

The Cathedral of St. Agnes

Rockville Centre, New York

3.10.24



Fourth Sunday of Lent

CONFIRMATION AT ST. AGNES ON MARCH 2, 2024

HOLY MASS

SUNDAY

7AM, 8AM, 9:30AM, 10:30AM (Lower Hall, not celebrated in Summer)
11AM, 12:30PM, 5PM

SATURDAY

7:45AM, 5PM, 7:30PM (Lower Hall)
7:30PM (Spanish)

WEEKDAYS (Monday-Friday)

6:30AM, 7:45AM, 9AM, 12:10PM

HOLY DAYS

Eve of Holy Day: 5PM, 7:30PM (Spanish)
Holy Day: 6:30AM, 7:45AM, 9:00AM, 12:10PM, 7:30PM

OUR PARISH

29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY 11570
(516) 766-0205 | parishoffice@stagnescathedral.org

CLERGY

Bishop
Most Reverend John O. Barres, D.D., S.T.D., J.C.L.

Bishop Emeritus
Most Reverend William F. Murphy, D.D., S.T.D.

Rector
Very Rev. Michael F. Duffy

Associate Pastors
Rev. Roger Velasquez, *Comunidad Hispana*
Rev. Celestine Udoka Nwosu

In Residence
Rev. Matthew Browne, S.T.L.
Rev. Lachlan Cameron, S.T.L.

Weekend Assistants
Rev. Patrick Flanagan, C.M.
Very Rev. James Kuroly

Permanent Deacons
Deacon Andrew Ciccaroni
Deacon Thomas McDaid

STAFF

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Facilities Manager
Patrick O'Brien

SCHOOL

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Phone: (516) 678-5550 | Fax: 516-678-0437

Cecilia St. John, *Principal*
Mary Brower, *Assistant Principal*

OFFICE HOURS

Rectory
Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
(closed for lunch 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.)
Saturday: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Emergencies anytime

Religious Education*
Tuesday - Thursday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Outreach*
Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

*Offices located in the Parish Ministry Building
(corner of N. Village Ave and Quealy Pl)

CATHEDRAL HOURS

The Cathedral is open for prayer
daily from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

SACRAMENTS

Confession

Saturday, Eve of Holy Day, and First Friday from 4:00 to 4:45 pm. Wednesday Morning following the 7:45am Mass and the 12:10pm 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

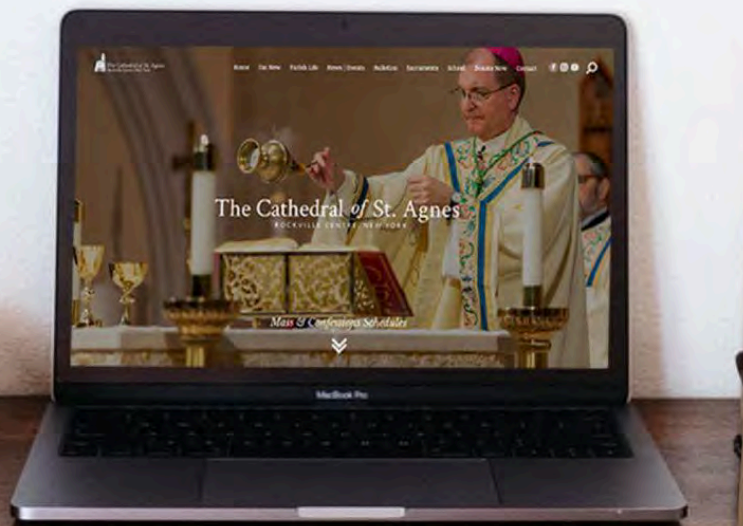
Priests and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion are available to bring Holy Communion to parishioners confined to home. Please call the Rectory Office to make arrangements. Those who are seriously ill should request a priest for Anointing of the Sick.

Visit the Sacraments page at www.stagnescathedral.org for more information.



LIVE STREAM REQUEST

We are now able to stream personal services such as weddings and funerals. For more information, please call the rectory at (516) 766-0205.



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The Cathedral of St. Agnes

Unable to join us for Mass? Tune in on  LIVE



STEWARDSHIP *A Way of Life*

Stewardship Reflection

Jesus died to give us life.

Living Stewardship . . . Pillar of Hospitality

As Catholics, we are called to bring the light of Christ to others. Let your light attract others to Christ through good works, compassion and patience.

