

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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The apostles
said to the Lord,
“Increase our faith.”
Luke 17:5

TWENTY-SEVENTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 2, 2022

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

Remembering...

SATURDAY	October 1
5:00pm	For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude
SUNDAY	October 2
7:30am	Rosary Guild, living & deceased members
9:30am	Peter Connolly +
11:30am	Linda Lamb Berbig + Dean Serio +
MONDAY	October 3
8:30am	Michael Primeggia +
TUESDAY	October 4
8:30am	Bridget Mallon +
WEDNESDAY	October 5
8:30am	Lucile & Marcel Palmaro + Sabin & Sobrino families +
THURSDAY	October 6
8:30am	Lucile & Marcel Palmaro + Sabin & Sobrino families +
FRIDAY	October 7
8:30am	Nita DeCesare +
SATURDAY	October 8
8:30am	Gregory McMahon +
5:00pm	Anthony Manasseri + Anthony Scafordi +

Presider's Schedule: (subject to change)
 Saturday, October 8th: 5:00pm—Msgr. Morrissey
 Sunday, October 9th: 7:30am - Fr. Gabriel
 9:30am - Msgr. Morrissey
 11:30am— Fr. Gabriel

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — In spite of violence, destruction, and ruin, the just person, because of faith, will live (Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4).

Psalms — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — Bear hardship with the strength that comes from God (2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14).

Gospel — Lord, increase our faith! (Luke 17:5-10).

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Life by Faith: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Because of his faith, the just man shall live. We hear in today's First Reading the original prophetic line made so central by St. Paul (see Romans 1:17; Galatians 3:11; Hebrews 10:38). We are to live by faith in Christ who loved us and gave Himself on the Cross for us (see Galatians 2:20).

The world, though, can seem to us as seventh-century Judah seemed to Habakkuk—in the control of God's enemies. The strife and discord we face in our own lives can sometimes cause us to wonder, as the prophet does, why God doesn't seem to hear or intervene when we cry for help.

We can't let our hearts be hardened by the trials we undergo. As today's Psalm reminds us: Israel forgot His mighty works, lost faith in the sound words of His promise. They tested God in the desert, demanding a sign.

But God didn't redeem Israel from Egypt only to let them die in the desert. And He didn't ransom us from futility only to abandon us in our trials. He is our God and we are the people He shepherds always—though at times His mercy and justice seem long delayed.

If we call on the Lord, as the Apostles do in today's Gospel, He will increase our faith, will stir to a flame the Holy Spirit who has dwelt within us since Baptism.

As Paul tells us in today's Epistle, the Lord will always give us the love and self-control we need to bear our share of hardship for the Gospel—with a strength that can come from God alone. Our task is to continue doing what He has commanded—to love and to build up His kingdom—trusting that His vision still presses on to its fulfillment.

For His vision still has its time. One day, though we are but "unprofitable servants," we will be invited to eat and drink at our Master's table. It is that day we anticipate with each celebration of the Eucharist.



Blessing of the animals on Sunday, October 2nd at 1:00pm in the parish center parking lot.



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, Francesca Lattuga

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 office will be closed on Monday, October 10th in observance of Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day.

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 2, 2022

Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the LORD who made us. — *Psalm 95:6*

Parish Financial Summary

Sunday collections (including Faith Direct)
September 25, 2022: \$ 5,816.00

Our weekly collection budget is \$7,200.00.



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

There will be a Diocese second collection this weekend for Respect Life:

Respect Life Sunday

Sunday, October 2 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.

Faith Direct

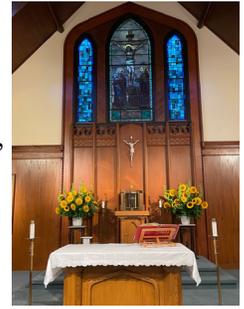
You can sign up online at faith.direct/NY83, or text 'enroll' to 516-494-7947 or call Faith Direct customer service at 866-507-8757 (toll-free).

