

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. GERTRUDE

28 School Street, Bayville, N.Y. 11709

CLERGY OF THE PARISH

Rev. Monsignor Morrissey, Pastor
Father 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—HELD IN THE PARISH CENTER

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: Friday 9:00am-10:00am



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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 30, 2020

**THE SON OF MAN WILL COME
WITH HIS ANGELS IN HIS FATHER'S GLORY,
AND THEN HE WILL REPAY ALL
ACCORDING TO THEIR CONDUCT.**

Matthew 16:27



WELCOME

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. . .

SUNDAY	August 30
7:30am	For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude
9:30am	Renate Haselhoff +
11:30am	Joseph & Francesca Carbone +
MONDAY	August 31
8:30am	Maria Loria + Celeste Harkins +
TUESDAY	September 1
8:30am	Mario Frumiento +
WEDNESDAY	September 2
8:30am	Manuela Sabin +
THURSDAY	September 3
8:30am	Deacon Al Leasiolagi +
FRIDAY	September 4
8:30am	Anthony Zelano +
SATURDAY	September 5
8:30am	Palmaro, Sabin & Sobrino families +
5:00pm	For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading – The name of the LORD has become like fire burning in Jeremiah's heart (Jeremiah 20:7-9).

Psalm – My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God (Psalm 63).

Second Reading – Be transformed; renew your mind; discern what is good (Romans 12:1-2).

Gospel – Those who lose their lives for Jesus' sake will find them (Matthew 16:21-27).

The Altar Bread and Wine used at our Masses this week are offered in loving memory of:



Mario Frumiento

by Lucia Frumiento

For Your Life: Reflection on the Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Today's First Reading catches the prophet Jeremiah in a moment of weakness. His intimate lamentation contains some of the strongest language of doubt found in the Bible. Following God's call, he feels abandoned. Preaching His Word has brought him only derision and reproach. But God does not deceive—and Jeremiah knows this. God tests the just (see [Jeremiah 20:11-12](#)), and disciplines His children through their sufferings and trials (see [Hebrews 12:5-7](#)).

What Jeremiah learns, Jesus states explicitly in today's Gospel. To follow Him is to take up a cross, to deny yourself—your priorities, preferences, and comforts. It is to be willing to give it all up, even life itself, for the sake of His gospel. As Paul says in today's Epistle, we have to join ourselves to the passion of Christ, to offer our bodies—our whole beings—as living sacrifices to God.

By His Cross, Jesus has shown us what Israel's sacrifices of animals were meant to teach: we owe to God all that we have. God's kindness is a greater good than life itself, as we sing in today's Psalm. The only thanks we can offer is our spiritual worship—to give our lives to the service of His will (see [Hebrews 10:3-11](#); [Psalm 50:14, 23](#)).

Peter doesn't yet get this in today's Gospel. As it was for Jeremiah, the cross is a stumbling block for Peter (see [1 Corinthians 1:23](#)). This too is our natural temptation—to refuse to believe that our sufferings play a necessary part in God's plan.

That's how people think, Jesus tells us today. But we are called to the renewal of our minds—to think as God thinks, to will what He wills.

In the Mass, we once again offer ourselves as perfect and pleasing sacrifices of praise (see [Hebrews 13:15](#)). We bless Him as we live, confident that we will find our lives in losing them, that with the riches of His banquet, our souls will be satisfied. By Dr. Scott Hahn

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: Lift High the Cross

Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

1. Led on their way by this triumphant sign, the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.
2. Each newborn servant of the Crucified bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
3. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee.

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Offertory Hymn: You Are Near

Refrain: O Lord, I know you are near, standing always at my side. You guard me from the foe, and you lead me in ways ever lasting.

