





Parish Mission Statement

We, the community of Saint 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, January 25th
The Conversion of St. Paul

Acts 22:3-16, Mk 16:15-18

7:00 AM Walter Fischer

9:00 AM Robert King

Tuesday, January 26th
St. Timothy and St. Titus

2 Tim 1:1-8, Mk 3:31-35

7:00 AM Mary Jane Surgala

9:00 AM Vito A. Matulonis

Wednesday, January 27th
St. Angela Merici

2 Sm 7:4-17, Mk 4:1-20

7:00 AM Mary Beier

9:00 AM Jean & Bart Turecamo

Thursday, January 28th
St. Thomas Aquinas

2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29, Mk 4:21-25

7:00 AM John & Ella Surgala

9:00 AM James Shanley

Friday, January 29th

2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17, Mk 4:26-34

7:00 AM Manuel I. Tarazona (living)

9:00 AM Barbara Karp

Saturday, January 30th

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17, Mk 4:35-41

8:00 AM Gennaro Parrella

5:00 PM Benjamin J. Denihan,

Laura Healy,

Michael Rush,

Robert King,

Mary Conroy

Sunday, January 31st

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 1:4-5, 17-19, 1 Cor 12:31-13:13, Lk 4:21-30

7:30 AM Antonetta Cona

9:00 AM Terrence O'Neill

10:30 AM For the People of the Parish

12:00 Noon Michael Rush,

Kenneth Bordeman,

Frances Maher,

Laura Wetheril Wade,

Mildred Rebholz (living)

5:00 PM Rosemary Petrie

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Please Pray for the Ill

Livia Richards
Margaret Denihan
Christina Travers
Grace Falcone
Betty Licup Yap
Claro Licup
Harriet Brensic
Claudia Phaupe
Alice Sullivan

Mary D'Alba
Antonio Yap
Eugene Travers
Joan Matthews
Joan Delli-Pizzi
DeLing Licup
James Ferlazzo
Beverly Frisone

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

In Memoriam



Virginia Minogue
John Hutter
Dorothy Denihan



From the Pastor's Desk

Prayer for Haiti

*God of all creation,
as we weep with our family in Haiti,
console us. In this time of crisis, open our eyes
to look beyond the disaster to see Christ in our
brothers and sisters in Haiti, as Christ sees us.
Be with us as we stand in solidarity with those
living and working in Haiti. Be with us in
our mourning and guide our efforts to feed
the hungry, shelter the homeless, comfort the
grieving and stand for justice. With your mercy,
sustain us at this time as we continue to work
for peace and justice.
Amen.*

*For the Haitian people, that help comes to them
quickly and comfort comes to those
who hurt.
Lord, hear our prayer.*

*For the lost or buried, that they are found and
reunited with their loved ones.
Lord, hear our prayer.*

*For the relief workers, that they have the tools
they need, the courage and the strength to
respond fully.
Lord, hear our prayer.*

*For the families in Haiti and in the United
States who are waiting to hear from loved ones,
that good news comes to them.
Lord, hear our prayer.*

*For those who have perished, may their souls
rest with you, O Lord, where they will find
eternal love.
Amen.*

Last Sunday we received \$15,273.00 in the special collection for the recovery efforts in Haiti. Thank you!

Please also remember the people of Haiti in your prayers.

God Bless!

Rev. Msgr. John J. McCann



Eucharistic Adoration

**Thursday
1:00 to 8:00 PM**

In the Chapel,
off the south side of the Church.

*Come spend some time in prayer!
Pray for the people of Haiti!*





Stewards of God's Gifts



The US bishops' pastoral on stewardship reinforces today's reading from I Corinthians: Because its individual members do collectively make up the Body of Christ, that body's health and well-being are the responsibility of the members — the personal responsibility of each one of us. We all are stewards of the Church.

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish whose fidelity to God's will assures the best use of their talents in His service.

The collection for Sunday, January 17, 2010 amounted to **\$18,973.00**

Credit Cards amounted to **\$3,849.00** totaling **\$22,822.00**

The collection for January 18, 2009 amounted to **\$26,178.00**

The Children's collection for Sunday, January 17, 2010 amounted to **\$6.00**

Children's Time & Talent: **walking the dog, praying for my friend's fast recovery.**

For information on how to make your Sunday offering by credit card, please call Theresa or Bonnee at the parish office at 627-0385, Monday-Friday, between 9:30 AM and 4:30 PM.

