

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 9:00am-10:00am

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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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).



Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 2, 2020

Thus says the Lord:

All you who are thirsty, come to the water!

You who have no money,
come, receive grain and eat;

Come, without paying and without cost,
drink wine and milk!

Isaiah 55:1

Remembering. . .

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| SUNDAY | August 2 |
| 7:30am | Rosary Guild, living & deceased members |
| 9:30am | Connolly & McMahon deceased family members + |
| 11:30am | Jeannine Willet Light + |
| MONDAY | August 3 |
| 8:30am | Kevin Keating + |
| TUESDAY | August 4 |
| 8:30am | DeCesare family + |
| WEDNESDAY | August 5 |
| 8:30am | Manuela Sabin + |
| THURSDAY | August 6 |
| 8:30am | Deacon Al Leasiolagi + |
| FRIDAY | August 7 |
| 8:30am | Palmaro, Sabin & Sobrino families + |
| SATURDAY | August 8 |
| 8:30am | Angelina Salvi + Raffaele Pipolo + |
| 5:00pm | Constance Genovese + Luke Greco + |

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading – All you who thirst, come to the water! You without money, come to the feast! (Isaiah 55:1-3).
Psalm – The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).
Second Reading – Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ (Romans 8:35, 37-39).
Gospel – All ate until satisfied; they collected twelve baskets of what was left over (Matthew 14:13-21).

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 2, 2020
 All you who are thirsty, come to the water!
 – *Isaiah 55:1a*

Food in Due Season: Reflection on the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In Jesus and the Church, Isaiah’s promises in today’s First Reading are fulfilled. All who are thirsty come to the living waters of Baptism (see John 4:14). The hungry delight in rich fare—given bread to eat and wine to drink at the Eucharistic table.

This is the point, too, of today’s Gospel. The story of Jesus’ feeding of the 5,000 brims with allusions to the Old Testament. Jesus is portrayed as a David-like shepherd who leads His flock to lie down on green grass as He spreads the table of the Messiah’s banquet before them (see Psalm 23).

Jesus is shown as a new Moses, who likewise feeds vast crowds in a deserted place. Finally, Jesus is shown doing what the prophet Elisha did—satisfying the hunger of the crowd with a few loaves and having some left over (see 2 Kings 4:42-44).

Matthew also wants us to see the feeding of the 5,000 as a sign of the Eucharist. Notice that Jesus performs the same actions in the same sequence as at the Last Supper—He takes bread, says a blessing, breaks it, and gives it (see Matthew 26:26).

Jesus instructed His Apostles to celebrate the Eucharist in memory of Him. And the ministry of the Twelve is subtly stressed in today’s account. Before He performs the miracle, Jesus instructs the Twelve to give the crowd “some food yourselves.” Indeed, the Apostles themselves distribute the bread blessed by Jesus (see Matthew 15:36).

And the leftovers are enough to fill precisely 12 baskets—corresponding to each of the Apostles, the pillars of the Church (see Galatians 2:9; Revelation 21:14).

In the Church, as we sing in today’s Psalm, God gives us food in due season, opens His hands and satisfies the desires of every living thing. Now, as Paul reminds us in today’s Epistle, nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

For Those Who Need Our Prayers:

Tom Kolakowski Jack Caputo Michael Domaradzki Dennis Finn Elizabeth Finn, Jr.
 Rebecca Browning Lawrence Paul Caputo Michael Willet Christine Begley

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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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.



NEWS FLASH

The St. Gertrude's Food Pantry is Open!

With people in need more than ever during this difficult time, we ask that you continue to donate non-perishable items for those who visit our food pantry on a weekly basis.

Donations can be left under the awning outside the front of the Parish Center at any time. Please do not leave food items at the Church.

We thank you, in advance, for your generosity and support.

St. Gertrude Parish Pantry Needs:

Cereal, 1-2 lb. bags of rice, black beans, jar pasta sauce, plastic bottles of juice, paper towels & toilet paper.

Pantry hours are every Friday from 9:00am–10:00am in the lower Church.

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

Parish Financial Summary

Sunday collections (including Faith Direct):

July 26, 2020: \$5,314.75



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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9TH

St. Gertrude Church is proud to welcome at the 9:30am Mass 5 students who will be Baptized, 8 who will be receiving their First Holy Communion, and 2 who will be receiving their Confirmation.

Please note this Mass will be longer than usual.

We are proud to welcome these young people into our community and Church.

Congratulations!





Sunday, August 9th—Fr. Regan’s Going Away Mass/Reception

Let us join together to wish Fr. Regan well in his next assignment and personally thank him for all he has done for our Parish.

- 11:30am Mass with catered reception to follow on the side lawn of the Rectory
- Following regulatory guidelines, seating is limited to 150 people on a first come, first serve basis
- Masks must be worn
- Please come or stop by to show Fr. Regan your appreciation for all he has done for St. Gertrude

For further information or any questions, please contact Anne Marie Bianco 628-3651 or Vicki Siegel 628-1632.

Due to the Diocesan directive, Hymnals/missals have been removed. Please use this bulletin for music and readings. Please take this bulletin with you as you leave the Church. Do NOT leave this bulletin behind for hygienic reasons. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Entrance Hymn: I Heard the Voice of Jesus

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Come un-to me and rest; Lay down, thou weary one, lay down thy head up on my breast”. I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn and sad; I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.
2. I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Behold, I freely give the living water; thirsty one, stoop down, and drink, and live.” I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life giving stream; My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.

