March 6, 2016

CHURCH OF SAINT ANNE

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MERCY MONDAYS - SPIRITUAL MARCH MADNESS

Mondays: March 7, March 14 & March 21

Please consider joining us for a discussion on Mercy
to help make your Lenten journey more meaningful.
Mornings after the 9AM Mass or evenings at 7:30PM

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Families in Service
Sandwich - Making Event

Parents and children interested in working
together to serve people who are hungry and
in need are invited to join Families in Service
on Saturday, March 12th from 8:00 to
9:30AM in the school cafeteria.

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Easter Baskets for Children in Need

We’ll be delivering all the Easter baskets
donated by parishioners (400!) to local parish
outreach centers on Monday, March 14th.
Please return your filled basket to the Loaves &
Fishes closets or to the parish office by Sunday,
March 13th. Thank you!

All Are Welcome!

We welcome new members to join our parish family. Please contact the parish office.
We also welcome any adult who was never baptized, baptized non-Catholics or those seeking
to receive First Eucharist or Confirmation to become a full participant in the Catholic Church.
Saint Anne’s Professional Networking Group

Saint Anne’s Professional Networking Group sponsored another successful event on February 24th. Seven members offered a brief presentation on their industry/job and the group broke out according to the various career areas so people could personally connect with the presenters and one another. Many thanks to Peter Healy and Jim Marron for coordinating this meeting, to Dan Mullins, Dave McDonald, Tina O’Keeffe, Joe Farelli and Len Wolfring for presenting and also to Susan Crinnion for taking professional ‘head shots’ for members’ LinkedIn profiles. Mark your calendar for our next meeting—

**Wednesday, March 16th at 7:30PM in the cafeteria – please see page 11 for details**

“*What Happens When You Press ‘Send’?”*

A panel discussion with HR professionals regarding the hiring process

Tom McGinley will moderate this discussion which will feature Denise Stott and Tom Broderick.

Please see page 5 for information on joining Saint Anne’s Professional Networking Group

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**Images:**

1. Peter Healy chats with Andy Garger and Greg Abruzzo at the popular Insurance table after his presentation
2. Lenny Wolfring shares some advice with Ed Wilkinson after presenting on Information Technology
3. Joe Farelli, who presented on careers in Law, follows up with Austin Murphy
4. Maureen Leggett speaks with Julius Picardi and Dave Logan
5. Bob Gannon follows up with some questions for Dan Mullins, who presented on Banking and Finance
6. Susan Dutzer and Pat Fleck meet Tina O’Keeffe, who presented on Entrepreneurship
7. Kevin O’Hanlon and Mike Flood have a chance to connect after the presentation
8. Joe DeMicco in conversation with Don and Janet Alvarez
9. Will Spence and Rich Merz catching up
Dear Parishioners,

Now that we are in the second half of Lent, it will be a short time before Holy Week arrives. Although the days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday carry great significance, another important day has taken hold these past fifteen years or so. On Monday of Holy Week, all the parishes of our diocese, as well as the parishes of Diocese of Brooklyn and Archdiocese of New York, offer the opportunity for Confession and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, also known as Penance. This year Reconciliation will be Monday, March 21, the first day of spring.

Monday, March 21 will be the fourth of our mercy Mondays which began this past Monday and continue these next three Mondays, March 7, March 14, and March 21. We began this past week with a morning gathering after the 9:00a.m. Mass and with an evening meeting at 7:30p.m. in the school chapel. You can still join us for these discussions that are inspired by Pope Francis’ latest book, The Name of God Is Mercy.

I attended the evening session this past Monday and we focused on some of the beginning thoughts of Francis’ well-received short book. Francis reflects on the meaning and practice of confession in his first sections. Any discussion of confession must by its very nature include reflection of the meaning of sin. This is significant because our present age has difficulty in acknowledging sin.

