Adoration of the Eucharist:
Saturday: 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (when there is no baptism or wedding).
Tuesday: 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Baptisms:
Saturdays at 11:30 AM &
Sunday at 1:30 PM
(when the Church is available).

Confessions:
Monday - Friday after 9:00 AM Mass
Tuesday 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Saturday 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM
Sunday 8:15 AM - 8:45 AM

Anointing of the Sick:
Celebrated on the fourth Saturday of the month after 8:00 AM Mass.

Sacrament of Matrimony:
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Monday - Friday: 6:30 AM & 9:00 AM
Saturday: 8:00 AM, 4:30 PM (Vigil) & 7:00 PM (Vigil)
Sunday: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:15 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM & 5:00 PM

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Open daily until 8:00 PM
Sundays until 6:00 PM

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Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday & Sunday: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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March 1, 2020
First Sunday of Lent

Sunday Readings Hymnal # 808

To place a notice in our Bulletin email stbapostle@gmail.com.
To place an advertisement on our cover call The Church Bulletin at (631) 249-4994.

Monday, March 2
Fr. Shaju 6:30 AM  Lorraine Rutigliano
Fr. Jeff 9:00 AM  Pamela Schwally, Rev. Kjell Jordheim, Frank Cacciatore, Sister Lumiere (Missionary Sister of Charity)

Tuesday, March 3
Fr. Jeff 6:30 AM  Roy Mistretta
Fr. Shaju 9:00 AM  Albert Wildeman

Wednesday, March 4
Fr. Jeff 6:30 AM  In-Laws of Linda Wood
Fr. Michael 9:00 AM  Deceased Members of the Robinson and Wupper Families

Thursday, March 5
Fr. Michael 6:30 AM  Theresa Flanagan
Fr. Jeff 9:00 AM  John J. Fitzpatrick

Friday, March 6
Fr. Michael 6:30 AM  Virginia Marsico
Fr. Shaju 9:00 AM  Dorothy Camilleri

Saturday, March 7
Fr. Shaju 8:00 AM  Pauline Schlenke
Fr. Shaju 4:30 PM  James V. Sternkopf, Lilly Giannelli, Cormac Gerrity, Raymond Vogts, John McFadden, Helen Scully
Fr. Jeff 7:00 PM  Gloria and Peter Gangi

Sunday, March 8
Fr. Jeff 7:00 AM  Patrick Donegan
Fr. Michael 9:00 AM  Florence Graham
Fr. Jeff 10:15 AM  Jess Casco
Fr. Shaju 10:30 AM  Vincent Karchinski
Fr. Shaju 12:00 PM  For the People of Our Parish
Fr. Michael 5:00 PM  Robert G. Froehlich

Second Sunday of Lent
Baptism, Prayer and Lent

We often think about giving up something for Lent as an act of penance. In part it is a very good thing to do. Yet, Lent is far beyond just giving up something. It is about uniting ourselves to Jesus as He offers His life for us. It is reminding ourselves that each of us who are baptized belongs to Jesus and is in need of His Mercy.

Up until He started to preach the Good News, Jesus was about 30 years old and spent much of His life in simplicity, in prayer and manual labor as a carpenter. He stayed with Mary His mother and foster father Joseph in a hidden and obscure life. Before He began His ministry, that only lasted for approximately 2-3 years, Jesus went into greater prayer and penance in the desert. Before He was going to slowly reveal Himself to the world, which would lead climatically to His Passion, Death and Resurrection, Jesus went into the desert, faced the devil and defeated him.

He prayed to the Father in the Holy Spirit, and slowly revealed that He is the image of the invisible God, the eternal Son of God. How often do we consider that in our baptism we are adopted sons and daughters of God the Father? How often do we reflect that we are united and configured to Christ in our baptism? How often do we realize that because of our baptism we have God reigning and truly present within our souls? A baptized Christian is another Christ, a living temple of God. These are mysteries worth praying over.

We are blessed to have two catechumens who will receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil. There are also 8 candidates who will receive the sacrament of Confirmation with them and two infants who will be baptized. All of this takes place on the most sacred night of the year - Holy Saturday. It is very important for us to pray for these people during Lent. Not only that but we will renew our own vows of baptism with them on Easter Sunday.

We have been transformed because of our baptism, but we are still sinners in need of God’s mercy. We belong to Jesus Christ forever but we need to be fed by His Mercy in confession and by His Body and Blood in the Eucharist.

We need to do acts of penance because we all have sinned. The only person of God’s creation who has never sinned is the Blessed Virgin Mary.

I would recommend during these next several weeks to do three things:

1 - Read daily a passage of the Passion Narrative of the Gospel of St. John.

2 - Make a good confession in the beginning of Lent, another during Holy Week, and another one during Easter. I know this is bold but it’s worth it.

3 - Try to go to Mass during the week and not just on Sunday, or make visits to Jesus daily in the Blessed Sacrament.

Okay so that is more like 6-7 things but I think you get the picture. Basically all of us, myself included, need to do more for God who has so loved us, that He gave us His only Son so we might not perish, but may have eternal life.

