

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. GERTRUDE

28 School Street, Bayville, N.Y. 11709



CLERGY OF THE PARISH

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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

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.

St. Vincent DePaul (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

To donate furniture, please call (516) 746-8250.



PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Thursday: 9:00am—4:00pm.

Monday nights 5-9 pm, Friday: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Fax: (516) 628-9032

Website: www.stgerts.com

PARISH CENTER

Preschool:

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

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

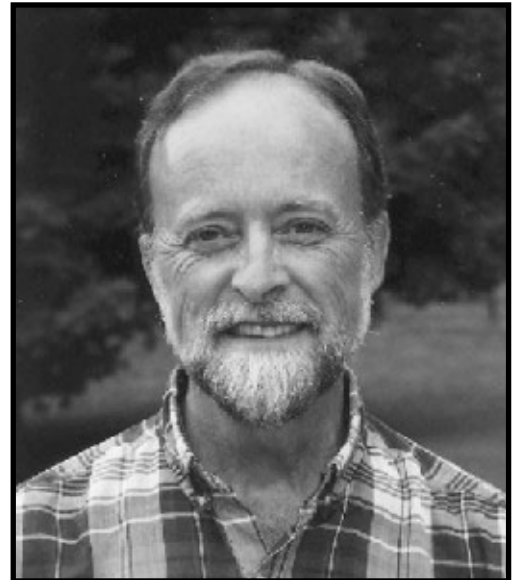
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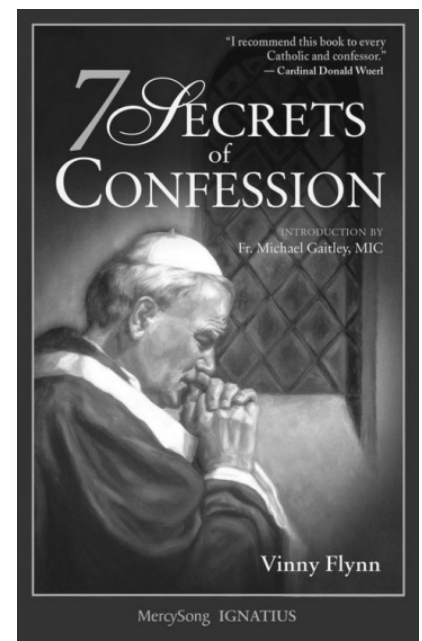
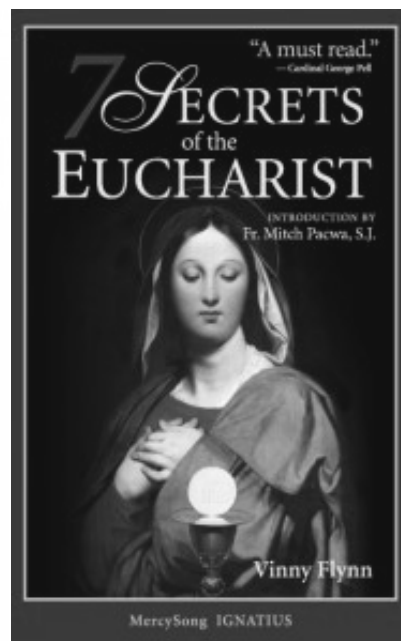
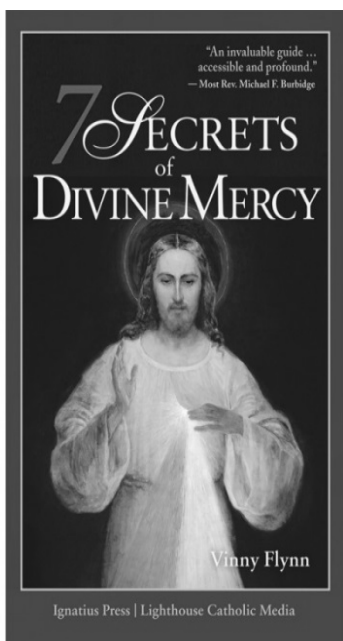
Transforming Your Life: Advent, Mary, and the Eucharist.

7:00 pm

Monday, December 17th at
St. Gertrude's Catholic Church



This presentation focuses on the fullness of grace given to Mary that is also meant to be received by each of us! Through focusing on Mary's role as teacher, model, and "Woman of the Eucharist," Vinny Flynn will show you how to receive life-transforming effects from each reception of Holy Communion, and inspire you to enter more deeply into the relationship of love and grace that the Lord wants to have with you personally.