1. Lord, you have searched my heart, and you know when I sit and when I stand. Your hand is up on me, protecting me from death, keeping me from harm.
2. Where can I run from your love? If I climb to the heavens you are there; if I fly to the sunrise or sail beyond the sea, still I'd find you there.
3. You know my heart and its ways, you who formed me before I was born, in the secret of darkness before I saw the sun, in my mother's womb.
4. Marvelous to me are your works; how profound are your thoughts, my Lord. Even if I could count them, they number as the stars, you would still be there.

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Communion: I Am the Bread of Life

Refrain: And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, and I will raise you up on the last day.

1. I am the Bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger; and who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me, unless the Father beckons.
2. The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and if you eat of this bread, you shall live forever, you shall live forever.
3. Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man and drink of his blood, and drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you.
4. I am the Resurrection, I am the life. If you believe in me, even though you die, you shall live forever.

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Recessional Hymn: Take Up Your Cross

1. Take up your cross, the Savior said, if you would my disciple be; Deny yourself, the world forsake, and humbly follow after me.
2. Take up your cross, be not ashamed! Let not disgrace your spirit fill! For God himself endured to die up on a cross, on Calvary's hill.
3. Take up your cross, which gives you strength, which makes your trembling spirit brave: 'Twill guide you to a better home and lead to victory o'er the grave.
4. Take up your cross, and follow Christ, nor think till death to lay it down; For only they who bear the cross may hope to wear the glorious crown.

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Sunday Readings, August 30, 2020, Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1, Jer 20:7-9

You duped me, O LORD, and I let myself be duped; you were too strong for me, and you triumphed. All the day I am an object of laughter; everyone mocks me.

Whenever I speak, I must cry out, violence and outrage is my message; the word of the LORD has brought me derision and reproach all the day.

I say to myself, I will not mention him, I will speak in his name no more. But then it becomes like fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones; I grow weary holding it in, I cannot endure it.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

R. (2b) My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God whom I seek; for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary to see your power and your glory, For your kindness is a greater good than life; my lips shall glorify you.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Thus will I bless you while I live; lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name.

As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied, and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

You are my help, and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy.

My soul clings fast to you; your right hand upholds me.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Reading 2 Rom 12:1-2

I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship. Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect.

Gospel Mt 16:21-27

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised. Then Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke him, "God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you." He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life? For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct."

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ALL MASSES - PARISH CENTER

All masses will be held in the Parish Center due to construction in the Church. Please be advised this will take place for ALL Masses until further notice. Social distancing practices and masks are required. Thank you for your understanding.



A very warm welcome to our new Pastor, Monsignor Robert Morrissey and our new Assoc. Pastor, Fr. Gabriel. On behalf of the entire parish community we are happy to have you and look forward to getting to know you both!

For Those Who Need Our Prayers:

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

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”

LT Travis J. Buffa	LT Cmdr. Melissa Buffa	Pfc. Mark Chuisano
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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.



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



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



Banns of Marriage

Charlotte Bancroft
St. Mary, CT.
&
Patrick Hyland
St. Mary, CT.



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

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 \$100 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/>.

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For more information email
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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.



Do you need to fulfill your Marriage Prep Requirement?

Engaged Encounter is an effective PreCana program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Couples are provided with social-distancing during this time. Our next 2-day weekend

will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on November 14-15 2020.

For information please call Lenny & Pat Walker at 631-563-1032

or visit www.engagedencounterli.org

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.

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.

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!**



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For more information, workshops, or to register online,
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Resources Available

Hello! My name is Deacon Art Candido!

As **DIRECTOR OF DIACONATE FORMATION**,
my ministry is to **FORM CATHOLIC MEN INTO DEACONS**
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If you have ever thought about **SERVING GOD**
AND THE CHURCH as a deacon, I invite you and
your wife to attend one of our **INFORMATION SESSIONS**
so I can share about the diaconate with you.

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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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>.

