Dear Friends:

Lent 2017 is a time for us to pray for **dramatic missionary growth** in the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

Part of that dramatic missionary growth is stimulated by our willingness to invite our inactive Catholic friends back to Mass.

I put it this way in my Installation Mass homily on January 31:  *I appeal on this day of my Installation as the fifth Bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre to every inactive Catholic in the Diocese to come back to the power of the Word of God, the power of the Sacrament of Penance, and the power of the Catholic Mass.*

*I am so very sorry if you have been hurt or disappointed by the Church in any way and we stand here today to support you, to love you and to listen to you.*

*In turn, I am asking every active Catholic of every age in the Diocese of Rockville Centre between January 31st and Ash Wednesday (which is March 1, 2017) to invite one inactive Catholic friend or family to come with you to Mass and to gently, humbly, compassionately, non-judgmentally witness to the beauty of your intimacy with Christ and your love for the mission of the Catholic Church and how it has enriched and inspired your life.*

*The power of these gentle and compassionate invitations is enormous. They always plant a seed of grace. And now’s the time to make these invitations. Let’s all do it together and realize that it is the kindest thing any of us could do for anyone.*

For those who have made those invitations since January 31, thank you! For those of us who need an extension, let’s give ourselves till Easter Sunday, April 16, 2017 to make that compassionate invitation to our friends. And let’s open ourselves to making these invitations more frequently and consistently.

When we die, we will all look lovingly into the merciful eyes of Jesus and review our life with him. The people whom we have helped to invite back to Mass and their Catholic faith will be standing around us with radiant smiles. And we want a big crowd!

We connect our Lenten 2017 prayer, fasting and almsgiving together to this intention and to our constant intention to pray for our brothers and sisters who are poor, hungry, suffering from war, violence or persecution in our world.

You and your families are all daily in my prayers and Masses. Thankyou for your witness of “holiness and mission” to the world.
LENT 2017

The season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 1st. Ashes will be distributed during the masses on Ash Wednesday at 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 10:00AM (School Mass—all are welcome), 4:15PM and 7:15PM.

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, April 10th 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.

Lenten Practices
Catholics are encouraged in Lent to cultivate three religious practices: fasting and abstinence, prayer and almsgiving.

What does it mean to fast?
Fasting is more than simply self control around food. Spiritual fasting enhances our hunger for God. Fasting is one of the most ancient practices in Lent.

When do we fast?
Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This means we do not eat food between meals. We eat one full meal a day and the other two meals should not total that one full meal. When we fast we are more alert and open to the activities of God in our lives.

What does it mean to abstain?
To abstain is to refrain from eating meat as an act of penance and sacrifice. Since many people in our world cannot afford to eat meat, our abstaining from eating meat can put us in solidarity with the hungry and poor of the world.

When do we abstain?
Catholics abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent. All Catholics who have completed their fourteenth year of age are bound by the law of abstinence.

What ways do we pray in Lent?
Lent is a time to make a conscious effort to pray more and with greater regularity. The celebration of the Eucharist is considered the source and summit of Catholic prayer. Actively preparing for Sunday by reading the assigned Scripture readings ahead of time can be part of one’s Lenten discipline. You can find the scripture citations for the next Sunday in the bulletin each week. Set aside time for personal prayer each day. Pray as a family before meals. Bless one another with the sign of the cross on the forehead before leaving the house in the morning or before bed at night.

How will I use my treasure during Lent? Almsgiving!
Almsgiving is more than giving money. It is all the things we can do to make the broken world whole again. The aim of giving alms is to right the wrong distribution caused by greed or power or anything else. We can give our time, talent, and treasure as almsgiving. What donations could you make to charity this Lent? Could you forgive someone a monetary debt they owe you?

This week make a promise that you will be faithful to the Lenten practices of fasting, prayer and almsgiving. Make room for God and one another this Lent.
A Divine Conspiracy

Forgiveness?  Compassion?  Mercy?

