

Mass Intentions



MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2023 *John 8:1-11*
 8:30am Marion K. Mulligan (Birthday in Heaven)
 12:10pm James Friel
 Donald J. Buttaro

TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2023 *John 8:21-30*
 8:30am Intentions of Anne Marie's Beloved Family
 John Gannon
 12:10pm Henry Selah (1 month Anniversary)
 Dr. Paul Kramer

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2023 *John 8:31-42*
 12:10pm Alfonso Reyes
 7:30pm Private Intention

THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2023 *John 8:51-59*
 8:30am Private Intention
 12:10pm Zenon Piotrowski

FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 2023 *John 10:31-42*
 8:30am Private Intention
 12:10pm Mary Simonelli

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2023 *John 11:45-56*
 8:30am Moran-Santacruz Family
 5:00pm Angela Badamo
 John Adinolfi
 Kearney Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023 *Matthew 26:14-27:66*
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
 7:45am Anna & Michael Apollo (Living)
 Charles Francis Bartels
 9:00am Parishioners of Holy Name of Mary
 11:00am Anna Albanese
 Sergio Reyes
 1:00pm Pastora & Luis Rios
 Ignacia Moral
 Jasus Gabriel Zurita Cevallos
 7:00pm Private Intention



The Raising of Lazarus

Next Sunday's Liturgy—April 2



Readings for Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7 The just one will not yield to evil, trusting in God's help.
Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 God comes to the aid of the one who relies on God's promises.
2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11 The humble one will go down to death and be raised to exaltation.
Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27:66 The sanctuary is exposed, the Earth quakes, tombs open, and the dead are raised at the death of Jesus.
FOCUS: Truly, Jesus Christ is the Son of God.
 The congregation's last words in today's communal Gospel reading are those of the centurion: *Truly, this was the Son of God!* This is the central proclamation of our faith that we strive to profess more fully this Holy Week – that the one whom we follow is God's own Son, and God himself. May his name be praised forever.

SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION
 Throughout the season of Lent, a priest will be available for Confession after all weekend Masses. Reconciliation in Spanish will be offered at 12 Noon on Sundays. We will continue to have our regular times for Confession every Saturday from 3:30pm-4:30pm (excluding Holy Saturday) or by appointment (516-825-1450).

Eucharistic Adoration



You are invited to pray in front of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday following the 12:10pm Mass, until 6pm; and every Saturday from 7pm - 8pm.



Priest Schedule of Masses



Saturday, April 1, 2023
 5:00 pm Fr. David Regan
Sunday, April 2, 2023
 7:45 am Fr. Edmund Ani
 9:00 am Fr. Edmund Ani
 11:00 am Fr. David Regan
 1:00 pm Fr. Jose Tenas

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Here is an excerpt from a homily delivered by Bishop Philip Boyce during the Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Marian shrine at Knock.

Confession is the most challenging...because in it we lay bare our inmost thoughts, our weaknesses and sins that shame us, our deepest motives. This we do to another human person, a priest who, we know in faith, takes the place of God...And yet we get untold benefits of freedom, forgiveness, peace, healing and strength from this sacrament. We sin as individuals. We also have to make an individual confession. It does us good to go on our knees, put our sinful deeds into words before an ordained priest, face up to the truth about ourselves and entrust our lives to God's merciful and just love.

..."One of the roots of the helplessness that assails many people today is found in their inability to see themselves as sinners and to allow themselves to be forgiven, an inability often resulting from the isolation of those who, by living as if God did not exist, have no one from whom they can seek forgiveness" (John Paul II, "Ecclesia in Europa," No. 76). In some ways they are among those whom St. Paul describes as "having no hope and without God in this world" (Ephesians 2:10). Thanks be to God, we should say, for our faith and for the sacrament of confession!

At times we do not appreciate the treasures we have in our Catholic faith. At other times we take them for granted. Yet many are those who experience the spiritual benefits of confession. The first effect and principal purpose of this sacrament is reconciliation with God. Anyone who makes a good confession with a contrite heart and a firm purpose of amendment is sure that God has blotted out the sin that weighed on his conscience. That person is certain of having been restored to God's friendship and to the blessings of a child of God.

