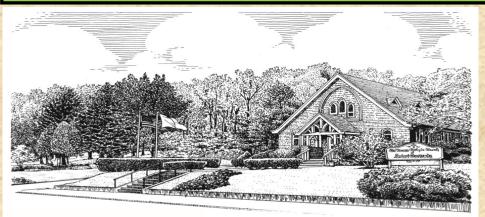
THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. GERTRUDE

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. Friday: 9:00am-12:00pm Monday nights 5-9 pm

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

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.

St. Vincent DePaul (516) 584-4090

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.

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Tina Mihaltses, Director, Phone: (516) 628-3710

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Religious Education:

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

Email: faithformation@stgerts.org



Remembering...

SUNDAY February 24

7:30am Manuela Sabin + 9:30am Tanner Jadezuk +

For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude 11:30am

MONDAY February 25

8:30am Joan Larkin + **TUESDAY** February 26

8:30am Sgt. Thomas V. Pilson +

Sgt. Jimmie R. Tice +

WEDNESDAY February 27

8:30am Palmaro, Sabin & Sobrino families +

THURSDAY February 28

8:30am Cpt. Thomas A. McAdams +

DeCesare family +

FRIDAY March 1

8:30am Manuela Sabin +

SATURDAY March 2

8:30am Palmaro, Sabin & Sobrino families +

5:00pm For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude

Next Week's Presiders Schedule:

Saturday, March 2rd 5:00pm Fr. Ed Sunday, March 3rd 7:30am Fr. Ed

> 9:30am Fr. Regan 11:30am Fr. Regan

Please note schedule subject to change



New to our Parish? We WELCOME 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).

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — David found Saul in a deep sleep, but would not harm him (1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23).

Psalm – The Lord is kind and merciful (Psalm 103).

Second Reading – We shall bear the image of the heavenly Adam (1 Corinthians 15:45-49).

Gospel – Give to everyone who asks of you. Lend expecting nothing back (Luke 6:27-38).

Davids and Sauls: Reflection on the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.

The story of David and Saul in today's First Reading functions almost like a parable. Showing mercy to his deadly foe, David gives a concrete example of what Jesus expects to become a way of life for His disciples.

The new law Jesus gives in today's Gospel would have us all become "Davids"loving our enemies, doing good to those who would harm us, extending a line of credit to those who won't ever repay us.

The Old Law required only that the Israelites love their fellow countrymen (see Leviticus 19:18). The new law Jesus brings makes us kin to every man and woman (see also Luke 10:29-36). His kingdom isn't one of tribe or nationality. It's a family. As followers of Jesus, we're to live as He lived among us—as "children of the Most High" (see Luke 6:35; 1:35).

As sons and daughters, we want to walk in the ways of our heavenly Father, to "be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." Grateful for His mercy, we're called to forgive others their trespasses because God has forgiven ours.

In the context of today's liturgy, we're all "Sauls"—by our sinfulness and pride we make ourselves enemies of God. But we've been spared a death we surely deserved to die because God has loved and shown mercy to His enemies, "the ungrateful and the wicked," as Jesus says. Jesus showed us this love in His Passion, forgiving His enemies as they stripped Him of cloak and tunic, cursed Him and struck Him on the cheek, condemned Him to death on a cross (see Luke 22:63 <u>-65</u>; <u>23:34</u>). "He redeems your life from destruction," David reminds us in today's Psalm.

That's the promise, too, of today's Epistle: that we who believe in the "last Adam," Jesus, will rise from the dead in His image, as today we bear the image of the "first Adam," who by his sin made God an enemy and brought death into the world (see 1 Corinthians 15:21–22).

By Scott Hahn

St. Gertrude Church Renovation Campaign "Preserve Our Past . . . Envision Our Future"

Renovating Our Church - The Challenge Awaits Us

St. Gertrude Parish has begun a capital campaign to raise \$1.5 million to meet our parish's current need to: Increase handicapped accessibility, add a bathroom, address deteriorating conditions, ensure safety and increase efficiency.

After more than 100 years of extensive use and 30 years since the last renovation, many areas of our Church are wearing-out, inefficient and in need of being replaced. We are in immediate need of a new roof and significant repair to the siding and all entrances to the Church. Once the exterior is updated we will begin to update the interior of the Church. A detailed three phase plan has been created that will allow us to meet these important needs and prepare our Church for the future.