March 4 & 5: Preaching at all Weekend Masses
Saturday 5:00PM & Sunday 7:00AM, 8:30AM, 10:00AM, 10:30AM, 11:45AM and 5:30PM

March 6, 7, 8 Monday—Wednesday
9:00am Preaching at Mass

Paulist Father John Hurley was ordained a priest in 1977. He is a leader in evangelization for over 35 years when he founded the Paulist Center for Catholic Evangelization in Portland, OR in 1979. In 1997, his leadership went national serving as Executive Director for the U.S. conference of Catholic Bishops’ Secretariat for Evangelization where he was responsible for implementing Go and Make Disciples, A National Plan and strategy for Catholic Evangelization in the United States. He later served as Executive Director for the national Pastoral Life Center in New York City and the Department of Evangelization for the Archdiocese of Baltimore. He has spoken in over 100 dioceses across the United States and continues to do so before parish, diocesan and national Church leadership. Since, 2014, he serves as a consultant for the NewEvangelizationStrategies.org and resides at Old Saint Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco where he once served as pastor. Pope Francis appointed Fr. Hurley a Missionary of Mercy for the Great Jubilee Year of Mercy. Born in Manhattan, he grew up in Huntington, Long Island.
Dear Parishioners,

So quickly, it seems we have come to Lent. It is true that every year time seems to pass more and more quickly. This Wednesday March 1 is Ash Wednesday. We begin this 40 day season that will bring us through the first month of spring and bring us to Easter Sunday, April 16. Our bulletin today features our Lenten observance.

Our bulletin cover page features the Lenten letter from our new Bishop John Barres. Bishop Barres brings lots of enthusiasm and hope to his leadership of our diocese, the eighth largest diocese of our country. One of his primary themes is “Dynamic Missionary Growth.” He wants our Church to grow. He wants us to be Catholics who go out in missionary spirit to help guide others to Christ and the Church. And he wants our Church to have the dynamic of energy, invitation, and inclusion. Please read his letter that begins this bulletin. He asks us to take responsibility in inviting others to a more active participation in Sunday Mass. He asks us all to invite at least one other person, another family. Please do your best to join Bishop Barres, me, and other St. Anne’s parishioners in this important first effort of our new Bishop. Lent is a traditional time when persons consider a more active sharing in the life of the Church. Your encouragement may be what brings others back to Mass.

We know that we will have large crowds on Ash Wednesday. There is something about being signed with blessed ash that draws people to church on Ash Wednesday. We will have five Masses on Ash Wednesday. These are at 7:30, 9:00, 10:00, 4:15, and 7:15pm. Please know that the 10:00, 4:15, and 7:15pm will include our school and faith formation students. Ashes will be distributed at each Mass after the homily. Ash Wednesday is a day of universal fast and abstinence in the Church.

In the liturgical books of the Church, Lent is described as “the special season for the ascent to the holy mountain of Easter.” Lent has a sense of a climb and a pilgrimage. Like any mountain hike and pilgrimage, Lent, in order to be effective, requires some preparation. Today and these two days before Ash Wednesday beckon us to do some preparation, perhaps to reflect how these 40 days can be a meaningful time for each of us.

A Lenten tradition is to “give up” something for the season. This can be a very good thing to do. It can help to highlight the important place of sacrifice in our faith tradition. Some people are very successful in this kind of effort; others are less successful. A possible distraction to this type of Lenten approach is that these 40 days can become an endurance contest with great attention given to self-will and personal effort. Although this type of endurance and self-testing can be helpful in some areas of life, they are not the focus, aim, or goal of Lent. Lent’s measure is not one of proving personal strength. As one writer comments, Lent’s “purpose is not to confirm us in our sense of virtue but to bring home to us our radical need of salvation.” To that “radical need of salvation” I might add our radical need for conversion.

Might I suggest that we all as a parish give some importance to the experience of prayer this Lent. Let’s begin with Sunday Mass. Getting to Mass every Sunday. Accepting the Bishop’s suggestion and invite others to Sunday Mass. Coming to weekday Mass once or twice a week or for those who are able to attend daily Mass.

Lent is a time for other prayerful devotions. We have the Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings. We have the Novena of the Miraculous Medal on Tuesday mornings. Every Thursday morning and on the first Fridays (March and April of Lent) we have Eucharistic Adoration. Deciding to join in these liturgical prayers of the Church can be a good Lenten practice.

Prayer at home is always a good thing. Some like to pray with rosary beads. Even if you are unable to pray an entire rosary, praying a decade in the morning or at night can bring a good start or conclusion to your day. Reading sacred scripture is prayerful. Maybe choose to read and pray with each of the four gospels during Lent. Read Paul’s epistles. Ten minutes each day would allow you to accomplish either of these reading projects. A helpful suggestion I made to the parish a couple of years ago was praying two Hail Marys for people while washing your hands. It’s a great way of praying for those you love and praying for those who have asked for your prayers.

