Dear Parishioners,

Now that we have offered all parishioners an opportunity to review our proposed new building for Ministry and Meeting (M&M) space for the parish, I would like to bring us all up to date on what we have done and where we hope to go in the months ahead. Our conceptual designs were available after the Masses two weekends ago and again offered for review twice in the week that followed; once after morning Mass and once in the evening. In addition, these designs were shared again with the School Board and the Parish Social Ministry Advisory Committee. The Parish Finance Committee has reviewed them. They were also available for review once again in the cafeteria during the School Open House. They have been reviewed by several neighbors. Now, all the material, conceptual architectural drawings, and a presentation of the need for additional (M&M) space is readily available on the parish website. This period of presenting and reviewing concepts completes this first phase of our building project. This phase of meetings, assessing needs, reviewing proposals, and inviting parishioners to review the proposal has been a yearlong process. We will now enter into the second phase which includes revising concepts, given the feedback we have received, preparing more detailed architectural plans, seeking village and diocesan permissions, and examining fundraising feasibility. We anticipate this to be a four to six month phase taking us into summer 2018.

For the sake of readability, I have chosen to summarize what has been done by choosing subject headings to share with you the work that has been done thus far.

- **Communication** - I have communicated to the parish on a consistent basis through this space in the bulletin. Beginning with the process of razing the convent, continuing through the rectory fire recovery effort, and extending to the present time, this issue of the former convent property and our need for additional (M&M) space has been written about more than 20 times, from February 3, 2013 to the present time. All these communications have been posted on the parish website.

- **Parish Building Committee** - A committee of parishioners was established to work with the parish and school administration to address our needs for additional M&M space. An invitation to share in this work was sent to 50 people, representing a cross section of parishioners from different parish ministries and age groups. That committee has met 5 times, beginning on January 26, 2017 and last meeting on January 18, 2018. At each meeting, parish needs were discussed and reviewed; plans for moving forward were discussed and reviewed; and consensus was consistently achieved. On the committee we have had the expertise and counsel of a professional engineer and company CEO with vast experience in global construction and infrastructure. In addition, many parishioners with experience in legal affairs, real estate dealings, banking, financial management, education, and village procedures have generously given of their time and talent to guide us in our deliberations. I am deeply grateful to this team of dedicated parishioners, many of whom have a long history of commitment to St. Anne’s Parish and school. They have guided us with their expertise and given their enthusiastic support to this project.

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• **Needs Assessment** - We have carefully assessed the needs of all the ministries at St. Anne’s. This includes the needs of the very young Mom’s group, our children in St. Anne’s School and Faith Formation, our Youth Ministry, CYO, our Scout troops, as well as the needs of our faith prayer groups, our K of C, our ministries to our seniors, our Catholic Daughters and all the many ministries of our Parish Social Ministry that operate all through the year. Our overcrowded and overused school building and our limited rectory meeting space have made abundantly clear our need for M&M space. Moving some meetings and activities from the school building to the new M&M building will allow our school administration more time and space to enhance further the school ministry that is already one of the finest and strongest Catholic elementary schools in the metropolitan area. In addition, the lower level meeting room of the new building will be designed primarily for youth activities that will include Scouts, school, faith formation, CYO, youth ministry and other youth activities. Our ministries continue to grow and expand. Recent examples include the Professional Networking Group, Men’s Bible Study, Resilience, Home Study Faith Formation and CYO Chess Club. The vitality of our parish begs for a more contemporary, user-friendly, technological, and pastoral space. We are a parish that has always tried to accommodate requests for space. Under the present conditions we can no longer do that. Our proposed M&M space will allow the parish to continue its tradition of welcome and hospitality to our parishioners as well as visitors.

