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
(with 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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In Residence

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MASS TIMES

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

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

Office Hours
Monday - Thursday: 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday & Sunday: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Priest Emergency
(516) 590-9981

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Second Sunday of Lent
Sunday Readings Hymnal #811

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 9
Fr. Shaju 6:30 AM  Anthony DeVito
Fr. Jeff  9:00 AM  Nancy Stabile, Margaret Jorgensen, Ernst A. Schlenke, Edward Miller
Kindergarten & 7th Grade attending

Tuesday, March 10
Fr. Jeff  6:30 AM  Richard Kuhn
Fr. Shaju 9:00 AM  Dorothy Holian
1st Grade attending

Wednesday, March 11
Fr. Jeff  6:30 AM  Rita Mistretta
Fr. Michael 9:00 AM  Intentions of Pat and Bob Aversano
3rd Grade attending

Thursday, March 12
Fr. Michael  6:30 AM  Edward Patrick Nallan
Fr. Jeff  9:00 AM  Cormac Gerrity
4th Grade attending

Friday, March 13
Fr. Shaju  6:30 AM  Edward Palevach
Fr. Michael  9:00 AM  Dolores Meadows

Saturday, March 14
Fr. Michael  8:00 AM  Alfredo Moneta and Marie Monaco and Isabelle Buonomo
1:30 PM  Wedding:  Kevin Pickering & Geena Pandolfi
3:00 PM  Wedding:  Sean Toolan & Ashley Zarro
Fr. Jeff  4:30 PM  Jack Pickering, Sue Pickering, Bill McHale, Helen McHale, James H. Wynder, Louis Pandolfi, Sr.
Fr. Michael  7:00 PM  Joseph Montalbano

Sunday, March 15
Fr. Shaju  7:00 AM  Gladys Slavin
Fr. Shaju  9:00 AM  Joseph Tavella
Fr. Michael  10:15 AM  Edward Nallan
Fr. Jeff  10:30 AM  For the People of Our Parish
Fr. Michael  12:00 PM  Marie and Walter Paluch
Fr. Jeff  5:00 PM  Vincent Buonocore

Third Sunday of Lent
As you may know the Diocese of Rockville Centre and the Bikers for Life are promoting a prayer campaign at two Planned Parenthood centers on Long Island: Hempstead and Smithtown.

This campaign consists of Christians praying at these two locations for an end of abortion and for the conversion of those who are about to take part in the sin of abortion and for those who have already committed it.

It began on February 26th and will continue till April 5th. The Bikers for Life will be at these locations praying from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, 7 days a week. **As a parish we will be in prayer at the Hempstead location on March 14th at 10:30 AM.** It is my hope that parishioners will take part in this event.

As a church we pray for the salvation of souls, but this prayer campaign could even save lives. In years past, mothers have actually left the property before even entering the building due to this event and had conversions.

An Image of Our Lady, especially the Image of Our Guadalupe, is certainly a powerful sacramental that invokes conversion. God only knows the amount of people that have had conversions and saved their child’s life by looking at the Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe outside at Planned Parenthood centers. I try to bring with me an image of Our Lady of Guadalupe when I go to a Planned Parenthood to pray there so that others may see her.

The kickoff of ‘40 Days for Life’ began on February 22nd with Holy Mass at St. Ladislaus Church with the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe and a procession to the Planned Parenthood in Hempstead. The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe is a replica size image of the original and has been blessed by Saint John Paul II at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City. **The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will come to St. Barnabas on March 20th at 7:00 PM.**

Leaving a Church that is consecrated and contains the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist to a place where the lives of the unborn are taken away from them is an intense spiritual experience. As a seminarian, I would go to Mass at St. Ladislaus with a few of my friends on Saturdays. After the Mass we would take a quick walk to Planned Parenthood and pray a Rosary there.

It is quite a distinction from leaving a place that is filled with the light of Christ to a place that is being consumed with darkness. Yet there is darkness and light within each and every one of us. May the light which is Jesus Christ present in our souls grow within us. Going to a place like Planned Parenthood to pray is truly bringing the light of Christ to a place that is in great need of it.

It is a reminder for us during this Lent, that as long as we are trying to follow Jesus we are not in complete darkness. Jesus tells us: “I am the light of the world, whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

In Jesus and Mary,
We Pray for Our Deceased
Ursula Sagsetter
Arleen Luhrs
Anne Bahnken
Valeria DeYeso
Kathryn DiSoma

Bread & Wine
Is offered in loving memory of James Sternkopf from the Dillon Family.

Sanctuary Lamp
Is lit in loving memory of James Sternkopf from the Dillon Family.

