

# THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. GERTRUDE

28 School Street, Bayville, N.Y. 11709

## CLERGY OF THE PARISH

Rev. Msgr. Robert O. Morrissey, Pastor  
Rev. Gabriel Miah, Assoc. Pastor

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Thursday: 9:00am–4:00pm  
(or by appointment).

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

### Masses

Saturday: 8:30am & 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am (Family Mass), 11:30am

Weekdays: 8:30am

Holy Day: 5:00pm Vigil Mass, 8:30am & 7:30pm

**Rosary** every morning after 8:30am Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and  
Benediction 1:00pm to 3:00pm Wednesdays  
except holidays

### Reconciliation/Confession:

Saturdays: 4:00-5:00pm & by appointment

## SACRAMENTS

**Anointing of the Sick:** Available upon request.

**Baptism:** Third Sunday each month at 1:00pm.  
Prior parent and sponsor interviews with a  
baptismal coordinator required.

**Marriage:** Arrangements must be made in person  
with priest at least 6 months in advance & prior to  
reception arrangements.

**Adult Christian Initiation.** If you are interested in  
exploring the Catholic faith or completing your  
initiation into the Church, please call the Parish  
office.

### Outreach—Pantry Hours:

St. Gertrude: Friday 8:30am-9:30am

United Methodist: Every other Sat. 9:00am  
12:00pm



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- 1.) 1425 New York Avenue, Huntington Station
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**PARISH OFFICE:** Phone: (516) 628-1113

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## PARISH CENTER

### Preschool:

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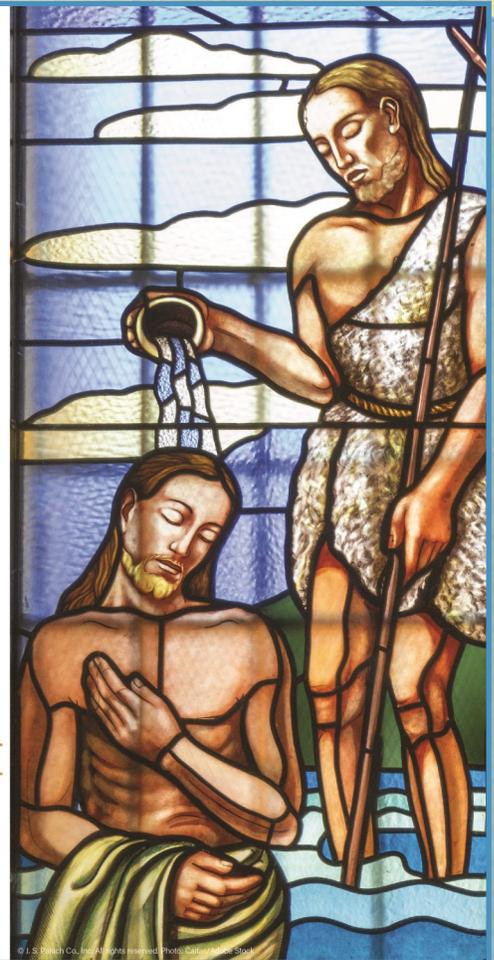
Dr. James Sheehan, Director, Phone: (516) 628-2432

Email: faithformation@stgerts.org

A VOICE CAME  
FROM HEAVEN,  
"YOU ARE MY  
BELOVED SON;  
WITH YOU I AM  
WELL PLEASED."  
LUKE 3:22

THE  
**BAPTISM**  
of the LORD

JANUARY 9, 2022



**WELCOME**

New to our Parish? We welcome you  
and ask that you please stop into our  
Parish office to register. *The Lord*  
told Israel to reach out to newcomers and welcome them  
(Leviticus 19:36).

## Remembering. . .

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>January 8</b>
5:00pm	Mary Angela DeCarolis +
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>January 9</b>
7:30am	Caterina Primeggia +
9:30am	For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude
11:30am	Katherine Adele Romano + Joan Ergen + Baby Dean Gregory Holzmann +
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>January 10</b>
8:30am	Lucile & Marcel Palmaro + Sabin & Sobrino families +
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>January 11</b>
8:30am	George Pillari +
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>January 12</b>
8:30am	Helen Pensa +
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>January 13</b>
8:30am	Lucile & Marcel Palmaro + Sabin & Sobrino families +
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>January 14</b>
8:30am	Joseph & Francesca Carbone +
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>January 15</b>
8:30am	Lt. Louis M. Guzzo +
5:00pm	For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** – Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the Lord upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7) *or* *Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11*.