ST. GERTRUDE'S in Bayville, welcomes Mr. Vinny Flynn on December 17th, at 7 pm

Known to many as “the man who sings the Divine Mercy Chaplet on EWTN,” this author, musician, and father of seven has been involved in a ministry of mercy for over forty years, using his gifts to help people understand the teachings of the Church and open their hearts to the healing and transforming touch of God’s love. In fact, if there was one word to sum up Vinny’s message and mission, it would be this: *Healing*. After many years of speaking, singing, and co-authoring or editing many publications (including helping to edit the official English edition of *The Diary of St. Faustina*), Vinny became a best-selling author with the release of his first book, *7 Secrets of the Eucharist*, acclaimed by Cardinal George Pell as “a must read for Catholics.” Published in 2006, the book has remained on the Top 10 Best Sellers list for Ignatius Press, and has been published in Spanish, Polish, Indonesian, and Croatian, with an Italian edition in progress.

Vinny’s next book *21 Ways to Worship: A Guide to Eucharistic Adoration*, was released in 2012, and lauded as a brilliant and much-needed “how-to” book on adoration. Shortly after, in the fall of 2013, he continued his “7 Secrets” series with another best-seller, *7 Secrets of Confession*. At the same time, he compiled the first ever collection of parallel Scripture verses and passages from *The Diary of St. Faustina*. This ground-breaking book, titled *Mercy’s Gaze*, was released in Fall 2013 by Marian Press. The “7 Secrets” Series have accompanying Study Guides and audiobooks available, and most of his books are also available in various foreign translations and as ebooks. Vinny recently finished the third book in his “7 Secrets” series, *7 Secrets of Divine Mercy*. A game-changer for the spiritual life, this much-anticipated book is a concentrated synthesis of Vinny’s vast knowledge of the Divine Mercy Message.

Dear Jesus, you are the hope in our messy world. This Advent, help us slow down, listen to your voice, and focus on what’s really important. We place our hope in you as we prepare our hearts to celebrate your birth on Christmas. Amen.

Dear Jesus, you entered our world on Christmas as the Prince of Peace. This Advent, as we strive to become the-best-version-of-ourselves, fill us with a deep and abiding peace. Help us share that peace with everyone we encounter, especially those who need it most. Amen.

Dear Jesus, help us focus on you during this busy season. May we stay aware of the joy you bring into our lives. We want to find you in the everyday moments and come with hearts of gratitude to your manger on Christmas. Amen. Dear Jesus, may the light of your love always shine in our hearts. As Christmas draws closer, we marvel at your great love for us. Let your love transform every aspect of our lives and touch everyone we encounter. Our hearts are open to you, Jesus. Amen.

Remembering. . .

SUNDAY	December 16
7:30am	Alfred Hesse +
9:30am	Joey Cervantes (L)
11:30am	For the Parishioners of St. Gertrude
MONDAY	December 17
8:30am	James Giacobello +
TUESDAY	December 18
8:30am	Rev. George Ruggiero +
WEDNESDAY	December 19
8:30am	Antonietta & Nicola Minicozzi +
THURSDAY	December 20
8:30am	Jane Sand +
FRIDAY	December 21
8:30am	Sp4 Richard C. Bachert + Sp4 Earl W. Thomas, Jr. + Palmaro, Sabin & Sobrino families + Rev. Msgr. William Jablonski +
SATURDAY	December 22
8:30am	Frank Martocci + Patricia Burke Hasl + Manuela Sabin + Thomas Carbone +
5:00pm	William Ryan +

Next Week's Presiders Schedule:

Saturday, December 22 nd	5:00pm	Fr. Regan
Sunday, December 23 rd	7:30am	Fr. Ed
	9:30am	Fr. Ed
	11:30am	Fr. Regan



Please join us this Sunday, December 16th after all masses for refreshments & fellowship in the lower Church.



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

Antonietta Minicozzi

by Carmine & Laurie Frumiento

What Do We Do?: Reflection on the Third Sunday of Advent

The people in today's Gospel are "filled with expectation." They believe John the Baptist might be the Messiah they've been waiting for. Three times we hear their question: "What then should we do?" The Messiah's coming requires every man and woman to choose—to "repent" or not. That's John's message and it will be Jesus' too (see [Luke 3:3; 5:32; 24:47](#)). "Repentance" translates a Greek word, *metanoia* (literally, "change of mind"). In the Scriptures, repentance is presented as a two-fold "turning"—away from sin (see [Ezekiel 3:19; 18:30](#)) and toward God (see [Sirach 17:20-21; Hosea 6:1](#)).

