# The Cathedral of St. Agnes Rockville Centre, New York

# 1.12.25

The Baptism of the Lord

# HOLY MASS

# SUNDAY

7AM, 8AM, 9:30AM (Family Mass), 10:30AM (Lower Hall, Family Mass) 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

#### CLERGY

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

*Rector* Very Rev. Michael F. Duffy

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

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#### OFFICE HOURS

Rectory

Monday: 8:30am – 4:00pm Tuesday - Friday: 8:30am to 8:00pm Saturday & Sunday: 9:00am to 3:00pm *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.

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# SACRAMENTS

#### Confession

Saturday, Sunday, Eve of Holy Day, and Eve of First Friday: 4:00 to 4:45 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thurday and Friday: Following the 6:30 am Mass Wednesday: Following the 6:30 am, 7:45 am, and 12:10 pm Masses

#### 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.



# STAY CONNECTED

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Unable to join us for Mass? Tune in on GUIVE

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# STEWARDSHIP A Way of Life

#### Stewardship Reflection

Today we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord

#### Living Stewardship . . . Pillar of Hospitality

John the Baptist prepared the way of the Lord before the people. May we be like him and introduce our friends and family to Jesus and His mercy. We can do this with a smile on our face and courage in our hearts when we ask the lord to help us serve Him.

#### Sharing One's Material Resources in the Parish

WEEKLY OFFERINGS					
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>1/5/2025</u>	<u>1/7/2024</u>	<u>1/8/2023</u>	
Weekly Collection	\$34,616	\$35,900	\$36,938	\$36,193	

#### Supporting Our Parish

#### WAYS TO GIVE:

Online: Push Pay



**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.



**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: 988 Suicide Crisis Lifeline - Call. Text. Chat. https://988lifeline.org

#### **Bulletin Deadlines**

Parish Organizations wishing to submit notices for the bulletin should send items at least 10 days prior to that Sunday's bulletin date (deadline is Thursday at 9:30 a.m.) Anything received after the deadline may be held for the following week's bulletin. *Earlier deadlines of 14 days prior are in effect for holidays.* All submissions require approval of the rectory office before printing. Please email items directly to Joanne Mirro at jamirro@stagnescathedral.org.

#### BAPTISM OF THE LORD

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, Jan	uary 13, St. Hilary, Bishop
	& Doctor of the Church
Heb 1:1-6; N	1k 1:14-20
6:30	Michael V. Russo
7:45	Sheila Sheehan (Living)
9:00	Connie & Eugene Dalessio
12:10	Thanksgiving to St. Anthony
Tuesday, Jan	uary 14, Weekday
Heb 2:5-12;	Mk 1:21-28
6:30	Scott G. & Frank T. (Living)
7:45	Margaret Lehr
9:00	Patricia Cozzi
12:10	Michael Ambort
7:30	Special Intentions
Wednesday,	January 15, Weekday
	; Mk 1:29-39
6:30	Jan Michael Montelibano
7:45	James Rohan
9:00	Joseph C. Smetana
12:10	Matthew Croutier
Thursday, Ja	nuary 16, Weekday
Heb 3:7-14; 1	Mk 1:40-45
6:30	Jan Michael Montelibano
7:45	Caroline Crawford
9:00	Mark F. Sorensen
12:10	Matthew Byrne
Friday, Janua	ry 17, St. Anthony, Abbot
Heb 4:1-5, 11	1; Mk 2:1-12
6:30	Joseph P. Altman
7:45	George Dunn
9:00	Michael Paturzo
12:10	Sal D'Anna
Saturday, Jan	uary 18, Weekday
Heb 4:12-16;	Mk 2:13-17
7:45	Regina Squeo
5:00	John Curran, Ralph Cusimano,
	Michael Peter Manzella,
	Margaret D'Antono, Santo Casserino
5:00 LH	Kathleen Mary Higgins
7:30 C	Special Intentions
7:30 LH	Michael Joseph McCahill
	uary 19, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11
7:00	Matthew Croutier
8:00	John Holland
9:30	The Parishioners of St. Agnes Cathedral
10:30	Kathleen Higgins
11:00	Vincent Slowey
12:30	Anne Amoruso, Maureen Russell,
	George Edward Dunn, III, June Battline,
	Patricia Lowerre
5:00	Gerard H. Wollweber