A silent weight is lifted off the mind... worry caused by a troubled conscience gives way to peace of soul. As our Catechism says: "For those who receive the sacrament of Penance with contrite heart and religious disposition, reconciliation is usually followed by peace and serenity of conscience with strong spiritual consolation. Indeed the sacrament of Reconciliation with God brings about a true 'spiritual resurrection,' restoration of the dignity and blessings of the life of the children of God, of which the most precious is friendship with God" (1468).

One time I visited a Marian shrine... One evening as I walked around I met a lady who was looking for the confessional area and may not have been receiving the sacraments very often. "Father, could you tell me where I could get the sacrament of ..." and she hesitated for a minute. Then she continued: "Where I could get the sacrament of resurrection." I thought it was a very good description of confession. For that is what it truly is: a sacrament that gives a true spiritual resurrection from sin to friendship with God, from slavery to freedom, from darkness to light.

If we have committed a mortal sin, we must go to individual confession before receiving holy Communion. But we need not be great sinners or be away from the sacrament for years or have grave sins on our conscience to go to confession. In fact, the Church asks

those who wish to make progress in holiness, or who are more deeply united to God in the religious or consecrated life, to avail of the sacrament of reconciliation more frequently — not because they are greater sinners but because they need more grace and strength to live a holy life. "The purpose of the sacrament of penance is to make saints as well as to save sinners" (L. Trese). In fact the grace of this sacrament gives strength for the journey ahead; it inoculates against temptation and heals the wounds we receive in the good fight of every day against the weaknesses and selfish inclinations of our fallen nature.

It is the sacrament of pardon and of new life. It is often a forum where a soul receives advice, encouragement, counsel and direction. It accompanies a Christian on the way to perfection. "It would be an illusion to want to strive for holiness in accordance with the vocation that God has given to each one of us without frequently and fervently receiving this sacrament of conversion and sanctification" (St. Pp John Paul II, 3/27, 2004). It contains limitless possibilities of healing and growth.

This sacrament reconciles us not only with God, but also with others whom our sin has wounded or against whom our sinful ways have set up a barrier of discord or enmity. Here we are reconciled with the Church whose life our sin had weakened. We are reconciled with our brothers and sisters with whom our fraternal communion was damaged by our sinful actions. We are also reconciled with ourselves in our inmost heart and regain our peace of conscience.

John Henry Cardinal Newman, who knew what it was to be deprived of sacramental confession and then who experienced its benefits, once wrote: "How many are the souls, in distress, anxiety or loneliness, whose one need is to find a being to whom they can pour out their feelings unheard by the world? Tell them out they must; they cannot tell them out to those whom they see every hour. They want to tell them and not to tell them; and they want to tell them out, yet be as if they be not told; they wish to tell them to one who is strong enough to bear them, yet not too strong to despise them; they wish to tell them to one who can at once advise and can sympathize with them; they wish to relieve themselves of a load, to gain a solace, to receive the assurance that there is one who thinks of them, and one to whom in thought they can recur, to whom they can betake themselves, if necessary, from time to time, while they are in world" ("The Present Position of Catholics," p. 351). Happy all Catholics, if they knew their happiness!

Although the sacrament of penance may be "laborious" at times, it has been seen since the first centuries of Christianity as a "second plank following shipwreck" (Tertullian), that is, another chance to have sins committed after baptism forgiven and a broken or weakened friendship with Christ restored. In a world threatened by sin, it is a sacrament given to us to enable us to grow in the spiritual life and reach union with God.

Fr. Regan

Aquí hay un extracto de una homilía pronunciada por el obispo Philip Boyce durante la peregrinación diocesana al santuario mariano de Knock.