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



Dear Parishioners,

Permit me to take this opportunity to once again thank all of our parishioners who have supported the St. Gertrude's Renovation Campaign. We are currently coming to the end of the final year of the four-year pledge period. As you know, the parish goal was \$1.5 million. To date, \$1,163,332. has been pledged toward our goal. This amount pledged, hopefully will be realized with the remaining pledges to come in this fall.



May I offer the following accounting of the Renovation Funds.

In Phase I—the roof was replaced, two additional handicapped bathrooms were constructed, the exterior shingles were cleaned and restained, the exterior trims, window frames and entrances were repainted and repaired. New stain glass triangle windows were replaced in the ceiling.

In Phase II—the electrical lighting was updated; the pews, kneelers and sanctuary furniture were refurbished and reupholstered. New wood flooring and a new sanctuary rug were installed and the stained-glass windows in the church were repaired. New doors were installed in the three entrances of the church. The handicap parking was expanded, though the size needed to be scaled back due to not reaching the goal. The two driveways were repaved as well as two stone retaining walls built. New pavers were installed around the church.

There were also a few unavoidable and unplanned projects that needed to be addressed. The steps, handrail and wall along Bayville Avenue needed to be replaced. A new organ needed to be installed after the old one ceased to function. Drywells, gutters and diverters on either side of the church were needed to be dug and installed to prevent the drainage and flooding problems that have existed for quite some time. A good amount of landscaping has already been accomplished around the church.

Future projects are on my wish list. The sound system and the AC system needs to be evaluated and perhaps renovated or at least updated. Further landscaping could also be looked at. Finally, as anyone who has recently used our church basement knows, it is in need of renovation. These are projects that will be considered for the future. I will continue to work with our Parish Finance Council to see what projects are feasible and how we might move forward. However, the bottom line is what are we able to afford.

As we look back, so many good things have been accomplished to repair and beautify our church. I am very grateful of course to all our parishioners and also all of our contractors and workers who accomplished this goal for us. Many of them donated quite a bit of their services or greatly reduced their charges. Without their generosity, we would never have been able to accomplish all that we have. I thank them all most sincerely. If we are able to raise more money, these future projects may become a reality.

I will continue to keep the parish informed as we move forward. Later in the fall we will have an accounting by the Parish Finance Council with a financial report and our budget for the coming year. Even though our Renovation Campaign has been successful, due to Covid and a decrease in Mass attendance, our operating expenses continue to increase and our weekly income is not keeping up. This will need to be addressed.

Once again, I thank you for your support of our parish and I will continue to serve you to the best of my ability.

Sincerely your in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. Robert O. Morrissey
Pastor

Renovation Contractors:

Aiello Construction—(general contractor), Mike Aiello
Empire Electric- (electrician), Patrick Dilollo
Tri-County Plumbing—(bathrooms), Richard Riso
Darcon Construction—(concrete), Angelo Caiazza

Tony & Nick Landscaping (asphalt & stone masonry), Nick Calo

Moller Property Management—(landscape, tree removal), John Moller

Thomas M. Amato Co.—(pew reconditioning & furniture reupholstering), Pete & John Muscianisi

M. Cary Markings, Inc.—(parking lot stripes), Bill Tucker, Dennis Kelly

Carpentry, Mike Gavin

Johansen Excavation—(drainage), Dave Johansen

Oyster Bay Roofing—(gutters), Bob Moxly

Forest Iron Works—(stair railing), Mario Gallo



Do you know of anyone who is thinking of becoming a Catholic? Have you or someone you know wanted to complete the first sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation? Invite them to join a community of adults who are discerning God's call through prayer and discussion as they learn more about the Catholic Faith. For more information contact Dr. Sheehan in our Religious Education office at 516-628-2432 or faithformation@stgerarts.org.