Offertory Hymn: Here I am, Lord

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Communion Hymn: 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-pored?
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.
4. No one will come to me, unless our God has led. And I shall raise them up, raise them from the dead!

Recessional Hymn: Love Divine, All Love Excelling

1. Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heav’n to earth come down! Fix in us your humble dwelling; All your faithful mercies crown. Jesus, source of all compassion, love unbounded, love all pure; Visit us with your salvation, let your love in us endure.
2. Come, almighty to deliver; Let us all your life receive; Suddenly return and never, never more your temples leave. Lord, we would be always blessing, serve you as your hosts above, pray, and praise you without ceasing, glory in your precious love.

Sunday Readings August 2, 2020 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1, Isaiah 55:1-3

Thus says the LORD:

All you who are thirsty, come to the water!
You who have no money, come, receive grain and eat;
Come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and milk!
Why spend your money for what is not bread; your wages for what fails to satisfy?
Heed me, and you shall eat well, you shall delight in rich fare.
Come to me heedfully, listen, that you may have life.
I will renew with you the everlasting covenant, the benefits assured to David.

Responsorial Psalm, Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18

R. (cf. 16) The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness.

The LORD is good to all and compassionate toward all his works.

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

The eyes of all look hopefully to you, and you give them their food in due season;
you open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

The LORD is just in all his ways and holy in all his works.

The LORD is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

Reading 2, Rom 8:35, 37-39

Brothers and sisters: What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword? No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel, Mt 14:13-21

When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. The crowds heard of this and followed him on foot from their towns. When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples approached him and said, "This is a deserted place and it is already late; dismiss the crowds so that they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves." But they said to him, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have here." Then he said, "Bring them here to me," and he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the fragments left over—twelve wicker baskets full. Those who ate were about five thousand men, not counting women and children.

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Final Honor Roll

Tanner Rave
Dean Sklavos
Lucas Sklavos

St. Gertrude Church Renovation Campaign “Preserve Our Past . . . Envision Our Future”

Over \$1,060,000 Pledged – Phase I Begins!

As of Tuesday, July 14th the campaign office reported one-time gifts and pledges of \$1,062,622 from only 276 parish families. **Phase 1 of the project has begun and includes; replacing the roof**, repairing the siding, replacing the windows at the top of the Church and repainting the windows frames. Planning is in place to continue progress with the installation of a Bathroom and replacing stairways, railings and doors. Now we turn our attention to the inside of the Church!

Thank you for your prompt pledge payments!

Over \$735,000 Paid to Date

Payment reminders are being mailed on or about the 1st of each month and include a statement of your pledge and a return envelope. We are pleased to report that a majority of families are on time or ahead of schedule with their pledge payments. This helps a great deal as we are close to finalizing the first projects to be accomplished and secure the funds necessary to begin. If you have any questions about your account, please call our Campaign Director, Andy White at 516-607-3635.

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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.

Additional Giving is Encouraged!

Through the Summer and Fall, follow-up activities will continue to those who have not had an opportunity to make their gift. If you have not made your gift, please help us move closer to reaching our goal of \$1.5 million by making your one-time gift or pledge in the coming weeks. **Please review the suggested gift plans and continue the success of our campaign by making your gift today!**

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

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

Great News - Worldwide Marriage Encounter has gone "Virtual"!

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring a virtual marriage experience called *Restore – Rekindle – Renew*. This Enrichment Experience will meet via Zoom for seven sessions on Monday evenings September 14 to October 26 from 7-9:30 PM.

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 \$50 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call John & Toni Torio at 718-344-3700 or visit them at <https://wwmenyli.org/>.

Maria Regina DHS Class of 1970
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For more information email
MRDHS70@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

KEEP THE TRADITION GOING



For over 50 years every Monday evening at 7:30pm the Miraculous Medal Novena to Our Lady, preceded by the Most Holy Rosary, has been recited here at St. Gertrude’s Church. This devotion was introduced by our first pastor, Father Thomas Connolly, and has continued non-stop through these many years. Our participants are few in number but "Where two or three are gathered in my name there I am with them". Please consider joining us.

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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.



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

Resources Available

Hello! My name is Deacon Art Candido!

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There are three meeting dates to choose from—

7:00 PM Tuesday, September 15th
4:00 PM Sunday, September 20th OR 7:00 PM Thursday, September 24th

at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception
440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743.

To reserve a place at one of the meetings,
contact my assistant, Carol, at 631-423-0483 Ext. 179
or email diaconateformation@drvc.org



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“Getting Ahead in a Just-Gettin’ 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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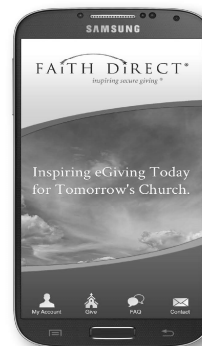
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VERY IMPORTANT!! Your gift must go directly from your IRA to the Parish. If you receive the money first then you'll be taxed on it like any other distribution.

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.

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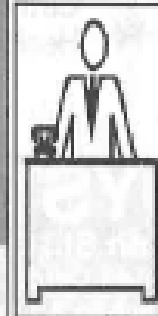
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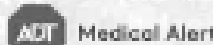
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