La confesión es la más desafiante... porque en ella ponemos al descubierto nuestros pensamientos más íntimos, nuestras debilidades y pecados que nos avergüenzan, nuestros motivos más profundos. Esto lo hacemos a otra persona humana, un sacerdote que, sabemos por fe, toma el lugar de Dios... Y, sin embargo, obtenemos beneficios incalculables de libertad, perdón, paz, curación y fortaleza de este sacramento. Pecamos como individuos. También tenemos que hacer una confesión individual. Nos hace bien ponernos de rodillas, poner en palabras nuestras obras pecaminosas ante un sacerdote ordenado, afrontar la verdad sobre nosotros mismos y confiar nuestra vida al amor misericordioso y justo de Dios. ... "Una de las raíces del desamparo que asalta hoy a muchas personas se encuentra en su incapacidad para reconocerse pecadores y dejarse perdonar, incapacidad que muchas veces resulta del aislamiento de quienes, viviendo como si Dios no existen, no tienen a quien pedir perdón" (Juan Pablo II, "Ecclesia in Europa", n. 76). De alguna manera están entre aquellos a quienes San Pablo describe como "sin esperanza y sin Dios en este mundo" (Efesios 2:10). ¡Gracias a Dios, debemos decir, por nuestra fe y por el sacramento de la confesión! A veces no apreciamos los tesoros que tenemos en nuestra fe católica. En otras ocasiones los damos por sentados. Sin embargo, muchos son los que experimentan los beneficios espirituales de la confesión. El primer efecto y fin principal de este sacramento es la reconciliación con Dios. El que hace una buena confesión con corazón contrito y firme propósito de enmienda, está seguro de que Dios ha borrado el pecado que pesaba sobre su conciencia. Esa persona está segura de haber sido restaurada a la amistad de Dios y a las bendiciones de un hijo de Dios.

Un peso silencioso se quita de la mente... la preocupación causada por una conciencia atribulada da paso a la paz del alma. Como dice nuestro Catecismo: "Para quienes reciben el sacramento de la Penitencia con corazón contrito y disposición religiosa, la reconciliación suele ser seguida por la paz y la serenidad de la conciencia con un fuerte consuelo espiritual. En efecto, el sacramento de la Reconciliación con Dios produce una verdadera 'resurrección espiritual'.', restauración de la dignidad y bienaventuranza de la vida de los hijos de Dios, de las cuales la más preciosa es la amistad con Dios" (1468).

Una vez visité un santuario mariano... Una tarde, mientras caminaba, me encontré con una señora que estaba buscando el área del confesionario y que tal vez no estaba recibiendo los sacramentos con mucha frecuencia. "Padre, ¿podría decirme dónde puedo conseguir el sacramento de..." y dudó un minuto. Luego continuó: "Dónde podría obtener el sacramento de la resurrección". Pensé que era una muy buena descripción de la confesión. Porque eso es lo que verdaderamente es: un sacramento que da una verdadera resurrección espiritual del pecado a la amistad con Dios, de la esclavitud a la libertad, de las tinieblas a la luz.

Si hemos cometido pecado mortal, debemos ir a la confesión individual antes de recibir la sagrada Comunión. Pero no necesitamos ser grandes pecadores o estar alejados del sacramento por años o tener pecados graves en nuestra conciencia para ir a confesarnos. En efecto, la Iglesia pide a los que quieren progresar en la santidad, o a los que están más profundamente unidos a Dios en la vida religiosa o consagrada, que se acojan con más frecuencia al sacramento de la reconciliación, no porque sean más pecadores, sino porque necesitan más gracia y fuerza para vivir una vida santa. "La finalidad del sacramento de la penitencia es tanto hacer santos como salvar a los pecadores" (L. Trese). De hecho, la gracia de este sacramento da fuerza para el camino por delante; inculca contra la tentación y cura las heridas que recibimos en la buena lucha de cada día contra las debilidades e inclinaciones egoístas de nuestra naturaleza caída.

Es el sacramento del perdón y de la vida nueva. A menudo es un foro donde un alma recibe consejo, ánimo, consejo y dirección. Acompaña al cristiano en el camino de la perfección. "Sería una ilusión querer luchar por la santidad de acuerdo con la vocación que Dios nos ha dado a cada uno de nosotros sin recibir con frecuencia y fervor este sacramento de conversión y santificación" (S. Pp Juan Pablo II, 3/27, 2004). Contiene posibilidades ilimitadas de curación y crecimiento.