Make plans now to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation this Lent and to go to Confession. Not only is the absolution of the sacrament a great gift, the grace of the sacrament to help us with our daily struggles is a strength. I find the regular practice of confession (every two months or so) a tremendous help in this regard.

As the opening pages of the bulletin indicate, we are blessed to have a parish mission this year during the first full week of Lent. Next weekend, Paulist Father John Hurley will preach at all our Masses and invite us to participate in the parish Mission on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Fr. Hurley is a very experienced parish missioner and preacher, having spoken in more than 100 dioceses across the United States. I look forward to Fr. Hurley’s time with us with great anticipation. Joining the parish for the Parish Mission is a very good exercise of prayer and listening to God’s word that will provide you with a very strong beginning to Lent.

I hope that my reflection today has provided you with some thoughts as we soon begin this important time. With you I hope this is a time of grace for us all at St. Anne’s.

Peace be with you.

Fr. Tom
“Making a Difference in Our Environment”

A new effort in Parish Social Ministry… sponsored by our Creation Care Team

Sunday, March 12th in the Cafeteria between 11:00AM and 12:30PM

Pope Francis calls us to act with hope and resolve in addressing our environmental challenges and striving to improve the condition of our planet, which is our common home. If you are interested in exploring ways we can increase our awareness of these challenges and take action to address them, we invite you to stop by the cafeteria sometime between 11:00AM and 12:30PM on Sunday, March 12th. You’ll be able to:

- View a brief video presentation regarding the call to Care for our Common Home
- Sign up for some service projects that will benefit the local environment
- Learn about our upcoming workshop on “Laudato Si”, Pope Francis’ encyclical which calls us to take action in caring for our common home and the people who are most vulnerable
- Pick up some helpful information such as “10 Ways You Can Make a Difference” which you can share with your family for useful actions to take during Lent

We invite you to join in this effort! For more information on how you can participate, please contact Linda Leone at 352-5904 or lindaleone@stannesgc.org.
PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

LOAVES AND FISHES

“The one who believes in me will also do the works that I do.”
~ John 14:12

Weekly Food Drive

At this time of year these items are most needed:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Soup</th>
<th>Cereal</th>
<th>Tuna fish</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Pasta Sauce</td>
<td>Powdered Milk</td>
<td>Canned vegetables</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pasta</td>
<td>Hot Chocolate</td>
<td>Canned fruit</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Peanut Butter</td>
<td>Red beans</td>
<td>Baby Diapers (large sizes)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Macaroni &amp; Cheese</td>
<td>Black beans</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Thanks to all who help feed the hungry in our neighboring communities. If you are wondering how you can be of help to people in need, especially with Lent approaching, please consider purchasing extra food when you shop for yourself or for your family.

Donations of food can be left in the Loaves and Fishes closets in the left rear of our Church, open 7:00AM-2:30PM. Please no glass containers. Thank you!

"Open Your Heart” Collection for Babies

We ask you to “open your heart” to God’s newest creations—babies. Please consider donating some of the essentials for babies of single mothers and families in need. During February, we are collecting disposable baby diapers (all sizes), baby wipes and Enfamil formula. The cost of caring for a baby can be prohibitive to a family struggling to pay rent, heat, food & clothing. With your support, Saint Anne's can make a difference.

Donations can be left in the Loaves and Fishes closets in the rear of the Church from 7:00AM-2:30 PM.
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**

Our Mothers Support Group will meet on **Wednesday, March 1st at 7:30PM in the rectory meeting room.** All are welcome to attend.

**Respite Care**

The next session of our Respite Care program will be held on **Friday, March 3rd from 6:00PM to 8:00PM in McCloskey Auditorium and the cafeteria.**

**Special Needs Mass**

Mass will be celebrated with our special needs community on **Saturday, March 11th at 5:00PM in the cafeteria.** All are welcome to attend this celebration of the Eucharist.

Resilience … You are not alone

**Meeting this Thursday, March 2nd at 7:30PM**

**Rectory Meeting Room**

Saint Anne’s has formed a group to support parents of teens and young adults who are experiencing challenges, either psychological, emotional or both. Our group is called **Resilience.** We respect the confidentiality of each person and offer a safe environment to meet with other parents who are facing similar challenges. You are not alone! For more information, please contact Linda Leone at lindaleone@stannesgc.org or 516-352-5904.