• **Review of Proposals** - At least seven proposals have been discussed and reviewed for the use of the former convent space. These have included:
  - a new rectory including the conversion of present rectory to M&M space
  - a gymnasium
  - a prayer space and garden
  - a parking lot
  - a cemetery
  - park land
  - playing field
  - M&M space
  - sell the property

Some of these concepts are more feasible than others. The M&M space is the most feasible use because of the size of the property, its location, and the most compelling reason, the proposed M&M space meets the most pressing needs of St. Anne’s Parish. The M&M space allows us to move forward in the best way with the mission and ministry we have as the Roman Catholic Parish of St. Anne serving the parish community of our 3300 families.

• **Conversation with Neighbors** - Early on, we met with those neighbors of the parish grounds. Understandably our neighbors have concerns. They heard rumors about our plans that had no basis. We share a happy relationship with our neighbors and they have heard our proposals with openness. Many are active parishioners. Our neighbors raise concerns about parking and traffic and the appearance and architecture of the new building. We continue to work with our neighbors.

• **Engaging Professionals** - We have entered into a contract with an architect whose conceptual drawings you were able to review. We reviewed proposals from three architects before choosing one. In addition, diocesan building officials have guided us. Fortunately in all these discussions, our parish interests have been presented by parishioners with vast professional experience. As the plans develop, we will continue to be represented by parishioners with engineering, building, real estate, educational, pastoral, financial, and legal expertise. Any and all contracts that I sign will require our bishop’s permission.

The above topics offer a summary of our work thus far. Parishioner response to the conceptual drawings and the presentation of need for M&M space was very favorable. Persons involved in the many ministries of the parish look forward to the new and enhanced space. They are delighted that some of the scheduling issues that make finding space difficult will be alleviated. No more adult meetings in space and furniture designed primarily for children. Parishioners understand that this will give us contemporary space that is consistent with meeting space they experience in other places, including nearby parishes. Many realize that all our present meeting space, almost exclusively in our basements, is not the most welcoming and sometimes makes it impossible for senior persons and persons with special needs to participate. The new space will be accessible to all.

In addition, our neighbors continue to be supportive of the new M&M space. They are happy that the rumors of other kinds of structures and uses are neither possible nor being considered.

The process of proposals and reviews has made clear that the proposed M&M space will have the greatest impact on the overall life of the parish. This new M&M space will bring something for parishioners of all ages and all families to share as we move forward as a parish community united in response to our bishop’s call for Dramatic Missionary Growth.

Discussion about the M&M space has allowed us to see additional challenges in our parish buildings and campus. One challenge is the desire for an improved parish gymnasium. The second challenge is related to parking and vehicular/pedestrian safety.

**Safety** – As we move forward with our M&M building proposal, we will engage persons with experience in vehicular/pedestrian safety. We also anticipate that the Village of Garden City will work closely with us in promoting safety. Every school day and faith formation day, I join with many of you in concerns we have about how people drive their cars, ignore basic traffic laws, and place the convenience of the driver over the safety of the child. We will continue to try to improve this area of concern as we move forward.
GYM – We have a parish gym that is restricted in its use. For children over the age of ten it is not conducive to the playing of basketball and volleyball. The ceiling is too low. In addition, the gym that we have could use some updating and improvement. We will look into the costs of those improvements.

The solution of a new gym built on the former convent property is not feasible. There is not enough room. Restrictions of lot coverage is the first and most formidable problem. Other problems also arise. One is the placement of the gym surrounded by three private residences. Measurements for a new gym and the needed structures to accompany a gym make the building of a gym on this property a non-proposal.

We have investigated excavating the present gym floor and going down about eight feet. Structural and engineering challenges make this solution not feasible. We investigated this possibility in 2014 with an engineering firm and investigated it again this year. Both times, we received the same conclusion. The excavation would require re-working of the foundations of the church building. Entrance into a lowered gym floor would create angles of entrance steps that would require a whole re-configuration of the basement flooring in that area.

Like many, I believe a better gym would help to enhance our parish structures. I believe the construction of a gym requires additional property. Purchase of nearby property or property at another church location I believe are the first necessary steps to the construction of a new gymnasium. Such purchase would require significant fundraising followed by fundraising for building costs. This would be a very significant challenge if the majority of parishioners chose such an option.

