

# 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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### 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).*

MOUNT TABOR GALILEE

From the cloud came a voice that said,  
"This is my beloved Son,  
with whom I am well pleased;  
listen to him."  
MATTHEW 17:5

MARCH 8 2020

second Sunday  
OF LENT

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Remembering. . .

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| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>March 8</b>  |
| 7:30am           | For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude  |
| 9:30am           | Jeremy Kempton +  |
| 11:30am          | Dominick Malusa +   |
| <b>MONDAY</b>    | <b>March 9</b>  |
| 8:30am           | Lawrence McMahon +  |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>   | <b>March 10</b>   |
| 8:30am           | Pat Meringolo +   |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | <b>March 11</b>   |
| 8:30am           | Edward Burgie +   |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | <b>March 12</b>   |
| 8:30am           | Anthony Danielo +   |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | <b>March 13</b>   |
| 8:30am           | Manuela Sabin +   |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | <b>March 14</b>   |
| 8:30am           | Nita DeCesare +   |
| 5:00pm           | Anthony Daniele +<br>Vincent Furnari +<br>Palmaro, Sabin & Sobrino families +<br>Angela Chimienti + |

**TODAY'S READINGS**

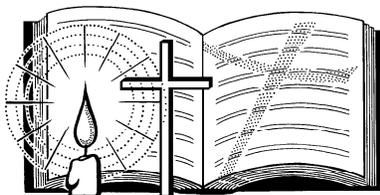
**First Reading** – The LORD said to Abram: All the families of the earth shall find blessing in you (Genesis 12:1-4a)

**Psalms** – Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

**Second Reading** – God has called us to a holy life, not because of our works but according to grace (2 Timothy 1:8b-10).

**Gospel** – Atop a high mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John (Matthew 17:1-9).

**Second Sunday of Lent**



**March 8, 2020**

Christ Jesus . . . destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

– 2 Timothy 1:10b

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**Listen to Him: Reflection on the Second Sunday of Lent:**

Today’s Gospel portrays Jesus as a new and greater Moses.

Moses also took three companions up a mountain and on the seventh day was overshadowed by the shining cloud of God’s presence. He too spoke with God and his face and clothing were made radiant in the encounter (see Exodus 24, 34).

But in today’s Lenten liturgy, the Church wants us to look back past Moses. Indeed, we are asked to contemplate what today’s Epistle calls God’s “design . . . from before time began.”

With His promises to Abram in today’s First Reading, God formed the people through whom He would reveal Himself and bestow His blessings on all humanity.

He later elevated these promises to eternal covenants and changed Abram’s name to Abraham, promising that he would be father of a host of nations (see Genesis 17:5). In remembrance of His covenant with Abraham He raised up Moses (see Exodus 2:24; 3:8), and later swore an everlasting kingdom to David’s sons (see Jeremiah 33:26).

In Jesus’ transfiguration today, He is revealed as the One through whom God fulfills His divine plan from of old.

Not only a new Moses, Jesus is also the “beloved son” promised to Abraham and again to David (see Genesis 22:15-18; Psalm 2:7; Matthew 1:1).

Moses foretold a prophet like him to whom Israel would listen (see Deuteronomy 18:15, 18) and Isaiah foretold an anointed servant in whom God would be well-pleased (see Isaiah 42:1). Jesus is this prophet and this servant, as the Voice on the mountain tells us today.