Middle Years

We welcome all who are interested in joining us for our many informal social events, or to help us be of assistance to our servicemen and women and veterans. For more details, please call Helen Capece at 327-9179.

**Prayers and Pancakes on “Shrove Tuesday, 2/28 - 7:30PM in the Cafeteria**

Cost: $5

Maybe you are wondering why pancakes will be served? Come and find out about pre-Lenten traditions and to have fun. Please call Jane Rizzo for information at 775-1261.

**Sunday, March 5th - 2:30PM**

“9 to 5” at the Broad Hollow Theater, Elmont

Tickets: $25, contact Mary McNulty at 354-8055

Families in Service Sandwich - Making Event

**Saturday, March 11 from 8:00-9:00AM**

Parents and children interested in working together to serve those in need are invited to join Families in Service on **Saturday, March 11th from 8:00AM to 9:00AM in the school cafeteria.** We will be making sandwiches for the Mary Brennan INN and also the parish outreach center at St. Mary of the Isle in Long Beach and several soup kitchens which serve lunch on Saturdays to people in need.

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 and we ask that you please **RSVP by March 8th** to Shannon Kolenik shannon.kolenik@gmail.com or Rena Capri renaann614@yahoo.com

**Bereavement Conference - March 25th**

“Journeying Together in Times of Pain and Loss”

St. Joseph’s Parish, Babylon

A bereavement conference will be held on **Saturday, March 25th from 8:30AM - 2:30PM for the bereaved and those who care for them.** The keynote speaker will be Dr. Kerrianne Page, Chief Medical Officer, Hospice, Palliative Care & Home Care Services, Catholic Health Services of Long Island. Attendees may choose from many workshops which cover various types of loss. The $35 fee includes light breakfast and lunch. For more information or to register, please visit [www.drvc-faith.org/bereavement](http://www.drvc-faith.org/bereavement) or call 678-5800 ext. 506.

If you are interested in attending and would like to go with other parishioners from Saint Anne’s or if you would like assistance with the registration fee, please contact Linda Leone at 352-5904.

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.
Faith Formation students continue to share the Love!

Mrs. Molloy’s class made cards for veterans to accompany the toiletries they bought for them

Mrs. Adams’ seventh grade class took time away from their lesson to prepare sandwiches for the Inn

Mrs. Bauer’s third grade class prepared sandwiches for the Mary Brennan Inn with her help from some of their parents

No Faith Formation Classes 2/19 to 2/26

Faith Formation class schedule week of 2/27:
Monday, 2/27 Grades 1-6, 4 to 5:10 PM
Tuesday, 2/28 Grades 1-6, 4 to 5:10 PM
Wednesday, 3/1 Grades 1-6, 4 to 5:10 PM
Wednesday, 3/1 Grade 7 Class 7 to 8:30 PM
Wednesday 3/1 Grade 8 **NO CLASS**
Wednesday 3/1 Ash Wednesday 4:15 Mass and 7:15 Mass

Please know our lines of communication are always open to families.

The Faith Formation office is located in the school building.

Please call or email Vivian Flood at

516-488-1032 or **vflood@stannesgc.org**.
**LITURGY AND WORSHIP**

*The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

---

**Look at the birds in the sky; they do not sow or reap... yet your heavenly Father feeds them.”**

Jesus uses the comparison between nature (the birds, the flowers of the fields, the grasses) to teach us about the importance of trust in the providence of God. He reminds us that as disciples we cannot serve the things of God and the things of the world. There is no need to do this because God knows what we need and provides for those who trust. This gospel invites us to turn our attention to what really matters – the Life that only God can give. We all worry about the needs of our everyday life, jobs, enough to make ends meet, what our children need. While these cares are always with us, Jesus reminds us that we must keep God at the center of all we do and all our choices and trust in our loving God. Pray the Our Father slowly this week, praying, “give us this day our daily bread” to remind us of trust in God and place some food items in the Loaves and Fishes closet to be the hand of Christ to those in need.

---

**Readings for First Sunday of Lent**

- Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7
- Romans 5:12-19
- Matthew 4: 1-11

---

**The Word Among Us – Daily Scripture Readings for Lent**

Copies of The Word Among Us are available at the doors of the church this weekend. Please take a copy of this publication which provides the daily mass readings for the season of Lent and a reflection on the readings for each day.