That discussion of meeting the need to purchase property for the construction of a gym will only become more real when we meet the immediate need that we face today for meeting and ministry space. I learned that in dealing with the empty convent. We could only seek to address the need for M&M space once the empty convent issue was addressed. We addressed it. Now we can address the immediate and most pressing need for M&M space. It responds to the needs of the greatest number of parish families. Once this need is addressed, a reasonable discussion might be had about a parish gym.

A few parishioners have connected the need for a parish gym to the parish’s commitment to the parish school. Please know that the parish administrators and the parish lack no commitment to the school ministry, to the children, and to the families who send their children here. Personnel, we have an excellent school principal and excellent faculty. The parish priests minister to the children on a regular basis. Financially, the parish average annual subsidy to the school ranges between $200,000.00 and $300,000.00. The last parish fundraising campaign was largely given to enhancements of the school building. In addition, our Spirit Day Raffle proceeds have been used to air condition the gym and cafeteria. Also, we installed new sound systems in each area. Our children are happy and perform superbly on high school entrance tests. Our parents love their children and involved parents provide invaluable service to the school. Our bishop extolled the school during his recent visit. It is inaccurate to measure care for the school by the decision to build a M&M building. In fact, freeing space in the school by having parish meetings in the M&M building will allow us to enhance further the school ministry. Those enhancements are being examined as once again we received a very generous donation from a parishioner for the school ministry. As another sign of how the parish loves and supports the school, this very significant donation came from a parishioner who has no children in the school. St. Anne’s is one of the strongest Catholic elementary schools in the metropolitan area. It is because of the hard work of school administration, faculty, students, parish leadership, and generous parishioners. It is unaware and unfair to use the gym question as a measure of parish commitment to the school.

I would like to end on a personal note. This experience of convent - rectory fire - church painting - new building - gymnasium has caused me to reflect on my vocation as priest-pastor. Demolition-fire safety-scaffolding-bricks-square footage-blueprints-contracts-fundraising-insurance etc. etc etc. I studied none of these. I have done some learning on the job. Parishioners of much experience and wisdom fill the pews at Sunday Mass at St. Anne’s. Along with very dedicated persons on the parish staff, these are the parishioners I have turned too for leadership and counsel. I am very grateful to them and will continue to look to them as this project unfolds.

I understand that my ministry as priest-pastor centers on young parents baptizing their newborns and welcoming second graders and their families to First Reconciliation. Parish priestly ministry is about celebrating daily Mass and being with kids in the school chapel. Being a priest at St. Anne’s is helping out with Faith Formation and encouraging catechists. It is being with families as they mourn the death of a loved one, sometimes a tragic death, sometimes the death of a beloved wisdom parishioner. A pastor learns about the special gifts and ministries of a parish, such as the Respite program and outreach to persons with special needs here at St. Anne’s. The pastor at St. Anne’s needs to anoint the sick and offer counsel to those who seek it. A pastorate involves leading a team and sometimes managing conflicts. I love being a pastor. Each day is a new adventure with surprises and blessings, challenges and disappointments.

I have shared with you all that I can think of regarding our M&M project. The parish project needs your support. The parishioners who have worked so hard need your support to bring this project forward. I ask for your support. On the parish website there is an e-mail address that allows you to communicate your support, thoughts, and questions. In addition, I am happy to meet with you if you would like that.

Thank you for reading.
Thank You from Catholic Charities

Dear Saint Anne Parishioners,

Thank you for the very generous donation of over 100 gifts (received on 12/22/2017) to program participants of Catholic Charities Teaching Family Homes, Project Independence and Special Need Housing. Your generosity allows us to continue serving our least fortunate neighbors - more than 55,000 of them last year alone - right here on Long Island. They include people from every faith and background and at every stage of life, from the unwed, pregnant teen who has nowhere to turn to the senior on a fixed-income who can’t pay for heat. The kindness of supporters like you assures them that they are not alone.

