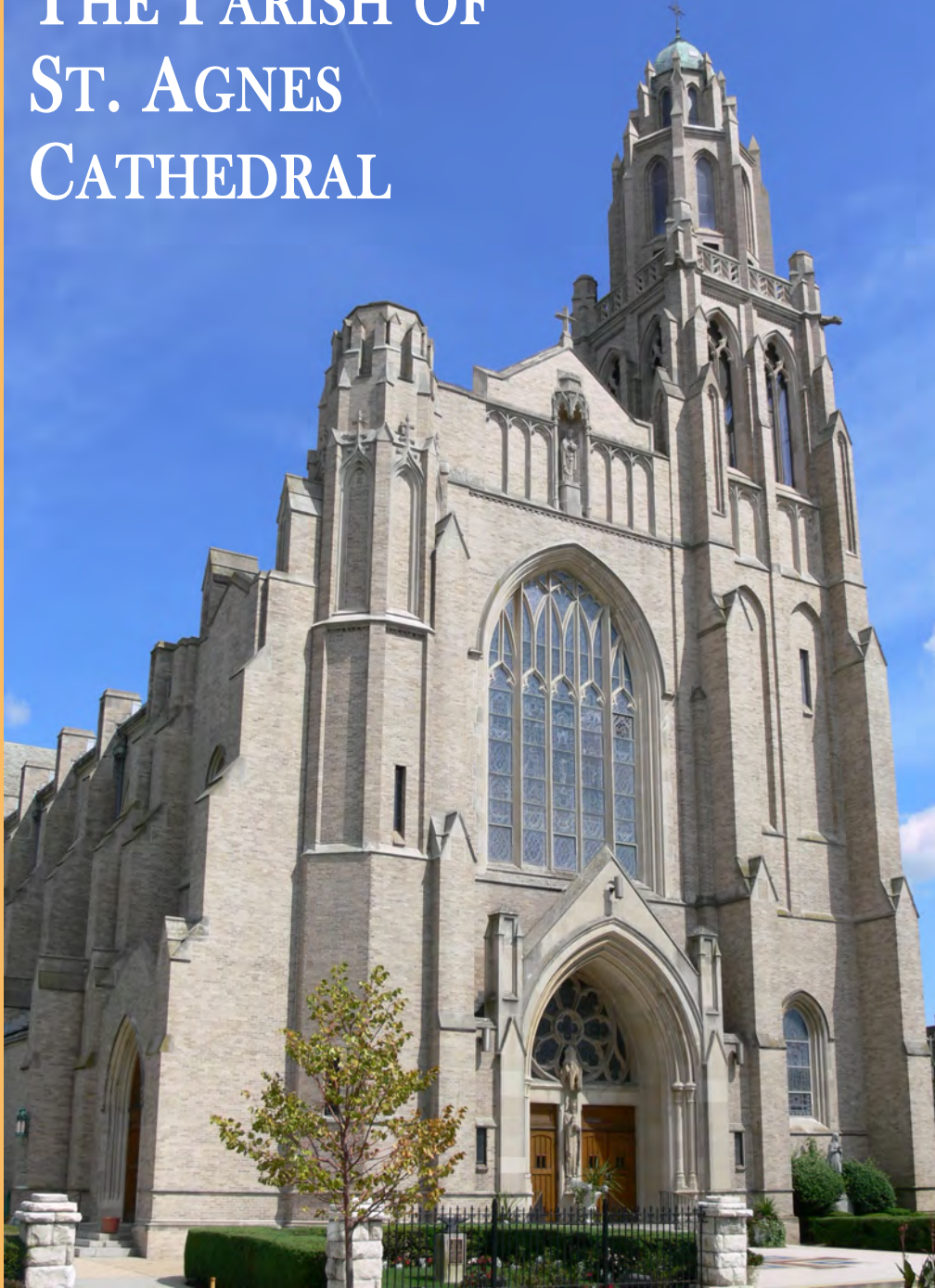


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MISSION STATEMENT:

We, the parish of St. Agnes Cathedral, a community of believers, proclaim the presence of Christ in the world through Word, Sacrament and deeds. Affirming the sanctity of each person, we minister to all by committing ourselves to renewal, formation and living the Gospel.