It is no secret that many Catholics have stepped far away from the sacrament of confession (confession can be used interchangeably with reconciliation and penance). There are many Catholics who have not gone to confession for twenty, thirty years and more. Opportunities are now offered that invite people who have been away for many years to return. Frequently, enough people who have not been to confession for a very long time struggle to identify sins to confess. They know they have not committed any major “mortal sins” and are not able to articulate what they consider “other sins” they may have committed. This reminds me of the timeliness of a book written nearly 40 years entitled Whatever Happened to Sin?

Pope Francis, his teachings and writings, many people are finding very attractive and helpful. His book, The Name of God is Mercy, is both attractive and helpful. I am reading the book a second time. I read it quickly the first time and truly missed its significance. In preparation for Mercy Mondays I am reading it a second time. It deserves a slow and reflective reading. It needs to be understood as a reflection.

Francis certainly encourages us to frequent the sacrament of confession. It is important that those many of us who find Francis so dynamic and such a great leader of our faith take seriously his encouragement and call that we all participate in confession. Francis believes that mercy is a core message of the gospel. An integral experience of mercy is God’s forgiveness of sin. Confession is a sacramental gift from Jesus that is found established in Jesus’ words spoken to Peter.

Remember Francis’ first minutes as our Holy Father which we will recall next Sunday, March 13 as we celebrate the third anniversary of his election. I think I will always remember Francis presenting himself to the world as our new pope with his hands placed at his side without any gesturing. His opening words included his request that we pray for him. His closing words, a simple “good evening.” I still cherish that image of Francis whom I have grown to love and admire.

Shortly after, if not the next day, a few days later, Francis identified himself to the world as “I am a sinner.” Again he did so in a calm, gentle manner. There was no moroseness, not even a timidity, nor an embarrassment. “I am a sinner.” Francis did not then dramatically tell us of his sins, nor did he beg of forgiveness. He simply identified “a sinner.” How important I think it is that we can all do that. Identify ourselves as a sinner.

The great challenge I have felt this Lent is to accept the challenge to think differently. As I have said at Mass, to think differently may even be more difficult than to behave differently. Maybe Lent and these mercy Mondays is a time to think differently about sin. Thinking about sin can lead to a sense of the morose, sadness, and embarrassment. That was not the image that Francis suggested when he said, “I am a sinner.” It is never what he suggests in his book. I am finding that The Name of God Is Mercy is a book that asks us to think differently. That is what I suggested to the parishioners with whom I met last Monday night. Let me offer an example.

One of the words in the vocabulary associated with the topic of sin is the word shame. Shame is filled with negative associations. Not so for Francis in his book. Francis comments on the 16th chapter of the prophet Ezekiel. He writes “The prophet speaks of shame, and shame is a grace: when one feels the mercy of God, he feels a great shame for himself and for his sin... Shame is one of the graces that Saint Ignatius asks for during his confessions of his sins before Christ crucified. That text from Ezekiel teaches us to be ashamed, shows us how to feel shame: with all our history of wretchedness and sin, God remains faithful and raises us up. I feel this.” I’m not sure I fully understand Francis’ words here, but I am left with the thought that shame is a gateway to an experience of God’s mercy and this mercy at the core of our faith.

We need to think differently. To acknowledge sin is an important way to know God. To confess sin is to open up to mercy. To receive mercy is to know God. So it is true that sin can bring embarrassment and guilt. I know that firsthand. I also know the sacrament of confession is liberating and brings the joy of both embracing mercy and being embraced by mercy. When I leave the sacrament, I feel a freshness and sense of new beginning. Mercy brings new life.

As we move through these next three weeks of Lent, consider joining us for Mercy Mondays. Plan on celebrating the Sacrament of Mercy on Monday, March 21.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fa. Tom
PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

LOAVES AND FISHES

“We should learn how to give, but we should not regard giving as an obligation, rather as desire...Our poor do not need your condescending attitude or your pity. The poor need your love and kindness.”

~ Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

Easter Baskets for Children in Need

Please drop off by Sunday, March 13th

Please return your Easter baskets full of goodies by March 13th. Easter baskets may be left in the Loaves and Fishes closets in the rear of the church (open from 7:00AM to 2:30PM all week) or dropped off at the parish office, which is located at the entrance to the cafeteria.

