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. Joseph Gaspar, 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

<u>United Methodist Church Outreach</u>. Food pantry opened every OTHER Saturday 9-12. Please call Ann Albro @ 516-647-5943 for any questions.



St. Vincent de Paul:

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

PARISH OFFICE: Phone: (516) 628-1113

Parish Secretary

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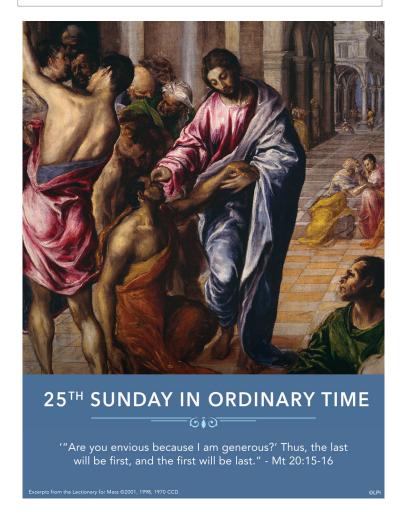
Preschool:

Meredith Brosnan, Director, Phone: (516) 628-3710 Email: stgertprek@stgerts.org. www.stgertrudesprek.org

Religious Education:

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

Email: faithformation@stgerts.org



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 September 23

5:00pm For the parishioners of St. Gertrude

SUNDAY September 24

7:30am Mario Frumiento + 9:30am Raffaelina Gamen +

Philip Altadonna +

John Belt +

MONDAY September 25

11:30am

8:30am Mary Vitobello + TUESDAY September 26

8:30am Angelo Carrozza +

WEDNESDAY September 27

8:30am Brendan Thorgramson +

Michael McKie + David Sloan +

THURSDAY September 28

8:30am Lucile B. Palmaro, Marcel B. Palmaro

Sabin & Sobrino families +

FRIDAY September 29

8:30am Rebecca Browning +

SATURDAY September 30

8:30am John L. Schaefer +

5:00pm Maureen Sullivan +

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time / September 24, 2023

First Reading:

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. (Is 55:8).

Psalm:

The Lord is near to all who call upon him. (Ps 145).

Second Reading:

Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me life is Christ, and death is gain. (Phil 1:20 -21).

Gospel:

"What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?" (Mt 20:14-15).

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First and Last: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The house of Israel is the vine of God, who planted and watered it, preparing the Israelites to bear fruits of righteousness (see Isaiah 5:7; 27:2–5).

Israel failed to yield good fruits, and the Lord allowed His vineyard, Israel's kingdom, to be overrun by conquerors (see <u>Psalm 80:9–20</u>). But God promised that one day He would replant His vineyard and its shoots would blossom to the ends of the earth (see Amos 9:15; Hosea 14:5–10).

This is the biblical backdrop to Jesus' parable of salvation history in today's Gospel. The landowner is God. The vineyard is the kingdom. The workers hired at dawn are the Israelites, to whom He first offered His covenant. Those hired later in the day are the Gentiles, the non-Israelites, who, until the coming of Christ, were strangers to the covenants of promise (see Ephesians 2:11–13). In the Lord's great generosity, the same wages, the same blessings promised to the first-called, the Israelites, will be paid to those called last, the rest of the nations.

This provokes grumbling in today's parable. Doesn't the complaint of those first laborers sound like that of the older brother in Jesus' prodigal son parable (see <u>Luke 15:29–30</u>)? God's ways, however, are far from our ways, as we hear in today's First Reading. And today's readings should caution us against the temptation to resent God's lavish mercy.

Like the Gentiles, many will be allowed to enter the kingdom late—after having spent most of their days idling in sin.

But even these can call upon Him and find Him near, as we sing in today's Psalm. We should rejoice that God has compassion on all whom He has created. This should console us, too, especially if we have loved ones who remain far from the vineyard.

Our task is to continue laboring in His vineyard. As Paul says in today's Epistle, let us conduct ourselves worthily, struggling to bring all men and women to the praise of His name.

