

Roman Catholic Church of St. Matthew

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Office Hours: Mon-Fri in the Parish Center 9 am-12:30 pm & 1:30 pm-5 pm

August 25, 2019

Pastor

Rev. Robert Hewes

Associate Pastor

Rev. Benet Uwasomba

Deacons

James McQuade

Carmine DeStefano

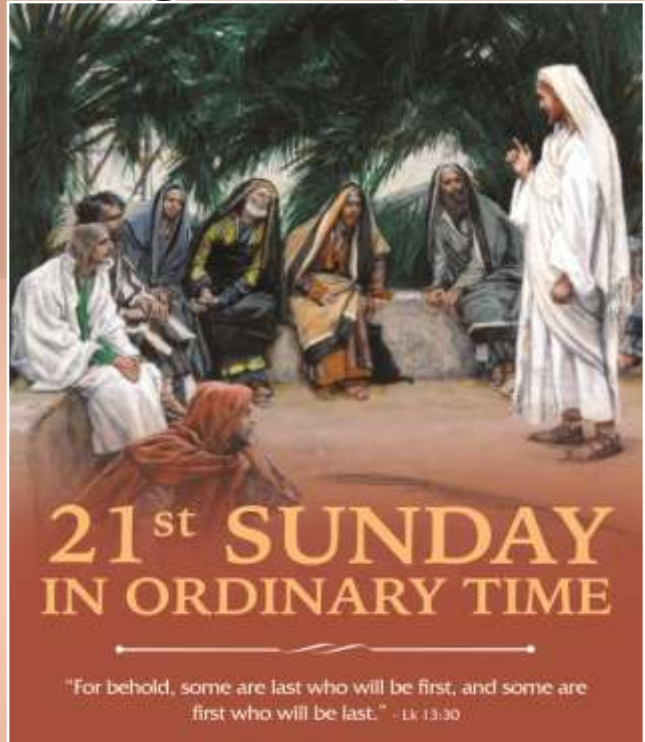
Luis Polanco

Pastoral Associate:

Sister Kathleen McCarthy, O. P.

D.R.E.: Mary Donaldson

Music Director: Lee Forsythe



The Salvation of Souls is the Supreme Law

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

SATURDAY: 4:00 p.m. and Spanish Mass at 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. (Family Mass), 11:00 a.m. (Choir Mass), 12:30 p.m. and also at 12:30 p.m. (Latin) Tridentine Mass in the Chapel.

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 of each month at 1:45 p.m. and the 4th Saturday of the month at 12:30 p.m. (No Baptisms Easter Sunday or Christmas Weekends.) First-time parents are required to attend a **Baptismal Preparation Class** which is offered on the last Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. (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.

PARISH MINISTRIES

ALTAR SERVERS: Porzia DiGiorgio: me@porzia.com

and John DiGiorgio: johndigiorgio@optonline.net

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

BOY SCOUTS: Ernst Tramosch: 631-254-2656

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:

Jack Maccio: 499-8520 x 117 or JBM1944@icloud.com

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

COMPASSIONATE CARE & CONSOLATION MINISTRY:

Sr. Kay McCarthy: 499-8520 x 124

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:

Ray 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: Glenn Martin GK: 631-873-7233

K OF C SQUIRES: Sir Francis Scotti: 917-567-9829

LECTORS: Helen Campa: 586-0682

LEGION OF MARY: Judy Archbold: 667-4629

LET'S PLAY: Sr. Kay McCarthy: 499-8520 x 124

MINISTRY OF PRAISE: Rosemary Sammon: 499-5176

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

PILGRIM MADONNA: Rosa Nappo: 920-2446 or

Lucia Agnone: 940-4015

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

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

SPANISH MINISTRY: Deacon Luis Polanco: 631-334-1052

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 x125

PARISH REGISTRATION

NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE AT www.smrcc.org.

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

INSTRUCTIONS IN THE FAITH:

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.

FIRST FRIDAY: Mass is at 9:00 a.m. Exposition of the Holy Eucharist takes place in the Chapel from Friday 7:00 p.m. until Saturday 8:30 a.m. and concludes with Benediction.

FIRST SATURDAY: 8:15 a.m. Devotions

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: The Sacrament is available EVERY SATURDAY after the 9:00 a.m.

Mass. The Sacrament is available for those who are to undergo a serious medical procedure the following week or who have a serious illness and who have not been anointed within the past three months. If you wish to be anointed, please let the celebrant know before Mass.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Holy Communion will be ministered to those confined at home.