# PLEASE PRAY

*For The Faithful Departed* Steven J. DiMare, Madeline Kelly

#### For The Sick

Bridget Boyle, Bob Toy, Lisa Ondra, Samantha Giacomantonio, Brian Ridgway, Charles Palleschi, Maureen Carl, Ramona Velez, John T. Lindsay, Grace Kozera, Vera Davis, Frances Katon-Donegal, Balestrieri Family, David Sylvester Seal, Ron La Grega, Barbara Magloire, Caitlin Nally, Akosua Cobb, Marie Poggelli, Gilbert Otano, Joseph Murphy, Barbara Rotunno, Tania Smith, Catherine Frake, Joseph Mariani, Jeffrey Buxton, 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 Loving Memory of* Manuel Antonio Garcia



#### Rose for Life

*In Loving Memory of* John J. O'Brien



#### Sanctuary Lamp

In Loving Memory of John J. O'Brien

#### 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 Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).



#### The Baptism of the Lord

# Principal's Announcements



#### "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

On this, the first Sunday of Ordinary Time, we recall the Baptism of the Lord, but in addition to remembering this historical event, we also are asked to call to mind our own Baptism. Sometimes we think that Baptism is just one of those things from the past, perhaps from when we were infants, that doesn't have all that much effect on our lives now. Nothing could be further from the truth. Let's consider three effects of the Sacrament of Baptism.

First, baptism washes away original sin and fills us with grace, which is Christ's divine life in us. Baptism doesn't remove or cancel all the effects of Original Sin. We still have a strong tendency, called concupiscence, toward sin. But through Baptism, we are filled with God's life and are reunited with the Heavenly Father. Later in life, if we have fallen into sin (and we all do), we can experience the mercy of God in the Sacrament of Confession which restores us back into communion with God.

The second effect of baptism is that it emblazes an indelible mark on our souls. We become patterned after Jesus. Just as Jesus is the beloved son of God, we become adopted sons and daughters of God. Like Jesus, we can now refer to the first person of the Trinity as Our Father.

Finally, at our Baptism, the Holy Spirit is breathed into our souls. From that moment on, the divine presence of the third person of the Trinity is in abiding communion with us. Because of this indwelling of the Spirit in our hearts, minds and souls, all the baptized are united in the Mystical Body of Christ.

In this week's readings, we hear the Father's voice coming from heaven, we see the Son in the river, and we watch the Holy Spirit descend in the form of a dove. As we see the Trinity together for the first time in Scripture, we are reminded that these same three persons are a daily reality in our lives because we have been baptized in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit

The second iReady diagnostic assessment for all grades, K-8, begins this week. Please ensure your children arrive at school on time, well-rested, and have eaten a nutritious breakfast. Additionally, make sure their iPads are fully charged and that they have their headphones or ear buds.

On Wednesday, January 15th, Lifetouch Photographers will be here to take the 8th graders' graduation pictures. Eighth graders should come to school in their official school uniforms—no gym uniforms, please. Gym classes will be adjusted to accommodate the photos.

#### Save the Dates!

Save the dates for our Middle School Open House on January 22nd from 7-8 P.M., our General Open House on January 26th from 11 a.m. -1 p.m., and our Dinner Dance on February 8th.

Peace and blessings to you and your families on this 1st Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord.

*Mrs. Cecilia St. John* Principal



#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH ~ 11 A.M.-1 P.M.

REGISTRATION: JANUARY 28TH, 9:30 - 10:30 A.M. & 7:00-8:00 P.M. JANUARY 29TH, 9:30 - 10:30 A.M.

Discover a Faith-based Educational Journey at St. Agnes Cathedral School At St. Agnes Cathedral School we believe that every child is a precious gift from God. We invite you to experience the essence of our exceptional academic program at our upcoming Open House.

