

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 (516) 229-1796

Email: svdpstgertrudes@gmail.com

SVDP store locations:

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

Furniture: 516-746-8250

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Email: stgertprek@stgerts.org, www.stgertrudesprek.org

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

Email: faithformation@stgerts.org

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

“*Rejoice
with me
because I
have found
my lost
sheep.*”

Luke 15:6

SEPTMBER 11, 2022

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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...

SATURDAY	September 10
5:00pm	Steven Tassis +
SUNDAY	September 11
7:30am	For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude
9:30am	Ronald Lamb +
	Constance Guerra +
11:30am	Dominick & Catherine Carbone +
MONDAY	September 12
8:30am	Vincenzo & Rosa Daniello & family +
TUESDAY	September 13
8:30am	Lucile & Marcel Palmaro + Sabin & Sobrino families +
WEDNESDAY	September 14
8:30am	Charles Vroom +
THURSDAY	September 15
8:30am	Lucile & Marcel Palmaro + Sabin & Sobrino families +
FRIDAY	September 16
8:30am	George & Barbara Willett +
SATURDAY	September 17
8:30am	Josephine A. Lampe +
5:00pm	Herman Bowman +

Presider's Schedule: (subject to change)

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

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading – Because Moses interceded, the LORD relented and did not punish the people (Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14).

Psalm – I will rise and go to my father (Psalm 51).

Second Reading – Paul expresses his gratitude for being appointed to the ministry (1 Timothy 1:12-17).

Gospel – There is great rejoicing in heaven when a sinner repents (Luke 15:1-32 [1-10]).

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Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 11, 2022

A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me. – *Psalm 51:12*

Seeking the Lost: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The episode in today's First Reading has been called "Israel's original sin." Freed from bondage, born as a people of God in the covenant at Sinai, Israel turned aside from His ways and fell to worshipping a golden calf.

Moses implores God's mercy, just as Jesus will later intercede for the whole human race. Just as He still pleads for sinners at God's right hand and through the ministry of the Church.

Israel's sin is the sin of the world. It is your sin and mine. Ransomed from death and made His children in Baptism, we fall prey to the idols of this world. We remain a "stiff-necked people," resisting His will for us like an ox refuses the plowman's yoke (see Jeremiah 7:26).

Like Israel, in our sin we push God away and reject our divine sonship. Once He called us "my people" (see Exodus 3:10; 6:7). But our sin makes us "no people," people He should, in justice, disown (see Deuteronomy 32:21; 1 Peter 2:10).

Yet in His mercy, He is faithful to the covenant He swore by His own self in Jesus. In Jesus, God comes to Israel and to each of us—as a shepherd to seek the lost (see Ezekiel 34:11-16), to carry us back to the heavenly feast, the perpetual heritage promised long ago to Abraham's children.

"Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners," Paul cries in today's Epistle. These are the happiest words the world has ever known. Because of Jesus, as Paul himself can testify, even the blasphemer and persecutor can seek His mercy.

As the sinners do in today's Gospel, we draw near to listen to Him. In this Eucharist, we bring Him the acceptable sacrifice we sing of in today's Psalm—our hearts, humbled and contrite.

In the company of His angels and saints, we rejoice that He has wiped out our offense. We celebrate with Him that we have turned from the evil way that we might live (see Ezekiel 18:23).





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
LT Mary Grace Colluci
2nd LT Glenn Harvey
Major Nicholas Lorusso
Pfc. Duncan Moskowitz
PFC Matthew A. Passero
Hosp. Medic Matthew D. Perez
Capt. Thomas E. Rojek
ENS Patrick Hesse USN
LT Colonel Terrance Thorgramson
LCDR Emily W. Reilly

LCpl Brian Allen
Major Janet R. Erazo
PO3 Gregory Steiner
Sgt. 5 Jose Marin
Major James Nicholson
LT William Hegarty
LT Sean Riordan
Spc. Chase Tucker
LT Elizabeth Hegarty
2nd LT James Andrew Baker
US Army E-1 Richard F. Charon

Pfc. Mark Chuisano
Sgt. William Trotta, Jr.
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.