Immerse yourself in the Sacred Scriptures this Lent!

---

**Family Mass at Saint Anne’s**

Family Mass resumes next Sunday, March 6th at 10:30AM in McCloskey Auditorium.

**Collection of Last Year’s Palm**

The ashes we receive on Ash Wednesday are the ashes of the palm from last year’s Palm Sunday, connecting last year’s Lent with this year’s. We will be collecting palm this weekend of February 25th and 26th. There will be baskets for your palm at the doors of the church on this weekend only. The palm will be burned and distributed on Ash Wednesday, March 1st.

---

**Mark Your Calendar!**

**Friday, March 24th**

The RCIA members are offering a Soup and Bread supper for the parish at 7:00PM on Friday, March 24th. During Lent we practice prayer, fasting and almsgiving. You and your family are invited to come and share prayer, a simple meal, and an opportunity to hear Sister Aimee Koonmen, OP speak to us about Bethany House. Bethany House in Roosevelt shelters homeless women and children. A free will offering to Bethany House will be our almsgiving for the evening.

So that we can plan and have sufficient soup please contact Sister Judy at srjudy@stannesgc.org or call 352-5904 to let us know that you are coming.

---

**Children’s Choir**

The next rehearsal for our Children’s Choir will be on Monday, February 27th from 6:30-7:30PM in church. Any child from Grade 2 and older who would like to join the choir please contact Sr. Judy at srjudy@stannesgc.org or call the parish office 352-5904.

---

**RCIA**

Perhaps you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Catholic or is a Catholic wanting to complete the Sacraments of Initiation (Confirmation and Eucharist). Our parish community would like to extend an invitation for you to learn more about our faith and celebrate the sacraments with us.

The RCIA process began this past week. If you would like to learn more about the RCIA process please contact Sr. Judy at srjudy@stannesgc.org or by phone 352-5904 for more information. There are also pamphlets available in the church lobby. **Five Reasons to Consider the Catholic Church** and **What Can the Church Offer Me?**
**Ash Wednesday**

This coming Wednesday, March 1st, begins the Season of Lent. Receiving ashes is symbolic of penance and reconciliation. The ashes come from the burning of palms used on Passion (Palm) Sunday of the previous year. The Christian use of ashes is rooted in the Jewish custom of sprinkling ashes on the head as a sign of repentance. In the fourth century public penitents dressed in sackcloth and were sprinkled with ashes to show their repentance. This practice of public penance gradually died out. By the eleventh century, it had become customary for the faithful to receive ashes at the beginning of Lent, the season of penance in preparation for Easter.

The distribution of ashes comes after the homily at mass and they are placed on the forehead with the following words:

*Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return.*

*or Repent, and believe in the Gospel.*

**Readings for Ash Wednesday**

Joel 2:12-18  
2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2  
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

---

**The Season of Lent – Fasting and Abstinence**

The season of Lent calls us to live more fully our Christian commitment to prayer, fasting and almsgiving. What are you planning to do or give up for this Lent? Make an effort to attend Mass more often, come to the Parish Mission (March 7th, 8th, and 9th), make the Stations of the Cross (Fridays during Lent at 7:30), attend the parish Soup and Bread Supper on March 24th at 7:00PM in the cafeteria, bring a food item to the Loaves and Fishes closet each week.

**Lenten Regulations**

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, all Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

*(From the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.)*

---

**PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING SUMMARY**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>SUNDAY OFFERTORY</th>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Sunday, February 19, 2017</td>
<td>$17,683</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WeShare Electronic Contributions</td>
<td>$4,317</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Collection</td>
<td>$22,000</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sunday, February 21, 2016</th>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>$20,674</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WeShare Electronic Contributions</td>
<td>$3,430</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Collection</td>
<td>$24,104</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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

---

**The Church in Need**

On March 5, 2017 a collection will be taken for “The Church in Need.” The monies collected at this time will be shared among three areas of the world where there is particular need for help:

**Church in Central and Eastern Europe** - the Collection provides support for basic pastoral programs and makes scholarships available for students studying to serve their local church. These students become vital participants in the renewal of the Church in the region.

**The Church in Latin America** faces many difficult challenges. Natural disasters in many areas caused lasting damage to the Church, while a significant loss of parishioners to migration and to other faiths, the inability to support itself financially, and a lack of priests and religious to help effectively minister to the large number of Catholics continue to trouble the region.