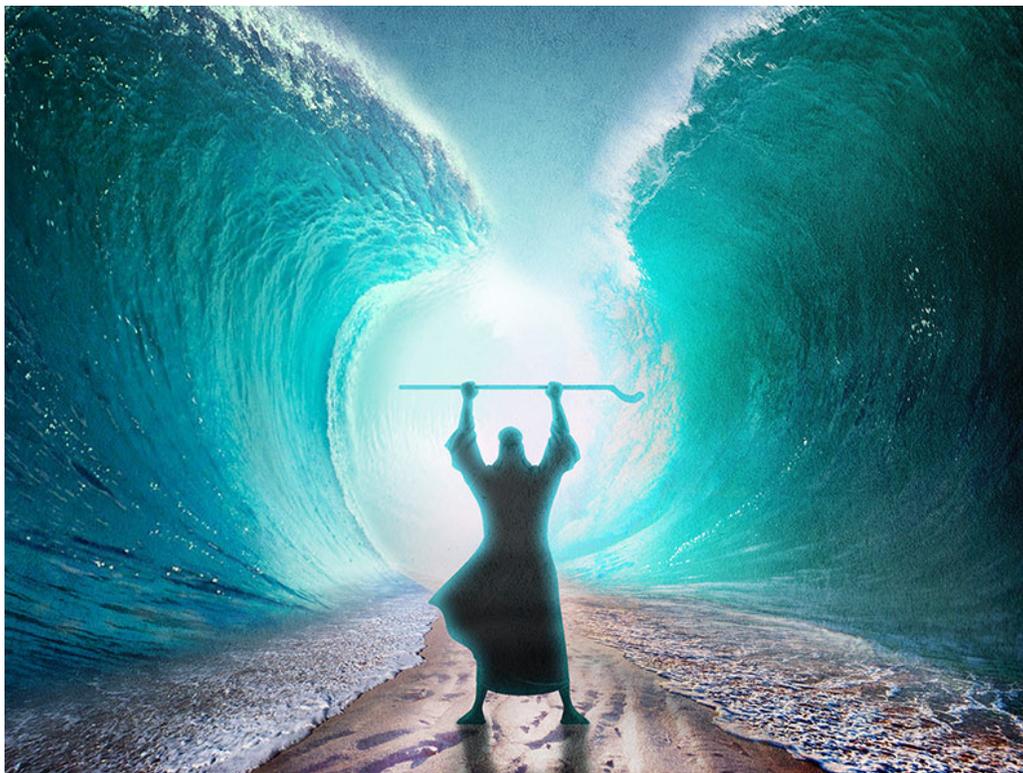
By faith we have been made children of the covenant with Abraham (see Galatians 3:7-9; Acts 3:25). He calls us, too, to a holy life, to follow His Son to the heavenly homeland He has promised. We know, as we sing in today’s Psalm, that we who hope in Him will be delivered from death.

So like our father in faith, we go forth as the Lord directs us: “Listen to Him!”

By Dr. Scott Hahn

# UNDERSTANDING EXODUS

A reflective in-depth conversation looking at the central events of the Old Testament.