Those who are seriously ill should request a priest for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

PARISH SCHOOL: HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL:
631-543-0202

Eucharistic



Adoration

First Friday Exposition
From 7:00 pm the First Friday
of the month until
8:30 am Saturday morning
in the Parish Center Chapel.

Private and *authorized* group prayer before the Blessed Sacrament *in the Tabernacle* is encouraged at any time during the many hours the main Church and Chapel are open.

Occasions on which specific groups request Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament can only be conducted by a priest or deacon with the knowledge and approval of the Pastor.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Aug 24

4:00 PM Francesca & Joe Taranto
Gerard Kassebaum
Living Intentions of Jack Tseng
Vicky Rodriguez
Francesca Fornino
Vincent Costello

7:00 PM

Sunday, Aug 25

7:30 AM Christine T. Quarello
9:30 AM Hugo V. DeBellis
11:00 AM Mary Jane Holborow
12:30 PM (L) For the People of the Parish
12:20 PM Joseph Dentale

Monday, Aug 26

9:00 AM Caterina Cortelli Giordano ~
Anniversary

Tuesday, Aug 27

9:00 AM Josie LaPenta

Wednesday, Aug 28

9:00 AM Salvatore Montesano

Thursday, Aug 29

9:00 AM Mariette Woodard

Friday, Aug 30

9:00 AM Michael Panico

Saturday, Aug 31

9:00 AM Josephine McLean
Thomas J. Kwiatkowski
Mike Kearns
Mariamma Pottanat
Ann Finn
Living Intentions of
Donna Mercy-Lauren

4:00 PM Living Intentions of Jack Tseng
Robert Garbarino
Joseph G. Cipoletti
Vincent Costello
Hiram & Lydia Hernandez
Living Intention of Terry Sbashnig

7:00 PM Angela Vega

Sunday, Sep 1

7:30 AM Mary Russino
9:30 AM Albert Svensson
11:00 AM Lillian Scandiffio
12:30 PM (L) For the People of the Parish
12:30 PM Lorraine Agoglia

Business Manager

Dolores Tiernan

Finance Chairperson

Richard Bove

Trustees

Deacon Carmine DeStefano and

Joseph Napolitano



*Announced
for the First Time*

*Ricardo Ceja and Melanie Barajas
Gregory Tabone and Bianca Fricano*

Collections

August 14 & 15

Solemnity of the Assumption: \$ 3,926.00

August 17 & 18

Weekly: \$16,655.00
Propagation of the Faith: \$ 3,830.00
Faith Direct: \$ 2,300.00



Mondays

- ***Miraculous Medal Novena:*** after the 9:00 am Mass
- ***Legion of Mary:*** 2:30 pm
In the Blessed Mother Room

Tuesdays

- ***Rosary Society:*** 1st Tuesday each month
7:00 pm
- ***K of C:*** General/Business Meeting 2nd and 4th
Tuesday of each month 8:00 pm

Wednesdays

- ***Adult Choir Rehearsal:*** 7:00 pm
In the Family Room

Thursdays

- ***Carmelite Holy Hour:*** 3rd Thursday of each
month 4:00 pm-5:00 pm in the Chapel
- ***Young Seniors:*** 9:00 am
- ***Apostleship of Prayer:*** 1st Thursday of each
month after the 9:00 am Mass

Saturdays

- ***Fatima Spiritual Formation Prayer Group:***
1st Saturday of each month after the 9:00 am
Mass in the Blessed Mother Room
- ***Bible Study:*** 9:45 am
- ***Spanish Bible Study:*** 1:00 pm
- ***Tridentine Mass Choir:*** (Latin) 4:00 pm
in the Family Room

Sundays

- ***Secular Franciscan Order:*** Second Sunday of
each month (except January & August) 1:15 pm
in the Library (Room 201)



The Gift Shop will be closed Saturdays during the month of August.

Open Monday through Friday

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Closed 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. for lunch



Stop by to see our Christmas in August Sale ~
Nativities, Advent Candle Holders, Ornaments, etc.

Unique religious gifts, rosaries, books, fonts, statues, picture frames, Baptism items, wedding *unity candles, vestments and so much more...*



The Gift Shop is located in the Parish Center, across from the Receptionist area.

All Proceeds Benefit Our Parish Ministry!

About The Types of Catholic Wedding Ceremonies

There are two forms of our Catholic wedding Liturgy:

The Wedding or Nuptial Mass:

Often referred to as a "full Mass," it is the celebration of the Mass with the wedding ceremony inserted in the middle of the Liturgy. It presupposes both parties are practicing Catholics and receiving Holy Communion after a proper spiritual preparation.