**The Church in Africa** – the funds will go to assisting African countries where poverty, sickness and political strife prevent people from living in dignity.

Thank you for your generosity.

---

**A Concert to Benefit Dominican Village**

NYCB Theatre at Westbury  
Sunday, March 5th at 3:00PM  

**CELTIC CROSSINGS: Phil Coulter & Andy Cooney**

Ticket prices: $99.50, $69.50, $49.50 or $39.50  
*Save on Ticket Master or Ticket Box fees purchase your tickets through Dominican Village*  
Call for tickets at 631-842-6618
Youth Ministry

Meeting Sunday, February 26th
6:30PM - Cafeteria

Saint Anne’s Youth Ministry is founded on three main values: faith, community and service. At our regular meetings there are games and activities that encourage teens to form new friendships and have conversations with many different people. Teens come from various high schools and all are always welcome. **New members are invited to join at any time.** For more information, please contact Bill Leone @ bleone@stannesgcschool.org

---

**First Friday is March 3rd**

*We invite you to spend time in prayer...*

**Holy Hour**

There will be a Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **Friday, March 3rd at 8:00PM in the Church.** At the March 3 Vigil, prayers will be said for the Families in Service Ministry. **COME JOIN US!** - The Nocturnal Adoration Society is a group of parishioners who spend one hour in Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament on the first Friday of every month.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered on **Thursday, March 2nd** at 4:30PM and Saturday at 4:00PM. If you are unable to make it at the scheduled time, please call the rectory at 352-5904 to make an appointment with a priest.

**Anointing of the Sick**

The Sacrament is available to those who are ill, bringing God’s healing and strength. Anointing of the Sick is especially appropriate for anyone with serious illness, whether physical, emotional or spiritual, those who are being admitted to the hospital, or anyone who is elderly. In this sacrament, Jesus asks, “Do you want to be healed?” Through this sacrament, God offers us the gift of peace.

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

---

**Married Couples Mass & Dinner**

**Saturday, April 1st at 6:30PM**

Please join us for a special evening on Saturday, April 1, 2017 as we celebrate St. Anne’s married couples. The evening will begin with Mass celebrated in the St. Therese Chapel at 6:30PM followed by a delicious dinner and thoughtful conversation led by Fr. Tom. What better way to spend a Saturday “date night” than with friends, old and new! The cost per couple will be $40. If you have any questions, please contact:

Suzannah Breglio sbreglio@gmail.com or
Trish Farelli tfarelli@aol.com

---

**WeShare**

**Second Collection Contributions**

WeShare provides an easy way to plan out your Second Collection donations for a specific collection or the entire year! Simply chose the amount you wish to contribute to each second collection, enter a payment source and submit your second collection donation. Electronic giving has been made easy!

- Visit https://stannesgc.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunities and click on any collection.
- Select the YOUR DONATION AMOUNT & FREQUENCY.
- Enter in your account and payment information. It’s as easy as that!

**Or scan the QR code!**
Sisters of St. Dominic – Irish Night

This weekend of February 25th and 26th after the 5:00PM, 8:30AM, 10:00AM, and 11:45AM masses, the Sisters of St. Dominic will be at St. Anne’s asking you to support their annual fund raiser for their retired sisters by purchasing raffle tickets. The prizes will be picked at their Irish Night Celebration on Sat., March 11th. Tickets are $1.00 each or 12 for $10. The sisters are most grateful for your support. For more information contact Sister Judy at the rectory.

Eagle Scout Project to Benefit Respite

My name is Brian Gallery. I am a parishioner at Saint Anne’s Church, Garden City, and a junior at Chaminade High School. I am a Life Scout in Boy Scout Troop 134, and I am currently working on my Eagle Scout Project.

As a volunteer for the Respite Care Program here at Saint Anne’s Church, I have seen first hand how important this Social Ministry program is to so many families of our Parish and I would like to do something to benefit this program. Respite provides support and companionship for over 50 special children and young adults on various Friday evenings. They can choose to participate in a variety of games and activities and everyone at Respite shares a simple dinner together. It is easy to see the joy on many of the kids’ faces, and that is why I am glad to be part of Respite.

