

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. GERTRUDE

28 School Street, Bayville, N.Y. 11709

CLERGY OF THE PARISH

Rev. Msgr. Robert O. Morrissey, Pastor
Rev. Gabriel Miah, Assoc. Pastor
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

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

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

Reconciliation/Confession:

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

SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick: Available upon request.
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:

St. Gertrude: Friday 8:30am-9:30am

United Methodist: Every other Sat. 9:00am-12:00pm



St. Vincent de Paul (516) 584-4090
Furniture: 516-746-8250.

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

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PARISH CENTER

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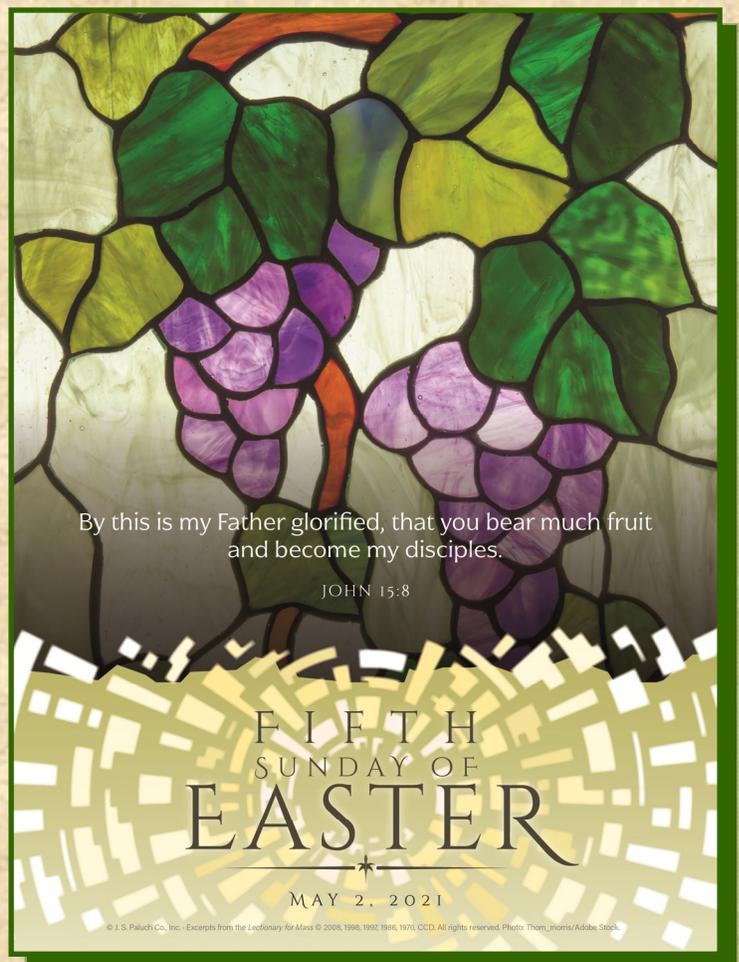
Tina Mihaltses, Director, Phone: (516) 628-3710

Email: stgertprek@stgerts.org

Religious Education:

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

Email: faithformation@stgerts.org



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

Remembering. . .

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| SUNDAY | May 2 |
| 7:30am | Rosary Guild, living & deceased members |
| 9:30am | Mario Dammacco + |
| 11:30am | Philip Altadonna + |
| MONDAY | May 3 |
| 8:30am | Joseph Dioguardi, Jr. + |
| TUESDAY | May 4 |
| 8:30am | Doris & Vincent Tramontano + |
| WEDNESDAY | May 5 |
| 8:30am | Mario Dammacco + Vito Lepore + 1SG Martin J. Wenzel + SGT Philip Byrne + |
| THURSDAY | May 6 |
| 8:30am | Nita DeCesare + |
| FRIDAY | May 7 |
| 8:30am | Lucile & Marcel Palmaro + Sabin & Sobrino families + |
| SATURDAY | May 8 |
| 8:30am | R. Arzeno (L) |
| 5:00pm | For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude |

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading – Barnabas reported to the apostles how Saul had seen the Lord on the way (Acts 9:26-31).

Psalm – I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people (Psalm 22).

Second Reading – This is God's commandment: that we may believe and love (1 John 3:18-24).