The priests are here to help you and be there for you as we enter the desert with Jesus in these great weeks of prayer and penance. I wish you all a Blessed and Holy Lent.

In Jesus and Mary,

[Signature]

From the Pastor’s Desk
We Pray for Our Deceased
Cole B. Hanzich
Mary Lynch
Tracey Riordan

We Pray for Our Sick

The Week Ahead

Monday:
9:45 AM  Lenten Parish Retreat, Church
7:00 PM  Lenten Parish Retreat, Church

Tuesday:
9:45 AM  Lenten Parish Retreat, Church
10:00 AM  Prayer Shawl Group, Rectory
12:30 PM  Friendly Seniors, HFC
3:00 PM - 6:00 PM  Adoration, Church
7:00 PM  Lenten Parish Retreat, Church
7:00 PM  Catholic Daughters, School Cafeteria

Wednesday:
9:45 AM  Lenten Parish Retreat, Church
7:00 PM  Lenten Parish Retreat, Church
7:00 PM  RCIA, Convent Room
7:00 PM  CHosen L7, HFC
7:00 PM  Al-Anon, Rectory

Thursday:
7:00 PM  CHosen L7, HFC
7:00 PM  Bible Study, Rectory
7:30 PM  Choir Practice, Church

Friday:
1:30 PM  Stations of the Cross, Church
8:00 PM  Nocturnal Adoration, Church

Saturday:
12:30 PM  Confessions
4:30 PM  RCIA Rite of Sending

Sunday:  Girl Scout Sunday
8:15 AM - 8:45 AM  Confessions
10:00 AM  Girl Scout Communion Breakfast
10:30 AM  RCIA Rite of Continuing Conversion
1:30 PM  Baptisms
7:30 PM  Al-Anon, School

Our Finances

2/23/20: $14,570  2/24/19: $14,419
Parish Families Registered:  5,032
Envelopes Mailed:  1,360
Used:  2/23/20: 531  2/24/19: 522

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2020

Goal: $116,200  Donors: 170
Pledged: $34,293  Received: $24,763
Our Lady of Guadalupe Intercessor of the Unborn

To help stop the anti-life push in the world, the late Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen encouraged the spiritual adoption of an unborn child. This is done by praying that one particular but unknown child’s life be spared abortion and be allowed to continue to live.

To help accomplish this, it was recommended, an individual say the following daily prayer for a period of one year.

“Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.”

During your earthly life this spiritually adopted child of yours will be known only to God but in the world to come it is hoped that you will meet the child whose life was spared by your prayers and spend eternal happiness with them.

**Prayerful Witness as a Parish:**
Monthly prayerful presence at Planned Parenthood
540 Fulton Avenue, Hempstead 11550
**Saturday, March 14th - 10:30 AM to 11:00 AM**

**February 26th thru April 5th** during the hours of 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM - You are invited to join other Christians in peacefully praying for the unborn during a **40-day Vigil** outside Planned Parenthood,
540 Fulton Ave., Hempstead.

**First Saturday of the month:**
Join us here at St. Barnabas at 9:00 AM at the Garden of Our Lady or in the Church, depending on weather.
Dear Friends:

The season of Lent offers us a sacred time for contemplating what it means to accompany Our Lord as he carries the Cross.

During his Passion, we see Christ bearing under the burden of our sufferings and of those whom we love. As the prophet Isaiah says, “He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows” (cf. Is 53:4), and he still carries them today. Perhaps this year we might pray for the grace to accompany more closely our neighbors and loved ones who are suffering, and so participate in Christ’s own sacrificial love as he shoulders their burdens.

Throughout our Diocese there are many who are suffering. We know this. Every parish has its stories of families experiencing hardship and loss. Our hospitals and shelters have their stories. Our nursing homes and schools have theirs. Indeed, we find the Cross in our own homes. Our parents and grandparents know heartache, and our children have burdens as well. Our Lord carries them all.

Perhaps you know a person who is sick or grieving the loss of a loved one. Maybe you know someone who is suffering from addiction or depression and is tempted to despair. Perhaps you know of someone who is lonely or has been altogether abandoned. It is good to remember that Our Lord is carrying each of them already with great love, placing his sheep on his shoulders (cf. Lk 15:5). And this Good Shepherd invites us to accompany him in holiness that we might share more fully in his mission.

Consider the figure of Simon of Cyrene. We know him from the Fifth Station of the Cross and from the Synoptic Gospels. He was compelled to carry the Cross of Christ (cf. Mt 27:32; Mk 15:21; Lk 23:26). We recognize his initial fear; it is the same as our own. We do not fault Simon for his resistance. Helping Jesus could not have been easy. And yet with God’s grace what began as servitude was transformed into a gesture of compassion, even a sublime privilege.

