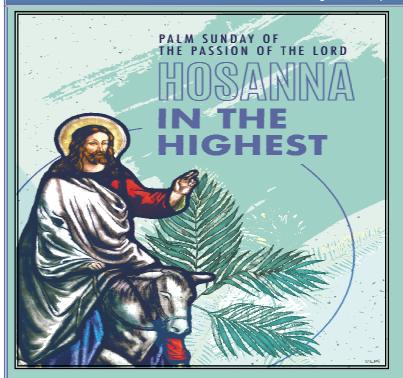
Roman Catholic Church of St. Matthew

35 North Service Road, Dix Hills, New York 11746 (631) 499 - 8520 Fax: (631) 499 - 1530 www.smrcc.org Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

April 10, 2022



Pastor
Rev. Robert Hewes

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Rev. Joseph Habila
Rev. Benet Uwasomba

<u>Deacon</u> Carmine DeStefano

Pastoral Associate
Sr. Kathleen McCarthy, O. P.

<u>D.R.E.</u>: Mary Donaldson <u>Music Director</u>: Lee Forsythe

The Salvation of Souls is the Supreme Law

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

SATURDAY: 4:00 p.m.

SUNDAY: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. (Family Mass), 11:00 a.m. (Choir Mass),

12:30 p.m. (ATraditional Latin Mass is offered at this regularly scheduled Mass - 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month.) MONDAY - SATURDAY: 9:00 a.m. Mass in the Church. Holy Days will be printed in the bulletin.

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY: 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. For any other time, please call to make an appointment with a priest.

BAPTISM SCHEDULE

The 3rd Sunday and the 4th Saturday of the each month. (No Baptisms Easter Sunday or Christmas Weekends.) First-time parents are required to attend a Baptismal Preparation Class which is offered on the last Sunday of each month at 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel. (No class is held in December.)

Registration is required for both the Baptism and/or the Baptism Class and must be done online at www.smrcc.org.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance and should be made prior to making plans for a reception. Call the Parish Center for an appointment with the priest or deacon you wish to witness your wedding. All couples are required to attend Pre-Cana.

From

Dear Friends,

Palm Sunday has, I may say so, a liturgical "Split Personality": on the one hand a brief triumph in the Entrance of Our Lord followed by the rest of the Mass in which Good Friday and the Passion are the focus. Triumph and Tragedy might be an easy caption, but not the actual truth. It is the Triumph of Divine Love through the seeming "tragedy" of the Cross.

Preaching on the Passion of Christ, St. Bernard of Clairvaux (1090-1153) pointed to a large Crucifix and asked his hearers, *Who did this?* He paused, and asked again more insistently, *WHO DID THIS?* After a further pause, he gave the answer: *Love did this, heedless of His dignity!*

Love is a powerful thing. The Scriptures tell us it is as stern as death, relentless as the netherworld. It is so powerful and complex that the Greeks used three words for it: Eros (physical passion and desire); Philia (friendship and loyalty); and Agape (a profound unselfish desire for the true good of the other, undefeated and undaunted in its desire to go good to the Other). It is this latter word that we find used in the New Testament to describe Christ's love for us. When Saint Jerome translated the Greek texts into the common Latin of the 4th century he used the word Caritas rather than the more common Amor. Over the centuries that was rendered into English as "charity" which has become for many a somewhat impersonal word redolent of organized "charities." We tend to use the single word "love" for what the Gospel and Saint Paul meant by agape or caritas.

Odd that our English tongue, so rich and varied in so many ways, has but one word for that *many-splendored thing*.

There are all kinds of love.

There is even a love to BE loved.

It was Love that did the "this" of the Passion and Death of Christ on the Cross. It was His love for us; NOT His desire to BE loved by us that drove Him to the foreseen Cross.

If Jesus desired "to be loved" first and foremost, He would have betrayed His Father's will. His human nature recoiled in horror at the prospect of the Passion and all its horrific features; but He would not renounce the proffered *cup* in Gethsemane if it meant abandoning His very purpose. He would have *come down from that cross* as He was taunted to do if He wanted to BE loved. No, He loves us too much to merely please us.

We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee. For by Thy Holy Cross Thou hast redeemed the world!