Preschool News: Preschool Mommy and Me class is looking to form in January. For information, please call the preschool office at 516-628-3710.



SAVE THE DATE

Friday, Nov. 11, 2022

American Legion Robert H. Spittel Post 1285

Annual Veterans Day Dinner/Dance

Call: Peter: 516-628-2512 or *at the beautiful Soundview Caterers*

Rich: 516-628-1993

45 Bayville Avenue • Bayville, NY

\$95.00 p/p

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

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI (1182-1226)

October 4



St. Francis of Assisi

When Franco Zeffirelli's *Brother Sun, Sister Moon* was released (1972), people were shocked by the movie's graphic nudity in the dramatic conversion scene. Son of a wealthy merchant, Francis' aimless adolescence ended when a failed military expedition led to his imprisonment and complete breakdown. Once home, Francis rediscovered God in the beauty of nature and the ugliness of human suffering, caring for lepers, praying in the little church of San Damiano, whose crucified Jesus he heard calling, "Repair my house, Francis, which is falling into ruins." Francis sold his possessions—and his father's—to fulfill this command. When his father objected, Francis disrobed: "I return the clothes, your name, and all you gave me: God alone is my Father now." Later, the pope would dream of a ragged friar stretching forth a single hand to prop up the crumbling papal Cathedral of Saint John Lateran. Francis indeed helped rebuild the universal Church, founding the Friars Minor (Franciscans), dying at a young forty-four, bearing the stigmata of the Christ whose living icon he remains—in the Church and far beyond it.

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**ROSARY GUILD COMMUNION MASS AND LUNCHEON
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8TH 11:00 a.m. MASS
LUNCHEON TO FOLLOW AT MILL CREEK TAVERN
GUEST SPEAKER: REV. MONSIGNOR MORRISSEY**

Please join the Rosary Guild for a Communion Mass and Luncheon on Saturday October 8th. We are honored to have Rev. Monsignor Morrissey as our guest speaker.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$50. Payment may be dropped off at St. Gertrude's Rectory, or mailed to: St. Gertrude's Rosary Guild, 28 School Street, Bayville, NY 11709. Attention: Pat O'Donnell. All are welcome.

Questions may be directed to: stgertrudesrosaryguild@gmail.com



Rosary Guild
Meeting

Thursday,
October 6th

7:00pm

Parish Center

All are welcome
to attend!

Saint Gertrude's Rosary Guild Sponsored



**Community
Yard
Sale**

In the Church Parking Lot

Saturday

October 22, 2022

9 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Rain date October 29, 2022

The Guild will provide the space, the permit and the advertising.

You provide setup "stuff" and take away.

\$25 for a two parking space spot.

To reserve your spot email: stgertrudesrosaryguild@gmail.com or call: 516-459-6218.

We will confirm.



OPEN HOUSE

at Our Lady of Mercy Academy

Come Meet Mercy and RSVP at:
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October 2, 2022
10:00 AM -- 1:00 PM

Tour the School * Meet Our Teachers * Speak with Students

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OPEN HOUSE
Sunday, October 2, 2022

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half hour from 1:00pm - 3:30pm

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**OPEN
HOUSE**

**SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 1, 2022
10AM - 1PM**

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October 15
10 am - 1 pm**
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Please feel free to visit our schools during the times and dates listed below.

DATE	TIME	SCHOOL
SEPTEMBER 2022		
SATURDAY, SEPT. 24	10 A.M. - 1 P.M.	ST. ANTHONY'S HIGH SCHOOL
SUNDAY, SEPT. 25	2 P.M. - 4:30 PM.	ST. MARY'S COLLEGE PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL
OCTOBER 2022		
SATURDAY, OCT. 1	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. 2	10 A.M. - 1 P.M.	OUR LADY OF MERCY ACADEMY
	1 P.M. - 4 P.M.	ST. DOMINIC HIGH SCHOOL
SATURDAY, OCT. 15	10 A.M. - 1 P.M.	HOLY TRINITY DIOC. H.S.
SUNDAY, OCT. 16	10 A.M. - 1 P.M.	ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST DIOC. H.S.