Presider's Schedule: (subject to change)

Saturday, September 30th: 5:00pm—Fr. Joseph Sunday, October 1st: 7:30am—Msgr. Morrissey

> 9:30am – Fr. Joseph 11:30am – Msgr. Morrissey

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.



Sean Burnett, Michael Coddington, Francesca Lattuga, Valerie Ruckert, David Long.

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: Cereal, rice (1 lb. bags), Parmalat milk, flour, sugar, coffee

(decaf & regular), tea, mayonnaise, bar and hand soap, shampoo & conditioner, paper towels, deodorant.

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.

<u>United Methodist Church Outreach</u>. 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!



Patricia Tini

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

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

Www.stgerts.com

Parish Financial Summary

Sunday collections (including Faith Direct)
September 17, 2023: \$7,994.50 / St. Pius X: \$1,749.00

Our weekly collection budget is \$7,500.00.

There will be a diocese second collection next weekend for Respect life.



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

Faith Direct

As a parish, we strive to be good stewards of our resources. Many families have moved away from envelopes and are now using *Faith Direct* to fulfill their generous stewardship commitments to our parish and the wider church through electronic donations. We have also found that many are not using their envelopes that we mail out. Help us to reduce our envelope and postage expense and at the same time support St. Gertrude Catholic Church in a secure and convenient way by enrolling with *Faith Direct*.

Getting started with eGiving is easy. Here are the ways to sign up:

- Visit faith.direct/NY83
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Thank you for your continued support of our parish family. May God bless your stewardship to our parish community!



Each year, The Society of St. Vincent de Paul serves thousands of people through a myriad of direct services that help people overcome hardship. We are able to do this through a network of volunteers, and through the generosity of individuals like you. We invite you to help us continue in this community-wide effort to raise funds for, and increase awareness of, poverty on Long Island.

On Saturday, September 30, 2023, The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is hosting its 15th Annual Friends of the Poor 5K Walk 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.

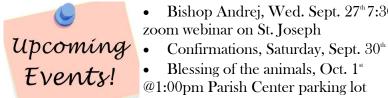
Members of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul here at St. Gertrude's will be at the doors of the Church following each of the masses the weekends of September 16 and September 23, 2023. Please come see us there, become a walker, and/or consider supporting us through a donation to our organization. For your convenience, there are also self-addressed envelopes located in the pews. You can return the envelope by mail or to any of the volunteers after mass.



Also, 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 generosity.





- Bishop Andrej, Wed. Sept. 27th 7:30pm zoom webinar on St. Joseph
- Blessing of the animals, Oct. 1st @1:00pm Parish Center parking lot
- Liturgical Minister Training, Oct. 10th
- Blood drive and pancake breakfast, Saturday, October 22nd
- Bayville Senior Citizens Club Lancaster Trip-Nov. 29-Dec.1



Knights of Columbus meeting Wednesday, September 27th 7:00pm Lower Church

Following the public school calendar, religious education and preschool classes will be **closed** on Monday, Sept. 25th in observance of Yom Kippur





The 2024 Mass book is open. Masses remain at \$20 each and wine & hosts for the week remain at \$50. Cash or check only.



Preschool News: As we enter the second week of school each of our classes is turning their attention to fall and one of our favorite fruits,

the apple! Miss Carmela's 2's are making an A is for Apple project, as well as a special teddy bear craft. They are also learning about the different parts of an apple. Miss Anna's 3's are learning how to build the letter A by using q-tips. They are also making a color themed All About Me book and will be making apple stamped socks. Miss Michelle's 3's will be making a tissue paper apple and will be making apple sauce. They will also learn how to make the letter A using dot markers and will make an apple stamping craft. Miss Meredith's 4's will be learning ways to positively relate to their friends and family by working on a We Can be Kind book. They will learn about the parts of an apple and will make a paper plate apple craft. They will also learn about chemical reactions, and will be working on writing the letter A. Registration for our 3 day 3's, 4's and

upcoming Mommy and Me class is ongoing. For information please call (516)628-3710 or visit us at stgertrudesprek.org.