To be sure, we may have cause to be fearful of accompanying Christ under the Cross. Social stigmas associated with some sufferings may cause us to stay away. We might fear our own inadequacies, weaknesses, and wounds can cause self-doubt. We may even feel some degree of responsibility for the person’s suffering; “I could have done more.” Simon would have experienced these fears as Christ was passing by. Indeed, he needed to be driven by the Roman soldiers to accompany Jesus (cf. Mk 15:21). But the gaze of Christ prevailed on Simon and moved him beyond his fear.
Christ himself prayed in the garden before taking up the Cross, "Father if it be possible, let this cup pass", but he saw the Father's love for humanity and was moved to pray, "yet not as I will, but as you will" (cf. Mt 26:39). Love bends the will to the other. It was Christ's love that changed Simon's servitude into sacrifice. And it is Christ's love that can transform our fear into accompaniment.

As your bishop, I have the privilege of seeing that so many of you are already living as Simon, already accompanying Christ who carries the burdens of your neighbors and loved ones. I visit your homes and pray with you in your parishes. I witness your dedication to the people of your ministries and organizations. And I see that many of you, like Simon, allow the gaze of Christ to draw you underneath the weight of the Cross, where your own servitude becomes a privileged encounter with Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and an encouragement to us all.

In light of this witness, I wish to bring particular attention to the newly formed Morning Star Initiative, designed to revitalize Catholic elementary school education on Long Island. I ask all of you to pray for our parishes and schools, our administrators and teachers, our students and their families, and all who are promoting a bold new era of Catholic education and evangelization on Long Island.

This way of sharing in the life of Christ moves us beyond imitation into a real participation with him in his relationship with the Father. The Cross is not a punishment to be endured; it is a decision to love. "He was pierced for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities" (cf. Is 53:5). And when we move in this way toward others in their need, our experience of their suffering is transformed from a burden into an encounter with love. We find, with Simon, that our servitude becomes a mysterious privilege of accompaniment. Underneath the weight of a cross carried with love, we see Jesus.

Too often we feel regret for not drawing near to those who are suffering. Let us pray during this holy season, this season of conversion, for the grace to recognize the gaze of Christ in those who are suffering and to respond to his invitation to share in his Cross. In this way, the Church on Long Island will grow together with Our Lord in grace.

Sincerely in Christ,

[Signature]

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Fridays @ 1:30 PM

RECONCILIATION
MONDAY to FRIDAY after 9:00 AM Mass
Every Tuesday - 6:30 PM to 7:00 PM
Every Saturday - 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM
Every Sunday - 8:15 AM to 8:45 AM
Monday, April 6th - 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Holy Thursday, April 9th - 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM
Good Friday, April 10th - 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM
Holy Saturday, April 11th - 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM

MARY’S WAY OF THE CROSS
Tuesday, March 10th @ 7:30 PM

LENTEN EVENING MASS
Wednesdays @ 7:00 PM - March 11th, 18th, 25th, April 1st & 8th

LENTEN RETREAT
Mornings following the 9:00 AM Mass
Evenings at 7:00 PM
March 2nd, 3rd & 4th

HOLY WEEK APRIL 5th - 11th

Palm Sunday, April 5th
Vigil: 4:30 PM, 7:00 PM
7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:15 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM

Holy Thursday, April 9th
Morning Prayer 9:00 AM
Children’s Service 3:00 PM
Mass of the Lord’s Supper 7:30 PM

Good Friday, April 10th
Morning Prayer 9:00 AM
Outdoor Stations 12:00 PM
The Lord’s Passion 3:00 PM
Evening Service 7:30 PM

Holy Saturday, April 11th
Morning Prayer 9:00 AM
Easter Vigil 7:30 PM

Easter Sunday, April 12th
7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:15 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM
MISSIONARY IMAGE OF OUR LADY OF GAUDALUPE
COMING TO ST. BARNABAS

Friday March 20th

7:00 - 8:00 PM Veneration of Image, Rosary, Confession Available
8:00 - 9:00 PM Holy Mass
9:00 - 10:00 PM Veneration of the Image in the Church
MISSIONARY IMAGE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE
VISITS LONG ISLAND AND NYC
FEBRUARY 21 TO APRIL 20

Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared in Mexico as the pregnant Mother of God to Saint Juan Diego, a Chicemeca Indian, on December 9, 10 and 12, 1531. She left a Miraculous Image of her appearance on his tilma (cloak), which still exists today for all to see in the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City.

The Missionary Images of Our Lady of Guadalupe are the only four images in the world commissioned by the Basilica Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City to journey as Missionary Images on a Mission in the New Evangelization to bring conversions and a Culture of Life and Civilization of Love, for which St. John Paul II prayed. He also named Our Lady of Guadalupe as the Star of The New Evangelization.

On March 12, 2001, Msgr. Diego Monroy Ponce, Vicar General and Bishop of Guadalupe and Rector of the Sanctuary, blessed four new digital, not photographic, Missionary Images and Dan Lynch “hoping that he will have fortitude in his mission of promoting the culture of life, of love and sanctity of the family, and the solidarity of the Church of America.” He also certified that these images are “exact copies in measurements and they are replicas of the blessed original Tilma of Blessed Juan Diego. There are many images of Our Lady of Guadalupe, but the Missionary Images are the only ones in the world with this special title, mission and certification.

