

# THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. GERTRUDE

28 School Street, Bayville, N.Y. 11709

## CLERGY OF THE PARISH

Rev. David Regan, Pastor  
Rev. Ed Seagriff, Assoc. Pastor  
Deacon Ted Kolakowski

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Thursday: 9:00am–4:00pm  
(closed from 12-12:30pm for lunch)  
Friday: 9:00am-12:00pm

## SACRAMENTS

**Anointing of the Sick:** Available upon request.  
Scheduled offering the last Sunday of the month following the 11:30 Mass.

**Baptism:** Third Sunday each month at 1:00pm.  
Prior parent and sponsor interviews with priest or deacon required.

**Marriage:** Arrangements must be made in person with priest at least 6 months in advance & prior to reception arrangements.

## OUTREACH

Pantry hours: Friday 8:30am-9:30am

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

### Masses

Saturday: 8:30am & 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am (Family Mass), 11:30am

Weekdays: 8:30am

Holy Day: 5:00pm Vigil Mass, 8:30 am & 7:30pm

**Rosary** every morning after 8:30am Mass

**Miraculous Medal Novena** every Monday at 7:30pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction  
1:00pm to 3:00pm Wednesdays except holidays

### Reconciliation/Confession:

Saturdays: 4:00-5:00pm & by appointment

**Charismatic Prayer Group:** meets every Monday at 4:00pm in the Church

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## PARISH CENTER

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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

To donate furniture, please call (516) 746-8250.



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).*

FEBRUARY  
16 2020

SIXTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME

If you trust in God, you too shall live;  
God has set before you fire and water;  
to whichever you choose,  
stretch forth your hand.

SIRACH 15:15-16

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## Remembering. . .

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>February 16</b>
7:30am	Manuela Sabin +
9:30am	Francis X. Moore, Jr. +
11:30am	For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>February 17</b>
8:30am	Palmaro, Sabin & Sobrino families + Marc Nicoletta (L)
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>February 18</b>
8:30am	Manuela Sabin +
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>February 19</b>
8:30am	Constance Genovese +
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>February 20</b>
8:30am	John L. Schaefer +
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>February 21</b>
8:30am	Ross Scro +
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>February 22</b>
8:30am	Palmaro, Sabin & Sobrino families +
5:00pm	For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** – God allows us to make choices, but we are not to choose injustice or sinfulness (Sirach 15:15-20).

**Psalm** – Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord! (Psalm 119).

**Second Reading** – God's wisdom is mysterious and hidden (1 Corinthians 2:6-10).

**Gospel** – Jesus has come not to abolish but to fulfill the law and the prophets (Matthew 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]).

The Altar Bread and Wine used at our Masses this week are offered in loving memory of:



Manuela Sabin

### Next Week's Presiders Schedule:

Saturday, February 22 <sup>nd</sup>	5:00pm	Fr. Regan
Sunday, February 23 <sup>rd</sup>	7:30am	Fr. Ed
	9:30a	Fr. Regan
	11:30am	Fr. Regan *

\* Homily with Deacon Ted

Please note schedule subject to change

### Affair of the Heart: Reflection on the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Jesus tells us in the Gospel this week that He has come not to abolish but to “fulfill” the Law of Moses and the teachings of the prophets.

His Gospel reveals the deeper meaning and purpose of the Ten Commandments and the moral Law of the Old Testament. But His Gospel also transcends the Law. He demands a morality far greater than that accomplished by the most pious of Jews, the scribes and Pharisees.

Outward observance of the Law is not enough. It is not enough that we do not murder, commit adultery, divorce, or lie.

The law of the new covenant is a law that God writes on the heart (see Jeremiah 31:31-34). The heart is the seat of our motivations, the place from which our words and actions proceed (see Matthew 6:21; 15:18-20).

Jesus this week calls us to train our hearts, to master our passions and emotions. And Jesus demands the full obedience of our hearts (see Romans 6:17). He calls us to love God with all our hearts, and to do His will from the heart (see Matthew 22:37; Ephesians 6:6).

God never asks more of us than we are capable of. That is the message of this week's First Reading. It is up to us to choose life over death, to choose the waters of eternal life over the fires of ungodliness and sin.

By His life, death, and resurrection, Jesus has shown us that it is possible to keep His commandments. In Baptism, He has given us His Spirit that His law might be fulfilled in us (Romans 8:4).

