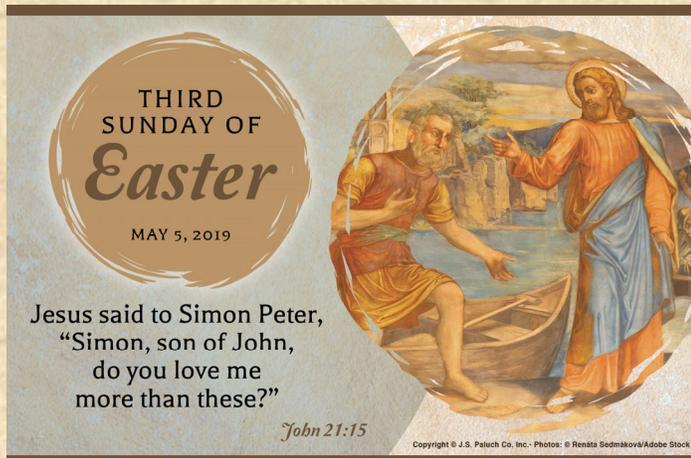


THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. GERTRUDE

28 School Street, Bayville, N.Y. 11709



CLERGY OF THE PARISH

Rev. David Regan, Pastor
Rev. Ed Seagriff, Assoc. Pastor
Rev. Nicholas Revilla, Visiting Priest
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
Monday night: 5:00pm -9:00 pm

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

St. Vincent de Paul (516) 584-4090

Email: svdpstgertrudes@gmail.com

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1. 1425 New York Avenue, Huntington Station
2. 2160 Jericho Twp., Garden City Park
3. 249 Broadway, Bethpage

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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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Email: faithformation@stgerts.org

Remembering. . .

SUNDAY	May 5
7:30am	Rosary Guild, living & deceased members
9:30am	For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude
11:30am	Philip Altadonna +
5:30pm	Robert Navesky +
MONDAY	May 6
8:30am	1 st Sgt. Martin J. Wenzel & Sgt. Philip Byrne +
TUESDAY	May 7
8:30am	Manuela Sabin +
WEDNESDAY	May 8
8:30am	Maura Wallace +
THURSDAY	May 9
8:30am	Ann Kearney +
FRIDAY	May 10
8:30am	Alfio Zappala + Edward Minicozzi, Sr. +
SATURDAY	May 11
8:30am	Palmaro, Sabin & Sobrino families + Nicola & Antonietta Minicozzi; Luigi & Gioconda D'Aniello + Joseph Moschetto +
5:00pm	For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude

Next Week's Presiders Schedule:

Saturday, May 11 th	5:00pm	Fr. Ed
Sunday, May 12 th	7:30am	Fr. Nick
	9:30am	Fr. Regan
	11:30am	Fr. Ed
	5:30pm	Fr. Nick

Please note schedule subject to change

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading – God exalted Jesus as leader and savior (Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41).

Psalm – I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).

Second Reading – To the Lamb be blessing and honor, glory and might (Revelation 5:11-14).

Gospel – When the disciples came ashore, they saw a charcoal fire with fish on it and bread (John 21:1-19 [1-14]).

Fire of Love: Reflection on the Third Sunday of Easter

There are two places in Scripture where the curious detail of a “charcoal fire” is mentioned. One is in today’s Gospel, where the Apostles return from fishing to find bread and fish warming on the fire.

The other is in the scene in the High Priest’s courtyard on Holy Thursday, where Peter and some guards and slaves warm themselves while Jesus is being interrogated inside (see [John 18:18](#)).

At the first fire, Peter denied knowing Jesus three times, as Jesus had predicted (see [John 13:38](#); [18:15-18](#), [25-27](#)).

Today’s charcoal fire becomes the scene of Peter’s repentance, as three times Jesus asks him to make a profession of love. Jesus’ thrice repeated command, “feed My sheep,” shows that Peter is being appointed as the shepherd of the Lord’s entire flock, the head of His Church (see also [Luke 22:32](#)).

Jesus’ question, “Do you love me more than these?” is a pointed reminder of Peter’s pledge to lay down his life for Jesus, even if the other Apostles might weaken (see [John 13:37](#); [Matthew 26:33](#); [Luke 22:33](#)).

Jesus then explains just what Peter’s love and leadership will require, foretelling Peter’s death by crucifixion (“you will stretch out your hands”).