So, these images are rare, special and extraordinary! Because of Our Lady of Guadalupe’s special mission, they have traveled the world bringing many signs, wonders, conversions, healings and graces. The images have manifested signs such as detections of a heartbeat of an unborn baby in her womb, confirmed by doctors and nurses with stethoscopes, and the shedding of tears of oil and holy glitter. God manifests these signs at his pleasure and delights to give them to help to strengthen our faith and our confidence in the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

However, these are not just images. They represent the spiritual presence of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The Missionary Images may also be considered as icons because they are authentic copies of the original miraculous image, an icon painted by God and not by human hands. We may believe that the Missionary Image makes present the Virgin Mary who is represented by it and that it is charged with the energy of faith of all those who have venerated it.

Her presence that is brought with the Missionary Image will be on Long Island and New York City and available for prayer and veneration.

The Image will visit our parish on Friday, March 20. The schedule for the evening is as follows:

TBD

* Refer to the Bulletin for additional specific information for these events.
TUESDAY LENT SERIES

HEART OF JESUS, THE KING AND CENTER OF OUR HEARTS

MARCH 17th - JESUS IN THE HOLY MASS - Father Jeff Yildirmaz

MARCH 24th - JESUS IN HIS MERCY - John Isnardi, St. Barnabas Confirmation Coordinator and Youth Minister

MARCH 31st - JESUS IN OUR ACTIONS - Speaker TBD

APRIL 7th - JESUS IN THE FAMILY LIFE AND EVANGELIZATION - Father Sean Magaldi, Director of Vocations & Nolan Reynolds, Director of Youth Ministry for the Diocese of Rockville Centre

Talks begin 7:00 PM in the Holy Family Chapel in the Lower Church of St. Barnabas.
**St. Barnabas Parish Lenten Retreat**

“*A Lenten Journey with Jesus and Mary***
March 2nd - 4th

**Mornings** - following the 9:00 AM Mass

**Evenings** - 7:00 PM in the Church

Don’t miss this faith-expanding, life-changing experience. Please be bold about inviting your friends, neighbors and family members to come.

**Monday, March 2nd:** “*Opening up your heart to Jesus***”
Journeying with Our Lord closer and deeper than ever before.

**Tuesday, March 3rd:** “*Journey with Jesus***”
Focusing on parishioners topics and themes plus the “*Journey with Jesus***” guided mediation.

**Wednesday, March 4th:** “*Full of Grace***”
Presenting Our Blessed Mother Mary as model of faith and her apparitions.

Presented by Tony Bellizzi - A Catholic lay Evangelist conducting over 600 programs annually, including nearly one third of all the parishes in the Rockville Centre Diocese. Tony has also conducted parents programs and confirmation retreats right here at St. Barnabas.

**Lent: Giving, Not Giving Up**

Lent is often thought of as a time of sacrifice...a time to “give up” things such as candy, bad habits and maybe even the internet. Although these challenges help us to prepare for larger sacrifices in life, Lent does not have to be a time of “giving up”. Rather, we can make it a time to “give” alms and add something to our daily lives and the lives of others. When it comes to almsgiving or helping the poor, the Church makes it easy for us through our Lenten program called “Giving, Not Giving Up”. During the five weekends of Lent, every household is encouraged to bring their alms to Mass or bring them to the rectory office. This act of generosity is a tangible sign of our Lenten efforts to feed the hungry.

- **2nd Weekend:** March 7th/8th - Crackers, oil, spaghetti sauce, canned chicken/tuna, canned fruit
- **3rd Weekend:** March 14th/15th - Laundry detergent, dishwashing liquid, cleaning products
- **4th Weekend:** March 21st/22nd - Coffee, tea, boxed or powered milk
- **5th Weekend:** March 28th/29th - All paper products: toilet tissue, paper towels, napkins, tissues

**CRS Rice Bowl for Lent**

Please take home a CRS Rice Bowl for Lent. CRS Rice Bowl is Catholic Relief Services’ Lenten faith-in-action program. It offers opportunities for your family to engage daily with the spiritual pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. And it’s an opportunity for us as a parish/school to come together as a community and reflect on what it means to live out our Gospel call to go out and encounter those most in need. During the 40 days, we will encounter the stories of people in Guatemala, Uganda, Gaza and other places around the world where CRS is at work. We’ll be invited to eat simple, meatless meals each Friday from these countries. And, through the stories, we’ll learn about the principles of Catholic social teaching - and ways we can put them into action during Lent.
and beyond. We will see how our prayers, fasting and almsgiving can give hope to those worldwide who are most in need.

Mary’s Way of the Cross

Plan on joining us for an evening of choral masterworks and reflection entitled “Mary’s Way of the Cross”, on Tuesday, March 10th at 7:30 PM at St. Barnabas. The Stations of the Cross will be prayed with texts told from the perspective of Mary. These evocative and touching readings in conjunction with sacred music will lead to a poignant, spirit-filled evening that is sure to enrich your Lenten observance.