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All Proceeds Benefit Parish Social Ministry

Readings and Questions for Faith Sharing



Reading I: *Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10*

Do not be saddened this day;
for rejoicing in the LORD
must be your strength.

Reading II: *1 Corinthians 12:12-30*

All the parts of the body,
though many, are one body, so also Christ.

Gospel: *Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21*

Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled
in your hearing.

Question for Adults:

Do I allow my hearing of the Scriptures
to effect changes in my life?

Question for Children:

How can I listen more attentively
to the Scriptures proclaimed at Mass?



United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

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URGENT: USCCB NATIONWIDE BULLETIN INSERT

Stop Abortion Funding in Health Care Reform!

Protect Conscience

Ensure Affordable Health Coverage

Allow Immigrants to Purchase Private Health Insurance

As long-time advocates of health care reform, the U.S. Catholic bishops continue to make the moral case that genuine health care reform must protect the life, dignity, consciences and health of all, especially the poor and vulnerable. Health care reform should not advance a pro-abortion agenda in our country.

- On November 7, the U.S. House of Representatives passed major health care reform that reaffirms the essential, longstanding and widely supported policy against using federal funds for elective abortions and includes positive measures on affordability and immigrants.
- On December 24, the U.S. Senate rejected this policy and passed health care reform that requires federal funds to help subsidize and promote health plans that cover elective abortions. All purchasers of such plans will be required to pay for other people's abortions through a separate payment solely to pay for abortion.
- Outside the abortion context, neither bill has adequate conscience protection for health care providers, plans or employers.
- These two bills must now be combined into one bill that both the House and Senate will vote on in final form. Provisions against abortion funding and in favor of conscience protection, affordability, and immigrants' access to health care must be part of a fair and just health care reform bill, or the final bill must be opposed.

ACTION: Contact your Representative and Senators today by e-mail, phone or FAX.

- **To send a pre-written, instant e-mail to Congress go to www.usccb.org/action.**
- Call the U.S. Capitol switchboard at: 202-224-3121, or call your Members' local offices. Contact info can be found on Members' web sites at www.house.gov & www.senate.gov.

MESSAGE—HOUSE:

"I am pleased that the House health care bill maintains the longstanding policy against federal funding of abortion. I urge you to work to uphold essential provisions against abortion funding, to include full conscience protection and to assure that health care is accessible and affordable for all. Until and unless these criteria are met, I urge you to oppose the final bill."

MESSAGE—SENATE:

"I am deeply disappointed that the Senate health care bill fails to maintain the longstanding policy against federal funding of abortion and does not include adequate protection for conscience. I urge you to support essential provisions against abortion funding, similar to those in the House bill. Include full conscience protection and assure that health care is accessible and affordable for all. Until and unless these criteria are met, I urge you to oppose the final bill."

WHEN: Votes in the House and Senate on the final bill are expected in January.

Act today! Thank You!



Adult Faith Formation

Do You Know?

This week's question: Monday is the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. Why is Paul often referred to as an apostle even though he was not one of the Twelve and actually persecuted the early Christians?

Answer to last week's question: Last week we celebrated the Week of Christian Unity. What are the major obstacles to unity among Christians? Most of the major obstacles to unity have to do with dogma, doctrine and authority. From the time of the early Church there have always been divisions, mostly with regard to heretical teachings within certain communities. Later on, the issues involved the authority of the pope, especially with regard to the split with the Orthodox Church in 1025. The largest rupture came in the 16th century with the Protestant Reformation. In addition to the obstacles stated above, the Protestant Reformers differed from the Catholic Church in the areas of interpretation of Scripture, liturgy, theology of the priesthood, grace and justification.

If you have a question you would like to see answered in this column, please call, write, or e-mail JoAnn Metzdorff in the Parish Office (627-0385 or joannm@stmary.ws).

Faith Express

We will not meet
on
January 25th



Our upcoming sessions:

February 1st – Sixth Commandment
with Deacon Frank Bice.

February 8th – Seventh Commandment
with Fr. Raphael Soadwah.
(Facilitators are subject to change.)

All are welcome, especially parents of children attending Faith Formation classes. No need to go home. Come join us for a hot drink, some cake and cookies and learn a bit about your faith.