The Wedding Ceremony:

This has all the elements of the above (music, readings, vows, etc.) but without the celebration of Mass. This form is suitable for general congregations and is of shorter duration than the above.

PLEASE NOTE: Nuptial Masses are NOT celebrated on Sundays. The ONLY exception is when a visiting priest is invited by the family, approved by the Pastor and is willing to offer a Nuptial Mass on Sunday.

Dear Friends,

"Something beautiful for God." This phrase, often on the lips of Saint Theresa of Calcutta, comes to mind as I write this.

A week ago, our annual Summer Religious Education Program ended with the 9:30 AM Mass. Unique to Saint Matthew's Parish, it truly is something beautiful for God.



Almost five hundred children, scores of catechists, helpers, aides in various aspects (including an on-site RN) and our parish organist, all together joined in the offering of the Mass Monday through Friday for two weeks, as well as three Sunday Masses and then several hours of religious instruction, fun, guest speakers, snacks and fellowship.

It was my privilege to offer those Masses and to offer homilies based on the lives of the Saints and points of our Faith. It was very moving to me to see and hear the devotion and piety of our children at those Masses.

While so many deserve special mention, I would like for now to just single out *Mary Donaldson, Rita Minder* and *Carmela Sposato* for directing, planning, and coordinating this vast effort.

In the background, *Lou Flores* provided support from setting up chairs to designing and **constructing the attractive symbol of this year's theme:** *Riding on the Wings of the Prayers of Angels and Saints*; *Lee Forsythe* played the organ and led the singing at every Mass and rehearsed with the children. We had the services of two of our young adults as Extraordinary Ministers; and those of the Knights of Columbus and Ushers both inside and outside the building.

Anyone who was there can attest to the reverence and beauty of the singing and the attention the children showed at every Mass.

Like all good things, as the saying goes, it has come to an end. However, we pray that the seeds planted those two weeks will bear fruit in the days and years to come, and in eternity.

God's blessings,
Father Hewes





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

Registration forms for the upcoming Winter Program (September 2019 thru April 2020) are coming in at a slower pace for students in grades two through eight. It is important that you return those bright green forms as soon as possible either by dropping them off or mailing them in. If you don't have the registration form, you can come into the Religion office and we will give you one. Applications cannot be processed if we don't have them and your first and second choice may become compromised.

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 5:00PM. 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.

TEACHERS

While I realize that it is still summer, we are looking ahead to the 2019-2020 Winter Program that begins September 30, 2019 and runs through the end of April 2020. Teachers are always needed. If you would like to teach, please contact the Religion Office. We would love to have you join us.

PHOTOGRAPHS

Rosemary Femia, the professional photographer who takes the pictures for Confirmation and First Holy Communion can be reached at this number (631) 586-0833.



*Altar Candles
In Loving Memory of
Madeline Iannarello
40th Anniversary*



*Bread and Wine
In Loving Memory of
Michael Panico
Love,
The Margolo & Primiano Families*

Dear Parishioners,

I wish to thank you all for your warm reception once again in St. Matthew's.

This weekend will be the last with you for this summer. I will be returning to my country, Ghana come Thursday, God willing. It has been another wonderful two months with you all.

Keep me in your prayers as I do the same for you. Looking forward to seeing you in the near future.



Fr. Thomas





August 24 & 25

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00 P.M.	7:30 AM	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	12:30 PM
M. Brennan	J. D'Agostino	J. Napolitano	G. Cruz	B. Abadom
J. Commisso	B. Hermosura	C. DeStefano	E. McEvoy	J. Maccio
A. Palumbo		B. Napolitano	K. Camilleri	A. Sosnilo
J. McQueeney		S. Fleming		

Lectors

4:00 PM	7:30 AM	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	12:30 PM
R. Smolenski	J. Campa	M.C. Okonkwo	K. Camilleri	S. McPherson-Berg



PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Tony Albano
Chloe Atienza
Stephanie Cetin
Lisa Ciota
Gerard Costa
Joseph Costa
Vilma Diaztoral
Elisabeth Dorovich

Lawrence Famighetti
Evan Gould
Jake Gould
Ryan Gould
Nunzio Grella
Lisa Marie Hulsen
Kay Internicola
Thomas Iuculano
Florence Linda
Christian Martino

Sophia Marzulla
John McIntyre
Jay McNamee
Matthew Montesano
Marie Pecoraro
Mary Perry
Peter Prestia
Marge Puccio
Eugene Quarello
Alice Reilly
Helen Reineking

Corinne Rivituso
Casey Rodriguez
Christopher Sabato, Sr.
Cecelia Sanzone
Charles Sanzone
Grace Sanzone
Debbie Serio
Ed & Ann Smith
Albi Snolis
Arthur Joseph Sonnick III
Brian Tripp



APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

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 **Pope** 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."**

DAILY OFFERING PRAYER - *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.*

AUGUST

Families, Schools of Human Growth

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth."