Sharing One's Material Resources in the Parish

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>3/3/2024</u>	<u>3/5/2023</u>
Weekly Collection	\$35,490	\$36,293	\$36,665

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**.



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.

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 2:00–5:00 p.m. for Adoration and some quiet reflection and prayer.

The Rosary is prayed after the 9:00 a.m. Mass each Monday through Friday in the Cathedral except on Saturdays when it is prayed after the 7:45 a.m. Mass.

Suicide Prevention Resources

Suicide is a major public health problem and a leading cause of death in the United States. The effects of suicide go beyond the person who acts to take his or her life: it can have a lasting effect on family, friends and communities. If you are thinking about suicide, are worried about a friend or loved one, or would like emotional support, the Lifeline network is available 24/7 across the United States. National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK (8255) or Crisis Text Line: Text "Got5" to 741-741. Website: suicidepreventionlifeline.org.

The Office for Protection of Children and Young People

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 11, Lenten Weekday

Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54

- 6:30 Jasper Auci
 7:45 Gregorio Ferraioli & Alfonzo Malafronte
 9:00 Mary Ruchalski (6th Anniversary)
 12:10 Colleen Molter

Tuesday, March 12, Lenten Weekday

Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16

- 6:30 Richard DePalma
 7:45 Kenneth Bellando
 9:00 Mary Duffy
 12:10 Stanley Rushkowski
 7:30 Spanish Mass Special Intentions

Wednesday, March 13, Lenten Weekday

Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30

- 6:30 Corinne Clark
 7:45 Mary Hotetz
 9:00 Mary Ruchalski (Birthday)
 12:10 James Edward Dillon

Thursday, March 14, Lenten Weekday

Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

- 6:30 Jennifer Windle
 7:45 Erin Meade
 9:00 Michael Fitzpatrick
 12:10 Intentions of the St. Monica Prayer Group

Friday, March 15, Lenten Weekday

Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

- 6:30 MaryAnn & Ted Statuto
 7:45 Maureen Sichenzia
 9:00 Jim Egan
 12:10 Jim & Ellen Donlon

Saturday, March 16, Lenten Weekday

Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53

- 7:45 John W. Bellando
 5:00 Dorothea Hennig, Joseph Guiliani,
 Harold S. Vrooman, Jr., Jillian Daly,
 Joseph Ragusa
 5:00 LH Richard Mauch
 7:30 C Special Intentions
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Sunday, March 17, Fifth Sunday of Lent

Jer 31:31-34, Heb 5:7-9, Jn 12:20-33

- 7:00 Helen & Francis Collins
 8:00 The Parishioners of St. Agnes Cathedral
 9:30 Bolivar Polo
 10:30 LH Chris Hogarty
 11:00 Margaret Milone
 12:30 McLaughlin Sisters, Rich Mauch,
 Delia Lee Chaw, Dorothy Suriano,
 Peter Joseph Smith
 5:00 Neil Patrick Boyle, Sr.

PLEASE PRAY



For The Faithful Departed

Mary Poletti, Geronimo Rodriguez Baez,
 Michael E. Manus

For The Sick

Michele Puliafico, Andrew D'Ambrosi, Janet Falcicchio,
 Renee Bisso Albala, Baby Fiona Keough,
 Balestrieri Family, Sean Ware, David Sylvester Seal,
 Ron La Grega, John-Paul Yezzo, Barbara Magloire,
 Caitlin Nally, Akosua Cobb, Marie Poggelli,
 Tania Armstrong, Veronica Vargas, Gilbert Otano,
 Palma Giovanniello, Pat Englehart, Joseph Murphy,
 Barbara Rotunno, Tania Smith, Catherine Frake,
 Joseph Mariani, Jeffrey Buxton, James Walter (Child),
 Thomas Hayes, Jr., Susan Kowalski, Maria McDonald,
 Stephanie Ramos, 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 Thanksgiving

Extended Adoration Hours for Lent

Extended hours for Lenten Adoration are now during the
 hours of 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the Lenten season.
 On Wednesday, March 27th Adoration hours will once
 again be from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

THE NEWLY BAPTIZED



On March 3, 2024 we welcomed the
 following children into the St. Agnes Cathedral Parish
 Community:

Colette Algie	Lorenzo Craca
Dominic Algie	Michael Maldonado
Thomas Algie	Matthew O'Brien
Viviana Buscemi	Daniella Rios

Congratulations to the parents of the newly baptized.