The 2009-2010 school year marks the 60th Anniversary of the founding of Saint Mary's College Preparatory High School.

When the Class of 1953 entered as freshmen, the legacy of St. Mary's High School education began. Sixty years later, St. Mary's continues to provide excellent and accessible Catholic education to young men and women.

Plan to join us on Thursday, April 22, 2010 for a celebration at Plandome Country Club.

If you have a piece of St. Mary's history to share, please contact the Office of Development and Alumni Relations at 516 627 4605. All stories, photos and memorabilia are welcome.



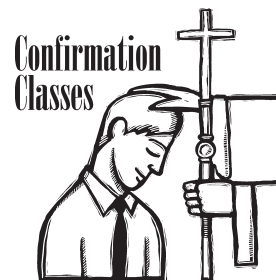
Lent will be here before we know it and we will be offering two presentations to help you prepare to celebrate a good Lent: **February 10th at 7:30 PM – Fasting During Lent** – A look at the history and theology of the Lenten Fast and the spiritual benefits of engaging in a discipline of fast and abstinence.

February 16th at 7:30 PM – Cooking for Lent – A repeat of last year’s tasty workshop on meatless meals that you can cook during Lent. Pat Paone will again provide us with recipes (many different from last year) and samples of her cooking. All her recipes are easy to prepare, nutritious and good to use all year round.

**Parish Mission
March 7 - 10th**

Adult Confirmation

Confirmation is one of the Sacraments of Initiation of the Catholic Church. It is required of those who are to be a godparent or Confirmation sponsor, and it is important to have received this sacrament prior to getting married in the Church. If you are a baptized Catholic adult, 18 years of age or older, who has received First Communion but has not received Confirmation, we will have Adult Confirmation Classes beginning in Lent in preparation for Confirmation on May 23rd, the Solemnity of Pentecost. Please contact Dr. Jo-Ann Metzdorff at 627-0385 or joannm@stmary.ws for more information.



The statues in two of our shrines, Mary and the Sacred Heart of Jesus, have been removed from the church so that they can be repaired and repainted.



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ONE
SPIRIT
we were ALL
BAPTIZED
INTO ONE
BODY**

By the New York Times bestselling author of *Left to Tell*
**IMMACULÉE
ILIBAGIZA**
with Steve Erwin



LED BY FAITH
Rising from the Ashes of the Rwandan Genocide

St. Mary’s Book Club

The next meeting of the Book Club will be on Tuesday, February 2nd, at 10:00 AM in the John Paul II Room. We will be reading *Led By Faith: Rising from the Ashes of the Rwandan Genocide* by Immaculee Ilibagiza.

Ms. Ilibagiza also wrote *Left to Tell* and will be speaking at St. Mary’s on Saturday, February 6th, at 6:00 PM. She is a dynamic and sought-out speaker and a woman of great faith.



Faith Formation Grades 1-8

Monday, January 25: There will be **no classes** for grades **7 and 8**.

However, grade 6 students are expected to attend. We ask that Grade 6 students and adults report to the auditorium by 7:30 PM. The catechists will then take the students to a classroom for their written assessment. We ask that all adults remain in the auditorium until the children have completed their work and return to you. You can leave as soon as they are done. It may not take the whole hour.

Grades 7 and 8 Catechists Meeting: On Monday, January 25th at 7:30 PM in Immaculata Hall Cafeteria. Please bring your manuals with you.

Grades 1 and 3 Catechists and Home Study Parents: There will be a meeting on Wednesday, January 27th at 10:00 AM in the JP II Room.



Blood Drive Exceeds Goal



THANK YOU SO MUCH! We are very grateful to the 86 wonderful donors who so generously gave up part of their day on Sunday, January 17th, to give blood. Our projected goal was 76 donors. The actual count of 86 donors was greatly appreciated by Long Island Blood Services.

During the winter months, there is usually a short supply of blood that cannot meet the needs of the community. Using the Automated Red Cell Collections process (ALYX) allows individuals to donate selectively only those blood components that are needed for transfusions. This procedure helps two patients because it results in two red cell transfusions. Although potential donors must meet more specific requirements, 11 people qualified for ALYX on the 17th. This was terrific!

Obviously, we could not have exceeded our goal without the participation of some very special people. And we thank them again for their help.