We Pray, especially for our Service Men and Women:

Rev. James Krise - 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, 2nd Lt. Christopher Felice - Marines, Christopher Motlenski - Navy, Nicholas Mazzone - U.S. Coast Guard, Peter Mazzone - Marines, SSG Michael Hughes, SPC John Vautrin-Gardinier - US Army, Tyler Smith-Reynolds - U.S. Coast Guard, Lance Cpl. Ryan Matthew Ferrara - Marines, Matthew Kirchner - Army, Noah Kirchner - Air Force, Ensign Melanie Thompson - Navy, Capt. Joseph De Monte IV - Pilot - United States Air Force, Lt. Brendan Johnston - U.S. Navy, Jeffrey Gabriellini - Air Force, Cpl. Michael Grella - Navy Airman, Julien - Army - Iraq., Lt. Col. Robert Wright - Marines, Michael Wissemann, LPL San Sievero - Marines, Ambrose Michelino, Jarod Racuot - Army, Robert Scarpelli, Anthony Lazado - Marines, Richard Freese, Jr. - Navy, 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.

2019 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

Supporting Dramatic Missionary Growth in Our Community



Labor Day is an opportunity to take stock of the ways workers are honored and respected. As Pope Francis pointed out, *"Work is fundamental to the dignity of a person. . . . It gives one the ability to maintain oneself, one's family, to contribute to the growth of one's own nation."*



For many people, especially for the poor, who may be unemployed or underemployed, the struggle to support their families is a daily battle. Please consider supporting the Catholic Ministries Appeal which supports the programs and services that assist families and individuals struggling in our communities.

Your support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal helps our Parish Outreach and Catholic Charities Programs serve people in our community by providing food, clothing, shelter, counseling and care. And most importantly, it lets those we serve know that God loves them and is with them during the difficult times in their lives.

"Your gift means so much to so many."

Please consider donating to the Appeal and making a difference in someone's life. Thank you!

To make a donation, you can also visit CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org
or call Jack Maccio at 631 499-8520 Ext. 117 or JBM1944@icloud.com

Make checks payable to: Catholic Ministries Appeal

Parish _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Name _____

Down payment: \$ _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

2019

CAMPAÑA DE APOYO A LOS MINISTERIOS CATÓLICOS
DIOCESIS DE ROCKVILLE CENTRE

Apoyando el Dramático Crecimiento Alarcano en Nuestra Comunidad



Dando testimonio, Perdonando, Amando, Ayudando, Educando, Presentando, Evangelizando, Educando, Enseñando, Organizando, Perdonando, Amando, Ayudando, Dando testimonio

El Día del Trabajo nos da la oportunidad de reflexionar en cómo se respeta y aprecia a los trabajadores. Tal como el Papa Francisco señala “el trabajo es fundamental para la dignidad de la persona humana...y es que trabajando el ser humano puede mantenerse a sí mismo, sostener a su familia y contribuir al desarrollo de su país.”



Diariamente quienes viven bajo el nivel de pobreza, sea por desempleo o subempleo, enfrentan grandes dificultades para sostener a sus familias. Por favor considere hacer un donativo a la Campaña de Apoyo a los Ministerios Católicos, la cual ayuda a los programas y servicios que asisten a los pobres y a las personas de menos recursos en nuestras comunidades.

Su donativo a la Campaña de Apoyo a los Ministerios Católicos ayuda a las Oficinas de Alcance Social y a los Programas de Caridades Católicas a servir a la gente de nuestra comunidad con alimentos, ropa, albergue, asesoramiento y atención. Lo más importante es que aquellos a quienes servimos sientan que Dios los ama y los acompaña en los momentos difíciles de sus vidas.

“Tu regalo significa mucho para muchos.”

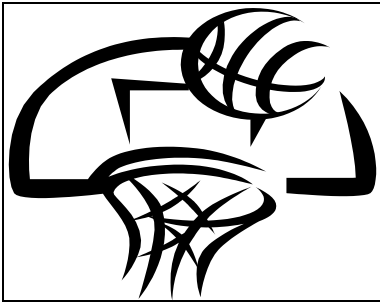
POR FAVOR CONSIDERE HACER UN DONATIVO A la Campaña de Apoyo a los Ministerios Católicos 2019. Su donativo hace la diferencia en la vida de las personas.