March 14, 2021

Fourth Sunday

of Lent

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Evening

5:00 p.m. — Cathedral 7:30 p.m. (Parish Center)
7:30 p.m. — Cathedral (Spanish Mass)

Sunday—all Masses in the Cathedral unless noted

7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 5:00 p.m.
10:30 a.m. (Parish Center)

Weekday

6:30, 7:45, 9:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m. (No 12:10 p.m. Saturday)
Monday 7:30 p.m.

Eve of Holy Day 5:00 p.m.

Holy Day — Check the weekly bulletin

CATHEDRAL & ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

As a reminder to parishioners and visitors alike, during these times of revised schedules, the Cathedral will be open Monday through Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. On weekends the entire Cathedral is open until the completion of that day's final Mass. Please remember to adhere to social distancing guidelines. For the time being, the Adoration Chapel (Clinton Avenue entrance) is closed. Adoration is held every Wednesday from 2:30—5:00 p.m., with Benediction at 5:00 p.m.

“MASS TRANSIT” BUS SERVICE

St. Agnes Cathedral offers bus service to parishioners who are unable to drive to Sunday Mass. Our “Mass Transit” mini-bus provides service to our 9:30 a.m. Mass. This service is suspended until further notice.

CONTACT NUMBERS

Rectory Office 766-0205
*Open Monday through Friday from
8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (closed for lunch 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.)
Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Emergencies anytime
All visitors must wear a mask and only one person at
a time may enter the office.*

Elementary School 678-5550
*Cecilia St. John, Principal
Justin Grover, Assistant Principal*

**Evangelization and Formation (Religious Education)
and Adult Formation (RCIA)** 678-2306
*Joseph R. Long
Email: jlong@stagnescathedral.org*

*Religious Education Office hours:
Mondays from 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.; Tuesday through
Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.*

Service Center/Outreach 678-1854
*Sr. Kathleen P. Murphy, O.P.
Office open Monday—Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.*

Music Office 764-9578
*Michael Bower, Director
Maura Goodwin, Associate Director*

Comunidad Hispana 766-0205
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Business Office 766-0205
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SACRAMENTS



Confessions

Saturday, Eve of Holy Day, and Eve of First Friday from 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

Monday Evening following 7:30 p.m. Mass.

Wednesday Morning following the 7:45 a.m. Mass and the 12:10 p.m. Mass.



Baptism

Once a month on Saturday at 12:30 p.m. and on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 1:45 p.m. Contact the Rectory Office to arrange for interview, ceremony and registration for required

Baptism Preparation Class (for first time parents). Spanish Baptisms take place before the 7:30 p.m. Spanish Mass on Saturday evening. Please call the Rectory Office for more information.



Marriage

Arrangements should be made at least 12 months in

advance and prior to making reception plans. Call the Rectory for an appointment with the priest you wish to witness your wedding. All couples are required to attend Pre-Cana.



Pastoral Care of the Sick

Priests and Extraordinary Ministers of

Communion are available to bring Holy Communion to parishioners confined to home. Please call the Rectory Office to make arrangements. Those who are seriously ill should request a priest for Anointing of the Sick.



On Becoming A Catholic

Those seeking information about the Catholic Faith are invited to contact Joseph R. Long (678-2306) concerning the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

MASSES FOR THE WEEK**Monday, March 15, Lenten Weekday***Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54*

- 6:30 Narain Bajaj
- 7:45 Morris Forst
- 9:00 Lucy Abbatiello
- 12:10 Carol Brown
- 7:30 The deceased members of the
Burke & Bucaria Families

Tuesday, March 16, Lenten Weekday*Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16*

- 6:30 In Thanksgiving
- 7:45 Helen Filipas
- 9:00 Matthew Rooney
- 12:10 Francesco Argandizzo

Wednesday, March 17, St. Patrick, Bishop*Is 48:8-15; Jn 5:17-30*

- 6:30 George Kachmer
- 7:45 Margaret E. Milone
- 9:00 Robert Frank
- 12:10 Theresa Foy Samuelsen

**Thursday, March 18, St. Cyril of Jerusalem,
Bishop & Doctor of the Church***Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47*