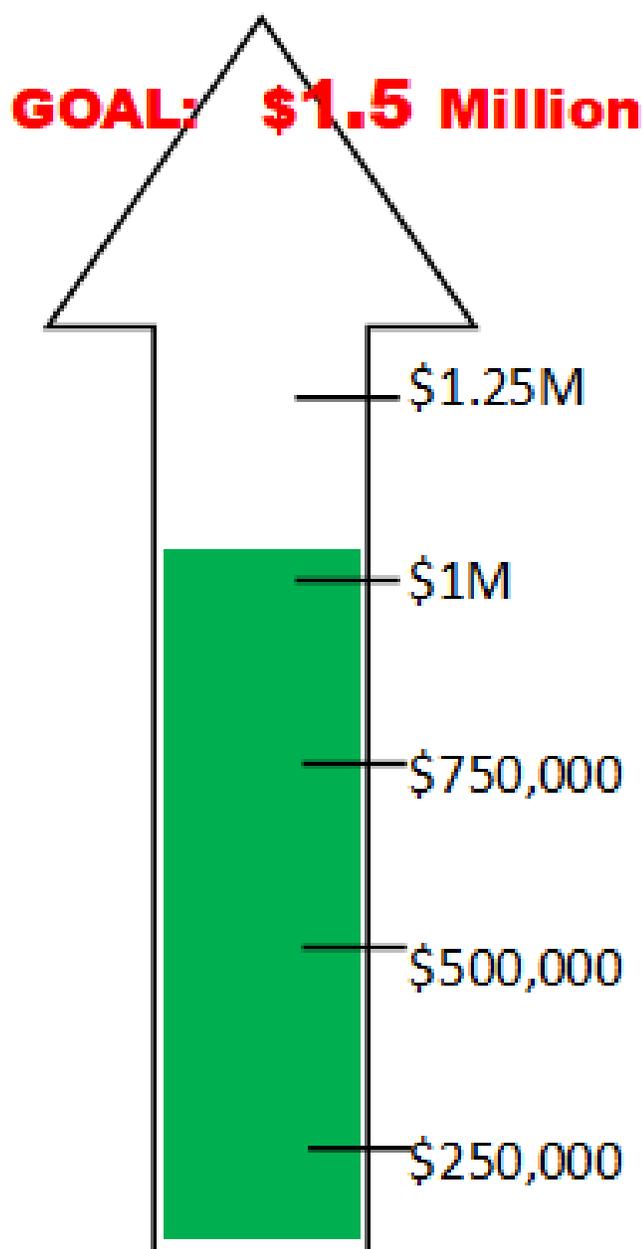
1. Understanding the social predicament of the Jewish people in slavery.
2. Understanding Moses initiation, acceptance and mission.
3. A line by line read of the dialogue between Moses, Aaron and Pharaoh.
4. What specifically was asked for and why Pharaoh responded that way.
5. Understanding Egyptian mythology and how the plagues were insults to the main Egyptian gods.
6. Significance of the Passover meal. Why the lamb and why the outdoor lintels and doorposts.
7. The Golden Calf episode.
8. What meaning does Exodus and Passover have with the reality of Salvation in Christ?

**MONDAYS, March 16, 23 and 30 in the rectory Chapel at 7 PM**

Please call the rectory to reserve your spot today.

# 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"*

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| 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 | PFC Matthew A. Passero   |

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!*

Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>



## Parish Financial Summary

Sunday collections (including Faith Direct):

March 1, 2020: \$ 7,806.00



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

## Faith Direct

During Lent, we prepare ourselves through prayer and giving back to our parish. But, with busy lives and active families, it's easy to skip a weekly tith when you are unable to attend Mass or are out of town.

This Lent, I want to invite you in joining me and many others at St. Gertrude in setting up recurring eGiving though Faith Direct. Thanks to eGiving, your weekly offertory will be automatically taken care of, which saves you time and saves our parish money by eliminating all those unused offertory envelopes.

Getting started is easy! Visit [faith.direct/NY83](http://faith.direct/NY83), or text the word ENROLL to (Text-to-Give Phone Number).

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.



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.**

**CHANGE**

Lent is all about change and change is usually not easy. In order to change we have to leave something behind. Today we hear about a very old man who decides to answer God's call. Abram experiences a tremendous amount of change when he leaves everything behind, risking it all for God's promise. Jesus changes, is transfigured, right before the eyes of his disciples. The Lenten scriptures issue the call for us to change, to be transfigured, so that we, too, will soon share in the glory of God. What is it that the Lord is asking us to leave behind? Are we willing to take the risk for the promise made by God? These questions are at the heart of the Lenten journey of conversion.

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Stations of the Cross

Friday nights

7:30pm

in our Church during Lent



Second Semester Honor Roll  
Our Lady of Mercy Academy

Meghan Murray -First Honor  
Mollie Murray -Principals List

**New Pastoral Letter. The Great Week - A Pilgrimage with the Lord in Holy Week.**

Bishop John Barres has written a pastoral letter about Holy Week: The Great Week - A Pilgrimage with the Lord in Holy Week. This Lent, Bishop Barres invites you to join him in making a pilgrimage in the footsteps of the Lord during the last week of His life by attending all the liturgies that take place in your local parish during Holy Week, the final week of Lent just prior to Easter. This pastoral letter will provide you an overview and explanation of the 'places' you will visit, the things you will see and the people you will meet on your spiritual journey. To read the letter, visit [www.thegreatweek.com](http://www.thegreatweek.com). The pastoral letter will also be included in the March edition of *The Long Island Catholic Magazine*. Printed copies will be available later this month. To subscribe to *The Long Island Catholic Magazine* visit [www.licatholic.org/subscribe/](http://www.licatholic.org/subscribe/).