Este sacramento nos reconcilia no solo con Dios, sino también con otros a quienes nuestro pecado ha herido o contra quienes nuestros caminos pecaminosos han levantado una barrera de discordia o enemistad. Aquí nos reconciamos con la Iglesia cuya vida nuestro pecado había debilitado. Nos reconciamos con nuestros hermanos y hermanas con quienes nuestra comunión fraterna fue dañada por nuestras acciones pecaminosas. Nos reconciamos también con nosotros mismos en lo más íntimo de nuestro corazón y recobramos la paz de conciencia.

El cardenal John Henry Newman, que supo lo que era estar privado de la confesión sacramental y luego experimentó sus beneficios, escribió una vez: "¿Cuántas son las almas, en aflicción, ansiedad o soledad, cuya única necesidad es encontrar un ser a quien ¿Pueden expresar sus sentimientos sin que el mundo los escuche? Decirles que deben hacerlo; no pueden decírselos a aquellos a quienes ven cada hora. Quieren decírselos y no decírselos; y quieren decírselos, pero aún así ser como si no se las contaran; desean decírselas a alguien que sea lo suficientemente fuerte para soportarlas, pero no demasiado fuerte para despreciarlas; desean decírselas a alguien que pueda aconsejarlas y al mismo tiempo simpatizar con ellas; desean aliviarse de una carga, obtener un consuelo, recibir la seguridad de que hay alguien que piensa en ellos, y alguien a quien en el pensamiento pueden recurrir, a quien pueden acudir, si es necesario, de vez en cuando, mientras están en el mundo" ("La posición actual de los católicos", p. 351).

¡Felices todos los católicos, si supieran su felicidad! Aunque el sacramento de la penitencia puede resultar a veces "laborioso", se ha visto desde los primeros siglos del cristianismo como una "segunda tabla después del naufragio" (Tertuliano), es decir, otra oportunidad para que los pecados cometidos después del bautismo sean perdonados y rota la amistad debilitada con Cristo restaurada. En un mundo amenazado por el pecado, es un sacramento que se nos da para crecer en la vida espiritual y alcanzar la unión con Dios.

P. Regan

Holy Week Schedule



PALM SUNDAY, April 2, 2023

Masses: **Saturday** - 5:00pm

Sunday - 7:45am, 9:00am, 11:00am

Spanish Masses: **Sunday** - 1:00pm, 7:00pm

Monday, April 3, 2023

Reconciliation: 2:00pm-4:00pm & 6:00pm-9:00pm

All Catholics are invited to come and be reconciled, that we might celebrate the Paschal Mystery with heart and mind renewed.



All Catholics who have reached their 14th birthday are bound to abstain from meat all the Fridays of Lent. All Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive are bound to observe the laws of fast on Good Friday. Fasting means limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Two other light meals, which together do not equal a full meal, may be taken during the day.

HOLY THURSDAY, April 6, 2023

9:00am - Morning Prayer

8:00pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper (Bi-Lingual)

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 2023

9:00am - Morning Prayer

11:00am - Stations of the Cross with Procession (Spanish)

3:00pm - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

7:00pm - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion (Spanish)

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2023

9:00am - Morning Prayer (with blessing of food)

8:00pm - Easter Vigil (Bi-Lingual)

The third day of the Triduum is filled with the wonder of the resurrection. The Easter Vigil is the high point of the liturgical year. The drama of the lighting of the new fire, the blessing of the Paschal candle and the Easter proclamation in the candlelit Church set the stage for the recounting of the story of salvation in the Scripture readings. "Alleluia" once again greets the Gospel, and following the homily, we celebrate baptism and the renewal of our baptismal promises. The Paschal Triduum officially concludes on Easter Sunday, but the wonder of the Easter Season extends for a full 50 days!

EASTER SUNDAY, April 9, 2023

Masses: 7:45am, 9:00am, 11:00am,
1:00pm (Spanish Mass)

Msgr. Mulligan Memorial



Bread & Wine, Candles or Flowers

*In Memory of
Your Loved One*

There are many available dates to remember a loved one with the **Msgr. Mulligan Memorial of Bread & Wine, Candles, or Flowers**. These intentions begin on a Sunday and end on the following Saturday. Your loved one will be remembered at every Mass throughout the week. Please stop in at the Parish Office if you would like to schedule your special intention.