Jemima Boyd, Rebecca Browning,
Maureen Sullivan

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



St. Gertrude Parish Pantry Needs:

Ketchup, mustard, white rice, cereal, flour, sugar, salt, pepper, mayonnaise, diapers in size 5 & 6, baby wipes, snacks, whole milk -

Parmalat brand. 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!



The Parish of St. Gertrude extends its prayerful condolences to the families and friends of those in our parish who have died.

Parish Financial Summary

Sunday collections (including Faith Direct)

August 28, 2022: n/a

September 4, 2022: n/a

There will be a Diocese second collection this weekend for Catholic Universities and next weekend for St. Pius X—retirement.

Our weekly collection budget is \$7,200.00.



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

Faith Direct

Thank you for being a part of our St. Gertrude family. I appreciate all that you do for

our parish and community by sharing your God-given gifts of time, talent and treasure. With summer almost over - have you made the switch to eGiving?

It's a great way to support St. Gertrude and grow our ministries that share the Good News of God's love. You can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/NY83, or text 'Enroll' to 516-494-7947 or call 866-507-8757.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

God Bless You,
Msgr. Robert Morrissey

Remembering and Caring for our Senior Priests

Do you ever think about a favorite Pastor or Parish Priest and wonder how they are and where they may be living?

Well, for our Senior Priests who are living at St. Pius X Residence, life is good and sometimes very busy.



“We are very happy that more and more of our Priests are taking advantage of this wonderful facility. We thank you for your support, we depend on it, especially now with the increasing costs we are experiencing. We couldn’t do it without you!”

- Rev. Msgr. Thomas Costa,
Vicar for Senior Priests

“Since I arrived at St. Pius X, I have found living here like being at home. I have found much happiness with my fellow priests and in the entire community, and I especially appreciate the support I receive. Thank you for helping to make this home possible.”

- Rev. Msgr. T Peter Ryan



Even in retirement our senior priests retain roles as our shepherds, and St. Pius X enables these dedicated men who live there to be fully engaged members of the community. “*Still on duty,*” they serve as our teachers, counselors, and spiritual leaders.

The special collection for retired priests living at St. Pius X Residence will take place next weekend. Please be as generous as possible! Thank You!

www.drvc.org/stpiusx

ST. PIUS X RESIDENCE FOR RETIRED PRIESTS

“A priest who is close to his people walks among them with the closeness and tenderness of a good shepherd; in shepherding them, he goes at times before them, at times remains in their midst and at other times walks behind them.”

-Pope Francis

Dear Friends:

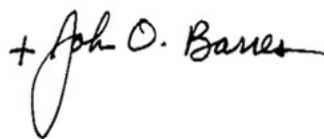
Please accept my deepest thanks for your prayers and continued financial support for our senior priests residing at the St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility.

When a diocesan priest is ordained, he promises to shepherd God’s people through happy and difficult times. Through the years, the Diocese of Rockville Centre has been blessed with many shepherds who have done just this and selflessly guided the faithful of Long Island. Even in retirement, our priests continue to shepherd the flock and make a profound impact on the lives of Catholics of all ages. They celebrate Mass in our parishes, visit the sick and homebound, and bring God’s Word to those in prison.

After a lifetime of sacrifice and service, no priest should face retirement without the care and support they may need with daily living. Happily, our St. Pius X facility provides a life-enriching experience for the men who live there, enabling our dedicated shepherds to live or recuperate in an environment that gives them the extra care and attention that they need. At the same time, St. Pius X allows them to serve as active, fully engaged members of the community.

Please take some time to review the enclosed materials. I encourage you to give prayerful consideration of a gift in support of our retired priests living at St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility. As our Holy Father has pointed out, “... *a community that takes care of the sick and elderly priests is one that is well-rooted in Jesus.*” May I also ask that you remember all our priests in your prayers as I know you and your family are remembered in ours.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "+ John O. Barres". The signature is written in a cursive style with a cross at the beginning.