**Preschool:** As we started the month of March, some classes started to prepare for Dr. Seuss' birthday and some for St. Patrick's Day. Miss Carmela's two year old class made shamrocks and pots of gold. Miss Meredith's three year old class made green eggs and ham and a Q is for quack, as they worked on the letter Q this week. Miss Michelle's threes made Cat In The Hat hats and serpents, since they worked on the letter S. Miss Ashley's four year old class made Cat In The Hat masks and lions for the famous March saying, they studied the letter R. Miss Janice's fours made leprechauns and kites, they studied the letter R.

The countdown to our major fundraiser of the school year has begun, since it will take place on March 19<sup>th</sup>. The office has admittance tickets and 50/50 raffle tickets, please support it and call our office at 628-3710 for more information.

**Come check us out – Handicapped Encounter Christ Ministry**

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 each spring. We are always looking for participants to join this ministry - those that are disabled and those who are not - so that together we are one community learning from each other, enjoying the company of one another and establishing many beautiful friendships together as we all get to know our Lord.

**We are having HEC #36 planning meetings on the following dates:**

Thursday, March 19 @ 7:00 pm at St. Kilian’s Church, 485 Conklin Street, Farmingdale  
Monday, April 13 @ 7:00 pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 29 Clay Pitts Road, Greenlawn  
All are welcome!

All are welcome. Please join us. Any questions, please call Diana @ 631-806-6213.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

"Rise, and do not be afraid." Let us not be afraid to live out our Sacrament of Marriage to the fullest. Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Jun 26-28, 2020 in Huntington, NY and Nov 6-8, 2020 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at 877-697-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmenyli.org/>.

Catholic Daughters, Court Sacred Heart #370.

If you would like to learn more about the greatest and largest organization of women in the world, we invite you to come to one of our meetings.

The next meeting is Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in the Silveri Center at St. Dominic Church.

All are welcome. Looking forward to seeing you!



Maria Regina DHS Class of 1970  
50<sup>th</sup> Reunion October 3, 2020  
For more information email  
MRDHS70@gmail.com

Did you know that Catholic Health Services offers exclusive clinical trials to cancer patients on Long Island? Read more about the new partnership with the Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center and how it could benefit you: [CHSCancer.org](http://CHSCancer.org)

**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)

**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 March 17th 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 516-889-5790

**DATE:** March 3, 2020

**RE:** Bishop-elect Luis Miguel Romero

**FROM:** Most Reverend John O. Barres, Bishop of Rockville Centre

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With deep joy I am pleased to share with you the announcement made this morning in the Vatican that His Holiness Pope Francis has given the Diocese of Rockville Centre a new auxiliary bishop. Please join me in prayerfully congratulating Idente Missionary Father Luis Miguel Romero as the new Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

We will celebrate the centenary of Saint John Paul II's birth on May 18, 2020. In his Apostolic Exhortation on the role of the bishop in the Church entitled *Pastores Gregis* (2003), he writes: "The pastoral ministry received in episcopal consecration, which sets the bishop 'before' the other faithful, finds expression in his 'being for' the other members of the faithful while not detracting from his 'being with' them." I cannot think of a better description of Bishop-elect Romero's pastoral charity and leadership, and his humble and joyful missionary spirit. It will be a joy to ordain him a Bishop.

With a humble spirit, Bishop-elect Romero is a true intellectual with the 'smell of the sheep'. He is a global churchman who lives the Idente missionary charism in an inspirational way. Bishop-elect Romero has an exceptional capacity, with his extensive academic background in religion and science, to address how the truths of the Catholic faith in regard to the Gospel of Life, Catholic Social Justice teaching and the Church's advocacy in history of ethical scientific development need to be brought directly and compellingly into the public square.