Bread & Wine or Candles = \$50.00 Flowers = \$125.00

Financial Information



Weekly budget amount to meet parish expenses	\$13,882
Weekly offering of March 19, 2023	\$10,541
Faith Direct (average of weekly donation)	\$ 2,605
TOTAL of weekly offering & Faith Direct/Other	\$13,146
Deficit	\$ 736

**CALLING ALL
HOLY NAME OF MARY SCHOOL**

Alumni

Have you joined our Alumni Database?

Visit our website at www.hnomschool.org

to enter your contact information, and stay

up to date on exciting alumni events that

will be coming soon at HNOM!

**Substitute Teachers Needed
at HNM School, Nursery thru 8th Grade**

Contact Miss Ciminelli
at 516-825-4009

or aciminelli5578@hnomschool.org.



We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee. Because by Your holy cross, You have redeemed the world.

YOU are invited to pray the **Stations of the Cross**
as we walk with Jesus every Friday evening during Lent,
February 24—March 31; 7:00pm (English) **7:30pm** (Spanish)

The Stations of the Cross is a Lenten devotion that offers witness to Jesus' Passion and Death. At each station we use our senses and our imagination to reflect prayerfully upon Jesus' suffering, death, and Resurrection, and to experience the visual images to reflect on Christ's love for us.

Save the Date! HNOM SCHOOL'S DAY OF GIVING!



**MARCH
24TH**



HELP SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!

Holy Name of Mary School's Day of Giving will be Friday, March 24. All donations will go towards overall school improvements, including:



- New water fountains
- Updated scoreboard system
- Technology updates
- Other school improvements

Donations will begin on March 24. To make an online donation, please scan the QR code or visit our website: <https://hnomschool.org/day-of-giving>. To make a cash or check donation, please call the school office at 516-825-4009.



Holy Name of Mary School Presents the 2023 Production of



Friday, March 31, at 7:00 pm
Saturday, April 1, at 7:00 pm
in the school auditorium

General Admission-Tickets: \$10.00 each

To purchase tickets, please contact Mrs. Powell at 516-825-4009
or email at cpowell5578@hnomschool.org.

"I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

- Lk 15:10

Reconciliation Monday

*Experience the liberating grace of the
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance).*

Monday, April 3
2-4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.

**Confessions will be heard at all parishes in the
Diocese of Rockville Centre, the Diocese of Brooklyn
and the Archdiocese of New York.**

To find a parish near you, visit: drvc.org.

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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER INFORMATION MEETING

Tuesday, March 28 at 7:30 PM in the Parish Outreach Office at 65 E. Jamaica Ave. Have you thought about becoming a Eucharistic Minister? Do you hesitate because you don't think you are worthy or because you don't think you know enough about your faith?

Do you have other questions like:

How does a person become a Eucharistic Minister for our parish? What are the qualifications?

What training is involved? What is the commitment and what are the responsibilities?

If you have been curious about this topic **OR** if you think you may be interested in this ministry, please plan on attending this meeting. If you cannot attend the meeting but want to consider this ministry, call the Parish Outreach Office at 825-0177.



THANK YOU FROM RELIGIOUS ED STUDENTS!

On behalf of the students of our Religious Education Program, thank you to all our parishioners for your constant support of our service projects with such extraordinary generosity. Our students are extremely blessed to have you as a shining example.

LONG ISLAND COALITION FOR LIFE

THE LONG ISLAND COALITION FOR LIFE is holding a **GOOD FRIDAY SILENT VIGIL ON BEHALF OF PREBORN CHILDREN** on **APRIL 7th**, from 10:30am to NOON, in front of Nassau University Medical Center (2201 Hempstead Tpke., East Meadow; on the public sidewalk). Pro-life women, men and children are invited to take part in this peaceful Face the Truth event for the protection of life in the womb and as a visible reminder that abortion is not healthcare. Your participation for even part of the time is extremely important. Signs provided (east end of hospital) or bring your own (no political signs). Please stand 5 feet to 10 feet apart for better messaging to the public. **Information: 631-243-1435; info@prolifeLI.org.**

Heavenly Father, touch with pity the hearts of those women pregnant in our world today who are not thinking of motherhood. Help them to see that the child they carry is made in Your image, as well as theirs, made for eternal life.