Parroquia: _____
 Nombre: _____
 Dirección: _____
 Ciudad, Estado, Código Postal: _____
 Teléfono: _____
 Correo electrónico _____

Mi donativo Total es \$	_____
Cuota Inicial	\$ _____
Balance	\$ _____

Catholic Ministries Appeal, Diócesis de Rockville Centre, P.O. Box 4000, Rockville Centre, New York 11571
catholicministriesappeal.org o llame a Jack Maccio al 631 499-8520 Ext. 117 o JBM1944@icloud.com

¡Muchas Gracias!



St. Matthew
CYO Travel Basketball
2019/2020 Season

**CYO Boys and Girls Travel
Teams can be formed for (Grades 4-12)**

Registration and payment MUST be completed prior to tryouts!

Online registration can be completed @

<http://www.smrcc.org/athletic-program/cyo-travel-basketball>

Coaches interested in forming teams should contact; smrccathletics@gmail.com

Registration: Registration and payment are required prior to tryouts in order to be eligible for selection on a travel team.

League

- CYO travel programs for grades 4-8 is comprised of 3 divisions (A, B & C)
 - Boy's registration and rosters due October 4. Season starts November 15.
 - Girl's registration and rosters due September 12. Season starts October 16.
 - Everyone must participate in a tryout to be considered for a team
 - 12 game season plus playoffs for qualifying teams

- CYO High school program is comprised of two divisions for 9/10 and 11/12 grade teams. There is one level of play in each division.
 - The season consists of 10 games and playoffs if eligible.
 - Fall Boys/Girls HS registration and rosters due August 28. Season starts September 13.
 - Boys winter season registration and rosters due December 2. Season starts January 2. No player on a JV or varsity roster is eligible to participate in the winter program.
 - Tryouts not required. Roster must meet eligibility requirements.

Eligibility:

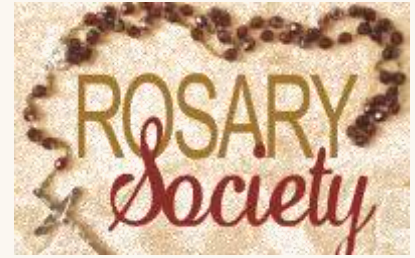
CYO travel program is available to boys and girls grades 4-12. Eligible participants must be St. Matthew parishioners or live within the St. Matthew parish boundaries. If you do not meet these CYO requirements, you will need to obtain a waiver exemption from your local parish. Teams will be formed provided try outs are held and a minimum of 8 eligible players can form a roster.

Fees:

- Travel registration fee \$220, travel uniform \$65
- Uniform must be requested and paid for at the time of registration.
- Register for both travel and intramural for \$310, SAVE \$50 on registration fee!
(registration is required for both the travel and intramural sites)

For additional information e-mail: smrccathletics@gmail.com

Or visit: <http://www.smrcc.org/st-matthew-athletics>



Dear Rosarians,

Welcome back! I hope you had a relaxing and rejuvenating summer and are looking forward to the upcoming year.

Our first meeting is Tuesday, September 3rd, 2019.

At 7:00 PM we will pray the Rosary in the chapel, followed by a brief talk by Fr. Hewes. We will then proceed to Monsignor Goggin Hall for our business meeting and social. WE WELCOME ALL NEW MEMBERS TO PRAY WITH US, ATTEND MEETINGS, PARTICIPATE IN EVENTS AND SOCIALIZE. We will have a suggestion box at the meeting, so please come with your ideas!

Please send your check in the amount of \$20 for dues, made payable to the St. Matthew's Rosary Altar Society to: Donna Marra, 6 Beatrice Ct., Dix Hills, NY 11746

Finally, the **Holiday Craft Fair is Sunday, November 17, 2019** and our Chairlady is Louise Benenati. Every year this is a HUGE success for the Rosary Altar Society, but it takes many volunteers. If you would like to help, please see Louise or call her at 631-586-4515.

ALSO, PLEASE BRING ITEMS FOR OUR CHINESE AUCTION TO THE MEETING.

Remember to pray the Rosary, pray for priests, pray for vocations, pray for our Church and our country and surrender everything to Our Lord and Our Lady.

In the Hearts of Jesus and Mary,
Patricia Bissex

FLU INJECTIONS

**Flu injections will be given at St. Matthew's on two Sundays:
SEPTEMBER 22nd and OCTOBER 20TH**

Rite Aid will administer the Flu Injections.