Together with you, we fulfill a simple but powerful mission: to provide, “Care With Dignity ... Life With Hope” to the poor and vulnerable of Long Island. On behalf of all those we serve, thank you for letting us be the hands that do the work of your caring hearts. We so appreciate all the wonderful gifts that were donated!!

Jennifer Regan Haight
Director, Development and Communications, Catholic Charities

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Weekly Food Drive - Thank You for Your Support!

Many thanks to all who assist with the mission of Loaves and Fishes - to help provide food and other necessities for the many struggling families in our local areas. In addition to those who faithfully bring food to the Loaves and Fishes closets, we are grateful to all who help load cars for the weekly food deliveries.

Items most needed:

- Soup
- Pasta Sauce
- Pasta
- Peanut Butter
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Tuna fish
- Baby Diapers - large sizes

- Cereal
- Powdered Milk
- Hot Chocolate
- Red & black beans
- Canned vegetables
- Canned fruit

Donations of food can be left in the Loaves & Fishes closets in the left rear of the church, open from 7AM-2:30PM

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Be attentive to the needs of the poor, the suffering, the lonely, for whoever has chosen to love Jesus cannot but love his neighbor. ~ Pope Francis
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**

**Respite Care**
The next session of Respite will take place on **Friday, February 9th from 6:00PM to 8:00PM** in the McCloskey Auditorium and cafeteria.
Please contact Linda Leone at lindaleone@stannesgc.org or 352-5904 for any information.

**Special Needs Mass**
Mass will be celebrated with our special needs community on **Saturday, February 10th at 5:00PM in the cafeteria**.
All are welcome at this special celebration of the Eucharist.

**Saint Anne’s Senior Ministry**
Our parish is happy to offer support to our senior parishioners. We help them stay connected to Saint Anne’s through the dedicated efforts of our Homebound Visitors, Telephone Network, EM’s who bring Holy Communion, nurses, volunteers who deliver flowers and send cards, our Senior Newsletter and our biweekly Senior Scene.
If you're interested in getting involved, please contact Parish Social Ministry at 352-5904.

**Resilience ... You are not alone**

**Meeting on Tuesday, February 6th at 7:30PM in the Rectory**

Research shows that many parents don’t discuss concerns about their children’s mental health with anyone due to fear of the stigma that is often attached. Just when parents are vulnerable and in need of support, they tend to withdraw. If you have a son or daughter who is experiencing psychological or emotional challenges, do you hesitate to speak with trusted friends or relatives because of the concern that at best they would not understand or perhaps they would be critical or judgmental? As a result, do you often feel isolated, as if you are alone in dealing with this issue? Do you wonder at times where God is in the midst of your child’s struggles?
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! Our next meeting will take place on **Tuesday, February 6th at 7:30PM in the rectory**. For more information, please contact Linda Leone at lindaleone@stannesgc.org

**Disabilities Awareness**
Our Church is fully accessible to persons with disabilities, thanks to our elevator.
Inside the Church, there are specially designated areas with comfortable upholstered seats intended for persons with disabilities. Eucharistic Ministers bring Communion directly to those who are seated in these special areas. For those who are hearing-impaired, there is a digital sound system with assistive listening devices available for use by parishioners.
If you or someone you care for has a disability, we hope to be of assistance in any way possible.