Memorial Opportunities Can Honor the Memory of Someone You Love

Memorials will be offered as part of our Church Renovation Campaign. Individual memorial items are available on a first come first serve basis as well as gift plan memorials. All memorial gifts will be appropriately recognized on a new recognition plaque to be located in the Church. Inscriptions for memorials can include the name or names of those you wish to honor, living or deceased.

Campaign Office Opens

If you have any questions about the campaign, please call Andy White our on-site Campaign Director at 516-628-1113 or on his cell phone at 516-607-3635.

"Preserve Our Past . . . Envision Our Future"

The sick of our parish:

Cecilia Bruoni Kathleen Massimino Lynn Gormley Gloria Herlihy Maria Merz

All names on the sick 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 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	Sman App. 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
1st. LT Thomas 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

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.



CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Meets every Monday in the Church at 4:00pm

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time February 24, 2019

Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger and abounding in kindness.

- Psalm 103:8



Welcome Our Newly Baptized

James Michael Lyons

Emma Rose Schimmel

Rest in Peace #

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

Parish Financial Summary

Sunday collections (including Faith Direct):

February 17, 2019: \$5,941.00

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 and use our parish code NY83. You can also fill out and mail a Faith Direct enrollment form from the parish office. Thank you!!



Please call our parish office at 628-1113 to receive your 2018 Church contribution letter.

Little Rock Scripture Study Adult Faith Formation Isaiah Part 2

Beginning on March 1 - April 12

In the Bible, the primary role of the prophet is to speak for God, to see and hear as God sees and hears, and then to pronounce words of correction and hope. The book of Isaiah is quoted in the New Testament more often than any other Old Testament writing other than the Psalms. Especially appropriate for Lent are the four Songs of the Suffering Servant which include Isaiah 42:1-4, Isaiah 49:1-6, Isaiah 50:4-7 and Isaiah 52: 13- 53:12.

All are welcome to join this study. The group will meet on Fridays 9:30am to 11am in the Parish Center, Room 1. For more information or questions contact: Nancy Head 628-8467.

THE 20TH ANNUAL ATTIC TREASURES & CHILDREN'S WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

WILL BE HELD ON APRIL $6^{\text{\tiny TH}}$ & $7^{\text{\tiny TH}}$ IN THE PARISH CENTER

Donations of children's clothing, usable toys, books, household items, etc. will be accepted and are greatly appreciated. No donations of furniture, computers, or adult clothes can be accepted. There will be a table for new items-surely you received gifts you can't use, but someone else could.

Items can be left on the stage or at rear door of the Parish Center, <u>starting March 1</u>^s.

Contacts for this event are:

Barbara Serio-628-2115, Mary Ryan-628-1270, Barbara Savinetti-676-5227, Kathy Rapelje-628-2781.

All proceeds go to the Ida Barnao Pre-School Scholarship Fund.





Any adult in the Parish who has NOT received First Holy Communion or Confirmation, a

special class is now available with Fr. Seagriff. Please call the Parish office at 628-1113 to set up a meeting.

Saturday, March 16, 2019
The Rosary Guild will be sponsoring a
St. Patrick Dinner/Dance for the entire parish and beyond.

7:00-11:00pm \$50 per person

The event will be held in our own Parish Center with a complete corn beef and cabbage dinner, as well as a famous Irish band.

Proceeds from the event will be donated to the Church Renovation Fund. Look for more information to arrive in your mailbox soon.



Please help us make the event a success. If you wish to help us plan, call Pat O'Donnel at 628-1843.

ST. GERTURDE'S CHURCH FEAST OF ST. ANTHONY JUNE 13–16, 2019 Centre Island Beach, Bayville





Preschool news: The preschool was closed last week for the winter break.

We hope all of our children and families had a fun and safe vacation.



SVDP Meeting Thursday, , March 2nd 9:30am—12:00pm in the lower Church Once again Scouts & families of the Theodore Roosevelt Council, BSA will be collecting food for those in need.

Please mark the date of March 23, 2019 on your calendars as SCOUTING FOR FOOD DAY.

IMPORTANT: You may drop off your food at the collection location, OR you can donate directly to your local food pantry. Food brought to a collection point will be donated to Island Harvest who will distribute the food throughout Nassau County.

The collection site this year is The Theodore Roosevelt Council Office at 544 Broadway, Massapequa from noon to 2:30

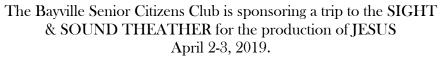
Also, please remember, while March 23rd, 2019 is the Council wide date for Scouting for Food, you can report food donated at any time in the coming months towards Scouting for Food.