This "turning" is more than attitude adjustment. It means a radical life change. It requires "good fruits as evidence of your repentance" (see [Luke 3:8](#)). That's why John tells the crowds, soldiers, and tax collectors they must prove their faith through works of charity, honesty, and social justice.

In today's liturgy, each of us is being called to stand in that crowd and hear the "good news" of John's call to repentance. We should examine our lives, asking from our hearts as they did: "What should we do?" Our repentance should spring not from our fear of coming wrath (see [Luke 3:7-9](#)), but from a joyful sense of the nearness of our saving God.

This theme resounds through today's readings: "Rejoice! . . . The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all," we hear in today's Epistle. In today's Psalm, we hear again the call to be joyful, unafraid at the Lord's coming among us.

In today's First Reading, we hear echoes of the angel's Annunciation to Mary. The prophet's words are very close to the angel's greeting (compare [Luke 1:28-31](#)). Mary is the Daughter Zion—the favored one of God, told not to fear but to rejoice that the Lord is with her, "a mighty Savior."

She is the cause of our joy. For in her draws near the Messiah, as John had promised: "One mightier than I is coming."
By Dr. Scott Hahn

St. Gertrude Church Renovation Campaign

“Preserve Our Past . . . Envision Our Future”

Renovating Our Church - The Challenge Awaits Us

St. Gertrude Parish is embarking on a capital campaign to raise \$1.5 million to meet our parish's current need to: Increase Handicapped accessibility, add a Bathroom, address deteriorating conditions, ensure safety and increase efficiency.

After more than 100 years of extensive use and 30 years since the last renovation, many areas of our Church are wearing-out, inefficient and in need of being replaced. We are in immediate need of a new roof and significant repair to the siding and all entrances to the Church. Once the exterior is updated we will begin to update the interior of the Church. A detailed three phase plan has been created that will allow us to meet these important needs and prepare our Church for the future.

Campaign Presentations Set to Begin !!!

All parishioners will be invited to attend a short presentation to learn more about the important details of our Church Renovation. Invitations will be mailed in early January and there will be multiple dates to choose from. Much more activity is planned and all families are asked to participate. All meetings include presentations by members of our Campaign Committee, under the direction of Jim and Laura Gay and Nick and Alice Salerno and our Renovation Committee lead by Ed Minicozzi, Jr. and Al Staab.

Memorial Opportunities

Can Honor the Memory of someone you Love

Memorials will be offered as part of our Church Renovation Campaign. Individual memorial items are available on a first come first serve basis as well as gift plan memorials. All Memorial gifts will be appropriately recognized on a new recognition plaque to be located in the Church. Inscriptions for memorials can include the name or names of those you wish to honor, living or deceased.

Campaign Office Opens

If you have any questions about the campaign, please call Andy White our on-site Campaign Director at 516-628-1113 or on his cell phone at 516-607-3635.

“Preserve Our Past . . . Envision Our Future”

The sick of our parish:

Cecilia Bruoni
Gloria Herlihy

Lynmore Compton
Lynn Giordano

Kathleen Massimino
Maria Merz

Lynn Gormley
Jeanne Holden

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.



Vito DeBenedictis

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

Parish Financial Summary

Sunday collection (including Faith Direct):

December 9, 2018: \$ 8,034.00

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

Faith Direct

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!!

2018 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

St. Gertrude's Goal: \$52,600.00
Amount Raised to Date: \$51,524.00
Outstanding Amount Owed: \$1,076
Number of Donors: 143
98% of our goal has been reached



Preschool news: The children were all hard at work preparing for Christmas. Miss Carmela's two year old class made Christmas trees and Christmas handprints. Miss Meredith's three year old class made angels and reindeer necklaces, they also worked on the letter I. Miss Michelle's threes made Christmas stockings and candy canes, they worked on the letter J. Miss Janice's four year old class made ornaments and snowmen, they studied the letter I. Miss Gabrielle's fours made snow globes and gingerbread men, they also studied the letter I. Our Christmas bulletin board is now complete, and it looks like a winter wonderland in our hallway, stop by and see it, if you have a chance.