God's blessings,

Father Hewes



Please Note the Holy Week schedule in this bulletin.

Holy Week Faster Schedule

CONFESSIONS

All Saturdays of Lent: 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Monday of Holy Week, April 11th: 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM and 6:00 to 9:00 PM
Good Friday, April 15th: 12:00 Noon to 2;00 PM
Holy Saturday, April 16th: 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon

LITURGIES OF HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday, April 10th
Regular Sunday Schedule
Saturday ~ 4:00 PM
Sunday ~ 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM

Holy Thursday, April 14th

9:00 AM ~ Morning prayer
7:00 PM ~ Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight

Good Friday, April 15th

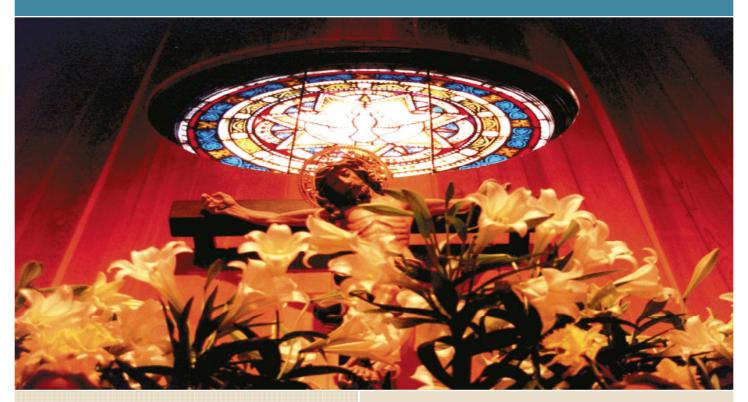
9:00 AM ~ Morning prayer 3:00 PM ~ Solemn Liturgy 7:00 PM ~ Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday, April 16th

9:00 AM ~ Morning prayer 10:30 AM ~ Blessing of Easter Food 7:00 PM ~ Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday, April 17th
Masses at 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM and 12:30 PM

BLESSING OF THE EASTER FOOD



Holy Saturday 10:30 AM in the Church "Please join us as we celebrate
the tradition of the
Blessing of the Easter Foods.
Bring your basket of foods to be
shared at Easter (meats, eggs, bread,
wine, desserts, etc.) to be blessed.
Don't forget the children and begin this
beautiful tradition with your family."



The Altar Flowers In Loving Memory of Faye & Richard Zammillo Love, Your Family

The Bread and Wine
In Loving Memory of
Angelo Cortina & Family
With All Our Love





Announced for the Second Time Joseph Dortona and Patricia Reyes

SMass Intentions

Saturday, Apr 9

4:00 PM Joseph A. Fontanelli

Fave & Richard Zammillo Enrichetta & John Manetta

Grace Roosa

Damian J. Aiello II (the second)

Kenny Lubin

Sunday, Apr 10

7:30 AM Frank Campa

9:30 AM Mary & Joseph Lichtenberger

11:00 AM Msgr. James Mc Donald

12:30 PM Angelo Cortina & Family

Monday, Apr 11

9:00 AM Beatrice & Joseph Tuzzolino

Tuesday, Apr 12

9:00 AM Intentions of

John Gatto, Family & Friends

Wednesday, Apr 13

9:00 AM Vita Maria Mossa

Thursday, Apr 14

9:00 AM No Mass

7:30 PM Intentions of The Priests

Friday, Apr 15

9:00 AM No Mass

Saturday, Apr 16

9:00 AM No Morning Masses

7:00 PM James & Catherine Sheehan

Millie & Frank Tricamo Chickie & Bart Tricamo John & Franca Musacchio

Damian J. Aiello II (the second)

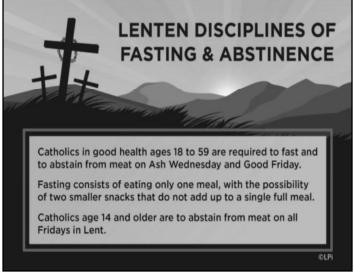
Sunday, Apr 17

7:30 AM Pauline De Losa

9:30 AM Milohnic, Mossa & Rizzi Families

11:00 AM Rosario Meredino

12:30 PM James Volpe





LENT 2022 AT ST. MATTHEW CHURCH MEDITATION ON THE PASSION OF CHRIST DRAW CLOSER TO GOD

JOIN US IN THE CHURCH **EVERY TUESDAY OF LENT AT 3 PM EVERY FRIDAY OF LENT AT 7 PM**

Holy Hour of Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in a Eucharistic solemn form is held every Tuesday after the 9:00 AM Mass.