**Psalm** – The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29) *or* *Psalm 104*.

**Second Reading** – Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38) *or* *Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7*.

**Gospel** – A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22).

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**Presider's Schedule:** (subject to change)

Saturday, January 15<sup>th</sup>: 5:00pm— Msgr. Morrissey

Sunday, January 16<sup>th</sup>: 7:30am - Fr. Gabriel

9:30am — Msgr. Morrissey

11:30am— Fr. Gabriel

### The Anointing: Reflection on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

The liturgy last week revealed the mystery of God's plan—that in Jesus all peoples, symbolized by the Magi, have been made "coheirs" to the blessings promised to Israel. This week, we're shown how we claim our inheritance.

Jesus doesn't submit to John's baptism as a sinner in need of purification. He humbles Himself to pass through Jordan's waters in order to lead a new "exodus"—opening up the promised land of heaven so that all peoples can hear the words pronounced over Jesus today, words once reserved only for Israel and its king: that each of us is a beloved son or daughter of God (see Genesis 22:2; Exodus 4:22; Psalm 2:7).

Jesus is the chosen servant Isaiah prophesies in today's First Reading, anointed with the Spirit to make things right and just on earth. God puts His Spirit upon Jesus to make Him "a covenant of the people," the liberator of the captives, the light to the nations. Jesus, today's Second Reading tells us, is the One long expected in Israel, "anointed . . . with the Holy Spirit and power."

The word messiah means "one anointed" with God's Spirit. King David was "the anointed of the God of Jacob" (see 2 Samuel 23:1-17; Psalm 18:51; 132:10, 17). The prophets taught Israel to await a royal offshoot of David, upon whom the Spirit would rest (see Isaiah 11:1-2; Daniel 9:25).

That's why the crowds are so anxious at the start of today's Gospel. But it isn't John they're looking for. God confirms with His own voice what the angel earlier told Mary: Jesus is the Son of the Most High, come to claim the throne of David forever (see Luke 1:32-33).

In the Baptism that He brings, the voice of God will hover over the waters as a fiery flame, as we sing in today's Psalm. He has sanctified the waters, made them a passageway to healing and freedom—a fountain of new birth and everlasting life.

By Dr. Scott Hahn



## Those serving in our military:

*Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen”*

LT Travis J. Buffa	LCpl Brian Allen	Pfc. Mark Chuisano
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LT Terrance Thorgramson	2nd LT James Andrew Baker	1st LT Dylan Wall
LT Emily W. Hegarty	LT Elizabeth G. Hegarty	US Army E-1 Richard F. Charon

**If you would like to inform us of any family member or friend who has been called to active service or for a name to be removed, please call our Parish office. We cannot update this list without your help.**



Becky Browning, Carl DiGiovanni,  
Maureen Sullivan, Patricia Mavros.

Call the Parish office to add a relative to our prayer list. Names will remain for 6 weeks.



### St. Gertrude Parish Pantry Needs:

**Jelly, soup—both regular & low sodium, pasta sauce in jars, white rice—1 or 2 lb. bags, baby wipes, baby diapers sizes 5 & 6.**

Supplies are either desperately low or out of the above items.

Donations to be placed in back of church under choir loft.

**Pantry hours are every Friday from 8:30am—9:30am in the lower Church.**

United Methodist Church Outreach, 9 Mountain Ave, Bayville. Food pantry opened every OTHER Saturday 9-12. Please call Ann Albro @ 516-647-5943 for any questions.

*Just a friendly reminder to please be aware of food expiration dates. Thank you!*

The Parish office will be closed on Fridays until further notice. Our office hours are Monday to Thursday from 9:00am-4:00pm. Should you require any assistance beyond these hours, please call the rectory to set up an appointment at (516)628-1113. Thank you.

## Parish Financial Summary

Sunday collections (including Faith Direct)

December 26, 2021: \$ 5,927.00\*

January 2, 2022: \$8,824.00\*

\*Our weekly collection budget is \$7,200.00.

Solemnity of Mary, January 1, 2022: \$2,279.00.

Christmas Collection, Dec. 25, 2021: \$45,078.00\*

\*Christmas budget was \$50,000.00



Thank you all for your prayerful and generous support of our parish family.

*Rest in Peace*

Frank “Sonny” Marmorale

George Willett

The Parish of St. Gertrude extends its prayerful condolences to their family & friends.

Mask update: The Governor of New York State has included houses of worship in her recent directives. Therefore, since the Church does not require parishioners to present proof of vaccination in order to worship God, we ask that all parishioners (two years of age and older) comply with the requirement to wear masks when participating in any activities on parish grounds. We will continue to adapt accordingly as new information becomes available. Your patience and Christian charity towards one another during this difficult time is appreciated.