We Pray for Our Sick

The Week Ahead

Monday:
7:30 PM Charismatic Prayer Group, HFC

Tuesday:
3:00 PM - 6:00 PM Adoration, Church
6:30 PM - 7:00 PM Confessions
7:30 PM Mary’s Way of the Cross, Church

Wednesday:
7:00 PM RCIA, Convent Room
7:00 PM CHOSEN L8, HFC
7:00 PM Lenten Evening Mass
7:00 PM Al-Anon, Rectory
7:30 PM Choir Practice, Church

Thursday:
7:00 PM CHOSEN L8, HFC
7:00 PM Bible Study, Rectory

Friday:
1:30 PM Stations of the Cross, Church

Saturday: Knights of Columbus Membership Drive
8:00 AM Men’s Group, HFC
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Confessions
4:30 PM Catholic Daughters Bake Sale

Sunday: Knights of Columbus Membership Drive
After all masses Catholic Daughters Bake Sale
8:15 AM - 8:45 AM Confessions
1:30 PM Baptisms
7:30 PM Al Anon, School

Our Finances
3/1/20: $17,774  3/3/19: $16,865

Parish Families Registered: 5,032
Envelopes Mailed: 1,360


Catholic Ministries Appeal 2020

Goal: $116,200  Donors: 206
Pledged: $43,953  Received: $30,083
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.
STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
Fridays @ 1:30 PM

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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

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

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

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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.
Dear Friends:

As we journey through this Lenten season, the Lord Jesus calls us to devote ourselves to prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Our Catholic Ministries Appeal offers us a practical way to respond to this Gospel call by making the mercy and love of Jesus manifest to all those in need. During Lent, we are challenged to put into practice the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. These works are the heart of the annual Appeal.

As Pope Francis tells us “Prayer brings us back to the path of truth about ourselves and about God; fasting makes us share the reality of so many people who face the anguish of hunger and makes us pay more attention to our neighbor; charity is a blessed occasion to collaborate with God's providence in benefit of His children.”

Your generosity has enabled us to provide caring homes for people with disabilities, affordable housing to our low income seniors, and services to help people recover from addiction. We have supported married and family life; celebrated the sacramental life of the Church; ministered to those in prison; brought the healing power of Christ to those suffering from illness; spread the Gospel through efforts of evangelization, education and formation. These are just a few of the ways your contributions transform lives and spread dramatic missionary growth.

Today I invite you to join me in making a gift to this year’s Catholic Ministries Appeal, so that, as One Family In Mission, we can continue to meet the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of others.

My prayers and best wishes to you and your family this Holy Season of Lent.

Sincerely in Christ,

[Signature]

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre
New Pastoral Letter. The Great Week – A Pilgrimage with the Lord in Holy Week. Bishop John Barres has written a pastoral letter about Holy Week: The Great Week – A Pilgrimage with the Lord in Holy Week. This Lent, Bishop Barres invites you to join him in making a pilgrimage in the footsteps of the Lord during the last week of His life by attending all the liturgies that take place in your local parish during Holy Week, the final week of Lent just prior to Easter. This pastoral letter will provide you an overview and explanation of the ‘places’ you will visit, the things you will see and the people you will meet on your spiritual journey. To read the letter, visit www.thegreatweek.com. The pastoral letter will also be included in the March edition of The Long Island Catholic Magazine. Printed copies will be available later this month. To subscribe to The Long Island Catholic Magazine visit www.licatholic.org/subscribe/.
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
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.

- **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.

**From Social Ministry - the 2020 Census**

“WHEN WE TALK ABOUT SOCIAL JUSTICE, THE CENSUS GIVES EVERYONE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE SIMPLY BY JUST BEING”

The United States constitution mandates that everyone in the country be counted every 10 years - and this is the year! According to information from [www.2020Census.gov](http://www.2020Census.gov): “the census provides critical data that lawmakers, business owners, teachers and many others use to provide daily services, products and support for you and your community. Every year, billions of dollars in federal funding go to hospitals, fire departments, schools, roads and other resources based on census data. The results of the census also determine the number of seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, and they are used to draw congressional and state legislative districts.”

Between March 12th - 20th, you will receive an invitation to respond to the Census online. Every household will have the option to respond online, by mail or by phone. For more information, visit [www.Census.gov](http://www.Census.gov).
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).

Altar Servers

Correspondence has been sent out to all Altar Servers advising of a mandatory meeting on Monday, March 23rd or Monday, March 30th at 7:00 PM in the church. You are only required to attend one evening. This meeting will be no longer than one hour.

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.