Please email your collection totals to <u>pocon10@yahoo.com</u> And please remember to report your service hours at my.scouting.org

Questions? Please call

Assistant Council Commissioner for Community Service

Peter O'Connor 516-759-1295 Or email pocon10@yahoo.com



The trip includes:

1 night hotel accommodation at the EDEN RESORT, Full American Buffet Breakfast Buffet, Dinner in Arthurs Restaurant, "JESUS" at the SIGHT & SOUND MILLENIUM THEATHER,

Sands Casino with \$30 Slot Play Discount Coupons for the Outlet Shoppes at the Sands Professional Tour Manager Deluxe Motor coach Transportation---Baggage Handling

Cost is----\$329 double----\$379 single----\$325 triple

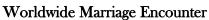
If interested, call Vicki at 628-1632.



"A Lenten Listening with Mary at the Cross" - Deepen your Lenten Devotion—Join the Friends of the Seminary on Sunday, March 24, 2019. Fr. Patrick J. Griffin, CM, will present a Day of Prayer and Reflection at the Seminary of the Immaculate



Conception in Huntington from 9:30am to 3:30 pm. Talks by Griffin, quite time, opportunity for confession, lunch and Mass. Donation—\$30. Reservations required. (631)423-0483 x 102; <a href="mailto:bmailto



"Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap." Give the gift of your love to your spouse by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Apr 26-28, 2019 in Huntington, NY and Jun 28-30, 2019 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at 877-697-9963 or visit them at https://www.nenyli.org/.

2019 SAT Exam Prep Course for May 4th SAT Exam

Course will be held on the following Saturdays: March 9, 16, 23, 30 and April 6 & 13

9:00-11:30am in Marian Hall

Course Fee: \$250.00 (includes textbook)

Contact: Mrs. Stutzmann (516) 922-4888 ext. 5241. St. Dominic High School

Join the fun at the: 15th ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY DANCE

Saturday, March 2nd
7:00pm—11:30pm
St. Patrick's Church
Msgr. McCann Parish Hall
235 Glen St., Glen Cove
Tickets \$55 all inclusive: Dinner,
full bar, Irish coffee, dessert
Ticketless reservations:

Pam P: 516-676-6732 Marylin J: 516-671-4053 Laurieanne D: 516-640-9659



Parish Council's next meeting is March 12, 7 PM

The purpose of Parish Council is twofold.

- 1- To communicate the wisdom of the community
- 2- To build relationships

The current members are Vickie Siegel, Michael Murray, Nick Salerno, John Johnson and Blake Sand.

The leaders are determined by the appointment of the pastor. Currently there is room for one more person. We would like you to email the pastor at frdaveregan@yahoo.com to advocate a member of our parish for this

important role. Please take a moment and pray over who you think would be able to communicate, discern and lead in a unique and paramount capacity. Please email Fr. Regan by February 27.

Company of the Compan

Some quotes to consider from Mother Angelica (Foundress of EWTN):

"If you want to be holy, if you seek meaning in your life, start looking into your own life and attacking your pride in all of its many forms. God will give you extraordinary light and the ultimate reward of holiness. For your holiness relies not on what you do, but on what you allow God to do through you. Have courage. God will perfect you."

"We are all called to be great saints, don't miss the opportunity."

"Holiness is not for wimps and the cross is not negotiable."

"It's your obligation to speak the truth, and everyone can either take it or leave it. But truth must be in us. We live in such a poverty of truth today."

"God wants you to be in the world, but so different from the world that you will change it. Get cracking."

"You can't go to heaven hating somebody. Forgive now."

"Don't say, "If it weren't for that person I could be holy." No; you can be holy because of that person."

"God never gets tired of forgiving, you may get tired of asking."



