





Parish Mission Statement

We, the community of St. Mary's, Manhasset, building on our rich heritage of Catholic faith and tradition, center ourselves in the Eucharist and honor God in proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Guided by the Holy Spirit, we seek to be the presence of Christ through our liturgical, educational and social ministries. We dedicate our time, talent and treasure to the service of all as we build the kingdom of God in our world.

We commit to this mission in the name of Jesus Christ.

Masses for the Week

Monday, February 2nd
Presentation of the Lord
2Mal. 3:1-4, Hab. 2:14-18, Lk 2:22-40
7:00 AM Robert Breslin
9:00 AM Alfred Marra

Tuesday, February 3rd
St. Blaise, bishop & martyr
Heb. 12:1-4, Mk. 5:21-43
7:00 AM Patrick Neenan
9:00 AM James Cain

Wednesday, February 4th
Heb. 12:4-7, 11-15, Mk. 6:1-6
7:00 AM Edith Ciniglio
9:00 AM Modesta & Michael Reali

Thursday, February 5th
St. Agatha, virgin & martyr
Heb. 12:18-19, 21-24, Mk. 6:7-13
7:00 AM Marya & Jozef Wachowicz
9:00 AM J. Clement & Antoinette Lerma

Friday, February 6th
Paul Miki & Companions, martyrs
Heb 13:1-8, Mk. 6:14-29
7:00 AM Luigi Spucces
9:00 AM Dorothy Donovan

Saturday, February 7th
Heb.13:15-17, 20-21, Mk.6:30-34
8:00 AM Edith Ciniglio
5:00 PM Denihan Family
John E. Shields
Dr. Anthony Pesiri
Charlotte Canale
James H. Grady, Sr.

Sunday, February 8th
Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Job 7:1-4,6-7, 1 Cor. 9:16-19, 22-23
Mk. 1:22-39
7:30 AM Bertha Chicosky
9:00 AM John J. Bachman
10:30 AM For the People of the Parish
12:00 Sara Ponsiglione
Edward & Elizabeth T. McAndrews
Elizabeth Furlong
Mary & John Stanciewicz
Katherine Sager
5:00 PM John E. Shields

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Please Pray for the Ill

Barbara Benz
Livia Richards
Janice Thorkelsan
Bill Rozea

In Memoriam



Larry Simone
Cecilia McMahon
Mary Lee Adams

Names will remain on the list for 3 months. Please notify the Bulletin Editor if you would like to continue.



From the Pastor's Desk

Feast of Saint Blaise

This Tuesday is the Feast of Saint Blaise. Saint Blaise is believed to be martyred in the persecution of Licinius in the early Fourth Century. He was the Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia, and has been long associated with the healing of ailments of the throat.

On Tuesday throats will be blessed during Mass following the Prayer of the Faithful.

*Through the intercession of Saint Blaise,
bishop and martyr,
may God deliver you from every disease
of the throat
and from every other illness:
in the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.*

Pastoral Visit of Bishop Walsh

Bishop Paul Walsh, Episcopal Vicar of the Western Vicariate of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, will make a Pastoral Visit to Saint Mary's on Saturday and Sunday, February 21st and 22nd.

On Saturday, February 21st, Bishop Walsh will meet with members of the Pastoral Council, the Finance Council and Parish Staff.

At 2:30 Saturday afternoon, there will be an opportunity for the leadership of our Parish Organizations and Ministries and all interested parishioners to meet with Bishop Walsh. The meeting will be held in the Marian Room.

Bishop Walsh will celebrate the Saturday 5 PM Mass and the Sunday 12 NOON Mass.

The Pastoral Visitation is meant to be an expression of care and concern for St. Mary's on the part of the Diocese and especially Bishop Murphy. There are four areas of special concern: Prayer and Liturgy, Formation and Education, Outreach to those in need and Stewardship and Finance.

The last Pastoral Visitation of St. Mary's was in 2000 when Msgr. John Alesandro, then Vicar of the Western Vicariate, visited with us.

The Diocese of Rockville Centre is divided into three vicariates each headed by one of the auxiliary bishops. Each of the vicariates is divided into deaneries each made up of seven or eight parishes. We are part of the North Hempstead Deanery, of which I am the Dean.

Besides being Vicar of the Western Vicariate, Bishop Walsh is also Pastor of Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Parish in Roosevelt.

