

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: Friday 8:30am-9:30am

St. Vincent de Paul (516) 584-4090

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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**Third
SUNDAY**
of
Advent

December 13, 2020

Rejoice always.
Pray without ceasing.
In all circumstances
give thanks,
for this is the will
of God for you
in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

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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	December 13
7:30am	For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude
9:30am	Kenneth Bishop +
11:30am	Dominick & Catherine Carbone +
MONDAY	December 14
8:30am	Robert Gaglione +
TUESDAY	December 15
8:30am	Rev. George Ruggieri +
WEDNESDAY	December 16
8:30am	Juliette McMahan +
THURSDAY	December 17
8:30am	Manuela Sabin +
FRIDAY	December 18
8:30am	Vincenzo & Rosa Daniello & family +
SATURDAY	December 19
8:30am	DeCesare family +
	Palmaro, Sabin & Sobrino families +
5:00pm	Teresa Doherty +

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — As a garden makes its growth spring up, so will God make justice spring up before all the nations (Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11).

Psalm — My soul rejoices in my God (Luke 1:46-50, 53-54).

Second Reading — Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophetic utterances. Test everything; retain what is good (1 Thessalonians 5:16-24).

Gospel — I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, make straight the way of the Lord (John 1:6-8, 19-28).

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Presider's Schedule: (subject to change)
 Saturday, Dec. 19th: 5:00pm—Msgr. Morrissey
 Sunday, Dec. 20th 7:30am—Fr. Gabriel
 9:30am—Msgr. Morrissey
 11:30am—Fr. Gabriel



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

Manuela Sabin

One Who Is Coming. Reflection on the Third Sunday of Advent:

The mysterious figure of John the Baptist, introduced in last week's readings, comes into sharper focus today. Who he is, we see in today's Gospel, is best understood by who he isn't.

He is not Elijah returned from the heavens (see 2 Kings 2:11), although like him he dresses in the prophet's attire (see Mark 1:6; 2 Kings 1:8) and preaches repentance and judgment (see 1 Kings 18:21; 2 Chronicles 21:12-15).

Not Elijah in the flesh, John is nonetheless sent in the spirit and power of Elijah to fulfill his mission (see Luke 1:17; Malachi 3:23-24).

Neither is John the prophet Moses foretold, although he is a kinsman and speaks God's word (see Deuteronomy 18:15-19; John 6:14). Nor is John the Messiah, though he has been anointed by the Spirit since he was in the womb (see Luke 1:15, 44).

John prepares the way for the Lord (see Isaiah 40:3). The baptism he performs is symbolic, not sacramental. It is a sign given to stir our hearts to repentance.

John shows us the One upon whom the Spirit remains (see John 1:32), the One who fulfills the promise we hear in today's First Reading (see Luke 4:16-21). Jesus' bath of rebirth and the Spirit opens a fountain that purifies Israel and gives to all a new heart and a new Spirit (see Zechariah 13:1-3; Ezekiel 36:24-27; Mark 1:8; Titus 3:5).

John comes to us in the Advent readings to show us the light, that we might believe in the One who comes at Christmas. As we sing in today's Responsorial, the Mighty One has come to lift each of us up, to fill our hunger with bread from heaven (see John 6:33, 49-51).

And as Paul exhorts in today's Epistle, we should rejoice, give thanks, and pray without ceasing that God will make us perfectly holy in spirit, soul, and body—that we may be blameless when our Lord comes.

By Dr. Scott Hahn

For Those Who Need Our Prayers:

Tom Kolakowski Dennis Finn Elizabeth Finn, Jr. Roger Willet Christine Begley Kathryn Hesse

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.

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.



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.

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

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.

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

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



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

Parish Financial Summary

Sunday collections (including Faith Direct):

December 6, 2020: \$6,254.00.

There will be a Diocese second collection this weekend, Dec. 12th & 13th for Religious Retirement.



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

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.