DISASTER RELIEF



Help those in need



Parish Social Ministry



St. Mary's food pantry is in need of the following items:

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| Tomato sauce | Chef Boyardee | Tuna fish |
| Hot cereal | Juice | Cookies |
| Crackers | Peanut butter | Jelly |
| Pasta | Cooking oil | Salad dressing |
| Ketchup | Mustard | Mayonnaise |
| Soap | Shampoo | Tissues |

Donations may be left in the baskets located in the north and south lobbies of the church, or brought to the Parish Social Ministry Office located on the ground floor level of the convent, facing the east side of the church. Thank you for your continued kindness and generosity!

Please be sure to check expiration dates on any donation, as we are unable to distribute food that has expired!

Relief for Victims of the



Earthquake in Haiti

Catholic Relief Services is the official international humanitarian agency of the Catholic Bishops and community of the United States. It has been asked to coordinate relief efforts in Haiti. The 300 plus on-the-ground personnel, who have long been active in Haiti, and the past experience, expertise and resources of the CRS will enable prompt and effective coordination of the Church's efforts, which, in the words of Pope Benedict, must be generous and concrete to meet the pressing needs of our Haitian brothers and sisters. View the efforts of this hands on agency at their website CRS.org. Consider making a financial donation for the emergency relief efforts in Haiti. Donations may be made:

Via the web at: CRS.org
By phone at: 1-800-736-3467 8:00 AM – 11:00 PM
By mail at: Catholic Relief Services
PO Box 17090
Baltimore, MD 21203-7090

FOCUS NEWS

Friends Offering Care, Understanding and Support for singles and the widowed

Thursday, January 28th – Monthly Bridge, 12:00 Noon, Marian Room
RSVP by January 21st.

Thursday, February 25th – Monthly Bridge, 12:00 Noon, Marian Room
RSVP by February 18th.

SAVE THE DATES! Wednesday, March 17th - St. Patrick's/St. Joseph's luncheon
1:00 PM in the Marian Room. Details to follow.
Wednesday, May 19th - Mass and candlelight dinner at Inisfada.

St. Mary's Youth Ministry

welcomes

Immaculée Ilibagiza

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6th

6:00 PM

Immaculata Hall Auditorium

Teens and their parents are invited to meet Immaculée Ilibagiza, bestselling author and inspirational speaker. Immaculée was born in Rwanda and was studying at the National University when the 1994 genocide forced her into hiding. She and seven other women huddled together in silence in a tiny bathroom of the local pastor's house - for 91 days! She emerged a skeleton, an orphan, and a woman of tremendous faith who forgave the men who murdered her parents and brothers. Immaculée will share her story and sign copies of her books, *Left to Tell* and *Led by Faith*, the proceeds of which support The Left to Tell Charitable Fund, which relocates and educates the children who survived Rwanda's genocide. Immaculée has received numerous humanitarian awards, including an honorary doctoral degree from the University of Notre Dame, the Mahatma Gandhi International Award for Reconciliation and Peace, and a Christopher Award, "affirming the highest values of human spirit."

The talk is recommended for ages 13 and older

For more information, email Pat McDonough at McDonough1028@optonline.net

To order tickets, please send the form below to Laura Hull, 101 Castle Ridge Road, Manhasset, NY, 11030 with a check made out to St. Mary's Church NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1st. Tickets are LIMITED.

Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Email Address _____

Enclosed is \$ _____ for _____ TICKETS @ \$10.00 each



St. Mary's Youth Group Alumni Visit Guatemala

On January 2nd, several graduates of St. Mary's Youth Ministry Program traveled to Guatemala to assist Fr. Anton in his new assignment, a parish located on the east coast of Guatemala, where he ministers to 7,500 Mayan people living throughout the rainforest. It was an extraordinary journey, including a visit back to the fish farm in El Chaparron. Not only is the farm providing a consistent source of protein for the families of La Parroquia de Jesus Crucificado, but the profits made from selling fish to surrounding Guatemalan cities are being used to build new homes and educate more children within the parish.



Laura Hull found shoes for every size.



Father Anton distributed communion in one of the many villages in his new parish.



Nina Kucharczyk showed the children some of the pictures that she took. Many of the children have never seen an image of themselves.



Michelle Baranello distributed clothes to the children in the village.



Deb Kucharczyk, Michelle Baranello, Matt Hull, Father Anton Grech, Bishop Gabriel Peñate Rodriguez, Vicar Apostolic of Izabal, Guatemala, Laura Hull, Nina Kucharczyk, and Elizabeth Henry.