Schedule Changes to Extraordinary Form (Latin) Masses This Month



The Latin Masses this April will be Sunday, April 3rd, Passion Sunday and Low Sunday, April 24th (Sunday after Easter), NOT Easter Sunday.



Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Council 7479

Knight at the Races

MSGR. GOGGIN HALL
DOORS OPEN IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE 4 PM MASS
FIRST RACE AT 5:15 PM
DINNER SERVED AFTER THE SECOND RACE
8 EXCITING RACES & 50/50 RAFFLE
TICKETS \$15 PER PERSON
FILETTO'S OF COMMACK

WILL BE SPONSORING OUR DINNER
PLUS BEER, WINE, SODA & COFFEE

PROFITS WILL BE DONATED TO THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

Thank you for your continued support!
FOR INFORMATION OR TO RESERVE TICKETS CALL
KEVIN BERTOLINI 516-652-6438
RON POMIAN 631-278-5986



Eucharistic Piety:

This Parish has long offered opportunities for special Eucharistic Adoration in the form of "Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament;" i.e., the Host is exposed to view in the monstrance for prayer. Currently we have one such Holy Hour, Tuesday mornings from 9:30 to 10:30 AM in the church.

Traditionally, the Church has always encouraged the less formal and more flexible form of Eucharistic Adoration known as "a visit to the Blessed Sacrament" as the primary way to adore Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. In this parish the main church is open for basically 12 hours every day. I notice with pleasure many people "dropping by" to be with Our Lord in the Tabernacle for some time, or only even for a few moments.

Adoration of the Lord in His Eucharistic Presence reserved in the Tabernacle is always beneficial for those who avail themselves of it, no matter even of short duration.



April 16th, 2022 Time: 10:30 a.m. Grades: 1st - 4th



Parish Policies

Funerals:

As before, families who have to plan a Catholic Funeral Mass are advised to bear in mind that the Funeral Mass is both a celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and a Liturgy that has its own rules and customs. The best place for naturally warm, wide-ranging, and emotional family remembrances or eulogies is at the Wake, NOT at the Funeral Mass. It is the long standing policy of this Parish that NO such remembrances will be done at the Funeral Mass. If there is no Wake, the family may deliver the eulogy at the cemetery or at a subsequent family meal or gathering.

Weddings: There are two forms of the Catholic wedding Liturgy:

The Wedding Ceremony:

This has all the festive elements of a full wedding: music, readings, the vows, the Nuptial Blessing, etc. This is the most common form of the Catholic wedding and is often the most practical and manageable for most families. It is by no means a lesser or "second class" ceremony than the following.

The Nuptial Mass:

This is a celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass with reception of Holy Communion with the wedding ceremony in the middle of the Liturgy. The meaning and inner truth of the Nuptial Mass leads to the following Parish policy: a Nuptial Mass will only be celebrated if both Bride and Groom are practicing Catholics, or intend to become observably practicing Catholics PRIOR to the wedding; and who are NOT already cohabiting as if they were already husband and wife. If they are, they must separate their living arrangements PRIOR to the wedding.

Nuptial Masses are not celebrated on Sundays unless offered by a visiting priest upon the permission of the Parish Pastor.

No one should feel obliged to request a Nuptial Mass who are not able to observe the above requirements. As they say: "no hard feelings." A Wedding Ceremony is recommended in those circumstances with proper Pre-Cana preparation and guidance.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul -- Serving Your Community

Are you called to put your Faith to action?
There are many ways to help ...
Contact us and learn how you can volunteer your time.
Michael Brennan, President 499-8520 (ext. 118)

Do you know a neighbor in need?

Services We Provide

- Home Visitation
- Financial Assistance
- Spiritual Support
- Food Assistance (in conjunction with Parish Outreach)
- Furniture & Clothing Referrals
- Referrals to Community Agencies
- Seasonal Ministries Thanksgiving & Christmas



April 10th - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life.