Due to the Diocesan directive, Hymnals/missals have been removed. Please use this bulletin for music. Please take this bulletin with you as you leave the Church. Do NOT leave this bulletin behind for hygienic reasons. We no longer have permission to publish the readings due to a loss of copyright benefits (all translated versions of the Bible are copyright protected). Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Entrance Hymn: On Jordan's Bank

1. On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry announces that the Lord is nigh; Awake and hearken, for he brings glad tidings of the King of kings.
2. Then cleansed be every soul from sin: Make straight the way of God within, prepare we in our hearts a home, where such a mighty guest may come.
3. For thou art our salvation, Lord, our refuge and our sure reward: Shine forth, and let thy light restore our souls to heavenly grace once more.

Type: Words and Music; First Line: On Jordan's Bank the baptist's cry Contributors: Gary Miles. Tune: Gary Miles, © 1974, Celebration Text: Original text by Coffin; trans. by Chandler.

Communion: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here, until the Son of God appear.
2. O come, thou wisdom from on high, who ord'rest all things mightily; To us the path of knowledge show, and teach us in her ways to go.
3. O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy tribes on Sinai's height in ancient times didst give the law, in cloud and majesty and awe.

Text: LM with refrain; 'O' Antiphons, Latin, 9th cent.; Verses 1, 3-6, para. in Psalterium Canticum Catholicarum, Cologne, 1710; tr. by John Mason Neale, 1818-1866; Verses 2, 7 tr. fr. The Hymnal 1940, alt. Music: Chant, Mode I; Processionale, French, 15th cent.; adapt. by Thomas Helmore, 1811-1890.

Communion: Maranatha

Refrain: Maranatha, we long for your peace. Maranatha, we long for your mercy. Maranatha, we long for your coming, O God.

1. In your image you have fashioned us, in the garden you made us; you have given us your breath of life, voice to praise your name, voice to praise your name.
2. In our weakness we have turned from you, turned from light to the darkness, ever longing for salvation, O Lord of light, O Lord of light.
3. In your love you have sent your Son, your salvation for everyone; Word incarnate, God's compassion, hope for human kind, hope for human kind.

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Recessional Hymn: Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

1. Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free! From our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.
2. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art; dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.
3. Born thy people to deliver, born a child, yet a king; Born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.
4. By thine own eternal spirit rule in all our heart alone; By thine all sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.

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ANGELS FOR CHRISTMAS - OUR GIVING TREE!



Caring and sharing is a joyful part of Christmas where we continue our St. Gertrude's tradition demonstrating the overwhelming generosity of our parish family. Through the years, parishioners have provided generous donations of new clothing, new toys, etc. for our needy children here at St Gertrude's - through the St. Gertrude Outreach Program.



We have children of all ages participating in our Outreach Program.



The Giving Tree is set up in the back of the Church with ANGELS identifying the children by age, gender, size, and asking for a toy and a book, we want to encourage the children to read!



Please take an angel and return it with a gift for the child. The gift MUST BE WRAPPED and MUST HAVE THE ANGEL AFFIXED TO THE GIFT in order to ensure the right gift goes to the right child.

The gift must be placed under the tree NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 14.



Thank you for your generosity! ♥

Have a Blessed Christmas!

For further information, please email: cyndyergen@hotmail.com



JINGLE BELLS JINGLE BELLS

We want to put some Jingle in your pocket. St. Gertrude's Rosary Guild is sponsoring a Christmas 50/50 Raffle.

\$10 a chance!

Drawing will take place on January 3, 2021, the Feast of the Epiphany.

Fill out the form below and with your check payable to the Rosary Guild drop it into the collection, mail it to the rectory, or purchase from one of Santa's helpers who will be outside the Church after all Masses the month of December. Good Luck!



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NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____



The last full week of school before Christmas recess was a busy one, getting ready for the big day. Miss Carmela's two year old class worked on the letter H and made Christmas cards for the VIPs in their families, their parents. Miss Meredith's three year old class made gingerbread men and Christmas ornaments, they worked on the letter K. Miss Michelle's threes made Christmas lights and elves, they worked on the letter L. Miss Janice's four year old class made Christmas cards and ornaments, they studied the letter H.

St. Gertrude

Church Renovation Campaign - Pledge Update

“Preserve Our Past – Envision our Future”

Total Pledged	\$1,073,322
Paid to Date	\$ 812,763
Balance Due	\$ 260,559
% of Pledges Paid	76%
# of Gifts	283
Average Gift	\$ 3,752

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.