The wisdom of the Gospel surpasses all the wisdom of this age that is passing away, St. Paul tells us in the Epistle. The revelation of this wisdom fulfills God's plan from before all ages.

Let us trust in this wisdom, and live by His kingdom law.

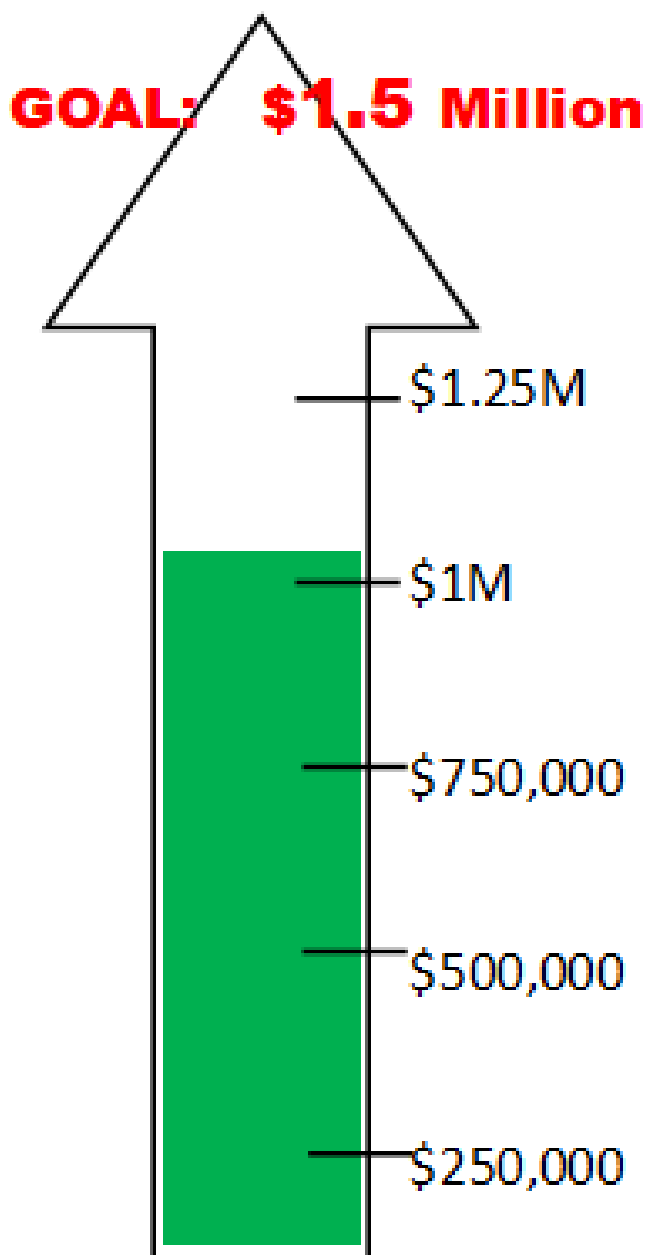
As we do in this week's Psalm, let us pray that we grow in being better able to live His Gospel, and to seek the Father with all our heart.

By Dr. Scott Hahn

**HOSPITALITY:** Please join us this Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup> after all masses for refreshments & fellowship in the lower Church.

# St. Gertrude RC Church Church Renovation Capital Campaign

**Over \$1.0 Million Pledged - Thank You!!**  
**Phase I Projects Set to Begin!**



Thank you for your support for our capital campaign! As of this past week, **\$1,037,172 or 69% of our goal has been pledged with \$655,710 paid to date** from 276 parish families. Additional Gifts to the campaign are welcomed through-out the year.

## **Phase I Set to Begin**

We have finalized plans and expect to begin renovation of the exterior of the Church and installation of the bathroom on the main level. (Weather Permitting!)

Please visit our parish website at [www.stgerts.com](http://www.stgerts.com) for all capital campaign information and details.

## For Those Who Need Our Prayers:

Tom Kolakowski    Lynn Lamort    Jack Caputo    Arthur Unger    MaryAnn Seidman  
 Rebecca Browning    Lawrence Paul Caputo    Michael Willett

All names on the prayer list will remain for six weeks. If you would like a name to remain longer, please call the Parish office. Please call the Parish office to leave the names of parishioners who are homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist or would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick.