Bishop-elect Romero's pastoral artistry and evangelizing leadership as pastor of the Parish of Our Lady of Loretto in Hempstead will translate well in his new role of assisting me and my brother bishops in the pastoral care of the diocese, tending to the pastoral and spiritual needs of a diverse population of more than 1.4 million Catholics. He will continue to serve as the recently appointed Vicar for Hispanic Ministry and Evangelization.

On the parish level, Bishop-elect Romero has embraced the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' National Encuentro process. His hands-on Encuentro experience can serve as an example to many of the 133 parishes in the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

I wish to express my deepest thanks to the Holy Father for this appointment to help pastor this, the eighth largest diocese in the nation.

# 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!

*Regina  
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**Contact Fr. Mickey: 631-323-1323  
or Regina Tours  
212-594-8787 ext. 225**

[www.regina-tours.com](http://www.regina-tours.com) or email: [gmurasso@groupist.com](mailto:gmurasso@groupist.com)

Pilgrimage; Medjugorje

July 29 - Aug 7, 2020

Youth Festival - All Ages welcome

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Fr. Peter Kaczmarek, Pastor

St. Francis of Assisi Greenlawn NY 11740

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Fr. Peter 1-631-757-7435

Call for a free brochure -206tours

(1-800-206-Tours)

*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*

## Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre

All are welcome to join us on Saturday, March 21, 2020, from 6:30 PM to 10:00 PM, as the Kellenberg Alumni Parents Association (KAPA) presents "The Mild, Mild West" at Kellenberg Memorial High School (1400 Glenn Curtiss Blvd., Uniondale). Tap into your inner sleuth as we gather clues and use them to deduce the identity and motive of the "murderer." A special thank you to the Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre Chairpeople Brad & Maureen Kass! In addition to the fully immersive show, the evening will feature beer/wine and dinner, followed by dessert, coffee, and tea. The cost for the evening is \$30. There will be a prize for the winning table. Additional clues may be purchased during the evening with cash only. All tables are reserved and can hold 6-8 people. You may list with whom you wish to be seated within the reservation form. Sorry, no walk-ins for this event. Please visit [www.kellenberg.org/kapa-murder-mystery-dinner-theatre](http://www.kellenberg.org/kapa-murder-mystery-dinner-theatre) to register no later than Monday, March 16th. Questions may be directed to Director of Advancement Mrs. Denise Miles at [MrsMiles@kellenberg.org](mailto:MrsMiles@kellenberg.org) or (516) 292-0200 ext. 245.



You are invited to join a 10-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land led by Rev. Michael Bissel!

**Diocese of Rockville Centre  
Young Adult Ministry**



Nazareth • Cana • Sea of Galilee • Jerusalem • Bethlehem • Ein Karem

*In the Footsteps of Jesus*  
February 13–22, 2021



For more information or to sign up online, visit [petersway.com/9732.html](http://petersway.com/9732.html)



# LECTURE SERIES

COME MEET PAUL MONTENERO SPEAKING ON:  
**Who is Being Called in Caravaggio's,  
"The Calling of Saint Matthew"**



Michelangelo Merisi da Caravaggio (known simply as Caravaggio), was one of the main artists who pioneered the new style in Italian art known as Baroque. In Rome, in the Costarelli Chapel of the Church of St. Louis of the French, you will see what many consider his finest painting: "The Calling of Saint Matthew." The scene brings the moment where Jesus called Matthew to follow him to a sudden standstill. In this frozen scene, Caravaggio illuminates numerous messages about being called and the one calling us. Many who have discerned a call to serve God, pray in front of an image of this masterpiece (including our presenter!). Like the chiaroscuro style he mastered so well, Caravaggio's life was a struggle between his immoral deeds and the deeply spiritual works he created.