Parish Outreach

The Outreach Pantry is really low and in need of the following Spaghetti

O's, canned chicken breast, tuna fish, 18 oz. grape jelly, cereal, peanut butter, 1lb. thin spaghetti, 1lb bags of rice, and individual fruit cups.



We are accepting ONLY Winter clothing.

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 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday except for holidays.

Love, *Sr. Kathleen*

NEW RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Reminder: There will no longer be evening hours for the Rectory. The weekend hours have been extended. Monday thru Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday & Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Special Needs Mass

We will celebrate a Mass for special needs children, and their families on **Saturday, March 16th** at 5:00 p.m. in the Lower Hall of the Monsignor Melton Auditorium. This area is handicapped accessible, allowing families with children, who have developmental disabilities, access to the Lower Hall to celebrate God's presence in their lives.

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.

Religious Education



Today is the halfway mark of the Sundays of Lent. This Sunday is known as **Laetare Sunday**; it is a Sunday of joy. On this Fourth Sunday of Lent, the scriptures remind us of the darkness of sin, and the Light of God, who is the Risen Christ.

As we enter Week 24, please note the following dates: The Confirmandi making their Confirmation on Saturday, March 16th, will have practice on Tuesday, March 13th, at 6:30 PM.

The students in grades 6 & 7 do not have classes this week on March 12th, 13th & 14th. Instead on Friday, March 15th, the students in grades 6 & 7 will be attending the Stations of the Cross in the Cathedral at 7:30 PM.

Please join your fellow Parishioners for Hospitality Sunday on March 17th, after the 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM and 10:30 AM Masses.

Sincerely in Christ,

Mrs. Anne Nelson

St. Agnes Religious Education



“Most high, glorious God enlighten the darkness of my heart; give me, Lord, a correct faith, a certain hope, a perfect charity, sense and knowledge so that I may carry out Your holy and true commands.”
Francis of Assisi

Come and see how Secular Franciscans live joyfully in the world and celebrate God's creation. Our Lady of the Atonement Secular Franciscan Fraternity meets on the second Tuesday of the month, at 6:45 p.m. in Tabor Retreat Center, 60 Anchor Ave, Oceanside. Please contact Jane at 516-425-2768 for more information.





Principal's Announcements

In today'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 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 as 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.



Congratulations to our 8th Graders who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation today. May they be sealed with the gift of the Spirit, continue to grow spiritually, and their faith always be strong. May God always be in their lives.

Trimester 3 begins on Monday, March 11th.

On Tuesday, March 12th the 7th Graders will participate in a full day Lenten retreat.

Students will receive their 2nd trimester report cards on Wednesday, March 20th.

Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, March 21st and Friday, March 22nd.

Teacher Reacher opens today, Sunday, March 10th, to schedule your conferences.

The Kindergarten students will have their very own St. Patrick's Day Parade! Kindergarten parents and grandparents are invited to the parade. Details regarding the parade will be sent home via the students' backpacks.

Speaking of St. Patrick's Day, St. Agnes Cathedral School is marching in the RVC St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 23rd. All school families are invited to join us as we walk down Maple Avenue and pass our beautiful Cathedral.

Peace and blessings to you and your families this 4th Sunday of Lent.

Mrs. Cecilia St. John
Principal

Please join us at our monthly
Hospitality Sunday

COFFEE
Conversation
BAGELS...
and **MUFFINS!**

We hope to see you there!



Coffee, bagels and muffins will be served in the
Parish Center between **8:30** and **11:45**.

Sunday,
March 17th



This event will be hosted by
members of the
Knights of Columbus

AN EVENING WITH THE LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR
to benefit *Queen of Peace Residence*



The Fabulous Accords

AMERICAN
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FULL COCKTAIL HOUR + DELICIOUS DINNER + CASH BAR + RAFFLES
+ LIVE MUSIC PROVIDED BY THE FABULOUS ACCORDS + DANCING

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WEDNESDAY 3.13.24 | 6:30 PM - 10:30 PM
RSVP BY WEDNESDAY 2.28.2024



TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS
CALL (718) 464-1800
OR
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ANTUN'S OF QUEENS VILLAGE
96-43 SPRINGFIELD BOULEVARD
QUEENS VILLAGE, NY 11429

NO REFUNDS - RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Free CPR/AED Training and Education Course



Monday, March 18, 2024
OR
Monday, March 25, 2024
5:00 - 8:00 pm

Mercy Hospital
1000 North Village Avenue
Rockville Centre, NY 11570
St. Anne Building

*note you are only permitted to attend one event.