HOW YOU CAN HELP: If you did not receive a basket, you can still participate in this effort by bringing your own Easter basket full of Easter goodies (no loose or open bags of candy, please) and return it to the Loaves & Fishes closets no later than Sunday, March 13th—NEXT SUNDAY. There is always a need for Easter baskets at the outreach centers we assist. Their hope is to provide each child with their own Easter basket but often there is only one basket for a family to share. In addition, we ask you to bring a jar of peanut butter or a box of cereal which will be given along with the Easter baskets (The food items should be separate from the basket.)

All baskets will be delivered to the parish outreach centers on Monday morning, March 14th so they will be available for distribution before Palm Sunday. Thank you for your support!

Weekly Food Drive

Saint Anne’s Loaves and Fishes Ministry collects food and delivers it to local parish outreach centers which serve people who are hungry and in need. Your food donations really make a difference in the amount of food a struggling family will receive. Our volunteer drivers recently delivered to Our Lady of Loretto Parish in Hempstead and to St. Mary of the Isle in Long Beach. When you’re shopping for your own family, please consider purchasing extra items to support people in need. Items most requested include:

- Soup
- Pasta Sauce & Pasta
- Peanut Butter
- Macaroni & Cheese

- Cereal
- Powdered Milk
- Rice
- Baby Diapers - large sizes

- Tuna fish
- Canned vegetables
- Canned fruit
- Red & black beans

Donations of food can be left in the Loaves and Fishes closets in the left rear of the church, open 7:00AM-2:30PM. Please call Barbara Tranfaglia at 741-0629 or Parish Social Ministry at 352-5904 to volunteer or for more information.
PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

There are many parishioners involved in Parish Social Ministry, reaching out to offer assistance and sharing their gifts with one another, all in the context of our faith.

Looking for a way to volunteer? In need of some support or assistance? Please call Parish Social Ministry at 352-5904.

Special Needs Ministry

**Mothers Support Group Dinner**  
Tuesday, March 8th at 7:30PM at Cinellis

**Respite Care**  
Our next session will be Friday, March 11th from 6:00PM to 8:00PM.

**Special Needs Mass**  
Mass will be celebrated with our special needs community on Saturday, April 9th at 5:00PM in the cafeteria. All are welcome!

* For information about our Special Needs Ministry, contact Linda Leone at 352-5904 or lindaleone@stannesgc.org

Words of Pope Francis

“God offers us this time with mercy and patience so that we may learn every day to recognize him in the poor and the lowly. Let us strive for goodness and be watchful in prayer and in love. May the Lord, at the end of our life and at the end of history, be able to recognize us as good and faithful servants.”

Families in Service Sandwich-Making Event

Parents and children interested in working together to serve those in need are invited to join Families in Service on Saturday, March 12th from 8:00 to 9:30AM in the school cafeteria. We will be making sandwiches for the Mary Brennan INN, which serves meals to people in need who may be homeless or facing difficult challenges at this time. We will also be preparing goody bags for children to be distributed through the Nassau County Department of Social Services.

Please bring 2 loaves of bread and cold cuts for your family to make sandwiches, a box of sandwich baggies and a bag of individually wrapped Easter candy. (Gloves will be provided.) We look forward to working together with you and your children as you teach them the gift of service. This is a popular event at Saint Anne’s RSVP by March 9th to Corrin Culhane at corrinculhane@gmail.com.

Bereavement Support: Please see page 10

The loss of your loved one may have caused you to experience sadness, anger, guilt, exhaustion and/or loneliness.

Grief assaults us physically, emotionally, mentally, spiritually and socially. But we can’t stuff grief inside, pretending it will go away, or we are likely to end up with more problems. Although it’s hard to believe that experiencing and sharing the painful feelings associated with grief can possibly be healing, survivors of loss will affirm that it is true.” ~ Kathlyn Miller

Saint Anne’s Is Here For You...

If you’re struggling with something and not sure where to turn, Saint Anne’s Parish provides confidential support and assistance. Serious illness, economic problems, marital difficulties, mental health concerns and coping with caring for those who are ill or elderly are issues we may all face at different times in our lives. If you would like to know more, please call Parish Social Ministry at 352-5904.