Deb Kucharczyk and Matt Hull led the prayers of petition at a Mass celebrated in a remote part of the rainforest.



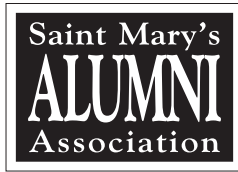
Matt Hull enjoyed a tug of war with the village children.



A pick up truck was our daily transportation to the villages.



Elizabeth Henry assisted one of the elder women in the parish.



2010 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 5-6, 2010

Sports Night

Brother Kenneth Robert Gymnasium
Doors open 7:30 PM | Showtime 8:00 PM

March 11, 2010

Ladies' Night Out:

Boutique, Fashion Show and Dinner
Leonard's | Dolce Vita
555 Northern Boulevard, Great Neck
6:30 PM Cocktails | 7:30 PM Dinner

Join honorary Sports Night captains Sr. Mariette Quinn, IHM (White) and Mrs. Diane Papa (Blue) for a night of memories and tradition. Sponsored by the Gaels Parents' Association.

April 22, 2010

60th Anniversary Celebration of St. Mary's High School

Plandome Country Club
6:00 PM Cocktails & Buffet Dinner

Join former faculty members, coaches, administrators and classmates for a night celebrating the rich tradition and educational mission that has been St. Mary's since its founding in 1949. Formal invitations to follow.

April 24, 2010

Lacrosse Reunion

Denihan Field
All lacrosse alumni are invited to an alumni game and reception. Invitations to follow.

May 15, 2010

Class of 1985 25th Reunion

Strathmore-Vanderbilt Country Club
Formal invitations to follow.

September 23, 2010

18th Annual Don Monti Memorial Golf Classic and Fall Alumni Dinner

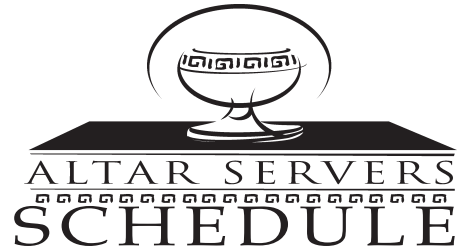
Plandome Country Club
Formal invitations to mail Summer 2010.

October 9, 2010

Class of 1960 50th Reunion

4:00 PM | Tours of St. Mary's High School
5:00 PM | Mass at the Church of St. Mary
Celebrated by Father Bill Brisotti '60
7:00 PM | Cocktails and Buffet Dinner
The Roslyn Claremont Hotel
1221 Old Northern Boulevard, Roslyn
\$105 per person

For more information on these events, please call 627 4605 or visit www.stmaryalumni.ws.



