

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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- 3.) 249 Broadway, Bethpage

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

Email: faithformation@stgerts.org



Go, eat rich foods
and
drink sweet drinks,
and
allot portions
to those who have
nothing prepared;
for today is holy
to our LORD.
Nehemiah 8:10

**Third
Sunday in
Ordinary
Time**

January 23, 2022

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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. . .

SATURDAY	January 22
5:00pm	Claudio D'Chiutiis +
SUNDAY	January 23
7:30am	For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude
9:30am	Anne Greco +
11:30am	Michael Kennedy + Anthony Parisi + Sean Chabrier +
MONDAY	January 24
8:30am	Helen Pensa +
TUESDAY	January 25
8:30am	Vincenzo & Rosa Daniello & family +
WEDNESDAY	January 26
8:30am	Lucile & Marcel Palmaro + Sabin & Sobrino families +
THURSDAY	January 27
8:30am	Rev. Daniel B. Morey, OFM
FRIDAY	January 28
8:30am	Lucile & Marcel Palmaro + Sabin & Sobrino families +
SATURDAY	January 29
8:30am	Claudio D'Chiutiis + Charles V. Hili +
5:00pm	For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading – Ezra read from the book of the law of God to the assembled people. They understood and accepted the law (Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10).

Psalm – Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life (Psalm 19).

Second Reading – As the body with its many parts is still one body, so it is with Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]).

Gospel – While attending worship in the Nazarean synagogue, Jesus reads from the prophet Isaiah and declares himself to be the fulfillment of the prophecy (Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21).

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Presider's Schedule: (subject to change)

Saturday, January 29th: 5:00pm— Msgr. Morrissey

Sunday, January 30th: 7:30am - Fr. Gabriel

9:30am — Msgr. Morrissey

11:30am— Fr. Gabriel

New Day Dawns: Reflection on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.

The meaning of today's liturgy is subtle and many-layered.

We need background to understand what's happening in today's First Reading. Babylon having been defeated, King Cyrus of Persia decreed that the exiled Jews could return home to Jerusalem. They rebuilt their ruined temple (see [Ezra 6:15-17](#)) and under Nehemiah finished rebuilding the city walls (see [Nehemiah 6:15](#)).

The stage was set for the renewal of the covenant and the re-establishment of the Law of Moses as the people's rule of life. That's what's going on in today's First Reading, as Ezra reads and interprets (see [Nehemiah 8:8](#)) the Law and the people respond with a great "Amen!"

Israel, as we sing in today's Psalm, is rededicating itself to God and His Law. The scene seems like the Isaiah prophecy that Jesus reads from in today's Gospel.

Read all of Isaiah 61. The "glad tidings" Isaiah brings include these promises: the liberation of prisoners (61:1); the rebuilding of Jerusalem, or Zion (61:3-4; see also [Isaiah 60:10](#)); the restoration of Israel as a kingdom of priests (61:6; [Exodus 19:6](#)); and the forging of an everlasting covenant (61:8; [Isaiah 55:3](#)). It sounds a lot like the First Reading.

Jesus, in turn, declares that Isaiah's prophecy is fulfilled in Him. The Gospel scene, too, recalls the First Reading. Like Ezra, Jesus stands before the people, is handed a scroll, unrolls it, then reads and interprets it (compare [Luke 4:16-17](#), [21](#) and [Nehemiah 8:2-6](#), [8-10](#)).

We witness in today's Liturgy the creation of a new people of God. Ezra started reading at dawn of the first day of the Jewish new year (see [Leviticus 23:24](#)). Jesus also proclaims a "sabbath," a great year of Jubilee, a deliverance from slavery to sin, a release from the debts we owe to God (see [Leviticus 25:10](#)).

The people greeted Ezra "as one man." And, as today's Epistle teaches, in the Spirit the new people of God—the Church—is made "one body" with Him.

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”

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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:

Milk boxed (Parmalat) or powder, juice, bar soap, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo & conditioner, size 6 disposable diapers, baby wipes, laundry detergent, paper towels and toilet paper.

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. 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!

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 23, 2022

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

— Luke 4:18a

Parish Financial Summary

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



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

Rest in Peace

Sean Chabrier

Kathleen Savino

Ann Marie West

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.

Faith Direct

Even as the pandemic continues to bring uncertainty, the new year is filled with hope and promise - we always seek to grow our vital ministries, explore new ways to share the good news of Christ's love, and reflect His care and mercy to those in need throughout the community. To continue to make a difference in 2022, St. Gertrude is reaching out to our parishioners.

Begin the new year with eGiving to help sustain and build ministries throughout 2022 that reflect the steadfast promise of God's love. The need is great in our community, and your generous online gifts will help people all around us.

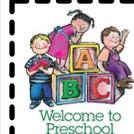
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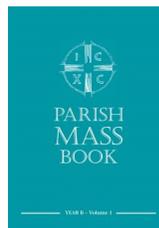
Worldwide Marriage Encounter

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://www.nyli.org/>.