March 6, 2019

Ashes will be distributed in the following

8:30 AM Mass

11 AM Liturgy of the Word

4 PM Liturgy of the Word

5:30 PM Liturgy of the Word

7:30 PM Mass

"Fasting cleanses the soul, raises the mind, subjects one's flesh to the spirit, renders the heart contrite and humble, scatters the clouds of concupiscence, quenches the fire of lust, kindles the true light of chastity." St. Augustine

"You could say that prayer without fasting is like boxing with one hand tied behind your back, and that fasting without prayer is, well, dieting." Matt Fradd

"Fasting and almsgiving are 'the two wings of prayer' which enable it to gain momentum and more easily reach even to God." St Augustine

"Fasting is most intimately connected with prayer. For the mind of one who is filled with food and drink is so borne down as not to be able to raise itself to the contemplation of God, or even to understand what prayer means." Catechism of the Council of Trent

"The goal of fasting is inner unity. This means hearing, but not with the ear; hearing, but not with the understanding; it is hearing with the spirit, with your whole being." Fr. Thomas Merton

"Patience is power. Patience is not an absence of action; rather it is 'timing,' it waits on the right time to act, for the right principles and in the right way." Fulton J. Sheen

"Patience is the companion of wisdom." St. Augustine

"Have patience with all things, but first of all with yourself." St. Francis de Sales

"Fasting is the soul of prayer, mercy [almsgiving] is the lifeblood of fasting. Let no one try to separate them... So if you pray, fast; if you fast, show mercy." – St. Peter Chrysologus, Doctor of the Church "Do you wish your prayer to fly toward God? Make for it two wings: fasting and almsgiving." – St. Augustine (En. ps. 42, 8).

20 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 19 DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

Supporting Dramatic Missionary Growth in Our Community



Witnessing Forgiving Loving Helping Teaching Igniting Evangelizing Teaching Igniting Evangelizing Forgiving Loving Helping Witnessing

March, 2018

Dear Friends:

The Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving open our hearts to the presence of our loving and ever present God. It is a time for reflecting on the enormous sacrifice our Lord made on Good Friday. It's also a time for making sacrifices of our own. One of the purest sacrifices we can make is also one of the most loving. And it begins when we show compassion to others.

As Pope Francis said, "Prayer brings us back to the path of truth about ourselves and about God; fasting makes us share the reality of so many people who face the anguish of hunger and makes us pay more attention to our neighbor; charity is a blessed occasion to collaborate with God's providence in benefit of His children.".

When you give to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, your neighbors experience the merciful presence of Christ through Outreach and Catholic Charities' programs that serve the basic needs of the poor, troubled, weak and oppressed in our community.

This Appeal also supports our efforts in evangelization, liturgy and worship. Consider the multitudes of children who are taught the faith through our Catholic schools and religious education programs and are able to continue their faith journey as they benefit from Campus, Young Adult and Youth Ministry Programs. It also funds the resources necessary to support our seminarians who are studying and preparing to serve us as priests.

If you have not yet made a pledge as of yet, please consider participating in the 2019 Catholic Ministries Appeal as one way of "collaborating with God's providence in benefit of His children."

May this Lent be a source of *dramatic missionary growth* both in our lives and for our great Diocese.

I keep you and your family in my Masses and Prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres Bishop of Rockville Centre



February 11, 2019 Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you..." (Jeremiah 1:5)

At the very heart of our beliefs about who we are and why we exist, is a message of love. God creates us out of love. Out of love, He redeems us by the sacrifice of his Son, Jesus. He calls us to an eternal destiny with Him because He loves each sacred human life, created in His image.

That we are created in God's image is reaffirmed in our nation's Declaration of Independence, reminding us that we "are endowed by [our] Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." The right to life is the foundation and starting point for every other God-given human right. When that right is attacked or denied, all other rights and liberties begin to crumble.

You are probably aware that on January 22, 2019, the 46th anniversary of Roe v. Wade (the Supreme Court decision that declared an absolute constitutional right to abortion), Governor Andrew Cuomo of New York signed into law the "Reproductive Health Act", which he himself called "the most aggressive" abortion law in the country. It was then "celebrated" by his lighting up One World Trade Center and the Alfred E. Smith Building in Albany.

It is our obligation as citizens and as Catholics, to be well informed and to make our voices heard in the public square when evil and injustice threaten the sacred gift of life at any stage.

On a human level, this gruesome law should be appalling to people of every faith, or no faith. The Reproductive Health Act allows for abortion on demand with no restrictions throughout all of pregnancy. This means that as a choice, an abortion could be performed on a full-term infant as the mother is going into labor.

This law might also open the door to taking away conscience protections from medical personnel, and could be used to force doctors, nurses and other medical staff to perform or to assist in abortions. Governor Cuomo claims that he is protecting women's rights, when in fact, this law endangers the lives of women by allowing non-physicians to perform abortions, and it removes any objective standard of care due to the patient.

The Act has also removed criminal penalties when an unborn child is deliberately targeted for death in a crime. Two and a half weeks after the bill became law, the Queens District Attorney said he could not prosecute a man for the stabbing death of his unborn child in the womb of his girlfriend, because of the passage of the Reproductive Health Act.