January 25th - January 31st

Monday, January 25th

7:00 AM B. Pilch & F. Pilch
9:00 AM C. McNamara & T. Brooks

Tuesday, January 26th

7:00 AM J. Meyer & B. Ackert
9:00 AM E. Fenton & T. Larre

Wednesday, January 27th

7:00 AM N. Parisi & P. Sheehan
9:00 AM C. Fenton & M. Cannatella

Thursday, January 28th

7:00 AM R. Rengifo & M. Torpe
9:00 AM T. Ferraris & M. Heaney

Friday, January 29th

7:00 AM D. Stevenson & J. Broderick
9:00 AM B. Gallagher & J. Sanserverino

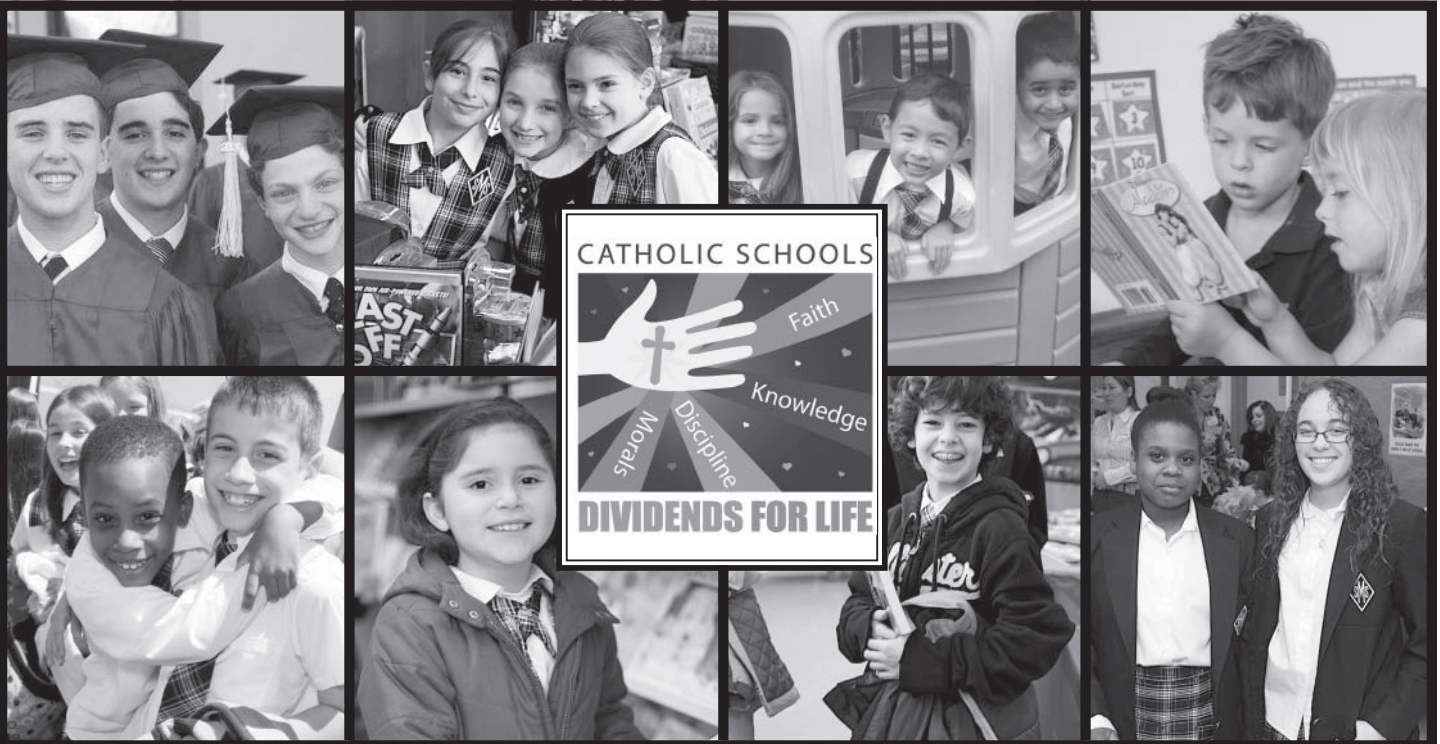
Saturday, January 30th

8:00 AM T. McGreal & J. Miller
5:00 PM B. Pilch, F. Pilch, N. Heid, T. Keating

Sunday, January 31st

7:30 AM N. Behringer & J. Broderick
9:00 AM T. Whelan, M. Torpe, M. Welsh, O. Welsh
10:30 AM R. Borek, M. Barcia, D. DeLucia, S. DeLucia
12:00 Noon M. Cain, N. Cain, A. Caggiano, N. Cordi
5:00 PM T. Brooks, C. McNamara, AJ Cannatella, M. Desanctis

Please be sure to arrange for a replacement if you cannot make your assignment.



Celebrate Catholic Schools Week with Us

Thursday, February 4th
OPEN HOUSE

TOUR I: 8:30-9:15 AM

GENERAL SESSION: 9:15-10:15 AM

TOUR II: 10:15-11:00 AM

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REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS

February 1st-March 1st | 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM



Celeste M. Checchia, Ph.D., Principal

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Manhasset, New York 11030
516 627 0184
www.stmary11030.org



Saint Mary's High School 2009-2010 Annual Fund is Underway!

St. Mary's College Preparatory High School's programs and capital needs are funded by tuition dollars and charitable donations. The Annual Fund is a vital source of funds for the school.

Among other items the Annual Fund supports:

- Scholar Service Institute leadership seminars and community outreach programs
- Student Tuition Assistance for students who want a Catholic education but who are challenged to meet the tuition costs
- Faculty compensation for teachers who are required to hold master's level degrees and who have many years of teaching service to the school

Please make a contribution to the 2009-2010 Annual Fund by visiting www.stmaryalumni.ws or by calling the Office of Development and Alumni Relations at 516-627-4605.