**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

### Class Schedule—Week of February 4

**Sunday, February 4**
- 9:00 – 10:15: Grades 1-6
- 9:15 – 10:00: One to One Program

**Monday, February 5**
- 4:00 to 5:10pm: Grades 1-6
- 7:00pm: 2nd grade Reconciliation Church (Make-Up)

**Tuesday, February 6**
- 4:00 to 5:10pm: Grades 1-6

**Wednesday, February 7**
- 4:00 to 5:10pm: Grades 1-6
- 7:00pm: 7th grade - Class
- 8th grade Reconciliation (Group A in Church)

### Class Schedule—Week of February 11

**Sunday, February 11**
- 9:00 – 10:15: Grades 1-6
- 9:15 – 10:00: One to One Program
- 2:30 – 6:30pm: 8th grade group B Confirmation Retreat in McCloskey Auditorium

**Monday, February 12**
- 4:00 to 5:10pm: Grades 1-6

**Tuesday, February 13**
- 4:00 to 5:10pm: Grades 1-6

**Wednesday, February 14**
- 4:00 to 5:10pm: Grades 1-6 (students will attend 4:15 Mass with their class. Students will be dismissed from the classroom as usual)
- 7:00–8:30pm: 8th grade Class (students will attend 7:15 Mass with their class and will be dismissed at 8:30 as usual)

Please know that 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.

## LENT 2018

The season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on February 14th.

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, 7:00PM
Fridays 9:00AM & 7:00PM
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 26th 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.
Mark’s gospel presents a hurried, harried, and very human Jesus. This is the third week that we are reading just the first chapter of Saint Mark and already Jesus has done so much – gathered his disciples, cured the man with the evil spirit and today’s account recalls curing Peter’s mother-in-law and the sick and possessed in Peter’s town. His energy seems boundless! He is always on the move. But today’s gospel also tells us of his need for quiet prayer and so he rises very early before dawn to go off to a deserted place. Returning he sets out to more villages to preach his Good News. We too can be hurried, harried, and very human in our daily lives. Take a cue from Jesus and find time for quiet prayer to start the day and see how it will put your day in perspective.

**Readings for February 11th**

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Leviticus 13: 1-2, 44-46  
1 Corinthians 10: 31-11:1  
Mark 1: 40-45

**Family Mass – Sundays at 10:30AM in McCloskey Auditorium**

Join us for Family Mass next Sunday at 10:30 in McCloskey Auditorium.

**There will be no Family Mass on Sunday, Feb. 18th and Sunday, Feb. 25th.**

The Family Mass Choir is always looking for more voices and instruments! Rehearsal is on Sundays at 10:00 in the school music room.

**Make Family Mass part of your Family’s Sunday!!!**

**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, February 3rd and 4th.** 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, February 14.**

**The Children’s Choir will sing at today’s 11:45AM Mass**

There will be rehearsal this Monday, February 5th for the choir from 6:00 – 7:00PM in **Church.** New members are always welcome!

The Children’s Choir sings at one Sunday Mass a month and on special occasions. For more information contact Sr. Judy at srjudy@stannesgc.org or at 352-5904.

**Sisters of St. Dominic – Irish Night**

On the weekend of **February 24th and 25th** after the 5:00PM, 8:30 AM, 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 **Saturday, March 3rd.** 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.

**Mark Your Calendar!**

**Friday, March 16th – 6:30PM**

The RCIA members are offering a Soup and Bread supper for the parish at 6:30PM on Friday, March 16th. 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 for almsgiving. Sister Diane Capuano, OP from Molloy College will be here to speak about the camp project that she along with college students provides for children in a small town in El Salvador every January. A free will offering will be collected.

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.
Lenten Day of Prayer at the Seminary
“A Lenten Tale Told to God”
Presented by Rev. Patrick J. Griffin, CM

A day of prayer is being offered at the Immaculate Conception Seminary, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington on Sunday, March 4th from 9:30AM to 3:30PM. There will be conferences, lunch, confession and Mass. The day is sponsored by The Friends of the Seminary Spirituality Committee. This is the perfect opportunity for Lenten reflection and preparation to celebrate Holy Week.