## 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 Travis J. Buffa	LT Cmdr. Melissa Buffa	Pfc. Mark Chuisano
LT Mary Grace Colluci	Major Janet R. Erazo	Cmdr. Cynthia Keating
2nd LT Glenn Harvey	LT Col. Paul J. LoBue	PO3 Gregory Steiner
Major Nicholas Lorusso	Sgt. 5 Jose Marin	Airman Bryan Mollitor
Pfc. Duncan Moskowitz	Major James Nicholson	LT Col. Sean Patak
Captain Brian Peguillan	LTJG William P. Hegarty	Sfc. Sean P. Schenck
Hosp. Medic Matthew D. Perez	LT Sean Riordan	Cpl. Jason Roland
Capt. Thomas E. Rojek	Cpl. Brendan Roethel	Spc. Chase Tucker
M Sgt. Donald J. Tucker	Sp. Trevor Tebaldi	Sgt. William Trotta, Jr.
LT Terrance Thorgramson	2nd LT James Andrew Baker	Major Chad Lennon
LT Emily W. Hegarty	LT Elizabeth G. Hegarty	Ens. James Figari
US Army E-1 Richard F. Charon	LT Alexander Van Patten USAF	

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.



### St. Gertrude Parish Pantry Needs:

Rice (1-2 lb. bags), Pasta, Jar Spaghetti Sauce, Cereal, Coffee, Plastic bottles of Juice, Canned Fruits, Sugar, Flour, Oil, Tuna, Snacks, Dish and Laundry Detergent, Paper Towels, Tissues, Men & Women Deodorant, Shampoo, Toothbrushes & Toothpaste.

We are well stocked with canned vegetables and soups at the moment. Thank you for all your generous donations and keeping our pantry well stocked. It is greatly appreciated!!

Pantry hours are every Friday from 8:30am-9:30am in the lower Church.

*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



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

## Faith Direct

Your automatic contributions through Faith Direct will save valuable time for both you and our parish staff. To enroll, please visit Faith Direct's website [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our parish code NY83. You can also fill out and mail a Faith Direct enrollment form from the parish office. Thank you!!



The Parish office will be closed on Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup> in recognition of President's day.



Wednesday,  
February 26<sup>th</sup>

LENTEN MASS/ASH  
DISTRIBUTION

8:30am—Mass

11:00am—Service

4:00pm—Word Service

5:30pm—Service

7:30pm—Mass

Little Rock  
Scripture  
Study

Adult  
Faith Formation

Gospel According to Matthew  
**Part 2**

Beginning on February 28 - March 27

As the first book of the New Testament, the Gospel of Matthew provides a bridge from the Jewish world to the emerging Christian world of Jesus and his followers. This Gospel introduces us to Jesus as the Master Teacher whose words of instruction are captured in large teaching sections.

All are welcome to join this study. It is not necessary to have attended Part 1.

The group will meet on Fridays 9:30 am to 11 am in the Parish Center, Room 2.

For more information or questions contact: Nancy Head 628-8467.



Please call the Parish office at (516)628-1113 to receive a letter of your yearly contributions to St. Gertrude parish.

For the Capitol Campaign donations, a separate letter will be automatically sent to your home for donations \$250.00 or greater. Should you require a letter for contributions under \$250, please call the Parish office.



St. Dominic High School  
Second Quarter Honor Roll

Flanagan, Thomas - Second Honors



**P**reschool: Love was in the air this week at the preschool. Miss Carmela's two year old class made teddy bear hearts and a Valentine decoration. Miss Meredith's three year old class made heart stamps and LOVE pictures, they also made Valentine gifts for their moms and dads. Miss Michelle's threes made Valentine cards for their moms, dads and troops, and Valentine gifts, they worked on the letter Q. Miss Ashley's four year old class made Valentine necklaces and Abraham Lincoln portraits, they also studied the letter P. Miss Janice's fours made Valentine mailboxes and a tooth project for dental health month, they also studied the letter P. All the classes had Valentine parties in their rooms with their special Valentines, their family members. The children also got to exchange Valentines with their classmates and start to recognize not only their own names, but their classmates' names as well. Valentine's Day was our last day of school before the winter break. From our preschool family to our parish and community family, we hope you had a loving Valentine's Day and wish you a fun and relaxing Presidents' Week.