## PAUL MONTENERO'S BIO

Paul Montenero has produced and delivered many different Catholic themed art presentations to several parishes and organizations. He has used art to bring many closer to God by deepening the experience of prayer in topics such as: the Stations of the

Cross, the theology of the Crucifixion, and the history and mystery of the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The art of Caravaggio has been a favorite of Paul's, and he has studied this particular piece extensively. Paul is nearing the completion of his MA in Theology at the Immaculate Conception Seminary, where he has incorporated art into many of his term papers and essays. Paul is the editor of *The MISTNET* newsletter for his Knights of Columbus Council, which has won the top award for Suffolk County multiple times, and he is a regular contributor to his parish bulletin. As a computer consultant and teacher, he is an expert on the use of programs such as PowerPoint, which he employs to enliven his art presentations.

**Sunday, March 29, 2020  
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

in the Library at the  
**Seminary of the Immaculate Conception\***  
440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY

For directions or other information,  
call 631-423-0483 ext. 141 or email us at:  
[libraryweb@icseminary.edu](mailto:libraryweb@icseminary.edu)

\* The Seminary is 3 miles North of Main Street in Huntington village.  
Library is on the 4th floor.

**REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED!**

15 - 3/29/2020

Have you ever wondered  
about how foster care  
works?



Have you ever wondered  
what it takes to become a  
foster parent?



Perhaps you've wondered  
if fostering children would  
be right for you?

**It's not just the child's life that changes!**  
Fostering & Adopting Suffolk's Kids, Tweens, and Teens



**Suffolk County Department of Social Services**

If you would like to learn more about Foster Care in Suffolk County,

## **You're invited to join us for a Complimentary Dinner**

and

## **Informational Presentation**

**that will discuss various aspects of fostering  
and adopting children.**

♥ Tuesday, March 24, 2020

6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Timber Point Country Club

398 Great River Road

Great River, NY 11739

♥ Wednesday, March 25, 2020

6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Watermill Caterers

711 Smithtown Bypass

Smithtown, NY 11781

♥ Thursday, March 26, 2020

6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Giorgio's Caterers

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Baiting Hollow, NY 11933

*Door  
Prizes will  
be given  
away at  
each  
event!*

**Reservations  
are  
Required  
Please call  
631-854-9200**



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You're Invited to An...



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*Matthew O'Brien*  
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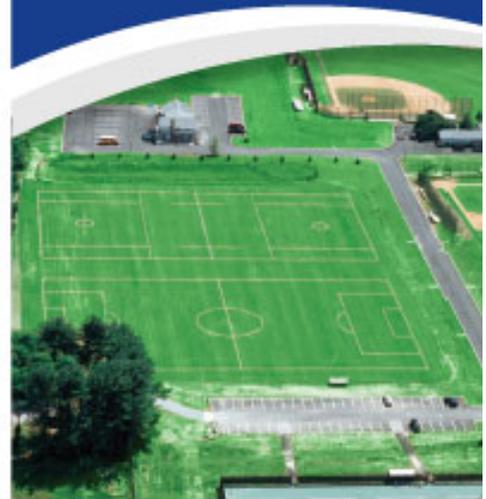


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**When:** Sunday, March 8  
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**Reservations required:** (516) 624-2411 or at [Opentable.com](https://www.opentable.com)



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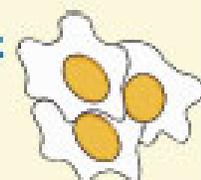
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# Liturgical

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Tuesdays this Spring @ 7:30 p.m.

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12 Life's Struggles  
19 Unity  
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2 Forgiveness  
9 Relationships  
16 Leadership  
23 Sacrifice