Time: Beginning at 8:00 AM - 1:30 PM

Place: Mirror Room – 1st floor of the Parish Center

Cost: \$30 cash only without insurance



Most insurances are accepted at no cost to you.

Please bring a copy of your insurance card.

If you have any questions prior to Sept. 22nd, please call Jean at Rite Aid at 631-254-0464. If you also wish to receive the PNEUMONIA VACCINE, and/or the TDAP – TETANUS, DIPHTHERIA AND PERTUSSIS VACCINE, please call Jean by Sept.9th.

Please return the form below to Sister K. McCarthy by September 8TH.

This is very important as Rite Aid needs to bring sufficient FLU Vaccine.

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Name _____

Phone Number _____

FOOD DONATIONS



Thank you so much for your very generous donations. Your kindness is a great help to our families who are in need of food. When making future donations, **PLEASE CHECK THE EXPIRATION DATES ON THE FOOD.** During the last couple of weeks we have received a large amount of food which has outdated expiration dates. Some of the food had expired in 2014 and 2016. Please discard this food as it cannot be distributed to those in need.

GENNESARET RETREAT - FOR THOSE FACING SERIOUS ILLNESS

A retreat especially designed for a person who lives with a serious illness is planned for **September 20th-22nd, 2019** at the **Montfort Spirituality Center in Bay Shore, New York.** This retreat offers a respite, a quiet time, an oasis, to enable one to continue the journey. The retreat focuses on God's love, His forgiveness and His faithfulness. To register or receive more information about this weekend, please call: **Colette Fanelli at 631-665-7052.**

Please pray for those who are sick.
Thank you and God bless you. Sister Kay



Connie Borracci and Lois Velez,

Are two wonderful, delightful, experienced, pre-K Christian School teachers and former Mommy and Me Leaders who have volunteered to lead our **LET'S PLAY PROGRAM** (previously called *Mommy and Me.*)

I am thrilled with their willingness to volunteer and am so grateful to them. With their great enthusiasm and past experience, this Program should be very beneficial to your child.

These two women are pictured in the playground, beneath the beautiful outdoor mural of Jesus standing with the children. He is quoted as saying,

***"Let the children come to me and do not send them away.
For the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these."***



So consider bringing your children or grandchildren, ages 1-3 to our Let's Play Program, beginning in September. The program will be offered on Tuesday and Friday mornings. We invite you to come both days. See the Registration Form included in the Bulletin.

Needed – 4 Volunteer teachers, men or women, who will be mentored by these two outstanding women. Two teachers will be needed for Tuesday and two for Friday.

Please call Sister Kay McCarthy at 631-499-8520 Ext. 124 if you are interested. I really look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you and God bless you,
Sr. Kay McCarthy



LET'S PLAY REGISTRATION FORM FOR CHILDREN AGES 1-3.



*Come and Join Us on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10-11 AM.
Register as soon as possible as space is limited!
The Program will begin Sept. 17th and will end on Nov. 22nd.*

Please mail the form to Sister Kay McCarthy at St. Matthew Roman Catholic Church,
35 North Service Road Dix Hills, NY 11746 or drop it off at the Parish Center.

Parents Names _____

Mother's Phone Number _____ Father's Phone Number _____

Child's Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____

Parent's E-mail _____

Emergency Name _____ Number _____ Relationship _____

Child's Allergies _____

**\$25 nonrefundable registration payment is due with the application by SEPT. 3RD.
Remaining \$150 payment is due by SEPT. 10th. This payment can be included with
the registration payment.**

No Cash Please ~ Checks are to be payable to St. Matthew RC Church.

Check Number _____

Check Amount \$ _____

Payment by Credit Card: (Check one) Amex: __ Visa: __ Master Card: __

Credit Card Number: _____

Exp. Date: _____ Code: _____

Name on Credit Card: _____

Signature of card holder: _____

IS YOUR CHILD VACCINATED: YES _____ NO _____

WE CANNOT ACCEPT A CHILD WHO IS NOT VACCINATED.

If you have any questions, please call Sister Kay McCarthy at 631-499-8520 x 124.



Focus on Religious Freedom

www.cffor.org

Religious Freedom - *Why Does it Matter?*

Freedom of religion is a cornerstone of the American vision. It is understood to be the exercise of inherent natural rights. "We are endowed by our Creator with certain unalienable rights ..."

The Founders believed that virtue derived from religion is indispensable to limited government and essential to the spirit of self-government. Founder Samuel Adams said, "**Religion and good morals are the only solid foundation of public liberty and happiness.**"

The American model of religious liberty takes a strongly positive view of both private and public religious practice. It assumes that religious believers and institutions will take active roles in society, which include engaging in politics and policy-making and helping to form the public's moral views.