TEST FOR ADMISSION TO CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS ONLINE FOR 2022-2023



NOVEMBER 5, 2022
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REGISTRATION DEADLINE
OCT. 27, 2022

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BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT

Looking for something to do on Sundays in the Fall? Consider “Sundays at the Seminary” beginning Sunday, October 2nd, from 2 to 4 pm. Bishop Robert Barron’s DVD series, “The Pivotal Players,” on four Sunday afternoons will introduce you to four extraordinary men and women – “heroes who shaped the Church and changed the world.” Discussion to follow:



Oct 2	St. Catherine of Siena	<i>Dr. Michael Hoonhout</i>
Oct 16	Cardinal John Henry Newman	<i>Msgr. Charles Fink</i>
Oct 23	Flannery O'Connor	<i>Daniel Pertuccio</i>
Nov 13	Bishop Fulton J. Sheen	<i>T/B/A</i>

Registration: bmalone@icseminary.edu, or, 631 423-0483 x 102

Free will offering appreciated



Act Now! Tell the Federal Government to Do No Harm to Catholic Health Care Ministries

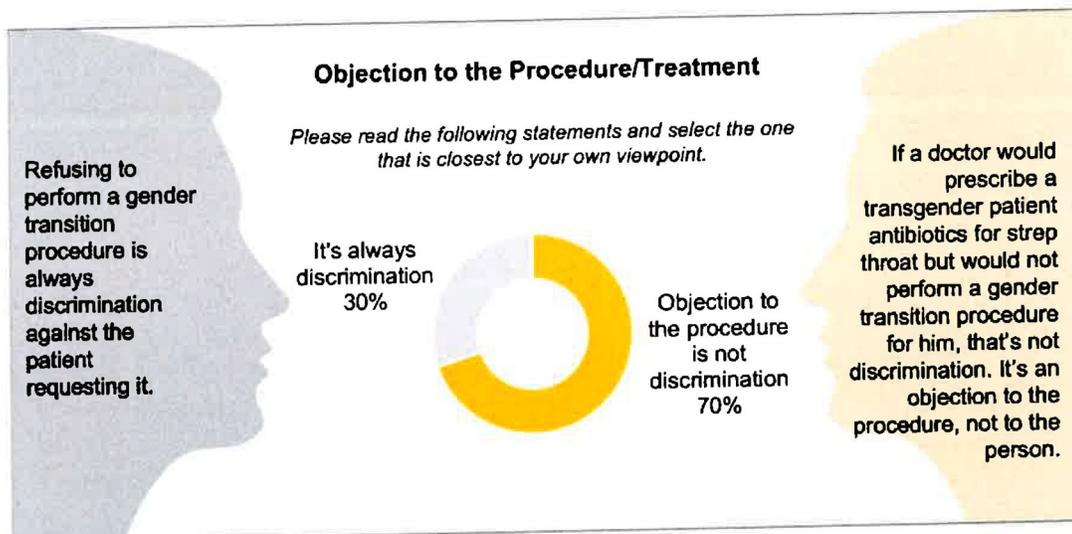
The Church's ministries of healing, education, and social services bear witness to Jesus Christ and build up the common good. Church institutions are not mere providers of social services. They are expressions of Christian ministry dedicated to human flourishing. We serve all people, without regard to race, sex, religion, or any other status, because God has imbued every person with inherent human dignity. Most Americans understand that mission-driven organizations should be free to operate in accordance with their missions. But a recent rule proposed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) would prevent Catholic hospitals, clinics, assisted living facilities, and health care workers from carrying out their work. **HHS needs to hear your opinion by October 3rd!** Visit www.usccb.org/do-no-harm to learn more.