For my Eagle Scout Service Project, I plan to re-purpose the closet that is used to store recreation and craft items for the Respite Program. In the coming weeks, I will organize a group of Boy Scouts and friends. We will remove existing narrow, fixed metal shelving, repair and paint the closet walls, and supply new shelving that will be adjustable and movable. This should make it easier for the many teens and adult volunteers to organize and store the games, toys, and art supplies that are used in the Respite program.

I am asking for donations for this worthwhile project. Checks can be made out to Saint Anne’s Respite Program and sent to the parish office at 35 Dartmouth Street, Garden City, NY 11530. Please note on the memo line of the check that this donation is for the Respite Closet Re-Do Project. Thank you in advance for your support of this endeavor.

Respectfully,
Brian Gallery

“A Quiet Lent: Listening to St. Joseph”
Lenten Day of Prayer

Sunday, March 19, 2017 - Fr. Patrick J. Griffin, C.M., will present a Day of Prayer at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington 9:30AM - 3:00PM

R.S.V.P. by March 10, 2017

Talks by Fr. Griffin
Quiet Time, Confession, Lunch and Mass
Donation - $30 per guest
Reservations required: 631-423-0483, ext. 102
bmalone@icseminary.edu
**Mass Intentions**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26**
7:00AM  Alexander Tyska  
8:30  John & Madeleine Esposito, Albina Rade, Pat Noto, Martin Heneghan  
10:00  McElroy & McCaughey Families  
11:45  Parishioners of St. Anne  
5:30PM  Vito Badalamente - 6th Anniversary

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27**
7:30  Mercedes Cunningham  
9:00  Liam Mitchell* - Special Living intention

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28**
7:30  Michael Clarke  
9:00  Laurence Straton

**ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1**
7:30  Anastasia Hayes  
9:00  Joan Logan  
4:15PM  Timothy O’Connor - 1st Anniversary  
7:15PM  Tim O’Connor

**THURSDAY, MARCH 2**
7:30  Patrick Holahan  
9:00  Lena Perrotta

**FRIDAY, MARCH 3**
9:00  John & Mary Kollar

**SATURDAY, MARCH 4**
8:30  Ann & Walter Curran  
5:00PM  Mary & Charles McLaughlin

**SUNDAY, MARCH 5**
7:00AM  William Stanicki  
8:30  Albino DeSilva, Michelle Thompson, Martin Heneghan, Mary O’Hanlon  
10:00  Stanislaw Duszak, father & son  
10:30  Parishioners of St. Anne  
11:45  John H. Butz - 2nd Anniversary  
5:30PM  Livia Dellarosa

---

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

**Thomas Battaglia**  
**Irene Craig**  
**Dorothy J. Crowe**

---

**The Altar Bread & Wine for this week is in memory of James & Joseph Walsh & Richard Lally**  
Donated by John & Joan Walsh

**Our Faith Community offers prayers this week on their first anniversary for:**

- March 1, 2016 - Timothy O’Connor  
- March 3, 2016 - Mary Kottenbach

---

**Please remember in your prayers family members of Saint Anne’s parishioners who are serving in the military.**

- **Sgt. Christopher Aubin, USMC**  
- **Pvt Charles Bosch, US Army**  
- **Thomas Brown, US Army**  
- **L/Cpl Neal T. Burke, USMC**  
- **Capt. Anthony F. Califano, US Navy**  
- **Master Gunnery Sergeant Denis Cashin, USMC**  
- **Capt. Matthew Clements, US Army**  
- **Lt. Cmdr. Brian Cunningham, Navy SEAL**  
- **Capt. Christopher Dar Conte, USAF**  
- **Petty Officer 2nd Class Ian Sage Donley, US Navy**  
- **Commander Michael Flatley, US Navy**  
- **Spc. David Garcia, US Army**  
- **1st Lt. Edward Gibbons, US Army**  
- **1st Lt. Lily Hague, US Army**  
- **Lt. Corporal James Harkin, USMC**  
- **Major Kevin Joyce, US Army**  
- **Michael Koster, Military Police, US Army Reserves**  
- **Specialist Daniel R. MacFall, US Army**  
- **Lance Cpl. James McCartin, USMC**  
- **Ensign Glenn McKenna, US Navy**  
- **Cpl. Owen A. Monahan, USMC**  
- **AD2 Joseph V. Muscaro, US Navy**  
- **Greg Palkot, Int’l. News Reporter**  
- **Airman Anthony J. Pittella, US Navy**  
- **C. Chief Nicholas Preziosi, USAF**  
- **F.C. Patrick Preziosi, US Navy**  
- **T. Sgt. Ian William Roth, USAF**  
- **Capt. Thomas Safina, US Army Reserves**  
- **Captain Tara Sutcliffe, USMC**  