God Bless!

Msgr. John J. McCann

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FOR EVERY OCCASION
NOT FOUND ANYWHERE ELSE.

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All Proceeds Benefit Parish Social Ministry

Eucharistic
Adoration

Thursdays
1 p.m. to 8 p.m.
The Chapel

Come spend some time in prayer!



Stewards of God's Gifts



There is a certain urgency in today's gospel as Jesus calls his first disciples. Each one follows Jesus immediately, unhesitatingly abandoning everything.

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who discern and abandon the temptations, addictions and distractions that damage their relationship with Christ..

The collection for Sunday, January 25, 2009 amounted to **\$23,338.**

Credit Cards amounted to **\$3,345.** totaling **\$26,683.**

The collection for Sunday, January 20, 2008 amounted to **\$23,631.**

The Children's collection for Sunday, January 25, 2009 amounted to **\$19.**

Children's Time & Talent: **Played piano for grandma, dancing, donating money to children's charities, playing with baby sister, helped grandpa**

Readings and Questions for Faith Sharing

Reading I: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their kin.

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 7: 32-35

I should like you to be free of anxieties.

Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

This is a new kind of teaching that speaks with authority.

Theme:

The basis of Jesus' authority is that His words and His deeds are one.

Question for Adults:

What do you hope Jesus will free you from? What is happening in the world that need's Jesus' help?

Question for Children:

Do I remember to pray to Jesus for help when I am tempted?



Stewardship Opportunity...

Share your
Time & Talents with
Elderly Parishioners

The residents of **Highfield Gardens Nursing Home** on Community Drive gather weekly for Mass. A few additional volunteers are needed to assist with Mass preparations - setting up the altar for the priest, greeting the residents, providing them with Mass books, and afterwards saying the Rosary with them. If you are interested in helping please call Sr. Jeannine at St. Mary's Convent, 627-6344, ext. 1072.

SAVE THE DATE!

Saint Mary's Elementary School Thirteenth Annual Take-A-Break Dinner Dance

Saturday, March 28, 2009

North Hempstead Country Club

Port Washington

For more information, please call Theresa Perrella in the Development Office at 627-0385 ext 1160.



Faith Formation

Grades 1-8

This Tuesday, second grade classes will view the confessionals during class time in preparation for their First Reconciliation.



On Sunday, February 8th our second graders are asked to attend the 9 AM Mass as part of their preparation for First Holy Communion.

Please bring the small card titled *Eucharist is about Making Peace*.

Just a reminder, on Monday, February 2nd, the eighth graders are being tested on the questions from *The Spirit Sets Us Free* book.

Parish Social Ministry

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

St. Mary's Parish Social Ministry maintains a food pantry that helps feed many working poor families, the elderly and disabled and those who are unable to provide for themselves. At this time we are sorely in need of the following items:

Pancake mix/Syrup
Hot & Cold Cereal
Pasta/Tomato sauce
Juice
Rice
Cake mix

Peanut butter/Jelly
Tuna fish
Instant coffee/Tea
Crackers
Snacks/Cookies
Instant potatoes



Please check the expiration dates on any donation as we do not distribute food that has expired.

Donations may be left in the baskets located in the north and south lobbies, or brought to the Office of Parish Social Ministry located on the lower level of the convent, facing the east side of the church. Thank you for your continued kindness and generosity! The Parish Social Ministry telephone number is 365-2705



Adult Faith Formation

Catechism Express

Monday, February 2nd

Last Things: Our Eternal Destiny

Deacon Charles Kammerer, M.A. - presenter

Feb. 9th

Introduction to the Celebration of the Liturgy

Dr. Jo-Ann Metzdorff

Class begins at 7:40 - 8:20 PM in the Ministry Center



**BEYOND TUNA CASSEROLE:
COOKING FOR LENT**

Join us for a fun evening of cooking and tasting interesting and nutritious meatless dishes that you can prepare on days of fast and abstinence during Lent. Pat Paone will demonstrate some recipes and have samples of some other dishes that you can easily make at home.

Tuesday, February 24th at 7:30 in the Ministry Center.

Do You Know?

This week's question: Why is St. Paul called an Apostle if he was not one of the Twelve?

Answer to last week's question: Do we still fast before receiving Holy Communion? How long and why do we do it?

