

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 Days: See bulletin/announcements for schedule

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 Church Outreach. Food pantry
opened every OTHER Saturday 9-12. Please call Ann
Albro @ 516-647-5943 for any questions.



St. Vincent de Paul:

Email: svdpstgerts@gmail.com

SVDP store locations:

- 1.) 1425 New York Avenue, Huntington Station
- 2.) 2160 Jericho Twp., Garden City Park
- 3.) 249 Broadway, Bethpage

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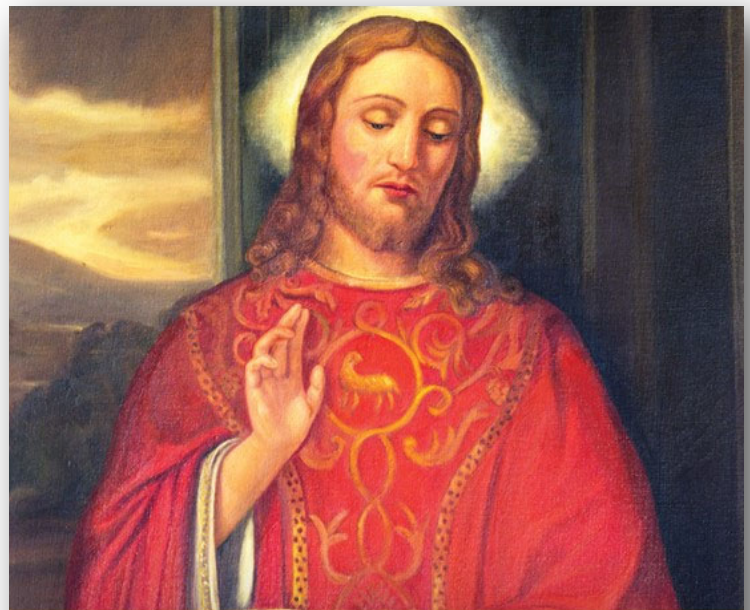
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SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 2023

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains
in me and I in him." - Jn 6:56

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

Remembering. . .

SATURDAY	June 10
5:00pm	Sam Serio +
SUNDAY	June 11
7:30am	Altimari & Galazzo families +
9:30am	For the parishioners of St. Gertrude
11:30am	Philip Altadonna + Frank Gallagher + Russell Selover +
MONDAY	June 12
8:30am	Roy C. Rogers +
TUESDAY	June 13
8:30am	Lena Dimino + Jerry & Caroline Attracente +
WEDNESDAY	June 14
8:30am	Lucile B. Palmaro, Marcel B. Palmaro Sabin & Sobrino families +
THURSDAY	June 15
8:30am	Lucile B. Palmaro, Marcel B. Palmaro Sabin & Sobrino families +
FRIDAY	June 16
8:30am	Claudio D'Chiutiis +
SATURDAY	June 17
8:30am	Dean Serio +
5:00pm	Father's day intentions

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

First Reading:

"He therefore let you be afflicted with hunger, and then fed you with manna, a food unknown to you and your fathers." (Dt 8:3).

Second Reading:

Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf. (1 Cor 10:17).

Gospel:

"For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." (Jn 6:55-56).

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Presider's Schedule: (subject to change)

Saturday, June 17 th :	5:00pm—Fr. Gabriel
Sunday, June 18 th :	7:30am— Msgr. Morrissey
	9:30am — Fr. Gabriel
	11:30am— Msgr. Morrissey

Word of the 'Living Father': Scott Hahn Reflects on the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ

The Eucharist is given to us as a challenge and a promise. That's how Jesus presents it in today's Gospel.

He doesn't make it easy for those who hear Him. They are repulsed and offended at His words. Even when they begin to quarrel, He insists on describing the eating and drinking of His flesh and blood in starkly literal terms.

Four times in today's reading, Jesus uses a Greek word—trogein—that refers to a crude kind of eating, almost a gnawing or chewing (see [John 6:54, 56, 57, 58](#)).

He is testing their faith in His Word, as today's First Reading describes God testing Israel in the desert.

The heavenly manna was not given to satisfy the Israelites' hunger, as Moses explains. It was given to show them that man does not live by bread alone but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

In today's Psalm, too, we see a connection between God's Word and the bread of life. We sing of God filling us with "finest wheat" and proclaiming His Word to the world.

In Jesus, "the living Father" has given us His Word come down from heaven, made flesh for the life of the world.