**March**

1 Renewal  
8 Commitment  
15 Traditions  
22 Coping  
29 Spirituality

**April**

5 Poverty  
12 Triumph  
19 Issues in Life  
26 Community

**May**

3 Outdoor Experience  
10 Parents  
17 Prayer  
24 Remembering  
31 Boredom/Routines

**June**

7 Graduation  
14 Relaxation  
21 Being Joyful  
28 Special Days

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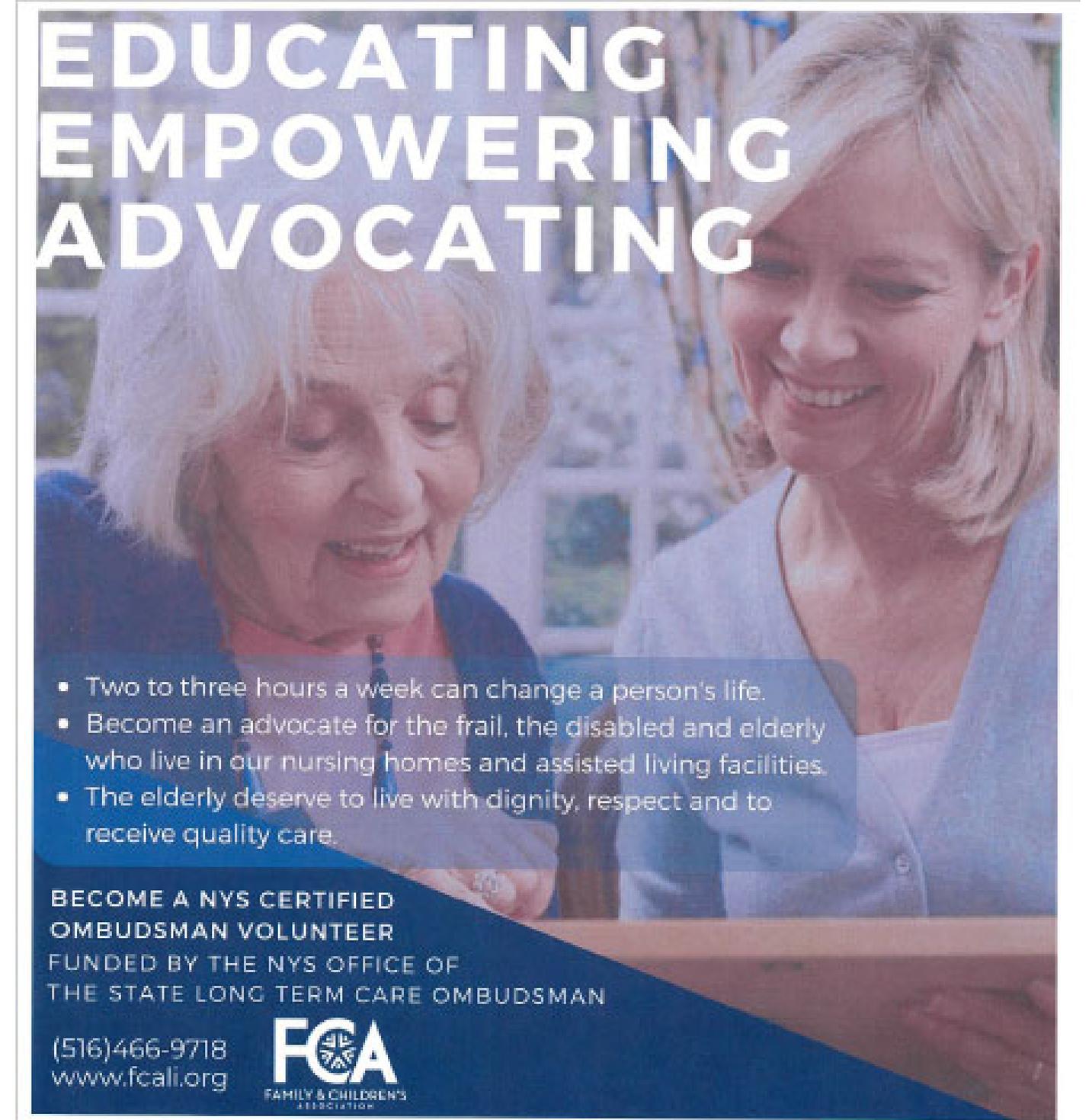
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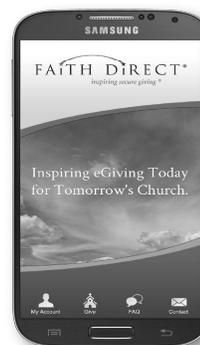
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