Professional Networking Group

**What Happens When You Press ‘Send’?**  
A panel discussion with HR professionals  
Wednesday, March 16th at 7:30PM

Please see page 11 in this bulletin for more info and page 2 for photos from the recent Industry Panel!

Divorced and Separated Catholics

Divorced and Separated Catholics is a group which provides friendship, prayer and support to those who are presently working through or have experienced divorce or separation. Meetings take place on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:30PM in the school. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 8th.

Middle Years—Game Night this Wednesday

We welcome all who are interested in joining us for our many informal social events, or to help us serve our servicemen and women, and veterans. For details call Helen Capece at 327-9179. Join in the fun!

Game Night—Wednesday, March 9th at 7:30PM  
Faculty Room
“The Lord never tires of forgiving; it is we who tire of asking for forgiveness.”
— Pope Francis

Our Confirmation students are rapidly approaching the sacrament scheduled for April 18. As they continue their preparations for this sacrament, they each attend a retreat specific to receiving the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. One of the topics of this retreat is being aware of God’s loving presence in our lives. How often do we remember to look for God within and around us? How often are we distracted by the “worldly standards” that are ever present in the technology, advertising, and entertainment that bombard us each and every day. How often do we search for the “Godly standards” that are meant to rule our lives. Loving and respecting God and our neighbors, and acknowledging the great gifts we are given by a loving and forgiving God will hopefully become an ever present part of the lives of our Confirmandi. Are they part of your life?

Classes this Week:

**Sunday, March 6** – One-on-one classes (8:30 to 9:15)

**Sunday, March 6** – Grades 1 through 6 (9 to 10:15)

**Monday, March 7** - Grades 1 through 6 (4 to 5:10 PM)

**Tuesday, March 8** - Grades 1 through 6 (4 to 5:10 PM)

**Wednesday, March 9** - No class - Grades 1 through 6 - Parent conferences

**Wednesday, March 9** - Grade 8 at 7 PM

**Sunday, March 13** – One-on-one classes (8:30 to 9:15)  
(Please remember to set clocks ahead)

**Sunday, March 13** - Grades 1 through 6 (9 to 10:15)  
(Please remember to set clocks ahead)

Family Faith Program:
The Family Faith Program will meet after 8:30 Mass in the Chapel.

Confirmation Retreat: Group B students will have their retreat on Sunday, March 13 from 2:30 to 6:30 in McCloskey Auditorium. St. Anne’s class 8-2, Kellenberg students and all Faith Formation students who did not attend the February 28 retreat must attend this event. This is a requirement of the Diocese of Rockville Centre. The retreat will end with Mass celebrated by Father Tom. Please remember to set clocks ahead and to arrive by 2:20.

Grade 8 Parent and Student Meeting:
All Confirmation candidates and a parent are scheduled to attend a special meeting with Father Tom on Wednesday, March 16 at 7 PM in McCloskey Auditorium.

St. Anne’s Students Practice Mercy

The students in the Faith Formation program have been focusing on Works of Mercy in the homes, neighborhoods, and themselves and then recording them for display to their classmates. Each week we will share some of their observations with you.

Julia, a fifth grade student, saw mercy in her sister’s actions: “I observed an act of mercy when my sister Liliana gave her toys to a girl who does not have a lot. Also, when I gave my sister my bike, the first thing she did was want to give her other bike to this little girl. This showed mercy because my sister is not selfish. She does not hang on to things just so she has more than others. Liliana always tells my mom let’s give it to the poor. I admire my sister and think we should all show mercy and donate like her.”

Aidan, a first grader, said: “I observed an act of mercy when I fed the hungry. I did this by putting food in the food cabinet. I did it when I was in church. I wanted to do it because I wanted to help the poor.”

Luciana, a third grade student, observed several act of mercy: “I have witnessed a lot of acts of mercy. One act of mercy was when a Garden City father died and other families raised money and gift cards for the family members. Although the family still missed their father, the act of mercy made them know that people loved them and were concerned at this sad time in their lives. Another act of mercy is when someone I know was eating at a Cracker Barrel. They paid the bill for a family with a severely disabled child.”