Religious freedom recognizes the right of all people to form their own conscience. This right applies to people who believe in a God as well as for non-believers. **Liberty of conscience demands, and ultimately justifies, limited government.** Conversely, limited government requires individual responsibility. **In a free society, religion is an ally of good government and freedom as it forms the moral character of individuals and communities.**

Research confirms that governments that respect religious liberty also tend to respect other freedoms and is strongly related to political liberty, economic freedom, and prosperity. "**Whenever religious freedom is high, there tends to be fewer incidents of armed conflict, better health outcomes, higher levels of earned income, and better educational opportunities for women,**" said researcher Brian Grim.

(heritage.org,12/20/19; democracyweb.org/essential principles; share.america.gov,2/4/19;)

"Everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion; ... Just as freedom of religion is often considered a threat to dictatorship, it can be an important safeguard of democratic society."

UN General Assembly Universal Declaration of Human Rights 1948

PLEASE NOTE THE UPCOMING BULLETIN DEADLINES

Sunday, September 1 is Monday, August 26
Sunday, September 8 is Thursday, August 29
Sunday, September 15 is Monday, September 9
Sunday, September 22 is Monday, September 16
Please email: bulletin@smrcc.org

**Catholic Voices for the New Evangelization
Sunday, October 19, 2019 - 9AM-4PM
(The day concludes with Mass)
Cost \$25 – includes lunch**

**Kellenberg Memorial High School
1400 Glen Curtiss Blvd., Uniondale, New York**
The conference will feature presentations from Catholic Authors: Dr. Scott Hahn and Jennifer Fulwiler. For more information and to register, contact Mr. Alex Basile at 516-292-0200, ext. 342 or via email at mrbasile@kellenberg.org



**CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
ENTRANCE EXAM PREP COURSE**
St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School is offering a Prep Course to prepare students for the Catholic High School entrance exam.

There will be five 2 ½ hr. sessions beginning in September. This year, there will also be a Test Taking Strategies Class the Friday evening before the exam.

**For additional information,
please call 631-587-8000 ext.117.**

**FALL IRISH HISTORY CLASSES
ST. JOSEPH'S TRAVIS HALL, KINGS PARK**
All classes are held on **Mondays at 1:00 PM (SHARP) to approximately 3:00 PM** as follows:

**September 30th, October 7th, 21st, 28th,
November 4th, 18th, December 2nd and 16th.**
No fees, no fuss, just a desire to learn our great Irish history. For additional information contact Tom O'Reilly at 631 335-9382.

Tune into "Religion and Rock" with Rev. Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 FM on Long Island's East End. Listen on Saturdays at 11:00 PM on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11:00 PM on XM Satellite, Channel 117. The theme for next Sunday, September 1, 2019 is Labor Day/Work/Laboring for God. Don't miss it! To listen online or receive more information regarding Religion and Rock go to www.ReligionandRock.com. or at "Religion & Rock" on ITUNES. Don't forget to tune into Catholic Faith Network, Cablevision 29/137 or Verizon FIOS 296 or visit www.cfntv.org.



August 25 - Twenty- first Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us to "strive to enter through the narrow gate." Our call to be disciples and to follow Jesus demands that we learn to live for the sake of others.

In the month of August, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to provide families with food and assistance with utilities, rent, bills, etc. Thank You!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter



Welcome All Marriage Encounter Couples!

Come Join Us for a Day of Enrichment Saturday September 14, 2019

The Shrine of Our Lady of the Island, 258 Eastport-Manor Rd, Manorville, NY 11949

The theme of this year's enrichment is "Beloved" from the Augustine Institute. No matter how long you have been encountered, this event promises to be enjoyable. The day begins at 8:30 AM, with continental breakfast; presentation starts promptly at 9AM. The day concludes with the Celebration of Mass about 4PM.

Please bring your own picnic lunch and something for the sharing table.

\$10/couple will be collected to cover food and supplies Be sure to bring your dialogue books for the 10+10's.

We look forward to seeing you no matter how long ago you made your weekend.

For further information or to RSVP call Chuck & Maria Reiss (631)486-8607 Chuck.maria.reiss@wwme.org

Not Encountered? FALL in love again!! Go to WWME.ORG and sign up for a weekend.

It will change your life!! The next weekends in our area are Sept 13-15 and Nov. 8 – 10.

Weekends are held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington.