Unimaginably, the law also repeals protections for infants who are accidentally born alive during the course of a failed abortion. This amounts to infanticide, the killing either by direct

means or by neglect of an infant who is alive outside the womb. The law is silent on reducing the pain and suffering of infants, especially those being aborted late term.

Brothers and sisters, this law is an abomination that cries out to Heaven for justice. We cannot be silent in the face of such a blatant attack on the most vulnerable among us. I invite you to do several things:

- 1. Stay informed and educated regarding these issues and the battles ahead of us, such as assisted suicide and legalized surrogacy. Two outstanding resources available to you are:
- The New York State Catholic Conference on the web at https://www.nyscatholic.org.
- The Diocese of Rockville Centre Respect Life Office and web page: (516) 678-5800 Extension 381 or on the web at https://respectlife.drvc.org
- 2. Get involved. Both web pages listed above offer easy links to contacting your elected representatives. Let the Governor and our other elected officials know that this Act violates the dignity of the human person and that you do not support it.

Get involved in the efforts already underway at your parish, such as Respect Life Committees. In addition, our Diocesan Respect Life Office can direct you to ways that you can support and promote the sanctity of life locally, on Long Island.

Pray. Pray the Holy Rosary. Ask the intercession of Our Blessed Mother Mary, Protector of Mothers, Defender of Life and the Family, to strengthen us so that we may be compassionate, courageous witnesses to the truth. Ask also for the intercession of Saint Thomas More, patron of statesmen, politicians, lawyers and judges, who lost his life for refusing to renounce his conscience and give in to the tides of political power and privilege.

Pray for our elected officials and for all people and pray that our politicians come to understand their profound obligation to defend the most defenseless among us. Any Catholic who actively supports an attack on the sacredness of life, chooses to place him or herself in grave moral danger and outside of the Communion of the Church. We pray for their souls, for a spirit of repentance, for a return to the truth of the love of God. It is God's love that formed each one of us in our Mother's womb.

A civilization that not only will not protect, but actually celebrates an attack on its most vulnerable members is morally bankrupt and stands on the verge of collapse. We pray for the courage of the martyrs, that an awakened spirit of evangelization and voices raised together will move hearts and minds, and call us back to our God-given senses, to the God who made us, who loves us, and who offers us our eternal destiny in love.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us!

Sincerely in Christ.

+ Aph O. Basses

Bishop of Rockville Centre

SCOUTING FOR FOOD March 23rd 2019

Council-wide Food Drive

Once again Scouts & families of the Theodore Roosevelt Council, BSA will be collecting food for those in need. Please mark the date of March 23rd, 2019 on your calendars as SCOUTING FOR FOOD DAY.

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<u>The collection site this year is The Theodore Roosevelt Council Office</u> at 544 Broadway, Massapequa from noon to 2:30

Also, please remember, while March 23rd, 2019 is the Council wide date for Scouting for Food, you can report food donated at any time in the coming months towards Scouting for Food.

Please email your collection totals to pocon10@yahoo.com

And please remember to report your service hours at my.scouting.org

Questions? Please call
Assistant Council Commissioner for Community Service
Peter O'Connor 516-759-1295
Or email pocon10@yahoo.com

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents: Celebrate Marriage

An Full Day Enrichment for married couples
All married couples are welcome to join us on
Saturday March,16, 2019
930am -4:30pm
Corpus Christi Parish
155 Garfield Ave, Mineola, NY 11501
We will gather for 9:30am in the parish hall
Continental Breakfast and Lunch Provided
\$40 per couple
RSVP March 8th

WEEKEND of 3/16 and 3/17



How much can a Bayville Scout carry?

Bayville's Boy Scout and Cub Scouts will be holding their annual food drive to fill the shelves of St. Gertrude's Outreach Food Pantry on **Saturday**, **March 24**th at **IGA**.

Following mass this weekend, the Scouts will be providing parishioners with bags to fill with items from the list below. The Scouts will be collecting your filled bags at IGA on Saturday, March 24th between 9am and 1pm.

Any non-perishable food or personal care items are appreciated; the following items are especially needed:

- · Rice, cereal, tea, coffee, sugar
- · Black beans, canned beans, tuna
- Spaghetti sauce, pasta
- Canned fruit, canned vegetables
- Toilet paper, paper towels, napkins
- · Parmelot milk, juices
- · Tooth paste & tooth brushes, soap, shampoo, deodorant, body powder
- · Cleaning supplies, dish & laundry detergent

Please ensure donated items have not passed expired date.