- 6:30 Phil Leaden
- 7:45 Scott Langley
- 9:00 Frances Perrotta
- 12:10 Deceased members of the
Cromy & Tupa Families

**Friday, March 19, St. Joseph, Spouse of the
Blessed Virgin Mary***2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22*

- 6:30 Eugene Despoli, Jr.
- 7:45 Richard Bastian
- 9:00 Joseph V. Davis, Sr.
- 12:10 Catherine & William Donovan

Saturday, March 20, Lenten Weekday*Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53*

- 6:30 Thomas Moriarty
- 7:45 Kathleen M. T. Dowd
- 9:00 Special Intention
- 5:00 James Loesch, Maureen Greaney,
Joseph Lawless, Joan Matthaeci,
Sheila Dougherty
- 5:00 PC Terence P. Connelly
- 7:30 C Clara Guillermina Flores Mendez &
Ricardo Arriola Cordova
- 7:30 PC William Schneider

Sunday, March 21, Fifth Sunday of Lent*Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33*

- 7:00 Gaetano Limoncelli
- 8:00 Virginia Kutner
- 9:30 Parishioners of St. Agnes Cathedral
- 10:30 PC Caroline Feeney
- 11:00 John Santarelli
- 12:30 Laura Coffin-Cote, Colleen Graziano,
Marie McManus, Pat Edwards,
Joseph Festa, Sr.
- 5:00 Jamison Novello

**PLEASE PRAY*****For The Dearly Departed***

Devin M. Hamilton, Robert Upton,
Kenneth Wynne, Susan Roach,
Salvatore Galvagno, and all who have
died from the coronavirus

For The Sick All those suffering from the coronavirus,
Matthew Perez, Anna Mini, Teresa Pezzella, Susan
Kowalski, Joseph Mariani, Patricia Cefalu, Stephen
Armstrong, Jeania Richards, Anthony Ferraro, Mary
Hayden, Walter Hayden, Norman Marston, Dolores
DeVito, Andrew Healey, Patricia Jackson, Joseph
Murphy, Lisa Pelrine-Shulman

**Sick Names for the bulletin remain for three weeks
unless the Rectory is notified for an extension. Please
note that requests should come from the family and
the person must give permission to be listed.**

Wine & Hosts

*In Loving Memory of the
Deceased members of the Burke
and Bucaria Families*

**Special Needs Mass**

We will celebrate a Mass for special needs children
and their families on **Saturday, March 20th**
at 5:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. This area is
handicapped accessible, allowing families with
children who have developmental disabilities access
to celebrate God's presence in their lives.

**Catholic Relief
Services Collection**

This weekend, our parish will take up The Catholic
Relief Services Collection (CRSC). Funds from this
collection help provide food to the hungry, support
to displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and
mercy to all people here at home and abroad. Next
week, please give generously to the CRSC, and **help
Jesus in disguise**. Learn more about the collection
at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

Staying Connected With St. Agnes Cathedral



Parish Website: Visit us at www.stagnescathedral.org to view our bulletin online and see other parish information.



Facebook: Find us at: Parish of St. Agnes Cathedral



Instagram: Follow us: @stagnescathedral



YouTube: Find us at: YouTube.com — search “The Cathedral of St. Agnes”.



Weekly Email: If you are not currently on our list and would like to receive email updates on parish news, please send your name, address and email address with your request to our rectory office at: parishoffice@stagnescathedral.org.

We will use these resources to communicate more news/information that needs to be publicized immediately or has occurred after our bulletin print deadlines. We invite you to share parish information with those without access to social media or computers so they may stay informed as well.

Televised and Livestreamed Masses from the Cathedral

For those who are unable to join us for Mass in person we invite you to celebrate with us virtually:



Catholic Faith Network
Televised Masses:
Optimum Ch 29/FIOS Ch 296
Online at www.cfntv.org

DAILY MASS: Shown at 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (note this a taped broadcast of our 7:45 a.m. Mass; no Mass is shown on Saturdays) Holy Day Masses follow the normal weekday broadcast schedule. Vigil Masses are not broadcast.

SUNDAY MASS: Shown live at 11:00 a.m. and rebroadcast at 7:00 p.m.