As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who carry their cross of suffering and pain.

Mass Cards at St. Matthew's

- St. Matthew's Parish offers two types of Mass Cards:
- Announced Masses: As the name implies this is a Mass set for a specific date and time and the name of the person(s) for whom the Mass is offered is published in the bulletin and announced at the Mass. These are particularly suitable for those families or individuals who will attend the actual Mass on the day appointed. While anyone can arrange for an Announced Mass, their number is necessarily limited by the number of public Masses offered in a year.
- Unannounced Masses: These are Masses that will be offered in the coming year but at an unspecified date, time and place. The priests of the Parish offer these Masses during retreat, vacation, and other days in which they do not have a public Mass. Mass Cards are issued for these Masses with the name of the person(s) written in the card but without any specific promised date or time. This category might be suitable for cases where the family of the named person(s) are not parishioners, live some distance away, or would not otherwise be able to attend a Mass here on a set day or time.

The receptionist will help you in arranging either or both of these Masses and the different offerings for each category.

Parish Office Hours:

The receptionist desk will be "womanned" Monday through Thursday from 9 AM to 1 PM for routine parish business and Mass Cards. On Friday there will be more limited service. Please call ahead when in doubt - 631-499-8520. The Parish Center is not open on a general basis, at this time due to the current public health crisis.

Important telephone extensions for general, nonemergency messages:

Parish Secretary: 126

• Parish Business Manager: 113

Religious Education (CCD): 631-864-3321

Pastor: 130

• For urgent calls for Last Rites or a similar emergency: 631-912-5955.

Contact information regarding Funerals is on the Parish Voice Mail phone greeting: 631-499-8520. As before, please enter the Parish Center through the Main Entrance only, not the Gym Entrance. The Main Entrance is between the shrines to Sts. Padre Pio and Mother Teresa of Calcutta. The inner doors to the building are to the right. Please note: As the sign indicates, ring the bell for admittance.

SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES TO REMEMBER, HONOR AND CELEBRATE YOUR LOVED ONES

Deceased
Memorial Anniversaries/Birthdays
Intentions of ...
Wedding
In Thanksgiving for ...

The name of the person remembered will be printed in the weekly bulletin.

The requested offerings are:

Announced Masses \$20.00
Unannounced Masses \$15.00
Altar Candles (week of) \$25.00
Altar Flowers (week of) \$50.00
Bread & Wine (week of) \$50.00



You are welcome to visit the Parish Center, Reception Area to arrange for these offerings. If you have any questions, please call 631-499-8520 during our business hours: Monday -Thursday, 9am through 1pm.

St. Matthew's Gift Shop

Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Unique Religious Gifts, rosaries, books, fonts, statues, picture frames, and so much more! The Gift Shop is located in the Parish Center, across from the Receptionist area.

All Proceeds Benefit Our Parish Ministry!



April 16 & 17

Lectors

7:00 P M	7:30 AM	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	12:30 PM
	J. Campa	D. DiGiorgio		



7:00 P.M.	7:30 AM	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	12:30 PM
	H. Campa	C. DeStefano	E. Vicente	B. Abodom

Liturgical Minister Training - Spring 2022

The Diocese of Rockville Center will offer training for those who wish to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors.

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Part A - This training is required for **all** those who are beginning as Ministers. This "BASIC" training is required for **all** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Those who wish to minister in hospitals, nursing homes and to the homebound are required to attend Part B training in addition to BASIC training. One **must** attend Part A training prior to Part B training. **Lector training** is available for both new and experienced lectors.

Dates and Locations for Liturgical Minister Training

Tuesday, April 26 - St. Elizabeth / Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall; 7 pm - 10 pm. Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Part A AND Lectors

Wednesday, April 27 - St. Christopher / Baldwin - McGoldrick Hall; 7 pm - 10 pm. Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Part A AND Lectors

Saturday. April 30 - St. Paul the Apostle / Brookville - Lower Hall; 9 am - noon. Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Part A ONLY

Saturday, May 14 - Christ the King / Commack - Pastoral Center Gym; 9 am - noon. Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Part A AND Lectors

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Part B (Presented in conjunction with Catholic Health):

Saturday, May 14 - St. Paul the Apostle / Brookville - Lower Hall; 9 am - noon **Tuesday, May 17** - St. Elizabeth / Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall; 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm **Saturday, June 11** - Christ the King / Commack - Sienna Room; 9 am - 12 noon

A letter from your pastor will be required to complete your registration and must be received at least five days prior to the session you wish to attend.