MASS SCHEDULE

(subject to change)

January 30th & 31st

Saturday, January 30th

5:00 PM Fr. Allan Sikorski

Sunday, January 31st

7:30 AM Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco

9:00 AM Msgr. John J. McCann

10:30 AM Fr. Allan Sikorski

12:00 Noon Fr. Vincent Ritchie

5:00 PM Fr. Raphael Soadwah

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Annual Ladies' Night Out

Sponsored by the St. Mary's Gaels
Parents' Association

Boutique, Fashion Show and Dinner

Thursday, March 11, 2010

Cocktails: 6:30 pm

Dinner: 7:30 pm

Leonard's | Dolce Vita

555 Northern Boulevard, Great Neck

For more information, please contact Alice Evans at
gaelsparents@aol.com



This Sunday, Deacon Frank Bice will speak to our teens in the Marian Room from 5:45 PM to 7:00 PM. **PARENTS:** please be prompt in picking up your child – 7:00 PM sharp in the Church parking lot.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Oberammergau

May 23 - June 4, 2010

Spaces still available!

206 Tours is pleased to offer a unique opportunity for a Catholic pilgrimage: the chance to walk in the footsteps of Jesus Christ together with one of the most special drama performances of all time, the famous Passion Play at Oberammergau, Germany, which is offered only once every ten years! Visit Jerusalem, Galilee, Bethlehem, and other locations where the Scriptures come alive. Then join hundreds of other Christians as you experience the power of the passion of Christ in the professional performance of the Oberammergau Passion Play. Superior accommodations, meals, airfare, and expert guides are included in this special pilgrimage. Information flyers are available at the parish office. Please contact Stefanie at 206 Tours (stephanie@206Tours.com) or Father Nick Zientarski, spiritual director, at 04zientarski@cardinalmail.cua.edu or (301) 593-0357 for more information. Join us for an experience you will never forget!

Spiritual Care Companion

Are you looking for an avenue to volunteer your time with others? Come learn more about sharing your gift of time and presence as a **Spiritual Care Companion** with those that are hospitalized or living in a nursing home or homebound.

Catholic Health Services of Long Island sponsors this free six-week training, for volunteers of all faiths, with basic pastoral care skills and information to become a caring, attentive, listening presence. Topics include communication skills, concerns of the sick and homebound, spiritual companionship, grief, death & dying, ethical issues and more. Spiritual Care Companions will attend morning training from mid-February through March.

INFORMATION SESSION:

Friday, February 5, 2010

9:30 AM to 11:30 AM

St. Francis Hospital, Roslyn, NY

Lower Level Conference Room DeMatteis Pavilion

For further information, please call: Carol Cella (516) 705-3714
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CYO Girls & Boys Basketball



St. Mary's McGorry/Weber 7th Grade boys basketball team ended a drought on Sunday, January 17th, with a decisive 54-41 win against St. Gertrude's of Bayville. St. Gertrude's made a strong showing in the fourth quarter but could not surmount St. Mary's lead. "It was a great all-around team effort," said Coach Rob Weber. "We could not be more proud of the team's energy." On offense, every member of the team scored, led by guards David Spampinato, Andrew Gray and George Yiachos. Defensively St. Mary's came to play, including solid rebounding by Justin DeHaan, Griffin Hyde, Nicky Naccarato, Matt Sears, and Chris Weber. "This game was a make-up for a snow day," added Coach Ken McGorry, "it was good to get it in."

The 6th grade boys team (Salter/McLaughlin/Sanseverino) defeated St. Patrick, the defending A League champs, by a score of 41-33 to increase its record to 6-2. The team's success this year has been due in large part to a pressing defense lead by Jack Miller, Owen Corrigan, James Albrechtsen and Colin Dunning. Point guards Matt Gavin and Brian Gallagher run the well-balanced offense, which has resulted in Dan McEntee, Charlie Salter, John Sanseverino and Michael McLaughlin leading the team in scoring in different games.

Michael Ferraro hit a driving lay-up in Double Sudden Death Overtime to give the eighth grade boys coached by Roberts, Hayes and Ferraro a 58-56 win over St. Rose in a packed Wiest Hall. Scoring leaders were Will Rybecky, Michael Ferraro, James Roberts, Chris Ferraro, Luke Hedberg and Mark Vicklund. Michael Santos controlled the boards and an injured Tommy Hayes came off the bench in the final seconds to help secure the win. The boys move to 2 and 4 on the year and headed in the right direction.