Yes, there is still a requirement to fast before receiving Holy Communion. The requirement is to abstain from all food and drink, except water and medication, for one hour before receiving. (Code of Canon Law #919, Catechism #1387). The Eucharistic fast assists us in preparing to receive Holy Communion wholly — body and soul. This physical mortification strengthens our spiritual focus on the Lord, so that we may humbly encounter the divine Savior who offers Himself to us. Moreover, the fast before receiving Holy Communion creates a physical hunger and thirst for the Lord, which in turn augments the spiritual hunger and thirst we ought to have. This fast also includes gum chewing and mints, which some people unfortunately do chew on or eat during Mass. This fast is required of all who have received First Holy Communion and should extend up to old age, except for medical reasons.



Adult Confirmation Classes



Catholic adults who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament this coming Pentecost. Confirmation is required to be a Godparent for Baptism or to be a Confirmation sponsor. It is also ordinarily required to be married in the Catholic Church. Classes for Adult Confirmation begin during Lent and run eight to ten weeks. Candidates for Confirmation must be baptized Catholics, over 18, and not subject to any Church sanctions (ie: living in an invalid marriage). Please obtain a recent baptismal certificate.

Please call Jo-Ann Metzdorff in the Parish Office if you or someone you know needs to receive this Sacrament or if you want additional information



CYO Basketball Highlights



The 7th grade girls team coached by Pat Connolly and John Glynn overcame a first half deficit to beat St Matthew's of Dix Hills 26-19 in the first round of the playoffs. The team was led by floor general Julia Glynn and the tenacious pressing defense of Emily Koufakis, Natalie Stefan, Kelsey Connolly, Abby Kucharczyk and Lizzie Bunger. Chipping in with inspirational play were Stacy Rubertone, Sara Vidal, Kelly Kenlon and Angelica Kramer .

St Mary's 6th grade girls coached by Chris Jones, CarolAnn Ronbeck and Charlie Albanese won their first playoff game with a 42-28 victory over St Catherine's. St Mary's led 8-4 after the first period, 13-11 at half, 24-19 after the third quarter, and then pulled away with an 18 point 4th quarter. St Mary's had seven girls score with Jacqueline Albanese leading the way with 21 points, followed by Najiah Redford with 9 points. Lindsey (LeBron) Ronbeck stuck 2 jumpers for 4 points to start the scoring in the final quarter. Alexa (Highlight) Durso, Kendall Glynn, Julie McCooey, and Caitlyn McNamara each contributed 2 points a piece. Elizabeth (EJ) Jones brought tremendous energy and pressure on the defensive side, while adding an assist on Alexa's driving basket. Kellen (Selena) D'Alleva shut down St. Catherine's leading scorer with tenacious defensive play, while Francesca Sostar blocked a shot and pulled down a couple of rebounds to help seal the victory for St Mary's.

The St. Mary's 6th grade boys team coached by Rob Weber and Tom Carroll has been working hard this season in a tough division. They dropped their last 2 games against St. Aidans and St. Anne's but continue to improve. Scoring led by David Spampinato (21 & 19 points), Peter Cybriwsky, Griffen Hyde, Peter Genovese and Matt Sears. The defense is spearheaded by Dylan Carroll, Tom Fruehauf, Justin DeHaan, Christian Weber, Brian Suga, Jack Breen. Dylan Lindner notched 4 points against St. Aidan's.



Respect Life Committee

Every year the Saint Mary's Respect Life Committee participates in a Diocesan contest judging poems and essays written by St. Mary's students to reflect a theme established by the Diocese.

The following is a poem written by a 10th grade student from St. Mary's College Preparatory High School based on the theme "We Are Wonderfully Made by God". We have selected it as First Place on St. Mary's local level and have forwarded it to the Diocese for further judging. We thought you would like to read it.

I see nothing but darkness
I hear the beating of my mother's heart
I feel the presence of warm hands cuddling me, making sure I am okay

He gave me a body, a head, two arms, two legs
Two ears, two eyes, two hands
He gave me a name, a personality, intelligence, talents
He created who I am

Months passed peacefully, and I grew, but now I am scared
He holds me stronger, as if He knows something will take me
He whispers to me... Everything will be alright

Suddenly I am blinded by lights of a hospital room
Why am I leaving now?
I was almost ready to enter the world
Suffering...the life line to my mother is cut and I cannot breathe

I stare into her eyes, trying to catch a breath
Why isn't she trying to help me?
Does she not love me? Do I not deserve a chance in this world?
I cannot breathe...I am alone in a corner...neglected...dying

It is dark
The pain is gone...God takes my hand,
Carrying me off to heaven, where I will truly be loved.