Melissa, an eighth grade student used the internet to observe God’s work: “I observed an act of mercy from a viral online video. In the video a man on the subway notices an older man who had no shirt and was very cold because of the cold and windy weather. So the man takes off the shirt off his own back and gives it to the homeless man. This shows mercy because the man is putting someone else’s needs above his own. He is showing a corporal work of mercy by clothing the naked.”

May we all become as observant of Works of Mercy as these children are. Please take some time to view the other observations made by children on our “Wall of Mercy” in the corridor between the cafeteria and the chapel.
LITURGY AND WORSHIP

Fourth Sunday of Lent

"But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found."

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is traditionally called, “Laetare Sunday” from the Latin meaning “to rejoice” or “to be joyful”. Today’s gospel about the Prodigal Son is the perfect one to celebrate rejoicing. The father in the parable is so joyful at his son’s return that he forgives his wandering and squandering and orders a feast! The father doesn’t answer the son’s confession with words but with actions of lavish mercy and welcome. We are all sinners and the Father longs to embrace and celebrate with us. We are like the father when we are compassionate and forgiving toward those who have harmed us, and celebrate when someone turns from wrongful ways. Imitating the compassionate father in the parable, someone I need to invite back to the feast is....

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Isaiah 43:16-21
Philippians 3:8-14
John 8:1-11

Mercy Question of the Week

Like the younger son, when have you been lost and were found by the merciful and compassionate Father who loves you? What are some ways people have been merciful and forgiving toward you? How can you practice forgiving others?
©Pastoral Planning

Last Sunday we celebrated with the Ingersoll family as Rob was welcomed into the Catholic Church and confirmed. Rob and Amy celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage at the Mass also. Congratulations to the whole Ingersoll family.

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**Family Mass News**

**Happy Clappers** – Clappers will rehearse today at 10:00 in the auditorium. All children are invited to come and join the Happy Clappers.

**RCIA**

**The Scrutinies**

On the Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent rites called the Scrutinies are prayed for the elect (those who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil). These prayers ask that the elect may be delivered from the powers of evil and falsehood and receive the gifts of the Lord. Our elect, Trent Schmatz, Hye Yung Kang, and Tasha Seyad will be present at the 11:45 Mass today and the 10:30 Family Mass on March 13th for the Scrutinies.

Please keep our candidates for the Sacraments of Initiation and our elect who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil in your prayers.

**Easter Sunday Masses**

**Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers**

Please sign up for Masses on Easter Sunday (7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:45 and 1:15PM). There are sign up lists in the Liturgical Ministers Room and you can sign up by emailing S. Judy at srjudy@stannesgc.org. Thank you for all you do to make our liturgies so beautiful!

**Altar Servers**

Please email S. Judy with your availability for serving on Easter Sunday. The masses are at 7:00AM, 8:30AM, 10:00AM, 10:30AM (Family Mass in auditorium), 11:45AM and 1:15PM. You also will be receiving information that was given out at the Altar Server meeting on February 25 if you did not attend the meeting. Please read over the information and instructions. Thank you for your service to our parish community.

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**PARISH SACRIFICAL GIVING SUMMARY**

**WEEKLY INFORMATION**

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH**

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**Catholic Relief Services Collection**

**March 6, 2016**

Today, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. This Collection supports six Catholic agencies benefiting millions of vulnerable, displaced, and impoverished families and individuals around the world. From direct humanitarian service to helping victims of human trafficking and working to reunify families, the funds from this Collection make a real difference in lives across the globe. **How will you help?** Please support The Catholic Relief Services Collection and Jesus in disguise.

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**Lent ...A Season of Mercy**

**Daily Eucharist during Lent**

Mondays - Thursdays 7:30AM, 9:00AM, Fridays 9:00AM, Saturdays at 8:30AM

**Opportunities for Reconciliation**

All parishioners are invited to celebrate God’s mercy and love in the Sacrament of Reconciliation each Saturday from 4:00PM to 4:45PM, and during the Diocesan Day of Reconciliation on Monday, **March 21st from 3PM - 9PM**.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Come and pray before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament so we may grow closer to Him in our celebration of the Eucharist on Thursday mornings following the 7:30AM Mass.