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION The Parish Religious Education classes begin September 19th.



Preschool News: Classes start this coming week at the preschool, space is still available in all our classes. For more information, please call us at 516-628-3710.



Back to School Blessings

All children are invited to bring all their school supplies to Mass and have those supplies blessed

September 11th at the 9:30am Mass

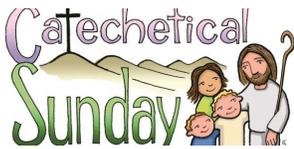


Can't make it to Church and want the bulletin?

If that happens, please search for our bulletin on line at:

1. www.jspaluch.com/BulletinSubscribe.aspx or
2. www.stgerts.com (under the About us tab).

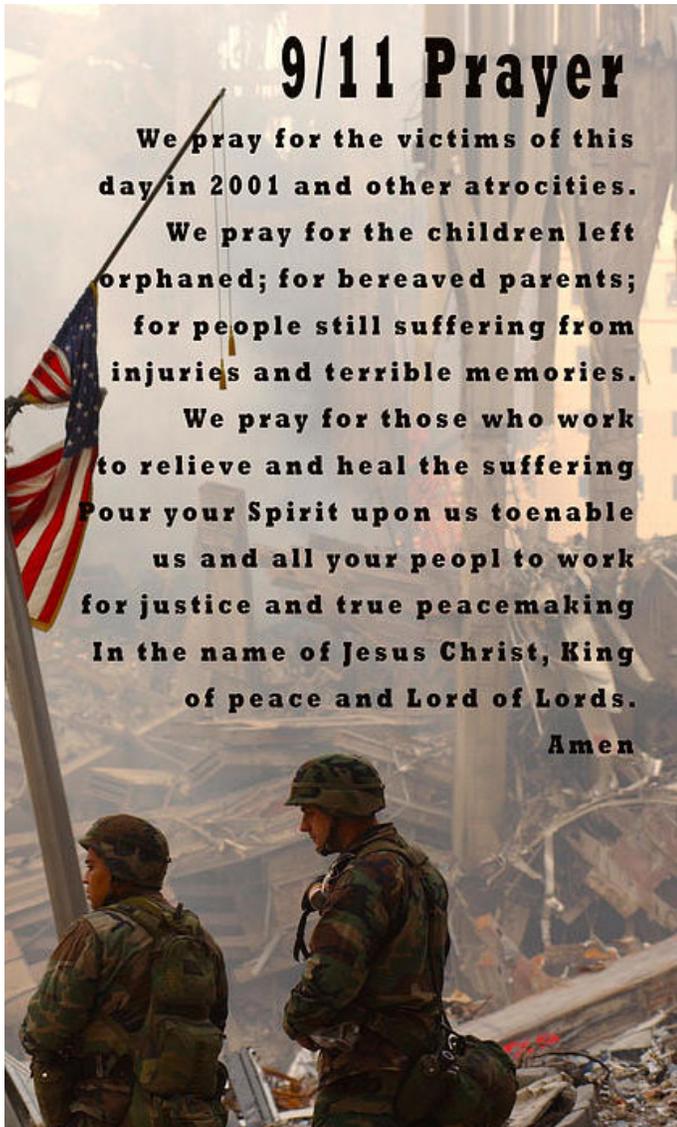
You can also call the office to be placed on an email list for automatic bulletin delivery each week.



Catechetical Sunday

9:30am Mass on Sunday,
September 18th

Please join us for your blessing.



O God,

On the anniversary of 9/11, we call on your spirit to empower us to shape a world marked by ways of life that lead to justice and peace.

We are still aware of the fear and violence that has permeated our world since September 11, 2001.