-Juliette de Venoge



The Bread and Wine
this week
are in loving memory of
Matthew Ferraro

Anyone interested in making an offering of the bread
and wine for the week please contact the Parish Office.

Purgatorial Society

The following names have been enrolled
in our Purgatorial Society beginning
February 2009.

- Barbara Lugaro Thomas J. Hayden, Jr.
Paula Christman Sophie Kasinski & Family
Agnes Werle Margaret Kelly
Edward W. & Theresa T. Mc Andrew

Newly Baptized

We welcome the following children who were
baptized during the month of January 2009.

- Antonio Brandhinelli Emma Mandzik
Daniel Climi Reilly Royce
Catherine Morosanu Paul Sforza III

Welcome New Parishioners

We welcome those who registered in our
parish during January, 2009.

- Mrs. Isabel Papadopoulos & Family
Ms. Jackie Kane & Alberto Barzola
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Messina & Family
Mr. & Mrs. David Cid & Family
Mr. & Mrs. Roderick Amurao & Family



ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE
February 2nd - February 8th

- Monday, February 2nd
7 a.m. N. Behringer & D. Carrol
9 a.m. T. Brooks & C. McNamara
Tuesday, February 3rd
7 a.m. A. Benja-Athon & P. Denihan
9 a.m. E. Bunger & L. Tuminelli
Wednesday, February 4th
7 a.m. L. Chan & W. Charbonneau
9 a.m. M. Cain & F. Minieri
Thursday, February 5th
7 a.m. N. Cordi & L. Merola
9 a.m. C. Malhame & S. Gomez
Friday, February 6th
7 a.m. C. Connors & D. Nicosia
9 a.m. E. Boyle & C. Lavelle
Saturday, February 7th
8 a.m. S. Henry & E. Coleman
5 p.m. T. Brooks, E. Bunger
C. McNamara & L. Tuminelli
Sunday, February 8th
7:30 a.m. M. Cain, F. Minieri
B. Pilch & M. Lombard
9:00 a.m. M. Duvnjak, C. Murphy,
E. Boyle & C. Lavelle
10:30 a.m. V. Caliendo, D. DeLucia,
A. Cannatela, A. Stack
12:00 noon B. Ackert, J. Meyer
T. Ahern & P. Radman
5:00 p.m. C. Connors, S. Nicosia,
N. Cordi & L. Merola

MASS SCHEDULE | February 7th & 8th
(subject to change)

- 5:00 p.m. Saturday, February 7th
Msgr. John McCann
Sunday, February 8th
7:30 a.m. Fr. Allan Sikorski
9:00 a.m. Msgr. John McCann
10:30 a.m. Fr. Charles Sultana
12:00 p.m. Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco
5:00 p.m. Fr. Michael Galea



YOU ARE INVITED TO THE ANNUAL RECEPTION

to support

United New Yorkers for Choice in Education

Guest Speaker: Sr. Joanne Callahan, O.S.U.
Superintendent of Schools, Diocese of Rockville Centre

Hear Sr. Joanne's perspective on important matters (our progress and our future)
related to school choice in New York State!

Sunday, February 8th

Kellenberg Memorial High School

2:30 - 4:30 PM

Raffle tickets - \$100 (includes reception); reception only - \$20

We will also draw the winning tickets in our First Annual Limited Raffle.

(Only 300 tickets to be sold. Prizes: \$5,000; \$3,000; \$2,000)

For tickets please return the coupon below or call any of the following:

Tim Mulhearn 292-1224
Tommy Rudolph 746-7393

Liz Boylan 536-8744
Marion Samson 467-4639

Enclosed is my check in the amount of _____, made payable to United New Yorkers for Choice in Education (or UNYCE). This is for _____ raffle tickets (reception included), at \$100 each, or for _____ reception tickets only, at \$20 each.

(I am sorry, but I will be unable to attend the reception for United New Yorkers for Choice in Education. However, I am enclosing a check in the amount of _____, to support the work of UNYCE.)

