

Roman Catholic Church of St. Matthew

35 North Service Road, Dix Hills, New York 11746

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

March 15, 2020

Pastor

Rev. Robert Hewes

Associate Pastors

Rev. Joseph Habila

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



3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." - Jn 4:10

Illustration: Donatello (Lorenzo) by Peter 2020: 1896 (1819-2021)

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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: me@johndigiorgio.com

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: 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

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



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, Mar 14

4:00 PM Giovanna Furelli
 Living Intentions of Jack Tseng
 Vincent & Louise Costello
 Debra Lategano
 John J. Grue
 Anna Gillmeyer

7:00 PM Melida Munoz & Luis Carlos Munoz

Sunday, Mar 15

7:30 AM Connie Walsh
 9:30 AM James P. Mc Caffery
 11:00 AM Emily Dentale & Family
 12:30 PM (L) For the People of the Parish
 12:30 PM Annette & Matthew P. Ferrara

Monday, Mar 16

9:00 AM Paulette Schery

Tuesday, Mar 17

9:00 AM Matthew Koozhampala

Wednesday, Mar 18

9:00 AM John Vierling, Jr.

Thursday, Mar 19

9:00 AM Madeleine Mansoura

Friday, Mar 20

9:00 AM Rosa Torre

Saturday, Mar 21

9:00 AM Cecelia DeMarzo
 Catherine & Louis Lembo
 Arnaldo Forte

4:00 PM Joseph A. Todaro
 Paul West
 Living Intentions of Jack Tseng
 Bill Trujillo
 Andrew J. Garafalo

7:00 PM Ana Olinda Najarro

Sunday, Mar 22

7:30 AM Anthony Muller
 9:30 AM Joseph S. Brunetti
 11:00 AM Anthony Gentile, Jr. & Clementina &
 Anthony Gentile, Sr.
 12:30 PM (L) For the People of the Parish
 12:30 PM Josephine Brizard ~
 Happy 98th Birthday

Business Manager

Dolores Tiernan

Finance Chairperson

Richard Bove

Trustees

Philip C. Pandolfi

Raymond Smolenski

Collection Totals

March 7 & 8



Weekly: \$16,255.00
 Snow Removal, etc.: \$ 3,148.00
 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

- **Bible Study:** 9:45 am
- **Spanish Bible Study:** 1:00 pm
- **Tridentine Mass Choir:** (Latin) 4:00 pm
in the Family Room

Sundays

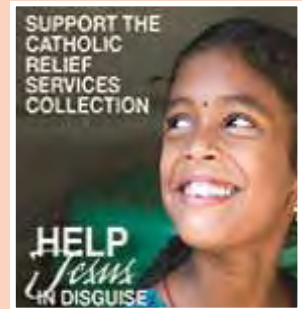
- **Secular Franciscan Order:** Second Sunday of
each month (except January & August) 1:00 pm
in the Library (Room 201)
- **Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites:** Second
Sunday of each month (except April, May & August)
9:00 am-1:30 pm including 11:00 am Mass

As a health precaution, the Diocese has instructed that, until further notice, the Sign of Peace is to be entirely omitted during Mass, in any form. After the priest's greeting, "The peace of the Lord be always with you," the "Lamb of God" will immediately follow.

Next week, our parish will take up
The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC).

Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad.

Next week, please give generously to the CRSC
and **help Jesus in disguise**. Learn more about the collection at
www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.



A dramatic devotion drawing on the traditional pilgrimage *Via Crucis* in Jerusalem which has been especially associated with the Season of Lent and Passiontide for centuries.

Using scenes from Sacred Scripture and traditional lore it presents fourteen "Stations" (literally "standing places") that mark the path of Christ from His judgment at Pontius Pilate's court to His burial in the Holy Sepulchre.

The Stations of the Cross will be publicly conducted this Lent **twice a week** in the church:

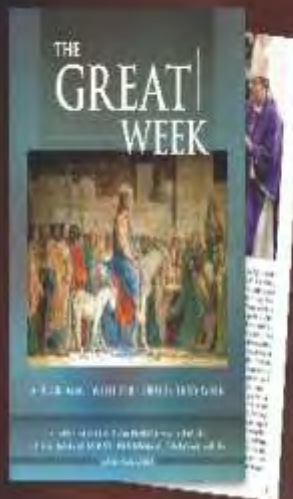
- Every TUESDAYS OF LENT from March 3rd - April 7th at 3:00 PM.
- Every FRIDAY OF LENT to and including Good Friday, April 10th at 7:00 PM.