St. Patrick & St. Joseph Celebration

Join us for Irish Soda Bread, Cannoli and other treats after the 9:00 AM Mass on Wednesday, March 18th in celebration of St. Patrick and St. Joseph.

Church in Need

This weekend, a collection will be taken for “The Church in Need.” The monies collected at this time will be shared among three areas of the world where there is a particular need for help:

Church in Central and Eastern Europe - the funds collected provide support for pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region.

The Church in Latin America - your support of the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ.

The Church in Africa - the fund supports pastoral projects that strengthen communities in their faith and foster lasting peace and reconciliation in a continent often marked by division and tension. Thank you for your generosity.

EMs, Lectors, & Altar Servers

Extraordinary Ministers, Lectors and Altar Servers have been sent via e-mail the ministry schedule for March. For those who do not have e-mail or have not provided their e-mail address, please pick up a copy of the schedule in the Altar Server’s Sacristy following Mass.

Girl Scout Sunday Mass & Communion/Pancake Breakfast

Our Annual Girl Scout Sunday Mass will be held on Sunday, March 8th at 9:00 AM. First Grade Daisies who have earned the Jesus Loves Me Award and Brownies who have earned the Ave Maria and Family of God Awards will receive their medals at the Mass. Immediately following the Mass will be a
Communion breakfast (pancakes and sausages) in the school cafeteria. All Girl Scouts are invited to attend. Tickets are $6 ($4 for children aged 4 and under) and must be purchased no later than March 1st. For reservations and tickets please contact Judy Hughes at 781-8040 or Joan Monastero at monasteroj@verizon.net.

Knights Korner

- **St. Patrick’s Day Dinner Dance** - Saturday, March 21st from 7:00 PM to 11:00 PM at the Bellmore Columbus Club, 101 Frederick Avenue, Bellmore. Enjoy corned beef & cabbage, chicken cutlets, Irish soda bread, open bar and Irish coffee. $40 per person. Come down and enjoy good food, great music and dancing. Music by John Weber. For Reservations, Please contact Bill Styne at 965-1399, John Murphy at 221-8599 or John Weber at 426-3682 by Saturday March 14th.

- **Hall Rental** - Looking for a Hall? Please consider the Bellmore Columbus Club where the Bellmore Knights of Columbus hold meetings. Hall rentals for all occasions (engagements, birthdays, Communions, Christenings, anniversaries, baby showers, bridal showers, graduations, etc). For details and availability call 785-9407. Mention the bulletin to get $100 off (excluding April and May).

It is now much easier to join us using the online application. Go to [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) and follow the “join” buttons. Our Council is #3689 and is needed to complete the application.

**RCIA News**

With Lent approaching, our Candidates and Catechumens enter the Period of Purification and Enlightenment. On Saturday, February 29th, at the 4:30 PM Mass, the parish will participate in the Rite of Sending these men and women to the Bishop for Diocesan recognition. Our Catechumens, Johan Mayorga and Jenny Soochan will sign their names in the Book of Enlightenment for the Elect at the Rite of Election on Saturday, February 29th at 7:30 PM at St. Christopher in Baldwin.

On March 8th, at 10:30 AM, Jade Johnson, Amanda Burnside, Dawn Burnside, Linda Faisca, Barbara Frisone, Joseph Frisone, Kenneth Pierson and William Ruiz will participate in the Call to Continuing Conversion here at St. Barnabas. Please keep these...
people in your prayers as they continue their journey toward the Easter reception of the sacraments.

We are always looking for new team members who are willing to share their Faith with the adults of our parish who would like to receive their sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil. Anyone interested in becoming part of our team and are willing to commit themselves on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM please contact Terri Lyons at 221-2617. You will receive so many blessings by sharing your Faith with others.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

“At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil.” If the devil tempted Jesus, who was God, how much more will he tempt us into sin. Bring the Father, Son and Holy Spirit into your marriage to help you resist temptations by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are June 26th - 28th and November 6th - 8th in Huntington. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at (877) 697-9963 or visit them at www.wwmenyli.org.

Diocesan Golden Wedding Anniversary Liturgy

This spring, couples who have been married fifty years will be honored at a Mass on Sunday, May 3rd at St. Patrick’s Roman Catholic Church in Smithtown. Mass will begin at 2:00 PM. Bishop Robert J. Coyle will preside. Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory. Space is limited. Registration will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. The forms can also be found on www.drvc-faith.org. If you have any questions, you may call 678-5800, ext. 223.