Name _____ E-mail Address _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Please mail checks to UNYCE, P. O. Box 4096, Hempstead, NY 11551-4096. Thank you!

UNYCE is a not-for-profit organization incorporated in New York State. UNYCE has qualified for federal tax exemption under §501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code. Donations to UNYCE are not tax deductible as charitable contributions.



Dominican Village Open House

Independent retirement community assisted living respite care. Dominican Village is a not-for-profit Independent and Assisted Living Retirement community sponsored by the sisters of St. Dominic, located in Amityville, NY on a sprawling 13 acre campus.

Feb. 7th and 12th from 1-3 PM

For more information call 631-842-6091 or info@dominicanvillage.org.



St. Mary's Youth Ministry will NOT meet tonight, Sunday, February 1st

Our next meeting is Sunday, February 8th at 5:45 PM in the Marian Room.



Enjoy the game!

Thanks to all members of the Youth Group who worked so hard on today's Souper Bowl collection.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter



Worldwide Marriage Encounter is celebrating 40 years of Enrichment Weekends to over 2 million couples and priests by offering married couples two memorable opportunities for Valentines Day. First is a romantic dinner from 8:00 PM until midnight at Immaculate Conception Center in Douglaston, Queens at \$110 per couple with mass at 6:45 including renewal of Marriage Vows. Call Vinny & Isabell 631-587-6135. Second is a special Valentine's Encounter Enrichment Weekend at Monfort Spirituality Center in Bayshore, February 13-15. Call Glenn & Millie at 631-656-8358 to book a space.

St. Mary's Youth Ministry invites you on a pilgrimage to...

Greece: In the Footsteps of St. Paul

Teens and families are welcome to join Fr. Anton Grech from Guatemala on a Spiritual Journey that will change your life.

June 29 - July 9, 2009
\$3,699 per person from New York

for more information, please contact:
Pat McDonough
Director of Youth Ministry
at mcdonough1028@optonline.net



FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED

St. Mary's has completed their research into assistance devices for the hearing impaired and has selected and installed the "Listen" professional quality personal monitor receiver system for audio assisted listening anywhere in the church. This system's personal receiver can handle several monitoring applications for our hearing impaired parishioners. The receiver unit has its own OFF-ON volume control dial and audio output jack.

The stereo 3.5mm audio output jack accommodates:

- A personal low impedance headphone (walkman style - stereo or mono) that a parishioner can bring and connect to the receiver.
- Any single ear bud that a parishioner may already own and connect to St. Mary's receiver.
- An "over the ear" single ear headset speaker that does not enter the ear canal, which St. Mary's will provide with the receiver.
- A neck loop for "T-coil" technology" - this neck loop will be provided by St. Mary's for those parishioners with a hearing aid with "T-coil" technology (check with your professional audiologist).
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These receivers will be available for use at all liturgies held in St. Mary's church building. Please go to the sacristy before Mass and see the sacristan to use one of St. Mary's personal audio receivers.



Boy Scout Sunday Congratulations Cub Scouts



At the morning's 9:00 Family Mass the following boys received their religious awards:

Light of Christ (2nd Grade)

Brett Bosse	Devin O'Brien
Daniel DeSanctis	Luca Parisi
Josh Giardinelli	Ben Reilly
Kyle Grant	Jack Reilly
Michael Mannino	Will Simone

Parvuli Dei (3rd - 5th Grade)

Calvin Bernic	Dominic DeLucia	Patrick Sheehan
Jack Boyle	Samual DeLucia	Maxwell Smith
Julian Buttaro	Nicholas Heid	Vincent Tomaselli
Nicholas Caliendo	Tommy Keating	Brandon Walter
Max Calleo	Robert Lunetta	
Martin Clarke	Nolan Parisi	
Jason Cuomo	Piero Salas-Allende	

We congratulate the boys and thank Deacon Charles Kammerer for working with the boys in achieving these awards. Many thanks to Mrs. Susan Cannatella who is St. Mary's Parish Religious Emblem Coordinator for both Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. The Girl Scouts will be receiving their religious awards on Girl Scout Sunday, March 8th





Save the Date

Church of Saint Mary

12th Annual Parish Golf & Tennis Classic

Thursday, June 18, 2009
Plandome Country Club

For more information please contact
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