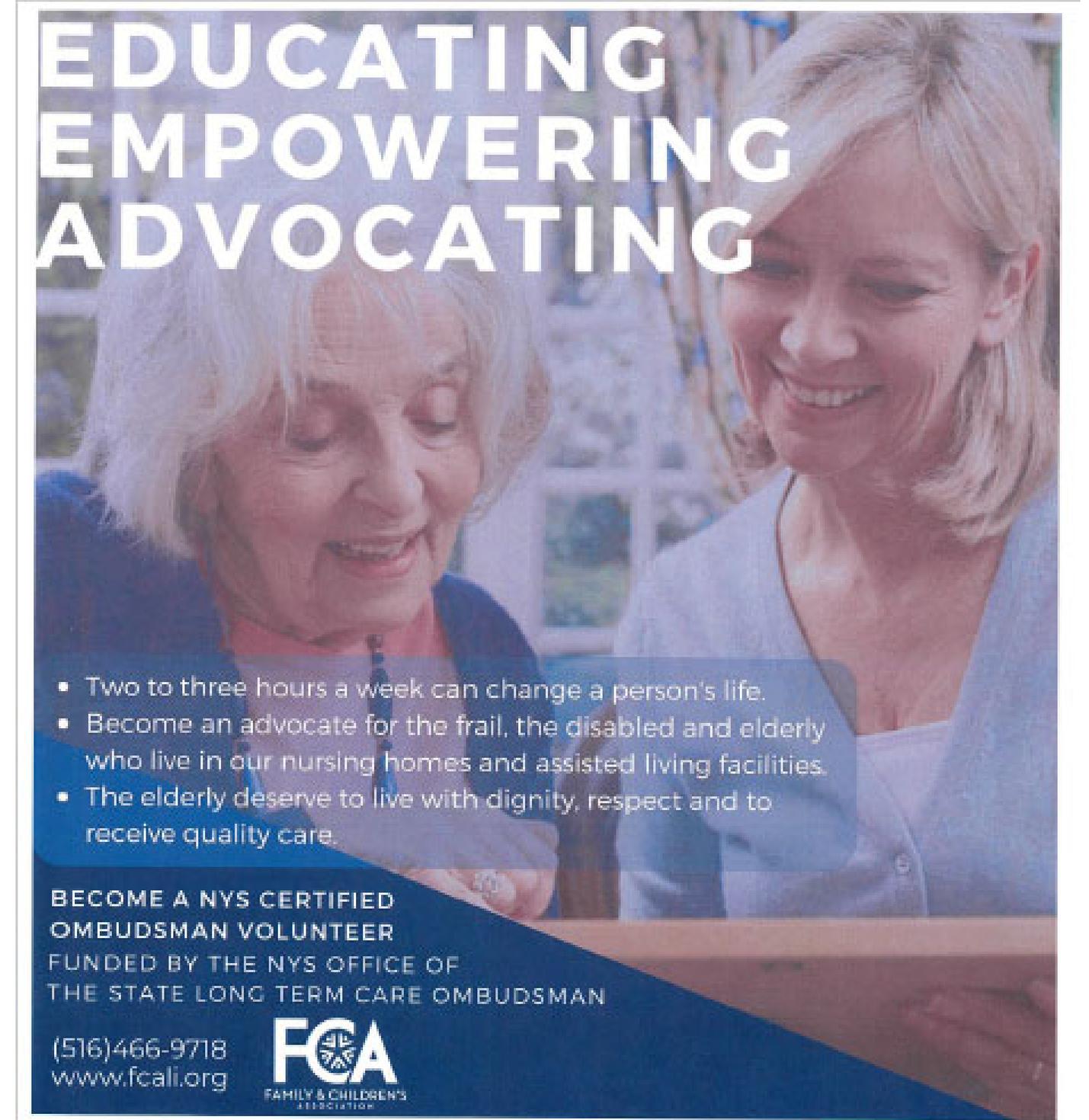


“Getting Ahead in a Just-Gettin’ By World”

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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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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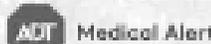
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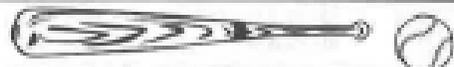


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