Flapjack Fundraiser Breakfast

You are invited to a Flapjack Fundraiser breakfast to support Glen Cove/Hicksville/Syosset Mercy League on Saturday, March 28th from 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM at Applebee’s, 938 S. Broadway, Hicksville. The Mercy League is a volunteer organization that raises money for enrichment activities and equipment at Mercy Medical Center. For information, contact Marge Kelly at 587-7387 or mercyleague.copresidents@gmail.com.
MEN'S HOLY HOUR

MARCH 19, 2020

St. Barnabas Roman Catholic Church
2320 Bedford Avenue, Bellmore

7:30PM · REFRESHMENTS TO FOLLOW
PRESIDED BY FR. SEAN MAGALDI

VOCATIONS@DRVC.ORG 516-678-5800 EXT. 214
ST. BARNABAS THE APOSTLE: 2020 Holy Hours

Men and Women’s Night: 1/30/20
Ladies Night: 2/27/20
Men’s Night: 3/19/20

Men and Women’s Night: 4/16/20
Ladies Night: 5/14/20
Men and Women’s Night: 6/25/20

ADORATION, LIVE MUSIC, AND A TALK W/ A SOCIAL TO FOLLOW
Thursday Nights @ 7:30PM
Fr Adrian Dinner
Corpus Christi Council #2302, Mineola is hosting a St. Patrick Dinner/Dance honoring Fr. Adrian McHugh as Irishman of the Year. It will take place on Saturday, March 14th at Council Hall, 186 Jericho Tpke., Mineola from 8:00 PM - 12:00 AM. Cost is $60 per person. Family style corned beef and cabbage dinner, shepherd’s pie, coffee and dessert. Featuring Feis na Nottag (step dancers from the Donny Golden School of Irish Dance) and live music by The Switch. For reservations, contact Jim Corrigan at 270-3744 (voicemail) or 282-6774 (text) or kocjim2502@gmail.com.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul
The Gospel is Matthew’s account of the temptations which Jesus experienced. He is tempted to satisfy His hunger by changing rocks into bread. Being faithful to God’s Word can be more life-giving than merely satisfying one’s desires for food. The second temptation presented by the devil is for Jesus to manifest His Divine nature and relationship with God by having angels prevent Him from being harmed even if He would jump from the high point of the temple. Jesus does not want to use His relationship with His Father to take the easy way out. He knows that suffering is part of His role in fulfilling the Divine plan. The last temptation is also to take the easy way of winning over the world. Jesus could have everything if He joined forces with the devil. It may take more work to win over humanity doing it God’s way, but that is bringing grace (Divine life) to all of humanity. What brings us hope in all this, is that God continues to choose each and every one of us. God wants to grace us. The Lord wants to give us the gift of Divine Life. Jesus could force us to love God, but it really would not be love. Jesus shows us that love is making the decision to follow God even when faced with temptation, trials, and difficulties. Let us pray that during Lent the Lord gives us the grace to fast from apparent darkness, personal anxiety, discouragement, and temptation. Thank you for your support in last week’s second collection.

Hope House Ministries
Beta Sigma Phi - Xi Master Chapter invites you to their Annual Fashion show to benefit Hope House Ministries on Wednesday, April 1st at Villa Lombardi’s in Holbrook. Cost is $60 per person and includes a gourmet buffet and fashion show. Your Choice Auction and fashions by Chico’s, White
House/Black Market. For tickets call Peg at (631) 928-2628 or Barbara at (631) 698-0140.

Choir Members Needed
The Music Ministry of St. Barnabas Choir plays a vital part in liturgical celebrations throughout the year. Lessons and Carols, Christmas, Lent and Easter Services are sung by our choir. The choir sings at 10:30 AM Mass on Sundays. Our liturgies are enriched by their musical participation. St. Barnabas Choir is continually welcoming new members. The choir is in need of Soprano, Alto and especially male voices, Tenor and Bass. No audition is necessary and the ability to read music is not required. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings at 7:30 PM in the Church. For more information, please contact Mr. Dione, our Choir Director at the Rectory Office at 785-0054.

Focus on Religious Freedom
Warning! - An Organized Effort to Drive Religion Out of the Public Square
During a January 28th radio interview with Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Attorney General William Barr contended the First Amendment is under assault and that “militant secularists” are trying to impose their secular values on religious people. “To me, the problem today is not that religious people are trying to impose their views on non-religious people, it’s the opposite - it’s that militant secularists are trying to impose their values on religious people and they’re not accommodating the freedom of religion of people of faith.” “Religion was viewed by the Founders as...essential to maintaining a free country. We believe in the separation of church and state, but what permits a limited government and minimal command and control of the population and allows people to have freedom of choice in their lives...is the fact that they are a people capable of disciplining themselves according to moral values.”

Little Sisters, Sued by Some States, Going Back to Supreme Court - for 3rd Time!
The Little Sisters of the Poor are a Catholic charitable order, founded in 1839, that cares for the elderly poor by operating 30 nursing homes across the country. These homes have lay staff for whom the Little Sisters provide group health insurance. Then - in 2012, the federal and some state governments decided that under the newly passed Affordable Care
Act (ACA), The Sisters must ignore their beliefs and include contraception and abortion-inducing drugs in their insurance coverage or face crippling fines.

2013 - The Supreme Court issued an injunction protecting the Little Sisters but the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled against them.