Nurturing Environment: We cultivate a community based on love, compassion, and respect. Here, every child is encouraged to grow, explore, and develop their unique talents in a caring, supportive atmosphere.

Rigorous Academic Excellence: Our curriculum blends faith with innovative teaching methods, offering a challenging yet enriching academic experience that sparks curiosity and fosters a lifelong passion for learning.

Spiritual Growth: Alongside academics, we emphasize spiritual development, guiding students to understand and live by the values of faith, hope, and charity, shaping strong moral foundations for their future.

3. Physical and Creative Development: Our students enjoy physical education classes in our spacious gym, with K-B students also participating in daily recess. Through art, music, and enrichment activities, they experience a wellrounded education that nurtures both body and mind.

Community Engagement: Our Mathers' Club, Fathers' Club, Parent-School Association, and School Board work together to help our students grow and thrive, fastering meaningful connections between families, teachers, administration, and students.

State-of-the-Art Facilities: Our new STEM Center features a science lab, STEM lab, and Art Room. Designed to inspire creativity and innovation, our modern classrooms provide an engaging environment for students to explore and learn.





CATHEDRY







would love for you to join us at the

# 2025 Dinner Dance

# HONORING



Jacqueline and Deter Agresta St. Thomas Aquinas Award for ongoing support of Catholic Education

# Honoring



Datrick O'Brien &r. St. Catherine of Siena Award for commitment to Catholic Education

# Recognizing

Maureen O'Loughlin and Kelly Magas St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Award for dedicated service to Catholic Education

Saturday, February 8, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. The Grand Lannin ~ Eisenhower Park~Cocktail Attire

Please celebrate and share in our gratefulness for the guidance and blessings our honorees have bestowed upon our community.

FOR RESERVATIONS PLEASE CONTACT STAGSRESERVATIONS@GMAIL.COM

# Experience the Catholic School Difference!



#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE



Catholic education has, at its core, Jesus Christ. It nurtures the whole person—mind, body, and spirit—in an environment rooted in the teachings of Christ and His Church and marked by warmth, attentiveness, and joy. It fosters academic excellence, moral integrity, and a commitment to service, preparing students to lead lives with a strong sense of faith and purpose.

# Scan the QR Code to Learn More!

#### www.drvcschools.org/schools

#### 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 9:30 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.

#### Friends of Steven McDonald Our Lady Of Fatima First Saturday Devotion

Steven made many friends – men, women, young adults, and children – as he shared his story and message of forgiveness. To live for the birth of his son, he knew he must forgive the young man who shot him leaving him paralyzed and unable to speak. As he lived each day with the consequences of this young man's actions, Steven forgave him daily. Why forgive? Asking God to bless his enemy freed him of bitterness so he could receive God's graces to live on a respirator for 30 ½ years far beyond the expectations of **doctors**.



In Loving Memory of Detective Steven McDonald March 1,1957-January 10,2017

DO YOU HAVE SOMEONE YOU NEED TO FORGIVE? Practice Forgiveness daily. Everyone is welcome to become a friend of Steven by joining us on the First Saturday of the Month praying for healing in families as Steven did for 17 years. Asking God to bless our enemies frees us from bitterness and resentment to receive God's healing graces. We meet at Steven's parish - SAINT AGNES CATHEDRAL at 7:00am to pray and mediate on the mysteries of the rosary before mass at 7:45 on January 4, February 1, March 1, April 5, May 3, June 7, July 5, August 2, September 6, October 4, November 1, December 6.

# Parish Outreach

The Outreach Pantry is low and in need of the following 18 oz. grape jelly, cereal, 16.3 oz.



peanut butter, thin spaghetti, tuna fish, canned chicken breast, canned soups, rice and pasta sauce.

You may call the office at 516-678-1854 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, Ør. Kathleen



St. Agnes Parish Center

Over 20 restaurants & microbreweries, wine tasting, and dessert & coffee station!!

Music By: Jerry & The Newcomers

\$65 in advance (by noon on 1/30/25), \$75 at the door





#### Pray for Vocations

We pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, especially from among the people of our parish and the children of our schools.