Lenten Disciplines of Fasting & Abstinence

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.



A New Pastoral Letter by Bishop John O. Barres



Available online by visiting:

www.thegreatweek.com

OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS, DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE



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 weis 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. Those 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,

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

Make checks payable to: Catholic Ministries Appeal

Parish _____ Pledge: \$ _____

Name _____ Down payment: \$ _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

To make a donation or for more information about the Catholic Ministries Appeal, please visit CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org, phone 516-678-5800 ext. 296 or call Jack Maccio at St. Matthew - 631 499-8520 Ext. 117 or JBM1944@icloud.com.



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

LOOKING AHEAD

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.

GRADE LEVEL MASS FOR WINTER AND SUMMER PROGRAM STUDENTS

Sunday, March 15, 2020, the 7th & 8th grade will attend the 9:30 Mass.

It is 'Pray 4 Me' Sunday for our 8th grade Confirmation students.

This Mass does include all the Summer Program students. For those students attending their grade level Mass listed above, please sit in the front of the Church, try to arrive by 9:10AM and remember your tithing envelope as they are not only used for a donation but also for taking attendance. All family members are invited to join us at this Mass.

CONFIRMATION INFO

The date for Confirmation for our 8th grade students is Tuesday, March 31, 2020. Bishop Richard Henning will be presiding and there will be two Confirmations, one at 10:00AM and one at 1:30PM.

Monday, 3/16	Confirmation Confessions 7PM	A—L
Wednesday, 3/18	Confirmation Student Rehearsal	3-5PM A—L
Monday, 3/23	Confirmation Confessions 7PM	M—Z
Thursday, 3/19	Confirmation Student Rehearsal	3-5PM M—Z

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - SATURDAY 5/9 & SATURDAY 5/16

Saturday, March 28th, 2nd grade First Reconciliation (Penance) in Church 9:45AM.

Saturday, April 4th, 2nd grade First Reconciliation (Penance) in Church 9:45AM.

SUMMER PROGRAM

The dates for the Summer Program 2020 are August 2nd through August 16th, from 8:30AM to 1:00PM, Monday thru Friday and the three Sunday 9:30 Masses on 8/2, 8/9 and 8/16. Grades 4 thru 7 are eligible and the fee is \$300.00 per child. **Registration is Wednesday, April 1st at 7:00PM in the Church.**

SPECIAL NOTES


Classes are cancelled on Tuesday, March 31st, due to Confirmation. The week of April 6th will be the last week of classes for our 2019-2020 Winter Program.





March 21 & 22

The Bread and Wine
 In loving memory of John Grue, Jr.
 With love, Isabelle & Francis Grue




Eucharistic Ministers


4:00 P.M.	7:30 AM	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	12:30 PM
I. Lucie	H. Campa	M. Prainito	E. Vincente	A. Albano
C. Vogt	J. Campa	F. Harnos	A. Pappas	M. Shef
R. Grande		P. DiGiorgio	K. Zaki	
D. Tiernan		C. Sposato		

Lectors

4:00 PM	7:30 AM	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	12:30 PM
J. Seefried	J. Campa	K. Ramonetti	E. Vicente	B. Abadom

 **PRAY FOR OUR SICK**


Chloe Atienza	Vilma Diaztoral	Christian Martino	Casey Rodriquez
Marie Clarke	David Falen	Sophia Marzulla	Christopher Sabato, Sr.
Lisa Ciota	Lawrence Famighetti	John McIntyre	Cecelia Sanzone
Daniela Conti	Nunzio Grella	Jay McNamee	Charles Sanzone
Gerard Costa	Lisa Marie Hulsen	Jill Pasquolone	Grace Sanzone
Joseph Costa	Roy Internicola	Mary Perry	Debbie Serio
		Marge Puccio	Ed & Ann Smith
		Eugene Quarello	Albi Snolis
		Gary Rickerson	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.*

MARCH - Catholics in China
 That the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

 **We Pray, especially for our Service Men and Women:**

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,
 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,
 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.



HELP SAVE LIVES IN SMITHTOWN, NY!

Join our 2020 Campaign of Prayer and Fasting!