To request registration for any of these sessions, please contact your rectory. Thank you for your interest! For questions, please call Suzanne Lynn at 516-744-6850 or email worship@drvc.org.

PARISH REGISTRATION NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE AT www.smrcc.org.

New families and new parishioners are encouraged to register with the parish online. Registration forms are also available at the Parish Center.

<u>INSTRUCTIONS IN THE FAITH</u>: Those adults who live in the Dix Hills area and/or those with family in the parish seeking information about becoming a Catholic or completing their Sacraments are invited to contact the Pastor.

<u>PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK</u>: Those who are seriously ill should request a priest for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Place for Learning and Praying

Our Family/Children's Mass is Sunday at 9:30AM

Mary Donaldson, Director Rita Minder, Assistant

Religion Office Phone 864-3321 Fax 499-1530 maryccd@smrcc.org

REGISTRATION

When registering a new student, 1st thru 8th grade, you must come into the Religion Office on the second floor of the Parish Center, Monday through Thursday, between 11:00AM and 4:00PM. Please be sure to bring a copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate when you come. The fee of \$175.00 per child is due at that time.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

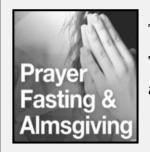
First Holy Communion dates are Saturday, May 7th and Saturday, May 14th. There are two alphabetical sessions each day—one at 10:30AM and one at 1:30PM.

EASTER EGG HUNT

The Knights of Columbus are having their second annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 16, 2022, Holy Saturday. There are hundreds of colored eggs waiting to be found by students in grades 1 thru 4. Time - 10:30am. Everyone had lots of fun last year so join us in the parking lot over by the Rectory. I believe a certain bunny will be stopping by for pictures with the children.



NOTE: The last week of classes is April 11, 2022—Holy Week.



These three are the classic means of observing Lent.

The Catholic Ministries Appeal is a perfect and easy way to give alms to people all across the Diocese with one annual donation.

Please consider a pledge this year again!



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Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Council #7479 35 North Service Road . Dix Hills, NY 11746

25th ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Monday May 23, 2022

Hamlet Windwatch Golf & Country Club • 1715 Vanderbilt Motor Parkway, Hauppauge, NY 11788



Proceeds From This Years Raffle Will Benefit

The ALS Association's mission to discover treatments and a cure for ALS, and to serve, advocate for, and empower people affected by ALS to live their lives to the fullest.

Greater New York

Ron Pomian, Grand Knight

Ron Pizzolo, PGK, Chairman

Joe Montelle, PGK, Chairman

631-278-5986

631-357-7733

631-940-2915

Schedule

Brunch at 12:00 pm · Tee-off at 1:30 pm A Halfway House & Beverage Cart will be served from 1:30 to 6:00pm. Cocktail hour/dinner begins at 6:00 pm Cost per Golfer \$225

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Mr. Ron Pizzolo

34 Fairlawn Drive, Central Islip, NY 11722 Phone: (631) 439-0085 · Cell: (631) 357-7733

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First prize: \$500.00 Cash Second Prize: \$200.00 Cash Third Prize: \$100.00 Cash

PARISH MINISTRIES

ALTAR SERVERS: Porzia DiGiorgio: me@porzia.com

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APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER: Kathryn Giandoreggio: 631-491-3735 ATHLETIC WEBSITE: www.smrcc.org

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR/ INTRAMURAL & CYO TRAVEL

COORDINATOR: Chris Felice: smrccathletics@gmail.com BAPTISM OFFICE: Bettyanne Russo: 499-8520 x 126

email: stmatthewdixhills@gmail.com

BEREAVEMENT: Kathryn M. Douglas: 631-495-8541 Including: Teens (12-17) who have lost a parent.