Discerning a Vocation to the Priesthood? Contact: vocations@drvc.org



Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Agnes Cathedral Conference We Help People!

This week we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, which marks the beginning of Jesus' ministry and confirms his identity as the Son of God.

Unfortunately, after all of the excitement of Christmas fades many of our local families are still feeling the burden of poverty and hunger. Please remember them in your prayers and if possible, make a donation to the St. Agnes St. Vincent De Paul Society so we can help these families get back on their feet. As a reminder, all "Poor Box" contributions go directly to help Rockville Centre neighbors in need.

Best wishes for health and happiness in the new year! If you would like to make a donation, or if you are considering joining the society please call the Rectory at 516 766 0205. Thank you!



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## Weekly Bible Study

Please join us for Bible study beginning on Wednesday's, at 9:45-11:00am in the Youth



Room of the Ministry Building studying Maccabees. We will continue to study minor prophets and then begin extensive study of Angels in the Bible. For those unable to join us in person please join us on Zoom.

Zoom ID: 79101167157 Zoom password: XSS6Ky For any questions please contact nuluvin@icloud.com



# FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

## KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

#### ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL COUNCIL

WHO: BOYS and GIRLS – AGES 9 thru 14 WHERE: MSGR. MELTON GYM, CLINTON AVENUE WHEN: 2:00PM-Monday, January 20, 2025

All participants must provide a copy of proof of age and written parental consent.

For additional information please contact John Madson 516-306-9127



#### The Newly Baptized



On January 4, 2025 we welcomed the following children into the St. Agnes Cathedral Parish Community:

Luca Gemino Gabriel Solano

Congratulations to the parents of the newly baptized.

#### Special Needs Mass

We will celebrate a Mass for special needs children, and their families on **Saturday, January 18th** at 5:00 p.m. in the Lower Hall of the Monsignor Melton Auditorium.

# **Religious Education**

Dear Families and Students,

The winter weather is upon us. Please note the Religious Education Department follows the RVC School Districts emergency school closing schedule.

Week 16 In-person learning for grades 2 thru 8 Tuesday, Jan 14th – in-person classes for grades 2-8 Wednesday, Jan 15th – in-person classes for grades 2-8 Thursday, Jan 16th – in-person classes for grades 2-8

Week 16 Online learning for grades 3 through 6 Grade 3 - Chapters 19 Grade 4 - Chapters 19 Grade 5 - Chapters 17 Grade 6 - Chapters 16

There is a Parent Session for Grades 1 & 2 on Tuesday, January 14th at 7:30pm in the Parish Center.

The Special needs Mass is Saturday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm in the Lower Hall.



Blessings, Anne Nelson

## PUSH PAY

There is a new way to give at St. Agnes Cathedral that is quick, easy, and secure! Parishioners can now give through our mobile compatible giving page which can be accessed by scanning this QR code. Through this method, donors can make a one time gift, set up a recurring gift, and log into their account to access their

giving history. Using this new giving solution will give you direct access to your giving history and help our finance team provide a more efficient service to the parish.



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.

# With Organ & Voice Music at St. Agnes Cathedral The Harvard University Glee Club and the Cathedral Choirs in Concert Monday, January 13, 7:30 PM



The Harvard Glee Club is America's oldest collegiate choir and has carried on the tradition of tenor-bass choral music since 1858. Guided by our four cardinal virtues of glee, good humor, unity, and joy, the Glee Club cultivates and sustains the art of tenor-bass choral music across centuries of tradition.

Suggested Donation of \$15 and \$10

#### BAPTISM OF THE LORD



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# of St. Agnes

### MONDAY JANUARY 20TH AT 7:30 PM

FIRST VESPERS OF ST. AGNES, PATRONESS OF THE CATHEDRAL AND DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE FEATURING THE CATHEDRAL CHOIRS. HOMILIST: FR. CHRISTOPHER HELLER, ASSOCIATE PASTOR OF ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL.