You can help protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils, and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired over 1,000,000 volunteers! **With God's help**, here are the proven results in 25 coordinated campaigns: **16,742** babies saved from abortion **196 abortion** workers quit ~ **104 abortion** centers closed

Here's how to take part in our 40 Days for Life prayer campaign (choose one or all three):

- (1.) **Prayer Vigil** – pray on sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood building, 70 Maple Ave., Smithtown. (Park in public lot, corner of Main St. & Maple Ave. near CVS) **Please sign up** for your hour(s) each week at: 40daysforlife.com/Smithtown ~ February 26-April 5 from 7am to 7pm
- (2.) **Pray** with friends and family at your local parish/church and at home
- (3.) **Fast and Sacrifice** as your health permits

More info.: 40DFLsmithtown@gmail.com ~ 40daysforlife.com/Smithtown

54 Day Novena

JANUARY 31-MARCH 24

Please join the Diocese of Rockville Centre Vocations Office in praying a 54 Day Rosary Novena for vocations to the priesthood, beginning on January 31 and ending on March 24, 2020, the vigil of the Annunciation.



DRVDVOCATIONS.COM
vocations@drvc.org
516 678-5800 ext. 214

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.



Every Tuesday, a Eucharistic Holy Hour for the Sanctification of the Clergy and the Purification of the Church is held in the church immediately after the 9:00 AM Mass.

The Rosary will be prayed before the Blessed Sacrament exposed in the monstrance and other prayers will be offered in reparation for sins and for the healing of the victims of sin.



St. Matthew RC Church
Rosary Altar Society Presents

ST. PATRICK/ST. JOSEPH

DINNER/DANCE

Music by "Domino Party" Entertainment

Saturday, March 14, 2020 @ 5:00 PM

Adult \$25 each Child(ren) 5-16 yrs old \$10.00



**Corned Beef & Cabbage/Pasta & Meatballs, Beer, Wine, Soda, Dessert
50/50 and Lotto Board**

Dear Rosarians,

We had a very successful March meeting! Fr. Joseph's talk on the persecution of Christians in Nigeria was quite sobering, giving us a lot to think and pray about. We thank Fr. Joseph, and hopefully we will respond generously to his request for persecuted priests, seminarians, and lay Christians in Nigeria.



Many of us are excited about the Seven Sisters Apostolate that has begun here at St. Matthew's. We are grateful to Tina for organizing it and for speaking to us about this noble mission. Praying for priests is one of the most important things we can do as Rosarians. For more information please look at the website sevensistersapostolate.org, and perhaps consider being a substitute.

Please continue to promote the Spring Gala, which is open to all the parish, by buying and selling tickets and chance books, and by inviting others to attend. We have some amazing prizes, including two round trip airline tickets to anywhere in the U.S. The winners do not need to be present.

The weekend of April 4-5 we will be selling Easter Plants AND Gala tickets. Please be sure to volunteer to help after at least one Mass. Thank you.

As we unite in our increase of prayer, penance, and almsgiving during this Lenten season, let us offer our sufferings of mind, body, heart, and soul through the Sorrowful Heart of Mary to Jesus Christ Crucified. In a particular way during this season of Divine Grace, remember to pray for the conversion of sinners and the return to the Sacraments of those who have fallen away.

Finally let us pray to the glorious St. Patrick and the humble St. Joseph to crush the evil in our hearts, our Church, our Country, and the entire world.

Love and prayers in the Heart of Jesus and Mary, Patricia Bissex



Our Lady of Mercy Academy

Yessenia Abrego

Adrianna Cirenza

Laura Hiu

Amanda McQuade

Chinwe Okonkwo

**PLEASE NOTE THE
UPCOMING BULLETIN DEADLINES**

Sunday, March 22 is Monday, March 16

Sunday, March 29 is Monday, March 23

Sunday, April 5 is Friday, March 27

Sunday, April 12 is Thursday, April 2

Sunday, April 19 is Monday, April 13

Please email: bulletin@smrcc.org

Y.E.S. ~ SENIOR NEWS

Meetings are held every Thursday after the 9:00 AM Mass except on luncheon dates. Please join us. All are welcome.

Well, here we are in the middle of March!! Winter is officially over as of this week and we can start digging! No, not snow (hopefully) but to plant flowers. Nothing says "spring" better than some beautiful blossoms.