Stop by and see how many pounds of food a Bayville Scout can carry.

Thank you for generosity and support of Troop 176 and St. Gertrude's Food Pantry during this season of Lent.



Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743 <u>ehayes@icseminary.edu</u>, 631-423-0483 x141

We have an interlibrary loan service, lectures in

the library, and even some online content (such as podcasts) that you could take advantage of. If you are within driving distance, you are also welcome to apply for a courtesy card and borrow materials directly when you visit.

Our collection began years ago as strictly an academic library, but since the priestly formation program changed a few years ago (and our seminarians moved up to Yonkers), we have varied the collection a bit so that it can appeal to the general reader wanting to deepen their faith. Our book collection includes lots of books on spirituality, saints, popular apologetics, and so forth. We also have current Catholic periodicals, sacred music on CD, and even DVDs.

Notre Dame Parish, New Hyde Park, is sponsoring Craft & Gift Fair on the following date:

· April 6, 2019

If interested in being a vendor, please email: ndcmain@gmail.com or call Carole at the Rectory Office at 516-352-7203 and we will forward you the contract and information. Table cost is \$55.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The following programs will take place February - April of 2019 at St. Joseph Renewal Center at Montfort Spiritual Center, 26 S. Saxon Ave., Bay Shore, NY 11706. Anyone interested in any of these programs please call the office at 631-647-8683.

Living with Alzheimer's & Dementia - 1 to 2:30 pm – Free will offering. Program is held 1st Wednesday of the month.

Facilitators: Josephine Daspro, CSJ & James Morris

Men 2 Men Gathering — 8:00 to 9:30 am – This program is offered the 2nd Saturday of every month Offering \$20.00 incl. breakfast per person.

Facilitators: Michael Dunne & participants from the gathering

Women 2 Women-10:30 am to 12 Noon.

This program is offered the 2nd Tuesday of every month."Knitting into the Mystery" If you would like to learn to knit or crochet, this is the experience for you.

Offering \$15.00 per session per person.

Facilitators: Beth Barker, Judy Coste, Joan Vessio

Ash Wednesday Day of Prayer – 10:00 am – 3:00 pm – March 6, 2019

Offering: \$50.00 includes lunch Presenter: Josephine Daspro, CSJ

Lenten Prayer on Friday - March 22, March 29, April 5 & April 12, 2019 - "Passion Narrative according to St. Luke"-

10:30 am - 12:00 noon.

Offering: \$15.00 per session/\$60.00 for the four sessions

Presenter: Fr. William T. Slater

Lenten Overnight Retreat for Men & Women – March 30 – 31, 2019 – "The Invitation"

Offering: \$100.00

Presenter: Josephine Daspro, CSJ

Mid-Lenten Day of Prayer - 10:00 am - 3:00 pm - April 3, 2019 - "The Pummeled Heart: Finding Peace through Pain"

Offering: \$50.00 includes lunch Presenter: Josephine Daspro, CSJ

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.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance

All are invited to join us for an evening of dinner and dancing, featuring The Irish Mist! The event will take place on Saturday, March 16, 2019 at Kellenberg Memorial High School (1400 Glenn Curtiss Blvd.) from 7 to 11PM. The cost for the evening is \$40. Please register by visiting www.kellenberg.org/kapa or by contacting the Office of Advancement at 516-292-0200 X245.

A Message from the Saint Dominic Athletic Director

Our goal at the Saint Dominic
Summer Camps is to give campers a great
experience during which they make friends and
have fun. Our staff is committed to making
sure that each camper leaves camp with a
higher skill level and knowledge of the sport or
activity than he or she started with.
Fundamentals, as well as individual and team
skills, will be taught. We look forward to
having you join the Saint Dominic Family!

Matthew O'Brien
Director of Athletics







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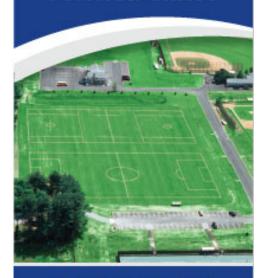






Saint Dominic High School

2019
SUMMER CAMPS



ONE JOURNEY THROUGH FAITH AND EDUCATION

Upcoming Workshops March 2019

Special Needs: Mardi Gras Prayer Service and Brunch St. Frances de Chantel, Wantagh March 2, 2019 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Bereavement Facilitator Training Level I

St. Rosalle, Hampton Bays Saturday, Mar 2 and 9, 2019 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Grace, West Babylon

Tuesday, Mar 5, 12, 19, and 26, 2019 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Or

St. Mary R.C., East Islip Saturday, Mar 9 and 16, 2019 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Preparación para el Bautismo Entrenamiento para Facilitadores Nivel I

Ss. Cyril and Methodius, Deer Park 5, 12, 19, y 26 de marzo de 2019 7:00 p.m. a 9:00 p.m.