THE ANNUAL ST. GERTRUDE'S PARISH CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Wednesday, December 19th @ 7:00pm



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS 2018, GIVEN IN MEMORY/HONOR OF:

Moran family, Genovese family, Hughes family, Lambertson family, Petrocelli family, Joan Imhof, Husing, Lemerise, McMahon and Schall families, Fusillo family, Ahearn family, Sam Galasso, Sr., Frances Galasso, Frank Baglino, Ann Baglino, John F. Viteritti, Sr., Brendan Scott Fallon, Rita Brexel, Charles Brexel, Rose Redding, Violet Kormoski, Michael Ticence, Mr. & Mrs. A. Genevose, Mr. & Mrs. S. Trama, Edward & Frances Dolce, Carolyn Zucaro, Edward Dolce, Jr. Al & Vera Angelone, Dominic Carbone, Ida Barnao, Joseph Barnao, Albertto Walka, Muriel O.Walka, Christine Gubernowycz, Peter Gubernowycz, Rudy Fiffe, Elizabeth & John O'Rourke, M. Otto Diepering, Margaret & Rocco Solomito, Earl Ravid, Barbara Ravid Calle, The Celauro family, Louise Garretto, Owen R. Clarke, Robert G. Walker, Charles H. Eckermann, Anne Hafner, George Hafner, Ellen Fitzpatrick, Cora & Al Bathie, Carbone & Gwisdalla family, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Falabella, Mr. Mrs. Richard Wellbrock, Chares Savinetti, Sinkinson, Daniels & Otruba families, Vento family, Mazzaro family, Dan & Rosemarie Oliva, Joseph P. Strigaro, in memory of the unborn children and those in my heart, Mrs. Jennie Savinetti, Mr. Angelo Savinetti, Mrs. Jennie Stanco, Mr. Rocco Stanco, Angie & Charles Yula, Helen & Rudy Rode, Dolores & Nicky Noviello, Edward Minicozzi, Sr., Elizabeth Wright, Peter Wright, Frances Bates, Raymond Bates, Charles & Antonia Gestal, Charles & Margaret Stalker, Tom & Leni Roche, George & Tess Peters, members of the DeNatale family, members of the Kennedy family, Anna Langhans, Anne Wohrle, Lilean Lortz, Mr. & Mrs. A. DiLorenzo, Mr. & Mrs. J. Mirtich, John Martinelli, Savia Romer, Howard Romer, Baby Martinelli, Gallagher family, Ansbro family, John P. Hogan, George & Bernadette Saulnier,

PRE-SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

We are excited to say that **THIS MARKS OUR 23RD YEAR OF AWARDING THE IDA BARNAO PRE-SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP!** (A total of 38 Scholarships amounting to \$68,170).



The IDA BARNAO PRE-SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP IS OFFERED to a 2, 3 or 4 year old whose family is a member of St. Gertrude's Parish. A letter of intent should be sent to the Rectory to the attention of the Ida Barnao Pre-School Scholarship Committee. Please mark **CONFIDENTIAL** on the front of the envelope.

Upon receipt of the letter, an application will be mailed to you. Contents of the letter and application are strictly confidential on the part of the Committee.

Deadline is January 31, 2019. Letters received after the deadline date will not be considered.

For further information, please contact either Catherine Carbone at 628-1441, Mary Ryan at 628-1270 or Barbara Savinetti at 676-5227 or Cathy Rapelje at 628-2781.



Knights of Columbus Christmas Party
Wednesday, December 19th
7:30pm in the lower Church

St. Anthony's High School 1st Quarter Honor Roll

Marin Gallagher

CYO of Long Island Chess Tournaments
Play tournament Chess on behalf of your Parish
Children in Grades 3-8
Visit www.cyons.org for details or contact
Paul@cyons.org



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.*

Below is a link to an Amazon Program that
enables shoppers to easily donate to
their favorite charities.



Amazon will donate 0.5% of the
purchase to Society of St Vincent de
Paul.