We were scheduled to enjoy lunch and tour the Brandywine Assisted Living facility, but it has been postponed due to the Corona Virus. Please pray that there is an end to this terrible illness very soon.

On March 26 we will have a speaker give a talk on strokes. Many people have had a mild one and not known until the evidence showed up on an exam. Please plan to attend. You never know when you can help someone.

April 2 - we welcome back Sr Ave Clarke

April 9 - Holy Thursday - No meeting

April 16 - Luncheon at Picollo Mundo

Remember to pray for those who are ill and for their loving caretakers. Pray always for our church, our country, the military and for all those who protect us while putting themselves between us and danger. God Bless America.

See you in Church,
Pat

A true friend is the gift of God, and He only, who made hearts, can unite them. *Robert South*

Friendship.....a union of spirits, a marriage of hearts. *William Penn*

March 15 - Third Sunday of Lent



In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work."

Through your almsgiving you are doing the will of the Father and finishing the work of Jesus. Know that your nickel, dime or quarter is multiplied by the coins placed by others in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box.

Commissioning of new Eucharistic Ministers

On Sunday, March 15th at the 11:00 AM Mass,



Fr. Hewes will be commissioning Angela Beaman, Joan Mackey, Lorraine Marciano and Nev Bienenstein as Eucharistic Ministers. They have attended the necessary training which was given by the Diocese. They will now be able to serve here at St. Matthew's and will also be able to bring

Communion to those who are homebound. They have been entrusted to do this beautiful ministry and will do it with the utmost care and reverence. We are very grateful to them and pray for God's blessing on them. May we all deepen our love for Eucharist.

Sister Kay McCarthy

Tune into "Religion and Rock" with Rev. Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7 AM - 8 AM on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 FM on Long Island's East End. Listen on Saturdays at 11 PM on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11 PM on XM Satellite, Channel 117. **The theme for next Sunday, March 22, 2020 is Coping.**

Don't miss it! To listen online or receive more information regarding Religion and Rock go to "Religion & Rock" on ITUNES or www.ReligionandRock.com.

Don't forget to tune into Catholic Faith Network, Cablevision 29/137 or Verizon FIOS 296 or visit www.cfntv.org.

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 April 21st and will end on June 16th*

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 _____
Parents E-mail _____
Emergency Name _____ Number _____ Relationship _____
Child's Allergies _____

\$25 nonrefundable registration payment is due with the application by MARCH 20TH
The remaining \$150 payment is due by APRIL 1ST. 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



BLOOD DRIVE

St. Matthew/K of C 7479

35 North Service Road, Dix Hills

Sunday March 29, 2020

8:00 am – 2:00 pm

Msgr. Goggin Hall

For more information, please contact:

Ron Pomian, ronpomian@gmail.com or Mark Petosa, markamerica@verizon.net

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Did you receive a gift that you can't use, that you already have or that you could give away? If you answered "YES" to any of the above questions, the Dominican Sisters of Amityville invite you to donate your items for our annual Beauty of the Spirit Luncheon. All proceeds from the event benefit the elderly and retired Sisters living in the Mother-house. Last year, the event grossed over \$118,000!

Please remember, all items must be **NEW**. To arrange a drop off, please phone the Advancement Office at 631 842-6000 ext. 238. Thank you for your support!

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Businesses use census data to choose locations. Real estate developers use the census to build new homes and revitalize old neighborhoods. Local governments use census data for public safety and emergency preparedness. Residents use the data to support community initiatives involving legislation, quality of life and consumer advocacy.

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The St. Matthew Rosary Altar Society
“Spring Gala” Fashion Show
at the Watermill



Thursday, April 23, 2020

We anticipate over 150 guests in attendance
making this our biggest

fundraiser *event of the year!*

On behalf of our pastor, Father Robert Hewes and the Rosary Altar Society,
we thank you for your continued support. We again appeal for your help
in taking one of the journal ads listed below.

The monies collected are given to worthy and needy organizations within our
parish and also for the much needed renovations of our parish church.
Your contribution will earn the deep gratitude of all who will benefit from
your kindness and generosity.

Please make checks payable to St. Matthew Rosary Altar Society
and mail check by March 15th to:

Louise Benenati, 130 Albany St., Deer Park, NY 11729
631-662-6074

On behalf of our members, I wish to extend our appreciation and a most sincere
and heartfelt thank you. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Louise Benenati – Journal Chairperson (631 586-4515) H (631 662-6074) C
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