# TUESDAY JANUARY 21ST, SOLEMN MASS OF ST. AGNES 7:30 PM

SOLEMNITY OF ST. AGNES, FEATURING THE CATHEDRAL CHOIRS OF SAINT AGNES



#### Divorced or Separated Catholics of Long Island

A social organization for single persons including widows, widowers and singles. New Member Orientation Meeting Tuesday, January 21 at 7:00PM at Hibernian Hall 85 Grand Ave, Massapequa. Non-denominational. ALL ARE WELCOME. Bring proof of single status to join. Annual dues \$40. Refreshments following the meeting. For more information, please call also to verify there will be a meeting -Terry 516-650-5528 or Maryanne 516-205-2590

## St. Monica Parents Intercession Prayer Group

The St. Monica Parents Intercession Prayer Group meets on the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Holy Cross Chapel, located in the Parish Ministries building. Our next meeting will be on **January 16th**. For more information call Mary at (516) 375-0738.



#### **Diocese of Rockville Centre Eucharistic Pilgrimage**

During those days, Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to the town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. Luke 1: 39-40

Beginning on May 31, 2025, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, two nine-day Eucharistic Pilgrimages will embark across Long Island, both culminating at St. Anthony's High School on Sunday June 8, 2025, for the celebration of our local Diocesan Eucharistic Congress. The Western Route will journey from St. Agnes Cathedral (Rockville Centre) through Nassau County, while the Eastern Route will journey from the Parish of Saint Therese of Lisieux (Montauk) through Suffolk County.

The Holy Eucharist will be carried in procession across the Diocese through many of our towns, schools, hospitals, cemeteries, and parishes. During this pilgrimage, there will be opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration, the celebration of Mass, Eucharistic Catechesis, Praise and Worship, public processions, and other Eucharistic celebrations. The People of God will be invited to walk with Jesus, truly present in the Holy Eucharist, pray in the pilgrim churches, and proclaim the Gospel to bystanders as Jesus passes through their towns.

#### **Perpetual Pilgrims**

The Diocese of Rockville Centre is inviting a dedicated group of young adults, ages 18 to 29, to apply to be *Perpetual Pilgrims*. These Perpetual Pilgrims will make the entire nine-day journey with the Lord in the Eucharist across the Diocese from May 31st - June 7<sup>th</sup> 2025, along with priest chaplains and an official pilgrimage team.

These pilgrims will represent the many young people from across Long Island who are on fire with Eucharistic love and missionary fervor. Applicants should be in good physical condition, capable of walking long distances, and committed to Christ, the teachings of his Church, and ongoing intellectual and spiritual formation.

Applications for Perpetual Pilgrims are now open and will close on February 2, 2025. Please visit www.drvc.org/congress for more information or to apply.



# Focus on Religious Freedom

#### www.cffor.org

God Bless the USA's Annual Religious Freedom Day, Jan. 16, 2025 The Anniversary of the Jan. 16, 1787 Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom

**13 February, 1818: Letter from 2<sup>nd</sup> Pres. John Adams (Pres. from 1797-1801)** "But what do We mean by the American Revolution? Do We mean the American War?" "The Revolution was effected before the War commenced. The Revolution was in the Minds and Hearts of the People. A Change in their Religious Sentiments of their Duties and Obligations. While the King, and all in Authority under him, were believed to govern, in Justice and Mercy according to the Laws and Constitutions derived to them from the God of Nature, and transmitted to them by their Ancestors— they thought themselves bound to pray for the King and Queen and all the Royal Family...ordained of God for their good."

"But when they Saw those Powers renouncing all the Principles of Authority, and bent up on the destruction of all the Securities of their Lives, Liberties and Properties, they thought it their Duty to pray for the Continental Congress and all the thirteen State Congresses, &c."

Learn more here: <u>https://tinyurl.com/yjhkrdrp</u><u>https://tinyurl.com/p6zpummy</u>

As our founding fathers and mothers and military warriors lead the patriot colonists through a revolution requiring unimaginable sacrifice, carnage and uncertainty, their reliance on the mercy and assistance of God was ever present. We have the records of their pleas for divine assistance and thanks for what they saw as miraculous interventions in moments of crisis.