St. Gertrude's Rosary Guild Sponsored



In the St. Gertrude's Church Parking Lot, Bayville

Saturday
October 14, 2023
9 A.M. to 3 P.M.
Rain date October 21, 2023

The Guild will provide the space, the permit, and the advertising.
You provide setup tables and takeaway.

\$25 for a two parking space spot.

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*Advertising includes local papers, signage, and social media postings.

ROSARY GUILD COMMUNION MASS AND LUNCHEON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7TH 11:00 a.m. MASS LUNCHEON TO FOLLOW AT: THE VIEW, GLEN COVE GUEST SPEAKER: TBD

Please join the Rosary Guild for a Communion Mass and Luncheon on Saturday October 7th at 11:00am. Mass will be celebrated at St. Gertrude's Church. Luncheon to follow at The View, Glen Cove Golf Course. All are welcome.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$45. *RSVP: Pat O'Donnell, 628-1340.*Payment may be dropped off at St. Gertrude's Rectory, or mailed to: St. Gertrude's Rosary Guild,

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American Legion Robert H. Spittel Post 1285 **Annual Veterans Day Dinner/Dance**

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Our next weekend experience will be -November 10-12, 2023

At the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception Huntington, Long Island

Register at **WWME.org** or contact:

Kevin & Regina Hickson (516) 554-3835



Banns of Marriage

Nicole Southard St. Gertrude, Bayville David Arthur Meehan St. Rose of Lima, Massapequa



May I take this opportunity to thank Billy Roland of Roland Auctions for his generous gift OU of the Persian rug for our sanctuary. It will truly help to bring a further sense of

reverence and distinction for God's holy altar in His sanctuary. My thanks also to Zia Zaman and his son, Jacob from Heirloom L.I. of Locust Valley for their reverence, care and time that they spent installing the carpet. May God bless them and their families.





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.

Our next 2-day weekend will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on November 4 & 5, 2023.

Visit longisland.engagedencounter.com for information and registration.

Respect Life Sunday

Sunday, October 1st is Respect Life Sunday. As we celebrate Respect Life Sunday, we are reminded that the assaults on human dignity come in many forms. The Office of Human Life, Family and Bioethics is charged with deepening our already strong commitment to pro-life activities and parish education. Please support this vital work through participation in the special Respect Life envelope collection. Your prayers and assistance are greatly appreciated.

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



Our 2023 CMA goal remains at \$55,000 and we have received \$33,081.00 to date from 70 donors (59.61%). Thank you!!!

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SEPTEMBER 2023

SUNDAY, SEPT. 24 2 P.M. - 4:30 PM. ST. MARY'S COLLEGE

SATURDAY, SEPT. 30 9 A.M. -12 P.M. PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL ST. ANTHONY'S HIGH SC HOOL

OCTOBER 2023

SUNDAY, OCT. 1 10 A.M. - 1 P.M. OUR LADY OF MERCY ACADEMY

SATURDAY, OCT. 14 10 A.M. - 2 P.M. CHAMINADE HIGH SCHOOL

10 A.M. - 1 P.M. KELLENBERG MEMORIAL H.S.

11 A.M. - 2 P.M. SACRED HEART ACADEMY

SUNDAY, OCT. 15 10 A.M. - 1 P.M. ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST DIOC. H.S.

SATURDAY, OCT. 21 10 A.M. - 1 P.M. HOLY TRINITY DIOC. H.S.

SUNDAY, OCT. 22 1 P.M. - 4 P.M. ST. DOMINIC HIGH SCHOOL

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Spirituality For Singles - Monthly Singles Gathering Saturday, Oct. 7, 2023, 8:30pm St. Aidan Parish, 510 Willis Ave., Williston Park, NY, 11596 Our semi-monthly gathering for singles. This gathering will feature a lively musical duo, as well as food and socializing. Ages 40+; \$10.00 donation - snacks, pizza and beverages will be served.