The power to save a life is in your hands!

Learn how to...

- Recognize a cardiac event.
- Deliver CPR.
- Use an AED.

You will receive hands-on training and a certification, upon completion.



Registration is required, as space is limited.
To register, please email elizabeth.schwind@chsli.org

Divorced or Separated Catholics of Long Island

A social organization for single persons including widows, widowers and singles. New Member Orientation Meeting on Tuesday, March 19th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Frances Club, 1869 Wantagh Avenue, Wantagh (Parking in the rear of building). Non-denominational. ALL ARE WELCOME. Bring proof of single status to join. Annual dues \$30. Refreshments following the meeting. For further information, please call also to verify there will be a meeting -Terry 516-650-5528 or Maryanne 516-205-2590

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St. Baldrick's FOUNDATION

Fundraise Donate Volunteer

RVC St. Baldrick's Event for Pediatric Cancer Research

Fundraiser - Free Admission - All Welcome
Saturday, March 23, 2024. 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

St. Agnes Parish Center
29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre
516-563-1791, stbaldricks.org/Rockville Centre

Head-shaving, ponytail-chopping, live music, kids' games, food trucks, bar, raffles

StBaldricks.org /StBaldricksFoundation StBaldricks StBaldricks @stbaldricksfoundation

SUNG MASS

on the SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

MARCH 19, 2024 at 7:30 PM

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

24 Westminster Road
West Hempstead, NY 11552

music provided by the
**METROPOLITAN
CATHOLIC CHORALE**
nymcc.org

Maura Goodwin, Director



St. Patrick's Day Raffle to benefit the St. Agnes Cathedral Choirs Trip to France for 2025!

\$10 a Chance! (3 Chances for \$25!)

Dinner Gift Certificates to Three (3) Restaurants

Here in Rockville Centre:



George Martin, The Original-\$100

Chadwicks, Front Street-\$100

Monaghan's Irish Pub!-\$100

Please look for members of Our Choirs after Mass, at the Exits

Or stop by the Music Office next week!



ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL

LENT 2024

Holy Week Confession Schedule

Saturday, March 23rd

4:00–4:45 pm

MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK | March 25th

following 6:30 am Mass

2:00–4:00 pm | 6:00–9:00 pm

TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK | March 26th

following 6:30 a.m. Mass

7:00–9:00 pm

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK | March 27th

following the 6:30 a.m., 7:45 a.m. and 12:10 p.m. Masses

7:00–9:00 pm

HOLY THURSDAY | March 28th

9:30 am–12:00 pm

GOOD FRIDAY | March 29th

9:30 am–12:00 pm and following The Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 3:00 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY | March 30th

9:30 am–12:00pm

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT STAGNECATHEDRAL.ORG

ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL | LENT 2024

Palm Sunday at St. Agnes Cathedral

Palm will be distributed at all Masses

Saturday Evening Vigil Mass,
March 23rd

5:00 p.m., 7:30 p.m. (Spanish) 7:30
p.m. (Lower Hall)

Sunday, March 24th

7:00, 8:00, 9:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m. (Lower Hall)

11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.



The Cathedral of St. Agnes
Rockville Centre, New York



Easter Sunday

at St. Agnes Cathedral



*Join us in prayer to mark as we mark the Resurrection of Our Lord
Sunday, March 31st*

Schedule of Masses

Cathedral

7:00 a.m. | 8:00 a.m. | 9:30 a.m. | 11:00 a.m. | 12:30 p.m.

Parish Center

9:30 a.m. | 11:00 a.m. | 12:30 p.m.

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

Please check the parish website at www.stagnescathedral.org for any changes



Save the Dates!
**With Organ &
Voice:
Special Music Events
at the Cathedral:
2023-2024 Season**

St. Agnes Cathedral
Rockville Centre New York
Michael L. Bower, Director of Music
Maura Goodwin, Associate Director of Music

March 17, 2024

10:45 Investiture Ceremony, 11:00 AM Mass

The Choir of Men and Boys of the
Diocese of Rockville Centre
Michael L. Bower, Director

