sunday, January 19, 2020 to Sunday March 29, 2020 so come down to the school auditorium after the 10AM Family Mass.

Child's Information (please print):

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

M / F Date of Birth: _____ Circle Grade: 2 years + up Kindergarten First Second

Street: _____ Town: _____ Zip Code: _____

Mother's Name _____ Cell _____

Father's Name _____ Cell _____

Attending Parish: _____

Email Address (please print)

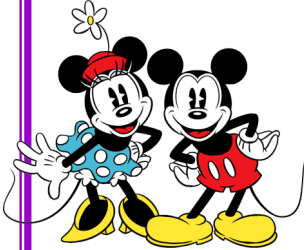
As parent or guardian, I assume all the risks and hazards incidental or associated with such participation including all activities, contests and practices. I hereby waive, release and absolve indemnity and agree to hold harmless the Diocese of Rockville Centre and St. Martin of Tours Church & Parish,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

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS YOUTH MINISTRY UPCOMING EVENTS

- **May 2:** Disney Raffle and Silent Auction. These events will help defray the cost of our teens who will be going to the Steubenville NYC Catholic Youth Conference July 24 - 26.
- **May 9 & 10:** Mothers' Day Carnation Sale

For the Silent Auction, the Youth Ministry would appreciate donations of gift cards for items such as movie tickets, restaurants, etc. or baskets of cheer, lottery tickets, or themed baskets (ex. summer fun, holiday themes, baby items). All items must be new. These fundraisers help support our Youth Ministry and our Parish!



Ticket sales for the Disney Raffle can be bought after all weekend Masses and in the rectory during the week.

- Ticket Cost: \$25 each
- First Prize: Disney gift cards totaling \$3,000
- Second Prize: \$1,000 cash
- Third Prize: \$500 cash
- Drawing Date: Saturday, May 2, 2020



Hempstead: During the 40 days of Lent, vigil hours will be from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily at 540 Fulton Ave, Hempstead. For more information or to sign up for vigil hours contact:

Hempstead40days@aol.com or visit 40daysforlife.com/Hempstead

Smithtown: For more information or to sign up for vigil hours contact:

40dfsmithtown@gmail.com or visit 40daysforlife.com/Smithtown *Anyone who is not able to participate in a vigil is asked to consider fasting and praying for life with friends and family at your local parish and/or at home.*

Partners in Mission



"They want to serve Jesus in you." is how the Partners in Mission [PIM] members were introduced by the Missionaries of Charity Sisters in the Bronx, the Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta sisters, to the guests of their shelter and soup kitchen. On Saturday, February 29, PIM joined the Redemptorists from the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Bronx, in mission with the Sisters. We spent the morning in various capacities of assisting the Sisters with the maintenance of their shelter as well as the preparation and distribution of the day's lunch. Very quickly, one realizes that the Sisters live their lives in simple humility, extraordinary charity and great devotion to prayer. It is in this simple humility that the Sisters radiated love and joy.



We recited two Mysteries of the Rosary as we worked on our tasks, taking turns to lead prayer. At lunch, we first participated in a Redemptorist led prayer service and together with the shelter guests, we prayed an additional Mystery of the Rosary. After lunch, we were blessed to be invited into the convent to view various Saint Mother Teresa relics and to listen to loving stories of the beloved Saint. We were then warmly welcomed by the Redemptorists to the Church of the Immaculate Conception where PIM attended Mass with the Redemptorists before heading back to SMT. The Sisters can only accommodate five volunteers on a daily basis, so PIM will be returning in May to once again share mission with the Redemptorists and the Sisters. We were captivated by the charity and

joy that we witnessed and shared at the shelter and are blessed to have experienced God's abundance and plentiful redemption. The Sisters have a sign hanging in the shelter that reads, "Joy is the most infallible sign of the presence of God." Amen.

Pictured with PIM is Fr. Ciya Thomas, C.Ss.R.



**FORMED FOR ADULTS
LENTEN REFLECTIONS
SIX EPISODES BY DR. TIM GRAY**

Sign up to receive these reflections straight to your inbox every morning. <https://formed.org/lent>

Christ's love for you is bursting forth. Embrace him and let his mercy pierce your heart during this Lenten season.

Join us for a 40-day journey of welcoming his tender love, beginning with these short daily videos from Scripture scholar Dr. Tim Gray. Live in Christ's love and let him transform your life.



Divine Mercy Novena

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



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday, March 10th and Tuesday March 24th. the hours for Eucharistic Adoration will be from 3:00 - 4:00PM.



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

KEEPING SMT PARISHIONERS AWARE OF OUR R.C.I.A. JOURNEY

Our catechumen, *Jake Geller*, signed the Book of the Elect at St. Christopher's Church in Baldwin on Saturday, February 29th. This Sunday, March 8th at the 12 Noon Mass, *Jordan Geller* and *Stacey Cintado-Rapacki* will be celebrating the Rite of Continuing Conversion.

Jake, Jordan and Stacey are asking for your prayers as they continue their journey to Full Communion with the Catholic Church and especially with all of you. They are very excited to be welcomed into the Faith as they receive the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil.