New Unjust Mandates from HHS

The HHS rule implements the **nondiscrimination** provision of the Affordable Care Act, Section 1557. It protects people from discrimination on the basis of their sex in health care. But HHS interprets Section 1557 to impose new mandates about gender identity. According to the new rule, it would be considered discrimination for a health care worker or Catholic hospital to object outright to performing gender transition procedures, regardless of whether that objection is a matter of religious belief or clinical judgment. The proposed rule also suggests that the government may refuse to honor the right of health care workers and providers not to perform or participate in abortions. The proposed HHS Section 1557 rule could function as both an **abortion mandate** and a **gender transition procedure mandate**.

Objection to gender transition is not discrimination.

All people should be treated in accordance with their God-given dignity, and no individual should be denied health care because of his or her sex. Most people understand that when medical professionals determine gender transition procedures—such as the administration of puberty blocking drugs or surgery to remove healthy body parts—to be harmful, they are making clinical judgments, not discriminating against persons. A study commissioned by the USCCB found that 70% of registered voters recognized that objection to the procedure is not discrimination.

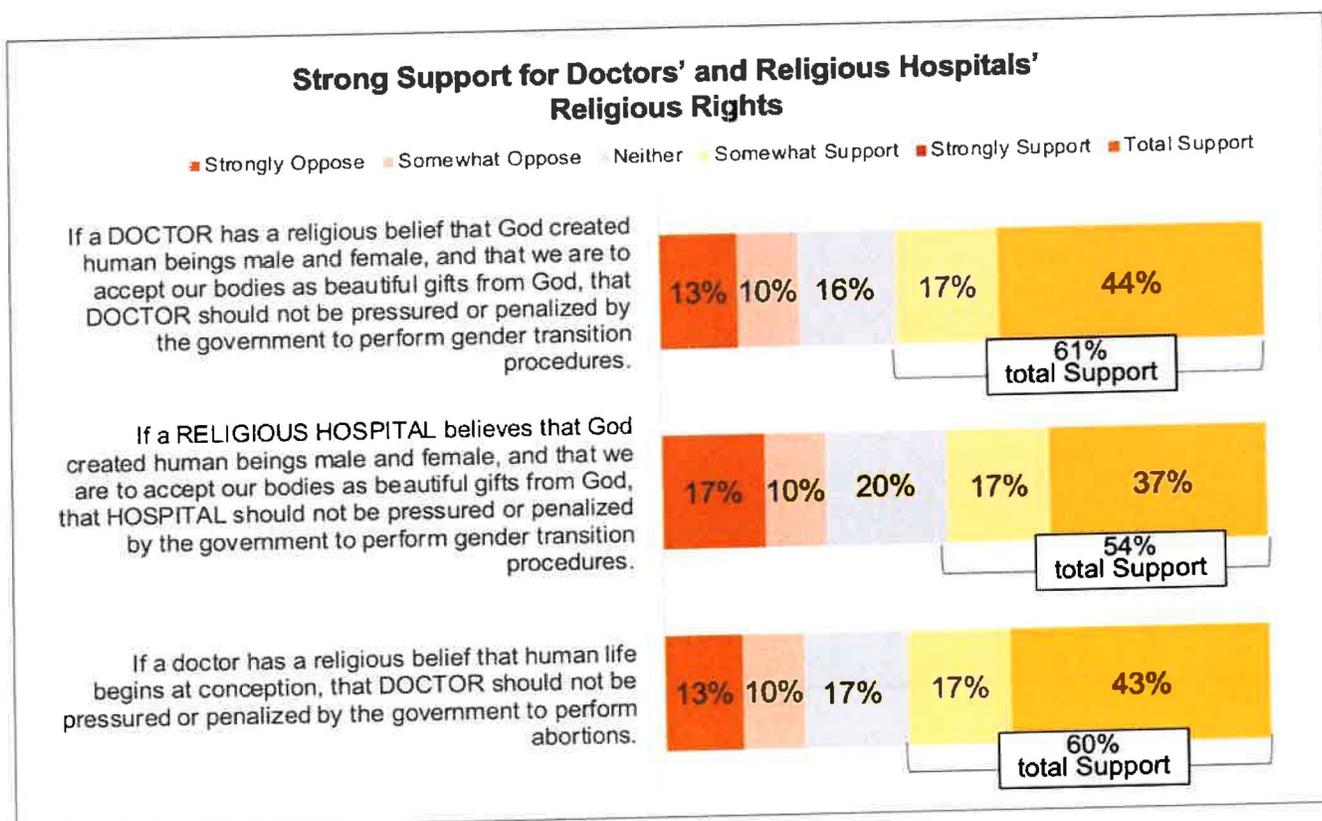


No protections for health care workers to oppose abortion and gender transition procedures.

Although the proposed regulations say that HHS will consider whether conscience and religious freedom laws apply, the regulations offer no assurance that HHS will ever agree that anyone has the right to follow their beliefs or convictions. In fact, HHS is currently fighting court rulings that hold that HHS violated religious freedom laws the last time they tried to impose this mandate.

Health care workers and religious facilities must be free to conscientiously object to these procedures.

Pope Francis has frequently defended the rights of medical professionals to conscientiously object to harmful procedures. Most people agree with the Church on this issue.



Take action!

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is vigorously opposing the provisions in the rule that do harm to life and religious liberty. All Catholics and people of good will can help. Visit www.usccb.org/do-no-harm to learn more about this and other harmful regulations, and find out how you can take action to let the government know you oppose them.

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

Making your pledge or payments by Credit or Debit card is easy and convenient

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

All pledges & one-time gifts are welcomed very much appreciated!

Thank you for your prompt pledge payments!