Widows and Widowers 65 and under Widow and Widowers 65 and over BIBLE STUDY: Anthony Albano: 586-4827

BULLETIN: email: bulletin@smrcc.org

BUSINESS MANAGER: Dolores Tiernan: 499-8520 x 113

CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION:

Ann Podina: 858-0684

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL: 499-8520 x 113 C.C.D. RELIGIOUS ED: Mary Donaldson, D.R.E.: 864-3321

Rita Minder, Assistant: 864-3321

CHOIR: Lee Forsythe: 631-499-8520 x 116 Ed Oriani, Cantor for Tridentine Mass

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:

Rav Smolenski: 243-0449

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS TO THE HOMEBOUND:

Sr. Kay McCarthy: 499-8520 x 124

FEED THE POOR MINISTRY: Frank Harnos: 499-0074 or

Julie Maddaloni: 242-2183

FOOD PANTRY: Sr. Kay McCarthy: 499-8520 x 124 HOSPITALITY: Dolores Tiernan: 499-8520 x 113

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Ron Pomian GK: 631-278-5986

LECTORS: Helen Campa: 586-0682

LEGION OF MARY: Judy Archbold: 667-4629

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION: Carol DeStefano: 631-786-7786

PARISH OUTREACH: Sr. Kay McCarthy: 499-8520 x 124

PILGRIM MADONNA: Rosa Nappo: 920-2446 or

Lucia Agnone: 631 522-1436

PLANT ENGINEER: Luis Flores: 631 492-7881

PRE-CANA: Deacon Carmine DeStefano: 631-896-0983

RIGHT TO LIFE: Toni Shannon: 631 586-3807

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY: Patricia Bissex: 631 549-9415

PASTOR/PARISH SECRETARY: Bettyanne Russo: 499-8520 x 126 - email: stmatthewdixhills@gmail.com

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email: cstroop409@gmail.com

SONS OF ITALY: Diana Grauer: 631-242-2710

ST. VINCENT de PAUL: Michael Brennan: 499-8520 x 118

USHERS: Tom Siegler: 631-920-2055

WEDDING MUSIC: Lee Forsythe: 631-334-7138

YOUNG SENIORS MODERATOR:

Fr. Benet: 499-8520 x 125

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Collection totals for April 2nd & 3rd will be in next week's bulletin.

PLEASE NOTE THE UPCOMING **BULLETIN DEADLINES**

Sunday, April 10 is passed Sunday, April 17 is Thursday, April 7 Sunday, April 24 is Monday, April 18 Sunday, May 1 is Monday, April 25 Sunday, May 8 is Monday, May 2

Please email: bulletin@smrcc.org



Attention all Health Care Professionals!

Consider joining the Long Island Guild of the Catholic Medical Association, recently chartered by the national CMA and endorsed by Bishop Barres.

Our mission statement:

To **see** Christ in our patients. To **be** Christ for our patients.

Goals: Fellowship, Educational and Spiritual Formation, Service.

No dues for local membership. -For additional information Contact:

cmaliquild@gmail.com

We will meet the second Saturdays of the month following the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass at St. Matthews R.C. Church, 35 N. Service Road, Dix Hills ~ April 9

WAR IN UKRAINE — WAYS TO HELP | THE DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE Support the Pontifical Mission Societies Solidarity Fund for Ukraine

The destruction caused by days of ongoing blasts in Ukraine has left people homeless, fleeing as refugees to other countries for shelter, or seeking safety in underground subways and hospital basements. There is a growing and urgent need for food, and other basic aid. Through the Pontifical Mission Societies, you can support the priests, Religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay pastoral leaders who are reaching out to those who are suffering and in need with concrete help, and with that help, offering hope. As part of his Lent message, Pope Francis tells us, "In God, no act of love, no matter how small, and no 'generous effort' will ever be lost." Pope Francis has encouraged help for the people of Ukraine. With your gift, you can answer that call.

Please join the Diocesan Mission Office in answering the call and support the Pontifical Mission Societies Solidarity Fund for Ukraine. No donation is too small!