Preschool Open House may be over, but registration for the 2020 - 2021 school year is ongoing. If you'd like to schedule a tour, please call the preschool office at 628-3710 or email us at [stgertprek@stgerts.org](mailto:stgertprek@stgerts.org)

**Come check us out - Handicapped Encounter Christ Ministry Celebrating 30 years!**

Handicapped Encounter Christ is a ministry for adults with physical, mental, cognitive and/or sensory disabilities. It is based on the Cursillo movement of the Catholic Church. HEC brings together the communities of disabled and enabled-adults so they can all get to know our Lord, Jesus Christ. During the year, we have many different events and annually there is a **three day HEC Retreat held on April 24-April 27**. Three meetings are held prior to the event. These will take place at St. Francis of Assisi in Greenlawn on February 17th, March 17th, and April 7th. Meetings begin at 7 P.M. Come and meet HEC volunteers and discover what this retreat experience is all about. If you can share your time and talents at the weekend, please contact Michele Barone at [micheleritabarone@gmail.com](mailto:micheleritabarone@gmail.com).

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

"Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." Let the light of your marriage sacrament shine for all by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are May 1-3, 2020 in Huntington, NY and Jun 26-28, 2020 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at 877-697-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmenyli.org/>.


**CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP**  
 Meets every Monday in the Church at 4:00pm

**Kellenberg Memorial Alumni Communion Breakfast**

All Kellenberg Memorial alumni, alumni parents, and their families are invited to join us for the **4th Annual Alumni Communion Breakfast** on Sunday, March 15, 2020. Mass begins at 9:00 AM, followed by breakfast and a special guest speaker.

**Join Us for a Night at the Races**

Kellenberg's Alumni Parents Association (KAPA) cordially invites all to attend a **Night at the Races** on Saturday, February 29, 2020, from 5:30 PM to 10:00 PM.



**The Lenten Sign of the Cross**

Friends of the Seminary on Sunday, March 15, 2020 Fr. Patrick J. Griffin, CM, will present a

Day of Prayer & Reflection at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington fro 9:30am-3:30pm. Talks by Fr. Griffin, opportunity for confession, lunch and Mass. Donation-\$30. Reservations required. (631)423-0483 x102; [bmalone@icseminary.edu](mailto:bmalone@icseminary.edu)

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**LENTEN EXPERIENCE**

Come join us for this Lenten Prayer where we will share scripture and listen to the testimonies of those who have participated in School of Missionary Disciples. This event is designed for those who would like to know more about the School of Missionary Disciples starting in September 2020.

**There is no fee for this event.  
Registration is required.**

**Where: Seminary of Immaculate Conception**  
440 W Neck Rd., Huntington, NY

**When:**  
Sunday, March 8, 2020 from 1:45 pm to 4:30 pm

**To register please contact:**  
R.C. Diocese of Rockville Centre,  
Office of Faith Formation,  
R.C. Diocese of Rockville Centre,  
50 North Park Avenue, Rockville Centre, NY 11570,  
<http://www.drvc-faith.org>

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This Spring, couples who have been married fifty years will be honored at a Mass on **Sunday, May 3, 2020** at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church in Smithtown.

Mass will begin at 2:00 p.m., Bishop Robert J. Coyle will preside. Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory. Space is limited, registration will be accepted on a first come first served basis. The forms can also be found on [www.drvc-faith.org](http://www.drvc-faith.org) or in our on-line bulletin.

If you have any questions you may call 516-678-5800, extension 223.

**Please submit registration form as soon as possible as space is limited.**

# UPCOMING EVENTS

**Come join Fr. Mickey Bancroft in  
Oberammergau (the Passion Play)  
Salzburg, Austria • Venice, Italy  
& Milan, Italy (Last Supper) 2020**

Friday, August 28 - Sunday, September 6, 2020 • Eight Nights  
\$4,500.00 per person based on double occupancy

**Shroud of Turin • Leonardo da Vinci's Last Supper  
Lake Guomo • Duomo • and much more**

Includes: • Daily Mass • Sightseeing • Round trip airfare from JFK  
• 6 nights in 4 star hotels • 2 nights in Oberammergau  
• Daily Breakfast plus 2 dinners & 1 lunch • Tickets to the Passion Play  
• Memories to last a lifetime!



Contact Fr. Mickey: 631-323-1323  
or Regina Tours  
212-594-8787 ext. 225  
or email: gmurasso@groupist.com

www.regina-tours.com

**Beta Sigma Phi – Xi Master Chapter  
Annual Fashion Show to benefit  
Hope House Ministries**

Wednesday, April 1, 2020, 6:30 p.m.