Wednesday Evening, March 27, 7:30 PM

The Office of Tenebrae

Cathedral Singers
Michael L. Bower, Conductor

Sunday Evening, May 5, 7:30 PM

Cathedral Music Master-Work Series

**Antonio Vivaldi's "Gloria" & J.S. Bach's
"Magnificat in D Major"**

The Cathedral Choirs and Orchestra
Michael L. Bower, Conductor

Sunday, June 2, 7:00 PM

The South Shore Symphony



On Becoming A Catholic

Those seeking information about the Catholic Faith are invited to contact Rev. Michael F. Duffy, Rector of St. Agnes Cathedral 516-766-0205 concerning the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

Help Wanted

Catholic Charities Oceanside Senior Center has position for part-time Program Aide, 5 hours on Mondays, assisting seniors w/social & recreational activities with some paperwork required, at \$18.65 per hour. Call Jamie, 516-764-9792. We are an EOE employer.

Weekly Bible Study



The Parish Bible Study meets weekly on Wednesday mornings in Ministry Building Youth Room (2nd floor) from 9:45am - 11:00am. For those who are unable to join us in person, we welcome you through ZOOM. **The ZOOM Meeting ID: 79101167157 and Password: XSS6Ky**

All our welcome! Please join us when you can and begin the New Year spending time learning more about God's love and mercy. For questions or updates on chapters we are covering contact: nuluvin@gmail.com

JUST A REMINDER

Please be sure to include your envelope number on your check in the Sunday collection if you are not using your envelopes. If you are using a plain white envelope please include your name, address, envelope number and the amount of your donation on the outside of the envelope to ensure you get proper credit.

The Saint Agnes Mass Transit

The St Agnes Mass Transit offers parishioners who cannot drive to mass on their own, the opportunity to be picked up and brought to church every Sunday for the 930 Family Mass.

If you were interested or know of someone who would enjoy this service, please call the rectory office at 516-766-0205 and leave your name and phone number. Someone will get back to you to get additional information and make the necessary arrangements to ensure you are able to join us for mass on Sundays.

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Focus on Religious Freedom

www.cffor.org

Join the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage May 17- July 16, 2024
Public Witness Across America to the Real Presence in the Eucharist

Since the National Eucharistic Revival was launched in Oct.,2022 under the leadership and guidance of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), dioceses and their parishes across this country have hosted worship, education and inspiration events to restore understanding and devotion to the mystery and the miracle of Christ present in the Eucharist.

Bishop Robert Barron, renowned theologian and expert on St. Thomas wrote this in summary of Aquinas' Eucharistic Theology: "The Eucharist, above any other Sacrament or sign, contains and causes Grace. Just as food sustains, repairs and delights the body, so the Eucharist sustains, repairs and delights the soul. Without the body of Christ, the spiritual life in us would be compromised by sin, become atrophied and flattened out, and finally would fade away altogether." (Diocese of Venice, Fl; Faith Formation Series)

After this period of renewal of our Eucharistic devotion, all Catholics have the opportunity to offer public witness to our belief and devotion to Christ in the Eucharist. The experience of this National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will change lives forever. Walking, standing and praying openly in the public square has been a practice of Catholics for Freedom of Religion (CFFR) throughout the twelve years of our ministry to our fellow Catholics.

When CFFR first stood together with 700 Catholics in public witness of prayer outside of a Catholic Hospital on Long Island...praying for the preservation of Catholic healthcare in spite of government mandates that would deny the conscience rights of the hospitals, schools, universities and business owners...we did not foresee the intensity of that experience for our organizers and the participants. There is truly a boldness in action and an inexplicable strengthening of faith and resolve when we witness together the truths of our faith.

To see the details of the Eucharistic Pilgrimage go to www.Eucharisticpilgrimage.org



Over 700 Catholics joined the public witness rosary in front of Good Samaritan Hospital. They prayed for the preservation of Catholic Healthcare.



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This captivating series explores Catholic themes of redemption, grace, and forgiveness through compelling storytelling and thought-provoking narratives. It offers a profound understanding of the transformative power of forgiveness and its significance in personal growth and spiritual renewal.

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To create a FORMED account:

1. Visit FORMED.ORG
2. Click SIGN UP
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.)



Volunteers in the Diocese of Rockville Centre

A person wishing to volunteer in any parish or organization in the Diocese of Rockville Centre must first complete three requirements:

1. Attend Protecting God's Children (Virtus)
2. Sign the Codes of Conduct
3. Complete a background screening application.

(Background screening is conducted on all volunteers and employees every 5 years.)

Directions to Complete the 3 Requirements:

1. Sign up to attend a Protecting God's Children class: www.Virtus.org

When you log on to the Virtus website, you will create a Virtus account.