Cost: $30
Reservations and Information (rsvp requested by February 25th) contact: bmalone@icseminary.edu or call 631-423-0483 x102.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH

2019 Mass Book Opening
Thursday, February 15th

The 2019 Mass Book will be open on Thursday, February 15 in the school cafeteria from 9:30-11AM.
After 11AM, please go to the parish office.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Court St. Anne #1077

February Bridge/Luncheon
Thursday, February 22nd - 12 Noon
McCloskey Auditorium - St. Anne’s School

All are welcome to come, play any game or just socialize and have fun! Luncheon will consist of soup, sandwich, dessert, and choice of tea or coffee. Because food must be ordered in advance, no reservation can be held without prepayment. Cost: $25.00 per person. For information call Mrs. Joan Evans at 294-0868.

Mail check (payable to CDA Ct. 1077) to Joan Evans @ 132 Wickham Road, Garden City, NY 11530

Name ____________________________
Phone ____________________________
Check enclosed $________
Card table (4) ___
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Please seat me with ____________________________

At the RCIA this past week we continued our study of the sacraments – the sacraments at the service of the Church, Holy Orders and Matrimony. We are also viewing a video series “From Mass to Mission, Understanding the Mass and Its Significance for Our Christian Life.”

The catechumens (those who will be baptized at Easter) and candidates (those who will be received into the Church or completing the Sacraments of Initiation) are preparing through prayer and study. Please keep our catechumens and candidates in your prayer – they are counting on your prayers!

Bringing others to faith in Christ Jesus is the responsibility of each one of us. Pope Francis reminds us that “All the baptized, whatever their position in the Church or their level of instruction in the faith, are agents of evangelization...every Christian is challenged, here and now, to be actively engaged in evangelization.” If you or if you know of anyone who would be interested in joining us please contact S. Judy at srjudy@stannesgc.org or by phoning the parish office at 352-5904.
**Youth Ministry Meeting**  
*Sunday, February 11th  
6:30PM - Cafeteria*

Saint Anne’s Youth Ministry is founded on three main values: faith, community and service. At our 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 always welcome. For more information, please contact Bill Leone @ bleone@stannesgc.org.

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**Saint Anne Men's Bible Study**

Men’s Bible Study Group meets around the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month from 7:30PM-9:00PM at the St. Theresa Chapel in the school basement. For details and schedule, please contact Joe Parisi at (516)526-3757 or by email at jparisi@financialguide.com.

Learn God’s will by studying His word.

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**Saint Joseph Parish Bible Study Program**

We cordially invite the parishioners of Saint Anne’s Parish to join us in the program beginning February 8, when we will be studying Saint Paul’s First Letter to the Corinthians.

If you would like additional information concerning the program, please contact Robert Franz at (516) 524-3893 or robjfranz@verizon.net or Richard Russell at (516) 747-2559 or rfr42@aol.com.

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**Substitute Teachers Needed**

Saint Anne’s School is in need of substitute teachers for the 2017-2018 school year.

Interested candidates should contact Mr. Gene Fennell, Principal at gfennell@stannesgcscchool.org

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**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.

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

Vanessa M. D’Ambrosio  
Timothy Martin McWilliams  
Robert P. Russo  
Carmela Salemmo  
Vincent P. Siriban III  
Christine Trabulsi Rogers
Liturgical Ministries

Perhaps you have a good speaking voice, a love for music and singing, like meeting and greeting people, or a desire to serve at Mass as a Eucharistic Minister or server....there is a Liturgical Ministry for you!!!

Contact Sr. Judy at srjudy@stannesgc.org or return form to S. Judy at the Parish Office.

Name __________________________________________________________
Email ___________________________________________________________
Phone __________________________________________________________

________Lector   __________Adult Choir   _________Children’s Choir

_______Usher  ________Altar Server   _______Eucharistic Minister
**Eagle Scout Service Project**

Dear Friends, Family, Neighbors, Fellow Scouts and parishioners:

I’d like to ask for your support for my Eagle Project, which will provide help for Saint Anne’s Respite Care Program.