Facebook and YouTube Livestreamed Masses:
EVERY SUNDAY at 9:30 a.m.
Streaming of special events such as Holy Hours etc., will be announced.



Stewardship A Way of Life

Stewardship Reflection

Reflect on the words, “For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son.” Do you understand how much God loves you? Do you struggle to believe that you can be loved?

Living Stewardship . . . Pillar of Service

This week reach out to a friend or family member who may be lonely. This is a wonderful act of service to God and neighbor.

Sharing One's Material Resources in the Parish

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>3/7/21</u>	<u>3/8/20</u>
Weekly Collection	\$34,250	\$37,471	\$36,353



Supporting Our Parish

In these challenging times, special gratitude is expressed to those who are able to support St. Agnes Cathedral Parish.

WAYS TO GIVE:



Online: *Faith Direct* is a fast, secure, simple way to make your contributions. Visit www.faithdirect.net to register. Our Parish code is **NY239**.



Text: Text-to-Give to 1(516) 271-3338. Our Parish Code: 050; Keyword for Parish Offertory: **050parishstagnes**



By Mail: Mail to St. Agnes Cathedral, 29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY 11570



In Person: At Mass during the collection or dropped off at the rectory.



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Tel: 516-678-5800, ext. 221 • Fax: 516-594-0984 • www.drvc.org**STATEMENT**

DATE: March 8, 2021
RE: Statement – Covid-19 Vaccines
FROM: Sean P. Dolan

On March 3, 2021, the Diocese of Rockville Centre issued a memo to clergy and the faithful in response to concerns of the faithful that was intended to provide clarification on the hierarchical preference of available vaccines based only on their connection to the gravely evil act of abortion. That statement is consistent with statements from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), the entity that represents the U.S. Bishops. According to the USCCB statement, “if one has the ability to choose a vaccine, Pfizer or Moderna’s vaccines should be chosen over Johnson & Johnson’s” (USCCB – March 2, 2021 statement -<https://www.usccb.org/news/2021/us-bishop-chairmen-doctrine-and-pro-life-address-use-johnsonjohnson-covid-19-vaccine>). While we should continue to insist that pharmaceutical companies stop using abortion-derived cell lines, given the world-wide suffering that this pandemic is causing, we affirm again that being vaccinated can be an act of charity that serves the common good. Therefore, if alternative vaccines are not reasonably available, individuals may choose to receive the Johnson and Johnson’s vaccine.

Vaccine safety, efficacy, medical circumstances, etc. were not the focus, nor did this memo claim to provide guidance on the decision to vaccinate. Consent to vaccination is a prudential judgment that should be based on a well-formed conscience of which this memo provided one aspect for discernment. **Such a decision also must be made in consultation with one’s own physician.** The memo clearly states this is not a comprehensive evaluation of the vaccines and, to this end, other resources were provided for further information. It is the position of the Catholic Church and the responsibility of all Bishops to instruct the faithful in the truth that abortion is a violation of natural law. It is a gravely evil act because it is the deliberate killing of an innocent human being. The Church teaches that corpses of all human embryos and fetuses, directly aborted or not, must be treated with the same dignity and respect as all other human remains. In this, it also teaches that the sacrifice of human life for therapeutic purposes is wholly immoral and incompatible with human dignity because it is the exploitation of one human being in the involuntary service of another. Therefore, abortion is a morally evil act which cannot be voided or reduced in gravity even by the good intention to help others (i. e. as vaccine production).



ABSTINENCE AND FASTING

All Catholics who have reached their 14th birthday are bound to **abstain** entirely from meat on **Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent**. All Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive are bound to observe the laws of **fast on Ash Wednesday and 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.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION

Lent gives us the opportunity to renew our baptismal life. We can do this through the Sacrament of Penance. Going to Confession is the opportunity for us to celebrate God's love and mercy as we acknowledge that we have sinned and seek to restore that which is broken in us.



The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation is celebrated on Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:45 p.m., Monday Evening following 7:30 p.m. Mass. Wednesday Morning following the 7:45 a.m. Mass and the 12:10 p.m. Mass.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays at 7:30 p.m.

We reflect on the Passion and Death of Jesus during the Season of Lent. It is the ancient tradition of the Church to walk the way of the cross.