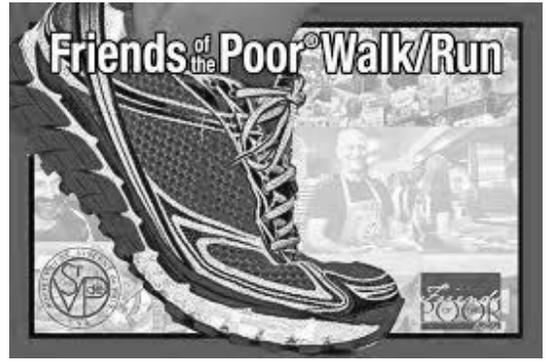
As we pray in remembrance of that tragic day, help us to be people of nonviolence and hope.

Form us into a people determined to heal wounds rather than inflict them.

We ask this in the name of Jesus who came among us to show us the way.

Amen

Annual “Friends of the Poor Walk” hosted by The Society of St. Vincent de Paul



We need your support!

Each year, The Society of St. Vincent de Paul helps over 75,000 Long Islanders through a network of volunteers, and through the generosity of individuals like you. We here at the St. Gertrude’s Conference of St. Vincent de Paul invite you to help us continue in this community-wide effort to fight hunger and poverty.

On Saturday, September 24, 2022, The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is hosting its 14th Annual Friends of the Poor Walk, *The Journey of Hope*, at Cedar Creek Park in Seaford. All funds raised by walkers are used to serve individuals and families in need. In particular, every dollar we raise here at St. Gertrude’s will go to assist those in need in OUR very own St. Gertrude’s community.

THE WALK FOR THE POOR IS OUR ONLY FUNDRAISER.

Members of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul here at St. Gertrude’s will be at the doors of the Church following each of the masses the weekends of September 10 and September 17. Please come see us there, become a walker, and/or consider supporting us through a donation to our organization. Also, to make it easy, self-addressed colored envelopes are in the pews. Envelopes can be mailed or given directly to the volunteers who will be at the Church doors.

To donate or “Walk with Us”, please go to http://svdpli.convio.net/site/#search_team and enter St. Gertrude’s Conference.

Checks may be mailed to:
Society of St. Vincent de Paul
St. Gertrude Conference
28 School Street, Bayville, New York 11709
Attn: Friends of the Poor Walk



Thank you for your consideration.



SAVE THE DATE **Friday, Nov. 11, 2022**

American Legion Robert H. Spittel Post 1285

Annual Veterans Day Dinner/Dance

at the beautiful Soundview Caterers

45 Bayville Avenue • Bayville, NY

7PM to 12PM • Open Bar • Sit Down Dinner • DJ & Dancing • Basket Raffles • 50/50 Club

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception Annual Communion Breakfast

Sunday
September 18th
2022



Mass
Seminary Chapel
10 am

Rev. Msgr. Steven R. Camp

Seminary Rector & Pastor, Church of St. Patrick, Huntington

Celebrant and Speaker

(Mass followed by Brunch and Msgr. Camp's Presentation in Refectory)

Reserve on-line: www.icseminary.edu (Events)

\$50. per Person

RESERVE BY SEPTEMBER 11- WALK-IN GUESTS CANNOT BE ACCOMMODATED
Additional Information ♦ 631.423.0483x102 ♦ bmalone@icseminary.edu

NAME _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

TELEPHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

PARISH _____

NO. TICKETS @ \$50. EACH _____ TOTAL \$ _____

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*The Seminary of the Immaculate Conception is committed to the mission of
education and formation in the Catholic Faith in service of the Local and Universal Church.*

Return to: Seminary Development Office • 440 West Neck Road • Huntington, NY 11743



OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, October 2, 2022

**Visit our website at
<https://hs.stdoms.org>
to schedule your tour
or call 516.922.4888**

**Presentations held every
half hour from 1:00pm - 3:30pm**



JOHN 1:46

COME AND SEE

VOCATIONS HOLY HOUR

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 *at*

THE SEMINARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

440 W. NECK ROAD, LLOYD HARBOR, NY 11743

7:30 PM | DOORS OPEN 7 PM

HOMILIST: MSGR. COOGAN
OF ST. DOMINIC'S PARISH & SCHOOLS



DRVCVOCATIONS.COM
516-678-5800 x214

Divorced or Separated Catholics of Long Island

Including widows, widowers and singles

A social organization for single persons

New Member Orientation Meeting

Tuesday September 20th at 7:00PM

St. Frances Club 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 also to verify there will be a meeting -Angel at 631-574-0368 or Janet 516-579-4016

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception

Join us for a Fall Concert of
Organ, Vocal and Chamber Music Selections!