This important program is part of the extraordinary Parish Social Ministry that Saint Anne’s provides to our community. We will create and build new closet space on the lower level of St. Anne’s school building, providing much-needed storage space for large items, including music instruments, that are used at each session of Respite. We will also refurbish an existing closet and redesign this space to accommodate extra play sets and supplies that are used by the special children at Respite. This Project will provide needed storage space and assist Saint Anne’s Special Needs Ministry in providing effective and engaging Respite care to families who have children with special needs.

We will raise funds for the cost of the project to purchase necessary materials. All donations will benefit and fund this project. Any extra funds will go to benefit the Respite Care program, which is provided to families who have children with special needs free of charge. Donations toward the success of my Eagle project are greatly appreciated!!!!

Donations can be sent to St. Anne’s Rectory or to my home - 78 Elton Road, Stewart Manor. Please make checks payable to St. Anne’s Church.

Sincerely,

Johnny
Balsamo,
Life Scout

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**World Marriage Day**

Sunday, February 11, 2018 is World Marriage Day which honors husband and wife as head of the family, the basic unit of society. It salutes the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice and joy in daily, married life.

We will be having a special liturgy at the 10 AM Mass on February 11 to commemorate World Marriage Day with light refreshments sponsored by Msgr. John’s Knights of Columbus after Mass in the cafeteria. As we celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage, we invite you to join us at this liturgy to renew your marriage vows.

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**COMMUNION BREAKFAST**

On February 4th the Msgr. Seidenschwang Council of the Knights of Columbus, will host a Communion Breakfast after the 10AM Mass. All are invited to stop by and join us for food and fellowship.
RUN FOR

TOMORROW’S
HOPE
FUNDATION

5K
& FUN RUN

Join Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation and Long Island Catholic Elementary schools for the 3rd Annual 5K & Fun Run for Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation

Saturday, March 24, 2018

8:30 AM Fun Run Start | 9:00 AM 5K Start

450 Franklin Avenue & Fourth Street, Garden City

Hosted by St. Joseph School

Visit tomorrowshopefoundation.org to sign up, learn about sponsorship opportunities, registration and more!

The mission of the Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation is to ensure the excellence as well as the continuance of Catholic Schools on Long Island by increasing awareness and by providing scholarship and program funding for the needs of students and schools. The Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation gives hundreds of children each year the opportunity to attend Catholic elementary school.
Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4
7:00AM Frank Kolenda
8:30 Maureen McCarthy, Michael DeMasi - 10 year Anniversary, Ronald Nelson, Margaret Starkey - 1st Anniversary
10:00 Frank & Anita McKiernan
10:30 Victoria Wood
11:45 Kathleen Sproat
5:30PM Therese Capoziello

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5
7:30 Michael Kadilak, Jr.
9:00 John D’Alessandro

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6
7:30 Mary Lavin
9:00 John Becker

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7
7:30 Roberta Conti
9:00 John D’Alessandro

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8
7:30 John Kelsh
9:00 John D’Alessandro Sr.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9
9:00 Anton Novak - 3rd Anniversary

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10
8:30 Breidgeen Mulvihill, Genevieve Kelly, Dora Limonta, John Salvatore and Lydia Schiavo, Vanessa D’Ambrosio
5:00PM Eileen Donovan

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11
7:00AM Parishioners of St. Anne
8:30 Robert F. Sexton, Rosalia & Nicoles Begonia, Rosemary Nappi, Domenico Esposito, Theresa Browne, Sheila Valvo
10:00 Ted & Eileen Mikowski - 11th Anniversary
10:30 McCaughey & McElroy Family
11:45 Kathy Harvey
5:30PM Donald F. Logan - 25th Anniversary