Congratulations to New Bishop

“With deep joy I am pleased to share with you the announcement made in the Vatican that His Holiness Pope Francis has given the Diocese of Rockville Centre a new auxiliary bishop. Please join me in prayerfully congratulating Idente Missionary Father Luis Miguel Romero as the new Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre.” - Bishop John O. Barres
Guidelines For Health Considerations During Virus Season

As a health precaution, the Diocese of Rockville Centre has instructed all Parish Churches to enact the following measures:

1. Until further notice, the Precious Blood of Christ (the Chalice) is not to be distributed to anyone other than clergy (priests/deacons) or to those who for personal health reasons must only receive the Precious Blood.

2. Until further notice, the Sign of Peace will not be given/exchanged in any form during Holy Mass.

3. The obligation to attend Holy Mass does not apply if you are ill. Parishioners are instructed to remain at home if they are sick. Those who are able to attend Mass should frequently wash and sanitize their hands and observe proper health and hygiene practices.

4. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are to wash their hands before and after administering the Eucharist.

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.

Catholic Daughters Bake Sale

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Mother Seton #2413, will hold a St. Patrick’s Day Bake Sale on Saturday, March 14th after the 4:30 PM Mass and on Sunday, March 15th after the 9:00 AM, 10:15 AM, 10:30 AM and 12:00 PM Masses. Irish soda bread and other home baked goods will be available.

2021 Mass Book

Offering for 2021 masses can be made Saturday, March 14th in the Holy Family Chapel from 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM. After this date, offerings can be made during rectory hours.

Catholic Girl Scout Medals

Daisies and Brownies who earned their Girl Scout religious medals will receive them at the 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday. Congratulations to Daisies - Megan Aron, Heidi Brown, Colette Campione, Harper Colgan, Claire Gleason, Molly Gleason, Sofia Healy, Megan LaRose, Grace Martorana, and Juliana Velazquez on receiving their Jesus Loves Me medals. Congratulations to second grade Brownies - Selena Bencosme, Daniella Capritto, Keira Ferris, Angelina Foley, Angelina Giannillo, Lauren Hughes, Madeline Ieraci, Hope LaMarca, Samantha Novoni, Isabella Oliver, and Annmarie White on receiving their Ave Maria medals. Congratulations to third grade Brownies - Madison Badillo, Leah Molinet, Olivia Molinet, Elizabeth O’Toole, Worley Pellegrino, and Lila Radigan on receiving their Family of God medals. Juniors and Cadettes will receive their medals from the bishop at the annual Girl Scouts Convocation on May 3rd.
Charismatic Prayer Group

St. Barnabas Charismatic Prayer Group is a Spirit-filled prayer group with praise, song, scripture reading and sharing. We provide and encourage continuing support for personal growth and discovering Christ in your daily life. Come and hear about the changing experiences and how the Holy Spirit is working in our lives. How Scripture comes alive, prayer life becomes renewed and faith is uplifted. Experience that personal relationship with Jesus Christ that makes Liturgy come alive. Our meetings begin with a Spirit-filled time of Praise in song led by our Music Ministry “In the Way.” Come, taste and see the goodness of the Lord. Joins us every Monday evening from 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM to see and hear what Jesus is doing. Fellowship and refreshments after. For further information contact Ellen O’Malley at 221-0574.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

“Rise, and do not be afraid.” Let us not be afraid to live out our Sacrament of Marriage to the fullest. Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage 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.

Divorced or Separated Catholics of Long Island

A New Member Orientation Meeting for single persons, including divorced, separated, widows, widowers and singles is taking place on Tuesday, March 17th at 7:30 PM, Knights of Columbus Council #6526, 1869 Wantagh Avenue. Parking in rear of building. All are welcome! Bring proof of single
status to join. Annual dues are $30. Refreshments following the meeting. For further information, please call Carol at 794-4933 or Fran at 889-5790.

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.

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
In the Gospel today, you are invited to experience the holiness of God. As we draw ever closer to God, we sense how Jesus was energized by His relationship with His Father and how that empowered Him to fulfill the mission on which He was sent. Even though suffering and death were part of the mission, He lovingly accepted it in order to reach out with compassion and draw others into a holy relationship with His Father. With the call of God, there comes hope of a relationship. In the Gospel, Jesus’ invitation to His disciples to climb the mountain with Him enables them to experience a foretaste of the divine promises and deepening of their relationship with Jesus and His Father. Have you often reflected on the transfiguration as a Near Death Experience for Jesus? The transfiguration was an affirmation for Jesus and His followers - an affirmation that Jesus was on the right path to ultimate glory, even if it meant going through suffering and death. May we continue to respond to God’s call to holiness and may that motivate you to live a life filled with hope and compassion. Please continue to support St. Vincent de Paul so that we can continue to bring the tenderness of Christ to all persons in the parish who are destitute and forgotten. Thank you.