**Stations of the Cross**

Stations of the Cross will be prayed every Friday during Lent at 7:30PM in the Church.
Catholic Ministries Appeal

“Live your faith during Lent, perform works of mercy”
~ Pope Francis

Almsgiving in Lent
During the Lenten Season we are asked to pray, fast and give alms.

Lent is a perfect time for us to pray for those in need - whether it is for their material, emotional or spiritual needs. And when you practice fasting and abstinence during these forty days, please remember those of our neighbors who are hungry, and consider sharing your gifts with them.

One way to do this is by making a gift to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, which supports programs that help to feed people in our community each year through Catholic Charities and our Parishes.

For more information about the Catholic Ministries Appeal, please visit www.CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org or call 516-379-5210 ext. 2, or look for materials in the back of the Church.

Respect Life

Conference Provides Education for Opposing Assisted Suicide: View a video with highlights from the recent conference.

In New York, we are facing a well-financed and well-organized campaign to legalize assisted suicide. The Diocese of Rockville Centre recently held an educational conference on Opposition to Assisted Suicide designed to educate diocesan leadership on the moral, medical, legal and legislative dangers of physician-assisted suicide. Newly proposed legislation on assisted suicide has been introduced in the New York State Legislature. Please view this two-part Telecare special which includes highlights from the conference by visiting: respectlife.drvc.org.

Calling all 7th and 8th Graders!!
Please join us for a Meet and Greet Breakfast in the school cafeteria following the 8:30 Mass on March 13th.

St. Anne’s will be hosting an informal breakfast where you will have the opportunity to meet students and school representatives from the Catholic High Schools in our area.
Hope to see you there!
Bereavement Support

The loss of your loved one may have caused you to experience sadness, anger, guilt, exhaustion and/or loneliness.

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~ Kathlyn Miller

Three general bereavement support groups will be meeting in nearby parishes this spring, as well as an ongoing group for bereaved parents.

**St. Bernard’s Parish, Levittown**
Thursdays/March 31 – May 26 6:30 to 7:45PM
S. Christine Sammons 516-731-6074

**St. Brigid’s Parish, Westbury**
Wednesdays/March 23 – May 25 7:30 to 8:45PM
Maria Pinero 516-334-0021

**Holy Name of Mary Church, Valley Stream**
Tuesdays/starting in April 7:30PM
Parish Outreach Office 516-825-0177

**Group for Bereaved Parents (meets biweekly)**
St. Bernard's’ Parish, Levittown
Mondays ongoing 7:00-8:15PM
S. Christine Sammons  516-731-6074

All are welcome to attend the diocesan Bereavement Conference “Experiencing Merciful Love in Times of Pain”
Saturday, April 23 at Kellenberg HS

This day includes prayer, a keynote address and a choice of workshops focused on various aspects of grieving. For more information or to register, visit [www.drvc-faith.org/bereavement or call 516-678-5800 ext. 200 or 204.](www.drvc-faith.org/bereavement)

Any questions, please contact Linda Leone at 516-352-5904 or lindaleone@stannesgc.org
Mercy Mondays
Spiritual March Madness

All are welcome. If you missed the first Monday, we hope you may still join us.

Guided by Pope Francis’ book, The Name of God is Mercy, we will reflect on topics such as forgiveness, shame, confession and the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy.

Reading the book is not required to participate in the discussions. For those who wish, the book will be available for a suggested offering of $15.

Mondays: March 7, March 14 & March 21

Mornings after the 9AM Mass or evenings at 7:30PM
Both sessions will be held in the St. Therese Chapel.
You may attend either the morning or evening session offered on each date.