MINISTRY OF PRAISE

The Ministry of Praise is an opportunity for those who are homebound to be connected in a special way to the parish. Through a commitment of *Prayer and Sacrifice* each day, individuals are able to be involved in a very important ministry for our parish.

Each member of the Ministry of Praise receives a prayer book, an olive wood cross and a membership certificate. Monthly, they receive a letter of news and encouragement from a member of the parish staff and a list of intentions to pray for each day. The intentions are actual requests from parishioners who write down their petitions and place them in boxes in the Church. Staff from the Outreach Office collect and type the petitions, and prepare the mailings to each member once a month. We know prayer is powerful, and our parishioners have come to rely on the prayers and sacrifice of all those in the Ministry of Praise. We hope that you will experience the satisfaction of knowing that you are an important source of support and hope for people who need God's help. To join, contact the Parish Outreach Office at 516-825-0177.

LENTEN JOURNEY



Lent is a solemn time when, as Christians, we prepare ourselves for Easter. We do this in many ways: self-denial, fasting, penance, reading Scripture passages or prayer, all to draw ourselves closer to God.

Why not consider praying the Rosary and the Divine Mercy with fellow parishioners? The Rosary and Divine Mercy will be prayed at 7:30pm, *via ZOOM*, on **March 27 & April 3.**
Come join the journey!



Meeting ID: 828 5166 5191

Passcode: Rosary

Growing in FAITH™



Meditations

Fasting to detach

“Their God is their stomach; their glory is in their ‘shame.’ Their minds are occupied with



earthly things” (Philippians 3:19). We tend to eat and drink so freely that we forget God, who gives us that which we eat and drink. Fasting, especially during Lent, helps us to detach from the things of this world and remember Him. Catholics are required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and to abstain from meat on all Fridays during Lent.

Believe in God

Believing in God means more than just saying He exists. Believers serve God, give time to Him, and put Him first. Spend more time in prayer this Lent, shed some possessions, perform works of charity and you will act on your baptismal promises.



“Yet even now,” says the LORD, ‘return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments’” (Joel 2:12).



Preparing hearts for Easter joy

Lent is the Church’s gift to us to help prepare our hearts for Easter by purifying our hearts, opening up to love, and putting love into action.

Purifying our hearts: Every heart yearns for love, yet only God’s love can truly satisfy that yearning. The goal of Lenten penance is to purify ourselves of whatever blocks us from God’s love or closes our heart to others. This can include excessive social media, materialism, gossip, or sinful habits like lust or deceit. From what does your heart need to detach so there’s room for God and others?

Opening up to love: Mother Teresa wrote, “Have you seen...how [Jesus] looks at you with love?... Have you heard the loving words

He speaks to you?” Strive to know God’s heart. Seek Him, not just His gifts. Only by receiving God’s love first, beginning with prayer, can we share it with others.

Put love in action:

“Even as I have loved you...you also love one another” (John 13:34). God commands us to love as we’ve been loved – because we are loved. Find small, doable ways to serve during Lent. Commit to a Work of Mercy (corporal or spiritual).

Practice patience. Give the gift of listening. True joy at Easter comes from loving Christ and imitating Him. Strive to do this throughout Lent and beyond.



Why do Catholics Do That



Why do Catholics cover statues during Lent?

Many churches cover statues and crucifixes in red or purple cloth for the final weeks in Lent, traditionally known as “Passiontide.” The veils are visual cues that we’re entering into a solemn time and remind us that sin separates us from God. This helps to build anticipation for Easter when the statues are unveiled and we are restored to Him. Lastly, the veils symbolize that heavenly glories are hidden in this life, but will be revealed when we enter eternity.