In Our Parish



ST. GERTRUDE  
CHRISTMAS  
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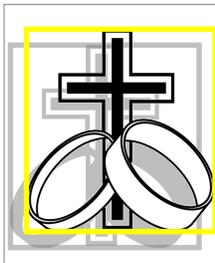


## Faith Direct

eGiving is a great stewardship habit - it streamlines your giving and lets you do even more to help St. Gertrude grow our ministries that share the Good News of God's love. Why not make the switch today? You can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Recurring gifts were a lifeline during COVID-19 and sustained our parish throughout the year. They provide consistent support that helps us always be at the ready with programs, services, and ministries for our church families and for those in need throughout the community.

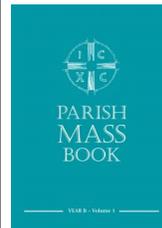
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### Banns of Marriage

Veronica Ann Palumbo  
Diocese of Dallas, TX  
&  
Michael David Parnell  
Diocese of Dallas, TX

## MASS INTENTIONS



One part of Catholic culture that is sometimes hard to understand and very often misunderstood is the custom of offering Mass intentions. When a priest celebrates Mass each day, he *offers* each celebration of the Eucharist for a particular person, or intention. By doing so he applies special graces from God upon that person or intention.

Please consider offering a Mass. Masses can be said for a departed love one, a special intention or in thanksgiving, for a friend who is living & suffering, for a celebration, for prayers that have been answered, for someone you know who can benefit from the spiritual graces that comes with having a Mass said on their behalf.

If your loved one's date is not available, you can offer the wine & hosts in memory of your loved one for the week which will cover that particular date that you wish to pray for them. We know how important it is to remember your loved one on their day and we are trying to help insure that they are remembered and prayed for if not on their day then at least for the week.

Masses remain at \$20 each or \$50 for the wine & hosts celebrated for the week.

Don't miss out on these graces for yourself and those you love. Call or stop in the Parish office at (516)628-1113.

Please wear a mask in our office.

## CHRISTMAS FLOWERS 2021, GIVEN IN MEMORY/HONOR OF:

Irene Janas, Theodore Janas, Ed Langdon, Frank Sodano, John Schaefer, Jr., Maria R. DiMaggio, Frank Caruso, Herb & Irene Sinkinson, Mansueto & Modica families, Blaz Jovic, Mihovil Rucando, Franica Rucando, Mladen Rucando, M/M Cantarella, Gino Lanza, Arlene Lanza, Frank Myles, Dorothy Myles, Anna Howes, Augustin Chabrier, Cutrone family, Rita Brexel, Michael Kennedy.



*Preschool News:* It was our first week back after the Christmas break and the children were happy to see their classmates again, even though it meant leaving all new Christmas toys at home. Miss Carmela's two year old class made snowmen and a winter forest collage, they worked on the letter L. Miss Michelle's three year old class made mitten wreaths and Mickey and Minnie for the letter M. Miss Wendy's threes made a New Year's wand and hat, they also worked on the letter M. Miss Janice's four year old class made a mittens project and studied the letter K. Miss Meredith's fours made snowmen sun catchers and the Three Wise Men, they studied the letter J.



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### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and are seven sessions on weekdays from 7:00pm to 9:30pm.

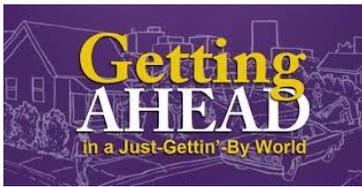
Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority.

Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call Chuck & Maria Reiss at 631-486-8607 or visit them at <https://wwmenyli.org/>. Bring the Holy Spirit into your marriage. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences.

# Resources Available

## FAMILY, MARRIAGE AND INDIVIDUAL THERAPY

Family, marriage and individual therapy, provided by New York State licensed therapists including therapists who specialize in Depression, Divorce Mediation and Domestic Violence, are available to our parishioners at 147 other parishes. This program, under the direction of Dr. George Giuliani, has been conducted in the diocese for the past 41 years for the convenience of parishioners. It is provided by the Catholic Counseling Center, which is independent of and not controlled or supervised by the parish or diocese. Most insurance policies, including Medicare, are honored. We are currently looking for licensed therapists in Nassau, Suffolk and Queens. For confidential information and appointments, please call Dr. Giuliani at the Catholic Counseling Center at (631) 243-2503 or go to our website at: <http://www.thecatholiccounselingcenter.com>.