Confessions will be held in the Church on Tuesday, December 15th between 7:30pm-8:30pm. Please insure social distancing and wear a mask. Thank you.



Our parish is responsible for our portion of the 2020 Catholic Ministries Appeal. We are currently at 49.32% of our goal of \$54,800. Thank you to the 76 donors who have already contributed!



**Third Sunday of Advent
December 13, 2020**
Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing.
— 1 Thessalonians 5:16

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE 2020

Thursday, December 24th:

- 2:00pm—Church
- 2:00pm—Parish Center
- 4:00pm—Church
- 4:00pm—Parish Center
- 6:30pm—Church
- 11:30pm—Carols followed by
- 12:00am (midnight) -Church

Friday, December 25th:

- 7:30am—Church
- 9:30am—Church
- 11:30—Church

Please note masses have been added per Diocese directive to insure social distancing.

Support Our Religious.

Our second collection this weekend, Dec. 12th & 13th is for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Many senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little or no pay. Today, religious communities often do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your gift helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of their elders. **Please be generous.**

Background Screening Update

The Office for the Protection of Children and Young People:

The Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People (The Charter) promulgated by the Bishops of the United States in 2002 outlines specific practices and guidelines providing standards of safety in parishes and dioceses throughout the United States. As directed in The Charter, the Diocese of Rockville Centre requires all employees, clergy, and volunteers to complete three requirements within thirty days of employment or volunteering:

Attend **Protecting God's Children Program (Virtus)**

Sign the Codes of Conduct;

Complete a background screen application. The Diocese requires all those who remain in active ministry be rescreened at 5 yr. intervals. volunteers/employees.

A Word on Background Screening of Volunteers:

The Office for the Protection of Children and Young People (OFPCYP) has streamlined the volunteer application process enabling volunteers to complete the three safe environment requirements in one step. Individuals wishing to volunteer in a parish or school:

Register to attend a Protecting God's Children class and create a Virtus account on the Virtus website:

www.Virtus.org

Electronically acknowledge the Diocesan Code of Conduct- provided during the Virtus registration process.

Follow the instructions to complete the Sterling Volunteers background screening application background offered during the Virtus registration process.

Active Volunteers:

If you are active in a parish ministry, have already attended Virtus and have been background screened you may be at - or beyond- the **5yr. rescreening requirement**. If this is the case, you will receive an email from ***Sterling Volunteers*** asking you to complete the background screening application on-line. You may access the background screening application by following the prompt in the email or logging into your Virtus account.

Please be aware-this is not a scam nor has your e-mail been hacked. The OFPCYP has been working with your parish to update the Safe Environment records and noted it is time for you to be rescreened. You may also be prompted to electronically resign the Code of Conduct when you log into your Virtus account.

Edit Your Virtus Account:

To access your Virtus account: www.Virtus.org You will need your Username and Password. If you need assistance, please contact Virtus: 1-888-847-8870 or helpdesk@virtus.org. Once in your account, review your account information-particularly your e-mail address. If your account requires updating, please hit the TOOLBOX tab at the top of the screen. On the left side of your screen in the green column click "Update My Account" You will be able to make the necessary changes-please remember to hit the SAVE button at the bottom of the screen.

Questions or concerns: mmcmahon@drvc.org; amendoza-cantos@drvc.org; jwinter@drvc.org;

pditomasso@drvc.org

Thank you to all who continue to serve in a ministry during these extremely challenging days.



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.

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>.