Please remember in your prayers family members of Saint Anne’s parishioners who are serving in the military:
1st Lt. William Allen, US Army; Sgt. Christopher Aubin, USMC
Thomas Brown, US Army; L/Cpl. Neal T. Burke, USMC
Capt. Anthony F. Califano, US Navy
Master Sgt. Denis Cashin, USMC; Capt. Matthew Clements, US Army
Lt. Cmndr. Brian Cunningham, Navy SEAL
Capt. Christopher Dar Conte, USAF
Lt. Cmdr. Brian Cunningham, Navy SEAL
Capt. Anthony F. Califano, US Army
Master Sgt. Denis Cashin, USMC; Capt. Matthew Clements, US Army
Lt. Cmndr. Brian Cunningham, Navy SEAL
Capt. Christopher Dar Conte, USAF
Petty Officer 2nd Class Ian Sage Donley, US Navy
Lt. Corporal James Harkin, USMC; Major Kevin Joyce, US Army
Sean Kelly, US Navy
Michael Koster, Military Police, US Army Reserves
Spec. Daniel R. MacFall, US Army
Ensign Glenn McKenna, US Navy; Cpl. Owen A. Monahan, USMC
Capt. Thomas Safina, US Army Reserves; Capt. Tara Sutcliffe, USMC

The Altar Bread & Wine for this week is in memory of Mary Cunningham
40th Anniversary
Donated by The McAloon Family

Please remember in your prayers the following people...

Victor Abrahamsen
Catherine Amato
Jodi Arciere
Garth Atchley
Mary Bagnato
Denise Bedeian
Kim Bily
William Brown
Deacon George Browne
Gail Calma
Charles Cangelosi
Lissett Cantara
Kenneth Carpentier
Mary Caruana
Elizabeth Castellano
Barbie Cervoni
Anthony Corrao
Anthony Cuccia
Claire Decker
Denise DeCrescito
Margaret Donaldson
Patricia Durecko
Rosemary Ecker
Janet Fellingham
Dennis Gallery
Anthony Greco
Sean Green
Rhett Hemingway
Patrick Hughes Sr.
Will Hughes
Joan Kalbacher
Terese Karcher
Carolyn Kast
Terri King
Klavdia Krieg
Carole Langan
Ricky Loew
Chris Lynch
Henry Lynk
Patricia Maher
Michelle Marooney
Danny Marquino
Dorothy McAleavy
Art McCann
Tommy McCann
Kerry McCarrather
John McCloskey, Jr.
Michael Meoni
Vincent Milo
Barbara Mohan
Gabrielle Monastero
Jimmy Mulligan
Lauren Munafio
Philip O’Connell
Thomas Onorato, Jr.
Andrea O’Halloran
Vincent Panarella
Adelainde Parks
Brian Pfal
Michelle Pica
Silvio Pironi
Maggie Mae Rizzi
Dan Roeper
Melissa Sarfin
Vinny Scheppa
Dr. Lester Schnell
Sharon Sharp Elliot
Michael Sigwart
Kathleen Smith
Mary Spadaro
Catherine Sullivan
Jean Thompson
Debbie Ventura
Callie Williams
Susan Williams
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 5th
4:00PM CYO Chess - Library
5:00PM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium
6:30PM Children’s Choir - Church
7:00PM CYO Chess - Library

Tuesday, February 6th
5:00PM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium
7:30PM HSA Board Meeting - Faculty Room
7:30PM Boy Scouts - Cafeteria
7:30PM Resilience - Cafeteria

Wednesday, February 7th
9:30AM Mom’s Ministry - Cafeteria
5:00PM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium
7:00PM Knights of Columbus - Cafeteria
7:30PM R.C.I.A. - SJVR

Thursday, February 8th
5:00PM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium
6:00PM CYO Chess - Library
7:30PM Families Anonymous - Faculty Room
7:30PM Adult Choir - Church

Friday, February 9th
6:00PM Respite Care Program - Cafeteria & McCloskey Auditorium
9:00PM CYO Chess - Library

Saturday, February 10th
8:00AM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium

Sunday, February 11th
11:00AM Knights of Columbus Hospitality - Cafeteria
2:00PM Confirmation Retreat - McCloskey Auditorium
6:30PM Youth Ministry - Cafeteria

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 10
5:00PM - Fr. Johnny
5:00PM - Fr. Tom - Special Needs Mass

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