You may donate at: IN SOLIDARITY WITH UKRAINE or mail your donation to: DRVC Mission Office, PO Box 9023, Rockville Centre, NY 11570 with Memo: Ukraine

Various other Catholic agencies are collecting donations to aid with the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine, as well. Here are some additional places to donate:

- Catholic Relief Services
- The Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia has a link to donate.
- Catholic Near East Welfare Association and Aid to the Church in Need.
- The Knights of Columbus launched the Ukraine Solidarity Fund for humanitarian need in Ukraine and through refugee sites in Poland.
- Jesuit Refugee Service
- The U.S. Bishops' Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe designated its annual
 collection, taken in most diocesan parishes on Ash Wednesday, to support Ukraine and the surrounding region as a result of Russia's invasion. It offers two ways to give, electronically, through
 iGiveCatholicTogether or by mail.
- The Salesians also are accepting donations to help refugees.
- The International Catholic Migration Commission
- AVSI-USA

HELP DESPERATELY NEEDED

THE MISSIONARY SISTERS OF ST BENEDICT,
WHO PROVIDE BEAUTIFUL CARE AT ST. JOSEPH'S
HOME FOR THE ELDERLY IN HUNTINGTON, NEED
MONETARY ASSISTANCE TO HELD THE BEODLE IN



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MONETARY ASSISTANCE TO HELP THE PEOPLE IN THE UKRAINE.

I spoke to one of the Sisters today and she told me that they have 10 Convents in the Ukraine. Despite this terrible situation, their Sisters are staying there to try to help the people. However, some of the Sisters did have to leave their Convents to go to bombing shelters. These Sisters also have Foster Homes for children in the Ukraine. They are trying to move these children to Poland.

Please consider helping these Sisters who are desperately trying to help those who are attempting to survive the violence and war in the Ukraine.

Make your checks payable to: The Missionary Sisters of St. Benedict 350 Cuba Hill Road, Huntington, NY 11743 In the Memo, please indicate UKRAINE.

We also have Dominican Sisters and Priests in the Ukraine. I have read some of the heartbreaking letters from some of the Priests who are also trying to stay and help and house people in their Monasteries. WE NEED TO PRAY UNCEASINGLY FOR AN END TO THIS WAR and FOR THOSE BRAVE, SAINTLY PEOPLE WHO DO SO MUCH TO HELP OTHERS.

Thank you and God bless you for your donations. I know that I can always count on you.

Sister Kay McCarthy

Many names on both of our prayer lists below have been there for a very long period of time.

Please send an email message to <u>bulletin@smrcc.org</u> within the next 2 weeks and confirm that the person's name you requested should remain on the list. All other names will be removed. All requests must be submitted with the permission of the immediate family.





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The **Apostleship of Prayer** is a worldwide association of Catholics and other Christians who strive to make their ordinary, everyday lives apostolically effective. Through the Apostleship of Prayer, the <u>Pope</u> gives his monthly prayer intentions to the entire Church. For this reason, the Apostleship came to be known as **"the Pope's own prayer group."**

<u>DAILY OFFERING PRAYER</u> - God, our Father, I offer You my day. I offer You my prayers, thoughts, words, actions, joys, and sufferings in union with Your Son Jesus' Heart, Who continues to offer Himself in the Eucharist for the salvation of the world. May the Holy Spirit, who guided Jesus, be my guide and my strength today so that I may witness to Your love.

APRIL: For health care workers

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

We Pray, especially for our Service Men and Women:

David Leary - Army, Christopher Pavlat - Army, Rev. James Krische - Active - Colonel - Army, Pvt. Brandon Leap - Active - Army, 1st Lt. Dominador Pascual III - Active - Air Force, Pilot Matthew Waldman - Active - Air Force, 2nd Lt. Joseph Morgan - Active - Army, 1st Lt. Christopher Felice - Marines, Christopher Motlenski - Navy, Nicholas Mazzone - U.S. Coast Guard, Peter Mazzone - Marines, SPC John Vautrin-Gardinier - US Army, Lance Cpl. Ryan Matthew Ferrara - Marines, Matthew Kirchner - Army, Noah Kirchner - Air Force,

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Rho Nagasguna - Marines, Michael Doherty - Army, Pablo Quirindongo - CW4 - Army,
Cpl. Ronnie Belmarez - Marines, Commander Christopher Grande - Navy, Spec. 4 - Frank Grue - Retired - Army

If you would like your family member added to the list or if one has returned home,
please contact the Parish Office or email bulletin@smrcc.org.