- a. If you have not attended a Virtus class, you are a first time registrant.
 - b. The first screen will ask the name of your organization-from the drop down list select **Rockville Centre-Safe Environment**.
 - c. Follow all directions on the next screens.
 - d. One screen will have the **Codes of Conduct**. Please acknowledge the Codes of Conduct.
 - e. Continue with the registration process and select the class you will attend.
 - f. After selecting the class, you will be instructed to complete the background screening application.
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2. Background Screening Application:
 - a. Sterling Volunteers is the company providing the background screening.
 - b. Follow all the directions to complete the background screening application. **DO NOT STOP ONCE YOU BEGIN THE APPLICATION!** If you stop-you are locked out of the process due to security procedures.
 - c. You will need to provide your Social Security #; if you do not provide a Social Security # you will be charged a fee.
 - d. After completing the application, hit the 'Submit Button'

Congratulations! You have now:

Registered to attend a Virtus class ~ signed the Codes of Conduct ~
Completed the Background Screening.





COMUNIDAD HISPANA

LA CATEDRAL DE SANTA INÉS

MISAS EN ESPAÑOL, Sábado - a las 7.30pm
(Misa del Domingo)

Martes - a las 7.30pm (comenzando con el Rosario y
confesión a las 7.00pm)

Bienvenidos a la celebración de la santa misa, ahora en el cuarto domingo de Cuaresma, llamado también «Laetare» (Alégrate), por las primeras palabras del Introito de la Misa, “Laetare Jerusalem” (“Alégrate, oh, Jerusalén”)

El pensamiento central de este domingo es este: Dios quiere salvarnos por amor. Envío a su Hijo al mundo no para condenar sino para salvar. Esta fe en la voluntad salvífica de Dios proclamamos firmemente al comienzo de la celebración.

Por amor, Dios perdona al pueblo a pesar de su infidelidad y le permite regresar del exilio, como leemos en el pasaje del libro de las Crónicas. Y tanto amó Dios al mundo que entregó a la muerte a su Hijo para que creyendo en él tengamos vida eterna, dice el pasaje del evangelio. La misma idea recoge el texto de la carta a los Efesios: por amor, cuando estábamos muertos por el pecado, él nos devolvió la vida con la resurrección de Jesús. Atentos escuchemos este mensaje.

Tras la intervención de Jesús en el templo, que veíamos el domingo pasado, llegamos al relato del encuentro con Nicodemo. En este cuarto domingo de Cuaresma, vamos a leer la parte final de ese pasaje: la invitación del Maestro a creer en él para tener vida eterna

LOS SACRAMENTOS *PENITENCIA/CONFESIÓN*

Todos los martes a las 7pm de la tarde antes de la Misa a las 7.30 p.m.

BAUTISMO

Un sábado en cada mes y la hora determinada según la disponibilidad de la catedral. Hay que comunicarse con la oficina de la rectoría para la entrevista con el sacerdote, la inscripción y poner el día de la celebración. Se puede llenar el formulario por la web de la parroquia y traer una copia del acta del nacimiento para la entrevista. Los padrinos deben ser católicos, bautizados que han hecho su primera comunión y la confirmación. Si son parejas, tienen que haberse casados por la iglesia.

MATRIMONIO

Los que quieren casarse por la iglesia deben contactarnos con 12 meses de anticipación, hay que llamar la rectoría para citar la entrevista con el sacerdote y obtener más informaciones. La pre-cana es obligatoria.

CUIDADO PASTORAL DE OS ENFERMOS

Los sacerdotes y los ministros extraordinarios de la Eucaristía están disponibles para visitar y llevar la comunión a los feligreses confinados en sus hogares. Por favor llamen la oficina de la rectoría para informarse si alguien necesita el sacramento de los enfermos.

ACTIVIDADES DE CADA SEMANA

Los jóvenes de la catequesis recibirán el Sacramento de la Confirmación en Marzo 02, 2024 a las 7:30 p.m

Para inscribir las intenciones de difuntos en la Misa de los Sábados a las 7:30 p.m y Martes 7:30 p.m ir a la oficina de la rectoría. Se abrirá espacio para 5 intenciones en cada Misa.

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Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.
 Protect them as they protect us.
 Bless them and their families
 for the selfless acts they perform
 for us in our time of need.
 And give us peace.

I ask this in the name of Jesus,
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