Before His own death, Jesus had warned the Apostles that they would be hated as He was hated, that they would suffer as He suffered (see [Matthew 10:16-19](#), [22](#); [John 15:18-20](#); [16:2](#)).

We see the beginnings of that persecution in today’s First Reading. Flogged as Jesus was, the Apostles nonetheless leave “rejoicing that they have been found worthy to suffer.”

Their joy is based on their faith that God will change their “mourning into dancing,” as we sing in today’s Psalm. By their sufferings, they know, they will be counted worthy to stand in heaven before “the Lamb that was slain,” a scene glimpsed in today’s Second Reading (see also [Revelation 6:9-11](#)).

By Scott Hahn

The sick of our parish:

Gloria Herlihy Maria Merz Jeanne Holden Mary Ryan Dominick Malusa
Joan Zahtila

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 Mary Grace Colluci
2nd LT Glenn Harvey
Major Nicholas Lorusso
Pfc. Duncan Moskowitz
Captain Brian Peguillan
Hosp. Medic Matthew D. Perez
1st. LT Thomas Rojek
M Sgt. Donald J. Tucker
LT Terrance Thorgramson
LT Emily W. Hegarty

LT Melissa Buffa
Major Janet R. Erazo
LT Col. Paul J. LoBue
Sgt. 5 Jose Marin
Major James Nicholson
LTJG William P. Hegarty
LT Sean Riordan
Cpl. Brendan Roethel
Sp. Trevor Tebaldi
2nd LT James Andrew Baker
LT Elizabeth G. Hegarty

Pfc. Mark Chuisano
Cmdr. Cynthia Keating
Sman App. Gregory Steiner
Airman Bryan Mollitor
LT Col. Sean Patak
Sfc. Sean P. Schenck
Cpl. Jason Roland
Spc. Chase Tucker
Sgt. William Trotta, Jr.
Major Chad Lennon
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.



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).*

Welcome Our Newly Baptized



Evelyn Rose Dickerson
Stella Rae Kani
Robert James Lombardi



Catholic Ministries Appeal 2019
Parish Goal: \$52,600
Pledges to date: \$28,785
Percentage of goal: \$54.7% (60 donors)



Sofija Malloy

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

Parish Financial Summary

Sunday collections (including Faith Direct):

April 21, 2019: \$ 32,311.00

April 28, 2019: \$ 7,048.00

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

There will be a Diocese second collection this weekend, May 4th & May 5th for Catholic Elementary Schools.

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!!

St. Gertrude Church Renovation Campaign

“Preserve Our Past . . . Envision Our Future”

Over \$800,000 Pledged!
Thank you – Thank you – Thank you

On behalf of Father Regan and the Campaign Committee we thank you for your support. As of this past week, 167 families have returned their pledge for a total of \$801,887. In the upcoming weeks, every family is encouraged to consider making a generous pledge of support payable over a period of three to four years. **The campaign is being conducted on the basis of equal sacrifice, not equal giving. Not every family can make the same size pledge, but every family can make the same size sacrifice.**

Campaign Continues!!!

If you have not decided on your gift to the campaign, we invite you to make your pledge this weekend at Mass. Pledge envelopes will be available at all Masses. Please review the suggested gift plans in the brochure and continue the success of our campaign by making your gift!

All Pledges & One-Time Donations -- no matter what the amount are welcomed, needed and appreciated!

3 Week Talk on Healing

Mondays: May 6th and May 13th

7:00pm in the Rectory Chapel

Fr. Regan will lead a reflection based on the book “Be Healed”, by Dr. Bob Schutts. Dr. Bob Schutts is the founder of the John Paul II Center for Healing. The JPII Healing Center provides teaching, healing and equipping to bring about transformation in the heart of the Church.

Please call the rectory to reserve your spot!

“Whoever truly wishes to heal man must see him in his wholeness and must know that his ultimate healing can only be God’s love.”

- Pope Benedict XVI

DIAPER DRIVE

Be part of our St. Vincent de Paul's
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Larger sizes are in great demand!

--Please drop off in the back of the church during the month of May--

Thank you for your support!