April is here and there is nothing more sure than death and TAXES!

Funny Tax Quotes:

- Trying to do your own taxes is like a do-it-yourself mugging!
- Why does a "slight tax increase" cost you two hundred dollars, and a "substantial tax cut" can save you two dollars?
- A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing right.
- In order to simplify tax collection, the IRS has a new, easier form with only two lines:
 - 1. How much money did you make this year?
 - 2. Please send it in.
- It's a privilege to pay taxes, and if taxes keep rising, I may have to give up the privilege.
- Don't put off till tomorrow what you can do today. There may be a tax on it by then.
- People who save their money for a rainy day, end up getting soaked by the government.
- According to the Government, a taxpayer is someone who HAS what it TAKES.
- The income tax has made liars out of more people than golf (Will Roger's).
- Dear IRS: I am writing you to cancel my subscription. Please remove my name from your mailing list. (Snoopy)
- A person doesn't know how much he has to be thankful for until he has to pay taxes on it. (Ann Landers)
- Worried about an IRS audit? Avoid what's called a red flag. That's something they always look for. For example, let's say you have some money left in the bank after you pay your taxes. That's a red flag. (Jay Leno)
- We contend that for a nation to try to tax itself into prosperity (sound familiar?) is like a man standing in a bucket and trying to lift himself up by the handle.
- The Taxpaver: that's someone who works for the government but doesn't have to take the Civil Service exam.
- Unquestionably, there is progress. The average American now pays out twice as much in taxes as he FORMERLY got in wages.
- An income tax is like a laundry list—-either way, you lose your shirt.
- Death, taxes and childbirth! There's never any convenient time for any of them.
- The politicians say, "we can't afford a tax cut "—— maybe we can't afford the politicians.
- America is a land of taxation, that was founded to AVOID taxation.
- Where there's a will, there's an inheritance tax.

Ok, you're going to do your own taxes this year? Why not? There's all kinds of help—Word, Excel, Turbo Tax, etc. Get your coffee, a few of your favorite chocolate bars, a few pens and sharpened pencils. It may be a long night. Spread out all your receipts in neat orderly piles. Open your tax forms and tax software. Don't spill your coffee on your tax papers. That excuse is right up there with "the dog ate my homework." Stare blankly for a few moments. Cry if you feel the need. Have another coffee, and savor the moment. Finally, gather up all the forms, all the files, and all the receipts. Place them all in a large cardboard box. Welcome your kids home and enjoy some time with them before bedtime. (Remember, you sent them to grandma so you could concentrate.) Tomorrow, take the big box and your checkbook to a trusted tax professional. They just love this stuff!

Indoors or out, no one relaxes, In April that month of wind and taxes.

The wind will gradually disappear. The taxes will last us all the year.

As bad as things are, with prices out of control, I'm always rich at the Dollar Store!

Remember to pray for everyone, especially our country and our freedoms. With all her faults, she is the best country in the world, and how lucky we are to call her our home.

See you in church, Pat

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News



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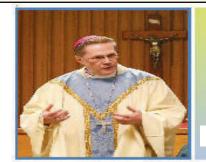
FOR CLIENTS RECEIVING SNAP OR TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE

In February, OTDA distributed a portion of PEAF (Pandemic Emergency Assistance Fund) funds to provide to one-time cash payments to families that have a child under the age of three and are enrolled in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Temporary Assistance (TA). Families received \$140 per eligible child to help cover the cost of diapers.

In April, OTDA will issue one-time cash payments for food assistance to SNAP and TA households that include both an adult who is 55 or older and a child who is 17 or younger. These households will receive \$730 per eligible older adult.

Additional Emergency Allotments (EA) will be issued to all SNAP households in New York State in March. Distribution began on March 7 and will continue throughout the month. SNAP Emergency Allotments are approved by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) on a month-by-month basis and will continue until the public health emergency is lifted in our nation.

The diaper supplement and food assistance payments will be issued to households' EBT cash account. Families must access their EBT cash account within 90 days of receiving the payment or the cash will be removed from the account. Catholic Charities was kind enough to send us this information.



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