Held at Villa Lombardi's in Holbrook  
\$60 pp includes Gourmet Buffet &  
Fashion Show Your Choice Auction

Fashions by Chico's, White House/Black  
Market

For Tickets: Peg (631) 928-2628 or  
Barbara (631) 698-0140

## Join Us for a Night at the Races

Kellenberg's Alumni Parents Association (KAPA) cordially invites all to attend a **Night at the Races** on Saturday, February 29, 2020, from 5:30 PM to 10:00 PM. 10 video races will be shown in the Kellenberg Cafeteria (1400 Glenn Curtiss Blvd, Uniondale, NY). A Sports Dinner including a Caesar salad, carving station with turkey, pasta, Italian blend vegetables, and mashed potatoes, along with a dessert bar and coffee, will be served. Hot dogs will also be served at a convenient time between races. The cost for the evening is \$25 per person (includes dinner and beer, wine, and soda). Tables may be reserved and can hold 6-8 people. You may list with whom you wish to be seated within the registration form. Please register online at [kellenberg.org/kapa](http://kellenberg.org/kapa) by Monday, February 24th. Unfortunately, no reservations can be taken after this date or at the door. Any questions may be directed to [MrsMiles@kellenberg.org](mailto:MrsMiles@kellenberg.org) or (516) 292-0200 ext. 245.

## Kellenberg Memorial Alumni Communion Breakfast

All Kellenberg Memorial alumni, alumni parents, and their families are invited to join us for the **4th Annual Alumni Communion Breakfast** on Sunday, March 15, 2020. Mass begins at 9:00 AM, followed by breakfast and a special guest speaker. The cost for the morning is \$12 per person and \$6 for children 10 and under. Unfortunately, walk-in registration is not available for this event. Please note that all guests must pre-register no later than Monday, March 9th. Online registration is available by visiting [kellenberg.org/alumni](http://kellenberg.org/alumni). Any questions may be directed to [alumni@kellenberg.org](mailto:alumni@kellenberg.org) or (516) 292-0200 x396.

## **Divorced or Separated Catholics of Long Island Including widows, widowers and singles**

A social organization for single persons—New Member Orientation Meeting

**Tuesday February 18th at 7:30 PM**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #6526

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 Carol at 516-794-4933 or Fran at 516-889-579



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
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## CAREER SEMINAR

**WHEN:** WEDNESDAY MARCH 4<sup>TH</sup> 4:30 PM.

**WHERE:** 105 MAXESS RD., SUITE 124,  
MELVILLE NY 11747 - RSVP BY EMAIL

**TOPIC:** ONE HOUR ORIENTATION ON THE CAREER PATH WITH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE...THE CATHOLIC FINANCIAL COMPANY.

ARE YOU HAPPY? WOULD YOU LIKE A MEANINGFUL CAREER WHERE YOU ARE REWARDED FOR HELPING OTHERS AND YOUR EFFORTS HELP FUND CATHOLIC CAUSES WORLDWIDE?

**SPEAKER:** FRANK R. HERNANDEZ-GENERAL AGENT OF THE LONG ISLAND OFFICE.

**RSVP:** [HERNANDEZAGENCYMAIL@KOFCC.ORG](mailto:HERNANDEZAGENCYMAIL@KOFCC.ORG)  
MUST BE ELIGIBLE TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**QUESTIONS:** (631) 574-4520



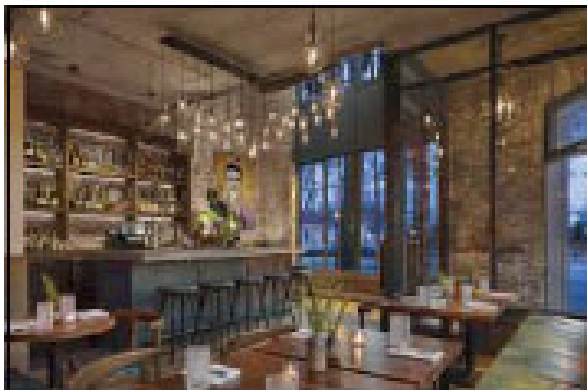


**The Life Enrichment Center**  
at Oyster Bay

&  
**2 spring**

...are raising funds to support programs for seniors  
living in Oyster Bay  
and surrounding communities!