All are invited to join us in the Cathedral at 7:30 p.m. on the Fridays of Lent with the exception of Good Friday which will be held at 12:00 p.m.



SOLEMN VESPERS

Sundays at 7:30 p.m.

Join us every Sunday evening during Lent at 7:30 p.m. in the Cathedral for Vespers. These evenings will be livestreamed on our Facebook page and YouTube Channel.

The CHOSEN

SCREENINGS *during LENT*

7 pm in the Msgr. Kelly Parish Center

Feb. 23	Eps. 1
Mar. 2	Eps. 2
Mar. 9	Eps. 4
Mar. 16	Eps. 5
Mar. 23	Eps. 6
Mar. 30	Eps. 7

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE CHOSEN, VISIT THECHOSEN.TV



Sacrament of Reconciliation

- Saturday, March 27th, 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.
- Monday, March 29th, 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 30th, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 31st, following the 7:45 a.m. and 12:10 p.m. Masses and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Holy Thursday, April 1st, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- Good Friday, April 2nd, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and following The Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.
- Holy Saturday, April 3rd, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY

(Palm will be distributed at all Masses)

Saturday Evening, March 27th

5:00 p.m., 7:30 p.m. (Spanish) 7:30 p.m. (Parish Center)

Sunday, March 28th

7:00, 8:00, 9:30 a.m. (Family Mass), 10:30 a.m. (Parish Center) 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

MONDAY, TUESDAY, AND WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

March 29th, 30th and 31st

Masses at 6:30, 7:45, 9:00 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.

No 7:30 p.m. Mass on Monday, March 29th

Tuesday, March 30th Chrism Mass*

**Note: Due to Covid restrictions this Mass is closed to the general public/parishioners of St. Agnes. We invite you to view the Mass on Catholic Faith Network.*

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 1st

9:00 a.m. Sung Morning Prayer

8:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper — Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight in the Parish Center

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2nd

- 9:00 a.m. Sung Morning Prayer
- 12:00 Noon Stations of the Cross
- 2:00 p.m. (Parish Center) Spanish Last Words, Passion, Holy Communion
- 3:00 p.m. The Lord's Passion with Holy Communion
- 8:00 p.m. The Lord's Passion with Holy Communion

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 3rd

9:00 a.m. Sung Morning Prayer

7:30 p.m. (Parish Center) Spanish Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 4th

In the Cathedral - 7:00, 8:00, 9:30 a.m. (Family Mass), 11:00, and 12:30 p.m.

In the Parish Center - 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

There will be NO 5:00 p.m. Mass on Easter Sunday

**Subject to change due to the COVID-19 Pandemic Please check the parish website at www.stagnescathedral.org*

Memorial Vestment Opportunity

The Cathedral of St. Agnes is currently planning to purchase a set of red vestments that will be used at Concelebrated Masses by the Principal Celebrant, Concelebrants and Masters of Ceremonies. These vestments will be used at Confirmation, Palm Sunday, Good Friday, Pentecost and other celebrations. These vestments are available for memorializing a loved one.

If you are interested, please contact Catherine Geary in the Rectory Office for further information as well as the wording for the memorial. An embroidered label with the name of the person for whom the vestment has been memorialized will be placed on the underside of the vestment.

The following vestments are available:

1 Chasuble	\$1,600
2 Dalmatics	\$1,700 each



Devotions



Eucharistic Adoration is the traditional Catholic practice of taking the consecrated host, the Blessed Sacrament, and placing it in a sun-shaped vessel called a Monstrance in order for the faithful to look upon Our Lord and pray to Him in peaceful contemplation. You are invited to join us **every Wednesday (unless otherwise noted)** in the Cathedral from 2:30—5:00 p.m. for Adoration and some quiet reflection and prayer.

Nocturnal Adoration is held in the Holy Cross Chapel on the First Friday night of each month from 8:00—10:00 p.m.

The Rosary is prayed after the 9:00 a.m. Mass each Monday through Saturday in the Cathedral except on the First Saturday, when it is recited at 8:30 a.m.

Please remember to sit in every other pew and maintain social distancing. All visitors must wear a mask inside the Cathedral and Chapel.