Our Lady of Mercy Academy
Third Quarter
Meghan Murray—First Honors

Sunday, May 12th
9:30am Mass
Crowning of The
Blessed Mother

Rosary Guild
Annual Plant Sale on
Saturday, May 11th
9:00am—4:00pm



**St. Gertrude
Parish 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.*



The children returned from Easter break, eager to see their friends and happy to be back in class. Since the holiday celebrating the VIPs in their lives is just around the corner, classes started this week preparing for Mother's Day. Miss Carmela's two year old class made Mother's Day gifts and illustrated Mother's Day poems. Miss Meredith's three year old class made process art using paint and string and they made Mother's Day gifts. Miss Michelle's threes started Mother's Day gifts and made process art using paint and marbles to decorate the windows. Miss Gabrielle's four year old class started their five senses unit with a project on the five senses and spring time insects, they also studied the letter W. Miss Janice's fours made Mother's Day gifts and butterflies. The three year old classes went on a field trip to the arboretum to see some of the animals they studied earlier in the year and learn about new ones.

Due to overwhelming demand for space in our two year old class, the preschool has opened a second two year old class in the afternoon running on Tuesday - Thursday from 12:15 - 2:30 in the same room with the same staff as the morning class. The class will be capped at 12, to take a tour or learn more about the class please call the preschool office at 628-3710 or email us at stgerprek@stgerpts.org.

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Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Jesus is the Resurrection and the Light for our Church and within our Marriages. Gift your relationship with a bright light by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekend is Jun 28-30, 2019 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at 877-697-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmenyli.org/>.

THURSDAY, MAY 23 - "Titles of the Blessed Mother" - a talk given by Fr Sullivan at Saint Christopher's in Baldwin. The talk will begin at 7 pm and will be followed by refreshments and fellowship. Please join us as we spread devotion to our Mother!



Saint Dominic High School 2019 Summer Camps

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[Www.hs.stdoms.org](http://www.hs.stdoms.org)

Magnificat, a Ministry to Catholic Women, cordially invites you to attend a Dinner on May 30th at Pompei Restaurant in West Hempstead, NY.

Our guest speaker will be Fr. Douglas Arcoleo, who has been Pastor of Our Holy Redeemer Parish in Freeport since 2008. He is a staunch Pro-Life Advocate and Spiritual Advisor of Magnificat's Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapter.

The dinner is \$50 per person and pre-registration is required. Please make checks payable to "Magnificat" and mail to: Judy Murphy, 42 Pinehurst Street, Lido Beach, NY 11561.

Checks must be received by May 25th. Please note that payment will not be accepted at the door.

For additional information, please contact Judy at (917) 453-5750. Come and bring a friend for an evening of fellowship, refreshment, and worship!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter - Longest Married Couple Project

For the past eight years, Worldwide Marriage Encounter has been hosting a Longest Married Couple Project which has recognized couples from each state and a national winner. Winners are selected solely

from nominations. Nominations for the 9th Annual LMC Project will be accepted until May 15, 2019, and are open to all married husband and wife couples regardless of religious affiliation. Send the couple's name, wedding date, current residence, and a contact phone or email to one of the following: Bryan & Karen Berland 530 S. Academy Guthrie, OK 73044, or bkberland@gmail.com or 405-850-4274 or at wwme.org. Awards for national and state winners will be presented in June, which is National Marriage Month.

Taizé Prayer Around the Cross

Tuesday, May 14, 2019

7:00pm in Church



Join us for a candlelight prayer service to help us reflect on the mystery of the cross and the glory of the resurrection. Consider setting aside 45 minutes to join in this beautiful form of prayer.

**DANCE,
DANCE,
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Please make checks payable to Life Enrichment Center, or purchase online: www.lccob.org