**\$49 per person family style pre-fixe feast**  
**Inspired by favorite home style classics**



**What:** A fundraiser where a percentage of every reservation made will benefit programs at The Life Enrichment Center.

**Where:** 2 Spring St,  
Oyster Bay, NY 11771

**Why:** Supporting wellness  
of elderly individuals

**When:** Sunday, March 8  
5:00 pm—9:00 pm



**Reservations required:** (516) 624-2411 or at [Opentable.com](https://www.opentable.com)



**SUNDAY, MARCH 15TH  
FOUR TO SEVEN PM**

BOARD PRESIDENT SUSAN PETERSON WILL HOST AN ELABORATE VICTORIAN HIGH TEA IN HER 1890 HISTORICAL HOME TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE LIFE ENRICHMENT CENTER. THE EVENT WILL FEATURE WINE AND SAVORIES TO ACCOMPANY THE TEA SERVICE.

TO ENHANCE THE EXPERIENCE, TOURS OF THE RENOVATED AND UPDATED VICTORIAN HOME WILL BE OFFERED, DURING WHICH GUESTS CAN CHOOSE ONE OF A COLLECTION OF MORE THAN 150 HATS TO WEAR FOR THE EVENT. TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED IN PERSON AT THE CENTER, OR CALL FOR ASSISTANCE WITH PURCHASING TICKETS ONLINE.

**COME LEARN ABOUT VICTORIAN SOCIETY  
AN EXCELLENT FORM OF ENTERTAINMENT!**

**TICKETS: \$50**

**BENEFITTING  
THE LIFE ENRICHMENT CENTER AT OYSTER BAY  
516-922-1770**

Life Enrichment Center's  
**Pancake Breakfast**  
Sunday, March 22nd - 8:30am to 12:30pm

45 E. Main Street • Oyster Bay, NY • 11771



Scrambled eggs, 2 pancakes, sausage, hash browns,  
orange juice, fruit cup, and coffee or tea

**Adults \$12 - Kids 10 & under \$5**

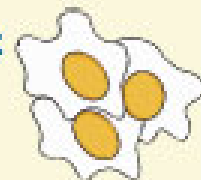
50/50 Raffle & Gift Baskets

All proceeds to benefit the Life Enrichment Center



For information and ticket reservations:

**(516)922-1770**



*Bishop Andrzej's Lecture Series Continues*

# Liturgical

"Please note NEW March date."

*Catechesis*

Tuesdays this Spring @ 7:30 p.m.

- February 25: Liturgy and Our Covenant with God  
March 31: Liturgy and the Paschal Mystery in Us  
May 12: Liturgy and St. John Paul II Reform  
June 9: Liturgy and Personal Growth

Cure of Ars Parish School Auditorium  
2323 Merrick Ave., Merrick, NY



Advanced Registration is Appreciated  
Please call or email to register:  
Suzanne Lynn at 516.744.6850;  
westernvicariate@drvc.org  
or Cure of Ars, Merrick at 516.623.1400

All are Welcome - Bring Your Friends. Free Will Offering.

SAINT ANTHONY'S ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESENTS



# AN AFTERNOON OF CELTIC MUSIC

A BENEFIT FOR SAINT ANTHONY'S CELTIC PIPE BAND

**SUNDAY MARCH 1**  
SAINT ANTHONY'S HIGH SCHOOL  
AUDITORIUM @ 2PM

**FEATURING:**  
SAINT ANTHONY'S  
CELTIC PIPE BAND  
SAINT ANTHONY'S  
IRISH STEP DANCING TEAM  
SINGERS  
NOEL AND NANCY



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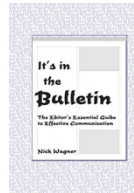
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PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

QUESTIONS? CALL THE ALUMNI OFFICE AT 631-271-2020 EXT 310



**KEEP THE TRADITION GOING**  
For over 50 years every Monday evening at 7:30pm the Miraculous Medal Novena to Our Lady, preceded by the Most Holy Rosary, has been recited here at St. Gertrude's Church. This devotion

was introduced by our first pastor, Father Thomas Connolly, and has continued non-stop through these many years. Our participants are few in number but "Where two or three are gathered in my name there I am with them". Please consider joining us.



Have you missed Mass but still want to know what's happening in our Church?

There are 2 ways to keep in touch with our Church announcements/happenings in our **bulletin**.