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.
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. 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 to 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.

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.

Focus on Freedom of Religion

The Health of American Democracy Requires the Centrality of Religion:

In a recent interview with Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Attorney General William Barr said, “The reason the (Founding Fathers) felt they could grant so much freedom in the Constitution and only provide for limited government was because religion would be the force that guided people so they could largely govern themselves. Alexis de Tocqueville observed that the centrality of religion was (the cause) of the health of American democracy.” Barr defended a person’s natural right to obey one’s conscience above one’s government. He is concerned that the rule of law, fair play, and due process are threatened by “militant secularists” trying to “impose their values” on others.

Maine & Maryland Barring Religious Schools from Tuition Support Programs - Accused of Anti-religious Hostility: More than 100 small towns in...
Maine don’t have their own high school, so families choose a high school and the town pays the bill up to the rate allowed by the state. Three families are now suing the state for religious discrimination since, while the state will pay tuition for a private school, it refuses to pay tuition for a religious affiliated school. “When a state decides to empower parents to choose the school that is best for their child, to then say, but we are going to exclude religious schools...just strikes at the very core of our religious freedom...,” said an attorney for Institute for Justice. Maryland revoked the Baltimore-area Bethel Christian Academy from participation in a voucher program benefitting low-income students and demanded the school repay more than $100,000 for their previous participation. “The government may not discriminate against religious schools simply because it dislikes their religious beliefs. Bethel offers an academically rigorous and caring Christian education in a diverse environment...Maryland’s families deserve better and that’s why we’re grateful Bethel’s lawsuit can move forward,” said an Alliance Defending Freedom attorney.

Parents who have the primary and inalienable right and duty to educate their children must enjoy true liberty in their choice of schools. - *Gravissimum Educationis, 1965*

The Men of the Way of Light

Have you ever stopped to wonder what it is that makes a person holy? Is it some inner goodness or merit they achieved? Not at all! Most godly people are very conscious of their own unworthiness, always offset by being a recipient of God’s mercy and grace.

A story is told of a young girl, who when visiting a great cathedral, saw the figures depicted in the beautiful stained-glass windows. It was explained to her that these were the “saints” of the Church. Later, when asked by someone, “What is a saint?” she answered, “A saint is someone who lets the light shine through.”

Isn’t that really what makes us holy, the extent to which we allow Jesus, “the Light,” to shine through us? We are set apart and made spiritually beautiful, or holy, not because we reflect our own merit but because we reflect His merit.

This week’s Gospel reading relates the story of Jesus and His three disciples on the Mount of Transfiguration. For a few short minutes these disciples visually saw that of which John the Baptist testified, the holiness of Jesus, the Lamb of God.

John the Baptist said, “among you stand one whom you do not know, the thong of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie.” This holy light which transfigured Jesus’ face causing it to shine like the sun, was just a glimpse of His glory and holiness.

As we proceed through these days of Lent, and reflect on our spiritual condition and perhaps the disarray of our relationship with Christ, it is easy to see ourselves as unholy. Often, when we perceive our spiritual shortcomings, we over-compensate with a renewed spiritual vigor in an attempt to feel better about ourselves. When we respond this way, we are getting the cart before the horse. The place of change and spiritual transformation begins with the recognition that we are holy, in spite of our sins, because the holiness of Jesus has been applied to our lives.

When we were baptized, we were sealed with God’s mark! When God sees us, He sees His Son! God sees us as righteous through the righteousness of Jesus! Pope John Paul II says in Mission of the Redeemer, “...we must first clearly affirm our faith.
in Christ, the one Savior of humanity, a faith we have received as a gift from on high, not as a result of any merit of our own. We say with St. Paul, ‘I am not ashamed of the Gospel: it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who has faith’ (Rom 1:16).’ When we are able by faith to grasp that concept, we respond back to God in love.

This is how transformation takes place. With this understanding of Christ’s love for us, our resolve to live for Him with renewed spiritual vigor comes not from a desire to offset our previous sins, but out of gratitude that our sins have been forgiven. That which makes us holy is simply the presence of Jesus, the “Light of the World,” dwelling within us. His merit, His gifts shining through us, transforms our attitudes and behavior. (Excerpts from the Emmaus Journey Reflections)

Need to clean your window so that Christ can shine through you? Join the 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.