Gospel – I am the true vine; whoever remains in me will bear much fruit (John 15:1-8).

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Presider's Schedule: (subject to change)

Saturday, May 8th: 5:00pm—Fr. Gabriel

Sunday, May 9th: 7:30am—Msgr. Morrissey

9:30am—Fr. Gabriel

11:30am—Msgr. Morrissey

Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 2, 2021

Let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.

— 1 John 3:18

On the Vine: Reflection on the Fifth Sunday of Easter.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that He is the true vine that God intended Israel to be—the source of divine life and wisdom for the nations (see [Sirach 24:17-24](#)).

In Baptism, each of us was joined to Him by the Holy Spirit. As a branch grows from a tree, our souls are to draw life from Him, nourished by His word and the Eucharist.

Paul in today's First Reading seeks to be grafted onto the visible expression of Christ the true vine—His Church. Once the chief persecutor of the Church, Paul encounters initial resistance and suspicion. But he is known by his fruits, by his powerful witness to the Lord working in his life (see [Matthew 7:16-20](#)).

We too are commanded today to bear good fruits as His disciples so that our lives give glory to God. Like Paul's life, our lives must bear witness to His goodness.

Jesus cautions us, however, that if we're bearing fruit, we can expect that God will "prune" us—as a gardener trims and cuts back a plant so that it will grow stronger and bear even more fruit. He is teaching us today how to look at our sufferings and trials with the eyes of faith. We need to see our struggles as pruning, by which we are being disciplined and trained so that we can grow in holiness and bear fruits of righteousness (see [Hebrews 12:4-11](#)).

We need to always remain rooted in Him, as today's Epistle tells us. We remain in Him by keeping His commandment of love, by pondering His words, letting them dwell richly in us (see [Colossians 3:16](#)), and by always seeking to do what pleases Him. In everything we must be guided by humility, remembering that apart from Him we can do nothing.

As we sing in today's Psalm, we must fulfill our vows, turning to the Lord in worship, proclaiming his praises, until all families come to know His justice in their lives.

By Dr. Scott Hahn

SMALL TASKS

Each small task of everyday life is part of the total harmony of the universe.

—St. Thérèse of Lisieux



Margaret Hesse, Katheryn Hesse, Beth Germano, Deacon Theodore Kolakowski, Tom Kolakowki, Rose Iorio

Please call the Parish office to add a person to our prayer list. Names will remain for 6 weeks. Please also 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 | PO3 Gregory Steiner | LT Alexander Van Patten USAF |
| Major Nicholas Lorusso | Sgt. 5 Jose Marin | Airman Bryan Mollitor |
| Pfc. Duncan Moskowitz | Major James Nicholson | LT Col. Sean Patak |
| PFC Matthew A. Passero | LTJG William P. Hegarty | Sfc. Sean P. Schenck |
| Hosp. Medic Matthew D. Perez | LT Sean Riordan | Cpl. Jason Roland |
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| ENS Patrick Hesse USN | 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 | | |

If you would like to inform us of any family member or friend who has been called to active service or for a name to be removed, please call our Parish office. We cannot update this list without your help.



St. Gertrude Parish Pantry Needs:

Cereal, 1-2 lb. bags of white rice, black beans, jar pasta sauce, spaghetti, peanut butter and jelly, canned tuna fish, coffee, plastic bottles of juice, paper towels & toilet paper, baby wipes and baby diapers in sizes 2, 4, 5 & 6.

Donations to be placed in back of church under choir loft.

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

NEW: United Methodist Church Outreach. 9 Mountain Ave, Bayville NY 11709.

1-Food Pantry opened every OTHER Saturday 9-12. Next Jan 30, 2021. Cars line up, do NOT get out of car, volunteer will bring food out to your car. 2-Thrift Shop opened EVERY Saturday 10-4. Masks and social distancing observed. In event of inclement weather, please call Ann Albro @ 516-647-5943 for the Methodist Church.

Just a friendly reminder to please be aware of food expiration dates. Thank you!



2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal:
Goal: \$55,000
Pledges to date: \$26,755 (61 pledges)
48.65% of our parish goal.