First way: Sign up to receive our Church bulletin via email each week. Follow these simple steps:

1. [www.jspaluch.com](http://www.jspaluch.com)
2. Bulletin subscription
3. Search by filling in your zip code
4. Select St. Gertrude Church (green arrows)
5. Fill in the address fields/email info. to receive the same **printed** version of our Church bulletin (6 pages)

Second way:

1. Log into our Church website at: [www.stgerts.com](http://www.stgerts.com)
2. Under the "About Us" tab find Bulletins
3. Extended bulletin version can be found here.

For bulletin submissions, please email them to: [bulletin@stgerts.org](mailto:bulletin@stgerts.org).

Information must be received 1 week prior to bulletin publishing and will be included in the following week's printed bulletin if space allows. If not, then information will appear in the on-



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AND VISIT THE  
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440 West Neck Rd. 4th Floor  
Huntington, NY 11743  
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(631) 423-0483 ext. 141

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The Diocese of Rockville Centre  
**Golden Wedding Anniversary Liturgy**  
Honoring Couples Married Fifty Years

Sunday, May 3, 2020  
2:00 p.m.

St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church  
280 E Main St, Smithtown, NY 11787

- Please complete the form below, have it signed by your pastor or someone designated by him and return to the address below.
- You will be mailed a letter confirming your registration and directions.
- There will be **reserved seating for the registered couples only**. Family and friends will be seated on a first come-first served basis.

Please mail completed form to :  
Diocese of Rockville Centre  
Office of Faith Formation  
Attention: Guenevere Neuhedel  
PO Box 9023  
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For questions, please call 516-678-5800, ext 223

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# Scout & Christian Family Ski Days

January 25-26 and February 22-23, 2020

DATE OF VISIT: \_\_\_\_\_ ARRIVAL TIME: \_\_\_\_\_ (Between 8am-10am)

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Quantity	Scout & Christian Day Product	Ticket Price	*Municipality Fee (per person)	**NJ State Tax (per person)	Total	
<b>Standard Group Rate Lift Tickets - Booked at least 48 business hours in advance, with deposit.</b>						
	Scout & Christian Days Lift Ticket (Adult & Youth ages 7+)	\$32.99	\$2.31	N/A		
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<b>Rentals - Scout &amp; Christian Days Rental (boots, bindings, poles, skis or snowboard, helmet)</b>						
	***Go Package - Scout & Christian Days All Access Lift Ticket/Lesson/Rental	\$84.99	\$3.19	\$1.29		
<b>**Traditional Meal Voucher</b> choice of burger, pizza or chicken fingers served w/fries & fountain drink						
		\$10.99	N/A	\$0.73		
<b>**Premium Meal Voucher</b> choice of grab & go sandwich, salad or soup served w/apple, orange or yogurt & bottled water, juice or milk						
		\$12.99	N/A	\$0.88		
*There is a 7% municipality fee on all lift and lesson products - this is not a tax and is not entitled to an exemption.					<b>Total</b>	
**There is a 6.626% tax on all rentals and food- NJ State Tax Exempt Form required at time of reservation if exempt.					<b>Deposit</b>	
***Group Lessons are for children age seven and older - Separate reservations can be made with Kids Kamp, for younger children, by calling 873-827-2000 ext. 0.					<b>Balance Due</b>	

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## Winter 2020

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Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Cardholder: \_\_\_\_\_ Security code: \_\_\_\_\_

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1. To receive group rates, you must place a reservation for a minimum of 10 persons at least 48 business hours prior to trip date.
2. All reservations must be accompanied by a \$100.00 NON-REFUNDABLE deposit. Payable by organization check, credit card or money order.
3. Children 8 and under cannot participate in group lessons. If accompanied by a full paying adult/parent they do receive a free lift ticket only. (No free rental, lesson or snow tubing.) Limit 2 child lift tickets per paying adult.
4. In order to secure group rentals a major credit card will be required.
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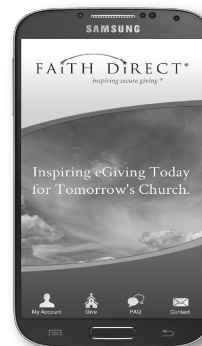
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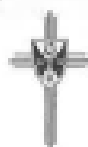
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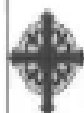
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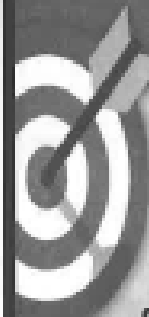
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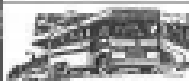


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