2014 - The Supreme Court ruled that closely held companies - mostly family owned businesses - are exempt from the contraception mandate.

2016 - The Supreme Court heard the 10th Circuit’s case against the Sisters and unanimously overturned their ruling.

2018 - This administration issued a new rule that contains an exemption for religious ministries in relation to the ACA.

Then - Several states sued the federal government and targeted the Little Sisters in particular by arguing that they are not religious enough, thereby forcing them to abandon their core beliefs and provide contraceptives and abortion-inducing drugs.

2020 - The Supreme Court will again hear this case. “It is simply unreasonable for government to demand that the Sisters violate their consciences and put a wall between their faith and their good works.” - Archbishop William E. Lori

Kellenberg Events
- Kellenberg Memorial Alumni Breakfast - All Kellenberg Memorial alumni, alumni priests, and their families are invited to join us for the 4th Annual Alumni Communion Breakfast on Sunday, March 15th. Mass begins at 9:00 AM, followed by breakfast and a special guest speaker. The cost for the morning is $12 per person and $6 for children 10 and under.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas - Court Mother Seton #2413
We welcome all our Catholic sisters to add their names to the roster of the largest Catholic women’s organization in the world through Court Mother Seton #2413

Tell a friend!

Our next meeting is Tuesday, March 3rd at 7:00 PM in the School Cafeteria. For more information, contact Jackie Murray at 781-7846.

*Baby Shower to Benefit The Life

Unfortunately, walk-in registration is not available for this event. Please note that all guests must pre-register no later than Monday, March 9th. Online registration is available by visiting kellenberg.org/alumni. Any questions may be directed to alumni@kellenberg.org or 292-0200, ext. 396.

• Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre - All are welcome on Saturday, March 21st from 6:30 PM - 10:00 PM, as the Kellenberg Alumni Parents Association (KAPA) presents “The Mild, Mild West” at Kellenberg Memorial High School, 1400 Glenn Curtiss Blvd., Uniondale. Tap into your inner sleuth as we gather clues and use them to deduce the identity and motive of the “murderer”. A special thank you to the Murder
Mystery Dinner Theatre Chairpersons Brad & Maureen Kass! In addition to the fully immersive show, the evening will feature beer/wine and dinner, followed by dessert, coffee, and tea. The cost for the evening is $30. Please visit www.kellenberg.org/kapa-murder-mystery-dinner-theatre to register no later than Monday, March 16th. Questions may be directed to Director of Advancement, Mrs. Denise Miles at MrsMiles@kellenberg.org or 292-0200, ext. 245.

The Men of the Way of Light

Lent, the forty days and nights proceeding Easter, should be a meaningful time of preparation and purification as we look forward with anticipation to the Easter Feast!

Lent can be a time of both sorrow and joy as we reflect on our humanity as we also focus on Him, who is the redeemer of our humanity. During Lent, as we read, pray, and reflect we often sadly recognize our hardness of heart, willful disobedience, and lukewarm devotion. This very recognition of our stained humanity should give us hope. As C.S. Lewis said, “It is when we notice the dirt that God is most present in us, it is the very sign of His presence.”

This Sunday’s Gospel reading gives us immense insight into the nature of temptation and the source of strength to overcome temptation.

Someone, speaking of temptation has said, “We can’t prevent the birds from flying overhead but we can prevent them from building a nest in our hair.”

So, it is with temptation. We cannot prevent our soul from being subjected to temptation; it is part of the human drama. However, we don’t need to surrender to it.

Even Jesus, the Son of God was put to the test by Satan. Satan pulled out all the stops and appealed to all of man’s senses and inner desires for self-preservation and glorification to tempt Jesus to step outside of the Father’s will. But Jesus did not succumb. In His experience overcoming temptation, Jesus provides the key elements we need for overcoming temptation. Jesus was schooled in the sacred Scripture to understand both the nature of the Father, and His expectations of us for living a holy life. Jesus was already determined that He would submit to the Father’s will, regardless. So, when a tempting situation was offered to Him, He knew the Father’s will as revealed in the Scripture, and willingly surrendered His will to the Father’s. Jesus, who is the Living Word, used the written Word to safely lead Him out of temptation’s trap. St. Francis de Sales rightly identified the indwelling Word of God as the one who safely turns our dark days of temptation into stepping stones of strength and virtue. As we enter these days of Lent, let’s not primarily fasten our eyes on our stained humanity, but rather upon Him who is the answer to that stain, the Word of God, the indwelling presence of Jesus. (Excerpts from the Emmaus Journey Reflections)

Jayden Update: We brought the young mom, Vantasia, and baby Jayden to our Sunday dinner this past weekend. We were blessed with Fr. Mike’s presence! Thanks to the continuing generosity of so many, we took them shopping for many of the basics that they needed. Jesus always took care of the peoples’ basic needs before bringing His Word.
This young family is experiencing Jesus compassion and love through you! You are Jesus’ hands and feet! We are still looking to move them from the Bronx to a more local location. Any help is greatly appreciated!