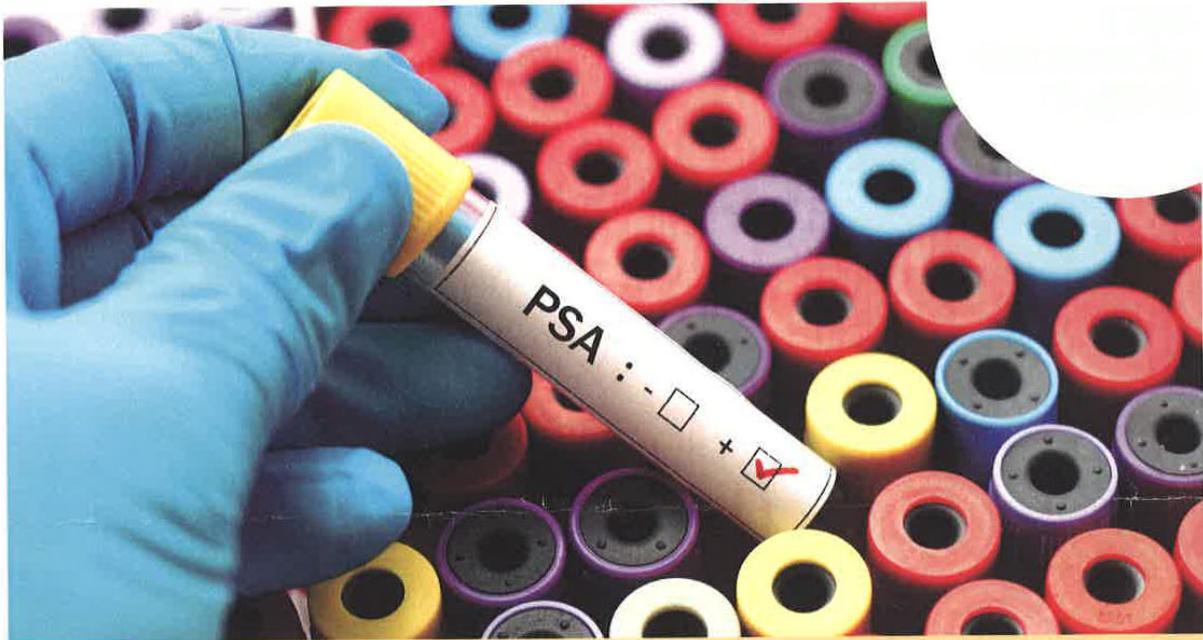
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2019 Catholic Ministries Appeal



Happy Mother's Day! As we join together to celebrate the wonderful Moms in our lives, let's also take time to remember and pray for all the thousands of Moms who worry about how they are going to put food on the table for their children this week.

More than 35% of the 300,000 people on Long Island who receive emergency food each year are children under the age of 18.

Please consider supporting the work of the **Catholic Ministries Appeal** so that we can continue to care for God's children and their families through our Parish Outreach programs and Catholic Charities.

Our hope is that each family will make a gift. We cannot ask everyone to consider the same size gift, but after prayer and reflection, each family is invited to make a gift in response to God's generosity in their lives.

No gift is too small and all gifts make a difference in the lives of others!

For more information visit www.drvc.org/CMA

Make checks payable to:

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Parish _____

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Date: _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Down payment: \$ _____

Signature: _____

or call 516-678-5800- ext. 296 Thank You!

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206Tours 1-800-206-8687

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The 1969 graduating class of Bishop Reilly HS, Fresh Meadows, NY, is holding a 50 year reunion. If you are a member of this class, or know someone who is a member of the class, please contact the committee at ReillyReunion50@gmail.com.



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

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or

Angelica: 1-800-CATHOLIC ext. 250

or email: avillegas@groupist.com

*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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Resources Available

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 Pummled 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>.

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743
ehayes@icseminary.edu, 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.



Upcoming Workshops April/ May 2019

RICA NIVEL II
San José, Babylon
6 y 27 de abril de 2019
9:30 a.m. a 1:30 p.m.

**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.

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

**Día de enriquecimiento para
Equipos de RICA**
Seminario de la Inmaculada
Concepción, Huntington
19 de mayo de 2019
2:00 pm a 7:00 pm

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.
or
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, 516-731-6074 and Maria Piniro is the contact person at St. Brigid, 516-334-0021. 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	Thursdays	April 4 - June 6	7:00 PM to 8:15 PM
St. Brigid's Parish	Wednesdays	April 3- June 5	7:00 PM to 8:15 PM

Group for Bereaved Parents (meets 1st and 3rd Monday of the month)

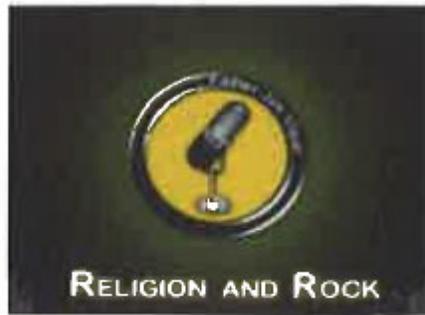
St Bernard's Parish	Mondays	March 18 - ongoing	7:00 PM to 8:15 PM
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Group for Survivors of Suicide (meets 2nd and 4th Monday of the month)

St. Bernard's Parish	Mondays	March 25 - ongoing	7:00 PM to 8:15 PM
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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.



Msgr. Jim Vlaun
Executive Producer
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Your IRA is a traditional or Roth

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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).

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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.

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"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."

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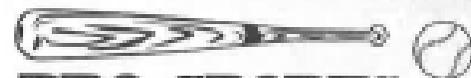


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