### “Getting Ahead in a Just-Getting By World”

An Invitation to Serve, in the District Council of Nassau North  
We all know how the Society of St. Vincent de Paul regularly provides charitable assistance to neighbors in need. Beginning with the home visit, Vincentians perform numerous good deeds, many of which involve financial assistance (rent & utility bills), immediate needs assistance (food, furniture, etc.) and also counseling.

However, the challenges facing those in poverty are ever more acute today. The “Getting AHEAD” program, offered by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul across the country, is one approach to help these neighbors rise above the “tyranny of the moment” or crisis mode in which they are too often bound. It also answers the questions raised by many Vincentians: “What more can I do for my neighbor beyond the traditional home visit?” and “Is there a structured process I can become involved with that would make a difference?” If you are interested in joining, please email: [svdpstgertrudes@gmail.com](mailto:svdpstgertrudes@gmail.com)

*January 21-23, 2022*

*Retrouvaille Weekend*

*You Can Help Heal Your Marriage*

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other?

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The Retrouvaille Program is for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationships.

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Presenters are not trained marriages counselors, but rather couples sharing their personal stories of marital struggles and the tools they used to rediscover their love.

For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for the upcoming weekend that begins on Friday, January 21st, please visit our website [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org) or call 1-800-470-2230 and you will be connected directly and confidentially to a couple from

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Wednesday-Friday, January 19-21, 2022, 7:30 PM

***Commemoration of The Solemnity of St. Agnes, Virgin, Martyr Principal Patroness of the Diocese and Titular Patroness of the Cathedral***

***Wednesday, January 19: Concert***

***Thursday, January 20: Solemn First Vespers of the Solemnity***

***Friday, January 21: Solemn Mass***

Sunday, March 20, 2022

***10:45 Investiture Ceremony, 11:00 AM Mass***—Choir of Men and Boys

March/April

***7:30 PM Solemn Sung Vespers on Lenten Sunday Evenings*** -4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Evening (Laetare Sunday) with Choir

Wednesday, April 13, 7:30 PM—***7:30 PM Tenebrae Service***

Friday, April 29, 7:30 PM—***Hofstra Chamber Choirs in Concert***

Friday, May 13, 7:30 PM

***Guest Organ Recitalist: Peter Richard Conte, Grand Court Organist, from Wannamaker's Store, Philadelphia, PA***

Sunday, June 5, 7:30 PM

***The South Shore Symphony- Saint Saens "Symphony No. 3" (The Organ Symphony)***

Sunday, June 26, 7:30 PM

***Choir Festival Concert in the Cathedral***—Cathedral Choirs, and Guest Choir Singers

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Thursday Evening, December 16, 7:30 PM

***Christmas Concert-New St. Patrick's Cathedral, NYC*** - Cathedral Choirs

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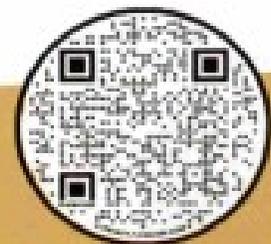
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2:00pm

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This group is a safe place to discuss the challenges and stresses of caregiving for those who are providing support for a loved one. It is an opportunity to share your feelings, seek support and find strength and encouragement with others who are going through similar experiences.



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*I hereby give, devise and bequeath to <insert parish name>, with offices at <insert parish address>, all the rest, residue and remainder of my estate (trust) to be used for its most urgent needs.*

**For more information about remembering the Parish in your will or living trust, or to request a brochure, please contact Barbara Kilarjian, at 516-678-5800 x257 or email [bkilarjian@drvc.org](mailto:bkilarjian@drvc.org).**



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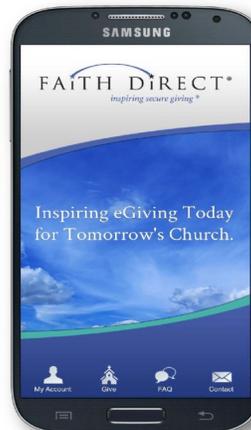


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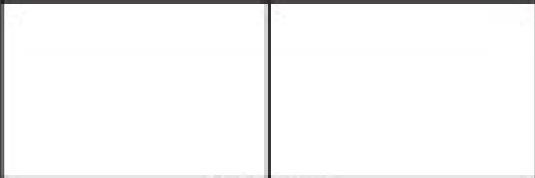
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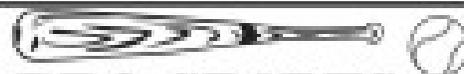
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