Molloy College Open House
Sunday, April 26th at 1:00 PM. 1000 Hempstead Avenue, Rockville Centre.

Healing Mass
The Parish of St. Ignatius Loyola and Pastor, Fr. James Stachacz welcome all to a Mass of Healing at St. Ignatius Loyola Church, 129 Broadway, Hicksville on Monday, March 16th at 7:30 PM.

St. Andrew’s Pascha Bake Sale
A fundraiser to help meet the needs of the Parish expenses. Enjoy ethnic baked goods, basket raffles and boutique items. Saturday, April 4th from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM at 275 Ellison Avenue, Westbury.

Nassau County Helping Hands
Catholic Home Care announces the expansion of its innovative Helping Hands program into Nassau County. Helping Hands provides light housekeeping and assistance with errands. The
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service is provided free, or at a minimal cost, to residents of Nassau County who are over the age of 60 or disabled. Catholic Home Care currently serves over 3,000 patients across Suffolk, Nassau and Queens, providing state of the art assistance in home care, while staying committed to its Catholic mission. Our Helping Hands program is an expansion of this work, by encouraging independence and healthy living for seniors. To apply for Helping Hands services or to learn more, please call (631) 828-7648.

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.

Hymnals
There are still hymnals available to memorialize a loved one. The dedication is placed on the inside cover. The donation is $25. Please stop by or call the rectory at 785-0054 if you would like to dedicate a hymnal.
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
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.

**Pro Bikers**

**Pro Life For Life**
Day of Prayer at the Seminary

“The Lenten Sign of the Cross”

The cross draws our attention to who and what is most important about our belief. No other symbol so eloquently offers a sign of our faith and leads us along our Lenten journey.

Sunday
March 15
2020

9:30 am

Mass

Conferences ♦ Lunch ♦ Confession ♦ Mass

Rev. Patrick J. Griffin, C.M.
Executive Director
Vincentian Center for Church & Society
St. John’s University

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Friends of the Seminary Spirituality Committee

$30 per Guest [No charge for Friends of the Seminary]

R.S.V.P. March 8, 2020

No charge for Members of Friends of the Seminary • $30 non-Member • List additional attendees on reverse side

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MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

You may have experienced the gift of our Ministry of Consolation. These are volunteers who assist families in preparation for a funeral of a loved one. We meet with the family to help choose readings, hymns and gather other information for the funeral Mass. At the funeral Mass we welcome, help with seating and are there with the boxes of tissues where needed. We are in great need of new volunteers. If you are interested, phone the Rectory Office, 785-0054. Thank you.
Parent & Child Program
For children ages 2-3 years old.

Our Time is the perfect way for you and your child to become familiar with the classroom environment while singing songs, doing crafts, reading books, and celebrating God’s love together.

Class sessions are offered on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday from 10am to 11am from September thru June at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Regional School.

For more information or to enroll contact: Sabina Lamb (516) 781-9834 or the School Office 516-785-5709.

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:

**GRADE 7**
- **Wednesday**
  - 03/18
  - 04/01
  - 04/29
- **Thursday**
  - 03/19
  - 04/02
  - 04/30

**GRADE 8**
- **Wednesday**
  - 03/11
  - 03/25
  - 04/22
  - 05/06
- **Thursday**
  - 03/12
  - 03/26
  - 04/23
  - 05/07
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.

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Let Your Light Shine

As Lent begins we turn away from sin.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School (SEAS) is an AdvanED 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.
God promised Abraham would have many descendants, even though that seemed impossible. But Abraham believed God.

Remove from the first word any letters that are in the second word. Write the remaining letters in the blanks below.

ink - knee
shave - slow
maiden - nip
youth - the
bad - body
(last - sit) + (therapy - pay)
soft - sty
mangi - give
(neat - egg) + (lions - gut)

**The Promise Comes By Faith**

Abraham was considered a righteous man – but not because of his good deeds.

Name the 7 pictures. Put the letters in the blanks.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

"Abraham and it was credited to him as"

6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14

Believing God is the most important thing. Find 2 more words that mean almost the same thing.

1 letter will complete all the words in each row. Write it in the box. Read the 2 words that result.

1. tot butter tasty tempting
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2. hal da_ adi _orget ul _u_ _y
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How does the promise come?

"Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham's offspring – …" Romans 4:16a

Find the underlined words in the word search.
By grace, we too can have the faith like Abraham and receive ...

Write the first letter of each object in the boxes below.

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Abraham believed God.

(Circle) the picture that is different.

Abraham received the promise through the righteousness that comes by faith.

Find the path through the maze.

God made Abraham a father of many nations.

Trace the dashed lines to make stars.