Easter Donation Opportunity

Did You Know?

Gifts of appreciated securities are generally more cost effective than gifts of cash. A gift of stock with a long-term gain entitles a donor to a charitable deduction for the full current market value and is exempt from any capital gains tax. For example, if you acquired stock for \$1,000 and the current market value is \$5,000, you can deduct the full \$5,000 and escape tax on the \$4,000 capital gain. Under IRS rules, the value of the gift is the mean of the high and the low price on the day the stock passes from the donor's control.

If you wish to make a gift of securities held by bank or brokerage, electronic transfer is the easiest method. Do not sell the stock in your name and have the proceeds sent to us, as this will constitute a cash contribution, and you will be liable for any capital gains tax.

For questions or more information on making a gift of stock, please send an email to hlarson@stagnescathedral.org.

Flowers for the Cathedral and the Homebound



You will notice that in your packet of contribution envelopes, there is an envelope for flowers for Easter. In addition to using this collection to decorate the Cathedral for Easter, we would like to send a lily plant to all our ill and homebound parishioners. Many of these people have worshipped in the Cathedral for years and are now confined to their homes. Your generous response to this collection will help to defray the cost of flowers and plants.

If you know of anyone who is ill or homebound, please call the rectory at (516) 766-0205 with the name, address and phone number of that person.



Principal's Announcements

In this week's Gospel, the Pharisee Nicodemus has come to Jesus at nighttime to ask him questions about who he is and where he comes from. Jesus here explains that the ancient bronze serpent Moses made served as a foreshadowing of his role as Savior. While the ancient Israelites had to look at the bronze serpent on a pole to be healed from snake-bites, Jesus will be "lifted up" on a cross. To be saved from the "snake-bite" of sin, we must look to him, raised up on the Cross. Then Jesus hands us the heart of the Gospel message—that God loved us and sent his Son that we might come to believe in him and so gain eternal life. God does not want to condemn us but heal us and rescue us from sin. Yet, unfortunately, many of us will run from the light rather than turn toward the light. Jesus predicts that many will prefer the darkness and deliberately avoid believing in Jesus so that they do not have to change their behavior: "Their deeds were evil" (John 3:19).



Our behavior and our belief go hand-in-hand, just like Paul shows in the reading from Ephesians. If we do evil deeds, we will want to hide them in the darkness, but if we do "what is true" then we will come to the Light himself and be saved by him. Those who believe look to the Lord shun the darkness and live their lives in the light.

Calendar Updates

Happy Daylight Savings Time. Please remember to set your clocks **ahead** one hour today.

School will be in session this **Friday, March 19th for a half-day from 8:15-11 A.M. This will be a remote day of instruction** to make up for the February 2nd snow day. Following remote instruction, the teachers and I will participate in a day of professional development.

There will be a half-day, 12 noon dismissal, on Tuesday, March 30th due to the annual Chrism Mass. **Aftercare will be in effect until 5 P.M. on that day.**

Blessings to you and your families on this Fourth Sunday of Lent. May the two great saints whose feasts we celebrate this week, St. Patrick and St. Joseph, bless you and keep you safe.

Mrs. Cecilia St. John
Principal

Coffee With Jesus

Bishop Andrzej's Lenten Series via Zoom

Join Bishop Andrzej at 10:00 a.m. on Friday mornings during Lent, through March 26th. Bishop Andrzej will use Zoom to share with you his Lenten reflections on the Last Words of Jesus.



Join Bishop Andrzej from the comfort of your home, with a cup of coffee, and use this as an opportunity to prepare and nourish your mind, spirit and heart throughout the Lenten season.

Pre-registration is required. To register for Coffee with Jesus with Bishop Andrzej, please call Suzanne Lynn at (516) 744-6850 or email westernvicariate@drvc.org.

Once you are registered, you will be emailed the ZOOM information prior to each session of this Lenten series.