St. Dominic High School

2019 Catholic High School Entrance Exam Prep Course For the October 26th Exam

Course will be held on the following Saturdays: September 7, 14, 21, 28 and October 5

9:00 - 11:30 a.m. in Marian Hall

Course Fee: \$250.00 (Includes textbook)

To register please complete the form below and return it with a check payable to:

**St. Dominic High School, 110 Anstice Street, Oyster Bay, NY 11771 - Attention: Mrs. Stutzmann
516-922-4888 ext. 5241.**

Students accepted on a First Come-First Served basis. There will be no refunds once the course begins.

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Please return this bottom portion with your CHSEE prep course payment.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

School Presently Attending \_\_\_\_\_

The Opening Word Program  
Under the sponsorship of the  
Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville



English as a Second Language Classes &  
Job Training/Readiness for adult women  
To be held at Saint Hugh of Lincoln Parish  
Center, 1450 New York Avenue,  
Huntington Station, N.Y.

Classes begin on September 10, 2019  
They will be held Monday - Friday 9AM-2PM

Registration Date: September 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Bring a Registration Fee of \$25.00.

For more information please call  
Melissa Ramos at: (631) 470-2288

El Programa de Opening Word  
Bajo el patrocinio de la Hermanas  
de Santo Domingo de Amityville

Clases en ingles como Segunda  
lengua & Entrenamiento laboral / Pre-  
paración Van a tomar parte en Centro Parro-  
quial de La Parroquia San Hugo, 1450 New  
York Avenue, Huntington Station, N. Y.

Clases van a comenzar en septiembre 10,  
2019 de lunes a viernes, 9:00AM – 2:00PM

Fecha de Inscripcion: septiembre 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 AM a 1:00PM



Cuota de inscripcion - \$ 25.00

Para mas informacion llame a  
Melissa Ramos (631) 470-2288



## CATHOLIC HEALTH SERVICES NIGHT

COME OUT TO SUPPORT CATHOLIC HEALTH SERVICES OF LONG ISLAND

FRI. SEPT 13 • 7:10PM •  VS 

You are cordially invited to join  
Bishop John O. Barres and Catholic Health  
Services of Long Island (CHS) at  
*CHS Night at Citi Field* on September 13, 2019,  
at 7:10 pm, NY Mets vs. LA Dodgers.  
Several ticket options are available,  
from \$12 to \$40 each.

To purchase your tickets, go to  
<https://groupmatics.events/event/CHS2019>



### Retrouvaille Weekend You Can Help Heal Your Marriage



Do you feel alone? Are you  
frustrated or angry with each other?  
Do you argue or have you  
just stopped talking to each other? Does talking  
about it only make it worse?

Retrouvaille helps couples through diffi-  
cult times in their marriages. This program has  
helped thousands of couples worldwide experi-  
encing ALL TYPES of marital difficulties.

For confidential information about the  
Retrouvaille program, or to register for the  
upcoming weekend that begins on Friday,  
September 6--7, 2019, please call  
1-800-470-2230 and you will be connected  
directly and confidentially to a couple from  
Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help.  
Location: Immaculate Conception, 440 West  
Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743

### Were you or someone you know in the last graduating class (1974) of Bishop Reilly HS in Fresh Meadows, NY?

The Bishop Reilly High School Class of 1974 will  
celebrate its 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of graduation on  
Saturday, November 9, 2019. To be added to  
the contact list and receive further information,  
please send an email to [BRHS1974@aol.com](mailto:BRHS1974@aol.com).

## Are you discerning a vocation to the Diaconate?

### The Office of Diaconate Formation

will be conducting

## THREE INFORMATION SESSIONS

for men and their wives.

7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, September 11

7:00 pm

FRIDAY, September 13

7:00 pm

SUNDAY, September 15

IF YOU AND YOUR WIFE WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND ONE OF THE MEETINGS

CALL 631-423-0483 ext. 179 OR E-MAIL [diaconateformation@drvc.org](mailto:diaconateformation@drvc.org)

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743

# Year of Union With God and One Another at Maria Regina Residence



*Preached Retreat September 18, 19 and 20  
Deepening Our Union with God and One Another  
Presenter: Sister Mary Ann Nolan RSM*

#### Retreat Schedule:

11:00 AM Presentation  
Noon Mass  
12:30 PM Lunch and Break  
2:30 PM Presentation

*All Are Welcome!*



We find God in the context of our daily life, in our everyday human experience. Wherever we are, God is. In this retreat we will be reflecting on various aspects of our life experience in order to deepen our awareness of God's presence and action in our daily life. This awareness draws us closer to God which in turn draws us closer to each other.