Contact: Ray (516) 561-6994 or spiritualityforsingles@gmail.com

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Liturgical Minister Training-Fall 2023

The Diocese of Rockville Center will offer training in Spanish and English for those who wish to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors. No walk-ins permitted, all participants must be registered in advance with a letter from their pastor.

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Part A - This training is required for **all** those who are beginning as Ministers. This "BASIC" training is required for **all** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

A Lector Workshop is available for both new and experienced lectors.

Dates and Locations for Liturgical Minister Training

Training in SPANISH:

- Lector Workshop: Sat., Sept. 23 Our Lady of Loretto / Hempstead Divine Mercy Chapel 9:00 1:00 pm
- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Part A: Sat., Sept. 30 - Our Lady of Loretto/ Hempstead – Divine Mercy Chapel 9:00 – 1:00 pm (please arrive by 8:30 am for either training)

Training in ENGLISH:

Lector Workshop and Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion – Part A:
 Tuesday, Oct. 10 - St. Elizabeth / Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall; 7 pm - 10 pm.
 (You may register for only one of these trainings this evening. Doors open at 6:30 pm)

Additional training opportunities in English will be coming soon.

A letter from your pastor will be required to reserve your space at any of these trainings and must be received at least five days prior to the session you wish to attend. To request registration for any of these sessions, please contact your rectory. Do not call the host parishes with questions. For questions relating to the Spanish training, call Ingrid Oliva at 516-678-5800, ext. 560. For questions regarding the English training, call Suzanne Lynn at 516-744-6850. Thank you for your interest.

LECTIO DIVINA

- Lectio
- Meditatio
- Oratio
- Contemplatio





Join Bishop Andrzej

For Scripture Reflection Series

on St. JOSEPH - Part I Wednesday, September 27, 2023

at 7:30 pm - ZOOM webinar.

Bible Study Verses

JOSEPH

The Man of God

Gospel of Matthew 1: 18-25

The Birth of Jesus

Registration is required in order to receive the ZOOM link to each session.

Please contact the Western Vicariate office with your name, parish, email address and phone number.

Send your email to:

westernvicariate@drvc.org or call Suzanne at 516-744-6850.



The Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville Host Autumn Evening Event

The Sisters of St. Dominic will host their Autumn Evening Event on Friday, October 27, 2023 at 6:00pm at the Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury, NY.

This year we are proud to honor Robert Walker, Esq., Trial Attorney & Partner - Gallagher, Walker, Biano, Plastaras, LLP and Sister Lenore Toscano, OP, Educator and Former Executive Director of The Opening Word Program.

Proceeds from the event help the Ministry Support Fund, which provides funding to many of the Sisters' ministries caring for those most in need here, in Puerto Rico, and in El Salvador.

For more information about event tickets, 50/50 raffle or sponsorship opportunities, please contact The Office of Advancement at (631) 842-6000 x 246 or visit: https://sistersofstdominic.org/2023autumnevening/.





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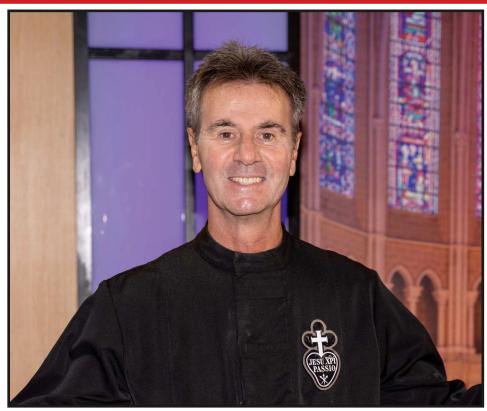


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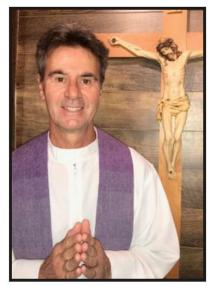












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SEPTEMBER 30 & OCTOBER 1, 2023 AFTER ALL THE WEEKEND MASSES

Showing our appreciation for military personnel who <u>currently</u> serve our country.

Court Queen of Angels #869, here at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish, is joining with Catholic Daughter Courts throughout New York State for *The Thank You Project*— a letter and notecard writing event to acknowledge our active duty men and women in the Military.