Special Needs Ministry

St. John Nepomucene, Bohemia March 13, 20, April 10, and 24 2019 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

RECA NEVEL II

Basilica de los Sagrados Corazones de Jesús y María Apostolado Hispano, Southhampton 17 y 24 de marzo de 2019 2:00 p.m. a 6:00 p.m.

Un Dia de Retiro para los Electos de 2019

Seminario de la înmaculada Concepción, Huntington 31 de marzo de 2019 2:00 p.m. a 6:00 p.m.

Bible How To for Catechists Our Lady of Loretto, Hempstead Saturday, March 3, 2019

Saturday, March 2, 2019 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Or

Our Lady of Grace, Babylon Thursday, March 28, 2019 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Ministry of Consolation Course Offering Level I

Maria Regina, Seaford March 5, 12, 19, and 26, 2019 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Baptism Preparation Facilitator Training Level I

Ss. Cyril and Methodius, Deer Park

March 5, 12, 19, and 26, 2019 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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Nuestra Sra, de la Gracia West Babylon 16 de marzo de 2019 10:30 a.m. a 12:30 p.m.

Training Of Volunteers In The Ministry To The Sick

St. Patrick's Parish, Bay Shore Wed, March 6, 13, 20, 27, 2019 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Our Lady of Consolation Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, West Islip Saturday April 6, 2019 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Or

St. Patrick's Parish, Bay Shore Sat, March 16 and 23, 2019 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Our Lady of Consolation Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, West Islio

Saturday April 6, 2019 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Retreat Day for the Elect of 2019

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington March 31, 2019 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Bereavement Conference 2019

St. Patrick Parish, Huntington March 30, 2019 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



For more information or to register online, please visit www.drvc-faith.org

Upcoming Workshops April/ May 2019

RICA NIVEL II

Sen José, Babylon 6 y 27 de abril de 2019 9:30 a.m. a 1:30 p.m.

RCIA Level III

St. Joseph, Babylon April 11, 25, May 2 and 9, 2019 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Dia de enriquecimiento para Equipos de RICA

Seminario de la Inmaculada Concepción, Huntington 19 de mayo de 2019 2:00 pm a 7:00 pm

Bereavement Facilitator Training Level I

St. Bernard, Levittown Tuesdays, April 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2019 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Ministry of Accompaniment

Mercy Hospital, Rockville Centre April 24, May 1, 8, 15 and 22, 2019 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

RCIA Enrichment Day

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington Sun, May 19, 2019 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Catechist Training Level 2: Religious Education

St. James, Setauket May 22, 29, June 5, 12, and 19, 2019 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Ministry of Consolation Annual Afternoon of Prayer & Enrichment

St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays

May 9, 2019 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

St. Raphael, East Meadow

May 13, 2019 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.



For more information or to register online, please visit www.drvc-faith.org I would like to announce that we will be offering two general bereavement groups this spring, and our ongoing groups for bereaved parents and survivors of suicide will be resuming as well. There is a one-time registration fee of \$20 for all groups. Interested individuals need to register by contacting the parish directly. Sister Christine Sammons is the contact person at St. Bernard's, \$16-731-6074 and Maria Piniero is the contact person at St. Brigid, \$16-334-0021. Registration forms will be mailed home. Visit my website: www.empoweringthebereaved.com for latest updates on groups.

General Bereavement Groups (meet weekly)

St. Bernard's Parish St. Brigid's Parish	Thursdays Wednesdays	April 4 - June 6 April 3- June 5	7:00 PM to 8:15 PM 7:00 PM to 8:15 PM
	Group for Be	reaved Parents (meets 1st	and 3 rd Monday of the month)
St Bernard's Parish	Mondays	March 18 - ongoing	7:00 PM to 8:15 PM
	Group for Sur	vivors of Suicide (meets 2	and 4th Monday of the month)
St. Bernard's Parish	Mondays	March 25 - ongoing	7:00 PM to 8:15 PM

Additionally, for anyone seeking training to become a support group facilitator, I will be conducting a 10-hour training program for the Diocese of Rockville Centre in April. Days, hours, and location are yet to be determined. Check their website, www.drvc-faith.org for updates.