Do you know the Scripture well enough to fight temptation in your life? Need a place to start learning? Join our Scripture/Faith discussions at our next meeting on Saturday, March 14th, immediately following the 8:00 AM Mass. We meet in the Nazareth Room of the Holy Family Chapel. Bagels and coffee served. Our meetings run until 10:30 AM. For more information, visit our FaceBook page.

Regular Sacrificial Giving
Contribute to St. Barnabas with on-line banking and bill paying services. Call your bank to request the service. Send a check to St. Barnabas with a weekly donation indicated. Include your Name, Address & Envelope Number.

Estate Planning
When preparing your estate plan, please consider a bequest to The Parish of St. Barnabas, Bellmore. You can make a contribution to support ongoing operations of the Church or contribute to a particular project. Your legal counsel can help you refine the bequest language to suit your specific wishes for The Parish of St. Barnabas. Thank you.

US ARMY:
- General Paul Hurley
- PFC David Calame, Jr.
- PFC Justin Oney, Chaplain Spec Kevin A. Bauer
- Lt. Col. Eric Reid, SPFC Sean Luhman, SPC Andrew Crowley III
- Lt. Richard Joseph Holahan

NATIONAL GUARD:

US NAVY:

US MARINES:

US AIR FORCE:
- Rev. Major Timothy Hirten, Nicholas P. Wright.

US MERCHANT MARINE:
- US COAST GUARD: SA Kieran Baisley.
Pro Bikers For Life will be sponsoring a 40 Days For Life Campaign on Long Island
February 26th through April 5th
You’re invited to join other Christians in peacefully praying for the Unborn during a 40-Day Vigil outside Planned Parenthood... Located at 540 Fulton Ave, Hempstead, NY 11550
The vigil takes place 7 days a week, between the hours of 8am - 5pm

LOVE SAVES LIVES

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization!
Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000 volunteers!
With God’s help, here are the proven results in 6,742 local campaigns, 61 Nations & 855 Cities:
• 16,742 babies saved from abortion
• 196 abortion workers quit
• 104 abortion centers closed

Here’s how to take part:
• Vigil location: Outside Planned Parenthood
  540 Fulton Ave, Hempstead, NY 11550
• Vigil hours: 8am - 5pm Daily
• Local contact: Email: Hempstead40days@aol.com
• Social Media: Like us on Facebook at: 40daysforLifeHempsteadNY
• Learn more and get involved by visiting our campaign at the website below:
  40daysforlife.com/Hempstead

KICK OFF 40 Days For Life opening Mass at St. Ladislaus Catholic Church
February 22nd, Saturday 9am
Located at 18 Richardson Pl, Hempstead, NY 11550
Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be Concelebrated by Fr. Liam McDonald & Fr. Fidelis Moscinski, CFR
There will be a Pro-Life talk by Robert and Kristi Koller & PBFL video following Mass.
Afterwords there will be a short procession to Planned Parenthood Hempstead for a Witness and the Rosary.
Upcoming Important Dates:

* Saturday, March 21st –
  Levels 5 & 6 Reconciliation @ 11:30 AM

We are still in need of Adult Volunteers to be Hall Monitors and Substitute Catechists. Please call the office for more information.
(516) 785-0130.

The following are the dates for CHosen:

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If you wish to arrange a baptism, please contact the rectory at 785-0054. Once your request is received you will be invited to meet one of the priests. This meeting offers parents an opportunity to review the baptism ceremony and set the date. The meeting is more conversational than instructional. Forms need to be completed giving information on the parents, child’s date and place of birth, as well as the names and religious affiliation of the sponsors. At least one sponsor must be a practicing Catholic.

Baptisms are held on Saturday at 11:30 AM, and Sunday at 1:30 PM, when the Church is available. (See the list of dates below).

First time parents are required to attend a Baptism Class. Classes are held in the Holy Family Chapel on Agape Sunday, the second Sunday of the month. Crying babies and noisy children are welcome. We begin with Mass at 10:15 AM, when your baby will be welcomed to St. Barnabas, followed by refreshments and the class.

The 10:15 AM Mass & Class will be held on - March 8th, April 19th, May 10th, and June 14th.

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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School (SEAS) is an Accredited parochial school for Nursery through 8th Grade providing a top quality education for thousands since 1992. We offer an Early Childhood Program that consists of 3 or 5 half-day Nursery, 3 or 5 day Pre-K and full-day Kindergarten, as well as “Our Time”, a two-year old child and parent transitional program. SEAS provides a comprehensive curriculum that includes: World Language, Music, Art, Computer Technology, Academic Intervention Services, Sports, After School Clubs, and an After School Care program. SEAS strives to create a nurturing educational environment of Academics, Faith, and Service. We are conveniently located in Bellmore. At SEAS we learn and grow in Respect, Responsibility, and Reverence.

We are a Regional Catholic School serving our five parishes: St. Barnabas, Cure of Ars, St. Raphael, St. Frances de Chantal, and Sacred Heart.