This critical freedom of each American to pray...to choose their faith and their method of worship became our nation's First Freedom, part of the compact among the individual states which formed the United States of America. The First Amendment to the Constitution explicitly protects these freedoms and is traceable to Thomas Jefferson's writings in his *Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom* passed on January 16, 1786. It protected Virginia citizens in their choice of religious beliefs and practice, assured that no taxes would be levied to benefit any religious sect, and that no man should suffer because of his religious beliefs.

The Virginia Statute was the basis for the First Amendment to the Constitution and was the basis for the Supreme Court's understanding of religious freedom. Thomas Jefferson considered it his most important contribution to our founding and the prevention of tyranny.



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#### A New Creation: The Mystery of Baptism

This week, as we contemplate Jesus' Baptism, dive into the mystery of the Sacrament of Baptism! Through our Reborn series, you will come to understand the deeper meaning behind your Baptism!



Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.

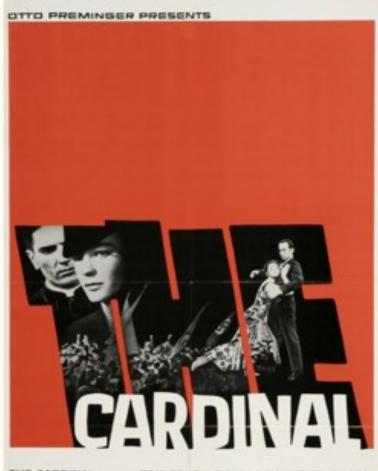
- 4. Find the parish by name (St. Agnes Cathedral) or Zip (11570)
- 5. Enter your email and you're in (There is no cost to use FORMED.)

#### ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL

# **MOVIE & TALK**

# by Fr. Brandon O'Brien

ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL | MSGR. KELLY PARISH CENTER



THE CARDINAL STANSONS TOM TRYON, ROMY SCHNEIDER, CAROL LYNLEY, JILL HAWORTH, RAF VALLONE, JOHN SAXON, JOSEF MEINRAD, BURGESS MEREDITH, OSSIE DAVIS, DOROTHY GISH, TULLIO CARMINATI, MAGGIE McNAMARA, BILL HAYES, CECIL KELLAWAY & JOHN HUSTON AS GLENNON AND Indep Viewelland for Advance deleter schedure, and product poster for the average and the average of the average

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2025 7 PM

First half of the movie, followed by talk and light refreshments

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2025 7 PM

Second half of the movie, followed by talk and light refreshments

#### ABOUT THE FILM

'The Cardinal' (1963) depicts the meteoric rise of an American priest through the hierarchy of the Church. It takes place in the period between the two World Wars. The film touches on themes including Vatican politics, the Catholic Church in the twentieth century, and moral responsibility in the face of evil.

Father O'Brien will discuss the theological, moral, sacramental, historical, political, canonical, ecclesiastical, and (even) humorous themes.











#### BAUTISMO

# LA CATEDRAL DE SANTA INÉS

COMUNIDAD

HISPANA

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)

Hoy la liturgia nos muestra la escena que da inicio a la misión pública de Jesús: su Bautismo en el Jordán, donde recibe la confirmación oficial de su mesianismo. Del Niño recién nacido pasamos al Profeta y Maestro que nos ha enviado Dios y que va a comenzar su misión.

El bautismo de Jesús es, en realidad, una nueva epifanía, es decir, una manifestación de Dios que se revela por medio de su Hijo, como lo hizo en Belén a los pastores y a los sabios venidos de Oriente. Todas las lecturas de hoy están escogidas para ayudarnos a comprender el significado de este acontecimiento y descubrir, más allá de las apariencias, que Jesús es el Hijo amado de Dios, ungido por la fuerza de su Espíritu para una misión de salvación.

#### LOS SACRAMENTOS PENITENCIA/CONFESIÓN

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

El tercer Sábado de cada mes a las 6:30 p.m. Hay que comunicarse con la oficina de la rectoría para la entrevista. Se puede llenar el formulario por la web de la parroquia. Los padrinos deben ser católicos, bautizados que han hecho su primera comunión y la confirmación. Si son parejas, tienen que haberse casado 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 LOS 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. Favor llamar a la oficina de la rectoría para informacion.