Virtual 2021 RVC St. Baldrick's Event

A Head-Shaving/
Ponytail-Chopping Fundraiser
for Childhood Cancer Research
Grants and Treatments
March 20th (and ongoing)

The RVC St. Baldrick's has gone virtual and needs your support! Shave your head or chop your ponytail remotely or fundraise another way to raise funding for childhood cancer research and treatments at local NY hospitals and cancer centers around the world to find cures and better treatments for all pediatric cancers. Shave or chop safely at home or at a salon on a date and time of your choice. Now more than ever, the St. Baldrick's Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, facing the second year of cancelled in-person events due to the pandemic, greatly needs your support in being able to fund the many life-saving research grants currently awaiting funding.

To donate, register, info on grants or the event, go to stbaldricks.org/Rockville Centre 2021 event. Please join RVC St. Baldrick's on Facebook for more info or call/text 516-697-6383 or email benderalanna@gmail.com.



Weekly Bible Study

The Parish Bible Study continues virtually via Zoom.com. Sessions are every **Wednesday and Thursday at 9:45 am.**

To join our Zoom session by computer, use the link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88026185855> meeting ID 88026185855 and by phone dialing +1 929 205 6099 US (New York). All are welcome!



Parish Outreach

The Parish Outreach is able to receive clean winter clothing only. Food donations are always appreciated. You may call the office at 678-1854 with any questions.

Please do not leave any donations on the porch outside the Outreach office when the office is closed. We will gladly accept donations between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday except for holidays.

Thank you for your understanding.

Love,

Sr. Kathleen



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Bishop Andrzej's Lecture Series Continues

Liturgical Catechesis

Bishop Andrzej Zglejszewski

Auxiliary Bishop, Diocese of Rockville Centre
Vicar for Liturgy and Worship



Tuesdays this Spring @ 7:30 p.m.

March 23	Liturgy and the Paschal Mystery in Us...online via ZOOM
April 27, 2021	Liturgy and St. John Paul II Reform
May 25, 2021	Liturgy and Personal Growth

So that Bishop Andrzej can safely continue his Liturgical Catechesis lecture series, the March presentation will be available only through ZOOM. In order to be emailed the ZOOM link, you must register. Please see below for instructions on how to register. If you already receive updates regarding Bishop Andrzej's presentation schedule, the ZOOM link will automatically be emailed to you.

Please call or email to register:

Suzanne Lynn at 516-744-6850; westernvicariate@drvc.org.

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PICK OF THE WEEK

March 14, 2021

WATCH

JOSEPH OF NAZARETH: THE STORY OF THE MAN CLOSEST TO CHRIST

With this year being consecrated to St. Joseph, we celebrate the feast day of Christ's foster father with even more joy and respect! Enter into the life of this great saint through the movie Joseph of Nazareth!



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To create a FORMED account:

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3. Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization:
4. Find the parish by name (St. Agnes Cathedral) or Zip (11570)
5. Enter your email and you're in (There is no cost to use FORMED.)



“Lent is a favorable season for opening the doors to all those in need and recognizing in them the face of Christ. Each of us meets people like this every day.” — Pope Francis

Dear Friends:

During the special Lenten season, please allow me to share a special request with you. If you have never contributed to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, or if you haven’t contributed in a number of years, please consider making this the year that you join with me and other members of our Parish family to make a donation to the 2021 Appeal.

As you may already be aware, 100% of all the money raised is restricted to support the objectives, programs, and mission that serves more than 600,000 people each year, and our parish shares in the money raised to use for our own local needs.

These programs include services to people in need; affordable housing for senior citizens; people with disabilities and our veterans; respect life initiatives; and formation of our priests, deacons, lay leaders, and young people. These are just a few of the programs that help make our church and this Island a vibrant and wonderful place to live.

But to help ensure that we can always serve those who come to us for aid, support and spiritual guidance, we need help from you!

If 100 of our parishioners who have not supported us in the recent past made a \$25 contribution this year – think about how many more people we could help! If that amount is more than you can manage, consider \$5 or \$10. **Every gift counts and makes a difference in the lives of others!**

“La Cuaresma es un tiempo propicio para abrir la puerta a cualquier necesitado y reconocer en él o en ella el rostro de Cristo. Cada uno de nosotros los encontramos en nuestro camino.”.

— Papa Francisco

Estimados amigos:

En esta Cuaresma, permítame hacer un pedido especial. No importa si ustedes nunca han contribuido o si no lo pudieron hacer durante los últimos años: los invito a que este año ustedes se unan conmigo y con otros feligreses de esta parroquia y hagan un donativo a favor de la Campaña 2021'.