Sunday
September 25
2022



4 pm
Seminary
Chapel

Wine & Cheese Reception to follow
Featuring works by J.S. Bach, Vivaldi,
Monteverdi, Debussy, Faure and Saint-Saens, among others

Ray Henderson, Organ
Lisa Kelly, Harp & Piano

Susan Hugelmeyer, Soprano
Peter Schubart, Oboe & Piano

Reserve online: www.icseminary.edu (Events)
Information: (631) 423-0483 x102

\$50. per Guest
bmalone@icseminary.edu

NAME _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

TELEPHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

PARISH _____

NO. TICKETS @ \$50. EACH _____ TOTAL \$ _____

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Note: 4% fee will be added to credit card charge

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Worldwide Marriage Encounter

It's time to honor married couples for their long marriages. When you chat with your relatives and friends and they talk about how they survived World War II or what it was like to serve in the 1950s Korean War you should consider honoring them. Please nominate that couple for the Longest Married Couple Project, sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) starting today. Go to wwme.org longest married couple link to place your nomination or call 321-544-3440 or email dick.diane.baumbach@wwme.org

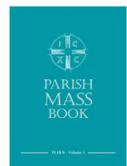
Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples will explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information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

God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Share forgiveness with your spouse at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience:

September 23-25 In-Person in Huntington, NY at Seminary of the Immaculate Conception Center

October 14-16 In-Person in Barre, Vermont at Millstone Hill Lodge

October 14-16 In-Person in Concord, NH at Christ the King Parish Center



The 2023 Mass book is open. 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. 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.

RELYING ON GOD'S LOVE

Imagine being among those who heard Jesus address the Pharisees and scribes in the encounter we hear in today's Gospel: "What man among you having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it?" Would you leave ninety-nine in the desert in order to find one lost sheep? In the parable, Jesus is showing us the depths of God's love, the illogical, incredible love God has for each of us. Moses counted on this loving mercy as he spoke for the wandering people; Saint Paul acknowledges his reliance on it in his letter to Timothy. God desires to draw you close, seeking you when you are lost. Are you ready to be drawn into God's loving embrace?

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PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Look upon us, O God, Creator and ruler of all things, and, that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart.

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.



Do you need to fulfill your Marriage Prep Requirement?

Engaged Encounter is an effective PreCana program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Couples are provided with social-distancing during this time.

Visit longisland.engagedencounter.com for information and registration.

Marriage Struggling?

- Do you feel alone?
- Are you frustrated or angry with each other?
- Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other?
- Does talking about it only make it worse?
- Are you separated or divorced, or *thinking about separation or divorce?*

Another marriage-saving weekend is coming to the Metro/New York Area:

November, 4-6 2022

The Retrouvaille Program helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. To be connected directly and confidentially to someone who can help, or to register, contact:

1-800-470-2230

or

www.helpourmarriage.org

Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille is a 5013c non-profit, peer ministry. Couples of all faiths, or no faith, are encouraged to attend, and no one is ever turned away for lack of funds.

Retrouvaille 

(Retro vi – French for rediscover)

Because No Marriage is Beyond Hope



Building a Community of Faith...The Diaconate

“Please let us remember that for the disciples of Jesus, to love is to serve and to serve is to reign. Power lies in service, not in anything else.” Since deacons are the guardians of service in the Church, they are the guardians of true "power" in the Church, so that no one goes beyond the power of service.”