Parish Financial Summary

Sunday collections (including Faith Direct):

April 25, 2021: \$6,311.50

Second collection, May 1st & 2nd for Catholic Elementary Schools. Half of the money collected in parishes with schools, and parishes that support regional schools, stays with the school, and the other half is sent to the Diocese and is given to Tomorrow's Hope Foundation for scholarships



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



Rose Serra

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

Due to the Diocesan directive, Missalettes have been removed from the pews.

Entrance Hymn: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

1. Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne; Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone; Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood; Jesus out of every nation has redeemed us by his blood.
2. Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now; Alleluia! He is near us, faith believes, nor questions how: Though the cloud from sigh received him, when the forty days were over, shall our hearts forget his promise? "I am with you ever more!"
3. Alleluia! Bread of Angels, here on earth our food, our stay! Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to you from day to day; intercessor, friend of sinners, Earth's redeemer, plead for me, where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

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Offertory Hymn: Ubi Caritas

Refrain: Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. est.

1. We gather together in the love of Christ; let each one be glad in him and rejoice. Our God is alive, the God of love is near; so love one another with a heart sincere.
2. We, the many become one body as the Spirit binds, and we seek to be one in Christ and one in heart and mind. Let all quarrels, all division, all our conflict cease; then will Christ truly dwell among us as our Lord of Peace.

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Communion: One Love Released

Refrain: One bread, one body, one cup, one call, one faith, one Spirit present in us all. One prayer, one blessing, one hope, one peace, one church, one people, one love released.

1. Is not this bread we share, the body of our Lord? Is not this wine we drink, the blood of Christ out-poured?
2. I am the bread of life, eat and you shall live. To those who share this meal, my strength I'll always give.
3. I am the living bread, as mana from the sky. This bread I give to you, that you may never die.

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Recessional Hymn: How Great Thou Art

Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; How great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; How great thou art, how great thou art!

1. O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed;
2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;

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The Rosary Gild will meet on the lawn of the church in front of the statue of the Blessed Mother the evening of May, 3, 2021.

Members should bring a lawn chair.

The Rosary will begin at 6:45pm. Sunset is at 7:50pm.

Please wear a mask.

We also have some business to discuss. COVID has kept us apart too long.

As always, all ladies of the parish are welcome.



Banns of Marriage

Shannon Burke
St. Gertrude, N.Y.
&
Jonathan Francis Fiorino
St. Patrick, N.Y.



Welcome Our Newly Baptized

Jack Hunter Hansen
Josie Jane Hansen
Anthony Walker



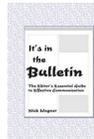
Preschool News: The weather is starting to get warmer as the children are still learning about spring and working on gifts for the special ladies in their lives. Miss Carmela's two year old class made Mother's Day gifts and decorations. Miss Meredith's three year old class made flowers and lady bugs, they worked on the letter X. Miss Michelle's threes made bug rocks and Mother's Day gifts and worked on the letter Z. Miss Janice's four year old class made butterflies and worked on invitations for their Mother's Day brunch, they also studied the letters X, Y, and Z.



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.

Faith Direct contributors will receive a letter directly from Faith Direct.

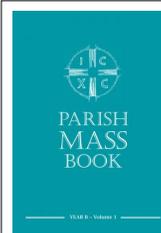


As a reminder, if you are not able to attend Mass one week, you can receive the bulletin directly by signing up at <https://ebulletin.jspaluch.com>

or <https://www.jspaluch.com/Subscribe>.

Alternatively, please call the Parish office at (516)628-1113 to share your email with us and we can place you on the distribution list.

Please take this bulletin with you as you leave the Church. Do NOT leave this bulletin behind for hygienic reasons.



The 2022 Mass book is open! Stop into the parish office to schedule your mass (or you can phone in your request).

Masses can be said for a departed love one, a special intention or in thanksgiving, for a friend who is living & suffering, for a celebration, for prayers that have been answered, for someone you know who can benefit from the spiritual graces that comes with having a Mass said on their behalf.

Masses remain at \$20 each or \$50 for the wine & hosts celebrated for the week. Please wear a mask in our office.

**St. Gertrude
Church Renovation Campaign - Pledge Update**
“Preserve Our Past – Envision our Future”

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| Total Pledged | \$1,109,172 |
| Paid to Date | \$ 871,816 |
| Balance Due | \$ 237,356 |
| % of Pledges Paid | 79% |
| # of Gifts | 288 |
| Average Gift | \$ 3,851 |

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

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

All Pledges & One-time Gifts are welcomed very much appreciated!