Puede que ya sea de su conocimiento, que el 100% de lo que recaudamos se destina al sostenimiento de más de 60 programas que prestan ayuda y servicio tanto a la gente de nuestra iglesia como a muchas otras personas que viven en Long Island.

Estos programas incluyen servicios para personas necesitadas: vivienda asequible para ancianos, discapacitados y nuestros veteranos; formación para nuestros sacerdotes, diáconos, dirigentes laicos y nuestros jóvenes. Estos son solo algunos ejemplos de los programas que hacen que nuestra iglesia y que Long Island sea un excelente lugar para vivir.

¡Necesitamos su colaboración para poder seguir auxiliando a quienes requieren nuestra ayuda y guía espiritual! Imagínense a cuantas personas más podríamos ayudar si 100 de nuestros feligreses -quienes no hayan participado recientemente- hicieran este año un donativo de \$25. Si esa cantidad fuera demasiado, considere hacer un donativo de \$10 o de \$5. **¡Todas las cantidades son importantes y hacen la diferencia en la vida del prójimo!**

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Bereavement Group

via Zoom

Lead by Chaplain Gilda Philibert, BCC

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Maximum of 10 participants who have had the loss of a spouse is recommended.

It is highly recommended that joining a bereavement group should not start for the first 4 months after the loss of a loved one.



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Advance Care Planning: Having a Family Conversation
Monday, April 5, 2021 from 6:30 p.m. — 8:00 p.m.

Presenters:

Reverend Karen Jones, MA, M. Div. Director, Spiritual Care Services, NYU Langone Hospital — Long Island and Reverend Brenda D. Ford, M. Div, M.Sc. Associate Chaplain, Spiritual Care Services, NYU Langone Hospital—Long Island Associate Chaplain, Chaplaincy Services, Glen Cove Hospital, Northwell Health

This free webinar aims to motivate participants to engage in end-of-life care conversations with their families and designated communities.

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Holiday Bulletin Deadlines

Parish organizations wishing to submit any notices for the Palm Sunday (March 28th) and Easter (April 4th) bulletins should note the following deadlines: Palm Sunday items need to be received by March 15th; Easter bulletin items need to be received by March 22nd. Please email items to the rectory office at parishoffice@stagnescathedral.org. All submissions require approval of the rectory office before printing.



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Mass Reminders

Thank you for helping us keep the Cathedral and Parish Center safe for worship during these challenging times. Let us continue to be as vigilant as possible for the safety of others as we gather together to give Glory and Praise to God.

Please be reminded that all COVID protocols remain in effect.



For the protection of all in attendance we remind you that it is required that all persons in the Cathedral and Parish Center over the age of 2 wear a mask that covers both their mouth and their nose.

We likewise ask that no one remove the ropes in the Cathedral, so we can maintain proper social distancing. It is also important that we keep a distance of 6 feet from others while inside, in particular during the reception of Holy Communion.

Because of concerns regarding the coronavirus, we request that those who choose to receive on the tongue please present themselves to the priest only to receive Holy Communion, and are asked to open their mouth and extend their tongue so the host can be placed on it without the priest's hand making contact with the recipient. If you choose to receive in the hand, please place your hand out very straight and flat to allow the priest or minister to place the Eucharist safely in order to avoid contact with your hand. We also kindly remind everyone to please remove your mask before receiving Holy Communion, whether you choose to receive on the tongue or in the hand. Please put it back on after you have consumed the host.



The Diocese of Rockville Centre leaves the choice to receive in the hand or on the tongue at the discretion of each communicant.

Dispensation from Mass

As a reminder, the dispensation from the requirement to attend Sunday Mass remains in effect. Those who are most vulnerable and at a greater risk (due to age, preexisting health conditions or being in close proximity to vulnerable people) are encouraged to remain home at this time. ***If a person shows any symptoms of illness, they are asked to please not come to church.*** We encourage you to join us for Mass on the Catholic Faith Network or via our Facebook and YouTube livestream.



Pray for Vocations

Will you pray for vocations?
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