-Pope Francis

As cheerful givers of service, Deacons work quietly behind the scenes, blending into the Christian faithful. You will certainly know them by their corporal works of mercy, ministering to the sick, imprisoned, and aged. Your donation to the Catholic Ministries Appeal supports vocations to the diaconate in our Diocese. It ensures that those who are looking to serve their parish and diocese have resources and guidance they need to discern their call to service.



“A Deacon is called to serve and evangelize. One of the most important ways I can assist is to set an example to others. If I can show those I encounter that we can live a Catholic life in today’s environment, then we will inspire others to do the same – and in turn they will reach out to others. This is how we achieve dramatic missionary growth.” - Deacon Michael Boldizar, St. Anne, Garden City

Ordained in May of 2019, Deacon Boldizar serves at St. Anne in Garden City where he assists with Mass, communion and reaching out to others to bring awareness of God and the Holy Spirit, especially to those who need it.

To hear Deacon Larry Faulkenberry’s Homily from the Feast Day of St. Lawrence, go to: <https://bit.ly/3pdhz1t> To learn more about the Diaconate program at the Diocese, go to: <https://www.drvc.org/office-of-deacons-2/>

Please make check payable to the **Catholic Ministries Appeal**

Name: _____

Pledge: _____ Balance: _____

Parish: _____

Address, City, State and Zip Code: _____

Telephone number: Home _____ Cell: _____

Signature: _____

To make a donation, you can also visit <https://www.drvc.org/CMA/> or call us at 516-678-5800 ext. 296. Thank You!



Our 2022 goal remains at \$55,000 and we have received \$34,140 to date (61.51% of our goal) from 68 donors. Once again, many thanks for your donations.

"We pledge to persevere in prayer,
fasting and witnessing to the
sacredness of every human life."

- 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

Every Friday - 3:00 PM

Via Zoom

Click here for link

Meeting ID: 856 4708 7922

Passcode: 677757

Call In #: 1 (646) 876-9923

Email dcreean@drvclife.org

if you would like the link
sent to you each month.



www.drvclife.org



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!

**PLEASE CALL BARBARA KILARJIAN
AT 516-678-5800 ext. 257 or email her at
bkilarjian@drvc.org for more information.**



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

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RESOURCES AND DIOCESAN OPTIONS FOR SAME-SEX ATTRACTION & GENDER IDENTITY DISCORDANCE

The Office of Human Life, Family and Bioethics has recently added to our website educational resources and local diocesan support options on Same-Sex Attraction and Gender Identity Discordance. These materials are provided to educate, form, and transform all Catholics seeking clarity, direction, and pastoral care consistent with the beauty of authentic Church teaching on these topics.

Catholic Teaching loves and embraces ALL persons as beloved sons and daughters of God respecting the personal dignity of each person. As in all areas connected to human sexuality, our Faith centers on doing justice to the human person and enabling each person to authentically flourish in freedom according to God's loving plan.

EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

<https://drvclife.org/ssa-gender/>

SUPPORT AND SERVICES

<https://drvclife.org/ssa-gender-resources/>

What is the Courage/EnCourage Apostolate?

<https://couragerc.org/faqs/>

<https://couragerc.org/about/>

St. Gertrude
Church Renovation Campaign - Pledge Update
"Preserve Our Past - Envision our Future"

Total Pledged	\$1,168,071
Paid to Date	\$1,068,114
Balance Due	\$ 99,957
% of Pledges Paid	91%
# of Gifts	302
Average Gift	\$ 3,868

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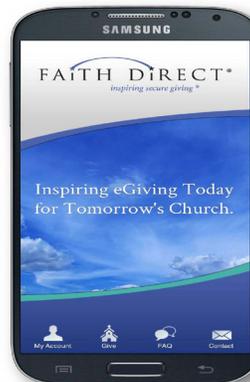
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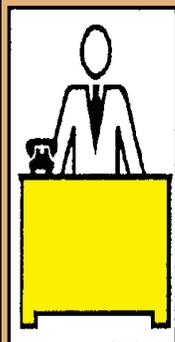
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