---

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

| Denise Bedeian | Mike DiGregorio | Ricky Loew | Ellen Redding |
| Kim Bily | Marie Dillon | Henry Lynk | Kirsten Riemer |
| William Brown | Margaret Donaldson | Patricia Maher | John Rochford |
| Deacon George Browne | Danny Drumm | Michelle Maroney | Ann Roland |
| Regina Childs-Cacioppo | Anne Marie Dunworth | Danny Marquino | Chloe Rombach |
| Charles Cangelosi | Janet Fellingham | Frank Mauro | Melissa Sarfin |
| Kenneth Carpenter | Ryan Fornasar | Tommy McCann | Dr. Lester Schnell |
| Mary Caruana | Dennis Gallery | John McCloskey, Jr. | Sharon Sharp Elliott |
| Elizabeth Castellano | Charles Gibilaro | Barbara Mohan | Michael Sigwart |
| Michael Cintorino | Patricia Hnis | Gabriele Monastero | Mary Spadaro |
| Deborah Connelly | Patrick Hughes Sr. | Lauren Munafo | Kristen Stimmier |
| Anthony Corrao | Will Hughes | Phil O’Connell | Jean Thompson |
| Anthony Cuccia | Terese Karcher | Andrea O’Halloran | Debbie Ventura |
| John D’Alessandro | Carolyn Kast | Adelaine Parks | Loretta Wess |
| Claire Decker | Elaine Kelley | Kathleen Picha | Callie Williams |
| Denise DeCrescito | Klavdia Krieg | Nicholas Piotrowski | Susan Williams |
| | | | Geraldine Witzig |
Pastoral Staff
Pastor
Msr. Thomas Harold
Associate Pastor
Rev. Rudy Pesongco
Deacons
George Browne, James O’Brien, Basil Bliss, Robert McCarthy

Sacramental Ministry
Msgr. Peter Pfomm

Parish Staff
Faith Formation
488-1032
Vivian Flood
vflood@stannesgc.org
Saint Anne’s School
352-1205
Gene Fennell, Principal
gfennell@stannesgc-school.org
Parish Social Ministry
352-5904
Linda Leone, Pastoral Associate
lindaleone@stannesgc.org
Liturgy and Worship
352-5904
Sister Judith Golden, OP
srjudy@stannesgc.org
Music Ministry
599-5448
Timothy Brown
tbrown4749@aol.com
Parish Operations
352-5904
Mary Lou Engrassia
mglassia@stannesgc.org
Program Administration
352-5904
Susanne Blum
sblum@stannesgc.org
Youth Ministry
352-5904
Bill Leone
bleone@stannesgc.org
Facilities
352-5904
Jim Stiehl
jstiehl@stannesgc.org

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)
Monday thru Thursday
7:30AM, 9:00AM
Friday
9:00AM
Saturday
8:30AM
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 1:30PM. 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, February 27th
5:00PM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium
6:30PM Children’s Choir - Church

Tuesday, February 28th
5:00PM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium
7:30PM Middle Years - Cafeteria
7:30PM Boy Scouts - McCloskey Auditorium

Ash Wednesday, March 1st
9:30AM Mom’s Ministry - Cafeteria
5:00PM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium
7:30PM Men’s Bible Study - St. Therese Chapel
7:30PM Special Needs Mother’s Support Group - SJVR in the rectory

Thursday, March 2nd
5:00PM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium
7:30PM Families Anonymous - Faculty Room
7:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal - Church
7:30PM Resilience - SJVR

First Friday, March 3rd
6:00PM Respite Care Program - Cafeteria and McCloskey Auditorium

Saturday, March 4th
8:00AM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium

Sunday, March 5th
12:00PM Marriage Preparation - SJVR
1:30PM Baptisms

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday, March 4
5:00PM - Fr. Tom
Sunday, March 5
7:00AM - Fr. Peter 10:30AM - Fr. Tom
8:30AM - Fr. Peter 11:45AM - Fr. Rudy
10:00AM - Mission Priest
5:30PM - Fr. Rudy
Celebrant subject to change