Yet, as the Israelites grumbled in the desert, many in today's Gospel cannot accept that Word. Even many of Jesus' own followers abandon Him after this discourse (see [John 6:66](#)). But His words are Spirit and life, the words of eternal life (see [John 6:63, 67](#)).

In the Eucharist we are made one flesh with Christ. We have His life in us and have our life because of Him. This is what Paul means in today's Epistle when he calls the Eucharist a "participation" in Christ's body and blood. We become in this sacrament partakers of the divine nature (see [1 Peter 2:4](#)).

This is the mystery of the faith that Jesus asks us believe. And He gives us His promise: that, sharing in His flesh and blood that was raised from the dead, we too will be raised up on the last day.

Please join us for the Corpus Christi procession & benediction, Sunday, June 11th following the 11:30am Mass.



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 Cmdr. Melissa Buffa

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Pfc. Duncan Moskowitz

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Pfc. Mark Chuisano

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LT Alexander Van Patten USAF

Airman Bryan Mollitor

LT Col. Sean Patak

Sfc. Sean P. Schenck

Cpl. Jason Roland

Major Chad Lennon

Ens. James Figari

1st LT Dylan Wall

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.



Rebecca Browning, Sean Burnett, Michael Coddington.

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



St. Gertrude Parish Pantry Needs:

Supplies are either desperately low or out of the following items: paper towels, cereal, jarred pasta sauce, strawberry & grape jelly, ketchup, mustard, Parmalat milk(boxed).

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!



John Burke

Jean Greco

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

Parish Financial Summary

Sunday collections (including Faith Direct)

May 28, 2023: \$ 8,327.00

June 4, 2023: \$ 6,424.00

Our weekly collection budget is \$7,500.00.



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

Faith Direct

As summer approaches, we recognize that many families in our parish will be traveling for vacations and other reasons. Set up eGiving to ensure St. Gertrude continues to thrive while you're making memories this summer. It's easy, secure, and makes a BIG difference! Go to faith.direct/NY83 or call Faith Direct's Customer Service at 866-507-8757 or text "enroll" to 516-494-7947.

You'll provide us with 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.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.



Our 2023 CMA goal remains at \$55,000 and we have received \$20,635.00 to date from 54 donors.



Preschool News: How quickly the school year has flown by! We were just welcoming the children back to school in September and now this week we were saying goodbye! The children were having fun but also still working. Miss Carmela's two year old class made Father's Day cards and gifts. Miss Michelle's three year old class also made Father's Day gifts and summer themed pictures. Miss Meredith's four year old class made a summer craft, a hermit crab and self portraits. The two and three year old classes had end of year parties in their rooms to celebrate the last day of school. Our four year old commencement was held on Thursday in the gym. The 4s class treated us to some songs and did a stellar job processing, recessing, and receiving their diplomas. It was, as it always is, a moving day for everyone who attended, families and staff. Some of the children will get to still see each other during our two week camp program, which begins the following week.



Banns of Marriage

Laura Jean Morizio
St. Gertrude, Bayville
&
Michael Wayne Polley
St. Gertrude, Bayville



**SOMETHING NEW
A SMALL LENDING LIBRARY**

Please look for the book cart located in the side vestibule of the church near the new restrooms. **READ AND RETURN!**

Please stop by, take a look and borrow a book to **READ** and just **RETURN** when you are finished.

Save
the
date:

June
25th

St.
Gertrude's
Church

Fr.
Gabriel's
Celebration

A Joyful **CELEBRATION**

REV. GABRIEL MIAH

Please join me as I give fitting gratitude to God in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist on June 25th, 2023 at 11:30 am at St Gertrude's Parish, 28 School St., Bayville, NY 11709 in celebration of 46 years of priestly life, 75 years of my birth and Retirement from active priestly ministry.

Please come and experience a special Ghanian Liturgy with the choir from St. Luke's Church in Bronx, NY.

Join us in the parish center after the Mass to continue the celebration with food and drink.

All guests are invited and welcomed to help Fr. Gabriel celebrate this wonderful occasion and wish him well.



Check out our website for other information that our printed bulletin cannot accommodate.

The on-line version of the bulletin will always offer more information/ additional events.

www.stgerts.com

Further information

on:

- Liturgical Catechesis w/ Bishop Andrezej
- Catholic schools/ information
- Virtus program
- Is God calling you to serve as a Deacon?
- Rachel's vineyard retreat, July 7-9th
- Catholic Ministries Appeal
- American Legion Post 1285



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THANK YOU TO ALL WHO GENEROUSLY DONATED ITEMS TO THE BABY BASSINET.