A few members of the Hofstra University Men's Basketball team paid a visit to a Church of St. Mary CYO basketball practice and ran a clinic for the 3rd grade team 2 and Coach McGorry's 7th grade team. Coach Mike DePaoli and players Charles Jenkins, Mike Moore, Greg Washington and Brad Kelleher ran drills and worked our players hard. Head Coach Tom Pecora made a special visit to check on the teams and talk to the players. Special thanks to Coach Josh Mulholland for organizing this fun and memorable evening.

Knights of Columbus to Host Basketball Shootout

The Fr. William A. Daly Council 2122 of the Knights of Columbus will again sponsor the local basketball Free-Throw Contest. The annual contest is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus with winners progressing through local, district, county and state competitions. All boys and girls age 10-14 years are eligible to participate. There are no entry fees or pre-registration.

This year the local competition will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2010 at St. Mary's H.S. Immaculata Hall Gym. Start time will be 10:00 AM sharp! Please arrive early to register. Contestants competing at the local level are required to attempt 15 consecutive free throws.



For further information, please call John S. Vricella at 365-9182.



High School News

Student to Watch

by Eileen T. McMahon

Courtney Heed '10 came to St. Mary's in search of a more structured educational setting, one that would nourish her faith. She and her parents, James and Arlene, have been "thrilled" with her high school experience. They find the Gospel values emphasized at St. Mary's to be the same ones emphasized by their family.

As her Scholar Service project, Courtney has corresponded with and sent monthly donations to an Armenian girl whose father was wounded in battle. This activity is sponsored by the Armenian Association of America and was recommended to Courtney by her grandfather. Courtney also volunteers her time at the Juvenile Diabetes Thrift Store in Port Washington. Along with two friends, she sorts clothing, makes sales and cleans up the shop on Saturday mornings.

Involvement is practically Courtney's middle name. She is



Courtney Heed

captain of the tennis team, president of the Environmental Club, a member of the National Honor Society, and a Senior Shepherd to which she attributes a strengthening of her faith. She serves as editor-in-chief of *The Magnificat* and enjoys bonding with fellow classmates in this common task. The students teach each other and learn from one another. According to Courtney, it affords students an opportunity to get to know what's going on at St. Mary's. She went on to say that journalism provides one with an opportunity to increase awareness, to share news and to spotlight areas requiring action or advocacy, all of which Courtney relishes. Last spring, *The Long Island Catholic* awarded her first prize in journalism for the Best Feature.

Courtney hopes to pursue a career in journalism and to study at Columbia University.

St. Mary's Signs with MSG Varsity

by Mary B. Cornell

If you turn on your television, you may notice a new addition to the lineup: MSG Varsity. MSG Varsity, a product of Cablevision, is a channel solely dedicated to local high school activities, events and athletics. It is presently involved in negotiations with Time-Warner to provide its services to our New York City and Queens students. In addition to MSG on Channels 14 and 614, there is an online information site and other digital interactive services available to Cablevision customers. The programming will include original shows and features that are of interest to the student body and their families.

St. Mary's has signed on to participate in this exciting venture and has formed a student group including members of the school newspaper, the yearbook, the student body, varsity athletic teams, and those engaged in independent film studies who will be trained on equipment provided by Cablevision. Overseen by their advisors, Eileen Symmons, Director of Communications, and Mary B. Cornell, Assistant Athletic Director, these students will function as local reporters, downloading and uploading information as well as providing current events for the website. Presently, the Gaels version of the MSG Varsity group is gathering ideas for story production. The participants are eager to film game highlights and to provide stories of interest to the students.



Spirituality for Singles

Join us on February 6th for fellowship for Catholic singles with Mass at 7:30 PM in the church, followed by faith sharing, refreshments and pizza in the Upper School Cafeteria of St. Aidan's Church, 505 Willis Avenue, Williston Park. \$5.00 donation at the door. For further information, please call (516) 746-6585.

Please remember St. Mary's in your will.

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Friday, March 12, 2010
7:00 PM to 11:00 PM
for
Class of 1980, '85, '90, '95, '00, '05

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6:30 PM to Midnight
Liturgy at 5:30 PM
hosted by
Class of 1960 with '65, '70, and '75

Holy Cross High School Gymnasium
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