This Lent let us recapture that same excitement when we meet Christ in the Eucharist, just as we did on the day we received our First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Those in our parish who went through R.C.I.A. to the Easter Vigil remember it well!



ST. MARTIN OF TOURS FAMILY MASS

The Family Mass is celebrated at 10:00 on the first and third Sundays of the month. Come and bring the whole family to worship and honor Our Lord in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14


**The Office of FAITH FORMATION
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE**

Special Needs: Mardi Gras Prayer Service and Brunch
St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh
 Saturday, February 22, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Basic Religious Studies Course Series

St. Mary's Elementary School Building, Manhasset
 3:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.

Old Testament

Mondays, February 24; March 2, 9, 16, and 23, 2020

New Testament

Mondays, March 30; April 6, 20, 27; and May 4, 2020

Christology

Mondays, May 11, 18; June 1, 8, and 15, 2020

Divorce & Beyond Support Group

St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Melville

Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13, 2020
 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

School of Missionary Disciples – Lenten Experience

Seminary of Immaculate Conception, Huntington
 Sunday, March 8, 2020 at 1:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Retreat Day for the Elect of 2020

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington
 Sunday, March 8, 2020
 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Catechist Training Level II

St. James, Setauket

Tuesdays, March 10, 17, 24, and 31, 2020
 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Bereavement Conference –

For the Bereaved and those Ministering to them.

St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh

Saturday, March 21, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Wonderfully Made Mother and Daughter Tea

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, Roosevelt

Sunday, March 22, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Or

St. James, Setauket- East Setauket

Sunday, March 29, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Or

St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays

Sunday, April 19, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Bereavement Ministry Facilitator Training Level I & II

St. Bernard, Levittown

Saturdays, March 28; April 4, 18, 25;

May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; and June 6, 2020

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Golden Wedding Anniversary Liturgy

Saint Patrick's, Smithtown

Sunday, May 3, 2020

2:00 p.m.

Annual Afternoon of Prayer & Enrichment - Ministry of Consolation

St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Melville

Thursday, May 14, 2020

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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.



**THE PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE
OF
ST. MARTIN OF TOURS**

Pope Francis has entrusted the year 2020 to Our Lady. It is our Blessed Mother's request that we pray the Rosary daily for Peace in the World. Kindly welcome Mary into your home to join you in prayer. Call Sheila 516 – 396 - 1471 for more information.

**Fr. Sylvester to lead a Medical Mission to
Nigeria in September 2020**

Monetary donations, no matter how small would be used to purchase the most needed supplies from blood pressure machines to glucose monitors to tongue depressors. About 1,000 people will be served. Father would welcome anyone who would want to join him in this mission of mercy. You can email or call him at 931-0818 ilekasyvester@gmail.com or Denise Henderson at lovable624@yahoo.com.

Any donation payable to St. Martin of Tours would be much appreciated. Please write Nigeria Mission in the memo line. Thank you!



PLEASE PRAY CONSTANTLY FOR THOSE SERVING IN OUR MILITARY

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



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SUNDAY - MARCH 22

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

St. Alphonsus Parish Hall

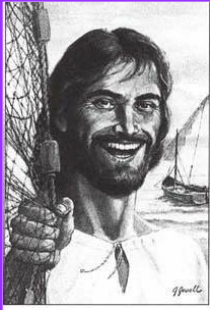
Following the 7:30AM & 10AM Masses

**EVERYONE WELCOME TO ENJOY A HEARTY BREAKFAST
 AND FELLOWSHIP!**

DRVC GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY LITURGY

This Spring, couples who have been married fifty years will be honored at a *Mass on Sunday, May 3, 2020 at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church in Smithtown. Mass will begin at 2:00 p.m. with Bishop Robert J. Coyle presiding.*

Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory. Space is limited, and registration will be accepted on a first come first served basis. The forms can also be found on www.drvc-faith.org. If you have any questions you may call (516) 678-5800, extension 223.



Two men were interested in Jesus so they started to follow him. Jesus saw them and asked, "What are you looking for?" They responded, "Jesus, tell us about yourself. We are interested in knowing you." Jesus said to them, "Come and see." John 1:38-39

Would you like to come to know Me more and have dinner with Me?

You are invited as St. Martin of Tours Church hosts

ALPHA

Beginning this Lent on Wednesday March 11 at 7pm



An evening at ALPHA begins with a meal (no charge) followed by a video about Jesus that is humorous, thoughtful, and very welcoming. While you enjoy coffee or tea, all who have attended the meal are invited to chat about the video. The evening begins at 7:00 pm and finishes by 9:00 pm. You are welcome to continue to attend ALPHA as the sessions progress over the following weeks.

All faiths, skeptics, doubters, and searchers are welcome.

There is no cost to make an ALPHA. Welcoming! Relaxing! No pressure!

To attend the opening evening of ALPHA, an RSVP is needed to ensure there is enough food and drink for everyone. RSVP to AlphaSMOT@gmail.com or call/text 516-672-2118.

Jesus would love to see you at our meal.