MANY BEAUTIFUL AND USEFUL ITEMS WERE RECEIVED.

THE STAFF OF THE LIFE CENTER OF HEMPSTEAD ARE VERY APPRECIATIVE OF YOUR GENEROSITY.

THE MOMS AND CHILDREN WHO WILL USE THEM ARE BLESSED BY YOUR KINDNESS.

QV VADIS

WHERE ARE YOU
GOING?

July 29, 2023

St. Anthony's High School

Registration at 9:15 am

For Students currently enrolled in
8th-12th grade (this school year)

Spiritual Talks

Mass

Adoration

Lunch

Sports

For more info/register:

<https://www.campquovadis.com>



Annual WALK-A-THON

The Life Enrichment Center is Stepping Out for Seniors

Join us to **Walk for a Cause** and raise vital funds for seniors.

- Our **Virtual Walk** spans a two week window, giving you plenty of flexibility to **choose the time and place** to fit your schedule.
- Join us for an **optional walk and "Kick Off" event** at the Center on June 1st at 10:30, am followed by lunch at noon. Door Prize Drawing. **Call in advance to reserve your lunch!**
- Registration is \$30 (\$10 Students)
Registration includes a canvas Life Enrichment Center tote bag.

JUNE 1-15

- ♦ **Fundraise:** Go 'the extra mile' and encourage friends to pledge their support for your efforts. Share our event page (www.LifeEnrichmentCenterOysterBay.org/walkathon) and do online fundraising! Contact the Center with any questions.
- ♦ **Walk alone or form a team:** Walk in your own neighborhood, explore nearby hikes, or choose your own path. If you would like to take part in a walking group for this event, contact the Center to sign up for one of our small group walks. You can also join us at the Center for a walk and **"Kick Off" event** on June 1st at 10:30 am followed by lunch at noon. **Call in advance to reserve your free lunch!**
- ♦ **Set a Goal:** Set personal goals of steps or miles walked, or number of places visited.
- ♦ **Sponsorship Opportunities available:** Become a sponsor! Call the Center for info, or go to: www.LifeEnrichmentCenterOysterBay.org/walkathon
- ♦ **Share your experience:** Take pictures during your walk(s) and post them on social media, or email them to AnnGlynn@Lecob.org and we will share them for you.

Please make checks payable to **Life Enrichment Center**. Return completed Registration form with payment to:
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Waiver: I hereby waive all claims against The Life Enrichment Center for any injury I might suffer related to the activities of this event. I attest that I am physically fit and prepared for this event. I grant full permission for the organizers to use photographs and quotations from me in legitimate accounts and promotions of this event.

2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal

Last year, the Church embarked upon a three-year initiative called the Eucharistic Revival. This Revival is meant to bring clergy and laypeople together to fully understand and experience the loving, healing nature of Christ present in the Eucharist. Noticing the crises, strife and hurt that are so present in our country today, the Church realized that we are all in need of Jesus' healing power and love that we can find in our Eucharistic Lord. Finally, one of the biggest issues facing our church is the lack of belief among Catholics regarding the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

I am writing this letter to you today because while we, as a parish, dive into this Eucharistic Revival, we can help ensure that future generations will still be burning with love for Our Lord in the Eucharist. One way we can do this is by making a gift to the Catholic Ministries Appeal. When you give to the CMA, you help provide opportunities for the youth and young adults of our Diocese to get to know Jesus more fully. Think about this—on the grounds of secular universities, such as Hofstra, Mass is being said for Catholic students and they are witnessing Christ come to them in the Eucharist.



"The young people that are here and participating in Campus Ministry are on fire and they so deeply desire to know Christ and to follow Him. And so just have that hope and pray that young people are seeking truth and are open to finding that- because they will find it here in the Church."

- Gina, Catholic Campus Minister

The Catholic Ministries Appeal also helps pay for the education of the seminarians studying today. Our Church needs these brave, faith-filled men for generations to come so that they may say Mass continually and we can see Jesus alive in the Eucharist.

Please know that I thank you most sincerely for your consideration of this special request to make a gift to the 2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Please know that no gift is too small, and every gift makes a difference in the lives of our young people - the now and the future of our Catholic Church.