Thank you for your prompt pledge payments!

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

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and are seven sessions on weekdays from 7:00pm to 9:30pm. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God’s plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority.

Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call Chuck & Maria Reiss at 631-486-8607 or visit them at <https://wwmenyli.org/>.

"Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me." Learn how your marriage can bear fruit on the next English Worldwide Marriage experience on

Mondays/Thursdays May 3-24

Thursdays/Mondays Jun 3-24

Diocese of Rockville Centre
Healing after Abortion



Project Rachel retreats offer the opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God in a safe and sacred space. The retreats are directed by specially trained compassionate caregivers, including counselors and clergy, who have a sensitivity and a heart for those who suffer.

**“Entering Canaan”
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Saturday, May 15, 2021**

Please register by May 10th

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or contact Project Rachel at 1(888) 456-HOPE (4673), 1(516) 766-2538 or
projectrachel@drvc.org All information will remain confidential.

Faith Direct

We invite you at St. Gertrude in setting up recurring eGiving through 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. Thank you.

Resources Available

FAMILY, MARRIAGE AND INDIVIDUAL THERAPY

Family, marriage and individual therapy, provided by New York State licensed therapists including therapists who specialize in Depression, Divorce Mediation and Domestic Violence, are available to our parishioners at 147 other parishes. This program, under the direction of Dr. George Giuliani, has been conducted in the diocese for the past 41 years for the convenience of parishioners. It is provided by the Catholic Counseling Center, which is independent of and not controlled or supervised by the parish or diocese. Most insurance policies, including Medicare, are honored. We are currently looking for licensed therapists in Nassau, Suffolk and Queens. For confidential information and appointments, please call Dr. Giuliani at the Catholic Counseling Center at (631) 243-2503 or go to our website at: <http://www.thecatholiccounselingcenter.com>.



“Getting Ahead in a Just-Getting By World”

An Invitation to Serve, in the District Council of Nassau North

We all know how the Society of St. Vincent de Paul regularly provides charitable assistance to neighbors in need. Beginning with the home visit, Vincentians perform numerous good deeds, many of which involve financial assistance (rent & utility bills), immediate needs assistance (food, furniture, etc.) and also counseling.

However, the challenges facing those in poverty are ever more acute today. The “Getting AHEAD” program, offered by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul across the country, is one approach to help these neighbors rise above the “tyranny of the moment” or crisis mode in which they are too often bound. It also answers the questions raised by many Vincentians: “What more can I do for my neighbor beyond the traditional home visit?” and “Is there a structured process I can become involved with that would make a difference?” If you are interested in joining, please email: svdpstgertrudes@gmail.com



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Bishop Andrzej's Lecture Series Continues

Liturgical Catechesis

Bishop Andrzej Zglejszewski
Auxiliary Bishop, Diocese of Rockville Centre
Vicar for Liturgy and Worship

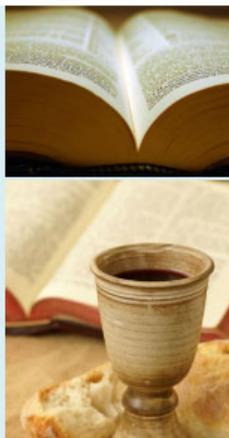


Tuesdays this Spring @ 7:30 p.m.

ONLINE via ZOOM

April 27, 2021 Liturgy and St. John Paul II Reform
May ~~2021~~ Liturgy and Personal Growth
NEW DATE: June 1, 2021

So that Bishop Andrzej can safely continue his Liturgical Catechesis lecture series, the final presentations will be available only through ZOOM. In order to be emailed the ZOOM link, you must register by calling Suzanne at 516-744-6850 or email westernvicariate@drvc.org. If you already receive updates regarding Bishop Andrzej's presentation schedule, the ZOOM link will automatically be emailed to you. Thank you for your interest.



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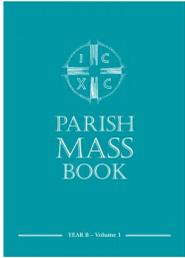
Who: For parents of early-childhood students through rising 8th graders.

When: Choose a time that is most convenient for your family.