Saint Anne’s Professional Networking Group

Wednesday, March 16th at 7:30PM in the cafeteria

What Happens When You Press Send:
A panel discussion with HR professionals on their perspective regarding the hiring process

Tom McGinley will moderate this discussion which will feature Denise Stott and Tom Broderick. They will discuss questions such as:

- How much does HR use the internet and/or social media to learn more about applicants?
- What are the biggest no-nos in the application and interviewing process?
- Can you comment on hiring folks who may seem overqualified for a given job?
- Are there particular websites or recruiting firms that tend to deliver a better recruiting experience from the perspective of the HR manager?
- What are some of the best practices you see in successful new hires?
Men’s Retreat—Palm Sunday Weekend

Come To The Quiet

Each year during Lent the men of our Parish gather together for a Palm Sunday weekend retreat which recently has been held at the beautiful new Cenacle Retreat House located in Ronkonkoma, just north of the L.I.E.

The theme for this year’s weekend will be *The Peter, Judas, Magdalene, Thomas and Jesus in Each of Us*. Our Retreat Director will be Father Larry Lewis a Maryknoll priest and experienced retreat director. Father Larry has facilitated our retreat in the past and the men have found him to be a most engaging, prayerful and practical spiritual guide with a great sense of humor.

The weekend begins with dinner at 5PM on Friday, March 18th and concludes with Palm Sunday liturgy on March 20th.

Please consider joining us for what promises to be a rich and rewarding time away to reflect on the things that really matter in life.

The minimum offering for room and meals for the weekend is $250. Arrangements can be made for commuters as well. New retreatants are especially welcome.

To make arrangements, please contact the Cenacle directly at 631 588 8366 (ask for the Retreat office) or visit their website at retreat@cenaclesisters.org. Since space is limited please consider making your reservation as soon as possible.

Also feel free to call Frank Fields at (516)248-7830 or Bob Lynch at (917)488-9322 if you have any questions.

Diocesan Golden Wedding Jubilee Celebrations

This spring, couples that have been married 50 years or more will be honored at liturgies on *Sunday, April 10* at the Church of St. Lawrence the Martyr in Sayville and on *Sunday, April 24* at the Church of Maria Regina in Seaford. Both liturgies will begin at 2:30PM. Couples may register for ONE liturgy. Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the parish office. Registration must be received by the Office of Worship by March 25 for the April 10 liturgy and by April 8 for the April 24 liturgy. If you have any questions, please call 516-678-5800, extension 207.

Wondering what to do with used cell phones, iPod, tablets?

On the first Sunday of each month a box will be available at the front door of church to collect cell phones, iPods, tablets with chargers that are no longer being used. These are cleaned and given to people living in shelters, senior citizens, service men and women and others in need. A small donation is given in return to the Sisters of Saint Dominic for the support of their Senior Citizens Center in Bayamon, PR. The center depends on donations to provide services for approximately 100 senior citizens who come to the center each day. For more information, please call Sr. Diane Kirwan, OP at 203-823-5730.

Sisters of St. Dominic – Irish Night

The Dominican Sisters are very grateful to you for supporting their raffle for the retired sisters. Over 300 books of chances were sold last weekend at St. Anne’s! Many, many thanks to you for your generosity! Know that your intentions are held in prayer by the sisters at our Motherhouse in Amityville.
## Mass Intentions

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<th>SUNDAY, MARCH 6</th>
<th>7:00 AM</th>
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<td>Elias A. Jaghab, Jr., Nicholas Mercurio, Carmelita Consunji, Livia Dellarosa</td>
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<td>Coughlin &amp; Perangelo families</td>
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<td>Charles &amp; Bessie Barone</td>
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**MONDAY, MARCH 7**

| 7:30            | Dolores McGovern |
| 9:00            | Anne Harold |

**TUESDAY, MARCH 8**

| 7:30            | Raymond Loew |
| 9:00            | Diana Biehayn |

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9**

| 7:30            | William Diele |
| 9:00            | Terry Rizzo - 10th Anniversary |