Cultivating a "holy hospitality"

Jesus asked us to make others feel welcome, seen and loved while they're with us. "Holy hospitality" is vital to building community around Christ. Try these tips:

Sit and listen: When Jesus visited with his dear friends, Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, He observed that Martha was so distracted and focused on her own concerns that she merely served Jesus instead of connecting with Him personally (Luke 10:41-42). Prepare for guests like Martha did, but enjoy them like Mary – with complete attention.

Fill your conversations with faith: A "holy hospitality" is a

faith-informed one. The Samaritan woman's life changed when she encountered Christ (John 4:14-15) because He told her the Good News of salvation. Ensure your conversations are uplifting and re-ect your hope and optimism for eternity.

Open your circle: Jesus ate with tax collectors and public sinners – those considered unpleasant. "Holy hospitality" means your social circle is open to the socially awkward, the frustrating coworker, the elderly neighbor who lives alone, because Christ is in all we serve (Matthew 25:40).

from Scripture

John 11:1-45, Generous trust, generous faith

In this Gospel passage, a beloved friend of Jesus' was fatally ill and his sisters sent urgent word to Jesus to come immediately. Jesus delayed, and Lazarus died, but this would not be His ultimate fate. Jesus had something else in mind for Lazarus and his family. When He finally arrived, Martha didn't demand Jesus raise Lazarus from the dead, although she acknowledged His power to do so. Even though her brother's body had been in the tomb for days and the decay had begun in earnest, her trust in Jesus was complete. She knew that God's love is more powerful than death and left the outcome in His hands. God never leaves us in our troubles but uses them to draw us closer to Him. Martha's generous trust in God's will rested on her close friendship with Christ. Whatever He thought would be best was best. God's timing is not ours, yet everything He does – even when He does it – is for our good. Martha's trust in Jesus was rewarded in the most magnificent way. Ours will be, too.

FEASTS & CELEBRATIONS

March 9 – St. Frances of Rome (1440). Although she preferred a life of service, St. Frances' wealthy parents required that she marry. With her sister-in-law, Vannozza, St. Frances formed a group of women dedicated to serving the poor, all while caring for her family.

March 22 - St. Deogratias of Carthage (456): As Bishop of Carthage, St. Deogratias is best known for aiding slaves captured by the Vandal king, Geiseric. He ransomed hundreds of captives and sheltered them in two large cathedrals.

March 25 – The Annunciation of the Lord (1st century). The angel Gabriel visited the Blessed Virgin Mary with the extraordinary news of her role as the mother of God. Even at her young age, she had confidence in God's grace and trusted in His wisdom.

March 30 - St. John Climacus (606): Born in 525 near Syria, St. John became a hermit when he was 16 and lived in the region of Mt. Sinai. A community of monks formed around him and elected him abbot.

Q & A

How can I overcome the temptations in my life?

Jesus knows that the battle for holiness is challenging in a fallen world, so He gave St. Faustina Kowalska twenty-five strategies to help (Divine Mercy in My Soul, #1760). Here is a sample: *“Do not bargain with any temptation; lock yourself immediately in My Heart.”* Don't assume you are strong enough for a "little" temptation. Run immediately to the refuge of Jesus' sacred heart for protection. *“Bear with yourself with great patience.”* Saints aren't made overnight. See yourself as God does – beloved. Be patient and keep trying. *“Do not neglect interior mortifications.”* Withhold a biting remark, give up a luxury for the day, cut down on screen time. Sacrifices for love are powerful. *“Shun murmurs like a plague.”* Gossip is never in God's service. False accusations and rumors that hurt reputations are Satan's favorite tools. Don't indulge. *“Always fight with the deep conviction that I am with you.”* Our courage comes from being rooted in God (John 15:5). Recall God's loving presence throughout the day: “Jesus, I trust in you!”

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Remember In Prayer

All Those Who Are Sick
Father of Goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need...
 Annie Bottone, Anthony K. Chirico
 Carmine Desio, Flo Facibene
 Anthony Ippolito, Kevin Lynch
 Alex Martinez, Carlos Martinez
 John Mack, Jacob Martinez
 Nial Pace, Erin White, Yvelis Diaz

(Names will remain on the sick list for **four weeks only**. If you would like to have the name listed again, please notify the Parish Office.)