Did you receive a gift that you can't use?...Did you receive an item that you already have?...Did you receive a present that you could give away?

If you answered "YES" to any of the above questions, the Dominican Sisters of Amityville invite you to donate your items for our annual Beauty of the Spirit Luncheon. All proceeds from the event benefit the elderly and retired Sisters living in the Motherhouse. Last year, the event grossed over \$118,000!

Please remember, all items must be **NEW**. To arrange a drop off, please phone the Advancement Office at 631-842-6000 ext. 238. Thank you for your support.

MERCY AND MARY RETREAT

REGISTER NOW as these retreats book up very fast!



The best selling author of *33 Days to Morning Glory*, Father Michael Gaitley, MIC, is coming to Long Island! He will be at St. Patrick R.C. Church in Bay Shore on **Friday August 7th from 7:15PM to 8:15PM and Saturday August 8th from 7:30AM - 4:00PM**. Go to events.marianmissionaries.org; scroll down then click on the rectangular box showing St. Patrick, Bay Shore; scroll down to the bottom until you see the register and click on the ticket quantity (\$49.95). Any further questions, please leave a message at the Rectory for Rita.

Many of us will plan this Lenten season to GIVE UP many things that we love like sweets, pizza, or that glass of wine after a long day's work. Another thought might be to just GIVE. Give a little time to reading the Bible; give a little more in our weekly contributions at Mass, spending time with a person alone, a neighbor, a grandparent, or someone who has lost a loved one. Maybe giving some time to 40 Days For Life, by standing in prayer in front of Planned Parenthood in Hempstead. Giving yourself time to look up and search the stars at night, the sunshine on our faces, and remember they are all gifts from God. Our very lives are a gift every time we open our eyes. Another thought may be to light a candle for those suffering, those who have passed away, and for all of the world to stand together. May we pray that our Lord helps us to reach out to each other with kindness, caring and peace.

LI CATHOLIC: ARCHBISHOP CALLS SENATE REJECTION OF PRO-LIFE BILLS "APPALLING." WASHINGTON (CNS) - By blocking two pro-life bills from going to the floor of the U.S. Senate, senators "failed to advance two critical human rights reforms that most Americans strongly support," the chairman of the U.S. Bishops' pro-life committee said late February 25th. Earlier that day, the Senate voted on motions to advance the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, S.3275, sponsored by Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-South Carolina, and the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, S.311, sponsored Sen. Ben Sasse, R-Nebraska. Neither measure received the 60 votes needed in the Senate to overcome a filibuster and advance to a vote on passage.

"It is appalling that even one senator, let alone more than 40, voted to continue the brutal dismemberment of nearly full-grown infants, and voted against protecting babies who survive abortion." said Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann of Kansas City, Kansas, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities.

LICL: NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATION. Gov. Cuomo recently appointed two abortion activists to administrative positions. Gov. Cuomo is pushing for passage of the Physician-Assisted Suicide bill, S.3947/A.2694, this legislative season. Hear the Assisted Suicide, "Slippery Slope" by watching the last 5 minutes of this video. www.youtube.com/watch?v+=Z9PSkRrVBs7&feature=youtu.be. To download the National Right to Life version of the Will to Live form go to: www.nrlc.org/uploads/willtolive/NewYorkrev316/pdf. To discuss federal legislation, email Charles Feldman at cdefeldman@online.net or Jim Miller at jimmiller9@aol.com.

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Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Encounter Jesus by setting aside time for fasting, almsgiving, repentance and deep prayer. Jesus comes into our lives, asks us to listen and obey him, and then sends us out on mission. Let us be Christ to the World!

MONDAY - FRIDAY DURING LENT (beginning March 2nd)
8:30AM Morning Prayer of the Church (the Divine Office)

SUNDAY - MARCH 22
Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast - St. Alphonsus Parish Hall
Following the 7:30AM & 10AM Masses

WEDNESDAY - MARCH 4, 11, 18, 25 & APRIL 1
7:30PM Evenings of Prayer - Church

FRIDAY - MARCH 6, 13, 20, 27 & APRIL 3
7:30PM The Stations of the Cross - Church

WEDNESDAY - MARCH 18
6PM - 8PM Lenten Soup Supper - School Cafeteria



UPCOMING EVENTS



- Mar 9: Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30PM Church
- Mar 2 - Apr 8 (Weekdays): 8:30AM Morning Prayer of the Church
- Mar 10 & 24: Eucharistic Adoration 3PM - 4PM Eucharistic Chapel
- Mar 6 - Apr 3: (Fridays) Stations of the Cross 7:30PM Church
- Mar 11 - Apr 1: (Wednesdays) Lenten Evenings of Prayer 7:30PM Church
- Mar 11: Alpha begins 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Mar 12: The Men's Group 7:15 p.m. St. Alphonsus Library Room
- Mar 15: 10AM Family Mass
- Mar 16: Partners in Mission 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall
- Mar 18: Parish Soup Supper 6 - 8PM School Cafeteria
- Mar 22: K of C Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 & 10AM Mass St. Alphonsus Hall
- Mar 25: Women's Group 7PM St. Alphonsus Hall