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



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.

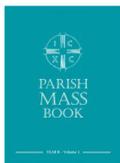
Worldwide Marriage Encounter

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/>.

By this we came to know the love of God: that Christ laid down his life for us; so we ought to lay down our lives for one another. In the same way, your spouse should be the most important person in your life. Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience together:

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.

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**

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Pledge: _____ Balance: _____

Parish: _____

Address, City, State and Zip Code: _____

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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
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- Bishop Barres' statement regarding the
U.S. Supreme Court Decision in
Dobbs v. Jackson, June 24, 2022



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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.**



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-Gettin’ 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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BAYVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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thebayvillechamberofcommerce@gmail.com

Please see their website or email them for their 2022 membership/"Friends of the Chamber" associate membership application.

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/>

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The Life Enrichment Center at Oyster Bay

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 Evening Programs: 5:00pm to 8:00pm



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*Lunch and transportation programs are made possible with funding from the Nassau County Department of Human Services, Office for the Aging through New York State Office for the Aging and U.S. Administration on Aging, Town of Oyster Bay.

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PROGRAMS FOR FRAIL AND MEMORY IMPAIRED SENIORS

What's the best kept secret in Oyster Bay?

The Day Break Program at the Life Enrichment Center, a Social Model Adult Day Care program serving frail and memory-impaired seniors since 1999. Day Break provides high-quality, affordable therapeutic services in a safe, comforting and socially engaging environment. Participants benefit from cognitive activities, exercise, music, social interaction and much, much more. Aging at home presents many challenges; the Day Break Program can improve the quality of life of both participant and caregiver. **Long term care insurance and Medicaid MLTCs accepted.** For a **free trial visit**, contact Ruth Humphreys at 516-558-7211.

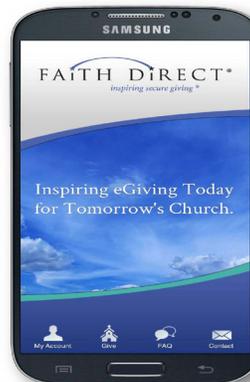
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