Are you letting Jesus proclaim the good news to you in your marriage? Sign up today to attend one of the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences.



Preschool News: Winter continued to be the theme this week at the preschool. Miss Carmela's two year old class made snowflakes and snow balls, they worked on the letter N. Miss Michelle's three year old class made gingerbread boys and Oscar the Grouch. Miss Wendy's threes made winter hats and sensory bins, they worked on the letter O. Miss Janice's four year old class made penguins and ice skates, they studied the letter M. Miss Meredith's fours made snow owls and hibernating bears, they studied the letter L.



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.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK -Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Almighty ever-living God, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son we may abound in good works.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

St. Gertrude
Church Renovation Campaign - Pledge Update
“Preserve Our Past – Envision our Future”

Total Pledged	\$1,161,332
Paid to Date	\$1,044,476
Balance Due	\$ 116,856
% of Pledges Paid	90%
# of Gifts	302
Average Gift	\$ 3,845

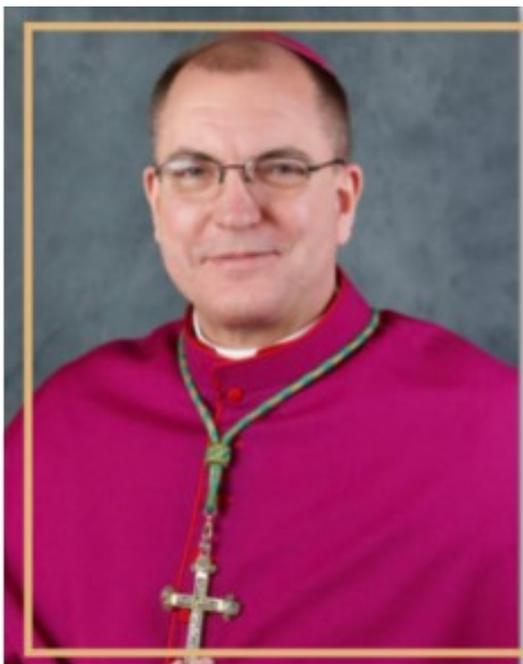
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Making your one time gift or recurring pledge payments is easy, simply log onto the parish web-site at www.stgerts.com and click on the e-giving link to begin. Please remember to select the Capital Campaign as your payment option.

**All Pledges & One-time Gifts are welcomed very much
appreciated!**

Thank you for your prompt pledge payments!

Pledge reminders are mailed on the 1st of each month, if you have not received a reminder or have any questions about your payment schedule, please call Andy White (Parish Development) at 516-607-3635.



DIOCESE of ROCKVILLE CENTRE
**March for Life
Mass**
with
Bishop John O. Barres
from the Cathedral of St. Agnes, Rockville Centre

**January 29, 2021
at 12:10 p.m.**

 Come celebrate the sanctity of human life with Bishop Barres in solidarity with the March for Life 2021. This Holy Mass will be broadcast on CFN at 12:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

 MARCH FOR LIFE

Sunday, January 23, 2022
Word of God Sunday
The Diocese of Rockville Centre
Western Vicariate

“He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures” (Lk 24:45).

All are welcome to participate in these events

Western Vicariate

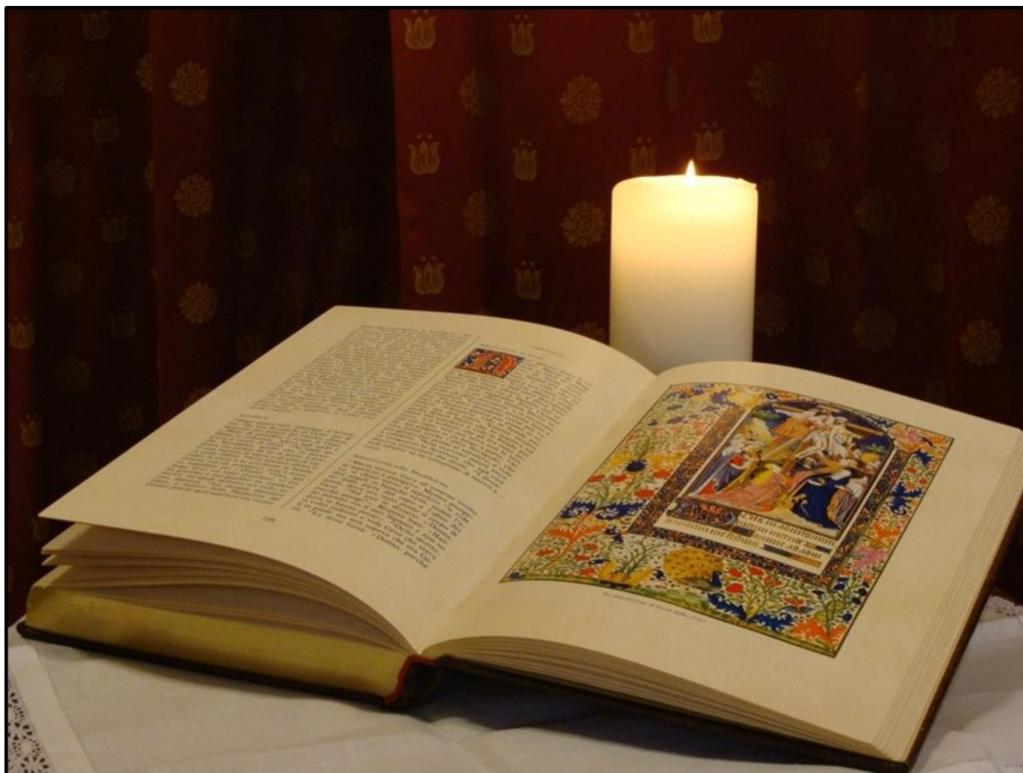
Mass at the Cathedral of St. Agnes in Rockville Centre, Sunday, January 23, 2022, at 11 am – Bishop Andrzej www.stagnescathedral.org