How: Save your spot with just a few clicks! You'll receive a confirmation email with a calendar reminder.

Register

We also offer [One-on-One virtual meetings](#) with our principal and [private school tours](#). Questions? Call (516) 921-7767



MASS INTENTIONS

One part of Catholic culture that is sometimes hard to understand and very often misunderstood is the custom of offering Mass intentions. When a priest celebrates Mass each day, he *offers* each celebration of the Eucharist for a particular person, or

intention. By doing so he applies special graces from God upon that person or intention.

Please consider offering a Mass. Masses can be said for a departed love one, a special intention or in thanksgiving, for a friend who is living & suffering, for a celebration, for prayers that have been answered, for someone you know who can benefit from the spiritual graces that comes with having a Mass said on their behalf.

If your loved one's date is not available, you can offer the wine & hosts in memory of your loved one for the week which will cover that particular date that you wish to pray for them. We know how important it is to remember your loved one on their day and we are trying to help insure that they are remembered and prayed for if not on their day then at least for the week.

Don't miss out on these graces for yourself and those you love. Please call or stop in the Parish office at (516)628-1113.

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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.

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The Life Enrichment Center at Oyster Bay

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PROGRAMS FOR FRAIL AND MEMORY IMPAIRED SENIORS

What's the best kept secret in Oyster Bay?

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

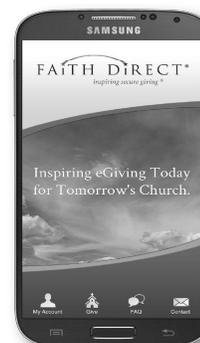
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The *IRA Charitable Rollover* is back and is now permanent!

What's called a rollover is actually a "qualified charitable distribution" that can be made to our Parish.

If...

You are at least 70 1/2 years old on the date you make your gift

Your IRA is a traditional or Roth

You don't exceed your personal maximum of \$100,000 per year in qualified charitable distributions

You will not have to report your distribution as income. It will be free of federal and New York State income tax, and it will count toward your required minimum distribution (RMD).

The best way for you to start is with your IRA custodian. Tell them you want to make a "qualified charitable distribution". In most cases you will only have to fill out a simple form.

VERY IMPORTANT!! Your gift must go directly from your IRA to the Parish. If you receive the money first then you'll be taxed on it like any other distribution.

Example: Mrs. Connors, age 76, has \$125,000 in a traditional IRA and would like to contribute \$5,000 to her Parish in 2016. Upon hearing of the Charitable IRA Rollover opportunity, she directs the custodian of her IRA to transfer this amount not later than December 31, 2016 directly to the Parish as a 2016 gift. She will not be subject to income tax on her \$5,000 qualified charitable distribution.

This information is not intended and should not be construed as legal, tax or investment advice. For such advice, please consult an attorney, tax advisor or investment professional.

Wills and Bequests have the power to impact future generations. It's so easy to include our Parish in your Will and still provide for loved ones. You may be able to make a simple bequest by adding the following language:

"I give and bequeath the sum of \$ _____ (or the % of), to be used for the general program of St. Gertrude Parish, a Catholic Church in the Diocese of Rockville Centre."

Ensure the future vitality of our Parish with your charitable bequest or consider other Estate Planning options, such as designating our Parish as beneficiary of a life insurance policy or an IRA account.

To receive a brochure about Wills and Bequests, please call Barbara Kilarjian at 516-379-5210 ext. 229



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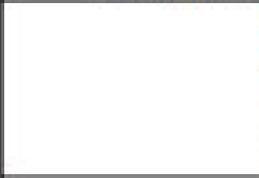
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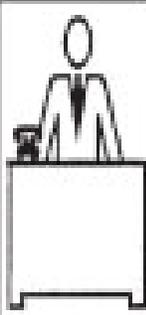
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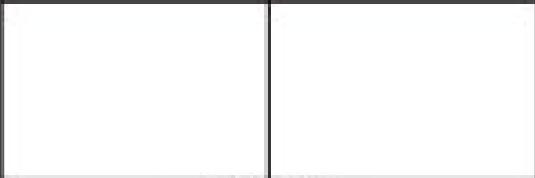
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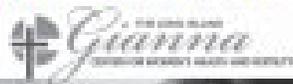
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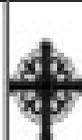
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