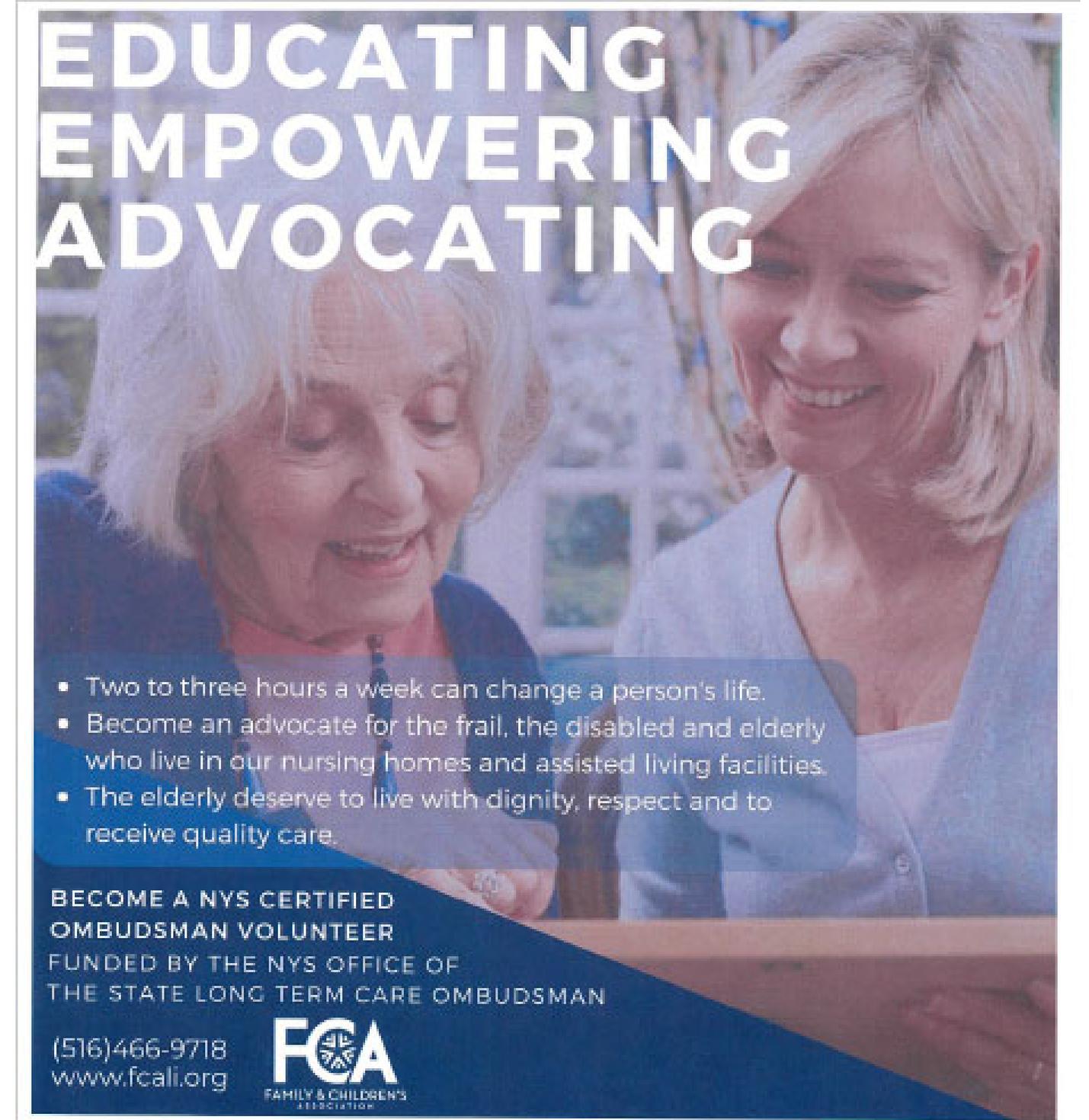


“Getting Ahead in a Just-Getting By World”

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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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.

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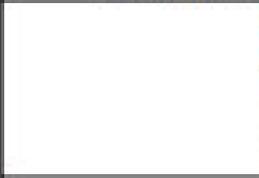
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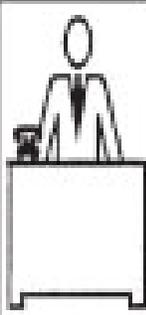
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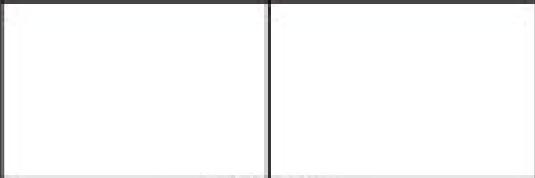
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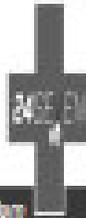
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