Those who have questions about the groups can contact me via email at lousab@aol.com or call me at 516-799-5873. Thank you.



Join Tomorrow's Hope Foundation and Long Island Catholic Elementary schools for the 4th Annual 5K & Fun Run for Tomorrow's Hope Foundation

Saturday, March 30, 2019

8:30 AM Fun Run Start | 9:00 AM 5K Start

450 Franklin Avenue & Fourth Street, Garden City

Hosted by St. Joseph School

Visit https://www.tomorrowshopefoundation.org/events to sign up, learn about sponsorship opportunities, registration and more!

The mission of the Tomorrow's Hope Foundation is to ensure the excellence as well as the continuance of Catholic Schools on Long Island by increasing awareness and by providing scholarship and program funding for the needs of students and schools. The Tomorrow's Hope Foundation gives hundreds of children each year the opportunity to attend Catholic elementary school.



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Contact Fr. Mickey: 631-323-1323 or

Angelica: I-800-CATHOLIC ext. 250

www.regina-tours.com or email: avillegas@groupist.com

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Pantry Needs: Rice, Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce, Cereal, Coffee, Tea, Juice, Canned Fruits, Sugar, Black Beans, Tuna, Snacks, Dish & Laundry Detergent, Paper Towels, Paper

Napkins, Tissues, Women's & Men's Deodorant, Bar Soap, Toothbrushes & Toothpaste.

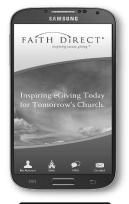
Just a friendly reminder to please be aware of food expiration dates. Thank you! Pantry hours are every Friday from 8:30am-9:30am in the lower Church.

Weekend Music Ministry Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm Organist & Cantor[s]
Sunday 7:30 am Instrumental Meditation
9:30 am Family Mass Musicians
11:30 am Adult Choir

If you are an adult [college-age or older], & are contemplating joining the choir, call the church office at (516)628-1113 & you will be put in touch with the choir director & music ministry.

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For the May 4th Exam

Course will be held on the following Saturdays: March 9, 16, 23, 30 and April 6, and 13

9:00 to 11:30 a.m. in Marian Hall Course Fee: \$250.00 (includes textbook)

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To register please complete the form below and return it with a check payable to:

> St. Dominic High School 110 Anstice Street Oyster Bay, New York 11771 Attention: Mrs. Stutzmann

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If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Stutzmann at (516) 922-4888 ext. 5241

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Dance Classes for Children with Physical and Medical Challenges

Dancing Dreams, a nonprofit dance program for children with physical and medical challenges, is currently accepting students for September enrollment at our new Glen Head location.

Glen Head classes will be held on Monday afternoons at 4:00pm and 4:45pm at Glenwood Landing American Legion located at 190 Glen Head Road Glen Head, NY 11545.

Classes are taught by physical therapists, and each child is paired with a 1:1 Helper, a high school student volunteer.

Participants are exposed to various genres of dance including ballet, tap, and hip-hop. A full-scale onstage performance culminates each year.

The suggested tuition is \$375. However, scholarships are available, and no child is turned away due to an inability to pay.

To enroll, call 516.659.8704 or email laura@dancingdreams.org.

More information about Dancing Dreams can be found at www.dancingdreams.org.



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Wednesday Evening

St. Catherine of Sienna, Franklin SquareThursday EveningOur Holy Redeemer, FreeportSaturday MorningSt. Martha, UniondaleTuesday EveningSt. Martin of Tours, AmityvilleTuesday EveningSS. Cyril and Methodius, Deer ParkSaturday Morning

St. Hugh of Lincoln, Huntington Station Saturday Morning Spanish

St. William the Abbot, Seaford Tuesday Morning

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, Bridgehampton Tuesday Evening Spanish

St. Rosalie, Hampton BaysTuesday EveningSt. Margaret of Scotland, SeldenWednesday EveningSacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, SouthhamptonThursday Morning

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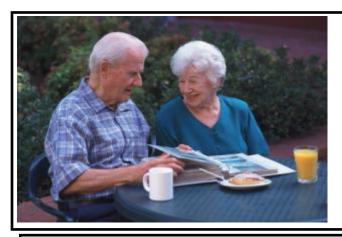
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