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Bayville, NY



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Dr. Anthony Bruno – (516) 641-6844 or Pete Carbone – (516) 628-2512

Spring 2023
Liturgical Catechesis



EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION

THE MASS - STEP BY STEP
LITURGY EXPLAINED

Join

BISHOP ANDRZEJ

this Spring at these in-person presentations.
All are welcome!

The series continues.

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

Liturgy of the Eucharist Explained
Curé of Ars, Merrick

Tuesday, July 11, 2023

Mass Concluding Rites Explained
Curé of Ars, Merrick

All sessions begin at **7:30 pm** and take place in the Church.

Curé of Ars Church
2323 Merrick Avenue
Merrick, NY 11566



If you have not previously registered, advance registration is preferred. Please contact the Western Vicariate office with your name, parish, email address and phone number.

Send your email to: westernvicariate@drvc.org or
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~A NOTE FROM THE OFFICE FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE~

During a review of the Virtus report for St. Gertrude's, it was noted many Virtus accounts require updating. If you receive an e-mail from Virtus instructing you to log into your Virtus account, IT IS LEGITIMATE - THIS IS NOT A SCAM!!!

If you remain active in ministry **and** it has been five years (or more) since your prior background screening was performed; it is time to be rescreened. Please log into your Virtus account: www.virtus.org If you forgot your user ID and password, Virtus will provide instructions.

After logging into your account, you will be prompted to electronically acknowledge the Diocesan Codes of Conduct and complete the background screening application. Please follow all the instructions on the application and hit the submit button when completed.

During the pandemic shutdown, the Diocese established the on-line background screening process to facilitate remote screening. The company providing the screening is Sterling Solutions. During the application process, you will be creating an account with Sterling and will have access to your screening report when completed. The Diocese does not screen your financial information—the Fair Credit Reporting Act is the name of the legislation protecting your rights as a consumer. Unfortunately, this is poor choice for the title of the legislation, as many believe we have access to your financial information—we do not!

Finally, if you are active in a ministry with children/youth: Catechist, Coach, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Youth Ministry; you are required to participate in on-going Virtus training. To facilitate this, the Diocese has made available monthly articles you are required to read. These bulletins/articles are attached to your Virtus account, you will receive a monthly email reminder to log into your account and complete the article. When completed, please answer the question and hit submit. Your account will be credited with completion of this requirement. Each article contains useful information pertinent to today's children and youth.

If you have any questions, please send me an email: mmcmahon@druc.org
Thank you.
Mary McMahan, LSCW

Worldwide Marriage Encounter - Corpus Christi-The Body & Blood of Christ

1 Corinthians 10: 16-17. "Brothers and Sisters, the cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ the bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf." Let us all eat the living bread that comes down from heaven and we shall have eternal life. Let us share our faith and our love with our spouse. Sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. The dates are:

Jun 23-25, 2023 in Huntington, NY

August 11-13, 2023 in CT

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Chuck & Maria Reiss at 631-486-8607 or <https://wwmenyli.org/>.

Why Catholic Education?

We nourish the mind and spirit of every child. A creative academic program and powerful spiritual guidance are the heart of every day at Long Island Catholic Schools. Our commitment to strong, individualized instruction, enhanced by advanced learning technologies, ensures that all children receive the personalized attention that builds knowledge and self-esteem in addition to the skills and study habits that prepare them for the academic challenges ahead. Daily teachings of faith bring spiritual values to life and foster in children an active and humane concern for others.

Early Childhood Program—Nursery (age 3) and Pre-K (age 4)

We guide children on the path to more fulfilling lives. Our academic rigor, emphasis on spiritual values, along with our commitment to extracurricular growth opportunities, all combine to give children the knowledge, skills, and confidence to go farther. The result? Higher performance in the classroom and on recognized standardized tests and an exceptionally high rate of college admissions. More important, our students become well-rounded individuals who go on to lead successful personal and professional lives and who become active, caring members of the community.

Catholic Elementary School Education

An elementary education at a Catholic school engages children at an important formative time in their lives. They are learning information, but it is much more than that. They are learning about themselves, about their place and purpose in the world, and about their obligations to others. Catholic school stands out as a place that addresses all of the relevant aspects of a young person's life. A Catholic school's broad charter allows us to 'educate the whole person', in mind, in body and in spirit. It is a difference that creates an advantage for their entire life.