Holy Hour and Reflection, Sunday, January 23, 2022, at 3 pm – St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Brookville – Bishop Andrzej; www.stpaulsbrookville.org

Liturgical Catechesis, Tuesday, January 25, 2022, at 7:30 pm – Zoom – Bishop Andrzej will lead a Zoom presentation. Please call 516-744-6850 or email westernvicariate@drvc.org to register to receive Zoom link.

Email registration is preferred. All requests must be received by Monday, January 24.

For useful information on celebrating Word of God Sunday, visit
www.usccb.org/committees/divine-worship/sunday-word-god





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"He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures." (Lk 24:45)

Word of God Sunday 2022



Pope Francis has asked that the Church observe the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time as the Sunday of the Word of God. Pope Francis said: "Devoting a specific Sunday of the liturgical year to the word of God can enable the Church to experience anew how the risen Lord opens up for us the treasury of his word and enables us to proclaim its unfathomable riches before the world."

Celebration of Word of God Sunday will take place here in the Diocese of Rockville Centre in the Western Vicariate as follows:

Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Agnes

with **Most Reverend Andrzej Zglejszewski**
Auxiliary Bishop, Diocese of Rockville Centre

WHEN: January 23, 2022, at 11 a.m.

WHERE: Cathedral of Saint Agnes
29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, N.Y. 11570
www.stagnescathedral.org

Holy Hour and Reflection

with **Most Reverend Andrzej Zglejszewski**
Auxiliary Bishop, Diocese of Rockville Centre

WHEN: January 23, 2022, at 3 p.m.

WHERE: Church of Saint Paul the Apostle
2534 Cedar Swamp Road, Brookville, N.Y. 11545
www.stpaulsbrookville.org

Liturgical Catechesis (Virtual Event)

with **Most Reverend Andrzej Zglejszewski**
Auxiliary Bishop, Diocese of Rockville Centre

WHEN: January 25, 2022, at 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: Via Zoom*



*Advanced registration required to receive Zoom link. Those interested in receiving the link can email westernvicariate@drvc.org or call the office at 516-744-6850. Email registration is preferred. All requests must be received by Monday, January 24.

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Thank you.

ELUSIVE HAPPINESS

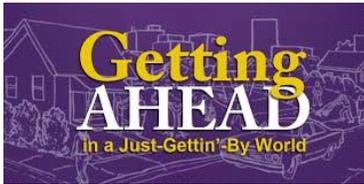
Happiness will never be ours
if we do not recognize to some
degree that God's blessings were
given us for the well-being of all.

—Anonymos

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.

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Save the Dates!

With Organ & Voice: Special Music Events at the Cathedral: 2022 Season

St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre New York

Michael L. Bower, Director of Music, Maura Goodwin, Associate Director of Music

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 -4th 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

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Sunday, June 26, 7:30 PM

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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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A gift to us in your Will or Trust affirms your everlasting commitment to the Parish's life and works.

You can instruct your attorney to use this wording:

I hereby give, devise and bequeath to <insert parish name>, with offices at <insert parish address>, the sum of \$ to be used for its most urgent needs.

As an alternative, you can make a gift of what remains in your estate or living trust after all other bequests and expenses have been paid:

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.

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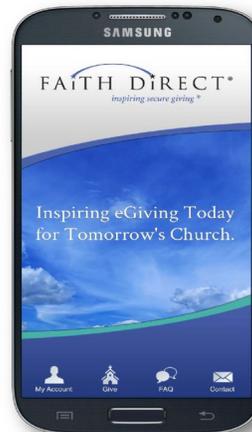
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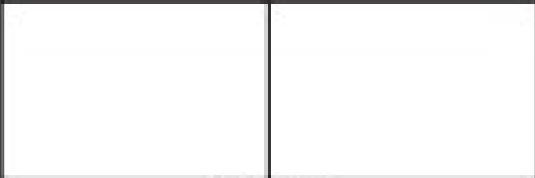
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