**THURSDAY, MARCH 10**

| 7:30            | John J. Butz |
| 9:00            | Mary Gavigan |

**FRIDAY, MARCH 11**

| 9:00            | Rose & Harold Brotherson |

**SATURDAY, MARCH 12**

| 8:30            | Mary Kollar |
| 5:00 PM         | John H. Butz |

**SUNDAY, MARCH 13**

| 7:00 AM         | Harold Feige |
| 8:30            | Frank Caria, Anne Harold, Eileen Fox, Msgr. Edward Donnelly, Alice R. Limoncelli |
| 10:00           | William Crinnion |
| 10:30AUD        | Parishioners of Saint Anne |
| 11:45           | Deirdre Waldron |
| 5:30            | Pasquale Verano |

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**Let us pray for those who have died**

Robert S. Doud  
Helen Kollar  
Stanley Hartz  
Dorothy L. Scott  

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**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

| Denise Bedeian | Kim Bily | Deacon George Browne | Regina Childs-Cacioppo | Charles Cangelosi | Kenneth Carpenter | Mary Caruana | Elizabeth Castellano | Michael Cintorino | Alex Collin | Deborah Connelly | Anthony Corrao | Anthony Cuccia | John D'Alessandro | Claire Decker | Denise DeCrescito | Mike DiGregorio | Patricia Mahler | Bart Marconi | Michelle Marooney | Danny Marquino | Frank Mauro | Jack McAuliffe | John McCloskey, Jr. | Kristina Miholich | Gabriele Monastero | Tina Napoli | Andrea O'Halloran | Thomas Onorato | Adelaine Parks | Kathleen Picha | Nicholas Plotrowski | Ellen Redding | John Rochford | Andrew Wykowski |
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We Celebrate the Sacraments

Eucharist
Saturday Evening
5:00PM
Sunday
7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:45, 5:30PM
10:30AM Family Mass (October—May)

Reconciliation
Saturday 4:00 - 4:45PM / Thursday before First Friday 4:30 - 5:00PM

Baptisms
Infant Baptisms are celebrated the first and third Sundays of each month at 1:30 PM. Parents are asked to call the parish office for more information.

Marriage
Couples should contact the parish office to arrange an appointment with a priest or deacon at least six months prior to their wedding.

Anointing of the Sick
The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is celebrated on the first Saturday of the month at the 8:30AM Mass. If a loved one is unable to come to church, please call 352-5904 to arrange for a home visit.

Opportunities for Prayer

Rosary
9:30AM Mondays—Fridays-Church
9:00AM Saturdays-Church

Miraculous Medal Prayers
9:30AM Tuesdays-Church

Saint Anne’s Prayer Group
10:00AM Tuesdays-Church

Eucharistic Adoration
8:00AM Thursdays-Church

Legion of Mary
9:45AM Thursday-Church

Divine Mercy
9:30AM Fridays-Church

This Week at Saint Anne’s

Monday, March 7th
9:30AM Mercy Mondays - Chapel
7:30PM Mercy Mondays - Chapel

Tuesday, March 8th
7:30PM Divorced & Separated Catholics - School
7:30PM HSA Board Meeting - Faculty Room
7:30PM Boy Scouts - McCloskey Auditorium
8:00PM Mom’s Ministry Board Meeting - Library

Wednesday, March 9th
9:30AM Mom’s Ministry - Cafeteria
7:30PM R.C.I.A. - Offsite
7:30PM Middle Years Group - Faculty Room
8:00PM Knights of Columbus - Cafeteria

Thursday, March 10th
7:30PM Families Anonymous - Faculty Room

Friday, March 11th
6:00PM Respite - Cafeteria & McCloskey Auditorium
7:30PM Stations of the Cross - Church

Saturday, March 12th
8:00AM Families in Service - Cafeteria
9:30AM R.C.I.A - Day of Prayer

Sunday, March 13th - Daylight Savings Time
9:15AM School Board Hospitality - Cafeteria
12Noon Marriage Preparation - Cafeteria

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 12
5:00PM-Fr. Peter

Sunday, March 13
7:00AM-Fr. Peter 10:30 AM-Fr. Tom
8:30AM-Fr. Tom 11:45AM-Fr. Tom
10:00AM-Fr. Rudy 5:30PM-Fr. Rudy

Celebrant subject to change