#### ACTIVIDADES

Este código funcionara en todas las Iglesias de la Diócesis de Rockville Centre.

#### Let Us Pray for Our Military

Lance Corporal Ryan Thomas Albergo, USMC Spc. Liam Atwell, U.S. Army Capt. Robert L. Betts, U.S. Navy CDR Maura C. Garrity-Betts, U.S. Navy Lance Corporal Ryan Brower, USMC Lt. Gabby Busching, U.S. Coast Guard Lt. Joseph Busching, U.S. Coast Guard Sgt. Lucas Camacho, USMC 1st Lt. Paul D. Cammarota, USMC Lt. Scott Kiley Childers, U.S. Navy LCDR Richard Childers, M.D. U.S. Navy Julia Coughlin, U.S. Navy Lt. Greg Crescenzo, U.S. Navy Airman Michael Cummo, U.S. Navy Maj. Richard Davin, Jr., Air National Guard Lt. Christopher DelBello, U.S. Navy Chief Petty Officer Robert W. DeMattia, U.S. Navy Lance Corporal Trevor Donohue, USMC Lt. J.G. Jack Doyle, U.S. Navy Lt. J.G. Kevin Doyle, U.S. Navy Michael Espada, 2nd Class Petty Officer, MR2 Daniel Fels, U.S. Army, Military Police Lt. Brendan J. Fisk, U.S. Navy Lt. Daniel R. Fisk, U.S. Navy 2nd Lt. Charles Flanagan, U. S. Army A.M.T 3, Kyle Forster, U.S. Coast Guard Capt. Steven Hampson, U.S. Army Capt. Cody Hardenburgh USMC Pvt. Daniel Healey, U.S. Army 2nd Class Petty Officer, Robert Hock, U.S. Navy 1st Lt. Tynika Holland, U.S. Army Maj. Philip F. Johndrow, U.S. Army Sgt. John McCann, US Army Lt. Kieran McCarthy, U.S. Navy Lance Corporal Jason Maccaron, USMC Cpl. James Thomas Maroney, USMC Lt. Andrew Maza, USAF Sgt. Joseph Meyer, U.S. Army Col. Christopher V. Meyers, USMC Lt. Col. Gregory John Mueller, USMC (Reserve) Stephan O'Connor, E-5, U.S. Navy Matthew Pacheco, U.S. Army Ensign John A. Petr, US Navy Pvt. Ray P. Rodriguez, U.S. Army Spc. James Rodziewicz, U.S. Army Lance Corporal Eric Roehrig, USMC Spc. Jeanine M. Rosa, U.S. Army Thomas Sullivan, U. S. Army Alec Swoger, MMN3 Nuclear Operator, U.S. Navy Robert C. Tempesta, Master at Arms 1st Class U.S. Navy PFC Derick Thomas, USMC

PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS 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, Our Lord and Savior. Amen

Kindly call the Rectory Office at 766-0205 if you know of anyone that is on this list and has returned home.

#### BANNS OF MARRIAGE



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Kerrin Rose Barry	
Gerard John Mahoney, III	

St. Agnes Cathedral St. Agnes Cathedral

For anyone who believes they have a Sexual Abuse Claim against an Additional Debtor (parish) arising prior to December 3, 2024, the claim form to submit and related information can be found at <u>https://dm.epiq11.com/</u> <u>case/drvc/info</u> under the "Proof of Claim Form" heading. The deadline for filing claims is January 13, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. prevailing Eastern time.



#### The Office for Protection of Children and Young People

The Diocese of Rockville Centre is committed to assist those who have been victims of abuse by Clergy, Religious, Lay Employees and Volunteers. To report an incident of abuse, regardless of when it occurred, please call the Hotline Number 516-594-9063. Your call will be returned by a licensed mental health counselor. If you suspect someone is in immediate danger, call 911. All calls remain confidential.