All Those Who Have Died
Please remember in prayer the recently deceased, of our parish and for those who mourn their loss. We also remember all the souls in Purgatory.
 Salvacion S. Alba, Marie Dorcilorme
 Teresita Marcelino, Anthony Trapani

Eucharistic Minister Schedule


Saturday, April 1, 2023
 HOST} J. Marracello, B. Cercone
Sunday, April 2, 2023
 7:45am
 HOST} M. O'Connell, A. Paul
 9:00am
 HOST} C. Roncal, C. Giugliano
 11:00am
 HOST} A. Calisi, B. We



Baptism Schedule

Baptisms in English are scheduled on the second and fourth Sunday of every month at 3pm. Baptisms in Spanish are scheduled on the second Saturday of every month at 12 noon. Please call the Parish Office for available dates. Baby's birth certificate and signed sponsor forms from godparents are required.

St. Vincent de Paul Message



The Gospel today, challenges us to see and believe the signs of grace in our lives: joy, peace, forgiveness, mercy and kindness. This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist many families, providing food, and money for utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You!


Pantry Needs: Paper towel, toilet tissue, cereal, rice, beans, canned vegetables/fruit, pancake mix/syrup, oatmeal, coffee, tea, condiments, muffin/cake mix

Please remember the poor boxes as you leave Church today. These generous offerings help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul assist families in need in our own parish. Thank you!



If you and your family recently moved to Valley Stream and wish to become registered parishioners of Holy Name of Mary Church, (or maybe you attend Mass regularly and have never registered), please visit the Parish Office to fill out a short registration form. Using our envelope system is the only way to have all your donations recorded.

Loose checks are not recorded, they must be placed in your registered parishioner envelope.



PLEASE JOIN US THIS YEAR BY ATTENDING

The Chrism Mass

April 4, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

St. Agnes Cathedral

29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre

During the Chrism Mass, Bishop John Barres will consecrate the Oil of Chrism and bless the Oil of Catechumens and the Oil of the Sick. These holy oils will be used throughout our Diocese during the coming year in celebration of the Sacraments. Priests of the Diocese will also renew their call to the Holy Priesthood of Jesus Christ.

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CHRISM MASS 2023

Consider attending this year's **Chrism Mass at 4PM on April 4, 2023 at St. Agnes Cathedral (29 Quealy Pl., Rockville Centre)**. A pontifical blessing with a plenary indulgence attached will be imparted at the celebration of the Chrism Mass. The following conditions must be fulfilled in order to obtain the plenary indulgence:

- 1) Detachment from all sin, even venial.
- 2) Confession of sins in the sacrament of Penance.
- 3) Reception of Holy Communion.
- 4) Prayer for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff.

Having fulfilled these conditions, the faithful who attend this Mass and receive this blessing will benefit from the indulgence along with those who participate through television, livestreaming or radio. This celebration of the Eucharist is exceptionally beautiful and steeped in rich symbolism.

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If you are unable to attend in person, the Mass will air live on Catholic Faith Network and online at cfntv.org.

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EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION THE MASS - STEP BY STEP LITURGY EXPLAINED

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this Spring at these in-person presentations.
All are welcome! Registration is **REQUIRED**.

Tuesday, March 28, 2023

Mass Introductory Rites Explained
St. Paul the Apostle, Brookville

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Liturgy of the Word Explained
St. Paul the Apostle, Brookville

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

Liturgy of the Eucharist Explained
Curé of Ars, Merrick

Tuesday, July 11, 2023

Mass Concluding Rites Explained
Curé of Ars, Merrick



All sessions begin at **7:30 pm** and take place in the Church.

St. Paul the Apostle
2534 Cedar Swamp Road
Brookville, NY 11545

Curé of Ars
2323 Merrick Avenue
Merrick, NY 11566

Advance registration is required. Please contact the Western Vicariate office with your name, parish, email address and phone number.

Send your email to: westernvicariate@drvc.org or call Suzanne at 516-744-6850. Please do not contact the parish directly.