<https://smile.amazon.com/>



DECEMBER CHOIR PRACTICES:

~~~~~ *all up in the choir loft* ~~~~~

Thu. Dec. 20th 7:15 pm



#### **Third Sunday of Advent**

**December 16, 2018**

The King of Israel, the  
LORD, is in your midst,  
you have no further  
misfortune to fear.  
— *Zephaniah 3:15b*

#### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

"He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and  
fire." Light a spiritual fire in your marriage by  
attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter  
Weekend. The next Weekends are Feb 8-10, 2019 in  
Huntington, NY and Apr 26-28, 2019 in Huntington,  
NY. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at  
877-697-9963 or visit them at <https://www.menyli.org/>.



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



#### **CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP**

Meets first and third Monday in the  
Church at St. Gertrude at 4:00pm

#### CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2018

##### **CONFESSIONS**

Tuesday, December 18

7:30—8:30pm

Saturday, December 22

3:00—5:00pm

##### **CHRISTMAS MASSES**

###### Christmas Eve

Monday, December 24

4:00 and 6:30pm

Midnight

(Carols begin at 11:30pm)

###### Christmas Day

Tuesday, December 25

7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 am

#### NEW YEARS EVE SCHEDULE

##### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday, December 29

4:00-4:45pm

##### **NEW YEAR'S MASSES**

###### New Year's Eve (Solemnity of Mary)

Monday, December 31

5:00pm

###### New Year's Day (Solemnity of Mary)

Tuesday, January 1

8:30 and 11:00am



# UPCOMING EVENTS

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 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month beginning September 5 until December 5, 2018.

Facilitators: Josephine Daspro, CSJ, D. Min. & James Morris

**Men 2 Men Gathering — 8:00 to 9:30 am –** This program is offered the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month beginning September 8 until December 8, 2018. 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month beginning September 11 until December 8, 2018. "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 p. p.

Facilitators: Beth Barker, Judy Coste, Joan Vessio

**A Day of Reflection with Paula D'Arcy "Healing from Inside Out" – Wednesday, November 28, 2018 – 10 am – 3 pm.**

Offering: \$60.00 includes lunch

**Retreat for Men and Women "Connecting the DOTS" – November 30 – December 2, 2018**

Presenters: Beth & Jim Barker, Paul Bergen and Ann Marie Dodd

Offering: \$200.00 for the weekend

**Advent Day of Prayer – Wednesday, December 12, 2018- 10 am – 3 pm – "A Child brings JOY to a BROKEN WORLD" –**

Offering - \$60.00 includes lunch

Presenter: Josephine Daspro, CSJ

Notre Dame Parish, New Hyde Park, is sponsoring

Craft & Gift Fairs on the following dates:

· December 15, 2018

· April 6, 2019

If interested in being a vendor, please email:

[ndcmain@gmail.com](mailto:ndcmain@gmail.com) or call

Carole at the Rectory Office at 516-352-7203 and we will forward you the contract and information. Table cost is \$55.

## 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>.



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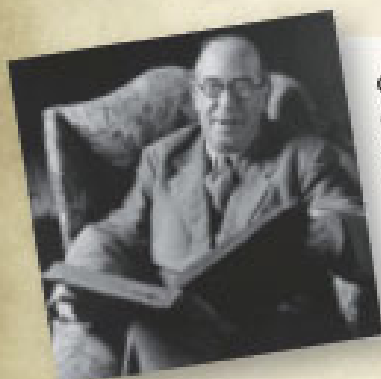
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| <b>Facilitator Training in Adult Faith Formation Level One</b><br><b>Holy Family Church, Hicksville</b><br>Nov 5, 7, 14, 15, 2018<br>7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.                                                 | <b>Bereavement Ministry Facilitator Training Course Offering – Level 1</b><br><b>Cure of Ars, Merrick</b><br>Tue, Nov 6, 13, 20 and 27<br>9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.                 |
| <b>RCIA Level I</b><br><b>Maria Regina, Seaford</b><br>Wed, Nov 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2018<br>7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.                                                                                            | <b>Bereavement Ministry Facilitator Training Course Offering – Level 2</b><br><b>Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, West Islip</b><br>Sat, Nov 10 and 17, 2018<br>9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. |
| <b>Bereavement Ministry Facilitator Training Course Offering – Level 1</b><br><b>St James Parish, Setauket</b><br>Nov 10 and Dec 1, 2018<br>9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.<br>Sat, Dec 8<br>9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. | <b>Bible How To For Catechists</b><br><b>St. Jude, Mastic Beach</b><br>Tue, Nov 13, 2018<br>6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.                                                                 |