Won't you join us in thanking a serviceman or servicewoman?



3 WAYS TO PARTICIPATE:

- Stop by our tables at the priests' garage after the 5 pm Mass on Saturday, September 30th or any Mass on Sunday, October 1st. Write a quick note — we will supply the paper, cards, pens and markers. You may also drop off cards you have already prepared.
- 2. Drop your cards any time in the box located in the church.
- Mail or drop off your cards, marked "Catholic Daughters Thank You Project" to the rectory office (St. Ignatius Loyola, 129 Broadway, Hicksville, NY 11801) no later than October 22nd.

Please note: cards or letters only (no envelopes needed).
Religious, snack food or other items, or monetary donations cannot be accepted. Children's cards should be drawn or written only — no glued items, stickers or glitter. Crayons or markers are best!

We will bundle all of our good wishes and will arrange to have them forwarded around the country and overseas throughout the year to our active duty military personnel.

SUGGESTIONS AND ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT GUIDELINES:

Address your card "Dear Friend" or "Dear Service Member". Be positive! Write a note of encouragement or tell them your hobbies or what life is like in your town. You do not need to sign your full name or provide an address. Please refrain from political statements and inappropriate topics or lengthy religious discussions, but you may certainly say you are praying for them. Please do not be holiday specific as cards will be sent throughout the year.



One Family-Journeying together in Communion Participation and Mission



You can make a difference in the lives of those around us by making a gift to this year's Catholic Ministries Appeal

Every Gift Counts!

Make checks payable to:

A gift of \$25 may help pay the gas for a Meals-On-Wheels van to deliver food for a day.

A gift of \$50 from an emergency fund may help pay the electric bill in a cold winter month for a family in need.

A gift of \$100 may help care for a new Mom get the guidance she needs through Regina Maternity Management Services.

A gift of \$250 may help subsidize a home for an adult who is developmentally disabled.

A gift of \$1,000 may help support a Seminarian's education.

Because of you, every year we serve more than 600,000 people in our Long Island Community. This support enables our children to continue to receive the gift of spiritual formation, sacramental preparation, and quality education. It allows seminarians and lay leaders to fulfill their calling to serve the community. With your support, Catholic Charities can maintain its services for the poor and disadvantaged, and we can continue to reach out to our young people and others to find the best ways to guide and pass on our faith from generation to generation.

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For more information on tax-wise planned gifts, contact Barbara Kilarjian at 516-678-5800 ext. 257 or email her at bkilarjian@drvc.org This information is not intended and should not be construed as legal, tax or investment advice. For such advice, please consult an attorney, tax advisor or investment professional.

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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 you 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@drvc.org
Thank you.
Mary McMahon, LSCW

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!

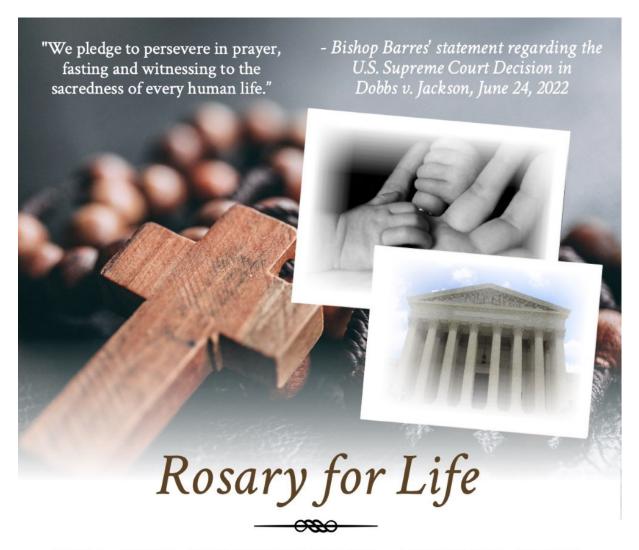
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As You Plan Your Future, Please Consider a Legacy Gift to Our Parish

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!

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



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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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