Catholic Middle School Education

Grades 6,7, and 8 can be difficult but rewarding years for students. Through our schools, we encourage authentic growth: leadership, academics, faith, contributing to their parish, and exploring sports and extracurricular activities. Taking the reins of leadership! The move from elementary school to middle school marks the beginning of a new set of expectations and a new world of opportunities. Challenging academic curriculum, inspired Catholic teachings, and an array of new after-school activities give each student the intellectual, spiritual and social preparation needed for greater achievement in high school, college and beyond.

Catholic High Schools of Long Island

It's the education of a lifetime. Nine Catholic high schools on Long Island present their own unique opportunity for students to explore a faith-based education that challenges, inspires, and prepares them for college, careers, and life. The total experience makes the difference in a Catholic education. Families are strongly encouraged to attend Open House programs held at each Long Island Catholic school to learn first-hand about programs, facilities, faculties, activities, and the character of each institution. If you cannot attend an Open House, please contact a school directly. All of the high schools located on Long Island use the Catholic High Schools Entrance Examination for admission into 9th grade. Rigorous academic learning is reinforced at each of Long Island's Catholic high schools with engaging extra-curricular activities and a strong foundation in faith. These high schools offer a wide range of exciting choices for families considering a Catholic education. Guided by talented and dedicated religious and lay teachers, a Catholic education helps each student to test abilities, add skills, build confidence, and develop his or her understanding of faith. Start your journey now!

To find out more, go to: <https://drvcschools.org> or on our website: *Choosing a Catholic School* brochure.

DRVC Department of Education

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Hicksville, NY 11801
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"We pledge to persevere in prayer,
fasting and witnessing to the
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- Bishop Barres' statement regarding the
U.S. Supreme Court Decision in
Dobbs v. Jackson, June 24, 2022



Rosary for Life



JOIN the OFFICE of HUMAN LIFE, FAMILY and BIOETHICS in PRAYER

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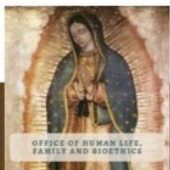
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Call In #: 1 (646) 876-9923

Email dcrean@drvc.org

if you would like the link
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As You Plan Your Future, Please Consider a Legacy Gift to Our Parish

The principle of Stewardship is frequently discussed in Catholic circles, both among the laity and Church leadership. Stewardship is based in scripture and in Church traditions. Stewardship flows from our gratitude to God for the gifts, with which we have been blessed. We show our gratitude by being generous in our response with our time, talent, and treasure.

We would like to encourage you to consider ways that you can leave a lasting legacy by making a planned gift to our parish or other Catholic Ministry.

You may be asking yourself what a planned gift is as it can be a confusing term and it is often misunderstood. Very simply, planned giving describes a donor's commitment to transfer capital assets to a qualified religious organization or other charity. More often than not, a planned gift is made by means of a formal agreement or contract.

Planned gifts are normally made from the donor's accumulated wealth as part of an overall estate plan. The most common form of a planned gift is a bequest provision in a Will.

Many Catholics find the idea of making a planned gift to their parish appealing. Parishioners often wonder how to go about making a planned gift and they have other questions about doing this.

Faithful parishioners have found that naming the parish in their Wills or Trusts to be a very fulfilling way to show their appreciation for what the Church has meant to them. Some parishioners have left planned gifts in memory of a loved one or close friend. Others have made a bequest to support a particular parish ministry, or outreach.

Individuals who make planned gifts often enjoy significant tax advantages from their giving. Still others find that once their surviving family receives a reasonable inheritance, leaving a bequest to the parish is a fulfilling way to show their gratitude for God's blessings and leave a spiritual legacy.

Please give thought to remembering your parish in your estate plan. It is a beautiful thing to do for future generations!

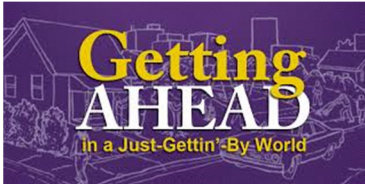
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Resources Available

FAMILY, MARRIAGE AND INDIVIDUAL THERAPY

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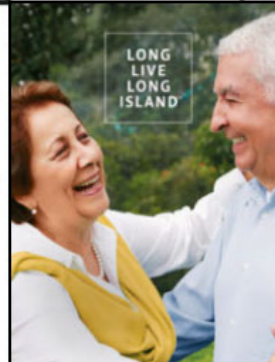
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