| <b>Facilitator Training in Adult Faith Formation Level Two</b><br><b>Holy Family Church, Hicksville</b><br>Dec 3, 5, 10, 12, 2018<br>7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.                                                 | For more information or to register, visit<br><b><a href="http://www.drvc-faith.com">www.drvc-faith.com</a></b>                                                                   |



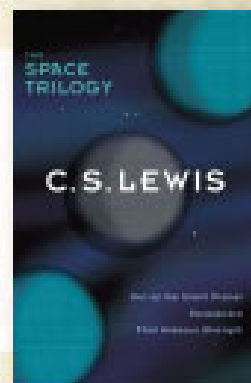
# BOOK TALK SERIES

COME MEET JOSEPH JORDAN SPEAKING ON:

## C. S. Lewis's "*Space Trilogy*" - A Christian Vision of Science Fiction



C. S. Lewis's popular "*Space Trilogy*" series of books (*Out of the Silent Planet*, *Perelandra*, and *That Hideous Strength*), shows that while good is against evil, faith does not need to be against science. In his talk, Joseph Jordan will explore how Lewis weaves his Christian vision into entertaining science fiction that wrestles with the modern world.



### JOSEPH JORDAN'S BIO

Joseph Jordan is an adjunct professor of politics and economics at Holy Apostles College and Seminary. In addition to his teaching background, he has also worked in government for more than ten years. He is a Ph.D. candidate in political theory at the Catholic University of America, where he holds an M.A. degree. He also holds an M.A. from Holy Apostles College and Seminary, and M.A. and B.A. degrees from St. John's University. His research interests include the history and development of political ideas, the psychology of ideology, and the role of the imagination in shaping culture. A longtime fan of Lewis' work, Joseph Jordan resides in Huntington with his wife and two children.

**Sunday, January 6, 2019  
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

**in the Library at the  
Seminary of the Immaculate Conception\*  
440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY**

**For directions or other information,  
call 631-423-0483 ext. 141 or email us at:  
[libraryweb@icseminary.edu](mailto:libraryweb@icseminary.edu)**

\* The Seminary is 3 miles North of Main Street in Huntington village.  
Library is on the 4th floor.

**REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED!**

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Here on Long Island, the Catholic Ministries Appeal is one of the best local vehicles we can use to reach out and show mercy, compassion and charity to others. Not only does your gift help some of our very own Parish Outreach Programs feed and serve the poor, it also sustains programs and services offered by Catholic Charities across the Diocese. Such active efforts ensure that the recipients are comforted with the knowledge that God loves them and is with them even during the difficult times in their lives.

Even more, the Catholic Ministries Appeal supports the ministries that provide religious education for our children, form our future priests and deacons, make available youth, young adult and campus ministry programs and so many other important works that form the bedrock of *dramatic missionary growth* in our Diocese.

In gratitude for your prayerful consideration of a gift to the 2018 Catholic Ministries Appeal, be assured of my conviction that together we can bring Christ's message of holiness to individuals, families and the wider community.

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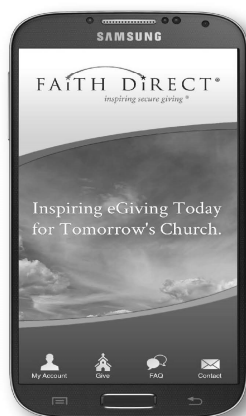


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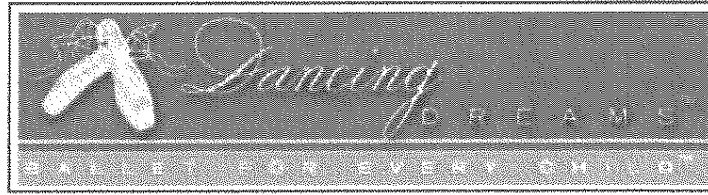


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| <b>St. Martin of Tours, Amityville</b>               | Tuesday Evening   |                |
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| <b>St. Elizabeth, Melville</b>                       | Wednesday Evening |                |
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| <b>St. William the Abbot, Seaford</b>                | Tuesday Morning   |                |
| <b>Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, Bridgehampton</b>  | Tuesday Evening   | <i>Spanish</i> |
| <b>St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays</b>                     | Tuesday Evening   |                |
| <b>St. Margaret of Scotland, Selden</b>              | Wednesday Evening |                |
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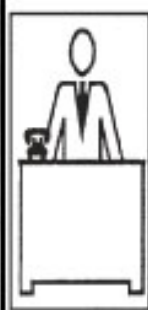
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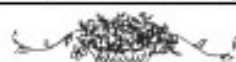
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